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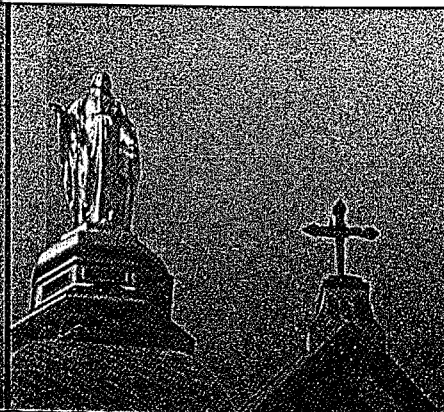
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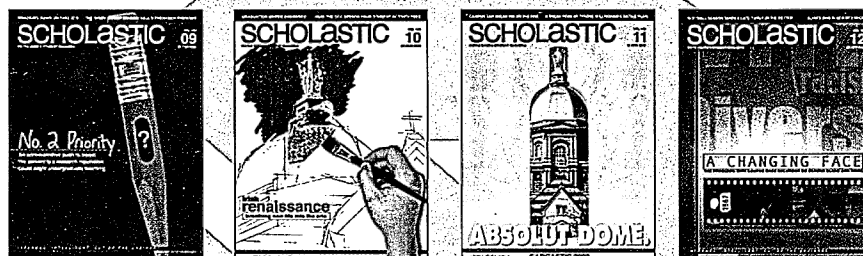
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Welcome Home

The last thing I wanted to do the first night I arrived on campus was to pick out some guy's tie from a heap and try to find its owner.

We were going to have so much fun, our Freshman Orientation leaders told us. But the infamous "Tie Exchange," one of the many mixed-gender activities planned for our Freshman Orientation, didn't seem so fun to me. I was tired, nervous and already starting to feel the pangs of homesickness.

But there I was, sorting through the colorful strips on the grass with the other freshmen from my dorm. I picked out a tacky blue one decorated with baseballs and wandered through the crowd, searching for "my guy."

I found him, all right. We eyed each other warily, and I handed him the tie. He made a couple of weak jokes, and then we had our requisite moment of awkward conversation: We stated our names, home states and intended majors, and then stared at each other blankly, fresh out of conversation topics. After a polite minute, I relieved the tension by mumbling an excuse and slipping back into the crowd.

For some, the tie exchanges and other mixers are a chance to meet lifelong friends and future spouses. Those people are lucky, but they're also few and far between. For many of us, it takes a lot longer to establish those bonds. I found a match for the tie that day, but I didn't find one for myself until I wandered into the *Scholastic* office in early September of that year. Others found theirs on the stage or the playing field, or over a cup of coffee or late-night pizza at Reckers.

It's up to you where you find yours.

Chances are, though, it won't be while you're nose-deep in books on the 10th floor of the library, or hidden away in a dark corner of the LaFortune computer cluster, feverishly typing a paper. Academics are certainly important, but they likely won't define your experience here. People will. Despite the campus' seeming homogeneity, this place is full of individuals. So join them. Find your niche, and you'll realize that's what Notre Dame is all about: the people with whom you will live and love for four years — your family.

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Learn Your Irish Vocabulary

A lexicon of key words you'll want to know when arriving on campus

CHRISTOPHER KELLY

Bengal Bouts: Annual student-run boxing tournament to benefit charity.

Bookstore Basketball: The largest 5-on-5 outdoor basketball tournament in the world, held every spring on courts around campus.

CoMo: The Coleman-Morse center, which offers study rooms and free soft drinks.

D6, D2/D2000: Student parking lots located near South Quad and North Quad, respectively.

DART: The system by which students register for classes. Now on the Internet, it gained the nickname from the days of telephone registration.

DeBart: Debartolo Hall. Located next to the stadium, it is the most frequently used classroom building on campus.

Dogbook: The photo directory of Notre Dame and St. Mary's freshmen; a traditional aid for finding blind dates to dances.

Grab 'n' Go: Take-out dining-hall meals in a paper sack. Just don't take more than five items.

Hook-up: Random physical encounter with a member of the opposite sex; a Notre Dame

freshman tradition. (See also: *Morning-After Awkward Dining Hall Sighting, The*).

Huddle, The: A convenience store in LaFortune Student Center.

IrishLink: Online system for accessing academic information, such as semester grades and available courses.

JACC ("Jack"): Joyce Athletic and Convocation Center; home of basketball and hockey games as well as other campus events.

LaFun: LaFortune Student Center; contains many useful services for students, such as a laundromat, computer cluster and barber-shop, as well as Burger King and Starbucks.

Main Building: Home of the Golden Dome. Located on God Quad, it's the university's administrative headquarters.

O'Shag: O'Shaughnessy Hall; central building for the Arts and Letters program.

Quarter Dogs: Hot dogs that sell for one quarter after midnight in the Huddle.

Parietals: Dorm visiting hours that permit members of the opposite sex to be present only during certain times of the day.

Reckers: A 24-hour restaurant located be-

hind South Dining Hall.

ResLife: Office of Residence Life; The most despised compound word on campus, it's where you go if you break parietals — or anything else.

Rock, The: Knute Rockne Memorial; an exercise facility on South Quad.

Rolfs: Modern exercise facility on the east side of campus.

SMC ("smick") chicks: The ladies of St. Mary's College.

Stepan (Center): A hideous dome-shaped building on the north end of campus (not to be confused with Stepan Chemistry Hall).

Stonehenge: War memorial fountain at the south end of North Quad; a popular location for many unofficial freshmen orientation activities.

SYR: Officially called a "theme dance," "Screw Your Roommate" got its name from the legendary ritual of setting up one's roommate with a date from the Dogbook; in danger of extinction due to new policy.

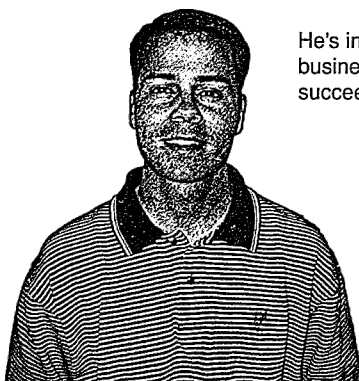
Touchdown Jesus: Famous mosaic on the south wall of the Hesburgh Library. □

Ten Questions

with Smarty Pants ...

TIM

DOLEZAL



He's in the business of succeeding...

Having the chance to learn at a top school like Notre Dame may seem more daunting than exciting — especially when you throw in the challenge of graduating at the top of the class. Not for this humble guy from Carroll Hall. Tim Dolezal, finance major and class of 2002's valedictorian, accomplished just that with a 3.97 GPA. When Scholastic caught up with this senior weeks before graduation, he reflected on the secret to his success.

How did you feel when you began your time here at ND?

Wow. I remember sitting in the JACC, listening to Father Malloy and thinking that I was definitely going to struggle to be even an average student. I knew there was some incredible talent here. But I was so thankful.

My goal was to experience everything ND had to offer.

Historically, there haven't been many business majors as valedictorian. How do you feel about your selection?

Whatever major you choose is challenging, every class is challenging. ... I don't think anyone who has their feet on the ground can look in the mirror and feel gifted. It's a very humbling and special way for me to represent Notre Dame for the rest of my life.

Do you have any study routines to help you get all your work done?

I wake up and make a schedule of how I'm going to spend the day. I definitely have the philosophy that sleep is optional.

LISTENING

Classes can be a drag, but some professors lighten things up. Here are a few choice comments professors made throughout the year.

"Class? Screw class."

— psychology professor

"That's politically incorrect to say anyone is 'stupid,' right? Well, I'm saying it!"

— political science professor

"Good afternoon, my inferiors."

— anthropology professor

"Perhaps Mario and Luigi had a past troubled with drug addiction."

— film professor, on the abundance of mushrooms in the Super Mario Bros. game

"Why are we doing this? To be candid, I don't really know."

— lab professor, regarding a four-hour lab

HEY YOU!

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LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD

63 Years Ago Surviving Boredom

If you find yourself unable to nap in chemistry or philosophy and don't know how to spend class time, the October 20, 1939 edition of *Scholastic* offers this advice, originally printed in the *Ohio State Lantern*:

For those classes in which the prof talks too loud for comfortable sleeping, the Social Problems Institute offers these suggestions: 1. Doodling — with a knife or other sharp instrument.

2. Thumb-twiddling — try a change of pace.

3. Social Gatherings — refined conversation, black-jack, or bridge in large classes only.

4. Intellectual Method — debate with speaker on a minor point, but beware of overdoing it.

5. Last Resort — Take a deep breath and hold it until you collapse. Your friends will carry you out, revive you, and send you on your way.

Take the doodling advice with a grain of salt; playing with knives in class could get you in serious trouble. Seriously.

— Sean Dudley

How do you procrastinate? C'mon ... I know we all do it!

I just like to sit around the dorm and hang out with my pals. At one point I was addicted to AOL Instant Messenger, but sophomore year I quit cold turkey.

What is your favorite "brain food" to snack on when you're studying?

Twinkies, Twizzlers Pull 'n' Peels and blue Powerade. No reason.

What's one of your best class experiences during your four years here?

I really loved all of my philosophy and theology classes because they were a nice change of pace from the finance curriculum.

What activities were you involved in outside of class?

I've played Bookstore Basketball all four years. We were voted the second-best team name: 'Just like Reckers, we get busy after parietals.' We got beat in the first round; I blame it all on my friends.

Do you have a theme song, or a mantra that helps you get psyched to succeed?

I have two ... one really typifies Notre Dame — "We Are Called." It represents service and the responsibility we have with all of our gifts to make a difference in the world. My other song would be "Livin' On a Prayer" just because it's my favorite song to dance to at the Linebacker [Lounge].

What will you do now that you are entering the real world?

I am going to stay here and work in the investment office and work on Notre Dame's endowment. That's probably a two or three-year commitment. Business school is on the horizon, but my dream is to come back and manage the endowment someday.

Any advice for the class of 2006?

Just go to the Grotto and thank God for everything He's given you, especially these four years under the Golden Dome. ... I hope you use these four years to try to become the person you want to be. Don't let your education get in the way of your learning.

— Tracy Evans

Judgment Calls

Opinions and observations

↔ FROSH O

If you get tired of constantly repeating your name, dorm and hometown, try making up a new alias each time.

↓ NEW ALCOHOL POLICY

The new hard-alcohol ban forbids even 21-year-olds to indulge. Those of you who dreamed of acquiring expansive liquor cabinets in your room now that you've left the nest must go elsewhere.

↓ HIGH-SCHOOL VALEDICTORIANS

You're a dime a dozen here.

↔ NEW ROOMMATES

Sometimes they turn out to be your best friend, other times, your worst enemy. Either way, play nice: They'll be taking your phone messages.

↑ MEIJER

From CDs to paper towels, extension cords to throw rugs, this place sells everything you've ever wanted — and more.

↓ PARIETALS

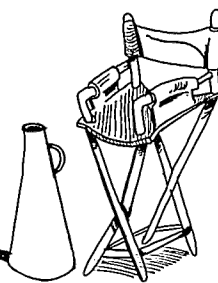
Sure, they make gender relations awkward. But you won't have to worry about finding excuses to leave a party early, and your roommate can't sexile you from your room for too long. Well, legally at least.

CHEER, CHEER FOR OLD NOTRE DAME!

Fight Song and Alma Mater

The songs you'll need to know for the first home football game.

Compiled by
Jessica Daues



Many incoming freshmen have the luxury of already having the Fight Song and Alma Mater ingrained in their minds since birth. Perhaps your mother was an alumna and sung you to sleep with the Fight Song. Or perhaps you grew up in the South Bend area and have attended numerous Masses at the Basilica or the Grotto.

But for most freshmen, the first time they hear such songs will be when their first pep rally or class Mass. Here, *Scholastic* gives you an advance warning of lyrics that, by the time you graduate in 2006, you'll know as well as your own name.

*We will ne'er forget her
And will cheer her ever
Loyal to Notre Dame.*

Chorus:

*Cheer, cheer for Old Notre Dame,
Wake up the echoes cheering her name,
Send a volley cheer on high,
Shake down the thunder from the sky.
What though the odds be great or small
Old Notre Dame will win over all,
While her loyal sons go marching
Onward to victory.*

Notre Dame, Our Mother (The Alma Mater)

The Notre Dame Alma Mater is performed at the end of every football game at Notre Dame Stadium, win or lose. It was written in 1930 by Joseph J. Casasanta, a 1923 Notre Dame graduate, in honor of the dedication of Notre Dame Stadium — the House that Knute Built. The song also is sung at the end of every Mass at the Basilica, proving that, at the university that is home to Touchdown Jesus and First-down Moses, it is virtually impossible to separate religion and football.

*Notre Dame, our Mother, Tender, strong
and true,
Proudly in the heavens, Gleams thy Gold
and Blue.
Glory's mantle cloaks thee, Golden is thy
fame,
And our hearts forever, Praise thee, Notre
Dame;
And our hearts forever, Love thee, Notre
Dame!* □

The Fight Song

Honored by college football as "the greatest of all college fight songs," the "Notre Dame Victory March" was written by two Notre Dame graduates — brothers Michael Shea, a priest, and John Shea, a monogram winner in baseball — in 1908. It was first performed on campus in the Main Building rotunda on Easter Sunday in 1909. Memorize the song now and you'll save yourself some flack from upperclassmen come the first home football game. (Hint: You *really* only need to know the chorus.)

*Rally sons of Notre Dame:
Sing her glory and sound her fame,
Raise her Gold and Blue
And cheer with voices true:
Rah, rah, for Notre Dame
We will fight in ev'ry game,
Strong of heart and true to her name*

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COMPILED BY JENNIFER OSTERHAGE

Source: Bob Mundy, director of admissions operations

Once you get here, you'll meet students from across the country and around the world. Don't be surprised if your roommate has a "New Yawk" accent, calls the bathroom a washroom or drinks soda instead of pop. Here are the top seven states represented by the Class of 2006:

1. Illinois
2. Ohio
3. Indiana
4. New York
5. California
6. Texas
7. Pennsylvania



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wipe out tropical diseases in Haiti.



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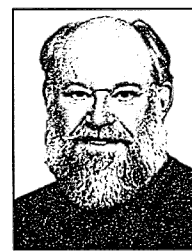
Fr. Victor Crasta, C.S.C.
Gunned down by assassins in 2000.
His dying words were "Father, forgive them
for they know not what they are doing."



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TO REMEMBER

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Monk Malloy: The Rev. Edward A. "Monk" Malloy currently is serving his third five-year term as president of Notre Dame. He is the university's 16th president, a position that he has held since 1986. He also has served as a full professor in the Department of Theology since 1974. Malloy is remarkably accessible for a university president, as he conducts a freshman seminar each semester, resides in Sorin College (an undergraduate residence hall), and even plays an occasional game of basketball with students. He received undergraduate and graduate degrees in English from Notre Dame, a second Master's in theology while studying for the priesthood, and a doctorate in Christian ethics from Vanderbilt University. He also has received countless awards, including 12 honorary degrees.

Malloy also has gained national recognition for his service to higher education, chairing such organizations as Campus Compact and the Points of Light Foundation and serving as a member of the National Advisory Council on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism. Malloy currently is co-chair of the subcommittee on college drinking of the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, (a component of the National Institutes of Health), and chair of the National Commission on Substance Abuse and Sports for the National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse.

Theodore Hesburgh: The Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh served as Notre Dame's 15th president from 1952 to 1987, the longest tenure of any active American university president. As president emeritus to the university (the position that he currently holds), Hesburgh played a pivotal role in developing several of Notre Dame's academic institutes, including the Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies and the Kellogg Institute for International Studies. He also is involved in the university's Center for Civil and Human Rights, its Environmental Research Center near Land O'Lakes, Wis., and its Ecumenical Institute in Jerusalem.

