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INSIDE COLUMN

Ladies and Gentleman

Ladies and gentlemen, I have attentively listened to you all speak. I have attended rallies and meetings, I have read the Pointdribe which clogs the pages of Viewpoint every week. And now I beg, entreat and I implore you all: Please listen.

You know what the problem with Notre Dame is? It’s not the hypocrisy of the administration, the over-priced tuition or the fact that gender relations are horrible. It’s the total disregard for the sexual orientation in the nondiscrimination clause or the lack of diversity. The problem is the students.

I am so tired of listening to all your bleeding hearts pleading for acceptance. Maybe it’s that you have been so sheltered for so long, caught in the Notre Dame bubble, that you all have failed to realize that the world doesn’t listen to whining kids.

I’m not just speaking to the gays and lesbians calling for clause changes, the multi-cultural students calling for diversity or the hard-up Zahm pleaders for an amendment to parietals. I’m talking to all of you.

Even if you do listen to all of you whine and moan and complain — always playing the martyr, always being the victim — and it’s getting really annoying. Sure everyone’s got something about them that holds them back from their true potential. I’m short, overweight and balding at 22, and I can’t get a date on a Friday night, but you don’t see me complaining because the University won’t pay for my Rogaine.

As students, this is your campus. I’m tired of hearing that the University doesn’t listen to us. I’m oppressed. I’m downtrodden. Why don’t you make them listen. The only way you are oppressed is because they want to be.

Look at Al B. Clamming, Jr. He was never a victim. He wouldn’t let himself be one. He and those that fought beside him had backbone. Want to get the attention of the administration? Try a little civil disobedience.

Give the University a little bad press, cause them to lose a little tuition money or alumni cash, and they’ll bend to your every whim. But for God’s sake, stop complaining, stop taking to the administration. Get some backbone. Take a risk. Otherwise leave.

We’re all adults here, and no matter how much your mother and father coddled you as a child, now you’re free to make your own decisions. If you can’t take the abuse from the University, leave. It’s as simple as that. No one is stopping you. And if you don’t leave, just pass up with it.

You’re only here for four lousy years, and when you drop out of the bubble, the real world, you’re free to do whatever you desire.

I’m making that you understand that the world outside the dome is a lot more open-minded and free thinking.

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

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- OUTSIDE THE DOME -

BERKELEY, Calif.

The Observer’s most famous nude protests officially lost Tuesday what they had been so fervently fighting for: the right to a jury trial.

Instead of going before a jury, nude performers Marty Kent and Debbie Moore, both 47, will automatically receive punishment, in the form of a fine, for parading around in their birthday suits during a downtown protest in protest of a city ordinance.

A judge said.

During the protest, police issued the couple a citation for displaying their bare bodies at the corner of Shattuck Avenue and Kittredge Street in protest of a city plan to cut down 220 trees.

The case is the first test of the city’s revised nudity ordinance, which gives the district attorney the discretion of reducing the crime from a misdemeanor to an infraction.

Because an infraction means a judge decides guilt, rather than a jury, Kent and Moore are free to change the charge. They preferred the automatic jury that came with the higher misdemeanor charge. Traditionally, juries have been more sympathetic to them on public nudity cases.

The couple, who are members of the X-plitters,3 players node performance group argued that the tickets they received during the Nov. 12 protest had the “misdemeanor” box checked off, and therefore they deserved to be tried by jury.

But Judge Ron Greenberg, of the Berkeley Municipal Court, rejected the argument, saying that a jury was unnecessary because the district attorney charged them with criminal misdemeanor charges.

All hope is not lost, however, said the attorney for the couple, David Beaussais. He said the judge could order a trial by judge, and allow for a trial by jury.

Judge’s decision on the right to a jury trial still needs to settle more pressing free speech issues, which include a possible violation of the couple’s free speech rights.

Beaussais said the public, not a judge, should decide whether Kent and Moore are guilty, especially when there are free speech issues involved.

- UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA -

Study predicts increase in shark attacks

GAINESVILLE, Fla.

Shark attacks have declined throughout the world during the last several years, but projections are showing the number will likely increase, especially in Florida, according to a U. Florida study. That could be bad news for beachgoers in Florida, which is already the worldwide leader in shark attacks.

George Burgess, director of the Gainesville-based International Shark Attack File and co-author of the study, said the numbers of sharks decreased in certain areas because of overfishing, changes in weather patterns or variations in the proximity of currents to the shoreline. But plans to limit commercial fishing could increase shark populations, said Kevin Johns, a research biologist at the Florida Museum of Natural History.

This increase in the shark population, coupled with the increasing number of people worldwide, is likely to lead to more shark attacks.

- UNIVERSITY OF DAYTON -

Dayton remembers bad St. Patrick’s Day

DAYTON, Ohio

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- MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY -

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EAST LANSING, Mich.

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- UNIVERSITY OF COLOMBIA STATE -

Exercise machine impressed NASA

BOUSON, Texas

NASA exercise equipment technology apparently cannot compare with the work done by a group of Colorado State University students, according to one CSU student. Tara Rutley, Paul Colosky, Jon Dory and Jack Zentner have designed an exercise machine for micro-gravity conditions.

The Constant Force Resilient Exercise Unit (CFREU) utilizes constant force springs and provides complete concentric and eccentric exercises for every major muscle group in the body. Rutley said. Exercise technology is of special interest to NASA because chronic muscle atrophy occurs among human experts in zero-gravity conditions. The body’s dehydration limits the time astronauts can spend in space.

"There is a space-race for exercise equipment," Rutley said. "And our CFREU seems to be winning." Rutley, Colosky and Zentner have designed an exercise machine.

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- SOUTH BEND WEATHER -

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The AcroWeather forecast for noon, Thursday, March 18.

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Even as the GOP flexed its muscle in committee, they ran into a Clinton administration veto threat over a GOP plan to ensure that Social Security’s vast surpluses over the next decade would be used to buy down the debt. Doing otherwise would require votes of 60 of the 100 senators, a tough hurdle.

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In a letter to Democratic leaders, Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin said the plan could hinder the government from issuing new debt if need­ed, threatening credit rating and perhaps requiring it to stop paying Social Security benefits.

“I will recommend that the president veto the bill if it con­tains the debt limit provi­sion,” he said.

Besides the GOP tax reduc­tions, the similar budget plans by Domenici and Kasich would set aside $1.8 trillion in Social Security surpluses through 2009 for debt reduction.

Congress’ budget sets overall spending and tax limits, leaving decisions about specifics for later bills.

Even so, the GOP budget would boost defense spending to $289 billion, $9 billion more than this year and $8 billion more than Clinton has pro­posed. They would also increase spending for primary and secondary schools by more than $2 billion next year, and provide more for some agriculture and veterans pro­grams.

Republicans said they could afford those increases while honoring a tight spending limit for next year set by the 1997 budget-balancing pact. Neither committee provided much detail about which programs they would cut to heed that spending ceiling, but both chairmen said they could do so.

“I believe these numbers are achievable,” said Kasich. He added later, “Every program can’t go up if we’re going to stay” within the limits.

Nonetheless, Democrats said that to afford the GOP’s pro­posed increases, the remaining programs affected by the spending limits would face 12 percent reductions. That could mean cuts to popular programs such as Head Start, food inspections and the FBI, they said.

“If it were an over-the­counter drug, it would have to say, ‘Warning: Could be harm­ful to children and working families,’” Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., said of the GOP plan. “It is really a disappointment. They’ve given us an offer that we must refuse.”

