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## Hunt for red hot tickets



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Rapid ticket sales for Tom Clancy's reading tonight prompted a change of venue for the Sophomore Literary Festival to the Stepan Center. **See Accent, pages 12-13.**

## ■ FACULTY SENATE

# Blakey calls for student rights

By LAURA PETELLE  
News Writer

Faculty Senate member Robert Blakey's comments on the as-yet non-existent student bill of rights enlivened a meeting otherwise dominated by committee work and committee reports.

"It's like the Scarlet Pimpernel: one minute it's here and one minute it's there and you never know quite where it is," Blakey said of student rights during a senate meeting last night.

Blakey's comments came at the end of the meeting, after the senate heard a report from the Student Affairs Committee.

The committee reported that it spoke with William Kirk, vice president of Student Affairs, on two topics. The first was the appearance in O'Shaughnessy Hall of posters advertising a talk sponsored by Opus Dei, which is not a University sponsored organization. The posters, however, had the Student Activities stamp of approval. The committee reported that Kirk promised to investigate, though it might be difficult as the incident occurred last October.

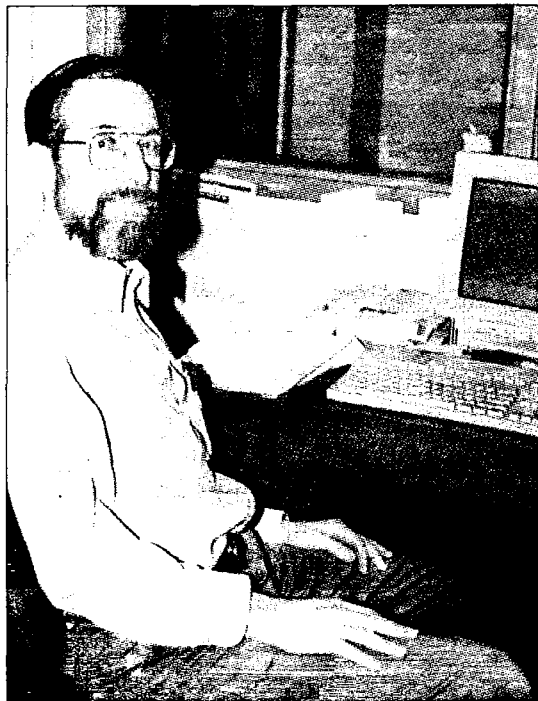
Related to the Opus Dei incident, the committee reported what Kirk said about the alleged use by Right Reason of

a professor's office and student web pages. Kirk was reported as saying that while Right Reason was not a university sponsored organization, the Notre Dame allows all publications that do not break the law to be distributed on campus in the interest of free speech, and that student use of student web pages was not the University's business unless it violates University policy regarding internet usage. As for funding, Kirk said that the University has no jurisdiction in that because Right Reason is not University sponsored.

The second topic had to do

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## Friday Feature



The Observer/Kimm Michalik

Dan Mandell is working to upgrade the computer and technological capabilities at Saint Mary's College.

## Trustees fund \$1.1 million upgrade

By RACHEL TORRES  
News Writer

Saint Mary's will soon experience a change that is coming so quickly that it will launch the College into the next generation of computer technology.

For years, the campus has debated and discussed the many technological advances that the campus has wanted to make — only to witness minimal results up until now.

Recently, Saint Mary's Board of Trustees appropriated some \$1.1 million in funds to begin to facilitate an "ubiquitous network campus." This means that the computer services

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The Observer/Rob Finch

ROTC members (above) do pull-ups during an early morning workout, while Dan Arney (below) exerts himself during his physical regimen.



## Attention, civilians

### An inside look at the Notre Dame ROTC program

By HEATHER MACKENZIE  
News Writer

He can be seen almost immediately amidst the herd of baseball-cap clad Domers; the fundamental purpose of his camouflage is lost among the DeBartolo-bound. Yet he walks perfectly straight with a precision unmatched: He is a member of the Notre Dame ROTC program, a position which demands extremes of perseverance, deference, and excellence from every enrolled student.

You probably know someone involved in a branch of ROTC. With seven percent of undergraduates actively participating in either Air Force, Army, Marine, or Navy factions, the military program at Notre Dame comprises the largest ROTC program at any private university in the United States. These are your classmates, your roommates, the brave souls who usher the hockey games and take the flag down at sunset.

But who are they really?

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## ■ CORRECTION

Due to a reporter's error, an article in yesterday's edition on President Clinton's State of the Union address misattributed several quotations. The correct source of information was Peri Arnold, a professor in the government department. Robert Schmuhl, chairman of the American studies department, was not contacted for the story.

The Observer regrets the error.



Arnold

## ■ INSIDE COLUMN

# Who will work for you?

Student government election day is upon us. We now have the task of deciding who we want to put in office. We have to choose which candidates will best represent the students of the University of Notre Dame next year. Common complaints on campus are that student government has not addressed the needs of the campus or that student government has not made a change. It's up to us to decide who will make the change next year, who will make the attempt to represent students fully.



Margee Husemann  
Associate Viewpoint  
Editor

Communication between students and student government has been raised as an issue in the election. However, while communication is important, it's important to know what that communication will be about. There are several questions we need to ask ourselves when we head off to vote today: Who has the most realistic platform? Who represents what you want for student government? Who will accomplish their goals? What are the most important issues on campus right now? Who has addressed those problems?

There are five tickets on the ballot today. Both of the women in the elections, although having more experience than their male running mates, are running for vice president rather than president. Why is that? What does that say about our campus? Every other ticket has the most experienced member running for president.

Which ticket has addressed gender issues on campus? The ambiguous statement "advance the Women's Resource Center" does nothing to actually commit to a goal. The WRC is not even represented in the phone book, so any woman or man who needs to contact the center has to call campus information (a program that will connect you to their voice mail.) No mention of the incomplete sexual harassment policy is mentioned in any platform.

Which ticket has mentioned multicultural issues? Who is working to improve minority relations? What are the concrete plans? The student government in the past has done so little to consider the minorities on campus. People are looking for a change.

Has anyone addressed the issue of homosexuality on campus? Which ticket will actually take a stand and endorse GLND/SMC? Is anyone going to actually embrace all of the Notre Dame community? GLND/SMC has been neglected and marginalized on campus, and student government could make a change.

Perhaps these questions appear to divide the campus and to encourage self interest over the interest of the whole student body. However, it is important that the people who are in office consider the interests of each member of that whole campus. Appreciating considerations of everyone on campus is important. What do things like recreation and parking matter when parts of the student body are being marginalized?

Ignore The Observer's endorsement of candidates. Choose for yourself who you want to be in office. Although student government has not made a real distinct impact on campus life in the past, the ticket elected today has an opportunity to make a change for the better. Which candidates represent you?

*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

## Images of South Africa's racial past reappear in riot

ELDORADO PARK, South Africa Images reminiscent of South Africa's bitter past reappeared Thursday when mixed-race rioters looted, burned tires and fought police to protest alleged discrimination by the black-led government.

At least one person died and more than 100 were injured, including six policemen, in the worst racial unrest since President Nelson Mandela defeated white leader F.W. De Klerk and came to power in 1994.

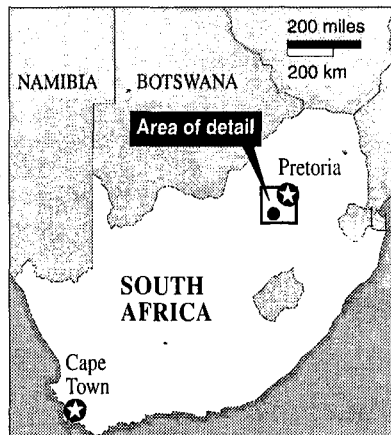
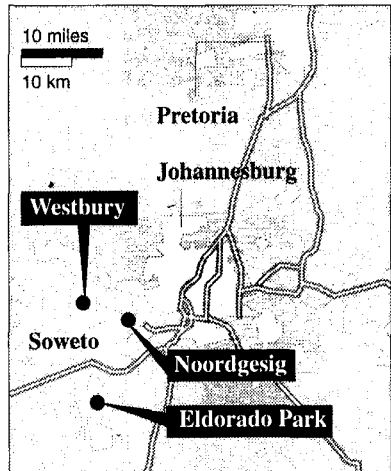
But those who once fought the white-led government now run it, and the protesters were mostly poor people of mixed-race descent — in one protester's words, "not black enough and not white enough" to enjoy the benefits of the new South Africa.

"The government is neglecting us. They talk about equality but there isn't any for us," said Nevi Brinck, manning a barricade of blazing tires in this sprawling mixed-race township about 30 miles south of Johannesburg.

"We're only doing what they did to fight for their rights," he added. "I am fighting for my people."

The fight cost a teen-age boy who was shot in the chest his life, and resulted in chaos in several squalid townships once reserved for people of mixed race under the former apartheid regime.

### Protests turn violent



AP/Wm. J. Castello

Most people treated at the trauma center in Eldorado Park were protesters hit by birdshot, rubber bullets and live ammunition fired by police.

Police spokeswoman Olta Stapelberg said a half-dozen policemen also were injured, three seriously, including one burned by a fire bomb tossed at an armored vehicle. The policeman inside clambered out, his clothing on fire.

The protests were called by a group fighting for equal rights for people of mixed-race descent, known as coloreds in South Africa.

Mixed-race people long have been caught between more powerful forces in the country. Descendants of interracial coupling, they were given their own chamber of Parliament by dominant whites during apartheid — but little real power.

That status, however, spawned hatred from blacks who considered the coloreds sell-outs and as racist as apartheid leaders.

Now, with Mandela's African National Congress in power, mixed-race people fear trampling by the black majority. They claim that they suffer higher unemployment than other groups, receive substandard education and health services and have to pay more for water and power.

The government contends that conditions in the mixed-race communities are better than those in the black townships, but says it is open to negotiations to improve matters.

### Clintons admit faults at service

WASHINGTON

President Clinton and the first lady lamented their own shortcomings Thursday in a capital city "gripped with people who are self-righteous, sanctimonious, and hypocritical." "I plead guilty from time to time," the president told the National Prayer Breakfast. Later addressing the same interfaith gathering, Hillary Rodham Clinton echoed her husband's inaugural call for bipartisanship — and "repairing the breach" — by recalling her own four-year tenure in Washington. "I have felt often as though I were thrown into a breach, and I have felt on other times that I wish to push someone into a breach," Mrs. Clinton said to knowing chuckles from her luncheon audience.



### Teenager spots SAT blunder

PRINCETON, N.J.

It's the mantra of the SAT: Check your work. Apparently, the testers didn't do it carefully enough. The College Board made a mistake on the math portion of the exam, and it was a 17-year-old from Peterborough, N.H., who recognized it. Colin Rizzio, who took the test Oct. 12 along with about 350,000 other college-bound students, found the flaw in the multiple-choice answers to an algebra problem. The algebra problem used the letter "a" to stand for a number. The test writers intended for students to assume that "a" is a positive number, in which case the correct answer is C. However, if you assume that "a" could also be a negative number, the correct answer is D: "Cannot be determined." "It seemed too tricky, even for an SAT question," Rizzio said.

### Grandma convicted of meter-feeding

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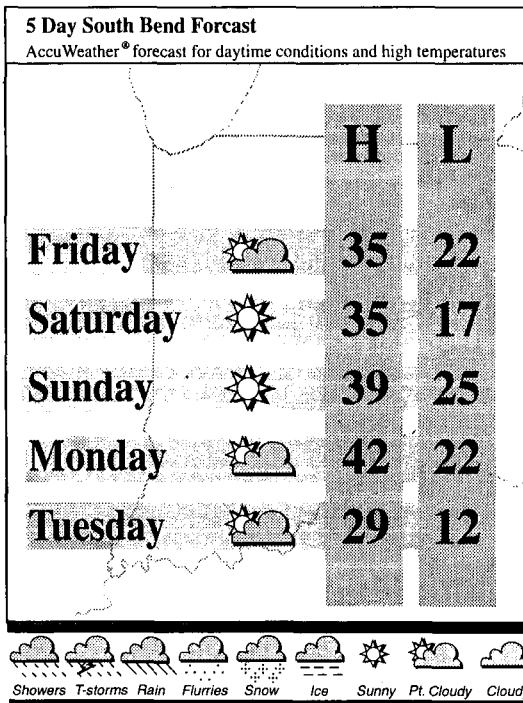
Sylvia Stayton was just trying to spare strangers a ticket when she plunked a dime and a nickel into two overdue parking meters. For what she considered to be a random act of kindness, she got handcuffed and arrested, and on Thursday, she was convicted of a misdemeanor for interfering with an officer trying to ticket overdue cars. "I tried to do what I thought was the right thing," the 63-year-old grandmother of 10 said as she left court. She faces up to 90 days in jail and a \$750 fine when she is sentenced later this month for obstructing official business. Jurors acquitted her of misdemeanor disorderly conduct. She had faced up to four months in jail if convicted on both counts. "She was doing a good deed," her lawyer, David Scacchetti, told the municipal court jury in closing arguments.

### Widow can use husband's sperm

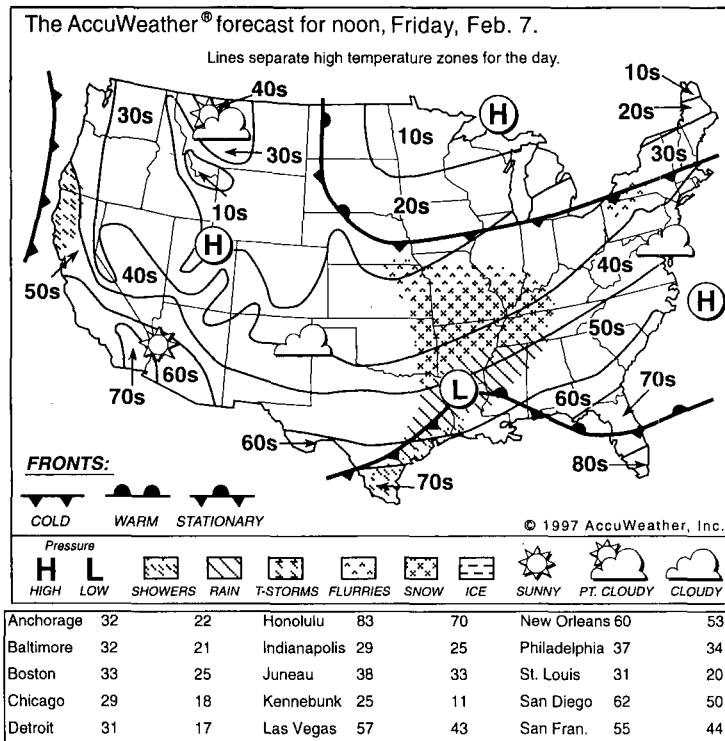
LONDON

When Diane Blood's husband died of meningitis nearly two years ago, her dream was to have his child. On what would have been his 32nd birthday Thursday, a British court ruled she may be entitled to use his frozen sperm. But the regulatory agency that so far has barred her from undergoing artificial insemination will have the final say. So, Mrs. Blood must wait until Feb. 27 to find out whether she can be impregnated with her late husband's sperm. Justices of the Court of Appeal ruled that although Mrs. Blood could not receive artificial insemination in Britain, she had the right to be treated in Belgium unless the regulatory agency finds good public policy reasons against it. They also ordered the agency to pay her legal costs.

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## Cook: Fat essential to healthy diet, lifestyle

By MEREDITH JOHNSON  
News Writer

Are you feeling a little lethargic? Are you unable to concentrate in class or study for the exam the next day? Try looking at your diet for the answers, said Becky Cook, a therapist at the HOPE Program at Memorial Hospital.

"Becky Cook really exposed many myths that I had about eating. I never realized the importance of fat grams, especially in losing weight," said junior Cicely Campo. Cook lectured on the importance of fat and protein in a person's diet at the Saint Mary's Dining Hall on Thursday.

Several years ago, doctors began to warn Americans about the dangers of too much fat in their diet, Cook said, noting that it was important to limit fat intake to reduce heart disease.

The scare escalated in some women into what Becky Cook called "fat phobia." Cook suggested that people think of their bodies like cars. "Cars need

fuel to run and our bodies are the same way." She stressed the importance of fat intake, noting that it makes the skin healthy and cushions vital organs.

Women especially need fat because it produces estrogen which strengthens bones. Fat deficiency can cause a woman to lose her menstrual cycle and can cause depression in both men and women, Cook said.

"As a vegetarian, she really helped by stressing the importance of an alternative food intake," said junior Lisa Coury.

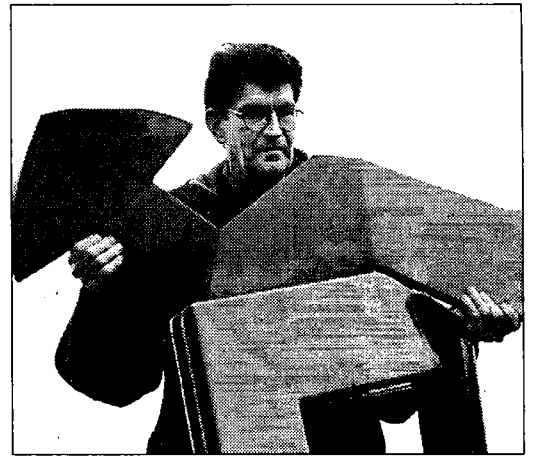
"Many women who stop eating do not realize that they are using or burning up calories that are needed for muscles and internal organs like the heart and the brain," said Nancy Mascott, assistant director of the Counseling Center and Career Development Center at Saint Mary's.

Cook added, "Basically women are hurting themselves from a health standpoint. They are focusing too much on food, body, and weight instead of their health."

## Broken Arrow



The Observer/Mike Ruma



The return of the arrow stolen from the art piece "Turns About," prompted a visit from its creator, Professor John Mischler of Goshen College, yesterday afternoon. The artist came to assess the damages both to the arrow as well as to the standing piece itself.

Damages to the arrow included a small hole and numerous scratches along the edges. The stainless steel shaft which connected the arrow to the standing base was also snapped in the process of the arrow's theft.

"The person that damaged it [the arrow] will have to pay, but I'll do the work," said Mischler. "It will take a couple weeks."

Once repaired, the piece will remain where it is currently displayed, at least through June.

