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University works to raise money for 'Generations'

By HEATHER COCKS
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and MICHELLE KRUPA
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In an unprecedented fund-raising effort, the University has pledged its intent to raise \$767 million by the year 2000 in "Generations: A Campaign for the Notre Dame Student."

Aiming to augment scholarship funds, faculty positions, campus libraries and construction plans, the campaign is the largest of its kind ever undertaken in Catholic higher education and the ninth largest capital campaign now in progress in American academia.

"The total [dollar amount] is intended to suggest a realistic appraisal of what is both possible and necessary," said University President Father Edward Malloy. "In the same vein, if we had a hope and dream list, this is what would be on it."

The wish list was created in conjunction with the Colloquy for the Year 2000, a campus-wide

study to determine the needs and priorities of faculty, students and staff, as well as serve as part of the University's accreditation report. Once defined, administrators determined the amount of money necessary to accommodate each request as thoroughly as possible.

Over 65 percent of the total monetary goal has been attained thus far, with some of the over \$500 million already being invested in projects like the Main Building renovation and construction of the dorms on West Quad. The stadium project is not part of the campaign.

"Most money, especially that for construction, is given for a specific project. What people give will hopefully correspond to what our goals are," University provost Nathan Hatch said.

"[Last spring] we completed what we call the 'quiet phase' during which we talk to the people most likely to donate the largest amount," said Dennis Moore, director of Public Relations. "Now we're heading

into the last, most time-intensive stage directed at a larger group of people."

The fundraising proposal outlines the allotment of \$268 million for direct student needs, including undergraduate, graduate and law scholarships. Malloy explained that endowments given for financial aid, which pay annual dividends on donated gifts, provide Notre Dame with a lasting source of funds.

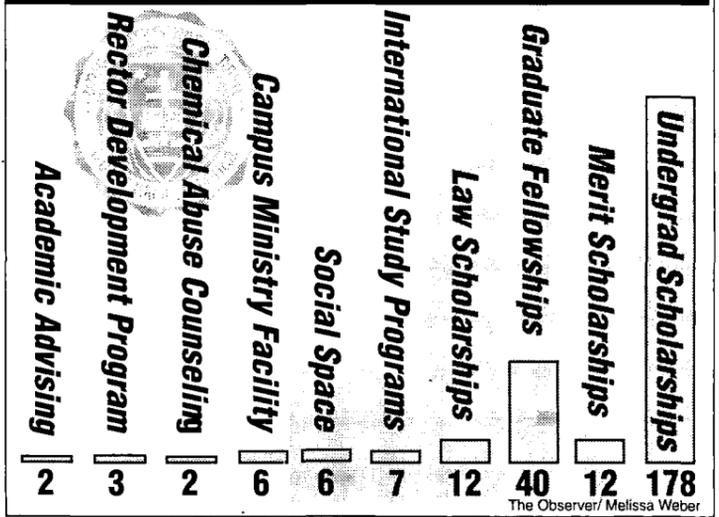
"Endowments are like constant dollars. If we just spend that money, it's more decisive and immediate, but the more internal resources we have, the more control we have over the mix of our student body," Malloy said.

He clarified that once invested, 5 percent of the endowment is available annually in the form of interest accumulated; therefore, it is a guaranteed, lasting source of financial assistance.

Presently, the University provides consistent assistance to students who earn status as Notre Dame or Holy Cross Scholars, with the latter intend-

Allocation of Students Needs' Funds

in millions of dollars



ed for minority students in an attempt to diversify the student body. Malloy asserted his desire to continue the expansion of those programs, with special interests in increasing the per-

centage of minority applicants. "We need to keep up our effort to recruit minority students, and competition to recruit the best

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SMC boards look to expand roles

By ALLISON KOENIG
Saint Mary's News Editor

Before their luggage and boxes were completely unpacked, Saint Mary's College student government officials were busy planning this year's events.

The Board of Governance (BOG), headed by student body president Nikki Milos, is looking, first and foremost, to participate in and sponsor activities surrounding this fall's inauguration of new College President Marilou Eldred. BOG members have expressed great desire to welcome and work closely with Eldred.

BOG has also alluded to continuing projects named in Milos' and vice president Lori McKeough's campaign. The anticipated multicultural center in Haggar College Center will be one effort toward extending diversity education. Additionally, BOG hopes to sponsor guest lecturers on ethical issues.

"I want us to be known for what we did this year," Milos told a BOG member. "I want tangible items available to show our efforts were successful."

Other areas of the campaign platforms that are being currently addressed by BOG include increasing athletic event attendance, establishing a permanent wall or area that commemorates student leadership, and continuing the distribution of monthly event calendars.

New goals have been added to the board's initial agenda

from last spring. Milos and BOG hope to continue working with Notre Dame student government. They are also looking to familiarize students, especially seniors, with the alumnae network center.

Milos assures that the minutes of the board, regardless of the activity, will be, "Don't talk, Do it."

McKeough is taking the same no-nonsense attitude in leading the Student Academic Council (SAC) this year. SAC representatives participated in the academic open house for freshmen on Saturday, then held a retreat and meeting Sunday morning to commence plans for the year.

Four committees have been formed to plan the key events of the year. The Life of the Mind committee schedules lectures geared toward students, while a separate committee was formed to sponsor lectures that are directed at the Saint Mary's and South Bend communities at large. The third committee will plan Women's Month, which will take place in March, and the final committee will oversee the content and disbursement of the SAC newsletter.

"The women I'm going to be working with are fantastic and energetic. They're going to bring a lot of success to SAC this year," McKeough said.

The board plans to strengthen the tie between themselves as representatives and the

'We really want the freshmen to be more involved... and also want to be more active as a board on campus.'

Katie Wehby
SAB coordinator

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Defying gravity...



The Observer/Joe Stark
ND cheerleaders practice in front of the library, revving up for next weekend's first home game against Georgia Tech.

Law professor founds institute

By LAURA PETELLE
News Writer

With world economies becoming increasingly interdependent, several leading academics and legal practitioners have created the World Law Institute.

Led by David Link, the dean of the Notre Dame Law School, the institute combines international law, which is the interactions among nations, comparative law, defined as the domestic laws of a particular country as compared to other countries, and customary law, the way interactions between particular countries have proceeded in the past.

"World law," said Link, "is the most fluid area of law that there is." He commented that there are many institutions in place to study comparative law and international law, but that world law is an relatively unexamined area.

World law, however, is becoming especially important as more and more companies become multinational. A contract in the United States is a very different thing from a contract in Japan. "You're not just translating language; you're translating culture," Link said.

Link is joined in the creation of the institute by Harold Berman, a professor at Emory University Law School and professor emeritus at Harvard University, Thomas Murray of the Sandusky, Ohio, firm Murray and Murray and a fellow of the International Academy of Trial Lawyers, and Edward Mearns, a professor of law at Case Western Reserve University. Mearns will also serve as the dean of the institute's faculty.

The institute will be organized in two parts: One part will be a forum for major players in world law, and the other part will be academies opened in existing law schools dedicated to the study of world law for post-professional students. The institute is aimed at educating not just academic and practicing lawyers but also government officials and business leaders.

"You can no longer think just internationally, nor can you think trans-nationally," said Link. "We're now moving into a global economy and you've got to think globally."



Link

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INSIDE COLUMN

Rethinking the death penalty

This past Sunday night as most Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students were busy getting rooms and apartments ready for another year of school, tragedy struck in our own backyard. South Bend police Corporal Paul Deguch was shot and killed on Talbot Street.



Eddie Llull
Associate Viewpoint Editor

Sixteen-year-old Gregory Dickens Jr. has been arrested as the only suspect in the murder. If convicted, the state has requested that Dickens be given the death penalty.

The vast majority of us had already requested the death penalty as soon as we heard of the murder, long before the state ever had a chance to petition for it. Most of us, like one of my roommates, also chose far more gruesome means of death for the murderer than the state ever would.

This reaction is understandable. We do not know the victim, but we do know he made an honest living and was a family man. We also know that he was killed in cold blood for apparently no reason. Such a murder is an affront to our own innate sense of what is good in the world. We are all furious, and we should be.

But should we really act on that anger? If we do, we only make matters worse.

Since the lynch mob fad died out long ago, my roommate and the rest of us do not decide death penalty directly. The prosecutor petitions for it based on the laws set by Indiana. In this case the law states that the prosecutor may petition for the death penalty since Deguch was a policeman acting in the course of his duties. It is one of the 15 reasons that allow an Indiana state court to sentence someone to death as long as that someone is 16 or older. Citizens of Indiana accept this law as do the citizens of most other states. But why?

Do we think it acts as a deterrent for all those murderers out there? I fail to believe that. Criminals are not going to rethink their actions because of the possible consequence of the death penalty. It is not an imposing threat. I also fail to see how we propose to find justice by putting Dickens to death. Our society will be no different whether he lives or dies. The real issue here is that we have once again seen a reflection of our society and are horrified by what we see.

If we put him to death we can get rid of that image of ourselves. By putting him to death we denounce any responsibility for this 16-year-old. We reassure ourselves that he has nothing to do with us. The truth is that this boy is a part of us. He is a product of our own communities, a product becoming more and more common year after year. We hear them called "teenage predators" by politicians, but the truth is that they are still only children. Dickens' grandmother called him a "good kid who made some bad choices" and I believe her.

This is not a defense of Dickens' actions. If convicted he should be severely punished. But I do not see the benefits of killing him other than that it may quell our fury.

Rather than letting our emotions dictate our actions let us look rationally at the grave problem in our communities. We need to take responsibility for the many "teenage predators" growing up across America. Instead of distancing ourselves from them we need to reach out to them in each of our communities. Instead of locking ourselves in our homes we need to open our eyes to what is going on outside in our streets. We owe that not only to our youth, but also to those individuals like Paul Deguch who have reached out in their communities.

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WORLD AT A GLANCE

Dutch muskrats thrive, weakening several medieval dikes

MONTFOORT, Netherlands
Across the lush lowland echoes a triumphant "Yes!" Within seconds, a furry carcass lands with a thud atop the dike.

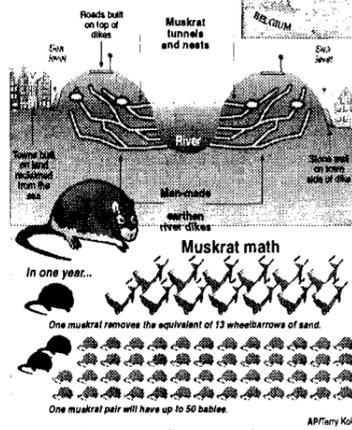
"There," says Jaap de Wit, one of 500 government-hired muskrat trappers. "One less rat to make holes in the dike." The latest threat to the Netherlands' vast system of medieval levees that protect two-thirds of the country from submersion isn't erosion or even old age: It's the incessant tunneling of muskrats.

