Students, faculty honor India's independence

By ANNE MARIE MATTINGLY
Assistant News Editor

In an effort to expose the Notre Dame community to the past, present and future of India, faculty and students gathered yesterday to honor the 50th anniversary of the nation's independence.

Sponsors for the event included the South Asia Studies Group, the India Association of Notre Dame, the Office of the Provost and the Helen Kellogg Institute for International Studies.

"We wanted to increase awareness about the large country of India, a country that shares many goals and beliefs with the United States and to celebrate India's independence," said Arvind Varma, a professor of Chemical Engineering who helped to coordinate the event.

"We wanted to emphasize political and economic aspects, as well as religion and art," said Varma. To achieve this goal, the members of the Fiftieth Anniversary Program Committee selected three speakers, each of whom focused on an aspect of Indian life and culture.

Susanne Randolph, professor of political science at the University of Chicago, addressed the development of the political and economic systems of India that has taken place throughout the last half-century. She emphasized the pluralist nature of India, commenting that the country is "a multinational state" that has learned many ways to approach its diversity.

"The nation has changed from a system of state centralization, a government running as a unitary federalism. Now it runs by a method of de-centralized federalism," explained Randolph.

Randolph attributed the distribution of national power to local centers of authority to the federal government's relinquishing some of its control over the economy, as well as to changes in the party structure.

"India changed because its central command economy has given way to economic reforms and liberalization, and because its one-party system gave way to a multi-party system strongly influenced by regional parties," Randolph said.

The symposium's second speaker, University of Florida professor of religion Vasudha Narayanan, discussed Hinduism in the United States and India by describing Hindu temples, while showing slides about them.

"Traditional architecture is a source of power," Narayanan stated. "The size of deity is..."

Student Senate ready to begin '98-'99 term

By TIM LOGAN
News Writer

A new era in student government will begin tonight with the initiation of the new Student Senate term, one of several student union institutions being turned over to new hands this week.

Twenty-six new representatives will join two returning members of the Senate, which will be led by student body vice-president Andrea Selak. Among these are 10 freshmen, 11 sophomores and three juniors. Four residence halls have not yet elected their senators.

The two returning senators are Matt Mamak from Keenan Hall, and Melissa Balchunas from Lyons Hall. Mamak was chair of the Senate's Oversight Committee last year, and worked extensively on improvements in the Student Union Constitution. Balchunas took over the Lyons seat in January and was unable to serve on any committees due to her short tenure on the Senate.

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Studying the Great Irish Rebellion ...

By P. COLLEEN NUGENT
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The Great Irish Rebellion Convention continued yesterday with three sessions of two addresses each. Daniel Gahan of the University of Evansville began today's proceedings with a lecture on the history of the rebellion. He was followed by Notre Dame's Kevin Wheelan, who compared the 1880s rebellion of 1798 to the American Civil War. David Miller of Carnegie Mellon and Michael Durey of Murdoch University spoke at the second session of the day, while Thomas Barrett of University College, Dublin, and Jim Smyth spoke at the final session. Pictured above are Smyth and moderator Gayle King of St. Patrick's College, Dublin.

Today's session begins at 10:45 a.m. in the Cantor for Continuing Education. Saumus Deane will deliver the plenary address at 8 p.m.

Ignatief analyzes effect of Holocaust

By FINN PRESSLY
News Writer

Michael Ignatief, noted historian and journalist, gave a series of lectures this week to mark the 50th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Ignatief analyzed how European attitudes concerning humanity and human rights were drastically altered by the Holocaust, and how those changes are evident in the 1948 Universal Declaration.

He began by examining the pre-war attitudes towards civilization and morality, and how it was thought that the two went hand-in-hand.

"European civilization was thought to be civic in nature," said Ignatief. Following the horrors of the Holocaust, though, it became apparent that aesthetic cultivation had little effect on moral cultivation.

He then went on to compare the United Nations Charter, drafted in 1945, to the Universal Declaration, and how the documents reflect the historical contexts in which they were written.

Helen Keeling Institute for International Studies

Students prepare for Holy Year

By P. COLLEEN NUGENT
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During each Holy Year of the Catholic Church, thousands of people journey to Rome to pass through the Holy Year doors in each of the city's four major basilicas.

Despite the fact that many cannot make this pilgrimage, it will still be possible to experience and understand a deeper meaning of this event.

In participating and experiencing the doors throughout the semester, students can prepare for the Great Jubilee of 2000.

"This year, the theme to the Jubilee is 'The Door of Our Lives,'" Sr. Betty Snyder, SND deNAMur of campus ministry

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Students: Indictment will not blemish school's reputation

The indictment of two former Northwestern basketball players on charges of point shaving during the 1997-98 basketball season will not affect the university's prestigious reputation, students said yesterday.

"NU students expressed mixed emotions about the scandal, from apathy to shock and disbelief," said new head coach Doug Williams. "Most students thought the controversy was a series of isolated incidents.

"The problem has been brought to the public's attention, but the actions of those involved were not representative of the university," said one student who heard the news.

Harvard University

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CAMBRIDGE, Mass. First brought to the United States in 1949 by German chemist Max Wilkine, the psychedelic drug LSD was initially used and studied by researchers at the Harvard medical school. While immediately banned by the U.S. government, Harvard researchers initiated the idea of using LSD as an aid to psychotherapy in his re-released study "Psychedelic Drugs Reconsidered," Harvard psychiatrist professor Lester Grinspoon delves into the heart of the LSD culture and examines the initial Harvard studies on the medical uses of the drug. "The government has such dire views of psychedelics," Grinspoon said. "They only see that these drugs are bad and they don't have a lot of sense that there may be something useful to these drugs."

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National Weather

The AccuWeather forecast for noon, Wednesday, April 1

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Spring's here, batter up

Spring began yester
day. It didn't begin on March 20, or April 1. It's the coming of the vernal equinox. It didn't begin with this unusual stretch of sun and warm weather, though it has felt like it. It began yesterday at about 1:30 p.m. when Bobby Jones of the New York Mets wound up and hurled a ball towards the plate.

That's right, it's baseball season once again. The realism of the rise of spring upon us, and we're moving from winter into a better time of year. A time when we can sit beneath the stars and the big lights on a warm night and enjoy a nice, relaxing game of baseball. Baseball is "the game of the true," a time of huge anguish enthusiasm, when we are able to get outside and enjoy the sun. After all these months of months of bundling around in coats and sweaters. Don't sit at home and watch the game on TV. For a little more than the cost of a movie ticket, you can sit in the bleachers and even get a tan while you absorb the game's beauty.

What's more, in doing this you will share in an experience as common as peanut butter and jelly sandwiches and the senior prom. You will be a part of our past. It reminds us of all that was in the years has been baseball... Baseball has been our tradition. Baseball has us up and down the years. Disappointments will be this year's version of 1997. This year, everything has. In the years we will have seen Chicago and the Red Sox doing battle in October. Expectations will be this years version of 1997. And a new spring has brought us an experience as common as peanut butter and jelly sandwiches and the senior prom.

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Women’s News

FEMALE EDUCATION

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A  AAUW report questions single-sex education

By M. SHANNON RYAN

Gender psychology still debated

By ALEX ORR

A  Coed schools shortchange girls, the American Association of University Women said in 1992. Now, six years after this statement, the group that represents 14,000 college graduates reported in mid-March that single-sex education does not serve as the educational refuge for girls in grades K-12.

