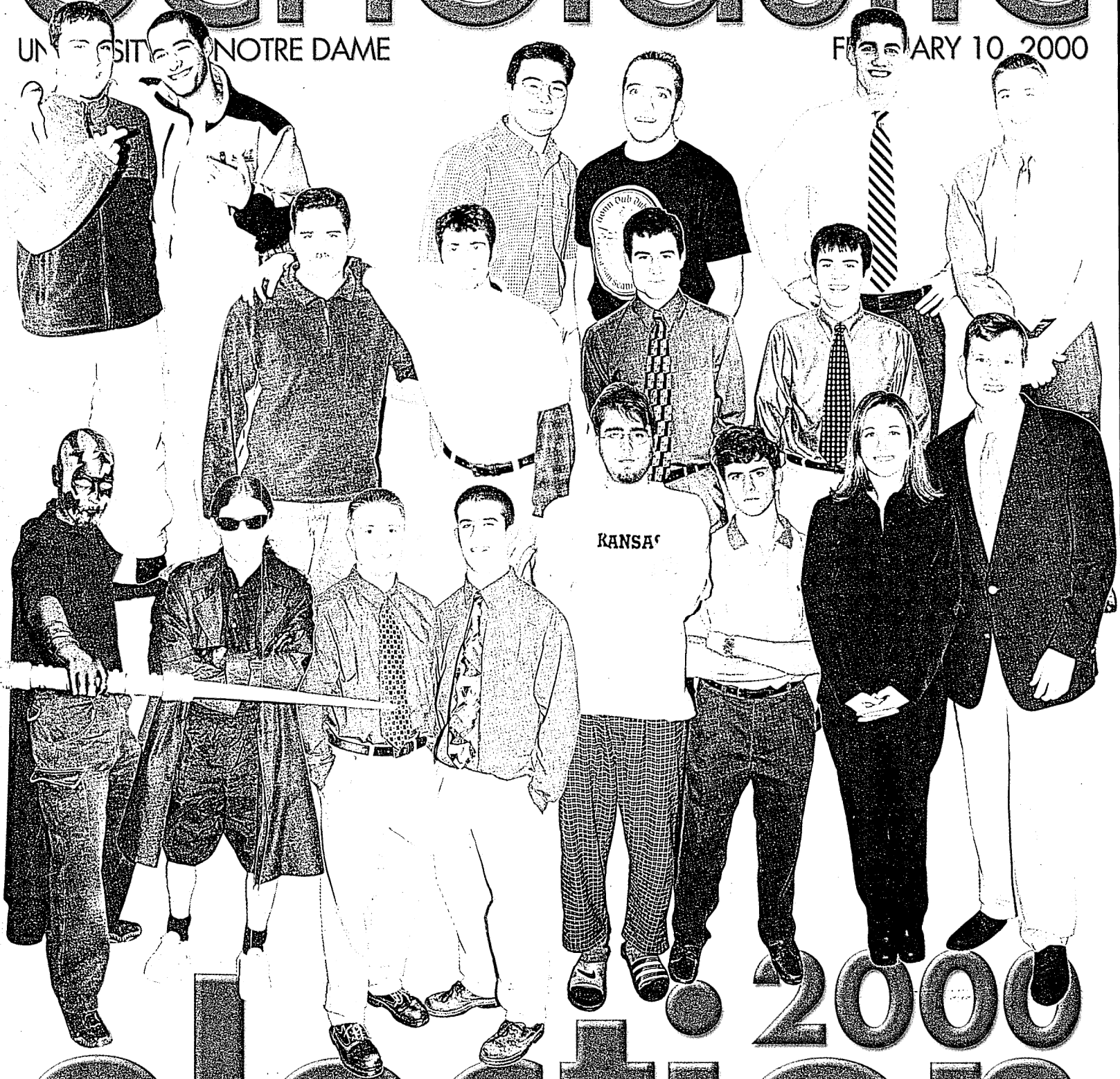


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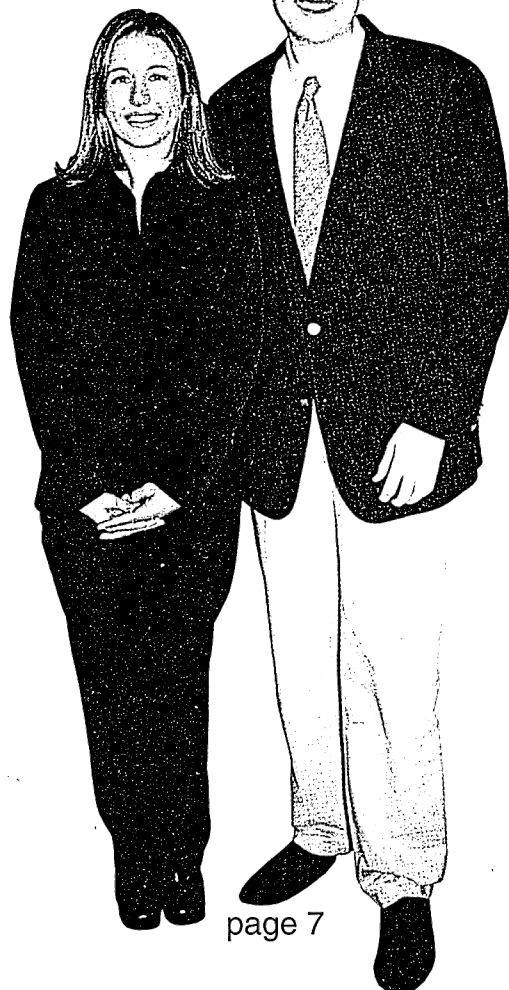
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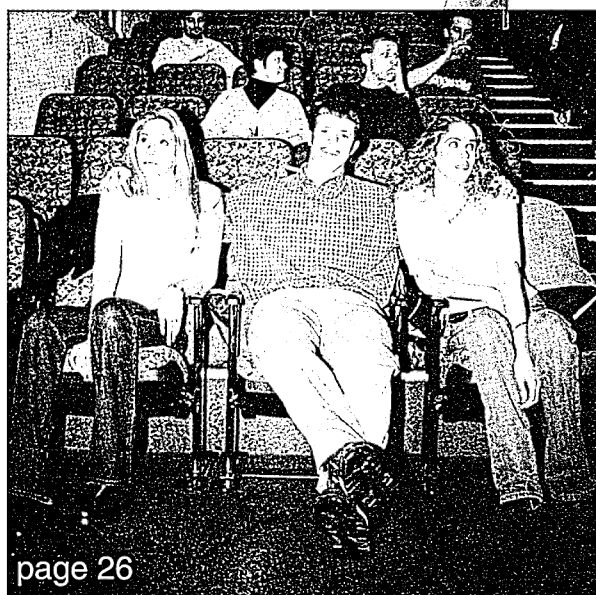
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Disappearing Act

In my English seminar last semester, a student told the class about her brother, who graduated from Notre Dame not too long ago. Her brother firmly believes that women should not be allowed at this school.

More than 25 years of coeducation, and we're still dealing with people like this.

This is what I think about when I look at the cover of this magazine. For the upcoming election, we have 20 candidates running for president and vice president of the student body. Of these, one candidate is female.

One.

And she's running for vice president.

As I was growing up, I learned that I could do anything. I learned because that's what people told me, and because that's what I could do. During recess, I ran faster than anybody ("even the boys!" I exultantly told people). In third grade, I got extra credit on my spelling tests and free time for knowing my multiplication tables before everyone else.

Eventually, I learned the other side of the story. Girls tend to avoid math and science by about fifth grade because they don't want to seem geeky in front of the boys. Working women will make less than 75 percent of what men make for doing the same job. And somewhere in between these things, adolescent girls develop hips and suddenly can't outrun the boys anymore.

In an issue of *Scholastic* last year, our then-managing editor examined the lack of female student body presidents at Notre Dame. At the time, she and I discussed with disappointment how no woman had ever been elected to that distinguished position. We reassured ourselves, however, by saying that at some point in the near future, we were certain that the boys' club mentality would change.

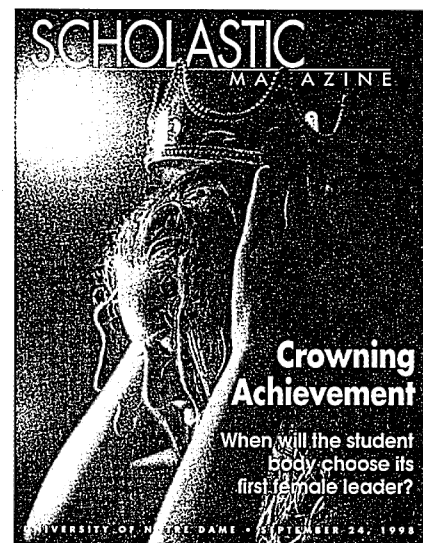
What we didn't consider then was that women would simply stop running. A result of frustration, perhaps, with the trend of male dominance? A terrible excuse, and all the more reason to run and try to make an impact. Lack of interest? I find it highly unlikely that, in a student body with a close ratio of men to women, there would be such a drastic disparity in who's interested in being a candidate.

I know that many people reading this will dismiss it as some extreme feminist rant—that's precisely why this is such an important concern. When we begin to treat equality issues as extremism, that's a sign that the problem is even worse than it seems.

Somewhere on this campus, no doubt, there is a woman who wanted to run for student body president. She would have had a well-organized, clearly thought-out platform, and she could have been excellent. But she didn't even seriously consider the possibility of running because she looked at the past and decided that women have no chance of getting elected here. And *that* is a real shame.

To whomever gets elected: I urge you to put women's issues high on your list of priorities, as the lack of female participation in this election is a huge sign that the situation here is getting worse.

To those women who would have run but didn't: Things will change, and those who are truly dedicated will be the ones to change it. Don't be intimidated by history.



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Vote O'Donoghue/Norton

A year ago, we found ourselves studying a list of unimpressive candidates. No clearly superior student body presidential ticket emerged from the ballot. Awarding this year's endorsement proved difficult as well, but for different reasons. Whereas last year's ballot featured a host of seemingly indistinguishable tickets, this year there are a fistful of attractive tickets from which to choose.

This year's candidates sport fresh enthusiasm, a broad spectrum of ideas and practical approaches to capitalizing on their campaign promises. However, in perusing the candidates' platforms and experience, one candidate pair stands above the rest. For the 2000 student body presidential elections, *Scholastic* endorses junior Brian O'Donoghue and sophomore Brooke Norton.

Two considerations provide the foundation for the endorsement.

First, O'Donoghue and Norton boast the most organized, well-developed platform of the 11 candidate pairs. The platform is logistically detailed, which is certainly necessary considering its comprehensive scope. The platform's planks are specific, and the plans to pursue them are equally specific. The ticket's platform advertises visionary ideas, such as creating the Rectors' Endowment Fund, but balances itself with practical goals, including plans to reinstate SafeRide and add a Grab 'n' Go station in DeBartolo.

The pair's platform is ambitious, but given O'Donoghue's experience, the ticket's second strong quality, the pair just might be able to make good on many of its platform's promises.

O'Donoghue's experience in student government gives him the necessary contacts to meet the greatest challenge facing members of student government: negotiating administrative red tape. Indeed, O'Donoghue's qualifications read like a laundry list of student government organizations on campus. He has served two terms as hall senator and worked on seven Student Senate committees, five Campus Life Council committees, Junior Class Council and the Club Coordination Council. O'Donoghue knows which of his administrative contacts to approach to get things done.

The O'Donoghue/Norton ticket has its drawbacks. Some argue that its ideas do not address concerns of the whole student body. Others point to Norton's experience as a pitfall. Norton is the sophomore class vice president, but one cannot ignore that she led the class in a year when it lost its headline event—Sophomore Sibs weekend. Having never been a senator herself, Norton will have to learn the ins-and-outs of running the Student Senate from O'Donoghue.

In weighing them against the other candidates, however, the positives of a vote for the O'Donoghue/Norton ticket far outweigh the negatives. Their platform consists of practical, well-developed ideas on how to improve campus life, including negotiating discounts with local businesses, expanding the uses of the student ID card, reinstating Sophomore Siblings weekend and creating a Women's Issues Awareness Week.

Now let's look at the rival tickets.

Together, Hunt Hanover and John Micek have student government experience comparable to O'Donoghue's. Hanover is chief of staff for the current administration and Micek is the president of the class of 2001. Their platform is as comprehensive in scope as the O'Donoghue/Norton ticket. However, the majority of their goals are either infeasible or unnecessary.

For example, the pair suggests a campus shuttle that would carry students from one side of campus to the other. But most students simply don't need the service. Unless there is a steady stream of students to the new golf course or Carroll residents working out at Rolfs, the shuttle seems unnecessary. In addition, they promise to formulate a Student's Academic Bill of Rights, but this idea has been repeatedly and decisively quashed in the past. Even their new proposals to the constitution, including extended office hours for professors and universal tutoring availability, don't redeem the idea. They did, however, have one of the most appealing ideas of the campaign, creating "The Shirt" for basketball.

Joe Shepherd and Jim Focht have a passionate desire to get things done. They have done their homework in researching the feasibility of their campaign platforms on a

level comparable to O'Donoghue and Norton. Many of their ideas are worthy of consideration, and perhaps more immediately appealing to the student body. Unfortunately, the pair lacks sufficient student government experience. Shepherd worked with the Cesaro/Selak administration, but freshman Focht has no experience. Though Focht's academic achievements are impressive, they hardly guarantee he can run the Student Senate effectively.

John Osborn and Mark Donahey's platform fills a page without really saying anything. They want to "support a diverse population of backgrounds and ideas," but give no indication of what that means or how they will accomplish it. As members of the Board of Trustees Report Committee, they have substantial experience with one area of the administration. Their overwhelmingly ambiguous platform boasts a few tangible plans, but even these are immense in scope and unlikely to be realized. One solid idea that did emerge from their campaign is creating a program to shuttle students to and from community service sites.

Doug Pardon and Ted Higgins offer a campaign that may be the most popular among the student body. They include ideas like lockers at Hesburgh Library, lowering the lost ID charge, reduced football ticket prices, unconditionally approved 15-minute on-campus automobile access and readjusting sprinkler heads. With the track record of past student governments, we ask the question: Is the university they describe, which also includes an equal gay rights policy, a kind of Notre Dame utopia? We think so, primarily because the ticket lacks the experience or professionalism to make good on their promises. Granted, Pardon has been The Shirt's coordinator for the last two years, giving him exposure to student government operations, but not enough to ensure a successful tenure.

The remaining five candidates are worth about as much time as the beef turnovers at South Dining Hall. Comic relief is welcome, but we all know there can be too much of a good thing. The levee has broken; the steady stream of joke candidates has swelled to a deluge of Zahm bilgewater. Can we really take Chris Costigan and Pat McCormick's solid campaign platform seriously if it is peppered with ideas like a designated keg room in dorms and a freshman bar?

Until we can, we'll take our endorsement seriously: Vote O'Donoghue and Norton. □

LISTENING IN

"I enjoy this guy Ricky Martin. I've never seen anyone dance like that before."

— *government professor*

"A fashion show in South Bend? What are people going to do? Wear flannels?"

— *one response to Asian Allure*

"The guys in Dillon should do a bun run. It would be much better than Alumni's."

— *overheard student*

"Disco Ball"

— *appears on a list of student suggestions for improvements to the Nieuwland cluster*

That's like Stepan Center. Pretty soon they're going to have to admit that it was a mistake.

— *overheard senior student*

"A lot of good things came from the '70s — like me."

— *presidential candidate
Brian O'Donoghue*

"Well, so this boy's upset that the Pope won't let him have sex?"