"Muskrat Love?" Here, it's more like muskrat hate.

"This is a war we cannot win. But if we didn't do this, we'd have a disaster in the whole of Holland on our hands," said Brand Klijnstra, one of 40 official "muskrat fighters" in the central province of Utrecht.

Muskrats threaten dikes

Millions of muskrats are threatening the security of the dikes in the Netherlands. Each year they burrow out hundreds of thousands of tons of sand from the earthen dikes the Dutch use to protect their towns from flooding.



For centuries, the Dutch have paid careful attention to their earthen dikes, some of which date to the Middle Ages. The watch has taken on new urgency since 1995, when widespread flooding of the Maas, Waal and Rhine Rivers forced the evacuation of 250,000 people.

The dikes survived, but inspectors identified dozens of weak points, prompting the government to speed up a \$1.4 billion repair and reinforcement plan. So, it is "zero tolerance" when it comes to the insidious and prolific muskrat, which thrives in the Netherlands' hundreds of thousands of miles of waterways. There are even muskrat hotlines, part of a \$15 million a year effort to thin them out. By tunneling beneath the dikes, it's possible at any minute that a dike could break."

Gingrich explores archeology on dig

LIVINGSTON, Mont.

House Speaker Newt Gingrich found a fossil bone Wednesday on his first dinosaur dig and said the experience was like getting a hole-in-one in golf. Gingrich was hesitant to complain about the windy, hot weather and fruitless digging that stretched through the morning, but his mood lightened considerably after his find. "That was sort of a giant thrill," he said. "I was in a zone that had nothing to do with anything but dinosaurs." Gingrich accompanied paleontologist Jack Horner to the dig site south of Livingston in the Paradise Valley. Actor Peter Fonda, who lives in the area, joined the group as a spectator. Horner found a plant fossil and Gingrich gave it to his wife. It was about 2 p.m., after the media event turned to serious digging, that Gingrich pointed to the spot where he had been digging. Horner said, "Hmmm." A smile broke across Gingrich's face, and Fonda began to clap. "Congratulations," Horner said to Gingrich. "Newt found something," he told the spectators. The assorted crowd of security guards, aides and reporters broke into applause. Gingrich's visit to the mountain dig site marked a brief respite.



Officials to investigate drinking death

BATON ROUGE, La.

A state-assembled team will investigate the binge-drinking death of a Louisiana State University student celebrating fraternity pledge week who was too young to buy alcohol legally. "This young man made a mistake," said John Kennedy, secretary of the Department of Revenue and Taxation, which oversees the state's Alcoholic Beverage Control board. "If someone assisted him in making that mistake and broke the law, they're going to answer for it." Kennedy's announcement Wednesday came on the same day a private funeral Mass was said in suburban New Orleans for Benjamin Wynne, who died of alcohol poisoning the day before. Preliminary autopsy reports showed the Sigma Alpha Epsilon pledge had a blood-alcohol level of .588 percent, an amount authorities said would have required consuming more than two dozen drinks. The control board investigation was one of five launched in the wake of the 20-year-old student's death. The legal drinking age is 21. The university, campus police, Baton Rouge police and the national chapter of Sigma Alpha Epsilon are also investigating. "We want to know who is responsible, who was at the parties, how the alcohol was acquired," said LSU Chancellor William Jenkins. He added that police have no evidence the student was forced to drink.

Toy chocolates threaten child safety

MINNEAPOLIS

The attorneys general in Minnesota and Connecticut today urged candy giant Nestle to voluntarily remove from store shelves a new product that features plastic Disney movie figures like "Hercules" encased in a chocolate-covered plastic ball. "This illegal product literally sugarcoats potential death and injury — wrapping in chocolate small toys that may cause choking or worse," said Connecticut Attorney General Richard Blumenthal. Minnesota Attorney General Hubert Humphrey III said officials were asking Nestle to "take all steps necessary to protect our kids" and pull Nestle Magic from the market. "The bottom line is, it's not worth risking even a single child's life or health on this new toy," Humphrey said. Nestle did not immediately return a telephone call for comment. Nestle last month began selling a ball of chocolate wrapped around toy figures of Disney movie characters, but federal health officials have said Nestle Magic chocolates appear to be safe — the toy inside is too big to choke someone and is encased in a plastic shell not expected to chip teeth.

Former NBC giant dies of cancer

LOS ANGELES

Brandon Tartikoff, the former NBC Entertainment president who transformed prime time television in the 1980s with the landmark shows "Hill Street Blues," "L.A. Law" and "The Cosby Show," died Wednesday, KCAL-TV reported. He was 48. Tartikoff had been undergoing chemotherapy treatment earlier this year for his third recurrence of Hodgkins disease. He was diagnosed with the disease, a cancer of the lymph nodes, when he was 23. He became the youngest entertainment president in network history when he took over NBC's programming at age 30 in 1980 and ran the network's schedule until 1991. He quickly turned the lowest-rated network into the nation's most popular through groundbreaking comedies and dramas, including "Cheers," "Family Ties," "Miami Vice" and "The Golden Girls." NBC was the No. 1 network for five consecutive seasons under Tartikoff's leadership. In March, Tartikoff was hired today by America Online to bolster its development of online programs focusing on the entertainment industry.

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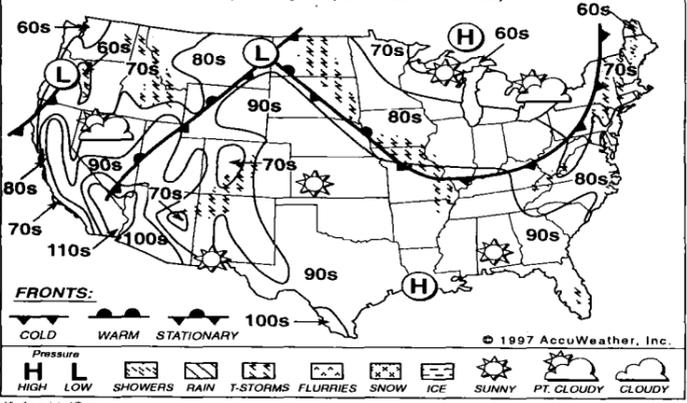
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ND grad finds home in admissions office

By KRISTINA ZURCHER
News Writer

Notre Dame's new director of admissions Daniel Saracino plans to continue the focus of his office on increasing diversity within incoming classes.

"We have both geographic and male/female diversity at Notre Dame, but we don't yet have the diversity from which you learn outside the classroom," he said.

Saracino, the former top admissions professional at Santa Clara University, took over the post on July 1. He replaced Kevin Rooney, who was recently named assistant dean of the First Year of Studies program.

Saracino explained that diversity is critical for enhancing each student's college experience outside the classroom.

He also hopes to create a well-rounded student body with the best in both academics and character, to formulate a community in which the students learn from each other and faculty members act as catalysts for that learning.

"From my college years, I remember conversations outside the classroom, not lectures. As my daughter once wrote me, 'Opportunities to learn here are limited only by the need for sleep.' My job is to make it frustrating for you students to sleep," Saracino said.

Nathan Hatch, the University's provost, supports

Saracino fully. "To select a candidate for the director of admissions post, an internal committee did a national search for the best person. Dan is a superb admissions person and will do a wonderful job," Hatch commented.

Rooney, Saracino's predecessor, echoed Hatch's remarks. "Saracino is very experienced, having worked at Notre Dame a number of years ago and then at Santa Clara University. He knows what he's doing," Rooney said.

According to Saracino, another crucial part of his job is to better represent Notre Dame to prospective applicants.

He wants to ensure that Notre Dame would be the best place for the applicant, not just that the applicant would be a benefit to Notre Dame.

"Our goal is to have students say, 'Thanks to you, I made the right choice,' not 'Thanks to you, I came to Notre Dame.' We are counselors, not recruiters," Saracino said.

By accepting this position, Saracino has returned to his alma mater. A 1969 graduate of the University, his career in admissions began here.

He served as assistant director of admissions from 1969-75 and as associate director from 1975-77. He then held a number of positions in admissions at Santa Clara University, culminating in his appointment as dean of enrollment management there.

NEWS ANALYSIS

Kmiec approves of Court decision

By DAVID FREDDOSO
Assistant News Editor

This summer, the United States Supreme Court struck down the Religious Freedom Restoration Act of 1993 (RFRA) with the case of the city of Boerne, Texas vs. Flores.



Kmiec

According to some scholars, this decision is a huge blow to religious freedom. But Professor Douglas Kmiec of Notre Dame's Law School believes that the bill was misguided in the first place, and could very easily have had serious and harmful long term effects on both the Constitution and the practice of religion in the United States.

"This bill was really unlike any other piece of legislation, because it was enacted to displace an interpretation of the Constitution," Kmiec said, "and no one's Constitutional rights are safe if the Constitution can be repealed by legislation."

The act was originally designed to guarantee that any government action which could burden religious freedom should be thoroughly scrutinized. Under the bill, any such government action was subjected to a two-part test:

The government would first have had to prove that such an action "is in the furtherance of a compelling government interest," and second that it is "the least restrictive means of furthering that government interest."

President Bill Clinton, along with the act's authors, Sens. Ted Kennedy and Orrin Hatch, actively supported the bipartisan bill.

But according to Kmiec, the bill would have had disastrous Constitutional consequences.

"The drafters of the Fourteenth Amendment of the Constitution had specifically rejected the kind of legislation which RFRA represents," he said. "It would displace states and local governments."

A good example of this, Kmiec said, can be found in the Boerne vs. Flores case itself. Catholic Archbishop Flores of San Antonio brought a lawsuit against the small city when he was denied a building permit to expand a Catholic church because of its local zoning status as an historic landmark.

He based his case on RFRA, stating that if the church could not expand to fit its quickly growing congregation, it would no longer be able to fulfill its function. Flores argued that this would impair religious freedom.

The Court decided against the archbishop, ruling that zoning laws and other such

statutes cannot be superseded on these grounds.

According to Kmiec, the Boerne decision was good for the well being of the Constitution, since it gives states and local governments their proper power to enforce local laws.