The vandalism occurred the weekend of Jan. 25, and the arrow was discovered one week later on Feb. 3 at 11:45 p.m. on the steps of Hagar Hall. Father Austin Collins, an associate professor of art, was later made aware of the student responsible for the vandalism, and he subsequently called the student's rector.

The matter is now in the hands of Notre Dame Security and the Office of Student Affairs.

Mischler does not take the matter personally, but he feels some connection to his art. "When someone attacks my artwork, they're in a sense attacking me because I put parts of myself into my work," he said.

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## Gleason wins Hesburgh award

Special to The Observer

Philip Gleason, professor of history at Notre Dame, received the 1997 Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh Award

from the Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities during its annual meeting earlier this week in Washington, D.C.

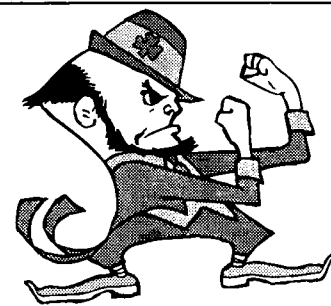
The Hesburgh award, named for the president emeritus of Notre Dame, was established in 1989 and is given to those who exhibit outstanding leadership in the field of higher education.

"Philip Gleason's dedicated career makes him an excellent choice for this recognition," said Monika Hellwig, executive director of the ACCU. "We in

Catholic higher education have no more important mission than to foster Catholic intellectual life. Philip's 40-year career as a Catholic intellectual and his service to the Church and the American society embody our best aspirations."

Gleason's scholarly writing has dealt with the history of German American Catholics, among other topics. He also has written "Contending with Modernity: Catholic Higher Education in the Twentieth Century."

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# ROTC

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Several misconceptions surround ROTC: that it is an easy way to obtain a free education, that it is an institution to justify the morality of warfare, that it is a program that instills a love of violence. But those enlisted in the program at Notre Dame are first and foremost students like you. Like you, but that they have a minimum four-year commitment to the military upon graduation. Like you, but that beside a full class load and non-ROTC extracurricular, they have extra military classes, early morning physical training, required duties and community service, and a plethora of mandatory meetings, inspections, and summer commitments.

They are students like you, but they are unquestioningly sent into combat if the United States ever declares a war.

Notre Dame ROTC offers most of its enrolled students a scholarship that covers tuition and books if the student remains true to the standards of the program. This is not an easy task; the average student will spend at least ten hours a week on ROTC alone.

"It is definitely difficult to balance being a student, ROTC, and extracurricular activities," said Brendon Johnson, a senior in Army faction. "It has given me a great deal of discipline."

Scholarship money may be the overriding incentives to join the program, but with mandatory duties like post-game football stadium cleanup and 5:30 a.m. workouts, most students derive non-monetary gain from the program.

"Even though the time commitment is greater than that of a part-time job, I enjoy the training which is preparing me for an exciting job serving my nation and the U.S. Air Force," commented Matt Meichtry, a

junior mechanical engineer.

And students in ROTC have no different academic standards than the average civilian student. Each student has to be accepted by the University before a scholarship is awarded, and then a minimum 2.0 to 2.5 GPA must be maintained to keep their scholarship.

In addition, after graduation, every ROTC member is committed to at least four years of active service as an officer. If a student drops the program after freshman year, no penalty is enforced, but after sophomore year the student must remain in the program or be subject to complete repayment of tuition money and possible enlistment.

This is a sobering thought: For four years Notre Dame ROTC demands unprecedented time and deference to authority from its members, and then the new graduate is automatically sent to serve in the military. You may only see them in their uniforms every once in a while, but ROTC cadets and midshipmen have commitments beyond imagination.

"We sacrifice some social life as part of being in [the program]," said Jamie Fowlie, a junior Marine option. "This program is about discipline. It trains the best."

Each of the ROTC factions at Notre Dame have similar philosophies that center on leadership, discipline, and academic excellence.

"Our main goal is leadership development, but the number one priority of all our students is academics," said Lt. Col. Jim O'Brien of the Army faction.

Col. Tom Runge of Air Force expressed similar sentiments. "We hope that when a student leaves Notre Dame, we have helped him or her to become a better leader, not necessarily just in the military."

And ROTC, along with later military service, does offer some students career opportunities, especially those whose majors set them up for techni-

cal jobs in the service. In fact, the Air Force offers most scholarships based on the student's top academic interests.

"Notre Dame and ROTC are preparing [the students] for what they will need in the service," said Capt. John Skinner of Air Force. "Technical majors naturally fit in with the skills we require."

So hard work pays off: After four years of living both the life of a Notre Dame student and cadet, the military pays for your education and provides you with employment. But being in the military is a very strict commitment: Those enlisted are expected to put their country before themselves.

This type of service is not for everyone; such a large commitment requires some knowledge of future goals. John Blood, a former Navy midshipman, commented on his experience with ROTC: "I always had some misgivings about being in the military ... I joined ROTC for the wrong reasons. The military is definitely the place for some people, but I decided it just didn't fit in with my needs."

ROTC demands dedication, and the balance is challenging for almost everyone involved. But leadership and discipline do not necessarily translate into unwavering integrity and patriotism—or a love of automatic weapons. While some question the place of ROTC at a university like Notre Dame, Runge feels the answer is obvious.

"The military is more than fighting wars; we have distinctly humanitarian efforts. We want our leaders to have values like those taught at Notre Dame," he said.

"Who goes to battle? We do. I don't think anyone necessarily wants to fight," O'Brien added.

Some commit to the service, others figure out for themselves that a military life is not a good

option for them, but there are also those who have this choice made for them by the ROTC program. Academic probation is certainly a means of displacement from the program, as well as not actively participating in required duties or successfully passing physical requirements and exams.

"Students have to live up to the standards of the program," said Capt. Russell Pickett of Navy. "They know coming in what the minimum expectations [of them] will be."

But sometimes students unexpectedly lose their scholarship or the promise of one. Jen Branigan, a former midshipman in the College Program—a ROTC commitment without a necessary confirmation of scholarship—lost her scholarship almost immediately after it was awarded at the end of her sophomore year. "ROTC was my whole life," she said. "I wanted nothing more than to be a pilot. It dictated everything."

Branigan was dropped for "medical reasons"—specifically, ROTC determined that her medical records indicated a chronic asthmatic condition.

"They had all of my medical records. I did everything they asked of me, I existed knowing that the only reason I could afford to attend Notre Dame was because the Navy practically ensured that I would get this scholarship. But when I did, they told me I didn't meet medical guidelines and that

they were sorry. It was all I wanted. It is gone now."

Branigan said she submitted several doctor's statements declaring her free from any sort of medical complications, but to no avail. Now she now lives month to month wondering whether she can afford to stay here for another semester, and what direction her life is going to take when she graduates.

"I am in debt, and I can't ever become what I dreamed. They decided for me. Everything was taken away."

ROTC is a test: a test of time, a test of dedication, a test of will. It is certainly challenging, and it is definitely not the place for everyone. But those who endure get leadership training, survival skills, travel experience, and, if nothing else, a Notre Dame education. Not everyone passes this test, it is true. But not everyone applies.

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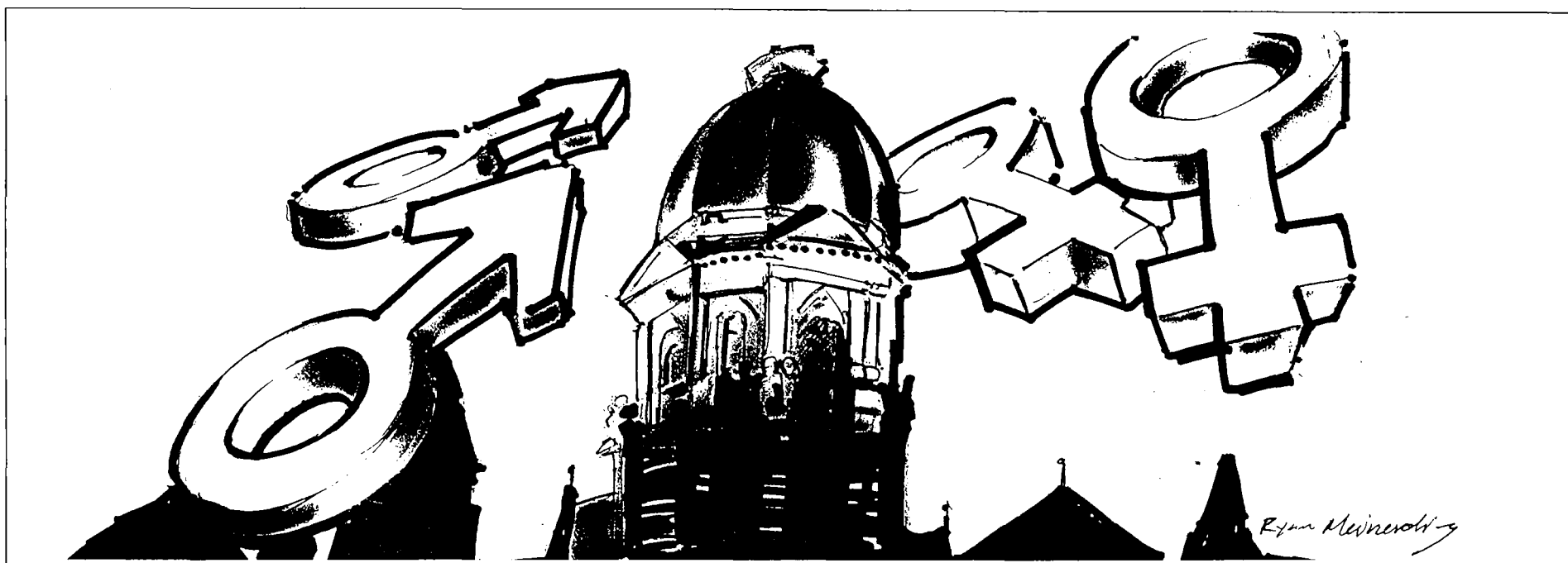
Today...

## A look at gay and lesbian support groups.

The aftermath of 1995's GLND/SMC petition for recognition as a student group has yielded a number of new groups in addition to previously existing ones. The Departments Page reviews what each group has to offer.

# Seeking support

Official, underground groups exist for gay and lesbian students



By JUSTYN HARKIN  
Departments Page Editor

Perhaps one of the most frightening things that we experience as college students is moving away from home for the first time.

The prospect of practically starting our lives over from scratch at the ages 17 or 18 must have been frightening indeed.

After some time, however, we began to settle in and make adjustments. Some of us may have found that we could no longer wait until the last minute to do our homework or that natural ability was not going to get us through class like it used to in high school. We became more responsible.

Sooner or later, although many of us don't want to admit it, we realize that we have changed since we left home. We've grown up.

Maybe you come to terms with something you've wrestled with for a long time, maybe you realize that you're gay.

Isn't it funny how a story that started out with "we" all of a sudden turned into "you?"

Although coming to terms with one's sexuality can be frightful and even isolating, campus groups at Saint Mary's and Notre Dame stress that it is not something that you have to deal with it alone.

Officially, Notre Dame only recognizes its own gay and lesbian support group, Notre Dame Lesbian and Gay Students.

Directed by Father Tom Gaughan and Sister Mary Louise Gude, NDLS is a group designed to provide "acceptance, encouragement, and support."

NDLS is a product of the Ad Hoc Committee on Gay and Lesbian students, which was formed as a result of GLND/SMC's petition for recognition as a student group.

Gaughan commented that "NDLS came together in early September [1995] not knowing what the interest or support [of it] might be."

The group meets on a weekly basis, with advertisements running in The Observer with the meetings dates. The ads feature a telephone number that individuals can call for the time and the place of that night's meeting.

Students need not worry about a secretary — or anyone else for that matter — answering the phone, as the line goes directly to an answering machine.

Gaughan stresses absolute confidentiality of members' names, and will not even reveal the number of participants in the group.

Because NDLS is an officially recognized group, students can expect total cooperation from the University regarding issues such as space and funding. "The trick," Gaughan said, "is finding comfortable and accommodating locations to our needs of confidentiality."

It is important to note that NDLS is not a social group — it is not a part of Student Activities — and is registered through the Office of Student Affairs.

They do not elect officers and they cannot bring in speakers. "Its reason for being is not a social group,"

said Gaughan.

Students who attend an NDLS meeting can expect to find an environment of acceptance, encouragement and support within a Catholic context.

"The Church's moral teaching has a strong pastoral initiative," Gaughan said. "They believe that there's a fundamental dignity in all human life."

The Church teachings are there to teach us how to live and to draw us closer to Jesus's life and teachings, not to make us feel impure, according to Gaughan.

"We can see that there are rules that are oppressive or adversarial in posture, or we those rules as a wisdom and a guide that liberates us from sinfulness and teaches us how to live our lives and to draw us to the truth. The capital 'T' of truth, Jesus Christ," he said.

Although NDLS cannot, as a student group, bring in speakers, there is a university-sponsored group that can.

The Standing Committee on Gay and Lesbian Students, chaired by Ann Firth, is a group of administrators, faculty, and students who have been invited to think about education regarding gay and lesbian issues.

So far, the Standing Committee has sponsored two events: a panel discussion of gay and lesbian students and their families which was held in the fall of 1995, and the recent lecture on homophobia and the Catholic Church, given by Auxiliary Bishop Gumbleton of Detroit, Mich.

Firth said the goal of the committee is to "look for topics [regarding gay and lesbian issues] that will try to bring in the community at large."

Although nothing definite has been planned, Firth explained that the Standing Committee hopes to plan one more event before the end of this semester.

In addition to NDLS and the University's Standing Committee, Campus Ministry is another resource for gay or questioning students.

Campus Ministry features individual as well as group sessions for conversation and counseling.

Kate Barret, director of the Campus Ministry program stressed that, while the University offers multiple resources for gay and questioning students, no one group is in competition with another.

In fact, Barret said, "we have offered to work in conjunction with the Standing Committee by providing student members for outreach."

One group gays and lesbians at Saint Mary's and Notre Dame have turned to for nearly 15 years is the unofficial student group, GLND/SMC.

With a mailing list of over 100 and about 60 active members, that includes both faculty, staff, undergraduate and graduate students, GLND/SMC is a group whose failure to be recognized has not stopped them from continuing their visible support of gay and lesbian students on campus.

"One of the worst problems of being underground," cites GLND/SMC co-chair Sean Gallavan, "is that we're radicalized."

It can be frightening for some people when we're on



**'One of the worst problems of being underground is that we're radicalized.'**

Sean Gallavan

## Leading to NDGLS...

### 1995

- Jan. 22 — GLND/SMC chairs are told they would be barred from the UCC
- Feb. 2 — Sixty students protest outside the administration building
- Feb. 6 — CLC calls for the University to recognize GLND/SMC
- Feb. 8 — Student Senate passes resolution supporting GLND/SMC, and condemning the University's actions
- Feb. 9 — GLND/SMC holds open meeting in LaFortune
- Feb. 10 — 300 students protest on the steps of the administration building
- Feb. 20 — O'Hara rejects the CLC resolution
- Feb. 21 — HPC recognizes GLND/SMC
- Feb. 23 — Kirk warns group that further protests could warrant sanctions
- Mar. 2 — Lunch of GLND/SMC support rally held with the approval of student affairs
- Mar. 6 — O'Hara announces creation of Ad Hoc committee
- Mar. 7 — Faculty Senate condemns University actions
- Dec. 4 — Ad Hoc committee issues interim report

### 1996

- Feb. 29 — Ad Hoc committee issues final report
- Apr. 3 — O'Hara responds to Ad Hoc report in open letter, denying official recognition to GLND/SMC, and establishing NDGLS

the front page or bringing in television news teams," he said.

Despite the problems GLND/SMC encounters as a result of their unofficial status, group leaders say they still manage to offer students a group with a four-pronged mission: support, education, advocacy, and community building.

John Blandford, a graduate student in economics and former GLND/SMC co-chair, stated that "the support group is intended to be a safe place for people who are unsure or afraid [of their sexuality]."

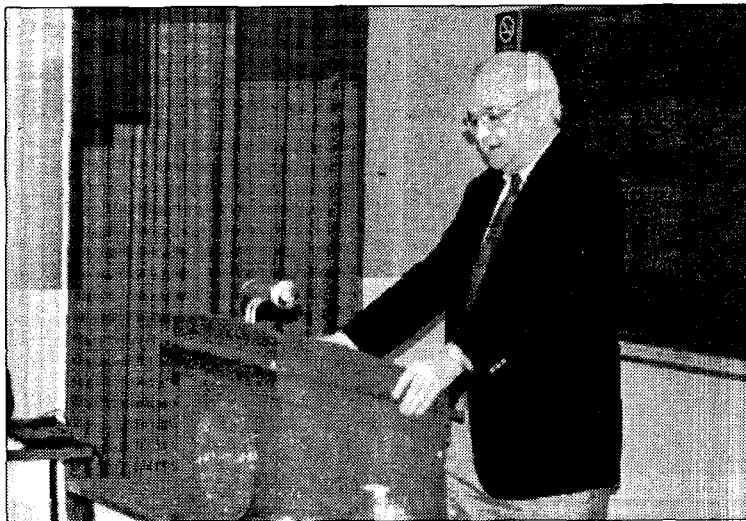
Because GLND/SMC is an unofficial group, they are not allowed to bring in speakers. Blandford noted that GLND/SMC's status as an "underground student group" has forced them to pursue other avenues in order to fulfill the education part of its mission.

Blandford stated that the advocacy part of GLND/SMC's mission calls for action whenever there's a need for someone to speak on behalf of gays and lesbians. "Someone has to be a voice," said Blandford.

The fourth part of GLND/SMC's mission, community building, is what Gallavan describes as "a social forum." Community is very important," said Blandford, "[and] until the campus is completely friendly, a safe place needs to be provided for gay students."

According to GLND/SMC, the group takes pride in the advocacy and community-building aspects of its constitution — elements which both Blandford and Gallavan claim are non-existent in Campus Ministry, the University recognized NDLS or the Standing Committee.





Father Richard McBrien presided over last night's Faculty Senate meeting.

## Senate

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with student rights and representation. The committee reported on the student government's attempt to put a student on the Board of Trustees and on the revision of du Lac. According to the committee, the administration believes a student bill of rights to be implicit in du Lac and other University publications.

It was after the comments of the revision of du Lac that Blakey said, "I'm really disturbed that someone would say that [the student bill of rights] is implicit and that 'maybe we'll get to it and study it.'"

