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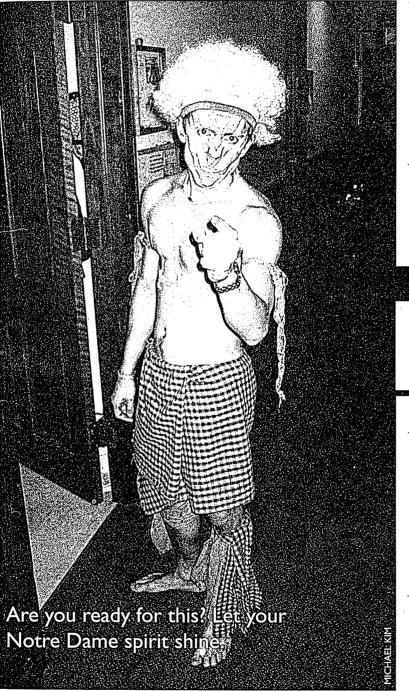
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Questions, Answers and Uncertainty

What is it that makes Notre Dame so special? Over the coming weeks, the single most frequent question you will hear is "Why did you choose Notre Dame?" Most of you will respond with facts and figures about academic vigor or Catholic identity. Some will go on about tradition or legacy. Others may simply reference Charlie Weis and his winning ways. Three years removed from your shoes, I will offer a slightly different perspective.

I can recall my last day of work as a waiter that summer. I was working a party with four other staff members, three of which were headed off for their first years of college. As the night wound down, the restaurant manager finally asked where we were going to school. One responded Rice, another Cornell and the last Johns Hopkins. Much to my amazement, when I uttered the words "Notre Dame," I got a reaction above and beyond the rest of my coworkers. The bartender, who was a year or two older, was a student at Michigan and couldn't hold back from putting in his two cents. He began with the usual hazing of the Fighting Irish, but soon after delved into serious conversation. "So, Notre Dame?" he said. "I'll tell you what, beyond the myth and lore of the program, Notre Dame is simply an awesome place filled with amazing people. So many people would give up everything to be in your shoes for the next four years." He smiled and wished me the best.

Notre Dame is more than a university. The name alone can transform a grin to a smile. Notre Dame has possibly the strongest following in the country, and it is the people here that make it so great. Over the coming years, you will build friendships that will shape you. The people you meet will challenge you — intellectually, socially and spiritually — and you will grow because of them. The real question then is "Why did Notre Dame choose you?" I'm sure they have good reason. Welcome to Notre Dame.

Christopher Meskill, Editor in Chief

One More Thing ...

And now on for a bit of shameless self-promotion. There is no better place to be on campus than in the basement offices of Scholastic in South Dining Hall. Scholastic is Notre Dame's biweekly campus news magazine, and it has been coming off the presses every year for the last 139. Whether you were editor of your high school publication, a budding photographer in high school, or just want to get away from your annoying roommate, Scholastic is where it's at. Stop by and say "hello" at Activities Night, or send an e-mail to scholast@nd.edu. We'd love to hear from you.

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



FLEX POINTS

They're like free money, for everything from Burger King to Starbucks. So much fun, you almost forget that your parents paid for them.



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.

What Is It About Notre Dame?

A primer on Our Lady's university

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"Notre Dame is Notre Dame."

he previous statement has been used excessively in conversations about Notre Dame. However, there is truth to the statement. Notre Dame is a unique place. It is in the middle of nowhere and seemingly archaic with its single-sex dorms, parietals and Catholic identity. Yet, so many alums speak so positively about their alma mater. Many employers gush at the prospect of hiring Notre Dame students. So what is it about Notre Dame that makes it so special?

Notre Dame is technically a university, but it's more than just that. It is a place that strives to fulfill its goal to educate not just the mind but also the body and spirit. Although this aim of the university may seem a bit lofty, if you let the university shape you, you will find yourself growing in more ways than just intellectually. Your four years under the Dome will give you the ultimate college experience. There is no other place that offers the combination of top-notch academics, high-profile athletics, stellar Campus Ministry programs (and not just for Catholics), a gorgeous campus and a tight-knit community that feels like a family.

You'll find that Notre Dame is a demanding place. There will be plenty of parties and SYRs to attend, as well as more interhall sports opportunities than you can imagine. However, there also will be presentations to prepare for, 10-page papers to turn in and some bickering with professors over your final grade. During the fall, you'll find that postponing your school work until the weekend will become a pointless exercise. Notre Dame football weekends will take up all of your time, especially considering this season's expectations. There are so many things to do but seemingly so little time to do it all. Yes, it's true: Life at Notre Dame may be overwhelming at times, but think of it as an opportunity to sharpen your time management skills. Think of it as a place that tests your ability to have the boldness to say "no" in the right situations. If attending Notre Dame isn't exactly your dream-come-true, think of what a Notre Dame education can provide for you. As an undergraduate, you might not be able to see the bigger picture of where your education is taking you, but trust us; a Notre Dame degree will prepare you for the real world.

We live in a society that is driven by success, one that tempts many students to choose majors they think will lead to monetary success. However, it is essential that you study what you care about. It is true that picking the right major can be difficult, especially given all of the available options. Still, college is a place where you will learn how to think, write and read critically, as well as where you will receive a holistic sense of the vast span of opportunities that are available to you. Choose a major that will fulfill you intellectually, and the rest will take care of itself. Look at Head Football Coach Charlie Weis (ND '78). How many football coaches do you know that majored in speech and drama?

Take advantage of Notre Dame. You'll be surprised how much it has to offer. Get to know your professors. They don't bite and can be valuable resources. Study hard, but don't let it deter you from getting out of the library to experience campus events and meeting potential lifelong friends. Enjoy the traditions, and don't take anything for granted, because it all will go by faster than you would think. Notre Dame is Notre Dame, and you'll find out why when you arrive in August.

Fight Song & Alma Mater

The essential songs for life under the Dome

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any incoming freshmen have the luxury of already having the Fight Song and the Alma Mater ingrained in their minds since birth. Perhaps your mother was an alumna and sung you to sleep with the Alma Mater. 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 during their first pep rally or the opening school-wide Mass. Here, *Scholastic* gives you an introduction to the lyrics that, by the time you graduate in 2010, you'll know as well as your own name.

"Notre Dame Victory March" (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 first was 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
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 composed in 1930 by Joseph J. Casasanta, a 1923 ND graduate, in honor of the dedication of Notre Dame Stadium — the House that Knute Built. The lyrics were written by the Rev. Charles L. O'Donnell, C.S.C., a 1906 graduate and ND's president from 1928-1934. The song also is sung at the end of every football weekend Mass at the Basilica, proving that, at the university that is home to Touchdown Jesus and We're No. 1 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!





Things to do in the first month of school

- Take a coffee break with one of your professors.
 You'll be amazed at how much more you will learn outside of class in a one-on-one conversation with your prof than you will in a classroom setting with him or her.
- Get addicted to Facebook.

 It's the best way to stalk that hottie from Frosh-O.
- 3 "Borrow" dishes and silverware from the dining halls until graduation.

 Better stock up for the year, especially if you don't want to make yet another trip to Meijer.
- 2. Introduce yourself to the upperclassman across the hall.

They're not as scary as they seem.

Join Scholastic Magazine.

 Anyone with an interest in writing or design, a cynical sense of humor and a love of caffeine is welcome.

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Academic Freedom and Catholic Character

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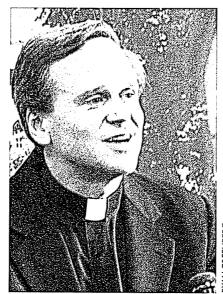
n January 23 and 24, 2006, the Rev. John I. Jenkins, C.S.C., president of Notre Dame, called a meeting that changed the way the university discusses the relationship between academics and religion. Entitled "Academic Freedom and Catholic Character: an Invitation for Reflection and Response," Jenkins' addresses — the first given to faculty members and the second directed at students — were a response to certain campus events that could be deemed incompatible with the Catholic nature of the university. The two events that garnered the most attention during the debate were the annual performance of "The Vagina Monologues" and the Department of Film, Television, and Theatre event known as the Queer Film Festival.

"The Vagina Monologues" have been performed annually on campus since 2002 and have often been a lightning rod for criticism from individuals who feel that the play's frank and often graphic discussion of female sexuality has no place on the campus of a Catholic university.

Different university departments sponsored the performance each year, and proceeds from ticket sales went to S.O.S.

— the St. Joseph's County rape crisis

Y.W.C.A. — a local battered women's shelter. The Queer Film Festival has been



MR. PRESIDENT Fr. Jenkins replaced Fr. Malloy as president following the end of Malloy's term in June 2005.

a part of Notre Dame since 2004.

Fr. Jenkins took issue with the departmental sponsorship of "The Vagina Monologues," confining its performance to a classroom setting and banning any fundraising for the event. He also expressed fears that the Queer Film Festival's name may appear to "celebrate and promote homosexual activity." For this reason, he asked that the title of the event be changed. Also, in an effort to gain feedback from faculty and students, Fr. Jenkins facilitated discussions, solicited e-mails and attended a performance of "The Vagina Monologues."

On April 5, 2006, Fr. Jenkins issued a closing statement marking the end of this investigatory period. He stated that he was willing to allow the annual performance of "The Vagina Monologues" and the event formerly known as the Queer Film Festival since Notre Dame is a university and it must be willing to engage the issues of the outside world. To further discussion on the relationship between Catholic character and academic freedom, he formed a committee consisting of faculty members and students, which he will chair. Still, just as "The Vagina Monologues" continues to cause controversy every year, it is doubtful that the heated discussion about academic freedom at Notre Dame is over.

Insta-College Town

Student Government conducted a survey a few weeks before finals, seeking input from students about the "College Town" proposal. Assessing students' restaurant, retail and nightlife preferences, Student Government hopes to assist the university in the creation of "College Town," or the Northeast Neighborhood Development Project. Initiated by students in the School of Architecture and in the idea stage for years, this project follows the recent string of improvements to campus borders.

In the past year, roadway improvements have alleviated some of the traffic issues

in and around campus. A new entrance at Notre Dame Avenue and Angela Boulevard, with columns and bronzed school seals, was finished in time for the 2005 football season. It marks the beginning of the dramatic tree-lined drive toward the Golden Dome. Additional improvements were made to Douglas Road, a street heavy with traffic to and from Grape Road establishments. After a nearly two month closure of sections of Douglas, drivers learned to navigate the new "roundabout" at the intersection of Douglas and Juniper Road. Most of this roadway improvement is geared toward the August closing of the section of Ju-

niper that bisects campus.

This closure marks the first step in the creation of "College Town," proposed to be located south of campus, along Eddy Street, just one block south of Angela Boulevard. Architecture students participating in the South Bend Downtown Design Studio worked on the project, hoping to create a stronger sense of unity between the university and nearby neighborhoods. The project also aims to provide entertainment and retail outlets within walking distance for students.

The Rise and Cost of Dorm Technology

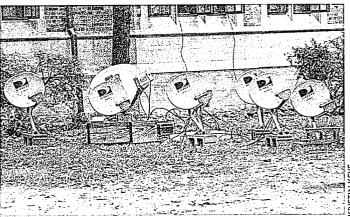
heard that cable televison and wireless internet access would be provided in the dorms, many were ecstatic at Notre Dame's attempts to advance further in the technological realm. These sentiments, however, were negatively affected by the baggage that came along with the improvements — namely, the "Dark Periods" in the dorms that occurred during the installation of new cable and wireless technology.

