Notre Dame Month of Service
Honoring Fr. Hesburgh’s
90th Birthday

May 25th is Father Hesburgh’s 90th Birthday. To honor his 90 years of service to others, all Notre Dame alumni clubs, classes, groups, or individuals are encouraged to participate in at least one community service event in the month of May. Fortunately, we have organized two great events that Washington, DC, Alumni Club members can participate in during May! See the articles on the American Heart Association wine tasting and ACE school service projects on page 4. Contact David Bann ’00 at banndm@yahoo.com or 202-486-1243 for more details or to volunteer for either project.

Annual Memorial Wreath Laying
Monday, May 28 – 4:15 pm
Arlington Cemetery,
Tomb of the Unknown Soldiers

The Notre Dame Club of Washington, DC, is scheduled to place a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldiers on Monday, May 28, at 4:15 pm in honor of Notre Dame alumni who have personified the words “God, Country, Notre Dame.” Everyone is welcome to join us for the ceremony. Please keep in mind that the Tomb is a 20-minute walk from the Visitor Center, Metro stop, and parking, so plan accordingly. Army protocol calls for four people to accompany the wreath. Please contact David Diaz ’95 at cerritos117@msn.com or 703-593-4926 if you would like to volunteer or nominate a current or former member of our Armed Services.

Universal Notre Dame
Celebration
Saturday, June 2 – 6 pm
Army Navy Club, 901 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC

Please join the Club for Universal Notre Dame (UND) Celebration on June 2 at the Army Navy Club in Washington, DC. This year we are honored to have Carl Ackermann as our speaker. (For those of you who want to prepare informed and insightful questions, see the bio on page 5.) We will also be holding a silent auction, with proceeds benefiting the Club’s Scholarship Funds and other Club activities. Donations of items and/or services for the auction would be greatly appreciated (see page 5 for details). Everyone – young, old, and prodigal – is encouraged to come out for this event. The cost of the event is $65 for regular members and $55 for Young Alums, which includes hors d’oeuvres and dinner. There will be a cash bar. Sign up with Rich McCoppin ’98 at rmccoppin@yahoo.com or 703-801-2110. Checks should be made out to the “ND Club of Washington, DC, and sent to Rich McCoppin, 629A North Buchanan St., Arlington, VA 22203. Please see page 5 for the reservation and menu selection form to send with the check. Reservations must be received by May 16.

Dates to Remember

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Looking Ahead

Sat., 8/4    Freshmen Sendoff
Sat., 8/11   Alumni Band Performance at Rock Hall, MD
Wed., 9/26   Golf Outing
President’s Column

As spring is upon us and we shake off the rust of winter, our incredible group of Club volunteers has planned a variety of activities in May and June. Please read through the newsletter to learn more about all of the activities we have planned.

Three activities I want to especially call your attention to are Universal Notre Dame (UND) Celebration, coming up on June 2; the May community service events we’re holding to celebrate Fr. Hesburgh’s 90th birthday; and our first annual Family Picnic/Cinco de Mayo party on May 12. At UND Celebration, our special speaker will be Finance Professor Carl Ackermann. Most older alums like myself may not be familiar with Professor Ackermann, but I’ve spoken to several younger alums who Professor Ackermann taught and they raved about him both as a speaker and a professor. He’s been described as intelligent, thoughtful, and funny, and has received several awards for his teaching. At UND Celebration, we’ll also be holding a silent auction to benefit our Club Scholarship and Summer Service Scholarship Funds. We have several great items and services up for auction, and if you have any skills or talents you can donate, please let me know at dougyoung64@yahoo.com.

May also marks Fr. Hesburgh’s 90th birthday, and to commemorate this great occasion, alumni clubs around the country are sponsoring community service activities per Father Ted’s request. We have two activities planned, one of which is in conjunction with the ACE students in the area, and I urge you to have some fun and meet fellow Domers while following the spirit of Notre Dame in helping our neighbors.

The last event I want to touch on is our first annual Family Picnic and Cinco de Mayo party on May 12. The event is being held at Nottoway Park in Fairfax County. We picked that location with families in mind, many of whom have asked us to hold more events in the suburbs. So I hope several families out there can attend! There are going to be many activities for both young and old, including a great chili cook off where you can test the culinary skills of several Club members.