"[The decision] effectively reinforced the original intended boundaries of legislative power which comes from the Constitution," Kmiec said.

RFRA also enjoyed wide support from American the leaders of nearly every major faith in the country.

But according to Kmiec, RFRA would also have been detrimental to the practice of religion in the United States, since it would cause believers to adopt a harmful complacency regarding their rights to free exercise of religion.

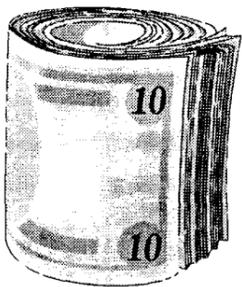
"To use RFRA in such a way [as it was tried in Boerne vs. Flores] is not a good thing for religious freedom," he said.

Kmiec said that he would be more in favor of seeing Congress treat each problem that arises individually, rather than enacting a single, sweeping bill such as RFRA.

"The best thing Congress could do at this point would be to hold hearings where there are frequent problems with generally applicable laws infringing on someone's free exercise of religion," he said, "and I do think that Congress is willing to do this."

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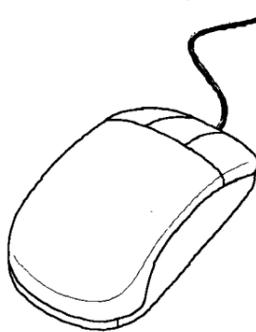
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minority students is driven by the amount we can offer them," Malloy said.

"What is just loans and work-study for several students right now will ideally become solid scholarship money," Moore added. "Endowments are a nice way of ensuring we have constant funds to back up that aid."

Concluded Hatch, "Our goal is to have full need met."

The campaign is already \$100 million of the way toward meeting its goal in direct student need, most having been donated in the form of endowments.

Small scholarships, like those in the Hammes Scholarship program, have grown to encompass larger geographic areas and more money is now available to previously qualified students.

In addition to financial aid, the campaign will also focus heavily on raising funds for the construction of physical facilities. A science teaching facility and new bookstore are in the planning as goals of the \$167 million-facet of the project.

"The science building will be totally devoted to undergraduate education. It will address the question, 'What will science teaching be like in 10-15 years?'" Hatch said.

A grant from the National Science Foundation has added \$350,000 to allow Notre Dame to become part of the High Performance Backbone Network Service, a facet of the more sophisticated and swift Internet2. Part of Generations, the grant will allow Notre Dame to be one of 35 universities chosen to increase technological advancement on their campuses.

Faculty development is also strongly represented in the plan, with \$153 million allotted for its strengthening. Much money donated will be used to create more endowed professorships, but continuing education for current professors will also be targeted.

"We will ask, 'How can we enhance the people we have now?' We feel the faculty should grow. We also would like to draw more professors to keep a good faculty/student ratio without increasing tuition," Moore said.

Malloy and Hatch explained that the advantage of additional endowments is that tuition then pays for a smaller percentage of faculty salaries; thus, an increase in endowed professorships has no effect on tuition costs because those donations are not included in the University's annual operational budget.

This is especially pertinent as the University has recently changed its distribution of faculty teaching, research and service time commitments, allowing professors less time in the classroom.

"That translates to either larger classes, or more professors. We'd prefer the latter," Malloy said. "Our faculty can maximize their vast potential and meet our high expectations."

Another \$116.3 million will cover the enhancement of various University programs, both on campus and abroad, including the new journalism concentration in the College of Arts and Letters, and \$37.7 million will be used to improve campus libraries. The final \$25 million will be added to funds for current operations, including grounds up-keep and building renovations.

As it stands, Notre Dame has already made history with the funds currently amassed en route to the \$767 million goal, although the final stage of the campaign is about to kick into high gear. Malloy explained that soliciting the final 39 percent will require a concerted effort from University officials.

"If we don't raise another dime, this still goes on record as the largest amount raised by any Catholic university," he said. "But we still need to engage the interest and support of a broad range of people. It's daunting, but do-able."

Kelly to present constitution today

By MATTHEW LOUGHRAN
Associate News Editor

At tonight's Academic Council meeting, Brendan Kelly, student representative to the Academic Council and former student government reform committee chairman, will present the Constitution of the Undergraduate Student Body to the council.

"These are the people that run the academic life at the

University," he said. "We want them to know how the changes will effect them and the way they interact with students."

The Constitution was revised last year by the student government reform committee and now includes a flow chart of how student government works and a quick reference guide to its contents.

"It was something that we were planning from the beginning," Kelly said. "A lot was

wrong with the old constitution: student groups were not talking to each other, the Student Senate was trying to program and represent students at the same time and was not doing either. We tried to take the best of the old one and mix it with new ideas to serve the two basic purposes of a student government, to provide programming for students and to represent student views on important issues."

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The first academies will be opened in London, in affiliation with Notre Dame in the U.S. and Notre Dame's London law program, and in Moscow, in association with Emory University Law School and Moscow State University. Link said that the institute eventually plans to operate about seven such locations, each with one or two affiliations, in the U.S. and in the host country.

"We will be able to properly cover different perspectives by having about seven academies in

the end, each associated with an established academic institution," Link said.

The institute, however, is not just meant to "educate" people about world law but also to create a "think tank." Link says that the focus of the forums is "getting experts together and having dialogue about global legal transactions."

The institute plans to discuss both physical and substantive areas, such as Asia, Eastern Europe, intellectual property, and global litigation, in its forums.

The World Law Institute will be formally launched at a Conference on World Law to be held in October in Atlanta, with keynote speakers President Jimmy Carter and Mikhail Gorbachev.

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women in their respective majors and departments. The board members are looking to get substantial feedback on how the upperclassmen, who have declared majors, feel about the departments in which they are working.

Other goals include work with the convent and further exploration into the history and influence of the Sisters of the Holy Cross. The board also has several Saint Mary's graduates in mind as guest lecturers for the upcoming year.

According to Student Activities Board coordinator Katie Wehby, the board's primary efforts are currently focused on the annual Twilight Tailgate, the night

before the first home Notre Dame football game. Activities for the event will include an outdoor showing of *Scream*, video making and a picnic. SAB will also sponsor breakfast in the residence halls the following morning.

"We really want to get the freshmen to be more involved," Wehby said. "We also want to be more active as a board on campus."



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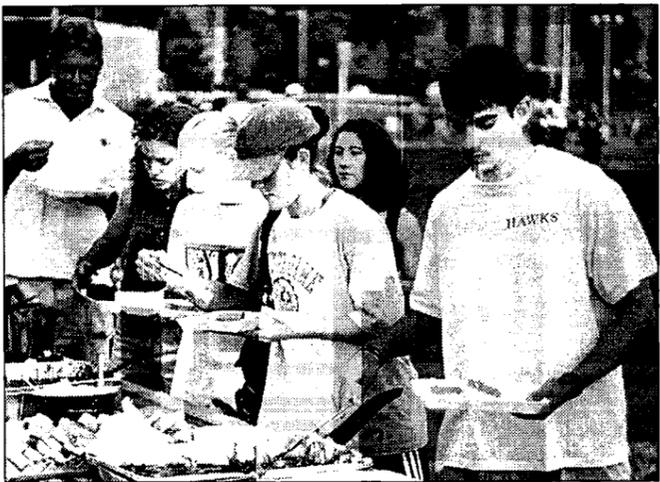
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Ben Bayer, right, joined students yesterday at Stepan Center to mark the beginning of the school year at the Welcome Back Picnic.

Loved ones remember Mangan

By LORI ALLEN
Saint Mary's Editor
and ALLISON KOENIG
Saint Mary's News Editor

Family and friends remember 24-year-old Susie Laatz Mangan, a 1995 graduate of Saint Mary's College who died of complications from a coronary condition just hours after her wedding on July 5, as the quintessential Saint Mary's woman.



Mangan

According to Susie's mother, Sarah Neff, Susie loved Saint Mary's College more than anything, and would be sitting on

the edge of her seat to return after semester breaks.

"All I can say right now is that Susie's years at Saint Mary's were the best years of her life," said Neff. "She said that they went by way too fast, and that she would do anything to get them back; she couldn't wait for her and all of her friends to be back on campus for the wed-

ding, to be 'Belles' again."

Friends described her as independent, happy, and beautiful. They consider her death to be nothing less than a complete shock.

'Susie's years at Saint Mary's were the best years of her life... she couldn't wait for her and all of her friends to be back on campus for the wedding, to be "Belles" again.'

Sarah Neff
mother of Susie Mangan

"Susie and my sister were the best of friends; they shared many memories together. I only hope that the students of Saint Mary's will keep her family in their thoughts and prayers," said

senior Joya Mukerjee, whose sister Amita graduated with Mangan and was a bridesmaid in her wedding.

"My family left a bouquet of sunflowers in the Le Mans Hall Chapel in honor of Susie," said Mukerjee. "Whenever I see a sunflower, I think of Susie; they were her favorite."

Members of the family have started a scholarship fund in the Chicago area, in Susie's memory. According to Ken Cooke, the attorney administering the fund, the public has expressed a great deal of interest. Details on the scholarship are pending.

"I think that it's important for the students of Saint Mary's, especially the freshman, to realize how lucky they are to be there. Saint Mary's was the love of Susie's life," said Neff.

The South Bend Tribune contributed to this story.

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Europeans face past forced sterilizations

By ROBERT WIELAARD
Associated Press Writer

BRUSSELS, Belgium
A Belgian woman says no one listened when she complained about being sterilized against her will. A Swede describes how hard it was when colleagues would ask why she never had children.

Women who were deemed physically or mentally inferior and were sterilized are now speaking out, after revelations in Sweden drew attention to government programs that were common in many parts of Europe.

In Belgium, Ingrid van Butsel spent her life in orphanages and state housing. She married in 1985, but only after the regional government — without giving a reason — pressured her into a sterilization operation.

"I could not believe my ears. I wanted children, but they said I was unsuited to raise children. I had a choice: I could marry if I had myself sterilized (or) they would send me to a psychiatric hospital," van Butsel, 40, said in Wednesday's daily *De Morgen*.

Swedes have been forced to acknowledge an unflattering

chapter in their past recently after a newspaper examined the 1935-76 involuntary sterilization program that robbed 60,000 Swedish men and women of their ability to have children.

Maria Nordin, from the Swedish town of Gaevle, was sterilized involuntarily 54 years ago at age 17. Decades later, it still hurts when she is asked why she never had children.

"No matter which job I had, sooner or later someone asked me why I didn't have children," she told the Stockholm newspaper *Expressen* in an interview published Wednesday. "That was incredibly difficult for me."