"What the research shows is that separating by sex is not the solution to gender inequity in education," Janice Weinman, executive director of the AAUW, told The New York Times. "What the research says is that single-sex education is not the silver bullet."


However, the most recent information is not nearly as controversial or condemning as the media has portrayed it. The AAUW does not renounce these institutions but questions their educational merits. Although not emphasized in the media, the AAUW did not base their findings on new research and relied solely on a review of previous studies.

Although the AAUW’s 1992 report prompted an increase in single-sex education, their latest report modernizes these schools’ academic merits.

The Wall Street Journal lambasted the press for the misrepresentation of information, editorializing, "The AAUW report is at worst uncertain about [single-sex education’s] benefits, and in many places says all sorts of positive things about them."

But Weinman has also opened the doors to criticism in her response to the Wall Street Journal: "Some high schools and classrooms where the number of students has increased"

suggest that both sexes conform to stereotypical expectations.

New tests provide central tendencies representing varying degrees of differences in the sexes. Rather than simply people looking for easy solutions, for ways to address the issues we raised in the 1992 report."

But advocates of single-sex education have jumped on the idea that one-gender schools are used as quick fixes to educational inequity.

"I totally disagree," Eldred said. "It’s a very simplistic explanation. There are more substantive issues related to women. Workplace issues and positions of AAUW.

Gender psychology still debated

By ALEX ORR

The psychological differences between the sexes may seem so blatant as to avoid the scrutiny of the casual observer.

However, the whys of behavioral discrepancies have become a body debated topic in the last 20 years. The crux of the argument basically stems from whether stereotypically masculine and feminine behavior should be attributed to inborn qualities or to learned behavior.

Since the 1974 book, "The Psychology of Sex Difference," there has been a tendency among psychologists to view gender differences as merely insignificant in the performance of cognitive tasks.

The research within the book coincided with a period of societal changes and movement. Older ideas of gender roles based more or less on tradition were challenged at this time, largely segregated by sex as a male strength, could thus be developed.

In addition, some theories suggested that children, largely segregated by sex during their formative years, form their own male and female cultures with different rules that persist beyond youth.

Therefore, it could be easier explained that this culture resulted in stereotypical male aggression and female passivity. But what had become virtual psychological dogma during the 1970s and 1980s has only been under increasing fire in recent years.

Modern essays and articles have purported bases for variation in interests and strengths between the sexes. In 1995’s "The Science and Politics of Comparing Women and Men," Alice Eagly determined that the "analysis of demonstrated sex differences in social behavior"

suggest that both sexes conform to stereotypical expectations.

Recent scientific tests on the human brain has also increased the complexity of the matter. Yale neurologist Bennett Shaywitz reported in 1995 that his data "provides evidence for sex difference in the functional organization of the brain for a specific component of language."

His tests, measuring blood flow to various brain lobes during a reading exercise, revealed a dissimilar pattern of surges in men and women. Tests tend to draw from their emotional right lobes, in addition to their left lobes during verbal exercise, the study showed. However, men tended to limit themselves to the reasoning right side of the brain.

"A recent study conducted at McMaster University have also reported that women have 11 percent more brain cells than men."

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Coed

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Israel offers to discuss West Bank

As politicians negotiate a possible meeting between Israelis and Palestinians, violence continues among demonstrators in the West Bank. During clashes on Tuesday, Israeli soldiers shot and lightly wounded two Palestinians as about 1,500 people tried to march on West Bank lands.

**WASHINGTON**

An unexpected gesture by Israel — an offer to discuss with Palestinians a third pullback on the contested West Bank — gave a slight boost Tuesday to the Clinton administration in its laboring drive to reopen negotiations between the two sides.

The offer by Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu to American mediator Dennis B. Ross near the end of Ross' fourth day of shuttle diplomacy in the area, prompted Secretary of State Madeleine Albright to report "some progress."

"In some substantive way we're perhaps a little closer" to reopening negotiations between Israel and the Palestinian Authority after a yearlong impasse, State Department spokesman James F. Rubin said. But Albright also said the progress was not "nearly enough" to end the standoff between the anti-government militia in the first trial resulting from the 81-day standoff between the anti-government militants and the FBI in 1996. However, the jury acquitted Edwin F. Clarke, 47, one-time owner of the foreclosed farm that formed most of the former strongholds in rural eastern Montana. Clark’s lawyer had argued he was desperate to save the farm and was swept up in events. Four of the Freemen were convicted of being accessories after the fact and a trained biologist of an ABC television news crew attempting to film a story on the Freemen.

Nine-year-old disposes touch therapy

CHICAGO

A study conducted by a nine-year-old girl for a science project and published in a distinguished medical journal may help explain the phenomenon known as "therapeutic touch," in which a healer supposedly manipulates a patient's energy field, is banned. Emily Ross, the daughter of a registered nurse and an inventor, found that 21 experienced practitioners were unable to detect the field they supposedly manipulate to heal. Her study was published in Wednesday's Journal of the American Medical Association and immediately drew fire from supporters of the practice, who say it is respected worldwide. Therapeutic touch has been used to treat problems ranging from burns to cancer. The technique is practiced in at least 80 North American hospitals and taught in more than 100 colleges and universities in 75 countries, said the study, written by the Loveland, Colo., student.

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**Recycled whale returns to Pacific Ocean**

**After a year in captivity, J.J. heads home**

**ASSOCIATED PRESS**

SAN DIEGO

J.J., the California gray whale rescued as an infant and raised in captivity, was released to the Pacific Ocean today to begin a new life with all the pleasures and parts of life at sea.

The young whale, who has been cared for at Sea World since she was found conscious and malnourished last year, was hustled off the deck of a Coast Guard cutter and released from a sling about 16:20 a.m. She splashed briefly before submerging into the water.

About an hour later the crew of a spottor boat saw her surfing. She was headed north.

"She's alive and well," said Jim Antin, curator at Sea World, where J.J. was raised.

At 1 1/2 tons and 31 feet long, J.J. is the largest animal ever returned to the wild, according to Sea World. And J.J. is nowhere near fully grown: Adults gray whales can grow to 35 tons and 65 feet long.

The whale started her journey back to sea on a bed of foam rubber in an open-topped 18-wheelers, while handlers sprayed her with mist, while whale sounds were piped in, and crews cheered along a 12-mile trip from Sea World to the sea.

At the U.S. Navy pier at San Diego Bay, her special 60 ton special sling was strapped to a crane and hoisted onto a Coast Guard cutter for the leg of her journey home.

The cutter, with a 10-mile escort, headed out to sea 25 minutes ahead of schedule. Several miles off the coast, she was freed near a whale pod that naturalists hoped J.J. would stay with on their annual northern migration.

Now that she is released, J.J. will either rejoin the ocean's levitans or die from predators, struggles in commercial fishing nets or her own inability to cope.

Her keepers were hopeful she would survive the transition.

"She's been eating off the bottom of the pool. She's very healthy," said a spokesman for the Sea World.

She has responded to the wild whale vocalizations played to her," said a spokesman for the Sea World.

"We have done everything we possibly can to prepare J.J. to return to the ocean," she said. "But we know that there are no guarantees.

The bright red 32-foot canvas sling was made specifically to handle the whale, while pads of foam rubber, designed to work like a water bed, were used in the truck and on the deck of the cutter to keep her from being crushed by her own weight. The whale did wiggle on her way from Sea World, but workers were able to calm her down.

The trip to the pier was monitored by news and Coast Guard helicopters.
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Children under 12 admitted free to all events.