During the 2005-2006 academic year, university-hired contractors and workers moved from dorm to dorm installing new wiring throughout the buildings' walls and student rooms. The resulting "Dark Periods," described as "period[s] of approximately 15-20 days as old wires [were] removed and new cables [were] installed," by the Notre Dame Office of Information Technology (OIT), caused students to live and work without internet access, dorm room telephones, and Domer Dol-

lars access to laundry machines and vending machines. In some instances, these "Dark Periods" lasted up to a month or more.

The improvements, although much anticipated, will bring about further consequences starting next year as well. The dorm room telephone service will no longer be

an automatic part of the room or tuition and will instead require a special request and an extra \$168 per semester, according to the OIT. In addition, if a student does choose to purchase the phone service, the student must provide his or her own phone. Also beginning in the fall, students will no longer be al-



THE END OF DISH FARMS Beginning in fall 2006, satellites will be banned from campus with the introduction of cable in the dorms.

lowed to use satellite dishes because of the campus-wide television cable available in the dorm rooms.

Even though returning students will be met with some changes, overall technological performance is clearly on the rise at Notre Dame.

Ordinance Crashes the Party

ast year, Notre Dame dealt with an amendment to South Bend's disorderly house ordinance. The amendment, passed by the South Bend Common Council in the summer of 2005, enables the city to send notices of abatement to landlords and their tenants after only a single noise violation. The amendment also adds excise-related incidents, such as citations for underaged drinking, as violations to the tenant's code of conduct. Hoping to cut down on rowdy off-

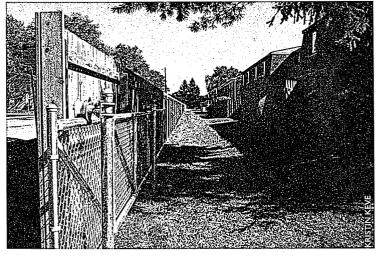
campus parties, the ordinance imposes heavy fines on offenders and potentially leaves them without a place to live.

In the fall, the ordinance surprised returning Notre Dame students. Many saw the ordinance as unnecessarily strict. Students were also concerned that the council passed the measure, which clearly affects students, during the summer months, when few students could participate in the debate. Throughout the year, some students living off-campus

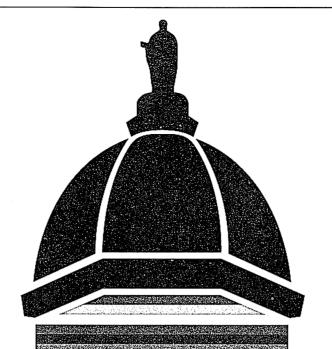
faced the consequences of the ordinance. Many of those cited were forced from their residence, including evictions at Turtle Creek, a popular apartment complex.

As the effects of the ordinance were felt, student outcry grew. Student government actively worked to influence the Common Council. Student Body President Dave Baron, who made improving relations between students and the South Bend community a central platform issue during his election campaign, represented students before the Common Council and invited Council members to campus to speak with student leaders. "This was an issue we thought was important even before the whole dispute with the passing of the [off-campus student noise] ordinance in August," Baron says.

In the spring, the Common Council began to review the amendment, potentially enabling change that will provide students with more leeway. Under new Student Body President Lizzi Shappell, former vice president under Dave Baron, Student Government intends to continue enhancing students' relations with the local community.



FENCED IN In order to curb excessive party activity, Turtle Creek management erected a fence along the complex's north entrance.



CORE COUNCIL FOR GAY & LESBIAN STUDENTS

Meet student members of the **Core Council for Gay and Lesbian Students** and find out more about resources available to **gay, lesbian, bisexual, and questioning students** on the Notre Dame campus.

The Core Council for Gay and Lesbian Students will host a RECEPTION for interested first-year students:

Monday, August 22nd

1:30-3:30 p.m.

316 Coleman-Morse Building

(3rd Floor Lounge)

Visit our web site at http://www.corecouncil.nd.edu/

The Core Council for Gay and Lesbian Students also sponsors:

Coffee & Conversation at the Co-Mo
Solidarity Sunday
CommUnity
NETWORK Sessions

Learn Your Irish Vocabulary

A lexicon of key words you'll want to know

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AnTostal: The Celtic festival of spring; a weeklong celebration hosted by the Student Union Board with fun events for Dormvisiting hours students.

Bengal Bouts: Annual studentrun boxing tournament that benefits charity.

> Bookstore Basketball: The Quarter Dogs: largest 5-on-5 outdoor 25-cent hot dogs basketball tournament sold in LaFortune in the world, held every starting at midspring on campus.

CoMo: The Coleman-Morse Center, which offers study space 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 insideND, it gained the nickname from the days of telephone registration.

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

DPAC: The Marie P. DeBartolo Performing Arts Center.

The Huddle: A convenience store in LaFortune Student Center.

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

JACC ("Jack"): Joyce Athletic and Convocation Center; home of basketball and hockey games and pep rallies.

> LaFun: LaFortune Student Center; contains many services for students, as well as several restaurants.

O'Shag: O'Shaughnessy Hall; home of the College of Arts and Letters.

Parietals:

that permit members of the opposite sex to be present only during certain times of the day.

night.

Reckers: A 24-hour restaurant, located behind South Dining Hall.

ResLife: Office of Residence Life and Housing; the most despised compound word on campus, it's where you go if you break parietals — or any other rules.

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

Rolfs: Newer, though harder to find, exercise facility, located on the east side of campus.

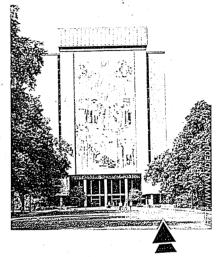
The Shirt: Worn by most students and fans at football games, proceeds from sales are used to fund many student activities on campus.

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

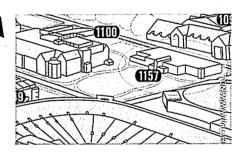
Stonehenge: War memorial fountain at the south end of North Quad; a popular location for many unofficial freshman orientation activities.



SYR: Officially called a "theme dance," "Screw Your Roommate" got its name from the legendary tradition of setting up one's roommate with a date from the Dogbook.



Touchdown | esus: Officially known as the Word of Life Mural, a famous mosaic on the south wall of the Hesburgh Library.



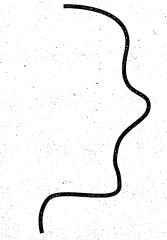
Turtle Creek ("TC"): Apartment complex formerly popular among ND students; located very close to campus, was hit hard by local noise ordinance, but still remains home to "Rally in the Alley," a large party at the beginning and end of the school year.

WSND: Student-run fine arts radio station; specializes in classical music.

WVFI: Student-run progressive radio station.



FACES TO REMEMBER





ake sure to look good and hard. The following faces belong to those people that you, as a Notre Dame student, should know.

JENKINS: In April 2004, the Rev. John I. Jenkins, C.S.C., was elected the 17th president of Notre Dame by the board of trustees. He is the university's third president since 1952.

Jenkins, 52, is a 1976 graduate of Notre Dame. He received a master's degree from the university in 1978, and he also holds two degrees in philosophy from Oxford University.

Jenkins was ordained a Holy Cross priest in 1983. He joined the Notre Dame faculty in 1990 as a professor in the Department of Philosophy. From 1997 to 2000, Jenkins served as the religious superior for the Holy Cross priests and brothers at Notre Dame. In 2000, he was named vice president and associate provost of the university. During the 2003-2004 school year, Jenkins was on sabbatical, serving as a visiting professor at the University of Chicago.

Jenkins made himself the subject of much controversy last year when he initiated a

campus-wide discussion on the relationship between academic freedom and Catholic character at Notre Dame. The discussion centered around whether or not to allow the continued presence of "The Vagina Monologues" and the Gay and Lesbian Film Event in a performance setting. Jenkins ultimately decided not to restrict the performances of these two events.

WEIS: In December 2004, Charlie Weis was hired as the head football coach of the Fighting Irish, following the firing of Tyrone Willingham, who served for three years as head coach.

Although Weis was not the university's first choice, he certainly fit the job description. Even before coaching his first game in blue and gold, he already had something in common with Irish legends Knute Rockne and Frank Leahy — a Notre Dame diploma. Yet, his Class of 1978 ring was not the only finger accessory that justified his hiring, as he had four Super Bowl rings highlighting his 26-year coaching career.

Weis has studied the game from every perspective and at every level. He began his career as a high school coach in New Jersey before moving to the collegiate level with the University of South Carolina, and from there on to the NFL. Along the way, Weis worked as a defensive assistant, offensive coordinator and special teams coach.

During his first year at head coach, Weis led the Notre Dame football team to an impressive 9-3 record and a place in the Tostitos Fiesta Bowl. In addition to engineering Notre Dame's return to the Top 25, Weis saw his team set 47 individual and team offensive records.

POORMAN: The Rev. Mark Poorman, C.S.C., is beginning his eighth 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."

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 Master of Divinity from Notre Dame. He later earned a doctorate in Christian ethics from the Graduate Theological Union in Berkeley, Calif.

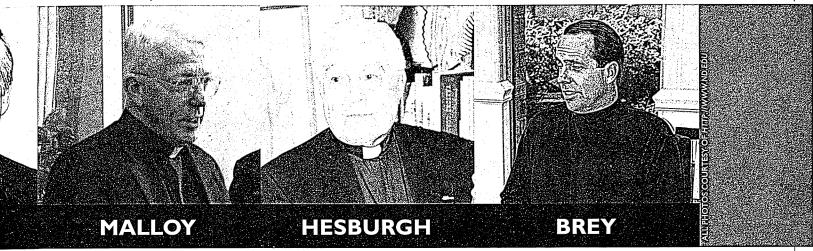
WHITE: Entering his seventh year as athletic director, Kevin White looks to add his first national title in football. His tenure already has been marked

had held since 1986. He also has served as a professor of theology since 1974. Malloy was remarkably accessible for a university president, as he conducts a freshman seminar each semester and resides in an undergraduate residence hall. Several years ago, before a knee injury, Malloy even played 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

opment and immigration reform. Among the recognitions that he has received are the Congressional Gold Medal and the Medal of Freedom.

"Father Ted" finds time to connect with students, often guest-lecturing in the classroom and presiding over Mass in residence halls. His presence on campus is ubiquitous; the library, center for international studies and the public service program all bear his name.

BREY: Brey joined the Irish as head basketball coach in July 2000 after leav-



by national championships in fencing, women's basketball and women's soccer. White also has overseen four top-15 finishes for Notre Dame in the NACDA Director's Cup, a measure of an athletic program's overall success. In NACDA's final winter standings for 2005-2006, Notre Dame finished ninth.

White worked as Arizona State University's athletic director for four years before coming to Notre Dame. He has served on several NCAA committees, on the executive committee of the Division I-A Athletic Directors Association and as chairman on the Pacific-10 Conference's television and bowl committees. In 1997, White received the Alumni Achievement Award at Saint Joseph's College, where he studied as an undergraduate. He then earned a master's degree at Central Michigan University and a doctorate at Southern Illinois University. He also has done postgraduate work at Harvard University's Institute for Educational Management.

MALLOY: The Rev. Edward "Monk" Malloy, C.S.C., (ND '63, '67, '69) served his final term as the 16th president of Notre Dame in 2004, a position that he

Vanderbilt University. He also has received countless awards, including 12 honorary degrees. Malloy has served as 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.

HESBURGH: The Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., (ND '39) 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 has played a pivotal role in developing several of Notre Dame's academic institutes.

