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Senate against use of student funds for food fight bill

By GREG LUCAS
Senior Staff Reporter

Student senate members agreed Monday night that no Student Activities funds should be used to pay the \$1,400 food fight damages bill.

Student Government was being given the responsibility for upholding rules which they

had no power to determine said student senator Brian Holst.

"In order to have retributive responsibility, we need contributive rights," he said.

Holst also questioned the precedent that would be set if Student Activities funds were used to pay damage fines. Holst said that such action might leave student funds open to other damage repairs such as

the goal posts that were torn down at the Alabama game or damage incurred in the yearly snowball fight.

"Should 8000 students be paying for something that 800 students did?" asked Jim Winkler, HPC representative from Alumni Hall.

Senate members decided to ask John Goldrick, associate vice president for residence

life, to attend the senate meeting next week and present his ideas on how the bill should be paid.

Senate members said that they would be able to vote on specific actions after hearing Goldrick's arguments.

"I think we've (Senate and HPC) been very responsible" said Dave Kinkopf, sophomore class president, citing the

dining hall workers appreciation night. "It's not clear to me why we are responsible for financial restitution."

Bob Daley, HPC co-chairman, said that Goldrick had not insisted that the money come from the Student Activities budget, but that he had stressed that the student body would pay for the damages.

Budget talks near deadline

Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Rising opposition eroded the prospects for cutting the usually untouchable Social Security program Monday as White House and congressional negotiators began their final push for a deficit-reduction agreement by Friday's deadline.

"We're making slow, deliberate progress," insisted House Majority Leader Thomas Foley, D-Wash., chairman of the talks. Others spoke with increasing frustration.

"There's a reluctance to lead. It's as if we want to invite the (whole) House and Senate to give us a package, and it's not going to work that way," complained Sen. Bob Packwood of Oregon, senior Republican on the Senate Finance Committee.

"We're looking at all the options again," said Rep. Leon Panetta, D-Calif. "We're treading water."

Some continued to argue in the closed-door meetings that entitlement costs, including Social Security, should be controlled to give credibility to their plans to reduce deficits by \$75 billion to \$80 billion over the

next two years, participants said.

But that politically delicate step was becoming more doubtful.

"You can see them way out on the horizon, but they may be going over the edge," said Sen. Bennett Johnston, D-La.

In another room in the Capitol, a group of organizations, including advocates for the elderly and federal employee unions, said the budget cuts must not be done at their expense.

"We all want to see the deficit reduced, but the way to cut the deficit is not to cut Social Security," said Rep. Claude Pepper, D-Fla., the oldest member of Congress, who led the news conference via television.

"The president assured that this would not be on the table," said Arthur Flemming, former secretary of the old Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

Meanwhile, President Reagan, in a speech Monday to the annual meeting of the American Council of Life Insurance, repeated his opposi-

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Hold still

The Observer / Todd Tucker

The statue of Jesus on God Quad looks bright and fresh again after renovations yesterday. A worker

uses a wire brush and scraper to remove the clinging corrosion, then applies a coat of light green paint.

SMC board announces 'famous vacation'

By MIMI TUOHY
Staff Reporter

The Famous Vacationers, a band scheduled to begin its first nationwide tour in the spring, will play in Saint Mary's Haggar Parlor on Dec. 4, Halane Young, Student Activities Board commissioner, told the Saint Mary's Programming Board.

In order to publicize the event, Young said a raffle for a "famous vacation" will be held prior to the show. The grand prize is a vacation package for two days and

one night at the Swiss Valley ski resort in Three Rivers, Michigan.

Five winners will be chosen and each will be allowed to bring three friends along with them, for a total of twenty vacationers, said Young. Tickets will be sold for \$1 each starting Monday, Nov. 30, and sales will continue until that Friday, the day of the show.

"I think (the Famous Vacationers) are a really hot group, especially since we are getting them before

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Students 'take the goalpost'

By CELESTE FREIND
Staff Reporter

In the post-game celebration of Saturday's win over Alabama, students in the stadium stormed the field amid shouts of "take the goal post."

Despite attempts by ushers, state police and security to keep them away, student succeeded in tearing down the goalpost in the south endzone.

Replacement costs range anywhere from \$1,300 to \$1,700, said Joseph O'Brien, the athletic department's business manager. He also said the athletic department will pay for the damage and the student body will not be assessed the costs of repair.

people we always have; they were simply deployed differently."

He added that the ushers, security guards, and state police have been "working to keep people off the field to prevent them from injuring or mobbing the players, and I believe we did this admirably."

Rakow said although there were a few minor injuries to students and police, mainly bumps and bruises, "Serious injury could have evolved from such 'celebrating,' and this doesn't speak well for the student body."

Rakow said seven students were arrested for public intoxication and disorderly conduct and eight people ejected from the stadium.

Although the extent of the damage to the upright has not yet been determined, O'Brien estimates the cost should run anywhere from \$1,300 to replace the gooseneck to \$1,700 to replace the entire upright.

"There is some damage to the turf where the goal post pivoted down to the field, but it isn't extensive," said Stadium Superintendent Harold Benninghoff, adding that pieces of the sod were removed, but the damage to the field was negligible.

Director of Security Rex Rakow said that security was not stepped up, despite the fact that Alabama was the final home game of the football season. Rakow said there were "the same complement of

In Brief

Several fans were ejected or arrested in the stadium during Saturday's football game, according to Notre Dame Security. City police, county police and Security combined to arrest seven students and eject at least seven others from the stadium for either disorderly conduct, public intoxication, or both. At least three out-of-town fans were arrested, one for battery of a police officer. One student was ejected for throwing oranges onto the field. -The Observer

The death toll in the crash of a Continental Airlines DC-9 in Denver has risen to 27. Flight recorders pulled from the twisted remains of the plane were flown to Washington on Monday to determine what caused the jet to crash during a snowstorm. The twin-engine plane was taking off from Stapleton International Airport Sunday afternoon when it flipped upside down and broke into three pieces as it slid down the runway three-quarters of a mile. At least nine survivors remained in critical condition Monday. -Associated Press

The summit between Ronald Reagan and Mikhail Gorbachev scheduled for December may be postponed if a treaty to ban intermediate-range nuclear missiles is not ready to be signed by the end of the month, a State Department official said Monday. With Soviet leader Gorbachev due to arrive here Dec. 7, four treaty issues are not settled. These include safeguards against Soviet cheating as well as a Soviet proposal to follow the accord with negotiations apparently designed to impose restrictions on U.S. jet planes in Europe. If the treaty is ready there apparently is no question the summit will go ahead as scheduled. -Associated Press

Of Interest

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes will meet tonight at 7:30 in the Stanford 24-hour lounge. Athletic Director Richard Rosenthal will speak. -The Observer

CILA, the Community of the International Lay Apostolate, will sponsor a social awareness dinner/rap session with Steve Moriarty, a Notre Dame alumnus, at 5 tonight in the faculty dining room in the South Dining hall. Moriarty will show slides and talk about his experiences in El Salvador. -The Observer

"A Justice for All Day" is the title of a panel discussion that will be held at 7 p.m. in Room 101 Law School. The panel, comprised of area attorneys, professors, and those working in and serviced by social services, will address the issue of poverty in America. -The Observer

Michael Novak, theologian, will give a lecture titled, "Will Liberation Theology Liberate?" at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium of the Center for Continuing Education. This is the final session in Novak's series of Tuesday evening lectures. -The Observer

Mutombo Mpanya and Harold Miller will be holding a seminar on "The Effects of Militarization and War on African Food Systems," today at noon in Room 131 Decio. -The Observer

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Seniors: Learn to relax; things'll be swinging

This column is for seniors only; everyone else please go straight to Calvin and Hobbes or sports.

Mike Naughton

Accent Editor



Dear Seniors,
I know what you're thinking about right now. You're thinking about absolutely everything. You know what I mean, ever since you found out that you really really do have to graduate from this place in May you've been stressing out.

Suddenly everything is crucial and critical and important and pressing and urgent and must be done ASAP.