Tickets available at the door or at the LaFortune information desk: 631-8128.

For more information call the Student Union Board: 631-7757.
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traditional proportions to the
depth they had known in India, he
commented. "They have won­
derful students there."

Hesburgh also described a visit to a temple in which he
witnessed the ministry of sev­
eral Indians to starving citi­
zens. The workers had cleaned
and clothed them, and nuns of the Sisters of Charity were
feeding and caring for them.

"The nuns were performing an
art of love, in the belief

that people shouldn't die like
dogs in the street. They were
there for the poorest of his people. I've seen a lot
of religious activity, but none that gets to my heart the way
this did," Hesburgh said.

Hesburgh's greatest praise of
India, though, was reserved for
Ghandi, to whom he credited
the success of Indian inde­
pendence and unity.

"Mankind and womankind is
one. We have to somehow
learn to do the best we can
together on Earth," he
explained.

"The greatest boast of the
Indian people is Ghandi, who
taught that it is possible to
achieve peace without vio­
ence. He has inspired many
people in this world."

We should be there to repre­
sent the students."

Breen-Phillips Hall senator
Rhea Gerken concurred. "I'd
like to represent the women of
BP as best I can and reflect
their views and concerns."

New senators also pledged to
bring a number of issues up
for discussion, ranging from
residence issues to internal
reform of the Senate.

"I'd like to get momentum
towards a co-ed dorm system," said Siegfried Hall senator
Tom Ogorzalek, pointing to last week's faculty discussion
recommending such a system as just one instance of support for
co-ed residence halls.

"We need to make the Senate
more streamlined," declared
O'Donoghue, who hopes to
work with the administration
"to make the Senate a student
voice that is heard and val­
ued."

I hope that we'll be able to
get policy issues accomplished
as quickly, effectively and
painlessly as possible," stated
Gerken.

Selak, who will take over for
Irish Panee Club
defined his role as serving the
student body and as bridging
between the students and the
administration.

"This Judeo-Christian tradi­
tion of Jubilee is a call to be a
just community, which means
that everyone receives what is owed
to them. It is a liberating commu­
nity that knows how to celebrate
its commitments witherve," said
Saint Mary's president Mariou Eldred.

Along with the jubilee into the
21st century, there will be an
ongoing process that will take
the community into the next
millennium. Major components
of the jubilee call are peace and
reconciliation in order to
achieve peace with out vio­
ence, and striving to see others
that care to make a difference
in our society. Through actions
such as these, our culture can
look forward to making the
transition to another level of
community and consciousness
that will form everlasting bonds.

"We welcome and invite all
performers:
Notre Dame Bagpipe Band
Irish Dance Club
Irish Performer John Kennedy
Fenians, an Irish Student band

All donations will go toward a scholarship fund in
honor of Patty Kwiat, Farley Class of 1997, who
was aboard TWA Flight 800

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The U.N. Charter, he explained, took human brutali­
ty and war for granted and assumed that humans were
capable of war. The Universal Declaration, on the other hand,
focused on brotherhood and peace and gave more attention
to the rights and needs of the individual, rather than the
state as a whole.

Ignatieff concluded his lec­
ture by stressing the impor­tance of the individual, and
how the individual's human
rights were affected by the
Universal Declaration.

The Declaration, he said, "doesn't give people rights, it
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"We need to make the Senate
more streamlined," declared
O'Donoghue, who hopes to
work with the administration
"to make the Senate a student
voice that is heard and val­
ued."

I hope that we'll be able to
get policy issues accomplished
as quickly, effectively and
painlessly as possible," stated
Gerken.

Selak, who will take over for
Irish Panee Club
defined his role as serving the
student body and as bridging
between the students and the
administration.

"This Judeo-Christian tradi­
tion of Jubilee is a call to be a
just community, which means
that everyone receives what is owed
to them. It is a liberating commu­
nity that knows how to celebrate
its commitments witherve," said
Saint Mary's president Mariou Eldred.

Along with the jubilee into the
21st century, there will be an
ongoing process that will take
the community into the next
millennium. Major components
of the jubilee call are peace and
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"We welcome and invite all
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Notre Dame Bagpipe Band
Irish Dance Club
Irish Performer John Kennedy
Fenians, an Irish Student band

All donations will go toward a scholarship fund in
honor of Patty Kwiat, Farley Class of 1997, who
was aboard TWA Flight 800

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The U.N. Charter, he explained, took human brutali­
ty and war for granted and assumed that humans were
capable of war. The Universal Declaration, on the other hand,
focused on brotherhood and peace and gave more attention
to the rights and needs of the individual, rather than the
state as a whole.

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rights were affected by the
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LETTER TO THE EDITOR
Let’s Keep This Year’s Tournament Clean

Once again, Bookstore Basketball time is here, and everyone is anxious to hit the courts and participate in this 25-year-old Notre Dame tradition. However, it came to the attention of our Committee last year that, amidst all of the action and emotion inherent in such competition, certain events occurred that put a tarnish on the image of Bookstore Basketball. During last spring’s tournament, racial tensions between teams and fans alike escalated as the result of slurs and epithets that were voiced. This type of behavior is unacceptable and will not be tolerated by this Committee or the Notre Dame administration in this year’s or any future tournaments.

As participants and observers of Bookstore Basketball, your actions will determine whether or not this year’s tournament will be a success. However, due to the aforementioned conditions, the Committee has taken the following steps to prevent their recurrence. First of all, the number of security personnel will be increased to assist the Commissioners with proper crowd control. Both groups have been instructed to follow a ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY when faced with disruptive or unsportsmanlike behavior, including racial comments. In such cases, any and all persons involved will be immediately escorted off the courts. Furthermore, repeat offenders will be subject to disciplinary action by the University.

For the players themselves, the following change has been implemented: At the beginning of each game, every team member must sign a form stating that they fully understand and acknowledge the rules outlined by the Bookstore Committee. This will serve as the FIRST AND ONLY warning for the players. Any fighting during the game will then result in ejection and possible team forfeit. Also, under severe circumstances, the entire team could face immediate disqualification from the tournament.

As both fans and players, it is your responsibility to conduct yourselves in a manner that is respectful to all teams participating and to the other fans watching. We all know that as the tournament progresses, the level of excitement and competition rise. We all want to support our favorite teams and see them advance into the later rounds. However, it remains imperative that you behave appropriately, and properly represent the Notre Dame family and Bookstore Basketball. By doing so, you will ensure that their longstanding traditions of teamwork, excellence and community will not be tarnished.

Good luck to all teams participating. Let’s make Bookstore Basketball XXV the most successful competitive date to date. And remember...ultimately, we are all on the same team here.

The Bookstore Basketball Committee
March 31, 1998

LETTER TO THE EDITOR
Call to a World Community

I was really bothered by the Outside the Dome article in The Observer on Thursday, March 26, about the racist campaign poster. For those of you who may have missed it, the article reported on a campaign poster for Michigan sophomore Dave Winling which many students felt mocked the student civil rights movement of the 1960s and ’70s. Upon learning that students found his poster offensive, Winling responded, “I just did it to have a good time. Some people took it the wrong way...but no harm was intended.”

Apparently Winling believes that it is alright to insult people as long as he doesn’t really mean it. Unfortunately, he is not alone in this belief. His poster and subsequent statement exhibit a fundamental lack of concern for the general dignity of humankind.