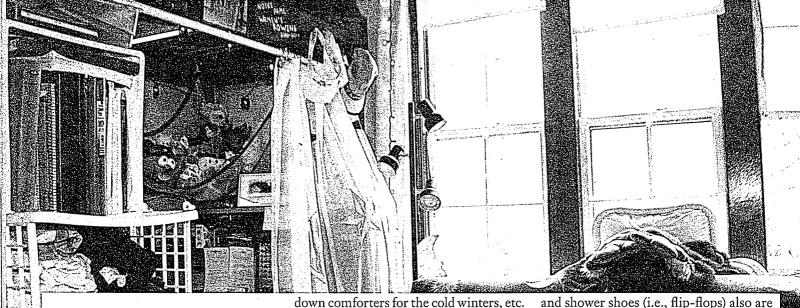
Perhaps Hesburgh's most distinguished contributions are those he has made to national and international public service. He has held 15 U.S. presidential appointments involving many major social issues, including civil rights, peaceful uses of atomic energy, campus unrest, treatment of Vietnam offenders, Third World developments

ing the University of Delaware. He made his excitement about coaching at Notre Dame clear in his first press conference: "I've only been to South Bend twice before today, road games when I was at Duke University," he said. "[I] left on the bus [...] and drove off this campus many times, [thinking,] 'I wonder if I could ever be good enough to [coach] at a place like this.' All I can say is, wow, we're here."

Now that he is here, Brey has left his mark. In 2001, he led the Irish to their first NCAA tournament appearance since 1990. He since has led the team to two more tournament appearances, including a trip to the Sweet 16 in 2003. Earlier that season, Brey's Irish defeated three top-10 opponents, the first such occurrence in Notre Dame history. He also coached three consecutive 20-win teams for the first time in Notre Dame history.

Brey's career winning percentage in 11 years as an NCAA head coach is .640. Before coaching at Delaware and Notre Dame, Brey served as an assistant at Duke under coach Mike Krzyzewski and as head coach at prep powerhouse DeMatha High School in Maryland.

Pack It Up. Move It Out.



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at's time to begin that daunting task of packing. "Where do I start?" you ask. Never fear. Whether you're a list-maker or a bag-stuffer, Scholastic has the low-down on dorm room necessities. When you arrive on campus, don't be discouraged by the looks of your room. While they come with the standard desk, bed and closet, empty dorm quarters tend to resemble prison cells. Be sure to bring plenty of posters, pictures and even Christmas lights to spruce up the walls. Some students buy rope lights or shamrock-shaped lights for school spirit.

Most rooms have only a single overhead light fixture and fluorescent lights over the sink, so floor lamps do wonders. You also will want a desk lamp and maybe one small light to clip onto your bed for late-night reading before you doze off to sleep.

Speaking of sleeping, the beds do not come with linens, so make sure you bring some bedding—sheets, blankets, pillows,

— whatever will make you feel comfortable. Body pillows are great for lying on the floor and studying.

Some dorms have beds that can be bunked, while others have modular fur-

Some dorms have beds that can be bunked, while others have modular furniture, which means you can bunk your bed on top of your desk and wardrobe. If your dorm does not have modular furniture and you would like to loft your bed, you can purchase a loft kit at a local hardware store, such as Home Depot, when you arrive.

If you do not have a handyman moving you in, store employees often will assemble a loft for a fee. Or, if you're feeling adventurous, you can even try building your own from scratch. But remember to bring a toolbox, complete with drills, wrenches and a hammer.

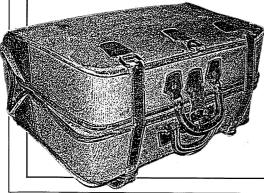
To make for a homier crib, you might want to bring a couch or futon. If space, money or transportation is a problem, canvas butterfly chairs or bean bag chairs are clutch. You also may want carpet or rugs to cover the hard floor, which can get very cold to walk on in the winter. A carpet sale takes place on campus at the Stepan Center during Freshman Orientation weekend, and usually you can find the right fit for your room at the campus sale. Room dimensions vary, and some can be found on the Office of Residence Life and Housing Web site. (Visit http://orlh.nd.edu.)

Pack a shower caddy to tote your soap and shampoo to and from the community bathrooms. A robe or large towel and shower shoes (i.e., flip-flops) also are necessary.

As far as laundry goes, you can do it yourself or use St. Michael's Laundry Service. St. Michael's is an on-campus laundry service that will pick up your dirty clothes, wash them and return them for a fee. If you decide to do your own laundry, most dorms have coin-operated washers and dryers (\$1.50 and \$1.00 to wash and dry one load, respectively). Make sure to bring rolls of quarters, a laundry basket or bag to haul your duds to the laundry room, detergent, stain remover and a drying rack for clothing you'd rather not shrink. Also, if you do not want to lug those quarters around, you should think about purchasing Domer Dollars, which are credited to your student card. As an added incentive, each load of laundry is 25 cents cheaper using the "dollars."

One of the most important decisions will be whether or not to bring a computer and, if so, whether to use a desktop or a laptop. If you choose to leave your computer at home, you can use one in a computer cluster on campus, some of which are open 24 hours. However, some students prefer to write papers and e-mails from the comfort of their rooms, which makes a desktop computer an ideal choice. Many other students find it easier to bring a laptop computer to school. This allows students more freedom when working on papers or using the Internet, as they can relocate to their hearts' desire.

There are many ways to connect to the Internet in LaFortune Student Center and



Hesburgh Library if you bring a laptop. These campus buildings and all the dorms recently have been outfitted with wireless Internet connections. You may want to bring a wireless Internet card to make connecting outside the dorm convenient. For non-wireless computers, there are standard ethernet jacks available around campus, too. Additionally, if you don't want to lug a printer to campus, both color and black and white printers are available in the computer clusters.

As far as entertainment goes, bring whatever tickles your fancy. Most students bring televisions for those muchneeded study breaks. Beginning this fall, the dorms will be equipped with cable, but if you and your roommate are movie addicts, you may want to bring a VCR or DVD player. A CD player or iPod will provide some musical variety. Get in touch with your roommate to divvy up the more expensive items you'll share.

Aside from West and Mod Quad dorms, most are without air conditioning. A fan may come in handy for those few hot nights at the beginning and end of the school year.

One thing to remember is that microwaves are not allowed in the dorm rooms. Most floors in the dorms have a microwave in the common room for making popcorn or Easy Mac late at night. It also is a good idea to bring a hot pot that will boil water so you can make Ramen noodles, the quintessential college food.

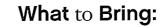
Also beginning this fall, rooms will not come equipped with land line phones. For an extra fee, however, you can get one for your room. A cellular phone has many ing free long distance service and increased mobility. Cell phones are one of the easiest ways to keep in touch with family, old friends from home and new friends around campus.

As far as wardrobe goes, there are a few must-haves. Don't forget warm clothing for the infamously cold South Bend winter. You'll need a warm coat, gloves or mittens and a hat if you don't want to freeze. Bring a raincoat, umbrella or poncho for rainy walks to class and football games. Remember to bring lots of outfits and shirts with your dorm color to show your spirit at pep rallies. Since most of the closets are small, you may want to buy some plastic shelving containers that are cheap and practical or under-the-bed plastic containers.

A swimsuit is a must for the mandatory swim test that all freshmen take at the beginning of the year. Each dorm will have a couple of dances — both formal and semi-formal — each semester. Pack a fun dress or two or a jacket or suit and tie for such occasions.

Don't forget a camera to capture all the fun memories you are about to experience with the football games, pep rallies and dorm events.

If your suitcases are stuffed, or if you forget something, do not worry. Although South Bend may not be a buzzing metropolis, it does have plenty of retail stores. The University Park Mall is complete with a Macy's, L.S. Ayers, Banana Republic, Gap, Express and many other stores. And if you absolutely must have your favorite teddy bear or your bottle cap collection, mom and dad are just a phone call and a care package away.



- O For the room:

 alarm clock
 extra-long twin sheets
 lamp
 pillows
 hangers
- O Random:
 gym bag
 backpack
 wallet
 keychain
 watch
 posters
 checkbook
- O Possibilities:
 bike and lock
 computer
 TV
 refrigerator
- O Don't Bring: microwave toaster candles

What and Where to Buy:

Carpet: Stepan Center

Futon: The Futon Factory

Plastic Shelves: Meijer, Target

Bright floor lamp: Meijer, Target

Loft kit: Home Depot

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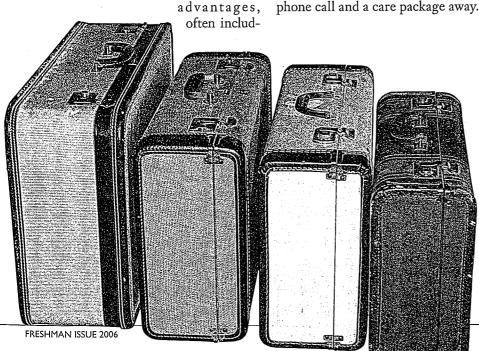
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School supplies: Office

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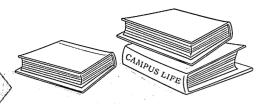
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WHAT'S GOING DOWN ON THE GROUNDS



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You are ND

You're a very lucky / intelligent / athletic / talented / well-rounded incoming freshman. Seriously. Way back in December, there were a whole lot of you. And now just the strongest, wisest and bravest remain. And you are one of them. Behold, the statistics from the applicant pool of the Class of 2010.

12,800 applicants for the 2006-2007 freshman class (highest ever)

3,484 applicants admitted to the Class of 2010

1.985 admitted students expected to enroll

84% projected percentage of Catholic students **23%** projected percentage of minority students

4% projected percentage of international students

380 average SAT score of the Class of 2010 **31** average ACT score of the Class of 2010



Q&A

With the Class of 2006 valedictorian



Catherine

Distler

Catherine Distler; valedictorian of the Class of 2006, graduated with a double major in anthropology and preprofessional studies. During

her undergraduate career at Notre Dame, Catherine earned a 3.94 cumulative grade point average and took part in several service projects through the Center for Social Concerns (CSC), including a nine-week summer service project with Mother Theresa's Missionaries of Charity in Calcutta, India. She also conducted research on the impact of HIV/AIDS on children in the developing world. Scholastic caught up with Catherine to hear about the secrets of her success.

What is your favorite memory from your time at Notre Dame?

On Thursday night during finals weeks, my friends and I typically went to Recker's and then to the Grotto afterwards. I always enjoyed this moment because at night you have a great feel of the whole campus atmosphere. I've looked back on those hours very fondly.

What is your favorite way to procrastinate?

I like reading tabloids and messing around on Facebook and Instant Messenger. Procrastination has been the name of the game senior year.

What class gave you the most trouble in your four years?

Calculus II freshman year. I struggled a lot and couldn't seem to get on the same page with the teacher. I haven't taken a math class since.

It's hard for a student to balance work, extracurricular activities, free time and sleep. What's your advice on the best way to do so?

Balance the time you spend with friends and your work. You have to work to maintain that balance on both sides. You need friends who keep you grounded and can give you perspective about life.

What part of your experience at Notre Dame was most instrumental in forming who you are today?

I would have to lump together everything I've done with the CSC. These activities taught me a lot about myself, the world and others so much that they've changed the way I've lived. I always enjoyed things that challenged the way I looked at the world.

What is your favorite "brain food" to keep you focused while studying?

When I'm reading I find that eating something always keeps me up. Popcorn has always been a favorite of mine to munch on. When I was studying for the MCAT I ate a Snickers bar before every test. The first time I did this it was during a practice test that I ended up getting a really high score on. I'm pretty superstitious when it comes to stuff like that.