You have to do well on the MCAT, GMAT, LSAT, and GRE while keeping up your GPA and trying to find a Mr. or Mrs.

You just know that if you don't fill out that application or prepare that resume or make up a personal statement right now you are going to wreck your chances to have a career and be successful and meet someone who really loves you and get married and raise a mess of kids and buy a station wagon and settle down and be happy for ever and ever.

And if you don't, you might wind up poor and alone and friendless and ignored.

To make matters worse, tonight you have a twelve-page paper to write and a thesis to create and there's a great party going on and you're going to feel guilty if you don't write the paper and go to the party and you're going to feel guilty if you do write the paper and don't go to the party because you only have twenty Sunday nights left to socialize.

To make matters worse, your dog just died and your parents are starting to get old and your little sister is starting to ask questions about birth control and your high school was just torn down to make a shopping mall and you've got student loans that make the national debt seem trifling and now that you've finally really settled into Notre Dame and have a few really good friends and can recognize at least ten people when you walk across the quad, some malicious little administrative priest-type under the dome is going to force you to graduate and you'll never see any of your friends ever again. Besides, no one wants to hire you and you have enough rejection letters to wallpaper your room and you're not sure if you're really cut out for the real world anyway so you just want to go back to bed and forget about everything.

See, my friend, I told you that I know what you're thinking; I'm thinking the same things myself.

Now let's do something about this mess that we're in.



First, get out of bed.

O.K., don't get out of bed, but at least take that pillow off your head and listen to me.

I'm not going to tell you to "relax" and "don't worry." Telling a senior not to worry is like telling a skydiver to stop falling. It just doesn't make a whole lot of sense; we seniors are stressed, we have a right to be stressed, and it would be damned strange if we weren't stressed. Maturing is a stressful activity.

There are, however, different ways of dealing with stress. Some of us go out compulsively, others drink too much, others exercise or try to find somewhere to hide. I, for one, like to swing.

By swinging, I don't mean that vaguely sleazy practice where morally lax singles put on Aramis or Obsession and try to meet other equally morally lax singles in dimly-lit bars.

By swinging, I mean that art of childhood where you have a little wooden (or rubber) seat hung from two chains and you swing back and forth, back and forth, and back and forth until a bigger kid pushes you off or it gets dark and mom makes you come home for dinner.

Swinging is the perfect therapy for seniors.

Everyone knows how to do it; you couldn't "malswing" if you wanted to. It's also great therapy for those of us who feel the real world breathing down our necks; urgency and swings are incompatible. Swinging is also one of those few activities which is purely self-indulgent but not illegal, immoral, fattening or wrong.

Children know what seniors forget: even if you feel like you're not getting anywhere you can still enjoy the ride.



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Ethiopian relief stopped by rebels

Associated Press

ADDIS ABABA, Ethiopia - Emergency airlifts of food are the only hope for tens of thousands of drought victims in northern Ethiopia whose relief pipeline has been disrupted by rebel attacks, the chief of U.N. relief efforts said Monday.

"We had hoped to avoid the colossal expense of an airlift, but most relief agencies agree that an immediate airlift is needed," said Michael Priestley, head of the United Nations' relief program in Ethiopia.

Priestley said he hoped airlifts could begin in the next few weeks to Tigray province, where 75 percent of the crop has failed and 1 million people face starvation.

In neighboring Eritrea, there is a total crop loss, and another 1 million people are at risk.

Attacks on truck convoys by rebels in Eritrea have prompted the government to close intermittently the main road to Tigray, choking off sup-

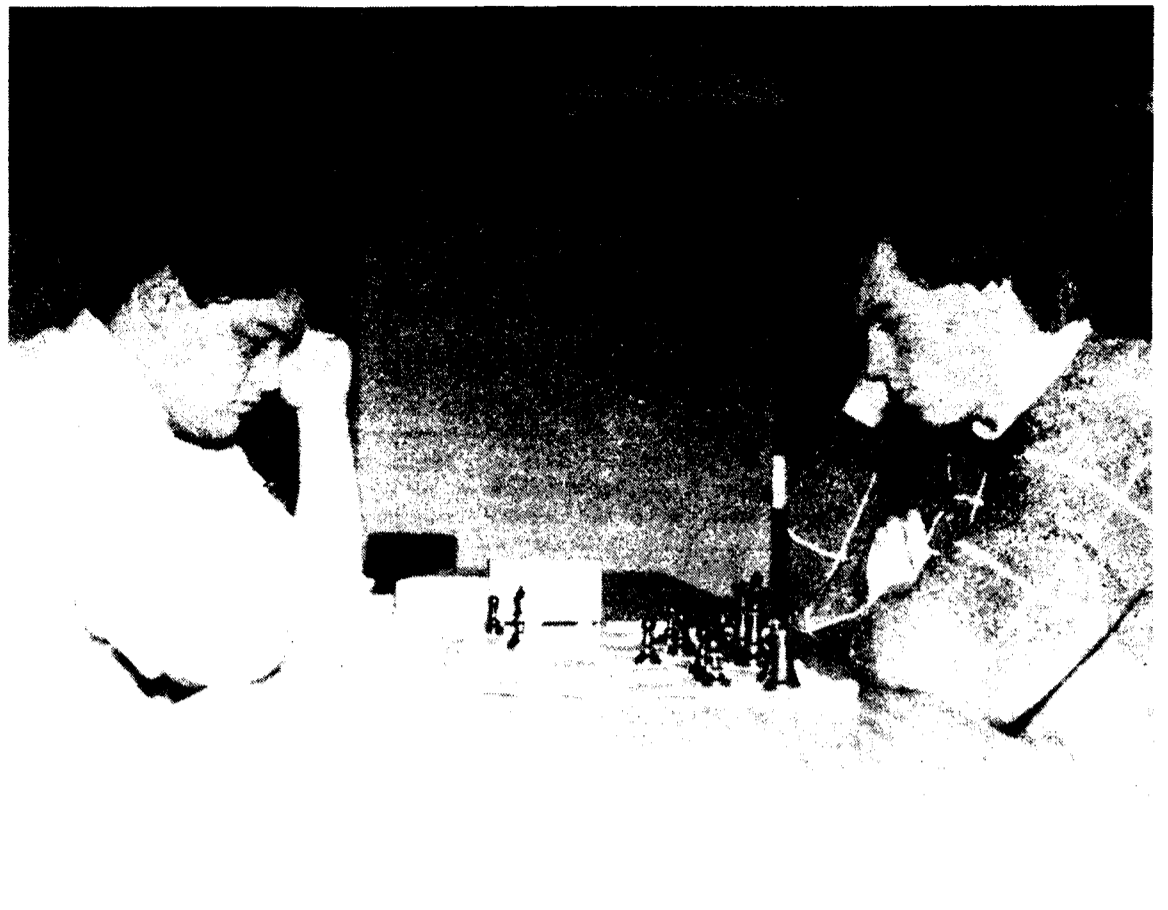
plies. Eritrea is still able to get food from the province's Red Sea port of Massawa.

Trucks, already scarce in the north, were destroyed by the dozens in the attacks, including 23 U.N.-flagged trucks.

Normally this would be the height of the harvest in Ethiopia. But fields stand plowed and unplanted in some areas because the rains failed in June. In other areas, too little rain produced stunted crops of wheat and sorghum. Livestock now graze on food intended for people.

Farmers and relief officials say the drought and food situation is worse than during a 1984 drought, which was followed the next year by a famine that killed 1 million Ethiopians.

The Relief and Rehabilitation Commission, the government agency responsible for drought and famine relief, said Friday in an appeal to donors that Ethiopia needed 1.05 million metric tons of relief food to feed 5.2 million of its 46 million people next year.



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Chairmen of the Board

Ty Soares, left, and Ike McGettrick battle one another in the first round of the Notre Dame Chess Championship, held in LaFortune Student Center. McGettrick

tries to defend himself against Soares' queen pawn opening.