Finally, you will see a notice in here about our upcoming Club elections. If you would like to get involved either on overall Club activities or work on a specific area, please contact Jim Balog ’89. I can personally attest that my involvement in the Club has resulted in lifelong friendships and a lot of laughs, and made me value my connection to ND even further. It’s a great group of people, so get involved!

Yours in Notre Dame,
-Doug Young ’86

Expressions of Support for Virginia Tech

The Notre Dame Club of Washington, DC, joins the larger Notre Dame University and alumni community in expressing sympathy and support for the victims, family, friends, and members of the Virginia Tech community.

With Memorial Day nearing, the Notre Dame Club of Washington, DC, would like to thank all of the men and women who have served this country for their immeasurable sacrifices. We also wish you and your families a safe and blessed Memorial Day weekend.
Clubs Elections – Final Request to Be on the Ballot!

For anyone interested in being included on the ballot for one of the elected Club positions (vice president/president-elect (1-year term)/3-year commitment), secretary (1-year term), treasurer (1-year term), or board president (1-year term), please notify the current coordinators Arianne Obering ’03 and Katie Logisz ’03 at klogisz@alumni.nd.edu. The election ballot will appear in the June Shillelagh.

Young Alumni Coordinator – Volunteer(s) Wanted

The Club is looking for one or more individuals who would be interested in serving as the Club’s Young Alumni Coordinator(s). For details, please contact the current coordinators Arianne Obering ’03 at 703-795-4458 or aobering@alumni.nd.edu and Katie Logisz ’03 at 202-841-0775 or klogisz@alumni.nd.edu.

ND Club of DC Will Sell Tickets to ND-Georgia Tech and Penn State Games

The Notre Dame Club of DC has received an allotment of tickets for the September 1 Notre Dame-Georgia Tech football game. The Club will also have a very limited number of tickets for the away game against Penn State. Watch the Shillelagh and the email bulletins for details on the ticket sale.

Alumni Band Update

The Alumni Band has been invited to march in Rock Hall, Maryland, on Saturday, August 11, at 4 pm for its 300th birthday parade and celebration. This will be a day trip by air-conditioned bus and we expect to return about 8 pm.

Notre Dame’s Victory March, which was composed in 1908, will be 100 years old next year. In honor of the 100th birthday, there will be a Band reunion at the Stanford game in October 2008. Band members should plan to participate in this exciting event.

New members, especially recent alumni band members (and trumpets), are always welcome. If you are interested or you have any questions, please contact Rick Gutowski ’68 at rick@gutowski.com or 240-432-0629.
First Annual Notre Dame Family Picnic, Chili Cookoff, and Mass
Saturday, May 12 – 2 pm (Mass starts at 5 pm)
Nottoway Park, Fairfax, VA

This year marks the first annual Family Picnic and Cinco de Mayo party at Nottoway Park in Fairfax, VA (near 66 & 123). We ask that you provide the main course…chili. We will have a small contest to judge the tastiest. For your family’s entertainment, we will have games and piñatas. Also, we will end the festivities with Saturday evening Mass. Along with chili, we ask that you provide a side dish (A-D – dessert; E-M – salad; N-Z – side dish). The Club will provide drinks, condiments, and food for the kids. The afternoon promises to be fun and a great celebration of the ND Family. To RSVP or for further details, please contact David Diaz ’95 at cerritos117@msn.com or 703-593-4926.

American Heart Association
“Hearts Delight Wine Tasting”
Saturday, May 12 – 2-6 pm
The Omni Shoreham Hotel (Woodley Park)
2500 Calvert Street, NW, Washington, DC

Club members and friends will help set up and work at some of the auction tables during the Hearts Delight Wine Tasting to benefit the American Heart Association. The event will take place at the Omni Shoreham Hotel in Washington, DC, which is close to the Red Line Adams Morgan/Woodley Park Metro stop. Event set-up will begin at 2 pm and the project will end at 6 pm at the latest. This will definitely be a great opportunity to hang out with your fellow Domers! Space is limited for volunteers and will be filled on a first-come/first-serve basis. Food and beverages will be provided for volunteers. More information about the Hearts Delight event is available at http://www.heartsdelightwineauction.org.