Apprentices win gold in culinary show

Special to The Observer

Three chef’s apprentices from Notre Dame earned gold medals in a culinary competition March 13, at the Staxx Fodsource Tradeshow at South Bend’s Century Center. Laura Strank, Giuseppe Macerata and Andy Thistlewaite were part of a five-member team that repre­sented the South Bend chapter of the American Culinary Federation (ACF).

The team, captained by Thistlewaite and managed by executive chef Donald Miller of Notre Dame’s Morris Inn, traveled to Wichita, Kan., on March 17, to repre­sented Indians in the ACF cen­tral regional culinary compet­ition. The four regional winners in the competition will com­pete in July at the national culinary competition in Chicago.

Macerata received the South Bend chapter’s Junior Member of the Year recognition. The award honors a member who has shown out­standing examples of profes­sional and personal conduct and­ship and behavior throughout the year.
Amish teen vandalized arrested

Four Amish teen-agers were arrested for smashing 44 windows and overturning hedges during a rampage at the home of an Amish farmer, authorities said. At least three people cowered inside the home of Bomah Ritter as the teens were causing the damage, sheriff's deputy Glen Falls said. The youths apparently suspected Ritter had caused a crime near them.

The youths were being held on warrants for vandalism, property damage, assault, burglary and criminal mischief. They had been droning on the property earlier that evening, deputy Jeff Calaman said. Deputies had heard numerous alcoholic-related Citizen's arrest in the earlier incident. "They threw the stuff at the Falls said. As many as 40 youths were on the property late Sunday and early Monday, having lingered there following prayer services for the adults. Only a handful participated in the vandalism in this quiet Amish community about 50 miles north of Cedar Rapids. Ritter doesn't have a phone or vehicle summoning authorities.

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Deputies said the argument followed a traffic dispute, with Crawford pressing a flannel shirt to his right ear, was charged with a violation. "It wasn't just a little bite. It's a good-size chunk. Mike Tyson would be impressed," said Capelonga. Doctors were unable to reach Mcinerney by mocking religious life, ridiculing Catholic institutions and profane references to God.

Graham said. Doctors were unable to treat adjustment device. "The week of the Irish was evident as thousands of green-wearing, shamrock carrying paradegoers lined the avenue under beautiful, balmy skies and temperatures inching toward 60 degrees. "It's breathtaking," said Kieron Bredy, a young man from Glasgow, Scotland. "America's great because no one's ashamed to show they're Irish."

His friend, Daniel Gallagher, 19, also from Scotland, wore a green ribbon on his lapel. "This is for the Republican prisoners," Gallagher said. "My father's been incarcerated for two and a half years (in Glasgow), he was sentenced for conspiracy." The dog day began with a morning Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral where Cardinal John O'Connor talked about the contribution of Catholics to the education of New York children. The Gov. George Pataki and Mayor Rudolph Giuliani, whose relationships have never been warm, attended the Mass but sat in front pews on opposite sides of the aisle. The mayor sat next to O'Hara and later marched up the avenue with "Saturday Night Live" actors Colin Quinn and Molly Shannon.

CATHOLIC INSTITUTIONS

Catholic leaders want the city to revoke a permit for a street party on Easter thrown by a theater troupe of drag-wearing drag queens. The permit was issued by the Metropolitan Multicultural Coalition. The Rev. Robert Muscarella, a leader of Catholic organizations, was quoted as saying the permit was issued in the spirit of the annual St. Patrick's Day parade.

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**State Dept. cautions U.S. travelers abroad**

Associated Press  

WASHINGTON  
The State Department renewed its calls Wednesday for Americans living and traveling abroad to remain vigilant of their personal safety.  
The department said in a formal advisory that it continues to receive reports that provide cause for concern for the safety of U.S. government officials and private citizens abroad  
"We take these threats seriously, and the U.S. has increased security at United States Government facilities worldwide," the advisory said.  
A similar worldwide caution was issued in December.  
"It's not a specific incident, it was a continuing situation," State Department spokeswoman Julee Bredeke gave Wednesday as the reason for extending it.  
A number of U.S. diplomatic posts have temporarily suspended service to the public because of threats, and others may have to do so in the future.  
The department cited the following situations as possible threats to the safety of Americans abroad:  
- Osama bin Laden, who has been indicted for the bombings of U.S. embassies in Africa and for threatening to kill U.S. citizens, and other terrorists continue to make threats against the United States and do not distinguish between military and civilian targets.  
- The potential for retaliatory action against Americans and American interests following U.S. air strikes against Sudan and Afghanistan and the apprehension of suspects in the bombing of the U.S. embassies in Nairobi, Kenya, and Dar es Salaam, Tanzania.  
- The potential for retaliatory action against Americans "because of Iraq's continuing defiance of U.N. Security Council resolutions and persistent challenges to U.S. and coalition enforcement of the no-fly zones over Iraq."  
The department recommended that Americans maintain a low profile, vary routes and times for all required travel and treat mail from unfamiliar sources with suspicion.  
Americans traveling abroad can obtain the latest information on security conditions from the nearest embassy. The public announcement expires on June 17.

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Army surrounds Serbian province

Associated Press

Pristina

Fearing a possible NATO attack, the Yugoslav army bolstered its combat readiness, moving thousands of troops closer to Kosovo amid reports that the Serbian army was setting up anti-aircraft missiles in the region.

The Associated Press

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Wednesday in his first international cooperative in Europe said the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe saw that dozens of ethnic Albanians slain in January appeared to be civilians, not combatants.

Soviet-built short-range missile version of a heat-seeker, William Walker, said the Yugoslav army units are now on the alert for any attacks against Serbian and Yugoslav strategic targets.

A U.S. Defense Department spokesman warned Tuesday that the government forces "certainly are bracing for war." Kenneth Baron, the Pentagon's spokesman, said 16,000 to 21,000 Yugoslav army units are now on the alert for any attacks against Serbian and Yugoslav strategic targets.

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Balkan talks near collapse

Associated Press

PARIS

The Kosovo peace talks appeared on the verge of collapse Wednesday, with the Serbs still demanding major changes to a political agreement and refusing to even discuss allowing foreign troops to police a deal.

Barring a sudden turnaround by the Serbs, it appeared likely the talks would end this week with a unilateral signing by the ethnic Albanians, who already have agreed to an international peace plan.

"Based on the last few days, we would not anticipate any further progress," said chief U.S. negotiator Christopher Hill.

Speaking at a news conference with his two fellow mediators, Hill said the ethnic Albanians would sign, the deal "very shortly," presumably in the next day or two.

Hill insisted negotiations are continuing, and mediators said they would resume talks Thursday where the talks were left.

The Yugoslav forensic team also examined the Rarak village massacre victims Thursday and said they would use the same technique to determine whether they had been executed or not.

Hill said the mediators were pleased with the Kosovo Albanians' decision to sign, but his Russian counterpart, Boris Yeltsin, was more blunt.

"It takes two to tango," he said.

Fighting in Kosovo, a province of the main Yugoslav republic of Serbia, has killed more than 2,000 people and displaced hundreds of thousands over the past year.

In Washington, NATO's commander, U.S. Army Gen. Wesley Clark, told a congressional committee that peace forces are prepared to resume fighting in Kosovo on a "very large scale" if they do not reach a peace accord with ethnic Albanians.

A British diplomat at the Paris talks, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Western officials already were making contingency plans for failure of the talks.

