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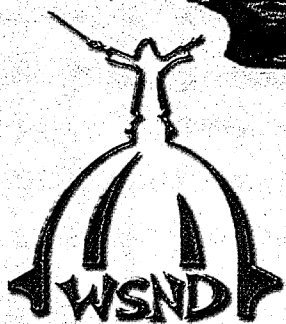
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Is Saturday now the only day that matters at Notre Dame?

Notre Dame — which, according to the quip of one New York radio host, tries to be “Harvard Monday through Friday and Alabama on Saturday” — made athletic history on Tuesday. For the first time in its history, the university prematurely terminated its contract with a head football coach — who also happens to be its first African-American head coach in any sport.

The controversy surrounding the firing of Tyrone Willingham is not bound to die down anytime soon. Was Willingham given enough time to properly establish a winning football program? Are the remarkable academic achievements of his players inconsequential? Is the future of minority hiring in college football at risk? Has Notre Dame’s image been tarnished?

These are only some of the myriad questions dominating the sports headlines this week. Regardless of where one stands on the decision “not to retain” Willingham, it is clear that the university made a bold statement on Tuesday and broke a tradition that harkens back to the Hesburgh era. The next few months will see significant discussion about the direction of Notre Dame football and of collegiate football in general. This discussion is long overdue.

From One Family to Another

Our thoughts are, and will continue to be, with the Ebersol family. We hope that the long-standing love demonstrated by Dick and Charlie for this school is returned equally with the heartfelt prayers of the Notre Dame community.

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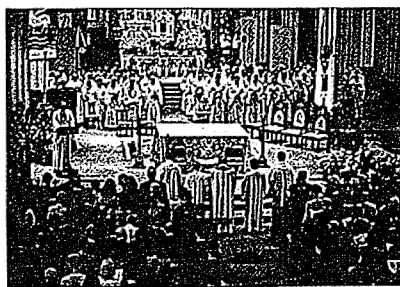
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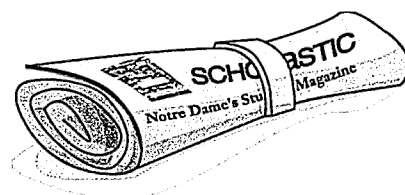
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TOMATO FAMINE AT THE DINING HALL

One would think that \$7 per dining hall meal would entitle one to the red fruit, even if the hurricanes have devastated the U.S. supply.

We Doth Protest Too Much?

Notre Dame avoids the real issue over free speech on campus

SCHOLASTIC EXECUTIVE STAFF

As a private institution, Notre Dame is not legally obligated to uphold its students' First Amendment rights on campus. However, two events this semester evidence the need for the administration to re-evaluate and revamp its regulation of student demonstrations on campus.

The first of these events occurred on Oct. 9, the day before the home football game against Stanford, when Notre Dame Right to Life's "Cemetery of the Innocents" display was vandalized. The destruction of the display's white crosses was disrespectful and should be condemned. However, while the vandalizers' motives remain unknown, their actions raise questions about how the university manages perspectives which it sees as contrary to its Catholic mission. Sadly, because the administration would never allow a pro-choice demonstration, the anonymous destruction of a pro-life display is one of the only methods available to pro-choice activists who desire to make as visible a statement on campus as the striking rows of crosses.

The second event occurred on Oct. 11, the Monday following the Stanford game, when the Office of Student Activities told members of the unofficial student group AllianceND that they would face disciplinary action if they went ahead with their plan to display a giant "Coming-Out Closet" in support of gay and lesbian students on campus. The university explained its actions by hiding behind *du Lac* verbiage, stating only that a protest by an unrecognized group was not allowed. The closet display was later permitted when it was sponsored by the Department of Sociology and the Graduate Student Union (GSU). By portraying the difference merely as one of recognized and unrecognized groups, the administration skirted the real issues at hand. AllianceND is not recognized because the university sees the group's stances on homosexuality as irreconcilable with Notre Dame's Catholic mission. The only likely explanation for why the university allowed the sociology department and the GSU to hold the display is to avoid the outrage that would stem from denying the school's professors and graduate students basic academic freedom. Unfortunately, the administration does not see undergraduates as deserving of this same freedom of speech.

The problem with Notre Dame's current treatment of student speech stems largely from the administration's insistence that students or student groups looking to hold a protest first clear their intentions with Student Activities. Essentially, the school's stance on student protesting is that it is not allowed unless special permission is first granted. This is in opposition to the principles of the First Amendment which apply on public grounds — including public universities (although the exact application of these principles at public college campuses also has been the subject of fierce debate). Although Notre Dame is not legally obligated to model its own campus speech regulations after the First Amendment, the university denies the members of its community access to free dialogue of controversial topics by turning the issue into one of regulatory semantics. However, if the university wishes to promote a culture of true academic discourse, free dialogue is essential. □

Is Your Inbox for Your Eyes Only?

Putting a campus rumor to the test

ANNIE ROBINSON

Scholastic decided to clear the virtual air: Does the university monitor, or censor, e-mail sent on Notre Dame accounts? Many Notre Dame students hold fast to the belief that it does, relaying tales of roommates or friends who were held accountable for the content of their e-mail.

However, according to two administrators of the Office of Information Technologies, the "Big Brother" theory is fiction—for the most part. "This rumor has been prevalent and recurring through the years, but remains a myth," says Gary Dobbins, director of information security for OIT. "The university does not monitor individual e-mail messages to, from or between individual e-mail users," adds Paul Russell, senior systems administrator for the OIT Messaging Services Team.

OIT does, however, proactively use anti-spam and anti-virus software, he says. Messages sent between Notre Dame users are scanned for virii (such as worms and Trojans), and messages sent from outside the central Notre

Dame system are scanned to prohibit the propagation of spam—most likely from commercial senders.

Inspecting e-mail for "harmful content"—such as virii and spam—is done in an effort to safeguard the recipients of spam and messages that are potentially infected, OIT says. (Intentionally sending virii and commercial bulk e-mail are violations of the Responsible Use of IT Policy of the university.) OIT also monitors atypical spikes in the "traffic patterns" of e-mail, Russell says. A spike in sent e-mail might be a sign that a student's e-mail account has been infected by a worm or virus. Cases causing concern are then referred to the OIT Help Desk.

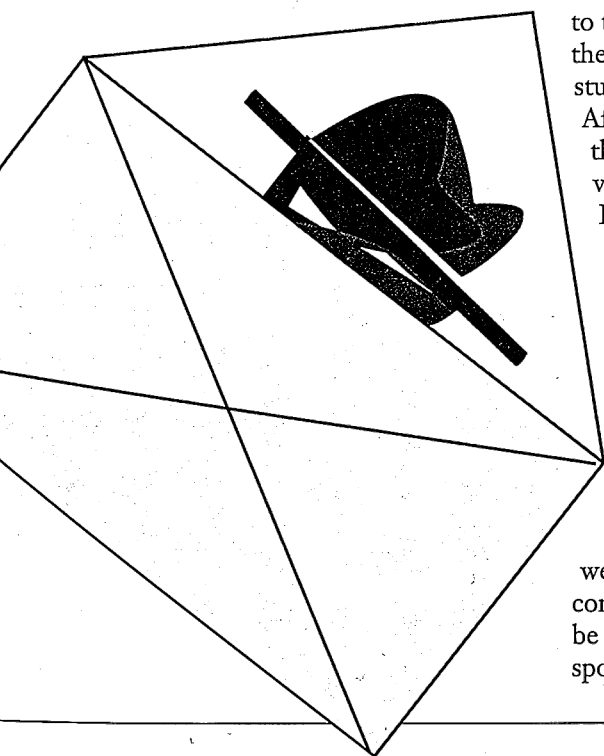
Russell confirms that OIT does not use any other form of content filtering software, nor does OIT become involved in student disciplinary measures unless OIT staff receives a complaint of e-mail abuse by an individual. "If the nature of the complaint is that the message [he or she received] was abusive, malicious or illegal in nature, the incident is referred to the appropriate administrative unit of the university," Russell says. OIT refers student cases to the Office of Student Affairs, faculty cases to the Office of the Provost, and staff cases to the university Human Resources department, Dobbins says.

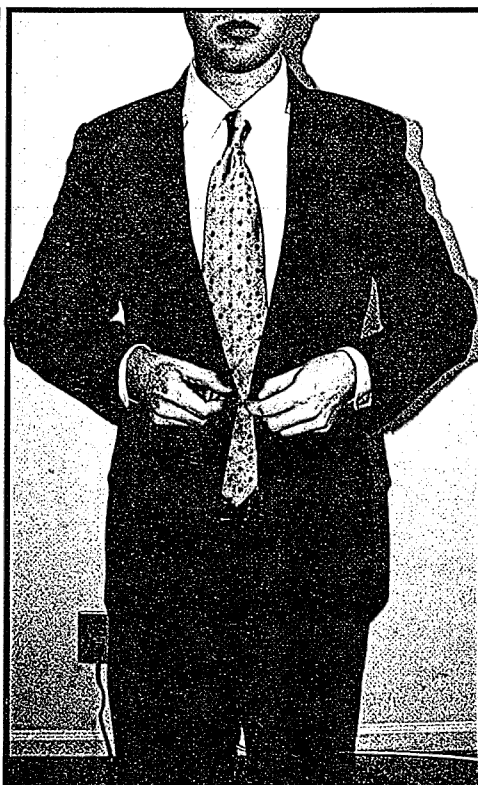
Why, then, is there the seemingly widespread misconception among many Notre Dame students? Some Web sites reject e-mail messages based on their content—but Dobbins says OIT does not. "Incidents in which students' messages to external addresses were rejected by content filters on external systems may have contributed to the misconception that we monitor or filter messages based on content," he says. Similar situations can be construed by students as university-sponsored censorship of e-mail. □



Things to do while you're abroad

- 5. Urban Camping**
When you're a thrifty college student who succumbs to the appeal of cheap red-eye flights and you're deposited in the middle of a deserted foreign city at 2 a.m., those park benches look like your best option for overnight accommodations.
- 4. Visit Amsterdam.**
Need we say more?
- 3. Walk—a lot.**
You'll learn so much more about your surroundings than if you resort to public transport. Plus, it burns calories, so you can indulge in more foreign food and drink.
- 2. Travel like it's your job.**
When else will you be able to do it so affordably and so easily?
- 1. Dress like the locals.**
It will make you feel like you fit in even if you don't. Just wait for the thrill you get when someone actually asks you for directions.





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Hire Expectations

Does the Career Center fail or succeed in helping seniors secure jobs?

EMILY PALADINO

When May rolls around, over 2,000 seniors will leave Notre Dame with a college degree. Yet less than half of them — 44 percent — will leave with a full-time job to complement their diplomas.

If last year's statistics apply to the current senior class, 64 percent of Notre Dame Business graduates, 50 percent of Engineering graduates and 75 percent of Architecture graduates will accept full-time positions after they leave the university in May. At the same time, only 34 percent of their Arts and Letters counterparts will begin full-time careers, and even fewer Science majors — 21 percent — will join the ranks of the employed upon graduation.

Instead, about 35 percent of Arts and Letters students and 61 percent of Science students will continue their education in graduate school. Many graduates from these departments also will participate in post-graduate service at the respective rates of 22 and 13 percent.

A considerable amount of this disparity likely is due to the fact that many Arts and Letters and Science students make the deliberate choice not to work full-time

immediately after graduation. Even so, some say Notre Dame's Career Center could do more for career-seeking students in these undergraduate schools.

Career Center Associate Director Anita Rees says such criticism is not fair. She adds that the Career Center has counselors specifically assigned to help students in each respective college. Rees serves as the counselor for the Arts and Letters program. "We offer plenty of help for Arts and Letters students searching for jobs," she says. She points to several sponsored career nights for specific majors in the College of Arts and Letters, noticing that the Career Center will feature a career fair in January that is specifically aimed at Arts and Letters students. She says she has seen plenty of Arts and Letters students at the Career Center this fall and expects to see even more during the spring semester, when many companies begin their recruitment of Arts and Letters students.

Lee Svete, director of the Career Center, says it may seem that the center focuses its efforts chiefly on Business and Engineering students because these industries hire a majority of their new employees during

the fall semester. Companies in the business, retail and technology sectors usually hire eight months before graduation. In contrast, jobs in public relations, media, public policy, government and publishing often have "just in time" openings that fill up during the spring semester. "For these career areas, students must be available to work within four to six weeks of the extended job offer," Svete says.

Rees says that because of the spring recruitment schedule, Arts and Letters seniors need to understand the nature of the industries in which they are seeking employment. "With a lot of these jobs, students need to realize that they have to approach the industry in a more deliberate way," she says. "Part of our Arts and Letters strategy is to educate students on how to market their skills to a potential employer. It's a whole different job strategy."

As Svete points out, that is not to say that Arts and Letters majors are not competitive candidates for jobs offered during the fall semester. A number of economics, political science and anthropology majors received job offers from Fortune 500 companies this fall. But many Arts

and Letters students interested in full-time careers will find jobs of more interest to them during the spring semester. The center also is planning a career fair featuring jobs in the non-profit sector in March, he says.

Svete says another reason Business and Engineering students seem to get a great deal of attention is that many of the companies they interview with have extensive resources to devote to on-campus recruiting and interviewing. "A number of Arts and Letters-type employers do not have large recruiting budgets and HR offices with recruiters who travel to hire graduates," he says. However, the Career Center does cover expenses for some companies to come to campus. In fact, it spent about \$20,000 to bring recruiters from several institutions—including the Smithsonian Institution, MTV, ESPN, ABC News, the Kennedy Center and several other institutions—to campus last fall.

Part of the problem for on-campus recruiting is also the university's relatively remote location in South Bend, Svete says. Many of the companies willing to come to Notre Dame to recruit are located in Chicago. Svete admits that this is a "major challenge," but says that the Career Center is combating this by actively encouraging recruiters from all areas of the country to come to Notre Dame's campus. "We are a national school, and our students want to work in 50 different states." However, this challenge is not unique to Notre Dame, he says. Other universities are facing the same problem. For instance, Svete says, most of the recruiters at Stanford University come from Los Angeles and San Francisco, and most recruiters at Pennsylvania State University come from

New York City and Philadelphia.

Another part of the problem may be that many students perceive the center to be focused mainly on aiding only career-seeking students. But as Allison Keller, counselor for Science students at the Career Center, points out, the center's resources for Science students are geared specifically toward students seeking to continue their educations after graduation. Because the majority of Science students go to graduate or professional school after graduation, Keller says, her office also offers sessions to assist students with their graduate school plans. The center offers mock interviews for students preparing for medical school interviews and sessions on graduate school funding, she says.

Still, the Career Center's mission never has been just about job placement or on-campus recruiting. Svete says that the center's focus is on providing resources to students and alumni that will enable them to explore all career options. Rees adds that only about 10 percent of college graduates receive job offers through on-campus interviews. "So, we're not all about job placement," she says. "Instead, we try to help people understand where their passions and values lie and how that translates into the best job for them."