Perhaps Hesburgh's most distinguished contributions are those he has made to national and international public service. He has held 15 presidential appointments involving him in many of the major social issues including civil rights, peaceful uses of atomic energy, campus unrest, treatment of Vietnam offenders, Third World development and immigration reform. Among the recognition that he has received for his public service are the Congressional Gold Medal and the Medal of Freedom, two of the highest honors awarded to civilians by the U.S. government. Hesburgh also has been committed to higher education, as he chaired the International Federation of Catholic Universities from 1963-1970 among countless other endeavors. His commitment to education is reflected in his 148 honorary degrees — the most ever awarded to a single person.

Despite his many commitments, "Father Ted" still finds time to connect with students, often guest-lecturing in the classroom and presiding over Mass in residence halls. His presence on campus is difficult to miss even when he's traveling across the globe — the library, center for international studies and the public service program all bear his name.

Mike Brey: Now preparing for his third season as Notre Dame's head men's basketball coach, Brey has been instrumental in bringing the Irish to national prominence. Brey came to Notre Dame from a head coach's position at the University of Delaware in July of 2000 and has since led the team to two consecutive 20-win seasons, a Big East Conference West Division championship, two Big East Tournament births, and two second-round appearances in the NCAA tournament. This year, the team lost a hard-fought game in the second round to heavily favored Duke University this year. Despite losing seniors Ryan Humphrey, David Graves and Harold Swanagan to graduation, the future of the team looks bright with Chris Thomas, a rising sophomore who was named "Freshman of the Year" by *Basketball Times*.

THE PRESIDENTS

MALLOY



HESBURGH



Kevin White: Now entering his third year as the university's athletic director, White and his department received national attention this year for the now-infamous football-coach debacle, which included the firing of Bob Davie (the first head coach to be fired in Irish football history), the hiring and resignation of George O'Leary and the hiring of Tyrone Willingham.

Before arriving in South Bend, White served a four-year tenure as athletic director at Arizona State University, where he made significant changes to the program, including the hiring of five head coaches and the organization of the athletic budget. White also served on the executive committee of the Division I-A Athletic Directors' Association and chaired the Pacific-10 Conference's television and bowl committees.

White received a Bachelor's degree from Saint Joseph's College, a Master's from Central Michigan University, and a doctorate at Southern Illinois University.

Mark Poorman: The Rev. Mark Poorman now is beginning his fourth year as vice-president of student affairs, a position in which he oversees several programs including Campus Ministry, Student Activities, multicultural and international student affairs, Notre Dame Security/Police and the Office of Residence Life and Housing (ResLife). When he accepted the position in April of 1999, he said that his new responsibilities gave him a chance to "serve [the] students," a task which he admits is "at once daunting and exciting." Controversy swirled around the Student Affairs vice president this year when he abruptly announced changes to the alcohol policy, banning in-hall dances and consumption of hard alcohol on campus.

Prior to serving as vice-president, Poorman was an associate director of Campus Ministry, rector of Dillon Hall and a priest-in-residence in Grace Hall before that building was converted into offices. Poorman received his bachelor's degree from the University of Illinois and a Masters of Divinity from Notre Dame. He later earned a doctorate in Christian Ethics from the Graduate Theological Union in Berkeley, Cal.

Tyrone Willingham: Perhaps no one has stirred up as much hype on campus this year than the new head football coach, Tyrone Willingham. A veteran of 25 seasons of coaching experience at the professional and collegiate levels, he arrived at Notre Dame this winter following a seven-year tenure as head coach at Stanford University. Although his .549 win-percentage at Stanford is no better than that of former coach Bob Davie's at Notre Dame, many Irish faithful believe that Willingham's coaching ability combined with Notre Dame football's recruiting power — a luxury that Willingham did not enjoy at Stanford — could make for a national championship team. His tenure at Stanford included remarkable improvements for the program including a 1999 Pacific-10 championship and the school's first Rose Bowl appearance in 28 years. "Ty," as many students call him, was also named the Pac-10 coach of the year in 1995 and 1999. Many Irish football fans also look forward to Willingham's use of a "West-Coast" offense — an offensive scheme that relies on a successful passing game — a vastly different style from Davie's emphasis on rushing.

THE CAST

WHITE



BREY



POORMAN WILLINGHAM



JOHNSON



Chandra Johnson: Hired in 1998, Johnson is the first African-American woman to serve as an administrator in the Office of the President. She currently holds the titles of assistant to the president and assistant director of Cross-Cultural Ministry.

Johnson began her tenure at the university as an undergraduate — when she was 38. After nearly 20 years of working in Los Angeles as a youth ministry teacher, Johnson still felt her life was missing something. So in 1992, Johnson enrolled as a freshman at Notre Dame. Four years later, she graduated with honors with a BA in theology and winner of the Gertrude Austin Marti Award in Theology. During her time as an undergraduate, she also served as a student recruitment coordinator for the admissions department, and studied in Jerusalem and New Orleans. In recent years, she has added writer, retreat and workshop leader to her list of accomplishments.

Since her arrival on campus, Johnson has worked to advance the cause of minorities at the university. She often serves as a mentor for students of color, helping them to feel comfortable in an environment with which she says some are unfamiliar. The support she offers the students often takes a spiritual angle, due in part to her work with Campus Ministry in organizing retreats for incoming minority students. Johnson also initiated the Sankofa Scholars program, which recognizes students of African descent who earn a G.P.A. of 3.1 or higher with an awards ceremony each semester.

Her reach does not extend only to minority students, however. You're likely to see Johnson in many places on campus, speaking to Life Uncommon — a support group for students struggling with eating disorders — or leading talks on spirituality and gender issues in residence halls. □

THE BIG SCOOPS

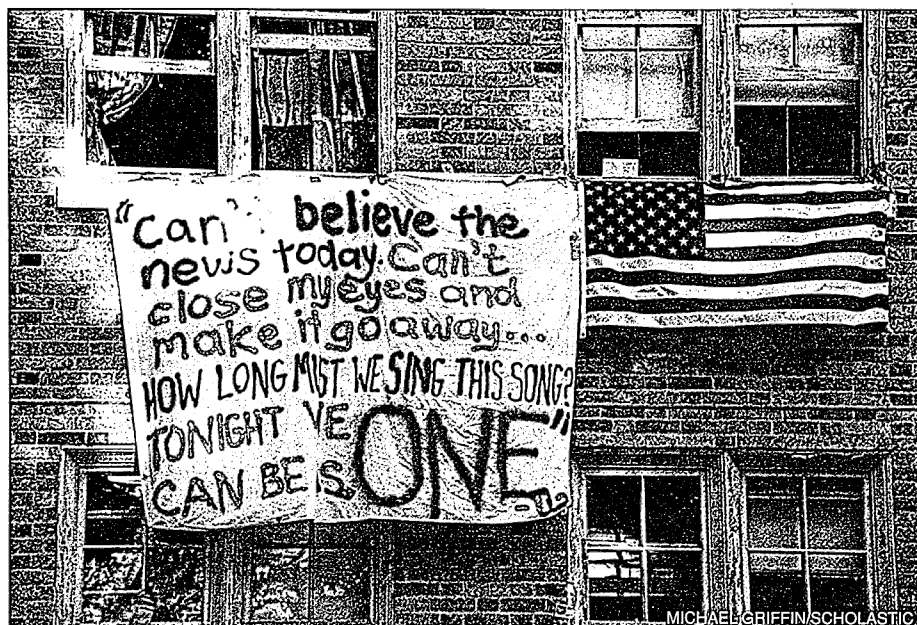
national tragedy mourned new alcohol policy rape allegations controversial play protested u2 concert

Campus Reacts to September 11

by Christopher Kelly

As the tragic news of terrorist attacks spread quickly through the Notre Dame campus on September 11, students struggled to cope with the unbelievable event. Reactions differed from person to person, as emotions ranged from confusion and anger to depression and sorrow.

Many students huddled together around televisions in their dorms, staring in disbelief at the video that the stations played again and again. Others were busily making phone calls, asking about relatives and



STUDENTS IN SHOCK Reeling from the tragic news, students sought to express their emotions in a number of ways, including banners hung outside dorm rooms. A memorial of September 11 will soon be constructed on South Quad surrounding the American flagpole.



SOLIDARITY IN PRAYER Thousands of students gathered for Mass on South Quad.

friends who worked or lived near the crash sites. Some rushed to the Grotto — an outdoor shrine modeled after the original Grotto at Lourdes, France, dedicated to the Virgin Mary — in an attempt to find strength during such a melancholic time.

Around 10:00 a.m., the university announced that all classes would be cancelled and that a school-wide prayer service would be held on the campus' South Quad.

That afternoon, the student body gathered together in prayer. The Rev. Edward Malloy, C.S.C., presided over the Mass. The congregation covered a little more than half of South Quad, and delivered a homily that encouraged students to trust in God during difficult times.

The large Mass allowed students to express their emotions in a supportive atmosphere, and tears and worries were treated with hugs and words of encouragement from students, administration and residence hall staff.

However, as the afternoon progressed, the mood became only more solemn. All too many students heard stories of tragic

deaths, either involving one of their loved ones or the relatives of a fellow student.

The following week only saw more sad faces, more confusion, and more prayer. To mourn the loss, the game against Purdue that was scheduled to be played that Saturday was postponed until early December. Campus flags were flown at half-mast for three weeks following the attack, and students decorated halls and rooms with flags and signs. Teachers attempted to return to business as usual, but the gloom still pervaded campus life.

Inspired by their common struggle, the Notre Dame community came together, demonstrating their unity in a nationally broadcast ceremony before the first home football game. The entire football stadium held up miniature American flag posters as the Michigan State and Notre Dame marching bands together performed a patriotic program. Unforgettable moments such as this one eased the pain for many, but every student who experienced this tragedy will forever be left to ask that simple question: "Why?"

ND Administration Cracks Down on Hard Liquor

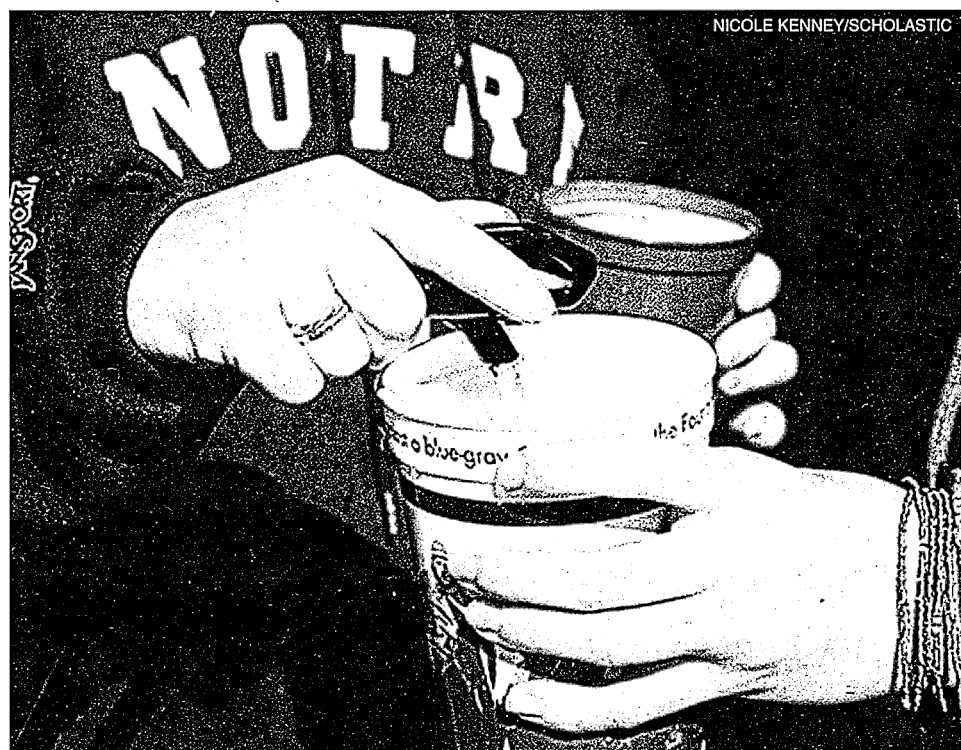
by Annie Robinson

Alcohol has long been a part of campus culture. So, in late spring semester, when the Rev. Mark Poorman suddenly announced changes to campus alcohol policy, many students were shocked and indignant.

Students received the e-mail from the vice president for the Office of Student Affairs on March 18 outlining the policy changes. Announced formally to the Campus Life Council on March 25, Poorman's new policy contains three tenants. Effective August 2002, the university will ban consumption and possession of hard liquor in residences halls. In-hall dances, a long-standing tradition of Notre Dame student life, will be banned as well. Also included in the policy change is a revision of the controversial tailgating policy. This year, administrators cracked down on alcohol consumption at tailgating parties before and after home football games. While underage drinkers were cited, police also slapped a 30-year-old graduate student with a violation, spurring a reevaluation of the evolving regulations. The new policy permits students of legal age to host tailgates in designated areas before home football games.

Many 21-year-old students were outraged that they will be included in the alcohol ban, and many students of all ages were upset about losing the tradition of in-hall dances, which often are a residence hall's primary spirit-building event. Student government distributed posters reading "Save the SYR" and "We Need a Voice," and started a petition drive to recall the policy. About 50 students protested in a late-night demonstration in front of the Main Building. A few in the crowd threw bottles of liquor at the steps of the building, but scattered when campus security arrived.

Poorman explained the university's decision to adopt the new policy with what he called substantial evidence of abusive drinking on campus from various alcohol abuse studies and focus-group surveys.



THE TAP RUNS DRY Kegs were banned from campus over a decade back, and recent policy changes by the administration also has outlawed hard alcohol. Some students fear the university is moving toward the eventual establishment of a dry campus.

Students Accused of Sexual Misconduct

by Annie Robinson

Allegations of rape and sexual assault marked the beginning and end of the past school year. An alleged sexual assault was reported in Keough Hall in early September, and the situation continued to attract further attention afterward. Rumors swirled that a date rape drug was used. The story was complicated further when the room numbers of those implicated in the crime were released in an article in *The Observer*, the campus student newspaper. Results of the investigation, however, are unknown.

In an unrelated incident, a Notre Dame junior was suspended for two years after being accused of what the university deemed "sexual misconduct." The incident, which also happened in September, involved the male junior and a female student and also was hotly debated, as both related different versions of the night's events. The former junior can reapply to Notre Dame after his two-year suspension.

The end of the year brought yet another scandal: Four Irish football players were accused of gang-raping a 20-year-old female Notre Dame student on March 28. When *Scholastic* went to press, the St. Joseph County Sheriff's department had not decided whether sufficient evidence existed to file criminal charges. The three undergraduates and one fifth-year student were expelled in early May, however, for violating the university's "sexual misconduct" code. As of mid-May, the players were all considering appealing their expulsions, and some were reported to be contemplating lawsuits against the university.



Debates, Protests Surround Performance of Controversial Play

by Annie Robinson

Controversy ensued on campus as a group of Notre Dame students and professors prepared to perform *The Vagina Monologues*, a year after St. Mary's College banned performances of the show. (The college lifted the ban this year.) As the performance dates quickly approached early in the second semester, it seemed everyone had a vehement opinion on the issue. The play centers around blunt discussion of sexual or-

gans, as various female actors deliver soliloquies based on the writer Eve Ensler's work. The individual performances range from jokes about women's sexual experiences to shocking tales of rape and abuse.