— *PLS professor on recent
Observer Viewpoint debate*

"Will Jesus participate?"

— *graduate student inquiring about
a university-sponsored retreat*

"Everyone should have the right to own a condom."

— *presidential candidate
Mathew Flatow*

Need a Ride?

SafeRide should be in operation soon after elections

Although SafeRide, the university program that offers students rides from various off-campus locations back to campus, is out of operation, it will be coming back soon. Started four years ago, the program was a success for the first year and a half. It was run entirely by student volunteers, but became unreliable as worker participation declined. The program was discontinued second semester of last year.

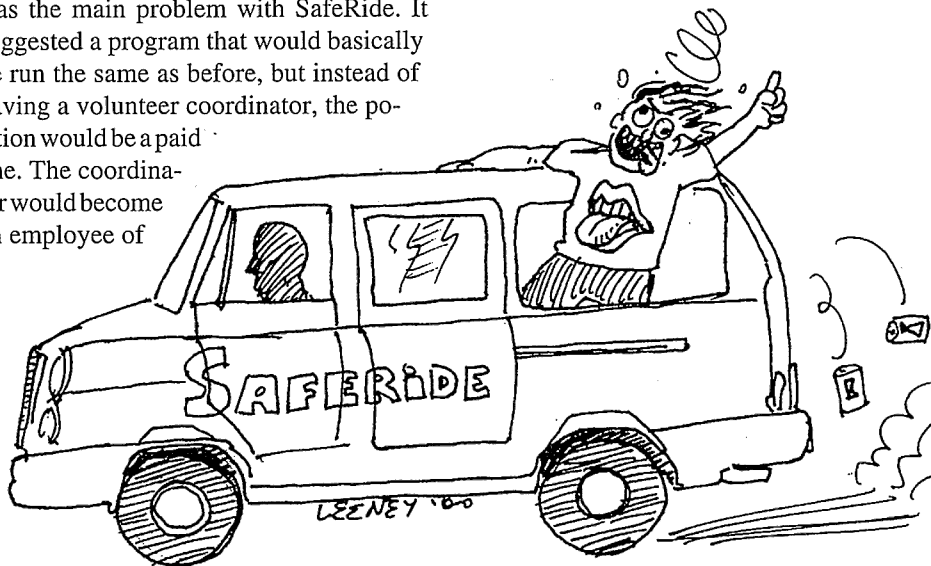
This year, an Ad Hoc Transportation Committee, chaired by Amy Szeftak, was formed to resolve the issue. Matt Mamak and Brian O'Donoghue were also involved in the process.

"SafeRide was getting a bad reputation with the student body," says Mamak. The committee concluded that accountability was the main problem with SafeRide. It suggested a program that would basically be run the same as before, but instead of having a volunteer coordinator, the position would be a paid one. The coordinator would become an employee of

Notre Dame Security, although student government would still be in charge. Drivers, as before, would be students, and be paid by student government. The program still must receive approval from the Financial Management Board.

Although nothing can be set until after the upcoming student body election, student government is hoping to get the program running as soon as possible. "We hope to kick something off in March, but it will take a lot of work," Mamak says. The hours will most likely be from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Friday and Saturday nights. A phone number will be available once the program is set. After that, don't hesitate to call and be safe.

— Mark Trandel



JUDGMENT CALLS

Wadsworth Steps Down	↑	Step one of repairing the damage ... now, does anyone happen to know Lou's number?
New Recruits	↔	Very impressive. But what was that word, offense? JC is pretty sure it was important. ...
Valentine's Day	↓	Marketing this holiday at Notre Dame is like giving a glass of sea water to a man dying of thirst.
Seven	↔	Larger than six, yet strangely smaller than eight.

Q&A

10 Questions with

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Coach Doherty
On the Ball

In one season, Notre Dame's current favorite son has turned a relatively stagnant program into a thrill-a-minute dance-fest that's got Jimmy Dillon throwing down in opponents' faces. After his involvement with highly successful teams in North Carolina (as a player) and University of Kansas (as an assistant coach), no one expected any less. After upsetting Ohio State and Connecticut, this man needs no introduction.

Did you ever visit the World's Largest Hailstone, on display in Coffeyville, Kansas?

No.

What would your ideal Bookstore team name be?

I don't know. (Pause.) (Pause.) Can we come back to this one?

Did you haze Jordan as a freshman?

Oh, yeah. He had to carry my bags.

Are you aware of the sad state of NCAA hoops games for the Playstation?

I am. I was disappointed because all of my shots rimmed out.

Who's got the sweetest outfits, us, UNC, or Kansas?

Us. Especially the gold.

Where'd you learn to dance like that?

I didn't realize I was dancing.

Who do you envision becoming our archrival at basketball?

Hopefully everybody. If everyone wants to beat you, that means you're pretty good.

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You're not gonna retire and go play minor-league baseball on us, are you?

No (laughing). I quit in sixth grade, as soon as the ball came off the tee.

Would it be a reasonably satisfactory conclusion to the season to see the Irish in the "One Shining Moment" montage at the end of the NCAA tourney?

Definitely.

What would your ideal Bookstore team name be?

Coach D: Um ... Hold on. (Calling staff) Stephanie? What would be a good Bookstore team name? You know, with me on it?

Stephanie: Huh. I don't know. They're all vulgar.

Coach D: I know, I'm trying to come up with a clean one. I'll have to get back to you.

We're still waiting, coach. Anyone with any suggestions, e-mail them to us here at Scholastic and we'll forward them to Coach Doherty. Or, much more likely, to one of his secretaries, who will then make sure that they are disposed of accordingly.

— Jeremiah Conway
and Jason Hammontree

HISTORY on the side

Nearly one hundred years ago, Irish fans were giving credit to another man for resurrecting Irish basketball. After going undefeated in 1899 (winning the only two games it played), Notre Dame did not field a team again until 1907, when Bertram G. Maris revived the team. He coached for five years and led the team to a .78-20 record.

— Brian Christ

BORN TO HAND JIVE

Return to Rydell High

Stage version of Grease offers familiar characters with new twists

You've seen the movie. You know the songs. You probably even know some of the motions to the songs. Maybe your high school was so much like Rydell High, you could have starred in the movie. But when *Grease* the musical comes to Washington Hall, expect something different.

Grease, which will be performed February 10, 11 and 12 at 7:30 p.m., is the project of the Pasquerilla East Musical Company. The company is exclusively student-run, from directors and designers to actors and choreographers.

The group chose *Grease* for its timeless popularity with audiences. "*Grease* is one of those universally-loved pieces of American culture," explains director Brian Seaman. "I mean, everyone has seen the movie and knows half of the songs, and they love seeing all that on stage in front of them."

The play also presented exciting prospects for the actors. "You get a chance to play the caricature of high school that everyone always pictures when you think of *Grease*," says Tiana Checchia, who plays Sandy.

But for playgoers who have watched the movie hundreds of times, the musical is more than just a real-life version of the film. The plot is different, for one thing. "Frenchy never ends up with pink hair, there is no car race at Thunder Road, and favorite songs such as 'You're the One That I Want' do not appear in the show," says Seaman. These missing pieces are filled in by new scenes

and songs — the cast of the stage show performs 16 songs, instead of the seven that are in the movie.

But for a generation of kids that grew up watching *Grease*, another difference might be more surprising. "It is not the family show that everyone thinks," warns Checchia. "The original script is far more risqué."

According to Seaman, that risqué quality helped make the stage show so successful, as he hopes it will be at Notre Dame. "We decided that in a college situation, this is the best way to present the material," Seaman says.

The legacy of the movie also presented a challenge to choreographer Quincy Starnes. Starnes, who has danced since age seven and began choreographing in high school, had to decide what to keep from the movie and what parts to make up on his own. "I wanted it to be original," Starnes says. "But I knew that when it comes to some of the dances — 'Greased Lightin' in particular — the audience expects to see some of the moves from the movie."

The musical may be different from the movie in songs and dances and even in plot, but the cast promises that the stage version will be just as much fun to watch. "We have heard some people tell our company that *Grease* is really just fluffy musical comedy," Seaman says. "Sure, it is all that, but what a fun piece of theater! We just hope that people can come in and lose themselves in the music and the dancing and the jokes for two hours."

— Kathleen Corte

DOMELIGHTS

Beginner's Luck

Of Notre Dame's 14 head basketball coaches before Matt Doherty, 10 finished above .500 their first season. One even had a perfect record.

Coach	First Year	Record
Frank E. Hering	1898	1-2 (.333)
J. Fred Powers	1899	2-0 (1.000)
Bertram G. Maris	1907-08	12-4 (.750)
Bill Nelson	1912-13	13-2 (.867)

Coach	First Year	Record
Jesse C. Harper	1913-14	11-5 (.688)
Charles Dorias	1918-19	2-10 (.167)
Walter Halas	1920-21	9-14 (.391)
George Keogan	1923-24	15-8 (.652)
Clem F. Crowe	1944-45	15-5 (.750)
Elmer Ripley	1945-46	17-4 (.810)
John Jordan	1951-52	16-10 (.615)
Johnny Dee	1964-65	15-12 (.556)
Digger Phelps	1971-72	6-20 (.231)
John MacLeod	1991-92	18-15 (.545)

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3. **Graduation at ND Stadium**—unlimited tickets for graduates (Pardon/Higgins)
4. **Lockers at the library**—eliminate laptop liability (Pardon/Higgins)
5. **Off-campus service shuttle**—SafeRide for the virtuous (Osborn/Donahey)
6. **DeBartolo Grab 'n' Go**—Stop kiddies from eating the clocks (O'Donoghue/Norton)
7. **Cable in the dorms**—a college education sans ESPN? (various)
8. **24 hour library hours**—or require only 50 credits to graduate (Pardon/Higgins)
9. **The Call**—marketing the good stuff, not rave hoe-downs (O'Donoghue/Norton)
10. **Homecoming**—bring back alumni for campus-wide parties (Osborn/Donahey)

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Brian O'Donoghue *presidential candidate*

Brooke Norton
vice-presidential candidate

Ask Brian O'Donoghue and Brooke Norton how they see student government, and their answer is simple: "The primary role is service," O'Donoghue says. "We're there as servants to students to do whatever we can to make their lives easier."

O'Donoghue and Norton identify the Rectors' Endowment Fund as the most important plank in their platform. "One idea in the platform that seems to be visionary but actually is feasible is the Rectors' Endowment Fund," Norton says. The Rectors' Endowment Fund gives a \$25,000 endowment to each dorm. Each year, the interest could be used to pay for emergencies within the dorm — for instance, to send a student home to see a sick parent if he or she could not afford it. Although ultimate control of the funds would rest with the vice president for student affairs, each rector could use the fund at his or her own discretion. Both candidates call the Rectors' Endowment Fund the plank nearest to their hearts. "It directly serves the students, it's something that could carry on from year to year, and it shows

that Notre Dame is a place where we really care and that we are a family," Norton says.

In keeping with their promise of serving students, O'Donoghue and Norton support the resurrection of SafeRide and envision a number of online academic services available to students. Norton says a compilation of information about private scholarships online could help students find funding, while information from TCEs, course syllabi and online test files could help students make more informed decisions about classes at DART time.

Volunteer service and social consciousness are important in their platform. O'Donoghue refuses to label Notre Dame students as apathetic. "I believe that they've never been given the opportunity. We need to stand up and say this is something you need to care about." Their "Greatness Grant" program would provide interested students with funding to carry out missionary and social work both locally and abroad.

On campus, O'Donoghue hopes to raise awareness of important lectures and programs through "The Call," a plan that will highlight one or two events each semester. "There's tons of things to do and the really important things get lost in the shuffle," O'Donoghue says. "The Call would be a designation we would make based on a program we've already reviewed ... something that Notre Dame students should really attend." The Call would use student leaders, media, rectors, RAs and a campus-wide voicemail to inform students of the event and generate interest.

The O'Donoghue-Norton ticket also promises to focus more attention on issues concerning women and diversity. "The issues concerning women on this campus have been ignored and I think the issues concerning diversity on this campus have been ignored," O'Donoghue says. To remedy that situation, O'Donoghue and Norton plan to implement presentations on eating disorders during freshman orientation and hope to spearhead a grassroots effort to develop more diversity programming.

O'Donoghue and Norton bring a wealth of experience to their campaign. O'Donoghue, a junior, served two terms as Keough Hall Senator and was a member of several Student Senate committees including university affairs, oversight, multicultural affairs, residence life and ethics. O'Donoghue also served two terms on the Campus Life Council, and was a member of committees addressing community life, bylaws, gender issues and academic affairs. He was the treasurer of the class of 2001 as a freshman. Norton, a sophomore from Walsh Hall, is the vice president of her class and has worked both in hall government and with her class council.

O'Donoghue and Norton have ambitious plans for the university. Proposals, such as a Reckers-style establishment in North Dining Hall and a Grab 'n' Go satellite location in DeBartolo, will require a large amount of time and effort to accomplish. But, as their campaign slogan suggests, O'Donoghue and Norton urge voters to "Believe."

— Annie Ralph and Jim Pastore



Name: Brian O'Donoghue
Class: Junior
Dorm: Keough Hall
Adjectives He'd Use to Describe Himself:
hard-working, dedicated, believer
Whom He'd Invite to Dinner:
Father Hesburgh
Book He'd Bring to a Deserted Island:
Our Town, by Thornton Wilder
His Pick in a Doherty vs. Davie Fistfight:
Doherty

Name: Brooke Norton
Class: Sophomore
Dorm: Walsh Hall
Adjectives She'd Use to Describe Herself:
devoted, listener, hard-working
Whom She'd Invite to Dinner:
Gandhi
Book She'd Bring to a Deserted Island:
A book of quotations
Her Pick in a Doherty vs. Davie Fistfight:
Doherty

Hunt Hanover John Micek

presidential candidate

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Presidential candidate Hunt Hanover promises to take Notre Dame and “leave this campground a little better than we found it.” Hanover and running mate John Micek say they don’t want to leave unfinished business behind them when their term is over; instead, they’d like to leave some new traditions behind. “All the ideas in our platform have been researched and looked at to make sure they’re feasible,” Micek says. He calls their goals “tangible, day-to-day things that we can accomplish.” Their platform has three main planks: student rights, campus unity and transportation improvements.

Hanover, a junior from Saint Edward’s Hall, and Micek, a junior from Keough Hall, promise to create a Student Academic Bill of Rights. This would guarantee tutoring for all students, not just athletes and First Year students. It would also call for increased office hours for professors. “We’re paying a lot of money to go to this school and I think teachers should really be accessible to us,” Hanover says. The Bill of Rights would also make certain information available to students, including the results of TCEs and the way the university spends money. “When we put a dollar in, where does it end up?” Micek asks. “Does it end up going to academics, does it end up going to a teacher, does it go to a club? Students have a right to know that.”

The ticket’s plan to bolster campus unity includes a version of The Shirt for basketball season and a closing Mass at the end of each school year, involving the blessing of class rings. They hope to work with Campus Ministry to celebrate Founder’s Day during this Jubilee Year and renew the consecration of the university to Mary.

Hanover and Micek want to see increased attention paid to women’s athletics and more funding for activities that promote awareness of diversity. “If this place were to burn down, we would still have the community, and that starts with acceptance of everyone,” Hanover says. They hope to improve gender relations by publicizing the Women’s Resource Center, and they plan to work to increase acceptance of homosexuals on cam-

pus. “Hunt and I both feel the homosexual community needs to be represented in student government,” Micek says. “We feel that as the Office of the President, we should work with the homosexual community and have the homosexual community appoint someone to work directly with Hunt and I so we can better reflect their values, their beliefs and their opinions in our decisions.”