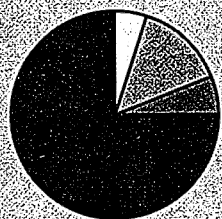
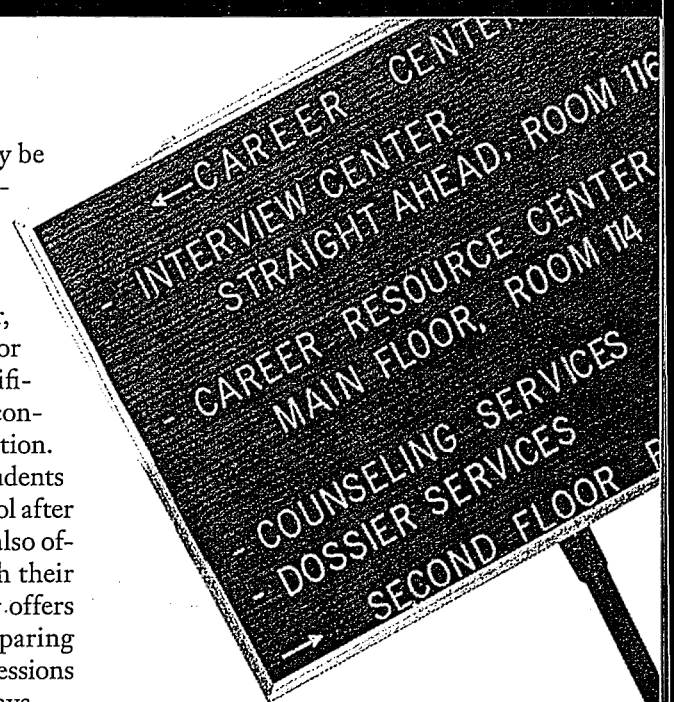
With the current economy, Svete says, there are limitless options for students anxious to begin careers. Rees says that last year, fewer than two out of five employers felt the job market to be strong. This year, according to the National Association of Colleges and Employers, four out of five say the market outlook is optimistic for graduates seeking jobs.

The strength of the market has meant an increase in recruiting at many univer-

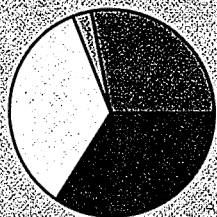
sities, espe-

cially Notre Dame. "We are up about 25 percent compared to last year in terms of on-campus interviews," Svete says. In the midst of several high-profile corporate scandals, companies especially are interested in Notre Dame students, he adds, because of their personal integrity, honesty and intelligence. "Notre Dame students are some of the most gifted students in the country," Rees adds. "I'm so proud to work with each and every one of them."

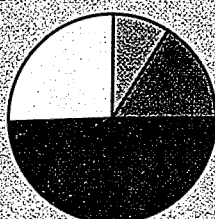
Still, the effectiveness of the Career Center ultimately depends upon the individual students that are seeking help. "We can only help the students who make the effort to come in and see us," Rees says. "The good thing is that we've seen many students this fall. In fact, we've been swamped. The best piece of advice I can give to anyone looking to begin a career is to come and visit us." □



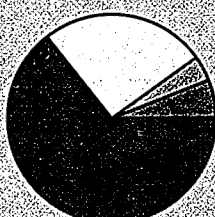
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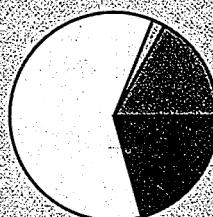
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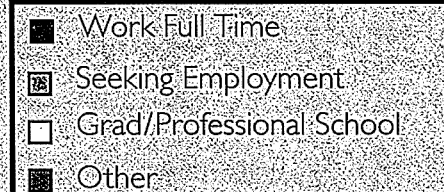


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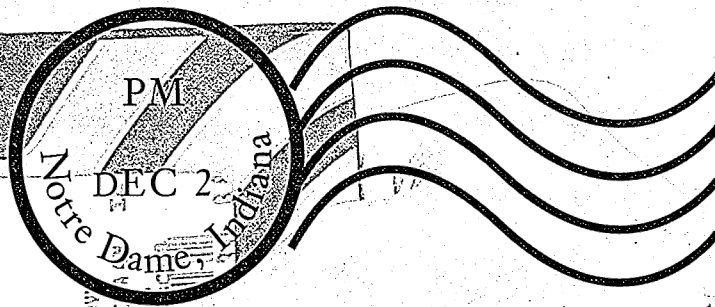
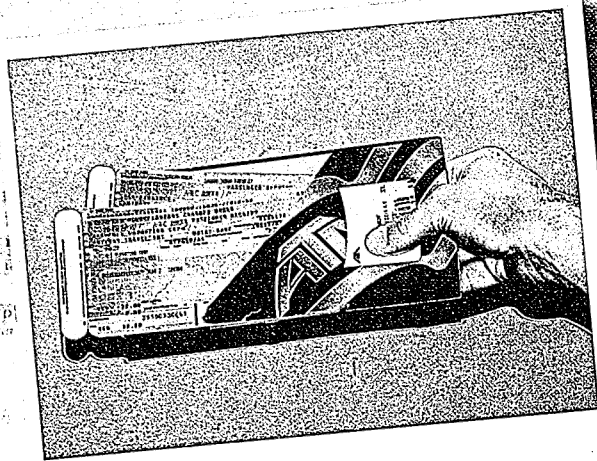
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Senior Future Plans



NOTE: College totals are expanded to include dual-degree seekers. Figures are rounded to the nearest percent.

SOURCE: Career Center



Eminent Domain

Scholastic examines the future of international study programs at Notre Dame

JIM RYAN

Our campus is in South Bend, Indiana; our classroom is the world."

These words from the Rev. Edward Malloy, C.S.C., are the mantra for the Office of International Studies (OIS) at Notre Dame. They are plastered on the International Studies Web site. They were even the subject of an official commercial that ran during Notre Dame football games.

Notre Dame can support Malloy's claim — the university boasts a plethora of international study opportunities: 24 programs in 17 countries, to be precise. It was recently recognized by NAFSA: Association of International Educators as one of 13 universities with outstanding study abroad programs. Notre Dame was lauded in particular for its ability to send as many as half of its students from all five of its colleges abroad.

The mission statement of OIS is to provide each of its students studying abroad with "the maximum benefits of academic and research exploration, cultural engagement, and an awareness of their place as leaders in a global world."

To what extent is it successful?

The London Programme is by far Notre Dame's largest study abroad program, with 139 students studying there this semester. Students in the program attend classes in a building owned by Notre Dame, and some of the guidelines of the London Programme are more strict than those governing the South Bend campus. For example, students may not have guests spend the night in their flats, even if the guests are Notre Dame or St.

Mary's students. Because of this, some London Programme alumni do not believe the program offers the cultural immersion the university desires; they feel instead that the program is just as insular as Notre Dame's home campus.

The strict nature of the London Programme is not its only drawback. Senior Marianne Magjuka spent the spring 2003 semester in the Rome program and the spring 2004 semester in the London Programme. She said the Rome program offered a more profound cultural experience than the London Programme because living in Rome required her to learn a foreign language. Furthermore, because students in the London Programme live and attend classes exclusively with other Notre Dame students, she says, "It was harder to make connections with the people that live in London."

In its Strategic Plan — a projection of the university's progress over the next 10 years — the university bemoans the "ghettoization" of students in the London Programme, as well as the Fremantle and Perth, Australia programs. To remedy this, the plan calls for a decrease in the percentage of Notre Dame students studying in English-speaking countries and an increased focus on expanding its offerings in Asia, China and Latin America.

"Four-fifths of the world's population lives in the third world," according to the plan. "The history of our young century will largely hinge on how this relationship between the developed, capitalist societies and the third world evolves. The issue has tremendous economic, political, social

and ethical importance."

But few Notre Dame students want to study in developing nations. The plan also states, "At present, student interest in programs in Latin America, Africa and Asia is extremely limited. We may need to construct a new set of inducements to bring larger numbers of students to third world programs although the form this would take is unclear."

What are some possible inducements for studying in a developing nation?

Julia Douthwaite, assistant provost for International Studies, offers more than a few.

The experience is extremely shocking, she says. "It makes the students get out of their comfort zone and get a cold, strong sense of how other people live. It gives them some sense of the grave importance of American foreign policy and the current unilateral way of doing things of the American government," she says. But this is exactly the reason Notre Dame students would benefit from studying in a developing nation. Douthwaite adds that the Catholic upbringing of many students gives them a strong sense of social justice. Studying in these countries, therefore, "makes them even more steadfast in their resolve to be committed to help the poor, help the disadvantaged. It can also galvanize a student's conscience on behalf of the environment."

Tom Bogenschield, director of International and Off-Campus Programs, is working toward Malloy and Douthwaite's goal of sending more Notre Dame students to developing countries.

"We're trying to promote as widely and

as broadly as possible," he says.

Bogenschild says word-of-mouth from alumni of programs in developing countries is the most effective recruiting tool.

"The best ambassadors are returning students," he says. "Most of them have had an experience that has transformed their [lives] in some way."

Senior Michael Poffenberger is one such student. He spent the spring 2004 semester in Uganda through the School for International Training's Development Studies at Makerere University in Kampala.

For the first two months of the program, Poffenberger lived and studied with a Ugandan family in Kampala — Uganda's capital and largest city. For the following six weeks, Poffenberger conducted independent research in other parts of the country. He and his classmates — 17 students total from various schools around the United States — also took brief trips to Rwanda to track gorillas and to visit memorials of the Rwandan genocide.

Poffenberger was drawn to the program by its high degree of immersion. "I was able to get an insider's perspective into family life in Uganda — a dimension of life in a foreign country that study abroad programs aren't often privy to," he says.

For Poffenberger, the very experience of living in Uganda was as enlightening as the classes he attended and the research

he conducted there.

"The program is highly successful because it integrates academic study with experiential learning, connecting for us the way that our studies can affect realities for individual people," he says.

Poffenberger recommends the program for other Notre Dame students — three of whom will be studying in Uganda next semester.

"It's a fantastic way to gain new perspective, to get out of the bubble, to have new and different enriching and formative experiences," he says.

OIS recognizes the benefits studying in developing nations has to offer Notre Dame students and it is trying to establish a Notre Dame program in sub-Saharan Africa. Bogenschild said the program would likely be in Uganda or South Africa. A proposal has been submitted to the administration, and a program could be up and running as soon as fall 2006.

Until that time comes, it may be more difficult for Notre Dame students to study in Uganda or in other non-Notre Dame programs, as the university has become increasingly stingy about granting the study leaves of absence required to participate in such study abroad programs.

Ava Preacher, assistant dean of the College of Arts and Letters, says the number of study leaves has been reduced recently for budgetary reasons and to encourage students to participate in Notre Dame's



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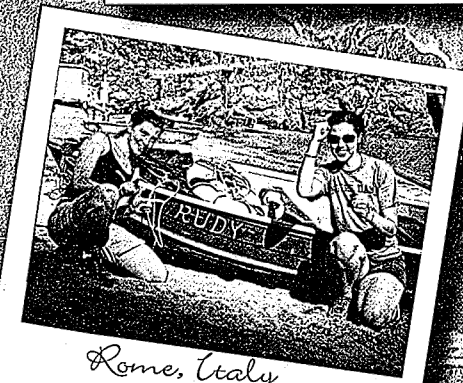
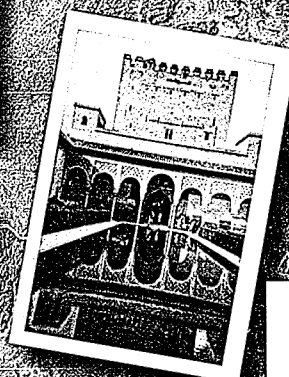
own study abroad programs. Arts and Letters currently can grant only eight study leaves each semester. Students seeking a study leave must submit a proposal in which they explain why a non-Notre Dame program will be beneficial to their academic development in their majors. Study leaves are not granted for programs in cities where Notre Dame offers programs, except in London.

Douthwaite does not expect the list of cities in which Notre Dame offers programs to grow significantly anytime soon.

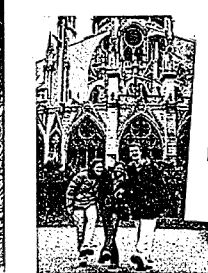
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falling dollar and the stress of the endowment of the university, we're not in the kind of growth mode that this office was in the last decade," she says.

Although recognized for the resources available to students who study abroad, the university has had difficulties funding some of its existing programs. Recently, funding for cultural programs and field trips were eliminated for the program in Angers, France.

Bogenschild said this was a result of the decrease in the value of the dollar compared to the euro. In October 2000, the euro-dollar exchange rate was 0.825. The rate now hovers around an all-time high of 1.33. As a result, university funding does not go as far as it used to in Europe.

"We're trying to economize as much as possible," Bogenschild says. "Our bottom line is we don't want to compromise the academic quality of the programs, so we're taking hits in areas that are less directly applied to the student academic experience. But it's a tough call."

How do students' educational experiences abroad compare to their course loads at Notre Dame?

The quality of the academic experience for students who study abroad has been called into question by some students, regardless of the cuts.

Senior Jenna Linder, who spent the spring 2004 semester in the Toledo program, said classes there were exceptionally easy. "They're like high school classes," she says. "I don't know anybody

who got lower than an A-."

Senior Allison Vater, who spent the spring 2004 semester in London, said the classes there were not taxing, either.

"The workload in-between the mid-



THOMAS BOGENSCHILD is the director of the university's International and Off-Campus Programs.

term and the final wasn't very great," she says.

Douthwaite, however, does not believe the classes abroad are easier; according to her, they are merely different. "The way they teach in other countries is not the way they teach in our country," she says. "Other people look at our system and think it's rather infantile — that we hold our students' hands."

Douthwaite says most institutions outside the United States have "magisterial classes," in which a well-known scholar will deliver a lecture on a broad topic and will slip in suggestions for further study. It is up to the students to pick up on these suggestions and pursue their own courses of study.

"I think a lot of our students don't get those subtle codes; and they think all

they have to do is go to class; and there's not much there, because the professors are giving these very broad lectures," she says. "Oftentimes our students fail because they haven't been trained the way a Spanish student or a Chilean student or a Chinese student has been trained."

Douthwaite also says foreign institutions place more emphasis on oral examinations, which are more rigorous than most American students expect.

"This oral exam business, this sense of being quick on your toes, quick in front of a group of people — we're not necessarily doing that here," she says. "In the world after college, you may find that [...] being nimble on your feet in front of a group of people — speaking clearly and concisely — is also an important part of being an effective leader."

Are Notre Dame students appropriately immersed in foreign cultures?

Educating the future leaders of the global world is one of the objectives of the international studies programs, but Notre Dame students have not always impressed the locals abroad.

Notre Dame students in Australia made international news last spring for their involvement in a fight with off-duty police officers at a bar. This semester Notre Dame students in Spain also allegedly were involved in a bar fight.

The problem of American students abroad antagonizing locals is not unique to Notre Dame. An article that appeared



Staying Safe While Abroad

With the closing of the Jerusalem program, the Madrid bombing and al Qaeda threats in major European cities, the safety of traveling abroad is now, more than ever, on the minds of many college students.

Thomas Bogenschild, director of International and Off-Campus Programs, says the university relies on many different sources to provide information concerning safety issues in countries where students are studying abroad. It is diligent in monitoring announcements from the U.S. State Department and in tracking daily international news. Additionally, the Office of International Studies (OIS) receives information from foreign offices, local contacts living abroad, and private security firms. If a dangerous situation should arise in a country where Notre Dame students are studying, Bogenschild explains that there is not one specific course of action that would be taken. Instead, it would depend largely on the situation and the location.

The only program ever suspended by the university because of safety concerns is the semester-long Jerusalem program. To make this decision, several different university offices were consulted, including the Risk Management and Safety Department and the Office of General Counsel. Though the program is currently suspended, OIS continues to monitor the situation and hopes to reinstate the program in the future.

OIS does its best to prepare and educate students on how to travel and live abroad safely. It also focuses on preparing students for the broader range of safety issues they will face by being in a different cultural setting, including gender-related, alcohol and basic health issues. Bogenschild says the most practical issues can have the most devastating effects.

OIS also stresses the students' roles in behaving responsibly in order to ensure their own safety. "If a student doesn't listen to us, or behaves in an unsafe manner, there's nothing we can do to guarantee that person's safety," says Julia Douthwaite, assistant provost for OIS. "Even if we're not talking about a time of terrorist threat, a student's own behavior can attract negative attention."