After an explanation of the process involved in creating a student bill of rights, Blakey said that he wanted "a timetable and a goal."

Other committee reports included processing foreign students, grad student health insurance, the election procedures in the upcoming Faculty Senate elections, staff benefit parity, and health care.

Health care will be discussed by the benefits committee in a meeting with

Human Resources on Feb. 18. Some of the topics the committee intends to discuss with Human Resources include the future of the faculty health plan, insurance for grad students, possible future improvements in eye care and dental coverage, and a PPO with a national network. The committee asked the Senate to e-mail as many questions as they had to the committee members by Feb. 14 for the committee to use in the discussion.

Father Richard McBrien, the chair of the Faculty Senate, reminded the senators that the meeting with Human Resources would "only be as valuable as the input."

At the conclusion of the meeting, Blakey asked, "Would it be helpful to have a resolution sent to the senate that a University without a bill of rights for its students is a University that we would prefer not to be a part of?"

"It would indeed be relevant," replied McBrien. "[But] it should come out of the student affairs committee."

"Don't be lulled by tonight's meeting," McBrien warned as a closing note. "At the next meeting we'll have some resolutions."

## Vodou flags on display in Main Building

Special to The Observer

An exhibition of nine Vodou flags made by two Haitian artists will be on display in the rotunda of Notre Dame's Main Building through March 14.

The exhibition, sponsored by the Snite Museum of Art and mounted by Douglas Bradley, the Snite's curator of ethnographic arts, celebrates Black History Month.

The flags were made in the 1960s and 70s, by the Haitian artists Antoine and Clotaire Bazille, for use in Vodou ceremonies and processions.

Vodou (the word derives from "vodun," which means god or spirit in the language of the West African Fon people) is a religious sect which combines elements of Roman Catholic ritual and African animist religions, which were brought to Haiti by West African slaves. While adherents of Vodou profess belief in a supreme God, they also revere a large number of spirits called the loa, mostly African gods, deified ancestors, and Catholic saints who act as helpers, protectors, and guides. They believe that individuals or families can endear themselves to the loa by ritual services.

Each of the vibrantly colored flags on display is embroidered with sequin and glass beads on satin or cotton. Each carries the veve, or symbol, of the loa whom it is designed to revere.

Other artwork from the African and African-American traditions may be seen in the Snite Museum's Arts of the Americas, Africa, and Oceania Gallery. The museum is open Tuesday and Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Thursday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Sunday from 1 to 5 p.m.

## ND student earns all-academic honor

Special to The Observer

Anjanette Koritnik, a Notre Dame student from Livonia, Mich., is one of just 124 undergraduates nationwide to earn a place on the USA Today's 1997 All-USA College Academic Team.

A December graduate, Koritnik was selected as an honorable mention on the team, which was announced in today's edition of the newspaper. More than 1,250 students were nominated for this year's team.

Koritnik, a chemistry major, currently is working toward a master's degree at Notre Dame, studying organic synthesis under the direction of Marvin

Miller, Clark Professor of chemistry and biochemistry. She will complete her masters in the summer and plans to pursue a doctorate at Harvard University or the Scripps Research Institute in La Jolla, California.

As an undergraduate, Koritnik served as president of the Notre Dame chapter of the American Chemical Society and played trumpet in the marching band. She also served as a tutor in the First year of Studies and in Academic Services for Student-Athletes. USA Today's academic ALL-Americans were selected on the basis of their academic awards, achievements, leadership roles and public service. Members of the first team won \$2,500 cash awards.

### ■ SECURITY BEAT

#### Mon., Feb. 3

6:00 a.m. Security discovered a vehicle that had been broken into while parked in the D2 north parking lot.

9:25 a.m. Security responded to a two car accident in the Morris Inn parking lot. There were no injuries reported.

2:09 p.m. Security responded to a two car accident on Juniper Road. There were no injuries reported.

9:45 p.m. An off-campus student reported the theft of his wallet from the Joyce Center. His wallet was unattended at the time of the theft.

#### Tue., Feb. 4

4:58 p.m. A Pasquerilla East resident reported the theft of her book from the NDH. Her bookbag was unattended at the time of the theft.

8:54 p.m. A visitor reported the theft of her wallet from her purse while attending the basketball game at the Joyce Center.

9:50 p.m. A South bend resident was cited for driving with a suspended driver's license.

#### Wed., Feb. 5

1:37 a.m. A Howard Hall resident reported receiving a harassing telephone call.

7:50 a.m. Security responded to a two car accident on Juniper Road. There were no injuries reported.

1:10 p.m. An off-campus student was transported by security to St. Joseph Medical Center for treatment of a sports injury.

4:30 p.m. A Zahn Hall resident reported receiving harassing telephone calls.

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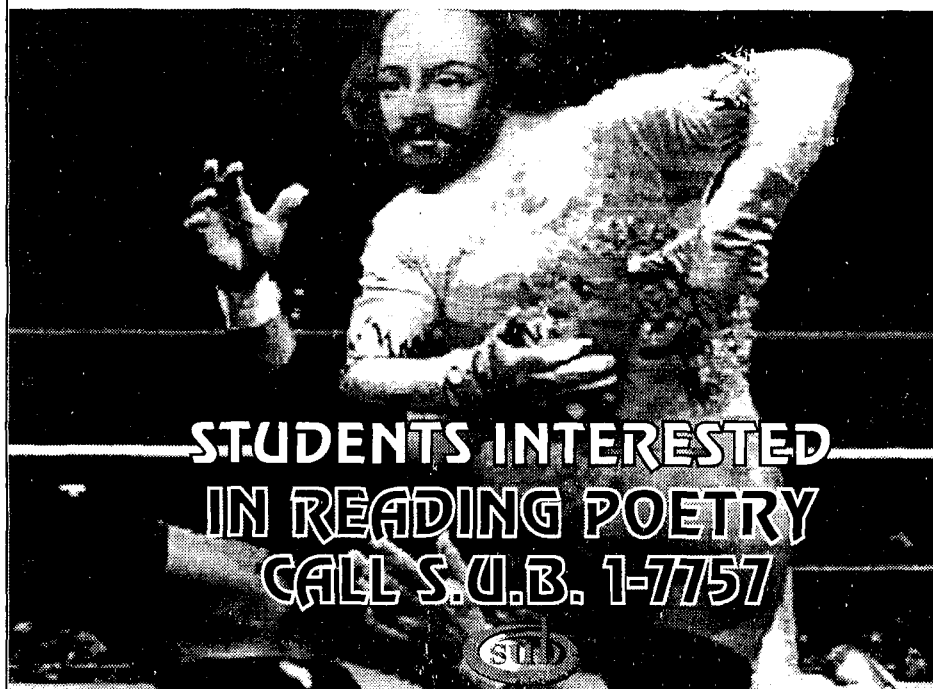
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## Pedagogical genres: Gehl traces book publishing

By JILLIAN PAGLIOCCA  
News Writer

Sometimes judging a book by its cover isn't such a bad idea.

Studying the historical thread of book aesthetics, Paul Gehl of Chicago's Newberry Library presented his findings in "Looking Good: Marketing Early Printed Books" last evening.

Gehl traced the progression of Italian book marketing between 1450 and 1650, noting the metamorphoses in title page configurations and typography selections, beginning with the German printers who imported their skills into Italy in the early 1400s.

Compared with current prac-

tices of book publishing, the fifteenth century process involved complicated preliminary procedures. Used rags were needed to be culled in order to manufacture paper, and deals cut with distant paper suppliers.

Because at first it was "risky, though prestigious" for printers to produce scholarly, full-length books, the earliest printmakers reserved their commissions for more pragmatic and pedagogical genres, such as vernacular school books, religious pamphlets and legal literature.

Gehl divided early texts into two strains: "basic" books geared towards the simple edification of "children and women of all ages," and "masculine" or "upwardly mobile" books constructed to assist males in school.

Grouping "basic" books as those with numerous illustrations and tiny margins which discourage note-taking on the page, Gehl noted a poignant absence of analytical material in these books. "Masculine" books, on the other hand, aimed to teach young boys to "break with the world of home and mother," by inspiring analytic thought, according to Gehl.

The custodian of the Wing Collection at The Newberry Library, Gehl commended Notre Dame's Dante collection, amassed by John Zahm in the early years of the University, as ripe for his type of study.

## Official touts state welfare plan

By DAVID FREDDOSO  
News Writer

When President Clinton signed last year's welfare reform bill, it was not the true beginning of a revolution in welfare. Experiments in welfare reform at the state level had actually been underway since the beginning of the decade. The national bill was actually constructed on the basis of the welfare experiments conducted in several different states.

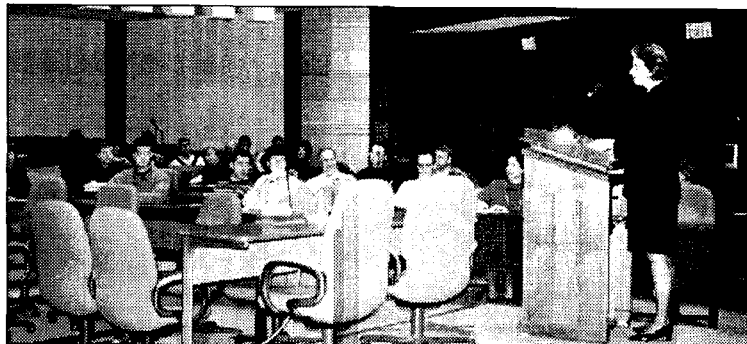
Indiana, Wisconsin, Illinois, and Michigan are four states which have had dramatic reductions in welfare caseloads as a result of their experiments.

Last night, Cheryl Sullivan, director of the Indiana Family and Social Services Department under Governor Bayh, spoke on the changes in Indiana and their impact.

"Welfare in America: What Reform Really Means" was the title of the lecture, yet Sullivan herself suggested that a better title might have been "How to Get Families off the Safety Net and on the Trapeze."

Sullivan, who oversaw the massive recent changes in Indiana welfare law which have caused a 40 percent decrease in welfare recipients in Indiana since 1990, defended those changes and outlined the responsibility of the state toward the poor. She spoke to a sizable audience in the auditorium of Notre Dame's Center for Continuing Education last night.

"Welfare reform, I submit to



The Observer/Adam Andres  
Sarah Sullivan explained the recent successes of Indiana's welfare reform programs during a talk at the Center for Continuing Education.

you, is working in the state of Indiana," she stated. The Indiana law requires recipients either to sign a "Personal Responsibility Agreement," or to suffer the loss of a portion of their entitlement. The agreement requires, among other things, that teenage mothers on welfare must live at home with a legal guardian, and that the children of welfare recipients must be immunized and attend school regularly.

Sullivan noted that although there were 4,000 cases in which recipients refused to sign the agreement, over 33,000 Indiana recipients who agreed to sign have entered state training programs and have been placed in jobs in the last three years.

"We now have the lowest caseload ever since 1972," she noted.

Sullivan also expanded on the nationwide issue of poverty and the duties of the community toward the poor.

One disturbing statistic, she noted, is that "we have the sup-

port of the public to help people who are poor, but they lose interest in people on welfare."

Yet, she believed, there may be some practical wisdom to the popular sentiment.

"Up to now," she said, "we have all been concentrating on the people on assistance. But now, with a 40 percent reduction [of welfare caseloads], we need to focus on the working poor."

She cited several goals for fighting poverty in a practical way on the state level. "Child care needs to continue to be expanded," she said, while the state should be assisting more people in obtaining licenses to run child-care centers. She also cited as a goal that 100 percent of high school students should be graduating from Indiana high schools, as opposed to the current 85 percent, and she proposed that afternoon job opportunities should be created so that working students can stay in school rather than dropping out.

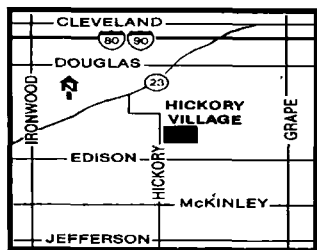


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# Reagan celebrates 86th birthday

By JEFF WILSON  
Associated Press Writer

## LOS ANGELES

Ronald Reagan celebrated his 86th birthday on Thursday in the same low-key, private way he has lived since being diagnosed with Alzheimer's three years ago.

Brownie Troop 313 from Redondo Beach delivered cookies and a children's choir from San Fernando's Glen Oaks Primary Center sang "Happy Birthday" and "Battle Hymn of the Republic" at a party at his Century City office.

Entering the building, the nation's 40th chief executive looked much the same as he did as president — the thick patch of dark hair, the confident gait, the friendly wave — flashing his famous aw-shucks grin after spotting red, white and blue balloons, said a spokeswoman, Joanne Drake.

After blowing out the candles on a cake decorated with jellybeans, Reagan unwrapped a gift from his staff: golf shoes, in khaki and green suede in honor of his Irish roots.

Later, he headed off to a golf range to drive a few balls before returning to his Bel-Air home for a private dinner with



Reagan

wife Nancy.

Visitors to the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library in Simi Valley signed a 14-foot birthday card.

"The people out here think he's the tops," actor George Montgomery, who's known Reagan for nearly 60 years, said in a telephone interview. "He's such a great personality and I don't think there's a person in the world who doesn't respect him."

Few have seen the former president in public since his poignant "sunset of my life" letter in 1994 revealed that he was suffering from the irreversible neurological disorder that destroys the brain's memory cells.

On Wednesday, the director of the Alzheimer's Association's Ronald and Nancy Reagan Research Institute told science writers in New York that more research was needed to deal with the increasing number of patients.

"The treatments and strategies we have in place are not going to be sufficient to stem the rising tide of the number of elderly suffering from dementia," Zaven Khachaturian said.

The briefing was timed to honor Reagan's birthday.

Mrs. Reagan, in a videotaped message, told the science symposium that while "we're starting to turn the corner," more work lay ahead.

## Tech

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will be upgraded, networked, and connect Saint Mary's to itself and to an infinite number of resources beyond campus.

Joel Cooper, director of information technology at Saint Mary's, plays an integral part in paving Saint Mary's way to the future. "We are building a 'collaboratory' at Saint Mary's College," Cooper states, "that will be committed to open communication and open forum between students, faculty, and government organizations."

This 'collaboratory' will provide computer services such as data networking, and connect students to a world of possibilities, according to Cooper.

Students can expect to see the beginning stages of the implementation of this \$1.1 million plan in the upcoming months. The cables and fiber-optics are scheduled to begin being laid in March.

The plan was devised partly due to complaints from students regarding inconsistent programs, lost disks, and scarcity of computer facilities on campus. The current primary computer facilities at Saint Mary's contain two student labs, including 32 Macs, 34 PCs, and only two laser printers.

A large part of Saint Mary's new technological advance will see more computers and printers in academic areas as a priority, as many students voice concerns about the lack of access they have to computer labs when a class is in session. The new labs will allow for classroom use and individual student use to be separate.

Another priority is to build classrooms that can be equipped to handle multimedia. A faculty and Information Technology Student Group (ITSG) will help to design the specifications for these classrooms.

"It is wonderful that students and faculty will work together in such a way to create better capabilities," states Cooper.

After Saint Mary's becomes networked, students will be able to save information in their personalized account on the network; much like an e-mail account works. Floppy disks would not be necessary, because a student can merely log on to any computer on campus and retrieve her work.

Professors can also reap the benefits of this new programming because they can access their accounts on campus or from home as well. Also, over the next three years, every professor will be given a computer to use.

The next phase of the technological advances will include increased computer

access in the residence halls. With the growing use of internet services, Saint Mary's new technologies will better allow its students to take full advantage of available resources. Each room will be equipped with an internet hookup line so that students can log on to various web services. Also, each residence hall will have a small cluster of computers available to access the campus network as well as e-mail and internet services.

With knowledge of an integrated computer system that will not only see an upgrade of existing programming, but also the addition of new programs, Saint Mary's students will be more able to "extend their professional capabilities," says Cooper.

Also, the new fiber-optic cables which will be laid will enable more off-campus networking including communication between Saint Mary's College and Notre Dame, and perhaps even cable television feed from WNDU.

As for the other highly desired services of call waiting, students can only be comforted by the fact that it has "not been ruled out yet."

According to Dan Dieter, director of telecommunications, call waiting may only happen as a part of a "second phase" of advancements that could be seen at a later date. For now, groundwork will be laid in March for voice mail services.

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Laura Shafon, Brown University, AB 1996

"I am an East Coast girl, born and raised in Connecticut and educated in Boston. When I was offered the opportunity to work at First Oak Brook, I jumped at the chance. Here was a way to experience another part of the country and have an excellent career opportunity. I majored in Economics and French, but, like most seniors, I really didn't know where I wanted to start my business career. Here at the bank, I have the perfect chance to learn all the internal workings of a financial institution, knowledge that will be beneficial no matter what path my career takes."

Andrea Zimmerman, Tufts University, BS 1996

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Christopher Granger, Univ. of Illinois, BS 1995

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Elizabeth Petrovic, St. Mary's College, BS 1994

"I'm from a mid-sized town in Pennsylvania and went to college in a mid-sized city in Rhode Island. I think of myself as self-motivated so I wanted to try my wings in a city like Chicago that's big, but not overwhelming. First Oak Brook offered just what I wanted. As an officer in Commercial Banking, I'm out calling on prospects and customers all the time. What a great way to learn your way around. I love Chicago, still a 'city of big shoulders.'"

Kori Rij, Brown Univ. AB 1994

"In college I majored in computer science and psychology. I've always enjoyed figuring out how things work and working with people. First Oak Brook allows me to do both. In Cash Management, I get to tinker with technology and interact with customers every day. Outside the office, I'm very involved in my church. I work hard at the Bank, but management allows us the time to pursue our personal interests."

Christopher Moses, Brown Univ., AB 1994

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Jared Yerian, Indiana Univ., BS 1993

"Within a few months of joining First Oak Brook, I landed in Commercial Real Estate Lending. It was supposed to be just one of my rotations, but they needed a hand and I stayed. I had to learn a new language overnight—with developers talking about "mini-perms, take-outs, and stand-bys." The gobs of responsibility I got right away was scary. On-the-job training isn't for everyone, even when it's supplemented, as it is here, with formalized training. Now I can only imagine how miserable I'd have been in a big bank training program where you mostly sit in second or third chair taking notes for your boss on yellow legal pads."

