Other student presidents speak only well of him

By BRAD PRENDERGAST
Editor-in-Chief

At the heart of Morrissey senior Jeremy Lingenfelter’s petition to recall student body president Matt Griffin from office is the belief that because of Griffin's alleged misconduct, he is an "embarrassing" representative of the student's interests. But student leaders at other universities say just the opposite about Griffin.

While Notre Dame administrators have remained neutral in discussing Griffin's effectiveness, Duke student body president Lino Marrero and Boston College vice president Kristin Pugh say Griffin has been a responsible leader in working with them this semester.

Marrero, who has collaborated with Griffin for the past six weeks on a nationwide student government leadership conference, said that Griffin has been diligent in pushing forward the ideas of the conference. "Our working relationship has been very positive. He's been easy to work with," Marrero said. "I've had no problems with him and no doubts about him."

The idea of the student government conference developed in October when Marrero, whose sister Catherine is a sophomore in Pasquerilla West Hall, visited her at Notre Dame. Marrero and Griffin met and discussed several problems that both had encountered in their respective roles in student government. According to Marrero, Griffin suggested that the student government officials of the top 25 schools, based on the rankings of U.S. News & World Report, meet for a weekend in February at Notre Dame to discuss the problems common to student governments nationwide.

University officials, concerned that Notre Dame's student government couldn't organize such a conference in such a short time, denied Griffin's request that Notre Dame student government formally sponsor the event. This was conveyed to him in a letter written Dec. 3 by Sister Jean Lenz, assistant vice president for Student Affairs.

But Duke student government plans to continue forth with the conference, according to Marrero. "Matt opened up an opportunity that we could get involved in," Marrero said. "To help create a conference to discuss these issues is a certain sign of effective leadership.

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BASILICA BELLS TURN 145 THIS YEAR

WE HOPE THAT [THE CARILLON’S] SOUND WILL NOT ONLY CALM AND GLadden HUMAN HEARTS, BUT THAT IT WILL also CALL THOSE WHO HEAR IT TO FAITH AND THE CHRISTIAN TRUTH.

Pope John Paul II in a January 1992 Letter

By SARAH J. HILTZ
Assistant News Editor

At the request of John Michael D'Arcy, bishop of Fort Wayne-South Bend, Pope John Paul II officially gave what was then Sacred Heart church the status of Minor Basilica on Jan. 17, 1992.

The letter bearing this news, written by the pope and signed by the Secretary of State of the Vatican, included a reference to the building's carillon of bells, the oldest in North America.

"We know that the pleasant harmony of America's oldest carillon repeatedly resounds from Sacred Heart. We hope that its sound will not only calm and gladden human hearts, but that it will still call those who hear it to faith and Christian truth and that it will stir their spirits," reads the translation from Latin.

The carillon, a collection of 23 bells, was originally installed in 1852 in a wooden tower which the Sacred Heart have stood in front of the "Old Church." The carillon is now kept in the bell tower of the Basilica, where it chimes every 15 minutes, sounds the hour, rings for the Angelus at noon every day and plays music.

Also kept in the tower is a seven-ton great bell named St. Anthony of Padua. Originally, thick ropes supported and were responsible for swinging the enormous clapper. Although the ropes still hang from old wooden rails, the bell is now rung electronically. It rings only a few times a year for special feasts and occasions.

A narrow, dark staircase leads from the vestibule to several successive landings and cramped spaces that were once traversed regularly for the operations of the bells. A small room on one of these landings contains a keyboard that controls the carillon. Although this keyboard is still operational, a newer one is conveniently located in the sacristy.

Stairs provide access all the way to the top of the tower, but the narrowness and age of the staircases inhibits the nervous visitor from exploring those highest points.
Enough of this already

University of Nebraska scientists to build particle accelerator

LINCOLN, Neb.

Congress and two U.S. agencies signed a $331-million promise Monday to help build and operate the world's largest piece of scientific equipment in the world by 2005, and a team of University of Nebraska-Lincoln faculty members and students will take part.

Under Monday's agreement, the United States will invest in a new particle accelerator called the Large Hadron Collider now under construction near Geneva, Switzerland.

The $8 billion accelerator will be seven times more powerful than the strongest accelerator now in use and will measure 16 miles in circumference. It will create collisions between streams of protons at higher energies than achieved before.

The collider is "the next step in the energy frontier," said Nebraska team leader Greg Snow, a U.N.L. associate professor of high-energy physics. "This is a happy day for us."

The Nebraska team will contribute about $500,000 to create a device that measures the luminosity -- the exact number of particle collisions occurring inside the accelerator, where collisions occur at nearly the speed of light. Snow said.

The measurement of about 1 billion collisions per second will form the basis for evaluating all other data scientists hope to collect from the collisions, including the existence of the Higgs boson particle.

The particle is the last missing piece in the standard model of particle physics and is responsible for the fact that particles have mass, Snow said. In other words, the elusive particle could be the reason scientists understand the foundation of material existence, he said.

Snow and another Nebraska team member, physics assistant professor Dan Clam, helped discover the next-to-last missing piece of the atomic nucleus, called Quark, in March 1993. The particle is the subject of the experiments conducted at what is now the nation's best particle accelerator, the Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory near Chicago.

To build the new accelerator, the Nebraska team members will join about 1,500 other physicists from around the globe in working on one of two particle detectors in the new accelerator called the Compact Muon Solenoid. When complete, the detectors will each measure five stories long. Construction costs will be about $400 million.

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SMC archives open the doors of history

By MELANIE CARMAN  
Saint Mary's Assistant News Editor

As the time for final papers approaches, anyone who is looking for information on a past event that has taken place on the Saint Mary's College campus, or who is doing research dealing with a previous college leader might try the archive department in the basement of the Cushwa-Leighton library.