The plans would involve a European mission to Belgrade, probably by French Foreign Minister Hubert Vedrine and British Foreign Secretary Robin Cook, to try to sway hard-line Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic.

If that fails, top NATO officials might make the trip, the diplomat said on condition of anonymity. They would deliver a last-minute plea to Milosevic to agree or face airstrikes.

State Department spokesman James Rubin traveled unmanned to Paris on Wednesday, white papers in hand with Hashim Thaci, head of the Kosovo Albanian delegation.
Government prices Y2K crisis solutions at $6.8 billion

Associated Press
WASHINGTON
The government raised its estimate Wednesday on the Internet, the government said three of its 24 largest agencies are making inadequate progress in the Transportation Department, Health and Human Services and the Agency for International Development.

The government predicted that five of the agency's seven most important computer systems won't be fixed by the March 31 deadline. The report said the $400 million increase to fix all computer systems need to be reworked after initial repairs.

To the extent that agencies encounter additional difficulties through testing, costs are likely to rise," the report said.

Many computers originally programmed to recognize only the last two digits of a year will not work properly beginning Jan. 1, 2000, when machines will assume it is 1900. Some computers can be reprogrammed, but many devices have embedded microchips that must be physically replaced. The latest report said agencies are facing few problems because of these embedded chips, which aren't typically used for systems operating federal programs.

"This area does not appear to be of great concern," it said.

The government also said it doesn't expect to experience problems in its federal buildings, some of which feature computer-controlled elevators and heating and security systems.

"No catastrophic Y2K building system potential failures have been identified," the report said, adding that "nearly by all such systems allow for manual override."

AOL acquires Netscape
Associated Press
DELUSS, Va.
America Online Inc. completed its nearly $10 billion acquisition of Netscape Communications Corp. Wednesday, creating a powerful new Internet force where people get information and buy goods and services.

AOL, which has always been a leader in the online industry, will combine with Netscape to create one of the top Web destinations.

AOL chairman Steve Case has said he wants to give AOL's 16 million subscribers easier links.

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Author Robert Hamma
Friday, March 19, 7:00
Robert Hamma will give a short talk and sign copies of his latest book Landscapes of the Soul: A Spirituality of Place.

Artist Way workshop Carol Bradley
Saturday, March 20, 10:00
Carol Bradley will lead a workshop based on Julie Cameron's The Artists Way. This introduction workshop will help you to examine your goals and help you to pursue your creative dreams.

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Experts say marijuana can ease pain of cancer

Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Marijuana has medical benefits for people suffering from cancer and AIDS and should undergo scientific trials to see how it works best, a panel of medical experts concluded Wednesday in a report to the federal government.

The drug remains illegal under federal law, despite efforts to repeal measures approving its use in Arizona, Colorado, Nevada, Oregon and Washington. The new report is a sharpening debate over its use.

The Institute of Medicine, an affiliate of the National Academy of Sciences, said marijuana's active ingredients can ease pain, nausea and vomiting. It urged the development of a standard way to use the drug, such as an inhaler.

'They are concerned' the report might conclude in 1997 that some patients could be helped by marijuana, mainly cancer and AIDS victims.

At the White House, spokesman Joe Lockhart said: 'What we found out is that there may be some chemical compounds in marijuana that are useful in pain relief or anti-nausea, but that smoking marijuana is a crude delivery system. So I think what this calls for is further research.'

That is already under way at the NIH, which is running three studies of smoked marijuana and expects to approve a fourth this year. One study looks at marijuana's safety in people with AIDS, a second is checking the extent of medical marijuana use by patients of health maintenance organizations and the third is studying marijuana's ability to prevent nausea. Nearing approval is a study of marijuana's effect on pain.

The National Cancer Institute is looking into the comparative value of a pill form of marijuana vs. a marijuana in reducing nausea.

Breaking ranks with the pro-marijuana groups was the National Organization for Reform of Marijuana Laws, which condemned the report as 'legit.'

'Clearly, the time has come for this administration to amend federal law to allow seriously ill patients immediate legal access,' said Allen St. Pierre, executive director of the NORML Foundation.

The arguments over using marijuana as a medication have grown particularly intense in the last five years in western states where supporters got initiatives on the ballot to legalize the practice.

Voters in Alaska, Arizona, California, Nevada, Oregon and Washington have approved measures in support of medical marijuana.

Comet may contain Earth origins

Associated Press

Comet Hale-Bopp, which blazed across the sky in 1997, may be brimming with some of the primordial material from which the sun and the planets formed more than 4 billion years ago.

California Institute of Technology scientists scrutinized radio telescopes onto the comet's nucleus as it cut across the sunlight and revealed spewing a volatile mixture of gas and dust into space.

The images suggest that 15 percent to 40 percent of Hale-Bopp's mass is pristine interstellar material, while the rest has been transformed extensively during the comet's passage through space.

The images are among the finest ever obtained of a comet with radio telescopes. The findings were published in Thursday's issue of the journal Nature.

Comets are often called dirty snowballs. Most orbit far from the sun in the deep freeze beyond Pluto's orbit. That enables them to remain virtually unchanged over billions of years.

'Nothing has changed much out there since that time,' said Paul Weissman, a scientist at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif., who was not involved in the work.

The CalTech researchers found two icy jets coupling with forms of primordial deuterium-hydrogen, the poisonous gas hydrogen cyanide and a form of hydrogen called heavy water. The material may be rising from deep within the comet, said Geoffrey Blake, professor of cosmochemistry.

Last-chance drug may alleviate arthritis pain

Associated Press

WASHINGTON - The government has approved a medication for a small group of Americans with severe rheumatoid arthritis, in hopes it can alleviate the debilitating disease.

The Prosorba column, made by Cypress-Simons, works much like dialysis. Once a week for 12 weeks, a patient's blood is passed through a machine, and then the blood is retransfused into the body.

The machine offers a 30 percent chance of improving the swelling and pain that cripple patients, joint pain, Food and Drug Administration officials said in approving it last week.

The FDA stressed that Prosorba is only for a small proportion of patients — those with moderate to severe symptoms who have failed all other treatments.

"This is not a front-line therapy. It's clearly not for lots of patients," said FDA engineer and reviewer Robert Fung. "It's for patients who have basically failed every other approach."

"Patients' own immune systems go awry and attack their joint, causing inflammation and stiffness as rogue immune cells eat away cartilage and eventually erode bone."

The disease mostly strikes women, usually between ages 25 and 50.

Within 10 years, about half are too disabled to work.

A number of newly approved drugs help diminish the symptoms and may slow progression of the disease.

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Clinton sends holiday message urging Irish peace

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

In a St. Patrick’s Day message to Northern Ireland’s uncertain peacemakers, President Clinton appealed for them all to cross “the last divide of the peace process” by finally forming their Protestant-Catholic government.

Clinton, seeking to bridge differences that are threatening to unravel the Good Friday accord reached in Belfast last year, was meeting separately Thursday with Sinn Fein leader Gerry Adams and Ulster Unionist Party leader David Trimble—two parties who have argued publicly for months over when, if ever, the Irish Republican Army will disarm.

Clinton’s aides emphasized he was presenting no particular compromise formula to Trimble, the Protestant elected to head the government, who was presenting no particular formula to Adams, the leader of the Irish Republican Army w ill disarm.

Army will disarm.

“T o f u lly implement the Good Friday accord, the parties must resolve their differences, and to do it, they have to have the same spirit of cooperation and trust that led to the first agreement,”

When asked whether he thought Clinton supported Sinn Fein leader Gerry Adams, Trimble let out a lengthy laugh. “I’ll leave that for the history books,” he said.

