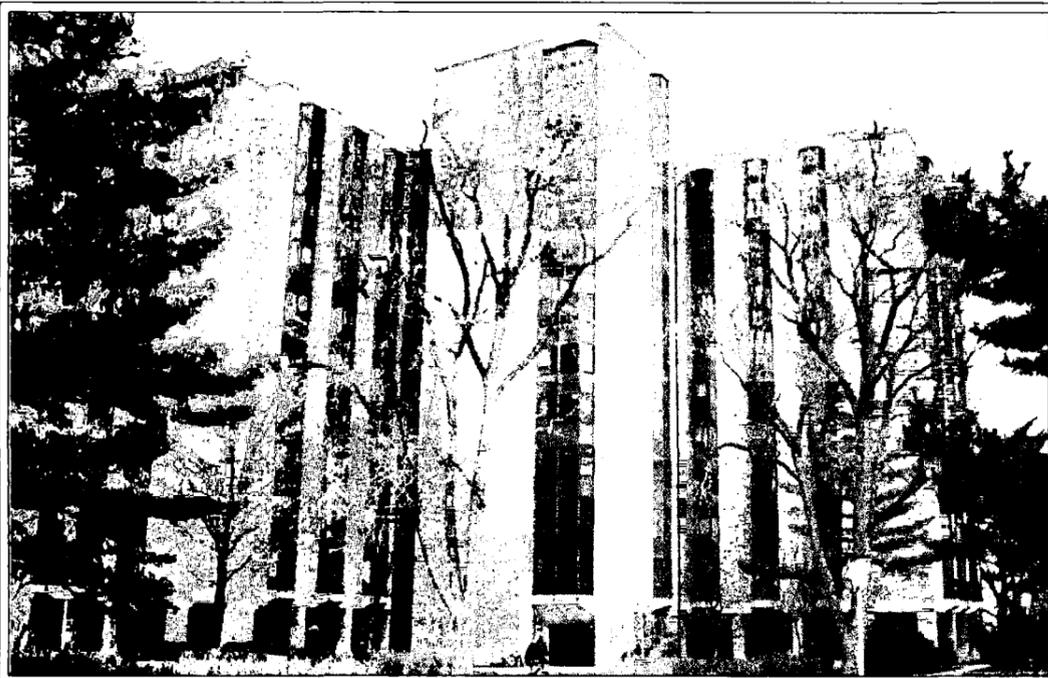


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Grace Hall: 1969-1996

The Lightning Crashes

By BILL CONNOLLY
Assistant News Editor

Grace Hall has been a fixture on campus since its 1969 opening. This spring however, is Grace's final call as a dorm, and both students and administrators are reminiscing over the unique times the dorm has seen.

Father Terence Linton, rector of Grace Hall, hasn't led Grace for very long. Yet, its spirit and unique atmosphere has made his tenure a pleasant one. "The students are extremely involved in hall life," said Linton. "This [unity] could be seen as odd, since Grace is such a large dorm where it might be hard to promote

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Irish activist Hume accepts ND Award

By BRAD PRENDERGAST
News Editor

Calling for a recommitment to peace from both the Unionist and Nationalist sides in the armed conflict in Northern Ireland, Irish social justice advocate John Hume accepted the Notre Dame Award during a ceremony on campus last night.

Hume, the leader of Northern Ireland's mainly-Roman Catholic Social Democratic Labor party and member of the European Parliament, has been instrumental in organizing the talks to be held in June between both sides of the conflict. He also helped establish the cease-fire that, until IRA bombings in London resumed in February, had lasted for almost 18 months.

"No one has more forthrightly stood up to violence and in support of human rights than [Hume]," said University President Father Edward Malloy in his introductory remarks last night. "Throughout [his] career, [he] has been a partisan of reconciliation and an artisan of peace."

Along with the Notre Dame Award, Hume was also presented with a resolution unanimously passed by Student Senate on April 17, honoring him for his life work for peace and congratulating him on receiving the award.



'The essence of unity is the acceptance of diversity.'

John Hume

"We felt that it was appropriate to honor a man internationally known for peace," Seth Miller, student body president, said, "and to let him know of our appreciation."

The most distinguishing note on Hume's political resume was his controversial decision to open talks with Sinn Fein leader Gerry Adams two years ago. Originally denounced by

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SMC embarks on search for new president

By MAUREEN HURLEY
Saint Mary's News Editor

Less than a week after the announcement of Saint Mary's College President William Hickey's resignation, the College's search for its tenth president is well underway.

In what she described as "one of the defining moments of this institution," Mary Lou Gorno, Chair of the Board of Trustees, spoke with a group of students last night about the presidential search process.

Gorno not only explained the process, but elicited feedback on what characteristics students hope to see in their next college president.

Gorno, a 1972 Saint Mary's graduate, was elected chair of the Board of Trustees Saturday. She joined the board in 1987, was named vice-chair in 1991 and served as the chair of the 1994 sesquicentennial campaign.

While the board does have its own timetable and plan that Gorno described as "a systematic decision-making process," she stressed the importance of the college community's input in defining the leadership statement and profile for the next college president.

"We, as a college community, will be actively involved in defining the presidential selection criteria for our next

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Campus 'isolation' affects lesbians

By LORI ALLEN
Saint Mary's News Editor
and ALYSSON COOK
News Writer

Honesty is crucial to fostering sexual diversity on the Saint Mary's campus, according to Margaret Bender of the College's anthropology department. A visiting anthropologist who has recently researched Native American cultures, Bender received her doctoral

degree from the University of Chicago. She will be teaching a course on the cross cultural study of sex, gender and sexuality at the University of Oklahoma next year.

In her lecture last night titled "Sexual Diversity: Anthropological and Personal Reflections," Bender stressed the needs for openness and acceptance of diversified sexual relations.

"Differences within our own culture are not a bad thing, rather, something

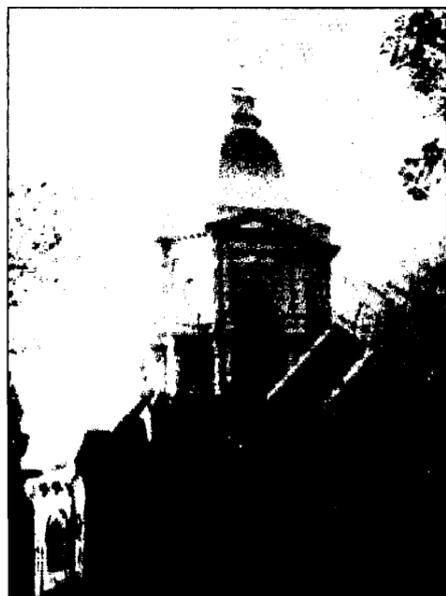
to be valued," she said.

During the lecture, Bender cited Saturday Night Live's 'Pat' character as a representation violating the normal identifiable gender standards in society.

Bender continued by discussing how in Native American culture, the Berdosh were a unique and spiritual people who embodied many of the

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The Dome before....



The scaffolding that partially obscured the Dome finally came down this week. Though the changes are subtle, the windows and the facade are cleaner.

...The Dome after



INSIDE COLUMN

Very special children

We knew he had a problem, but at the start of summer camp, his parents denied it. Matt was always a difficult camper to deal with. He became upset and hit people whenever provoked. On bus trips he would yell and throw paper, sticks and other little boy collectibles out the window. After he cut a fellow camper's hair, the staff, myself included, invited him to leave.



Stacy Ward
Associate Viewpoint

But his divorced, working parents were stuck: Matt had no where else to go until school started. So his Mom and Dad, admitting that Matt was indeed a "special needs" camper, pleaded that he be allowed special privileges and a second chance. With a soft heart and a strong attachment to children, I believed Matt was a good kid who could, with the proper guidance, be an asset to our program. I became Matt's one-to-one counselor: his misdemeanors were my responsibility.

Each morning, Matt and I sat down and discussed our goals for that day. I would pull him away from the other campers if he started to get upset. As soon as I gave him a new task to focus on, he would quickly calm down and forget his previous grievances. I was amazed at how quickly Matt could learn and complete new projects.

Matt is one of about 2 million kids diagnosed with Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD), the number one childhood psychiatric disorder in America. ADHD kids are often inattentive, impulsive and hyperactive. Doctors frequently prescribe Ritalin when ADHD is diagnosed. On Ritalin, ADHD kids can sit still and pay attention longer.

Since 1990, the number of children taking Ritalin has increased 2 1/2 times. The disease can not be determined through tests or X-rays; instead, a comprehensive study of the child's background, family history and daily behavior needs to be taken into account. Unfortunately, many doctors and school psychiatrists are not willing to invest enough time and effort to perform those investigations. It is much easier to simply prescribe the drug.

Although I believe that many of the children on Ritalin should be taking the drug, there are many children for whom the drug is simply an easy solution to behavior problems caused by other factors. ADHD kids often suffer from learning disabilities, emotional problems and abnormal family situations. Ritalin does not cure any of these problems.

ADHD kids are intelligent, funny, and possess just as much potential as other children. Unfortunately, too many never receive the attention they deserve.

Through the Council for Fun and Learn, many students at Notre Dame and Saint Mary's take the opportunity to help special children like Matt. Each volunteer adopts a special needs "buddy." The volunteer becomes a friend and role model to the youngster. The child becomes a younger sibling to the volunteer. This afternoon, the volunteers and kids are going on an overnight campout. For some, including my 7 yr old buddy, this is the first night away from home.

Researchers claim ADHD is a "pay now or pay more later" disease. A recent Newsweek article cited that untreated ADHD kids are more likely to develop social problems later in life. With the future of both the child and this nation in mind, it is wonderful to see so many Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students doing something now.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

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WORLD AT A GLANCE

Government agency projects increase in legal immigration

WASHINGTON
New projections anticipating a 41 percent increase this year in legal immigration to the United States heated up debate today as the Senate considered its immigration bill.

Sen. Alan Simpson, R-Wyo., offered two amendments to the bill that would reduce legal immigration for five years by about 10 percent below current levels. He said the new projections make his amendments even more important.

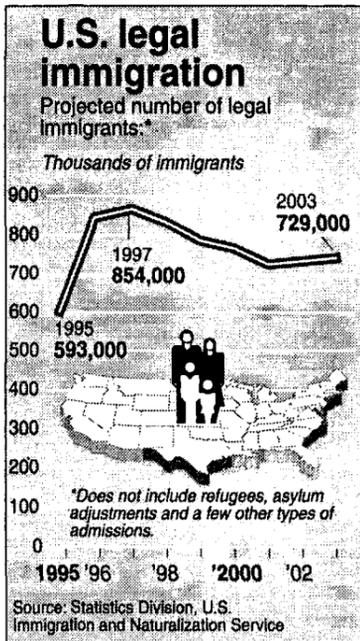
A failure to reduce legal immigration "will contribute even more to the general cynicism about Congress," said Simpson, chief author of the overall Senate immigration bill.

Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., alleged that committees studying the Simpson bill had received from the Immigration and Naturalization Service incorrect numbers on legal immigration.

"Those numbers are so dramatically different from what is really happening that it changes the debate," she said.

The Senate immigration bill, which the chamber hopes to complete this week, focuses on getting tough with illegal aliens. Limits on lawful immigration were relegated to a separate bill that a bipartisan group of senators doesn't want to address at all.

INS projections of a boom this year follow a 10.4 percent decline in lawful immigration last year. The news brought howls from Republicans, who accused the Clinton administration of deceit in touting the 1995 decline while know-



ing the trend would reverse. "We've all been duped," said Rep. Lamar Smith, R-Texas, chairman of the House Judiciary immigration subcommittee. "I take this as an intentional misrepresentation to the public and to Congress. And it's inexcusable."

Feinstein — who said up to 50 percent of the nation's legal and illegal immigrants live in her state — offered an amendment to change the limits in Simpson's amendment and take into account a 1.1 million-person backlog of people who have waited years to enter the United States.

Yet those who want to keep legal and illegal immigration issues separate, led by Sen. Spencer Abraham, R-Mich., stuck to that view.

The legislation before the Senate, focusing on illegal immigration, "aims to crack down on people who break the rules, people who violate the laws, people who seek to come to this country without having proper documentation to take advantage of the benefits," Abraham said.

Legal immigrants, he said, "want to come to this country in a positive and constructive way to make a contribution, to play by the rules and frankly ... to make a great, great addition to our American family."

The INS projections show legal immigration — not including refugees and some others — rising from 593,000 in 1995 to 835,000 this year.

Jackson buys new fantasy playground

LOS ANGELES

It's not exactly Sleeping Beauty's castle, but Michael Jackson's dreams have come true now that he's bought a 15th century French chateau, his Hollywood publicist said Thursday. After looking for a country estate resembling the one depicted in the fairy tale, the singer settled on Chateau de Chabennes, complete with 82 rooms, seven towers and a moat. "Call him Leroi," said a statement faxed by publicist Lee Solters, fracturing his French as he announced that the property "comes with all the facilities and amenities befitting the 'King of Pop.'" The mirrors on the wall may or may not tell the pop star if he's the fairest of them all — but they'll still need to be cleaned and maintained along with everything else. Solters' statement valued the property at \$10 million to \$12 million, but didn't say exactly what Jackson paid for it. The huge estate about 120 miles south of Paris had a previously reported market price of \$5 million.



Chained women raise eyebrows

MONTGOMERY, Ala.

The Alabama prison system is preparing to snap shackles around the ankles of women prisoners, creating female chain gangs in the state that revived male leg-iron crews last year. Alabama Prison officials said the women chain gangs would help resolve lawsuits from male inmates challenging the exclusively male work units. "There's no real defense for not doing the females," said State Corrections Commissioner Ron Jones. Stephen Dees, the warden at Julia Tutwiler State Prison for Women near Montgomery, is developing the chain-gang policy. Women could be working in leg irons as early as June, Jones said. "We have done a lot of historical research, and I have never come across a female chain gang," said Rhonda Brownstein, a lawyer with the Southern Poverty Law Center. "They have previously said it's not practical or feasible to have chain gangs for women." The civil rights watchdog group is representing inmates in a lawsuit contending that chain gangs represent unconstitutionally cruel and unusual punishment.

Hawaii declares war on green cancer

HONOLULU

"Wanted, dead or alive," posters have been issued, posses of volunteers have been formed and a statewide alarm has been sounded. The sheriff isn't looking for bank robbers or rustlers. The culprit is a plant sometimes called a "green cancer." In most gardens, the attractive miconia calvescens plant would be a star attraction with its huge leaves. They are deep green on the top and purple on the bottom and have an artistic vein pattern. Left unchecked in the tropical wilds of Hawaii, however, in a few decades the hardy plant would wipe out and replace the native forests, destroy the ground cover that creates the vital watershed and eliminate many of the island's unique animals, officials say. "Its presence is a natural disaster waiting to happen."

Winter wheat keeps grain prices hot

CONWAY SPRINGS, Kan.

Drought, freeze damage and insect pests have forced Lynden Speer and a lot of other farmers to plow under their winter wheat and plant other crops this year. Speer, a 42-year-old Kansas farmer, was turning under 130 acres of wheat Thursday to put in grain sorghum, used as livestock feed. Across Kansas, traditionally the top wheat-producing state in the nation, fields that usually are thick with 10-inch or taller green wheat this time of year instead have thin and stunted wheat. Many fields have been plowed under. It is much the same in other top wheat states. The first U.S. Department of Agriculture estimate of how much wheat is being abandoned or destroyed won't be out until May. On Monday, the USDA reported that 45 percent of wheat in 19 states is in very poor condition.

SOUTH BEND WEATHER

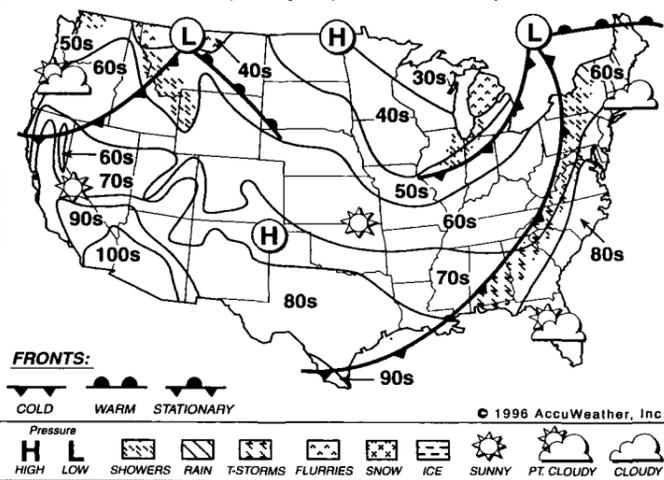
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NATIONAL WEATHER

The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Friday, April 26.
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Baltimore	61	47	Denver	68	42	Minneapolis	50	28
Boston	65	58	Geneseo	58	29	New York	61	52
Chicago	55	33	Las Vegas	92	68	Pittsburgh	46	40
Cleveland	44	34	Los Angeles	81	59	Seattle	56	41

Local society honors SMC nursing students

Special to The Observer

Nine Saint Mary's students were among the 30 new members inducted into the local chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing in ceremonies held at Goshen College, Goshen, Ind., on April 19.