Molly Shotwell, Brown Univ. AB 1991

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# Big parts of tax package likely to have trouble

By ROB WELLS  
Associated Press Writer

## WASHINGTON

President Clinton's proposed \$98 billion tax cut was criticized as inadequate by key Republicans in Congress on Thursday. But all sides do agree on several areas of savings for taxpayers, such as a capital-gains tax cut for home sales and expanded IRA coverage.



Clinton

To help pay for the proposed tax cuts over six years, Clinton's plan would raise \$76 billion in the same period by closing special tax breaks on businesses and extending existing or lapsed taxes.

The centerpiece is the "Middle Class Bill of Rights," an \$87.6 billion package of cuts that Clinton promised during the campaign. It includes a tax credit up to \$500 per child under age 13, a \$1,500 tax credit that can be claimed during each of two separate years of college and a possible \$10,000 deduction for education expenses.

Students would qualify for the second year of the \$1,500 tax credit if they maintained a B-minus average. It would be available for schooling beginning after July 1, 1997, and the credit would be reduced by other federal grants the student receives.

The college-expenses tax deduction would start at a maximum \$5,000 per family each year in 1997 and 1998, and

increase to \$10,000 in 1999.

A married couple with income below \$80,000 would be entitled to either of the college tax incentives, and those with incomes between \$80,000 and \$100,000 could get partial tax benefits. Neither incentive would be available to families with incomes over \$100,000.

A taxpayer could claim either the credit or deduction in a particular year, but not both.

Paying for that package is another question. Clinton would raise \$34.3 billion by ending some corporate tax breaks, such as the deduction of interest for 100-year bonds and other exotic investment products.

"That's a real big deal for Wall Street, very politically sensitive," said Tom Ochenschlager, tax partner at Grant Thornton in Washington.

Despite complaints by both corporate officials and Republicans, however, many in the GOP reacted warmly to the broader themes in the Clinton budget.

"The president deserves credit for endorsing the long-sought Republican goal of lower taxes and balanced budgets," said Rep. Bill Archer, R-Texas, chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, the tax-writing panel. "But much work lies ahead."

Archer said the budget "offers the American people what may be temporary tax relief, combined with permanent tax hikes. ... That aspect of the budget must be improved."

White House officials indicated there's more to come on tax relief, saying Clinton plans to propose "a package of measures to simplify the tax laws and enhance taxpayers' rights." They gave no further details.

One contested item would force investors to calculate their profits or losses from sales of stock or mutual funds shares by using the "average cost" accounting technique.

This could effectively raise investors' capital-gains taxes by forcing them to calculate the average cost of stock bought over a period of time, instead of using a more attractive deduction based on the highest cost of the stock.

Here's an example: an investor wants to sell 100 shares of XYZ Corp. at \$60 a share, stock which was acquired early at \$10 a share and more recently at \$50. Current rules permit reporting the sale at the last acquisition price — \$50 a share — and taxes paid on a capital gain of \$10 a share. The average

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Rep. Bill Archer,  
chair,  
House Ways and Means Committee

## Who benefits under plan?

Associated Press

### WASHINGTON

Who would qualify for some of the proposed tax changes, and how, in President Clinton's budget:

- **College tax credit:** Families would get a \$1,500 tax credit for each student in post-secondary education for one year. If at least a B average is maintained by the student and he or she is not convicted of a drug crime, the family would qualify for a \$1,500 tax credit a second year. Families not earning enough to pay \$1,500 in income tax would not get the full credit. Credit would be phased out for taxpayers filing a joint return with adjusted gross income between \$80,000 and \$100,000. Taxpayers with incomes over \$100,000 would not qualify at all.

- **College tax deduction:** As an alternative to the tax credit, or when the credit expires, families could deduct tuition and fees for post-secondary education or job training. Each family could qualify for only one deduction each year. The maximum deduction would

start at \$5,000, rising to \$10,000 in 1999. It would be subject to same upper-income limits as the tax credit.

- **Child tax credit:** For each child under 13. Worth \$300 a year in 1997-99 and \$500 in 2000. It would be phased out for taxpayers with adjusted gross income between \$60,000 and \$75,000.

- **Expanded IRAs:** Early withdrawal from Individual Retirement Accounts would be exempted from the usual 10 percent tax if the money is used to buy a first home, for higher education or for living costs if unemployed.

- **Tax break on home sales:** Married taxpayers filing jointly could exclude up to \$500,000 of capital gains on the sale of a principal residence. Single filers could exclude \$250,000. This generally could be done every two years.

- **Higher air travel taxes:** The government would reinstate the 10 percent tax on domestic air passenger travel, \$6 per person tax on international departures and 6.25 percent tax on air freight transportation.

cost method would set the purchase price for tax purposes at \$30, meaning the investor would have a higher capital gain of \$30 a share — and a bigger tax bill.

"Forcing everyone to use average costs would be a big deal for investment clubs because they invest over a long period of time," said Brian Goodhart of Sterling, Va., a management sys-

tems consultant.

Also at issue will be the proposed tax incentives for education. They could complicate the tax code by forcing the IRS, for example, to verify students' B minus grades, said Rep. Pete Hoekstra, R-Mich., a member of the Budget Committee and chairman of an education subcommittee.

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## ■ CAPITOL COMMENTS

# Role reversals make Washington a weird world

Remember the song lyrics, "Boys will be girls and girls will be boys... it's a mixed up world?" Washington has become a strangely mixed up world in just ten years. The 1980s was the decade of a Democratic Congress and a Republican president. Those roles have reversed in the 1990s, yet not much has changed.

## Gary Caruso



This week's State of the Union Speech was presented by this decade's Ronald Reagan. The slogans, the simplicity and the personal recognition of "typical" Americans who sat in the balcony next to the First Lady are all Reagan gimmicks. If a history scholar laid a Clinton speech next to a Reagan speech, without knowing which belonged to whom, the similarities would make it almost impossible to distinguish. Only the issues would give away the decade of the delivery.

Ronald Reagan talked a good game about fiscal responsibility within the government, yet during his eight years in office the national debt doubled more than the total debt added throughout our entire history, from Washington to Carter. But the American public did not give a damn if arms were being sold illegally to terrorists in return for hostages and other concessions. While history will probably harshly judge Ronald Reagan, the vast majority of Americans loved him.

Bill Clinton is popular, but not as "loved" as Reagan, partly due to the Rush Limbaugh right wing crowd who has constantly pounded him in the

media for the past 4 years. Those political crusaders did not dominate the media in the 1980's like they do today. Back then, they usually crusaded against Communism. Now that the "Red Menace" is gone, they have turned against gays, immigrants, welfare recipients, a United Nations conspiracy, gun control and the champion of all these unholy issues — President Bill Clinton.

Both Clinton's inaugural speech and his State of the Union address challenged those who disagree with his policies to work toward a common good rather than continue their divisive and polarizing bickering. Clinton knows that to govern, one must compromise. That principle was followed by former Republican leaders such as Bob Michel in the House and Everett Dirksen in the Senate who worked with the Democratic majority by compromising. Certainly the Newt Gingrich era has lacked that civility to date.

Clinton's remarks hit squarely into the Republican ranks. When Rep. J.C. Watts (R-Okla.), the only African-American Republican, gave his party's response to the State of the Union address, he said, "I'm going to try to use my words tonight and my time, not to confuse the issues but to illuminate it. Because the way I see it, the purpose of politics is to lead, not to mislead. Those of us who've been sent to Washington have a moral responsibility to offer more than poll-tested phrases and winning smiles. We must offer a winning vision: We must share our intentions. We must make our plans clear."

Watts did not sound like he was ready to work in a bipartisan way with the president. In fact, he did not appear presidential when he stood in front of about thirty students. Watts just about called Clinton an immoral liar with no clear vision. The two speeches I heard the president deliver may not have had many details, but he surely had a plan and a vision. Clinton has changed the

perception of Democrats from that of the party of big government and spending to a new identification with fiscal responsibility, future technologies and educational opportunities, family oriented values and the protection of people over business interests.

What are Watts' motives? First, he is the type of Clarence Thomas African-American Republican elitist who has broken with his community to embrace

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capitalism over governmental assistance as a means of fighting poverty. He has "moved on up" and figures that others can move too without governmental help. That being his philosophy, he belongs in the ranks of the Republican Party and has received ribbing from African-American Democratic Members of Congress.

This week Watts interviewed with the Washington Post and referred with contempt to "race-hustling poverty pimps" like Jesse Jackson and Washington Mayor Marion Barry, whose careers, he said, depended on keeping Black people dependent on government. Watts denies he referred specifically to the two. The Post says it has the interview word for word.

Watts wrote to Jackson's son, Rep. Jesse Jackson, Jr. (D-Ill.) saying, "In fact, I used this term in a lengthy over-arching conversation with a reporter about some of the leadership in the Black community but not in reference to

Rev. Jackson or Mayor Barry."

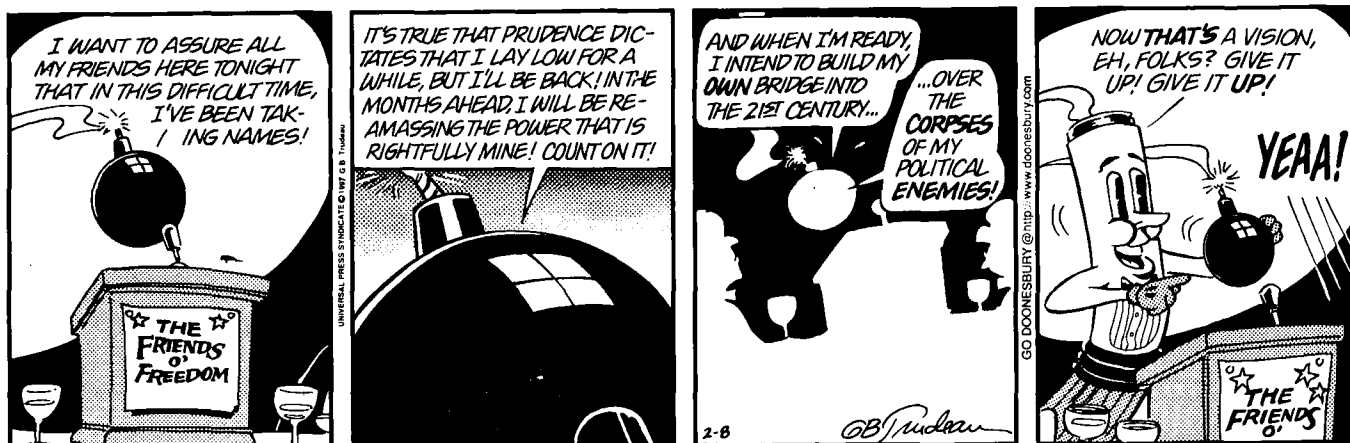
More importantly, when asked why he used his appearance to rebut the president's address to send fund-raising letters to his district, Watts brushed off questions with a swipe at Clinton, "We've got Bill Clinton prostituting the White House to raise money and you guys are asking me about a fund-raising letter I sent to my constituents?"

Watts uses the harsh Gingrich rhetorical style when he uses words like "race-hustling poverty pimps" and "Clinton prostituting the White House." What Watts chooses to forget is that Reagan and Bush had private retreats at Camp David for their eagles club, those who gave over \$150,000 to the Republican Party. Each party raises funds, sometimes with overzealous staff. The law regulating campaign fund-raising definitely needs revision. The Republican Congress has the obligation to guide the legislation through the process.

Republicans leading the legislative agenda brings back that mixed up Washington image. The First Lady sang on Rosie O'Donnell's show this week. The only African American Republican spoke after the only Democratic president to be reelected in fifty years delivered his fifth State of the Union speech. Some may think of these events as an omen of doom. Unlike the small-minded partisan Rep. Watts, I prefer the optimism of President Clinton as he leads the policies the American public approved last November.

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## ■ DOONESBURY



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## ■ QUOTE OF THE DAY

**"T**True happiness consists not in the multitude of friends, but in the worth and choice."

—Ben Johnson



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

# Oppose efforts towards 'de-beautification'

Dear Editor:

Kudos to the campus vandals responsible for borrowing the arrow from the DeBartolo Quad's sculpture "Turns About!" We express these sentiments not to condone criminal activity, but rather to express disapproval of the campus' recent trend toward de-beautification.

Let us begin by pointing out that we admire art and its free expression. Art is an integral part of our culture; without it life would be mundane. Naturally we're not criticizing anyone's right to freedom of expression as set forth in the First Amendment.

However, this is a student's university (or at least it used to be), and a large portion of the student body has shown discontent in the location and longevity of its display. When we first noticed this atrocity on our campus we considered it to be a senior art project put temporarily on display. Here we are, over a year later, still having to put up with this eyesore on the way to class. Did the students ever have a say in the installation of this sculpture? We apologize to the Goshen artist, John Mischler, for not seeing the "inner beauty and meaning" of the sculpture. Perhaps we are ignorant, but what exactly is this zig-zagged monstrosity supposed to represent? The decline of Man? More probably the decline of modern art. The title of "art-work" is not an untouchable subject, and we as the students of this university, have the right to question the art brought to this campus.

We understand that the area between O'Shaughnessy Hall and Fitzpatrick Hall is in need of some landscape filler, but why a high-priced weather vane instead of something more natural. Does the administration have something against trees? Mischler-angelo's "Turns About" would be better suited to the Snite Museum or the Guggenheim than a traditional college quad. It is an unwelcome anachronism.

This act is the vandalistic equivalent of a little white lie...an excusable act carried out by a group of students working for the betterment of this campus. Just like Marie Antoinette in 18th century France, this sculpture was long overdue for a beheading.

However, this sculpture was the beginning of a trend toward the general de-beautification of our campus. It seems that our campus has become one vast construction site in recent years. In our nearly three years at Notre Dame we have witnessed the destruction of our Stadium, the gutting of our dorm (we love you, Grace), and the continued construction of unnecessary buildings at this university.

In illustration, we can remember the first time we saw this campus driving down Notre Dame Ave. as eager high school seniors. That was the sight that made us certain that we wanted to make this University our home for the next four years. The main circle is the first glimpse most freshman catch of this campus. This same circle that lends to a beautiful view of the Dome and Basilica is now the home of a most unwelcome array of metal signs. Every few feet of Main Circle now bears a reminder of just how unwelcome we are on this campus: "Do Not Enter", "Tow-away Zone", and "Restricted Access" are the greetings currently received by visitors. In case you didn't get the point from the first sign, there are three more signs following it to drive the point home.

It's also comforting to know that, in case some errant pizza delivery boy didn't get the gist of the signs, that one student's entire tuition went toward a security system to prevent entrance to campus. And if that's not enough to scare off perpetrators, one of Notre Dame's finest is there guarding the path. Our campus has turned into an armed fortress. What's next, a moat and barbed wire? Oh wait, we already have barbed wire.

Certainly our campus has seen better days. Yet the

administration feels the need to continue the expansion of an already beautiful campus. Hopefully the vandalism of the modern statue will be the spark that catalyzes an effort toward further campus beautification.

AARON NOLAN  
TIM McCONVILLE

Juniors  
Keough Hall

## Words in article are someone else's

Dear Editor:

It's one thing to be misquoted. It's quite another to be quoted, at some length, without ever even talking to a reporter.

Unfortunately, that's the case with The Observer's Feb. 6 article about the President's State of the United States Address. One wonders how such mistakes are made — basic rules of journalism include determining the identity of a source one is quoting — but I can only say that the words in the article are someone else's.

ROBERT SCHMUHL

Chairman and Director of Graduate Studies

### DIVERSIONS, DIGRESSIONS AND GENERAL RAMBLINGS

# A quick lesson in the art of squirrel-busting

O.K., so let's talk about squirrels. I like squirrels. They're fuzzy and kind of cute. Granted, the mutant-sized campus squirrels that frequently parachute into garbage cans, down entire dining hall muffins in single swallows and suffer from slight coordination difficulties (I've seen them fall from trees before) sometimes frighten me, but generally I find

**Kathy  
Scheibel**

their species to be quite amiable and rather harmless. My dad, however, sees them as hostile creatures. He refers to squirrels as "the enemy." In fact, he has been waging an all-out war with the squirrels in our backyard for several years now.

It all began on my mom's birthday when Dad decided to go the romantic route and get her the gift of matching bird feeders! Now, these were not just your average, ordinary bird feeders; these were gemstone-studded, polished-mahogany, state-of-the-art, we-beat-the-Joneses bird feeders. And let me tell you, the Joneses were mighty impressed with our new bird feeders! And so were the Joneses' squirrels! And the Smiths' squirrels, and the Rapinowskis' squirrels, and the Cleptoviches' squirrels! In fact, the situation that ensued is technically referred to by hard-core rodent combaters as a "squirrel flocking." We had French-speaking squirrels and Russian-speaking squirrels; we had mumbling squirrels and well-spoken squirrels; we had polite squirrels and some rather rude ones; we had serious types, and we had jokesters. We had, oh, approximately, EVERY squirrel on the face of the Earth in our backyard, because, quite frankly, every squirrel knows that only a sucker would buy a gemstone-studded, polished-mahogany, state-of-the-art, we-beat-the-Joneses bird feeder.

I remember the first day of the Great Squirrel Flocking quite distinctly, because we have not had a peaceful

family meal since. Our kitchen has a rather large picture window overlooking the backyard, and from Dad's strategically chosen seat at the kitchen table, without so much as the twitch of a neck muscle, he can monitor all three bird feeders. Typically (post-Flocking), we would sit down to breakfast with our morning breath, bed heads and bleary eyes; Mom would grunt something about passing the sugar; Dad would grunt back and reach blindly for it from behind the newspaper, his hand landing first on the butter, then in his coffee. Then, as his gaze shifted from the newsprint to the table in search of the sugar (which was still in the cupboard), out of the corner of his eye he would catch sight of "the enemy" hanging from a bird feeder. "@#! \*\*&@#!" he would yell as he leapt from the table, flung open the back door and ran out onto the deck in his blue sailboat bathrobe, jumping up and down, flailing his arms and yelling, "Get off of there ya #@!& squirrel! That's not for you!" By this, the Joneses were even more impressed.

Now, whether the sight of my father in his pajamas yelling profanities at the top of his lungs was actually frightening to the squirrels, I don't know; but, they would at least humor him and run away. Dad would then re-tie his bathrobe (which had come open in the process) and strut back inside, his chest swollen with masculine pride, and say in a gruff, mission-accomplished, I'm-tougher-than-the-squirrels voice, "Yep, well, I don't think that'll be happening again." He would then sit down, and four minutes later, the exact episode would repeat itself.