U.S. Bishops urged to fight school contraceptives

Associated Press

WASHINGTON - America's Roman Catholic bishops were urged by one of their national leaders Monday to step up their battle against the "morally objectionable" practice of public school health clinics handing out contraceptives and giving abortion counseling.

The bishops, on the opening day of their annual meeting, got a formal first look at a lengthy statement that would declare their opposition to such

practices on grounds that many Catholic young people attend public schools.

The statement, which will be put to a vote by the 300 bishops Thursday, calls for federal and state governments to outlaw school dispensing of contraceptives as not only morally wrong but of questionable use in dealing with what the bishops concede is a problem of pregnancy among teen-agers.

"The provision of contraceptive and abortion services through school-based clinics is

morally objectionable and is open to question even on practical grounds as a response to the problem of teen-age pregnancy," the statement said.

Cardinal Joseph Bernardin of Chicago, a former president of the bishops' national organization, said at Monday's session that "the seemingly intractable problem of teenage pregnancy (is) one that will not admit of an amoral or purely technological solution."

"To the extent that school-based clinics are part of a pro-

gram for more efficient promotion of contraceptives and abortion-related services to minors, they are part of the problem rather than the key to a solution," Bernardin said.

Also on Monday, the bishops: --Heard their president, Archbishop John May of St. Louis, give a glowing account of a "dynamic and vibrant" U.S. Church in the midst of a healthy, affirmative relationship with Pope John Paul II in the wake of his recent American trip. May's first "State of

the Church" address, unlike some of other presidents' in recent years, gave hardly a hint of tensions between the Vatican and the 52.9 million-member U.S. branch.

--Received copies of a proposed statement declaring that the U.S. government should help impoverished Central American nations and "not use Central American lives as pawns in a superpower struggle" with the Soviet Union.

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tion to tax increases to reduce the deficit.

"There are right steps and wrong steps," to take in reducing the deficit, he said, "and hiking tax rates is the wrong step."

But the president expressed confidence that the talks would succeed in meeting the goals outlined in the Gramm-Rudman law. "We're determined to achieve at least a \$23 billion deficit reduction this fiscal year and stay on the path to a balanced budget," he said.

House Speaker Jim Wright, D-Texas, said he would push

through the House the product of the talks even if it included limiting or delaying Social Security increases. But that would "be a toughie," he said.

The fiscal 1987 deficit was \$148 billion, down \$73 billion from the previous year. But estimates show the deficit could rise again in fiscal 1988, which began Oct. 1.

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a nationwide tour. Anybody who misses this show will kick themselves when they see this

band on MTV later," Young said.

In other business, the programming board voted to sponsor a Thanksgiving project for the poor and needy in the South Bend community by collecting food, clothes and money in all

of the dorms.

"We would like for people to donate whatever they can because wintertime is coming, and that is the time when these people can really use our help," said Smith Hashagen, vice president of student affairs.

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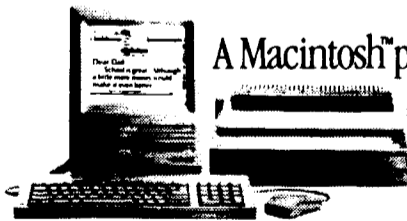
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Saint Mary's professor / playwright hopes 'Thursday's Child' recognition will take her far

TAMI JENELLE ETTEN
accent writer

Forty-five year old playwright Julie Jensen of Saint Mary's Communication and Theatre Department has never had a child. She's only written about it.

In her latest play, "Thursday's Child," which

opens at Saint Mary's O'Laughlin Auditorium November 18, Jensen's main character is a forty-four year old mother of three adolescent children who finds out she is pregnant.

"At that age, some choices are not available to you," said Jensen. "We serve people badly in letting them believe that to

resolve their problems, all they have to do is walk out the door."

As the middle-aged mother, George Ann Bradshaw is faced with the challenge of "doing the brave thing." As the playwright, Jensen is faced with the challenge of moving the audience away from the belief that "everything is changeable."

"The trick is to get through gracefully what you cannot change," said Jensen (stealing from George Ann). "Abortion is not an option for her. She has a no-return policy on kids."

It's George Ann's way of dealing with the serious issue that makes Jensen say the play is a comedy: "(She) is a witty woman who like most of us in our most desperate moments is capable of great humor."

"The play is also a comedy because it is about ordinary lives which hinge less on politics than Diet Coke and less on nuclear disarmament than on who's got the car."

The play, which Jensen "completed" last semester, was put on the department's theatrical calendar by her request. In the past, she has found it helpful to direct her new plays shortly after their completion. In 1981, Saint Mary's performed her play "Sojourner Truth" and in 1983 they performed a series of one-acts under the title "Kitchen Gothics."

She thinks the experience is not only valuable for herself, but for the actors as well: "It's an entirely new process with a new play. Actors are called upon to do it in a different process." "They go in believing implicitly in you, the play and the characters," she continued. But they learned. While not many things in life are changeable, plays are.

"We've changed this play enormously," Jensen said. These changes included shifting the order of major scenes,

as well as rewriting the ending--four times.

Jensen has definitely proved that playwriting is a slow process. But there may be one thing that comes more slowly -- recognition. "How do you go on endlessly with no validation?" she asks herself. "You just do," she answers with confidence.

Although her 1985 play "Stray Dogs" was a finalist in the CBS-TV / Federation of Dramatists Guild new plays competition, was produced professionally at the Arena Stage in Washington, D.C. and was published, "It just didn't go anywhere after that," she said. And the next recognition that she got "just wasn't enough."

But things are changing for her. Next February, "Thursday's Child" will be professionally produced by the Capital Repertory in Albany, New York. On top of that, she has been commissioned to write Philadelphia's next play, and a Universal Pictures representative has recently contacted her about the possibility of creating a screenplay.

As the saying goes, "If Wednesday's child is full of woe, then Thursday's Child" (and its creator) has far to go!"

"Thursday's Child" will be performed at Saint Mary's O'Laughlin Auditorium November 18-21 at 8 p.m. and November 22 at 3 p.m. For ticket information contact the O'Laughlin Box Office at 284-4626.



Amy McFadden (left) plays Kenna Lou and Tracie Fetters plays George Ann in "Thursday's Child," written and directed by Julie Jensen. Her ups and downs as a playwright are spotlighted.



SARAH VOIGT
accent writer

Innovations deserve rediscovery

Theodore's, the nightclub located upstairs in LaFortune Student Center, is a great place to discover or rediscover this year. Theodore's caters to the needs and desires of the student body with innovative services such as a food bar and video screens. This year, more than ever, Theodore's provides an exciting new dimension to the social scene on campus.

On weekends Theodore's is booked with a variety of DJs who together try to accommodate everyone's musical taste. They range in style from top 40 to progressive music. Noel Murtha, reservation manager of Theodore's says, "The different styles of DJs usually develop followings with certain groups of students."

Various campus bands booked on the weekends also attract enthusiastic crowds. Tara O'Leary, student manager of Theodore's, says, "We will probably book more campus bands in the second semester when many have had more time to polish their acts."

Theodore's, however, is no longer exclusively a place to dance. The new food bar, located in the north alcove, of-

fers students refreshing alternatives to cafeteria food. The updated menu includes non-alcoholic "mocktails" of margaritas and pina colodas, espresso, cappuccino, subs, nachos, pizza bread sticks and crossiant sandwiches.

On Sundays the food bar provides "all you can eat" specials of tacos, subs or hotdogs and chilidogs. These last from 12-6 p.m. and cost only two dollars. Michelle Burkart, catering manager of Theodore's, reports, "Attendance for the Sunday food bars has been good, but we hope to see a greater showing of off-campus students in the future."

Imagine fixing and eating your meal at a leisurely pace while watching professional football games or videos on one of the two large screen televisions. Sound like a welcome change from the hectic pace and unimaginative menu of the dining hall?

Not only is Theodore's open Friday and Saturday nights from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., it is open Thursdays from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. as well. O'Leary says, "Students often come to Theodore's to relax and watch The Cosby Show along with the other Thursdays (when sit-

coms are repeats) Theodore's offers movie videos or DJs. Some upcoming ideas for students who want to start the weekend early include showing movies and serving free popcorn.