Hanover and Micek’s transportation plans include instituting a free campus-wide shuttle. Hanover says the shuttle would follow a route and a schedule. “You can walk out your door and you know that in 10 minutes you’ll be picked up and you can get to the other side of campus,” he says. “If you’re in Lewis or one of the Mod Quad dorms you can get to the bookstore really quick and not have to lug \$300 worth of books back to your dorm.” Hanover says he also would work to increase short-term parking on campus. He says more cars could be allowed to drive on campus if students were given 15 minute or half-hour parking passes. Hanover says he also would try to increase the number of parking spaces outside dorms.

In Hanover’s administration, he and Micek will use the Executive Cabinet more than it’s being used right now, he says. “I don’t think the Executive Cabinet is being utilized as it can be,” Hanover says. “During the meeting, the Executive Cabinet can be the president’s advisory cabinet. Someone from each organization is there. ... When the president has some issues he or she is dealing with, that’s where you should go.”

Both candidates have experience working with university officials and student government. Hanover serves as the assistant chief of staff for the current administration and was class president during his sophomore year. Micek is the current president for the class of 2001 and was co-president of Keough Hall in 1999. According to Hanover, he hopes the pair’s understanding of the administration will allow them to work efficiently and improve Notre Dame through their three-tiered platform.

— Annie Ralph



Name: Hunt Hanover
Class: Junior
Dorm: Saint Ed’s Hall
Adjectives He’d Use to Describe Himself:
dedicated, honest, goofy
Whom He’d Invite to Dinner:
Mary or Theodore Roosevelt
Book He’d Bring to a Deserted Island:
a ship building book
His Pick in a Doherty vs. Davie Fistfight:
Doherty — “he’s got the reach”

Name: John Micek
Class: Junior
Dorm: Keough Hall
Adjectives He’d Use to Describe Himself:
headstrong, committed, exciting
Whom He’d Invite to Dinner:
Msgr. Oscar Romero
from El Salvador
Book He’d Bring to a Deserted Island:
Calvin and Hobbes
His Pick in a Doherty vs. Davie Fistfight:
Doherty

Joe Shepherd Jim Focht

presidential candidate

vice-presidential candidate



With some candidates wanting to disband the Student Senate and others wanting to declare themselves benevolent despots, the campaign slogan, "It's not a transition — It's a revolution," can have weighty implications. However, unlike some candidates running this year, presidential candidate Joe Shepherd and vice presidential candidate Jim Focht intend to implement their revolution in a more feasible manner — from within the bounds of the current student government constitution.

Joe Shepherd, a junior from Dillon Hall, worked in Pete Cesaro and Andréa Selak's administration during his sophomore year and has observed Micah Murphy's administration. These experiences led him to believe that student government is "slow-moving and has a lack of direction." He is running for president because he believes he can give student government better direction. "Student government could do powerful things if they try," he says. If elected,

he intends to make sure that "the whole student government will work differently."

He and his running mate, Dillon Hall freshman Jim Focht, believe they can use the rejuvenated Office of the President to its fullest potential. Their platform includes 11 key issues, grouped into two categories: innovative new ideas and old issues that need to be resolved.

According to Focht, the most important plank in their platform is giving students more 24-hour academic and social space. Conversations with Joe Schellinger, director of academic space management, lead them to believe that the university is willing to increase 24-hour space, but past members of student government have failed to take the necessary steps to make it happen. "Joe Schellinger knows that 24-hour space needs to be increased," Shepherd says, "but he said they weren't going to do anything until somebody came to them and asked them for more space." According to Shepherd and Focht, they were the first two students to approach Schellinger in his 11 years with the university. They believe this

is "proof that Student Senate and student government haven't been doing the things they should have been."

Another key element of the Shepherd-Focht platform is "giving students more power over their academic freedom." To accomplish this goal, they would add an additional set of questions to the Teacher Course Evaluations whose answers would be released to the student body so that they can have "all of the resources necessary for selecting the courses most appropriate for them." The plan is based on a similar program at Stanford University. They discussed their ideas with Associate Provost Jeff Kantor, who the candidates said was open to their ideas. They also said he mentioned that they were the first students ever to visit him regarding this topic.

Shepherd and Focht see the Internet as a valuable tool for the student body. They want to focus on the development of the PlanetIrish Web site, a two-year-old project to combine all the Web services a Notre Dame student needs. Also, they would like to start an online site where students could arrange rides with each other, online housing contract submission, a campus-wide listserv and online book sales. Shepherd has some experience with online book sales, having started a book exchange site as a sophomore. The site had nearly 150 postings when he had to remove it for lack of resources.

Though he was twice elected president of his high-school student body, Shepherd's collegiate political experience is limited. He worked in Peter Cesaro's administration. He is also involved in Big Brothers-Big Sisters, Web-page development, radio news casting and teaching catechism to third grade students at a local parish. As Focht is a freshman, his experience is also limited.

Shepherd realizes many people will think the goals of his platform are unattainable. He says, "You're going to be skeptical, and you're not going to think we can do it." However, he insists that he and Focht have really done their homework. He says, "Even though there are a lot of things that have been brought up in the past, we're the ones that are going to get them done."

— Brian Christ

Name: Joe Shepherd

Class: Junior

Dorm: Dillon Hall

Adjectives He'd Use to Describe Himself:
personable, obsessed,
fun to be around

Whom He'd Invite to Dinner:
King Arthur

Book He'd Bring to a Deserted Island:
blank journal

His Pick in a Doherty vs. Davie Fistfight:
Doherty

Name: Jim Focht

Class: Freshman

Dorm: Dillon Hall

Adjectives He'd Use to Describe Himself:
innovative, motivated, prepared

Whom He'd Invite to Dinner:
Sigmund Freud

Book He'd Bring to a Deserted Island:
The Unconsoled
by Kazuo Ishiguro

His Pick in a Doherty vs. Davie Fistfight:
Doherty

John Osborn Mark Donahey

presidential candidate

vice-presidential candidate

Presidential candidate John Osborn and running mate Mark Donahey hope to ensure that the student government acts as a mediator for the student body, the faculty and the administration. "It seems that a lot of decisions are made on this campus by faculty and administration, presumably in the best interests of the students, but with very little student input," Osborn says. "Our administration would be vocal and active in making sure that the university takes into account the undergraduate perspective."

The team, both juniors, has experience working with the administration of the university. Osborn, a resident of Zahm Hall, chairs the committee that produces the Board of Trustees report while Donahey, a Sorin College resident, serves as the committee's vice-chair.

The pair hopes to foster a healthy and positive relationship with the administration. At the same time, both candidates recognize the importance of student input in government and plan to visit residence hall council meetings in addition to sending out student questionnaires as part of their effort to widen student input at Notre Dame. "Going to hall council meetings is a good way to get in touch with the people who are active on campus and who are interested in what is going on," Donahey says.

Regarding the *Observer* ad crisis, the candidates believe it is important to rally popular support against the administration's censorship of the campus newspaper. "The administration decides what they want to do and they run with it without much regard for what the students want," Osborn says. "I don't think that anyone should be afraid to stand up to the administration just because it is Father Malloy and Notre Dame."

Both Osborn and Donahey were disappointed with the recent cancellation of Sophomore Siblings Weekend and hope to bring about its revival. "The participation was there and it is a great program that brings Notre Dame further out into the family," Donahey comments. "One of the things we would want to accomplish is bringing it back and resurrecting the program."

The team is also concerned with the issue of *Ex corde Ecclesiae* and the effects that it will have on the academic atmosphere of Notre Dame. "What's good about Notre Dame is that it remains Catholic while promoting free thinking," Osborn says. "The goal is education and to get a good education is to have a wide view and take in opposing viewpoints." Osborn is uncomfortable with placing restrictions on the way the university functions in light of the lack of student support for such measures.

Donahey suggests that a requirement to hire a certain percentage of Catholic faculty and administrators at Notre Dame would detract from his university experience. "We've moved into an era where bringing in outside ideas takes us to another level of academics," Donahey says. "It would be a terrible thing if we had to hire people based on their religious affiliation and personal beliefs."

Osborn and Donahey plan to advocate a more consistent set of rules and punishments at the university. The pair feels that university policies, such as those related to pariets and alcohol, should be uniform across the campus and in residence halls. "We need to stress for consistency so people know what is not OK in one place is not OK everywhere else," says Osborn.

Concerning student social space, both Osborn and Donahey agree that the university should expand the areas on campus that are available to students on a 24-hour basis. "If people want to socialize, there needs to be a space for them to do it," says Osborn. Osborn plans to work toward increasing the hours of LaFortune Student Center and envisions a 24-hour academic space in the basement of Hesburgh Library.

"It would be nice if there was some 24-hour space in North Quad or Mod Quad," adds Donahey. "There needs to be some place to go after midnight on a weekday."

If elected, the team also plans to explore new events and programs such as a Homecoming Weekend, a service shuttle and a revitalization of An Tostal.



Name: John Osborn
Class: Junior
Dorm: Zahm Hall
Adjectives He'd Use to Describe Himself:
tired, energetic, enthusiastic
Whom He'd Invite to Dinner:
his grandfather
Book He'd Bring to a Deserted Island:
The Hunt for Red October,
by Tom Clancy
His Pick in a Doherty vs. Davie Fistfight:
Doherty, in one round

Name: Mark Donahey
Class: Junior
Dorm: Sorin College
Adjectives He'd Use to Describe Himself:
interested, philosophical, vocal
Whom He'd Invite to Dinner:
Thomas Jefferson
Book He'd Bring to a Deserted Island:
History of the World
in 10 1/2 Chapters,
by Julian Barnes
His Pick in a Doherty vs. Davie Fistfight:
Doherty, with a knockout

— Lisa Virani

Doug Pardon Ted Higgins

presidential candidate vice-presidential candidate



Name: Doug Pardon
 Class: Junior
 Dorm: Off Campus
 Adjectives He'd Use to Describe Himself:
 fun, caring, smart
 Whom He'd Invite to Dinner:
 Genghis Khan
 Book He'd Bring to a Deserted Island:
 a book of Emerson essays
 His Pick in a Doherty vs. Davie Fistfight:
 Doherty

Name: Ted Higgins
 Class: Junior
 Dorm: St. Ed's
 Adjectives He'd Use to Describe Himself:
 wily, persuasive, sarcastic
 Whom He'd Invite to Dinner:
 Arthur Guinness
 Book He'd Bring to a Deserted Island:
The Stranger, by Albert Camus
 His Pick in a Doherty vs. Davie Fistfight:
 Doherty — "There'd be a lot of
 kicking [Davie] while he's down."

Presidential candidate Douglas Pardon and his running mate Ted Higgins see themselves as ordinary students who can make a difference. Embracing a general philosophy of "We Care Enough," they are convinced they can improve student life on campus. "We are students that sit down sometimes and think, and think that there are changes that need to be made," says Pardon.

Pardon and Higgins recognize their inexperience in political life but are not concerned. Pardon is a junior finance major and is currently the coordinator of the The Shirt Project. He was also vice president of the Energy Committee for the Notre Dame Investment Club. Higgins is also a junior in the College of Business. He is a double Monogram winner for cross country and has volunteered in the Big Brother Program for South Bend youth.

Realizing that there is only a 12-month period in which to work, Pardon knows that it will be hard to tackle the more serious, larger issues. Pardon and Higgins both believe that changing the "little things" on campus will make it more enjoyable; they want to be practical by taking on realistic goals. Higgins says he has never voted in student elections because they did not hold his interest. "I was not concerned about the candy-coated ideas of prior candidates. Who wants one more dance?" he asks.

The Pardon-Higgins campaign platform is built upon one general goal: be honest, open and informative. They dislike the current administration because they believe that many students are unaware of Micah Murphy's and Mike Palumbo's goals, ideas and accomplishments. "We will hit the media and become publicized. We are here for the students — here to help out everyone," says Higgins.

One of the most important issues on their platform concerns gay rights. They consider the "Spirit of Inclusion" unfair and will strive to earn unequivocal, equal rights for gay students. Embarrassed by the university's decision concerning gay advertisements in the *Observer*, Pardon and Higgins promote a "full-say," uncensored

policy. "How can my alma matter be so archaic? I don't want to have to look back in a couple of years, like they did in the '60s, and see that we were wrong in our course of action," explains Higgins. Pardon and Higgins would like to be the movers and shakers on campus whose impact affects the university as a whole. They want the students to listen and respond to their lead. "It's about us," says Pardon.

SUB is another key issue in the Pardon-Higgins campaign. Pardon wants more money to be directed toward this organization. With more money, SUB will be able to have well-attended student events such as better concerts. Pardon is tired of having campus activities that only attract six or seven participants. He asks, "What do students want to do here at Notre Dame? Why should students attend an event that doesn't interest them?" They view student involvement as one of the most crucial aspects of university life and want to direct most of their efforts toward sparking student interest in campus activities.

As these candidates want to maintain a pragmatic approach in handling university issues, they intend to improve upon some basic aspects of campus life. For instance, they want to eliminate the two-dollar dining hall charge for forgetting an ID. Pardon feels that students are already paying enough for their meals and should not have to worry about any additional costs. He would also like to see a more diversified meal plan — the ability to pay as you eat as well as more varied Flex options for on-campus students.

Another issue that concerns these two candidates is graduation. They feel that the students should graduate in Notre Dame Stadium and that an unlimited amount of student tickets should be made available. Pardon and Higgins would also like to see lockers put in the library, RA grants-in-aid independent of student loan assistance and the in-ground sprinkler heads readjusted. By accomplishing these practical goals, they hope to improve daily life for Notre Dame students.

— Mark Avitable

The Rest of the Crowd

For every student body presidential election since we can remember, *Scholastic* has interviewed every candidate pair, jokers or not. This means that for every serious interrogation we do, we do another interview that disintegrates into discussions of when Notre Dame should secede from the union and declare itself an independent, limited monarchy.

This year there were five joke candidates, four of the five being the annual slew of Zahm charlatans. Then there were Darth Todd and Darth George, apparently from the ice planet Hoth but rumored to be part-time Knott residents.

Admittedly, the joke candidates waste many people's time, but let us hope that the judgment falls not too heavily upon them. In the words of vice presidential hopeful Daniel Saracino, "You can't take things too seriously, like the football team, or the direction of the school."

Andrew Sciallis/ Daniel Saracino

The Sciallis/Saracino ticket recently named "Keep your fingers crossed" its slogan for the upcoming election. The duo, both freshmen from Zahm, will be invoking the phrase as they petition support for their primary platform plank: eliminating "Fightin'" from the university's nickname and changing the mascot to a green happy face. They will also assign every student control of one sprinkler-head on campus.

Using the profits from an underage speakeasy, Sciallis and Saracino will break ground on a bowling alley underneath South Quad. The bowling alley will be 24-hour social space, but the speakeasy, located in the space formerly occupied by Keenan/Stanford, will only be open late Thursdays through Saturdays.

Mathew Flatow/Adam Dinell

"Going global, that's what we're all about. Write that at the top of your books," said presidential hopeful Flatow in an interview



last Saturday. "When they make decisions in Israel, they should consult Notre Dame." Flatow failed to identify who "they" were.

Flatow's soft-spoken running mate, Dinell, concurred on Flatow's promise that the two would be "benevolent despots" who were "puppets of the people."

Dinell stressed that his platform was a three-year plan and that three adjectives to describe him were "persistent, non-belligerent and fruitful." Fruitful, of course, being in reference to his plan to hire monkeys to pluck the fruits of the new banana tree he'd put in SDH.