Sigma Theta Tau International is an organization of nurse leaders, scholars, and researchers with offices at the Virginia Henderson International Nursing Library located in Indianapolis. Founded at Indiana University in 1922, Sigma Theta Tau has 356 chapters at more than 400 colleges and universities in the United States, Canada, Taiwan, South Korea,

and Australia. Worldwide membership is totals nearly 220,000.

Membership in the society is awarded to bachelor's, master's, and doctoral nursing candidates who demonstrate high scholastic achievement and also to graduates of nursing programs who have made outstanding contributions to nursing. Sigma Theta Tau encourages and actively supports further professional development and promotes nursing scholarship, leadership, creativity, and commitment among its members.

The keynote address at the April 19 meeting was presented by Miriam Martin, director of nursing and professor of nursing at Goshen College.

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Latino formal open to public

By BERNADETTE PAMPUCH
News Writer

Dinner and dancing are on the agenda for the second annual Notre Dame/Saint Mary's Latino Formal this Saturday, bringing a bit of Latin flavor to both communities.

Sponsored by the Hispanic American Organization at Notre Dame, support has also been provided by FUERZA at Saint Mary's and the offices of multicultural affairs at both schools.

While it is the second time

that the formal has been held, this year is the first that it will take place on the Saint Mary's campus.

As demand for tickets for the formal grew, the event was relocated from Notre Dame to the Saint Mary's dining hall in order to accommodate the 225 students, faculty and friends who purchased advance tickets.

The Latino Formal is distinct from most dances on campus because it involves a catered dinner and has a distinctly formal flair, encouraging men to wear tuxedos or bow ties and women to dress accordingly. Music for the night ranges from techno to salsa to merengue, band and house.

The Latino Formal is not limited to members of HAO or FUERZA, and has opened its arms to the campus population; the dinner and dance are open

to everyone on campus.

"I would let everyone know that when they come they can feel welcome and be part of the family," said Moises Olivares, who is organizing a slide show for the event.

"I think it will be cool because I've never been there before and it's something different, and that way we can include the Saint Mary's community as well," said Karina Cordona, a Notre Dame volunteer on the dance's organization committee.

Tickets for the dinner have been sold out, but anyone without a ticket can still come to the dance. Taking place in the Saint Mary's Dining Hall (located between LeMans and McCandless Halls) this Saturday night, doors open at 7:30 p.m. for dinner and 10 p.m. for dancing.

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Grace

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dorm unity."

Indeed, with about 500 men living in Grace, the hall has had the potential to make waves around campus. In addition to upholding the altruistic spirit of Notre Dame with events benefiting the entire community, the men of Grace have won countless interhall championships for their dorm through the years.

Some of the dorm's most inspiring moments have occurred in their interhall contests with football rival Flanner. However, off the field, most from Grace say the perceived animosity they have for Flanner is resultant of people from other dorms mistakenly creating a disagreement where none actually existed.

The attitude of Grace's residents has remained upbeat despite this being the dorm's final year. "There has been no diminishment in involvement in our dorm," Linton said.

Freshman Sergio De Hoyos echoed Linton's sentiments. "The upperclassmen could have just given up on Grace. That would have set a bad tone for the entire year, as we (freshmen) would've followed their example. Instead, they remained upbeat, and encouraged us to enjoy this great dorm while it lasts."

Like De Hoyos, freshman Tom Cronley saw rooming in Grace as a unique lifestyle which few others experience. "You meet a lot more people in such a large dorm, and you get

the chance to live in an apartment-like complex, making you better prepared for real life."

Senior Ed Tadajweski, a residents' assistant in Grace, also sees the dorm as one of the best halls on campus. "More than anything, the small sections of 27 men made for closer friendships. At the same time, the events Grace sponsored foster unity throughout the entire dorm. You also get a lot of privacy since most floors were away from the rector and from street level."

Senior Eric Hillegas, another R.A., saw section unity as the key to Grace's legacy. "Friendships in our sections seem to be very tight-knit compared to other dorms. Section members come out and cheer other section members during interhall games or varsity games."

"One guy even is writing a fictional story about our section. He puts it over the urinal just for a laugh. Things like that build friendships for life."

With 11 floors, Grace's struc-

ture has inspired as many unique events as its inhabitants.

Tadajweski recalled many days when residents would throw water balloons off the top of the building or out their windows.

Most residents agreed that the Spring dance (the Grace-land Dance) and Grace Week provided the highlights for every year. "Section parties are a lot more private than in other dorms, allowing some space when you're partying."

Grace residents over the years have prided themselves with their ability to party. Along with Flanner, the dorm has been known for holding the best parties on campus. The relatively large and numerous rooms may have contributed to this reputation.

Some of the best Grace parties occurred while the famed "# 1" sign atop the building was lit in 1988, the last season that Notre Dame won the national football championship.

"When I was a sophomore,

some of the R.A.'s got students together, and we joined forces to put up the sign while Notre Dame led in the polls," said Tadajweski.

All the local papers featured a photo of the sign, and students were inspired when they saw it lying on top of the tower. "It was great, because we unified the entire campus amidst the celebration," said Tadajweski.

The sign was also illuminated when the women's soccer team won the national championship last year. The sign did not light up when the fencing

team won a championship, but, according to Tadajweski, that was the administration's decision.

All these great memories may not be over. Grace Hall may have some surprises left for its residents, perhaps even for the entire campus. "We want to end this off on a good note," said Linton.

The dorm was named after John Peter Grace, a Notre Dame alumnus.

Ironically, Grace died last year just as the news broke that Grace would no longer function as a residence hall.

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Students 'play' with the market

By ERICA ESPINOLA
News Writer

When people 'play' the stock market, for the most part it's no game, but business students involved in a just-completed stock portfolio management contest were given the chance to win money without losing their shirts.

The competition, sponsored by the Council on International Business Development, began six months ago and challenged students with the agreeable task of accumulating as much money as possible.

Those competing started out with 2 million dollars on October 2 and could buy anything on the three exchanges, Nasdaq, NYSE, and AMEX. Competitors were to buy and sell on the stock exchange at their discretion in an effort to make the most money.

The exercise's concluding awards ceremony was held last Thursday in the Jordan Auditorium of COBA along with a preceding dinner in the Atrium. 155 people entered the event. The winners were: first place, Robert Messan; second place, Derek Gustafson; third place, Michael Stelmacki; fourth place, Arunas Leonavicius; fifth place, John Blood; sixth place,

Jim Feldman; seventh place, Pablo Berckholtz; eighth place, Jeremy Joyce; ninth place, Sherry and Kenny Fisher; and tenth place, James Dougherty.

The first place winner received a prize of \$2000, second place received \$200, and places 3-10 each received \$100 dollars. Competitors could enter individually or as a team.

The student representative of the Council on International Business Development, Tim Maxwell, was pleased with the outcome of this year's Challenge but says they plan on minor corrections for next year.

Improvements will include more prizes offered throughout the year and the offering of different brackets for varying levels such including non-business majors and MBA students.

The software employed to monitor competitors' the portfolios was donated by Vestek, a software company the University uses to keep track of its own investments.

The Council on International Business Development is currently looking for staff to organize and operate next year's Challenge. Those interested can obtain information at nd.pmc.1@nd.edu.

Come on, baby, light my fire



The Observer/Brandon Candura
South Dining Hall's Wednesday night karaoke dinner featured more than just mediocre food: students' evening meals were back-dropped by the sounds of their peers' renditions of popular songs.

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(Rain Location: LaFortune Ballroom)

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president," Gorno said. "We need the voices of all the different constituents of the college."

Gorno addressed the students directly, stating, "You need to have a strong voice in this. It's going to be your president."

Analogous to the sesquicentennial theme, "Honoring Tradition, Pioneering Change," Gorno stressed that the successor to the presidency must not only have a vision for the Saint Mary's future, but a respect for its history and mission as well.

"One of the things that makes Saint Mary's such a unique institution is that we have never wavered from the core values and beliefs. We have the same mission today that we did when we were founded," said Gorno. "That will not change through this time of transition."

Leading the search for the tenth president of Saint Mary's College is Sister Rachel Callahan, who, following a five-year term as the Chair of the Board of Trustees, was named chair of the search committee.

According to Callahan, the board hopes to have the next president of Saint Mary's College appointed by the spring semester of 1997, so the successor can work with Hickey before assuming the presidency, beginning in the 1997-98 academic year, if all goes according to plan.

Callahan stresses that the committee will be involved in a nation-wide search. "When we get into the actual search process, we will be casting a very wide net," Callahan said. She went on to note that, while the search is set on a large scale, the possibility of Hickey's successor rising from within the current ranks of the

College can not yet be ruled out.

Gorno said, "I give you my commitment as your newly elected Chair that we will do a broad, exhaustive, vigorous search to find the person who will be the next great leader of this institution."

While the actual selection committee is not yet set, Gorno's vision for the committee is one of approximately 10 individuals representing different facets of the College. Each should embody qualities including "sound understanding of our mission, our value system, and long-term goals; a demonstrated commitment to the College; and experience in selecting leadership positions."

Debate still arises regarding whether or not a Saint Mary's student will serve on the actual selection committee. Gorno's initial feelings are against the idea, due to the time commitments involved with the process.

She emphasized, however, that students will be involved in the selection process, particularly in the initial stages when the leadership profile is being developed. Once the final round of candidates is determined, student leaders will be involved perhaps interviewing the candidates, possibly participating in a forum with them.

A consulting firm will be on campus in the next two to three weeks, interviewing members of the College community on various aspects of

the College to help "define what kind of leader we want."

By bringing in a consulting firm, the College hopes to develop the profile of the ideal president "in the context of where we want to go, what our strengths are today, and what our weaknesses are," Gorno said.

Hickey announced Saturday he would step down as the college president, effective with the appointment of a successor. His resignation marks the end of a 35-year career in higher education exclusive to Saint Mary's College, including 10 years in the presidency.

Hickey will remain in office for the 1996-97 academic year. "It's going to be business as usual until the successor is found," Gorno said.

Regarding next year, Hickey said, "As always, my commitment to Saint Mary's remains firm and complete. My immediate future is still wrapped up in Saint Mary's. We have an ambitious agenda in the upcoming academic year."

Gorno stressed the importance the selection process holds with respect to the future of the College, not only in respect to the next president, but to the College as a whole.

"It will be a very important, and even critical moment in the history of Saint Mary's College. This is one of those rare and vital opportunities to look at the current and then look at the future objectives and priorities of this college."

Bender

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qualities of what can be labeled in today's society as 'homosexual.'

This led her to observe how gay/lesbian relations affect Saint Mary's, and how honesty is key to fostering such diversity. Bender felt there was a sense of isolation on the campus which did not support homosexuality. She also reported sensing uneasiness from the students with regards to discussing their sexual orientation.

After stressing the importance of faculty role models for students to identify with, Bender mentioned that Saint Mary's did not provide this necessary attribute. Pleading with Saint Mary's for change, Bender said, "I ask the College to change not in spite of tradition, but because of commitment to this tradition."

Those attending the lecture responded favorably to Bender.

"I appreciate the honesty and hope that everyone can be as open as she was," said Saint Mary's senior Amy Johnson.

"It was a wonderful experience, not only as an education-

al device but an emotional device for the college," offered Student Body President-elect, Jenn Turbiak stated.

"Bender was very articulate and her comments emphasized the need for both faculty and students to be open about sexuality and to embrace gay and lesbian people all around us," Amara Graf added.

"I feel that this lecture was important in trying to promote non-discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation. It was a great way to educate other students and speak out against the silence," said junior Carol Jones.

The lecture invited Saint Mary's College to take upon the challenges of the time and open up the pathways of communication with regard to sexual diversity.

The lecture was sponsored by People In Support (PINS). Other supporters included the Saint Mary's Board of Governance, Student Activities Board, Women's Studies, and Student Government. Departmental support was provided by the Anthropology, Sociology, Social Work, Justice Education and English Departments, the Women's Center, and Multicultural Affairs.

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India increases power with nuclear capability

By ALEX ORR
News Writer

After enduring a decade long nuclear standoff in South Asia, India appears to be on the verge of moving towards regional nuclear domination and global autonomy, according to Amitabh Mattoo. In his lecture titled "Nuclear Rumbblings in South Asia: New Directions in India's Nuclear Policy," Mattoo addressed the current issues concerning the Asian nation's nuclear capabilities.

Mattoo stated that increasingly, in India nuclear capability is being viewed as the "single most important currency for power" and as "an important bargaining chip" for the country of 685 million. Despite weathering international pressures calling for correspondence, Mattoo labeled India's refusal to sign the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty as an attempt to "use the nuclear option to correct the asymmetry of international relations."

He predicts that India could follow in the footsteps of North Korea; gaining influence and international political clout by testing nuclear weapons and refusing to adhere to the CTBT.

"[For India] the threat of tests is a way of expressing disapproval at the United States for having not kept its part of the bargain to provide access to American advanced technologies in return for Indian compliance in signing previous nonproliferation treaties," Mattoo explained. "It is important for India to challenge the United States and to not give up the nuclear option for nothing."

However, challenging U.S. power could have dire consequences, he noted. Under the Glenn Amendment, India stands to be severely economically wounded for any testing of nuclear weapons. American aid of defense equipment, direct financial aid, international credit and loans, technical assistance, and credit from U.S. banks all stand to be lost. But international give-and-take must be weighed against factors closer to home: Nuclear tests expand India's sphere of military influence.

"There is a wide view that South Asia is now the most likely theater for nuclear war," said



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Amitabh Mattoo discussed India's changing nuclear policy.

Mattoo. "A growing awareness of China's potential as a threat, and a nuclear nexus between China and Pakistan necessitate the kind of power-demonstrating strategic move that a nuclear test would provide."

The push toward nuclear testing also comes from pressures within. Mattoo cited "the self-generating momentum of science and technology" coupled with a "strong scientific establishment in India that operates autonomously, with little political interference, results in a strong drive for a nuclear demonstration for purely scientific reasons."

Additionally, ranking Indian generals have stated that if the military were to receive untested nuclear weapons, "a great deal of resentment within the armed forces" would be generated toward the government, Mattoo reported.

A traditional image of Indians as a non-violent people also weighs heavy on the minds of political decision makers.

"Within political leadership there is this fascination of maintaining a moral high ground, in the 'Ghandi/Nehru tradition,'" Mattoo said, explaining that many Indians worry that this vision of pacificity could be jeopardized by the nation's detonation of a nuclear device.

According to Mattoo, India has essentially three options: "They can sign the CTBT and not test, sign and test until the turn of the century when the treaty takes effect, or not sign it and test." Their best choice, he said, would be to refrain from testing, but to keep their option open and refuse to sign the CTBT unless a commitment to global disarmament can be made.

India performed its only nuclear test in 1974.

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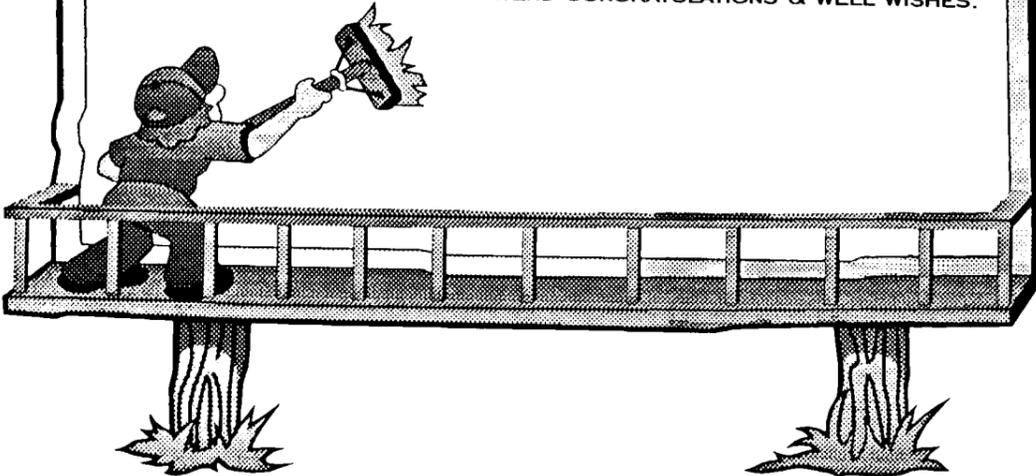
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TUES., April 23

11:56 a.m. A construction worker at the Keough construction site was transported to Memorial Hospital for treatment of injuries sustained during a fall.

3:37 p.m. A University employee reported hit and run damage to her vehicle while it was parked in the B1 lot.

6:33 p.m. A Dillon Hall resident was transported to St. Joseph Medical Center for treatment of a sports injury.

WED., April 24

7:30 p.m. A Breen Phillips resident reported receiving harassing telephone calls.