Brought to campus by the Gender Studies and Film, Television and Theatre departments, both Notre Dame and St. Mary's students participated in the play.



STAGING CONTROVERSY *The Vagina Monologues* drew large crowds despite vehement protests of the production.

Students engaged in heated debates over whether the show should be presented. Some defended the show, which was held to celebrate Notre Dame's own version of V-day, a national moment held on Valentine's day to call for an end to violence against women. All proceeds from the ticket sales were donated to three women's aid funds.

Other students further supported

presenting the play based on the rights of free speech, while others protested its place at a Catholic institution. Religious groups on campus, such as the Knights of Columbus, protested the play's performance and its partial campus support, staging rosary sessions outside the theater during performances. The Knights said the subject matter was not only immoral and unfitting for a Catholic

university, but also demeaning to women.

In hopes of calming widespread fears and anxieties over the play, V-Day director and Notre Dame senior Kerry Walsh held a discussion panel open to all who wished to voice their thoughts on the performance.

Despite the clamor, *The Vagina Monologues* was presented in Washington Hall in late February.

U2 Kicks Off Third Leg of Elevation Tour at Notre Dame

by Christopher Kelly

The rumors started at the beginning of the school year. Could one of the world's biggest bands really make a stop in South Bend? Some were hopeful, many were skeptical.

On September 11, the news became official. The legendary Irish band would come to Notre Dame on October 10 to kick off the third leg of their latest tour.

But one of the more newsworthy aspects of the concert had nothing to do with the music or the bands. A disorganized ticket distribution system led to widespread confusion and extremely long waiting lines. The elaborate process forced many students to camp out in front of the JACC,

desperately hoping to get a ticket for what was arguably the biggest concert ever to take place in South Bend. Demand was especially high because a special student price of 45 dollars was offered for certain seats in the arena.

The concert was opened by Garbage, an alternative/punk band fronted by Shirley Manson, which warmed up the crowd for the headliner.

The JACC exploded when Bono, U2's lead singer, walked onto the heart-shaped stage singing "Beautiful Day," the winner of the 2001 Grammy Award for "Song of the Year."

U2 played many of the hits that made

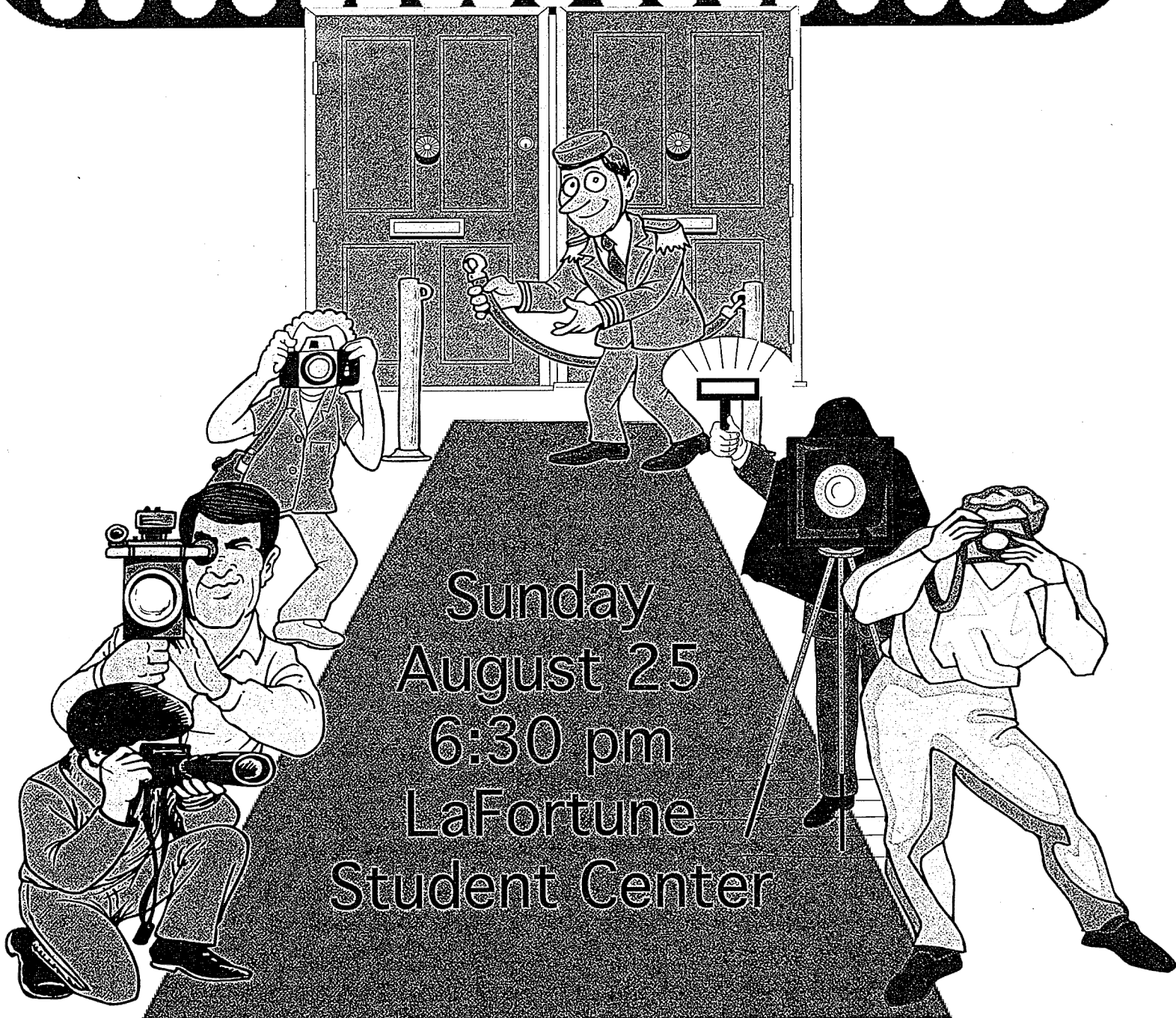
them world-renowned rock stars. Most bands use concerts as a method to promote their new material, but on that October night, Notre Dame students were given memorable performances of rock classics such as "With or Without You," "One" and "Where the Streets Have No Name."

U2 added a special touch to the end of the concert to pay tribute to the heroes of Sept. 11. Firefighters from New York City were brought on the stage to jog around the gigantic heart and sing along with Bono. The crowd erupted in cheers, and this emotional moment was followed by an extended applause for the firefighters. □

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Meet the Pres

Newly elected administration seeks to make a difference in student life

MIKEBORGIA

More student, less government" — that's the slogan that Libby Bishop and Trip Foley hope will characterize their tenure as student-body president and vice-president. During the upcoming year, the two hope to bridge the gap that they see between the students and their government by developing new channels of communication.

"We want to be an accurate voice of the students and communicate with them, both as officers and as fellow students," Bishop says. But with thousands of undergrads to represent and growing student unrest resulting from the controversial changes made to the school's alcohol policy this year, the two highest-ranking officers in student government are sure to have their work cut out for them.

Bishop is a rising senior from Welsh Family Hall who originally hails from Ithaca, N.Y. She is a psychology and economics double major and is the university's second female student body president. She is no stranger to student government, as she has served as the Junior Class Social Committee co-chair, the sophomore class vice-president, the Sophomore "Junior Parents' Week-end" Committee co-chair, and the Freshman Class Fundraising Committee chair.

Foley is a rising senior from Sorin College who comes to Notre Dame from Atlanta, Ga. He studies economics and Spanish and has served as the student body secretary, the Sorin College dance commissioner and the freshman class treasurer.

With the announcement of the university's new alcohol policy, Bishop and Foley's administration had a rocky start, but vowed to act as "a voice for the students" from the beginning. In response to the announcement, Bishop and Foley started a petition drive in the residence halls to protest the university's ban of in-hall dances, asking the administration to address alcohol abuse among students through education instead of restrictions, as well as a guarantee that student input would be used to direct future campus life policies. The pair collected nearly 4,000 student signatures, but their efforts did not effect a change in policy.

Looking ahead to the new school year, Bishop and Foley promise to work closely

with the administration in examining the university's enforcement of the tailgate policy implemented last year, which forbid students from tailgating in certain lots and prevented underage tailgaters from drinking.

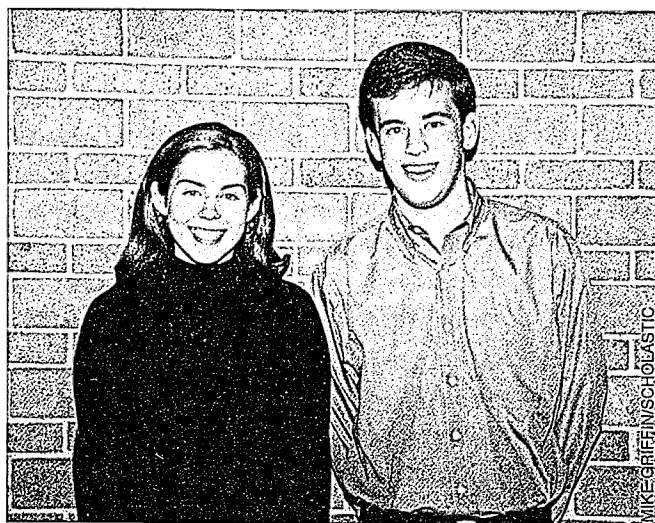
In order to improve communications between the students and student government, Bishop and Foley plan to develop a new student government Web site, complete with polls and a field through which students can submit suggestions. The two also plan to visit dorm Masses to take students' suggestions and to publish a weekly advertisement in the school's daily newspaper to make students aware of student government programs that already exist. Their administration also will look to incorporate student input on decisions made regarding food services in the LaFortune Student Center.

Bishop and Foley also plan to concentrate on the issues of gender and diversity on campus. In honor of the 30th anniversary of coeducation at Notre Dame this fall, they plan to coordinate a week-long celebration, which would include inviting prominent female alumni to speak on campus and a possible reenactment of some of the events that happened in 1972. The two also plan to create a "Celebrating Diversity Lecture Series" which would feature prominent minority alumni and administrators such as Condoleezza Rice, Alan Page and Dean Woo of the College of Business. Bishop and Foley also plan to address the sensitive issues of rape and sexual assault on campus by demanding that the administration clarify their policy regarding sexual conduct.

The two also hope to improve campus life by creating an endowed "Distinguished Lecture Series." "We want to bring in speakers of different areas of thought to the university," Foley says. "These areas of thought would include the arts, humanities, social sciences, business and pop culture." In accordance with their goal to give students

more power in the student administration, they hope to put the speakers' selection committee in student hands.

Other proposed changes include the improvement of pep rallies by bringing in prominent speakers and finding a new emcee, establishing an efficient ticket distribution system for campus-wide events such as the U2 concert last fall, the expansion of the Notre Dame/Saint Mary's shuttle route to include popular destinations around South Bend, and the creation of additional meal plans to give students increased flexibility.



MS PRESIDENT Libby Bishop (*left*), student-body president, is the second female to be elected president at Notre Dame. Bishop and Vice-President Trip Foley (*right*) plan to make their top priority conveying the voice of the students to the administration.

The two also have some pearls of wisdom to share with incoming freshman.

"Get involved, find something you love," Bishop says. "There are so many things the campus offers, so pursue any passion you have."

Foley agrees. "What's so special about Notre Dame is the friends you make and the experiences you have," he adds. "Activities are important, but make sure that you establish solid friendships, because the time you spend with your close friends is priceless."

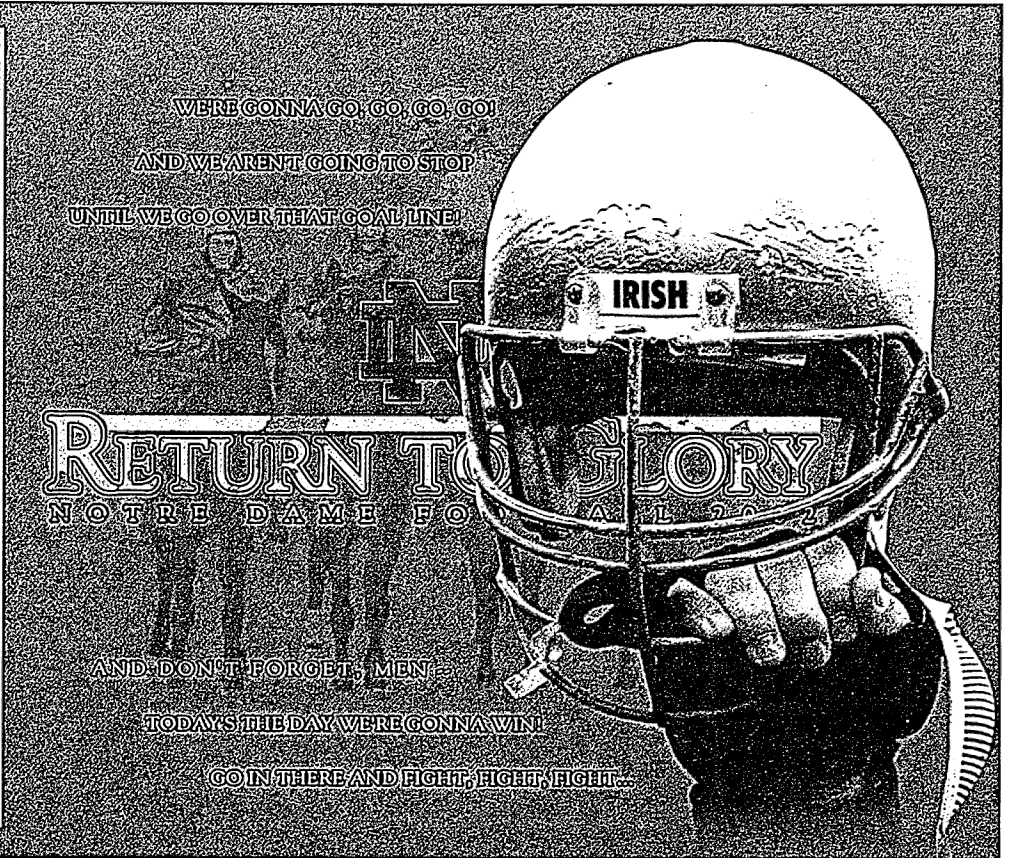
Both are enthusiastic about working with a brand-new class. "We're really excited to meet the incoming freshmen class and we look forward to working with them," says Bishop. "Please feel free to stop in and see us anytime — 203 LaFortune. Our doors are always open." □

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pack it up *Move it out*

by Carolyn LaFave

Suitcases can only fit so much. We'll tell you what's worth the space.

All right, ladies and gentlemen, it's time to start packing. Whether you have spent your whole summer making lists of how to fill your suitcases, or if you plan to shove all your stuff into trash bags two hours before leaving the house, here is your complete guide to what to bring to campus come August.

Spice Up Your Space

Dorm rooms tend to be pretty plain when you first arrive. Posters and pictures will add color to the bare, white walls. Dry-erase boards also are great to hang up outside your room so your new friends can leave messages when

you're not around.

Although dorms are usually equipped with florescent lights, both for the sink and the main light, a floor lamp, particularly one with a couple of adjustable lights on it, will add softer lighting. Christmas lights add a festive touch, though candles aren't allowed. You may also want a desk lamp, and perhaps one to clip onto your bed for any late-night reading.

For sleeping, the beds do not come with linens of any sort. You should pick out some sheets, blankets and a bedspread, as well as a pillow. After a good night's sleep in your nice warm bed, though, your feet will not appreciate

the cold, hard floors, so bring carpet or rugs of some sort. Some residence halls mail packets detailing the dimensions of your room. If yours does not, you might want to wait to purchase carpets or rugs until you get here.