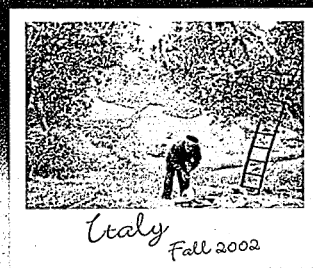
Douthwaite says.



Dublin Trinity, Ireland



Santiago, Chile Spring '03



Italy Fall 2002



in The New York Times in August, entitled "Colleges Tell Students Overseas Party's Over," highlighted the behavioral problems students of several universities had while abroad, ranging from those warranting jail time to those seriously endangering their health.

Bogenschild believes Notre Dame's disciplinary problems generally are not as serious as those faced by other universities.

"We're slightly different from many universities going over there because our programs are highly competitive," he says. "We are able to screen effectively."

Bogenschild says that at least 800 hours go into reviewing students' study abroad applications. As a result, students without

the best intentions for their time abroad usually are weeded out of the programs.

"I look at motivations," Bogenschild says. "If someone is properly motivated to go, then why would they engage in this stupid behavior? They just don't."

However, Bogenschild is aware that students' ability to legally consume alcohol in Europe — where the drinking age is generally 18 — sometimes leads to misbehavior.

"Alcohol is certainly an issue," he says. "We try to de-emphasize the role of alcohol in any group function we have."

While mechanisms are in place to support Notre Dame students socially, how are they supported financially?

Students in Notre Dame-sponsored

international study programs pay the normal Notre Dame tuition, regardless of the actual cost of housing, feeding and educating the student abroad. Sometimes this cost is less than that of tuition, leading some students to believe they are being cheated economically.

Bogenschild says the board of trustees decided that students studying abroad should pay the standard Notre Dame tuition. His office does not receive that money directly; rather, they receive a budget from the university and can send as many students abroad as they want, provided they stay within the budget.

"We can send one student or 1,000 students," he says. "Obviously, our inclination is to send as many students as we

International Summer Service Learning Program

ALISAFINELLI

Since the inception of the International Summer Service Learning Program (ISSLP) at Notre Dame in the summer of 1998, students interested in doing service beyond our nation's borders have had the unique opportunity to focus their energy on serving people who need help in developing countries.

The Center for Social Concerns sponsors the program, giving students the chance to spend eight weeks living and working in impoverished communities around the globe. Through the program, students go to such countries as Brazil, India, Cambodia, Ghana, Honduras and Thailand. Once there, they are able to engage in a wide range of work, including teaching English or computer skills to children and adults, assisting with health-care, and visiting the sick or imprisoned.

Rachel Tomas Morgan, director of International Service Learning and Justice Education at the CSC, began ISSLP in the summer of 1998. Since then, the program has seen considerable growth. It has expanded from four countries and seven students to now allow 36 students to serve in 12 different countries. The program's primary goal is to educate students about the causes of poverty and injustice while creating solidarity within the global community. The ISSLP, Tomas Morgan says, seeks to further the Center for Social Concerns' mission "to serve and act for a more just and humane world."

Applications for the program are due in late fall for the following summer. Candidates are notified of their status in December, and they begin the long preparation process in the spring semester, Tomas Morgan says.

Each ISSLP site is run by a non-governmental, church- or community-based organization in need of volunteers. Site placement is based on the individual student's preferences, experience and skills. While on-site, students are assigned a

mentor who can provide site-specific practical information and advice. Tomas Morgan says she maintains close communication with site mentors to ensure she is informed of students' safety.

During their project, ISSLP participants must adjust to a completely different way of life, both culturally and economically. "The biggest adjustment is probably emotionally and psychologically trying to adjust to the different context they find themselves in," Tomas Morgan says. In preparation for their project, participants are required to take a one-credit seminar on international issues in which they study and research various concerns of the developing world.

Students also are required to participate in re-entry sessions upon returning from their projects, Tomas Morgan says. In addition to helping them readjust to life at home, re-entry focuses on encouraging students to integrate their experiences into their academic coursework. Tomas Morgan believes this is often the biggest challenge.

Senior Jill Joehl participated in ISSLP in India last summer, where she assisted with medical care at a home in Calcutta run by Mother Teresa's Missionaries of Charity. She agrees that coming home was a difficult experience. "You feel like you're not a part of either world," Joehl says. "I wasn't sure what to do with the experience."

Now, Joehl believes she can use the experience to maintain a special awareness of the poor and their needs. After witnessing firsthand the extreme poverty of those living in Calcutta, Joehl says she has gained a better understanding of what it means to be poor. She also says the international component of the program was of great value. "To be in a culture radically different makes you reevaluate yourself and your values," she says. □

possibly can."

When students study through facilitated programs — programs that are run by institutions other than Notre Dame yet are recognized by the university — they are required to pay their own expenses and are not responsible for standard Notre Dame tuition. However, the financial aid for Notre Dame usually still applies to the facilitated programs. Students apply for these programs through Notre Dame's OIS and are not required to obtain a study leave of absence.

Both Bogenschild and Douthwaite would like to see more Notre Dame students studying abroad, whether through Notre Dame or facilitated programs.

Douthwaite says studying abroad is an "essential component" of fulfilling Malloy's goal of having a bilingual student body. She adds that studying abroad also has become an important component of the Notre Dame experience on the whole.

But both Douthwaite and Bogenschild realize the logistical and financial difficulties of increasing participation in international studies programs.

"The reality is we only have so many beds in London, so many beds in Dublin and so many beds in Australia," Bogenschild says. "We're having a hard time right now accommodating everyone who really wants to go. Our first priority from our office's perspective is to try to help all those students who really want to study abroad right now."

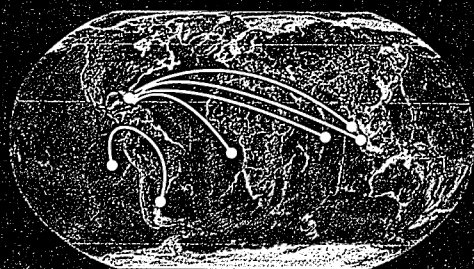
Douthwaite says accommodating more students would require an increased financial commitment from the university.

"We appreciate the level of support we get from the administration," she says. "But with the level of interest we have among students, I think it's safe to say we would like more funding."

Despite their desires to increase study abroad programs, Bogenschild and Douthwaite say the state of international studies at Notre Dame is strong.

"I think we're in pretty good shape," Bogenschild says. "I think the best testimony for this is the high demand of students here. They really understand the value of studying abroad."

Douthwaite expresses a similar sentiment: "The high level of applications reflects well on the vision and courage of our students." □





Bush's Budget: Talking Unity, Acting Partisan

RICH McIVER

Following his re-election, President Bush declared that our nation is far too divided and that he will reconcile these differences by being a "uniter, not a divider." Despite these conciliatory words, what can America really expect in the president's final four years in office?

Harkening back to a campaign line used by the Bush camp — "You can run, but you can't hide" — the best way to determine where the president really stands is to look at the type of legislation that he and the Republican Party are supporting. Now that the president is no longer concerned with re-election posturing and Congress is now firmly under Republican control, the GOP can finally accomplish its political agenda as it sees fit. A good early indication of this agenda can be seen in the budget bill approved by Congress on November 20.

The frugal \$388 billion spending bill, which underscores the Republicans' focus on deficit cutting, emphasizes a return to the type of fiscal responsibility we traditionally have expected — but have not seen — from Republicans. Most federal programs saw significant cuts, exceptions including the FBI and NASA, which grew significantly. Aside from these, the most notable exception was education funding, which increased by a meager two percent. What makes the bill particularly telling of the Republican agenda, however, is the inclusion of clauses embedded in it that have little or no relation to the budget itself.

For example, Republicans tried to include a clause in this budget bill that would allow the chairmen of the Appropriations Committees and their staff assistants to examine Americans' income tax returns and publish them without penalty. An overwhelming public outcry followed the discovery of the clause, so it was eventually removed. But the mere fact that the GOP thought it could sneak in this clause demonstrates its willingness to push its agenda at all costs.

While saying in his post-election speech that he will be a uniter, the President is legislating his pet policies — which, by many accounts — are very divisive. But he is not without justification in doing so, as he did win a majority of the vote in the general election. And he has interpreted this re-election, despite whatever he says to the contrary, as a mandate to press even harder for his core agenda, divisive as it may be. This became evident when, in a single piece of legislation, we saw a trimming of domestic programs, an expansion of security and military technology programs, an attempt to increase the

to "solve" this debate and stifle dissenting opinions demonstrates their readiness to push their agenda despite its polarizing effects on an already divided nation.

The real impact of the abortion legislation is hard to determine. Forty-five states already allow health-care providers to refuse to provide or pay for abortions. Because the legislation is tucked into a one-year spending bill, the country will have to wait until the bill comes up for renewal to see its true consequence, unless it is made permanent in separate legislation.

But the legislation definitely carries significant political symbolism. It was the first gesture of the Republican Congress in the wake of elections that strengthened GOP control of both the House and Senate and re-elected President Bush, an opponent of abortions.

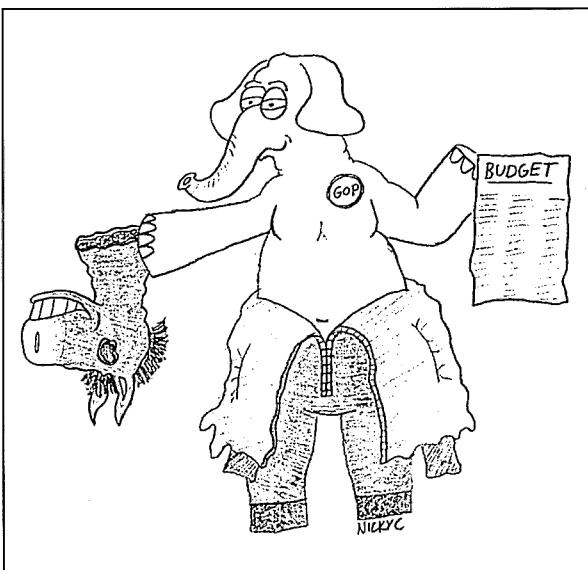
House Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi of California called it "an extraordinary sneak attack against rights and a disgraceful display of ideology over health."

Supporters of the legislation, however, said it was simply a logical extension of a "conscience" clause that prohibits doctors from being forced to offer abortions or undergo abortion training. The new provision says the government will not discriminate

against health care providers who refuse to offer abortion-related services.

But supporters of abortion rights said states that offer abortion under their Medicaid coverage might lose federal funds if they demand that all Medicaid providers provide abortion services. They say the bill will encourage abortion opponents to pressure hospitals and HMOs into refusing abortion services.

"*Roe v. Wade* is the law of the land, but Republicans are gutting it step by step," Pelosi says. Republicans denied that the legislation would restrict access and said it was intended only to prevent government agencies from "intimidating" health entities that neither perform abortions, nor provide training or referrals. □

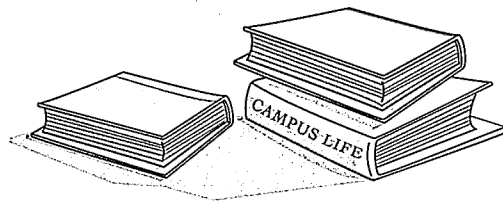


government's access to private citizens' information, and, lastly, an undermining of *Roe v. Wade*.

The budget bill controversially includes a clause that ensures federal financial funding for hospitals and health-care providers that do not offer abortion-related services. As President Bush clearly made abortion a key issue in his re-election campaign, the inclusion of this clause in the budget bill comes as no shock. However, since Bush made the issue a gauge for morality in the 2004 presidential election, some might argue that this "values" issue, more than tax cuts, defines the modern Republican Party. While some states have already taken this step on their own, the willingness of the GOP

CAMPUS LIFE

WHAT'S GOING DOWN ON THE GROUNDS



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SUB Bonanza

Source: Trey Williams and Jimmy Flaherty of SUB

At long last, finals week is upon us. It is now time to cram for all those classes you blew off for the last four months, or

maybe just to enjoy a fun four days and happily take your C-. Thankfully, you won't have to deal with undue stress, hunger, or even dry lips, because the good folks over at the Student Union Board have been so kind as to provide several luxuries during finals week:

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- 100 Jimmy John's sandwiches
- 5 Platters of delicious fare from Houlihan's
- 40 Pounds of holiday candy
- 100+ Packets of tissue and tubes of Chap Stick for sickly students

Q & A

With the Campus Circus Performers

Matt Deibl, a senior philosophy and psychology major from Keenan Hall, has a special skill you may have seen him exhibiting on North Quad. He has taught himself the sport of slacklining, which is similar to tightrope walking, but on a much looser piece of webbing. Recently, Scholastic convinced Deibl to take a break from his balancing act to tell us about his unique hobby.

How did you get started with a sport like slacklining?

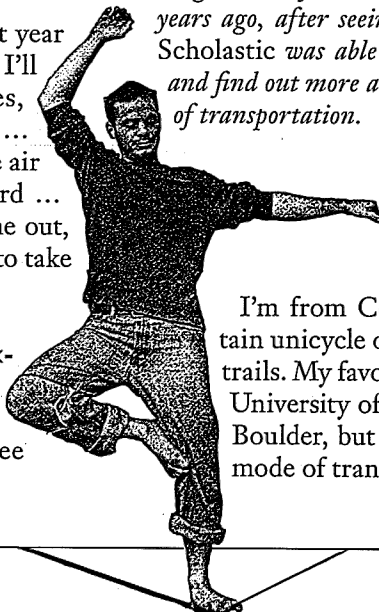
I was first introduced to it through a climbing club at another university. Slacklining itself only began about 20 years ago, when climbers got bored and started playing with their equipment. The first time I set up the webbing here, it took me one week before I could stand.

When and where do you slackline?

I go as much as I can. Last year I even dropped a class for it. I'll slackline in different places, between two secluded trees ... Last week I was 20 feet in the air between Keenan and Stanford ... Sometimes hecklers will come out, or people will go on the roof to take pictures.

Is there a certain slackliner that you admire?

Absolutely: His name is Dean Potter, and he is a free soloist.



Have you ever thought of joining the circus?

Well, I have the family history for it, because my mother was a trapeze artist; and I can spin plates in the dining hall. But I think I prefer the circus as a spectator.

Have you ever taught anyone how to slackline?

Yeah, I've taught lots of people. Anyone interested should come to hang out the next time they see me slacklining around campus.

Bertram Koelsch, a junior chemical engineering major, has taught himself a skill that many people have been able to admire, as he often displays it around campus. Koelsch taught himself how to mountain unicycle six years ago, after seeing one in a bike shop. Scholastic was able to catch up with him and find out more about his unusual mode of transportation.

What are the best places to go mountain unicycling?

I'm from Colorado, so I mountain unicycle on the mountain bike trails. My favorite place to go is the University of Colorado campus at Boulder, but I also just use it as a mode of transportation.

Can you see yourself ever unicycling in the circus?

No, but I do juggle, and I have juggled fire torches while on the unicycle. I guess I could be a street performer, at the most.

What is the most difficult thing about riding a unicycle?

In the beginning, of course, it is a matter of simply maintaining your balance, but now I do tricks on my unicycle that I wouldn't dream of doing on a bike. The skills are the most challenging, such as what type of line to take when going down a mountain bike trail.