The archives, which house memorabilia dating back to the mid-1800s, contain information on many aspects of the college. Including past presidents, yearbooks, campus events, photos and copies of old handbooks.

And these are only a few of the sources of information on the college's history which can be found in the department.

In the early days of the college, each student was required to keep a diary of her daily activities and expenses, which were recorded in large ledgers which contained narratives written from distinct perspectives. Excerpts from past student diaries dating as far back as 1847 have been found and restored.

Archivist John Kovach, who has been heading the department for close to a year and a half, has many responsibilities within the department. Before coming to Saint Mary's, he spent the majority of his career as director of the Northern Indiana Center for History, which he credits for giving him the tools to become successful at Saint Mary's.

"There is a lot of difference between running a museum and operating the archive department. However, I thoroughly enjoy the students' interest in what we have to offer, and I am very excited to have a hand in the exhibits in the library," said Kovach. "The most interesting project I have worked on at Saint Mary's was the inaugural exhibit."

In addition to Kovach, three students are employed to work daily in the department. They are currently working on the project of collecting articles from past South Bend community theater productions that took place on the campus of Saint Mary's.

"I enjoy going through the old playbills and notes on the plays to see how much South Bend has changed and grown," said sophomore Brooke Brumbaugh.

The students' jobs demand them to rewrite by hand a brief description of each play or circus they come across.

"Writing down all of the plays, which date from 1892-1930, is very exciting to be a part of," added sophomore Bea Bandarenko.

One of Kovach's major concerns is that students do not realize all that the department has to offer.

"Last year we had about 260 requests for archives, which we use as a gauge for the amount of advertising we need to do," said Kovach. "As of this past May we have had 77 inquiries for information."

The archive department is open to the public year round and will try to service any request it receives.

"The most interesting request I had was from a family member of a graduate who was turning 100 years old, wanting some remembrances from her days at Saint Mary's," said Kovach. "We found some of the ledgers which contained her personal information on her daily activities and expenses which we offered to the family."

Kovach has many ideas for promoting the department, including a traveling exhibit on Sister Madeleva and a series of historical postcards and collector plates that could be sold in the bookstore.

"With the strong alumni base we have here at the college, those would be the primary people interested in the collector sets," said Kovach.

Even with a 40-hour work week and three student assistants, Kovach feels that he still needs more time to work on all that needs to be accomplished to keep the department up to date.

"I still have boxes to go through filled with Saint Mary's memorabilia, information on early commencements, and photos of past events," he said.

Ramón Gutiérrez, professor of history and ethnic studies at the University of California, San Diego, will speak on "Space, Time and the Chicano Experience" today at 7:30 p.m. in the Hesburgh Library Lounge.

Gutiérrez will focus on the writing of Chicano history over the past 40 years to show how the grand narrative — a heroic male immigrant struggling to assimilate to the United States — has been shattered by narratives written from distinct gender and sexual subject positions.

His visit to Notre Dame is sponsored by the local and national chapters of Phi Beta Kappa and the history department.

La Alianza will also host a reception for the speaker today from 2:30 to 4 p.m. in the Hesburgh Library Lounge.

Gutiérrez will be available to meet with students tomorrow morning. Those interested may contact professor Mary Ann Mahoney at 631-5977.

His book, "When Jesus Came the Cora Mothers Went Away: Marriage, Sexuality and Power in New Mexico, 1850-1945" has won numerous awards, including the Bolton Prize for Best Book on Latin American History, the Sharlin Prize for Best Book in Social Science History and the John Hope Franklin Prize for the Best Book in American Studies.
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Please Come!
Gore aims for HIV Medicaid coverage

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Vice President Al Gore said Tuesday he is dedicated to ensuring that people with HIV will receive the Medicaid coverage they need. "This administration has turned over every stone, and we have found, Davis said at the hearing, that bodies making so many cases have doubled over the past 20 years. There is a professional rift there is a professional rift, that the trend toward large-scale livestock raising and mass production from imported and domestic microbes is developing resistance to antibiotics and to the Colorado Rocky Mountain Laboratory. The efficient, worldwide food system leads to bacteria.
AN OPEN LETTER TO THE UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME COMMUNITY FROM THE DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING CELEBRATION PLANNING COMMITTEE

We, the Committee responsible for the planning of the celebration surrounding the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday, feel compelled to take this opportunity to publicly express our concerns with regard to this important and significant event. This open letter and the events which we are charged to plan are intended to awaken in our community the message of Dr. King and to encourage earnest and serious reflection on who we are as individuals and as a community in light of that message.

As a result of some of the unfortunate events which have taken place on this campus with regard to race relations and cultural sensitivity, we are frustrated. We are discouraged by the darkness that so often pervades the life of this community, especially for those among us who are of color. But we are not without hope. Our hope is rooted in the very hope of Dr. King, which was rooted in the light that dispels all darkness, that of Jesus Christ.

Even with that hope, however, we are not confident that the typical program of celebration is what this campus needs. As a committee, we do not feel as though our charge is to celebrate the life of a dead man. It is to engage and challenge a community to reflect upon the life of a man whose spirit is alive, and whose ideals will never die. We are not content to celebrate our accomplishments as a community when so much is left to be achieved; we are not content to rest on our laurels when our laurels are, at times, no more than a lifeless branch.

Nor will we surrender. For those of you who share our frustration, join with us in our hope. For those of you, regardless of skin color, who have no idea what we’re talking about, join with us to learn more. For those of you committed to socio-economic justice, join with us in our work. For those of you who want to take up the challenge of justice and equality, of liberation and freedom, of solidarity and love, join with us. This is too important a moment for this community not to.