Theodore's does not shut down during the week either. Monday through Wednesday the club is available to all campus groups for use at no charge. Recently Student Government, health services, regional alumni groups and dorms have all taken advantage of Theodore's extensive facilities during the week.

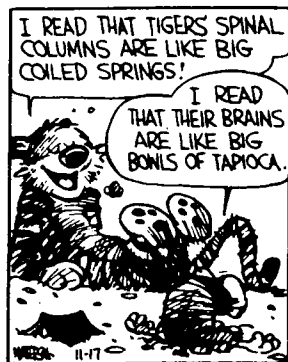
With all of Theodore's new services, it can be a great place to relax, meet people, take a study break and, of course, dance.



The Observer / Pat Kusek

Although Theodore's has expanded its services to include a food bar and video screens, these students show that it's still a great place to dance.

Calvin and Hobbes



Bill Watterson

Co-ed housing deserves a chance

Students at Notre Dame often complain that interaction between males and females on campus is difficult and hindered by the current single-sex dorm policy.

University President Father Edward Malloy has created a task force on residentiality to address, among other things, "the quality, sufficiency and variety of living facilities for undergraduate and graduate students."

The institution of co-educational dormitories, currently being discussed by this task force, would address both student and administrative concerns.

The clearest advantage of co-ed dormitories is the opportunity they offer for friendship between the sexes. The camaraderie that exists now within each dorm is built on little things, like going to dinner and watching TV. These are a direct result of proximity. The co-ed dorm would provide chances for male-female friendships to develop through presently existing dorm activities and also add other positive dimensions to life at Notre Dame.

Traditional events that create hall spirit can still take place in co-ed dormitories. These dorms may participate in inter-hall athletics and create new traditions.

Security problems now facing women's dorms on campus would not be as great in co-ed dorms. A mixed dorm population represents a less vulnerable target for the criminal element.

Co-ed dorms could immediately include the mixed-class aspect of the present hall system by starting with an equal allotment of seniors, juniors, sophomores and freshmen.

The University parietals policy, which presumably would be enforced in co-ed dorms as well as single-sex dorms, would ensure that students could enjoy the same measure of privacy if males and females were separated by floor or wing.

Co-ed dormitories should be given a chance at Notre Dame, using the same system of admission and class distribution that is currently used for single-sex dorms. The advantages of increased interaction between male and female students along with the other positive influences co-ed dormitories will have on community life make co-ed dorms a logical development at Notre Dame.

-The Observer

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Do co-educational dorms Many options available for co-ed housing

There has been much discussion in recent years about the possibility and feasibility of Notre Dame having co-educational housing. Students have discussed it, the administration has thought about it, and currently Father Edward Malloy's Task Force on Residentiality is considering it. I believe this issue is important and that it is time for a more thorough public discussion to debate the benefits and flaws of co-ed housing.

Daniel Cahill

guest column

As a junior last fall, I was fortunate to participate in the Notre Dame London Program. I lived in the West Two Hotel, a building which housed strictly Notre Dame students and staff. There were 27 female students, 25 male students, three resident assistants (one female and two male), and a female rectress. Women lived on the first and third floors and men lived on the second and fourth floors. A resident assistant or the rectress lived on each floor as well.

The experience of living with female students was excellent. Our rooms were much closer together, and I was able to spend more time with women in both the private rooms and the public ones (TV lounge, kitchen, etc). Just seeing one another in the hall or on the stairs enhanced our relationships. In the beginning of the semester it seemed a little unusual, but gradually it became a minor detail. When you see someone doing homework at 3 a.m. or waiting in line for the shower at 8 a.m., you can't help but realize that men and women are very similar. The co-ed housing in London helped to break down some of the male-female barriers and lowered the defense mechanisms of many people. I cannot speak for everyone in the program, but I believe that most of the participants improved their relations with and their knowledge of the opposite sex under this arrangement.

Now one might claim that this system could exist in England but never here. I disagree and I would like to put forth three proposals that could be considered. First, renovate a current dorm into a co-ed one. Second, build a new dorm on campus property that would be co-ed. Third, purchase property off-campus, apartments or townhomes, that would serve as an official co-ed dorm.

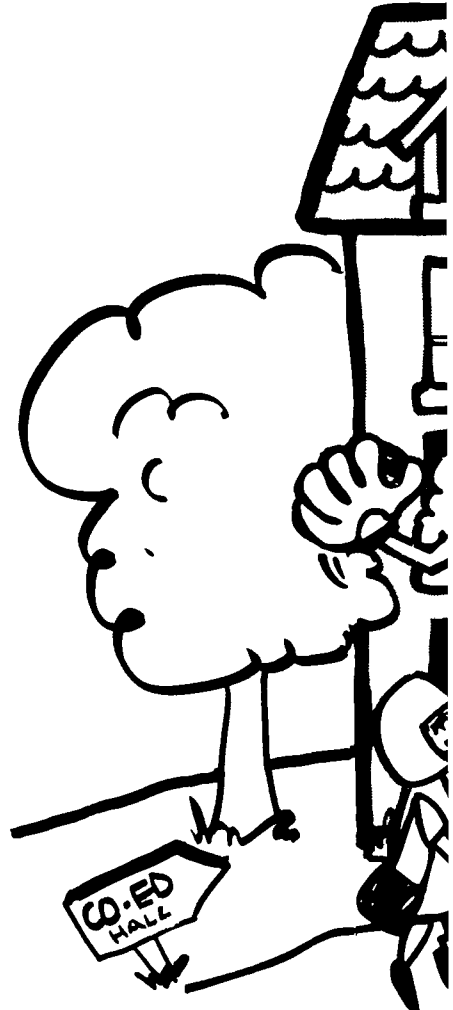
Everytime the co-ed housing issue

comes up, many students say they are for it. But when they are asked if their dorm should be the one to change, most of those same students answer "no." There would be several complications to renovating an existing dorm into a co-ed one. One only need remember the Howard controversy to realize how important these dorms mean to the people who live in them. But if the University were to announce its intentions enough time in advance, students would be able to adjust to the situation.

The University has a lot of property that is available for development but, obviously, new buildings cost a great deal of money. If the University were to make it a priority that co-ed housing on campus should be available, then at least future students could have that opportunity. A building on campus would make it more convenient to get to and from class and allow residents to still be close to mainstream campus activity. There are students who are not happy living in a single sex dorm yet they cannot move off campus because they don't have a car, they are too involved in campus organizations or athletics, they don't want to cook and clean for themselves yet, or they cannot afford it. An on-campus co-ed dorm could alleviate these problems. Whether or not there are enough students who want to live in such a dorm (say 200-300) which could make the creating of such a facility advantageous, is something that needs to be ascertained.

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The third proposal may not seem workable but it would probably decrease the cost of making a co-ed dorm and it would certainly decrease the time before such a building could be built. Although many men and women live off-campus in houses and apartments, there are some disadvantages to living there. If the University were to purchase some type of housing and administer to its upkeep, off-



campus living could be more organized, safe, and possibly less expensive.

Of course there are many difficulties to these proposals. It has been mentioned that students would not want to give up their dorm for this change. The building of a new dorm would take years. Having an official off-campus dorm is just one more chance for University to wield its influence over its students. There are people who claim that the single sex dorms are great because of the guaranteed privacy men and women on campus have. The question of how parietals are to be handled must be answered as well.