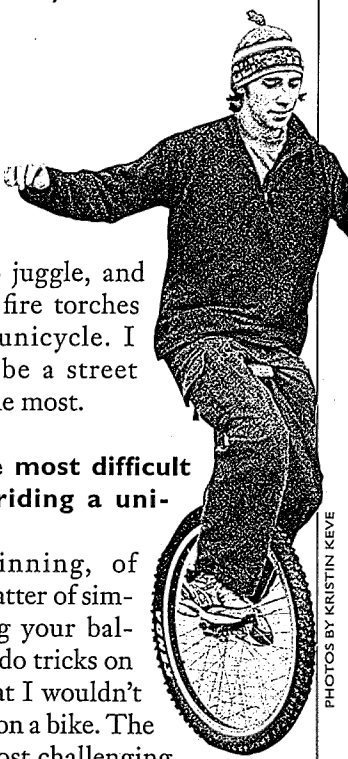
Do you wear any type of protective equipment while riding?

It's easy to fall a lot while mountain unicycling, so I wear shin and wrist guards, as well as a helmet. The seat is also air cushioned to make it more comfortable for extended rides.

Do you consider Circus Peanuts candy to be among your favorite snacks?

I have actually never had them, but I do like to eat Indian food.

— Laura Marrs



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Finding Family

One student ends lifelong search and is reunited with her biological family before the holidays

CLAIRE SOBCZAK

While most Notre Dame students were showing off their costumes on Halloween, senior Annie Envall spent the evening chatting on the phone with her mother. For many, spending this festive night on the phone with a parent would seem to be a burden. But for Annie, that phone call started a new chapter in her life; it was her first time ever speaking to her mother in Annie's 21 years.

Dave and Joanne Envall adopted Annie from Catholic Charities when she was nine years old, and they raised her in the northern suburbs of Chicago along with their biological son, Christian.

"I always knew that I was adopted," Annie says, "but that never changed my attitudes toward my parents or my brother Christian. They are my family and always will be."

But as Annie got older, she felt an increasing desire to uncover her roots. "Curiosity motivated me," Annie says. "I love my family dearly, and nothing in my home life drove me to find my birth mother. I just got sick of continually wondering."

So when Annie turned 16, she decided to try to contact her biological parents. By Illinois state law, however, no identifying information can be released about an adopted person's biological parents until the adoptee is 18 years old. In an attempt to expedite her search, Annie sent several letters to Catholic Charities that were then put in a file viewable by her biological parents in case they ever wanted to contact her through the adoption agency. Her birthparents never responded to her attempts — which crushed Annie — and she deferred her search for two years, when she could legally search for her parents. As it turns out, her biological mother contacted Catholic Charities in 2001 and asked to see the items in Annie's file, but for a reason still unknown to Annie and her biological mother, Annie's letters were not passed on.

Upon turning 18, Annie registered herself with an online adoption locator and hoped that her mother or father would someday attempt to search for her. She posted some information about herself — including her name at birth, her birthplace and her birthdate — along with the few pieces of "non-identifying" information she had about her biological mother, including her first name, her age when Annie was born, and the fact that she is left-handed. The effort seemed futile, as three years passed with no word from her parents.

However, on this past Halloween night, Annie finally was able to put an end to her curiosity. Annie was watching television in her dorm when her cell phone rang. "When I answered it, the person on the other line asked for Anastasia. I was so confused. No one calls me Anastasia," Annie says. "Then she said her name was Donna, and that she was my birth mother. I was absolutely ... flabbergasted. I just couldn't believe that this was really happening. The moment was truly surreal."

The next day, Annie found herself driving to Highland, Ind. — located about four miles from the Illinois border on the Indiana Toll Road — in a complete daze as she prepared to meet her biological mother. As Annie pulled into the driveway, Donna rushed to her from her chair on the front porch.

"Neither of us could contain our emotions," Annie says. "We had such an incredible connection from the first moment. It felt like we hugged for an eternity." That day, Annie and Donna began the long process of catching up on 21 years of separation, and Annie finally received answers to the questions she could only wonder about while growing up. Donna gave birth to Annie at the age of 24, during a time in her life when she was struggling with personal issues.

Donna did not feel that she would be able to provide adequate care for her daughter. She received prenatal adoption



LIKE MOTHER, LIKE DAUGHTER Annie Envall embraces her biological mother Donna.

counseling through Catholic Charities, an organization which also provided Annie with temporary care for six days — the time between when she left the hospital and when she was adopted by the Envalls.

Since then, Donna has turned her life around. She overcame her problems and has been married for 12 years. She lives with her husband and three children — Adam, 11, Jason, 9, and Bethany, 5.

Donna was motivated to find her daughter after her children saw a TV commercial about abused adoptees. They began to pressure their mother to locate their older sister — who they knew had been adopted — for fear that she was facing something similar.

The day before Halloween, Donna went online and searched the adoption locator Web sites. She entered everything she knew about her first child, and Annie came up as the only match. By the time Adam, Jason and Bethany returned home from trick-or-treating the following night, their older sister had been located and was coming over the next day.

"Donna made the right choice," Annie says, "I am so grateful to her for opening up my opportunities and potential by giving me to the Envalls."

As for Joanne and Dave Envall, they could not be happier with Annie and Donna's reunion. With a smile, Annie says, "They know I have wanted this forever. They gave me my identity and will continue to be there as I piece together the rest of my life." q

Although the holidays are quickly approaching, there are few gifts — if any — that could be more meaningful to Annie than the one she has already received.

"I never felt like I was missing out," she says, "but now that Donna ... found me, I feel so much more complete." □

PHOTO COURTESY ANNIE ENVALL

CAMPUS WATCH with the GIPPER

Greetings once more, my devoted friends. The Gipper was as shocked as the rest of the country to hear about the firing of our head football coach. Yours truly considered crafting an in-depth analysis of the decision, but, as it turns out, the "real" journalists of this magazine did that. Instead, I decided to give our resident sages of pigskin travels a send-off in true Gipper fashion. Let the dirt-slinging begin ...

Now that is one defensive coordinator

While making the rounds through his favorite all-ages Web sites, Gipp happened upon a particular destination that held quite a juicy rumor for all to see — full of intrigue, deception and, possibly, stifled romance. As it would seem — and Gipp must stress that this has not been verified — at some point last month an interested devotee of the traveling tackle football team left a discontented voice message with a certain Irish assistant — we'll call him Kent B. — suggesting that the coordinator was not exactly waking up the echoes, nor shaking down any thunder. Unfortunately, it turns out that our caller reached Coach B. on a bad day. In fact, you could say that the coach's day had been the absolute Pitts. In any case, later that evening, Coach B. returned this concerned fan's call and, in no uncertain terms, challenged his manhood in a manner worthy of Errol Flynn. Being somewhat put off by this, the fan in question brought the conversation to an abrupt end. Coach B., assuming a bad connection, attempted to call back. But he was betrayed by caller ID, and his number was declined. Later that evening, however, this suddenly very popular fan received a call from a different, unknown number. Curious, he answered, only to find himself verbally accosted once more by Coach B. If only some of that craftiness had made its way into the pigskin gameplan ...

Bookstore blunder

Marketing majors tell Gipp that the usually wonderful folks at the ND bookstore recently sent out a flyer announcing a staff and faculty "appreciation sale." Headlining the flyer was a quote from President John F. Kennedy, who was assassinated in Dallas on Nov. 22, 1963, nearly 41 years to the day from the much publicized bookstore sale. You'd think the university would have a little more class than to even appear to be celebrating the death of our only Catholic president.

Bringing the roommate relationship to the next level

Gipp has it on reliable information that two Keenanite roommates recently had a night to remember. What started out as a pleasant evening of having a drink or two as gentlemen, quickly devolved into a bout of rugged heterosexual wrestling. Gipp isn't sure whether the animosity escalated or dissipated from this point, though. All he can be sure of is that the next morning there was an exhausted Notre Dame man sporting two hickeys courtesy of his roommate.

Paging T.O. and a Sharpie

Gipp hears that a couple of Wednesdays ago some LaFortune loiterers were wondering the identity of the middle-aged woman who was shepherding a certain sophomore star football player through the grease-soaked student center. As the duo left Sbarro, our unidentified babysitter blocked an attempt by a lady who wanted the signal caller's John Hancock for her young child. Our tight-lipped thrower said nothing as his chaperone shouted, "We're late for a meeting!" and hustled him away, while onlookers were left shaking their heads. Now, Gipp isn't always one for manners, but — given the wild week our football team had been through — we need all the fans we can get. Gipp thinks this gal needs a crash course in the niceties of ND etiquette. (And to our player, how about an audible here — "This will only take 10 seconds off the play clock.")

- And now, in the constest of Best Stat Line of the Week, we have USC QB **Matt Leinart** (24/34, 400 yards and 5 touchdowns) vs. **LaFortune Thieves** (5 bar stools, 1 couch and 2 marble-top tables).
- In regards to the above, Gipp doesn't know what is stranger: the fact that two marble-top tables have been stolen so far this year, or the fact that one of the higher-ups thought to furnish Sbarro with two marble-top tables so drunk kids can enjoy greasy pizza on them.
- **Gipp Career Achievement Award** goes to Carlyle Holiday — a great athlete and a class act. No wonder Madonna wrote an entire song about him.

No campus for you

One ND girl will have an extra seat at graduation come spring, thanks to a visiting pal. At a recent home game, our Domer's friend (from another school) knocked back a few too many Bacardi Breezers and walked ... er, stumbled ... away from the stadium at halftime as the proud owner of a ticket for public intoxication from NDSP. But the loving embrace of Our Lady, ever hospitable and welcoming to campus guests, didn't stop there. When our out-of-town friend returned to her own place of higher education, she was greeted by the following love letter at the post office:

"Dear Ms. Public Intox,

Based on a report by the security police department, it has been determined that your presence on the grounds of the University of Notre Dame can no longer be permitted. Your entry upon university property will be subject to arrest for criminal trespassing and violation of criminal code."

Just a tad harsh. Now, the Gipp could be mistaken, but isn't that also the same punishment dealt to students expelled from the university for alleged felonies?

Well, that's all for now, my friends. Gipp wishes each and every one of you a happy holiday season, and if Santa ends up putting you on the naughty list, don't fret. Just make a point of finding out why and then tip the Gipp.

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PRESENTE Students raise crosses which bear names of men and women killed by SOA graduates.

Protesting for Peace

Students protest to shut down a military school accused of facilitating human rights abuses

LAUREN WILCOX

A group of Notre Dame students stand en masse, raising white crosses and yelling “presente” — meaning “we are here, present” — in unison with thousands of others at the annual protest of the School of the Americas, a military training camp in Georgia.

The group of 60 Notre Dame students drove 15 hours to Fort Benning, Ga., joining more than 16,000 other protesters marching at the gates of the Western Hemisphere Institute for Security Cooperation (WHISC), formerly known as the School of the Americas (SOA).

The yearly protest calls for the closure of what is now the WHISC, a facility that provides trainees with highly specialized militaristic skills that protesters feel are later used to violate human rights in Latin American countries. On Jan. 17, 2001, legislation changed the former SOA into the WHISC — a result of a proposal by the Department of Defense included in the 2004 Defense Authorization Bill. Under this bill, the SOA was required to amend some of its former practices, such as teaching trainees methods of torture and coercion. However, some Notre Dame students believe that the

WHISC — a U.S. government funded military academy run by the Army that trains soldiers and military personnel from Latin American countries in counter-insurgency, infantry tactics, military intelligence, and counter-narcotics and commando operations — is a continuation of the SOA under a different name. “All they really did was change some of the course requirements and rewrite part of their visionary statement. They haven’t been able to prove to the public that they have actually changed,” junior Alice Pennington says. It is for this reason that protesters join in a solemn procession

in memory of the victims who have suffered human rights abuses at the hands of WHISC graduates.

The annual protest — which also is coupled with a Mass — was created by the Rev. Roy Bourgeois, a Maryknoll priest, in 1990 as a response to the Nov. 16, 1989 murders of a housekeeper, her daughter and six Jesuits priests in El Salvador by SOA graduates. Bourgeois also founded the SOA Watch — an organization that sponsors vigils and fasts, demonstrations and nonviolent protests, as well as media and legislative work — all in an effort to pressure the government to close the former SOA.

In support of Bourgeois and the message behind his efforts, Notre Dame organizes a group of students to participate in the annual protest. They receive sponsorship from a variety of campus organizations, including the Center for Social Concerns, the Kroc Institute for Peace Studies, the Kellogg Institute for International Studies, the Center for Civil and Human Rights in the Law School, the Institute for Latino Studies and Amnesty International.

The CSC has become the “home” department for the trip, guiding the student leaders in the planning of the pre- and post-trip educational sessions, and also sponsoring the vehicles, says Rachel Thomas Morgan, director of Peace and Justice Education, who oversees the trip.

This year, the group of Notre Dame participants left campus on Fri, Nov. 19. They arrived in Fort Benning early Saturday morning in time to attend the all-

day protest which featured a parade and music, as well as speeches by celebrities Susan Sarandon and Martin Sheen.

“Saturday is a free spirit, fun, setting-the-stage thing,” Pennington says. “You walk down a long street with hundreds of tables about every possible cause you can ever think of.”

On Saturday night, the group attended a Jesuit-community Mass, which was “very moving ... they pay a lot of respect to the martyrs,” Pennington says. After the Mass, the students headed to the Koinonia farm, a Catholic Worker farm outside of Fort Benning — where they spend the Saturday night of the protest every year.

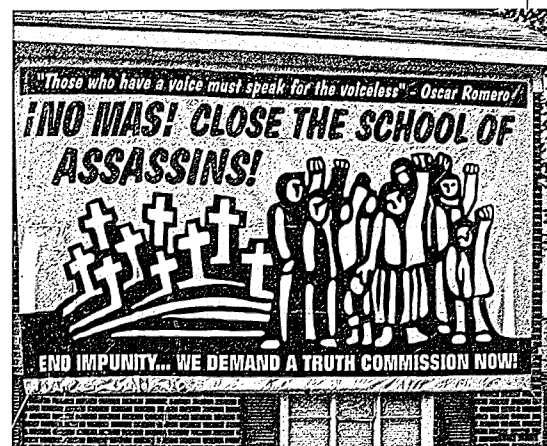
On the Sunday of the weekend-long event, a vigil is held to commemorate those killed by WHISC graduates. Participants line up on one side of the street in rows of 10, holding white crosses. Staged over the course of four hours, each line slowly approaches the gate that bars entrance to the school with the crosses, which represent the victims of human rights abuses perpetrated by graduates.

“The procession was truly a time of grief and mourning for me, but also a way to physically show my disapproval of my government’s foreign policy,” senior Dana Stovall says.

Each cross bears the name of a man or woman killed by a graduate of the WHISC. As a part of the protest, musicians sing out the name of the victim written on a cross, at which point the protestor holding the cross that bears that name, raises it up, and the crowd responds, “Present!” to demonstrate the victim’s presence.

Pennington was moved by the experience. “Many people personally affected by the murders leave something in remembrance of the people who died on the gate. At the end of the day, the gate is covered in pictures and drawings and poems and blankets and flowers,” she says.

Every year, arrests take place when protestors decide to cross “the line” — a wall and a gate that separate the school from the protest. Some trespassers have been detained, but no Notre



Dame students have been arrested.

“We talk a lot before we go and we tell everyone ahead of time if you want to take civil disobedience, you need to think about it a long period of time. You need to have a lot of reasons and thoughts, and we don’t encourage people to do it,” Pennington says.