7:40 p.m. A Morrissey Manor resident was transported by Security to St. Joseph Medical Center for treatment of a sports injury.

Possible wage hike faces mixed reviews

By PATRICIA LAMIELL
Associated Press

The debate about raising the minimum wage is under way at a McDonald's on the West Bank Expressway in Marrero, La. That's where Gwen Warner sometimes takes her two children, but not for the \$2.16 hamburger Happy Meals.

"We go to McDonald's to play on the toys," said Warner, 35, explaining she can't afford to buy anything there.

For people like Warner, who works a part-time minimum-wage cafeteria job at a high school, the hourly increase proposed in Congress would be welcome, whether it's the Democratic 90 cents over two years or the \$1 over 15 months proposed by a breakaway group of House Republicans.

But the National Restaurant Association, a trade group representing McDonald's and other eateries, says raising the minimum would be a big mistake. In its view, an increase could wind up costing many minimum-wage earners the jobs they hold now.

Jeff Prince, senior director of the restaurant association, says the effect of raising the \$4.25-an-hour minimum would be to reduce the number of minimum-wage work hours by at least 20 percent.

It's just a sample of the numbers that fly like burger orders in a fast-food line over the effects of raising the minimum wage, a Depression-era reform started as 25 cents an hour in 1938 and raised 17 times since. Although McDonald's pays

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Minimum wage	25¢	\$4.25
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Cost	\$4.40	\$63.00
Time	17.6 hrs.	14.8 hrs.
HAMBURGER		
Cost	10¢	39¢
Time	25 min.	5 1/2 min.

Source: AP research AP
workers more than the minimum wage, labor activists like to point out that McDonald's stock has risen 175 percent since 1991, the last time the minimum was raised. The broader stock market has nearly doubled in value. Others point to what they call the obscene rises in executive pay, a 23 percent average increase.

Hume

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members on both sides, the talks nevertheless led to the cease-fire declared by the IRA on August 31, 1994, and subsequent cease-fires by loyalist paramilitary groups.

Hume's decision to talk with Adams was an idea born out of his life-long belief in non-violence. "[Military] victories are not solutions," he said. "The challenge is to reexamine their past attitudes toward each other."

As a child born into an impoverished family in Derry, Northern Ireland, Hume grew up in an atmosphere where manipulation by the ruling Protestant class bred resentment among his fellow Catholics. But the stern guidance of his father kept him from joining the ranks of the extremists and blaming only the Protestant Unionists for the Troubles.

"The Unionists' mind-set is largely to protect their differences, their identity. I have no problem with that — my quarrel is not with their mind-set but with their methods," Hume said. "The problem cannot be solved without them. They must come to the table and reach an agreement."

"I hope they will come forward with the positive aspects of the Protestant tradition," he added.

The major fault in the Unionists' thinking, Hume said, is their intolerance of the diverse backgrounds between Protestants and Catholics. He pointed out to the largely Irish-American audience that the American political foundation

is the ideal path to follow.

"I often feel that it is a mistake that America allows itself to be seen as an economic and political power, and not as a moral power," he said.

"The most fundamental message of your Constitution is written on your cheapest coin — 'E pluribus unum.'" Hume continued. "The essence of unity is the acceptance of diversity. That is the philosophy that Ireland is screaming out for today, and I say to the Protestant tradition, 'Bring out that philosophy.'"

But the Catholic Nationalists are not without their political faults, either, said Hume.

"The Nationalists forget that it is people who have rights, not territory," he said. "The only wealth this world has is human beings. [Whether Protestant or Catholic,] they can only be brought together by agreement, and not by agreement and not by coercion or force."

The differences existing between people, however, are not

obstacles that must be overcome. Rather, they should be utilized, said Hume.

"All conflict is seeing differences as a threat," he said. "The answer to differences is not to fight about them, but to respect them."

"Differences is an accident of birth," he continued. "We must allow people to have the basic right to existence, bread on their table, and a roof over their head."

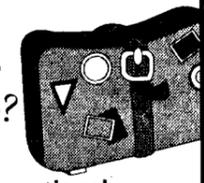
The healing process will only really begin when economic freedom is available to all people in Northern Ireland, Hume said.

"If we do this, we will be able to build institutions which not only respect our differences, but allow us to pursue our economic interests," he said. "By spilling our sweat and not our blood, we will begin the healing process that will lead to a new Ireland in a generation or two, based on respect for diversity and built by agreement."

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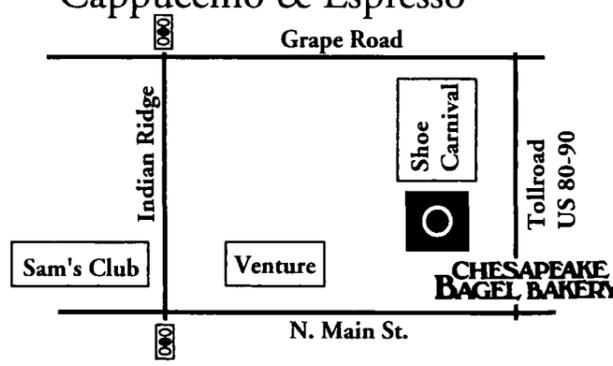


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U.S., Russia cooperate in missile defense test

By JOHN DIAMOND
Associated Press

WASHINGTON
The United States and Russia will test missile defense procedures in a joint exercise in June, a senior defense official said Thursday. Congress, meanwhile, is considering adding \$2.2 billion to the missile defense budget. The tests will involve the use of simulators against third-party attackers, according to Ashton Carter, assistant secretary of defense for international security policy. No missiles will be fired. Speaking to defense reporters at a breakfast meeting, Carter said the exercise June 3-7 will take place under the auspices of the U.S. Space Command and be held at the Joint National Test Facility at Falcon

Air Force Base, Colorado Springs, Colo.

The idea is to test theater missile defenses that protect forces in the field against short- and medium-range threats. Teams of about 15 members from each country will participate, with the United States represented by Patriot PAC-3 experts and the Russians by teams who use the SA-12 antimissile system.

Congress in the next week is expected to put its mark on President Clinton's defense budget, with special emphasis on missile defense, an area that Republicans say the president has neglected.

Carter said the United States and Russia are close to reaching a "demarcation agreement" designed to draw a clear boundary between theater and national defense systems.

Spending bill wins approval

By DAVE SKIDMORE
Associated Press

WASHINGTON
Moving to culminate more than a year of bruising partisan strife over the size and scope of federal government, the House on Thursday approved the final spending bill of 1996 — seven months late.

With a strong majority of both parties, it voted 399-25 to move the \$160 billion measure for the five months left in the fiscal year to the Senate, which was expected to waste little time in sending it to President Clinton.

The White House said Clinton would sign it as soon as it reached his desk, averting a lapse in spending authority at midnight.

"Today we are showing we can work together to cut the budget and honor our values," the president said.

"When the leadership in Congress insists on going it alone, we get gridlock, stalemate, vetoes, government shutdowns."

Enactment of the bill would mark the end of the long 1996

Budget highlights

The \$159 billion budget Congress passed Thursday is about \$20 billion smaller than the 1995 budget. Some major cuts:

Goals 2000 education reform
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Pell grants for college students
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Environmental Protection Agency
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National Aeronautics and Space Administration
\$14.4 billion
Down \$473 million

cal maneuvering to claim credit and assign blame for the outcome as well as the opening shot of the battle over next year's budget.

"It's time to move ahead with fiscal year 1997," said Rep. David Dreier, R-California, expressing a near universal sentiment of lawmakers of both parties.

The bill covers nine Cabinet-level departments and dozens of agencies. The savings it represents over 1995 spending — about \$20 billion, according Congressional Budget Office — represents a Republican win.

"In a situation where we have a liberal president trying to get more spending and trying to get more bureaucracy, it was a remarkable achievement," said House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Georgia.

Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kansas — Clinton's all-but-certain opponent in the fall election — said, "It demonstrates what a Republican Congress can do and we are very proud of it."

But Democrats claimed victory in the reordering of spending priorities over the original House-passed spending bills, which were vetoed by Clinton. They won roughly \$5 billion more for education, environmental protection, job training and other domestic priorities such as Clinton's cops-on-the-street and national service programs. Much of that was offset by reductions in funds set aside to cope with

Meanwhile, as he has over the past two days, Clinton appealed to Congress to resume work on a plan to balance the budget in seven years.

budget standoff, which included two partial government shutdowns totaling 27 days. And it would mark the start of politi-

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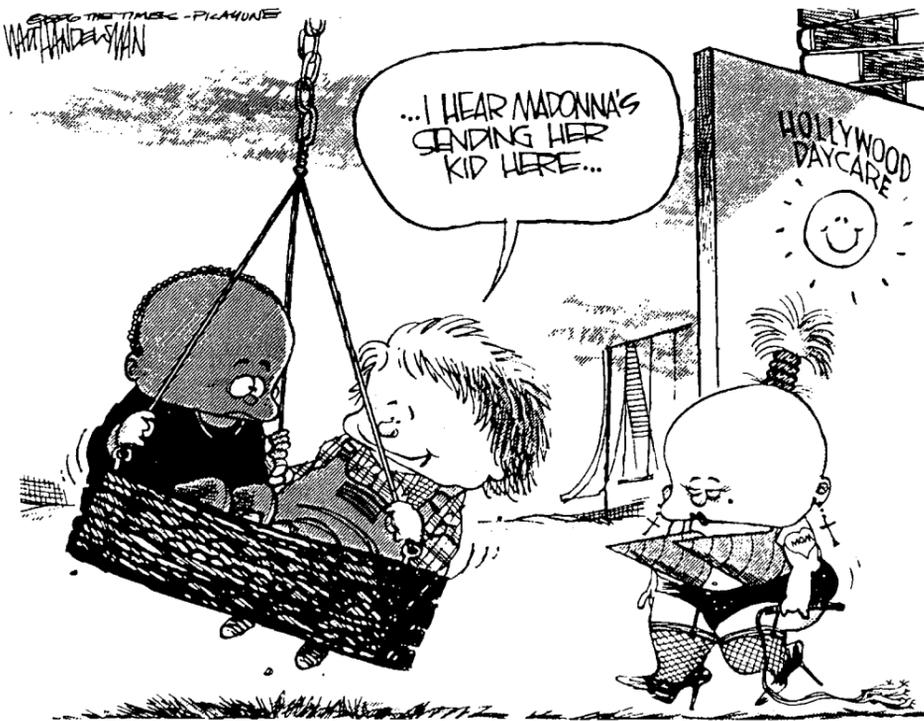
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■ CAPITAL COMMENTS

How Catholic does Notre Dame want to be?

Defining 'Catholic' is not easy for Church or congregation. Retired Notre Dame Debate Coach Lenny Sommer won ten national championships in forensics, persuasion and debate competition. He described his secret of success as "hard

Gary Caruso

work, a belief in Notre Dame, and an occasional hopelessly dry martini."

Lenny's belief in Catholicism and Notre Dame sometimes included doubting traditional dogmas and methods for achieving an end. Any good academician questions authority in an effort to understand. Lenny was no exception. He once rhetorically asked me, "How Catholic is Catholic enough? If you ask the Church to describe where Heaven is located, they cannot give you an answer. Yet we believe that Jesus and Mary have bodies somewhere other than on earth. Where is Mary?"

After the events of the past two years, he might as well asked, "Where is Patty?" VP for Student Affairs Patricia O'Hara has grappled with the matter of Gays and Lesbians on campus desiring official recognition. Her position within the Administration is a thankless one. She wields the heavy hand of enforcement for her superiors. If their decisions are unpopular, she bears the brunt of the repercussions. When all goes well, others usually take credit.

The question of recognition comes down to how Catholic Notre Dame wants

to appear. Does it matter that other Catholic universities including Georgetown and Catholic University here in Washington fully recognize their gays and lesbians with university funds? Are those institutions morally bankrupt and inconsistent with the Church? Are they any less against their stands on abortion or any less Catholic in general? Their university presidents would surely argue that they are of utmost moral integrity and follow the Church's teachings.

While American Catholicism is not a democracy, it certainly is not an absolute either. Otherwise, all American Catholic universities would treat Gays and Lesbians with a uniform policy. It seems that Notre Dame prides itself on being part of the fundamental, conservative wing of the Church. Its overwhelming Catholic student body distinguishes it from other Catholic universities like Liberty University distinguishes itself within the Falwell faction of the American Christian movement. In that sense, Notre Dame is more Catholic.

Reading the letters to the editor in The Observer sheds light on just how fundamentally conservative many ND students are. This spring, a student letter complaining about The Observer's inclusion of an immoral Calvin Klein calendar ad must have been read with great interest by many outside the University. Since the calendar was not included with subscriptions received through the mail, those of us who did not receive the ad could only imagine the pornographic splendor that must have oozed on those pages.

Eventually this writer tracked down a copy. Much to my disappointment, pictures of two young couples hugging (males without shirts) are hardly offensive or immoral. The protesting student obviously had a problem with the Latino

and African-American who were embracing. Such racism is no justification for moral indignation, and is certainly not a proper Catholic position.

Nebraska Bishop Fabian Bruskewitz is the perfect example of how the Church has no uniformity on most matters. This Bishop, in an effort to "dissipate ambiguity and overcome any confusion in the minds of Catholics" in his Lincoln diocese, is excommunicating Catholics who belong to organizations that in his opinion are "perilous to the faith, totally incompatible with Church doctrine."

Leading the list of organizations are the likes of Planned Parenthood, Catholics for a Free Choice, and Masonic organizations such as DeMolay and Eastern Star and Job's Daughters. Founded in the 1920's, Job's Daughters is a group for girls 11 to 20, related to Masons, that teaches self-reliance, leadership and self-confidence. The bishop's effort to quell ambiguity seems to have had the reverse effect in Lincoln.

Lifelong Catholics who served as alter boys, rectors, parish council members and church volunteers have been ordered to stop receiving communion on April 15th. If they persist, on May 15th they will be excommunicated. No discussion, no exceptions. Most intend to ignore the bishop.

While the American Catholic Bishops' Conference has remained silent, many behind-the-door conversations are buzzing. Some have even publicly opposed the action. Father James Coriden, a nationally recognized canon lawyer based here in Washington, writes:

A law so contrary to the spirit and letter of canon law, so sweepingly broad and aimless, so unsupported by evidence of necessity, so intemperate and harsh, and so contemptuous of the precious value of ecclesial communion, is

invalid on its face, or at best a doubtful law. Doubtful laws...are worse than no law at all, because of the confusion they engender.

In response, the bishop's office said, "We expect that the forbidden groups and organizations will make as much use as they can of the secular media to oppose our bishop and our diocese."

Notre Dame is not conducting an inquisition. However, O'Hara wants a special organization to sponsor gays and lesbians...one the administration can initially control. It smacks of the latest efforts by corporations to create their own company-run labor unions...ones the employers control rather than independent unions with elected representatives.

For Notre Dame, that proposal is a major shift in its position. The University is backing down from "no recognition" to "my recognition. The issue is obviously not as important as excommunication in Lincoln, but it is a major problem for Notre Dame. The University truly will be tested when its "immoral" students who are "inconsistent with the Church's teachings" show that they are not what the Administration suspects. Whether that day of reckoning comes next year, or several years from now, I can suggest where you might find Patty...having a hopefully dry martini with Lenny.

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■ DOONESBURY

GARRY TRUDEAU



IT'S YOUR 1976 ROOKIE CARD. MY DAD LEFT IT TO ME. HE USED TO SAY YOU WERE THE FINEST GENTLEMAN TENNIS OF YOUR GENERATION.



I WANT TO GIVE IT TO MY LITTLE BROTHER. HE'S IN THE HOSPITAL NOW, AND WE'RE NOT SURE HE'S GOING TO MAKE IT. COULD YOU SIGN IT TO BRIAN?



OF COURSE! AND PLEASE TELL THE LITTLE GUY I'LL BE PRAYING FOR...



OKAY. COULD YOU SIGN 50 MORE? FOR THE NURSING STAFF?

■ QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Actually, it only takes one Adrink to get me loaded. Trouble is, I can't remember if it's the thirteenth or fourteenth."

—George Burns

LOCAL COLOR

Remembering an uncle and the songs he played

My great-uncle Robert, who owned a grocery store during his working years, was a man of many talents. In 1982, he won second place in a National Enquirer contest for accurately predicting the election of George Wallace to a fourth term as Alabama governor, the replacement of the Russian leader Leonid Brezhnev, and the death of actor Henry Fonda.

He was a pillar of the Edgemont United Methodist Church, and in a

newspaper article in 1982, he predicted that Christianity would turn the tide in Russia. "Through Christian work by people of this and other countries, things will change," he was quoted as saying. But his most peculiar skill was as a musician and writer of country-western songs. This talent manifested itself late in life. We were all astounded when he picked up a harmonica one Christmas and belted out a spirited, bluesy version of "You Are My Sunshine."