Belgium never had the same kind of sterilization program, but van Butsel's story shows how officials got away with the forced sterilization of a woman who was not mentally or physically disabled.

Van Butsel lived in government housing for young women who have no money and few skills.

The government did not tell her why it deemed her unfit to raise children and she, being poor and uneducated, was not able to challenge the decision.

Diet drug linked to heart damage

By DANIEL HANEY
Associated Press Writer

BOSTON

Fifty-eight more cases of heart valve damage among users of fen-phen have been reported to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration since new concerns arose last month about the popular prescription pill combination taken by millions to lose weight.

As a result, the agency said Wednesday it will require new drug labels warning patients of the potential danger. And a drug company announced a new study on the medication's effects.

The possibility that the diet drugs might damage heart valves came to light July 8, when doctors from the Mayo Clinic said they had identified 24 cases.

The FDA then asked physicians to report any other patients and that search turned up the 58 additional cases, all but two of them in women.

How many of those cases were actually caused by the medicines, however, is unclear. Some doctors wondered whether newly vigilant physicians might be hearing heart murmurs — the telltale sound of bad valves — that have been there all along.

Fen-phen is a combination of the prescription drugs fenfluramine and phentermine that suppresses appetite. Both drugs are approved by the FDA for short-term use in dieting, although not specifically in combination.

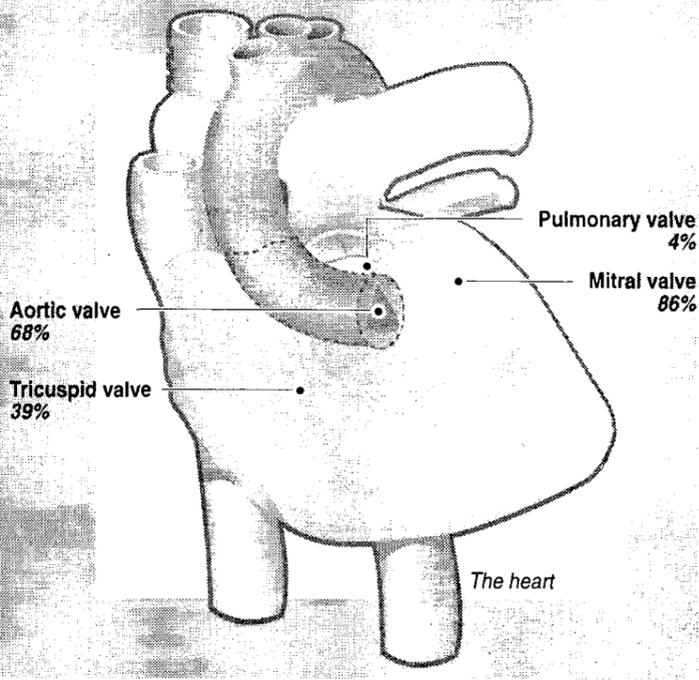
"We are not absolutely saying you shouldn't use them, but physicians and patients need to consider the risk very carefully before going on them," said Dr. James Bilstad, a drug evaluation chief at the FDA.

Given the large number of peo-

Heart valve damage

Heart valve damage linked to the combination of fenfluramine and phentermine, or fen-phen, has been reported to the Food and Drug Administration, raising new doubts about the widely popular weight-loss treatment.

Percentage of women with heart damage, by valve:



Source: The Human Body, The Heart

AP/Amy Kranz

ple using these drugs, the risk of heart damage is clearly low. But just how great the risk is — even whether it truly exists — cannot be determined without a careful study comparing diet pill users with overweight people who are not taking the medicines.

Drug company officials have raised the possibility that obesity itself — not drugs to treat the condition — may actually be causing the heart problems.

To help settle these questions, Wyeth-Ayerst Laboratories, which makes the Pondimin brand of fenfluramine, said Wednesday it will sponsor a study of 1,200 fen-phen users and others being treated for obesity at several institutions.

"Recognizing that both drugs

have been available for many years and millions of patients have taken them, we were quite surprised to have this finding, but we take it very seriously," said Dr. Marc W. Deitch, Wyeth-Ayerst's medical director.

The FDA described its latest findings in Thursday's issue of the *New England Journal of Medicine*.

Fenfluramine is chemically similar to Redux, another popular appetite suppressant that came on the market last year.

The FDA said it had also learned of four cases of heart valve damage in Redux users. There also were two in patients taking fenfluramine alone and two in patients taking Redux plus phentermine.

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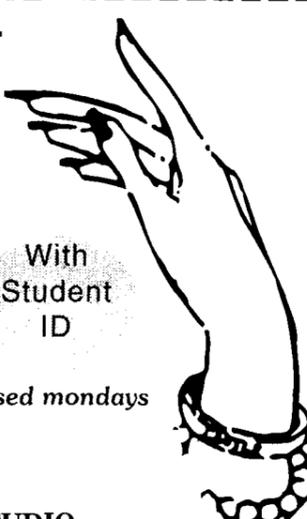
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TABLE TALK

A Message to the Freshman

Last year, as many upperclassmen will remember, an unspecified number of pranksters "beheaded" the striking red and blue sculpture in South Quad. The incident itself probably received

Mick Swiney

greater public attention than was necessary, but in any case succeeded in causing a decent-sized controversy on campus, for which this paper often served as an arena. I hope it doesn't seem in bad taste to bring this tragic affair up again, now that it has taken refuge in Notre Dame's extensive history.

But in writing this I don't refer so much to the incident itself as to the campus-wide debate that followed. Many students were horrified at what they saw to be an attack on all forms of art by the Philistines of Notre Dame. Other students cheered the perpetrators as revolutionaries, for taking action against a ridiculous-looking contraption that had no place in the midst of so beautiful a campus. Both were probably wrong; the deed was most likely motivated by nothing more complex than the very Notre Dame need for entertainment.

But it is this last group of students who concerns me at the start of this new school year. As I mentioned, I heard many of this faction applauding the pranksters because the sculpture "didn't belong on this campus."

Well, look at it!
 Here you have dignified buildings such as Riley and Cushing, here you

have the stately O'Shaughnessy and the impressive DeBartolo. Here you have the natural beauty of the Mestrovic memorial with its grove of trees; here you have the luscious beauty of the South Quad lawns, their greenery and artful network of walkways.

And there ... there you have what looks like a meager survivor of a junk yard, painted bright colors for greater visibility, with a very eighties-looking weather vane on top. A bent one.

That such a sculpture is incongruous I cannot hope to deny. It looks like it belongs somewhere in Miami; certainly not on one the eminent campus of one of the finest - and most traditional - universities in this country.

But just for the sake of argument, I'm going to take a deeper stab at why so many students were glad to see the sculpture vandalized.

As hopeful applicants to Notre Dame, we were most likely drawn in by the awesome community this institution nurtures. The unity of the "Notre Dame family" is without question the most phenomenal characteristic of this school; it is one that spans generations and covers most of the world, it is unique both in the extent of its history and in the fact that it thrives still today.

I admit that I took one look at all of this communal integrity and rich tradition, and I wanted in. We all did, for members of this family are never disowned; we are children of our Alma Mater, and we will never forget our lineage.

When you want something as good as this as badly as most of us have, you can sometimes make a grave mistake.

You can sometimes long for and pursue something deeper than membership, deeper even than family ... you can sometimes seek assimilation.

Most of us prefer to call it 'conformity,' and all of us are susceptible to it. How many times have I passed over an outfit in my closet, one I would comfortably have worn at home, but one

which here seemed somewhat ... out of place?

How many times have I shaved down my own likes and dislikes, my own interests and curiosities to avoid discord with the preferences of others?

How many times have I remained silent on various conversation topics, not for lack of opinion, but for uncertainty of how my opinion will be received?

I am guilty of trying to mold myself to fit in more appropriately with the beautiful old buildings, the orderly and well-groomed quads, I am guilty of assimilating myself to what I presumed to be Notre Dame standards for how I should look, act, feel, and even think. I have taken offense to anything or anyone who did not do as I have done, I have presumed them to love their Alma Mater less for not conforming to her standards.

I am susceptible, and I don't think it outrageous to suggest that many of this family's newest members are, too. So listen up, freshmen - here's a bit of unsolicited advice:

You're here. If you're reading this now, chances are that you have been accepted to the University of Notre Dame and have decided to attend. That means that...

You're in. Period. End of story. If you are here, you are part of the community. These dignified buildings, these stately monuments, these beautiful quads ... they are yours. The dome? That's yours too. All of this, from now until the day you die and beyond, belongs to you. You have paid for it with years of sweat and hard work, and you would not have been accepted if you hadn't earned it. You are part of the family now, and no one is going to turn you away. But most importantly...

We need you. How many times have I softened the sharp angles and rough edges of my personality, so as to slide comfortably into Notre Dame society? How many times have I worked to con-

vince myself that I was someone else, the Ideal Notre Dame Student, who likes all the right songs, wears all the right clothes, and voices all the right opinions? Don't make the same mistake!

There is no Ideal Notre Dame Student, at least not in regards to clothes, music, or politics. The ideal Domer is the one who loves his or her own incongruities, who appreciates his or her own differences and originality; the ideal Domer does NOT conform.

Good news - that's you! You're already the ideal Domer, and you've only been here a week.

Now don't mess with it. Don't change yourself to suit me, because we're all siblings in this family, and I don't have the right - or the desire - to shut you out of it based on how you differ from me. So be yourself, say what you mean and mean what you say. Some of us will like you, and some of us won't; luckily for all concerned, the feelings will almost always be mutual in each case.

So don't sweat it. To be part of the living, breathing community here at Notre Dame, we need you to be as strange and messed-up looking red-and-blue spinning-arrow head as you want, and don't worry about the stately, dignified, throat-clearing buildings around you. Being a part of this history and tradition would be a waste if it was bought at the expense of your own free and creative spirit.

After all, if crazy twisted red-and-blue sculptures didn't exist on this campus, what on earth would Notre Dame students have to talk about?

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Move the JACC forward."

—Senior, heard Wednesday morning outside the Joyce Center while in line for football tickets.

■ POSTCARDS FROM MEXICO

A Different World: Graduate School South of the Border

I hate feeling like a freshman. I got lost on campus last week looking for the registrar's office and ended up on the second floor of the dentistry building instead, trying to convince myself that leaving my hometown of Michigan Center, Michigan for a school almost ninety times larger than our total population was somehow a good idea. I finally had to take a taxi to get to where I was going.