What are your plans for the real world?

For now it looks like I'll be avoiding the real world for the next seven years or so. I'm going to Johns Hopkins Medical School in the fall and after that I'd like to do a residency in pediatrics and conduct research in the discipline of infectious diseases.

Billy Joel says that if you try to be a straight-A student, you think too much. Thoughts?

It depends on what you're ultimately striving for. I always studied really hard and did it because I knew that some day I wanted to be a great doctor and knew that all the effort would be worth it. As long as you're doing what you're doing because you're passionate about it, by all means go for it.

—David Poell

Perfect Strangers



NICKKOLMAN-MANDLE

elcome to your new dorm room. Behind your door you will find a bed, a desk and a roommate. Have a good year!

It may be true that some universities house gigantic supercomputers that match each incoming freshman with a roommate of compatible sleeping and study habits, as well as of similiar musical and neatness preferences. Alas, at Notre Dame there is no such system. Roommate pairings are randomly selected, and you will not receive any sort of personality questionnaire that will be fed into a supercomputer to match you to your dream roommate.

But, fear not. The indiscriminate process of the Office of Residence Life and Housing is not without its merits. For many of you, college will be your first experience living in the same room with another human being. Even for those who currently share rooms with siblings, your dorm situation will be much different. It is no longer feasible, for example, to resolve every disagreement with a punch in the arm or relentless teasing. While the resident assistant (RA) one door down has taken the place of your parents and is there to help you with your problems, you'll find that banging on the wall and constant finger-pointing will get you nowhere. Rarely, however, will a situation arise which needs more than a little heart-to-heart talk.

Rooming with a complete stranger is a unique opportunity. Your freshman year will perhaps be the first time in your life where you are given the resource and reason to adapt to life with another person. Despite Notre Dame's unsystematic approach, you'll find that you are more adaptable to dealing with a shared room than you may think. What's more, the amount of influence you currently have on the matter is, well, none. Fretting about your future roomie is a waste of your precious summer time, so don't lose sleep over it.

The spectrum of roommate relations can be divided into three simple categories. Note: Remember that your roommate-tobe is probably reading this same thing right now. You both have the opportunity to make your living situation as comfortable as possible.

Kindred Spirits

You may move in on your first day, meet your roommate and pledge your eternal friendship to him or her within an hour. Or the engagement may take a couple weeks. In either case, count yourself among the few lucky if you find a best friend in your roommate. You'll both love Kanye West and hate country. You'll own the same color of shower sandals, and you'll have more fun playing in the box your Gateway was shipped in than actually using the computer. Within a month, you'll know each other inside and out.

While rare, this situation is certainly possible. Always having your best friend around you adds to your comfort level, and you'll likely meet people together and share a good number of friends. Beware, though. Don't box yourself in during Freshman Orientation weekend. Use it as a chance to meet as many fellow students as possible. Remember to be your own person, and for goodness' sake, don't pass up a chance to play volleyball with your brother-sister dorm because you and your roommate are busy battling it out on the Xbox.

I'm OK, You're OK

This may be the most common situation for roommates. There is absolutely nothing wrong with not asking your first-year roommate to be best man or maid of honor at your wedding. In this instance, your roommate is nice, considerate, relatively neat and gives you your space. Whatever his or her person-

ality may be, it's not difficult to live with this person. In this scenario, you'll both make friends of your own, but have pizza and watch a movie together every once in a while. At the very least, you'll have a comrade to join you as you head to the dining hall those first few nights, or to throw a Frisbee on the quad with after class.

You'll get to meet all of your roommate's friends, and you can introduce him or her to yours. Failing to achieve communal nirvana in your own room will send you down the hall, to another floor or to another dorm for your best friends. The more efforts you make, the more people you'll meet, and the more likely you are to make those lifelong

It Wasn't Meant to Be

Sadly, some roommates just don't get along. You may verbally argue on several room-related points, or your roommate could be so inconsiderate that you actually look forward to parietals. Whatever the case may be, don't hesitate to ask your RA for advice. The worst rooming situations can warrant room changes, but this scenario is rare.

On the bright side, you will have an especially strong impetus for making friends outside the room, and a good reason to get involved in extracurricular activities. Don't let the person you share a room with taint your overall college experience.

Chances are, despite your assigned roommate, your first year at Notre Dame will be among the greatest of your life. Take heart in the fact that your future roommate has the same reservations you might have about living with someone you've never met. To ensure a good year, be yourself, be considerate and, perhaps most important of all, keep your mess confined to your side of the room.

HOME, TO HOME

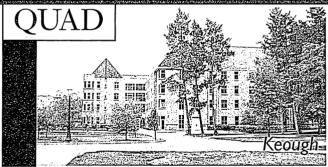
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Everyone knows
Notre Dame has
a long history of
tradition, but few
besides alumni and
students are familiar
with the traditions
of its residence halls.
Read on for a brief
introduction to some
of these time-honored
events — from the
charitable to the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



"THE BANNER" The Vermin of Carroll Hall may live all the way across the lake, but that doesn't stop them from showing off their spirit in a big way — and by "big," we mean 30 feet by 90 feet.

west



Welsh Family: Welsh Fam is home to the Whirlwinds and is traditionally a sports powerhouse on campus. The dorm organizes one of the more unique events on campus: the Welsh Family Feud, a gameshow style competition that pits dorms against each other, part of a spirit week full of events centered around dorm pride. Welsh Fam raised several thousand dollars and organized a service trip to New Orleans in response to the Hurrican Katrina disaster. For this and their outstanding

spirit, they received the Women's Hall of the Year Award for 2005-2006.

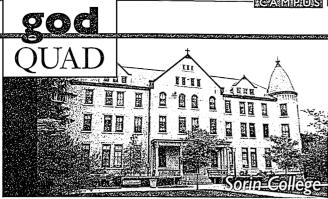
Keough: The Kangaroos put on the annual Keough Chariot Race, for

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. Keough, along with Welsh Fam, is known for dominating Late Night Olympics, a night of competitions for charity among the halls.

McGlinn: With a mascot close to the Leprechaun's heart, the Shamrocks of

McGlinn are best known for their Casino Night, where they host a night of gambling and games. Each Shamrock invites up to five friends, all of whom can buy raffle tickets and place bets with fake money. All proceeds from the event (real money, this time) benefit the Catholic Worker House.

O'Neill: Built as the first male residence hall on the West Quad in 1996, O'Neill has been home to some of the most active and rowdy men on campus ever since. Known as "The Angry Mob," the men of O'Neill show their dorm pride when they march loudly toward pep rallies and in signature events, like the Miss ND pageant. O'Neill co-sponsors an event with Lyons called "Recess" where a number of playground games bring students back to their middle-school years.



Sorin College: The Rev. Edward "Monk" Malloy, C.S.C., former university president, 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 the home football weekends each year.

Walsh: Not to be confused with Welsh Fam, Walsh Hall was named for Notre Dame's sixth president, who is credited with instituting the university's first intercollegiate football team. The Wild Women host the Walsh Wild Week in the fall, involving a series of competitive and not-so-competitive events, culminating in a Mr. ND Pageant and the Walsh Hall

Fall Frolic. The Frolic is a dance for which the Wild Women dress up as Britneyesque Catholic schoolgirls.

Lewis: Lewis 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. Each resident anonymously invites a date to the Chicks' signature dance, the Lewis Crush, which polishes off the week of dorm activities. The building served as housing for nuns until 1975 and is famous for their patio and accompanying covered walkway.

St. Edward's: St. Ed's is the oldest building now used as a dorm, although it didn't become a residence hall until 1929. "The Gentlemen of St. Edward's Hall,"

or Stedsmen, hold an annual event called Founders Week, which includes a 2-on-2 basketball tournament and a charity shootout. All proceeds from Founders Week go to a charitable cause. St. Ed's has an end-of-the-year dance on a yacht in Chicago that strolls Lake Michigan. It is also home to a weekly Spanish Mass.

Carroll: Overlooking St. Mary's Lake from the west edge of campus, Carroll Hall offers quite possibly the best view of all the residence halls. 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 hall's "GO IRISH" banner, made out of 80 bed sheets and 10,000 staples, can be seen from as far away as the Grotto. If you've been assigned to Carroll, a bike is a must, unless you want to be late to class every day; this dorm is located farthest from the rest of campus. Although the number of residents may be small, the men of Carroll have enough heart to compensate.





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 Cavanugh 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 Student Center.

Zahm: The most infamous dorm on campus, Zahm transforms its 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). Zahm's football team also defeated their rival, Keenan Hall, in the 2005 men's interhall championship.

Keenan: Connected to Stanford Hall by the Chapel of the Holy

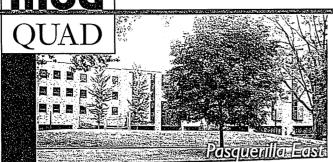
Cross, the Keenan Knights distinguish themselves with their signature event, the wildly successful Keenan Revue. The revue is a three-night show that the Knights put on every February. A sellout crowd attends this collection of original student comedy. Keenan is also host to a hugely successful mud volleyball tournament in the spring. They were voted as Men's Hall of the Year in 2005-2006.

Stanford: The men of Stanford live directly across the quad from North Dining Hall. The Griffins once were known as the Studs, but changed their mascot in tribute to former rector, the Rev. Robert Griffin, C.S.C. They also put on an Iron Grill contest where contestants from each

dorm compete to grill the best steak. Every fall they host the Benefit Bash, a late-night event, with proceeds supporting an orphanage in Chile.

Farley: Farley, located next to North Dining Hall, has been a women's dorm since ND went coed in 1972. Last year the hall hosted an event called "What would you do for a Purdue Ticket?" Contestants humiliated themselves and performed crazy stunts in order to win football tickets to the ND away game. Pop Farley week is perhaps the best-known event of the Finest. This celebration, which culminates with a dance, features a different activity for the Finest and their dates each day of the week.

Breen-Phillips: The Babes of BP raise money each year for diabetic patients with their Meal Auction. Students and faculty members bid to eat with campus celebrities who have volunteered for the event, including football quarterback Brady Quinn. The Babes' 2005 auction raised \$6,500 for the American Diabetes Association. In the late winter/early spring, Breen-Phillips provides relief from the cold with its Beach Week.



Siegfried: The Ramblers of Siegfried 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. Siegfried also sponsors the annual Rambler Scrambler, a putt-putt tournament where sections in the dorm con-

struct each hole of the course. The ever-athletic Ramblers are always a threat to win the championship of nearly every sport, especially baseball. **Knott:** At pep

rallies, the Jug-

gerknotts can be easily spotted in their orange and blue attire. Each spring, they hold Knott on the Knoll, an afternoon of free food and entertainment from campus bands. Knott also hosts the Justin Brumbaugh Basketball Tournament in honor of a former resident.

Pasquerilla West: Nicknamed PW or P-Dub, this dorm is home to the Purple Weasels. In the spring, Queen Week, an intradorm event, fosters intersection competitions and ends in a dance, where one girl from the winning section is crowned Queen. PW dominated on the interhall football field and won last year's women's championship, played in ND stadium.

Pasquerilla East: PE is the home of the Pyros and the Pasquerilla East Musical Company (a.k.a. PEMCo), which stages a complete musical every February. The troupe's history includes productions of "Godspell," "Guys and Dolls," "Damn Yankees" and "Into the Woods." This past year's play was "Footloose." PE also is proud of its annual intradorm event, the PyrOlympics. The sections compete against each other in relay races and costume contests, among other events. PE is unique because its first through fourth floors are numbered five through eight, to differentiate it from Pasquerilla West.