I think that co-ed housing could exist and still follow the University's rules. Privacy could be maintained by having men and women live on separate floors. The bathrooms and showers would be on each floor as well. If people want privacy they can shut their door. Parietals could still exist. Parietals exist in the London Program as do all the policies in Du Lac. It may surprise some to know that parietals exist off-campus as well. The table of contents page of Du Lac states: "This booklet contains the codes, rules, regulations and policies which establish the official parameters for student life at Notre Dame. These standards have been formulated as appropriated by the Academic Council, the Campus Life Council, and the respective administrative officers of the University and are binding on all Notre Dame students. It is the students'

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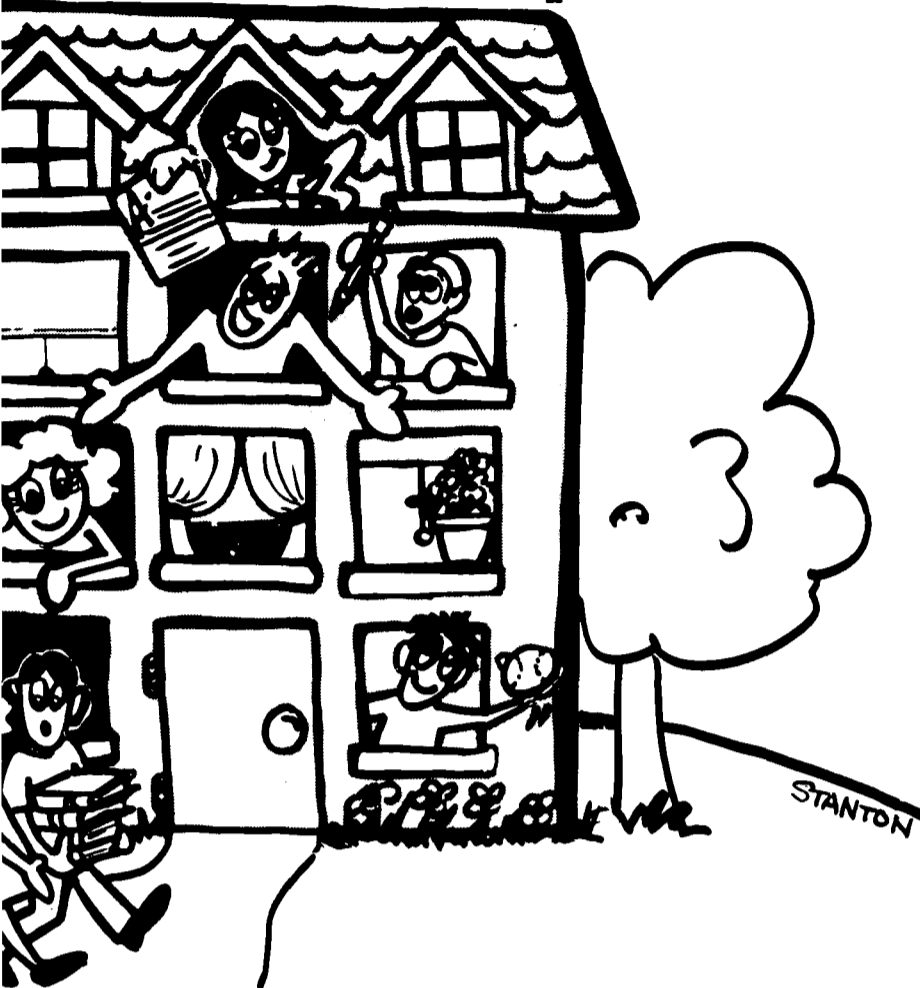
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Co-ed dormitories will benefit all students



When my father went to Notre Dame in the 1950's, the only women to be found were across the way at Saint Mary's. For them, an all-male campus was the norm and somehow they managed to meet and carry on a normal social life. In those days, women were not allowed in the dorm rooms. My father's mother was not even allowed to see if her son kept his Sorin room tidy. Much has changed with the admittance of women in the early 1970's. The University is now moving toward an almost equal number of men and women. The two new women's dorms under construction attest to the University's commitment to equality in numbers. Quoting a famous cigarette commercial, "You've come a long way baby." But now that we have an increase in women, do we also have to live in the same dorm as them?

which have our level of spirit between dorms. Both men and women's dorms have unique identities and each dorm gains strength from this identity. This is not to say that a co-ed dorm would lack spirit, but a co-ed dorm would create a different character. And perhaps the University needs to add a little character. There is still a need for more interaction among men and women which the single sex dorm inhibits.

I am worried about the possibility of getting married. What is going to happen when I find myself living with a women? I am ignorant of the ways of women. For instance, how long does it take them to get ready to go out in the morning? Or more importantly, what do they look like in the morning? Personally, I am not a pretty sight. What about bathroom behavior? Is it seat up or seat down? Actually co-ed dorms would probably not solve these burning questions. More importantly though, men and women would come into contact with each other on a more regular basis. Men and women wouldn't be as isolated from each other. It would begin to break down the barriers between the sexes; perhaps girls will have more male friends and guys would develop girl friends.

Bob Carroll

guest column

The issue of co-ed dorms is a hot topic at the moment. There is a Presidential Task Force on Residency currently looking into the possibility of co-ed dorms, among other issues involving residence. The idea of living under the same roof as a female is new to me since I grew up with two brothers and no sisters. I don't know if I am warped now or if I am the lucky beneficiary of not having the sisters. This is my fourth year on campus having to live under the current conditions. I have a feeling that most people will want the University to initiate co-ed dorms. And, although I am not opposed to the action, I am not so sure it will have much impact.

Some women might roll their eyes when they hear this, but there is something to be said about an all-male "Spartan" lifestyle. There is a certain camaraderie that is developed in the dorms. My girlfriend refers to this camaraderie as "male bonding." A single sex dorm is a place where men can do what they want, say what they want, and just hang out together. If men had hair to let down, the all male dorm is the place to do it. It is nothing personal towards women. Likewise, I assume women want the same time together to live in the absence of males. A time to take their hair out of curlers and wear no makeup.

We have great tradition here at Notre Dame. There are few schools

Now that co-ed dorms have been considered, how does it fit with the University's concept of residency?

First and foremost, Notre Dame is Catholic. We are all aware of this orientation. This means that a rule such as parietals is here to stay. It is hard to believe that the University would move from this position. So if the University moved to implement co-ed dorms, it would still be a restricted form. But the issue of co-ed dorms is not hinged on parietals alone. The dorm would most likely be segregated by floors. Therefore, men and women would be living closer to each other, but not really amongst each other. I see the biggest benefit of co-ed dorms coming from the fact that men and women would work together on social, athletic, academic, and spiritual activities. I hope people point to these reasons when supporting co-ed dorms.

To be honest with you, I wish I lived in a co-ed dorm. It would make my walk home shorter and warmer after dropping off my girlfriend.

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responsibility to be aware of these expectations and conduct themselves accordingly as members of the Notre Dame community. All the rules and regulations, codes, etc., are in effect for graduate and undergraduate students on and off campus. Responsible behavior is expected of Notre Dame students wherever they may be." While some rules on visitation of the opposite sex are difficult to enforce off-campus, the concept of co-ed housing does not necessitate the elimination of parietals, whether one agrees with them or not.

"It is our duty to look out for the interests of the students of tomorrow. It is the University's responsibility to be mindful of the changing world in which we live."

effects on male-female relations are still being felt. But the situation has improved greatly and will continue to do so. Co-ed housing could continue to develop these relations under the traditional values of this University.

With the creation of various Task Forces under the new administration, everyone of us is in a position to influence the future course of events here at Notre Dame, particularly on the subject of co-educational housing. Please let your voice and opinion be heard. Whatever side you fall on, it is important that you speak up now.

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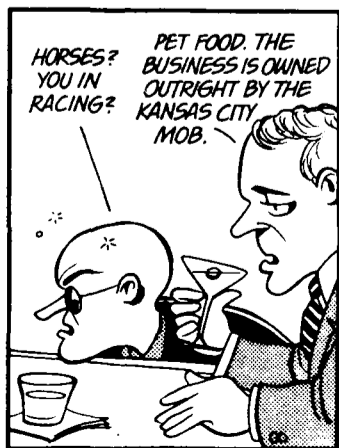
I think a co-ed facility should exist for juniors and seniors. I believe that enough students would be interested in such an arrangement to make it feasible. It would not force anyone to do something they didn't want to do.