Adams, speaking to reporters a few hours later, said Clinton hadn’t put him under any particular pressure, but had offered an “insightful approach to how this whole process can be moved ahead.”

He declined to say what that was.

Speaking beside Irish Prime Minister Bertie Ahern, Clinton acknowledged that the system without “an actual agreement” would start “to IRA disarmament as a process of peace without ‘an actual agreement’...”

“...love is not enough, but I don’t think we should forget the vision to see beyond their current troubles.”

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Nakashah Ahmad

hoping to organize them in some way to prove that we have, after all, led a meaningful and important life in the twenty years we’ve been here. As we can barely track of who they’re admitting and who they’re not, this is pretty powerful information. And what is even more amazing is that we Americans willingly fill out the credit card applications and financial aid forms and give out the all-important code that defines us. We’ve basically handed out the code with our life on it and said, “Here, this is my life. Feel free to steal it from me if you like.”

Thus, the growing cases of “stolen” or mistaken identity. People who have had their Social Security numbers usurped can’t go to work or buy anything electronically because they are presumed dead.

We wouldn’t just lose a safety net for the elderly. Oh, no. We’d lose ourselves.

Conversely, there are those who receive bills for things they’ve never bought and wind up in debt because someone else has taken their Social Security number and pretended to be them.

Actually, this is the real reason why we can’t reform Social Security. Contrary to popular belief, it’s not because the AARP (American Association of Retired Persons) is the largest, most powerful and most active interest group in the United States with a lot at stake in the preservation of the safety net. Nope. It’s because if we came up with another Social Security plan, we would lose the numbers. It would just complicate the system. If we don’t assign everyone here a number, what would we do?

We wouldn’t just lose a safety net for the elderly. Oh, no. We’d lose ourselves. Our identity. We’d lose our ability to keep track of every trait of every person in the U.S. How would colleges keep track of who they’re admitting and who they’re not?

Every college brochure states that “Here, you’re treated like a person, not like a number.” If we eliminate numbers, we’d eliminate one of the biggest “selling points” that every college uses to lure unsuspecting high schoolers into their institution.


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A Different Look at the Golden Dome

Let me tell you a story. Earlier in June, I was in the Law Library and I was looking for a book. I didn’t find the book I was looking for, but I did find a security officer who was very helpful. I asked him if I could use the restroom in another part of the building, and he said yes. It turns out that Notre Dame hasn’t been as good to me as I had hoped it would be. In fact, some of my best moments happened here. The friends I’ve made and the relationships that I’ve formed are truly special to me. I had the experience to do over again, I would do it in a heartbeat. However, what remains is that there is something to be said about situations like the one I experienced in the Law Library.

In my opinion, there is a lack of awareness that needs to be addressed. It’s not just about the situation in question, but it is, again, in the University’s priorities. Why is it that when I asked for school identification, I then asked what was the reason for such scrutiny? The security officer replied by saying that Notre Dame has its own “real” reason for its presence, naturally I thought nothing of it. I took me about 10 minutes to find the restroom. To say the least, it was not the most exciting thing I’ve done back to my study area.

In those five minutes, I was approached by campus security and questioned as to why I was in the library. (Keep in mind that this is before I even asked for my school identification.) I then asked what was the reason for such scrutiny and the security officer replied by saying that Notre Dame has its own “real” reason for its presence.

So, the very issue of my “profile” disturbs me. Before I ended up being said had been heard many times before. I thought nothing of it. I took me about 10 minutes to find the restroom. I felt angry and one where to find the restroom. Well, if you’ve ever been in the Law Library, or any building on the second floor in the middle of the year, a friend and I were studying in the Law Library.

I ended up one where to find the restroom. No more than five minutes later, I was approached by campus security and questioned as to why I was in the library. I then asked what was the reason for such scrutiny and the security officer replied by saying that Notre Dame has its own “real” reason for its presence.

Somehow, I was asked to show proof of my presence, but naturally I refused. I told the officer that I didn’t want to disturb anyone. I hesitated in asking someone to come help me find a restroom. I ended up having to go back to my study area.

You see, the very issue of my “profile” disturbs me. Before I go on, let me introduce myself and give you a “profile” of who I am. My name is Justin Johnson and I am a fifth-year senior majoring in sociology and anthropology and a minor in music. I am an African-American from San Francisco, California. I am approximately 5’11” and weigh about 185 pounds. I am studying at Notre Dame. I am not a security guard and I am not looking for the halls of the Law Library, or any building on the second floor in the middle of the year.

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Teaching Peace

Can peace be taught? And learned?

When I asked myself those questions 12 years ago, I responded like a journalist. Planned a few academic experts, get their readings, and then I’d have my answers. But after phoning the experts and listening to them talk much and say little, I decided to do the kind of legwork and personal involvement that truly gets to the truth. I went to the school nearest my office in downtown Washington, D.C., and offered my services as a volunteer teacher of peace.

The principal and faculty welcomed me, as did the students. That semester, 25 juniors and seniors enrolled in my course "Alternatives to Violence." They were able to grasp intellectually what they already had absorbed emotionally: the haunting awareness that there is something that is threatened, their present or future, that is at stake. They believed, and they came to believe, that peace and its含义 are the most important things in life.

My students loved the course, and I cherished my company.

Since that happy beginning, I have "taught" Alternatives to Violence to hundreds of students at American, Georgetown, Maryland and Georgetown Law School — and two more high schools. In 12 years, I’ve taught more than 5,000 students. With all of them, I emphasized one theme: alternatives to violence exist, and, if individuals and nations can organize themselves properly, nonviolent force is always stronger than violent force.

Students open their minds to this immediately. They understand Gandhi: "Nonviolence is the weapon of the strong." They believe King: "The choice is not between violence and nonviolence but between nonviolence and nonexistence."

Other students have doubts which I encourage them to express. They do, repeatedly. Nonviolence and pacifism are beautiful theories and ideals, they say, but in the real world there are muggers and international terrorists.

All I asked of the "realists" was to think about life’s two basic conflicts. Do you depend on violence or nonviolence to create or maintain peace? Both violence and nonviolence have some valid solutions have some large numbers of deaths to defend.

Students are hungry to learn nonviolence. They understand it is much more than a noble ideal, it is also a basic survival skill. Learning nonviolence means that we dedicate our hearts, minds, time and money to a commitment that the force of love, the force of truth, the force of justice and of organized resistance to corrupt power is always more effective, moral and enriching than the force of guns, armies, and nukes.

Yet we still resist.

Theodore Roszak explains: The usual pattern seems to be that people give nonviolence two weeks to solve their problems and then decide it has "failed." Then they go on with violence for the next hundred years and it seems never to "fail" or be rejected.

As a student, you have a moral right to courses in peace. If your school doesn’t offer them, or has too few, contact me at the Center for Teaching Peace and we can work to reform your school. Let’s not give peace a chance, let’s give it a place in the curriculum.

Colman McCarthy, a Washington journalist, is the founder and director of the Center for Teaching Peace in Washington, D.C. He will be appearing tonight at 7:30 in 103 Deering. The views expressed in this column are those of the author and do not necessarily reflect the views of the Observer.
By KRISTEN FITZPATRICK  
Scene Writer

This weekend, campus will be inundated with hundreds of would-be Domers for Sophomore Sibs Weekend. Sophomores are invited to bring their siblings for a weekend full of activities, in an attempt to let the youngers find out what life is like at Notre Dame. Over 600 sophomores and their siblings will be in attendance for the festivities. The majority of siblings will be ages 10 to 18, although some are as young as 6 and others as old as 25. They will join their brothers and sisters for a weekend of fun and relaxation.