Darth Todd/Darth George

Darth Todd, seen here in full Darth Maul regalia, balked at the question of whether he would don the costume while performing his daily presidential duties if elected. His running mate cleared up the mystery, saying it's a matter of "being ready for the potential even-



tuality."

When asked why they were running, Darth Todd answered that there was a discrepancy in media coverage among candidates. Darth Todd also talked a lot about vaporizers, capacitors and orbital mind control lasers, which he claims to be "fully operational."

Notably, when asked for three adjectives that described him, Darth George answered "evil and short."

Chris Costigan/ Pat McCormick

When asked why they were running, McCormick said that they were reacting against the "fraternal, old boys club" that was student government. Costigan and McCormick had some good ideas (no joke), including universal meal plans of \$1500 in Flex points. Each meal at the dining hall and purchase around campus would be deducted from the total, and all unused points would be returned to the student as a credit to the student account.

Costigan cited notable planks in their platform such as putting cable in the dorms and getting Otis Day and the Knights to come to campus. He also argued that if the administration really wanted to keep the freshman from Boat Club, then they would allow kegs in the dorms, which would "keep drinking controlled."

Greg Smith/Ryan Clemency

Declined an interview, saying they had friends at the *Observer* who were sure to give its endorsement, and therefore they would win. □

—Zac Kulsrud



Top 5 Most Unlikely Ideas

- Banana Tree in SDH:** "With monkeys working it, to provide fresher fruit ... though sanitation is a concern." (Dinell)
- Speakeasy on North Quad:** "We'd like to level Keenan-Stanford and put an underage bar there ... We could use the profits to subsidize tent housing for the dislodged." (Sciallis)
- Orbital Mind Control Laser:** To go

along with "the vaporizing laser on top of the library ... charged by capacitors in Knott." (Darth Todd)

- New Green Happy Face Mascot:** Either the "fighting Irish" goes or the Hesburgh Peace Studies program. (Sciallis)
- Barry McGuire halftime show:** At basketball games, where "I find the band to be a distraction." (Flatow)

Use susurrus in a sentence.

su-sur-rus:

a whispering, hissing or rustling sound

Shepherd/Focht: I'll take some susurrus on my salad.

Pardon/Higgins: I'm going to go out and be in a state of complete susurrus.

Sciallis/Saracino: The issue is lacking susurrus.

Osborn/Donahey: What does susurrus mean?

High Impact, Low Visibility

BY JARED MARX

Last year at this time, *Scholastic* ran a picture of Micah Murphy and Michael Palumbo on the cover of the magazine with the word "Wannabes" appearing at their feet. A year later, it seems that perhaps that judgment was a bit premature. Murphy and Palumbo, current student body president and vice-president, won't leave office until spring break, but already they seem to have accomplished quite a bit.

Some of the pair's most important successes are in areas where we have yet to see actual results. Their summer intern housing network, which will allow students to coordinate summer living arrangements with other Domers in cities across the country, as well as *The Guide*, a directory of professors with the highest teacher course evaluations, are both out of the planning phase and waiting on OIT implementation. A site that will allow students to sell and trade used books independently of the bookstore is in a similar condition.

SafeRide is in a likewise situation. Murphy and Palumbo state that there is currently a plan to resurrect the once-popular program, but that they are depending on their successors for implementation. "This is something that we don't want to start now and have fall apart right away," says Murphy. "As soon as the next group of people is elected, we'll hand them the plan and it's ready to go."

This is not to say that the current administration hasn't seen any tangible results. This year, for the first time, the student government ran free student shuttles to and from the South Bend airport at the beginnings and ends of breaks. And the student government co-sponsorship fund has been key in funding multiple events on campus. Another achievement that Murphy and Palumbo are proud of is the Board of Trustees report produced by the student government this year, which received national attention from *The Chronicle of Higher Education* as the first time a student group had addressed the Catholic identity of their school.

While they have enjoyed considerable success, there have, however, been some problems. One dark spot on the current administration's record is the failure to make good on promises of improving student intellectual life. The "Last Lecture" series, a set of proposed lectures by professors as if they were their last lecture at Notre Dame, and the "Real Deal" series, a set of lectures by recent Notre Dame grads, both were suggested during the duo's campaign and then fell by the wayside. Says Murphy, "We'll take the axe on that one." The hall fellows program, intended to start

professor-dorm affiliations like those that have become popular at peer institutions like Duke University, has also encountered little success.

On the positive side, Murphy and Palumbo have arranged for National Champion Irish debaters to visit and debate at the university. In addition, they hope to rejuvenate open faculty-student lunches by moving them from the dining halls to the participating professors' respective home buildings.

Perhaps more than anything, though, the current administration has been criticized for remaining largely mute on many campus issues. Some cite women's issues (like eating disorders and rape counseling) and homosexual issues as being largely ignored by Murphy and Palumbo. Nonetheless, in response to one of the larger issues of past year, the senate did pass a measure supporting a free advertising policy for the *Observer*.

One of the less popular events this year associated with the

current administration was the new football ticket distribution system. While there were arguably many more influential players involved in the discussions surrounding the new system, Murphy and Palumbo clearly had a hand in the creation of the new system. Though few students seemed overjoyed by the changes, the two can hardly be blamed for not trying. In fact, in response to the negative outcry this past fall, there is already a new plan to move the ticket distribution again, this time to the Stepan Center. "All of the details aren't ironed out yet," says Murphy, "but we have condensed the process and hope to provide better entertainment." Whether this will solve last year's problems is yet to be seen, but the dedication seems to be there.

It is probably safe to say that Murphy and Palumbo have been more than just "wannabes." Though not perfect, what

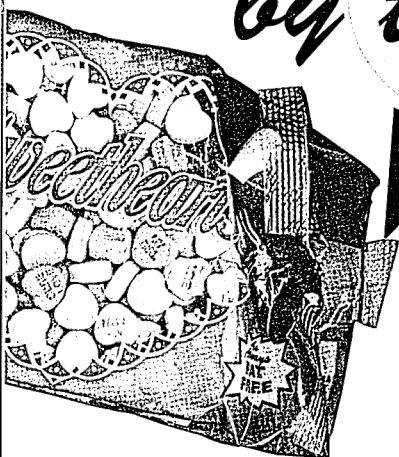
some thought might be their weakness — being status-quo student government insiders — may have turned out to be their strength. In the quasi-formal world of student government, Murphy and Palumbo seem to have done a lot of good though less-than-formal avenues. And their administration has helped lay the groundwork for some farther-off goals, including design of the proposed new student center and the addition of dorm room cable. Says Murphy, "It doesn't really feel like we did a lot, but I'm happy now that I see it all in writing. I hope what we have done will have a positive impact on the student body long past our tenure." □



LAME DUCKS. Micah Murphy and Michael Palumbo will finish their term April 1.

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Campus by the Gipper Watch



Has it returned,
the snow
we viewed together?
- Matsuo Basho

This reminds the Gipp of something a wise man once told him:

"The forbidden-fruit complex in the ND dating/living scene doesn't help matters. How unhealthy is that? Lock girls up like they're sports cars we can't drive after midnight or two on weekends ... no wonder guys treat the girls at ND like shit."

Well said, brother.

The Gipp's solution: Use candy hearts with messages that will free the untold desires from the hearts of the young.

In the old country, the Zen Master might instruct you to climb to the mountaintop, but in these flat lands of Indiana, we must instead take our love to the Boat Club. Enjoy the valentines, Domersans, and let us move forward into the first installment of Campus Watch in the year of the Dragon.

Late-Night Larceny

Shortly before winter break and after a night on the town, a group of rabble-rousers return to campus in a cab. Unable to make the obligatory two-buck payment, one of these rapscallions darts out of the taxi and sprints to the refuge of Reckers, a safe haven where he can hide among other students.

The taxi driver, desperate for his two dollars, chases the boy halfway to Reckers, leaving his cab running.

Big mistake.

The other carousers are left behind, the cab is still running, and one adventurous Saint Mary's gal convinces her Notre Dame buddy to take shotgun as she gets behind the wheel. They drive away, creating enough of a diversion to get the Reckers refugee off the hook.

But Bonnie and Clyde only get as far as the bookstore parking lot before realizing that they're committing a felony. Because of their proper upbringing, they scrupulously choose to leave the car there and escape through West Quad.

Incidentally, the Gipp had an interesting cab experience on the way home from the

bars this past weekend. The cabbie felt like sharing and told the Gipp that he'd spent some time in jail with Ozzy Osbourne in the state pen. Apparently, he and Ozzy smoked a few doobies together, right there in the jail cell, and Richard Nixon had to come down to get Ozzy out of jail. The cab driver explained that they were there on a murder charge, but they got off—they had just been at the wrong place at the wrong time. He offered the Gipp some "green stuff," but the Gipp politely declined.

The Real World: London

A group of girls studying abroad were spending some quiet time in their London flat when they heard some groaning out on their balcony. One of the women went to the

window to explore the situation when what to her wondering eyes should appear but a middle-aged man relieving his sexual repression at their expense.

She screams. He moans and runs, leaving behind a mirror, which he'd been using to get a better view of the girls through their half-closed drapes. Fingerprints on the mirror give the bobbies a good lead in an attempt to track down the old wanker and keep our Londoners safe from catching a repeat performance.

TA Seeks T & A

One undergrad reports that her philo TA not only asked her to go to grad-student parties with him, but also gave her one of the only good grades in the class when she wrote about the sex topic he suggested. On top of this, he once told her to hope that hers was one of the last exams he graded. When she asked why, he explained that it's not what you write in the paper—it's where your paper lands in the paper pile.

He added that some TA paper grading happens during drinking bouts with other TAs—and as the alcohol takes hold, the grades get more generous. The Gipp now understands how he managed to pull an A in Brit Lit without reading more than a few pages of *Beowulf* all semester.

Prince of Thieves, Terrapin Style

The Bonehead Maneuver of the Week award goes to four off-campus seniors in Turtle Creek. No explanation needed here, just scan the first paragraph of the letter they found upon returning from winter break:

Dear residents,

During our program to replace smoke alarm batteries, furnace filters, and general property inspection, stolen property was found in your apartment. Namely a Turtle Creek South street sign.

Ah, to be young again ... bravo, boys!

Take care, young stallions, let the sunbeams reaching through the winter sky illuminate your hearts, and follow the stars to the place where the pitchers cost a penny. And if the weather starts getting you down, little grasshoppers, heed the words of modern Zen Master, Adam Duritz, "If it isn't warm where you're sittin', then, Kitten, come on in out of the cold."

I'VE HAD BETTER

BRING A FRIEND

SWEDISH EROTICA?

STAR IN MY PINKS MOVIE?

HOW ABOUT FOR \$0 BUCKS?

IT HAPPENS TO EVERYONE

AHH, WHAT THE HELL?

WHAT'S YOUR NAME AGAIN?

MAN-SLUT

SECOND BASE?

YOUR MOM'S HOTTER

YOUR DOG'S HOTTER

YOUR ROOM-MATE'S HOTTER

YOUR MOTHER

WISH YOU WEREN'T MY COUSIN

I'M REALLY A MAN

YOU SMELL LIKE CATS

I'M ONLY 13!

Uncovering a Hidden Obsession

UCC tries to raise awareness of eating disorder problems

BY STACI L. PANGLE

It started last year when she went for a jog at 2 a.m. in the snow. "I just felt so guilty," Kathleen McCann says. "I just had to exercise."

But this wasn't the start of her struggle with bulimia. This was the beginning of recovery.

McCann, a Notre Dame senior, says that her body had fallen into a binge-overeat-starve cycle and, after awhile, her body began to purge itself. By recognizing this cycle and her overzealous desire to exercise, McCann knew it was time to seek help.

The type of cycle McCann recognized is characteristic of bulimia. Men and women with this condition will eat a large quantity of food in a relatively short period of time and then use behaviors such as taking laxatives or self-induced vomiting to rid themselves of the calories. Another common disorder is anorexia nervosa, in which the person suffering will attempt to maintain strict control over food intake. He or she may deny hunger, make excuses to avoid eating, hide food they claim to have eaten or use diet pills to control appetite. On the other end of the spectrum is compulsive overeating and binge eating, in which victims typically consume huge amounts of food — often junk food — to reduce stress and anxiety. As with bulimia, guilt and depression soon follow.

Eating disorders are doubly dangerous because they have the disabling — though not always visible — physical effects, as well as the harmful psychological elements of a mental disorder. Victims are often riddled with insecurities and tend to hold a distorted perception of their body image.

They often compare themselves to an unrealistic ideal. McCann says she was obsessed with the issue. "For a while," McCann recalls, "I would find myself mentally saying, 'Fatter than me, thinner than me, fatter than me ...' when other girls would walk by."

Notre Dame — and college in general — is an environment conducive to eating disorders. Academic, athletic, social and cultural pressures can sometime be too much. "An eating problem may only be a symptom," says Dr. Rita Donley, the University Counseling Center assistant director and coordinator of clinical services. "The Counseling Center tries to discover the underlying problem, whether it is depression, family problems or a difficult adjustment to college life."

So if eating disorders are prevalent on campus, why don't affected students seek help?

"The shame factor is enormous," Donley states. "People simply don't want others to know. Here are high-functioning people — student leaders, athletes, scholars — who feel they have to be 100 percent ... Eating is a way to escape."

McCann agrees. "It is hard to say in each [counseling session], in front of other people, that I have a problem," she says.

Donley believes that some students feel that their problem is not serious enough to warrant help. Whatever the reason, many victims choose to suffer in silence. For the

past 10 years, the UCC has offered the Eating Disorders Therapy or Support Group, but because no one expressed interest the last four semesters, the sessions were not even offered in the fall of 1999.

The UCC is taking aggressive measures to educate and inform students about the symptoms of the disorders. In conjunction with the "National Eating Disorders Awareness Week," February 12-19, the center is coordinating various events across campus. On Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday an information fair entitled "Mind-Spirit-Body ... A Celebration of Every Body" will be held from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Dooley Room of LaFortune. The *Observer* will run a series that week discussing eating issues. Beginning March 31, a four-part series will be offered at the UCC on Fridays, giving

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when other girls would walk by."
—Kathleen McCann*

concerned individuals the opportunity to evaluate their own body image and participate in a question and answer session.

The UCC will exert its greatest effort, however, trying to determine the number of students who are struggling with eating disorders. Next week, all undergraduate Notre Dame men and women will receive the "Eating Concerns Survey 2000" through campus mail. The 20-minute, anonymous

questionnaire asks students about their own eating and exercise habits, as well as their experience of eating with others. One sample question: "When someone you know diets, do you feel you must also?"

A similar survey was distributed in 1988, but it was only targeted to undergraduate females. Research studies suggest that for every 10 women with an eating disorder, one man struggles with eating as well. Because there are few specific statistics describing the male population, the 2000 survey is seen as groundbreaking. "Culturally, we are absolutely seeing more men concerned with body image," remarks Donley. "For instance, the ROTC program implements weight restrictions, wrestlers are constantly trying to 'make weight'... It is important that people realize that men are vulnerable also." In fact, she says, Saint Edward's Hall is giving the issue its due on campus. The hall requested a UCC presentation to be held on Wednesday, February 16. "It's Not About Making Them Eat: Helping a Friend with an Eating Disorder" will be held in the Saint Edward's common area at 7 p.m.

Pasquerilla East sponsored a workshop

on wellness on February 9. "It's a totally positive experience," says Rectress Sister Mary Ann Mueninghoff. "We've been trying to help people think 'I am beautiful because I live.'" Follow-up programs addressing nutrition and ideal body weight are being planned, but Mueninghoff stresses that "these are not to start a witch hunt."