He'd gotten his first harmonica when he was a little boy, he told us, and it wasn't until he got another, years later (with instructions included) that he realized he'd learned to play with the harmonica held upside down.

Robert's son Bob (my first cousin once removed) was musical from an early age, and signed his first contract as a songwriter at the age of 16. It was Bob's interest, Robert told me later, that really got him started.

Carol Bradley



"The songwriting really started, as far as me putting it down on paper, after Bob started writing songs over at Fame records," Robert said. "He signed his first contract at the age of sixteen. He would ask me about titles and things, but at that time he wasn't really into country music. And my ideas would really fit more as a country song. But after Bob got started, I began to think of little songs, and I'd put them down."

He couldn't read or write music, so he didn't just sit down to write a song. They always came to him. "Once I was in here in the kitchen late one night, and I just started singing this song. That was 'Worse Than the Blues.' That was a really personal-type song," he said. He wrote the song after the death of his wife Edna, my grandmother's middle sister.

Robert wrote "Worse Than the Blues" and "Trouble With My Troubles", and "My Kind of Woman", and Bob took the songs to Nashville and had a good demo made. (A good demo, he confided, will cost you about \$250 a song.)

He entered his songs in the "Music City Song Festival" several times, and in 1988 "Worse Than the Blues" was chosen number ten out of 22,000 entries. But winning the contest didn't mean so much, Robert said. He did get merchandise worth about \$150, but you've got to get the song recorded for it to mean anything.

"And these writers and publishers in

Nashville," he said, "they don't think too much of contests. I could win number one and they wouldn't think nothing of it."

But he did get to go to Nashville for the Music City Song Festival with Great-Aunt Catherine, his sister-in-law. (Catherine made her home with Edna and Robert, and after Edna's death, the two lived on a roommates, with a strict rule that Robert had to get his own breakfast and lunch, and Catherine would see to dinner.)

They were interviewed by the Nashville Network ("I told them, if you have a song, the thing to do is get a demo and put it in the Music City Song Festival. That's the part they liked.") but the piece never aired.

The thing about writing songs, Robert told me, is you got to keep writing. "I can't just run in and write a song. I sit there and can't think of a word. But going down the highway, or washing dishes, and a song will come to me. The funny thing about it, the songs that won the contests, I've gotten the words of the song and the tune all together, and didn't change a bit. Bob has me sing a verse, and he picks up the tune and writes it down for me. I put his name on all my copyrights."

Although he didn't write them himself, my favorites were his old-fashioned tunes played on the harmonica. A few years ago, he made a tape for me, including his talking blues riff with harmonica sound effects.

"When I was real small about 4 or five years old, we lived at Greenhill, Alabama, and our freight depot was St. Joseph, Tennessee, which was about four miles away. And the man that

drove the wagon and team up to St. Joe wanted me to go with him. We got up there to the freight depot...and as we did, I heard something...and I had never heard anything like this before, and it sounded something like this...[harmonica/train horn sound effects].

"Man, I turned around and run back...I didn't get in the wagon, I got under the wagon. and the train stopped, and I stayed out there under the wagon, and it went on down, and the next town was Iron City, Tennessee, and when it got down there, I could hear this sound that went something like this [harmonica/train horn sound effects, fading into the distance].

On the tape, he also included "You Are My Sunshine" and "My Darling Nelly Gray," the song General George Armstrong Custer's troops were singing as they rode into battle at the Little Big Horn.

Robert, who never visited a doctor in his life until this last year, died last week after surgical complications following cardiac bypass surgery. After his death, I thought of "Worse Than the Blues," the song he wrote after Edna died (one of the prize-winning ones, of course, because it was so heartfelt). *This sad, sad feeling has done got me down/I just can't make it, with you not around/If someone don't help me, I don't know what I'll do/For this feeling I'm feeling is worse than the blues...*

I hope that wherever he is, he's with Edna, and humming "You Are My Sunshine," instead of singing the blues.

Carol Bradley writes for the Observer every other Friday. This will be her last column this year.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Protesting ND's gay policy

Dear Editor:

I am writing this letter to protest the policy the Administration has chosen to undertake regarding the Gay and Lesbian group of Notre Dame and Saint Mary's College. Growing up in a liberal part of California, gay and lesbian people have become a large part of my life. I have learned that there is absolutely nothing "different or abnormal" about this type of lifestyle and that in a homosexual relationship as well as in a heterosexual relationship love, trust and honesty are the key ingredients.

Gay and lesbian students at this campus probably lead lifestyles more closely related to Jesus than you or I because of all of the persecution and discrimination they have received in a professedly "Catholic" environment.

Just what exactly is the administration afraid of by not allowing the group to meet publicly as a club on campus? They are not out to persuade the student body to embrace a homosexual lifestyle, but instead they are trying to create a group for people who are gay or lesbian or are questioning their sexuality in which to identify.

Is it because if the group were to receive recognition and funding, some wealthy and homophobic alumni may withhold valuable contributions? Why is it that these alumni matter more than current students maturing and seeking out their true selves?

If you really think that homosexuality is not compatible with the Catholic religion then maybe you ought to look deeper into the teachings of Christ which are the basis for any Christian religion (even Catholicism). Jesus said that we are to love all people. Now you may say that you policies are not denying your love for homosexuals, but in rejecting a major part of someone's life, you are in turn rejecting them.

The only way that Notre Dame can truly foster an environment of loving and caring Catholics is to eliminate discrimination in every existing form. By holding a policy toward GLND/SMC that refuses to allow them proper funds and a meeting area you are essentially sending a message across the entire campus and to future students that homosexuality is wrong and that people who practice homosexuality are weird and not following proper moral behavior. You are only encouraging discrimination and homophobia to continue on in the

lives of Notre Dame students.

An example of this homophobia can be found on a certain group of which I am a member. A freshman came into the group from a very sheltered environment and a small town. She had never been exposed to homosexuality but because of the wisecracks and jokes made by other students against gay and lesbian students, she herself has begun to look down upon homosexuals and to make fun of certain haircuts, styles of dress and manners of speaking she feels are inherent to lesbian and gay people.

Now, she will never even try to meet or befriend a gay student because she would be ridiculed for it. If she had come into an atmosphere that treated gay and lesbians with the same respect as other students, maybe she wouldn't have alienated herself from a group of kind, wonderful and caring people. I feel that is a tragedy.

The University of Notre Dame cannot continue to live in the Dark Ages. Its policy towards GLND/SMC is repressive, unjust and very "uncatholic".

This school is a paradox. On one hand there is the amazing faculty, the true sense of community between the students and the marvelous education to be received. But then, there is the dark side of Notre Dame, the one that refuses to acknowledge the rights of every student and ignores major problems such as rape, binge drinking, AIDS, and the abnormal relations between men and women due to the single sex dormitory situation.

As the well-known theologian and monk Thomas Merton said, "The least of the work of learning is done in classrooms. I can remember scores of incidents, remarks, happenings, encounters that took place all over the campus and sometimes far from the campus: small bursts of light that pointed out my way in the dark of my own identity" (Spiritual Master, 366).

I cannot promote the University of Notre Dame as a positive experience until its policies can foster an environment conducive to every student having the opportunity to seek out their true identity away from the classroom.

MOLLY GAVIN
Sophomore
Breen Phillips

Christmas in April thanks student volunteers

Dear Editor:

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you to each and every Notre Dame, Saint Mary's and Holy Cross student that gave of their time to volunteer for the 8th annual Christmas in April event held on April 20th in South Bend's Rum Village neighborhood. Again this year your presence, spirit and effort was overwhelming and the entire Christmas in April organization, including the homeowner recipients, want you to know how appreciative they are.

Although it has been said before, student volunteers are an integral part of the success of the South Bend program! Without your volunteer assistance this program could not accomplish the amount and range of work completed every year. Additionally, efforts prior to the Christmas in April day such as the Fun Run sponsored by Recsports and University Food Services, as well as the various other fundraising events, are another indication of student involvement and commitment.

A special thank you to the Notre Dame groups from: Pasquerilla East and West, Lewis Hall Council, Government of Zahm Hall, Notre Dame Student Government, St. Patrick's Parish and the Junior and Senior Classes of Notre Dame in addition to Recsports and University Food Services. Special thanks also to the Saint Mary's groups from: the class of '98, Holy Cross Hall, RHA and the Junior Class for all the efforts to assist financially.

On behalf of the Christmas in April Board, Steering Committee and recipients please accept our gratitude as well as our best wishes for an eventful summer as you end another college year. We look forward to working with many of you again in future Christmas in April's!

PAMELA MEYER
President

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Looking back on spring rites

By DAN CICHALSKI
Accent Copy Editor

Ah, the signs of spring have come to South Bend. The ducks are back on North Quad, students pay money for cardboard boxes emblazoned—like everything else around here—with an interlocking “ND,” national weather reports show 103 degrees and sunny in San Antonio (while Michiana is cloudy and windy), and AnTostal fever has hit the Notre Dame campus.

While enjoying the various festivities that take place from the Stepan Courts to Moose Krause Stadium, participants and spectators may wonder about AnTostals of the past. Or not. But those who do might ponder such queries as: When did it begin (and why)? Where the heck did “AnTostal” come from anyway? Have they always had trouble bringing a band to campus?

The term “AnTostal” is of Gaelic origin, meaning “muster,” “pageant,” or “array.” The festival began at Notre Dame twenty-eight years ago, in 1968, but dates back even further to an entirely different continent. In 1953, some people in Ireland felt the country was in a funk, suffering from an overall dismal attitude, a sagging economy, and a weakening sense of patriotism. To “wake up the echoes,” some pretty clever Irish people came up with the AnTostal celebration to rejuvenate that sense of Irish pride and patriotism that was waning. It was begun as a celebration of culture and community in Ireland and was transferred to the Notre Dame campus fifteen years later.

1996 AnTostal Chairperson Kerry Van Voris explained, “We need to reawaken the Notre Dame Irish spirit as the school year comes to a close and as the students begin to feel lethargic and apathetic. In our celebration of AnTostal, we at Notre Dame would like to stress the unity that this university is regarded for. Essentially, we are providing the students with one last hurrah before the stress of finals hits, and

the students depart from all their friends.”

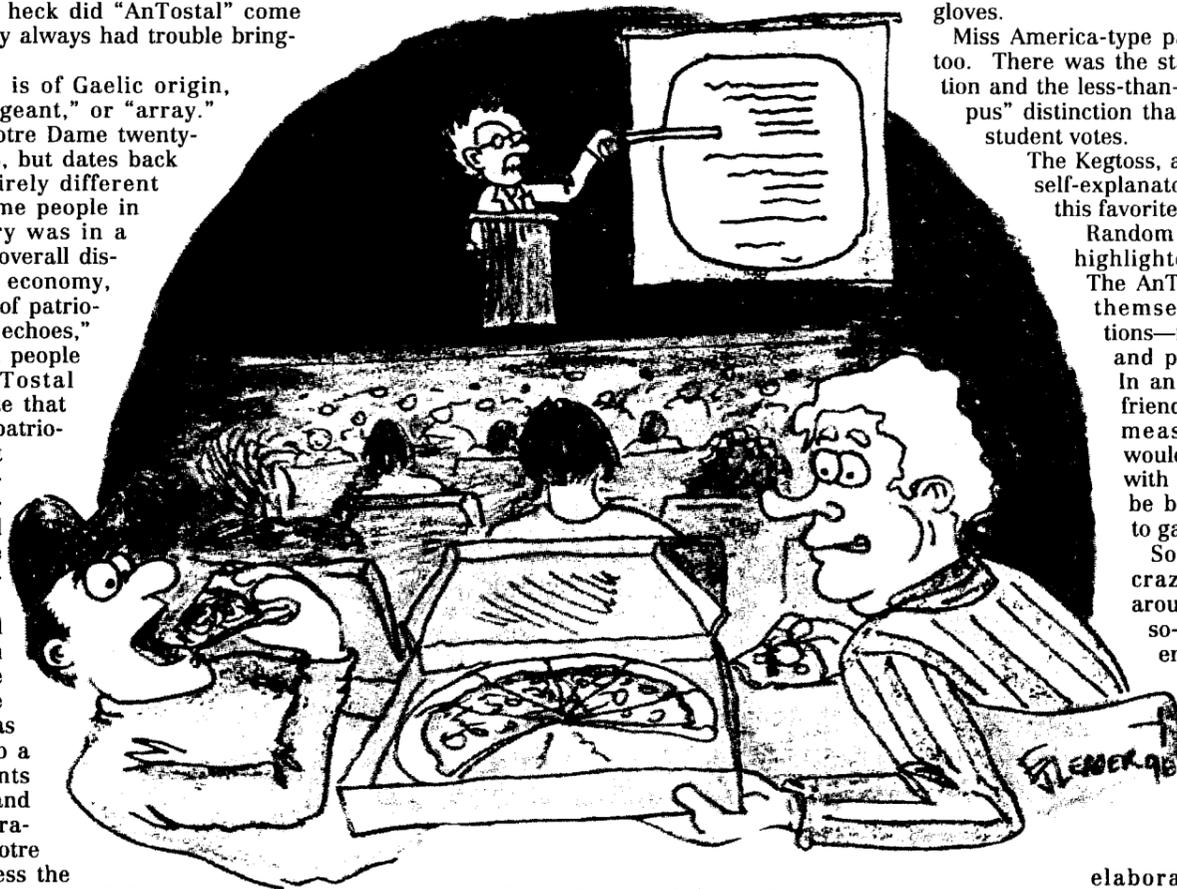
This “last hurrah” has been going on for only a few days so far this year but has been a part of the social calendar for nearly three decades. With De La Soul performing at Stepan Center tonight, the festivities are highlighted by a concert for the first time in three years. In 1993, Blues Traveler brought their unique sound to the Stepan stage, but in the two years in between, talk of bringing a band to accent the weekend never materialized into actuality.

Another recent popular form of entertainment has been big-name stand-up comedy acts. From Al Franken to David Spade, humorists have helped ease the tension that comes with knowing finals are around the corner—and following the exams, the end of the academic year or career.

But the real draw of AnTostal throughout the years has been the various activities in which students can



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gloves.

Miss America-type pageants were held back then too. There was the standard Mr. Campus competition and the less-than-flattering “Ugly Man on Campus” distinction that was determined by random student votes.

The Kegtoss, a shotput-like contest is pretty self-explanatory, as are the likely reasons this favorite AnTostal event was axed.

Random acts of pseudo-violence also highlighted celebrations of the past. The AnTostal Assassins would situate themselves in unsuspecting locations—from trees to dorm windows—and pummel passerbys with pies. In an activity entitled “Vigilantes,” friends could send a pal to jail for a measly quarter. The prisoner would then have to bribe the guard with fifty cents or allow himself to be bombarded with pies in order to gain his freedom.

So that’s how those wild and crazy Domers used to have fun around here in the good but not-so-old days. What better way to end the year, bring the campus back together for one last bash, and remind all just how much fun the past eight months have been than to do it with an Irish tradition based on pride and community?

Junior Renee Daffron elaborated, “We, the AnTostal

1996 committee, acknowledge our responsibility to revive what was once a famous Notre Dame tradition of campus unity, student participation, and school spirit celebrated at the spring festival, AnTostal. Tradition plays a key role in the makeup of the University of Notre Dame from Knute Rockne to the Grotto to the Golden Dome. We feel AnTostal is also an inherent part of that world-famous tradition.”

“The zany and frivolous week,” Van Voris added, “allows the students to release their tensions and anxieties via intense competition and unusual activities in a lively atmosphere before heading back to the reality of facing preparations for final examinations.”

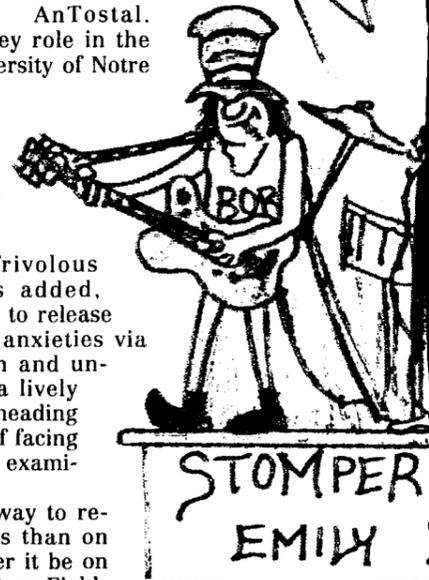
And what better way to release those tensions than on one another, whether it be on the basketball court or Fieldhouse Mall?

actually participate. Although it has developed into a monster of its own, the Bookstore Basketball tournament remains the most popular and recognizable event marking the culmination of the year. And, though many of the top teams are graced with the presence of various Division I scholarship athletes, the tournament provides an opportunity for many of the less-athletically gifted members of the Notre Dame community to bask in the spotlight and garner the praise and attention normally seen around here only on home football Saturdays.