Many dorms have modular furniture, which allow you to bunk your bed on top of your desk and wardrobe. If your hall doesn't have this setup,

but you still want to loft your bed, you can pick up a loft kit at Lowes' hardware store. For an extra fee, store employees will set it up for you. You might also want to check out a couch or futon, but beanbag chairs are a cheap alternative if you don't have the money or the space in your room for a couch.

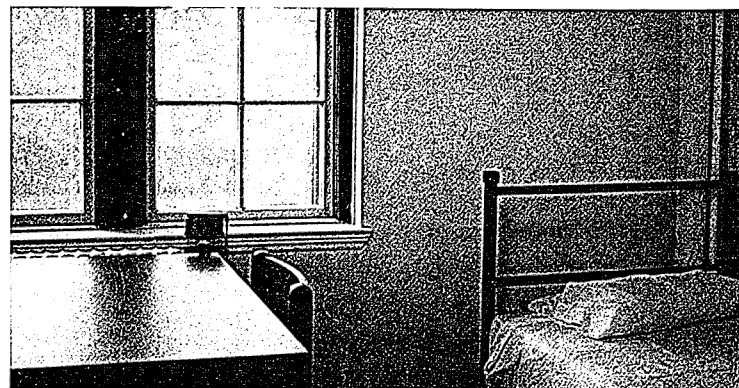
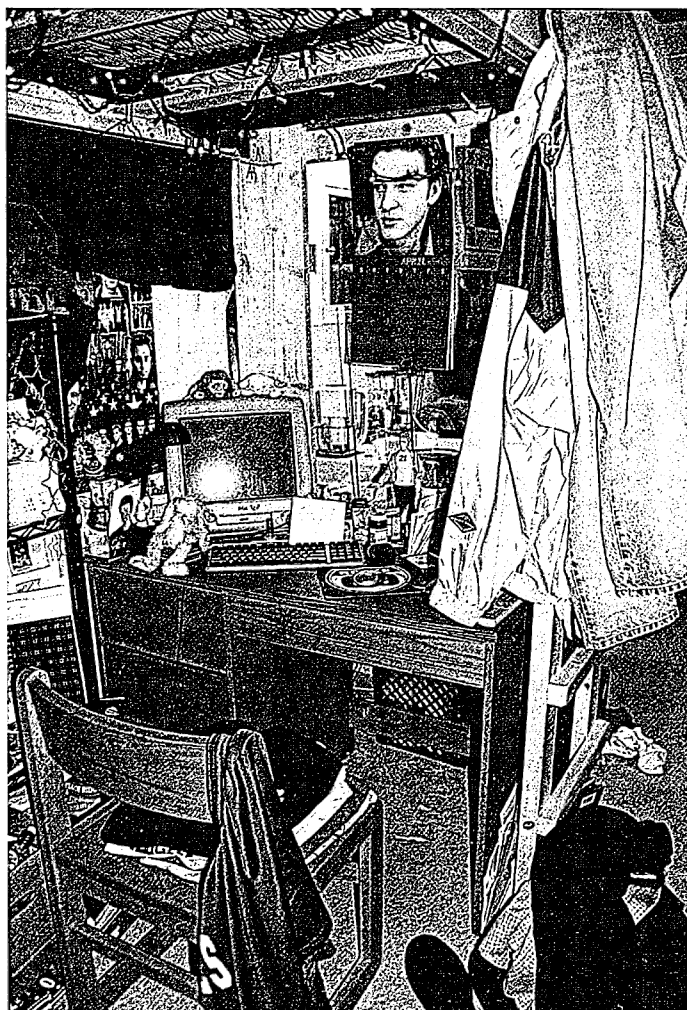
And though the dining halls initially can be appealing, it is inevitable that you will get tired of the food they offer. Bring some plates, cups and silverware to eat with. Hot pots are also a good idea for making coffee or hot chocolate on cold days — and real chefs can cook up Ramen noodles or mac 'n' cheese.

Laundry Supplies

There are a couple of laundry options on campus. One is to do your own — many dorms have coin-operated washers and dryers in their basements. But some dorms, such as Sorin College and Dillon Hall, do not. In this case, or if you are too lazy to do your own laundry, you might want to take advantage of St. Michael's Laundry Service. The on-campus company will pick up your dirty clothes at your dorm, wash them and drop them off — for a fee, of course.

If you choose to do your own, it's a good idea to get some \$10 quarter rolls at the bank before you come. You will probably also want to bring a laundry basket or bag to more easily

JUST LIKE HOME Even if your room looks bare at first, don't worry — a nice carpet, posters and extra lights can make even the starkest dorm room look cozy, including this room in Farley Hall.



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transport your clothes to the laundry room, and a drying rack for those clothes you'd rather not shrink.

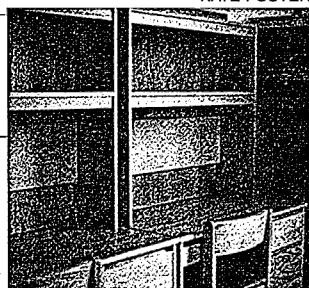
Electronics

Likely the most important decision you'll make about bringing electronics is whether to bring a computer, and if so, what kind. There are several computer clusters around campus. Some are open 24-hours, but some students find it more convenient to type papers and e-mails from the comfort of their own room. If this sounds like you, you might want to bring a computer. Laptops are smaller and easily transportable, but if you don't mind the loss of desk space, desktop computers work just as well. Clusters also have printers available for student use, but beware — there is a limited balance placed on your printing account each semester, which most students use up before finals arrive. You can always add more money, but having a printer of your own also can help out.

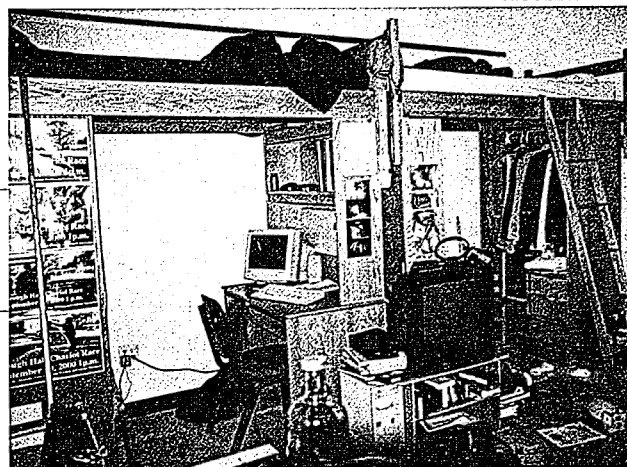
A miniature refrigerator is a nice addition to your room, but, like the other electrical appliances, you should coordinate with your roommates on the purchase. For entertainment purposes, having a television in your room is nice — most students like to have one to take a break from work every once in awhile. Depending on how serious you and your roommate are about movies, you might want to bring a VCR and/or DVD player.

For those hot, humid nights, you might want to bring a fan or two. Though some students live in air-conditioned dorms (in the newer dorms on Mod Quad and West Quad), most do not.

Lastly, while each room has a phone equipped with three-way calling, call waiting and voice-mail, you also might want to bring a portable phone for late-night conversations when your roommate is trying to get some sleep. You can plug it right into the data port on the standard phone.



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A KANGAROO'S PAD In dorms with high ceilings, such as Keough Hall (above), the university installs modular furniture, which is designed to be easily lofted over a desk and wardrobe. In other dorms, students have the option of bunking the beds or lofting the beds themselves.

Easily Forgotten Clothing

If your mom doesn't remind you, *Scholarship* will: Don't forget a raincoat, umbrella or poncho — you'll need one for rainy days and stormy football Saturdays — or a swimsuit — the swim test you'll have to take when you get here will be rather awkward if you have to take it in your birthday suit.

Each dorm will also have a couple of dances, both formal and semiformal, so you might want to pack a fun dress or two — it doesn't have to be fancy — or a jacket and tie or suit for such occasions.

Any Room Left for Extras?

If your suitcases are stuffed, you can always stop by Meijer and Wal-Mart to pick up household supplies, such as disinfectant, paper towels and aspirin. However, if you

have a special brand of shampoo or lots of room in your car, it might be easier to buy them at home and avoid crowded stores.

So there you have it: your personal packing list. The important thing is to remember that there is limited space in each dorm room, not to mention that you must share that space with at least one other person. So, if you do end up wishing you had packed that 1970s spook suit or your PEZ collection, your parents are only a phone call and a care package away. Plus, though South Bend is not exactly an urban metropolis, you will have access to a local Meijer, Wal-Mart and department stores in case you forgot a crucial item. And, if worse comes to worse, you can usually borrow that tennis racket or hammer and nails you need from somebody down the hall. □

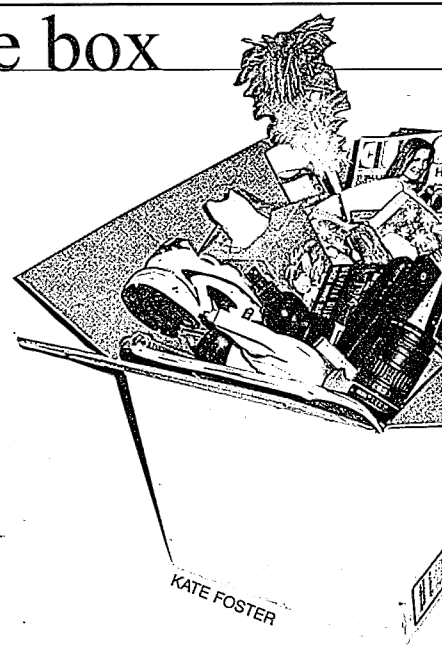
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BY SEAN DUDLEY & CAROLYN LAFAVE

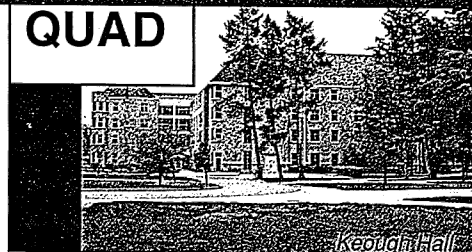
Everyone knows Notre Dame has a long history of tradition, but few besides alumni and students are familiar with the traditions of its residence halls. Read on for a brief introduction to some of these time-honored events — from the charitable to the bizarre.



A THREE-HOUR TOUR Girls from Pangborn Hall disembark from their boat at Fisher Hall's annual Regatta, a race in which groups from dorms build boats to race across St. Mary's Lake.

west QUAD

The four newest dorms are air-conditioned and close to the Hammes bookstore.



Welsh Family Hall: Welsh Fam is home to the Whirlwinds and the women's interhall sports champs last year, dominating in lacrosse, soccer and football, to name a few. The dorm organizes one of the more unique events on campus: The Welsh Family Feud, a game-show style competition that pits dorms against each other, takes place each spring.

Around the same time, the Whirlwinds also host a Dance-a-Thon to raise money for diabetes patients.

Keough Hall: The Kangaroos put on the annual Keough Chariot Race, for which each dorm builds its own chariot to win fame, Ben Hur-style.

For their White Wedding Dance — with themes such as "Pirates" and "Mafia" — the men of Keough nominate one 'Roo from each section to compete for the title of Captain Keough.

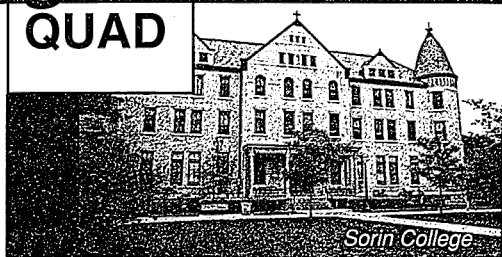
McGlinn Hall: With a mascot close to the Leprechaun's heart, the Shamrocks of McGlinn are best known for their Casino Night. The women's dorm is transformed by

its residents into a multi-floor casino, with gambling and games in each section. Each Shamrock invites up to five dates, who can buy raffle tickets and place bets with fake money. All proceeds from the event (real money, this time) benefit the Catholic Workers House.

O'Neill Hall: O'Neill is home to the Angry Mob. Don't ask why — they'll get angry. Each year, the men of O'Neill invite multiple dates to Mardi Gras, their biggest event. In the fall, they plan to put on a "Tradition Breakfast" with free food before the home football game against Boston College, at which they plan to show old sports footage, evoking fond memories from the alums.

god QUAD

Bordered by the Main Building, Basilica and LaFortune, this quad has some of ND's oldest dorms.



Sorin College: University President Monk Malloy lives in this men's dorm, the oldest residence hall on campus. It became a "college" in the 1960s, when the Otters seceded from the university to protest Notre Dame's stance on the Vietnam War. Sorin hosts an off-color talent show on one of the first home football weekends each year.

Walsh Hall: Not to be confused with Welsh Fam, Walsh Hall was named for Notre Dame's sixth president, who is credited as the instigator of the university's first intercollegiate football team. The Wild Women host the Walsh

in a Mr. ND Pageant and formal dance. Decades ago, Walsh had a bowling alley in the basement.

Lewis Hall: Lewis Hall is the largest women's dorm on campus, and its residents, the Chicks, participate in the 5K Chicken Run to kick off their spirit week, Camp Lewis. Each resident anonymously invites a date to the Chicks' signature dance, the Lewis Crush, which polishes off the week of dorm activities. The lucky gentlemen have their names published in the campus newspaper and show up at the dance hoping to be claimed by a hot Chick.

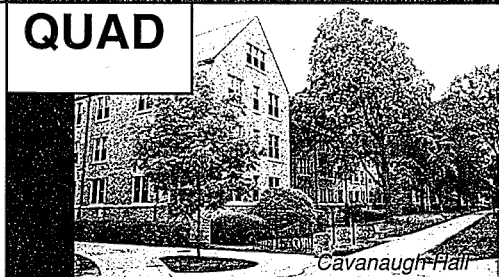
Hall Fall Frolic, a dance for which the Wild Women dress up as Britney-esque Catholic schoolgirls. Later in the year, Walsh Wild Week involves a series of competitive and not-so competitive events, culminating

St. Edward's Hall: St. Ed's is the oldest building now used as a dorm, although it didn't become a residence hall until 1929. The "Steds" hold an annual event called Founders Day, which last year included a 5K run that raised money for New York firefighters and their families. The dorm also is home to the St. Ed's Players, who put on a play each year at Washington Hall.

Carroll Hall: Overlooking St. Mary's Lake from the west edge of campus, Carroll Hall sports quite possibly the best view of all the residence halls. Located far from the rest of campus, the Vermin enjoy a close-knit environment, as Carroll has the fewest residents of any dorm. "A Carroll Christmas," featuring a tree-lighting ceremony and performances by university choirs, is the hall's signature event. The Vermin also have won the Fisher Regatta three years running.

north QUAD

Home to several outdoor events, the quad stretches from Stonehenge to Haggar Hall.



Cavanaugh: The women of Cavanaugh have an annual Father-Daughter Weekend in the spring, during which dads become dates for a dance at the College Football Hall of Fame. Co-hosts of the Winter Carnival, the "Chaos" work with Zahm to bring a petting zoo and other kid stuff to campus. Each winter, they also put on a spirit week leading up to their Snow Ball, an annual formal dance held in LaFortune.

Zahm: Possibly the most infamous dorm on campus, Zahm transforms incoming freshmen into loyal, mischievous Zahmbies. Before the first pep rally each year, the men of Zahm perform the Torquemada (a ceremony mysteriously

kept under wraps). Their Decade Dance each February is always good for a laugh, as Zahmbies and their dates dress up in throwback outfits. Zahm also is home to the weekly Spanish Mass for students of Latin American heritage.