After an infinite number of similar mealtime occurrences and many cases of indigestion, Dad decided that the key here was to be smarter than the squirrels. So, he went to the local bird boutique and bought eight pounds of "special" gourmet birdseed, which Betty the bird boutique clerk guaranteed to be absolutely unappetizing to squirrels. Well, apparently bird boutique clerks can smell a sucker, too. The squirrels not only ate the "special" squirrel-resistant birdseed at astonishing rates, but their appetites seemed to be stimulated — once they had finished off the food, they began gnawing on the wooden structures of the feeders themselves! Dad interpreted this as unnecessarily

hostile action and felt justified in officially declaring war. This was no longer simply a run-in with pesky rodents; this was a personal affront and an invasion of territory, and it had to be stopped at any cost!

So, Dad went back to visit Betty the bird boutique clerk (who, being on commission, was quite fond of my father by now) and purchased a set of brand-new, state-of-the-art, we-not-only-beat-the-Joneses-but-we-pulverized-them-into-a-pathetic-dust, "squirrel-proof" bird feeders. Though not quite as classy looking as the gemstone mahogany ones, these puppies were pretty intimidating. They were immense structures made of patented, polyfibrous, gnaw-proof plastic and were each topped by a dome, which ideally was supposed to cause the violating squirrel to slide off and land in the bushes below. Never once, however, did I see this happen, not even when Dad added Vaseline. I think the squirrels were amused by this new effort, as they would often sit on top of the domes and taunt my enraged father.

Now it was time to pull out the big guns... literally. I was standing in the kitchen one day, when Dad came home with an unmarked brown bag. He looked cautiously out the window, wary of enemy spies, and stealthily slipped me the bag. "Look inside," he whispered. Dad had purchased a florescent yellow, state-of-the-art, we-not-only-beat-the-Joneses-and-pulverized-them-into-a-pathetic-dust-but-we-made-them-cry-too Super Soaker 2000 water gun, with a shooting distance of one hundred meters, batteries not included, for children seven and older (I wasn't sure my dad qualified on this count). He gathered the family, stated that the weapon would be placed directly beside the back door and gave explicit orders that it was to be fired upon ANY enemy sighting. We saluted obediently, said, "Sure, Dad," and sat back to enjoy the show. In the period of about three weeks, Dad had perfected his aim to the point where



he could hit a squirrel from any upstairs window while still lying in bed with his eyes closed. (Of course, he also usually managed to hit Mr. Jones and Mr. Jones's cat, both of whom vehemently hated to get wet.)

It was then that the squirrels made their critical and fateful move—they took one of the bird feeders hostage. How they managed to do it, I do not know; perhaps they enlisted the help of the Joneses (particularly the cat, who was still quite bitter about the whole water gun episode). Somehow, though, they pulled the feeder off the tree and dragged it into the woods. My dad spent an entire weekend searching for the missing bird feeder, all the while mumbling something about refusing to abandon his comrade. Father and feeder were finally reunited, but alas the effort was a futile one. As Dad climbed the ladder by the tree to, once again, raise the feeder in glory, he took his final blow in the line of duty. The wind blew; the ladder wobbled, and Dad suddenly became intimately acquainted with the tree.

Several hours later, lying in a hospital bed with five broken ribs and a punctured lung, he was still claiming victory. I didn't have the heart to tell him, "Ummm, Dad... I think the squirrels won."

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# The Sophomore Literary

By DAN CICHALSKI  
Assistant Accent Editor

The Sophomore Literary Festival has seen some big names in the past.

There were Norman Mailer, Joseph Heller, Ralph Ellison and Kurt Vonnegut in 1968's inaugural festival. Arthur Miller showed up in 1973. Tennessee Williams stopped by in 1977. Edward

Albee made appearances in 1978 and 1993. And Tobias Wolff read from his popular memoir, "This Boy's Life," and also shared a new story last year.

Tonight, the 30th SLF begins triumphantly with Tom Clancy reading at 7 p.m. in Stepan Center. The festival continues until Wednesday with 8 p.m. readings by Eavan Boland, Alan Lightman, Priscilla Cogan, Robert Creeley and student readers from Notre Dame and Saint Mary's.

"I figured a 7:00 starting time was better for a Friday," SLF chairperson Hunter Campaigne said. "Clancy developed in the past three weeks. My dad helped me write a letter to him," and Clancy agreed.

Fans of the SLF will notice a change in the venue for the 1997 event. The festival returns to Washington Hall after shifting to the Hesburgh Library Auditorium. "It used to be in Washington Hall," said Campaigne. "Last year's chairman made a move in January of last year to bring it back for this year."

Washington Hall holds 571 people to the auditorium's 306. The move will pay off for all the classes that are required to attend the festival. Last year, the Tobias Wolff reading overflowed the tiny auditorium in the library because the presence of most—if not all—Core students was obligatory. Those who arrived late were able to watch Wolff on television in the adjacent room.

Putting together a festival that becomes more popular each time takes the majority of the academic year. Letters were sent out early last semester to dozens of writers. Or it could have been scores. "I don't even know [how many authors were asked]. A lot," Campaigne said with a laugh.

Boland was the first to commit to this year's festival. Then Lightman and Creeley agreed too. "We had four commitments when we went home for Christmas," Campaigne said. "We were counting on Douglas Copeland but when I spoke with his agent he hadn't talked with Copeland. I went around to some Michigan bookstores and they suggested Cogan. Cogan will be really

cool. She's just finished her first novel and [with her background] she should add something new." Cogan's reading will be more like storytelling, Campaigne said.

Continuing another SLF tradition, the authors will participate in one-hour writing workshops the day following their readings. A workshop with Clancy will be held in the Notre Dame Room of LaFortune on Saturday at 12:30 p.m. The Boland and Cogan workshops will take place at 12:30 p.m. on Sunday and Tuesday, respectively. Lightman's workshop is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. on Monday. Creeley will be attending a class in lieu of a workshop.

"The workshops will be as informative as possible," Campaigne said. "Cogan and Lightman asked participants to bring writing samples. Cogan asked them to finish a sentence about what they'd write their novel about. Lightman wanted two paragraphs describing a parent."

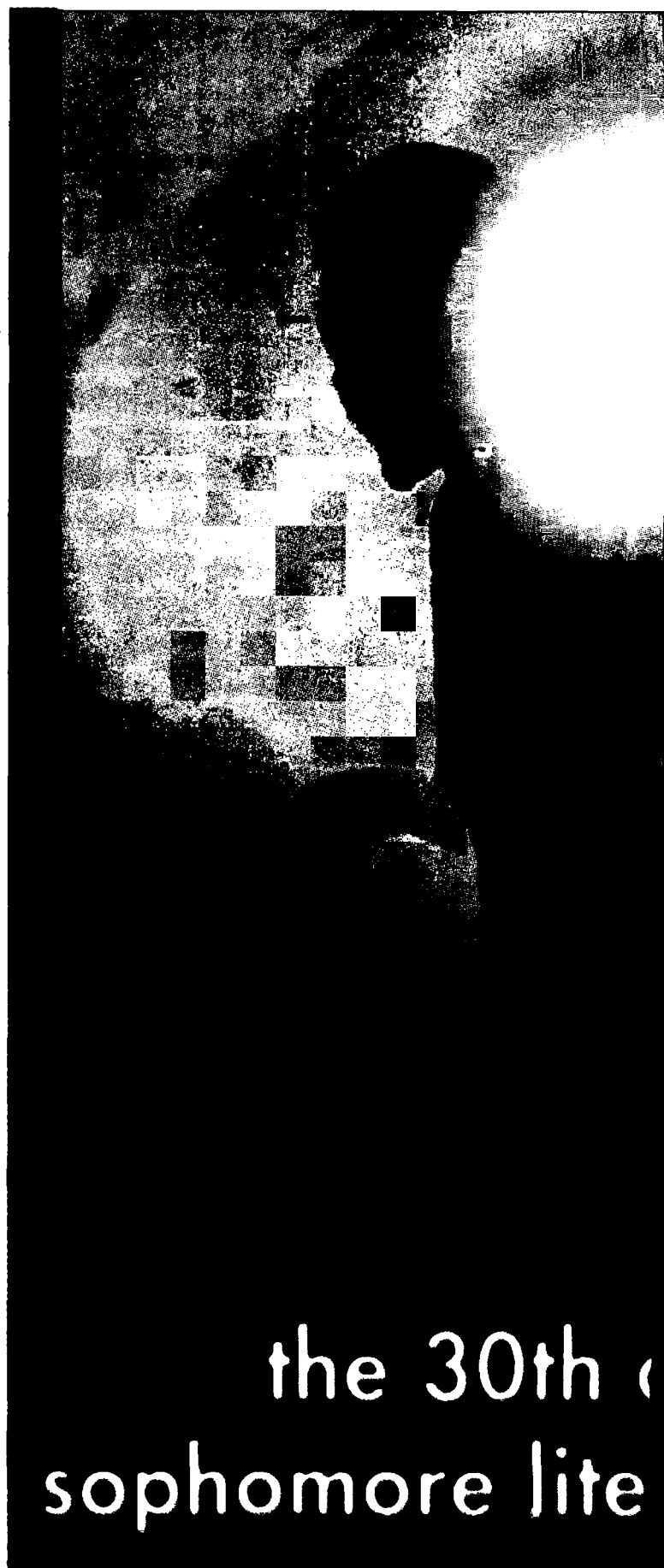
Also to encourage budding writers of the Notre Dame and Saint Mary's community, the SLF will allow eight students to present their own work on Tuesday. The four undergraduate and four graduate students were chosen in November by members of the committee, a previous chairperson and Program of Liberal Studies Associate Professor Steven Fallon.

"We had a great turnout for that (the student readings)," Campaigne said. "We put up signs in O'Shag and around campus. Starting at seven one night, we were there until about 11 listening to students. We sat around and narrowed the field to 20 then to ten and then down to the eight we have."

The elite eight were chosen primarily for the original and personal quality of their work. "I was looking for a distinctive voice," Fallon said, "whether it was a poem or prose, and that it didn't seem to be derived from other works."

When the time came to discuss the auditions and choose the participants, Fallon and the committee worked well together. Despite being the only faculty member present, he was just one of the contributors, not the primary nor the final voice. "I had a minor role," Fallon said. "In no sense did I take the lead. Normally I didn't speak first. We had remarkable consensus on most of the readers. I wouldn't have said we should prefer this student to that one. I was one of a number of collaborators."

The SLF has become a successful and impressive production of the Student Union Board. This year's festival should maintain this image. In fact, it must, in order to recruit freshmen to carry on the tradition next year. "I remember going last year," Campaigne said. "I went with

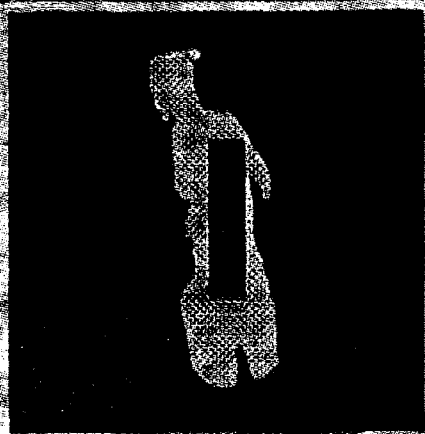


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someone on the committee. When I saw the ads in the Observer for the [chairperson] position, I filled out an application and had an interview. The interview was pretty laid back and I enjoyed the people."

The student voices combined with the remarkable committee that put together the 1997 festival represent the lingering interest in quality writing. Today's technology makes choosing a good book for entertainment the laborious choice. Television and the Internet can provide amusing distractions to life and require much less effort than reading. But the SLF is one reminder that there will always be a place for writers at Notre Dame and Saint Mary's.

A new book entitled "SLF Album: An Informal History of Notre Dame's Sophomore Literary Festival" by Linda DeCicco is on sale at the Notre Dame Bookstore and Barnes & Noble and will be available at the SLF readings. Ms. DeCicco will attend a discussion and book signing at Barnes & Noble on Grape Road Sunday at 3:30 p.m.



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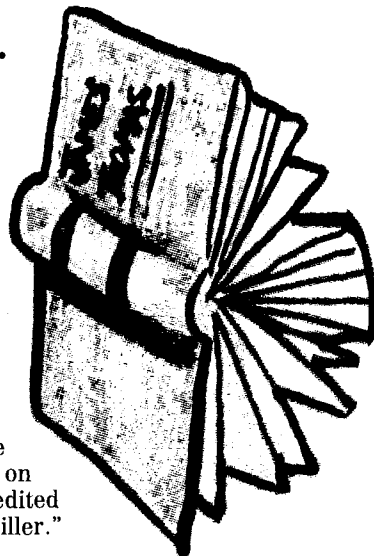
# ary Festival Turns 30

## About the Authors...

### Tom Clancy

Coming from a Catholic family of Irish descent, Tom Clancy and Notre Dame seem natural for each other.

With his father serving in the Navy, Clancy developed his interest for the military that he would later use as background for his most popular and successful novels. Three of them have become movies: "The Hunt for Red October," "Patriot Games," and "Clear and Present Danger." The success of these works and others made an indelible mark on the literary world, and Clancy was soon credited for creating a new genre dubbed "techno-thriller."



### Eavan Boland

Poet Eavan Boland is a native and resident (with her husband and two daughters) of Dublin, Ireland. She has published seven volumes of poetry and a memoir, "Object Lessons: The Life of a Woman Poet in Our Time."

Boland's work focuses on her life as an Irish woman and has earned her the distinction as "the preeminent female poet of her native Ireland," as noted in the SLF program. She has won the Lannan Foundation Poetry Award and taught at Trinity College, University College, and Stanford University.

### Alan Lightman

Alan Lightman has made a seemingly difficult connection between physics and humanities. Currently the John E. Burchard Professor of Science and Writing and a senior lecturer in physics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Lightman has crossed the country visiting universities as both a student and faculty member.

His work as an author includes two textbooks widely used in science courses as well as literary essays, short fiction and reviews that have appeared in various magazines. Lightman has also written several books on science as well as novels and collections of fiction and essays.

In 1996, Lightman was elected a Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and won the Andrew Gemant Award of the American Institute of Physics for linking science to the humanities.

### Priscilla Cogan

Priscilla Cogan uses her background as a clinical psychologist in conjunction with her interest in Native American traditions and rituals in her writing and teaching. Her husband, Duncan Sings Alone, is also a psychologist and first principal chief of the Free Cherokee and will be present at Cogan's reading.

Cogan has worked in various aspects of her field such as clinical psychology in three states, Catholic family services and counseling. She remains involved with the Native American spiritual community as a primary teacher and practitioner of pipe and sweat-lodge ceremonies. Cogan's first novel, "Winona's Web," is deeply rooted in traditional Lakota teachings.

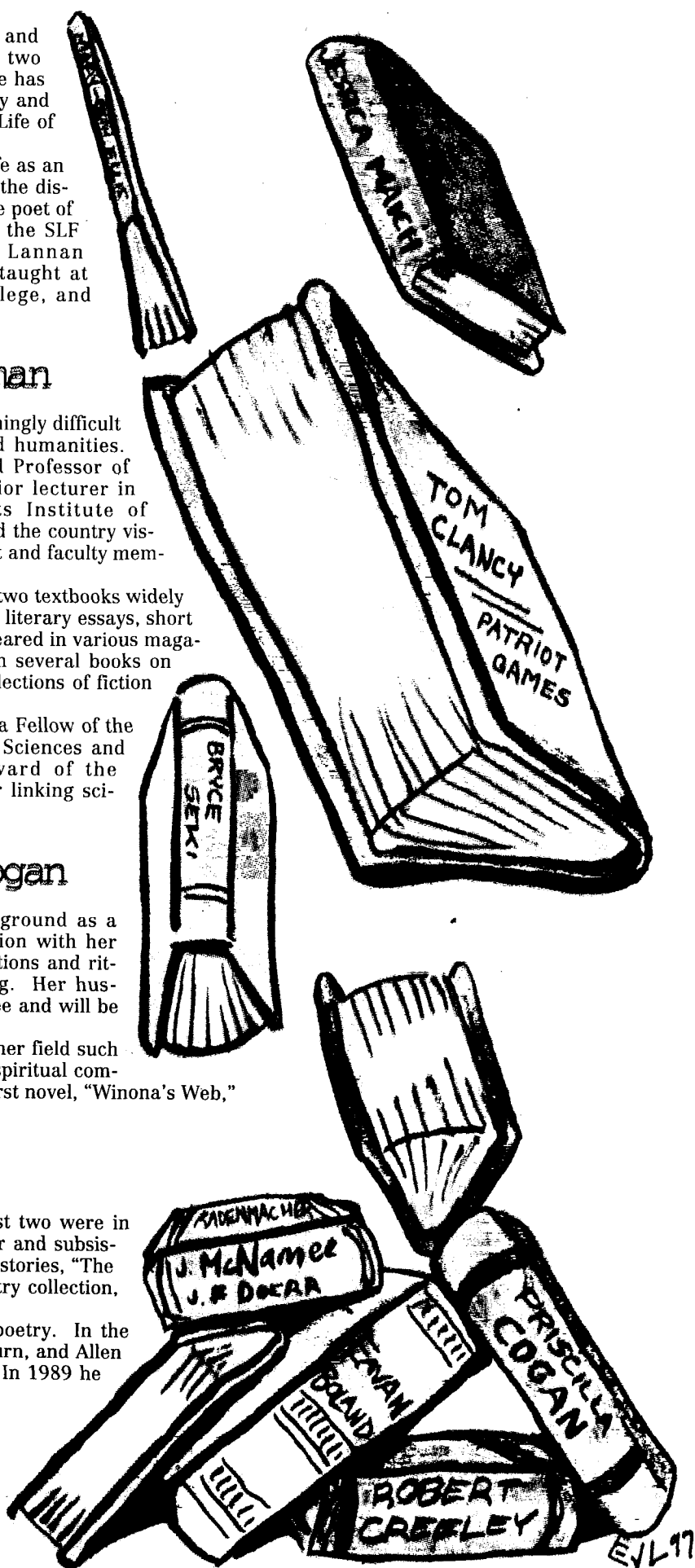
### Robert Creeley

Robert Creeley makes his third appearance at the Sophomore Literary Festival. The first two were in 1981 and 1982. Well-known as a writer, Creeley has also held jobs as an ambulance driver and subsistence farmer. But even as a writer, his work varies. Creeley has written a collection of short stories, "The Diggers," and a novel, "The Island," but is best known as a poet. His most recent poetry collection, "The Book of the Dead," was published in 1994.