ACE School Service Project
Saturday, May 19 – 9 am-2 pm
Sacred Heart School (Columbia Heights, DC)
1625 Park Rd, NW, Washington DC

We have teamed up with the local Notre Dame Alliance for Catholic Education (ACE) teachers to help with repairs to one of the schools that they teach at. We will be helping the school with various projects like reorganizing their library and doing some painting around the school (walls, desks, bookshelves, etc). Be sure to wear some clothes you don’t mind getting paint on, and please bring any extra paint brushes or home repair equipment you may have around the house. Stop by at any time during the day to help out if you can’t make the full scheduled time. ACE is a two-year service program run by Notre Dame that offers college graduates the opportunity to serve as full-time teachers in under-resourced Catholic schools across the United States, while earning a master’s degree. For more information, go to http://www.ace.nd.edu. We are hoping to get a very large turnout for this event to honor Fr. Hesburgh’s month of service, so feel free to bring friends or family along. Contact David Bann ’00 at banndm@yahoo.com for details or to sign up.

Alumni Mass
Sunday, June 17 – 5:30 pm
St. Matthew’s Cathedral,
1725 Rhode Island Ave., NW, Washington, DC

The next Club Alumni Mass will be held on Sunday, June 17, at 5:30 pm at St. Matthew’s Cathedral. St. Matthew’s is located just south of DuPont Circle; for details see http://www.stmatthewscathedral.org. We’ll be going to dinner after Mass – stay tuned for restaurant details. For more information, please contact Paul Stinson ’01 at 240-277-9773 or paulstinson77@hotmail.com.

Corby Field Mass
Saturday, June 30 – 9 am
Gettysburg, PA

The 2007 Corby Field Mass will be held on Saturday, June 30. The event will also be the Universal Notre Dame (UND) Celebration for the Notre Dame Club of Gettysburg. University Alumni Association Executive Director Charles F. Lennon, Jr. ’61, ’62MA will be the speaker. The Mass is held on the Gettysburg battlefields at the statue of Father William Corby, who served as Chaplain of the Irish Brigade and later served as President of the University of Notre Dame. All Notre Dame alumni and friends are welcome. For further details, go to http://www.ndgettysburg.com.

Notre Dame Washington Irish Network Update

Our Club’s Notre Dame Washington Irish Network (ND-WIN) initiative is going strong with 166 members! All Club members are invited to the ND-WIN events. We’ve updated the Google site so visit http://groups.google.com/group/nd-win?hl=en to see the newest information and please get your photos up! (You will need to sign up for a free Google account in order to access the web content.) We are planning a Spring Happy Hour for May, so please check the site and we hope to see you soon! We are working on a Hill reception and an Alumnae Initiative event at the Metropolitan Club on June 7th. If you’d like to join ND-WIN or you have any questions, please email Meredith Terpeluk ’00 at mterpeluk@gmail.com or Dan Balog ’87 at djbalog@gmail.com.
UND Celebration Silent Auction – Request for Donations

At our UND Celebration on June 2nd the Club will be sponsoring a silent auction to benefit several Club activities, most notably our Summer Service Scholarship and the Club’s Scholarship Fund. We would appreciate everyone’s help in collecting items or services to be auctioned off. No item is too small, no service too minor. We are looking for dinners, rounds of golf, books, legal services (discounted expenses on a will, for example), ND memorabilia, use of a time share, free house appraisals, baby-sitting services, etc. If you have something to donate, or if you know of businesses we can contact that might donate something to a worthwhile cause, please contact Doug Young ’86 at dougyoung64@yahoo.com.