Keenan: Sharing a building with the men of Stanford Hall, the Keenan Knights distinguish themselves with their signature event, the wildly successful Keenan Revue. A sellout crowd attends this collection of original student comedy every February. The Knights also have established themselves as an interhall football powerhouse, having won the championship three out of the last five years.

Stanford: The 2001-2002 men's interhall sports champions, the men of Stanford live directly across the quad from North Dining Hall. The Griffins were once known as the Studs, but changed their mascot in tribute to former rector Rev. Robert Griffin. Every spring

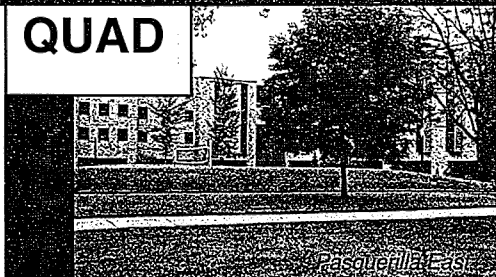
they host the Benefit Bash, a late-night event including concerts and food, with proceeds supporting an orphanage in Chile.

Farley: A women's dorm since ND went coed in 1972, Farley plans to celebrate 30 years of women at Notre Dame with a Girls' Night Out on the Quad in the fall. Pop Farley Week, which culminates with a dance, is perhaps the best-known event of the Finest, who decorate their hallways to correspond with the dorm theme. Farley has a secondary mascot, the dorm dog, Farley, a cute little Pekinese who barks at boys after parietals.

Breen-Phillips: The Babes of BP raise money each year for diabetes patients with their Meal Auction. Students or faculty members bid (real money) to eat with campus celebrities who have volunteered for the event. In the winter, Breen-Phillips provides relief from the cold with their Beach Week, which the Babes hope to cosponsor this year with the Hawaii Club, Na Pua Kai Ewalu.

mod QUAD

Finished in the 1980s, its dorms share an intimate setting by the library on the east side of campus.



Knott: Known for their perhaps too-enthusiastic support of the ND women's volleyball team, the Juggernauts easily are spotted in their orange and black attire. Masters of the lacrosse field, they took both the indoor and outdoor interhall titles last year. Each spring, they hold "Knott on the Knoll," an afternoon of free food and entertainment from campus

bands.

Siegfried: The Ramblers of Siegfried Hall compete annually against Knott in the Flanner Cup, a week's worth of events including tug-o-war matches, arm wrestling and relay races. The week culminates

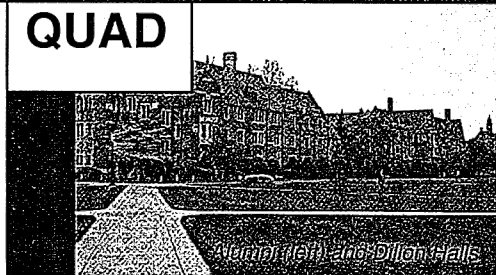
with a dance co-sponsored by the two men's dorms. Also in the works for the upcoming year are an Oktoberfest and the Rambler Scrambler, a putt-putt tournament on the quad.

Pasquerilla West: PW, a women's dorm and home of the Purple Weasels, offers an excellent opportunity for freshmen residents to make a name for themselves

during Queen Week. Each section selects a freshman to vie for the crown in contests of various sorts, which last year included Mark Summers' hit, Super Sloppy Double Dare. The week also includes skits, talent shows and a parade of queens. **Pasquerilla East:** PE is the home of the Pyros and the Pasquerilla East Musical Company, which stages a complete musical every February. The troupe's four-year history includes productions of *Godspell*, *Grease*, *Guys and Dolls* and *Damn Yankees*. This year's play will be *Into the Woods*. The women of PE also participate in the Pyro Olympics, an annual intra-dorm contest to foster dorm unity.

south QUAD

The largest quad, it stretches from the Rockne Memorial to O'Shaughnessy Hall.



Alumni: Conveniently located at the intersection of God and South quads, and known to its residents as "The Center of the Universe," Alumni Hall is home to the Dawgs. Each spring, they host the Wake, a crazy event for which they run around in ties and boxers, carrying their rector in a coffin. Alumni also is planning a Double Dawg Dare competition for the fall, which will be a cross between two of Mark Summers' big hits, "Double Dare" and "What Would You Do?"

Dillon: The largest dorm on campus, Dillon is famous for its annual pep rally before the first home football game. The rally this fall will feature ND cheerleaders, coaches, a Braveheart theme, an hour-and-a-half of skits and, again, cheerleaders. The Big Red, last year's men's interhall football champs, have a history of domination in the sport and have not lost a regular season game in the last four years.

Fisher: Notorious for its big, green "F"

illuminated by giant floodlights on the front of the building, Fisher Hall is located next to South Dining Hall. The premiere event for the Green Wave is the Fisher Regatta, an annual boat race on St. Mary's Lake. Anyone can make and enter a boat in the

competition, but only Fisher men and their dates participate in the spirited Fred & Sally Week, named for Fisher's benefactors, prior to the event.

Pangborn: A women's dorm, Pangborn is undergoing significant renovations this summer to present a new, fresh face for the class of 2006. The interior of the dorm will be refurbished and re-painted, and modular furniture will be installed in the rooms. The Phoxes participate in an annual dance with Fisher Hall, the Spring Fling, held in the courtyard between these two dorms.

Lyons: Easily recognized by its famous arch overlooking St. Mary's Lake, this women's dorm sponsors the Mara Fox Fun Run every fall. Mara was a freshman resident of Lyons when she was killed by a drunk driver in a hit-and-run accident in 1993. Money raised from the event goes to a student scholarship fund. On a lighter note, the Lions of Lyons host a beach theme dance each fall, and bathing suits and Hawaiian

shirts are recommended attire.

Morrissey: Last year, Morrissey began a new tradition known as Manor Unplugged, which showcases the musical talents of its residents. The Manor hopes to move the event onto the quad, expanding it to include a campus-wide golf tournament. Sandwiched between Howard and Pangborn, two women's dorms, the men of Morrissey also plan to show off their brute strength in traditional Gaelic contests this fall.

Howard: The ladies of Howard put on a marshmallow roast to celebrate the first snowfall of the school year (arguably the only time that the arrival of snow is welcomed). Room decorations are a big deal for the Ducks, as they compete against each other in an annual Parade of Rooms. Every fall they host the Howard Ho-down, a semi-formal dance to kick off the school year.

Badin: The home of the Bullfrogs is the second oldest dorm at Notre Dame. In the spring, the women of Badin host a campus-wide karaoke and dance competition, the Badin Spring Breakdown. Contestants are judged by appointed student judges on accuracy, style and performance. Their scores from the first round qualify them for a chance to spin the karaoke "Wheel of Death" to compete for gift certificates at local restaurants. □



THE STANDING
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GAY AND LESBIAN
STUDENT NEEDS

YOU'RE INVITED!

WHO: Gay, lesbian, bisexual, and questioning first-year students at Notre Dame

WHAT: Drop-in Reception

WHEN: Monday, August 26th, 1:30-3:30 p.m.

WHERE: Coleman-Morse Building (3rd Floor Lounge)

WHY: Come meet both student and faculty members of the Standing Committee on Gay and Lesbian Student Needs and find out more about resources available to gay, lesbian, bisexual, and questioning students on the Notre Dame campus.

For more information, please visit our web site:

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Check under "Current Events."

NOTRE DAME FILM, TELEVISION, AND THEATRE

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WASHINGTON HALL--Mark Pilkinton, Acting Chair of Notre Dame Film, Television, and Theatre (FTT), has announced that the annual reception for students interested in film, television, or theatre will be held **Wednesday, August 28, at 6:00 P.M.** in Washington Hall. Students interested in any aspect of theatre or film production--acting, directing, scenery, costuming, lighting, management--are encouraged to attend.

Notre Dame student films are showcased each year at the extremely popular annual film festival. Many FTT student films have won awards at national film festivals, and a collection of the best Notre Dame films is available in national distribution.

FTT has a terrific relationship with area television stations, and many students have earned internships in a variety of production areas. WNDU, the local NBC affiliate, is owned by Notre Dame and provides television professionals who teach some Notre Dame classes.

Theatre at Notre Dame is open to all students--majors and non-majors--who wish to participate. A wide variety of activities is available including: acting, scenic design and construction, costume design and construction, lighting design and execution, marketing, directing and

stage management. There are theatre opportunities to fit every schedule and level of talent.

This season, FTT will present a mainstage season consisting of five plays and many other acting and directing projects. Mainstage productions will be:

Much Ado About Nothing, The Mandrake, How I Learned to Drive, The Tempest, and Twelfth Night

Much Ado About Nothing and *The Tempest* will be performed by ACTORS FROM THE LONDON STAGE who will conduct residencies sponsored by the Henkels Visiting Lecture Series. All FTT projects will need student involvement. There are positions for all who wish to participate.

Auditions for the first two plays will be held Wednesday, August 28, and Thursday, August 29, at 7:00 P.M.

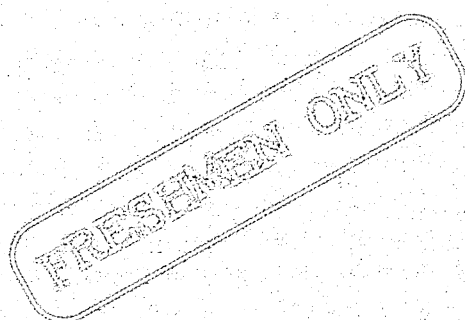
FTT activities are an excellent way to meet new people, make new friends, and have a great time while involving yourself in the creation of something special on campus.

If you cannot attend the reception but wish to be involved or have questions about film, please contact Jill Godmilow at Godmilow.1@nd.edu or Ted Mandell at Mandell.1@nd.edu. If you are interested in theatre please contact Tom Barks at tbarks@imap-t.nd.edu.

YOUR GUIDE TO CLUBBING AT NOTRE DAME

COMPILED BY SEAN DUDLEY &
JACKLYN KIEFER

Afraid you'll be bored in college? Never fear: ND has something for everyone! In high school you were captain of the basketball team, president of student council, a member of the Spanish Club, a volunteer at the local hospital and a lifeguard at the pool. Well, maybe you didn't do all those things, but now you're here, and you begin to wonder what you are going to do with your time besides study. *Scholastic* enlisted the help of the Club Coordination Council to get a sampling of clubs on campus. Here's a look at the results.



Athletic

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Religious & Special Interest

Social Action & Service



ATHLETIC

Notre Dame offers a wide variety of athletic opportunities even if you aren't a varsity athlete. Playing interhall sports can be an exciting way to compete for your dorm, or you can join a club team and travel around the country.

Students addicted to speed can join the **Cycling Club**, which does mountain bike racing in the fall and road racing in the spring, or the **Ski Club**, which competes in both giant slalom and slalom events in Michigan, Wisconsin and Canada.

If you get your kicks from heights rather than speed, check out the **Climbing Club**. It sponsors rock-climbing trips to places like the Red River Gorge in Kentucky, and it provides all the necessary gear and training for participants of all levels of experience.

The **field hockey team** was started two years ago. It offers both men and women of all skill levels a chance to participate. The team practices four days a week in the spring and fall and competes against other club teams in the area.

If you are a horse-

lover, Notre Dame has several equestrian clubs. The **equestrian team** takes weekly lessons at stables located about 15 minutes from campus. Riders of all levels are welcome to join, and do not need to own a horse. The team participates in competitions sponsored by the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association throughout the year.

If steer-wrestling, goat-tying and bull-riding are more your style, then you might want to check out the **Rodeo Club**. Students formed the club to educate others about rodeo, giving them the opportunity to work toward competing in a particular event.

For those who would rather play in water than on dry land, Notre Dame has a few excellent aquarian "clubbing" opportunities. The **Notre Dame Sailing Club**, which practices on St. Joe Lake on campus and at a nearby lake in Michigan, races throughout the Midwest and the nation. The **men's water polo team** is consistently one of the top performers in the Midwest. Its official season is in the fall. Team members travel to places such as Florida for their more relaxed spring season.

The **women's water polo team**, drawing women from both Notre Dame and St. Mary's, has won the Regional Midwest Championship three of the last four years, and placed fifth at Club Nationals in 2000.

Frozen water is good, too. The **Figure Skating Club** started up in 1999 and was recognized as the athletic club of the year

for 2001-2002. The team skates against varsity and club teams, and they have competed at two national championships, achieving eighth place in 2000 and seventh in 2002. The **women's club hockey team** will play around 30 games this year, their first year in existence.

The 73-year-old **Bengal Bouts** boxing tournament offer an opportunity for men with varying levels of experience to compete to raise money for Holy Cross missions in Bangladesh. If you are into boxing and happen to be female, check out the **Women's Boxing Club**, a recently formed group.

The **Women's Running Club** was named the 2000-2001 athletic club of the year. They compete in road races in the area, roughly 10 per year, and sponsor two big events: the Aloha Run and the Relay for Life, on-campus races that raise money for charity.

If you like running around in bare feet and leaping through the air, the **Ultimate Frisbee Club** could be for you. The team competes at tournaments nationwide.

Or you might want to try the **Gymnastics Club**, which welcomes athletes of many experience levels. In the spring semester, the team travels competes against other gymnastic clubs throughout the country.

On a more local scale, the **Notre Dame Pom Squad** is a group of 14 women from Notre Dame and St. Mary's, dedicated to enhancing the spirit of Notre Dame through the performance of dance routines. The Pom Squad

performs at pep rallies, basketball halftimes and campus-wide and dorm functions such as the Notre Dame Activities Night and the Dillon Hall Pep Rally.

■ A C A D E M I C

Academic clubs offer a wide range of activities in fields ranging from anthropology to engineering.

The **Marketing Club** provides the opportunity for marketing majors to interact with each other and professors through social, spiritual, educational and service-oriented events, including guest speakers, career days, educational trips and barbecues.

The **Entrepreneur Club** is an active group of individuals who plan to start or have already started their own businesses. Throughout the year, the "E-Club" travels to national conferences, sponsors campus speakers, guarantees internships and job opportunities for club members, and prepares members to write business plans and compete in competitions.

One of the largest student organizations at Notre Dame, the **Student International Business Council (SIBC)** is the only one of its kind in the nation. Open to all majors, the SIBC is dedicated to providing students with real-world professional experience and international development. Every summer, the SIBC sends dozens of students around the world on international summer internships and teaching positions.

The **pre-vet club** of Notre Dame offers an opportunity for any student to learn about and interact with animals. It also provides a fun and supportive forum and source of information for students interested in attending veterinary school.

If working with humans is more your style, the **Pre-Dental Club** at ND is a pre-med style club designed to give those students considering dentistry a more in-depth view into the profession. They bring guest lecturers to campus, including local dental professionals and admissions representatives from a number of different dental schools. Club members are also provided with the opportunity to shadow local dentists in the South Bend area.

Like the Pre-Dental Club, the **Pre-Physical Therapy Club** is an academic club that seeks to give support and guidance to students who want to attend a graduate school physical therapy program.

The **Society of Women Engineers** works to foster a sense of community among women in engineering through social activities, career aid, service and academic support.

The **Computer Applications Honor Society** serves as the honor society for Arts and Letters students who have Computer Applications (CAPP) as a second major.

Many majors also have their own clubs. The **Anthropology Club**, for example, aims to establish connections between

the students and faculty within the department. These clubs generally are open to everyone, but students within the major are especially encouraged to join.



Although the university has an essentially homogenous ethnic body, there are a number of student organizations dedicated to expanding awareness and support of other cultures.