Bernadette Pampuch

I should probably point out that I am not on the Notre Dame or Saint Mary's campus but somewhere infinitely larger and more prone to having taxis roaming around. The Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico, also known as Mexico's national university.

In a lot of ways, UNAM is just a normal university, if your idea of normal involves a campus so large that it takes up almost three stops on the Mexico City subway and you have 260,000 fellow students to contend with every morning.

Two hundred and sixty thousand students. Let's stop and think about this for a minute. The largest class I ever took before graduating from Saint Mary's last year was a biology lecture with about 65 students in it. One of my senior seminar English classes had 12 students, and I knew every one by name, and I used to think it was strange that my friends at Notre Dame had to contend with these strange things called "teaching assistants."

It's very easy to get lost in the system

here, which I proved the week I tried to register. I was sent to the International Student Office, which sent me to the Academic Exchange Office, which sent me to the Graduate Office (this is the point where I accidentally wander into the dentistry building), which sent me to the Department of Philosophy and Literature, which was only open until one in the afternoon so I had to try it again another day after all. On day two of registering for classes I was lucky enough to remember where I was going but not lucky enough to be at the head of the line, and after two hours of waiting, I had to come back the next day. Three days later I was finally ready for class, and the person standing next to me in line (who had to come back the next day after the office closed behind me) told me that I was lucky to get in so quick.

The size of everything here really is overwhelming. The longest it ever took me to get from LeMans Hall to the Notre Dame Library on the shuttle was about fifteen minutes. A trip around the outskirts of UNAM is a little over an hour and still misses a good two-thirds of the campus. The shuttles that run here are free too, but I usually have to fight little old ladies and fussy engineering students with very sharp pencils poking out of their pocket protectors to be one of the lucky few to cram myself onto the bus and not have to hang outside.

Getting to UNAM in the first place is an adventure in itself. I was fairly used to rolling out of bed at 8:55 a.m. for a 9:00 class at Saint Mary's, putting a sweatshirt on over my pajamas and running to a building located right next door. These days I have a half-hour ride on something called a "pesero" (Spanish for "little bus from hell driven by someone who is blind and disregards all approaching cars"), fighting traffic and smog so thick that sometimes it's easy to forget why I left the pristine wilderness



of Michigan for the biggest, most polluted city in the world.

It has something to do with needing to see a different side of the world. It is a very, very diverse set of students I find myself with here, something I was never really exposed to in South Bend. There is a woman about sixty-five years old in one of my literature classes, and seventeen-year-olds in some of the undergraduate programs. Everyone seems to be politically active, either radically right-wing or frightfully conservative. Crime is a problem, several attacks all over UNAM every day, which probably has something to do with the economic status of the students. Very few people here could afford \$20,000 a year in tuition at Notre Dame or Saint Mary's, but they are all lucky enough to have access to higher education in a place that benefits from an academic environment fed by people who don't always have the money to eat every day. Consider that the next time you look around your computer class and listen to people talking about whether or not they have enough money to fly to the Bahamas for Spring Break.

In total, there are 55,143,062 square meters of campus at UNAM. Four hun-

dred and eighty-three buildings on campus. Twenty-two thousand computers, 164 libraries, 68 professional programs, seven technical programs, 82 specializations, 121 masters degrees and 46 doctorate programs. I am sure I will get over the feeling of being lost soon. I remember feeling the same way when I was wandering around Notre Dame with a map in my hands looking for the library the first time, and how stupid I felt when I sat down in the wrong class freshman year. If college in the United States taught me anything at all, it was that I will eventually find my place here and be confident enough to understand it all.

In the meantime, I have to go find the billing office. If I'm not back in three days, please contact the American Embassy.

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■ GUEST COMMENTARY

ND Grad Reflects on Community After the Murder of Officer Deguch

The policeman who was murdered Saturday night, August 23, had been a guard in the St. Joseph County jail during the time I was the assistant chaplain. He was the policeman I could best relate to on the streets. He went out of his way to honor my work of ministry. He was a policeman who believed that it was important to preach the Gospel to the very type of person who murdered him.

How ironic that I also knew the 16 year-old boy accused of murdering Paul Deguch. I knew the boy's mother. She was often a prisoner in the jail. I just asked her about her 16 year-old son less than a month ago, next to the house where the murder took place. At that time she asked me to stay in contact with her regarding spiritual matters. What could I say to her now that her son is accused of this crime?

Naturally the question this murder raises is why is there seemingly great hostility among our young black men towards the police? Whoever murdered Paul most likely hated him and police in general.

A 20 year-old black girl, who was raised in the same neighborhood and a relative of the accused, offered me this reason, "The police have too much power, and they too often abuse that power."

She also complained, "When a policeman is killed he receives ten times more public attention and sympathy than when a normal citizen gets killed. A policeman's death is front page news for days, the flag is flown at half-mast, and the funer-

al procession is three miles long."

She continued, "Most of my friends resent the fact that the police belong to a privileged class and receive excessive adulation. Although we are supposed to be equal under the law, the police are above the law." Thus she feels the police have overstepped the law making many young black men hate the police for harassing them without cause.

I understand all too well this girl's feelings. However I think many young black men despise all authority even the authority of God. These young people need a more potent cure for their resentment because their violent actions proceed from an unimaginable spiritual poverty.

My answer to frustrations and the temptation to hatred of our young black men is the Gospel. My proposal is that we bring forth this wonderful Good News in a radical way. Let's equal our number of police cars with civilian cars painted with Christian messages. Let all our ministers, brothers, sisters and priests drive around town with these "Jesus cars" eager to stop and minister the gospel wherever it is most needed. Let the name of Jesus be as evident to Michiana as is the sight of police cars. And let these ministers be ready to lay down their lives as officer Paul Deguch was in the service of our community.

PETER S. HELLAND
Notre Dame '78

■ LETTER TO THE EDITOR

The Danger Zone: D2 Parking Permits

In my three years here at this University I have pondered many of the decisions made by the so called "logical" administration. I questioned the logic behind moving the administration offices from the center of campus to its outskirts and why the administration would wait to renovate South Dining Hall until during the school year, but I figured that there must be some quasi-logical explanations for these questions. I have given the administration the benefit of the doubt on many of their decisions for the campus concerning the welfare and safety of the students. However, the most recent decision made by the University and Campus Security makes absolutely no sense, whatsoever!

Not only is the new parking policy outright sexist, but it is quite illogical. For those who are unfamiliar with the new policy, to obtain a parking pass for D6 one must fall in one of three categories. Either you have to be a woman residing in any of the South Quad dorms, including Walsh, be a South Quad senior male, or live in Carroll. Since Carroll inhabitants and seniors still living on Campus represent a small minority of students, the real beneficiaries of this new policy are South Quad and God Quad women. The new parking policy is sexist and directly discriminates against South Quad junior and sophomore males.

What is the reason for this new policy? After arguing with the campus security worker after she had given me my new parking sticker and told me that I would now have to walk 20 minutes to get to my car, I was told that this was done for the safety of the women on campus. I was informed that walking across campus from D2 was too dangerous for women. I was initially pleased to realize how much campus security thought of my safety, considering that I would have to make that same dangerous walk.

I do not want to focus on the sexism of this new policy but rather its ludicrousness. If Notre Dame wants to be hypocritical by encouraging men to treat women as equals and then go and treat women like the weaker gender, that is the University's own business. I am sure that every woman on this campus is capable of parking in D2 and walking safely back to their residence. Furthermore, Juniper Road is not that dangerous; and if women feel scared, isn't that what we have Safe Walk for?

We must start a campaign to have campus security do something about this. I want guards patrolling the middle of the lawn; I want snipers perched in the bells of the basilica; I want video cameras set up on the statue of Jesus! We must protect our women! This is the center of our campus and we must make it safe! After all, the President of the University resides in Sorin Hall which is located in the most dangerous section of our campus. Since campus security's new parking policy has determined that this area is too dangerous for women to walk across, perhaps we should build a separate library near D6, on the "safe side" of campus for female inhabitants of South Quad. This way they would not have to walk through this danger zone every time they go to study.

In my three-year stay at Notre Dame, I never even knew our campus was so unsafe until I went to pick up my parking pass. Am I the only one who thought that the University would be rational and grant parking passes based on a non-sexist, logical method, such as class seniority? Now that I realize a safety issue concerning the campus's Danger Zone is the motive of this new policy, I am not as worried about my 20 minute walk to D2 as I am about living 3 minutes away from the most dangerous area on campus.

JOE HAND
Junior,
Dillon Hall

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Be Here Now☆☆☆
(out of five stars)

Courtesy of Epic Records

Oasis, the band that proclaimed themselves "even bigger than the Beatles," released their third album, *Be Here Now*, on Tuesday to somewhat mixed reviews. One listen and it is easy to see why the band did not receive the same critical success that they received for their previous efforts. In order to wane the comparisons to the legendary band, they dropped their poppiness in exchange for bizarre guitar lines and garbled lyrics. The average song length spans just over seven minutes which gives the album a sense of wandering that any Wim Wenders character would be proud of, but on the other hand, leaves the listener wondering if Oasis has any direction or drive besides Nautica or lager.

Part of the problem with Oasis is the fact that Noel and Liam Gallagher are two very attention-starved individuals. And when you mix these two individuals together you get absolute chaos and disorder; thus the result is an album like *Be Here Now*.

Be Here Now, however is not a total failure. Their first single off the album "D'you Know What I

Mean?" is an exceptional song that experiments with a variety of new sounds and instrumentation. The piercing irony of the ballad "Don't Go Away," sheds new light on the relationship between the Gallagher brothers. It is quite apparent why there is such strain when the younger brother Liam sings his older brother's songs of lost love and heartache. Can you say puppet? It becomes even more ironic when you look at the songs as testaments to this strain. "Magic Pie" and "The Girl in the Dirty Shirt," are also worthy endeavors that are reminiscent of their sophomore effort.