UND Celebration Speaker
Carl B. Ackermann

Carl Ackermann teaches undergraduate Financial Management and Personal Finance at Notre Dame. He joined the Notre Dame faculty in 1998. Ackermann studies and writes on mutual funds, and he has published the landmark academic study on hedge funds. At Notre Dame, Ackermann has received several awards for his teaching and service. In 2003, he received the Senior Class Fellow Award, for the individual who has made the most lasting impression on the Senior Class. He is active in several University service projects and mentoring programs, and participates in Football and Basketball recruiting. He holds an AB from Amherst College, and a PhD from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

March Club Luncheon Update

At the Club’s luncheon in late March, Lew Blakey ’54 discussed the history of the Rules of Golf going back to the middle of the 19th century and how the rules evolved between the U.S. Golf Association (USGA) and the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews. (Immediately after attending Notre Dame’s spring Blue and Gold football game, Lew will be traveling to St. Andrews to serve as one of three U.S. representatives at the annual meeting on the Rules of Golf.) Lew related experiences he has had on the golf course with Tiger Woods, John Daly (who had multiple penalties in the play of one hole where he scored an 11), Vijay Singh, and Sergio Garcia. The Club thanks Lew Blakey ’54 for sharing his experiences with us. The Club also thanks Ed Lynch ’57 for organizing the event and all of the Club members and friends who attended.

June Club Luncheon Reservation Form

Tuesday, June 12

Name(s): ________________ Class: _____________
Address: ________________ Phone: ____________
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Please include a check for $45 per person made out to the “ND Club of Washington, DC” and forward to Ed Lynch ’57, 4936 Sentinel Drive #304, Bethesda, MD 20816. Reservations close on June 6.
Distinguished Figures to Be Honored at Notre Dame’s 162nd Commencement

The University of Notre Dame’s 162nd Commencement exercises will be held on May 20. Degrees will be conferred on some 2,100 undergraduates and 690 advanced degree candidates in law and business. In addition, ten distinguished national and international figures will receive honorary degrees. The University will also present the 2007 Laetare Medal, the oldest and most prestigious honor given to American Catholics.

An honorary doctor of engineering degree will be awarded to the principal speaker for the Commencement, Jeffrey Immelt, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of General Electric Co. Honorary doctor of laws degrees will be awarded to: Lithuanian president Valdas Adamkus; Franciscan Capuchin priest and Apostolic Preacher (preacher of the papal household) Rev. P. Raniero Cantalamessa, O.F.M. Cap.; three-time Nobel Peace Prize nominee Archbishop Elias Chacour; and public servant and transportation expert Robert Kiley. Honorary doctor of science degrees will be presented to: University of Michigan president and biochemist Mary Sue Coleman; and physician, medical professor, and infectious disease control expert Dr. Paul Farmer. Honorary doctor of humanities degrees will be awarded to: Kenneth Hackett, the president of Catholic Relief Services; and Immaculée Ilibagiza, a Rwandan genocide survivor who wrote about her experiences and immigrated to the U.S. to work with the United Nations Development Program. Richard Hunt, an internationally renowned Chicago sculptor, will receive an honorary doctor of fine arts degree.

The 2007 Laetare Medal will be presented to Patrick F. McCartan ’56, ’59 JD, chair of the University’s Board of Trustees. McCartan is senior partner of the international law firm Jones Day. He previously served as law clerk for Supreme Court Justice Charles Evans Whittaker.

Notre Dame in Brief:

Students Participate in Third Annual Food Drive: On March 31, Notre Dame students traversed area neighborhoods collecting nonperishable items in the third annual Notre Dame Canned Food Drive. All items were donated to the Food Bank of Northern Indiana. The event began with a 10 am send-off and concluded at 5 pm with a blessing of the collected items by Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., before delivery to the food bank. Organizers hoped to collect 15,000 pounds of food.

Notre Dame Students Introduce “Study Abroad” Program at the Juvenile Justice Center: Under a program created last year, Notre Dame students returned from international study programs share their experiences with children placed in South Bend’s Thomas N. Frederick Juvenile Justice Center (JJC). The Notre Dame students are teaching the JJC kids about the cultures and languages of the countries they’ve visited (particularly Spain, Mexico, and Chile) through classes that provide a hands-on approach to learning, including cooking, games, and art projects.