Although this event did not happen on our campus, I believe it contains a valuable lesson for the Notre Dame family, especially in light of the recent flare-ups in ongoing campus issues concerningdiversity. The Dave Winling event of late have made me question the extent to which some members of the student body, faculty and staff value the dignity of humankind. Because of a general lack of concern for the dignity of humankind, the Men About Campus comic of last Halloween was thoroughly printed in The Observer only to have students comment at a meeting I attended that people were “overreacting” regarding the severity of the insult. Because of a general lack of concern for the dignity of humankind, students wondered why America didn’t just “bomb the hell out of Iraq” a few weeks ago during the height of the tension. Because of a general lack of concern for the dignity of humankind, administration can’t find enough money to prevent future generations from being haunted by the Ghost of South Dining Hall Dinners Past. Because of a general lack of concern for the dignity of humankind, Notre Dame won’t recognize GLNDSMC, and the Notre Dame community has lost a wonderful preacher, professor and friend because he didn’t feel welcome here.

Many students at Notre Dame have been able to open their minds and hearts to realize that they are part of a community much larger and more profound than any community based on race, creed or sexual orientation. This community is the world community of the human race. Those who understand their membership in this community recognize the differences which make each of us unique, but share and celebrate these differences rather than discriminate against them. Those who comprehend their membership in this community view any insult against another person on account of race, creed, sexual orientation, gender or physical handicap as an insult to the dignity of the world community, and as such, as an insult to themselves. We are all already part of this community. It’s time we all recognized our membership.

I love this university—it took me two and a half years to realize that anything was wrong with it beyond partials and too much construction—but often it’s the things we love best which we criticize most. During my four years here, I have regularly been touched by the open-minded love expressed by so many students toward others. At the same time, however, I have been absolutely horrified by the closed-minded hatred exhibited by others. We are young, intelligent students at one of the world’s finest institutions, and we have all the world’s opportunities waiting for us. We can allow our hatred to come between us and keep us apart, or we can open our hearts, come together, share our knowledge, and change the world.

The choice is ours.

M. Siobhan O’Brian
Smith, McGlinch Hall
March 26, 1998

QUOTE OF THE DAY
“When you get there, there isn’t any there.”
—Gertrude Stein
I didn’t come to the Holy Land to study politics, but somehow politics have begun to consume me. I have been feeling, as my father before me, tired of what we are all tired of, the soldierly slogans and the sublimity of war. It is impossible to ignore the political considerations of my time.

The United States has created and sustained a policy that must take responsibility to set Israel straight. The first step is to know the straight. The first step is to know about this, and then to do something about it. The first step is to know about the United States, voted to create a Jewish state out of over half of the land of Palestine; America now must take responsibility to set Israel straight. The first step is to know about this, and then to do something about it.

The effects of the Jewish Holocaust will be felt forever. In preparation to the Jews, the United Nations, with strong support from many of the United States, voted to create a Jewish state out of over half of the land of Palestine. The problem was that Palestine was already populated by hundreds of thousands of Palestinians. The Zionist Jews solved this problem by slaughtering entire villages and deporting and destroyed for the creation of the state of Israel.

In 1967, the neighboring Arab countries were mounting an attack on the west bank. The Israeli state decided the best offense was a strong defense, attacked, and defeated Egypt, Jordan, and Syria. Israel overtook the Sinai Peninsula and the Gaza Strip from Egypt. The Arabs surprised everyone by surrendering in the Jewish feast of Yom Kippur. The Jews successfully defended themselves against the attack, and continued the Arab leaders that Israel was there to stay. A few years later, at Camp David, Egypt made peace with Israel. Today, the West Bank and Gaza Strip are still occupied, and refer to as the “occupied territories.”

When Israel conquered the West Bank and Gaza Strip, the Palestinians, who were the sole residents, were immediately unhappy with Israeli occupation. In an interest of peace, the United Nations concluded in Resolution 242 and then again in Resolution 338. Resolution 338 called for an immediate cease-fire to be released to Palestinian control. Israel refused to withdraw because they said they needed the land as a defense against neighboring Arab countries.

In 1993, Israel signed the Oslo Accords agreeing to allow the Palestinians to set up their own state, but their actions have not followed through on the agreement. Israel continues to create settlements in its occupied territory, and continues to deport Palestinian citizens.

Israel has effectively claimed over 50 percent of the occupied territories with the new settlements, all of which the U.N. declared to be Palestinian land.

Besides blatantly violating the international laws declared by the United Nations, Israel violates humanitarian laws. Israel lacks any accountability to a court or to any international govern- nors; so in effect, torture is legal. Israel should be convicted of war crimes for its use of torture. Recently, Israel allowed Meir Halevi to leave the occupied territories. The Palestinian soldiers act as if it is their job to humiliate and flaunt their power over the Palestinians.

At the international checkpoints throughout Israel and the occupied territories, the Palestinians, if allowed to pass, must at all costs and endure any humiliation the soldiers care to inflict.

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Sophomore Sibs Weekend Through the Years

By KRISTI KLITSCHE
Scene Editor

Sophomore Sibs Weekend was not always the popular event that it is today. In fact, it took nearly 10 years to develop a standardized plan for the weekend after a very rocky start.

In April 1979, the sophomore class sponsored a small-scale event called Little Brothers/Little Sisters Weekend. It was the first University attempt at a "sophomore siblings weekend." Events included a viewing of "Peter's Dragon" and "That Darn Cat," a picnic on the lawn of Holy Cross Hall, a meeting with varsity athletes, a night at NAZZ, a mass and a brunch. The purpose of the weekend was to bring siblings to Notre Dame to experience a weekend with their brother or sister away from home.

There is no record of a siblings weekend for four years after 1979, but ND/SMC Little Sibs Weekend in 1983 left a dark shadow on many siblings weekend's purpose in light of the massive preparations and additional responsibilities that would be necessary.

This veto ended the discussion for a while, but in February 1986 rectors began discussing the possibility of a small pilot siblings weekend for the spring of 1987. At this time, the idea of pre-high school siblings attending Notre Dame was born.

The proposal won the necessary support, and in April 1987, 45 to 50 siblings, aged 12-15, visited campus for the Sophomore Little Sibs Weekend. Events for the weekend included: a viewing of "Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom," a box lunch at Theodore's and performance by the Notre Dame Chorale, a semi-formal dinner, a casino night, mass and brunch. The weekend was a relative success, and few problems were noted.

Because of the success, the sophomore class planned another siblings weekend for the fall of 1987, but the weekend was postponed because of a breakdown in communication.

In the spring of 1988 the weekend was held again, but for the first time under the name of Sophomore Siblings Weekend. The weekend hosted almost 100 siblings and was a success.

In 1989 and 1990, problems once again plagued the sophomore class, and the weekend was canceled due to inadequate finances. But, in 1991, Sophomore Siblings Weekend convoked once again, and the tradition that occurs today began.

In 1991, 114 siblings between the ages of 12 and 15 visited the campus for three days of fun with their older brothers and sisters. Events for the weekend included a movie and ice cream social on Friday night, a picnic on Saturday afternoon, a semi-formal dinner with Lou Holtz as guest speaker, a casino night for Saturday evening and a mass and brunch on Sunday.

This year the precedent for successive years, and the semi-formal dinner with guest speaker has become a staple of the weekend. Another component of the weekend became the commemorative T-shirt that every sibling and student receives.