The weekend is not limited to siblings of sophomores, as in the case of only children. They are encouraged to "adopt" a sibling from one of their relatives or from friends who are overseas.

The weekend's activities will be kicked off on Friday with a barbecue, followed by a movie and free passes to the Gorch game room.

Saturday features a brunch with the Leprechaun and members of the football team. Tours of the stadium will follow, where everyone will get to see the playing field without all the crowds. A dorm-versus-dorm Olympic competition will take place in the afternoon at Stepan field, followed by a formal dinner with Father Hesburgh and football coach Bob Davie.

The sophomores and their siblings will have a chance to dance the night away at Senior Bar and may enjoy sundaes shortly after midnight.

The weekend will wrap up with a Mass at the Keenan-Stanford chapel, and a closing brunch afterwards.

This weekend is dedicated to giving the sophomores a chance to have a family activity as a class. Sophomore Class President Hunt Hanover points out that sophomores do not have a university-sponsored activity to allow them to spend time with their families.

"The seniors have Senior Week, the juniors have Junior Parents' Weekend and the freshman have Freshman Orientation. This activity gives the sophomores a chance to have some family time," Hanover explains.

Although this weekend is not sponsored by the University, it is something that the class officers work hard on to show their support for their classmates.

The class of 2001 has been planning the activities for this weekend for quite some time. Sophomores Mari Chris Trejo and Maria Averas head a committee with six other sophomores who have been planning this weekend since the school year began.

The class officers also hope that this weekend will give siblings a chance to see their older brothers and sisters, whom they might not be able to see often. "Some of these kids don't get to see how their brothers and sisters live at school. The only opportunity they may have had to see their life was at Freshman Orientation, and things may have changed since then," said Hanover.

The Class of 2001's officers have high hopes for the success of this weekend. "We hope that it is a great time and that the kids get to spend some time with their siblings," explained Hanover.

**Highlights of Sophomore Siblings Weekend**

**SATURDAY:**
- Brunch with the Leprechaun and members of the football team
- Football stadium tours
- Interhall Olympic competitions at Stepan Center
- Formal Dinner with Father Hesburgh and Coach Bob Davie
- Dance at Senior Bar

**SUNDAY:**
- Mass at Keenan-Stanford Chapel

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**Second City comes to Notre Dame**

Chicago's famous Second City theatre group, consisting of improv comedy actors, will perform at Washington Hall at 8 p.m. on March 22

Tickets are on sale at LaFortune Info Desk:
- $4 students and $7 non-students

Second City is the home of many actors, such as Julia Louis-Dreyfus and Chris Farley.

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**Hypnotist Tom DeLuca returns to Notre Dame after a successful performance last year**

Wednesday, March 24 at 7 p.m. in the Library Auditorium

Thursday, March 25 at 7 p.m. in Stepan Center

Tickets go on sale at 6:30 p.m. at the door for $2
It is springtime at Notre Dame. Spring break is over, and though it is usually the highlight for lighthearted for most students at any university, those at Notre Dame have something else to look forward to, perhaps something better. The time of spring break is also marked by Lent, a crucial time for those who follow the Catholic calendar. And while spring break activities in Notre Dame's collective memory come to be forgotten, something not thought about except during that hour on Saturday evening or Sunday, if ever then.

To erase the midsemester blues associated with which spring break influences the student body, Campus Ministry has developed a "No Greater Love," a campus-wide event meant to reinvigorate students' faith-life during this time not only on this campus, but in their own unique way around. The day ends with the Lenten prayer. Baxter believes Santoni's providing participants with the opportunity for Lenten prayer. The event will continue with Father Cyprian Consiglio leading the group in musical prayer. Baxter believes Consiglio's presence will make the day especially more significant. "He's very prayerful. He's a monk."

"No Greater Love" is a unique event of faith-living. "There have been other places that do this sort of thing, but really, it can only be compared in structure, but not in its spirit . . . we have a unique thing going here," he said. While many students have attended various religious gatherings throughout their lives — Mass, youth rallies, retreats or Bible studies — "No Greater Love" mixes all of these up into a new faith experience. Though this is a first time thing at Notre Dame, Santoni hopes that it will become a new campus tradition.

To do this, Campus Ministry has implemented an aggressive campaign to get students to participate. Sending 10,000 postcards and flyers out to all Notre Dame students, both on- and off-campus, undergraduates and graduates, it hopes to attract as many students as possible.

This widespread, massive campaign sends the message that "No Greater Love" is for everyone. Though it may seem to be an overwhelmingly Catholic event, Santoni feels that its unique quality makes the event that much more universal. "It's something new, and that means unfamiliar. But it's gonna give people a fun time, a way to let loose and learn some stuff and a chance to transform, he remarked. "Especially after spring break, a lot of people probably weren't focusing on their spiritual lives . . . this is a good way to get recharged and get ready for Easter, which is the Church's biggest celebration."

Father Michael Baxter. Baxter said, "He's had a lot of life experiences (that will help in bringing the life of Christ to students)."

"No Greater Love" will offer a variety of faith-sharing opportunities, using the knowledge of both Baxter and Consiglio, the personal touch of student speakers and the universal spirit of music. The first part of the day should make for an interesting and thought-provoking time.

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**Chicago Fire looks to burn competition**

Associated Press

**NEW YORK**

Major League Soccer starts its fourth season Saturday, facing two straight years of declining attendance but with far fewer concerns than any time before.

"The question doesn't seem to be whether we're going to survive, but how we're going to make the next step to bring out the top sport," Columbus Crew forward Brian McBride said.

The 12-team league opens after considerable movement of big-name players, a shake-up at MLS headquarters, the absence of coach Bruce Arena and a pending lawsuit attacking the league's structure.

I've said every year that each season is the most important," MLS commissioner Don Garber said. "You have to take that with a grain of salt.

There are five games on opening day, highlighted by defending champion Chicago Fire at San Jose, and a new look in following major trades involving Vavilov, Arne, Alston, Tony Moza and Peter Vagenas.

"I'm OK, but the ones who are aren't the players who are loyal to teams and players and then get treated like they're the biggest things in a reality this league.

Columbus, Chicago and Los Angeles are still the powers, but Columbus is on a seven-game winning streak, including a 3-2 win over unbeaten Chicago on Nov. 21 in Foxboro, Mass. The Crew faces defending champion LAFC on Sunday.

LAFC hope to extend their seven-game winning streak when they play Chicago in October but still won the bigger prize — the InterAmerican Cup against Brazil's Vasco da Gama.

"It's all the teams to beat in the East, until somebody knocks them off," McBride said.

Washington went through the most dramatic changes.

While Chicago and Los Angeles remain virtually intact, United had to send defender Tony Sanneh to Germany and midfielder John Harkes to New England to get under the approximately $1.7 million salary cap.

Washington also lost Arena to the U.S. national team. Sollit Godall was stripped of his post as deputy commissioner last month, effectively reopening the contract with the explosive Tab Ramos without consulting the MetroStars.

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Another player in an unusual lawsuit filed by the players' association. The case concerns the foundation of the league's business structure as a single entity.

The suit was filed before the start of the 1997 season and is not expected to go to trial until the summer.