Alumni: Conveniently located at the intersection of God Quad and South Quad and known to its residents as "The Center of the Universe," Alumni is home to the Dawgs. Each spring, the Dawgs host The Calling, an event steeped in tradition and shrouded in mystery. Alumni Hall loves its hockey team, whose games feature costume themes and songs. Alumni's biggest rival is its immediate neighbor, Dillon. The rivalry will be re-ignited with Rivals Week, during which Alumni and Dillon will compete in different sports competitions.

Dillon: The largest dorm on campus, housing over 350 students, Dillon was voted Hall of the Century. Its signature event is the Dillon Pep Rally, which is hosted before the first home football game of each season. The annual Pep Rally satirizes life at ND and includes keynote speakers and ND cheerleaders. The Big Red also hold the 'Stache Bash' in the spring. The Dillonites all grow mustaches to raise money for charity in antici-

pation of a dance on South Ouad.

Fisher: You'll know Fisher by the gigantic green 'F' on the front of the building. Every spring, Fisher hosts the Fisher Regatta, a campus-

wide boat race on St. Mary's Lake. Each fall the Green Wave holds a 50-hour roof-sit, during which students from around campus take turns sitting on Fisher's roof for charity. Fisher holds events throughout the weekend of the roof-sit and make fun of the residents stuck outside on the roof. Plus, Joe Montana lived there.

Pangborn: Pangborn sits on the far west end of South Quad. It hosts Phoxy Facts (a trivia contest) and a 3-on-3 volleyball tournament in the spring. It also is the site for A Life Uncommon, a group that meets regularly to help students deal with eating disorders. Pangborn hosts the Phox Phire, a bonfire where the effigies of the mascots of opposing football teams are ceremonially burned.

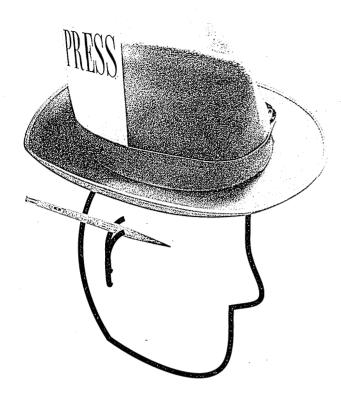
Lyons: Easily recognized by its famous arch overlooking St. Mary's Lake, this women's dorm sponsors the Mara Fox Fun Run every fall, in honor of a freshman resident killed by a drunk driver in 1993. Money raised from the event goes to a student scholarship fund. Lyons hosts

a beach-themed dance each fall, complete with grass skirts and Hawaiian shirts.

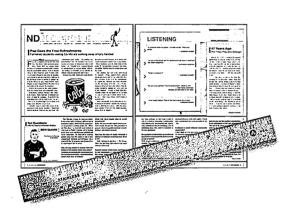
Morrissey Manor: The building isn't just its residents' home, it's also their mascot, the Manor. You'll know Morrissey men because they often wear togas and paint themselves black and yellow, the dorm colors. Morrissey is the second largest men's dorm on campus, located directly across South Quad from Fisher Hall. This fall the Manor will host Tomatino, an event modeled after an ancient tradition in Spain where hundreds of people throw tomatoes at each other in a gigantic food fight.

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 Hoedown, a semiformal 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 campuswide karaoke and dance competition, the Badin Spring Breakdown. Contestants are judged 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.



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CAMPUS with the GIPPER

It's about that time, kids. Put away that cheesy high school yearbook, throw aside your graduation cap, and get ready for the best four years of your life. Some call it a mind-epening experience, some call it a break from reality, and some call it the only time in life when lewd debauchery is not only accepted but also encouraged.

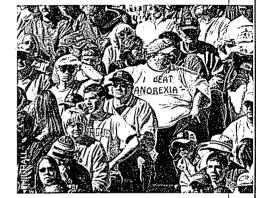
This here is the Gipper, the anonymous spy/writer who keeps this campus up-to-beat on its most absurd, disgusting, immoral and hilarious events. In every issue of *Scholastic*, Gipp gets to describe the best "tips" received since the last publication. This is where you come in. As readers, you will provide the bullets that allow Gipp to make his fortnightly character assassinations. The Gipper needs you to be his eyes and ears. So screw loyalty to your roommate, friends and lovers. If it's funny, juicy or obscene, Gipp needs to know about it. You report, Gipp derides.

You may be asking what a typical Gipp tip is. Well, there's no exact definition, but try this for a rule of thumb: If one of your friends does something so asinine that you know any true friend would keep it quiet, it will make a good tip. Let's give some examples. Your roommate skips class to drink half a case of Natty Lite — don't tip Gipp. Your roommate skips class to participate in some extracurricular activity in the bushes behind Main Building — by all means, tipp Gipp.

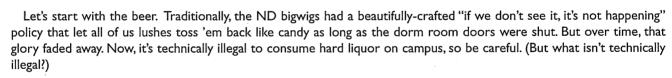
And remember, Gipp loves to print photos. One loyal tipster submitted the picture shown at the right. Did he print it in the very next issue? You betcha.

The Gipper would love to give some examples of past classic tips, but unfortunately we can't go into too much detail in this issue. After all, Mom probably will peruse through it after you're finished. But come this fall, you all will learn by example Gipp's unique M.O.

Anyway, enough self-promotion; the Gipper feels a duty to let you know the things they don't tell you in the welcome packet.



You've probably heard a few times that Notre Dame is all about Jesus. Actually, many students say that Notre Dame is all about football, beer and strained gender relations, but Gipp supposes that, to some extent, it still is about of JC. After all, his mosaic is the officially recognized signaler of touchdowns, and that's kind of important. Plus, you can't spit in the air on this campus without hitting a chapel. But for the sake of brevity, Gipp will try to give you a run-through of the heathen, secular aspects of our campus life.



Now, on to dorm life. While ND doesn't have Greek life, it does have a pretty solid system of on-campus housing. Compared to our peers, we have an amazingly high percentage of students living on campus, and almost everyone stays in the dorm they were assigned to freshman year. There is one gigantic catch to our dorms, though. Boys and girls, the Gipper hath seen illogical repression, and thy name is Parietals. Your dictionary (a.k.a. du Lac, the official campus rule book) can give you an exact definition, but just know this: If you came to college hoping to get closer to a special someone after 12 a.m. on weekdays or 2 a.m. on weekends, you might be in for a rude awakening. Some people will tell you that parietals thing because they signal the end of the night and let everyone get to rest. Right ... because college students aren't old

are a good thing, because they signal the end of the night and let everyone get to rest. Right ... because college students aren't old enough to decide when the night is over for themselves.

Like a lot of things in college, the problems you'll have with the aforementioned issues will depend largely on your resident assistant (RA). RAs are the seniors who, either because they didn't have enough friends to live off campus or wanted to save Daddy a few bucks, will live amongst you in the dorms to make sure you're at least attempting to follow the rules. The degree to which RAs actually give a crap varies greatly, but in general ladies get the shaft when it comes to power-tripping RAs, which, in the case of some RAs, apparently means "Retentive, Anally." In any case, Gipp advises you to befriend your RA ASAP, because it can't hurt to have him/her as a friend if you ever appear in front of the Supreme Irish Disciplinary Court known as ResLife.

That should be all for now, young ones. The Gipper hopes you are as excited to start your time here as he is to ruthlessly embarrass you on these pages. Please don't be nervous as you enter this bawdy new world of GippLand, because Gipp promises that you'll adjust quickly. By mid-September you'll be hoppin' across South Quad on your way to LaFun to get some QDs, complaining about ResLife and debating whether to ask your crush from the Rock or that cutie from FYC out on a date to NDH or SDH. Sound fun?

Enjoy the rest of your summer, and do try to lose 15 pounds in August — just so things are back to even by fall break. And if you remember one thing when you step onto this campus, it's this: Tip Gipp! See ya soon.





YOUR GUIDE TO CLUBBING AT NOTRE DAME

Whether you want to continue your involvement in student government or meet other Domers who share your love of horseback riding, Notre Dame has a club for everyone. Take a look at a few of your choices ...

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ACADEMIC

Scholastic choice: SIBC

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.

ANTHROPOLOGY CLUB

One of the many clubs within a major; aims to establish connections between the students and faculty within the department.

ENTREPRENUER CLUB

A group of individuals who plan to start or have already started their own businesses. 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.

INVESTMENT CLUB

Provides students of all majors with the opportunity to manage an investment portfolio of over \$300,000 of real money. Weekly presentations, discussions, and semester trips to the Chicago Board of Trade make this club vital for establishing connections.

NDESIGN

Gives members the opportunity to explore the world of Graphic Design through speakers, field trips and various internships.

PRE-PROFESSIONAL CLUBS

Include Pre-Law, Dental, Veterinary and Medicine; bring guest speakers, admissions representatives from post-graduate schools to campus, and provide resources to learn more about the fields of study.

SOCIETY OF WOMEN ENGINEERS

Fosters a sense of community among women in engineering through social activities, career aid, service and academic support.

ETHNIC

Scholastic choice: Italian and German Clubs

These two are just a few of the many ethnic/language clubs on campus. The Italian Club's activities include opportunities to practice speaking Italian, cooking classes, trips to Chicago's Italian neighborhood and two sports tournaments each year. The German Club's two yearly highlights are Ok"domer" fest and a trip to Chicago's famed Christkindlmarkt.

WABRUDA

A relatively new club for African-American males on campus. Part support group and part leadership organization, Wabruda's events range from professional development workshops to a "Brain Bowl" for local grade school students to barbeques on campus.

LA ALIANZA

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

ASIAN AMERICAN ASSOCIATION

Celebrates Asian-American heritage through fellowship, service and events that showcase the unique values of various Asian cultures.

HAWAII CLUB

Works to share the culture of Hawaii through various social and educational activities, including a luau each spring. This club is open to all students.

TEXAS CLUB

An outlet for ND Texans to celebrate and learn about Texas pride and culture. The club sponsors various social activities and campus related events, as well, recently helping to bring country artist and Texan, Pat Green, to campus for a concert.

ATHLETIC

Scholastic choice: Bengal Bouts

The 76-year-old Bengal Bouts boxing tournament offers 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.

WOMEN'S RUNNING CLUB

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.

SKI CLUB

Competes in both giant slalom and slalom events in Michigan, Wisconsin and Canada.

CLIMBING CLUB

Sponsors rock-climbing trips to places like the Red River Gorge in Kentucky,

and provides all the necessary gear and training for participants of all levels of experience.

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.

SAILING CLUB

Practices on St. Joe Lake on campus and at another nearby lake in Michigan. Members race throughout the Midwest and the nation.

POM SQUAD

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 half-times and campus-wide and dorm functions such as the Notre Dame Activities Night and the Dillon Hall Pep Rally.

MEN'S WATER POLO

Consistently one of the top performers in the Midwest. With the official season in the fall, team members travel to places such as Florida for their more relaxed spring season. Notre Dame also has a Women's Water Polo Team.

FIGURE SKATING CLUB

Founded 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.

CYCLING CLUB

Races mountain bikes in the fall and road racing in the spring.

FIELD HOCKEY TEAM

Started three years ago to offer 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 teams in the area.

SPECIAL INTEREST

Scholastic choice: University Bands

They 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.

SWING CLUB

Currently has about 50 to 75 members who meet weekly for two hours of "East Coast" swing lessons and dance time. The class is geared toward beginning dancers, but there are student instructors who work privately to challenge and teach intermediate and advanced dancers.

COLLEGE DEMOCRATS & COLLEGE REPUBLICANS

Hope to raise political awareness and participation among university students. Members also frequently campaign for local candidates.