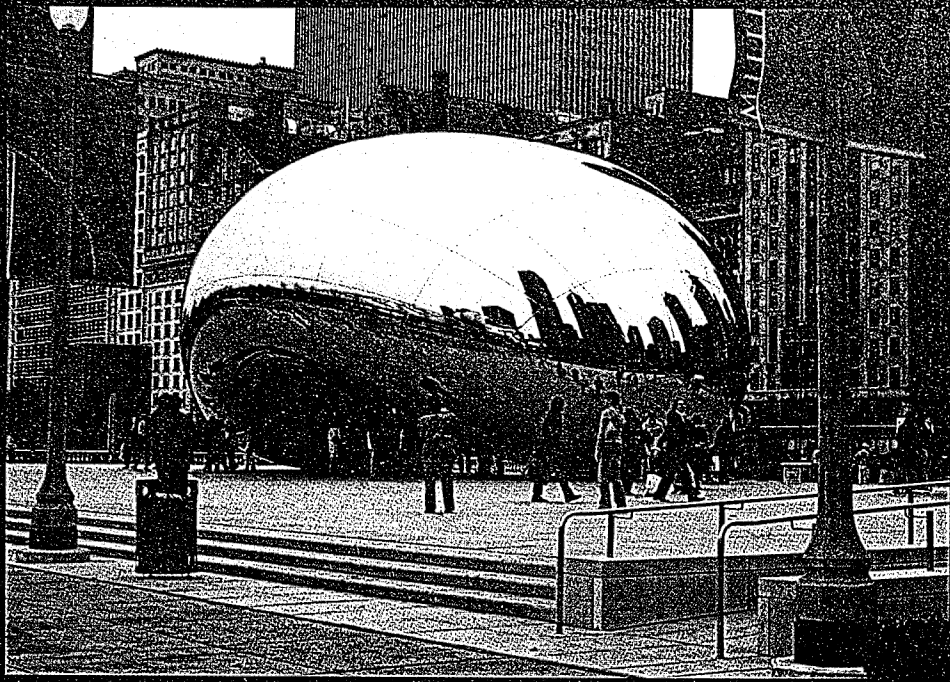
The Notre Dame participants value the experience despite their anger at the academy’s continued existence. “This is my fourth year attending the protest, and I feel like it is becoming more frustrating that the school is still open, given the strength of the protest,” junior Jamie Kralovec says. The protest, however, is not ineffectual. A bill to close down the WHISC is continually up for consideration in the Armed Services appropriations bills, and it tends to get more attention following the annual protest. “It shows that grass roots movements do have some effect because — since this protest has taken place — more senators have voted for the bill to get rid of the school,” says sophomore Deanna Garcia, a trip organizer. Additionally, individual students benefit personally from partaking in the protests. “The experience was very much spiritual and fulfilling,” Kralovec says.

Sophomore Aine Richards, one of the Notre Dame trip organizers, says that college is the best time to participate in such a protest. “We are the young and idealistic people of the world,” she says. “This is one thing we can do — it’s really such a small thing — a 15 hour drive and \$30 dollars.”

As senior Dana Stovall says, “It is our responsibility to use the voice we have here as democrats.” The good of democracy, she feels, is in each individual citizen’s hands, and that is why she participates in the demonstration against the SOA. “I have a strong belief in the protest.” □



CROSSING THE LINE Crosses are placed by protestors into the outdoor fence of the SOA.



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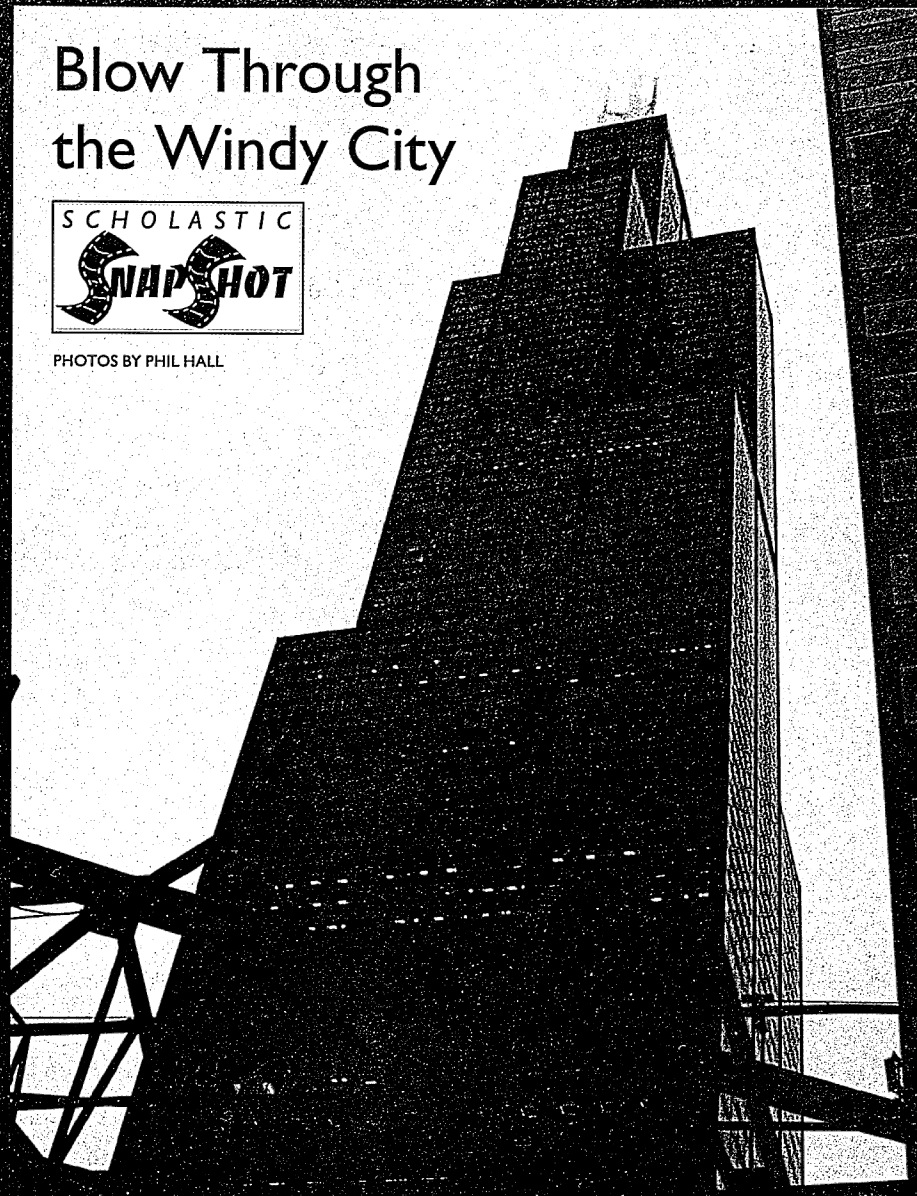
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Blow Through the Windy City



PHOTOS BY PHIL HALL



A Day in Chicago:

1. Reflect while gazing into the modern art sculpture at Millenium Park.
2. Wander along the Chicago River downtown.
3. Window shop at Marshall Field's on State Street.
4. Scrape the sky at the Sears Tower.
5. Brave the crowds on Michigan Avenue.



CRIBS



Welcome to the O.C.

Old College may not have the beach ... but it sure has the Son.

ANNA O'CONNOR

As one of the oldest buildings on campus — built in 1843 by the Rev. Edward Sorin, C.S.C. — Old College houses only seven students, remaining shrouded with mystery for the rest of the Notre Dame student population.

Old College is home to Notre Dame students who are considering the priesthood. The young men live together in order to build community and to assist them in deciding whether or not to pursue a religious vocation.

"A lot of people don't really know what we are about," says Brad Tucker, a second-year Old Collegian. "We're not priests yet, but sometimes people think they have to act different around us," he adds with a laugh.

Seven students call Old College home this year, but the number fluctuates from year to year, depending on the level of interest from prospective seminarians. The house can hold as many as 21 students.

First-year Old Collegians live in doubles, while returning students are given their own rooms. The young men attend Mass daily and pray together several times

a week.

They also cook meals together on Monday nights — with varying degrees of success. According to first-year Old Collegian Brian Ching, "Sometimes it turns out really good, but sometimes not so good."

Living in Old College is similar to dorm life in many ways, but there are some differences in rules and procedures. At Old College, women are not allowed in the bedrooms at any time and must remain in one of the two social spaces, located on the main floor and in the basement. Parietals begin at 11 p.m. on weekdays and at 1 a.m. on the weekends. If any students intend to sleep anywhere other than Old College for a night, they must notify the Rev. Kevin Rousseau, C.S.C., director of Old College.

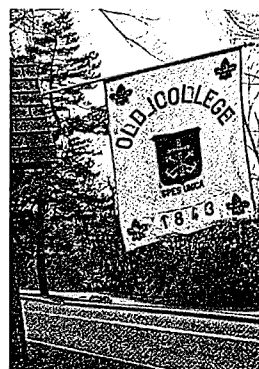
Although the living situation of the men of Old College may be very different than that of the average Notre Dame student, they go through many of the same college experiences as everyone

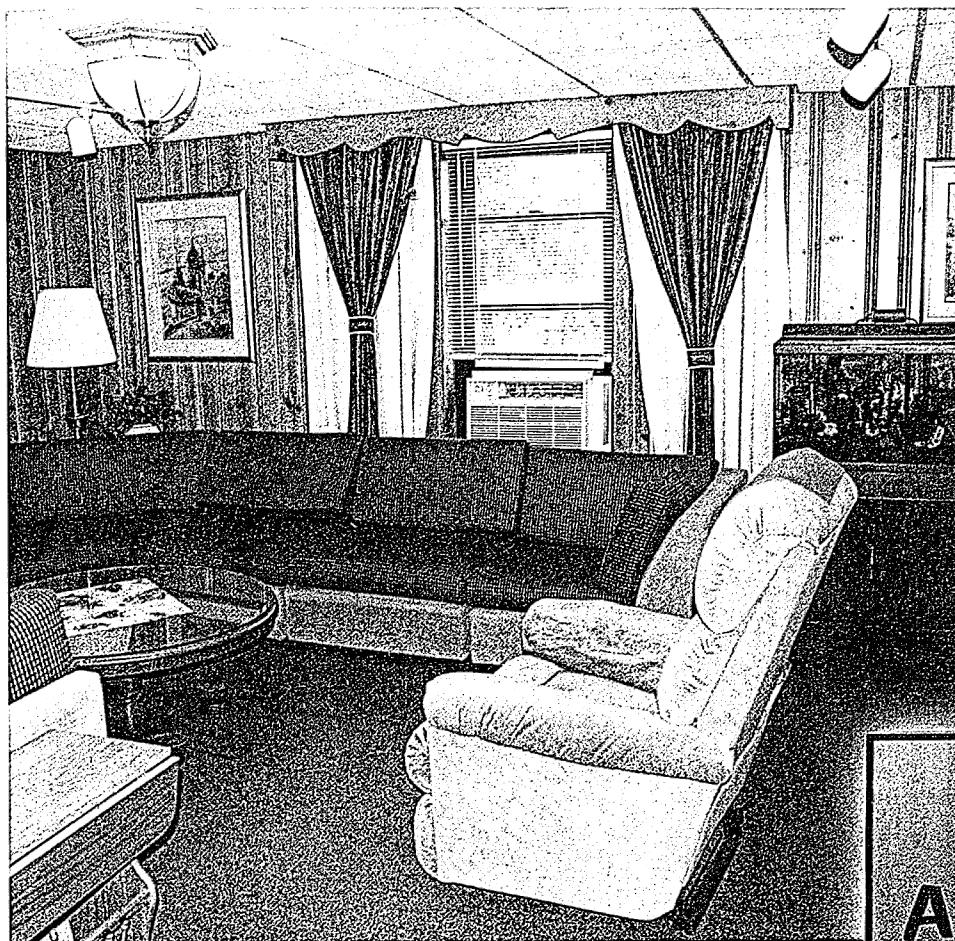
else. "Some people are trying to figure out their majors," Tucker says. One of the few differences for Old Collegians is that, according to Tucker, "We are trying to figure out if this is the life for us."

If a student decides to pursue a religious vocation, the Old Collegian will spend three years living in Old College before moving in to the Moreau Seminary for his senior year. After graduation, the student goes on a one-year Novitiate, or "boot camp for priests," which serves as a time for intense prayer and reflection. He then will return for three years of graduate study and a one-year Pastoral internship — a total of nine years from start to finish.

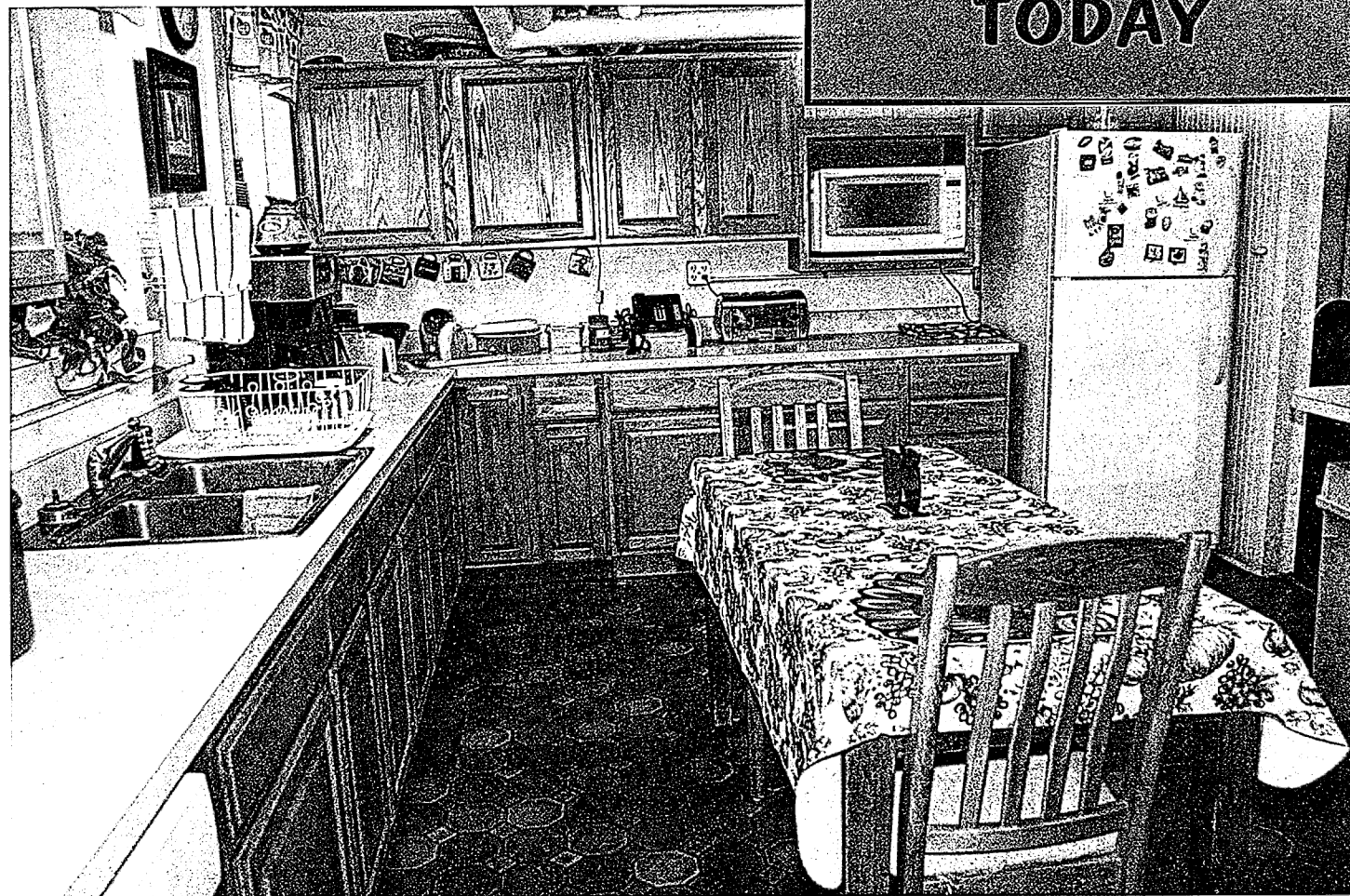
The Old College program is tough, like "religious ROTC," as Tucker calls it, but many of the guys who live there love it.