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League owners vote to reinstate replay

Associated Press

PHOENIX

Upon further and continuing review, the NFL for the 1999 season.

The league's owners, who had approved a proposal for the last seven, overwhelmingly Wednesday that will give coaches two challenges per game, with "a replay assistant" to determine if something is to be reviewed in the final two minutes of each half. The referee on the field will make the final decision.

But unlike the system in effect from 1986-93, it's not intended to cover routine misuse.

"We are implementing this system to correct the major, obvious mistakes," said Seattle coach Mike Holmgren, co-chairman of the competition committee, which came up with the plan.

The action comes a season marked by several high-profile mistakes. Even

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**Calendar of Events**

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(March 26-27) Sign-up  
Continuing through week of March 15  
103 Hesburgh Library, 112 Badin Hall or see your rector.

**Freshman Retreat #23**  
(April 9-10) Sign-up  
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**Marriage Preparation Retreat**  
Friday-Saturday, March 19-20,  
Fatima Retreat Center

**El Retiro Retreat**  
Friday-Sunday, March 19-21,  
Sunset Lodge in Glenn, Michigan

**No Greater Love**  
Saturday, March 20, 10:30 am-5:30 pm, South Dining Hall.  
A Notre Dame day of prayer, music, and renewal. A spirit-filled gathering for students led by Fr. Michael Baxter, C.S.C. and Nationally-renowned musician Dan Consiglio. Students will also be able to choose from several breakout sessions led by dynamic speakers from around the Notre Dame community to learn more about different aspects of their faith.

**Notre Dame Encounter Team Retreat #56**  
Sunday, March 21, St. Joe Hall

**Rejoice! Black Catholic Mass**  
Sunday, March 21, 10:30 am,  
St. Augustine’s Catholic Church

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

**Weekend Presiders**  
at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart  
Saturday, March 20 Mass  
5:00 p.m. Rev. John H. Pearson, C.S.C.

**Sunday, March 21**  
10:00 a.m. Rev. Edward A. Malloy, C.S.C.  
11:45 a.m. Rev. Peter D. Rocca, C.S.C.

**Sunday Lenten Vespers**  
7:15 p.m. Rev. James K. Foster, C.S.C.

**Scripture Readings**

1st Reading Ezekiel 37:12-14  
2nd Reading Romans 8:8-11  
Gospel John 11:1-45

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**Campus Ministry**

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**It's Not Too Late!**

Jim Lies, C.S.C.

Listen, gang, it's not too late. It's not too late for all of us to make something of Lent. It's not too late for you First Year students out there to meet new people. It's not too late for you Sophomores and Juniors out there to find new and creative ways to party. It's not too late for you Seniors out there to make something of your remaining days, and to maximize that which you take away from this place. It's not too late for all of us to make more of our efforts in faith and in prayer. Listen, it's not too late; but it will be if we don't choose to do something about it now.

I will say it simply: if you leave the University of Notre Dame without addressing some of the basic questions of faith, then we, as a university and as mentors and guides, will have failed; but, as importantly, you will have too. Whether you came here because Notre Dame is a Catholic university, is not the point. The fact is, it is, and if you do not learn something more about the Catholic faith while you are here, whether you are Catholic or not, then there's something wrong. The thought that there are those who make no effort to move from the faith of your parents to an adult and personal relationship with God, is perhaps the saddest reality that we face. But it's not too late.

I find myself wanting to say that if you're only going to Mass on Sunday because you know your parents expect you to, then think about that. And if you're not going to Mass on Sunday because your parents aren't here to tell you that you have to, then think about that, too. The fact is, the time in life has come for you to make your own choices and to make sense of your own faith. But these choices cannot be made only in response to your parents, whether in the affirmative or the negative. Ultimately, they must be made in response to God, and to the stirrings of the Spirit in your life and in your relationships. And if it's the case that you have no idea what that means, or what God might be saying to you, then maybe it's because you haven't stopped to listen, or even learned to listen. But it's not too late.

There are any number of ways to be about the business of learning more about our faith and deepening in our relationship with God. One of them is coming our way this Saturday on our campus. You've seen the posters and you've heard the spin, but in the end, you can only measure the merits of it by being there. "No Greater Love" is, at rock bottom, about our Lord Jesus Christ; and about the opportunity that each of us has to be in relationship to him. "No Greater Love" is an opportunity to gather to pray with others who long also to deepen in faith, but also to learn about different aspects of the faith which we profess.

The events of the day take place in the South Dining Hall. They begin at 10:30 a.m. with registration (but you have the option of signing up early via e-mail at ND.ministry@nd.edu). Things get kicked off at 11:00 a.m. with Fr. Cyprian Consiglio, O.S.B. Cam. leading us in song and prayer, and Fr. Michael Baxter, C.S.C. preaching the Good News. Break-out sessions follow at Noon where you can choose from several local presenters on a variety of topics related to our faith. It's the perfect opportunity to learn and ask questions about many of the things that you've always wondered about. Lunch is served at 1:00 p.m. where you can dine and socialize to the acoustic music of our own Justin Dunn and others. The afternoon offers more break-out sessions and concludes with a rousing celebration of the Eucharist at 4:30 p.m. During the day, for those of you who wish to partake, there is the option of participating in the Stations of the Cross, the sacrament of reconciliation, Eucharistic adoration, and praying the rosary. You are welcome to participate in any or all of the events of the day.

I know what you're thinking: "I don't have time for all of that!" Let me assure you that you don't have enough time not to! Life is slipping by. Notre Dame, even for the youngest among you, is slipping away (Just ask the Seniors!). Let's get at the questions that really matter. You know full well that you will waste all kinds of time this weekend. Waste it with us! I marvel at how much time we spend in idle, even trite, conversation, or in front of a video game, or perched in front of a television, or drinking, simply drinking. Rarely in those settings do we get at the stuff that matters, the stuff of life, the stuff of faith, the heart of God. It's not too late. Come join us and meet others who share your questions and who share your faith. It's not too late to make something of Lent. It's not too late to take ownership of our faith. It's not too late to know that there is no greater love than that of our God for us. But in the end, it's up to you. Take the time; make the time! It's not too late!
Six IOC members expelled as Olympic scandal widens

LAUSANNE, Switzerland

One by one, the six accused International Olympic Committee members filed into a conference hall Wednesday and pleaded their case before their peers.

Some 90 minutes later, in what delegates described as a "painful and harrowing" exercise, all six were expelled.

The IOC completed an unprecedented purge of its own ranks, but backed president Juan Antonio Samaranch, with an overwhelming vote of confidence and two ensuing votes during a special session wrought by the worst scandal in its 105-year history.

What we must see are changes, not finish our house, said IOC vice president Anita de Frantz.

Samaranch asked for a secret ballot and one not by a clamor, a vote by acclamation, the new millennium stronger than ever, he said.

The IOC needed to be swift and decisive in dealing with a crisis that has nearly destroyed the reputation and credibility of all its members and the organization itself.

It is our IOC which is now on trial, he said. The first step we must take is to clean our house.

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While Samaranch said he wanted to lead the IOC through reforms, the 78-year-old Spaniard gave perhaps his clearest signal yet that he might not finish his term, scheduled to conclude late in 2001.

My last service to Olympic would be to restructure our organization in order to enter the new millennium stronger than ever, he said.

Earlier, speaking to reporters, Samaranch said, My idea is to remain until 2001, but we will see.