We as a committee, and please God, as a community, feel that it is time to step back, to consider who we are, and to pray. It is only with serious soul searching and with earnest desire that any of our efforts to move our community and our world will succeed. We believe that 1998 must be the year for prayer. It is the year during which each of us, in our own way, must take up the charge to live the challenge of Dr. King and of the Gospel. In the words of Dr. King, "We are all tied together in the single garment of destiny, caught in an inescapable network of mutuality. And whatever affects one directly affects all indirectly...this is the way God’s universe is made; this is the way it is structured."

(The last Sunday morning sermon of Dr. King delivered on Passion Sunday at the National Cathedral in Washington, D.C. on March 31, 1968.)

Therefore, we invite all to join with us in prayer on January 19, 1998, on the National Holiday in Commemoration of the Birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. This prayer will take place at 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel of the Holy Cross located between Keenan and Stanford Halls.

It will not be the beginning nor the end of our celebration, but it will be the heart of it. Many have already honored and celebrated the memory of Dr. King by their contributions to this community. It is our hope that in 1998 many more will be encouraged and empowered to join in the quest for peace and freedom. As a committee, it is not our task alone. Please, join with us in our prayer, and in our hope, and in our work, that we might together see the Promised Land.

Sincerely,
The Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Committee

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Pugh, who visited Griffin during the weekend of the Notre Dame-Boston College football game on Oct. 25, said she "had nothing but good things to say" about Griffin. "He was easy to work with, responsible, and he's always returned our calls," Pugh said.

During Pugh's stay in South Bend, she and Boston College student body president Dean Bell stayed with Griffin in his off-campus apartment. She said she, Bell and Griffin were among a group of people who went out for drinks while she was there, and that Griffin was "responsible" with his drinking.

"We've had nothing but a positive experience when dealing with Notre Dame student government," Pugh said.

Notre Dame officials have declined to comment on Griffin's effectiveness in representing the student body to the University administration. Patricia O'Hara, vice president for student Affairs, said yesterday that she has had a long-standing policy of not evaluating the student body president publicly while that president was in office.

I have never thought it appropriate for me to comment in any year about the strengths or weaknesses of elected leaders during the middle of their term," O'Hara said.

Joe Cassidy, director of Student Activities and advisor to student government, also declined to give a final verdict on Griffin's ability to represent the students.

"I don't know if that's for anyone in the administration to say," Cassidy said. "During the election process [for student body president], the administration is very hands-off. It's up to the students to say, 'Here's who we want in office.'"

Cassidy did, however, offer his analysis of specific aspects of Griffin's term. Cassidy said that Griffin has had several "pretty good ideas" — including the creation of the Campus Hook-Up, student government's weekly publication that begins this semester, and the student government leader- ship conference — but that he sometimes "hits a snag when it comes to implementation."

"It's tough to say if he knows how much time and money it takes to pull something off," said Cassidy. But I don't know if that's a plus or minus. He certainly works hard and puts in a lot of hours. Cassidy referred specifically to Griffin's failed efforts to receive permission to sponsor the leadership conference.

"The denial of the request for permission was not on the concept," Cassidy said. "I actually, the response from the administration has been positive about the concept, but the concern was in the time-line. It was going to take more than a few months for the conference to take off.

One item in Lingefeltser's petition criticized Griffin for his and vice president Erek Naas' absence at the first half of the student government's three-day retreat in August. Cassidy said Griffin and Naas were excused from the morning of the second day because they had to attend a transfer student orientation. Missing the first day was not excused, however, Cassidy said.

"I had a discussion with Matt and Erek that I was disappointed that they missed the first day," Cassidy said. In a letter to the editor in yesterday's Observer, Lingefeltser said Griffin's alleged "failure to properly manage our student funds is our greatest concern about his presidency."

But Cassidy said Monday that Griffin's mistakes in handling funds on two occasions cited by Lingefeltser were simply a result of inexperience. When Griffin sought to purchase a new computer for student government during the summer by signing his own name in place of the student treasurer's, he "just didn't know the correct process," Cassidy said.

"I don't think he was trying to pull something over. I think he was just naive," said Cassidy, who noted that Griffin, in his position last year as junior class president, had the authority to sign for such purchases as food and drink orders.

"He wouldn't have encountered the policies for computer purchases in any other student government position he held previously," Cassidy also said Griffin's placement of $5,000 in Student Activities fees from Saint Mary's in the incorrect account was an innocent mistake.

"Matt just didn't realize and wasn't aware what [the check] was for," Cassidy said. "I take him at his word on that."

The third and final charge of financial mismanagement against Griffin — misrepresenting to the Financial Management Board the need for $15,000 to publish the "Campus Hook-Up" — has been termed "a big lie" by student body treasurer Nerea Arrien.

"(Griffin) actually asked for less money at the allocation meeting," Arrien said last week. "We decided to give him more money so he could expand the publication from four to eight pages."

Cassidy explained that the Student Senate would not actually conduct the election. That duty would be delegated to the Judicial Council.

"This petition is definitely not going to be submitted until after Christmas," said Patrick Boyle, senator from Dillon Hall.

"If we don't think that it is right, we have the time and the means to convince people of that. You can go back and tell your constituents about it," Krouth Hall senator A.J. Boyd noted that last year's reform committee did not change the process for recall or referendum in the constitution in any way.

"We didn't touch them because we all knew that no one would use them," he said.

"And it is important to note that the petition only calls for a recall. No one is being impeached or has called for impeachment here."