The weekend continued to grow and include more and more students over the next few years. In 1992, the weekend included visiting a Notre Dame football practice and a trip to Croke Park. The 1993 weekend hosted over 200 siblings. In 1996, over 400 siblings between the ages of 11 and 15 came to campus for Sophomore Siblings Weekend. Matt Griffin, sophomore-siblings coordinator for 1996, said that "everyone had such a good time. It is something that should continue for years and years to come."

Last year, close to 500 siblings attended the weekend, the highest participation ever. Peter Cesaro, last year's sophomore class president, said "[Sophomore Siblings Weekend] was one of the most incredible weekends at Notre Dame."

Heather Patch, a junior who participated in last year's weekend, agreed. "I thought it was a great time for my younger sister to see how college life actually works, and it was a great chance to visit with her at my setting."

"This is such an integral part of keeping your family involved in your life when you go to college," she added. Her younger sister, Laura Patch, who also attended Sophomore Siblings Weekend last year, appreciated her chance to participate in college life.

"It was neat to hang out with college kids and do college things which prepare me for when I go to college," she said about her experience at Notre Dame.
What floats ND's boat ...

Proposed ship to house GLND/SMC among others

Facing the threat of all campus construction projects being completed by the turn of the century, the University will announce Wednesday that it is building a replica of the R.M.S. Titanic on St. Mary’s Lake. Construction could begin by the spring of 1999.

The full-scale, fully-functional doomed replica of the ship will serve a variety of short-term functions for the University, and is expected to serve as another campus tourist attraction while it is aboard. University president Edward “Hank” D’Mally and vice president of student affairs Patricia LeVeille have confirmed that the new structure will be used as a meeting place for, among other groups, GLND/SMC.

“I’m the king of the world! Woo-hoo! Woo-moo-mo!” D’Mally told The Absurder yesterday. “You’re so stupid, Rose! Why did you do that? You’re so stupid!”

Celine Dion has been invited to beat her chest and sing “Sovereign My God to Thee” when the structure is dedicated. Other guests who will be invited to the maiden float on the lake are:

- "Parasite Eve" author Stan Lee
- Authors Larry Lebowski and Catherine Syner
- Offensive coordinator Jim Collette
- Scholastic’s "Campus Watch" columnist The Upper, the Spice Girls, and the cast of "Rent."

D’Mally acknowledged that, as a group of male and female students will also live together aboard the ship in the University’s first experiment with co-ed housing.

“It doesn’t look any bigger than the other ships,” D’Mally said. "Oh! I’m flying! back!"

Notre Dame public relations director Bryan Furey has said the Titanic replica may be just what the University needs to break into the U.S. News and World Report top five.

"Take her to sea, Mr. Murdoch," he said. "It’s several her legs a little. I’m lighting the last boiler."
Listen to Me!

So I woke up today and my roommate’s alarm was going off and it was 9:02 and I didn’t have to be up until 9:30 — and I just hate that. I think we need to do something about this epidemic. I suggest, a rally at Stonebengo to protest my roommate not turning off her alarm in the mornings. When I’m up and the words.

I went to the shower and because I was up 14 minutes early — I never claimed to be a morning person and had to wait until I’m usually there 13 minutes later and there’s one open then, but not today. I had to stand there looking hideous in my shorts because I hadn’t shaved for a week because it’s been cold and I’ve been wearing pants.

I finally showered and got dressed and went to meet my friends in the dining hall, then remembered I didn’t have any, and so I stood there talking to Smells Like Smoke Boy right in the middle of the aisle and everyone grunted at us when they walked by — they were probably wondering whether we were trying to have a conversation and their grunting was distracting us?

I got to class and fell asleep right away and there was distracting us? I woke up to tell me class was over — I didn’t care, but I’m not sure if that’s really a dream or a reality. I think it’s true.

I woke up and the next class had come into the classroom and I can’t believe nobody woke me up to tell me class was over — I wish people would be more considerate to me. I made it to lunch but I didn’t eat much because I’m protesting the use of Styrofoam in the dining hall food, so I just threw it at the people guarding the doors. I also have PE right after I eat and I can’t eat and run but I didn’t do that because I never go to PE anyway because everyone grunted at us when they walked by — they were probably wondering whether we were trying to have a conversation and their grunting was distracting us.

I also don’t think professors should schedule movies on Wednesday nights or tests on Thursday because I have to watch “Party of Five” and if I don’t see Bailey I might just die. I think people should listen to me.

The views expressed above are Inside Calamity are their own, like all radio, and they think you shouldn’t care. Just turn to the sports pages.

Today's Staff

One Letter Short of a Scandal

Brad "Make Me a Be" President

For a Good Time, Call

Jame Heslor

President of the Celine Dion Fan Club

Married to the Mob

Lori Allen

The Fourth Blues Brother

Max Loughran

I'm tall and, like, blonde

Kelly "Love My" Brooks

Ex-Clearbridge Regular

Allison Koening

The Only Person Capable of Undertaking the "Titanic" Task to Make Monk and Panty-O Look Like Leo DiCaprio and Kate Winslet, respectively

Jon King

Observer Oracle

Shirley Grod

Starr doesn't appear in this film

Mike Day, Beny Baker, Rob Finch, Nasa Menary, Rachel Torres, Sarah Souza, Random Candies, Asleigh Thompson, Tom Roland, Cary Crawford

Key Grip

Monica Lewinsky

Person who stresses she had nothing to do with this whole thing

Complaints should be directed to Hearst Cock

The Absurder

Listen to Me

Mary Kate Ashley Olsen

Child of the Carn

Morrissey Hall resident Kenneth Starr is circulating a petition of recall for Father Theodore Hesburgh. The petition alleges that Hesburgh engaged in conduct unbecoming an officer of the University during his term as president of the school. Specifically, the petition denounces Hesburgh’s decision to have Notre Dame go co-ed in the early 1970s, his work with the U.S. Civil Rights Commission and his efforts to extend the right to vote to age 18.

"The world was a lot better place before Vatican II," said Starr. "Since then, the world has gone to hell. I mean, really: since Our Lady’s university admitted women, the men of this school have become distracted from doing what they ought to be doing — glorifying God. Take the Books of Columbus: it’s all male. Now that’s an organization!"

Starr also derided Hesburgh’s habit of drinking alcohol each day. "Is that the type of guy we want representing the University?"

Hesburgh’s top adviser, Fred Joiss, responded to that charge by saying, "It’s wine. Ted says Mass every day, you idiot."

Starr has claimed that he has more than enough signatures to force a recall vote, but he declined to say when he thought he would present the signatures.

"I want to wait until I have all the signatures I say I have," he said.

If Starr gets enough signatures, the next steps are a bit unclear. Ronald Commer, an expert in student governance, said the petition would go before the student body president, a position currently held by Max Crippen.

Starr was out at Coach’s and could not be reached for comment.

While students are stunned by the decision, President Bill Clinton endorsed the possibility that Lewinsky would no longer be able to choose their schedules come fall semester.

"It’s been obvious for a long time that students have been making some poor choices. By deciding what classes each student will take, they will no longer have a say in their education, leaving it entirely to the student," said Elyse.

"oops, forgot about that," said Starr.

SMC, boys to students: We’ll think for you

FRANK DREBIN

Says Mary’s College president Markate Elway anticipated yesterday afternoon being asked just what position Hesburgh would be recalled from, so he no longer has an official role at the University.

"Doops, forgot about that," said Starr.