Looking back even further into AnTostal’s past, another once-popular theme frequently arises: mudpits, mudwrestling, mudpies, mudrolling, mudslinging—anything and everything you could possibly do with mud but were afraid to ask. Mudpits were popular in 1990 and 1982, and in 1976 the three-legged mudsoccer tournament was won by Team Observer.

The 1976 celebration was an extravaganza. In addition to the MudFest (aided by rain over the weekend turning nearly all happenings into mudevents), there were popular activities that have since gone the way of the dinosaurs because of, well, probably administrative regulation and political incorrectness. Take, for example, the “Jocks vs. Girls” basketball game. Probably wouldn’t fly today. By the way, the women won and the guys were forced to wear boxing gloves.

Miss America-type pageants were held back then



Brotherly Love



Brotherly Love

By Betsy Baker

The Observer/Mike Ruma

Although it sounds more like a bad 70's song, the saying "We are family" aptly describes this year's Bookstore Basketball tournament. Teamwork and tradition pervade the tournament, but it is most evident in the brother-to-brother connections that have made Bookstore XXV so interesting and exciting. Three sets of brothers made it to this year's Sweet Sixteen, with two surviving into the Elite Eight, although not all were active participants in the tournament— so

to speak. Senior twin brothers Brian and Keith Ziolkowski had played Bookstore together for three years, but this year brought change. Due to an unfortunate incident involving a referee in intramural basketball, Keith has not been allowed to partake in Bookstore XXV. However, his influence has been seen and felt in the play of their team CCE. Keith has warmed up with the team and

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Bookstore purity still alive and well

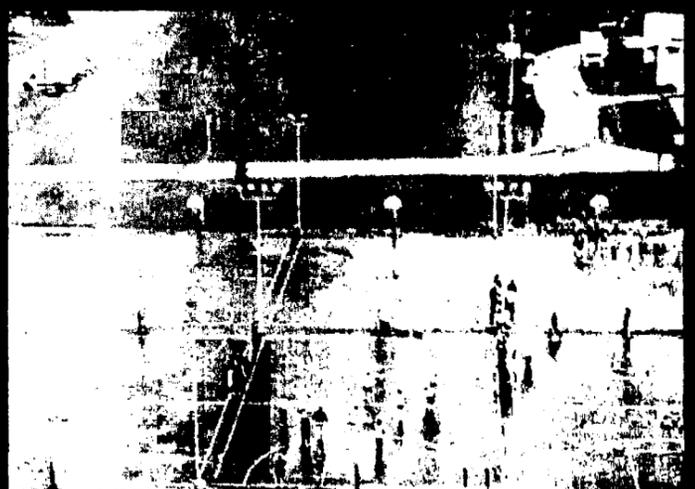
By Tim Sherman

Every fall, Notre Dame football captivates the campus for six Saturdays.

Every spring, Bookstore Basketball mesmerizes it for a three-week period.

Surely, nothing truly can compare to the sights and sounds of a crisp autumn home football Saturday but it really isn't something the student body can point to as exclusively their own. Television dictates game times, alumni invade the campus, and the weekend all too often seems to be purely a commercial venture for many involved.

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"To start a tradition you have to have a good idea and you have to stick with it. Continuity and timing are everything. The timing of Bookstore Basketball during An Tostal and the coming of spring is the kind of thing that one person tells another. It provides a context for the outdoors and something to look forward to. I can't foresee in the immediate future the enthusiasm for that waning. Because it fits Notre Dame. It fits the student body; it fits in terms of when it takes place during the year. It's relatively uncomplicated, and it's something that people like to brag about and tell stories about."

- Fr. Edward "Monk" Malloy
President of The University of Notre Dame

BOOKSTORE

Fab Frosh

By TIM MCCONN

It is a well-known fact that the Class of '99 football players are expected to make a large impact on their team in the upcoming year.

Something not as well-known is the effect that these freshman have on the Bookstore Basketball tournament.

As the round of eight takes place today at Stepan courts, three notable faces will be helping their respective squads try to advance to the highly-esteemed final four. Benny Guilbeaux of Swoosh II, Mike Rosenthal of Pass the Beernuts VI, and Lamont Bryant of Model, Inc. all have contributed greatly to their teams in their runs at the Bookstore XXV championship.

Guilbeaux, a possible starter at one of the safety positions in the fall, has displayed the prowess on the hardwood that may earn him a spot on next year's varsity basketball team.

"I'm going to try to walk on," said Guilbeaux. "I wanted to this year, but [the coaches] wanted me to get settled first as far as grades and football are concerned."

Like Guilbeaux, Rosenthal has enjoyed success so far in this year's tournament. A starter on the offensive line, Rosenthal has played a pivotal role in Beernuts run to the crown.

"From [the round of] 32 on, we've just jumped on his back and enjoyed the ride," commented Kevin Carretta, captain of Beernuts who also doubles as a tight end on the football team.



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Although Guilbeaux and Rosenthal have enjoyed the opportunity of playing with a good team in their first years, neither has had the chance that Lamont Bryant has. Without him, number-one ranked Models, Inc. would not be the dominant force that they are.

"He's a real force on the boards and can defend smaller, quicker guys," asserted Models star Conrad James.

And who said freshman are good for nothing?

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Brothers

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continues to coach them from the sidelines. In addition, the team pays tribute to their missing member with a black stripe worn on their orange uniform tops.

"It's hard not having him out there," Brian Ziolkowski commented of his brother's absence. "He loves the game so much, it's hard for him to be on the sidelines."

Still, Keith contributes to the team to the best of his ability.

"He's a big supporter from the sideline," Brian continued. "He has a better view of what is going on from there."

"He knows the game so well, so we listen to him when he tells us what to do."

Some brothers have been fortunate enough to go the distance with each other, at least as far as their age difference will allow. One such combination is that of senior Mike Kloska and junior Jeff Kloska.

The two brothers have done such a great job leading their team over the last three years, including a trip to last year's final four, that they have merited the honor of having their team, Dos Kloskas, named for them.

"Jeff and I have been playing together for years," the elder Kloska said. "In grade school, high school, and now we've had the opportunity to play together in college."

Jeff agrees that years of playing together keys their team chemistry on the court.

"I think that's where we find our closest bond," Jeff commented. "I know him best through basketball."

The Kloskas' mother, who has been at nearly all of their Bookstore games, commented on her boys' chemistry.

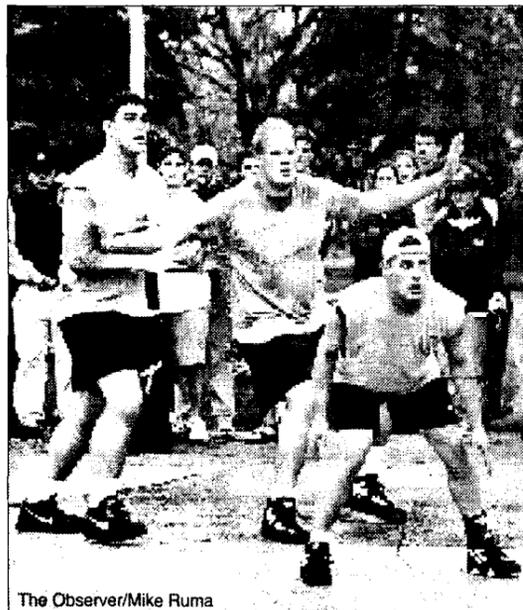
"They have played basketball

Dos Kloskas

Roster:
Mike Kloska, Jeff Kloska, Bert Berry, Pete Coleman, Dan Fannon

Strengths:
The Kloska brothers are both strong perimeter shooters. When the game is on the line, Coleman seems to be able to take over and hit the big shots. The frontcourt has the strength to match up with the big teams, and Berry hasn't had to be a factor... yet.

Weaknesses:
Kloska has exhibited a hesitency to run even when the opportunities are present. The team seem willing to settle for outside shots, and no one knows if Berry is 100%.



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Pass the Beernuts VI: Last Call

Roster:
Kevin Carretta, Mike Rosenthal (left), Danny Rothschild, Josh Burick, Dan McConnell (right)

Strengths:
Beernuts possesses intimidating size, especially with 6'7 Rosenthal roaming the middle. Also, each team member has great versatility. Their passing ability has carried them through the tournament.

Weaknesses:
Because of the injury to T.R. Kane, the Beernuts were forced to link up with their chemistry by picking up Danny Rothschild midway through the tournament.

Models, Inc.

Roster:
Tracy Graham, LaRon Moore, Conrad James, Lamont Bryant (above), Renaldo Wynn

Strengths:
Models is the most athletic team in the tournament, and the most active on the boards. Wynn is too strong to be moved off the block, and can hit the turnaround. James' shotblocking makes up for defensive lapses by the team.

Weaknesses:
Ballhandling, especially on the break. Moore also has a tendency to force his shot. Models' confidence boards on arrogance. Could be a liability in a close game when every possession counts.

Swoosh

Roster:
Jason Newcomer, Matt Busam, Benedict Rocchio, Darnell Smith, Benny Guilbeaux

Strengths:
Swoosh has great speed and "slashing ability". Scores before the other team even notices. They're a very physical and athletic team.

Weaknesses:
They have a tendency to rush the shot and their inside game is inconsistent. They can also be easily phased because of their lack of mental toughness.

Fundamentals show the way

By Tim Seymour

The origin of the legend is easy to determine. It all started exactly two years ago, when Showtime's Travis Brown grabbed a rebound in a Sweet 16 game.

As the crowd of 200 or so Showtime faithful rose to their feet in anticipation, Brown brought the ball over the timeline, and after numerous passes teammate Jason Hanley nailed the game-winning jumper, sealing one of the tournament's biggest upsets over Jon Ross and No. 5 Sudden Death.

The five sophomores from Stanford were instant crowd favorites, and rode the momentum to that year's Final Four.

"Our crowd following has always been good, and we've fed off of them," said Bob Baxter. "They've kept us in some games that we've been in danger of falling out of."

Two years older, the same five return as the No. 4 seed heading in to the weekend's action, hoping to finish what they started.

"To me, Showtime is the

essence of Bookstore," said Hanley. "We're five friends that have stuck together every year."

For the second year in a row, Showtime is the highest seeded team without a varsity athlete. However, what the team lacks in size and speed, it makes up for in basketball savvy and teamwork.

"Not having a varsity athlete has made us concentrate on being a better team," said Brown. In an era that favors individual highlights and monster jams,

then, Showtime is a throwback, emphasizing unselfishness and the subtle art of making the extra pass.

It's an art that has proven to be deadly effective. Showtime's spot-up shooters - Brown, Baxter, and Jeff Enes - are among the best marksmen in the tournament, while Matt Coles supplies the physical presence and Hanley the court leadership.

"We haven't shown the whole arsenal yet this year," concluded Baxter. "Every game someone different has stepped up."



BASKETBALL

V Just like old times

By Tim Sherman

For the most part, the graduation of recent Notre Dame basketball players has been a cause of celebration for Irish fans. But there have been exceptions, notably, Lamarr Justice and Ryan Hoover.

Between the two of them, they brought John MacLeod's squad a nice combination of great athleticism and pure shooting.

Now that Hoover and Justice have played their last game as varsity basketball players, they are bringing the same skills to the courts of Bookstore Basketball.

And it's a whole new ballgame, so

speaking.

No longer is the sleek Justice going head to head with the likes of Tony Delk or Tyus Edney, nor is the dead-eye Hoover trying to get a free look against a suffocating Georgetown extended zone.

Rather, the two are just trying to make whatever contribution it takes for their respective teams, CCE and CJ's Wooden Shoes, to advance in the silver anniversary of Bookstore Basketball.

So far, the two talented guards have successfully merged their great skills with the team concept that Bookstore mandates.

"Hoover has definitely carried us at times," CJ's Richard Probst noted. "But our games

have been decided more by the other guys on the court. Ryan knows his role and he does it very well. That's exactly what we expected."

Plain and simple, the role is that of scorer. It is task Hoover should well be accustomed to, as he was a primary

offensive option for MacLeod for the better part of his four-year career. That really hasn't changed but the circumstances have.

No longer does Hoover have to worry about adjusting to the backdrop at the Carrier Dome or Madison Square Garden but the bent rim and the gale-force wind of Stepan courts are a concern.

As far as Justice goes, his forte of lighting-quick defensive pressure and reliable ball-handling has been de-emphasized in favor of slashing penetration and offensive rebounding.

But the object is the same. Win games.

Tomorrow, the ex- teammates will be squaring off against each other in semi-final action. But it won't be the first time the two teams meet.

Last year, four of the members of CJ's (sans Hoover) dropped a tough 21-18 decision to a very similar CCE squad.

"We missed 4 or 5 free throws last year and could've easily beaten them," Probst said. "We can definitely play with them."

Now, with Hoover in the fold, the match-up becomes all that more intriguing for the fans who will pack the Stepan Courts tomorrow.

Eight

C.C.E. Roster:
Derek Gustafson, Lammar Justice (right), Brian Ziolkowski, Kenny Middleton, Pete Chryplewicz

Strengths:
Gustafson and Justice are both excellent ball-handlers, and the emergence of Justice's outside shot is encouraging. The acquisition of Chryplewicz gives C.C.E. an inside game to compliment Ziolkowski's shooting.

Weaknesses:
Ziolkowski is a streak shooter who needs to contribute in other ways if he isn't hitting. Mental toughness is a question; the team can be phased if things aren't going their way.

"It's been a great opportunity to play with him," John said. "It's a lot of fun and we have a great team chemistry. It makes it really comfortable out there."

Although not everyone can have the success of the Ziolkowskis, Kloskas, or Haighs, some brothers find their own niche in the tournament.

No one can forget the brief, or better said "briefless" appearance of the Goldkamp brothers. Seth and Jacob Goldkamp played their last ballgame of the tournament in nothing more than athletic supporters, and in their own way, have found a place in Bookstore history.

Still others are left with only a memory. Senior Dan McConnell of Pass the Beernuts VI, who remains alive in the Elite Eight round, has nothing but a name to remind him of the time he and his brother Brad, of the class of '94, tore up the courts of Bookstore as Pass the Beernuts IV.

Whether on the court or in a name, a special bond exists in the family connections that take place in Bookstore Basketball. It still remains to see how far that bond can take them.



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CJ's Wooden Shoes

Roster:
Ryan Hoover, Richard Probst, Chad Chevalier, Ryan Rolf, Dave Veselik

Strengths:
With sharpshooter Hoover aboard, this team of jumpshooters is automatic from the outside and the charity stripe. Probst's relentless approach to the game carries this team in pressure situations.

Weaknesses:
CJ's has had trouble converting on occasional fast break opportunities. They also seem to depend on Hoover too much at times.

Bookstore law

By TIM MCCONN

Bookstore Basketball is a long-standing student tradition here at Notre Dame. It is run by students, refereed by students, and, most importantly, played by students.

Not all these students, however, are of the traditional undergraduate breed. A great many of them come from one of the many Notre Dame graduate programs, in particular the law school.

Although a variety of teams have been fielded by law students over the years, one squad traditionally stands above the rest. To many Bookstore observers, Malicious Prosecution, and no other squad, represents the law school in this tournament.

Since the time of its inception in the late 1980s, Malicious has consisted of nothing but law students. This year, however, the tradition has changed a bit. For the first time in the history of this power-

house, two undergraduate students, seniors Todd Leahy and John Heilman, have been recruited to play.

Before these two, the only non-law student to play with Malicious was Todd Norman, an offensive lineman on the football team and a fifth-year MBA student at the time in 1993.

Begun in 1989 by Joe Scott, a law student and now an assistant coach at Princeton University, Malicious won the crown its first two years and advanced to the Final Four its third.

Since then, except for their finals appearance in 1993, Malicious has fallen upon hard times. In fact, the last two years they have not gotten past the round of thirty-two.

Because of these recent difficulties, team members Stu Healy, Mark Malloy, and Gary Hall decided to find players that would help them return the Malicious name to prominence.

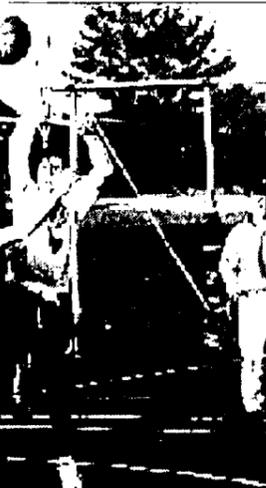
"The tradition we're most concerned with is winning," stated Healy. "The tradition wouldn't mean much if we only got to sixty-four or thirty two. For us, winning is the bottom line."

For this reason, they went out and got Leahy, a 6'7 postman, and Heilman, a 6'3 forward who is one of the most versatile and difficult players to defend in the tournament.

"We tried to get [Leahy] last year," said Malloy. "It didn't



The Observer/Katie Kroener



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Showtime

Roster:
Matt Coles, Bob Baxter (passing), Travis Brown, Jeff Enes, Jason Hanley

Strengths:
The most experienced team in the tourney, Showtime has played together all four years. They make the extra pass to their four pure shooters, and run the break well. They don't take bad shots.