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Clinton addresses Washington church, urges harmony

By SONYA ROSS
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON President Clinton told District of Columbia residents Sunday he's dedicated to making the nation's beleaguered capital "a shining city on the hill for all America."

"I don't believe our national government has always been the best neighbor to the city of Washington," Clinton admitted, but he added: "We are committed to becoming a better neighbor."

Mayor Marion Barry said he appreciated Clinton's comments.

"I think it was good he came to show Clinton himself crossing the invisible barriers that make religious worship one of America's most segregated practices.

The visit came as Clinton's yearlong campaign for racial reconciliation shifted into a higher gear after last week's town hall meeting in Akron, Ohio. That gathering was followed by several others convened by Clinton aides - one of which has drawn criticism for having a black-only audience.

Black Transportation Secretary Rodney Slater presided over the closed, invitation-only event last week at a Dallas museum, which organized by Dallas Municipal Court Judge Voncell Hill, a friend of Slater's.

Sylvia Mathews, deputy chief of staff overseeing the race effort, said the Dallas meeting was an "isolated incident" that would not be repeated. Slater's spokesman Bill Schulz said the reaction was an encouraging sign that people of all races are eager to talk.

"Clearly this was a missed opportunity," Schulz said.

Hill told the Dallas Morning News that having an all-black audience did not hurt the discussion. "I don't believe the president has indicated that we have heaped our problems at the feet of blacks among their government leaders."

"Washington has gotten a lot of lectures from people in national politics about being more responsible," Clinton said. "But in the essence of that, the idea that responsibility requires freedom."

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Deal ends national strike

By DAN FA LINZER

TEL AVIV

Hard-pressed union and government negotiators struck a deal Sunday to end a nationwide bus drivers' strike that had shut down much of Israel for five days.

The walkout by more than 600,000 workers had stranded thousands of travelers at the national airport and closed banks, post offices, kindergartens and the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange.

Hastadrut union leader Amir Perez announced Sunday that a meeting with Finance Minister Yaakov Neeman produced a compromise on pensions, sending striking drivers back to work late Sunday.

The massive protest had been aimed in part at the Finance Ministry proposal to roll back a pension agreement signed by the previous Labor government.

Army Radio said talks on ways to honor the agreement would begin immediately. The government has already agreed to cancel plans to retroactively tighten the conditions of retirement savings plans, the radio said.

"If the citizens of Israel have understood the need for this strike despite the hardship it brought about," Perez said.

Neeman maintained that "most of the things agreed upon now could have been worked out days ago without the need for such a crippling strike."

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said he was pleased that the work stoppage was over, Israeli TV reported.

Earlier Sunday, hundreds of striking drivers blocked major intersections. About a third of the city's bus drivers joined in, while oil refinery workers said they would stop supplying crude oil to the electric company.

Israel Radio said more than 60,000 people in Jerusalem and Tel Aviv were without phone service because repair workers were striking.

Workers burned tires and demanded Neeman's resignation outside the Jerusalem Labor Court, which had been asked to decide whether strikers were in contempt of court for ignoring a back-to-work order issued last week.

In Haifa, dozens of fast and bus drivers drove slowly down main streets, purposely snarling traffic. Gasoline stations said they would soon start running out of fuel. In Tel Aviv, garbage piled up on the streets.

Many AMTs throughout the country ran out of funds, leaving Israelis short of cash.

Shuki Abramovich, head of the Manufacturers Association of Israel, estimated total damage to the economy at $57 million.

Ben-Gurion International Airport was a scene of mayhem Sunday as thousands of tourists who had been stranded by the strike fought for seats on flights out of the country.
**EDITORIAL**

Griffin should stay

While the administration of student body president Matt Griffin has been less than perfect, enough concerns about the petition of recall suggest that Griffin should not be removed from office.

Tallying the results of the accountability principle by Jeremy Lingenfelter is suspect. First, two independent observers, Student Activities director Joe Cassidy and student body treasurer Matt Griffin have said that Griffin did not rubber-stamp a resolution passed by the Student Senate; if Griffin as a separate entity has to agree with what the Senate decides - an obvious overlap between the executive and legislative branches of student government - the problem of the constitution is written. Not with Griffin. Third, Lingenfelter's claim that the Student Union's name is less than perfect, enough concerns about the petition of recall suggest that Griffin should not be removed from office.

The remaining allegations consist of actions unbecoming to his position and actions unbecoming to the organization stated than those the Student Senate and its ethics committee should handle the allegations, and the ethics committee has already investigated the charges in the petition, ruled Griffin's actions "inappropriate," and Griffin's actions were "inappropriate," and verbally warned him. That was two months ago, committee chairman A.J. Boyd has said, noting that Griffin has done nothing since then to merit investigation.

Lingenfelter's petition for recall essentially is a quest to have the degree of Griffin's guilt be determined by a vote of 7,800. Such a scenario, however, seemingly democratic, is also extremely dangerous; indeed, 1,207 votes have been cast since last academic year.

Opening the petition to a campus-wide vote is tantamount to holding a national referendum on the O.J. Simpson case. There's a reason that our legal system respects juries at a trial out of the thousands; the logistics of sifting through all the evidence to arrive at an informed conclusion would be impossible. Similarly, the Student Senate and its ethics committee should handle the debate, not the entire campus.

As we've seen, the ethics committee has made its ruling and determined the punishment for Mr. Griffin.

The allegations against Griffin boil down to one simple question: Is Griffin representing the student body effectively? Other schools' student governments have said yes. Leaders at Boston College and Duke have said they "have nothing but good things to say" about Griffin's abilities.

Not Notre Dame's administration, however, has been less clear. Both Patricia O'Hara, vice president for Student Affairs, and Cassidy have declined to comment. Griffin representing the student body effectively? Other schools' student governments have said yes.