The single sex dorm system could continue to thrive as it does now. I limit the co-ed arrangement to juniors and seniors because I believe it would be helpful for new students to live in single sex dorms for a couple of years before deciding on such a change. One of the benefits of the dorm system today is that freshmen and seniors live together. Freshmen look to the upperclassmen for leadership, and upperclassmen enjoy the opportunity to set an example. I do not think a co-ed dorm would destroy this element of on-campus residency.

I think that co-ed housing should be made available for students in the future. It is our duty to look out

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Garry Trudeau



Quote of the Day

"Between friends there is no need for justice, but people who are just still need the quality of friendship."

Aristotle
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Fall clubs grow in wins, participants

With the traditional gap between fall and winter club sports upon us, it's time to take one last look at the fall results--and what an autumn it was for Irish clubs.

Teams boasted increased membership, competitive play and some of the best records in recent history. All of those results left Irish club director Rich O'Leary satisfied that the club system is still going strong.

"Overall, it's been a good fall," O'Leary said, "not only in winning, but in participation. Involvement in all teams has been higher than in the past. They seem to have a good group of officers, and they were able to travel and field a team wherever they went."

To say it was a good fall may be a gross understatement. For example, take these results:

■The **Rugby Club** finished with an 8-1 ledger with big wins over arch-rivals Boston College, Michigan and Northwestern.

"We had a lot of good individual players," Club President Tim O'Connell said, "but this is one of the first years we played that well together as a team. Also, we didn't have any injuries, and that played a big part in it."

■The **Sailing Club** capped its season with a third-place finish in the Area A Regatta to qualify for

the Timme Angstrom Regatta in Chicago over Thanksgiving break. Earlier, the club took seventh in the Cary-Price Regatta in Michigan.

■The **Water Polo Club** recorded a 5-3 campaign, twice as many wins as last season. The club dined at Boston College, Boston University and Yale during a successful East Coast trip.

Greg Guffey



Club Corner

■The **Women's Soccer Club** finished with a 5-3-3 mark, including a late-season surge where the Irish won three and tied one of their last four games.

■The **Rowing Club** faced tough competition throughout the season, but managed to put together some good performances. The men's squad took seventh in the 38-team field at the Head of the Charles in Boston, earning an invitation to return next year. The women's team, meanwhile, concluded its season with two gold medal showings at the Head of the Tennessee.

■The **Boxing Club** held its annual novice tourney in preparation for the famed Bengal Bouts with competition in seven weight classes. Club President Kevin Duggan said after the tourney that the participants have a legitimate shot in the Bengals.

■The **Women's Golf Club** took third in the 12-team Notre Dame tourney, and finished second in a five-team field in Evansville and seventh in a 12-team field at Purdue.

With the continued exceptional performances by Irish clubs, several students appear to be interested in forming new clubs. Some of the potential new clubs include racquetball, squash, synchronized swimming and women's lacrosse.

"We try to act according to the interests of the student body," O'Leary said. "We don't start the club for them--they have to build interest themselves. It's the exception when we have a problem. We're fortunate we have a student body that can do this."

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The **Gymnastic Club** is busy preparing for its upcoming season. While the season does not officially begin until after semester break, the team is already practicing five days a week.

The women's squad finished 5-1 last year, while the men's squad was 4-2.

Ellis

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tend Notre Dame. "It was difficult picking (Notre Dame) over Illinois because they have been with me for four years, since I was in the eighth grade.

"I want to be an all-American by my sophomore year," Ellis said of goals with the Irish. "and I want to play on the Pan-Am team. I think Digger will help me get to the pros. "I'm going to have to work to make myself quicker so that I can play outside bet-

ter. They tell me I run the floor well, but I want to work to run it better."

Ellis' high school coach, Bennie Stewart, was unsure which school the star of his squad would commit to when the conference began. Ellis had letters to UCLA, Illinois and Notre Dame on a table in front of him and opted for the Irish.

Ellis cited Notre Dame assistant coach John Shumate's ability to teach big men and Notre Dame's academic prowess as factors in his decision.

"I think LaPhonso will be to

us what Patrick Ewing was to Georgetown," Phelps said of the signing. "I think he's the type of kid who will work that hard."

In the state championship game against Chicago's King High School (led by last year's standout recruit Marcus Liberty), Ellis scored 27 points and grabbed 10 rebounds. Street & Smith's tabbed Lincoln seventh in its preseason high school poll.

Ellis joins 6-11 Keith Tower of Coraopolis, Pa., and 6-1 Elmer Bennet as Irish early signees.

Elite

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trip to Charlottesville, Virginia for the meet.

Such a team is equivalent to a basketball team making it to the "Sweet Sixteen" in post-season competition. The Irish needed to finish in the top three at the District IV Meet to qualify as a team or settle for claiming the remaining five spots open to individuals.

Earlier in the season this may have seemed like a distant goal. The team lost several key

runners to injury, including senior Mike Smoron, sophomore Tom O'Rourke and Steve Lunney, who were expected to be among the top runners for the Irish.

The Irish did not even win a single invitational meet, although they ended the season second in the state behind Indiana.

"They had a lot of excuses to fail," said Piane, "but they did not quit. They had reasons to pack it away but every single meet they have gone out and improved."

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Sports Briefs

Earl Bruce was fired Monday as head football coach of Ohio State, a few hours after he had said he had no intention of stepping down. Athletic Director Rick Bay, Bruce's staunchest defender in recent days, said that he himself had resigned as a result. Bay said Bruce's firing was effective after the end of Saturday's regular-season final game at Michigan. -Associated Press

16th-ranked Indiana and 18th-ranked Tennessee unofficially will play in the Peach Bowl in Atlanta on Jan. 2. The announcement will be officially made Saturday. -Associated Press

Syracuse, runner-up last season to national champion Indiana, has been chosen the No. 1 team in The Associated Press' preseason college basketball poll. -Associated Press

The Denver Broncos defeated the Chicago Bears 31-29 in Monday Night Football action at Mile High Stadium in Denver. -Associated Press

IH football equipment return will be today at Gate 9 of the stadium for the following teams: Off-campus-6 p.m., Zahm-6:30, Alumni-7, Dillon-7:30, Fisher-8, Flanner-8:30, Pangborn-9, Stanford-9:30. Any player who missed the first return date and needs to return all or any piece of equipment may do so at any of the above times. There will be a \$5 fee for any full sets of equipment returned after each team's designated date. -The Observer

The deadline for rosters for the open flag football tournament is today. Sign-ups will be held in the NVA office and the dining halls. -The Observer

O-C Hockey will have its first practice tomorrow at 1 a.m. Try to sign release forms at the NVA office before then. -The Observer

Pat Murphy, the first-year Notre Dame baseball coach, is forgoing a winter trip to Taiwan with the Dutch national baseball team to focus on recruiting for Notre Dame. Murphy, who coached the Dutch team last summer, also has been offered to coach the Dutch squad in the 1988 Seoul Summer Olympics. -The Observer

ND runs towards 'big leagues'

By **GREG GUFFEY**
Sports Writer

The women's cross country team has come a long way in two short years. And according to Irish coach Dan Ryan, his team is only a step away from competing in the big leagues.

The Irish finished a respectable 14th in the NCAA district meet Saturday in Bowling Green, but must keep improving in order to compete with the powerhouses of NCAA cross country. Crossing that line to a big-time contender will be a tough order, but Ryan thinks his young team is up to the challenge.

"With time, we'll be there," Ryan said. "I think it's just a matter of getting more experience and running some more

big races. I think it's been a little intimidating. They're not used to finishing behind teams like Wisconsin and other Big 10 teams after running against some smaller schools as a club."

Wisconsin won the meet with 56 points followed by Indiana with 97. As opposed to the men's competition, only the top team automatically qualifies for the NCAA finals. The top three teams advance in the men's division.

Junior co-captain Theresa Rice led the Irish harriers with a 25th-place finish in a time of 17:50.6. That time set a new Irish cross country record. Terry Kibelstis took 72nd with a clocking of 18:43.04, 3:04 better than last year. Senior co-

captain Julia Merkel took 76th with a time of 18:47.2. Linda Filar and Kathleen Lehman rounded out the scoring in 97th and 102nd positions respectively. Wendy Murray and Jenny Ledrick also competed, taking the 120th and 124th spots.