MARTIAL ARTS INSTITUTE

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.

FARLEY PLAYERS, THE ST. ED'S HALL PLAYERS AND THE PASQUERILLA EAST MUSICAL PLAYERS

A few of the groups that put on student productions each year.

HARMONIA

Female *a cappella* group with about 15 members from the ND community.

GLEE CLUB

Notre Dame's all-male choir. It has a strong fraternal atmosphere and focuses on vocal technique and style. The group performs on campus and travels extensively in the U.S. and abroad. They plan to tour in the Caribbean next summer.

THE DOMEYEARBOOK

Always looking for writers and photog-

raphers to help with spreads. The time commitment is very flexible and although experience helps, it is not necessary.

BAGPIPE BAND

No prior experience is necessary, as new members are provided free bagpipes for four years and given lessons. The band performs on football weekend mornings in full dress (i.e. kilts), as well as at other university and dorm events, particularly around St. Patrick's Day.

SUSTAINED DIALOGUE

All-inclusive group that works to improve race relations and interaction at Notre Dame. It encourages increased communication between different racial and ethnic groups through informal weekly small group meetings and special events.

SERVICE

Scholastic choice: CSC

The Notre Dame Center for Social Concerns offers a number of very popular service trips over fall and spring breaks, providing opportunities across the country, from Florida to Appalachia to D.C., to better understand social justice issues.

CIRCLE K

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 club to join if you can't decide what kind of service you want to do.

C.A.R.E. (CAMPUS ALLIANCE FOR RAPE ELIMINATION)

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.

C.A.S.H. (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.

WORLD HUNGER COALITION

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.

FIRST AID SERVICES 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.

TAKE TEN

A program initiated by the Kroc Institute for Peace Studies that is open to all students interested in teaching techniques for non-violent conflict resolution to local South Bend grade school students.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Notre Dame's chapter of the national group which works each year to build a home in the South Bend area and sponsors the annual "Shack City" fundraiser.

RELIGIOUS

Scholastic choice: The Basilica Groups

The Basilica of the Sacred Heart has a number of ministries open to new members. Their choirs include the Folk Choir, the Liturgical Choir, the Women's Liturgical Choir and the Handbell Choir. The Basilica is always looking for new readers, Eucharistic ministers and acolytes (altar servers).

IRON SHARPENS IRON

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.

BAPTIST COLLEGIATE MINISTRY

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.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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.

FOUR:7

A Catholic faith group based on small group sharing and larger worship sessions. Retreats and speakers add to the faith experience.

CAMPUS MINISTRY RETREATS

Notre Dame offers many retreats but the Freshman Retreat is geared toward the issues and experiences of early college life. There are opportunities to lead retreats as an upperclassmen, as well as attend the popular NDE (Notre Dame Experience).

LEADERSHIP/ PROGRAMMING

Scholastic choice: SUB

Student Union Board (SUB) plans campuswide events, like movies and concerts. Each class has a council that also plans events. Many of the candidates each year for student council president are former SUB officers. Joining SUB is a great way to get involved in student government freshman year.

JUDICIAL COUNCIL

Provides peer advocates to students facing disciplinary hearings in the Office of Resident Life and Housing.

FLIPSIDE

A student-run organization whose purpose is to program weekend events that do not involve alcohol, such as bowling, ice-skating and trips to Chicago. The events are open to all students and hope to provide alternatives to drinking on campus.

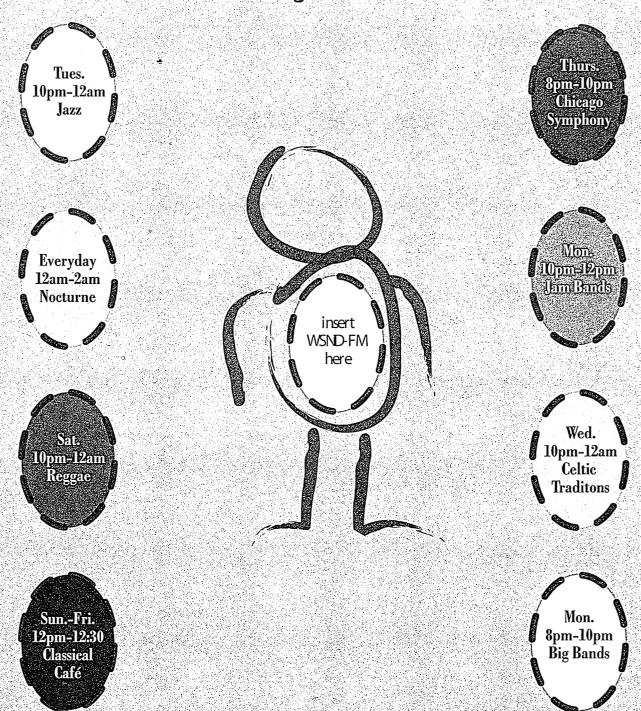
STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Includes class councils which plan events for each class, the Hall Presidents' Council, a Student Senate with members elected from each dorm and the Executive Staff, which includes the Student Body President. Student Govenment is the best way for student voices to be heard and for student planned events and ideas to become realities.

CAMPUS AFFAIRS COUNCIL

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he reputation you automatically gain from your affiliation with your dorm (sorry boys bound for Zahm); your roommate who must have crash-landed from outer space; your horribly boring microeconomics professor. These are but a few elements of one's freshman year at Notre Dame that cannot be controlled.

But put down that transfer application, because what is most essential to enjoying your freshman year is within your grasp. It's where you crash after a night at Turtle Creek Apartments, where you laugh hysterically with your friends about that awkward encounter in the dining hall, and where you attempt to study but your friends always distract you. Yes, your dorm room is indeed the most central feature of the freshman experience, and how you decorate it can set the tone for the entirety of your first year.

You will soon find that rooms fall into different categories within your section.

The party room, the 4.0 room, the Domer room, the ridiculously filthy room and the movie room are just a few examples of the many abodes you will encounter. It is up to you to determine into which category your room will fall. But regardless of the future reputation of your room, some essential elements of decor can save the most hopeless quarters.

First and foremost, do not miss this memo — buy a futon. Every successful room has a futon. In that first nerveracking phone call you make to your roomie-to-be, make sure to discuss the futon. Buy it during Frosh-O, split the cost, do whatever you must to incorporate this necessary piece into your decorating endeavors. A futon serves as an ideal spot for your friends to crash after a night of fun. So once the futon issue is settled, you can stop worrying if friends will come to hang out in your room and start focusing on the fun decorations. For girls, colorful bedding and lots of pictures in funky

picture frames are key. Posters with Animal House or beer themes set the mood for fun in guys' rooms. And Christmas lights and ND paraphernalia will create a homier atmosphere in any student's room. A TV with a DVD/VCR player is essential, as are speakers for those muchneeded study breaks.

Depending on how your roommate's tastes match with your own, consider the possibility of a themed room. Tropical themes bring cheer to those bleak winter days, while regional themes can make home seem a little closer (Texas and Jersey natives, take note).

Whatever you choose to do with your room, don't forget to be considerate of the preferences of your roommate. Decorating your room is one of the first opportunities you will have to seize the college experience and bond with your roommate. Aside from the limits of modular furniture and low ceilings, your room is a blank canvas; make it your own.



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Good Eats In South Band

MICHAELO'CONNOR AND REGINAGESICKI

ometime during the semester, the dining hall's spicy sea nuggets will send you running, or crawling, off campus to the nearest eating establishment. Or perhaps late night Reckers just isn't making your sweetie feel special enough. Better yet, maybe the parents are in town and want to fulfill their biological duty to feed you. Whatever the reason, getting off campus every now and then will keep your tastebuds in better shape. We propose visiting some of the following venues to satiate your deepest culinary hankerings.

THE WHITEHOUSE DINER ("FAT SHIRLEY'S")

Location: Corner of Mishawaka and Twyckenham Prices: Meals range from \$2 to \$5

The atmosphere is smoky and the food is greasy, but man is it good. The Whitehouse Diner, nicknamed "Fat Shirley's" after a former waitress' girth, is the place to be after parietals have taken effect and Recker's becomes a little too played out. The food is cheap, off of a classic diner menu, and breakfast is the house specialty, served all day and all night (the diner is open 24 hours). Note: Avoid anything labeled "stew."

MIKADO

Location: 402 Dixieway North (Route 31)
Prices: Dinners range from \$6 to \$16

Either sit at a conventional table or up at the teppanyaki counter where the chef will prepare your food right in front of you. This Japanese restaurant is popular with students and South Bend residents alike. Its relaxed atmosphere is fine for family dining or a date. If you like darker meat, we highly recommend the sukiyaki steak. If you like sushi, come here to get it fresh. The menu includes items like octopus and barbequed eel for more adverturous eaters. Relatively inexpensive, Mikado is fun for a quick break from campus dining fare.

LULA'S CAFE

Location: 1631 Edison Road
Prices: Coffee from \$2 to \$5, food from \$3 to \$7

Lula's Cafe is located just off campus, making it a popular study spot and hangout for students. The coffee is always fresh, and the specials change daily. Try one of Lula's seasonal offerings or go for one of the cafe's new twists on old favorites, such as the Brie grilled cheese. Take some time to check out the eclectic decor as you enjoy your meal.

THE VINE

Location: 103 W. Colfax (Corner of Michigan and Colfax)
Prices: Main courses range from \$8 to \$15

Looking for a restaurant that is perfect for a date, dinner with the family or a casual evening with friends? The Vine, in downtown South Bend, has a great atmosphere and even better food. For your main course, try one of several delicious pasta dishes, with or without meat. The dessert menu changes every day, and the wine list is extensive. Best of all, nothing at The Vine is very expensive.

CJ'S PUB

Location: 417 North Michigan Street Prices: Burger platters from \$6.45 to \$10.95

CJ's Pub is famous for one thing: its burgers. They are enormous, delicious, prepared to order and can be topped with BBQ sauce, Canadian bacon, grilled onions and four types of cheese. Their projector screen and excessive ND paraphernalia add to the experience. It's crowded on football weekends, but is a fantastic way to experience great food and the ND culture.

NUEVO TIJUANA

Location: 1116 South Main Street

Prices: Traditional Mexican food from \$5, entrees start at \$9

An authentic Mexican Restaurant, Nuevo Tijuana serves up fresh and delicious Mexican originals and favorites from tacos and gorditas to sizzling fajitas. In addition to the food, the interior is quaint and vibrant, covered with historical Mexican figures which add to the atmosphere. Try it out if you are looking for a more traditional "South of the border" experience than dining hall quesadillas.