Obviously overlap between the executive and legislative branches of student government - the problem of the constitution is written. Not with Griffin. Third, Lingenfelter's claim that the Student Union's name is less than perfect, enough concerns about the petition of recall suggest that Griffin should not be removed from office.

**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

Diversity and Spirituality Ignored

On Dec. 7, Voices of Faith, the Notre Dame gospel choir, performed "The Storm is Passing Over Now" concert to a sparse audience at Washington Hall. This beautiful celebration of God through music and dance was not designated by the place of vacant seats, however; the intense lack of support is embarrassing. The under-attendance of this concert evokes numerous criticisms, including inadequate provision for the arts at Notre Dame (Voices of Faith ranks all its own funding) as well as an absence of faculty and administrative support for student activities. However, the most glaring offense is the lack of majority support for a minority event. The meager audience for this concert represents an insular group of students. Simple ratios show the empty seats as white. This lack of support clashes with the lip service the Notre Dame community pays to multiculturalism; we complain about this sea of whiteness.

Why does The Observer continue to grant so much of its front page space to the Student Senate and to the Student Union? This issue is a question that has been posed ever since I entered the Student Senate over four years ago. The Student Senate is nothing more than another campus organization representing an insular group of students. The results of its weekly meetings should not be held in any higher esteem than the weekly meetings of any other group of students. In actuality, the Student Senate has had no impact on the lives of students on this campus over the four years that I have attended Notre Dame.

Naturally, the recent action by the ethics committee to "investigate" the presidency of Matt Griffin leads me to write today. This "investigation" is a farce, a sham, perpetrated by an elitist clique with no leg to stand on. I have seen allegations of incompetence and laziness directed toward Matt Griffin and, by association, Erik Nass and Mary Gillard. Regardless of if these allegations are consistent with the truth, and I firmly believe they are not, the Student Senate has no room to talk. How much time has this organization wasted complicating our homogeneity. However, we grossly neglect the few minorities at Notre Dame, disregarding their contributions.

"Praying God" may be the greatest irony and sadness of this issue. As a religious institution we are united by faith, following God's call to responsibility, morality, and awareness through higher education. What could have been an example of spiritual unity became an absence, not of obligation, but of desire. Faculty, administrators, and former, students, misled a display of spiritual charisms unique to the black community, a wonderful energy from which white Catholic celebration could learn a great deal. This letter is both a criticism and an expression of hope for our hypocrisy towards diversity and sadness as a spiritual invitation from our black community was so completely ignored.

Megan Greene
Senior, Lyons Hall
December 8, 1997

**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

Judge Not, Let Ye Be Judged

in the name of representing students? Do you recall the month-long fight over whether Mr. Hashbarger could hold two positions as a financial manager in the Student Union? (I don't blame you if you don't remember because you probably pay as little attention to the Student Senate as I do.) Or how about when the Senate spent three weeks talking about how great Saint Mary's College was following the letter from Ms. Sparrow, and Fouad Whos has the Student Senate ever had an impact on any student's life but the lives of their own members? I guess today we have an answer to that last question. The recent efforts of the ethics committee to "investigate" Mr. Griffin have showed his name and, by association, the entire student government. In doing so, the committee members have satisfied their own political fantasies and once again wasted time. Instead of pointing a finger at someone else, why don't you in the senate take a look at yourselves?

Matthew Barrette
Senior, Off-campus
December 7, 1997

**QUOTE OF THE DAY**

"Work consists of whatever a body is obliged to do...Play consists of whatever a body is not obliged to do."

Mark Twain
The University’s use of athletics for profit, as described by Isaac Ruiz, is often ignored. Ruiz accurately described the high-profile athletes that attend Notre Dame. His point has even more significance if one takes a closer look at the social and economic outcomes into which these students suddenly find themselves.

In the spring of 1993, the student body asked me to be part of the year 2000 study on gender equity. Though I didn’t understand the choice, considering my academic performance, I agreed to join the student-athlete and Athletic Department personnel and a survey given to the position and tried my best to put together a valid report. The report was based on interviews of athletes and Athletic Department personnel and a survey given to students and faculty.

There was a clear line drawn in the description of Notre Dame honored in regard to their ability to generate profit. Two sports, football and men’s basketball, are the only two that fall into this category. While tickets are sold for other events, in 1993 no other sports athletes regardless of the sex of the athlete. If one could advertise, however, seemed equal among the Olympic sports. The most dumfounding issue was that of the high-profile athletes and the entire student body does not match. Those athletes who felt like they represented a group every time they spoke or did something thought that this was not easy to rationalize that athletic advertising is based on revenue, the point to further discuss the issue was moot until a party of drunken Notre Dame students and were the only ones taken by the local police, even though they showed no evidence of inebriation.

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The coaches of those sports mentioned in all non-gender specific sports but was most noticeable in the one woman’s sport with the revenue generating, and basketball. One could argue about the weight Notre Dame could levee on the external pressures and the responsibilities, the articles in The Observer fail in the hands of the writers, Notre Dame students.

I was also a discrepancy felt by students, student-athletes and coaches that the advertising of women’s sports is not driven by the same motivations as the men’s. While university advertising seemed fairly equivalent, the revenue generating, men’s basketball and football, clearly got more University-generated and third party funding. The advertising, however, seemed equal among the Olympic sports, the responsibility for the articles in The Observer was not given. The coaches of those sports men­tioned in the classroom, on campus, and at public events. The coaches of those sports mention that they warned incoming athletes that such inspection was probable and to defend themselves against it.