I'm sure hundreds of thousands of *Be Here Now* albums will sell in the United States alone, but don't be one of the numbers. If it's Brit rock you like try Pulp or Radiohead and give up the pretentiousness. And Oasis, there are worse bands to be compared to than the Beatles and longer is definitely not better, "D'You Know What I Mean?" Lose the attitude.

by Joey Crawford

prodigy

The Fat of the Land☆☆☆
(out of five stars)

Courtesy of Maverick Records

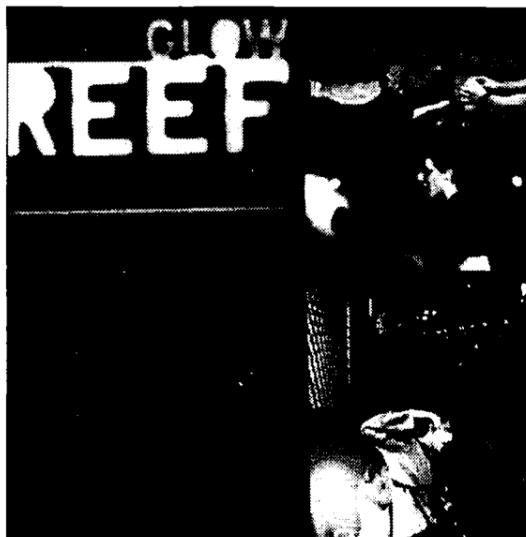
About five years ago the Prodigy were quite simply one of the very worst dance acts around; the horrible memory of their first hit, "Charly," still lingers, and it seemed they were destined for mediocrity. An average second album followed, and now we find ourselves faced with a third release and a reinvented band. Gone are the cute melodies and appalling samples, and in their place comes an aggressive combination of techno and punk — the ghost of the Sex Pistols lurks throughout the album.

Starting off with a track perhaps not destined to become a feminist classic, "Smack My Bitch Up" is relatively enjoyable but quickly superseded by the excellent "Breathe," the rasping second best offering on the album. The highlight of the whole thing is, of course, "Firestarter," an epic, sprawling techno anthem which has deserved its huge success as a single (and memorable video). Also worthy of mention are the instrumental "Climatize," a welcome break from the sometimes tiresome vocals, and "Funky Shit," which is, well, funky.

Considering the massive hyperbole which surrounded the long awaited release of this album, there is little to support the view that it is an instant classic. Only "Firestarter" and "Breathe" are really good, and the work as a whole is let down by awfulness in the form of "Diesel Power" and "Fuel My Fire." In places the Prodigy seem to be trying too hard to be trendy and controversial; for example, "Serial Thrilla" is just what you would expect them to do on the much traveled murderer road, and therefore not shocking at all, and "Narayan," featuring Kula Shaker's Crispian Mills, verges on the pretentious. All this leads to occasional boredom on the part of the listener, and in terms of the competition the Prodigy have a long way to go to catch up with the brilliance of the Chemical Brothers. In the words of Public Enemy, "don't believe the hype."

by Julian Elliott

reef

Glow☆☆☆☆
(out of five stars)

Courtesy of Epic Records

Reef is not a typical British pop band. Their gritty style and bluesy melodies alternately suggest influence from bands as diverse as the Rolling Stones and Soundgarden. In 1994, the band, then named Naked, signed a deal with Sony music to produce an album. They renamed themselves Reef (an indication of the habits of some members of the band) and released their first album, entitled "Replenish." That album included the song "Naked," which Sony used in its mini-disc commercials. But, unlike many one-hit superstars, Reef's second album is better than their first. On their second album in as many years, this twenty-something quartet from Glastonbury, England has worked with the producer of The Black Crowes and had a guest appearance by studio keyboardist Benmont Tench of Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers. The recording process for this album brought them from their home soil, all the way to Southern California, where the band was introduced to the urgent intensity of Creedance Clearwater Revival. This influence is obvious in the gospel feel of the first

track, "Place Your Hands," which has launched the band as a very successful single MTV staple in the United States. The song, which vocalist Gary Stringer wrote about coping with the death of his grandfather is matched in emotion on the album only by the quiet, understated ballad, "Consideration." Those two songs, along with the driving rock-and-roll song, "Come Back Brighter," established the band's top spot on the British charts before "Place Your Hands" achieved buzz clip status on MTV in the U.S. While those three songs may be the strongest tracks on the album, the rest are played with fiery intensity that explains why audiences at the band's live shows usually feel the need to strip naked and dance wildly. Overall, this is a solid album from a band that has already conquered the UK with its infectious grooves. An added feature from Sony is that the CD contains a multimedia section of music videos, still pictures, biographies and a sample of "Replenish."

by Matthew Loughran

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U.S. OPEN

Bruguera and Ferreira move on to second round

By BOB GREENE
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK

Spaniards Sergi Bruguera and Alberto Berasategui followed similar U.S. Open scripts — only from different results.

The seventh-ranked Bruguera dropped the first two sets at the new Arthur Ashe Stadium today before rallying to beat qualifier Michael Tebbutt of Australia 3-6, 4-6, 6-3, 6-2, 6-2. Berasategui won the first two sets before losing to Australian Wayne Ferreira 6-7 (0-7), 2-6, 6-3, 6-1, 6-3.

Both Bruguera and Ferreira moved into the second round with their extended victories.

Tebbutt can be excused if he skips Spain on his next European tour.

He had a 2-0 lead in sets over Spain's Javier Sanchez in a first-round match at Wimbledon before losing 14-12 in the fifth set.

In women's second-round matches, eighth-seeded Anke Huber of Germany beat Janet Lee of Rancho Palos Verdes, Calif., 6-2, 6-1; Magdalena Maleeva of Bulgaria rallied to defeat Lisa Raymond of Wayne, Pa., 3-6, 6-2, 6-4; South Africa's Joannette Kruger stopped Henrieta Nagyova of Slovakia 6-4, 7-6 (7-4); Italy's Flora Perfetti downed Sarah Pitkowski of France 6-4, 3-6, 6-3; Natasha Zvereva of Belarus beat Japan's Naoko Sawamatsu 6-4, 3-6, 6-3, and Thailand's Tamarine Tanasugarn defeated Maria Alejandra Vento of Venezuela 6-4, 6-3.

Denmark's Kenneth Carlsen also advanced into the second round by defeating Tuomas Ketola of Finland 6-2, 6-3, 6-1.

Bruguera's career has been hampered by a string of injuries since he won the

French Open in 1993 and '94. He went from No. 3 in the world to 81 before rebounding this year.

Tebbutt, a left-hander who had to battle his way through qualifying to reach the main draw, used his big serve to control the points in pounding out a 2-0 sets lead. But his serving percentage collapsed from 61 percent in the second set to only 42 percent in the third as Bruguera began a comeback with his precise groundstrokes.

Tuesday night, Andre Agassi finally showed up at Arthur Ashe Stadium.

The 1994 U.S. Open winner skipped Monday night's dedication of the new 22,547-seat stadium, missing the greatest lineup of champions ever assembled — 37 of them — who stood on the court to pay tribute to the man whose name adorns the centerpiece of the \$247 million National Tennis Center renovation.

Agassi was there earlier,

attending the champions' dinner. But when the others walked from a tent on one side of the facility to the red brick stadium on the other side, Agassi disappeared.

"A situation arose that I needed to make a call," Agassi said after his first-round match Tuesday night. "Quite honestly, it was very disappointing for me not to be there. But sometimes priorities call, and I missed out. I was more disappointed than anybody else."

When asked if he could more specific about the "situation," he curtly answered "No."

But he was there Tuesday night, in his element, on Stadium court with the crowd roaring both for and against him. He won, but he took a little longer than he expected to gain a second-round berth.

After all, Agassi's first-round opponent was Steve Campbell of Detroit, who is ranked 130th in the world and received a wild card into the main draw. Cannon fodder, the pundits fig-

ured. They didn't figure on Campbell's heart, nor his quickness, and Agassi needed four sets to win 6-1, 6-1, 4-6, 6-3.

"You can't expect to just run over anybody," Agassi said. "The bottom line was I was working him to death because he was playing to win. Then, after the first two sets, I think he realized he wasn't going to win and just stepped it up and started making shots."

"He got himself into a position to where the third set got close, got a little tight, and I made a couple errors at the wrong time."

Campbell, naturally, saw it differently.

"He totally took my serve away from me" in the first two sets, he said. "The harder I served, the harder he hit the return back. So I just tried to make some adjustments in the third set, tried to mix up speeds on my serves. That started to work a bit."



Agassi

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■ MLB

Piazza leads Dodgers past Pirates

By ALAN ROBINSON
Associated Press Writer

PITTSBURGH
Mike Piazza homered twice and drove in six runs and the division-leading Los Angeles Dodgers continued jumping out to early leads, beating Pittsburgh 9-5 Wednesday for their 11th victory in 15 games.

Piazza had a run-scoring single in a three-run first inning, then hit the first pitch thrown in the majors by rookie Jason Johnson for a three-run homer — his 30th — in the second. He added his 31st in the ninth, a two-run shot off Matt Ruebel.

The Dodgers, who outhit the Pirates 18-10 in the series finale, took three of four in the series and finished the season 9-2 against Pittsburgh, outscoring the Pirates 66-32.

Piazza, the first Dodger to hit at least 30 homers in three consecutive seasons since Duke Snider (1953-57), was 8-for-14 and reached base in 12 of 15 plate appearances during the series. He was 15-for-29 against Pittsburgh for the season.

Raul Mondesi added a sacrifice fly and was 7-for-15 with

six RBIs in the series. Dennis Reyes (2-2), the majors' youngest starting pitcher at 20, withstood rookie Abraham Nunez's three-run triple — his first major-league hit — to pitch into the seventh inning for his second career victory.

The Dodgers' 1-2 batters had nine hits — Eric Young had four and Otis Nixon had a career-high five — to jump start an offense that has scored in the first inning of its last four games and seven of its last 10. They have batted .432 (19-of-44) in the first inning of those 10 games.

The Dodgers scored four runs in the first inning of a 6-4 victory Tuesday, then added three more Wednesday as Pirates starter Steve Cooke (9-13) was lifted after getting only three outs. It was the second time in his last four starts he has failed to last past the second inning.

Young doubled to start the first and Nixon and Piazza followed with singles. Karros and Mondesi were retired on fly balls, but Todd Zeile walked ahead of Garey Ingram's RBI single.

Ingram, activated before the

game to replace the injured Roger Cedeno, went 3-for-4.

The Pirates got three runs back in the second when Nunez, one of the their top prospects, hit a bases-loaded triple to right for his first major-league hit. He also singled and scored in the seventh on Mark Smith's infield single, which chased Reyes.

Reyes allowed four runs on eight hits in 6 2-3 innings.

Darren Hall got the next four outs before Todd Worrell, who couldn't hold a 3-1 lead in the second game of Monday's doubleheader, finished up in a non-save situation.