One of the largest ethnic clubs on campus is **La Alianza**, which formed five years ago when several other groups merged. It educates students through programs that include Hispanic Heritage Month Celebrations and the Latino Formal.

The **Korean Student Association (KSA)** plans to reach out to a broader spectrum of people on campus this year and provide more opportunities for exposure to the Korean culture. The **Asian American Association (AAA)** of Notre Dame proudly celebrates Asian American heritage through fellowship, service, and events that showcase the unique

values of various Asian cultures. They hope through their efforts to positively reflect the essence of being Asian American.

Na Pua Kai Ewalu, also known as the **Hawaii Club**, works to share the culture of Hawaii through various social and educational activities, including a luau each spring. Open to all students, the club also acts as a support system for students from Hawaii, especially for incoming freshmen, who are 5,000 miles away from home.

There are a variety of other ethnic / language clubs, including the **Russian, Italian and German** clubs. The Russian Club sponsors museum trips, ethnic dinners, movies and other events. The Italian Club's activities include regular opportunities to eat and practice speaking Italian, cooking classes, monthly movie nights, trips to Chicago's Italian neighborhood and two sports tournaments each year. Next year, they have been specially invited to four evenings at the Lyric Opera in Chicago. The German Club's two yearly highlights are Ok"domer" fest and a trip to Chicago's famed Christkindlmarkt.

Perhaps the most interesting ethnic club is the **Texas Club**, which boasts 500 Texan students. The club organizes dances, rides to and from the Lone Star State and an alumni network.

SPECIAL INTEREST

The **Juggling Club** is a group of students who get

together for a couple of hours every few weeks to juggle. Nuff said.

In September, the **Swing Club** will start a series of "East Coast" swing dancing lessons. The club currently has about 50 to 75 members who come weekly for two hours of lessons and dance time. The class is geared toward beginning dancers, but they do have student instructors who work privately to challenge and teach intermediate and advanced dancers.

The **Dome Yearbook** is always looking for writers and photographers to help with spreads. The time commitment is very flexible and although experience helps, it is not necessary.

Those interested in public service should look into the **College Democrats** and **College Republicans**, who hope to raise political awareness and participation among university students. This fall the College Democrats will be working on a campaign for the U.S. Congress and organizing a voter registration drive.

Notre Dame has a few martial arts clubs. The **Aikido Club** practices Aikikai-style Aikido, a vigorous, noncompetitive martial art suitable for people of all ages and ideal for those interested in self-defense and conflict resolution. The **Notre Dame Martial Arts Institute** (NDMAI) teaches the unique techniques and applications of Vee Jitsu Ryu Jujitsu and Chung Do Kwan Tae Kwon Do. Students who begin as freshmen can reach the

rank of black belt in both arts by the end of their junior year.

ND's **World Tae Kwon Do Club** is a recreational club that provides the opportunity for anyone to learn an ancient Korean martial art that teaches power, strength, flexibility, and athleticism. Taught by seventh-degree black belt Master Soon Pil Hong, a veteran coach of numerous Olympic athletes, the students of Tae Kwon Do learn sparring techniques and self-defense tactics such as joint locks and the manipulation of pressure points.

The **university bands** include the marching band, several concert bands, jazz bands, and brass and percussion ensembles. Tryouts for the bands are open to all students, undergraduate and graduate, who are enrolled at the University of Notre Dame, St. Mary's College and Holy Cross College.

If you've been bitten by the performing bug but don't play an instrument, there are a number of acting and singing groups on campus. The **Farley Players**, the **St. Ed's Hall Players**, and the **Pasquerilla East Musical Company** (PEMCo) are a few of the groups that put on student productions each year. **Harmonia** is a newly established female *a cappella* group with about 15 members from the ND community, which hopes to record a CD in the spring. Notre Dame's all-male choir, the **Glee Club** has a strong fraternal atmosphere and focuses on vocal technique and style.

The group performs on campus and travels extensively in the US and abroad.

The **Chess Club** meets biweekly to increase student interest in chess while providing challenging games for players of all strengths. They also teach chess to younger children in the South Bend community and form a four-member team to travel to competitions.



Students looking to volunteer in the South Bend community have many options.

Members of **Circle K** completed more than 7,000 hours of community service in the Greater South Bend area this year. The club offers around 20 projects covering a wide range of interests, from playing with animals at the Humane Society to working at the Juvenile Justice Center. This is the kind of club to join if you can't decide what kind of service you want to do.

The nationally renowned South Bend Center for the Homeless always welcomes student assistants, and **Foodshare** is a Notre Dame service club that delivers leftover

dining-hall food to the center and other homeless shelters in South Bend.

SuperSibs matches ND students who have disabled siblings with children from the South Bend area who also have a disabled brother or sister. Club members provide friendship and support for the children based on their own experiences.

A campus chapter of the international **Best Buddies** organization pairs Notre Dame students with a developmentally disabled adult from the South Bend community to establish a one-on-one friendship.

Students involved in the **Logan Recreation Club** have the opportunity to form friendships with individuals who have developmental disabilities by sponsoring and participating in weekly activities like bowling, Saturday recreation and dancing.

The **Neighborhood Study Help Program** provides volunteer tutors to local schools and community centers with children in need of academic assistance. **Campus Girl Scouts'** goal is to bridge the gap between participating as a girl scout and volunteering as a troop leader. They host activities for local troops as well as perform their own service activities.

On campus, **C.A.R.E.** (Campus Alliance for Rape Elimination) is a student-awareness group aimed to prevent rape and help those affected by rape and sexual assault to deal with the overwhelming consequences. They sponsor a Sexual Assault

Awareness Week in the fall and host speakers and other events during Sexual Assault Awareness Month, in April.

The **ND/SMC Peace Coalition** is sponsored by the Center for Social Concerns and was started by a group of students critical of the War on Terrorism. The **World Hunger Coalition** is dedicated to raising awareness of hunger issues and raising money to support hunger relief efforts worldwide. The WHC annually raises about \$20,000 for donations to hunger organizations throughout the world with the Lunch Fast, in which students sign up to give up one meal a week from their meal plans.

A health-related organization is the **First Aid Services Team**. The team serves as the first level of the emergency medical system for events and athletics on campus. Team members hold Red Cross certifications in standard first aid and CPR for the professional rescuer.

The **Community Alliance to Serve Hispanics** works with local community centers and offers a number of opportunities for students to serve as translators and English-language instructors to the Hispanic community.

RELIGIOUS

The group **Iron Sharpens Iron** is an interdenominational, student-led Bible study that seeks to foster solid Christian relationships and to challenge and encourage students to grow in their faith

through fellowship, praise and worship, Biblical teaching and prayer.

Campus Fellowship of the Holy Spirit is an ecumenical Christian group similarly dedicated to building up faith and friendship through weekly meetings, small groups and parties. The **Knights of Columbus** is a Catholic men's organization focused on service to the community and loyalty to the Church. At Notre Dame, they are dedicated to the principles of the nationwide Order through many activities, the most notable being their Steak Sales, which raise \$40,000 annually for charity.

The **Baptist Collegiate Ministry (BCM)** is an organization open to all Christian traditions that focuses on fellowship, faith-sharing and Christian living. They hold weekly Bible study meetings, church visits, retreats, shared meals and other activities.

For Muslim students seeking fellowship, support and prayer opportunities, the **Notre Dame United Muslim Association (NDUMA)** helps them to continue on their faith journey.

The Basilica of the Sacred Heart also has a number of ministries open to new members. Their choirs include the **Folk Choir**, the **Liturgical Choir** and the **Women's Liturgical Choir**. If you would like to be in a choir but sing like Scuttle from *The Little Mermaid*, you can join the **Handbell Choir**. Also, the Basilica is always looking for new

readers, Eucharistic ministers, and acolytes (altar servers), so if you are interested, keep an eye open for announcements about training.

LEADERSHIP/PROGRAMMING

Addicted to student government? You can continue to get your fix in college.

Notre Dame's Student Union consists of several groups. The **Office of the President** is a group that represents the student body to the university administration, and also provides direct services to students.

The **Student Senate**, consisting of one senator from each dorm, also serves as a voice for students. The **Judicial Council** provides peer advocates to students facing disciplinary hearings.

The **Student Union Board (SUB)** plans campus-wide events, including movies and concerts. Each class has a council that also plans events. Freshmen can get involved in student government by running for their class council in the fall, joining the staffs of the Office of the President, SUB or one of the Senate's policy committees.

FlipSide is a student-run group whose purpose is to program weekly events on Fridays and Saturdays that do not involve alcohol, such as dances, bowling, ice-skating, mini-golf and trips to Chicago. The events are open to all students and hope to provide alternatives to drinking on campus. □

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Over 3,000 students attended last year! Don't be left out!

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Perfect Strangers

Getting along with an assigned roommate is a unique aspect of the freshman experience

ALLISON FASHEK

Never before has a computer held so much control over your life. The computer that randomly assigns roommates for Notre Dame freshmen may provide you a year of happiness or disappointment. There will be few times in your life when you will be forced to live with a total stranger. This is one of them. But it's not as scary as it sounds.

There are typically three categories under which roommate relationships tend to fall, ranging from "we're inseparable" to "computer malfunction." You should view getting to know your roommate as an opportunity to share your everyday experiences with someone — an important part of the college adventure. Whichever situation you find yourself in, remember that it's up to you to make the best of it.

You Complete Me

This category is for those students who find a long-lost brother or sister in their roommate. Upon meeting, the two find they have everything in common, including a love for country music and racquetball. While unpacking, they discover they own matching lava lamps. Even their bedspreads coordinate. They will go to every meal and party together, walking around as if they were attached at the hip, laughing at the same stupid jokes. They

will rarely fight, even during the weeks of midterms, finals and room picks, and they will probably become godparents for each others' children. If you find yourself in this category, you are somewhat rare, but also extremely lucky. But if it doesn't happen this way for you, don't fret. Undoubtedly, you will still find this type of friendship with someone on campus — just not with your roommate.

I'm OK, You're OK

This is probably the most common category for roommate situations. So you're not best friends with your roommate — no one said you had to be. You still get along. You hang out on the weekends sometimes and you have fun spending time with each other. But you have more fun hanging out down the hall or downstairs with another group of people.

Having a best friend who lives down the hall — or even in another dorm — can be a major asset. Sometimes it's important to get out of the room for a little while, whether for a change of scenery or even for a temporary refuge. As you start class and become involved in other activities, you will find people on your own with whom you will enjoy spending time. At the same time, you will have a good friend in your roommate, and have the opportunity to get to know his or her friends as well. This is a great way to meet a di-

verse group of people.

It Wasn't Meant To Be

Some people just weren't meant to live together. This is another rare situation, but it does happen. Certain roommates do not get along. This is no reason to panic or call home in tears. You can have a great freshman year no matter with whom you live. A roommate is someone to share living arrangements with — anything more or less is up to you. Also, this situation should encourage you to be more outgoing and to meet more people in your dorm, your classes and your extracurricular activities.

Whether you are best friends or just acquaintances with your roommate, the keys to the survival of the relationship lie in communication, compromise and respect. It's always better to try to talk to your roommate about a problem before it grows out of proportion. He or she may have no idea that the problem even exists.

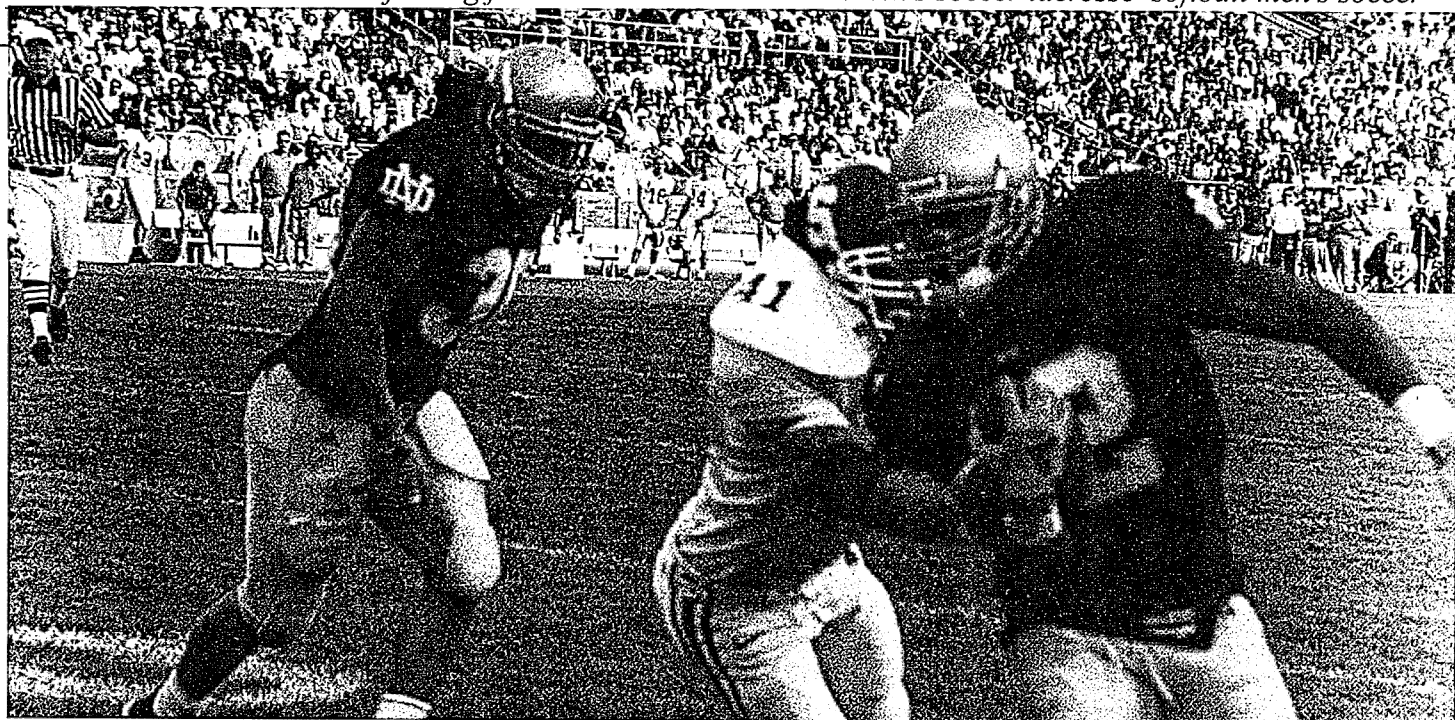
The bottom line is that roommate assignments are totally random — just the luck of the draw. Worrying about your future roommate is about as futile as worrying about the weather. When you walk into your room for the very first time and set eyes on your new roommate, keep in mind that he or she has the same worry about getting along with you.