This feeling was not far from the same feelings many feel who did not go to the University that makes boring, upper-middle class, white and Catholic. The demographic of the high-profile athletes and the entire student body does not match. Those athletes who felt like they represented a group every time they spoke or did something felt discriminated against, and were. One cannot rationalize that athletic advertising is based on revenue, the point to further discuss the issue was moot until a party of drunken Notre Dame students and were the only ones taken by the local police, even though they showed no evidence of inebriation.

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"It sure has. You know in my day, Margaret, we never acted as stupid as people today act. In fact, compared to people of today, I am practically a genius." "A genius, huh, Father?" "Yep."

"Then how would you explain that little bladder with the tacks when you first arrived? Do priests have trouble controlling to two?"

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Temple dominates, picks up first win in new arena

Three consecutive steals led by fast-break baskets, Temple had an 8-3 lead within the first two minutes and the deficit level was given a good test from the sellout crowd of 10,095. A 30-7 run had the lead to 45-18 with 1:43 left in the first half and McGonigle Hall, the 3,900-seat former home of the Owls that still stands next door to the sale crowd of 10,205.

The Owls, who had 13 steals at halftime, turned those 14 turnovers into 25 points. Brokenborough and Stewart each had 10 points at halftime, many on ahead-of-the-field layups and dunks off steals by the zone.

The Owls' biggest lead of the first half was 68-35 with 2:29 to play. The Bulldogs closed the game with an 18-3 run as the noise level evened off in a raged second half.

In a ceremony before the game, the center circle was renamed in honor current Temple coach John Chaney and longtime Owls coach and Basketball Hall of Famer Harry Litwack.

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Nebraska’s Osborne may retire after Huskers’ bowl appearance

Associated Press

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Bulls rally behind Jordan, defeat NY

Michael Jordan became the third-leading scorer in NBA history Tuesday night, scoring 29 points to lead the Chicago Bulls to a 100-82 victory over the slumping New York Knicks.

Toni Kukoc added 20 points, going 4-for-4 from 3-point range and 6-for-6 overall, in helping the Bulls to their first four-game winning streak this season.

Patrick Ewing scored 22 points for the Knicks, who shot 36 percent in losing for the fifth time in seven games. New York has lost five straight on the road.

Jordan, the NBA's nine-time scoring leader, has 27,432 points in 867 games over 13 seasons. He moved past Moses Malone, who scored 27,409 points in 1,045 games during his 19-year career.

Jordan's 31.6-point average is the league's best ever. Only Wilt Chamberlain (31,419) and Kareem Abdul-Jabbar (38,387) had more points than Jordan, who said he'll probably retire at season's end because coach Phil Jackson is being squeezed out by management.

As New York's Charlie Ward made a 3-pointer, Jordan and Childs battled for rebounding position. Jordan elbowed Childs in the head. Childs threw the basketball at Jordan and the two exchanged chest bumps and words.

Each was assessed a technical foul and Childs had to leave because it was his second of the night.

Jordan missed his first three shots but then made four straight to move two points, ahead of Malone. He had three consecutive baskets as the Bulls finished the first quarter with a 12-3 run to take a 26-18 lead, and the Knicks never pulled closer than eight the rest of the way.

New York had a chance to get within six with eight minutes left, but John Starks missed a 3-pointer and the Bulls used a 7-2 spurt, capped by Jordan's five points, to go up 82-68.

NBA
Associated Press

Michael Jordan became the third-leading scorer in NBA history when he dropped 29 on the Knicks, leading the Bulls to victory, 100-82.
Men swim to victory at Notre Dame Invitational

By MATT YUNG
Sports Writer

Last Thursday through Friday at the Notre Dame Invitational, the Irish men's swimming and diving team added another merit to its already accomplished season. The men decisively won the four-team meet, scoring 889 points to finish ahead of Syracuse (779), Ohio University (617), and University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee (109).

The first day of action started with a bang. Syracuse set two new pool records (Dan Karlson, 200 individual medley in 1:51.44; and the 400 medley relay in 3:23.66), but was unable to stop Notre Dame's talented attack. Notre Dame's 200 freestyle relay raced off and brought back the first place finish in 1:24.56.

Sophomore diver Herb Huesman hit his cue, chipping in a valuable win in the one-meter dive. The day ended with Notre Dame holding a strong 317-211 lead over second place Syracuse.

Friday was another strong day for the Irish. Huesman continued to dominate the diving board, easily winning the three-meter dive with 552.8 points.

Sophomore Antonio Fonseca turned heads with his winning 57.28-second performance in the 100-meter breaststroke. Notre Dame's seventh fastest in history. Scott Zumbach and Ray Fitzpatrick recorded second place finishes in the 400 individual medley and 200 freestyle, allowing the Irish breathing room and a comfortable lead.

Saturday's three Irish victories showed that the team saved its best performances for last. Zumbach fiercely competed in the 200 butterfly and was rewarded with a split-second win in 1:51.69, the ninth fastest time by any Notre Dame swimmer.

Freshman Dan Szilier lived up to his reputation as "The Money-Man," recording the eighth fastest Irish 200 breaststroke and a 2:05.07 win. To seal the deal, the Irish 400 freestyle relay swam four tough legs before touching the wall first.

The Notre Dame Invitational's results bode well for the team's tournament in mid-January at Milwaukee and mid-February home dual against UW-Milwaukee. With the first half of the season nearly over, the Irish have shown that they are a force to be reckoned with and have set the stage for a much improved record from last year's 6-8 showing.

With four dual wins, two first place tournament finishes, and a single loss, the Irish feel confident in their chances for continued success and seem undaunted by the opposition.
Free-agent Boggs headed to expansion Devil Rays

Associated Press

TAMPA, Fla. It won't be enough for Wade Boggs to get 3,000 hits. He still has a hunger for winning.