"We were the first non-scholarship school to finish," Ryan said, "but we've got the talent. Last year, the time gap was 2:59 and we finished 20th. This year, it was 1:24 and we were 14th. We met all of our goals except one--winning the North Star Conference meet. We were in the top five at the Indiana Intercollegiate winning the Little State, won the Detroit Invitational and finished in the top 15 at districts."

Swim teams keep up with Tide

By **MARK KOWALSKI**
Sports Writer

On the second anniversary of the Rolfs Aquatic Center Friday afternoon, the Notre Dame swim team faced the 16th ranked Alabama Crimson Tide in its first regular-season meet of the year.

The Crimson Tide men's team swam to a 120-92 victory, while the Lady Tide compiled a 127-88 win. Undoubtedly the fastest team on the Irish schedule this year, the Tide showed why it is nationally ranked by breaking 13 pool records. All previous men's

records were broken as well as three women's records.

The high level of competition pushed the Irish swimmers to new personal bests as they showed improvement across the board over last years times.

Senior John Koselka came within .75 seconds of his own university record, but took third-place in the 50-yard freestyle. Freshman Paul Godfrey posted a 9:57.85 time in the 1000-yard freestyle for one of the Irish bests, and classmate Jim Byrne made a smashing debut in the 200-yard individual medley and 200-yard breaststroke.

Senior Amy Darlington swam to two third-place finishes in the 200-yard butterfly and 200-yard freestyle, as well as capturing a second-place finish in the 500-yard freestyle. Freshman Jean Kelly added to the distance-freestyle squad, taking third behind Darlington in the 500-yard freestyle and capturing second place in the 100-yard freestyle. Other Irish highlights came from junior Tracy Johnson, who swam in the 50- and 100-yard freestyle events and recorded two first-place finishes, as well as finished just .40 seconds behind the leaders in the 50-yard free-

Layoff slows women's tennis

By **STEVE MEGARGEE**
Sports Writer

After having no competition since the North Star Conference tournament on Oct. 10-11, the Notre Dame women's tennis team had a tough time getting back in the swing of things at last weekend's Rolex Regional Qualifiers.

In the open singles and doubles tournament held at Bloomington, Ind., three of the four Irish singles players fell in the first round of the 64-player draw. One doubles team lost in the first round, and the other was eliminated in the second round.

"They've been hitting every day, and haven't taken a break, so it wasn't like there was a layoff," said Irish coach Michele Gelfman. "The fact we didn't have any competition since mid-October hurt us."

In the singles draw, senior Michelle Dasso, sophomore Stephanie Tolstedt and freshman Kim Pacella were eliminated in the opening round, all losing in straight sets.

"Stephanie played an excellent match," said Gelfman. "I don't think the scores were indicative of her performance. They used regular scoring in the tournament instead of no add, and that puts more pressure if you're not used to that style."

Freshman Ce Ce Cahill, the top seed in the tournament, was the only Irish player to advance past the first round. Cahill placed third, losing to Kelly Mulvihill of Indiana, 4-6, 6-2, 6-2, in the semifinals. Cahill had

defeated Mulvihill in the Midwest Invitationals in September. A win in the semis would have sent Cahill to the Rolex National Tournament in February. Cahill now will be ranked second or third in the NCAA Midwest Region going into the spring season.

In doubles action, the seeded pair of Cahill and Dasso lost in the first round, and the Tolstedt-Pacella team was eliminated in the second round.

"I felt like our doubles play could have been much better," said Gelfman.


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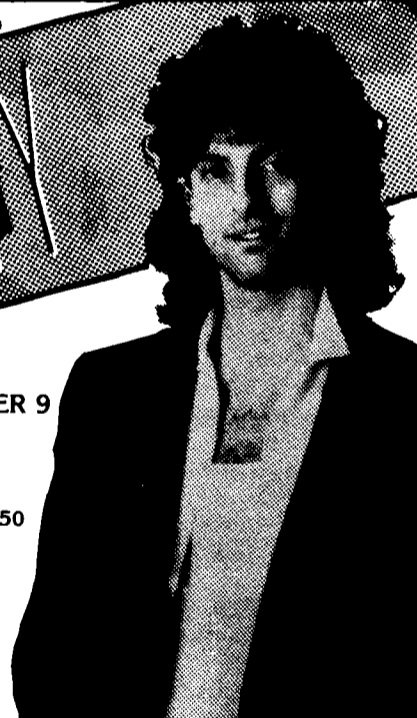


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2:15 p.m.: Department Materials Science and Engineering and GTE Emerging Scholar Seminar "Atomic Resolution Microscopy of Precipitates and Interfaces in Materials," by Professor James Howe, Carnegie-Mellon University. Room 384 Fitzpatrick Hall.

4:30 p.m.: Biological Sciences Seminar "Marine Macrophage Hybrids: a Somatic Cell Genetic Approach to the Understanding of Macrophage Function," by Steve Zuckerman, Eli Lilly Labs. Room 283 Galvin Life Science Auditorium.

6 p.m.: Inland Steel Company Presentation/Reception for all interested Arts and Letters, Business and MBA students; Upper Lounge, University Club.

7 p.m. & 9 p.m.: ND Communication and Theatre Film "Footloose," Annenberg Auditorium.

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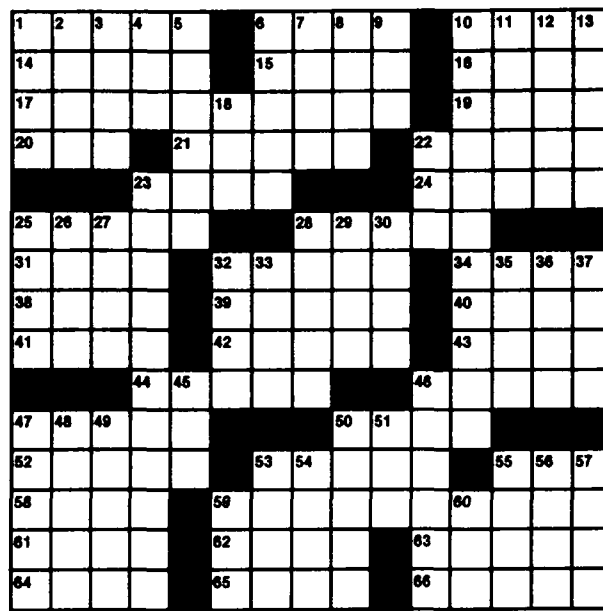
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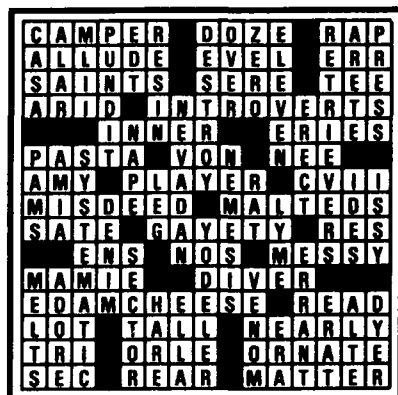


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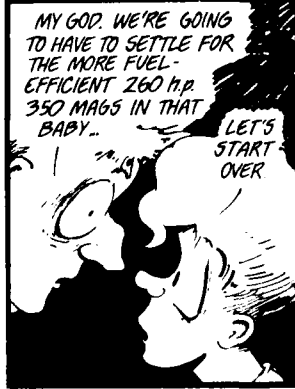
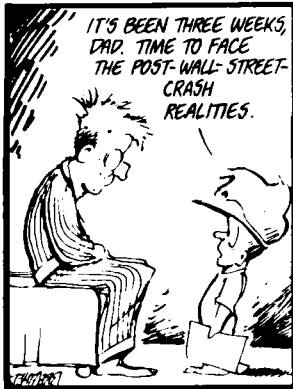
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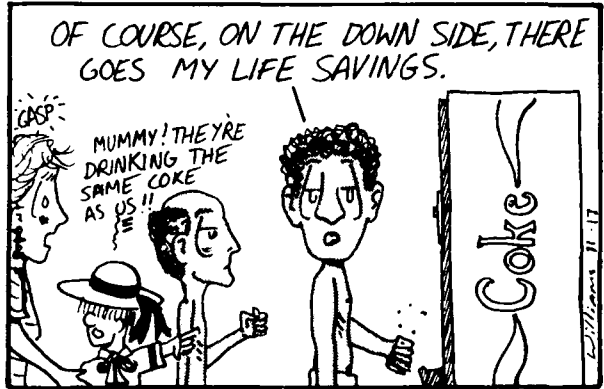