Weaknesses:
The three guard alignment makes for problems against bigger teams. Inside scoring is inconsistent, and the emphasis on all five rebounding against bigger teams may slow their break.

Malicious Prosecution

Roster:
Gary Hall, Stu Healy, Mark Malloy, Todd Leahy, John Heilman

Strengths:
Malicious plays relentless defense against its opponents. Hall hawks the ballhandler better than anyone in the tournament. On offense, they are very patient and methodical, and always seem to get a good shot.

Weaknesses:
Because of their methodical nature, Malicious sometimes becomes too predictable. Also, despite the size of Leahy, who is 6'7", Malicious has shown considerable weakness on the inside.

Sherman

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Bookstore, though, is far different. The students own Bookstore and make it what it is today. And what it is today is pretty much exactly what it started out to be - competition at its purest form.

The tournament has none of the bright lights of television, no world-class, climate-controlled facilities (as evidenced by yesterday's wet and wild action), and free and open admission to all.

It is special. It is diverse. It is uniquely Notre Dame.

Nowhere else in the world can claim a tournament quite as large as Bookstore. Indeed, the quantity is impressive but the quality of the 25 year-old tournament is the prime reason why it is now entrenched as one of Notre Dame best traditions.

And it is a multi-faceted tradition.

In reality, the fun of Bookstore begins even before the games commence with the announcement of the team names. A scroll through this year's team list, let alone the collection from the first quarter century of play, will cause more laughter than even the quality of concerts that Notre Dame hosts.

Then, there are the early rounds game, which are a spectacle unto themselves. Not only does it give the entire campus the chance to get out and hoop with some of the school's best athletes, it gives many a chance to express themselves with fashion.

But no one will ever mistake Stepan Courts for the runways of Paris. In short, expect the unexpected: underwear, three-piece suits, togas, kilts. Virtually anything goes.

And virtually everyone attends. As the tournament advances into the second week, Bookstore turns from a participatory activity to a spectator's dream. Or for many among the masses, a social butterfly's paradise.

There is definitely something to strolling around the courts of Stepan and seeing that old friend you hadn't seen for a few months or maybe even bumping into that special someone who you never quite get the chance to talk to at the dining hall or one of the few local watering holes.

In many ways, the social aspect of Bookstore is similar to a giant dorm party, just without the Natty Light, MTV Party to Go Vol. 2, and that seemingly ubiquitous strobe light.

But at the heart of it all is basketball. Pure basketball. Happy Birthday Bookstore.

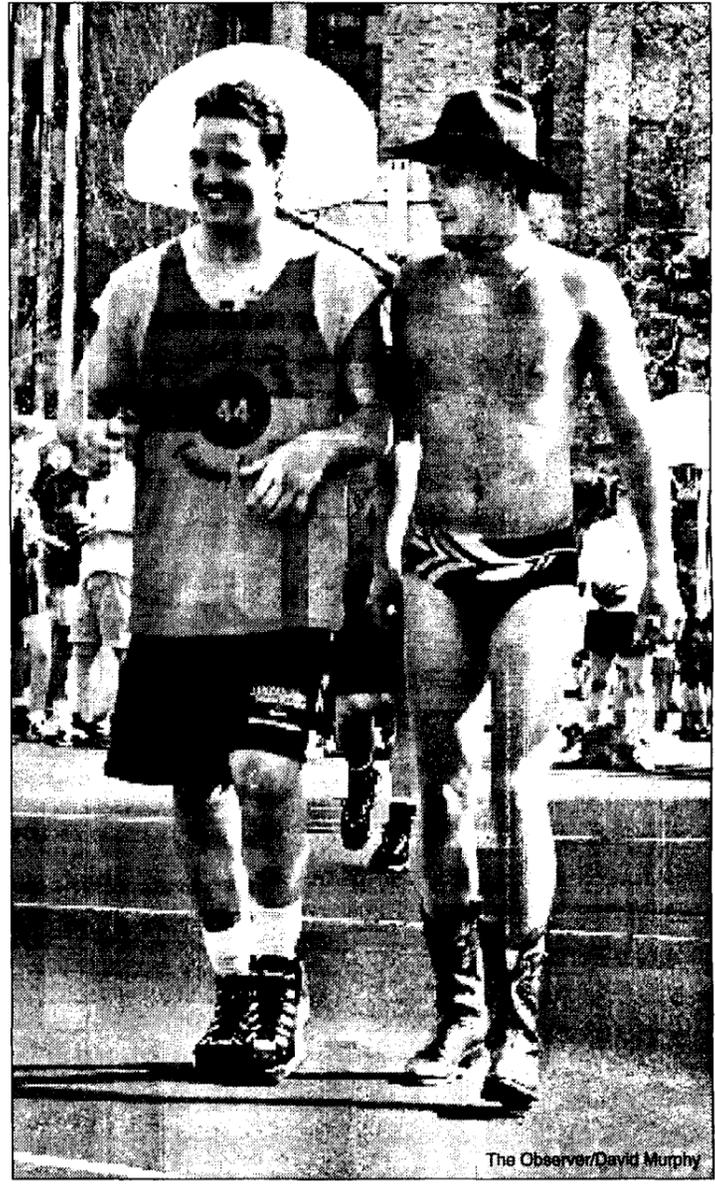
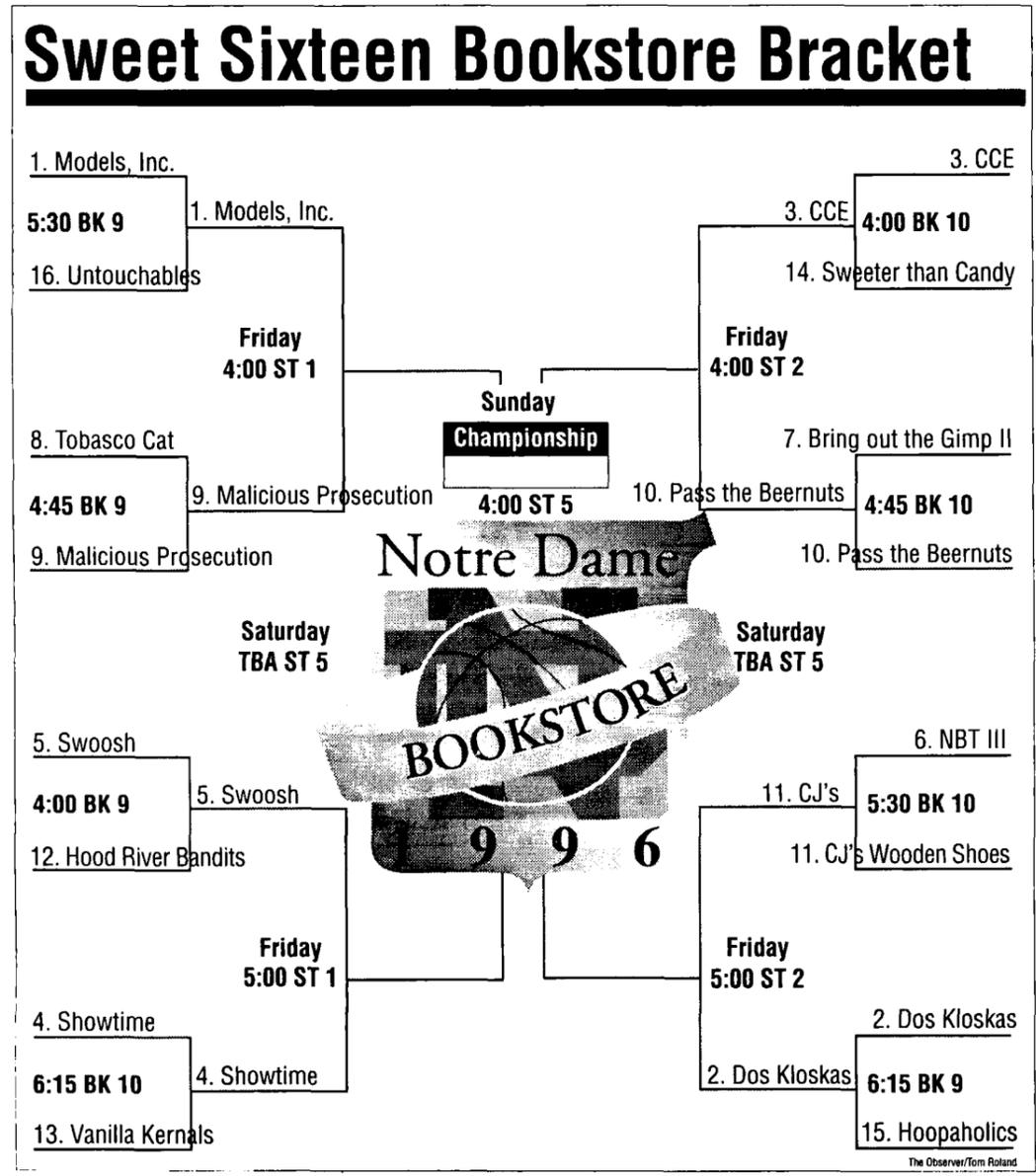
Top 25 names from the past 25 years

- 1972-1975 Pontius Pilate And The Naildrivers
- 1976 Jimmy Hoffa And The Cement Factory
- 1977 We Got Our Asses Kicked Last Year 21-3, But We Have 2 New Players This Year
- 1978 Yeah, We Got Our Asses Kicked Two Years Ago 21-3, Got Pushed Around Last Year, 21-10, But Now Our 5'7" Center Graduated And Our Best Shooter Quit
- 1979 5 Freshmen Who Realized We Won't Go Anywhere So We Decided To Get A Little Recognition By Having One Of The Longest Names
- 1980 99% Of The Men At ND Can Play Basketball, The Other 1% Plays On The Team
- 1982 John Belushi And 4 Grams
- 1983 The Chicago Cubs Of Bookstore
- 1984 ROTC - Really Only Tuition Counts
- 2 Hoosiers And 3 Guys From Real Places
- 1985 4 Guys Who Still Wonder Why Barney
- Guy Who Swears He Saw It On Cable
- 1986 We're Not Going To Make It Past The First Round So Why Think Up A Clever Name
- A Streetcar Named Desire Going Nowhere
- Fast At ND
- 1987 4 Catholics And A Guy Who Can Use Birth Control
- But I Bought You Dinner...
- 1988 I Want Your Sects
- The Digger Phelps Fan Club And 5 Other Guys
- 1989 5 Reasons That ND Revised The Alcohol Policy
- 4 Guys Who Like Girls And A Millionite
- 1990 Pete Rose Would Not Even Bet On Us
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- 1994 Nude Waterskiers For Christ
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In keeping with Observer tradition, this year's Bookstore reporters take a stab at predicting who will wear the crown as Silver Anniversary Bookstore champs.

			
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AnTostal does music

The homecoming of add-nine

By JASON DORWART
Assistant Accent Editor

To whichever god this may concern: this story is being offered up as a sacrifice to you that we students here at Notre Dame may someday celebrate AnTostal without the majority of our festivities being rained upon. Unfortunately, Thursday's rains prevented add nine, a band comprised of ex-Domers, from playing at the Fieldhouse Mall for the annual event. It should have been a rather high energy concert, and would have suited well AnTostal's purpose of peppering up students before finals week.

The band, in its current incarnation, has been together since January of 1995. In 1990, as students at ND, founding members David Geist (bass), Aras Ulenas (drums) and Jim Siwek (guitar) met and helped form the Generics. They played their specialization of "alternative danceable covers," until they graduated and went their separate ways.

Ulenas' way took him to Boston to the Berklee College of Music to study music synthesis and composition. Ulenas, the last of the three to graduate, originally played keyboards, and after tiring of programming drum machines and synthesizers, decided to try his luck behind a real drum kit. He failed to find the right people to work on his music with and relocated to Chicago.

In the fall of 1994 the three started jamming together after Geist switched from bass. Siwek and vocalist Michelle Soucie had gone to grade school together and by chance ran into each other at a Chicago bar. Soucie expressed an interest in signing for the band; she showed up at a rehearsal in January of '95 and, according to Ulenas, "clicked." He also stated that her vocals are what bring the varied aspects of their music together. In April 1996 add nine released the debut full length CD entitled "My December," and currently are on a regional college tour to support the independent release.

The album was recorded and mixed in various basements and bedrooms but comes away with a surprisingly clear sound. It may be a little too clean and clear at times though taking away from some of the music's blend.

A jazz influence shows through in Ulenas' drumming; he is also the principle song writer and describes his songs as having modern influences and ties to 1970's classic rock. It comes together under what could be forced into the label of progressive rock, (although any comparisons to Hootie and the Blowfish and the rest of today's feel-good rock would be high treason).

Lyricaly, the band explores various human emotions and quandaries. The songs are

emotional and heart-felt but lack the "teen angst" that comes through in most of today's "alternative" bands. For the most part the guitar is mellow and bluesy, but during the choruses hits power chords and at times is heavy and dark with much more reverb. Although, at times the songs are overly reliant on a single guitar riff.

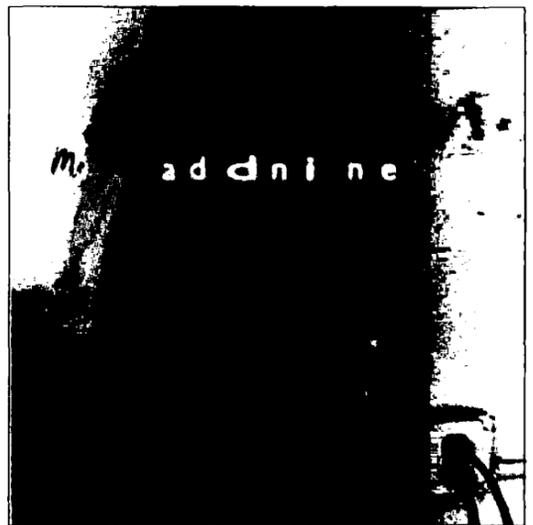
In a nice twist that separates the band from many of today's other bands the bass stays away from merely following the lead of the guitar. It is distinct to itself and is not afraid to stand out from the guitar entirely. This blend is nice in that it forces you to listen intently to truly hear the song in its entirety. The jazzy drums and distinct bass and guitar is not for the passive listener.

There are various tonal and rhythmic changes that keep the songs interesting to listen to, and bring out the different moods of the choruses and verses; yet, for the most part the band stays within the confines of 4/4 and 6/8 times. However, each song's organization of verse and chorus is a little to structured, and will not often surprise you once you get past the second verse.

The vocals, though, bring the various aspects of each song together. Soucie is a talented singer, who used to sing in a piano bar (if that gives you any indication of her tone). Her voice is inviting and allows the music to be able to be played in the background at a bar although she and the rest of the band are worthy of more. Her singing is non-threatening but in no way lacks the emotion present in the rest of the music.

"My December" is a strong debut release and recommended for anyone who likes his/her emotional, peppy progressive rock, but is tired of the feel-good, drawn-out styles of Hootie and the Blowfish and the light, pop bluesy-ness of the Dave Matthews Band.

add nine will be playing tonight at Club 23 in what should be an emotional and highly energetic show.



courtesy of add-nine

Trip-Hop invades Notre Dame with De La Soul

by TOM BECHERT
Accent Writer

It's a fair bet that most of you have never even heard of De La Soul. Affiliated with A Tribe Called Quest, The Jungle Brothers, and Black Sheep in a loose coalition referred to as the Native Tongues, only Tribe has seen anything close to commercial success. To get any media exposure in the rap industry today seems to require that the artist make themselves out to be something along the lines of society's worst nightmare; glorifying such things as violence, mistreatment of women, and drug dealing.

You won't find any of this in the music of De La Soul, on the contrary you'll find one of the most innovative groups in the industry, as well as one of the groups that are more critical of the industry itself. Above their sample-heavy raps, you'll hear criticism of everything from industry executives and rappers themselves, to the values of society. But don't get the wrong idea, De La Soul is far more than a political band; they are one of the most eclectic rap acts around; their music ranges from tracks like Ego Trippin', a scathing parody of the West Coast gangster rap scene, to I Be Blowin', a jazz interlude featuring Maceo Parker, to the care-free Me, Myself and I.

Despite the sizable amount of sampling done by the band, they still manage to avoid aligning themselves with any of the current fads in hip-hop. You won't find any P-funk loops or R&B-esque party tracks in De La Soul's repertoire. Their psychedelic style of rap, which for years has been in a category of its own is now credited as being the father of the trip-hop movement that is beginning to make waves in the underground. Far more than just the average hip-hop group, De La Soul represents some of the best, most innovative music around. If you've never heard De La Soul, you've never heard anything like De La Soul.

The Student Union Board sponsors the De La Soul show tonight at 8 p.m. at Stepan Center for a measly six dollars. Campus favorite Reverend Funk opens for this innovative band. It promises to be trippy experience.



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■ NBA

Hawks, Smith roll over Miller-less Pacers

By STEVE HERMAN
Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS

Reggie Miller missed a playoff game for the first time in his nine-year NBA career — and the Pacers missed him.