While studying at Harvard, Creeley developed an interest in jazz which influenced his poetry. In the 1960s, he was part of the Black Mountain group which included poets Ed Dorn, Paul Blackburn, and Allen Ginsberg. Creeley has been granted two Guggenheim fellowships and a Rockefeller Grant. In 1989 he was named New York's official state poet.

## Notre Dame and Saint Mary's Students

The undergraduates reading on Tuesday night include Jim McNamee, Bryce Seki, Mary Ellis and Jacob Radenmacher. James Thomas, Jessica Maich, Jessica K. Szczepaniak and Joe Francis Doerr are the participating graduate students.



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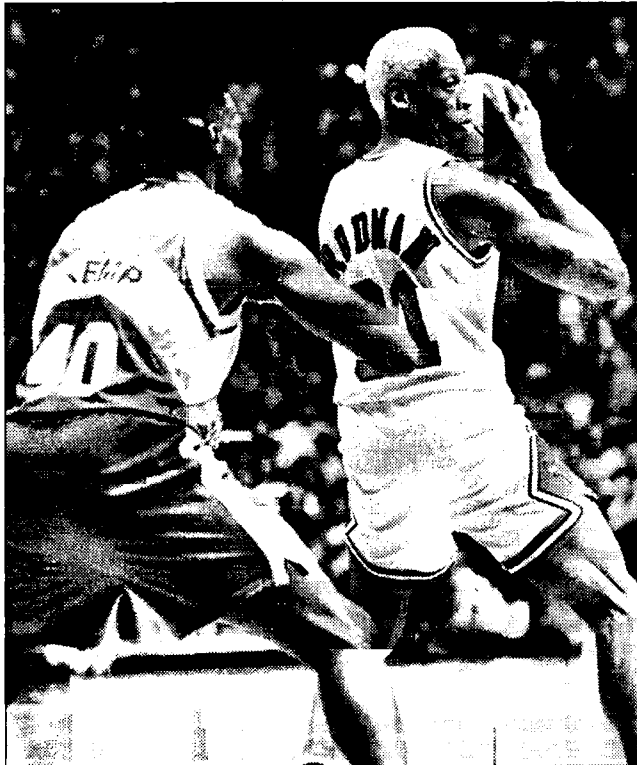
## ■ NBA

## Rodman renounces riches

By TIM DAHLBERG  
Associated Press

LAS VEGAS  
Dennis Rodman sat in a black leather slit skirt Thursday night to ruminate on the state of his world.

The irony of the arrest of the Minneapolis cameraman he was suspended for kicking dur-



The Observer/Mike Ruma  
Dennis Rodman, on a visit to the Jay Leno Show last night, restated his innocence.

ing a game wasn't lost during the appearance of the Chicago Bulls forward on the "Tonight Show" at the MGM Grand Hotel.

"It's a damn shame we've got people out there and the first thing out of their mouths is 'I'm going to sue,'" Rodman said. "Now he's in jail."

Actually, cameraman Eugene Amos wasn't in jail after his reported arrest for threatening his girlfriend.

That didn't matter much to Rodman, who sat in the ankle-length skirt and gold-sequined top and talked to Jay Leno about his problems.

"It wasn't fair to me," Rodman said of the 11-game suspension the NBA gave him. "I haven't raped anybody. I haven't been thrown in jail. I haven't done this, I haven't done that. Tell me something I've done that's been harmful."

Rodman was the opening guest on Leno's program, which is taping this week in Las Vegas. He bantered with Leno for a few minutes, then was given a pair of high-heeled basketball shoes from the host.

Rodman autographed the shoes and gave them to a woman in the front row of the audience.

He repeated his claim that he was trying to kick the camera and not Amos in the incident that cost him more than \$1 million in lost pay. Rodman also agreed to pay a reported \$200,000 settlement to the cameraman.

He also said his plans to donate his pay from his next 11 games to charity were sincere.

"This is no publicity stunt," Rodman said. "I'm gonna show the world and the commissioner and everybody that I don't need your money to play and be happy."

## Mills leads Detroit in win over Houston

By TOM WITHERS  
Associated Press

AUBURN HILLS, Mich.  
Terry Mills scored 14 of his 16 points in the second quarter and the Detroit Pistons went on to easily beat the slumping Houston Rockets 96-87 Thursday.

The Rockets, who were without both Clyde Drexler and Charles Barkley, have now lost six straight, while the Pistons have won six of seven. Detroit also improved to 7-2 at home against the Rockets since moving into the Palace of Auburn Hills.

Otis Thorpe had 14 points and 12 rebounds, while Grant Hill added 16 points and eight rebounds for Detroit, who had six players in double figures.

Hasheem Olajuwon led the Rockets with 18 points, but was held to just three rebounds. Kevin Willis added 17 points.

Mills led the onslaught, hitting four 3-pointers in as many attempts. The Pistons outshot the Rockets 68 percent to 35 percent for the quarter.

Detroit then started the second half with a 16-6 run to increase the margin to 22

points, 66-44. Theo Ratliff and Lindsey Hunter had six points each in the surge.

The score was 75-58 after three quarters, and the Rockets never made a run in the fourth.

KNICKS 98, SPURS 84

NEW YORK

Allan Houston scored 22 points, Larry Johnson added 20 and the New York Knicks went into the All-Star break with an easy 96-84 win Thursday night over the San Antonio Spurs.

Despite playing without center Patrick Ewing for the fourth straight game, the Knicks had little trouble with the over-matched Spurs, who dropped their sixth straight.

The Knicks went 3-1 without Ewing, who is sidelined with a groin injury and is skipping this weekend's All-Star game in Cleveland. Buck Williams provided New York with the inside muscle in Ewing's absence, grabbing 19 rebounds, including 10 on the offensive end.

New York has beaten San Antonio six straight times at home and won 17 of its last 18 at Madison Square Garden.

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## Preview

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squads though they may meet again in the Big East tournament. Last season, the Huskies got the best of the Domers in their three contests. All-everything Kara Wolters averaged over 27 points in the three games. Last January, UConn came to a jamming Joyce Center but the hometown crowd of over 6,000 was not enough as the Irish were intimidated and lost by a mark of 87-64.

The next game would be a different story as Notre Dame took the game to the 1996 national champions on their floor and played with the Huskies but dropped a seven point contest. In last year's Big East Championship game UConn again defeated Notre Dame 71-54.

So what needs to happen for McGraw's squad to tame the Huskies?

The Irish feel that they need to be concerned with their own game and not worry about Connecticut.

"We're still waiting for our good game, we haven't had a good 40 minute game all season long," senior forward Rosanne Bohman commented. "We haven't had a game where everyone plays really well and together so we're hoping that happens this Sunday."

McGraw echoed Bohman's sentiments. "We haven't yet had that game where we can all go into the locker room and say 'we all played well and that was the best we could play.'"

The undefeated Huskies boost one of the finest front-courts in the land as all three are scoring in double digits. Senior forward Carla Berube (10.4 ppg, 5.3 rpg) compliments Naismith Player of the Year finalists Wolters (17.2 ppg, 7.7 rpg) and Nykesha Sales (16.3 ppg, 5.3 rpg).

"Kara Wolters is a problem for us, we had a lot of trouble with her last year," McGraw said. "That's a great player and we know she's going to score we just don't want her to take over the game."

The squad hopes that their improving defense will help slow the Huskie rush.

"Defense is something we have tried to improve ourselves on over the year," Bohman said. "I think sometimes we have counted on our defense so we hope that we really have it Sunday."

McGraw counters Geno Auriemma's post players with Katryna Gaither in the middle, Bohman in the post and Beth Morgan in the swingman slot. All-American candidates, Gaither and Morgan, carry the offensive load for the Irish as Gaither nearly averages a double-double with 21.4 ppg and 9.2 rpg while Morgan pours in 17.1 a

game to go along with her 5.9 boards a contest.

On the perimeter the Irish will rely on senior Jeannine Augustin who Jeannine is the catalyst on defense and the floor general with the pest assist to turnover ratio on the team.

In last night's win the Irish suffered a setback as junior guard Mollie Peirick sprained her right ankle. Peirick is listed as questionable and will not practice today. Peirick has a knack for finding the open player and can drain the three and she will be missed if she is unable to play.

Off the bench sophomore guard Sheila McMillen has provided a spark with her sharp-shooting as she adds 8.7 points per game.

"We are just going to have to play our game," Gaither said. "Playing UConn, we need to get motivated. It is one of the toughest games we've played in a long while and everyone needs to play their role and everybody has got to play their game."

Although last year's contests found the Irish on the short end they believe they can build on last year's games.

"Last season we played them three times and the first time we ourselves out and in the second game we played right with them," Bohman said. "So, we need to tell ourselves that we can play with them."

"Having played them last year we know what to expect," McGraw said. "We played well against them last year, so our goal this year is to play a little bit better."

"I think we will be more comfortable and confident this year," senior guard Jeannine Augustin said. "I think the experience of playing them last year will be a big help because we know that we can play with them."

The match-up Sunday will feature much of the same players that were on display in last year's campaigns as the Irish lost two letter winners and UConn lost four.

"Really from last year to this year there isn't too much difference in our team," Bohman observed. "I think that the main difference is that we expect more this year. We've set our standards higher due to what we accomplished last year."

With their perfect record and championship, the Huskies also bring in 10,000 fans in Gampel Pavilion every game. But instead of being intimidated by the crowd the Irish feel they can turn it into a positive and they do not feel they will be affected.

"We look forward to that we love playing in front of a crowd," McGraw said. "To play in front of a sold out crowd of 10,000 is something we're looking forward to. It's an exciting atmosphere for women's basketball and we've got absolutely nothing to lose so we're not going to be intimidated at all."

"It shouldn't be an issue," Bohman said. "We can't let

ourselves get psyched out and with having such a big upper class I don't think that is going to happen."

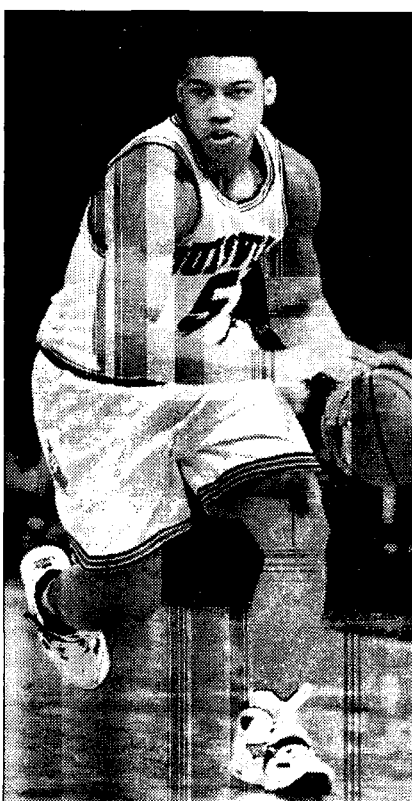
"We are going to come into a packed house, but we have to think about the game on the floor," Gaither explained. "The crowd is not involved, there's ten people on the court and a couple on the sidelines, so we just have to play our game."

The Irish will take the floor at 3 p.m. this Sunday and besides walking off with a big win they can walk off with a lot more.

"If we win it will be phenomenal for the team," Bohman said. "We've won big games all year and we're still waiting for people to realize that we are pretty good and a win over the best team in the country would do that."

"If we go out and play well, it will give us great confidence," McGraw said. "We know we have a great opportunity here to play the number one team in the nation. I think a win now would put us where we should be and I think we're a top ten team."

### COLLEGE BASKETBALL



### Fall down

In a last minute upset, Alvin Sims and #11 Louisville lost to St. Louis 64-62 last night. In the final two seconds, Sims choked, costing the Cardinals the game, and their ranking.

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## ■ COLLEGE BASKETBALL

## Jamison leads Tarheel romp

By DAVID DROSCHAK  
Associated Press Writer

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. Antawn Jamison wasn't ashamed to admit his pride had been hurt in his previous performances against Florida State. The all-ACC forward is also a good enough player to do something about it.

Jamison broke out of his slump against the Seminoles in a big way Thursday night, scoring 15 points and getting 15 rebounds as No. 20 North Carolina rolled to a 90-62 win.

"Early on I kind of tried to force some things, I kind of took it personal because there was so much stuff in the paper talking about this is the only team that can contain Antawn," the 6-foot-9 sophomore said. "But after that I got my head into the game."

"I took it really seriously. It's sad that I let things like this get to me but I am kind of young and still getting used to things," he said.

Jamison had plenty of help from freshmen point guard Ed Cota, who matched his career high with 14 points while adding 10 assists with only one turnover.

"He was obviously the difference in their team," Florida State coach Pat Kennedy said of Cota. "If he plays that way for them it creates a different dimension for them."

Shammond Williams had 18 points as the win by the Tar Heels (14-6, 4-5 Atlantic Coast Conference) kept alive hopes of a 33rd straight season with at

least a third-place finish in the ACC.

"It's a whole new start, we can reverse things around," Jamison said of the beginning of the second half of the ACC season for the Tar Heels. "Duke beat Wake Forest (Wednesday night) so we know some teams up there at the top are going to lose games. We have to play night in and night out and use our heads. This is going to be a different team."

The Seminoles (12-7, 3-7) further damaged their NCAA tournament chances, with games still left against top 10 opponents Maryland, Duke, Clemson and Wake Forest. James Collins led Florida State with 21 points.

"After 18 games this is the first one that we've really played poorly in," said Kennedy, whose club shot 36.9 percent while allowing the Tar Heels to shoot 56.1 percent, including 61.3 percent in the second half.

"They just looked like the team that had the driving incentive to win the basketball game," added Kennedy. "We certainly didn't show that at all."

North Carolina shot at least 50 percent for the fourth straight game.

The 6-foot-9 Jamison, the ACC's second-leading scorer, had averaged 9.0 points and 6.0 rebounds against Florida State in three previous games — well below his career averages. That included an 11-point, seven-rebound performance in an 84-71 loss at

Tallahassee on Jan. 22.

But Jamison vowed earlier in the week this time around would be different. The power forward had 10 of his season-high rebounds by halftime as the Tar Heels built their lead to as many as 16.

The Seminoles closed to 10 early in the second half before North Carolina's clinching 19-2 run. Jamison had five points during the spurt as the struggling Seminoles committed six turnovers and Randell Jackson missed a pair of dunks in the six-minute span.

By the time Jamison went to the bench with his fourth foul with 9:18 left, the Tar Heels led 67-41.

"He did a little bit more away from the basket," Kennedy said. "In Tallahassee, he tried to do so much next to the basket, now he's doing a little more away from the basket and that created opportunities for him."

The Tar Heels used a 15-2 run to build an early 22-10 lead as Cota scored in the lane and on a driving layup.

The Seminoles closed within seven moments later before a 9-0 spurt pushed the North Carolina margin to 16 — the largest of the first half.

Cota had a spectacular opening 20 minutes, scoring nine points on 3-for-3 shooting from the field and 3-for-4 from the foul line. He also dished out seven assists, breaking down the Florida State defense time and time again with penetration and swift passes from his point guard position.

## ■ RECRUITING

Irish awaiting  
'Minor' decision

*One of nation's  
top backs leaves  
recruiters anxious*

By BETSY BAKER  
Assistant Sports Editor

Travis Minor, the only recruit from whom the Notre Dame football team is awaiting word, may announce his decision today at 3 p.m. EST.

Minor, USA Today's Offensive Player of the Year, will decide between Notre Dame, Louisiana State, Florida State, and Florida, all of whom have pursued the 5-foot-11, 190-pound, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, native.

Minor would complete the talent-laden backfield of the Irish class of 2001, as he would join fellow Parade All-American tailbacks, Tony Driver and Cooper Rego.

Driver has not ruled out the possibility of playing wide-receiver, a decision that could entice Minor join the Irish.

Minor rushed for 1588 yards and 16 touchdowns last season. Minor epitomized the versatile player as he also had

five receiving touchdowns, with an average of 20.4 yards per pass reception, returned two kick-offs and one punt for touchdowns, and even threw for a touchdown.

He also claimed the Louisiana Class 5A track crown in the 100-meter dash with a time 10.37.

What has also impressed the nation's top programs, in addition to his size and speed, is his ability to read the opponent's defense and the confidence to take full advantage of that ability.

"It's all about hard work," Minor told SuperPrep recruiting magazine. "I pick up on the little things. If you watch me on film you'll see me in the end zone."

He added, "I have speed, vision, cutting ability and I read my blocks."

He carries that intelligence both on and off the field as he boasts a 3.6/4.0 grade point average.

With nearly all of their commitments signed and dotted, the Irish, and their competition for luring Minor, anxiously await the news, and expect to finally hear from him sometime today.

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## FENCING

# Fencers prepare to dual at Duke

By DAVID FRICK  
Sports Writer

The fencing squad will be finishing up a long and arduous stretch of five road matches this weekend by competing at Duke. The caliber of the opposition dictates that if they hope to come away victorious, the team will have to focus in on closing out the toughest stretch of their schedule.

"It'll be nice to finish up this long string of matches," said senior foil captain Rose Sari. "Certainly Stanford and Columbia will be tough, but all of the teams have a couple of strong fencers."

An indication of the opposition the Irish will be facing are featured in a pair of national champions, Stanford's foilist

Sean McClain and Duke's epeeist Jeremy Kahn. However, one of the key matchups of the meet will feature sophomore foilist Sara Walsh and her top competition Stanford's freshman foilist Monique de Bruin, younger sister of former Irish All-American fencer Claudette de Bruin. While Walsh has compiled an undefeated record 34-0 thus far this year, the top opposition may prove to be this weekend.

"I haven't really had to face the top fencers yet, but my good friend Monique should prove to be one of the toughest. She's been in national competitions and is very gifted," said Walsh.

"I think the most interesting head to head meet should be Sara versus Monique. Both are

very experienced and talented," said head coach Yves Auriol.

The team has gone eye to eye with the stiffest competition in the country and refused to blink during this stretch of meets. If the trend of exceptional play continues, this weekend could prove to be the springboard to boost the teams as the Midwest Team Championships and the NCAA Championships approach.