Turner Ward hit his third homer off Worrell in the ninth. Notes: The Pirates have switched the time of their final regular-season home game on Sept. 22 against St. Louis from 7:05 p.m. to 6:05 p.m. The Steelers play at Jacksonville the same night.

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■ NBA Jordan's contract kept secret

Four-time MVP returns for one more year

By RICK GANO
Associated Press Writer

CHICAGO

Michael Jordan, who led the Chicago Bulls to five NBA championships over the last seven years, agreed Wednesday to return for one more season.



Jordan

"I am delighted and excited to be back again. I look forward to helping bring another NBA championship to Chicago," Jordan said in a statement released by the Bulls.

Jordan, a nine-time scoring champion, four-time regular-season MVP and the MVP of the NBA Finals all five times

the Bulls have won, made a record \$30.14 million last season.

Terms of the contract were not revealed. Reports said Jordan was seeking a contract worth at least \$36 million.

He met on Tuesday in Las Vegas with Bulls chairman Jerry Reinsdorf.

Earlier this summer, the Bulls met one of Jordan's demands for returning by re-signing coach Phil Jackson to a one-year deal worth \$6 million.

Another consideration for Jordan, 34, was the status of sidekick and good friend Scottie Pippen, whom the Bulls were ready to trade in June.

Reports have said Jordan was seeking a promise that the team would not trade Pippen.

Pippen will make \$2.7 million next season in the final year of an eight-year contract. It is his future free agency, as well as the fact that he turns 32 in

September, that had the Bulls considering a trade.

Jordan made a strong plea after a six-game victory over Utah in the finals to keep the Bulls together for another shot at a championship. He said they had earned that right and encouraged owner Reinsdorf not to break up the team, whatever the cost.

Jordan was at his best in that series, leading the Bulls to their fifth title of the 1990s.

He hit the winning baskets in Games 1 and 5, and set up Steve Kerr's winning jumper in Game 6. He averaged 32.3 points in the series, just above his 31.1 for the playoffs.

Never did he prove his value more than in the pivotal Game 5. Stricken with a stomach virus, a weakened, nauseous and fatigued Jordan scored 38 points and made the decisive 3-pointer with 25 seconds to go.

For his career, he has scored 5,307 points in 158 postseason games, a 33.6 average.

Since 1991, the only two years the Bulls didn't win the title were 1994, when Jordan was playing baseball, and 1995, when Jordan came out of retirement and played in the final games of the season.

■ MLB Daulton leads Marlins past Cubbies

Associated Press

CHICAGO

Darren Daulton hit a two-run single with two outs in a three-run ninth inning to lead the Florida Marlins over the Chicago Cubs 4-3 Wednesday.

Florida, which has won six of eight, opened a five-game lead over San Francisco in the NL wild-card race. The Marlins came from behind for the 37th time this season, winning for the 20th time in their final at-bat. Florida got help from back-to-back errors by shortstop Manny Alexander.

Trailing 3-1 with one out in the ninth, Jeff Conine reached on a fielding error by Alexander. Moises Alou hit a potential game-ending dou-

ble-play grounder to second baseman Ryne Sandberg, but Alexander botched the throw for his second straight error.

Reliever Terry Adams (1-8) gave up an RBI single to Charles Johnson, scoring Conine to cut the lead to 3-2. After retiring Craig Counsell on a groundout that advanced the runners to second and third, Daulton hit a line-drive single to left, scoring Alou and pinch-runner Gregg Zaun to put the Marlins ahead 4-3.

The win put the Marlins (77-54) 23 games over .500 for the first time in franchise history.

Robb Nen (9-2) pitched two scoreless innings for the win, retiring Scott Servais on a groundout with runners at second and third.

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trenches.

"Ron threw the ball with him over the summertime, and he caught the ball real well, and

he runs well enough to be a tight end," Colletto said. "He's not going to scare you 40 yards downfield, but he can do all the other things, and he's a big blocker so we felt it would be a good move to make, and he's done pretty well."

Last season while at Purdue, Colletto was faced with the same predicament as he ran out of tight ends and was forced to move one of his linemen to the outside.

"We used him as a blocker, and he didn't go out for a pass," Colletto said. "But Tim can catch the ball and he runs decently for a big guy. So you'll see him in goal-line and short yardage situations but he'll play in normal down too."

Adjustment is nothing new to Ridder, who has been moved all over the offensive line. He was a tackle his freshmen campaign and served as a backup guard last season.

"I think he's having a great time," Colletto said. "It was something new and unique to him at first, but he's gotten into the swing of things, and he likes doing what he's doing."

Notre Dame's next tight end could be on the roster; it remains to be seen if that talent can be proven on game day.

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■ VOLLEYBALL

Lee leads team to victory over Canada

Special to The Observer

Notre Dame senior and United States captain Jaimie Lee had a team-leading 18 kills as the U.S. volleyball team held on for a 15-7, 15-10, 3-15, 2-15, 15-10 victory over Canada in Wednesday's semifinal round of the World University Games.

The victory propels the U.S. into a gold-medal match against Russia, which defeated Japan 16-14 in the fifth game of Wednesday's other semifinal. Russia handed the U.S. its only loss of the week-long tournament in a closely contested 15-11, 15-12, 15-12 match during pool play.

Lee totaled her 18 kills on a .260 hitting percentage while adding eight digs and an ace. Another of the team's outside hitters, UCLA senior Kara Milling, added 13 kills on .400 hitting. University of Texas junior hitter Demetria Sanchez suffered an off hitting night but provided a key serving stretch in the decisive fifth game, when she served five straight points to push the U.S. score from seven to 12 (full statistics were not available as of Wednesday night).

The U.S. jumped out to a 2-0 lead in Wednesday's semifinal before a breakdown in the U.S. serving and passing, coupled with a tough serving stretch from Canada, quickly forced the match to a fifth game. Canada's six-player starting lineup included four starters from the team that lost 3-1 to the U.S. in

the recent Canada Cup, with the two added middle blockers providing a boost to Canada's starting lineup in Wednesday's match.

Lee, who spent the past summer training with the national program at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado, Springs, Colo., will miss Notre Dame's season opener on Friday against Louisville (7:30 p.m.) in first round action of the Shamrock Invitational. The tournament continues at the Notre Dame Joyce Center with four matches on Saturday, with the Irish set to face Oral Roberts at 1:00 p.m. and Wisconsin at 7:30 p.m. Lee is set to return with the U.S. contingent on Saturday, with a 4:30 p.m. arrival in Chicago that conceivably could allow her to attend the Wisconsin match.

"I actually was happy, in a way, that the match went five games, because I wasn't sure how our team would respond to that type of challenge," said Lee.

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this year will be the hockey team. Relatively unaffected by graduation, the Irish returned a strong crop of sophomores and juniors as well as senior standout goaltender Matt Eisler.

Coach Dave Poulin's team, which was ranked in the national polls for the first few weeks of last season, should more than double its nine wins from last year behind this more experienced team. An NCAA tournament berth is within sight.

The teams hurt by graduation are women's basketball

and women's soccer. Decimated by graduation, women's basketball lost seniors Beth Morgan and Katryna Gaither while women's soccer lost Jen Renola and Cindy Daws. Fortunately, both teams still have a plethora of talent and will do everything in their power to make everyone forget who they lost and remember who they still have.

The most unrecognized team will continue to be men's baseball. Under the leadership of head coach Paul Mainieri, the Irish have dominated the Midwestern Collegiate Conference yet have received virtually no recognition in terms of student attendance at their games.

Honorable mention in this category goes to men's lacrosse.

The team with the most to gain is men's basketball. The return of senior Pat Garrity, as well as a strong freshman class, will make for a team that is stronger and deeper than the one that fell to Michigan by one point in the Elite Eight game of the NIT.

The team with the most to lose is men's basketball. Garrity's graduation at the end of this year means that the Irish must step it up this year or forget about a Big East title for a long time.

Am I just as much a part of the seemingly endless optimism that pervades this? Probably.

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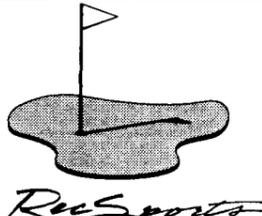
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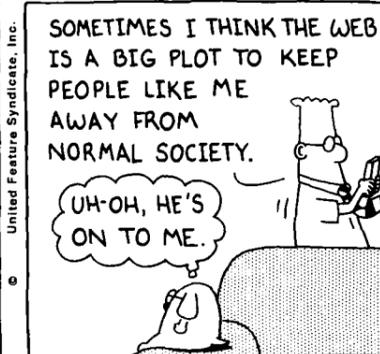
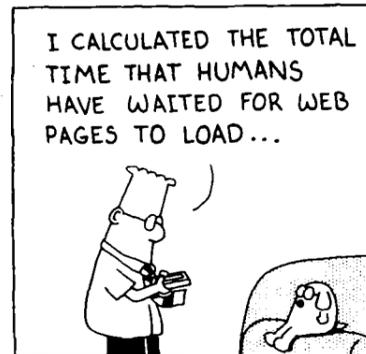
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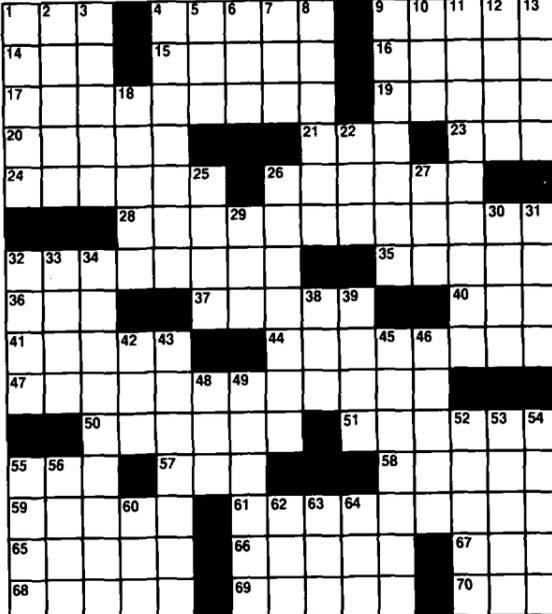
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Historic introduction?
 - 4 Clamorous
 - 9 Gothic architectural feature
 - 14 Grp. overseeing early reactors
 - 15 Slowly
 - 16 Auriculate
 - 17 Start of an Erma Bombeck quip
 - 19 "— Honey Are You?" (Fats Waller hit)
 - 20 Dey TV series
 - 21 Kind of wheels
 - 23 He's a real doll
 - 24 Rapper?
 - 26 Terrorize
 - 28 Quip, part 2
 - 32 Dieter's no-no
 - 35 — operas (Gilbert and Sullivan works)
 - 36 — Jima
 - 37 Quip, part 3
 - 40 First mate?
 - 41 Rib-tickers
 - 44 Set straight
 - 47 Quip, part 4
 - 50 Actress Donohoe
 - 51 Sticking point?
 - 55 Ax
 - 57 Crack or jack follower
 - 58 Twilled fabric
 - 59 Stomach
 - 61 End of the quip
 - 65 The merry widow in "The Merry Widow"
 - 66 "Aha!"
- DOWN**
- 1 Barn items
 - 2 Summation
 - 3 Dangerous bacteria
 - 4 Female member of the bar?
 - 5 Churchill's "so few": Abbr.
 - 6 Famous Bruin
 - 7 Gone by
 - 8 The Desert Fox
 - 9 Baubles
 - 10 Word to a doctor
 - 11 Covered costs
 - 12 — majesté
 - 13 Paradise lost
 - 18 Corday's victim, 1793
 - 22 "— luck?"
 - 25 Astronauts' ade
 - 26 Arrestee's rights, familiarly
 - 27 Half a dance
 - 29 Debussy subject
 - 30 Gad about
 - 31 Got a load of
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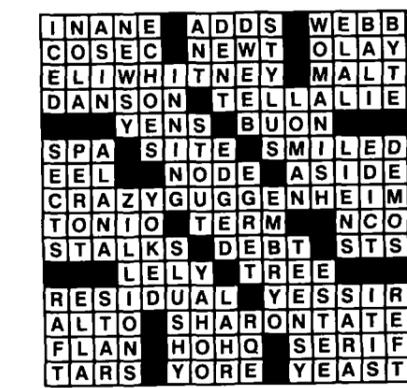