"I think it's the perfect place for me," he says. "The dorms seem to have a lot of talking and not enough listening. There's more listening here." □





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Bouncin' with The Black Keys



WVFI CD REVIEW

PAULSTEINLE

It's the summer of 2003. I'm with a friend at Record Exchange in Akron, Ohio, staring at a copy of the Stooges' latest CD. Aside from that one Iggy Pop track on the *Trainspotting* soundtrack, my friend has never heard of them. I'm not really concerned with what he buys and step backward to walk away when I see Pat Carney — drummer for the little-known Black Keys. He's wearing hipster glasses, donning greasy hair and has Muppet-like limbs. I barely manage to get out, "Black Keys?" Carney says, "Yeah?" I grab his hand and shake it, stammering, "Uh ... do you like the Stooges?"

The Black Keys is a blues-playing duo from Akron. Dan Auerbach's vocals and guitar-playing complement Carney's drumming. The image of Black Keys is more honest than most bands, and by honest, I mean raw. Their music is dis-

torted and dirty. They have no hidden agenda and play extremely pure, driven music, without any polishing.

I get tired of labeling them "blues" because it is such a limited definition and they are so much more. Listeners should keep an open mind. Sometimes Carney seems to think he's auditioning for the Ramones. And sometimes Auerbach seems to decide that Pete Townshend didn't bleed enough when he played guitar.

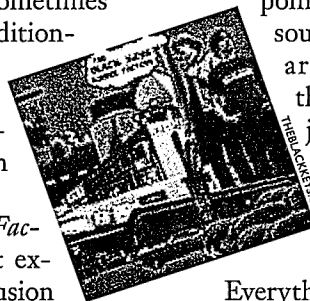
Their newest CD, *Rubber Factory*, features such standout examples of their blues/rock fusion as the songs "10 AM Automatic," "Girl On My Mind," and "Desperate Man." Encapsulated in each song are pain and resolution. But this music is not nostalgic; it is not reinterpretation; it is assembly-line production of open

musical wounds. This album is a solid piece of work.

That day last year, on Carney's advice, my friend bought the Stooges' *Raw Power*. Of it, Carney said: "The Stooges really tightened up their songs by this point and tried to capture the sound on tape. The drums are mixed way down in the mix, and Iggy's voice just erupts over top ... It's great; everything works together ... a lot of tension." Exploding vocals? A lot of tension?

Everything works together? Not that The Black Keys would know anything about that. Or would they?

Listen to Paul Steinle and DJ Biggs Thursdays from 12 a.m. to 1 a.m.
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Not quite Venice, but the gelato's good

JESSICAWHITE

Most students have been to, or at least heard of, Lula's Cafe — located at the crossroads of Edison Road and State Route 23 — the coffee shop where the Creative Writing Program stages its graduate student readings and where java-junkies go for a reprieve from the Starbucks monopoly on campus. But few have realized that on the opposite corner of the same intersection, Caffe Amalia provides a similar off-campus coffee shop experience, but with an Italian atmosphere.

Upon walking into the small, single-

room cafe, a large mural stands out, depicting gondolas parked along a watery canal with one of Venice's many famous cathedrals in the background. The mural gives patrons the impression that they are looking out the window of an actual Venetian cafe at the daily life of old, romantic Italy.

The room is clean and cozy, filled with a cluster of white-clothed tables. Green plants and geometric designs enliven the room, and Italian phrases of good health and cheer adorn the walls. To the left of the counter where customers order, a

dessert display attracts hungry eyes with the delights of cakes, candy and gelato. If you'd like to order a sit-down meal, a server will bring your food to the table of your choosing. Drinks are available for dine-in or take-out.

Caffe Amalia — which offers entrees for breakfast, lunch and dinner, as well as specialty desserts and espresso beverages — brings the hallmarks of a Venetian cafe to South Bend. For breakfast, sample a fruit smoothie or a tall glass of the frothy, sweet, spiced chai tea, perfect for cold winter mornings.



Must See ND

Laugh and dance 'til you drop

Nothing to do on a Friday night? Then sit back and laugh uncontrollably with your best friends before hitting the dance floor and grooving to your favorite songs. Check out the convivial atmosphere that will fill Legends on Fri, Dec. 3 at 10 p.m., when comedian Tony Tone debuts his young, fresh and hilarious new act. Tone has performed in 14 states and is reputed to be on the cutting edge of comedy. After enjoying Tone's jokes and his masterful talent for impressions, stick around for the late-night club scene. For those who are 21, every Friday night Legends brings you "Frosty & Foster's Fridays," featuring \$3.25 frozen Long Island Iced Teas and White Russians.

VACO to ND

On Sat, Dec. 4 at 10 p.m., Virginia Coalition (VACO) comes to campus. This four-man band features the layered and textured music characteristic of the DC-area. Their music blends rock, soul, hip-hop, R&B and bluegrass, creating a sound that transcends musical barriers. Come to Legends to enjoy VACO's show, which has been said to showcase a deluge of energy that takes listeners on a journey through the evolution of music.

Shopping in Chicago

The holidays are right around the corner. Haven't you found the time to buy gifts for your family and friends? FlipSide has your back. FlipSide is sponsoring a trip to Chicago on Sat, Dec. 4, giving you a chance to do some last-minute present shopping and have fun in the city before the hectic last days of the semester. Rides will be arranged to drop you off and pick you up, allowing you to spend the day as you please (see article on page 26 for some ideas). *Total cost and times of departure and return on Saturday have yet to be announced; keep an eye out for posters, or check out www.nd.edu/~flipside/index.htm for updates.*

Howard HALLiday brings joy to underprivileged children

What better way is there to begin the holidays than by decorating Christmas trees and shopping for toys? Come support the underprivileged during the holiday season on Thu, Dec. 2, from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m., in the courtyard between LaFortune and Hayes-Healy, where Howard Hall will be hosting its annual Howard HALLiday extravaganza, featuring a Toys for Tots drive. Other activities include a Christmas tree decorating contest, a marshmallow roast and a concert performed by Harmonia to help warm holiday spirits. Prizes will be awarded to the dorm that collects the most toys and the dorm that decorates the best tree.

Enjoy a Christmas brass ensemble

The music of Empire Brass — an award-winning quintet composed of accomplished musicians from around the United States — is the perfect remedy for any humbug. The group will be performing a Christmas concert on Dec. 10 at 8 p.m. in the Marie P. DeBartolo Center for the Performing Arts, featuring Christmas songs of past and present. Student tickets are \$15 and can be purchased in the PAC or by calling (574) 631-2800. Visit www.empirebrass.com to learn more about the group.

Jackie O. makes a Midwest appearance

The Field Museum in Chicago will be hosting the exhibit "Jacqueline Kennedy: The White House Years" from now through May 8. If you're planning to visit Chicago this school year, stop by to see over 70 of her garments, along with photos, documents and film clips of one of America's most intriguing and stylized First Ladies. Visit www.fieldmuseum.org for details and ticket information.

—Compiled by Sarah Barrett

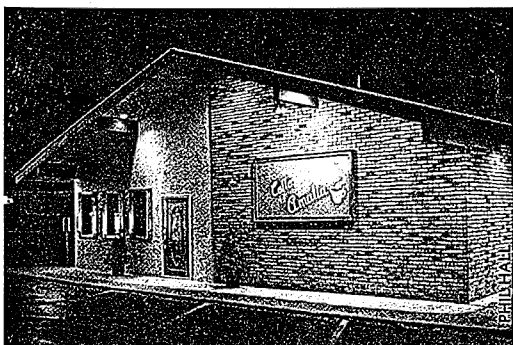
For lunch and dinner, the menu has light and satisfying meal options, including paninis, wraps, soups and antipasto. Try the classico panini, dripping with mozzarella cheese, salami, sausage and a

tangy Italian dressing, coupled with either the creamy potato soup or the zesty vegetarian vegetable broth.

For dessert, one of the luscious-looking chocolate cakes or cheesecakes that fills the display window may provide an enticing treat. But Italy's trademark temptation is, of course, gelato. Caffè Amalia delivers with an array of flavors, from vanilla and chocolate to fresh strawberry, apple pie and pistachio. Though not as heavenly as the gelato you may consume while in Europe, Caffè Amalia still serves a smooth, rich treat and a tasty alternative to the everyday ice cream found in South Dining Hall.

Caffè Amalia attracts a mellow breed of clientele and is a great place for an intimate lunch with a friend or a quiet place to study. Prices are comparable to food court dining at the University Park Mall. But why bother with the hustle and bustle of a shopping center when you can head to Caffè Amalia, a comfortable and tranquil coffee shop experience that is within walking distance of campus? □

1640 South Bend Avenue
Phone: (574) 289-6666
Prices for entrees: \$5.50 – \$8.00
Gelato: \$1.99 for a single scoop,
\$2.99 for two, \$3.99 for three



Silver Bells

Spending a Holiday in Chicago

BETH MURPHY

When the confines of South Bend seem unbearable, hop on the South Shore Line and spend a day in Chicago. Christmas is in the air in the Windy City, and there is plenty to do. Whether you enjoy swiping your credit card, sharpening your skates, or even refining your mind, Chicago has it all — and it's just a train ride away.

Marshall Field's Window Display

If shopping is your bag, head over to Marshall Field's — located on State Street between Randolph and Washington streets — where the display windows are decorated with holiday cheer. The department store's windows, which wrap around the building, are decorated each year with a literary theme that tells a story, all the while promoting the store's merchandise. Past years' displays include *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* and *Harry Potter*. This year's theme is *Snow White and the Seven Dwarves*.

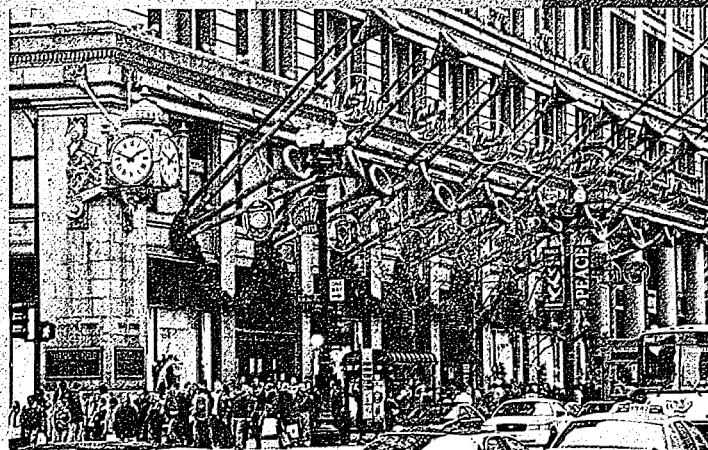
Young and old alike gather outside the department store and travel from window to window as they read various excerpts about the fair-skinned maiden. Mothers can be seen crouching down and reading the stories aloud to their children.

The images, however, speak for themselves. In one window, Snow White is fashionably clad in an exquisite lavender dress, daintily holding a violet Louis Vuitton handbag. In another window her faithful dwarves are equally stylish, frolicking through the forest wearing small versions of camel-colored Ugg boots. It's fun to watch the story — portrayed in beautiful scenes — as it unfolds around the building.

The Magnificent Mile

Once you've checked out Marshall Field's, take a trip up the Magnificent Mile, aka Michigan Avenue. Illuminated trees line this shop-a-holic's haven, and even the subway stops are aglow with festivity. Plastic reindeer gallop mid-flight above subway entrances, and various other holiday decorations adorn every lamppost. Street musicians seem to be on almost every corner, belting out tunes like "Jingle Bells" on their saxophones. The holiday spirit is simply everywhere, and walking around town is enough to send shivers down your spine — if the gusty Chicago winds haven't done so already, that is. When





HOLIDAY GETAWAY Holiday activities in Chicago include ice skating in Millennium Park and shopping at Marshall Field's on State Street.

you reach the Water Tower shopping center, stop by Ghirardelli's chocolate shop for a rich, warm cup of hot cocoa.

Chicago Holiday Tree

Last week marked Chicago's 91st annual Tree Lighting Ceremony at Daley Plaza (formerly known as Civic Center Plaza). The city's "holiday tree" measures 85 feet tall and glitters with red, green and gold lights. With a tree of such magnitude, one can only hope for some substantial gifts to be stashed underneath it.

Millennium Park

Continue to sip on your hot cocoa while taking a stroll through Millennium Park, which opened this past summer after several years of planning. This 24.5-acre park is brimming with modern art, stunning architecture and an outdoor ice-skating rink. SBC Plaza is the first place you should go. There you'll find a 110-ton elliptical structure called the "Cloud Gate," designed by the British artist Anish Kapoor. This structure, one of the park's biggest attractions, is intended for public interaction; people literally can walk through and around its design.

Just in front of the Kapoor structure is a balcony that overlooks what recently was turned into an outdoor ice-skating rink for the holiday season. Crowds of people can be found resting here, watching the skaters as they glide across the ice. If you want to join in on the fun, head down to the McCormick-Tribune Ice Rink, where skate rentals are only \$7. The rink is open every day from 10 a.m. until 10 p.m.

Theater and Concert Events

If you want to get off of your feet for

a while, check out one of Chicago's several theatrical performances. Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol" is playing at the Goodman Theatre through Dec. 26. This timeless tale is perfect for the season, and ticket prices range from \$30 to \$50. (www.goodman-theatre.org)

The Chicago Theater also is hosting some stellar performances this month, including a show by the Barenaked Ladies on Dec. 14, who are currently on their "Barenaked for the Holidays" tour. *American Idol* runner-up Clay Aiken also will be there belting out holiday tunes on Dec. 20. (Go to www.ticketmaster.com for tickets.)

Museum Madness

Visiting one or two of Chicago's many museums can be a day trip in itself. The Field Museum of Natural History hosts a formidable Ancient Egyptian exhibit, as well as the current, much-publicized, Jackie Kennedy exhibit (*see page 25*). The museum also houses Sue, the largest and most complete Tyrannosaurus Rex ever discovered. (www.fieldmuseum.org)

Right next door, fish lovers can visit the Shedd Aquarium to see a wide array of sea creatures from around the world. They are grouped into such re-created environments as the waters of the Amazon, Pacific Northwest and Caribbean. The large Oceanarium amphitheatre periodically hosts a marine mammal show featuring dolphins and whales. (www.shedd-aquarium.org)

The Museum of Science and Industry is another popular institution, and it has a special seasonal exhibit on Christmas customs and celebrations from around the world. Other exhibits include an explor-

able coal mine, a life-size fairy castle, and The Great Train Story—which features a model railroad winding from Chicago to Seattle. (www.msichicago.org)

The Shedd Aquarium and Field Museum are accessible from Michigan Avenue by taking CTA bus number 146. The South Shore Line makes a stop at the 57th Street station, two blocks from the north entrance of the Museum of Science and Industry. (Turn left as you exit the station.)

Tomorrow's Music Today

Chicago's Metro showcases rising stars

DANA ERGAS & KATIE GALEONE

If you've stopped by Metro — one of Chicago's most storied music venues — lately, you've been lucky enough to hear such rising bands as The F-Ups, Big D and the Kids Table, Go Betty Go, and The Voodoo Glow Skulls. Never heard of them? Let's put it this way: If you had been going to Metro for concerts a few years ago, you would have been listening to formerly little-known bands like The White Stripes and The Get Up Kids. Still not convinced Metro has an "in" to musical newcomers? The Flaming Lips, Nirvana and Radiohead are only three on a long list of groups who made sure Metro was a stop on their initial tour and eventual ascent to commercial success. Sold?

Metro's motto of bringing fans "tomorrow's music today" started in 1982, when its staff booked a little known band from Athens, Ga., called R.E.M. The rest is Billboard chart history. The same fate may lie ahead for some of the bands currently playing at Metro.