After receiving two ovations from the delegates, Samaranch — who has faced numerous calls for his resignation from outside the IOC — got his leadership to a vote of confidence.

In a surprise move, instead of a vote by acclamation, Samaranch asked for a secret ballot.

The result was 86-2, with one blank ballot and one not returned.

Samaranch, who had left the room for the vote, returned to the hall to a standing ovation.

Then the members turned to the traumatic task of throwing out their own colleagues.

"It's difficult looking at a person and saying, 'No longer will you be among us," American IOC vice president Anita de Frantz said.

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Five earn All-America honors

Special to the Observer

Notre Dame’s men’s and women’s track and field teams completed another successful indoor track and field season as they wrapped up the season at the 1999 NCAA Indoor Track and Field championships on March 5-6. Five members of the Notre Dame track team were named All-Americans by the United States Track Coaches Association, based on their performances in the 1999 NCAA Indoor Track and Field Championships. First-time honorees included junior Jennifer Deeter of Glen Ellyn, Ill., senior Antonio Arce of Peoria, Ill., and junior Dame track team were named to earn All-America honors.

Deeter’s time of 16:10.16 in the 5,000 meters destroyed the Notre Dame record of 16:22.64, which she set earlier this year at the Big East Championships. Brown, a three-time Big East champion in the pole vault and competing in his first NCAA Championships, tied for sixth place in the pole vault with his Notre Dame record vault of 17-10 1/2. Brown’s vault broke the Irish record of 17-6 1/2. Brown’s vault broke the Notre Dame record of 17-6 1/2 he had set just the weekend before at the Alex Wilson Invitational. Arce placed tenth in the mile with a time of 4:13.32 after running 6:04.14 in his heat, and West finished seventh in the long jump with a leap of 24-11 1/2.

Freshman Liz Grow of New Braunfels, Tex., also competed in the championships, finishing 17th (56.85) but failing to qualify for the finals in the 400 meters as she ran to a time of 56.85. The five indoor All-Americans are the most by the Irish since 1997, when seven Notre Dame women’s athlete earned that honor – Jeff Hinzlach, Danny Payton, Jason Flees and Derek Stelling in the distance medley relay (eighth place), Allen Rossom in the 55 meters (seventh), Dominique Calloway in the 55-meter hurdles (11th) and Engerhardt in the high jump.

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Grand jury to judge Holyfield-Lewis fight

Associated Press

ALBANY, N.Y. — A grand jury is investigating the disputed draw in the heavyweight title fight between Lennox Lewis and Evander Holyfield.

The panel will issue subpoenas and hear testimony about the judging of Saturday night’s bout at Madison Square Garden, a spokesman for Manhattan District Attorney Robert Morgenthau said Wednesday.

Spokeswoman Barbara Thompson declined to discuss what illegitimates, if any, Morgenthau thinks could be involved.

One source close to the investigation, who asked not to be identified, said: “We could be looking at tampering or illegal payoffs. There again might be: ‘We’re looking at shady judging which is not a crime.’

State Attorney General Eliot Spitzer will offer Morgenthau’s investigations “any and all assistance in their attempt to pursue a criminal case,” Spitzer spokesman Darlene Dopp said.

Spitzer, who worked for Morgenthau for six years, canceled a public hearing for Friday involving many of the principals in the fight Lewis was widely believed to have won.

Among those who had been scheduled to attend were promoter Don King and judge Eugenia Williams, the IBF judge who had Holyfield winning.

Holyfield is the IBF and WBA heavyweight champion. Lewis of Britain holds the WBC title.

Another hearing, scheduled for Thursday in Manhattan by the state Senate Committee on Investigations, will go forward, according to its chairman, state Sen. Roy Goodman of Manhattan.

Among those to appear are King and Dino Duva, Lewis’ American promoter; Bob Lee, the IBF president; H. John Merante Jr., the bout’s referee; and Williams.

Testifying by phone will be Larry O’Connell of England, the WBC judge who accorded their draw; Stanley Chistosdolou of South Africa, the WBA judge who declared Lewis the winner; and WBC president Jose Sulaiman.

Goodman said his hearing will look at the judgment of Saturday’s fight, the relationships between the sanctioning bodies and the boxing industry and health issues involving fighters.

“We’ll really be taking a helicopter trip over all of the terrain of big-time boxing and whether there were improprieties in this fight,” Goodman said.

The New York State Athletic Commission is also investigating the fight.

U.S. Sen. John McCain of Arizona, who sat ringside at the bout, said Wednesday that state athletic commissions must take the lead in reforming professional boxing and not wait for the federal government to step in.

He added that meaningful nationwide reforms might result from the dispute surrounding the bout and the four investigations it has prompted.

For a start, he said, state athletic commissions should appoint all ring officials at bouts and not give international sanctioning bodies the opportunity to place potentially biased judges at a fight.

“State commissions should not surrender any of their authority to sanctioning organizations or promoters,” McCain said in a letter to Spitzer. “When they do, boxes are subject to manipulation and the public is cheated.”

McCain has been working with a task force of state attorneys general, headed by Spitzer, to develop federal legislation to reform boxing that has been named of Muhammad Ali.

McCain said boxing is rife with “conflicts of interest and fraudulent practices,” that contributed to the Lewis-Holyfield draw.

“The best outcome of the Holyfield-Lewis bout would be a complete overhaul of boxing industry abuses in America,” he said.
The Notre Dame baseball team has produced two Big East conference weekly award winners, following a successful spring break trip during which Notre Dame won their final five games and claimed the championship of the Irish Baseball Classic held at Wolff Stadium in San Antonio, Texas.

Notre Dame sophomore righthander Aaron Heilman of Logansport, Ind., was named the Big East co-pitcher of the week, joining West Virginia senior lefthander Lewis Ross who will face the Irish this weekend in the Big East opening series for both teams. Irish freshman centerfielder Steve Stanley of Upper Arlington, Ohio, and Providence freshman shortstop Jaime Athas shared the Big East Rookie of the Week award.

Heilman was named MVP of the Irish Baseball Classic, after posting his first career complete game in a 5-4 win over Creighton that clinched a spot in the championship game for the Irish. Heilman, making just his fourth career start, racked up a career-best 11 strikeouts versus the Bluejays while allowing six hits, one walk and three earned runs. He faced 36 batters, with 14 groundouts and just two flyouts. For the entire 1999 season, Heilman has made five appearances (three starts) while posting a 1.81 record, one save and a 1.28 ERA. His season totals include 25 strikeouts, 21 hits and seven walks allowed in 24 2 innings, with four wild pitches, one hit-batter and a .219 opponent batting average.

Stanley ignited the offense in the Irish Baseball Classic from his leadoff spot, pacing the squad with a .444 batting average (8-for-18), seven runs scored and four stolen bases, plus four walks, just one strikeout and no errors while making several tough catches in center field. Stanley hit 6-for-12 with runners on base and reached on 6-of-7 leadoff at-bats during the week. He opened the IBC with one hit, two walks, two runs scored and two stolen bases in a 6-3 win over Penn State before going 2-for-2 with two walks, a sacrifice hit and a run scored in the pivotal 5-4 comeback victory over Creighton. Stanley wrapped up the week with a hit, run scored and scored and stolen base in the IBC title game win over Creighton (5-3).

For the season, Stanley has bounced back from an 0-for-17 start over the first five games by hitting .410 in the current 8-2 run, raising his season average to .286 (16-for-56). The speedy lefthander is tied for second on the team with 11 runs scored while leading the squad with six stolen bases in eight attempts. His other season statistics include eight RBI, one double, six walks, nine strikeouts, one hit-by-pitch, three sacrifice flies, two sacrifice bunts and one error in 30 chances.