Steve Smith scored 27 points, matching his playoff career-high, as the Atlanta Hawks beat Indiana 92-80 in the opening game of their Eastern Conference series Thursday night.

"I think they missed him a lot," Smith said of the Pacers' leading scorer, one of the NBA's premier outside shooters. Indiana didn't have a go-to scorer in the fourth quarter and



Derrick McKey

was held to 12 points in the period.

Miller, who fractured his right eye socket late in the regular season, watched in frustration from the bench. Ricky Pierce and Travis Best replaced Miller, scoring 17 points on 5-of-15 shooting with no 3-pointers.

The Hawks were 11-for 23 on 3-pointers while the Pacers were just 3-of-11, helping to offset a 10-point advantage for Indiana from the free throw line.

Atlanta had lost its previous 10 games in Market Square Arena.

"They beat us to a lot of loose balls. They got a lot of offensive rebounds. The beginning of the fourth quarter, we just self-destructed and they took it to us. We took some horrible shots and passed up some good shots," Indiana coach Larry Brown said.

Craig Ehlo scored all 12 of his points on 3-pointers in the second quarter when the Hawks turned an eight-point deficit into a nine-point lead.

Christian Laettner added 14 points for Atlanta, while Indiana was led by Rik Smits with 19 points and Derrick McKey with 15.

Game 2 of the best-of-5 series is Saturday night at Market Square Arena.

"I was open a lot in that second quarter," Ehlo said. "We watched a lot of film, and we knew they liked to double down and leave someone open on the outside. I happened to be that guy. I hit the shots and felt more confident with each one."

Indiana rallied in the third period and tied the score entering the fourth, but without Miller in the lineup, the Pacers had no consistent outside shooter and the Hawks steadily pulled away. Indiana went just

4-of-17 from the field in the final period.

"We didn't rebound the ball aggressively, and when you don't score and they're coming down fast, you're in trouble," Pacers coach Larry Brown said.

Baskets by Laettner and Alan Henderson early in the fourth quarter put Atlanta ahead for good, and the final score was the biggest margin of the game.

"We have to play a lot better defense and rotate the ball better," said Pierce, who started in place of Miller and scored 13 points. "We just let it slip away. Now we have to win the next one and go down there and win one," he said. Notes: Miller, wearing sunglasses, was in street clothes on the Pacers bench, his first public appearance since his April 13 injury. "I just came to watch the game. It's so good to be out of the house finally," Miller said.

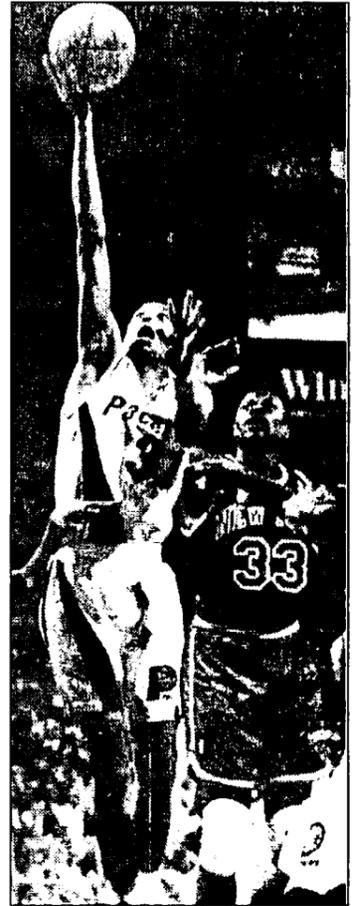


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Reggie Miller's presence was missed in their 92-80 loss to Atlanta.

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■ COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Patriots, Peter look for answers

By MICHAEL TIGHE
Associated Press

BOSTON

When it came to drafting Christian Peter, what did the New England Patriots know and when did they know it?

The spurned defensive lineman from Nebraska says he told the Patriots everything about his past. The team says it knew too little, too late.

"I guess they said they didn't know what they were getting into," Peter told The Associated Press on Thursday from his Locust, N.J., home.

"Personally, I find that hard to believe, especially with all the publicity surrounding what happened to me," he said. "I thought teams usually investigate someone before they draft him, not after. I understand it's a business and they were only doing what they thought they had to do."

According to the team, it was Patriots owner Robert Kraft who gave the go-ahead to draft the 6-foot-3, 304-pound Cornhusker in the fifth round of last weekend's NFL draft. This despite league reports that Peter pleaded no contest to grabbing a woman by the throat and harassing her in a Kearney, Neb., bar last month and is awaiting sentencing.

It also was Kraft who later gave Peter the heave-ho after reading the lineman's history: 18 months on probation after pleading no contest to sexually assaulting a former Miss Nebraska; other arrests for trespassing, urinating in public, refusing to comply with the order of a policeman and threatening to kill a parking attendant; and being accused of rape by two Nebraska students, one of whom has filed a federal lawsuit against Peter and the university.

"Bob was involved in the drafting process, was advised this was a player that was OK to draft," Patriots spokesman Donald Lowery said Thursday.

"We were flawed in our investigation," Lowery said, adding that it would have been more complete if Peter was considered a top 15 pick.

College scouting director Charles Arney and player personnel director Bobby Griener spent an hour with Peter before the draft, but did not learn the extent of his legal troubles, Lowery said.

According to Peter, however, the team knew all.

"When I was at (February scouting) combine, I had interviews with them and discussed every single incident I was involved in," Peter said. "That's why I find it hard to believe what they said."

The NFL conducts background checks on about 300 players invited to the annual scouting combines. Those confidential reports are sent to all 30 teams, each of which conducts its own supplemental checks.

"The background checks we're talking about have nothing to do with football," NFL spokesman Greg Aiello said. "It's a thorough background check that's common in many companies ... especially with highly compensated employees."

The Patriots said the NFL report mentioned Peter's incident last month in the bar, but nothing else. So the team, with Kraft's approval, drafted him.

After the draft, team officials were handed a Sports Illustrated article that mentioned Peter's 18-month probation. Team officials had not read the March 18 article, which called Peter "a problem man-child prone to creating

mayhem on and off the field."

Although the Patriots proclaimed ignorance, at least two teams — the New York Giants and Detroit Lions — said they were aware before the draft of Peter's complete legal background.

"I'm sure we were," Lions' spokesman Steve Regan said. "I think everyone was."

Lowery said the article triggered a more extensive look into Peter's background. The Patriots did not like what they found.

"Bob was the one who requested the additional background check from NFL Security," Lowery said.

Teams contacted Thursday said the NFL background checks are a critical component of their draft preparation.

"If you're assessing a guy who may play for you, you want to know as much about a guy," said Giants spokesman Pat Hanlon. "When our people evaluate a player, obviously that's a consideration."

Hanlon said the team obtained its information from a variety of sources, including the NFL report. He didn't know whether Peter's background influenced the Giants' decision not to draft him.

"A player's background is important," said Miami Dolphins spokesman Harvey Greene. "You want to do what's best for your franchise. When there's a red flag raised, we try to find out as much information as possible."

Lowery said Peter likely would have been picked higher in the draft if he did not have off-the-field troubles.

"I just wish they could have sat down and talked to me face to face and find out what kind of person I am," Peter said.

Cooper looking for QB in Columbus

By RUSTY MILLER
Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio

Ohio State's opener against Rice is 133 days from Saturday's spring game. It may take all of that time and more to decide who will start at quarterback for the Buckeyes.

Junior Stanley Jackson and two junior-college transfers, Joe Germaine and Mark Garcia, have spent the spring trying to learn the offense and impress the coaching staff. Tom Hoying, Bobby's brother and a backup a year ago, was forced to move to tight end to ease the glut.

The three remaining candidates have improved, but nobody has put anyone in mind of Dan Marino, either.

"It's still wide open — very wide open," said quarterbacks coach Walt Harris. "What I'm hoping to see is someone separate themselves from everyone else. So far there hasn't been that consis-

tency out of anybody."

No matter what, Harris intends to have a clear-cut starter before the opener. But head coach John Cooper said the No. 1 guy will still have to look over his shoulder.

"Whoever plays quarterback for us, I think it'll be a game-to-game situation. I mean, if Jackson starts the first game, he's got to produce. He knows that. If he doesn't, somebody else may play," Cooper said.

Jackson has been seen as a novelty, a guy in a passing attack who preferred to tuck the ball under his arm and take off up field. But he has taken strides to change that image.

"I do need to prove that to the people in this building — my teammates and coaches — that I'm capable of staying in the pocket and throwing the ball downfield," he said.

Cooper is noncommittal on whether Jackson is, even now, the front-runner.

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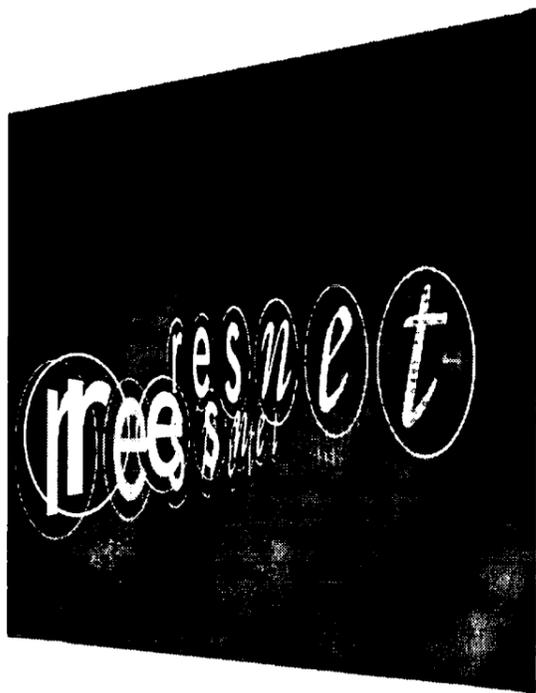
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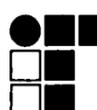


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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Angels' streak ends at seven, Mets hammer Cardinals

Associated Press

Mo Vaughn homered twice and Tim Wakefield won for the first time this season on Thursday night as the Boston Red Sox defeated the Texas Rangers 8-3.

Troy O'Leary homered for the third consecutive game for Boston, which won two straight for just the second time this year. The Rangers had posted the best record in baseball before their current four-game losing streak.

Vaughn hit a three-run homer in the sixth to make it 7-2 and then added a solo shot in the eighth — his 10th consecutive time reaching base safely. But the biggest relief for the struggling Red Sox was the second straight strong outing by Wakefield (1-3), who hadn't pitched well consistently since last August.

The knuckleballer, who started the 1994 season 14-1, scattered seven hits in six innings for his first victory in nine starts. He allowed three runs, struck out six and walked two to lead off the sixth before he was pulled.

Dean Palmer, who had three hits, and Juan Gonzalez hit solo homers for Texas.

Kevin Gross (3-2) took a two-hit shutout into the fifth inning, getting good fielding to escape the jams that resulted from five early walks. But he walked Vaughn for the third time with two out in the fifth, then gave up a single to Reggie Jefferson and a double to Mike Stanley that scored Vaughn.

O'Leary followed with a three-run homer to give Boston

a 4-2 lead.

In the sixth, Gross walked Alex Cole and John Valentin with one out and was forced to pitch to Vaughn, who had walked five consecutive times. He hit a 1-2 pitch into a wind that carried it into the bullpen beyond right field.

Gross gave up seven runs in all, allowing eight hits and eight walks in 5 1-3 innings.

Brewers 6, Angels 5

Turner Ward tripled home the winning run in the ninth inning Thursday, and the Milwaukee Brewers stopped the California Angels' seven-game winning streak, 6-5.

The Brewers, who began the game with a pair of home runs for only the second time in team history, bounced back after California made it 5-all with a run in the ninth.

Tim Unroe singled with one out off Mike James (4-2). Ward, who entered as a defensive replacement in the eighth, snapped a 1-for-20 slump with his triple to right-center.

Mike Fetters (1-0) got the victory despite allowing the tying run in the top of the ninth on singles by Jack Howell, pinch-hitter J.T. Snow and Randy Velarde.

Jeff Cirillo and Pat Listach led off the first with home runs, the first time the Brewers have done that since July 29, 1975, when Don Money and Darrell Porter connected.

Cirillo homered on Mark Langston's first pitch, and Listach followed with a drive just over the left-field wall for his first homer since Sept. 6, 1993, a span of 451 at-bats.

Cirillo's sacrifice fly in the eighth gave the Brewers a 5-4 lead.

California erased a 4-0 deficit with four runs in the seventh. Brewers starter Angel Miranda, who allowed two hits in six scoreless innings, walked Chili Davis to open the seventh and then gave up a single to Tim Wallach.

Mark Kiefer relieved and retired the first two hitters, then allowed consecutive RBI singles to Don Slaught and Gary Disarcina, cutting the lead to 4-2.

Kiefer walked Velarde to load the bases, and pinch-hitter Jim Edmonds greeted reliever Graeme Lloyd with a two-run single that tied it.

Mets 9, Cardinals 3

Brent Mayne, Lance Johnson and Butch Huskey homered in an eight-run seventh inning as the New York Mets rallied to beat the St. Louis Cardinals 9-3 Thursday.

The first eight batters reached base in the seventh, and there were eight hits in the inning. Mayne tied the game with a two-run homer off rookie Alan Benes (3-1), Johnson broke it with a three-run homer and Huskey tacked on a two-run shot.

It was the first home run of the year for all three players as the Mets set a season high for runs in an inning. They have 19 home runs in the last 12 games.

Jose Vizcaino also set a team record with nine hits in nine at-bats the last three games. He singled in the first, doubled in the third, singled in the sixth and tripled and scored in the

seventh.

The streak ended when he struck out on a full count against Jeff Parrett to end the eighth.

Vizcaino has raised his average 96 points to .333 the last three games. Two Mets, Jerry Grote in 1970 and Keith Hernandez in 1985, had eight hits in a row.

Benes cruised into the seventh with a three-hitter before falling apart. Kent led off the seventh with a hit and Mayne followed with his first home run since June 2, 1995, and only the ninth in his six major league seasons.

Rey Ordonez singled and Benes threw the ball away on pitcher Mark Clark's sacrifice before Johnson hit his first home run. Vizcaino doubled to chase Benes and Bernard Gilkey had an RBI single before Huskey hit his first home run.

Benes struggled in the first as leadoff hitter Johnson walked on five pitches, Vizcaino singled him to third and Gilkey hit a sacrifice fly. But the only baserunners against him the next five innings were Vizcaino.

Clark (1-2), like Benes a product of the Cardinals' farm system, threw his first complete game of the season, allowing three runs on seven hits. He struck out four and walked three.

John Mabry tied the score with an RBI in the fourth and the Cardinals took a 3-1 lead in the fifth on two-out hits by Brian Jordan and Ray Lankford.

Expos 8, Reds 4

Shane Andrews hit his second

grand slam and drove in a career-high five runs Thursday, leading the Montreal Expos to their seventh straight win, 8-4 over the Cincinnati Reds.

Moises Alou homered for his 500th career hit as the Expos sent Cincinnati to its fifth consecutive loss.

Pedro Martinez (2-1) allowed six hits in eight innings, and struck out eight. He faced one batter over the minimum through six innings and retired 14 straight before Hal Morris hit a one-out single in the seventh.

Andrews, who hit a grand slam April 16 against Philadelphia, hit his third career slam off reliever Tim Lincecum in the seventh to help Montreal finish 8-2 on its homestand.

Henry Rodriguez, who had homered in his previous four games to tie an Expos club record, went 1-for-4 with a double.

Leading 4-2 in the seventh, Mike Lansing doubled, David Segui reached on a grounder and Rondell White walked. Andrews followed with a shot to left-center for his fourth home run.

Leading 3-0 in the fifth, Alou hit the first pitch from John Smiley (1-2) over the left-field fence for his sixth home run.

Smiley, who walked three and struck out six, was charged with four runs on six hits in five innings as the Reds finished 2-8 on a 10-game road trip.

Eric Anthony hit a solo homer in the Cincinnati ninth.

Segui's RBI single opened the scoring in the first.





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Coach Lou Holtz will have a difficult time deciding who will lead the Irish at QB next year. The Observer/David Murphy

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An epic battle was supposed to take place this spring. In one corner, there was the passer—a tall, rangy Californian, who after finishing the last two and half games in 1995, was considered the front-runner to back up Ron Powlus.

On the other side of the coin, there was the runner—the much ballyhooed freshman who possesses the running skills not seen in South Bend since the glory days of Tony Rice.

Indeed, the passer, Tom Krug, and the runner, Jarious Jackson, were expected to partake in a long, bitter struggle for the backup quarterback position.

However, the battle was over before it started. Given the opportunity to work out with the first team, Jackson has taken full advantage, leaving the incumbent Krug somewhere behind in his dust.

"I've tried to become more familiar with the offense and show the coaches what I can do," said Jackson. "I feel I've had a pretty good spring, but I know I can play better with more experience. It's up to the coaches to decide how much I play next season."