Metro is a haven for underground music junkies, where there is no such thing as a bad seat — everyone is on their feet. Those whose ideal concert-going experience involves being on their feet, thrashing to the music, and being right up against the stage will feel right at home. With a constantly shifting schedule, Metro's lineup is anything but pedestrian. Whether you like reggae, punk, emo or anything in-between, Metro's got it all.

When *Scholastic* visited Metro, The F-Ups, Big D and the Kids Table, Go Betty Go, and The Voodoo Glow Skulls were all on the bill, with nary a pompous



F-UN AT THE SHOW The F-Ups are headed by Chris DeWerd (in front) (Guitar/Vocals) and Travis Allen (Lead Vocals/Guitar).

rock star in sight. The bands set up, tune and break down their own equipment. There weren't any techies from a hired road crew. There weren't entourages or publicity flacks in action; in fact, it's much more likely that you'll buy the CD of the band you just heard from the guy you just heard singing. The barrier that you encounter all too often at conventional concerts is nonexistent. The only way to be closer to the music is to actually be part of the band.

Right away, it was clear this was going to be anything but a sit-down concert. Big D and the Kids Table's lead singer trusted the crowd to keep him from accidentally nose-diving off the wobbly partition he was crooning on. One Big D fan even nabbed the chance to belt out the lyrics to a song — on the lead singer's mic. Midway through Go Betty Go's set, some stage equipment fell over, just barely missing their drummer. But the show must go on — and Go Betty Go hardly flinched. The band joked about it momentarily, then ripped into their next song. After The F-Ups' show, their drummer handed out drumsticks and set-lists to some concert-goers, chatting with them the whole time. Each band was overflowing with thanks to their fans for the support.

The venue's structure is integral to cre-

ating the intimate shows for which Metro is famous. Metro's main floor, where the stage is located, is a level, open space — perfect for throngs of fans to pack together and dance during the sets. If you need a breather, head up to the balcony — which offers great acoustics, cocktail tables and a better view of the band. And for the of-age concert-goers, both levels boast bars. While at first glance the architecture at first glance is more befitting of an opera house, it is that aesthetic that makes Metro a unique venue.

Metro's location is not bad, either; it is just two blocks north of Wrigley Field, nestled in-between a row of cozy restaurants and hopping bars. You can catch an early show — which usually begins around 6:30 p.m. (CST) — and sample the surrounding nightlife afterwards. Or, wander around the city during the day and then head over to the Metro for a 9 p.m. show. So take the chance — the featured band might just be gracing the cover of *Rolling Stone* before you know it.

For more information, check out Metro's Web site <http://www.metrochicago.com>. Ticket prices usually range from \$10 to \$35.

The Case for Fervor

Why it's OK to be angry about politics

ROQUESTREW



Calm is king. Nowadays everyone worships in public at the altar of equanimity. It has gone too far: We have coached automata for politicians and stage-managed recitations for political debates. Feelings, especially strong ones, are verboten.

Under President Bush's leadership, however, strong feelings have returned to the fore. Before he even set foot in the White House conservatives — dead to irony — laid into liberals for their so-called politics of rage and hate and sneer. The avalanche of vitriol issuing from the left, they say, is unacceptable. They are wrong.

I want to make the case for fervor. Defending the powerful emotions that we feel — from alienation and fury to hope and love — shouldn't be necessary, but it is. To ask us to water down our passions, to enfold everything within calm argument, is to ask us to surrender much of the discourse. This would imply that, for instance, the dejection and ire of the Democrats lacks validity, that the only legitimate discourse must be frigidly academic, detached and hyper-logical, individualistic to a fault.

Barring passion from the discourse brings many problems. First, it reaches the heights of Beltway hypocrisy: Either side, Republican or Democrat, will cry foul if it wins votes. Second, it breathes new life into sexist ideals: Stubborn Atomic Age values link emotion with femininity. Third, it mistakenly writes off emotion's value to ethical thinking.

In two-party politics, accusation is an art. Both parties have mastered it. The fantasy is that one side plays fair and the other side plays dirty. The reality is that one side plays dirty and the other side plays dirtier, alternately. Anger fuels both sides equally. If decrying the enemy's

tactics as beyond the pale, yoked to ugly emotions, helps gain Senate seats, then that is all that matters. Democrats and Republicans are equally comfortable in attack mode. The case of Howard Dean vividly showed the widespread hostility to emotion. At a rally,

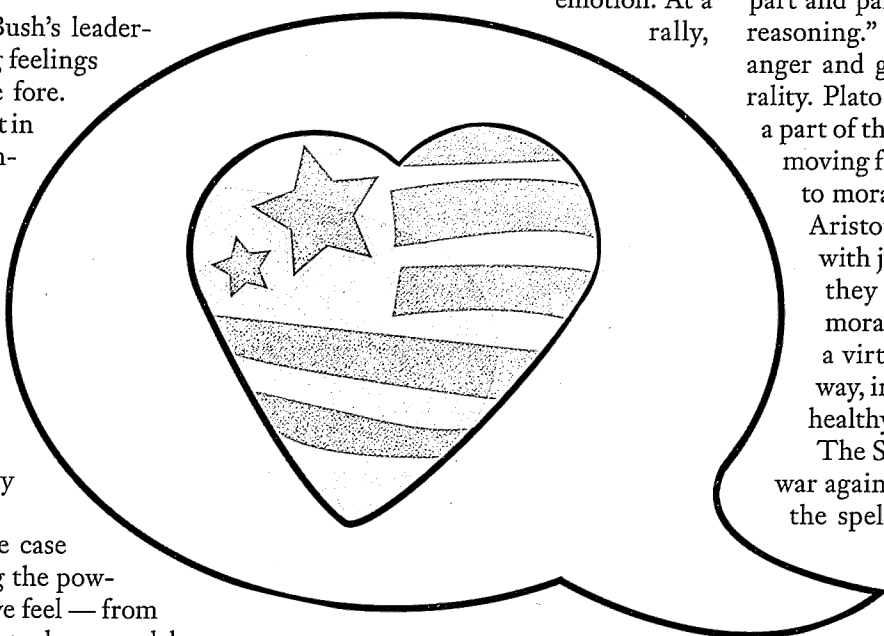
are not mere irrational outpourings, she says, but are instead "intelligent responses to the perception of value." They come from judgments made about people and events and objects that, while beyond our control, remain important and hence "part and parcel of the system of ethical reasoning." Emotions such as love and anger and grief are tightly knit to morality. Plato argued that emotions form a part of the soul distinct from thought, moving from skepticism of their value to morality to a more positive view. Aristotle linked emotions closely with judgment and belief, arguing they can be cultivated through moral education to help compose a virtuous character. Put another way, in the right doses, they form a healthy facet of ethical living.

The Stoics have been winning the war against emotion, however. Under the spell of German Romanticism, Nietzsche, in the *Birth of Tragedy*, offered an unorthodox vision of Greek culture. Agreeing

with Schopenhauer, he be-

lieved that at the heart of all creativity — even reality itself — lay non-rational forces. These forces fell under what Nietzsche termed "Dionysian" energy, wild and amoral, as opposed to "Apollonian" energy, sober and ordered. Nietzsche mourned the slow eclipse in Western culture of healthy Dionysian energy by stifling Apollonian energy.

The eclipse is almost total: The backslide into an Apollonian abyss proceeds. Hope lies in a revival of Dionysian energy in America, of rich expression, of fervor. We have a right to strong emotions. In particular, we have a right to be angry. There exists a constructive species of anger that one might call "intelligent anger" — passion with direction, tempered, but not thwarted by reason, which stirs us to action and activism. Injustice is legion. The horror of the status quo, a world of widening chasms, sparks intelligent anger. The vision of a just world, a world without chasms, sustains it. □



heaven forbid, the man emptied his lungs of a cathartic, pre-logical yawp. Within hours, the press was all but fastening the buckles on his straitjacket. Headlines proclaimed breakdown. In today's political theater, when the dramatis personae are mostly male, this all smacks of sexism. You know the cultural routine: Men have to be Gary Cooper, emotion betrays weakness, and weakness is womanly. This old syllogism should be extinct by now: Sexism equals anachronism.

Gary Cooper's followers are sort of dime-store Stoics (or Kantians, or Christians). They see emotion as reason's enemy, the former subverting and disrupting the latter. Emotion, to this crowd, arises from parochial needs and interests. It follows in this tradition that the good life is lived above this plane, free of the worldly realities of accident, pain and desire. For Martha Nussbaum, a renowned philosopher at the University of Chicago, this tradition fails to appreciate the value of emotion to thought. Strong emotions



Who's Next on the Coaching Carousel?

CHRISTOPHER MESKILL



The firing of Willingham left a number of questions unanswered, with the biggest being, "Who is going to coach the Fighting Irish next year?" I agree with most analysts who believe that No. 6 Utah's Urban Meyer is going to be coaching Notre Dame next year. Meyer was an assistant coach for five seasons at Notre Dame under Davie and Lou Holtz and has high opinions of the program. "[Notre Dame] truly is one of the great places," Meyer told ESPN.com in September. "It's college football in its truest form. It's true student-athletes. You can't say that about every university. Most universities can sneak guys into certain majors — and, if some of them succeed there, that can be good. But that doesn't happen at Notre Dame."

Meyer's contract with the Utes has an "out clause" for three schools — Michigan, Ohio State and Notre Dame — meaning that if the head coaching position at any of these schools becomes available, Meyer is allowed to leave Utah without any further explanation. Meanwhile, Michigan's Lloyd Carr and Ohio State's Jim Tressel

are unlikely to be exiting anytime soon, which means Notre Dame's slot is the only position that Meyer can leave for without having to pay a fine for breach of contract. Next on the list would probably be Dan Hawkins of Boise State. Hawkins recently said that, as a Catholic, Notre Dame would be the school of his dreams. Given Meyer's and Hawkins' successes at formerly low-profile programs, either would make a suitable replacement. Other candidates include Butch Davis, who was recently released as head coach of the Cleveland Browns, and Jon Gruden, head coach of the Tampa Bay Buccaneers and a long-time Notre Dame fanatic.

While many Notre Dame fanatics would love to see Jon Gruden in blue and gold, this is almost entirely out of the question. Gruden is currently in a contract with the Buccaneers that pays him an unmatched \$4 million a year. Butch Davis would be more likely to return to the state of Florida — where he previously enjoyed plenty of collegiate success with the Miami Hurricanes — to coach the Florida Gators. □

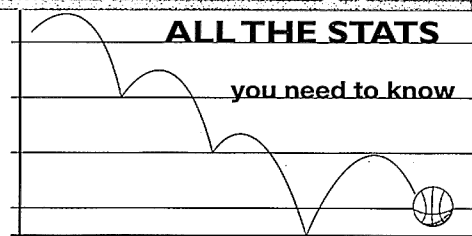


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Football (6-5):

On Saturday, the USC Trojans trounced the Fighting Irish 41-10, marking the third consecutive year in which the Trojans have beaten the Irish by exactly 31 points. USC's quarterback Matt Leinart passed for a career-high 400 yards and tied the

single-game record for touchdown passes against any team with five. For the Irish, sophomore Brady Quinn had 105 passing yards, moving him past Notre Dame greats Terry Hanratty and Joe Montana into 6th place on the all-time list for total passing yards. This loss ended Notre Dame's

IRIS HEYESON

LAUREN
BREWSTER

Lauren Brewster, a junior marketing and sociology double major from Brentwood, Tenn., is one of the key defensive players on the Notre Dame volleyball team. She is the defending NCAA Division I blocking leader and is a six-time Big East Player of the Week. Brewster was named MVP of the Big East tournament when she helped lead the Irish to their eighth Big East championship.



What are your goals as you get ready for the NCAA tournament?

One of our goals was to win the regular season Big East, so we went in and did that. At this point, we are just taking it one step at a time. We're going to try and mix things up a little bit, and we'll be ready to play.

You are highly ranked in many of Notre Dame's record books. Do those statistics put any additional pressure on you as you go into a match?

I really don't keep track of those. I mean, when you hear about them after it happens, it is kinda nice to hear about, but I don't play for the statistics. I'm not aware what records I hold or am about to break, so it does not weigh on me too much.

What motivates you as an athlete?

For me, it's the girls that I play with. They are my best friends. I hate to see the disappointment on their faces and on the coaches' faces. That motivates me to play. I don't like to see them disappointed and I don't like to be disappointed. When we come back in a game, that is just being competitive. We fight our way back, and that's what I enjoy.

What one word best describes you?

Focused. It is hard to be a student-athlete with both school and athletics. You want to achieve your goals both on and off of the court. It takes focus to achieve those goals. It is a lot of work, but it is worth it if you just focus.

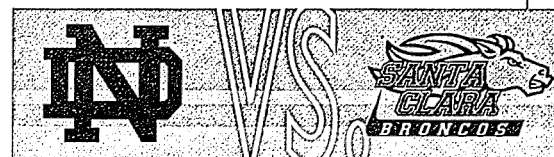
— Bryan Lowery

15-game winning streak for games played following a regular season bye week.

Women's Soccer (23-1-1):

After a 2-1 loss to Connecticut in the Big East final, the No. 2 Irish returned to their winning ways

and advanced through the first four rounds of the NCAA Tournament. Junior goalkeeper Erika Bohn helped her team shutout their opponents until the quarter finals, when Portland midfielder Lisa Sari managed to score a goal. Junior Katie Thorlakson scored 3 goals and 5



Our Calls Women's Soccer



OPPONENT: SANTA CLARA

WHERE: CARY, N.C.

WHEN: FRI., DEC 6, 4:30 P.M. EST

The Irish defense, anchored by the outstanding play of goalkeeper Erika Bohn, has dominated opponents in the NCAA tournament so far, allowing just one goal in three games. Notre Dame beat Santa Clara earlier this year and will do so again. The Irish win, 2-0.