Political Scientist Hagopian Awarded Wilson Center Fellowship: Notre Dame political science professor Frances Hagopian has been awarded a 2007-08 fellowship from the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars. Hagopian will spend the academic year working on her current research project, titled “Reorganizing Political Representation in Latin America: Parties, Program and Patronage in Argentina, Brazil, Chile and Mexico,” in residence at the Wilson Center in Washington, DC. The Wilson Center, established by an act of Congress in 1968, is a non-partisan institute for advanced study and dialogue.

Conference Celebrates ND Theologian John Dunne’s 50th Year of Teaching: Notre Dame recently hosted “Seeking the Heart’s Desire,” a conference honoring Rev. John Dunne, C.S.C. ’51, Rev. John A. O’Brien Professor of Catholic Theology, for his half-century-long presence on the University’s faculty. In addition to a panel discussion, speakers, and Mass, the conference included Father Dunne, a pianist, giving a musical performance of his own work. Father Dunne has been one of the University’s most popular teachers and has written numerous influential works on theology and the spiritual life.

Ugandans Lead Discussion of Millennium Villages Project: Uganda Millennium Villages Project country coordinator Johnson Nkuuhe and science coordinator David Siriri recently led a public discussion on “The Millennium Villages Project: Grassroots Development?” at Notre Dame. The two Ugandan project leaders addressed the challenges confronting the Notre Dame Millennium Development Initiative (NDMDI), through which the University will participate in the “grassroots” effort to reduce extreme poverty, disease, and hunger by assisting local advances in agriculture, education, and healthcare. A contingent led by Notre Dame’s president, Rev. John I. Jenkins, C.S.C., visited Uganda earlier this year to learn and plan for NDMDI.

Starbucks Chairman Receives Business Ethics Award: Howard Schultz, chairman and former chief executive officer of Starbucks, recently received the Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., Award for Ethics in Business and delivered the Frank Cahill Lecture in Business Ethics at Notre Dame. Father Hesburgh presented Schulz with the award. Schulz founded Starbucks in 1987 and brought recognition to the now corporate icon with its innovative marketing and pop-culture products as well as its commitment to social responsibility. Starbucks, which went public in 1992, has been named to Business Ethics magazine’s 100 Best Corporate Citizens List and Fortune magazine’s 100 Best Companies to Work For.

BYU Contributes to Library’s Theology Collection: Brigham Young University recently donated nearly 7,000 books on Catholic theology to the Notre Dame libraries. The volumes, most of which are in French, date from the late 18th through early 20th centuries, and include books on Catholic Church history, lives of the popes and saints, and Catholic theology and liturgy. The donation offers the prospect of the material being digitized and made available to researchers everywhere. Notre Dame is partner with a number of other Catholic universities, including Marquette, Boston College, and Georgetown, on the Catholic Research Resources Initiative (CRRI), a Web-based portal that points to descriptions of various special collections and archives across the country. Works published before 1923 are particularly suitable for digitization because copyright restrictions no longer apply.
Freshmen Sendoff  
**Saturday, August 4**

Mark your calendars! The 2007 Freshmen Sendoff will be held on Saturday, August 4. This is one of the Club’s highlight activities of the year! Plan to come help welcome the incoming freshmen and their families into the Notre Dame family. Watch the *Shillelagh* and email bulletins for time, location, and other details, or contact Ann Rimkus ’77 at arimkus@alumni.nd.edu.

Mark Your Calendars –  
2007 Annual Golf Outing  
**Wednesday, September 26**

Mark your calendars! The 2007 Annual Golf Outing to benefit the Club’s Scholarship Fund will be held at Worthington Manor Golf Club on Wednesday, September 26th. We are looking for Hole Sponsors and Door Prize donors. For details, please contact Ed Lynch ’57 at washndsa@alumni.nd.edu.

Notre Dame Club of  
Washington, DC’s Hospital Support Program

The Notre Dame Club of Washington, DC, recently launched the Hospital Support Program (HSP), an initiative of the national ND Senior Alumni (NDSA). The purpose of the program is to assist members of the Notre Dame family who find themselves in an out-of-town hospital because of an accident, specialized treatment needs, or for other reasons. The assistance provided depends on the situation, but it does not include financial assistance. Under HSP, the DC Club is currently seeking individuals who are willing to participate by serving as emergency volunteers for unplanned events, offering space for a family to stay while their loved one is hospitalized, developing lists of resources near area hospitals, and/or visiting the hospital so caregivers can have a few hours of respite. For more information or to get involved, please contact program coordinator Catherine Kane ’92 at irish92@gmail.com.