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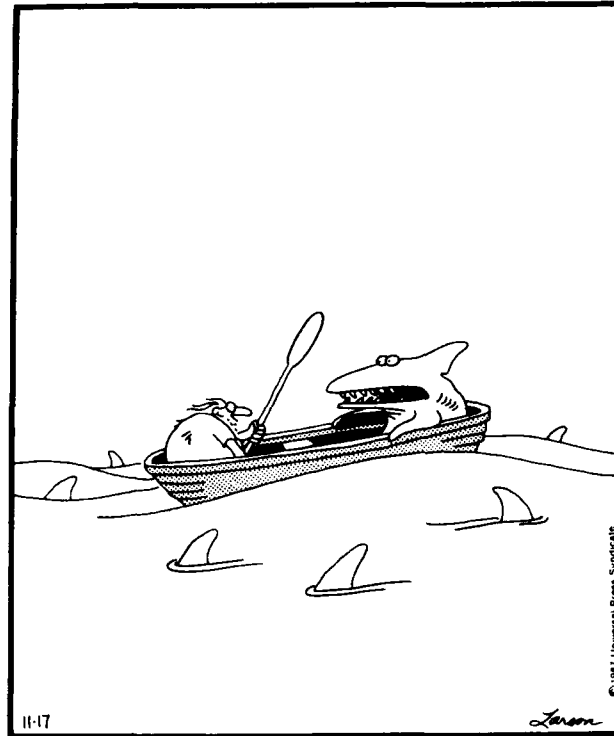
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Men's cross country runs to NCAA finals

By **MOLLY MAHONEY**
Sports Writer

How sweet it is!
The Notre Dame cross country team placed third in the NCAA District IV meet in Bowling Green Saturday and brought home a bid to the NCAA Championship Meet.

The Irish finished third with 109 points behind Wisconsin (66) and Indiana (81).

Notre Dame's performance came as a bit of a surprise as they faced an impressive field of competitors, such as third-ranked Wisconsin, sixth-ranked Illinois, and Big Ten powers Indiana and Michigan.

"Nobody expected us to keep coming on," said Irish head coach Joe Piane. "It is a true tribute to the leadership of the seniors on the team. They never gave up."

Senior captain Dan Garrett lead the Irish across the finish line, placing fifth overall with junior Ron Markezich follow-

ing close behind in eighth place.

Sophomore Mike O'Connor captured 20th place to round off the Irish harriers finishing in the top 20.

Freshmen Pat Kearns and Ryan Cahill turned in strong performances, as did sophomore Tom Macken. Senior Rick Mulvey ran a strong race for the Irish to help the Irish earn their first NCAA bid since 1984.

Notre Dame's third-place victory is an achievement in itself, especially competing against a field of 174 runners representing 21 schools.

Even sixth-ranked Illinois was trodden underfoot by the competition and only managed to finish fifth in the meet.

But more important than the team's third-place finish is the qualification for the NCAA Championships that places them among an elite crowd of 22 teams that have earned a

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Irish runners Ron Markezich (right), Mike O'Connor (middle) and Dan Garrett (left) were the top three team finishers Saturday at the

NCAA district meet at Bowling Green, Ohio. The third-place finish qualifies the Irish for the NCAA Championship meet next weekend.

Season ticket sales slow slightly

By **PETE GEGEN**
Sports Writer

A cold, windy morning. High ticket prices. A comparatively weak home schedule. The success of the football team.

These factors do not lend themselves to long lines for basketball season tickets.

A walk out to Gate 10 of the Joyce ACC late Monday morning proved this theory, as a line of about 30 students waited for the first day of basketball season ticket sales.

"The lines were twice as long last year," said Sean Pieri, a senior from Sorin and the third person in line for tickets. "I

know a lot of guys aren't getting tickets because of the price and the weak home schedule."

Despite the short lines, assistant ticket manager Jim Bell said Monday afternoon that ticket sales were going rather well.

"As far as being up to last year's pace, no," said Bell. "It's a little bit down, but it's fairly close."

The prices for the season-ticket package of 16 games are \$80 for lower arena seating and \$64 for bleacher seats. These prices represent a \$1 increase per game from last season's price.

Bell indicated that juniors should have no problem purchasing lower arena seating

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Oops, it's \$64, not \$54

A misprint on the basketball season ticket application has resulted in an "increase" of the price of bleacher seats.

The mistake, which was not discovered until Monday morning, listed the price for

a bleacher season ticket at \$54 instead of the actual \$64.

Because most seniors get lower arena seating, assistant ticket manager Jim Bell said that the problem of ticket purchasers caught \$10 short was kept to a minimum.

Ellis signs with Irish

By **DENNIS CORRIGAN**
sports Editor

Irish basketball head coach Digger Phelps received a bit of news Monday afternoon which should give him more reason to be thankful this holiday season.

LaPhonso Ellis, a 6-9 senior from Lincoln High School in East St. Louis, Ill., signed a letter of intent to attend Notre Dame next fall. Ellis is the second-team High School All-American selection of Street & Smith's and is rated as one of the top high school recruits in the country.

As a junior, Ellis averaged 19 points, 19 rebounds and seven blocked shots a game



LaPhonso Ellis

while Lincoln finished 27-1 and won the Illinois class AA championship.

"A lot of people in the area wanted me to go to Illinois, but I have to be comfortable for the next four years," Ellis said of the decision to at-

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Irish left wing Tom Smith (dark jersey) is checked by a Lake Forest defender in Friday night's game. Pete Skiko reviews

Notre Dame's weekend sweep of the Foresters at left.

Hockey sweeps Foresters

By **PETE SKIKO**
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame hockey team pushed its record over the .500 mark for the first time since the 1983-84 season by sweeping Lake Forest over the weekend weekend in a home-and-home series.

The Irish took the first game at home, 6-4, after being down by 3-1 and 4-2 deficits in the second period. But to hear first-year head coach Ric Schafer talk, the fact that the Irish came back to take the game was just icing on the cake.

"Even when we were down 3-1 and 4-2," said Schafer, in his debut season with the Irish. "I was entirely satisfied with our team's performance. We completely dominated the game, but we just couldn't put the puck in the net."

But then the Irish defense stiffened, holding the Foresters without a goal for the final 32 minutes of the contest. The offense kicked into gear to complete the comeback as Chris Olson scored the first goal on an assist from Tim Caddo, and Bob Bilton got the second on a nice assist from Bob Herber. Keith Markovitz tallied twice for the Irish and junior Frank O'Brien tapped in the

game-winner on a pretty pass from freshman Tim Kuehl. Thomas Smith added an insurance goal to close out the scoring.

Then the action shifted to Lake Forest, Ill., for game two, and again the contest was decided in the late going. After a nip-and-tuck battle Notre Dame pulled out a 5-4 win when junior Brian Montgomery scored in a crowd in front of the Lake Forest goal with four minutes left in the overtime period to give the Irish their first series sweep since January of last season.

Schafer liked virtually everything he saw this weekend.

"You're always pleased with a sweep," said Schafer. "But the way we played showed me that we're making good progress. Our passing and checking isn't quite as crisp as it could be, but we've improved from game to game, which is all I can really ask."

"Opponents averaged six goals a game against us in the first four games, and we got that down to a reasonable level this weekend. We worked well as a team, which is what we're going to need. There aren't going to be any superstars doing it on their own."

The Irish took on St. Thomas (Minn.) at home for two games next weekend.