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- 34 Longtime NBC Symphony conductor
- 38 Flight formation
- 39 Long spar
- 42 The piper's son
- 43 Rebukes sharply
- 45 Four o'clock services
- 46 Lawn tool
- 48 — Cat
- 49 Luggage necessities
- 52 Nibble
- 53 Encouraged, with "on"
- 54 Saxophonist's supply
- 55 Ones going through a stage?
- 56 Have — (flip out)
- 60 Fort —, N.J.
- 62 Fiddle stick
- 63 LAX info
- 64 Kind of treatment

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SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Individuals you meet will influence your way of thinking. Business or pleasure trips will bring you cultural knowledge.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Residential moves will be profitable. You can make changes or rearrange your living space.

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THE OBSERVER

Saint Mary's earns top ranking for fourth time

College tops U.S. News' regional list

Saint Mary's earned top ranking in the Northeast region for the fourth time in five years, according to U.S. News & World Report's annual survey of college quality.

'Phase One' of SDH renovation underway

The first phase of the \$100-million renovation of the State Department Building is well under way, with construction crews working on the building's exterior and interior.

Slain officer mourned; suspect arraigned

The police department is mourning the death of a slain officer and has arraigned a suspect in the shooting.

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■ FOOTBALL

Colletto looks to fill tight end position

By JOE CAVATO
Assistant Sports Editor

In recent years the Notre Dame football program has produced its fair share of great tight ends. The Irish signal callers have been able to look to the likes of Derek Brown, Irv Smith and Pete Chryplewicz as they break off the line looking for a first-down reception.

With the graduations of Ron Powlus' favorite receiver and honorable mention All-American, Chryplewicz, and backup tight end and special team guru Kevin Carretta, offensive coordinator Jim Colletto has a hole at tight end.

"We've had to spend a lot of time there," Colletto said. "There is not a lot of experience there so we've spent more time working with that position."

"They're throwing a lot more at us to see how we handle it at practice," sophomore starting tight end Dan O'Leary said.

To complicate matters, John Cerasani was suspended from the University leaving the Irish

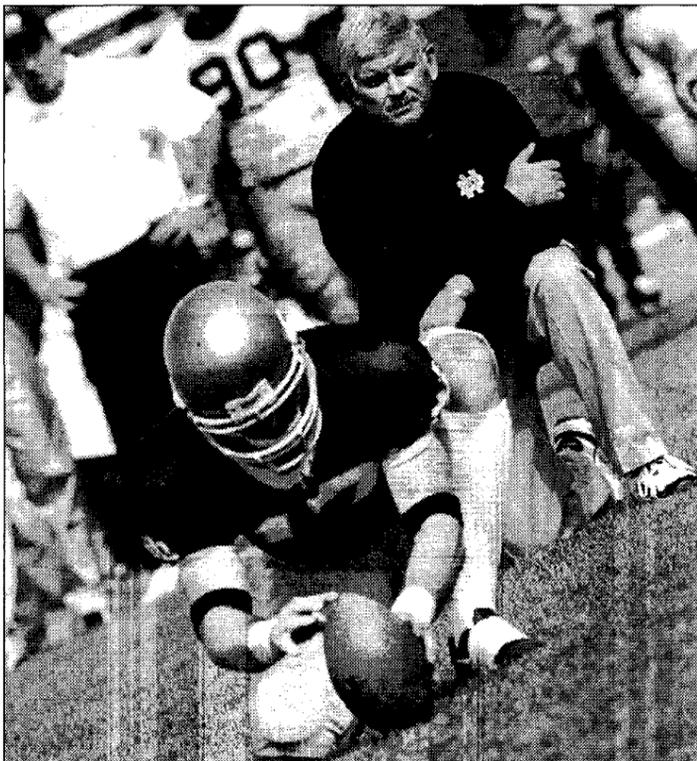
roster depleted of anyone with college experience at the tight end position.

O'Leary has been thrust into the starting role as a high school All-American who has an impressive high school resume but has yet to play a down in a collegiate game. O'Leary is known more for his receiving skills than blocking but he has reaped the benefits of sitting out a year and watching the veterans, Chryplewicz and Carretta, in action.

"I feel a lot more comfortable now," O'Leary said. "My freshman year it seemed like I had to learn a new technique for blocking. That year watching Pete and Kevin really helped that aspect of my game."

O'Leary has progressed, but you can't teach game experience.

"Dan has done well in practice but it is a new experience the first time you play in a college game, especially the environment around Notre Dame," Colletto said. "I'm sure he'll do a good job."



The Observer/Rob Finch

Offensive coordinator Jim Colletto is considering several candidates for the tight end slot left open by John Cerasani.

Also in the mix are walk-on Mike Denvir and incoming freshman Jabari Holloway, who are both unproven although Holloway, named to several All-American teams, could make

an immediate impact.

The most intriguing name on the depth chart at the tight end slot is undoubtedly that of junior Tim Ridder. The 6-foot-7, 298-pound offensive lineman has found himself further away from center Rick Kaczinski than he is used to as he is now listed as O'Leary's top back-up.

Ridder's performance last spring made him a candidate for the tight end position, but that performance did not come during the Blue-Gold game at Moose Krause Stadium.

Ridder flashed some of his roundball skills as the center for last spring's Bookstore Basketball top-seeded and final four team, Corby's.

"When we had the situation where John Cerasani was not going to be here we felt we needed another guy," Colletto explained. "Tim had done so well in Bookstore, and he is such a good athlete."

Over the summer Ridder worked out with Powlus, and he now finds himself punishing defensive backs instead of defensive linemen all day in the

■ JOCK STRIP

Success expected to continue

With the beginning of every school year comes the seemingly endless optimism on the part of students, faculty, and alumni regarding Notre Dame athletics.

John Coppolella
Sports Writer

It is true that Notre Dame is renowned for its athletic accomplishments, both on and off the field, and that it is perennially one of the most successful programs in college sports. It is also true that the Irish had considerable success last year in a number of sports, contending for and/or winning national championships in women's soccer, women's basketball, men's lacrosse, and fencing, among other sports.

However, Notre Dame and the overwhelming optimism that surrounds its athletic program will not be satisfied unless every major sport brings home a national championship. So the question arises: What's the deal with Notre Dame sports this year?

Well, here's my outlook some of the teams:

The team to watch this year has to be football. Everyone knows about the myriad of changes, ranging from Bob Davie taking over for Lou Holtz to the additional 21,000 seats added to the stadium. What a lot of people do not know is that nearly every preseason publication has Notre Dame ranked higher than every single opponent it plays this year. If the Irish can defeat Michigan and LSU on the road, nothing should stand between them and the national championship game.

The most improved team

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With the dismissal of John Cerasani, the Irish find themselves without a definite tight end.

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■ SAINT MARY'S

Belles hope to gain recognition by joining MIAA

By ANGELA OLSEN
Saint Mary's Sports Editor

Membership in a major, regional athletic conference has its privileges, and for the athletes at Saint Mary's membership cards have just arrived.

Last December, the Saint Mary's athletic department received an invitation to join the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association (MIAA). This season marks the Belles' debut into that conference.

Since the 1970s, the athletes at Saint Mary's have competed

in intercollegiate sports, and since 1990, the Belles have been Division III members of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA). The Belles were not part of an organized conference.

Now Saint Mary's will join Adrian, Albion, Alma, Calvin, Hope, Kalamazoo, Olivet, and Ohio's Defiance College as members of the MIAA. Saint Mary's is the first all-women's college to join the MIAA, the nation's oldest collegiate athletic conference.

A lack of conference affilia-

tion has always been a trouble area when it came to recruiting athletes. Athletic director Jan Travis said, "The question most asked of us [the athletic department] was, 'What conference does Saint Mary's belong to?'"

After being told that the Belles had no conference affiliation, many recruits were left feeling unsatisfied with the Saint Mary's athletic program. By joining the MIAA, Travis believes there will be more recognition of Saint Mary's College athletics.

While it is difficult at such an

early stage to measure if this year's recruiting was influenced by the new conference membership, the true test will be next year. All of Saint Mary's sports teams will participate in conference play this year except the soccer, volleyball and basketball teams.

Those schedules were already completed before Saint Mary's was extended the official MIAA invitation, and it was impossible for nine schools to develop a new schedule. However, beginning in the 1998-99 and subsequent seasons, Saint Mary's

soccer, volleyball, and basketball will be included in MIAA conference play.

Perhaps the best advantage of MIAA affiliation will be the benefits provided to the student-athletes themselves. Travis pointed to "not only the athletic recognition but the academic recognition" that will be given to Saint Mary's athletes by the MIAA. A further benefit for the student athletes will be the opportunity for post-season play. "We will now have closure to our seasons," commented Travis.



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