"This weekend is important because nationals are coming up and we'd like to be in as good of position as possible," said Auriol.

The meet will also be significant because many of the competitors are located on the East coast. This rare chance to get a look at the Eastern teams gives the squad an advantage over teams that tend to stay in their section of the country to compete.

"We feel as if we are building up our schedule by competing against these top teams. You don't really get a chance to see how good you are if you stay in the Midwest against the same teams all of the time," says Auriol.

"This weekend will be a good learning situation because we don't always get to see the teams in the East," said senior epee captain Phil Lee.

The team also relishes the chance to visit the relative warmth of the North Carolina. But more so than the weather, the squad can appreciate the great effort and organization Duke puts forth to make this competition one of the top in the nation.

"The Duke meet is really great. They have one of the best organized tournaments around, and some of the nicest facilities. It is a real treat," said Auriol.



The Notre Dame fencing team heads to Durham, North Carolina, this weekend for one of the toughest meets of the season against Duke.



Sophomore fencer Sara Walsh will put her undefeated 34-0 record on the line this weekend.

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## ■ WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

# Ranked teams show no mercy

By ANNE M. PETERSON  
Associated Press

Virginia 90  
Virginia Tech 41

STANFORD, Calif.

Jamila Wideman scored a season-high 24 points as No. 3 Stanford drubbed Southern California 103-69 on Thursday night.

Charmin Smith added 17 points and eight rebounds for Stanford (22-1, 10-0 Pac-10), which holds the lead in the Pacific-10 Conference over second-place USC (14-5, 8-2).

The Trojans' first conference loss came against Stanford earlier this year, 77-76. Stanford wasn't going to let USC get that close this time.

With a 9-3 run to open the second half, Stanford took a 55-36 lead and USC could only chip away haphazardly at the margin for the rest of the game.

Wideman, who had only five points in the first half, went on a personal 11-7 run against the Trojans to set the tone for the second half.

Stanford led by as many as 13 points twice in the first half, including 46-33 at half-time.

The Trojans were able to hold Kate Starbird, who averages 22 points a game, scoreless until midway through the first half, when she hit two free throws. She finished the half with 10 points and ended the game with 14.

While USC was keeping an eye on Starbird, Vanessa Nygaard handily picked up the slack for the Cardinal, scoring all her 16 points in the first half.

USC was led by Tina Thompson with 29 points and seven rebounds. Kristin Clark added 19 points.

Stanford has won 37 straight conference games, and has a 43-game winning streak at home, the longest current Division I home streak.

BLACKSBURG, Va.

Tora Suber and the Virginia defense blitzed Virginia Tech into submission.

The No. 10 Cavaliers opened the game with a 23-3 run, which included nine Virginia Tech turnovers, en route to a 90-41 victory Thursday night.

"We were shell-shocked for the first five minutes," said Hokies coach Carol Alfano, whose team trailed 52-19 at the half.

Suber, who had 12 points, four assists and four steals, was too much for Sherry Banks to handle. The Hokies senior point guard, who ended up with four points and two assists, picked up her fourth foul with 8:48 left in the first half.

"She was matched up against maybe the best guard in the country," Alfano said.

The Cavaliers opened the game with a press and let up only when it was clear the game was well in hand.

"If it gets too lopsided, they lose their focus," Virginia coach Debbie Ryan said of her team. "You want them to maintain their focus."

The Cavaliers (17-4) had a 46-23 rebounding advantage and held the Hokies (7-16) to 17-of-55 (30.9 percent) shooting for the game. The Hokies finished with 28 turnovers, 19 in the first half.

DeMya Walker led the Cavaliers with 16 points and Kate Mooney had 15, making all five of her 3-pointers. Monick Foote and Lisa Hosac each had 10, and Hosac added 11 rebounds.

Renee Maitland led Virginia Tech with 12 points.

Walker said the Cavaliers made it a point not to let down.

"Even though things appear to be less difficult, we still have to come out and play focused," she said.

Alabama 102, Arkansas 61

TUSCALOOSA, Ala.

No. 7 Alabama played so well Thursday night that coach Rick Moody was virtually a spectator.

"It was one of those nights where everything went our way. From a coaching standpoint, believe it or not, I did not call a single play," Moody said after his Tide beat No. 17 Arkansas 102-61.

Pam Duncan scored 20 points and led six Alabama players in double digits.

Alabama (18-4, 6-2 Southeastern Conference) opened the game with an 11-2 run and didn't trail. The Tide led 52-27 at halftime after hitting 8-of-12 from 3-point range.

In the second half, Alabama led by as much as 44 points.

"We executed well tonight. We were pushing the ball up the court all night," said Dominique Canty, who finished with 19 points.

The Tide shot 49 percent on the game, including a season-high 52 percent from long range, and held Arkansas (15-6, 4-4) to 39 percent, 26 percent from behind the arc.

Alabama also outrebounded the Razorbacks 55-31.

"We have worked hard the past few weeks on our transition game and our offense," Moody said. "This was more like Alabama basketball than I have seen in a long, long time."

Shalonda Enis added 16 points for the Tide, Leah Monteith hit 13 points, Brittney Ezell 12 points and Yolanda Watkins 11. Latrish Jones grabbed 11 rebounds.

They are a very good team," Arkansas' Shaka Massey said.

## Role

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intensity when I'm on the floor," Augustin stated. "When I'm in the game I can give the team a spark."

Augustin's defensive pressure ignites the rest of the Irish game as she creates turnovers which key the transition game which they have used to dominate opponents. She also takes responsibility in being one of the squad's captains.

"I try to get the team inspired," Augustin said. "I try to get everyone to work together."

Augustin has lead the team in the assist column with 113 through 24 games while committing just 66 turnovers. Her 52 steals puts her second on the team behind Gaither's 55.

In the post, Bohman has been a solid performer all year long as she averages nine points and over five rebounds a contest.

"Rosanne has been playing very well in the past several games, she's rebounding, scoring, and playing great defense," McGraw said. "She's playing the best basketball of her career right now."

Bohman's physical style of play compliments Gaither's scoring touch to give the Blue and Gold a difficult front court for opponents to handle.

"Rosanne's our strength of the team," Gaither explained. "She gets into the physical aspect of the game and she is very strong and when they're double-teaming we she can go to the basket and make moves that I couldn't."

Bohman's blue collar style of play is something that one does

not see in the box score as it is not a job that comes with much glory.

"I'm kind of the person on the team that takes a lot of abuse," said Bohman. "I like to do a lot of the dirty work that people don't normally like to do. I like setting hard screens and battling on the inside."

Augustin and Bohman are part of one of the most successful classes in Notre Dame's history. Along with Gaither and Beth Morgan the class of 1997 has brought the program into the national spotlight.

"It's really exciting because when we came in I didn't think that we were expecting this much," Bohman said. "It's really neat to see everyone in the senior class just raise their game to a new level because of each other."

"It's really a great feeling," Augustin said. "We've been together for four years and its great for the Notre Dame program and great for us in our senior year as it will probably be our best."

While this class has been under the Dome the team has compiled an 85-29 record and last season they finished ranked 21st in the nation and won the school's first ever NCAA Tournament game.

However, they are far from done as they are currently ranked 15th in the country and are tied with the University of Connecticut for the top slot in the Big East. This Sunday they have a chance to knock off the top ranked Huskies and continue to shine in the national spotlight. In order to do that they will again look for the sometimes unseen efforts of Augustin and Bohman to find a way to victory.

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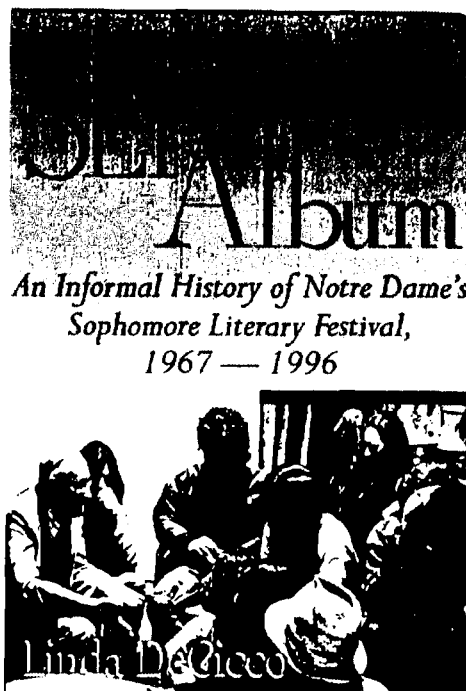
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## ■ WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

## Irish defeat Syracuse, look to UConn

By JOE CAVATO  
Sports Writer

With the much anticipated showdown with the top-ranked Connecticut Huskies just days away, this past week the Notre Dame women's basketball team was surrounded with Huskie talk. But, last night Syracuse visited the Joyce and Muffet McGraw's squad put their attention on the Orangewomen. Seven players wearing the Gold and Blue scored in double figures as managed to come away with a 90-73 triumph pushing their winning streak to ten games.

"I think focus was our problem," McGraw admitted as she picked up her 201st win while strolling the Irish sidelines. "All everyone wanted to talk about was the Connecticut game. We haven't talked about it as a group, but outside pressures have been focusing on that so it was difficult to focus for this game."

"With everything that's

been going on this week with UConn, it's been hard for us to remember we had a game," senior forward Rosanne Bohman said. "I think that got the best of us."

You wouldn't have been able to tell that the Irish (20-4, 12-0) didn't know there was a game from the first couple of minutes. Junior guard Mollie Peirick scored the first six points of the game as the Domers jumped on top 12-2.

After a Syracuse time out, Orangewoman Raquel Nurse got her squad into the flow of the high scoring affair as she scored five of her team high 18 on two consecutive possessions.

Instead of the potential All-American inside outside tandem of Beth Morgan and Katryna Gaither struggling, another inside-outside combination lead the squad in the first half. Bohman and Peirick lead Notre Dame in scoring on the evening with 16 and 15 points respectively.

"I thought after Beth and

Katryna were struggling Mollie stepped up and played really hard as well as Rosanne," McGraw said.

"It seems like teams are double teaming Katryna a lot and they are always going to have someone on Beth," Bohman explained. "So, that opened things up and it made it easy to score."

Morgan couldn't get on track as she scored 11 on untypical 4 for 14 shooting. Syracuse was also putting their attention on Gaither who burned the Orangewomen the last time the two squads played. Gaither still managed to put in 14 as others picked up the slack.

Junior Kari Hutchinson tied her career best effort with 11 off the bench. Hutchinson also snagged five rebounds as she put in a solid 23 minutes.

"I think Kari might have had her best game of the season tonight," McGraw remarked. "She came off the bench and had a terrific game."

After Peirick sprained her ankle as she was fouled after hitting a three, Sheila McMillen hit Peirick's free throws and on the next two trips down she connected from long range. McMillen finished with 11 points in 23 minutes.

Peirick remained on the bench but did not return as she suffered some swelling in her right ankle. She is listed as questionable for Sunday's game at Connecticut.

Point guard Jeannine Augustin had nine assists and took advantage of her chances at the charity stripe as she score ten points and was six for six from the free throw line.

In the second half Notre Dame's lead grew to as many as 25, but a Syracuse press and 25 free throw attempts kept the Orangewomen from being blown out of the gym.

The Irish will hope they can ride on the wings of their ten game win streak when the battle the Huskies for first place in the Big East this Sunday.

## AP WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL RANKINGS

1	Connecticut	20-0
2	Old Dominion	19-1
3	Stanford	21-1
4	Louisiana Tech	19-2
5	North Carolina	19-1
6	Georgia	16-4
7	Alabama	17-4
8	Texas	15-3
9	Tennessee	16-7
10	Virginia	15-3
11	Louisiana State	18-1
12	Kansas	16-3
13	Florida	16-5
14	Texas Tech	13-5
15	Notre Dame	19-4
16	Vanderbilt	14-6
17	Arkansas	15-5
18	Illinois	17-4
19	Clemson	14-6
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## ■ COLLEGE BASKETBALL

## Bearcats win slim victory over Tulane

By JOE KAY  
Associated Press

CINCINNATI — Danny Fortson, fresh off a one-game suspension, scored 34 points and made a layup with less than a second to play Thursday night, giving No. 12 Cincinnati a 65-64 victory over No. 21 Tulane.

Fortson took a full-court inbound pass from Bobby Brannen, drove down the right

side of the key and scored with two-tenths of a second left for a 65-63 lead. The basket gave Cincinnati (16-4, 5-1 Conference USA) its first victory over a ranked team this season.

Several Cincinnati players piled up under the basket after the shot, and the Bearcats were called for a technical foul.

But Tulane (16-6, 7-1) wasted its chance when Jerald

Honeycutt missed the first of two free throws. He made the second shot, then Tulane failed to score on its inbound pass.

The loss snapped Tulane's 11-game winning streak and gave the Green Wave seven losses in their last eight against the Bearcats.

Rayshard Allen led Tulane with 20 points. Honeycutt scored 17 on 5-of-13 shooting.

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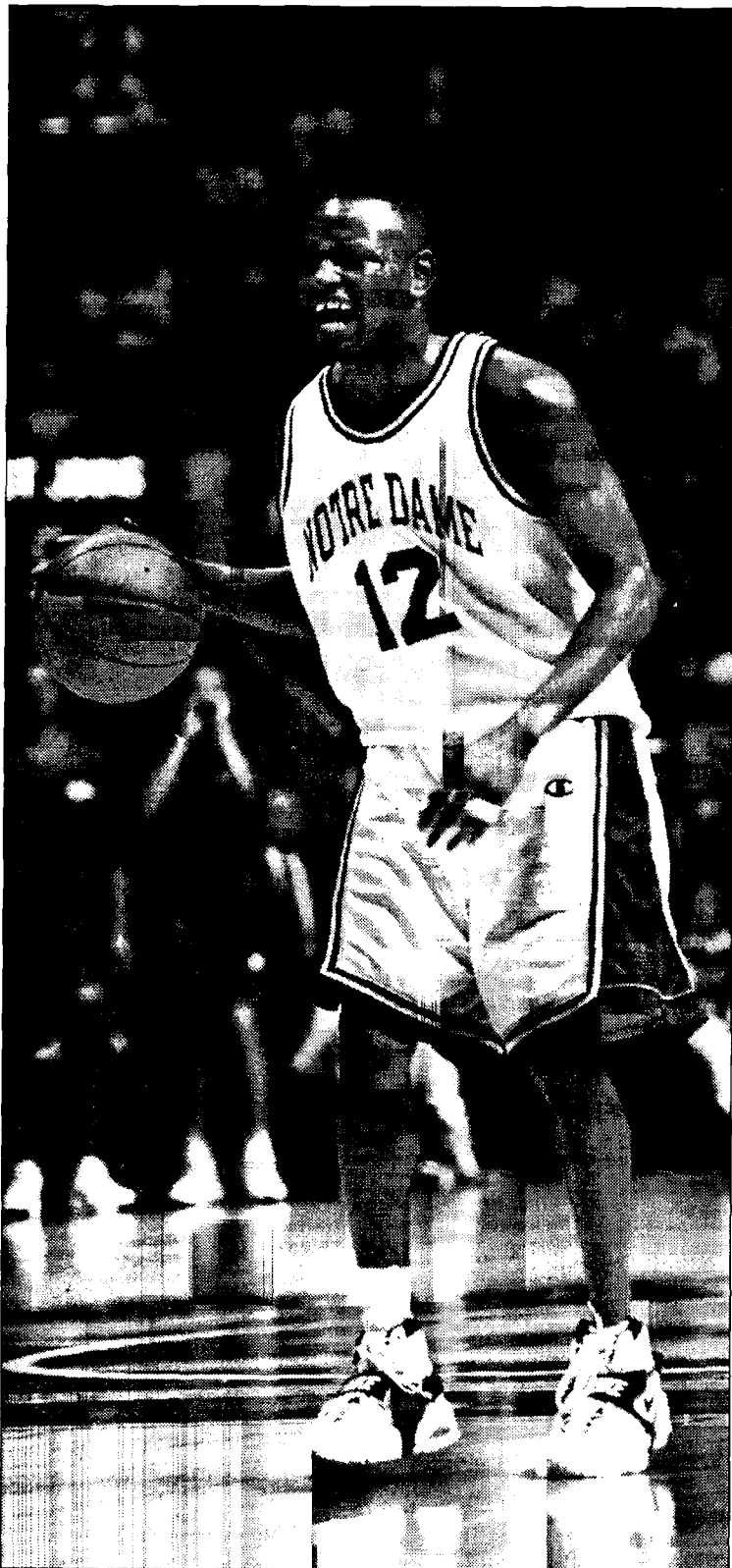
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Admore White leads the Irish offense, ranking 18th nationally with 6.3 assists per game.

## White

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year and the emergence of then freshman Doug Gottlieb, White became a full-time fill-in.

After averaging 17.4 minutes his freshman year, White started just four games last season, compiling 12.2 minutes per game. His shot occasionally found nothing but air and his passes regularly found opposition hands.

"Sure, I had some bad games," White said. "People expected me to do a lot more last year. People are going to be down on you when you're down and that was just the case last year. I didn't play that well and they had a right to be that way."

While still displaying flashes of brilliance, White's inconsistent play kept him out of the starting lineup as Gottlieb became the new golden boy of Irish hoops.

White was no longer a major piece of the Big East puzzle.

"It was definitely tough," White said. "I began the year starting and I lost my position. But I understood where coaching (John MacLeod) was coming from. I wasn't producing so he had to go with someone that was going to produce."

"That's what he did, but I felt I still could contribute to the team and come out and play aggressive. I just never got down on myself and kept working hard."

The off-season brought Hoover's graduation and Gottlieb's arrest, leaving White the sudden heir to the Irish point guard spot.

He wanted to start being a starter again.

"I've been in that situation before," White added. "It wasn't anything new to me. I know how to handle that kind of situation. I just told myself be ready to play and go out and play as hard as I can."

Getting that chance and taking advantage of it are two different things. White now had a chance to reinsert himself back into that Big East puzzle. It took a little longer to find the perfect fit.

"I started off the year shooting poorly," he admitted. "I wasn't really worried about it. It was just a matter of time. I was just rushing it at the beginning of the year."

Not rushing it has been the biggest transformation of White's game this season. Developing patience has made White one of the top point guards in the conference. His 6.3 assists also rank him 18th nationally in that category.

In the win against St. John's, White dished out eight assists to just three turnovers. It was a typical performance this season of adding more assists and subtracting costly turnovers.