What happens next is up to you. □

LONG LIVE SPORT

by Gerard Meskill

women's basketball fencing football men's basketball women's soccer lacrosse softball men's soccer



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Football Musical Chairs

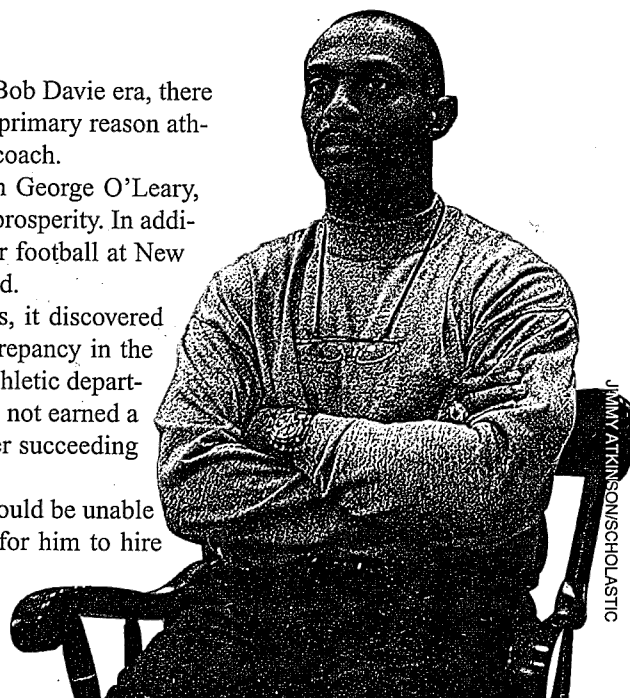
Tyrone Willingham

This year wasn't your usual 5-6 Notre Dame football season. Before the Bob Davie era, there was no such thing as a usual 5-6 Notre Dame football season, which is the primary reason athletic director Kevin White made the ultimate decision to fire the embattled coach.

After a week of nonstop interviews, White returned to South Bend with George O'Leary, whom he had plucked from Georgia Tech to lead the Fighting Irish back to prosperity. In addition to his success with the Yellow Jackets, O'Leary earned monograms for football at New Hampshire and a master's degree from New York University — or so he said.

When a New Hampshire publication looked into O'Leary's playing days, it discovered that O'Leary had never earned a monogram from any university. The discrepancy in the report made its way back to Notre Dame, and when a member of the Irish athletic department inquired into the rest of his background, O'Leary admitted that he had not earned a degree from NYU, either. He resigned the next morning, just five days after succeeding Davie.

White once again hit the road looking for a football coach, knowing he would be unable to produce one as quickly as the first time. It took until New Year's Day for him to hire Tyrone Willingham, the former Stanford head coach, whose resume included a rare Cardinal trip to the Rose Bowl. His timely arrival saved the 2002 recruiting class from being a bust for Notre Dame, and has restored the student body's enthusiasm in its football program.



JIMMY ATKINSON/SCHOLASTIC

2 Irish Duke it Out

Not much was expected of the men's basketball program after All-American Troy Murphy left Notre Dame for the NBA draft the previous season. ESPN labeled 2001-02 a rebuilding year for the Fighting Irish, but head coach Mike Brey had something different in mind.

After a slow start, Notre Dame won a season-turning four-overtime contest at Georgetown. The Irish rolled down the stretch, earning the eighth seed in the Midwest bracket of the NCAA tournament. The Irish easily defeated Charlotte in the opening round, 82-63. However, by a cruel twist of fate, the Irish drew defending national champion Duke in the second round.

The Irish hung tough against the Blue Devils in the first half, going into the locker room trailing the champions 45-39.

In the next 14 minutes, the Irish got even tougher, pulling ahead 71-64 with six minutes to play. The luck of the Irish ran out early though, as the Blue Devils scored 20 of the last 26 points to end Notre Dame's dream.

Notre Dame owes its surprise season to clutch leadership by its seniors and inspired play by freshman Chris Thomas, whose performance earned him Freshman of the Year honors from *Basketball News*.

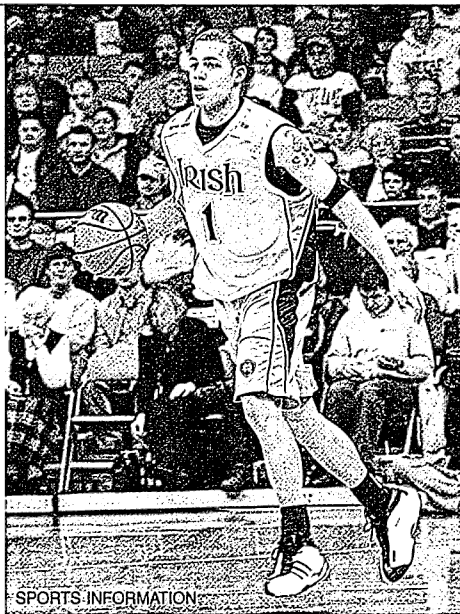
3 Banner Year for Kerry Walton

Throughout the years, many athletes have come to ND to win a national title. Sophomore fencer Kerry Walton won two this year, while narrowly missing a world title.

Walton finished 18-5 in the NCAA epee round robin, earning the third seed going into the semifinals. She proceeded to win both the semifinal and final 15-12, earning her the NCAA women's epee national title.

Just a week after winning on the collegiate level, Walton traveled to Antalya, Turkey for the Junior World Championships. On April 4, Walton took third in women's epee, becoming just the second woman in American history to medal in the event.

Less than a month later, Walton was back to her winning ways, as she won the Division I national epee competition, which is open to American fencers of all ages.



STEPPING UP Hailed as Indiana's "Mr. Basketball" as a senior in high school, point guard Chris Thomas played a key role in the Irish's success this season.

4 Fledgling No More

Since becoming a varsity sport in 1997, women's lacrosse has seen some hard times. In 2000 the program suffered through its worst season, a 5-10 finish. Undaunted, the Irish answered with a 10-5 season in 2001, setting the stage for 2002.

This year, ND finished the regular season 12-4, qualifying for the NCAA tournament for the first time in school history. In the first round, the Irish defeated 12th-ranked Ohio State, 11-7. The victory pitted Notre Dame against top-ranked Princeton. The Tigers ended Notre Dame's season, 11-5. Nevertheless, the Irish's efforts proved that the program is now one of national prominence.

5 Breakaway

After opening the season 9-15-5, few fans held out hope for the Irish hockey team as it closed out its season. The team had been on a four-game losing streak, and had lost seven of the past eight games. Notre Dame was not ready to throw in the towel, though, defeating conference-leading Michigan State the next night.

The win sparked the beginning of a five-game winning streak, which moved the Irish

into the CCHA playoffs as the eighth seed. They faced fifth-seeded Nebraska-Omaha in the first round best-of-three series. Notre Dame dropped the opening game 3-2 in double overtime before winning games 2 and 3 to upset the Mavericks.

With the win, the Irish advanced to the CCHA Super Six. However, third-seeded Northern Michigan proved too much for Notre Dame, ending its season with a 3-1 victory.

6 A Bad Day on the Field

All streaks eventually come to an end. For the women's soccer program, there were a few that couldn't have picked a worse time. After a first-round victory in the NCAA tournament, the seventh-ranked Irish were riding high, holding home-field advantage against Cincinnati in the second round. Everything seemed to be in Notre Dame's favor, as the Irish were unbeaten in their last 39 games at home. Against unranked opponents, the Irish were unbeaten in 85 straight, dating back to 1990. Cincinnati was not impressed, scoring the game's first two goals en route to a 3-2 upset of the Irish. The loss marked the first time in three years that the Irish did not advance to the NCAA tournament semifinals.



POSTSEASON SURGE Evan Nielson, captain of the men's hockey squad, led the team to an unexpected appearance in the CCHA Super Six.

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Return to Prominence

While the women's soccer team lamented its second-round loss in the NCAA tournament, the men's soccer program hailed its first-round defeat as the end to a highly successful campaign.

The recent downturn in the Notre Dame soccer program was caused largely by an upheaval in the coaching position. Irish head coach Mike Berticelli died suddenly in January 2001, forcing the program to name assistant coach Chris Apple as his interim successor. The Irish struggled under Apple, and he was replaced at the end of the season by Stanford coach Bobby Clark.

Under Clark, Notre Dame returned to the NCAA tournament for the first time since 1996. The Irish lost their opening-round matchup to University of Maryland on a late goal. Nevertheless, Notre Dame was just happy to be back and look to build upon this season's success next season.

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The Champs Fall

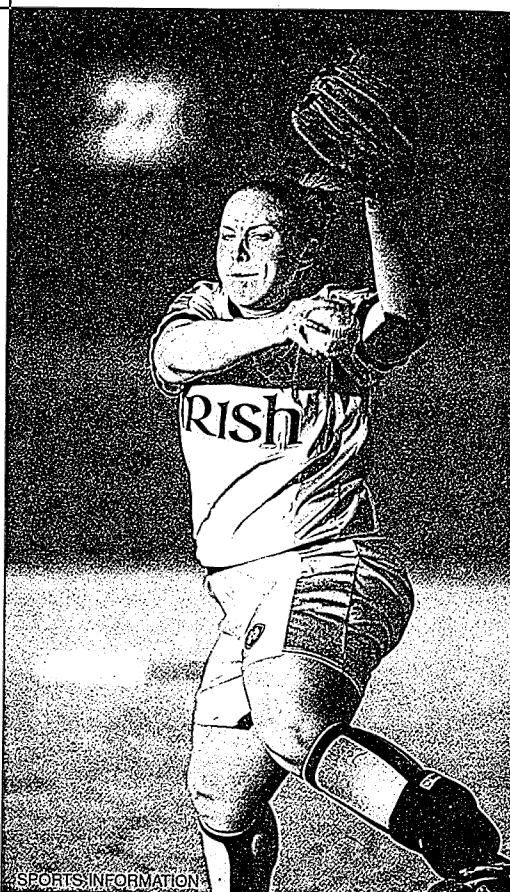
After a thrilling run through the NCAA tournament saw ND capture its first NCAA women's basketball title, there wasn't anywhere to go but down this season. Losing virtually all of their key seniors, the Irish knew that a title defense would require a minor miracle, since the nation's other powerhouses were still stacked with talent.

The inevitable occurred in the second round of the NCAA tournament, as Notre Dame faced second-seeded Tennessee. The Irish never appeared to have a chance against the Lady Vols, as they fell behind early en route to a season-ending 89-50 defeat.

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Blackjack

After opening the 2002 season 8-12, the women's softball team seemed to lack confidence. The Irish went on to win 21 of their next 23 games, gaining back whatever confidence they may have lost in the opening 20 games of the season as they glided into the Big East tournament. Notre Dame lost its first tournament game in the double-elimination bracket to Virginia Tech. The Irish then proceeded to sweep through the



FRESHMAN PHENOM Righthanded pitcher Carrie Wisen led the softball team to a Big East Tournament victory.

rest of the tournament, culminated by a two-game sweep of Virginia Tech to clinch the title.

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Luck of the Irish?

If there were an award for the unluckiest team in the history of sports, the 2002 men's lacrosse team would be one of the finalists. After a spirited 2001 campaign that saw the Irish advance to the NCAA tournament semifinal, expectations were high for Notre Dame in 2002. The Irish finished an abysmal 5-8. However, five of those losses came by one goal, and three came in overtime. Perhaps this is why the Irish were still ranked in the top 25 after five games, even though they were 1-4. The only bright spots for Notre Dame is that most of its young team is returning, and some standout recruits have signed letters of intent to play for the Irish.

A BAD BOUNCE Senior attack Owen Asplundh has seen the team through the good and the bad this season — although more often it was the bad. Despite the poor performance this year, the team's future looks bright, as young key players gained needed experience and talented recruits pour in.



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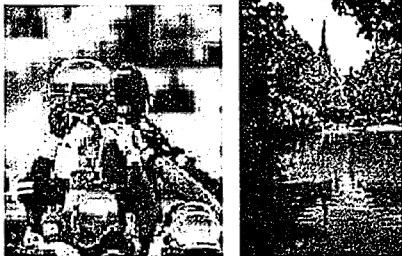
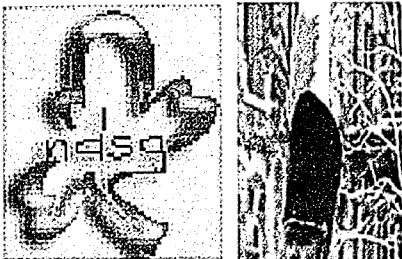
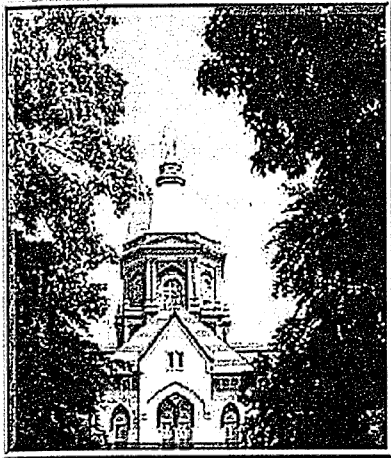
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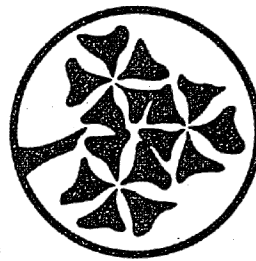
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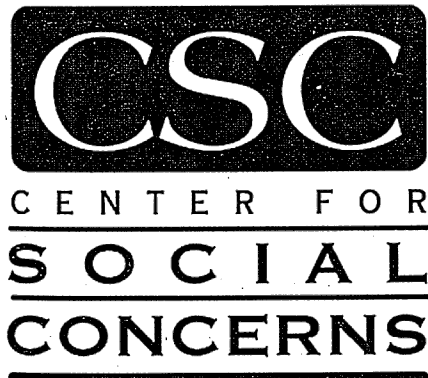


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IS THERE ANYTHING TO DO AROUND HERE?

KARAZUARO

Nobody ever said it was going to be easy, moving to the drowsy town of South Bend from the city that never sleeps. But once I came to appreciate the stars in place of skyscrapers and nights that inevitably end around 2 a.m., I realized that this place has some potential. Quality entertainment on campus can be tricky to pinpoint, but this clip 'n' save guide should make your journey toward fun safe and easy.



TUNED UP Band members get ready for a North Quad concert in honor of An Tostal, a week-long festival celebrating the arrival of spring and the end of classes.

LIVE MUSIC & RADIO

AcoustiCafé

Every Thursday night at LaFortune Student Center, the Student Union Board hosts an open-mic night for student solo musicians and campus bands. Whether you've got a hankering for some Dave Matthews Band and Jewel covers or you just want to check out the original music produced by campus talent, this event is free for everyone. If you're interested in performing yourself, SUB has open sign-ups each week.

Concerts

Not a heck of a lot of bands pass through South Bend, but you can count on Notre Dame to line up a show on campus every now and then. Recent performers have included Ani DiFranco, Ben Folds Five, Third Eye Blind, Stroke 9, Vertical Horizon and most recently U2, who kicked off the third leg of their Elevation world tour in the JACC. Great bands should continue to invade campus with this year's kickoff event "The Show": Student Activities promises excellent performances for this August 30th extravaganza.

Collegiate Jazz Festival

This competition between college jazz bands from all over the country draws a lot of attention from jazz enthusiasts nationwide, including Branford Marsalis, who made an appearance at the festival a few years back.

NAZZ

No one seems quite sure what the name means or where it came from, but this SUB-sponsored battle of the Bands takes place every spring at the Alumni-Senior Club, commonly known as Senior Bar. The contest features both solo guitarist and group competitions. Crowd appeal is one judging criteria, so fans and friends pack the on-campus bar for the event.

WVFI

The Voice of the Fighting Irish, WVFI, can be accessed from the Internet at wvfi.nd.edu. The student-run radio station features a wide range of music, from indie to oldies to mainstream.

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LITERATURE & THE ARTS

Sophomore Literary Festival

For one week each February, a committee of sophomores hosts nightly readings from notable writers, with one night set aside for student writers to read their own work. Going into its 36th year, it has featured writers such as Kurt Vonnegut, Ralph Ellison, Arthur Miller, Joyce Carol Oates, Tennessee Williams, John Irving and Tom Clancy in its impressive history.

The Visiting Writers Series

The Creative Writing Program, a graduate program at Notre Dame, also hosts a number of writers throughout the year. These readings don't tend to get a great deal of press, so look around the hallways of O'Shaughnessy for posters, or check out the English department's calendar of events at www.nd.edu/~english/calendar.html.