According to Donley, most patients are referred to the UCC by a concerned other, such as a roommate, boyfriend or girlfriend, parent, rector or coach. "Usually, the concerned other is worried, but it is important that they don't try to control the person suffering from a disorder," Donley warns. "Someone can drag them here, but only [the victim] can tell the truth."

Once admitted to the counseling center, the student meets with an expert to determine the nature of the problem. The UCC has a physician, nutritionist and psychiatrist available. It is the patient's choice to enroll in private counseling or group sessions.

"Many patients are fearful of the UCC confidentiality, but we are committed to confidentiality and state laws require it," says Donley. Obviously, the center can't control members of the group sessions to

keep information private. Donley adds, "People in the past groups have been incredibly respectful, mainly because they don't want to admit problems about themselves. No one will walk to the Huddle and say, 'Guess what I heard?'"

Not all students diagnosed with an eating disorder turn to the UCC, though. Michelle Visnosky, an ND senior, was successful in combating her eating disorder through the Healthy Options for Problem Eaters program at Memorial Hospital in South Bend. Although the HOPE program was recently disbanded, services are available at the Madison Center, an outpatient therapy facility. "It helped that, at any given time, there were six to eight students from Notre Dame in my treatment program," Visnosky says.

Is the UCC frustrated when students seek help off campus?

"It thrills me," Donley insists. "Whatever they're more comfortable with is fine, just so they help themselves."

For now, the major goal is to raise awareness on campus and change ignorant attitudes.

McCann says, "I don't want to say 'I'm a bulimic and proud of it,' but we must work to get rid of the stigma." □

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7 his list should help inspire you to new levels of suaveness in South Bend and Mishawaka. Next time you need to dazzle that special honey, just open your *Scholastic*.

10. Head to Michiana Paintball: Located in Scottsdale Mall in South Bend, this impressive facility is the only indoor course around, which is nice because it can get slightly chilly here at times. When you bring your love bunny here, your choice will subtly say "I'm a fun, laid-back kid at heart" (Remember: You don't actually say this).

9. Hire Maurice the Singing Moose: Get this character to serenade your sweet pea with a love ballad, and watch him or her melt. Call Full Circle Music (219-257-8660) for bookings, and keep in mind that hearing the Partridge Family hit "I Think I Love You" is 10 times more thrilling when the vocalist has antlers.

8. Go for a Hot-Air Balloon Ride: It might be a little too brisk outside to enjoy one of these rides at the present time, but as soon as the sun re-emerges, go for it. As long as your sweetie doesn't have a problem

with heights, a balloon ride can prove to be quite the romantic adventure. Call Michiana Balloon Society (616-683-3036) or Aerostar Upper Wind Balloon Port (800-472-8264) for information on launches from nearby South Bend fields.

7. Take a Picnic to the Kids' Kingdom: This outdoor playground in Potawatomi Park in South Bend boasts its very own long-necked dinosaur, tire swings, mazes and slides, among other major attractions. Bring a picnic and impress your honeybunch with your creativity.

6. Send a Singing Telegram: Call Dittygrams Allen-Rothballer's at 219-233-5886 to surprise your sweetie with a singing banana. With an appeal similar to that of Maurice the Singing Moose, the banana (or any of the other characters) is a surefire way to capture your cutie's heart. Who doesn't love opening his or her door to find produce dancing in the hallway?

5. Take in a Theater Performance: You can awe your honey with your cultured, refined tastes by suggesting a date at The Morris Civic Auditorium in South Bend (219-235-9190), which hosts the Broad-



Valentine's

way Theater League, among other performers throughout the year. If plays or musicals trigger your gag reflex, opt for an interactive murder mystery, several of which are performed in the spring.

4. Grab a Sled and Go to Saint Patrick's Park: Located in South Bend, this park is home to one of the best hills in the area for winter fun. Make the best of our winter months, and get a good excuse to hold your honey tight as you barrel down this slippery slope.

3. Stop By the Mega Play Entertainment Center: Continuing our kid-at-heart theme, we suggest bringing your sweetheart to the Entertainment Center, located on Miracle Lane in Mishawaka. It offers bumper cars, laser tag, mini golf and other activities that allow you to show off your playful side.

2. Eat at Lunkers: OK, so this one's not in South Bend or Mishawaka — it's in Edwardsburg. But if you're truly smitten with your sweet pea, you'll deal with the drive. This restaurant proudly advertises burgers "as big as your head."

1. Even Better, Eat at the Carriage House Dining Room: Probably the classiest place to dine in South Bend, you can't go wrong if you bring your sugar puff to this fine establishment. Guys, if you can find some way to cover the bill, your girl will be thrilled to get dressed up for an evening that doesn't include swaying to SYR music in a dorm lounge. Other classy restaurants with romantic ambience include Chateau Fondue (219-255-1526) in Mishawaka and the LaSalle Grille (219-288-1155) in South Bend.

And now, in order to further assure that our readers are lucky in love this V-Day, we've also compiled a list of places to avoid like the plague while on a date. Or, as the case may be, if you're heading out with someone who doesn't exactly light your fire, you can subtly suggest one of the following destinations and effectively get the unlucky lover out of your life forever.

10. Go on One of the Northern Indiana Amish Country Bike Tours: If the idea of biking 26 miles in the midst of our less-than-temperate winter months excites you, then, by all means, take this tour. But go solo — otherwise, your date will be questioning why his or her fingers are blue (and why he or she accepted a date with you) before you even get to buy homemade candles and soap at the gift shop.

9. Drop by Mishawaka City Cemetery: I know it's difficult *not* to want desperately

are required to spend a year in South Bend, learning in a hands-on environment ... oh, wait — they go to Rome. If you are still excited by the thought of taking in all the buildings South Bend has to offer, refer to number 10 to refresh your memory as to why outdoor dates are somewhat unsound choices in mid-February.

5. Visit the Maple Syrup Festival: Taking place annually in South Bend's Bendix Woods County Park in March, this festival sings the praises of the all-too-under-appreciated sap we commonly call syrup. I guarantee that your love muffin would be more impressed if you brought her to a restaurant where she could get some pancakes and juice along with her syrup.

4. Sit in on a Practice Session of the Caledonia Kilty Band of Mishawaka: This group meets weekly in South Bend to practice bagpipes. You can call 219-674-9089 for information, but unless you really like watching members of a band with a weird name play weird instruments while

Day ... in Indiana

by Carrie Sweeney

to see the grave of Edmund Byrkit, one of Mishawaka's earliest settlers. But, really. Even though area tourist books do brag about the "notable" people residing under the cemetery's lovely lawn, this is another place to visit on your own time, not your date's.

8. Stop in for Michiana Astronomical Society's Annual Star Trek Convention: Although Dr. Spock's ears do look rather adorable on him, they probably won't appear quite as appealing on you. (Especially if you're also wearing the rest of the costume.) Even if your date is a fan of this classic show, I wouldn't advise bringing him or her to this meeting, held annually in South Bend's Century Center. Don't you want your honey to fall in love with *you*, not your Captain Kirk alter-ego?

7. Swing by Len's Gun Shop, Inc.: If the name of this place doesn't strike you as shady, then the fact that it boasts 233-GUNS as its phone number should. While we understand your inevitable desire to take your sweetheart to glimpse Len's awe-inspiring collection of rifles, she might not be as sympathetic. Especially if Len knows you by name.

6. Opt for an Architectural Walking Tour of Historic South Bend: The stunning architectural value of South Bend's buildings is quite often taken for granted. These structures are so great, in fact, that all third-year architecture majors at ND

wearing plaid skirts, there aren't all that many reasons to go.

3. Lori's Riding Stables: Horses smell.

So will you after you finish sitting on one. Your date won't like it. But, if you are really determined to take your cowboy or cowgirl to a stable, call 219-232-0603.

2. Michiana Square and Round Dancers Association: This association (219-259-2442) sponsors dances twice a month at the Dilareto Club of Mishawaka. We understand that you might want to impress your date with your stylin' dance moves, but this isn't the place to do it, as it's extremely difficult to look hip while square dancing (or round dancing, whatever that is). You'd be better off turning up your mp3s and twirling around your dorm room with your sweetie.

1. Take her to the Lipstick Lounge, the Glo Worm or the Kitty Kat Lounge: If you can't figure out why you shouldn't take your date there, then you need more help than a list of the best and worst date places.

With Valentine's Day quickly approaching, it's up to you to actually go up to Cute Calc Girl or Hot Runner Boy and somehow get him or her to agree to go to one of these places with you. We know that's easier said than done — but we can offer only advice, not miracles.

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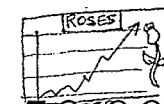


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COMMENTARY

Judgment Day

Despite his achievements, Wadsworth's tenure will be marked by its missteps

BY GERARD MESKILL

After meeting with Father Edward Malloy on Monday, Athletic Director Michael Wadsworth announced that he will step down after his five-year contract expires this year.

"We have come through the NCAA matter, we are reaching the end of the current five-year plan in the athletic department, and my personal five-year commitment to the university also is about to end," Wadsworth said. "Reflecting on the timing of all these events with the restructuring that Father Malloy intends to carry out, I believe it's in both the university's and my best interests to end my tenure this year."

Wadsworth has made some worthwhile contributions to the university during his tenure. Most notably, Notre Dame joined Stanford as the only two universities to rank in the top 20 in the *U.S. News & World Report* survey for academic achievement and the Sears Director's Cup for overall athletic excellence.

In a recent *Sporting News* evaluation, Notre Dame's athletic program was ranked third in the nation for standards ranging from the playing field to the classroom.

Under Wadsworth, Notre Dame entered Big East competition in all sports except football. The switch resulted in four consecutive all-sports trophies for the men's program and three for the women's.

Finally, the academic standards of Notre Dame's student-athletes have been remarkable. The cumulative average of Notre Dame's student-athletes over the last four years is virtually identical to that of the general student body, while the graduation rate for student-athletes who complete four years of eligibility is 99 percent.

However, it is Wadsworth's failures, not his accomplishments, which led him to step down at the year's end. This year, Notre Dame completed its worst football season since 1963, finishing 5-7. At some schools,

this is forgivable. Here, a losing football record is worse than substandard — it is sinful.

Worse yet, Irish success in the 2000 football campaign is also in danger. Because of recruiting blunders, the Irish did not sign a quarterback prospect last year. Backup quarterback Arnaz Battle, the likely candidate to replace the graduating Jarious Jackson, has little experience. Notre Dame opens the 2000 season against Texas A&M and Nebraska, who finished 23rd and third, respectively, in last season's AP poll. Without an experienced quarterback to lead the Irish offense, it is quite possible that Notre Dame will open next season 0-2. Should this happen, it will be a challenge for the Irish to post even a winning record next season.

Notre Dame has had back-to-back losing seasons only once in the 20th century. Even the likelihood of such an ominous occurrence is enough to warrant dramatic change in the athletic front office.

Notre Dame also suffered its first NCAA violation under Wadsworth. The shame accompanying this violation far exceeds this year's football debacle and even the prospect of an encore. Notre Dame has always prided itself on its conduct. Prior to recent events, all students, athletes, alumni and faculty have maintained an unprecedented level of integrity throughout collegiate America. This violation took away Notre Dame's innocence — an innocence that had existed for over 100 years.

The most discouraging aspect of this violation is that it never should have been allowed to fester to the point where NCAA intervention was required. Had the athletic department taken preventive measures when illegal conduct was first detected, the incident would have been little more than a headline. Wadsworth's department instead opted to turn away from the wrongdoings

after conducting a review. The review discovered wrongdoing but did not recognize the offenses as serious enough for swift action. As a result, not only was the Irish football program disgraced, but the university itself suffered a black eye. In light of these events, renewing Wadsworth's contract would have been out of the question.

Accordingly, Malloy launched an exploratory review of the entire athletic department following the NCAA decision last December. The result was a mutual agreement between Malloy and Wadsworth that the athletic director's position should be assigned to someone else at the conclusion of this year.

"Mike Wadsworth and I have reached this agreement based on a number of factors," Malloy said. "I stated in December that the university's response to the recent problems in our football program had included a comprehensive external review of our athletic policies and procedures. As a result of that review, I have decided to institute a substantial restructuring of administrative responsibilities in athletics. In light of this restructuring, Mike's five-year commitment and the conclusion of the current five-year plan in athletics, he and I agree that now is the time for a fresh start for us both."

And yet, one must wonder whether holding Wadsworth accountable is sufficient. After all, the athletic department at this university is no small operation. Is

Because of his negligence, Wadsworth allowed a stain to forever tarnish Notre Dame's integrity.

Wadsworth the sole cause of so much damage? Unlikely. Corruption can begin with one man, but the product of corrup-

tion is often the fruit of a larger effort. Nevertheless, as the head of the athletic department, the conduct of his subordinates is his responsibility.

Mike Wadsworth made some positive changes to Notre Dame's athletic policy. However, what he allowed to transpire both on and off the football field cannot be balanced by even these achievements. Because of his negligence, Wadsworth allowed a stain to forever tarnish Notre Dame's integrity. In doing so, he has wounded the pride of students, faculty and alumni alike. For this offense, his accomplishments will be forgotten, only to be overshadowed by his mistakes. □

SPLINTERS

from the Press Box

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This six-foot All-American senior from Sikeston, Missouri, knows what it means to succeed. He was named the Most Outstanding Track Athlete at the 1999 Big East Championships and holds the school record in the long jump.

I first started running track when I was: A high-school junior. Before that, I played basketball.

My favorite event is: the 200-meter sprint, even though it isn't my best event.

My most memorable Notre Dame moment off the track is: the first time I visited campus and walked around the Basilica.

My decision to come to Notre Dame was: purely an academic decision. I knew that I was not going to go professional, so I had to look out for my future.

What I like best about Notre Dame is: the support that you get from everyone.

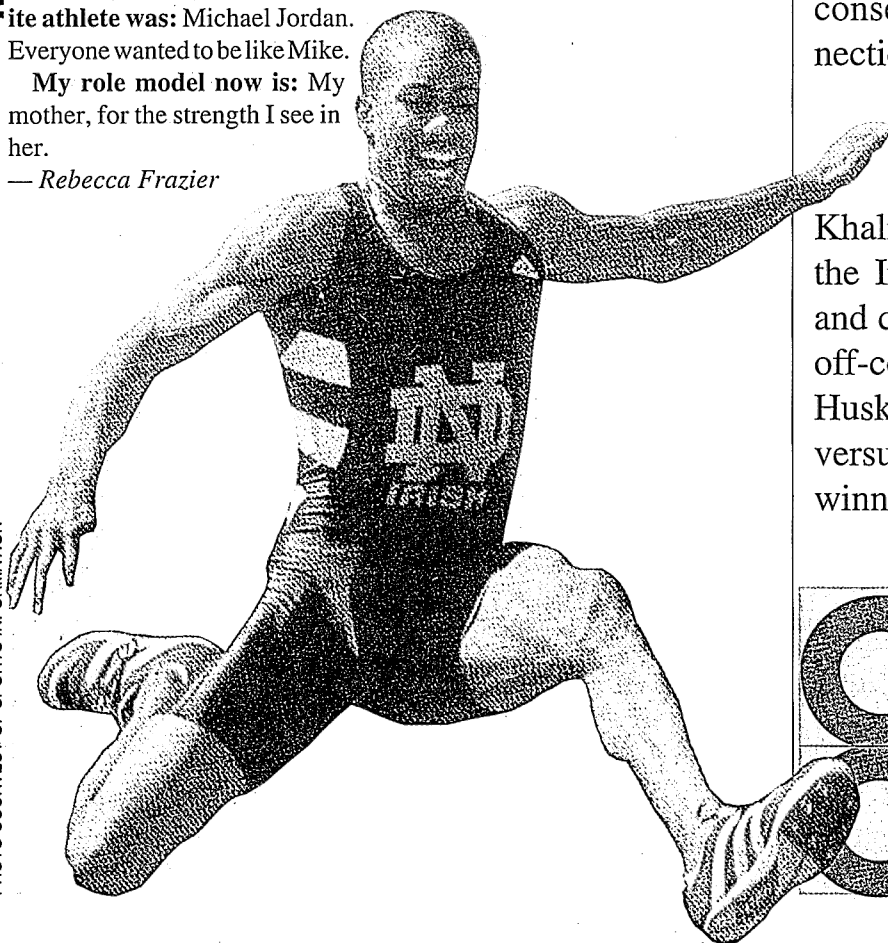
The hardest part about track is: it runs year round. Once spring season starts, you're gone most weekends. It takes up so much time.