ROCCO'S RESTAURANT

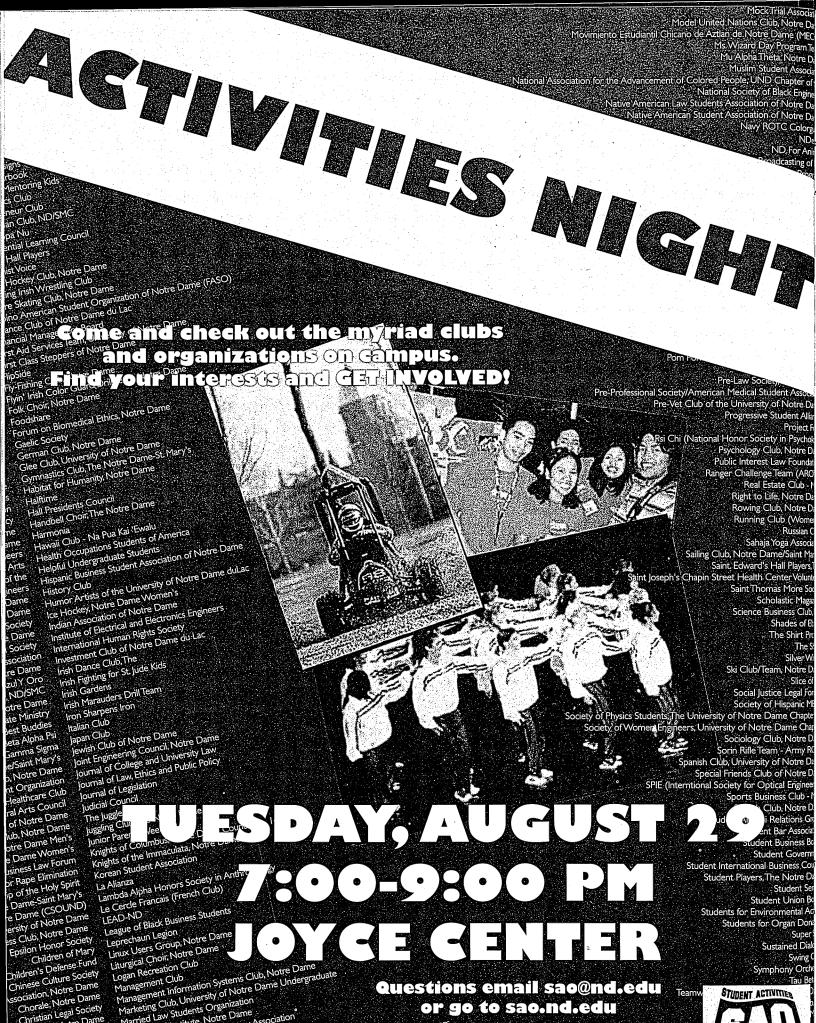
Location: 537 N. St. Louis Blvd. Prices: Pizza starts at \$7

Rocco's has been a Notre Dame staple for many years. All the decorations herald Notre Dame traditions and victories past and present. It is close to campus, so students can be found enjoying the excellent (and inexpensive) pizza on almost any night. Though most people do go for the pizza, the pre-meal antipasto is not to be missed.

ELIA'S MEDITERRANEAN CUISINE

Location: III Dixieway North (Route 31)
Prices: Appetizers range from \$1.50 to \$4
Entrees range from \$6 to \$10

Most newcomers — and current students — are surprised at the diversity that South Bend can offer: diversity of food, that is. One Lebanese family operating an ethnic restaurant doesn't exactly mark a boom in the city's cultural demographic, but it does make for interesting eating. Appetizers include hummus, baba ghannouge and grape-leaf rolls. Main courses are healthy and most frequently contain rice, chicken and beans. Desserts, like everything else, are homemade, and go well with the coffee. Also, Elia's is cheap, making it a great eat for those on a low budget.



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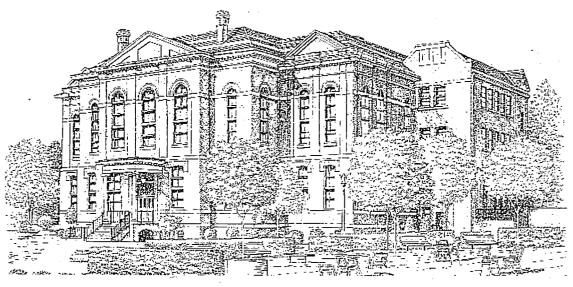
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CHRISTOPHERMESKILL

o one had greater expectations heading into the 2005 football season than Charlie Weis. Coming off three Super Bowl wins with the New England Patriots, he was certainly justified in his overconfidence. The changes he made, however, shocked the rest of the college football world. In one season, Weis turned junior quarterback Brady Quinn into a serious Heisman contender, junior Jeff Samardzija into one of the best wide receivers in the country and Tom Zbikowski into possibly the fiercest defender in football. The results - simply unbelievable. In 2005, the Fighting Irish finished with a 9-3 record, including an appearance in a coveted BCS bowl game.

But in the beginning, there were few who believed in the Weis era. To the chagrin of most Irish fans, sports analysts like Mark May and Lee Corso predicted that the Irish would begin the season 0-6. However, the Fighting Irish dispelled any reasonable doubt with their performance at Pittsburgh. The Irish started the season with a scary first quarter, down 10-7, but rebounded in the second quarter with 28 unanswered points. The Irish offense set the tone that day at Heinz Field, winning 42-21 over the 2004 Big East champs.

The next test for the Irish was of greater significance — taking on regional rival Michigan in the "Big House." History stood in the face of the Irish, as the last time Notre Dame defeated the Wolverines on their turf was during the first Clinton administration. But if there is anything that fuels Charlie Weis, it is a challenge. A key performance by sophomore running back Darius Walker led the Irish to a potent running attack, but the strength of the Irish was in their defense, holding the Wolverines to just one touchdown. Unfortunately for Notre Dame, the victory was not all sweet, as senior wide receiver Rhema McKnight injured his ankle and would miss the rest of the season. When the dust had cleared that Saturday, the Irish emerged from Ann Arbor 2-0.

After two road wins, the football team

Reawakening the Echoes

finally returned home for a match against another undefeated local adversary — Michigan State. The student body got their first look at the invigorated Irish offense, featuring passer Quinn and his twin-tower receivers, Samardzija and senior Maurice Stovall. Quinn did not disappoint the Irish faithful, passing for 467 yards and five touchdowns. Despite the offensive fireworks in the home opener, Notre Dame found themselves tied with the Spartans at 38 a piece at the end of regulation. The Irish failed to capitalize in overtime, putting only a field goal up on



the board. Michigan State, however, was able to punch the ball into the endzone for a touchdown off a pitch from quarterback Drew Stanton. The game ended 44-41, and Notre Dame watched as their unbeaten season came to a crashing end.

Notre Dame avenged their home loss on the road in Seattle against their former coach, Tyrone Willingham, the following weekend. The Irish dominated the game from start to finish, racking up 36 points in their third victory of the season. But the road warriors were far from finished when they traveled onto Purdue to battle Head Coach Joe Tiller and the Boilermakers. The Irish continued to pound on their opponent's defenses with a 49-28 victory over their in-state rival.

After a bye week, the Irish took on the No. 1 team in the nation at home. (The summary of the USC-ND game is on the following page.) Despite the heart-breaking nature of the loss, at that point, no one could deny that Notre Dame had returned to prominence in the college football world.

After going 4-2 in their first six games (as opposed to May and Corso's predicted mark of 0-6), the Irish simply dominated the rest of their schedule. Quinn's passheavy offense averaged 40-plus points against their final five opponents - BYU, Tennessee, Navy, Syracuse and Stanford. While their was some flare during the Stanford game when the Cardinal took a late-game lead, the rest of the season simply demonstrated that Notre Dame is back to being the Notre Dame of old. The players knew it, the students knew it, the fans knew it, and, most importantly, the BCS Committee knew it. On bowl selection day, the Irish were selected to play against Ohio State in the Tostitos Fiesta Bowl on January 2, 2006.

After a month of preparation and hype, the Irish came to the desert town of Tempe, Ariz., to battle the Big Ten superpower. The game was a classic match of good offense against good defense, and as the old adage goes, good defense won in the end. Unfortunately for the Irish, the loss to Ohio State extended their bowl winless streak to eight games, which dates back to 1995 when Notre Dame lost to Colorado in the Fiesta Bowl.

With one more year left in Quinn's collegiate career, many are expecting the Irish to make a run for the title. Yet only time will tell if this is the year the Irish reawaken the echoes and hoist a national championship trophy in the air.

ND Baseball Runs Off Miracle Streak

pril treated the Irish baseball team well — extremely well. For exactly one month, the Fighting Irish were perfect, running off 23 straight wins in the longest winning streak in NCAA Division-I baseball for 2006 and the longest in the program's history. The Irish climbed to a No. 8 ranking by the end of the streak with a 33-8 overall record.

The team was led by senior first baseman Craig Cooper, who hit an astounding .476 with nine homeruns and 27 runs batted in. Meanwhile, pitchers like Wade Korpi thrived. Korpi carried an unbelievable 0.26 ERA with a 4-0 record and 44

strikeouts

Throughout the streak, Notre Dame swept three-game series against such Big East adversaries as Pittsburgh, St. John's and Rutgers. Meanwhile, the Irish fans set attendance records, flocking to see players like dual-sport athlete Jeff Samardzija try their hands at extending the streak.

Unfortunately, all good things come to an end, as Bowling Green outslugged the Irish, 11-8, on April 26 at Notre Dame's Frank Eck Stadium. Their last loss before that came on the road against Georgetown on March 25. □



Women's Tennis Reaches No. 2 Rank

otre Dame? A tennis school? Perhaps this sounds odd to most old-time alumni, but Notre Dame has established itself in the collegiate tennis circuit, and there is no better evidence of this than the women's 2006 campaign.

In late January, Notre Dame began its season with a match against Ohio State at which it set the tone for the rest of the season, winning handily, 7-0. From January 28 to March 24, Notre Dame ran off 16 straight victories before losing their only match of the season to Vanderbilt, in a 4-3 nail-biter.

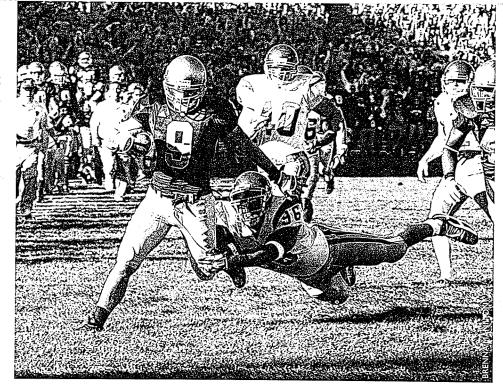
The featured storyline of the season has been the success of twin seniors Catrina and Christian Thompson. Competing in doubles, the Thompsons finished the season 19-1. Catrina also took All-American honors in singles for the season.

Notre Dame finished the regular season 21-1 with a No. 2 ranking — the best in the history of the program. Setting this sort of a precedent, the women's tennis program can only expect more great things in the future under Head Coach Jay Louderback. \square

GAME OF THEYEAR

THE TROJAN WAR NOTRE DAMEVS. USC, October 15, 2005

n October 15, 2005, the USC Trojans marched into South Bend carrying a 27-game winning streak and the undisputed No. 1 ranking in the nation. Notre Dame, however, was not going to let the Trojans leave South Bend with such distinctions without a fight. First-year Head Coach Charlie Weis emphasized the significance of the game when the Irish marched out in green jerseys. From the moment the Irish put on those jerseys to the last second of play, the Irish fought in what can best be called "The Trojan War." Notre Dame battled to a first-half lead before falling behind late in the game. On the legs of quarterback Brady Quinn, the Irish took a last minute lead. To the pain of the Irish faithful, USC's Matt Leinart managed to squeeze his way into the endzone - with some assistance from Heisman-winner Reggie Bush — to end the game, 34-31.



BOXED OUT Junior safety Tom Zbikowski fights his way past the USC defense to score on a punt return. Zbikowski starred on special teams and was named a second-team All-American last year.

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THE BEST OF THE JEST



LISTENING

"You're not dating, but you're not just hooking up. You're Notre Dating."

-pyerheard student

"What's that?"

"Scholastic."

"What is it?"

"It's campus news for literate people."

-law school student

"You have to get the freshmen before they discover the ice cream machine."

-student in South Dining Hall

"Rap artists — for example, 'Fifty Cent' ... wait, wait, it's 'Fiddy Cent,' isn't it?"