Snite Museum

The Snite is open Tuesday through Sunday, and admission is free. It tends to be one of Notre Dame's less-traveled treasures, though many students and professors attend the opening of the spring exhibit where the MFA and BFA students showcase their work.

An Tostal

Yet another SUB-sponsored event, An Tostal is Gaelic for "The Festival." In years past, this springtime celebration has involved all kinds of events to help blow off school stress before the onslaught of finals. Favorite aspects of An Tostal include blow-up Sumo-wrestling suits, velcro walls and those bouncy things that you used to jump on at carnivals as a kid.



DUKING IT OUT Students relieve some pre-finals stress at An-Tostal carnival events, which in past years have included a Moonwalk and inflatable Sumo-wrestling.

SCREEN & STAGE

NDcinema

You can catch the cream of Hollywood, independent and international films in auditorium of the Hesburgh Library every Thursday night. Recent films have included *Apocalypse Now: Redux*, *crazy/beautiful* and *The Circle*, and each feature is preceded by a short student film. Formerly known as Cinema at the Snite, this new project is sponsored by the department of Film, Television, and Theatre. Admission is free.

SUB Movies

The Student Union Board shows 2-dollar movies every Thursday, Friday and Saturday night. It also shows second-run films, but it tends to focus on larger Hollywood hits, like *American Beauty*, *Gladiator* and *Vanilla Sky*.

Student Film Festival

Every January, the films made by Notre Dame's film-production students are showcased for three nights at the Snite. Consider this your chance to check out the films before they hit the indie film-festival circuit. This must-see event promises controversy, art and even a few laughs.

Theatre

From classical tragedy to lowbrow comedy, Notre Dame's got it all. Washington Hall hosts many performances during the year, including recent works by Mainstage productions (run directly by the Dept of Film, Television and Theatre), including *The Life of Galileo*. Next year they will present the Shakespeare classic *The Tempest* and Paula Vogel's *How I Learned to Drive*. Notre Dame also hosts a variety of other shows via student-run groups such as The Not-So-Royal Shakespeare Company, the Student Players and St. Edward's Hall Players.

D.I.Y.

If all entertainment options fail, you're going to have to do it yourself. Though this list may seem extensive, nobody is trying to convince you that you aren't going to hit a few gray and dismal Saturday evenings here in South Bend. But you'll soon find out that Notre Dame isn't so much about the things you do as it is about the people you meet. When your calendar is empty and the snow is piled up outside, there's nothing like an impromptu dorm-room luau or something as simple as hot chocolate and videos among your new friends. Freshman year can be the best of times or the worst of times, but a little creativity always helps to make it as good as it can get. It can save a lot of money, too. And of course, if you're still not satisfied with any of these options, you can always apply for a job at *Scholastic*. □

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CAMPUS WATCH BY THE GIPPER



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Welcome, freshmen. This is the Gipper writing to you, the Class of 2006, asking for a little bit of help from each of you. You see, the Gipper's column, Campus Watch, runs in every issue of *Scholastic*. That gives him just two weeks to whip together a compilation of the campus's juiciest tidbits. There is enough bizarre behavior on this campus to fill the entire magazine, but the Gipp needs you to tell him about it. So read on and learn how you can help.

To begin with, the Gipp does not write an advice column. If you have problems with your roommate, your expanding waistline or your shifty Purdue boyfriend, ask Ann Landers. Second, the Gipp is not well-versed in etiquette. He can't tell you whether to hang your toilet paper inside or outside on the spindle, and he doesn't know a summer dress from a funeral shroud. The Gipper doesn't like to answer questions.

But the Gipper loves to hear stories. Not just any stories, mind you, but stories that reveal something that, perhaps, wasn't meant to be revealed. Or, something that desperately needs to be revealed. Nothing is too wild or too strange. You see, dear freshmen, you are the eyes and ears of the Gipp. While the Gipp does his best to have a finger in everybody's pie, it's kind of difficult on a campus of 10,000 students — particularly when there are 2,000 brand new ones whom he hasn't even met. He can't attend every party where someone lights himself on fire, and he can't be riding shotgun every time someone overturns a stolen golf cart on I-80. And he wouldn't even want to be around for some of the dirtier tips he gets. But, if you do have the good fortune to witness an act of unbridled hilarity, fire off an e-mail to gipper.1@nd.edu, or give the Gipp a call at 1-7569. Of course, you won't speak to the Gipp personally — he has his identity to protect. But you will speak to a member of *Scholastic's* friendly staff, who will deliver the tip for you.

And, while we're speaking about protecting identities, allow the Gipp to offer you a couple of guarantees. First: Your anonymity will be preserved whenever you tip the Gipp.

No matter how outrageous it is or how much scandal it causes, only the Gipper will know who you are. And, since nobody knows who the Gipp is, your secret is safe with him. Second, the Gipper does not print trash. He carefully verifies the accuracy of each tip he receives. So, please be sure that what you report actually happened, and try to give the Gipp a suggestion on how to verify the tip.

Now that we've gotten all the unpleasanties out of the way, let's get to the things the Gipper wondered about when he

going dry. Some sources say that, by the time you all graduate, alcohol will be banned in the residence halls. (But they didn't say anything about the *classrooms*...)

Second: What are my prospects for conjugal relations?

Of course, the Gipper isn't saying that all he thought about was sex. No, he was a somewhat well-rounded high-schooler, with a variety of interests. *Now* all he thinks about is sex, but that is the product of three years of carefully crafted Notre Dame residence life.

While all of your friends at other colleges will tell you horror stories about members of the complimentary gender living down the hall and, occasionally, visiting after midnight on weekdays, you will be kept safe from such trauma. The agent of such protection? Parietals.

Parietals is — or are, no one is sure — that little quirk of Notre Dame life by which, if you are caught with someone of the opposite sex — even a parent — in your room after a certain hour of the night, you'll find yourself in a lot of hot water. The premise: Premarital sex is a sin, and it only happens after midnight during the week, or 2 a.m. on the weekends. So by forcibly separating the two sexes, the university can prevent the soiling of its moral character. As a result, most male undergraduates end up soiling their sheets instead. The administration has some lofty explanation for parietals involving the "fostering of social skills," but that makes about as much sense as encouraging intellectual growth by burning down the chemistry labs. This rule is taken very seriously, so the Gipper doesn't recommend breaking it until you've bought your RA a case of beer or two.

Don't fret, though, Gippings. The remarkable thing about the ND community is not the rules, but the people. You'll meet some amazing folks during your years here, and you'll probably end up procreating sooner or later anyway, although not necessarily with them. So welcome to our family, little brothers and sisters. Make yourselves at home, and don't forget to tip your Uncle Gipp. □



was about to enter his freshman year.

First: Can I drink?

Yes, you can. Assuming that you aren't referring to the nail-flavored tap water (the Gipper recommends bringing a purifier), the university does permit you to drink alcohol in your dorm room — provided it is not classified as "hard liquor," and it doesn't leave the room, and it doesn't result in "intoxication." In other words, you can get drunk off of beer and Boone's Farm, but don't bring it into the hallways, and don't let your rector catch you puking it back up 20 minutes later.

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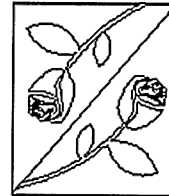
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- Let girls sing with us (they look funny in tuxes — but we love to see them at our concerts)
- Run the option (well)
- Care whether you want to be a music major or an aerospace engineer (we have both)

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Standing on the Edge of Tomorrow

Don't expect to live the life of Zack and Slater when you move in

KARAZUARO

It still shocks me that *Saved By the Bell: The College Years* only lasted one season on prime time. The theme song was catchy, the characters were refreshingly one-dimensional, and the studio audience generated the most enthusiastic hoots and hollers that I've ever heard. After a year at Notre Dame, I realize how well that show prepared me for my college experience. Sure, there were a few slightly unrealistic aspects of Zack and Kelly's California U, but on the whole, it was a lot more realistic than you might think.

First of all, the *Saved by the Bell* (SBTB) gang is kind of like a family. Out here, folks take the family idea pretty seriously. Contrary to what some of you skeptics are thinking, the Notre Dame family is not just some advertising ploy. It does exist, and like any other family, it's a little bit dysfunctional. Sure, you've got some positive points: the grandma-like lunch ladies in the dining hall who remember your name (or at least read it off your ID card before they swipe it). And you've got a rector or rectress in each dorm to serve as a parental authority figure. The problems set in when you get into the Big Brother and Sister assignments. At some point you will be assigned a Big Sibling from your brother or sister dorm. These Big Siblings do not want to counsel you. They want to see if you're cute enough to take to their next dance. Do you want to know how many giggly girls I've heard declare, "I'm going to a dance with my Big Brother this weekend"? I didn't think so.

On SBTB, the gang is disappointed when they find out that there's no drinking allowed in their dorm. Here, a lot of kids are disappointed when they find out about our alcohol restrictions. I don't know what the deal with that is because I've only got a couple of girls in my section who are over 21, but every Saturday and Sunday morning, there is this mysterious mountain of empty Budweiser and Rolling Rock cases

sitting atop our section recycling bin. Of course, I know now that these empty boxes are just the special gifts we get from the Beer Fairy for being so good all week. Sometimes the Beer Fairy sends other blessings, too, such as bestowing my roommate with the power of song. On some weekends, she stumbles into the room in the wee hours of the morning and starts rapping the *Fresh Prince of Bel Air* theme song. Of course, like all fairies, the Beer Fairy has a mischievous side. Sometimes she makes people

other day I was walking to class behind a pair of parents who were apparently a little shaken up.

"Well," said the dad, with a touch of worry in his voice, "Brian seems very comfortable after his first year here."

"He was always such a good boy," added the apprehensive mom.

"Seems well adjusted," declared Dad. "Got some friends. Comfortable with his surroundings. Grades are good."

"But honey," said mom in a hushed voice, stopping short and turning to face her husband, "When did he start collecting shot glasses?"

Silly parents. I took it upon myself to inform them that not everyone who collects shot glasses uses them for drinking. Besides, Natty Light is much cheaper than hard liquor, and it comes in cans.

Kids might develop a few bad habits that range from spending too much time building beer-can pyramids to spending too much time at the library. But other than that, most kids don't change too much. Again, just like SBTB: Zack is always the fun guy, Slater is always the womanizing jock, Kelly is always the bimbo-next-door, and Screech is always the geek. College doesn't change them. Of course, you may find yourself expanding your horizons a bit once you get settled in here. Most of this has to do with dating. Say you like the Beastie Boys but there's a cutie in your philosophy class who's way into country. Before you know it, you'll find yourself at a Brooks and Dunn concert. Or perhaps you're strictly into action movies, but if that dreamboat from the dining hall asks you to see *When Harry Met Sally*, you'll manage to sit through it, I'm sure.

Whatever the case, you've just got to remember to hang in there, develop a safe and healthy relationship with the Beer Fairy, and when the going gets tough, just hum along to the lyrics of my all-time favorite TV theme song: "I'm standin' at the edge of tomorrow, today." □



sprawl across the floors of strange rooms with their heads in puke-filled wastepaper baskets. It's a good thing you're reading this because they never really warn you about the Beer Fairy on SBTB.

Now, there are a few aspects of life under the Dome that don't fit in with the SBTB life-style. For one thing, at California U, nobody's parents ever come to visit. Here, somebody's parents are always snooping around. Keep in mind that your parents might not come back, or worse yet, cut your cash supply, if you scare them by letting them in on your deviant college ways. Just the

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A Part of "This Place"

by Father Jim Lewis, O.Carm.

Privileged to serve as rector in the Undergraduate London Program from 1999-2001, I walked along roads that once served as pathways for the Romans. I viewed the palaces and theaters of the city from inside and out. I stood at the resting place of St. Thomas More in the Tower of London; at that of Isaac Newton in Westminster Abbey and strolled through the mass of history that is Parliament. I loved it all!

Yet no vision in that dazzling city lightened my heart and raised my spirits as when I lifted my eyes to view the (often) rain-soaked, wind-tattered banner rising over that glorious Victorian edifice across from Trafalgar Square. The Marian Kennedy Fischer Hall serves as the Notre Dame Centre in the very heart of London. Over it, one can find those familiar interlocking letters encompassed in the blue and gold. That sight reminded me of why I was in the United Kingdom, of where I hoped to be someday.

We all have our Notre Dame stories, don't we? For some, it is a tale of legacies; for others, of weekend visits when I just knew that this was the place; of a football Saturday that *made the decision*; of dorm

visits so special; and even of journeys that began over an ocean away.

Now, honored to be rector of Carroll Hall, I am one among many who proudly and sincerely welcome you, the women and men of the Class of 2006, to the community of Notre Dame. Congratulations on becoming a student at the university that

preachers of homilies and speakers of note will often, affectionately, refer to as "this place." At Notre Dame, you'll be identified more readily by the hall in which you live than by the course of studies you take. Such is the vibrancy of this community, and the energy of our commitments to residentiality.

Your discoveries during the first year at ND will be singular, yours alone. Yet the likelihood exists that you'll share threads of common experience with roommates, older students in your section and dorm, even your RAs. There may be a moment when you wonder if you made the right decision to come here, if you're cut out for the rigors of expectations placed upon you.

Such an occasion during my first year on campus — last year! — remains etched in my psyche. After nearly a week of "new rector orientation," and fol-

lowing a week of hall-staff training, I attended a seemingly harmless "working lunch" with my colleagues. At that session, the proverbial dump truck of obligations ("Fill these out," "Turn these in yesterday," "Refer to the booklet that you don't yet have") came forth. In truth, the presentation by some of our administrators was so matter of fact that I was certain that it was I who was overwhelmed and under-prepared. This was one day before the freshmen arrived.

Fortunately, Siegfried Hall Rector Rev. John Conley, C.S.C., noticing that my eyes were spinning around in my head, literally grabbed me by the arm as we were leaving the meeting, and told me "Don't worry! I couldn't believe my ears when I was new, either." At that point, he outlined a means by which to prioritize duties, and how to do other tasks. It made sense. The personal interaction allowed me to breathe again, and reestablish confidence in my capabilities.

But he was one among many who reached out to me in support, encouragement, affirmation, welcoming, reassurance. And I remembered, that was the character of Father Mark Poorman, C.S.C., the vice president of Student Affairs, on an idyllic May afternoon when he invited me to accept this wonderful ministry. His enthusiasm for the people and the work of Notre Dame was — and remains — inspiring. Trust me, there are countless others who convey that devotion and affirmation at "this place." Such an approach seems to rest on the conviction that God's work is our work.

There will always be someone here to encourage you in your endeavors. And, that same individual, those same people, will be ones who will push you to do better, work harder, be more curious, look deeper. Notre Dame is not just a place that will challenge you, but it will support you within that challenge.

The Rev. Theodore Hesburgh has said that Notre Dame is at its finest when we come together to pray. I have experienced that truth in quiet late-nights at the Grotto, in beautiful Basilica Eucharists and vespers, in sorrow and shock on South Quad on September 11th, in the utter joy of celebrating at Carroll as 80-100 average voices are raised up to make a beautiful noise in praise of God, on retreat with people previously unknown who are now friends, spiritual companions, fellow seekers of wisdom.

At Notre Dame, people hear the Word of God and respond with their very beings. Yes, we *are* at our best when we pray together! □

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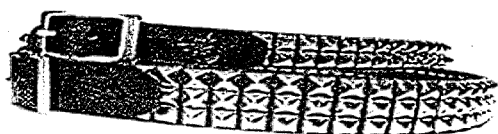
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