This year’s commencement speaker sucks

By PAULA STARR

Washington Correspondent

Monica Lewinsky, the former presidential intern, will be the keynote speaker at the class of 1993’s graduation ceremonies. Lewinsky, herself a renowned keynote speaker, will be a popular choice for the commencement address. The Notre Dame Bookstore will be hosting a book-signing on Saturday afternoon.

Lewinsky made herself available for comment on Monday afternoon.

"I can’t wait to give her a tour of the student government offices," commented former student body president Max Grippen. "My office has a locking door, and I hope she loves us presidential types."

Lewinsky’s new book, "How to Make the Most of Your Summer Internship," is topping the New York Times bestseller list. The former student body president will be the keynote speaker at Notre Dame Bookstore's host a book-signing on Saturday afternoon.

Lewinsky made herself available for comment on Monday afternoon.

Emerging from the Watergate building she stated, "I am bursting with excitement. I’ll be glad to know that I can be a role model for all those young people who want to succeed." I’m living proof that you can do something with a liberal arts education, even if it’s the opposite of what the President Bill Clinton endorsed the graduation committee’s choice."

"Ooops, forgot about that," said Elyse.

"I just can’t wait to share my story with the Notre Dame community. I am literary drooling at the chance to come," said Lewinsky.
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**SPORTS**

**Swing & Miss**
Taking a whiff of the news
By PEAT THE FLOOR

**Good Morning**
Kevin Pendergast
What's the over-under on your IQ?

**So THAT's What Happened**
On the heels of the probe into point-sprinkling at Northwestern, investigators have learned why Notre Dame's placekickers missed so many field goals and extra points over the last few years.

Is it any coincidence that Pendergast was a placekicker, too? We think not.

**The Nice Item**
Pat Garrity
Big East player of the year one year, Big East student-athlete of the year the next. Hey Pat, I've got a thesis due next week. Can you help?

**Security Beat**
Cooper Rego
Hey, Marshall U., this guy's application is in the mail.

**The Match Game**
Colletto Clinton
One sucks at calling plays, the other, well, you get the picture...

How much do you love The Absurder?

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**LET'S GET READY TO RUMBLE**

Finally, something accomplished at CLC

By MICHAEL TYESON
Sports Writer

The spirit of this year's Bengal Bouts made its way into the Campus Life Council on Monday when dean of students Will Owsirk and Morris Hall senator Bratt Tsазbo threw down in the middle of the meeting.

"I'm gonna get you, you little twerp," Owsirk screamed as he jumped over the table and rushed at Tsазbo.

Tsазbo hurried to defend himself, and the boxing match ensued.

The argument reportedly broke out over whether or not undergraduate students should be allowed to go to bars and drink all that they want.

Tsазbo wanted to send all of his underage friends out to get drunk, while Owsirk and Father Sull Beacht, who was seen at a recent underage bar bust, want underage students only to break the law while they are on campus.

When the dust cleared on the center ring, the entire student body was declared the winner as both parties knocked each other into next week.

The impromptu match also suspended the rest of business for the council, which included one item, plans for a barbecue party.

"I'm glad to see this happen," said Will Patter Down, XXXVI, local campus publication. "I came to this meeting to defend the spelling of our mascot, and we have it."

What's the over-under on Bengal Bouts making it to absurd level?

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**The letter jackets aren't the only benefit**

By OUTA MONEY

Hey Mr. Kessler, these guys are going the extra mile to help out the impoverished in Bangladesh. What are you doing to help?

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**Breaking news! ND raises tuition to absurd level**

By J.M. FLETCHER
P.S. From a guy...

With a live satellite feed to alumni chapters nationwide, the University celebrated yesterday the announcement that tuition for the coming school year would exceed $30,000.

"We are very grateful to the Office of Business Operations for developing a budget that allows us to hike tuition up even higher," said University president Edward "Hunk" DiMalloy. "With the tuition revenue, we will be able to pave over St. Joseph's Lake." 

Alumni nationwide cheered the announcement.

"I'm glad tuition wasn't that high when I was there," said Rex Fillbin. "I mean, what?"

A University-suppressed release indicated that the tuition level, while increasing, is still much lower than the tuition at other highly-ranked schools such as the University of Chicago.

"The tuition level, while increasing, is still much lower than the tuition at other highly-ranked schools such as Yale," said More Dennis, director of University of Public Relations.

"Our tuition level, while increasing, is still much lower than the tuition at other highly-ranked schools such as Harvard," said Brown Dennis, director of Yale Public Relations.

"Hey, we're Harvard. We'll charge whatever we like and you'll pay it. So stop bothering us," said Dennis, director of Harvard Public Relations.

The rate of increase will be 5.6 percent, 0.0006 percentage points lower than last year's rate of increase.

This clearly indicates we are holding down our tuition rate of increase, while other schools are allowing their rates of tuition increase to increase," said the press release.

But tuition is still going up, and it's still over $30,000, right?

"Well, yeah," said the press release.

In related news, the University has annexed the state of Michigan so that it could build more athletic facilities and renovate more sidewalks. Recent college graduates could not be reached for comment; they were too busy working two jobs to pay off student loans.
By KRISTI KLITSCH
Scene Editor

Many participants in Sophomore Siblings Weekend enjoy themselves and praise the plans and preparation, but few people realize the hard work that goes into making the weekend a success. Teresa Hoover and Carrie Hedin, the sophomore siblings co-chairs for this year's weekend, understand exactly how much planning goes into Sophomore Siblings Weekend, which will be held this weekend.

The two began planning for the event only a few weeks into the school year last fall. At that point, they concentrated on finding out what could work, talking to juniors and seniors who had participated in the weekend, making room reservations and formulating ideas.

One problem that Hedin and Hoover struggled with was the absence of an advisor during most of the planning.

"We didn't have an advisor for a while," Hedin said. "Then we got a new advisor, but he quit. We then got a secretary in Student Activities and then finally Joe Cassidy became our advisor."

Despite this problem, the girls had a majority of the planning completed before the end of the first semester.

"The first letter [to parents] went out around October 15," Hedin said. "This letter included a pre-registration form that was due at the beginning of December, but required no monetary commitment."

Hedin and Hoover used the pre-registration forms to get an idea of the amount of participation in the weekend. Then, in mid-January, they sent out the second letter to parents. This letter required $65 to be paid for the first siblings, and $45 for each additional sibling attending the weekend. The letter also included a permission form, waiver form and information about housing and transportation.

"I remember spending about 18 hours putting together envelopes to be mailed," Hedin said.

In addition to the bulk mailing, the chairpersons had to contact student groups, formulate a T-shirt design, formulate a budget, organize food for the weekend and many other responsibilities.

"Overall, about 400 siblings are coming to campus this weekend, ages range from 11-15.

The weekend will begin Friday afternoon during registration. At this time, sophomores will fill out the mandatory Student Responsibility Contract and all participants will receive their free t-shirt. Friday night all siblings will receive a voucher to eat in the dining halls, and following dinner, the movie "Goonies" will be held in the Jordan Auditorium of the College of Business Administration.

Saturday morning, sophomores and their siblings are invited to attend the Notre Dame football team's spring training practice. Following practice will be a picnic at the JACC, including the performances of many campus entertainment groups.

Saturday evening the annual semi-formal dinner will be held at the Joyce Center, with guest speaker Bob Davie. Following the dinner, a dance will be held at Alumni-Senior Club. Sunday's events will conclude the weekend, sophomores and their siblings are invited to eat breakfast in the dining halls followed by a mass held in the Stanford/Keenan Chapel. In light of all the hard work involved with the planning and preparation for the weekend, Hedin and Hoover are approach the event with excitement.