When Jackson arrived at Notre Dame last August, he was a scrawny 18-year-old kid just trying to make the adjustment to college life. Now, eight months later, he is bigger, stronger, and is, believe it or not, a better passer.

In last Saturday's Blue-Gold game, Jackson completed 13 of 17 passes for 145 yards to go along with 12 carries for 59 yards.

"When Jarious came here, he was either two bouncing it or overthrowing the ball on just about every pass," said offensive coordinator Dave Roberts. "He has worked hard on his

passing, and the results have indicated that."

While he was supposed to just be battling with Krug for the backup quarterback position, Jackson has been so impressive that some are calling for him to be the starter next fall.

His arrival has created a stirring among fans who were already getting antsy with the slow footed Powlus and the freak injuries that seem to surround him.

Labeled the "Golden Boy" and the "Messiah" even before his first collegiate game, Powlus has built a solid resume and possesses the arm that NFL scouts drool over. However, after watching Krug's strong performances against Air Force in the season finale and Florida State in the Orange Bowl, critics began to suggest that Powlus could be easily replaced.

With Jackson's improvement and given head coach Lou Holtz's professed love of the option, even Powlus cannot help but look over his shoulder.

Once permanently entrenched as the starter, Powlus recognizes that, for the first time in three seasons, the Irish have another option should he not fully recover from his second major injury in three years.

"At this point, I'm just concerned with getting myself healthy and coming back at full strength," said Powlus. "I can't be concerned with worrying about coming back and regaining the starting position. Right now, Tom and Jarious are doing a great job."

Holtz's coaching record shows he is at his best when running the option. And as the Irish struggle to find an answer at receiver, one cannot help but think that Jackson, with his striking similarity to Tony Rice, is the candidate most suited to lead Notre Dame to its first National Championship since Rice's bunch won it all in 1988.

"He brings an option that we haven't had here in the last few years," said Holtz. "He doesn't have a lot of experience, but that will come, and he is going to present a lot of problems for defenses."

However, no matter how much fans may plea, assuming he fully recovers from the broken bone in his arm that sidelined him for the final ten quarters last fall, Powlus is a shoe-in at starting quarterback.

As Roberts points out, the

experience factor and the rocket arm put the record setting quarterback well ahead of his two challengers.

"Ron has big game experience and reads defenses as well as anyone I've seen," said Roberts.

"We are lucky to have three quarterbacks heading into next season, but at this point, Ron is the one who gives us the best chance to win."

If, following fall workouts, Holtz and Roberts judge that Powlus is his former self, they plan to utilize Jackson in another capacity.

The coaching staff envisions Jackson in a "slash" role, similar to the one Kordell Stewart made popular with the Pittsburgh Steelers.

"That is something we have in mind for Jarious sometime in the future," said Roberts. "He is still learning the offense, so we haven't had time to make any plays for him yet. That is something we will work on during fall camp."

So does all this talk about Jackson make Krug the forgotten man? Not so fast. Jackson has yet to play a down amid the pressure of Notre Dame football, and Krug, popular among his teammates, has already proved that he is a capable backup.

"Tom has a good work ethic and has some experience from the two and a half games he played in last year," said Roberts.

"The team respects him and plays well around him. At this point, I don't have to decide who's going to be the backup quarterback."

Krug and Jackson will duke it out for the final time this spring at Saturday's Blue-Gold game. Heading into the final showing, Krug's chances of holding off the surging Jackson for the backup position appear to be slim to none.

While the Irish coaching staff will not announce who the backup will be until just prior to the start of the season, they insist that both Krug and Jackson will see playing time in 1996.

"It is a luxury to have three quarterbacks heading into the fall," said Holtz. "Each will play an important role for us. It's nice to be able to bring in a rookie (Jackson) and not worry about him having to handle all the pressure that goes with the position."

Whether at quarterback or as a "slash" player, Jackson will have his day in the sun. It just might be sooner than people think.

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■ BASEBALL

'Catching' up with the hot Irish

Lisanti and Wagner have been vital to team success

By DYLAN BARMMER
Assistant Sports Editor

There is so much that can be said of them.

Both Bob Lisanti and Jeff Wagner have meant so much to the 33-12 Notre Dame baseball team this season, that it is hard to pinpoint any specific area in which to begin.

You could start with their offensive contributions, and talk about how Lisanti, a fifth-year senior who battled back from a season-ending back injury last season, is having the finest season of his collegiate career at the plate, while Wagner, a true freshman, has done wonders with his bat as well, working his way into the cleanup spot and going on to become one of the team's top run-producers.

Or you could talk about how different they are as people and players, contrasting the grit and experience of Lisanti, an undersized backstop who is the driving force in the clubhouse, with the laid-back approach of the physically imposing yet unseasoned Wagner.

But perhaps what unites these two players the most is their love for their often brutal job—a passion for catching which can be understood easily when speaking with either of them.

"This year, I haven't caught as well as I'm capable of," says Lisanti, who also happens to be batting .364 with a career-high three homeruns. "The last thing to come back to me after the injury has been my defensive skills. I haven't thrown as well as in the past, but I'm pleased with the way I've blocked the plate this year."

"I really enjoy being on the field," said Wagner, who has had to endure sitting on the bench as the designated hitter for a large part of the season. "I love catching. I'd catch every game if I was able to."

Originally recruited by Mainieri exclusively to catch, Wagner learned soon after his verbal commitment to Notre Dame that Lisanti would be returning for a fifth year, a dis-

covery that certainly caused him some concern.

But Wagner stayed firm in his decision to attend Notre Dame, showing signs of maturity and sacrifice to head coach Paul Mainieri before he ever put on an Irish uniform.

"When we recruited Jeff, we thought he would be coming in here as our number one catcher," said Mainieri. "I explained the change of scenario to him after Bobby told me he wanted to return, letting him know that I would understand if he changed his mind about coming here. Jeff told me he still wanted to be a part of our program, though, which really impressed me at the time."

Not having to put in constant labor behind the plate, while difficult for Wagner, has certainly allowed him to concentrate more on his offense, and the results have been highly satisfactory.

Mainieri saw early on in the season just how dangerous the freshman could be in the Irish lineup, and tinkered with it largely to make room for Wagner at the DH spot. Wagner, who does see occasional time at catcher, has responded by hitting .323 in 41 games, clouting seven homeruns and 34 RBI, good enough for second amongst team leaders in both categories. His .454 on-base percentage also puts him second amongst Irish regulars.

"Jeff just has such awesome power," commented Mainieri. "He's a true threat at the plate."

Lisanti, no slouch at the plate himself this season, also has been awed by Wagner's pyrotechnics this season, and sees nothing but greatness in his future.

"Jeff has contributed probably as much as any freshman in the history of this program," said Lisanti. "He's got the whole package, and it will be exciting to watch him develop over the next few years. He also has the potential to be an unbelievable catcher."

Wagner is quick to credit Lisanti for his growth behind the plate so far this season, calling the veteran backstop "a great catcher."

"Bob's got the leadership and mental toughness you need to

succeed back there," said Wagner. "He's really knowledgeable about the game. I've learned a great amount from him."

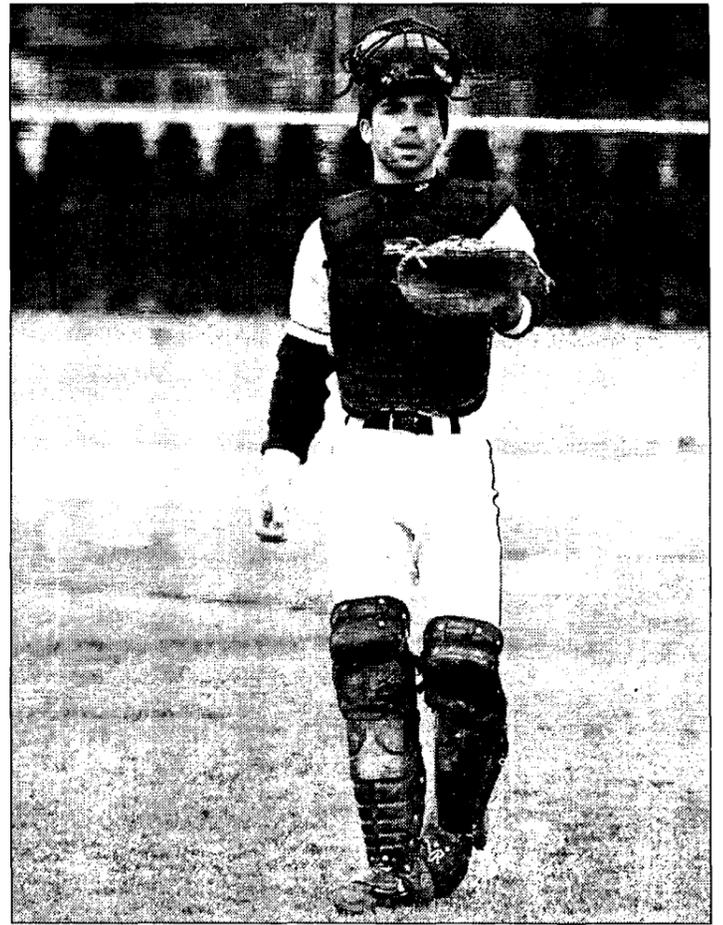
Lisanti, who called the pitches from the dugout for fill-in George Restovich during much of last season, credits his year off with adding greatly to his knowledge of his position.

"I think you just learn as you watch others from a different perspective," said Lisanti. "It was almost like being a coach. Last year's experience has really helped me control my emotions out on the field."

The Irish can only hope that both players will continue to contribute the way they have so far this year, aiding them in their stretch run towards the Big East Conference tournament.

"We're very fortunate to have two catchers of the caliber of these two guys," said Mainieri. "They have both meant a great deal to this team."

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Fifth year senior, Bob Lisanti, has made boundless contributions to the Irish this season.

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petition, with the Irish and either the Villanova Wildcats or the Rutgers Lady Knights sure to be the Big East South division's representative. Seton Hall is a young team with only one graduating senior, outfielder Melissa Landeck. The Pirates big bat is first baseman/catcher Jen VanderBrink, a second-team Big East selection last season.

The Pirates are a team looking toward the future with a large contingent of freshmen and sophomore's. However, youth almost always is accompanied by mistakes. Miller described The Hall as a good defensive team that does not

commit a lot of errors but not too overpowering.

The Irish have been battling the injury bug lately. Pitcher Joy Battersby did not pitch against Northern Illinois and conventional wisdom says that Miller will not pitch her Saturday or Sunday unless the Irish are in the direst of positions. The staff is already lacking All-American Terri Kobata, who until the last the game with the Huskies was the sole wins leader for the club.

Offense have had some troubles getting warm recently. In the last six doubleheaders, the Irish offensive output has not been in rhythm for the first game but heated up for the second game.

Against St. John's, Valparaiso, Connecticut and Ohio State, the Irish won the

first game of the doubleheader by a combined five runs. However, in the night cap, Notre Dame won by an average margin of over seven runs. Shortstop Meghan Murray and Jennifer Giampaolo have continually been the punch for the lineup with Liz Perkins and Kelly Rowe coming up with clutch hits late in games.

"They have got nothing to lose," said Miller. "That sometimes changes the momentum. They are going to glad to be here and happy to be playing. We need to come out strong and aggressive this weekend."

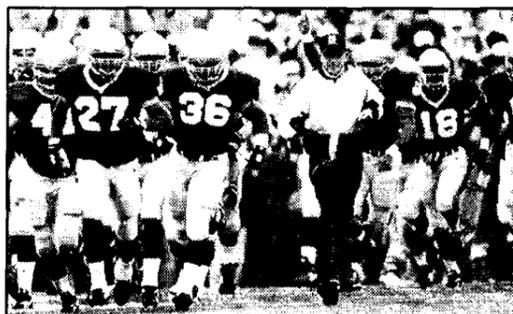
This is the Irish's last tune-up before the Big East tournament, scheduled at Boston College, May 3-5.

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■ LACROSSE

Irish look to knock out Spartans

Reid, teammates look to jump back into top ten

By TODD FITZPATRICK
Sports Writer

The Irish lacrosse team will attempt to end its two-game skid when they play tonight under the lights at Moose Krause Stadium. Their opponent is Great Western Lacrosse League member, Michigan State.

The 7-3 Spartans enter tonight's 7:00 game unranked, but they have received several votes in some of the major polls.

Eleventh-ranked Notre Dame hopes to reverse its misfortunes at home after posting an 0-3 record thus far.

"We got too wrapped up with being ranked in the Top Ten.

We just needed to regain our focus," said junior midfielder Tony Reid.

Notre Dame's success will depend on the continued tough play by their defense. They rank second nationally in scoring defense while allowing just 7.4 goals per game. They have allowed more than ten goals in a game only three times this season.

On the offensive side, the Irish hope to improve on their disappointing five-goal performance last weekend against Massachusetts. The leading goal scorers throughout the season have remained virtually unchanged. The top offensive threats to put it in the back of the net are freshman Chris Dusseau, sophomore Jimmy Keenan, junior Will DeRiso, and Reid.

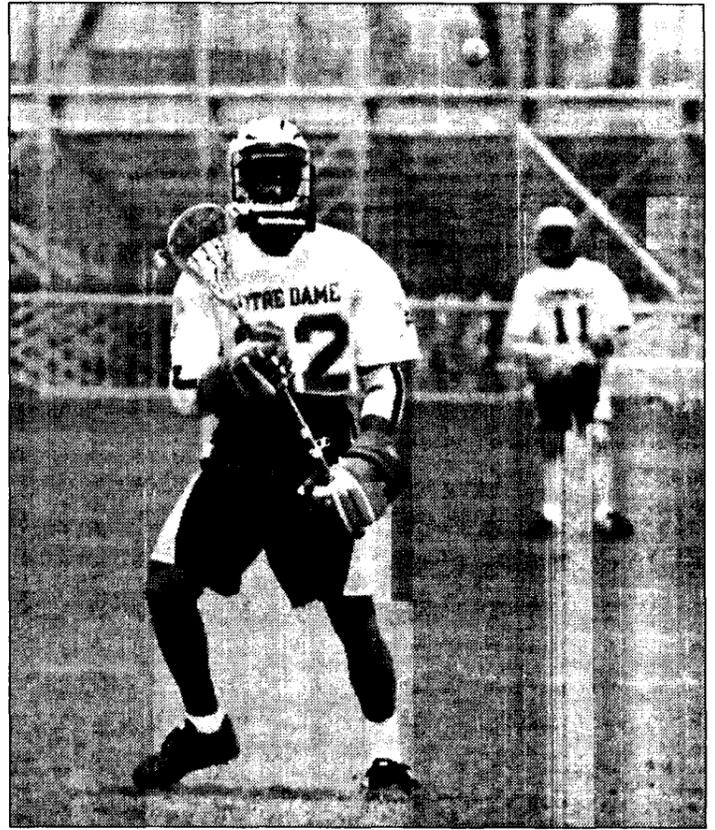
Brian Gilfillan has also stepped up lately to give Notre Dame some scoring punch. He has been the leading scorer for

the Irish in each of the past two games. Against North Carolina, he scored one goal and added three assists. In the Massachusetts contest, Gilfillan scored twice for the Irish to raise his season total to ten goals.

Tonight's night game will be Notre Dame's first of the season. Although the Irish do not foresee any difficulty under these different conditions, they have made some minor adjustments in preparation for the contest.

"We practiced last night under the lights, and it didn't affect us at all," commented Reid. "If anything, it will affect them more because they will have to get used to playing under the lights, and playing on our field, too."

Michigan State's most recent game was a 14-13 loss to the Butler Bulldogs. The Irish manhandled Butler earlier in the season by an 11-3 score.



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Junior midfielder, Tony Reid, must spark the offense for the Irish if they hope to end their drought against Michigan State.

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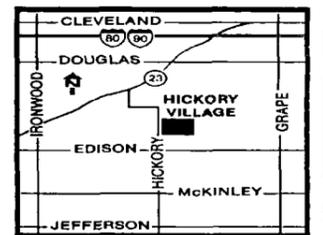
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By
Mike Day

The Observer/Mike Ruma



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SOFTBALL

Big East Bullies

Only Seton Hall stands between Miller and 700

By WILLY BAUER
Sports Writer

Softball coach Liz Miller is still courting career win number 700. Last weekend, she was stood up at win number 699 and yesterday, rain postponed her date with destiny.

Notre Dame's scheduled game with the Northwestern Wildcats was rained out, giving the Irish a few more days off before this weekend's match up with Big East foe, Seton Hall. The Hall will be the Irish's last tune-up before the Big East tournament. The weather also may not be kind this weekend, as cloudy skies are projected throughout the weekend.

The Pirates are basically locked out of post season com-

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The Observer/Rob Finch

Staci Alford and her teammates look to tune up their high powered offense for the Big East tournament this weekend against the 'Hall.

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