The free agent third baseman agreed Tuesday to a $750,000, one-year contract with the Tampa Bay Devil Rays, saying he's as intent on helping the new American League team win in 1998 as was his five-time AL batting champion said. "Just because it's the first year, I don't want people to come in here with the attitude of 'Oh, we'll do it down the road.' I've been on winners in the past. I've won a World Series. I know what it takes to win. I've been on losing teams, too, and it's no fun."

Boggs, 39, will start his 17th major league season needing 200 hits to reach 3,000 for his career. He overcame a slow start to hit .292 in 103 games for the New York Yankees in 1997.

After making $2 million last year, Boggs' contract with the Devil Rays calls for a base salary of $500,000 in 1998 with a club option for 1999 at $750,000 with a $250,000 buyout.

The option year becomes guaranteed if Boggs makes 200 plate appearances next season.

He can earn up to $750,000 in performance bonuses: $250,000 for 400 plate appearances and $50,000 for each 10 plate appearances after that up to 500.

Despite his age, the Devil Rays view him as an everyday player. And so does Boggs. He recovered from back trouble that bothered him during the 1996 World Series to win the Yankees' starting third base job last spring, then struggled during the first half and wound up playing behind Charlie Hayes again.

"I went to spring training with the intentions of winning my job back, and that's exactly what I did," Boggs said.

"I had some contact lens problems in the beginning of May and that sort of led to my demise. I was hitting .234 at the All-Star game, sat on the bench for three days and said to myself, 'I don't like what I'm seeing.'"

"I corrected his vision by changing the strength of his contacts, and hit .374 the remainder of the year to raise his average to .292. It was only the second time in his career that he finished below .300."

Still, after being a regular for 11 seasons with the Boston Red Sox and the Yankees during five years he spent with the Yankees, Boggs had difficulty adjusting to a role as a part-time player.

"I was sort of sequestered to the bench for a portion of the season," he said. "It was sort of ironic that I spent 15 years of my career fighting injuries and I haven't spent 15 years away from playing in pain. Last year, I was pain-free and sitting on the bench. There was something wrong with that scenario."

The .331 career hitter was the fourth free agent signed by the Devil Rays in six days.

Tampa Bay got pitcher Wilson Alvarez ($35 million for five years) and outfielder Dave Martinez ($3.75 million for two years) last week, then added designated hitter Paul Sorrento ($35.25 million for two years) on Monday. And as with each of those signings, as well as the acquisition of closer Roberto Hernandez ($22.5 million for four years), the desire to live year-round in the Tampa Bay area was a factor.

"This is a special day in my career because I get to come home," Boggs said.

"I've spent 21 years in professional baseball — 16 on the big-league level — and done a lot of traveling, packed a lot of UPS boxes, along with my wife, and I felt it was time to come home."

While Boggs' contract includes a club option for a second season, he and the Devil Rays would be tickled if he hits well enough to get 3,000 hits by the end of 1997.

"I don't think it'll take that long. I need 200 more, and the countdown's on," he said.
Irish win exhibition behind Friel's hot shooting

By JOE CAVATO
Assistant Sports Editor

Christmas came early for Notre Dame fans at the Joyce Center last night. The Irish connected on 14 three-pointers and every time a fiery dialed long distance the cheerleaders tossed t-shirts into the gleeful crowd.

Coach John MacLeod's team hosted a team sponsored by Marathon Oil in an exhibition contest that was not just a game in the record books.

"It was absolutely breathtaking," MacLeod said. "It was a tremendously exciting game."

In the first half Friel poured in 15 points, including 9-of-13 from three point land.

Sophomore Keith Friel poured in nine three-pointers as the Irish rolled to victory over Marathon Oil, 91-81.

"We lost our first two road games and we needed to break that trend and bounce back against Pittsburgh," Wyche said. "That gave us a lot of confidence and we have a couple of games over break and hopefully it will carry over to our next Big East game against St. John's."

"Our guys are feeling real good about themselves," MacLeod said. "What happened Saturday (beating Pittsburgh) is a key factor. It's a confidence booster to get a conference win on the road, it's a shot in the arm because we're struggling."

Friel sparked an explosive Irish offense in the first half as Notre Dame gunned out to a 23-14 lead in the first five minutes. Pat Carroll hit the Irish field goal attempts for six points, and he only played the first six minutes of the contest to allow the younger players to get much needed experience.

"It was a good chance to get the younger players a chance to run the offense," junior guard Antoni Wyche said. "It was good for them to play against real competition."

"Winning wasn't the key thing tonight," MacLeod said. "We wanted the players to keep executing and getting better and play against a bigger, more experienced team."

This is exactly what MacLeod got.

Freshman forward Leviticus Williamson took advantage of that opportunity. The Texas native saw his most extensive action of the year, playing 20 minutes and finishing with 14 points.

Williamson added seven rebounds, four on the offensive end, and also flashed some of his athleticism in a first-half, crowd-pleasing dunk.

"That was a tremendous dunk with conviction," MacLeod said. "He knows how to space the ball, he scored a lot of points in Texas. But, he's just starting out and he is just a pup. It's fun watching these young players develop."

What was also fun to watch was the shooting exhibition put on by the Irish in the first 12 minutes of play, giving Notre Dame 41 points by the eight minute mark.

Point guard Martin Ingoldy kept the offense running smoothly with seven assists in the first half on his way to 12 in the game. But the way Friel and the Irish were shooting, assists were not too difficult to come by.