---English professor

"I can't get with you, because you'll fall in love with me, and it will ruin your life."

-Corby's patron to female student

129 Years Ago

An Ideal Freshman

n September 6, 1876, Scholastic "ventured on giving a little counsel [...] to those who begin their college life this year."

The freshmen will be "placed in the midst of comrades hailing from all parts of the country [...] They have good and bad qualities, both of which may exercise some influence on his conduct in life." Each student should only "endeavor to cultivate the friendship of such as may be distinguished for their virtue and intelligence." Like the good and bad companions, there are good and bad inclinations: "If he would become an estimable and accomplished man, faithful to the duties of life, he must follow faithfully the promptings of his good inclinations and banish at once those of the bad."

The administration strongly adheres to this severe philosophy. Now is the time to begin the banishing, so as to arrive on campus prepared to become "an estimable and accomplished man."

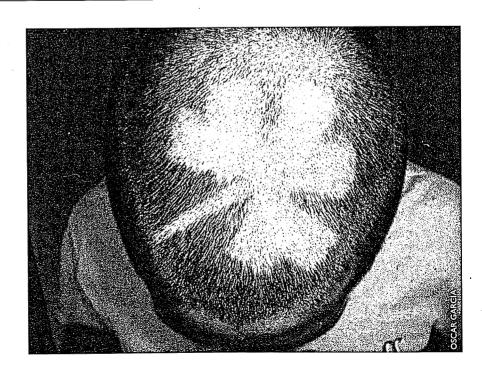
-Meghan Gowan



What exactly is the thought process that goes into a decision like this? "Will one of you take this razor and shave an actual clover into my head?" "Oh sure. This seems like a well-thought out, completely sober choice. I will assist you with it."

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Is there anything to do around here?

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elcome to South Bend, the city that sleeps. A lot. If you're looking for a lively, exciting town to paint red, don't hold your breath. But while the surrounding area is hardly a wealth of entertaining possibilities, campus life can more than make up for any such shortcomings. Here's a handy guide of what to do on those otherwise dull weekends.

SCREEN AND STAGE

• Marie P. DeBartolo Performing Arts Center

Opened in the fall of 2004, the PAC is one of Notre Dame's newest buildings in an ambitious campus-wide construction plan. The center features five different theatres, including the Regis Philbin Studio Theatre and an innovative 100seat pipe-organ theater. The theaters have been designed so that concerts may be held simultaneously without noise interference from each other. Covering 150,000 square feet and at a cost of \$64 million, the PAC is the new home of Notre Dame's Department of Film, Television, and Theatre. The new theaters absorb some of the student performances traditionally held in Washington Hall in addition to serving as a venue for outside acts.

NDCinema

You can catch the cream of Hollywood, independent and international films at the PAC every Thursday through Saturday night. Recent films have included "Capote," "Brokeback Mountain" and "2001: A Space Odyssey," and each feature is



A "KEY" VENUE Umphrey's McGee is one of the many bands that has performed at Legends in years past.

preceded by a short student film. Formerly known as Cinema at the Snite, this project is sponsored by the Department of Film, Television, and Theatre.

SUB Movies

The Student Union Board shows movies every Thursday through Saturday night for an entrance fee of \$3. While it also shows older, second-run films, it tends to focus on larger Hollywood hits, like "King Kong," "Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire" and "Syriana."

• Student Film Festival

In January, the films made by Notre Dame's film-production students are showcased for a week in the state-of-the-art Browning Cinema at the PAC, courtesy of NDCinema. 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 to foot-tapping musicals, Notre Dame's got it all. Washington Hall hosts many performances during the year, and student plays also have been performed in the PAC. A special feature at Notre Dame are performances featuring the professional English troupe Actors from the London Stage in their unique renditions of Shakespeare's plays. Every year, the Pasquerilla East Music Company presents a popular musical to sell-out crowds. Recent hits have included "West Side Story" and "Footloose." A variety of other shows are hosted through such

additional groups as ND Opera, The-Not-So-Royal Shakespeare Company, and St. Edward's Hall Players.

LIVE MUSIC AND MEDIA

AcoustiCafe

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 John Mayer and Norah Jones 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 signups each week.

Concerts and Shows

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 U2, Pat Green, Guster, Better Than Ezra, Black-Eyed Peas and standup comedy by David Spade. Great bands should continue to invade campus with the year's kickoff event, Student Activities' "The Show." Also keep your eye out for concerts at Legends - an all-ages university-run club and restaurant south of the stadium — and at the J.A.C.C., courtesy of local radio stations. Past years' offering have included John Mellencamp, Cake, and Jason Mraz.

Collegiate Jazz Festival

This competition between college jazz bands from all over the country draws a lot of attention from jazz enthusiasts



FROM MACHIAVELLI TO MAKAVELI Notre Dame students can entertain themselves on campus in a variety of ways, from attending live theater at venues like Washington Hall and the PAC to listening to live bands at one of several student music festivals.

who made an appearance at the festival a few years back.

• NDTV

The newest addition to student-run media, Notre Dame Television airs four weekly shows, including "The Mike Peterson Show" — a live sketch comedy show created entirely by Notre Dame students — and a news program. NDTV's news program highlights campus news, sports, entertainment events and more. Tune in to campus cable for the goods.

ARTS AND LITERATURE

• Notre Dame Literary Festival

For one week each February, the Student Union Board hosts nightly readings from notable writers, with one night set aside for student writers to read their own work. Formerly known as the sophomore literary festival and going into its 38th year, it has featured such legendary writers as Kurt Vonnegut, Ralph Ellison, Arthur Miller, Joyce Carol Oates, Tennessee Williams, John Irving and Tom Clancy.

• 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 http://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, although many students and professors attend the opening of the spring exhibit where the MFA and BFA students showcase their work.

STUDENT ACTIVITES

• Student Union Board (SUB)

While South Bend isn't exactly an entertainment hub like New York or Chicago, SUB does a good job of bringing outside shows and speakers to campus as well as sponsoring various on-campus activities. Divided into several branches, SUB not only provides weekly movies and occasional concerts but also multicultural and intellectual activities in addition to student services like prize raffles, organized trips, and final exam stress relievers.

• Flipside

Though looked down on by some as an "anti-drinking" organization, Flipside does a good job of providing consistent student activities, usually on the mellower side. Expect a few video game and board game tournaments and prize nights, as well as organized trips to local mini-golf and bowling establishments. While not the premier source of entertainment on campus, Flipside can be counted on for planned events nearly every weekend.

CHICAGO

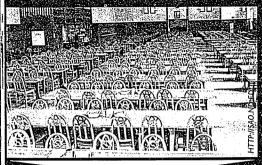
When the Bend becomes too monotonous, consider a day or weekend trip to the Windy City. Freshmen aren't allowed cars first semester, but public transportation has you covered. The South Shore Line can take you from South Bend Airport and approximately 2 hours later drop you off on Randolph Street in downtown Chi-Town. From there, un-South Bend activities await, like lunch at Gino's Pizza, shopping on Michigan Avenue, or hanging out at Navy Pier.

D.I.Y.

If all entertainment options fail, you're going to have do it yourself. Though this list may seem extensive, it's almost guaranteed that you're going to hit a few gray and dismal Saturday evenings here in South Bend. But 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 with your new friends. Freshman year can be the best of times and the worst of times, but a little creativity can go a long way. It can save a lot of money, too.

Of course if all else fails, and you find yourself spending your Friday nights staring at the wall, you can always apply for a job at *Scholastic*.

POINT/COUNTERPOINT DINING HALL CHOICE



South Dining
Hall (SDH)

is located on the southwest corner of campus. SDH is surrounded by residence halls with Dillon Hall on its right, and Fisher Hall located on this dining hall's left.

outh Dining Hall (SDH) was built in 1927, making it the oldest dining hall on campus. The interior of SDH includes two wings (one with a mural of the "Last Supper"), both of which have wooden ceilings outfitted with chandeliers that make you feel like royalty when eating. SDH's food is consistently fresh and tasty in a first-class facility, making this the best dining hall on campus.

There is daily variation among SDH's differently themed sections, making it difficult to get tired of this dining hall's food. For instance, the American grill might have burgers and regular fries one day, and then offer Philly cheesesteaks and seasoned fries the next. The Italian section is known for its authentic-tasting sauces, and also boasts delicious meatballs and different types of pastas. One of the trademark features at SDH is the Far Eastern (Mongolian-style) stir fry, where you are given your choice of vegetables, meats and sauces to be grilled by a chef. There also is another chef readily available to cut you slices of such meats as turkey, ham and sometimes steak. Other themes available are Mediterranean, Middle Eastern, European, Latin and South American. For those with healthier eating habits, SDH provides a great vegan menu with a comprehensive soup, fruit and salad bar. Whether you're a big eater

SDH also offers a better Grab 'n' Go (take-out meals in a paper sack) than NDH for those who don't have enough time to sit down to eat in-between classes. They offer more snacks (such as granola bars) to go along with the sandwich or wrap of your choice. SDH also constructed a welcomed addition in 1998 — Reckers. It is the only 24-hour restaurant on campus, and it serves as a great hangout spot where you and your friends can satisfy your midnight munchies. Some favorites include the Reckers burger, made-to-order sandwiches and personal pizzas with toppings of your choice. They also have 20 different varieties of Freshens smoothies

Remember that the food in SDH gets even better during football weekends, when the lights are dimmed and candles are lit. For those living on South Quad, consider yourselves lucky. For those living on North Quad, the walk over to SDH is worth the trip.

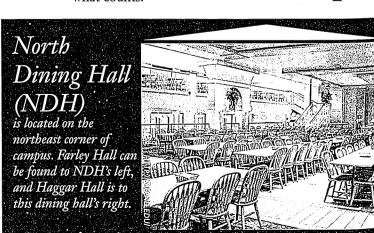
hile you might think that two dining halls located on the same campus can't be that much different, think again. North Dining Hall (NDH) has been the place to eat since it was established in 1957, and it is a convenient three-minute walk from many North Quad dorms.

Both dining halls have signature dishes, but NDH seems to provide more of the memorable ones. Whatever your palate desires, you can be sure to find what you're craving at NDH. In this dining hall's first room, you'll find a pizza station that allows you to design your own personal pizza, a feature that SDH does not offer. You have your choice of dough, cheese, sauce and toppings. The chef will then cook your creation before your eyes in just five minutes.

If pizza is not your delight, you can move on to the next room. The middle room of NDH is home to "Homestyle Favorites" and features a variety of such protein-packed essentials as turkey, meat loaf, roast beef and chicken, all of which rotate on a daily basis. If your tastes are a bit more eccentric, you can take advantage of the Italian and Chinese stir-fry stations. Both allow you to mix your favorite choices of meats, vegetables and unique sauces to create a fabulous grilled dish. The room also includes the "Lighter Side" foods, which offers a myriad of dishes for those diners that desire healthier meal options.

For those of you who constantly crave American and Mexican food, the final room is the perfect fit. Here you'll find all the hamburgers, hot dogs, chicken patties and fries you need. NDH also periodically offers chicken wings, and you can cover them with your choice of sauce: buffalo, teriyaki or BBQ honey. The Mexican section allows you to make your own tacos and burritos with a great variety of such toppings as guacamole, sour cream and red sauce.

Throw in the salad bar, soup station, sandwich station and dessert station that have more variety (including ice cream flavors) than SDH. It's easy to see why NDH is clearly the superior spot for grub. It may not look as pretty from the outside as SDH, but the food is what counts.



or small eater, SDH caters to all.



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