If I could play another sport at Notre Dame, it would be: basketball.

While growing up, my favorite athlete was: Michael Jordan. Everyone wanted to be like Mike.

My role model now is: My mother, for the strength I see in her.

— Rebecca Frazier



Earlier this year, Notre Dame's men's basketball team upset Connecticut at the Hartford Civic Center. On Saturday, the sold-out Joyce Center will give the Irish the necessary spark to upset the Huskies again, 77-69.

Gerard Meskill

Troy Murphy scores 30 points and Matt Carroll scores 16 on Saturday against Connecticut, giving Notre Dame its second consecutive upset over Connecticut.

Brian Christ

Khalid El-amin goes crazy on the Irish Saturday, scoring 27 and charting 12 assists. Recent off-court troubles motivate the Huskies to make a statement versus the Irish, and they do, winning 77-70.

Zac Kulsrud

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FROZEN 1989-90 Irish vs. Syracuse Moments vs.

The year was 1989, and expectations for the men's basketball season were soaring. Every player was returning from a squad that had gone 21-9 last year and given heavily favored Georgetown a run for its money in the second round of the 1989 NCAA tournament. The Irish were hungry for a big season. The team created its own motto, "Remember, it's Denver..." in honor of the NCAA Final Four, held that year in Denver.

However, as Notre Dame lost three of its first four games, including an embarrassing 80-68 loss to Marquette, many began to realize that the fairytale season they expected might not be guaranteed as previously thought. By the time the Irish rolled into Syracuse in mid-February, they had a record of 13-8 and were rapidly losing their hold on an NCAA tournament bid.

Syracuse, on the other hand, was ranked fourth in the country and had not lost a home game since 1986. A home crowd of 32,747, at that time the second largest in Carrier Dome history, was on hand to watch the Orangemen try to secure a win over the struggling Irish squad.

But the Syracuse crowd quickly discovered that Notre Dame was determined to be more than a show. Both Syracuse and the Irish came out strong and neither team led by more than four points in the first half. A 10-foot jumper by Syracuse guard Mike Hopkins gave the Orangemen a 30-29 lead at halftime. The Irish came out of intermission with a new intensity, shocking the crowd by scoring the first 10 points of the half. Syracuse's Derrick Coleman gave the Orangemen its first points in the second half by hitting a 10-foot turnaround with 16:37 left, but the Irish didn't slow down, building a 47-34 lead with less than 12 minutes to go. Syracuse refused to roll over, however, and scored seven straight points.

Notre Dame's lead fluctuated from three to eight points until the last three minutes of the game, in which the Irish and the Orangemen were neck-and-neck. With three seconds left, Orange forward Billy Owens drove to the basket and gave Syracuse a 65-63 lead.

Those last three seconds turned out to be the Irish's saving grace, giving them a chance to get the ball down the court before time ran out. Irish senior Keith Robinson inbounded the ball to LaPhonso Ellis. Ellis received the ball at mid-court and deliberated whether or not to shoot for a half-second. "I thought about [shooting] until I found out where I was positioned on the floor," Ellis said. "I saw I was close to half court, and I looked for somebody else to take it."

Ellis passed the ball to sophomore Elmer Bennett, whose feet were positioned just inches behind the three-point line. "As soon as I got it, I took the shot," Bennett said. "I wasn't looking at my feet. I just wanted to get the shot off." Bennett's buzzer-beating three-pointer gave Notre Dame a 66-65 upset over Syracuse, resurrecting Irish hopes of an tournament bid. Notre Dame's new 14-8 record put it on the top of the list of borderline tournament teams. "We knew we had enough road games to finally pull it together, and we did it today," said Coach Phelps.

As a result of this game and a stunning home victory against third-ranked Missouri, the Irish did earn themselves a spot in the 1990 NCAA tournament, but lost to Virginia in the first round.

The 1989-90 men's basketball season was largely one of disappointment. However, the Irish did display flashes of greatness, causing Irish fans everywhere to wonder what might have been had the Irish played every game the way they played Syracuse.

Notre Dame 66
 Syracuse 65

— Jessica Daues

ONE glimpse

Men's Basketball (14-10)

Key Stat: Since joining the Big East in the 1995-1996 season, Notre Dame is 0-7 against Villanova.

Prime Time Performer: Troy Murphy, who was held to 14 points by Villanova, is the country's fourth highest scorer.

Next Game: Notre Dame hosts Connecticut Saturday at noon.

Women's Basketball (21-2)

Key Stat: The Irish have won 15 consecutive contests.

Prime Time Performer: Junior center Ruth Riley scored 23 points and seven rebounds in Notre Dame's 75-69 victory over Boston College.

Next Game: Notre Dame hosts St. John's Saturday at 7:00 p.m.

Hockey (13-14-6)

Key Stat: The Irish are 4-1-1 in their last six games.

Prime Time Performer: Junior LW and CCHA Player of the Week Dan Carlson scored the game-winning overtime goal to defeat Ohio State Saturday.

Next Game: Notre Dame hosts Nebraska-Omaha tomorrow at 7:05 p.m.

Women's Swimming (10-0)

Key Stat: Notre Dame defeated No. 8 Michigan for the first time in school history.

Prime Time Performer: Senior Elizabeth Barger earned victories on the 200-meter medley relay and the 100-meter butterfly.

Next Game: Notre Dame will compete on Long Island for the Big East Championship on Thursday at 10:00 a.m.

COMING TO AMERICA

Hailing from Croatia, Ivan Kartelo and Jere Macura bring young talent to the Notre Dame court

by Brendan Barker

Over the last decade, basketball fans at both the professional and collegiate levels have grown accustomed to the steady influx of talent from eastern European countries such as Croatia and Lithuania. Basketball is developing at a rapid rate abroad, and the NBA and NCAA now showcase these new international talents.

Foreign players like the Bulls' Toni Kukoc, the Kings' Vlade Divac and the Trailblazers' Arvydas Sabonis have made the transition from European basketball to American hoops. Recently, the Notre Dame men's basketball team also became involved in the international recruiting scene. Two important components of this year's Irish team are Croatian freshmen Jere Macura and Ivan Kartelo. Each has taken on a significant role in first-year Coach Matt Doherty's rotation. The adjustment to the United States, both on and off the court, has been difficult for Macura and Kartelo. But as they grow more comfortable with their new surroundings, they are also helping the basketball team make a legitimate bid at its first NCAA tournament appearance since 1990.

The recruitment process for Kartelo and Macura began last April. The pair had played together on a few Croatian club teams before Ivan came across the Atlantic to play high-school basketball at a Massachusetts prep school. This is where Doherty, while on a scouting trip last fall as an assistant coach for the University of Kansas, first discovered him. Doherty recalls: "I was evaluating some kids for Kansas, and I saw Ivan's team play and was impressed. But we didn't have any scholarships at the time. So when I got the job at Notre Dame, Ivan was one of the first kids I called." Kartelo's high-school coach, Michael Byrnes, helped Doherty find out more information about Kartelo. While Doherty was pursuing him, he learned of Macura, Kartelo's former teammate back in Croatia. After watching some film footage, Doherty pursued him as well.

Both eventually signed with Notre Dame, a move contrary to their original intention to attend the University of Rhode Island. This plan fell through when Jim Harrick resigned as head basketball coach, giving Notre Dame an opportunity to sign the pair. After Rhode Island fell out of the bidding, Kartelo described Notre Dame as "the best option" among the considerable list of other schools he was contemplating, a list that included the University of Connecticut, Boston College and Providence College. The Irish basketball program's fresh start attracted Kartelo and Macura to the univer-

sity. They had both heard about the "new coach, new program, new everything" rebuilding campaign, and so Notre Dame seemed like a good fit.

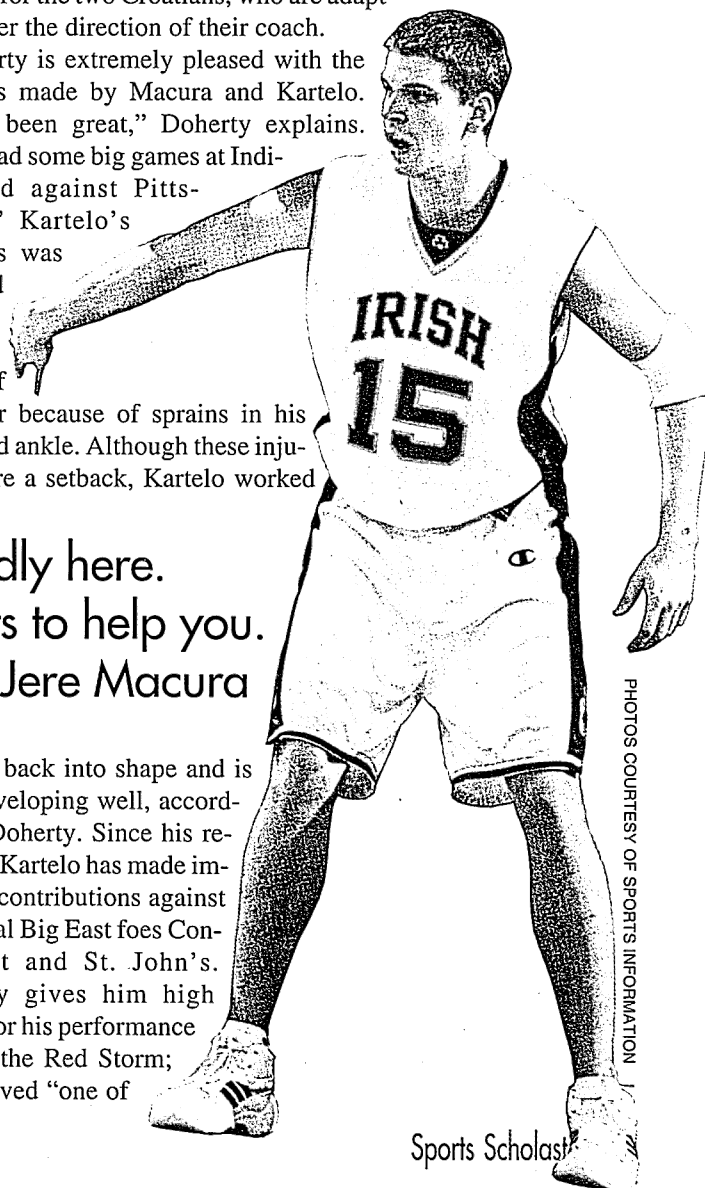
With Rhode Island out of contention, both men were fairly set on Notre Dame. In fact, on account of a military conflict, Macura could not even visit the campus before making his decision. All communications with Doherty were done via the phone and the Internet.

Thus far, the adjustment to college basketball has been fairly smooth for the two Croatians, who are adapting under the direction of their coach.

Doherty is extremely pleased with the progress made by Macura and Kartelo. "Jere's been great," Doherty explains. "He's had some big games at Indiana and against Pittsburgh." Kartelo's progress was slowed in the beginning of the year because of sprains in his knee and ankle. Although these injuries were a setback, Kartelo worked

People are friendly here.
Everybody wants to help you.
— Jere Macura

himself back into shape and is now developing well, according to Doherty. Since his recovery, Kartelo has made important contributions against perennial Big East foes Connecticut and St. John's. Doherty gives him high marks for his performance against the Red Storm; he received "one of



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the best defensive grades I've ever seen," remarks Doherty.

Macura and Kartelo are not intimidated by the competition of the Big East and national powerhouses like Arizona, Maryland and Ohio State.

Kartelo says, "As you grow up, competition is also supposed to grow up. Some games are harder, others are easier, but winning is the only thing."

Rejuvenating the Irish basketball program is a challenge that both players welcome. Kartelo is aware of the past success that Notre

Dame has had on the hard court. "We used to be good," he said. "Now we are becoming good again." They have certainly made some headway in reviving interest, even spurring the students to charge the court following the victory over St. John's. "It was mindless," Macura said.

However, they were still slightly disappointed with Notre Dame fans.

They're supposed to rush out onto the court when the buzzer sounds. We hope that's what happens next time.

— Ivan Kartelo

They felt that they should know to rush the court without being signaled. "They're supposed to rush out onto the court when the buzzer sounds," Kartelo adds. "We hope that's what happens next time."

Coming to the United States and deciding to play basketball for Notre Dame holds a dual challenge for Macura and Kartelo. Not only do they face the pressures of playing Division I NCAA basketball for a prominent school, but they also face the difficulties of attending classes at a distinguished university. Each must work twice as hard as the average student to understand the class material.

They must first understand the English, and then learn the material itself. Grasping philosophy in a foreign language is an intimidating task by itself without introducing four hours of practice every day and frequent road trips into the mix. Macura and Kartelo relate these difficulties as some of the tougher aspects in their transition.

Kartelo says, "You need to find time to study," listing it as one of his major concerns involved with the adaptation to college life. Macura also speaks of the dilemma of balancing basketball and learning. "Writing essays is probably the hardest thing to do," states Macura. But Macura and Kartelo welcome this challenge.

Macura explained that he was "looking forward to come and study here," acknowledging that Notre Dame is known as a "good school." He and Kartelo are both marketing majors. Neither knows what he wants to do after graduation, but each figures that there will be plenty of time to decide. Doherty believes that each will be fine in the meantime, making it a point to mention how well each did in his first semester classes. Doherty added that the structured schedule of class, practice and study is of great help to his players.

Other aspects of American society are also vastly different from Croatian life.

"Movies. The movies here are much different from the ones in Croatia," observes Macura. But aside from the variances in Croatian and American cinema, Kartelo adds that the attitudes of his peers are much different here. Paying particular attention to the drinking age, he points out he has noticed that the common mindset of most

other first-year students is that "rules are made to be broken. The difference is that when people go away from parents they go crazy. They don't do that at home because there isn't the law."

As strenuous as dealing with adjustment to American life has been, many things about Notre Dame

have made the transition much easier for both men.

"People are friendly here. Everybody wants to help you," Macura says.

Kartelo adds, "They like to talk to you."

This warm reception has enabled them to worry less about becoming accustomed to American life, and to concentrate more on basketball and academics. This is a sentiment that Doherty echoes. "The Notre Dame community is one that's open to many things," he says. "Just the way that the residence halls are set up creates a very friendly atmosphere. The people here are very welcoming, and they have a way of making you feel comfortable." Macura immediately felt this atmosphere, as his roommate greeted him with the message, "Welcome to America." Both Macura and Kartelo's roommates were very helpful with providing whatever the men needed during their first few weeks here.

Still, there are parts of home that they both miss. "Croatia is much more beautiful than here," said Kartelo.