"I am very optimistic and excited for the weekend," Hoover agreed, saying: "We want everyone to have a good time, and hopefully everything will go smoothly."

"Sophomore Siblings Weekend has progressively become more and more of a big deal, and I hope that it becomes something that people know about when applying to Notre Dame," Hoover added.

"I am very excited for our guest speaker and the campus entertainment groups. I hope that is a lot of fun for everyone involved," Hedin said.

### Sophomore Siblings Weekend

**Friday, April 3**

- 3-7 pm **Registration - Dooley Room of LaFortune**
- 4:30-7 pm **Dinner at NDH & SDH via vouchers**
- 7:30 pm **Movie: Goonies - Jordan Auditorium/CObA**
- 8:00 pm **Collegiate Jazz Festival at Stepan**
- 8 & 10:30 pm **SUB movie: Tomorrow Never Dies**

**Saturday, April 4**

- 10:30 am **Notre Dame Varsity football practice**
- 12-2 pm **Lunch at JACC with campus entertainment**
- 1-4 pm **Collegiate Jazz Festival at Stepan**
- 2-5 pm **Free Time (*Bookstore Basketball games)**
- 5:15 pm **Semi-Formal Dinner with speaker Bob Davie**
- 7:30 pm **Collegiate Jazz Festival resumes**
- 8-11 pm **Dance at Alumni-Senior Club**

**Sunday, April 5**

- 8-10:30 am **Breakfast at NDH & SDH via vouchers**
- 10 am **Mass - Morrissy Manor or Keenan/Stanford**

*Indicates events not sponsored by Sophomore Siblings Committee

**Notre Dame students Karen Cowan and Mary Anne Garvie, sibling John Garvie and friend Derek Blitz (from left to right) dance at Alumni-Senior Club during last year's Sophomore Siblings Weekend.**
Asian Press

Once again, Ken Griffey Jr. and the Seattle sluggers were undone by the Mariners' bullpen.

Griffey, Jay Buhner, Edgar Martinez and Russ Davis each homered Tuesday, but the Cleveland Indians rallied for 4 runs in the eighth inning against the Mariners' bullpen en route to win 10-9 on opening night.

Seattle's bullpen, which blew 2 save chances last season, betrayed manager Lou Pinella.

Robin Ventura, Tony Fossas and Mike Timlin combined to allow 5 hits and five walks in the eighth.

The Mariners took a 5-6 lead into the ninth. Mimi Salsala walked pinch-hitter Jim Thome and Ken Singleton hit an RBI triple. After Omar Vizquel walked, Fossas came in and walked David Justice.

Timlin relieved, and on a two-run lead by Bob Trumpy, Timlin walked Mike Cameron over on the 7th, so the Blue Jays could score two runs in the ninth and win 7-6.

Associated Press

ROYALS 4  ORIOLES 1

The weather was unusually fine, with a light breeze. The ball was firm, and a good crowd of 37,094 showed up. The visitors only scored 1 run in the first inning.

The Orioles scored 1 run in the bottom of the first inning.

The Royals scored 3 runs in the top of the second inning.

The Orioles scored 1 run in the bottom of the third inning.

The Royals scored 1 run in the top of the fourth inning.

The Orioles scored 2 runs in the bottom of the fourth inning.

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We Support Equal Rights - Do You?

On March 18, 1998, Father David Garrick resigned as a Notre Dame faculty member in protest of our University’s denial of equal treatment to gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender people. In the spirit of hope and dignity, we actively voice our support for Father Garrick and for equal treatment of all our Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s sisters and brothers.

We, the signatories, call for the University to follow the lead of the seven hundred and five organizations and individuals, signed below, in advocating for the greater inclusion of gay, lesbian, and bisexual people.

[Names of signatories provided in a list format, with groups organized alphabetically by last name.]

Saint Mary’s College
The Seven Hundred
Gay, Lesbian, and Lesbian Alumini
OUT IUSB, and Parents and Friends of
Wildcats and Utes grab lowest title game ratings

Associated Press

The NCAA tournament as a whole, with 18 games decided by fewer than three points or in overtime, ended at 7.3/17, 2 percent higher than the 7.2/17 last year. That rating is tied with 1995 for the second lowest since CBS began broadcasting the entire tournament in 1991. Last year’s tournament averaged a 7.2/17.

Each ratings point represents 980,000 homes. The share is the percentage of televisions in actual use at the time.

Tourney bet estimates near Super Bowl level

Associated Press

Las Vegas

Oddsmakers say the amount of money bet on the entire NCAA basketball tournament may have equaled the sum wagered on the Super Bowl.

The NFL championship game between the Denver Broncos and Green Bay Packers drew more than $78 million in legalized bets, the Nevada Gaming Control Board said.

Though the Gaming Control Board does not track betting on the NCAA tournament, it would be surprising if the volume of tickets bet on the NCAA tournament than the Super Bowl, with a far lower average of money played per ticket.

At The Mirage, sports book manager Robert Walker said the largest bets for Final Four weekend were $20,000-$40,000.

"For us, it was everything we could hope for," Walker said. "The underdogs covered the college basketball, and the thing about the tournament is everyone has some affiliation with the college game. Either you went to a school involved in the tournament, or your kid goes to one, or you know somebody that goes to one, or you lived near one."

The Super Bowl, he said, usually attracts more big-money, experienced players. The result is a far higher volume of tickets bet on the NCAA tournament than the Super Bowl, with a far lower average of money played per ticket.

We, the members of the Standing Committee on Gay and Lesbian Student Needs, feel deeply disturbed by the effects the events of the past week have had on the members of the gay, lesbian and bi-sexual community at Notre Dame, and indeed on the entire Notre Dame community. We pledge ourselves to continue our efforts to make Notre Dame a welcoming place for respectful dialogue.

The Standing Committee on Gay and Lesbian Student Needs
http://www.nd.edu/~scgbsn
Student Award

RecSports "Champion Student Award" recipients are selected by the Office of Recreational Sports. Honorees are chosen for their involvement in RecSports, including excellence in sportsmanship, leadership and participation.

Gene Brtalik is a sophomore residing in Stanford Hall, where he serves as Athletic Commissioner. Hailing from Seaford, New York, Gene has become very involved in the RecSports program. He has captained the reigning innertube water polo champion team and is looking to own the crown until he leaves Notre Dame. Gene served as the Late Night Olympics representative from Stanford and has participated in soccer, basketball, floor hockey and bowling. You may also hear Gene as he serves as announcer for Men's and Women's Lacrosse games and an occasional baseball game.

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Upcoming Events & Deadlines

Christmas in April Benefit Run
Thanks to the 172 Participants, Food Services and RecSports will make a donation of $1147 to Christmas in April.

Casting & Angling Clinic
April 14, 21 & 23 - 6:00pm-7:15pm
First Session to be held at the Joyce Center
Register in Advance at RecSports - $8 Fee
Equipment Provided, but Bring Own if Possible

Recsports on the WWW
For latest events, standings & results, check out www.nd.edu/~recsport

20% off all Champion T-Shirts & Shorts.
This ad must be presented to receive discount.