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What does the Church say and not say about homosexuality?

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Peter Liuzzi, O.Carm., was ordained a Carmelite priest in 1965. He holds an M.A. in religious education from Loyola University, Chicago. Along with his work as teacher and campus minister, Father Liuzzi has spent more than 20 years in gay and lesbian ministry. Currently he is director of Ministry with Lesbian and Gay Catholics in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.

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Always Our Children,
A Statement of the Bishops' Committee on Marriage and Family,
National Conference of Catholic Bishops
Notre Dame shines against Miami

By NATHANIEL DeNICOLA
Sports Writer

Like many Notre Dame students, the Notre Dame men's tennis team enjoyed its first recent exposure to sunshine last week.

The 26th-ranked Irish shined in their first outdoor match of the year, defeating 33rd-ranked Miami on their home court. The 5-2 victory over the Hurricanes marked the sixth-consecutive win for the Irish, their longest streak of the season.

Continuing their dominance at No. 1, doubles, the tandem of junior All-American Ryan Berman and freshman Matt Daly clinched the win with a 6-4, 6-2 victory over Miami's Tarik El Rassouli and Ralph Hill 8-2.

Complimenting the victory at No. 1, doubles, the freshman combo of Javier Taborga and Aaron Talarico sealed the doubles point by achieving a 8-6 win over Hurricanes Lieberman and Johan Lindquist at No. 3 doubles.

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Accounting for the other singles wins were No. 2-ranked Sachire (6-3, 6-3) over Jason Thomas at No. 1 and Patterson, who overcame a first-set slide to win 6-7 (8), 6-1, 6-1 over Lindquist.

Having faced Miami in the Big East championship title match for the last three years, the victory is hopefully prophetic for the Irish as they begin the homestretch towards the playoffs.

Miami won the Big East championship in Miami in 1997 and 1998, while the Irish won in 1996.

Today, the Irish travel to Montgomery, Ala., where they will attempt to avenge their second place finish at the Blue-Gray National Classic. In 1998, the Irish lost a heart-breaker to Boise State, 4-3, and in the 1997 South Alabama quenched Notre Dame's title hopes with a 4-2 victory.

On March 27, the Irish return home to face No. 2-ranked Illinois, clearly the most challenging match of the season.
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ier than we are. In women's epee we are equal but in women's foil we are better. It all comes down to how we fence in these days.

The women's foil team has the most NCAA experience of all the Irish squads. Walsh is a three-time first team All-American who finished second her freshman and sophomore years and third last year. Brown has been a second team All-American her first three years at Notre Dame.

Both fencers trained over spring break in New York with Columbia fencers Susan Jennings and Erin Smart. Jennings and Smart finished fourth and second, respectively at last year's championships. They, along with Monique de Bruijn of Stanford and Yelena Kalikina of Ohio State, will pose the stiffest challenge to Brown and Walsh to win the foil individual title this year.

Kalikina, the 1997 foil champion, is a familiar opponent for Brown and Walsh. Kalikina dealt Walsh her only loss on the season series 2-1 with a 5-4 victory over Kalikina at the Midwest Intercollegiate Conference Championships.

Brown also had success against Kalikina at the MCC. Brown defeated Kalikina in the team competitions and then defeated her in overtime in the individual tournament.

Last year's women's foil champion, Felicia Zimmerman of Stanford, will be fencing in the open tournament this year. "I think Stanford made a good move by having Zimmerman and Smart," Mustilli said. "Their foil team is deeper than their epee team, so the move makes them stronger overall. However, it also helps us. She is not as strong at epee so she will win less open events than she would winning foil."

Mustilli and Krol return for the Irish epee team. Mustilli, competing in her first championship last year, finished fourth and earned first team All-American honors. Krol, the 1997 epee individual champion, finished sixth at her second NCAA Championship last year. Last year's epee champion, Walker of Penn State, returned and is determined to defend her title but she is hampered by a chest injury.

"We are looking forward to beating Walker since she beat Magda and I last year," Mustilli said. "She is injured, but she is still an athlete. She will be a tough competitor."

"She will probably not be 100 percent," Penn State coach Emmunul Kaidanov said. "But she is very determined to compete in championships.

Garith and Casas are both newcomers to the NCAA's for the Irish at epee. Casas is a freshman who has fenced well all season. He posted a 44-14 record on the year and won a silver medal at the 1999 Junior Olympics.

Garith has come on strong late in the season. After going 19-17 in the regular season, he caught fire in the post-season, winning both the MCC individual title and the Midwest Regional title.

Men's epee is the only weapon where the Irish have no NCAA experience. This, however, does not trouble coach Auril.

"Casas is a freshman but he has been fencing for a long time," he said. "He has the experience. I am concerned about Brian being under pressure."

Garith has been fencing well. He just needs to keep it together and deal with the pressure.

Stephanie Auril comes to Waltham following a disappointing postseason. She lost his Midwest Regional foil title to David Huehyn of Wayne State. Auril hopes to turn around his recent slide at the championships.

"I think I'll be all right," he said. "I just had a bad day. I got my focus back now. I think with the way I have fenced all year I can do alright. I just need to concentrate and focus on what I know how to do."

"He has to fence better than he did at the Regionals," coach Auril said. "But I think he will. He has to boil the guys he is supposed to beat.

The other member of the men's foil team is Hayes. Hayes is coming off his best weekend of the year, falling just short of winning the Midwest regional foil title. If the Irish are to have a chance at the title, Hayes must continue to fence well this weekend. The men's foil draw will not be easy for Auril and I. It is perhaps the deepest and toughest of all the weapons.

"There are 15 guys who are really good," Stephanie Auril said. "They have made junior teams or been in Olympic teams. So it is really tough. I think it is the toughest competition out of all the weapons."

The men's sabre team has dominated opponents all year. LaValle and Szelle hope to prove that they are just as strong individually.

LaValle is the defending sabre champion. Lately, however, Szelle has been the dominant member of the team, winning the MCC sabre title and the Midwest Regional title. All in all, it is very possible the Irish could place 1-2 in the saber.

The Irish have been training for months for four days of competition. For the seniors, this is the last chance to translate their individual successes into the team title that has eluded them for so long.

"I just hope that we can come back with a victory," Stephanie Auril said. "I am confident. The team is confident. We just have to go out there and do our job and hopefully bring back a national championship.
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All-Americans: Myriah Brown, Magda Krol, Luke LaValle, Nicole Metz and Sara Walsh. The Irish also bring Auriol, the senior foil captain who has qualified twice previously. Freshmen Brian Caasam and Gaber Szelle and juniors James Galilber and Chas Haines are first-time qualifiers who round out the Irish field.

Penn State brings seven All-Americans to Waltham. Carla Esse, David Lidow, Gang Li, Thomas Peng, Aaron Stuewe, Michael Takagi and Charlotte Walker make the Nittany Lions the most experienced team in the field. Penn State also features three newcomers in Stephanie Kim, Christina Klemp and David Langdren.

In the regular season, Penn State beat the men's team 14-13 and the women's team 23-9. These early season setbacks do not mean that Penn State will defeat the Irish at the NCAAs. The NCAAs have a completely different format than the regular season meets. The Irish have vastly improved since January, especially with the addition of Galilber, who did not meet against Penn State earlier in the season.

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