As exciting as this year has already been with upset victories over ranked teams like Ohio State, Connecticut and St. John's, Macura and Kartelo hope to help the team achieve greater consistency so that the Irish can enjoy success in postseason tournaments as well as regular season games.

Macura and Kartelo face a substantial challenge in helping this year's ball club qualify for March basketball. They know that it will be a difficult task, but they think that the team is up to the challenge. "We're coming together pretty good right now," Macura notes. So as long as those three-point bombs keep on falling and Kartelo, Macura and the rest of the Irish keep playing with Doherty's hustle and determination, the results should be promising. With more players like these two, students can expect to be charging the Joyce Center floor on a regular basis. □

L. All-Star Lineup

Pulitzer Prize winner headlines slate of award-winning authors at Sophomore Literary Festival

BY MATT CREMER

Over the last few years the Sophomore Literary Festival has been host to some distinguished writers. This year's gathering looks like it will continue the trend. The festival lasts six days, five of which feature professional writers, leaving one day for student writers to read their work. The most noteworthy is author William J. Kennedy, who appears on Sunday, February 13th, the festival's second day. Kennedy, a Pulitzer Prize winner in 1984 for his novel *Ironweed*, has been praised by critics throughout his literary career.

He has also received some criticism. In 1959 an aspiring young journalist named Thompson wrote Kennedy inquiring about writing positions at a San Juan daily newspaper that Kennedy was in charge of. Kennedy replied with a sarcastic rejection letter. Thompson then responded by accusing Kennedy of possessing the "cretin-intellect responsible for the dry-rot of the American press." This Thompson fellow would turn out to be none other than the Gonzo journalism hero/madman Dr. Hunter S. Thompson. Despite Dr. Thompson's foaming-at-the-mouth style of writing, that letter sparked a friendship and correspondence that has lasted presumably to this day. In fact, the two worked together on the daily newspaper the *San Juan Star* in the early 1960s where Kennedy was managing editor for two years until he quit to pursue fiction writing full time.

Though most famously known for his "Albany Cycle," Kennedy has written non-fiction, children's books, plays and screenplays, and is still going strong. *Roscoe*, a

new installment in the Albany Cycle, is planned next. James Atlas of *Vogue* magazine once said, "What James Joyce did for Dublin and Saul Bellow did for Chicago, William has done for Albany, New York."

On Saturday, February 12, the featured writer is Bharati Mukherjee, an award-winning Asian-American writer. Her book *The Middleman and Other Stories* won the National Book Critics' Circle Award for best fiction. Many of her works strongly present multiculturalist themes.

Poet Li-Young Lee will appear on February 14. Lee is the author of two poetry collections, *Rose*, published in 1986, and *The City in Which I Love You* in 1990. The poems focus on love, personal experience and the family.

Andrew Hudgins will give readings of his work on Wednesday. Hudgins has won many awards for his contributions to the world of poetry. Author of *Saints and Strangers*, *After The Lost War: A Narrative*, *Never-Ending: New Poems* and *The Glass Hammer: A South Childhood*, Hudgins has also

written short stories and essays that have appeared in publications such as *The American Scholar* and *The Washington Post Magazine*.

The last guest writer, John Edgar Wideman, has been hailed as "our most powerful and accomplished of the urban black world" by the *Los Angeles Times*. He will be reading on Thursday. Wideman is the first author to be a two-time winner of the PEN/Faulkner award since its founding in 1980. Wideman's latest fiction work, *The Cattle Killing*, was published in 1997 after a hiatus of nearly six years.

Student readers share their work on Tuesday, February 15. Like the professional writers, the student ranks are filled with a wide variety of literary styles.

This year's group of student writers marks a significant departure from those of year's past: "Last year all of the student readers were gradu-

ate students mostly in the creative writing program," Lisa Edgington, chairperson for student writers, says, "but this year they are all undergrads, which is good, because it is an undergraduate idea."

All readings take place at 8 p.m. in Washington Hall, with the exception of the Sunday reading, which takes place in the Library Auditorium. □

Sophomore literary festival		
Schedule of events		
February 12 - 17		
Saturday, Feb.	12	Bharati Mukherjee
Sunday, Feb.	13	William J. Kennedy*
Monday, Feb.	14	Li-Young Lee
Tuesday, Feb.	15	Student writers
Wednesday, Feb.	16	Andrew Hudgins
Thursday, Feb.	17	John Edgar Wideman

* Pulitzer Prize winner for his novel *Ironweed*.

Eight Dates a Week

By Kara Zuaro & Jared Marx

With a little help from their friends, Scholastic editors discover they can't buy love, but they have to admit it's getting better

With Date Week and Valentine's Day on the way, we thought it would be a good time to do an Out of Bounds mission on dating at Notre Dame. Then we realized that there really wasn't anything to write about. Sure, some of us on staff could write about random hook-ups, and some of us could write about having serious relationships, but dating? We *Scholastic* staffers are pretty open about this stuff — if one of the guys gets some play over the weekend, he's sure to tell me in Ed Board. We high five and that's that. You don't ask if there's going to be a future in the relationship. But if another editor catches me eating dinner with the same guy on a few consecutive nights at the dining hall and the fellow then calls me at the office, whoever answers the phone will summon me by saying, "Zuaro, it's your betrothed." It's just assumed that something serious is brewing. Where's the middle ground?

This Out of Bounds mission is meant to answer that question. News Editor Jared Marx and I set out to go where no Domer (that we know of) has gone before. The staff got together to set up each of us on eight blind dates in one week. We hoped to find some hidden truth about that elusive middle ground, that space between making out with a stranger and engagement. Here's how it went:

A Lady's Nights Out

MONDAY - DATE #1

The first boy shows up in neatly creased khakis and hands me a bouquet. He's a real gentleman — doesn't let me open a single door on my own and insists on paying for the screening of *Casablanca* at the Snite, even though the magazine would have covered the costs. It's the perfect date movie — you can't help but enjoy the softly glowing, glazey-eyed close-ups of Ingrid Bergman and laugh at those moments of over-the-top melodrama.

We go to Reckers afterward for hot chocolate (he pays, again), and we talk about dating. He thinks that people should set their friends up on dates more often — like "SYR dates," instead of SYR dances. He walks me home, gives me a hug and tells me to have fun on the rest of my dates.

It was a nice night, but overall, it didn't feel all that date-ish. But I don't know, maybe I just don't know what a blind date is supposed to feel like.

TUESDAY - DATE #2

Studmuffin #2 comes to my door to pick me up for lunch and introduces me to a boy in mirrored sunglasses. "This is my body-

guard," says the date.

"Would you mind putting your hands against the wall?" asks the bodyguard. This guy seems to think girls like to get frisked *before* the date. Not quite. The bodyguard has an earphone in one ear and holds every door for my date (but not me) as we walk over to Greenfield's. I try to involve both boys in the conversation, but my date informs me that the bodyguard is just there to watch and follow about two feet behind us. The bodyguard only speaks to him.

All rightie. So we get to Greenfield's, the bodyguard takes my date's coat and we get in line to order our food. When we get to the cashier, Studley puts his arm around me and shouts to the lady behind the counter, "We're on a date because we like each other."

The woman looks at me and says, "Honey, I hope it's a first date."

Normally I would be very disturbed by this point, but I console myself by thinking how great this is going to be for the article. The bodyguard whispers in the ear of my date that he's got another appointment, and once he leaves, things really start to pick up.

We sit down and start talking, and, as it turns out, we have a lot of unusual things in common. We read the same books when we were little (like *Bunnicula*), we like a lot of the same movies (like

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Buffalo '66), and we even listen to some of the same obscure bands (Pavement, Guided by Voices, Built to Spill). I tell him that I love the Apples in Stereo and he says, "On the Elephant 6 label?" Gosh, I'm so impressed.

After lunch, we go back to his room to play video games until class. He gives me a hug right out in front of DeBartolo. Eek! Day-time PDA! But it's all right. He says that everyone needs four hugs a day and this campus could use some more friendly contact.

WEDNESDAY - DATE #3

Today is another lunch date — this time to Café Poche in Bond Hall. Today's date is an English major so we talked about Mark Twain for a little while. He seemed pretty interested in film, or at least, he seemed pretty interested in what I had to say about film. He told me that his dad's an orthodontist and I told him that I had braces for four years.

"You've got great teeth," he said. He really said that.

WEDNESDAY - DATE #4

This date cooks me a spaghetti dinner, complete with homemade sauce and classical music playing from a clock radio on the kitchen counter. It seems a lot more date-ish than the other dates.

After dinner, we head over to Senior Bar to meet up with some friends, including Zac, the setter-upper. The great thing about Senior Bar is that lots of people just walk around with pitchers, and you tend to run into a lot of people you know. So it's like you've got a bottomless cup. Fun. So Zac and my date start talking about *American Pie*, how all the characters remind them of real-life people. Dateboy is telling Zac that I remind him of the good girl who likes to sing and wear sweaters while Zac argues that I'm much more like the wild girl, who wears headphones to the prom. I take this moment to head to the ladies room.

On the way, I run into the Gipp, toddling along and toting a pitcher of Guinness. "My little Zuaro bird," he says, filling my cup. The Gipp is on some kind of Buddhist kick lately, hence the new nickname.

I tell him that I'm halfway through my week of dates, and that I just got a nice dinner out of the deal.

"Did you hook up yet?" asks the Gipp.

I shake my head, trying to explain that these dates haven't really been date-ish.

"Hey, if you can get through eight dates without kissing anybody," he says, "then you're really not giving anyone on this campus any incentive to have normal social lives. What is the sound of one hand clapping?"

I leave the Gipp with his Zen meditation and proceed to the girls'

bathroom. One young lady turns on the hand-dryer and then goes flying across the room, as if that tiny gust of hot air sent her sprawling. I'm definitely feeling the effects of the wine from dinner and the endless cup of beer, but at least I'm not *that* drunk.

No need to get into details, but I keep the Gipp's advice in mind as my date walks me home in the new-fallen snow.



THURSDAY - DATE #5

This one wasn't really a blind date because I've met the guy before, but that made it more relaxed than the other dates. We met at Reckers for coffee and just talked for a while about music and the military and what-have-you. He told me that he's going to fly planes when he graduates. Cool.

FRIDAY - DATE #6

Yet another lunch date. Date #6 shows up at my door with neatly combed hair and the traces of a Texas accent. I kind of wish he would have dressed in Lone Star apparel — like cowboy boots and a 10-gallon hat. That would have been cute, like being on a date with John Wayne. I try to talk slow because sometimes my New York accent can be hard to follow for those from below the Mason-Dixon line. Yeah, I'm ready to play up this whole city-girl-meets-country-boy shtick.

We get to Allegro and talk about sandwich options while we're in line. Roast beef, turkey, vegetarian ...

He tells me that he dated a vegetarian once. It didn't work out.

"Yeah," I say, "if she's opposed to making you a steak, you know she's not a keeper."

He half-laughs and looks at me like I'm crazy. The veggie sub is intriguing, but I opt for the turkey. He's more of a roast beef kind of guy. (Not surprising.)

He tells me that he grew up in a real big family on a large plot of land, so I ask him if he had any animals. He says that he raised some lambs and steers for 4-H and FFA.

"Oh, Future Farmers of America," I say, proving that I'm down with the rural lingo. "So, do you consider these animals to be livestock ... or pets?"

He looks like he's about to start cracking up, but instead he politely explains, "You can't really treat them like pets because you'd get too attached to them."

"Because you eat 'em, right?"

"Well, you don't eat them yourself," he says. "You auction them off."

I just nod. Whatever you've got to tell yourself, buddy. He's really nice and I really am interested in learning about livestock and Texas and stuff, but he seems to think that I'm being sarcastic. Oh well.

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SATURDAY - DATE #7

Tonight I decide to mix things up and pick up my date, instead of having him come over to get me. It's kind of scary to walk through a boys' dorm around eight on a Saturday night. They all leave their doors open so they can stare at you while you walk by. Now I'll always appreciate a boy who braves his way through a girls' dorm to get to me.

This date has a car (big bonus!) so we go off campus to see *Magnolia*, which is worth seeing for Tom Cruise's role alone. We didn't have much time to chat on this date, but when we ran into my assistant editor and two of her friends at the show, he offered them a ride back to campus with us — so I didn't need a lot of conversation to know that he was a nice guy.

SUNDAY - DATE #8

Wait until the end of the article for this one!

A GUY AROUND TOWN

MONDAY - DATE #1

Not being much of a dating expert and having been somewhat coerced into this spree of outings by my fellow staff members, I prepared nervously for the first date. The plan was to see *Casablanca* at the Snite and, if all went well, perhaps visit Reckers for a smoothie. Leaving the dorm, I stole some of my roommate's Polo cologne and headed for North Quad. The pickup went smoothly and we discovered that we were sharing a government class this semester. Arriving at the Snite, we found seats in the already-crowded auditorium, which brings up one definite weakness of on-campus dating: the extreme likelihood of seeing lots of people you know. For us, of course, it was easy to explain that it was a journalistic assignment. But for the masses of daters who are thoroughly ambiguous about their relationships, this can sometimes pose a problem. Well, the lights dimmed and the movie started. There is indeed a reason that *Casablanca* is a classic, and the hopeless romantic in me loved it. Of course, my date seemed to be even more hopeless than me, noting as we left the theater that the movie should have ended with Rick going with Ilsa rather than staying in *Casablanca*. Anyway, we made our way to Reckers and completed a nice evening with a chat over smoothies. All in all, a good start.

TUESDAY - DATE #2

This time, the plan was to have a nice lunch date at Greenfield's, one of the lesser-known and higher-quality dining establishments on campus. Walking to pick up my date from her dorm on North Quad (and still smelling of my roommate's cologne, despite numerous washings between the two dates), I felt a little more at ease than I had the previous night. Not only did I have slightly more experi-

ence now, but a daytime date is also by nature a bit less stressful. I picked her up and again we chatted on the way to the café. We arrived, ordered and sat down to talk. This time, my date was quite interested in our little dating experiment. We discussed problems with dating on campus and what our ideal first dates would be. We ate our food and talked some more, until it was time for her to go to class. Although daytime dates sometimes feel a bit less "date-ish," it was very pleasant and had some definite advantages over the previous evening. For one, there wasn't the awkwardness of seeing lots of people that one person knew and the other didn't. For another, by going somewhere out of the way like Greenfield's, there is almost an illusion of actually getting away from campus for a little while without actually doing so.

WEDNESDAY - DATES 3 & 4 (THE TWINS)

Well, you may have wondered just how we were planning to fit eight dates into seven days. Alas, there was but one beautiful answer: twins. And in this case, two tall, thin, blond twins. And not only were they tall and thin and blond, they were also chemical engineering majors who told me their first semester seemed easy. Not too shabby. The rule to be learned here, however, is to plan your dates carefully. The idea was to watch *Il Postino* in the Montgomery

Theater in LaFortune. Now, a modification to the rule is in order: never go on a date to the Montgomery Theater in LaFortune. Imagine a theater so small that most students don't even realize it exists in their already under-sized student union, and you'd be imagining the Montgomery Theater. The seats, though raised stadium-style, are so close to the seats in front of them that my very forgiving, tall, blond dates could barely fit their legs between the rows of seats.

Add to that the fact that the average room temperature during the film hovered around 97 degrees and that it turned out everyone else watching the movie was there for Italian class, and you end up with a bad date. Suffice it to say that I was very grateful that these two kind young ladies were generous enough to allow me to walk them straight home after the movie.