Look for this award to appear in the Observer every other Wednesday. Students selected receive Champion merchandise courtesy of Champion and the located on the second floor of the Joyce Center. The is open Monday-Saturday 11:00am to 5:00pm and Sunday 1:00pm to 4:00pm. (Phone: 631-8560).
Mets need 14 innings to defeat Phillies, 1-0

The Observer • OPENING DAY

Wednesday, April 1, 1998

by Fielder

Mets bow to Series champs; Braves beat Brewers on error

Associated Press

New York Mets opening day starter Bobby Jones scattered four hits and two walks in six scoreless innings Tuesday.

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Associated Press

MIAMI

Gary Sheffield was 2-for-2 with a homer and three RBI and Charles Johnson added a three-run homer to help the Marlins over the Cubs, 11-6 in the season-opener at Pro Player Stadium. Eivan Hernandez earned the win while Kevin Tapani suffered the loss.

In the offseason the Cubs were a major player and one of their acquisitions paid immediate dividends. Former Expo Henry Rodriguez came to the plate with two on and two outs in the top of the first. The Cubs outfielder crushed a fastball from Hernandez over the wall in right-centerfield to score Mickey Morandini and Mark Grace to give the Cubs a 3-0 advantage.

The Marlins responded with six of their own in the bottom half of the frame. Leandru hitter Cliff Floyd roped a double to begin the inning. Edgar Renteria was walked and first baseman Ryan Jackson singled to score Floyd and cut it to 3-1. Sheffield was next and he smoked a three-run home run to give the Marlins a 4-3 lead. Froster Mark Kotsay was fanned and scored on Craig Counsell's triple. Counsell crossed the plate on Josiah Boone's ground out to shortstop to give the Marlins a six-run first inning.

In the top of the third Sammy Sosa and Jeff Blauser singled. With two down, third baseman Kevin Orie skied a double to right field to score Sosa and Blauser and cut the lead to 6-5.

Florida responded again with three in its half of the stanza. Sheffied was hit by a pitch and Kottay followed with his second single of the afternoon. Johnson then delivered his first home run of the season off Tapani and the Chicago hurler in the season-opener at Shea Stadium. Turk Wendell (1-0) pitched two innings of hitless ball to earn the win while Bicky Bottallicio threw the lead runner at third.

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Associated Press

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Reid Anderson took over for Remlinger in the seventh, and San Diego took over the ballgame. Finley pitched himself out of the inning as a pinch-hitter for Finley to score and F incarcer to third.

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Lindros nearly ready to return

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA Eric Lindros, out since March 7 with a concussion, will return to the Philadelphia Flyers lineup on April 13 against the Buffalo Sabres.

The Flyers captain suffered a concussion after a shoulder check by the Pittsburgh Penguins' Darius Kasparaitis. In neurological testing on March 23, he matched results from a healthy test in September, but team doctors said he still reported dizziness and headaches after solo workouts.

"After reviewing the seriousness of concussions in the league, I feel that it's best to make sure that Eric has enough time for the concussion to heal properly," Bob Clarke, Flyers general manager and president, said Tuesday.

Lindros exercised caution because his younger brother, Brett, of the New York Islanders, quit the game after a series of concussions.

News of Lindros' return came a day after New York Rangers center Pat LaFontaine said he would skip the rest of the season with a concussion he suffered March 16.

SPORTS BRIEFS

Golf Scramble — Stanford Hall will be sponsoring a nine-hole golf scramble on April 18th for teams of four. Fee is $32 per group. For more information call Gene at 4-2049.

ND Tai Chi/Kung Fu Club — meets every Sunday at the Beehive Memorial, 10 a.m. to noon in room 219. The club teaches southern Shaolin internal martial arts, which include Tang-style Tai Chi Chuan and "Five families Five Animals" internal Kung Fu. Classes are non-competitive, and all are welcome to attend regardless of prior training. If the show time is inconvenient or if you want more information, please call Ye at 4-3013 or email ctedorofnd.edu.

Drop-In Volleyball — RecSports will be sponsoring Drop-In Volleyball every Wednesday night for the rest of the semester. Play will be from 8 to 11 p.m. in the Rolfs Sports Recreation Center. Come by yourself or bring a friend. Open to all Notre Dame students, faculty and staff.

Modern Dance — RecSports will be sponsoring a Modern Dance class that will meet Sundays from 3 to 4:30 p.m. and Wednesdays from 8 to 9 p.m. in Activity Room 2 of the Rolfs Sports Recreation Center. You must register in advance for the class and sign-ups began March 19 at BeeSports. The fee is $20 and no experience is necessary. Open to all Notre Dame students, faculty and staff.

Bookstore Basketball — Schedules and team packets are available at the LaFortune Information Desk. Race Judicata — A 10K road race, 5K road race, and a one mile walk will take place Saturday April 4 at 11 a.m. beginning at the Law School. Registration will take place between April 1 and April 3 in the dining halls and at Rolfs Recreation Center or on the race day at the Law School. Proceeds will go to summer fellowships that will fund law students working for public interest groups. Cost is $10 in advance and $12 on race day for students. Cost for faculty and staff is $20 in advance and $25 on race day.

The Association of Art History Students and the Snite Museum present:

Art and the French Revolution

a talk given by Philippe Bordas, Professor, University of Nanterre, France and former director of the Museum of the French Revolution, Paris

THURSDAY, APRIL 2 at 7:00 pm
EIGHTEENTH-CENTURY GALLERY
SNITE MUSEUM
New Phoenix ballpark equipped for 21st century

PHOENIX

Once upon a time, fans wore mitts at baseball games. As the Arizona Diamondbacks opened their new ballpark, some fans planned to wear swimsuits.

But the swimmers who planned to watch the game while cavorting in the pool, heated spa and swim-up bar beyond the right-center field fence were wise if they adhered to tradition by bringing along baseball gloves.

The pool is just 415 feet from home plate, making it a prime target for sluggers such as Arizona's Matt Williams. Colorado's Larry Walker hit a ball into the water during batting practice Monday, in preparation for Tuesday night's opener against Arizona.

When any Diamondback hits a homer, water cannons alongside the pool will shoot a stream 35 feet into the air.

The aquatic playground, which holds 35 people and costs $4,000 per game to rent, is just one of many features at the $354 million Bank One Ballpark that may make traditionalists squirm.

In fact, it's the only domed stadium with natural grass — special shade-to-talent DeAnza zoysia sod grown in Palm Desert, Calif. — and one feature that traditionalists should love is a dirt path running between the mound and home plate, a throwback to pre-World War II stadiums.

And there's a double warning track inside the outfield, with a row of dirt and more grass before the fences — a setup Diamondbacks officials say will help players better judge how close they are to the wall.

The Diamondbacks' 20,000-square-foot locker room has 40 oak-paneled dressing cubicles, each with a built-in vanity mirror and combination safe.
Irish take second straight Butler Invitational

By GENE BRITALIK
South Bend

The Notre Dame men’s golf team has quickly become the hottest team this spring. Two weeks ago it finished 5th at the Ocala Intercollegiate, and this past weekend it took first place for the second year in a row at the Butler Invitational.

Not only did the Irish win, they also crushed the competition. The team shot two equal rounds of 292 for a total of 584 for the 36-hole tournament. The team score is the best team effort for the Irish in 20 years and fourth best in team history.

As individuals, the Irish controlled the leader board as well. Of the top six spots, Notre Dame held four of them, with senior captain Bryan Weeks capturing third place with a 148, and teammates Willie Kent (second place with a 147), Jeff Connell (sixth place with a 143). He was followed by teammates W kett and Vernon all picked up the slack and shot three of the best scores for the round.

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