Housing Needed for Notre Dame Summer Service Students

Each year, the Club sponsors two current students to participate in Notre Dame’s Summer Service Project. We pay a stipend to the two students, who then spend two months working at St. Ann’s Infant & Maternity Home in Hyattsville, MD, which has provided a safe home and needed services for vulnerable children and young mothers since 1860. You can learn more at http://www.stanns.org. The students perform all sorts of activities, especially with children.

We are blessed this year that in addition to these two students, two additional students are being sponsored to work at the Youth Leadership Foundation, which runs two supplemental educational programs for Washington-area minority students. The programs focus on boosting academic performance while developing character.

The four Summer Service students have not been identified yet, but if they are not from the area, we will be looking for people who can house the students for part or all of the two months that they are here. If you might be able to host one or more students, please contact Ken White ’83 at kenw1107@mindspring.com or at 703-619-1501.

Irish Softball: Up to Bat

The 2007 Irish Co-ed Softball season has begun in the Capital Alumni Network (CAN) league. Coach Jimmy Mandich ’02, ’03MSA is the skipper once again for this year’s squad, and has high hopes for the 2007 campaign. If you miss playing ball and are interested in joining the Irish boys & girls of summer, Jimmy is always looking for fresh new faces to come join in the fun! Upcoming opponents include Tennessee, South Carolina, Providence, and Emory. Games are played mostly during the week at 6:30 pm on the Washington Monument grounds. For more details, please contact him at jimmymandich@yahoo.com.

Irish Soccer Update

The Capital Alumni Network (CAN) soccer season has arrived. May opponents include Yale, Duke, and Texas A&M. For more information or to sign up, email Vince Kosek ’05 MBA at vkosek@gmail.com and/or Perry Smith ’05 at psmitty114@hotmail.com.

Irish Basketball Tournament Results

The Irish Co-ed basketball team put up an admirable performance in the Capital Alumni Network (CAN) end-of-season basketball tournament. After dismantling Syracuse in the opening round with a short-handed squad, the Irish took on #1 seed Michigan State in the second round and gave them a quite a scare, but in the end came up short. The Notre Dame Club of Washington, DC, would like to thank Coach Jimmy Mandich ’02, ’03MSA and all of the team members who came out during the season, gave it their all, and did such a great job representing our Club and our University! GO IRISH!!
Club Luncheon  
*Tuesday, June 12 – 12 pm*  
*Army Navy Club, 901 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC*

Notre Dame alumni and friends are invited to the Club luncheon at noon on Tuesday, June 12. The luncheon will be held at the Army Navy Club in Washington, DC. The speaker will be *Tom Bettag ’66*.

Tom Bettag is the executive producer for Ted Koppel’s show on the Discovery Channel. Previously, Tom served as executive producer of the CBS Evening News with Dan Rather for five years and executive producer of ABC News Nightline with Ted Koppel for 14 years. According to his background information on the Discovery website, Tom graduated from Notre Dame intent on being a newspaperman and holding a print person’s contempt for television. He credits Fred Friendly, his professor at Columbia University’s Graduate School of Journalism, with “seducing” him into broadcast news. Friendly, Edward R. Murrow’s executive producer and a former president of CBS News, taught Bettag that television is a public service that is essential to a functioning American democracy. Bettag is the recipient of six duPont-Columbia University Silver Batons, three Overseas Press Club Awards, and 30 Emmys. In 2004, he was awarded Quinnipiac University’s Fred Friendly Award, which honors journalists who have shown courage and forthrightness in preserving the rights set forth in the First Amendment.

The cost of the luncheon is $45. Checks should be made payable to the “ND Club of Washington, DC” and should be sent with the reservation form on page 5 to Ed Lynch ’57, 4936 Sentinel Drive #304, Bethesda, MD 20816. Reservations close on Wednesday June 6. If you have any questions, please contact Ed at ealnd57@verizon.net.