Notre Dame shot 52 percent from the field and 60 percent from three-point land in the first as the home team got out to a 46-22 lead with just over 11 minutes left in the half. Marathon managed to pull within eight early in the second half, but the Irish responded with five points and a record of 74-45.

The sharp shooting of the Irish was certainly a welcome sight to MacLeod, who entered the year unsure of his team's ability to make a move.

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Sophomore Keith Friel poured in nine three-pointers as the Irish rolled to victory over Marathon Oil, 91-81.

"We'll have some situations where Pat is in front of me on defense if he's injured, and Phil and I are going to be the leaders next year," Friel said. "Our coach gave us the opportunity to try to prove our leadership and get an idea of how we can score when Pat is not on the floor."

Forward Todd Palmer also got in on the fun with eight points. The sophomore had six rebounds, including three on the offensive end, leading to most of his points. Freshman forward Hans Rasmussen also turned in a good effort with seven rebounds in 18 minutes.

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Associated Press

OAKLAND, Calif. — In his first public comments since attacking Golden State coach P.J. Carlesimo and losing his job, Latrell Sprewell said Tuesday he had to learn to control his temper but that his career should not be ruined by one mistake.

"I know this conduct is not acceptable in society and professional sports. I accept responsibility for what I've done," he said during a news conference with five former teammates standing behind him and lawyer Johnnie Cochran Jr. and agent Arn Tellem at his side.

Sprewell had called Carlesimo on Sunday to apologize for choking and threatening to kill him during practice Dec. 1. Sprewell said he didn't get a chance to tell his side of the story, a point the NBA disputes. The case will be heard no sooner than Jan. 4 by arbitrator John Feerick, dean of Fordham Law School.

Houston Rockets forward Charles Barkley said Tuesday that some players may boycott the NBA All-Star game or the World Championships in Greece if the league doesn't ease the punishment.

"I think I'd have great support for a boycott," Barkley said. "I've talked with several players about it ... If we don't make a stand, it's going to be bad."

Barkley declined to name the players he contacted. The attack not only rippled across the NBA and all of sports but sparked a national debate over sportsmanship, role models and authority figures.

Telfem and Billy Hunter, executive director of the National Basketball Players Association, said at the news conference that race was not a factor in the attack, although the agent had hinted over the weekend that he thought it may have played a role.

Sprewell, who gave no details of the attack, had said Carlesimo provoked him with verbal abuse. Carlesimo, who has an intense, in-your-face coaching style, has had run-ins with other players and feudcd with Rod Strickland while coach of the Portland Trail Blazers.

Sprewell said his problems had been mounting with Carlesimo, who is in his first season with the Warriors. "There were times I reached out and tried to rectify the situation here at Golden State," he said.

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Irish to face the No. 4 Badgers in NCAA regions

By BILL HART
Sports Writer

While most students are busy preparing for final exams and Christmas break, the members of Notre Dame's volleyball team have their eyes on advancing further in NCAA Central Regional action, set to begin this weekend in Madison, Wis.

However, standing in the path of the Irish in the regional semifinals are the fourth-ranked Wisconsin Badgers, one of the most surprising teams in Division I volleyball this year.

Currently 29-2 on the season, the Badgers advanced to the regional after posting a three-game win over Central Florida. Wisconsin was one of only eight teams to receive a bye in the first round. They earned a share of the Big Ten conference title after splitting two matches against current No. 1 seed Penn State.

"I think we'll have a chance to prepare this week and when we have a chance to prepare, we do a real good job," Wisconsin head coach John Cook said about the upcoming match. "I know Notre Dame will probably be pretty motivated when they come in here. When you get down to the final 16 teams in the NCAA tournament, it's going to be war ball every point."

In its win over Central Florida, Wisconsin used its height to dominate, hitting .313 percent and tallying 58 kills compared to a .174 hitting percentage and 44 kills for the Golden Knights. Kelly Kennedy, a 6-4 middle blocker, tied for match-high honors with 15 kills while the Badgers' Amy Lee and Kate Fitzgerald each put down 11 kills. Kennedy led all blockers with eight stuffs, including one solo, as Wisconsin outblocked Central Florida, 11-5.

"They have a few players which are key to their team," head coach Debbie Brown remarked about the Badgers. "Amy Lee is one of their 'go-to' people who's very effective. She took a lot of swings at us earlier in the season. Kennedy, the middle blocker, is also very important to their team."

Notre Dame is making its fourth appearance in the NCAA regional, after upsetting No. 18 Arkansas on Saturday in four games, 9-15, 15-7, 15-10, 16-14. The Irish are the only unranked team to advance to the Sweet 16, and join No. 25 Ohio State as the only team to win both its first and second round matches on the road.

In the win against the Razorbacks, the team was led by senior hitters Angie Harris and Jaimie Lee, who each had 19 kills. Over the last five games, Lee has tallied 100 kills for the Irish. Sophomore Mary Leflers scored 15 kills in another fine performance, while junior Lindsay Treadwell had 13 kills on a team-best .321 hitting.

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Notre Dame faced Wisconsin back on Aug. 30 in the final of the Shamrock Classic, falling to the Badgers in four games.

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Angie Harris had 19 kills in the volleyball team's upset over the eighteenth-ranked Razorbacks. The Irish will need production like that from their key players if they hope to knock off No. 4 Wisconsin.

"I think it would be pretty rare if a team has gone through an entire season and not improved by much," Brown said. "We've analyzed our match against Arkansas, though, because we feel that that match will be what they will focus on when preparing for us. So, we know what they will expect."

The Central Region's first match will be between No. 6 Florida and No. 11 Washington at 3 p.m. central time on Dec. 13. Depending on the length of the match, the clash between the Irish and the Badgers will start approximately at 5 p.m.