The shooting problem has also remedied itself with White hitting for double figures in four of the past five games. As floor general, White has demonstrated the ability to

drain the bail-out jumper when all else fails.

Something leaders tend to do. "I've been playing a lot better and feeling more confident," White added. "Playing more has helped me get to this point. I'm expected to run the team on the floor. I'm receiving more confidence from the coaches and players."

Just listen. "Admore's so composed out there," guard Pete Miller said after Wednesday's win. "He's definitely the leader out there. He took the ball to the hole, hit open people and made his free throws."

Being able to do all those things serves as a reflection of White's progress over four years. From riding high his freshman year, to sitting on the bench the next two years, to riding high once again, there's one thing he always kept doing.

"My mom always tells me that when you work hard things work out in the end and right now it seems like it's going all right," White said.

Sounds like a happy ending. Happy especially for White who waited patiently to work himself out of being trapped on the bench.

In case you were wondering, Garrity got that easy basket against St. John's when White waited patiently before throwing a pass that split the trap and found Garrity on the other end.

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## HOCKEY

# Under pressure

*Prognosticators deem Irish/Buckeye match-up as key games to season*

By CHARLEY GATES

Sports Writer

"Biggest games of the season," "extremely important opportunity," and "season-defining weekend," were some of the phrases Notre Dame hockey players were using to describe their match-up against Ohio State in Central Collegiate Hockey Association action this weekend.

If those players' words don't capture how critical this pair of games is, perhaps the following fact will.

Eight teams from the ten-team CCHA advance to the playoffs. Currently, the Irish sit in eighth place by the slimmest of margins - they hold a tenuous one-point edge over the Buckeyes with seven games remaining. This weekend, four points hang in the balance, and the team that comes away with the most points will clearly be in the driver's seat the rest of the way.

"This weekend is huge for us," stated junior goaltender Matt Eisler, who shut out Ohio State earlier in the season and who is in the process of turning in of the finest seasons by an Irish netminder in the past quarter-century. "This is what our season boils down to. It's in our hands, and I like that. It's up to us and no one else."

"This is easily these are biggest games of the season," added sophomore forward Brian Urlick, who along with freshman forward Joe Dusbabek has led the team in scoring for most of the year. "To get into the playoffs we need two victories."

As the playoff picture develops, three scenarios for this weekend exist. Scenario One: the Buckeyes win both games. This would mortally wound the Boys of Witner's playoff chances, as the Buckeyes would move into eighth place and lead them by three points in the standings. Furthermore,



Freshman sensation Ben Simon and the Irish go into clutch games against Ohio State this weekend.

Ohio State's five remaining games are at home, and three of them are against Western Michigan and Bowling Green, which are softer teams as the CCHA goes.

Scenario Two: The teams split, with each team earning a victory. Clearly this is not the preferred outcome for the Boys, but they would retain eighth place by one point and would win any tiebreaker between the teams (since the Irish won the head-to-head series, 2-1, this season). "We need at least a split," stated Eisler. "But if that happened it would be a dogfight the rest of the way." Indeed it would, as the remaining Irish schedule is tougher than the Buckeye's, since it includes two games against top-ranked Michigan and one against Michigan State.

Scenario Three: The Irish win both games. Clearly the consensus choice amongst the players, this would give the Irish a five-point cushion and the tie breaker advantage as

they head into their more difficult games.

How did the Boys prepare for such a defining weekend?

"We actually had a day off," stated freshman defenseman Sean Seyferth. "Coach [Dave Poulin] gave us Tuesday off, since we had played five games in eight days before that. We've had days off before. It lets guys rest and collect themselves. This is a weekend where we can't afford to be tired."

"It helped me a lot," observed Urlick. "It healed my body and helped me get focused."

The rest of the time the team worked on the basics; no razzle dazzle, no fancy games plans, just skating, passing, and the power play. They have also worked on focusing and concentrating. "You always have to concentrate if you want to play well," quipped Seyferth. "I definitely think that being focused and playing well all around is the key," added Eisler. "We don't need to change our game, we just need

to score and to play our game to the fullest. It also has a lot to do with executing."

In one of their five CCHA wins this season, Notre Dame pummeled the Buckeyes, 5-0, but the players didn't believe that game them any big edge in the upcoming games. "It might be a little edge," said Seyferth. "But the fact that we need to win is more of a motivating factor."

"I don't think it gives us an edge at all," state Urlick. "You just have to be ready to play and win every time."

The keys for success this weekend are simple. Eisler must continue his strong play in net, the team needs to be focused and avoid unnecessary penalties, and they must score. "That's definitely true," observed Urlick, who is no stranger to the back of the net. "We just need to score goals."

Two Notre Dame victories this weekend is very realistic. Noted Eisler, "There's no doubt that we should win both games."

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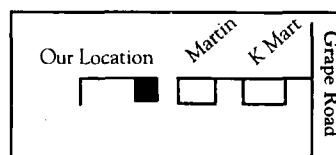
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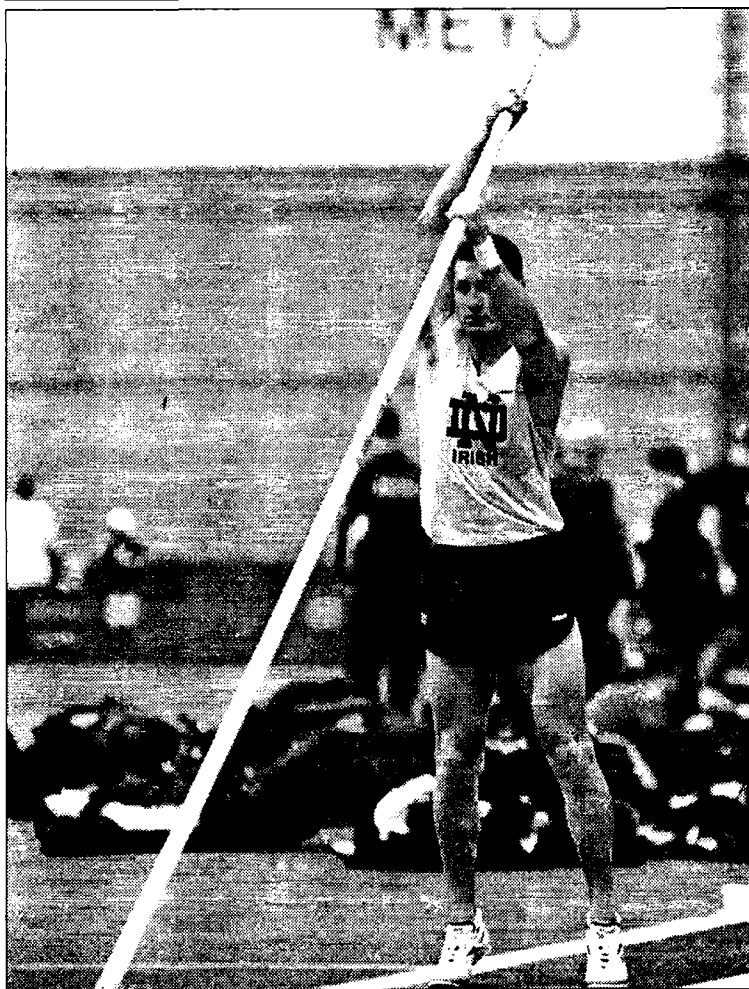
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Freshman pole vaulter Michael Brown will look to reach new heights as the Irish head to Indianapolis or East Lansing this weekend.

## ■ TRACK

# Irish split squad to prepare

## Notre Dame track team looks towards Big East

By WILLY BAUER  
Sports Writer

After three consecutive meets, the Irish coaches plan to give some runners a week off in order to prepare for the Big East Indoor Track Championships.

"We are going to send a few men and women to Indianapolis (site of the Butler Invitational) and Michigan (Central Collegiate Championships)," said coach Joe Piane earlier in the week. "We are going to sit a lot of people, however. We're really looking forward to the Big East meet."

Woman's coach Tim Connelly will be sending a trio of strong runners to the Butler Invitational in Indianapolis, but resting the long distance runners.

"We're going to run against some good people," said Connelly. "Hopefully, some of the kids will get some qualifying times (for the NCAA's) or

improve on their current ones."

Freshman sensation Dominique Calloway will participate in the 200-meter dash and the hurdles. Calloway will represent the Irish at the NCAA indoor championships in the 60-meter hurdles and 200-meter runs.

Sophomore Nadia Schmiedt and Senior Alison Howard will go head-to-head in the 400-meters at the Butler Invitational. Howard won the 400-meter dash at the Meyo Invitational and Schmiedt won the 500-meters.

For the men, continuity has been key. The distance, sprints and jumps team have combined for continued Irish success.

Jeff Hojnacki, Marshaun West and Errol Williams have been the team's stalwarts.

Williams has dashed away his career best in the 60-meter hurdles at the Meyo Invitational by .01 seconds. He

has placed in his three races all season.

Hojnacki has been at the head of the pack in the 800-meters. He won the Meyo Invitational and against Indiana, both events at the friendly confines of Loftus.

West may be the freshman of the year for the men's team. He has dominated the long jump events, clearing 24 feet in each event. He won the event at the Meyo Invitational and against Indiana, and finished second at the Michigan Invitational.

The Irish will see some tough competition at the meet. The Butler Invitational will host Stanford, Villanova, Arkansas, North Carolina and Florida, along with Notre Dame.

"There is a very good field," said Connelly. "The teams had to meet entry standards to run. We're only sending a few kids, so we're looking for individual performances rather than a team performance."

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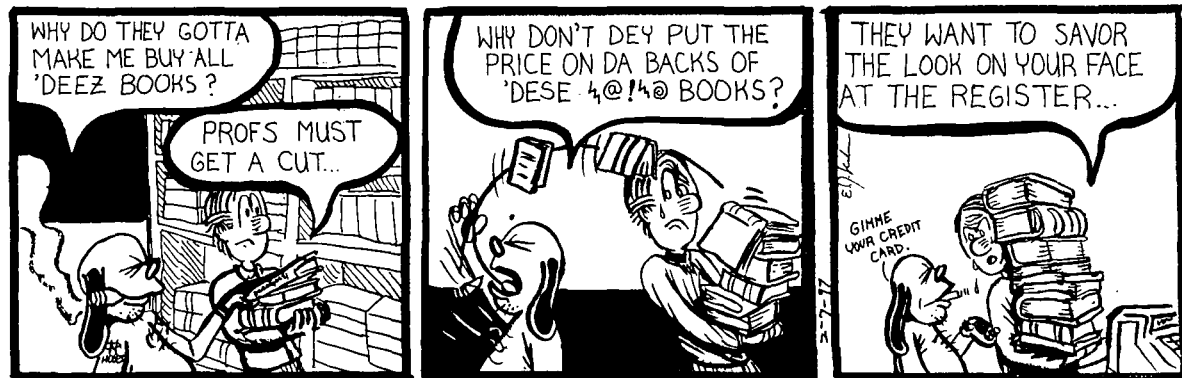


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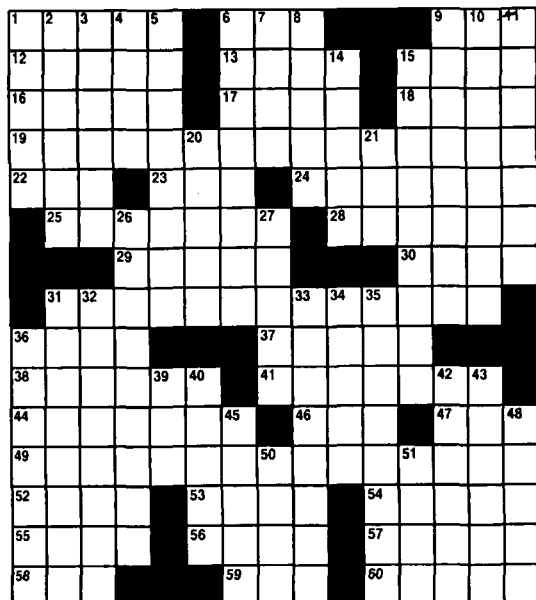
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- 15 Design style, informally
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- 17 Word with military or heating
- 18 12/24 and 12/31
- 19 Slots
- 22 Voting day: Abbr.
- 23 "Holy smokes!"

- 24 Young women, Down Under
- 25 Ming the Merciless, e.g.
- 28 It's also called Plexiglas
- 29 Nancy's opposite number, once
- 30 Out of port
- 31 They hang around in the tropics
- 36 Small fastener
- 37 Full of pep
- 38 Erasure, in Rouen
- 41 Places in control again
- 44 Gelid
- 46 Like some verbs: Abbr.

- 47 Group with the hit CD "Monster"
- 49 Field day contest
- 52 Eye drop
- 53 Nanking nanny
- 54 Eastern prince
- 55 Doesn't keep up
- 56 Number of shoes?
- 57 Lover, in Le Havre
- 58 Ample shoe width
- 59 Shaver
- 60 1911 song "I — Girl..."

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- 1 Gog, of film sci-fi
- 2 Means of access
- 3 Lew, after 1971
- 4 Lab item
- 5 Popular game
- 6 Nickname for a Nova Scotian
- 7 Range of frequencies
- 8 Plagiarizes
- 9 Infernal
- 10 Protective overlays
- 11 Site of the Bay of Whales
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- 15 Commits



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- 20 Video game hero
- 21 Opposite of alt
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- 31 Windpipes
- 32 Delivery of goods by ship
- 33 Journeyed through snow
- 34 Bibliothèque item
- 35 Lose one's balance?
- 36 Nutty confection
- 39 Lobster coral
- 40 Greek name for Greece
- 42 Nerva's successor
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**CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY:** children's author Laura Ingalls Wilder, jazz man Eubie Blake, actress Erin Gray, baseball player Dan Quisenberry.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19): Get started on a difficult project early in the day. An expert's help may be necessary to meet a deadline. Your weekend plans are subject to change. Playing chess or cards will help you relax.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20): Unexpected developments at work could throw your schedule off. An older person offers advice that will save you time and money. Happy, partners are in tune.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20): You are on the right track where a client or contract is concerned. Maneuver quietly behind the scenes to accomplish your goals. Remain mum if someone asks leading questions.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22): A business idea may prove impractical. Guard against putting the cart before the horse. Be patient while trying to sort out a problem involving a co-worker.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22): Pay extra attention to your appearance today. The right accessories can make an outfit look like a million dollars! Body language will reveal a

great deal about a difficult personal relationship.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You may be too free with your money. Learn how to socialize without being extravagant. Friends could offer to arrange a special introduction. Instant rapport is likely.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Steer clear of others' get-rich-quick schemes. You cannot afford to let anyone talk you into taking a financial gamble. Guard a loved one's confidences.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): A sudden change of plans will surprise you. Trust your instincts about a relationship. Evening is the best time to get together with close friends.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Others react favorably to your persuasive arguments. Avoid talking shop at social events. Keep dinner table conversation light and entertaining.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Working side by side with a potential romantic partner will let the two of you learn a lot about each other. Consider going into business together. Surprising news arrives from overseas. Plan on visiting friends.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Sign contracts only after reading the fine print. It may be necessary to consult a lawyer. A collaborative venture will win widespread applause. Get together with a co-worker after hours. Familiarity could breed romance!

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■ OF INTEREST

■ **Elizabeth Aubrey**, professor of music at the University of Iowa, will present a lecture entitled, "Finding, Telling, and Singing the Theme of a Medieval Song" today at 4:30 p.m. in rm. 124 Crowley Hall. All are invited to attend. The lecture is sponsored by the Dept. of Music.

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## ■ MEN'S BASKETBALL

# Coming Full Circle

*Senior Admore White has cut the turnovers and emerged to lead Notre Dame*

By JOE VILLINSKI  
Associate Sports Editor

Admore White was trapped on the baseline last Wednesday night.

Two St. John's defenders had the Irish guard tied up in the corner, offering him little room to operate.

Five seconds later, forward Pat Garrity was converting an easy layup.

What happened within that short time frame makes for a much longer story. A story about a new Irish floor leader who will direct his team against Connecticut tomorrow afternoon at the Joyce Center.

The fact that White has settled into a leadership role comprises the end of this story. Here's the beginning.

Wednesday night wasn't the first time White was trapped. The native of Lauderdale Lakes, Florida found himself trapped on the bench all last season. With sharpshooter Ryan Hoover playing his final



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Senior guard Admore White's offensive presence and improved shooting will lead the Irish as they host Connecticut this Saturday.

## ■ WOMEN'S BASKETBALL



The Observer/Mike Ruma

Senior floor general Jeannine Augustin controls the dynamic Irish offense with the best assist to turnover ratio on the squad.

# On a Role

By JOE CAVATO  
Sports Writer

You will not find them heading the box score or all over the record books. You will not find them on any All-American teams, but you will find them at the heart of the success of Notre Dame's women's basketball team and their current ten game winning streak.

They are Jeannine Augustin and

Rosanne Bohman, two players who do not get that much attention although they are pivotal in Irish victories. These seniors have assumed the job of 'role' players and have provided head coach Muffet McGraw with consistent and sometimes unsung play, day in and day out.

"Jeannine does an excellent job taking care of the basketball and is our best defensive player," head



The Observer/Mike Ruma

Rosanne Bohman's blue-collar style of play helps her squad dominate in the paint.

coach Muffet McGraw commented. "She is a real spark."

"I think my role as a point guard is to control the tempo of the game," Augustin commented.

"Jeannine is a great defensive player and is very quick," said teammate Katryna Gaither. "Her defense is key, it really gets us going."

"I try to bring a level of defensive

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# Opportunity Knocks

By JOE CAVATO  
Sports Writer

A national championship. A perfect record. A number one ranking. A 34 game winning streak. What do all these Connecticut Huskies' accomplishments translate into for the Notre Dame women's basketball team? A great opportunity.

This Sunday the Irish (20-4, 12-0) will head to Storrs, Connecticut where they will bring their ten game win streak to chal-

lenge the top-ranked Huskies (21-0, 12-0) in a clash of Big East titans in hopes of claiming sole possession of first place in the Big East as well as being thrust into the national spotlight.

"We'll be happy to be the underdogs for a change," head coach Muffet McGraw said. "It's a great challenge and opportunity for us."

This Sunday's contest is the only game scheduled that matches these

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Connecticut head coach Geno Auriemma is preparing his top-ranked Huskies to host the Irish this Saturday.

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