THURSDAY - DATE #5

Since Tuesday's date at Greenfield's had gone so well, I decided to try another lunch date, this time at Café Poche in the architecture building. My date, as it turned out, was a philosophy and government major just like myself, and once we got over the fear of entering a building where people learn skills that are actually applicable in life, we had a good time. Café Poche turned out to be nice because, like Greenfield's, it is also somewhat out of the way and, as long as you're not an archie, you're safe from seeing too many people you know. Our common interests made conversation pretty easy — she had in fact written for *Scholastic* for a week

*"And not only were they
tall and thin and blond,
they were also chemical
engineering majors...
Not too shabby."*

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or two before determining that her editor (apparently one of my predecessors) was "not very nice." Clearly things have changed. It turned out that she, too, was in the same class that I shared with my first date — a funny, though tially awkward, coincidence. All in all, though, the food was good, the atmosphere pleasant and the lunch date received good marks.

FRIDAY - DATE #6

Well, after nearly a week of dates on campus, it was time to try at least one date off campus for comparison purposes. Unfortunately, I don't have a car. My date, however, was a bit luckier. So owing to her kindness and generosity, we went to see *Magnolia*. Unfortunately, this may have not been the greatest of movie choices. First, Tom Cruise's explanations during the movie of "how to fake being nice and caring" and "why to keep a couple of girls as friends for use in jealousy traps" (not to mention a few less-printable suggestions) were not the best things to talk about on a date. Secondly, the movie was very, very long, and there were plenty of other bizarre things in the movie to talk about aside from Tom Cruise. Despite the length, though, this movie date went a bit better than Wednesday's.

FRIDAY - DATE #7

So by now it was Saturday, and arriving at the prime date day of the week, what better way to cap it off than with a men's swimming meet? Rest assured, it was not my choice, but indeed, it was probably the most interesting date of the bunch. My date, who claimed to have only ever attended one football game and certainly never any basketball games at Notre Dame, apparently attends both men's and women's swimming meets religiously. On our way to the meet, in fact, we passed one of her favorite women swimmers, whom she told me she suspected may "be the daughter of Poseidon himself." Alas, this was merely the beginning. We arrived 15 minutes early to the meet in order to be sure not to miss the National Anthem. ("I'm American," she said, "not Canadian or anything. And I like to hear the National Anthem.") Among other treats during the meet was an explanation of the prime gift she wishes to receive for graduation this year. Pulling out a "U.S. Cavalry" catalog, she pointed to a large steel sword. "I told my mom," she said, "I want the barbarian sword for graduation. It's just very practical. Imagine you're at the juice machine and there's a big line. Just pull out the barbarian sword, and suddenly, you're the only one left. It's very practical." It was hard to disagree.

FRIDAY - DATE #8 (BACK TO THE LADY)

By Sunday, Jared and I have had more than our fair share of dating so when I suggest that he and I go out and get coffee together, he jumps at the offer. It's not like Jared and I are going to become some kind of hot item in a grand finale to this article, but

I think it would be fair to say that going on dates with many other people has brought us closer together. And if going on lots of dates makes you more appreciative of your old buddies, then hey, that's not a bad thing at all.

But anyway, we take this quality time to try and answer the big question: Can you have a successful blind date here at Notre Dame?

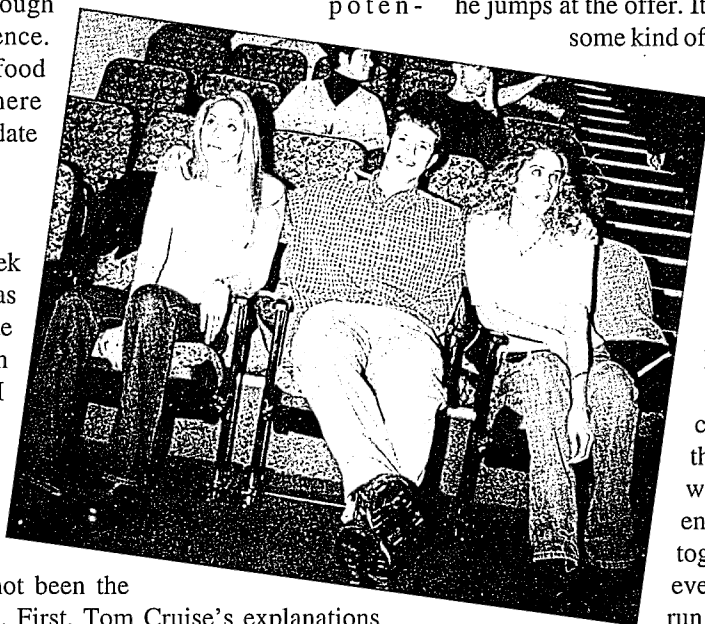
Well, Jared doesn't think that a real date can happen here on campus. Personally, I think that if you're really going to hit it off with somebody, it doesn't matter where you end up going — as long as you get to be together and talk to each other. Jared, however, thinks that when you're on campus, you run into too many familiar people and it just

isn't romantic.

Nevertheless, we both agree that you can definitely have an on-campus "transitional date." For example, say you have class with somebody whom you sort of like and say you have made a habit of eating together in the dining hall afterwards — even if that means eating with a group of kids. One day after class, on the way back from DeBartolo, you could ask that special someone if they've ever eaten at Greenfield's, and would they like to check it out — your treat. (They take Flex!) It's not really adventurous, but the cuisine is bound to beat the dining hall fare, and it's quiet enough that you can really talk to each other. This is the sort of thing, we think, that could lead to a "real date."

So go ask somebody out to lunch. You've got nothing to lose. If they don't want to go, fine! Let them choke on their toad in the hole!

Really, though, dating does not have to be such a serious thing. Going out on a first date should be like hearing a new song on the radio. At first, you're not sure if you like it, but it's catchy, you know? You start hearing it in your head, like something funny that your blind date said. The lyrics amuse you when you're bored in class. Maybe the song gets old fast when they play it too often on U93, or maybe they never play it enough — so you get the CD. You buy the band's first album. The concert tickets. The bootlegs, the box set, the import singles. And maybe you'll go back to that song when it rains for three days and your chemistry class is killing your soul. Maybe you blast it out your window when the sun finally comes out again. Think of a first date as a fresh new song. If you like it, you can take it with you. If you don't, you can always just turn down the radio. □



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Greatest Love Hits

Creative masterpieces inspired by Andy Griffith

BY LARICE N. WOODS

I spent New Year's Eve locked in my room at my granny's house. Fear of living life in post-apocalypse America addled me so much that I lost my will to carouse. The thought of having to learn how a crossbow works or being forced to fight for bubble gum in Thunderdome made me want to celebrate humanity's progress and goodness. So I watched SuperStation TBS's 24-hour *Andy Griffith Show Marathon*.

Needless to say, after 10 hours "in Mayberry," sitting in my underwear, eating through an economy-sized box of Cheerios — I became inspired. "The world would end in almost half a day's

time," I thought. Frantic and zealous, I wrote nothing but haikus. Then, I passed out because I had watched all 24 hours of Andy Griffith with only Cheerios to nourish my body. That event yielded the most brilliant collection of haikus ever conceived.

Back from break, I begged the editors of *Scholastic* to allow me to showcase my talent in the Literary Issue. They said things like "No, you missed the deadline," and, "Those are not haikus just because they follow the syllable guideline of 5-7-5." So I cried and threw a tantrum. They ignored me. When I camped outside of their office a couple of days in a row, they finally agreed. I had so many haikus, they would not fit on one page; *Scholastic* decided to print only my love hits.

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From A Stalker (Extended Club Mix)

Wherever you are,
I must be there to love you.
Fall into my arms.

Don't call the police.
Waive your restraining order,
separate us not.

"Why don't they love me,"
I ask the wind. The wind shouts,
"Because you're psycho."

From The Stalked (Extended Album Version)

Back the **** up, please.
I hope you can understand,
your presence scares me.

Don't make me get ill:
I'll commit violence on you.
du Lac's rules be damned.

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DISTRACTIONS

Dateless and unsatisfied with the current you? Feeling remorse from that yo-cream binge? Try Valentine Aerobics!

EDITOR'S CHOICE

- Exhibit: "Facing Death: Portraits from Cambodia's Killing Field," 2:00-4:00 PM, Snite
- Lecture: "Social Capital in Crisis: The Demise of African Collective Action," Goran Hydan, 4:15 PM, C-103 Hesburgh Center for International Studies
- Theater: *Grease*, 7:30 PM, Washington Hall
- Mickey Blue Eyes*, 10:30 PM, DeBartolo

THURSDAY

- Mid Winter Celebration, 11:30 AM, LaFortune
- Exhibit: "Facing Death: Portraits from Cambodia's Killing Field," 2:00-4:00 PM, Snite
- Hockey: ND vs. Nebraska Omaha, 7:00 PM, JACC
- Tennis: ND Women vs. Maryland, 5:00 PM, Eck Tennis Pavilion
- Theater: *Grease*, 7:30 PM, Washington Hall
- Mickey Blue Eyes*, 8:00 & 10:30 PM, DeBartolo
- Bringing Out The Dead*, 7:30 & 9:35 PM, Snite

FRIDAY

- Concert: Bakra Bata, 2:00 PM, Reckers
- Basketball: ND vs. Connecticut, 12:00 PM, JACC
- Hockey: ND vs. Nebraska-Omaha, 7:00 PM, JACC
- Basketball: ND Women vs. St. John's, 7:00 PM, JACC
- Sophomore Literary Festival: Bharati Mukhegee, 8:00 PM, Library Auditorium
- Bringing Out The Dead*, 7:30 & 9:45 PM, Snite
- Mickey Blue Eyes*, 8:00 & 10:30 PM, DeBartolo

SATURDAY

- Tennis: ND Women vs. Illinois, 11:00 AM, Eck Tennis Pavilion
- Valentine Aerobics, 2:00 PM, Rolfs
- "What's Love Got To Do With It?" 2:00 PM, Snite
- Sophomore Literary Festival: William Kennedy, 8:00 PM, Washington Hall

SUNDAY

- Exhibit: "Facing Death: Portraits from Cambodia's Killing Field," 2:00-4:00 PM, Snite
- Sophomore Literary Festival: Li-Young Lee, 8:00 PM, Library Auditorium
- Yeelen*, 7:00 PM, Snite

MONDAY

- Lecture: "Money Matters: Becoming Financially Literate," Liz Lamon, 12:00 PM, Grace Hall
- Sophomore Literary Festival: Student Readers, 8:00 PM, Washington Hall
- Exhibit: "Facing Death: Portraits from Cambodia's Killing Field," 2:00-4:00 PM, Snite

TUESDAY

- Sophomore Literary Festival: Andrew Hudgins, 8:00 PM, Washington Hall
- Lecture: "Money Matters: Becoming Financially Literate," Liz Lamon, 11:00 AM, Grace Hall
- Exhibit: "Facing Death: Portraits from Cambodia's Killing Field," 2:00-4:00 PM, Snite

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The World

is Not Enough	1:30	4:00	6:30	9:10
Double Jeopardy	2:00	4:15	6:50	9:05
Pokemon	4:20			
The Bachelor	1:45	6:45	9:00	

Cinemark Movie 6

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All Shows in Stereo

The Bachelor	2:10	4:40	7:10	9:20
Anna and the King	2:00	5:15	8:30	
The Bone Collector	1:40	4:20	7:05	9:30
Double Jeopardy	1:50	4:30	7:20	9:50
The World Is Not Enough	1:30	4:10	7:00	9:40
Supernova	2:20	4:50	7:25	9:45

Showplace 16

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All Shows in Stereo

Angela's Ashes	3:50	7:10	10:20	
Deuce Bigalo	5:30	8:20	10:35	
Down to You	4:20	6:50	9:20	
Eye of the Beholder	4:50	7:20	9:40	
Galaxy Quest	5:05	7:35	9:55	
Girl, Interrupted	5:00	7:40	10:40	
Next Friday	5:10	7:45	10:05	
Scream 3	3:40	4:15	4:45	5:15 6:30
	7:00	7:30	8:00	9:15 9:45
	10:15	10:45		
Stuart Little	4:30	6:40	9:00	
The End of the Affair	5:20	7:50	10:10	
The Green Mile	4:25	8:10		
The Hurricane	4:10	7:15	10:25	
The Story of Us	4:55	7:25	9:50	

Second Wind

by Micah Murphy

Well, my term and career at Notre Dame are coming to a close so I guess I have to figure out what I want to be when I grow up. I just realized that I'm going to have to graduate and do something with my life one of these days. When asked as a kid what I wanted to do when I grew up, I didn't think I would end up at Notre Dame and definitely did not plan on being elected student body president. I guess it just goes to show you that God has a plan for all of us and you find out on His schedule—even if you don't have it entered into the PalmPilot™.

I have been honored and blessed to serve the Notre Dame community this year. I can honestly say that the Murphy-Palumbo administration has worked long and hard to improve services for students and relations with alumni, faculty, administration and peer institutions nationwide. People like Lee Svete, Peggy Hnatusko, Ross Kerr, Matt Mamak, Coach Doherty, Father Poorman, Bill Hoyer, Luciana Reali, Dan Peate and, yes, even Bill Kirk have all been great examples of servant leadership and have been tremendous student advocates. Although I have thoroughly enjoyed my term and will forever remember and be thankful for the lessons I learned and the many

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people I met and worked with, the most indelible experience of these past four years actually came during my freshman year.

It was the first day of second semester and I remember sitting in naval history class when I leaned over to Leslie Davis and I said, "I think my lung collapsed." I felt this gripping pain in my chest and left shoulder, as if it had been put in a vice grip and was being tightened with every breath. Being the dumb freshman I was, after the pain subsided a little, I shuffled across campus to my next two classes before I finally decided to go to the emergency room. After two unsuccessful operations, a case of pneumonia, a month in the hospital and losing 40 pounds, I was transferred to a specialty hospital where they basically ripped my ribs open to try to fix the seemingly irreparable lung. By spring break I was sent home and walking around trying to accli-

mate myself to "normal" life. During my time in the hospital and at home second semester, I received countless cards, calls, emails, visits and even had a party thrown in my honor in Keough. I tell you this not to have you feel sorry for me, but to share with you an experience where I felt firsthand the love, caring and support of the Notre Dame family and to illustrate that people are here to help. People look at me strangely when I say that having my lung collapse was one of the best things to ever happen to me, but I honestly believe that the trials I went through made me a stronger, better, more empathetic person and helped me to prioritize what is truly important in my life.

Since getting back to campus my sophomore year, I saw my remaining time at Notre Dame through a different perspective. I began to focus more on relationships and learning outside the classroom, as these were the things I would cherish and remember 40 years from now, not the formula for calculating net present value or my GPA. I hope to remember the Keenan Revues, the Keough Chariot Races, Bookstore Basketball, late night talks with sectionmates, the "riot" of finals week '99, road trips with the boys, working backstage at the Dave Matthews concert, the Navy Balls, NDE, North-South snowball fights, women's soccer success and the first good basketball season in nearly a decade. Notre Dame is a place of fun, faith, tradition and academic rigor — but not necessarily in that order. It's balancing these four that is often the most difficult part.

I realize I probably won't go down in history as the best student body president and that I've made more than my fair share of mistakes. To tell you the truth, I never really got used to being introduced or referred to as "President Murphy" without feeling embarrassed or laughing for some reason. I hope that I've represented the student body well as I know the rest of the Student Union clubs and organizations tried their hardest to bring programs and policy initiatives to improve your quality of life on campus. There are still plenty of issues to be worked on; gender, multicultural, alumni and student-faculty relations are high on the list. I pray that the newly-elected officers will work hard for the students, remember to put God first, set high standards for themselves, have fun and retain a commitment to excellence. □



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John Edgar Wideman February 17

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