MIKE BORGIA
EDITOR IN CHIEF

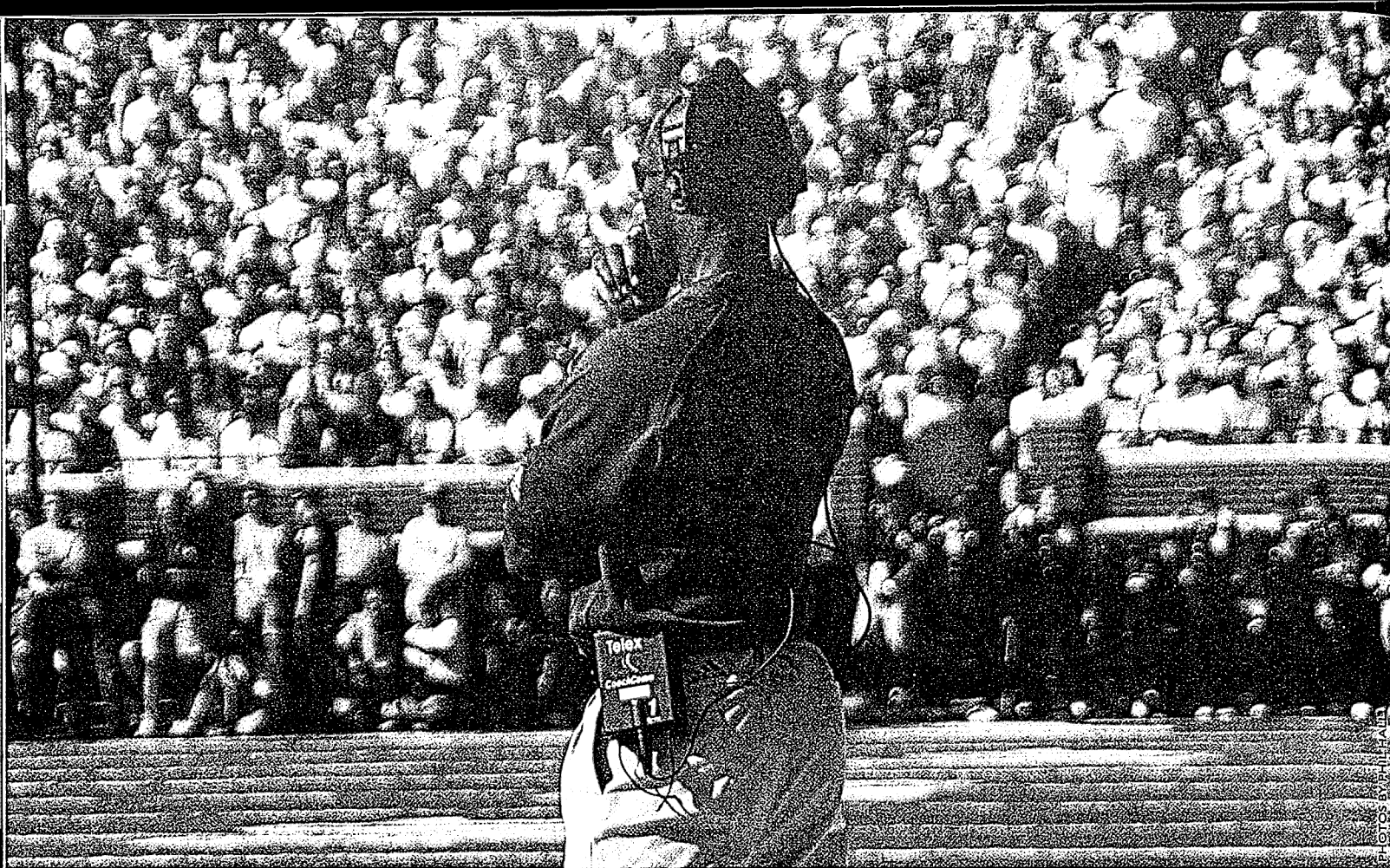
The Fighting Irish have battled past all obstacles this year, and nothing will get between them and the national championship. Junior Erika Bohn will hold Santa Clara to only one score in the semi-finals, and junior Katie Thorlakson will add two assists in a 3-1 Notre Dame victory.

CHRISTOPHER MESKILL
SPORTS EDITOR

KEY TO THE GAME: Momentum

The Irish come into the match against Santa Clara with a 4-0 tournament record. Keeping the team's momentum going is of the utmost importance for Head Coach Randy Waldrum. If the Irish can manage to keep in their current mindset, they should be able to roll over any opposition.

assists during the first four rounds to help lift the Irish over Eastern Illinois, Wisconsin, Connecticut and Portland. The Irish will face No. 4 Santa Clara on Fri, Dec. 3 in the semifinals in Cary, N.C. The game will be on ESPN2 at 4:30 EST. □



Speculations and Implications

The termination of Ty: A Sports Analysis

CHRISTOPHER MESKILL

After Notre Dame's third consecutive 31-point loss to USC, many Irish students, alumni and fans had enough of the Willingham Era. Outraged by continual on-field failures, a group of students scheduled a rally to demand Willingham's ousting to be held in front of Main Building on Tuesday, only three days after the embarrassing loss.

However, their demands were met before the first of their cries was uttered.

The administration and board of trustees decided to relieve Tyrone Willingham of his head coaching responsibilities just hours before the scheduled protest.

While many fans found Willingham's performance to be sub-par, the announcement of his firing came as a shock to many of the Irish faithful, especially considering that the decision was made so soon after the end of the regular season. "My first reaction was shock, because I never thought it was going to happen," says Tom Mahoney, sophomore band member.

The feeling was similar among many of

Willingham's players, who were notified Tuesday before the press conference. "We were pretty much shocked," says Ambrose Wooden, sophomore cornerback. "It came out of nowhere. We all got an e-mail that said the team meeting was moved to an earlier time, and just announced that they were going to fire him."

Already there has been a great deal of speculation about the true reason for Willingham's sudden firing. Also, a number of questions are left unanswered as to the future of program and the repercussions of the head coach's quick termination.

Speculations: Why fire him now?

Since the decision was made so quickly, many are asking, "Why now?" After all, according to White, Willingham was never informed that his position was under immediate threat. In fact, many of Willingham's assistant coaches were away from South Bend recruiting players when they found out they had lost their jobs.

When asked if Willingham ever knew

that his job was in jeopardy, White responded, "I would say that Coach Willingham and I had not had those specific conversations and really waited [until] the end of the season to sit down and have kind of a program evaluation conversation. We began that conversation on Sunday."

If talks began on Sunday, why did the university accept the offer to play in the Insight Bowl, considering that we possibly are pulling out of it due to the coaching situation? Something does not add up, and so many possible explanations must be examined to discover the truth.

The first possibility is that Willingham realized that his status at the university was in question, and began to explore other options. It has been widely reported that the University of Washington is pursuing Willingham for its head coaching position. Several sources confirmed that Washington has expressed interest in Willingham. Also, Stanford University — where Willingham formerly served as head coach — recently fired its head coach

and Willingham could be a candidate there. It is a possibility that Willingham had begun to search for a new job, which could have led to a pre-emptive termination by Notre Dame.

Another explanation is that the administration already had been considering the termination of Willingham, and the potential bad press the rally could create simply expedited the process.

There are many more possibilities when considering the number of coaching candidates that are currently available to Notre Dame (see page 30). If Willingham was fired because another coach seemed immediately available and interested, Notre Dame could very well hire a new coach within the next two weeks.

Repercussions: What are the effects of firing Willingham?

While many students accused Willingham of being a poor coach, players have expressed satisfaction with his personality and his coaching style. Unfortunately, this means that some players may transfer to other schools if they are unhappy with the new coach. If this is the case, it could delay Notre Dame's rebuilding process a few more years.

Willingham's termination also could have serious negative consequences for recruiting next year's freshman class, as well as for recruiting in future years. Notre Dame currently has received verbal commitments from 11 high school seniors, but some of those may rescind their decisions because the coaching staff that recruited them will be gone next season. Both current and prospective signees could be scared away from Notre Dame because of a perception of instability and uncertainty within the program — a perception which may be difficult to shake off.

Unfortunately, potential instability might be the smallest tarnish to Notre Dame football's reputation following Willingham's firing. Also, the program may be sending a message to potential coaches that its administrators and fans are unwilling to give a head coach enough time to turn the program around. Willingham is the first coach in Notre Dame football history to be fired in the middle of his initial contract (aside from O'Leary). Following Willingham's firing, many analysts expressed their disappointment with Notre Dame's decision, arguing that the school did not give Willingham

adequate time to prove himself.

Even more significantly, many analysts believe that Notre Dame's decision to fire Willingham so soon is a sign that the school is surrendering to pressures of the college football world and becoming a "football factory," where winning on the field trumps everything. "On any number of levels, the fact that Tyrone Willingham will not be

returning illustrates how Notre Dame is not Notre Dame anymore," ESPN analyst Ivan Maisel wrote on ESPN.com following the press conference. "The university that has not let a coach go without him fulfilling his contract let Willingham go three years into a five-year deal ... The unique quality of which Notre Dame has been so proud of for so many years — that it doesn't do things the way the typical 'football factory' does — became a lot less visible around 1:15 EST Tuesday afternoon. Sending a coach on his way three years into a contract is what any school would do. Florida and Stanford come immediately to mind."

During the press conference, White explained that, although the university was extremely happy with the players' success off the field, the decision to fire Willingham ultimately came down to wins versus losses. "[O]ur football program under his watch has never been stronger in terms of academic performance. We simply have not made the progress on the field that we need to make," White says.

This has led some to wonder if Notre Dame has come to value on-field wins over moral character or in-class performance. Mike Francesa, the host of a New York City-area sports talk-radio show on WFAN, said on Tuesday, "ND wants to be Harvard Monday through Friday and Alabama on Saturday."

In his autobiography published in 1991, the Rev. Theodore Hesburgh, C.S.C., — the former university president often cited as leading Notre Dame to academic prominence — heralded the value of the players' academic performance and the importance of honoring a coach's contract. "I



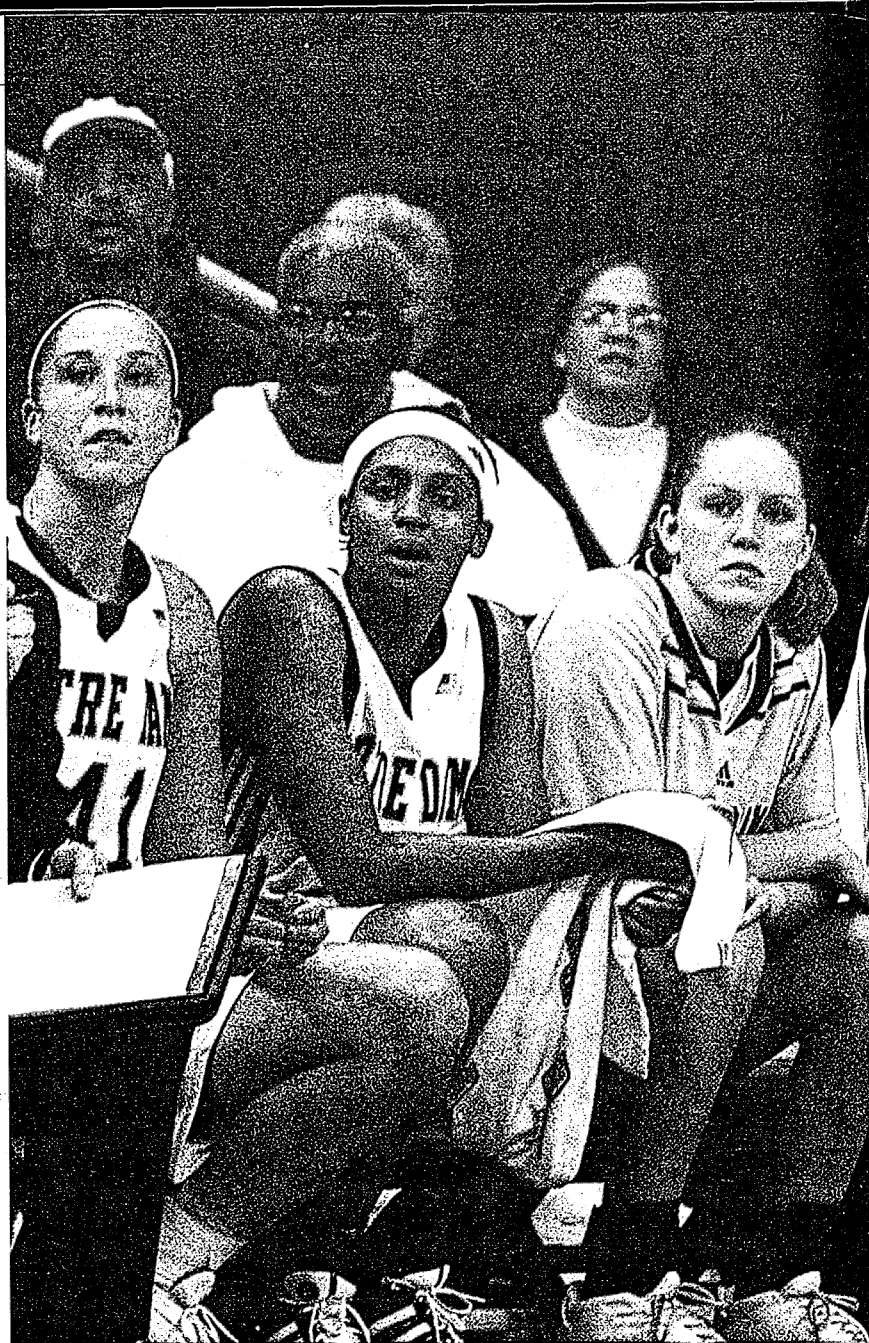
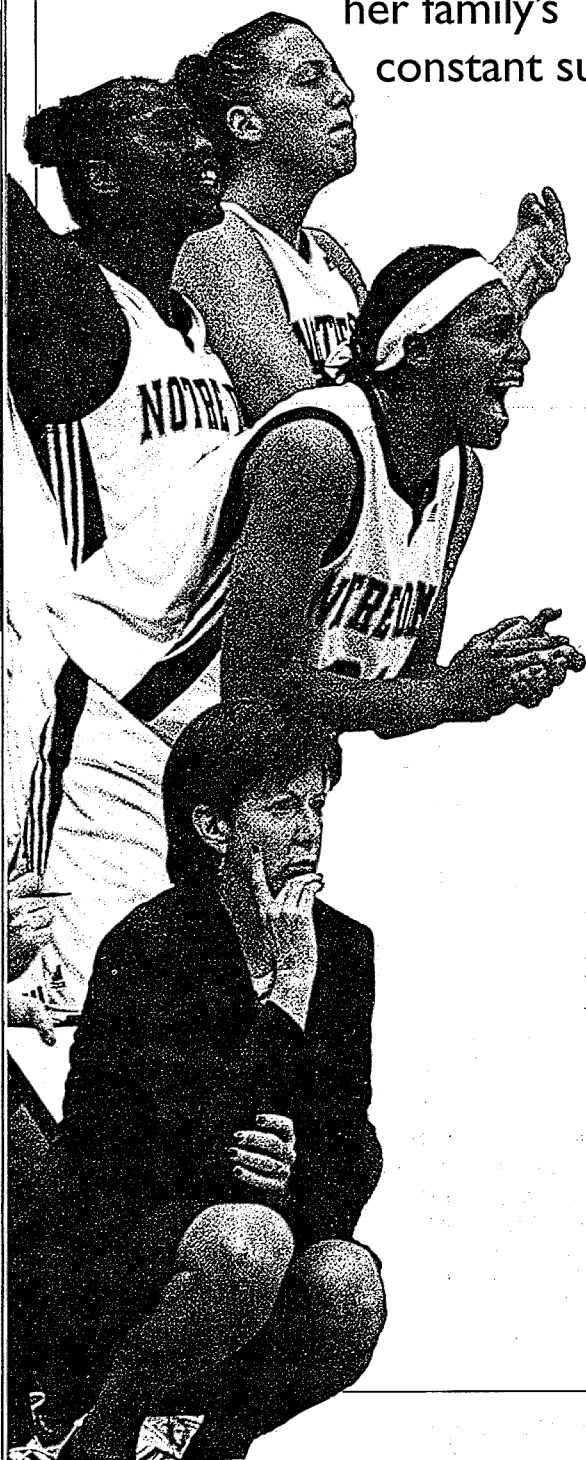
THE END OF THE TUNNEL Willingham was fired after only three seasons in which he had a 21-15 record overall.

would tell [the coach] that if he followed the rules and made sure his players graduated, he would not have to worry about alumni pressure," Hesburgh wrote. "If he lost some games, or even had a losing season occasionally, I would take the heat, not he. If hired, he would be assured of a five-year contract." Hesburgh is largely responsible for building Notre Dame's reputation as a school that demands much more from its football program than just wins. This reputation could now be in jeopardy.

Further complicating the matter, Willingham is the school's first black head coach in any sport and was one of five black head-football coaches at the 117 Division 1 schools. Willingham is the third of those five to be forced out this season, leading some, such as Floyd Keith — executive director of the Black Coaches Association — to express concern that black head coaches are held to higher standards than white ones. The fact that Willingham is the first Notre Dame head football coach to be fired in the middle of his first contract could add fuel to Keith's argument and attract negative attention to the school. In fact, during the scheduled time for the anti-Willingham rally Tuesday, a number of black students protested the university's decision as a move against diversity. "I find this insulting. Notre Dame means a lot more than football," junior Ukachi Okoronkwo says. Many assert that Notre Dame was making a powerful statement by hiring its first-ever black coach, and some may wonder if the school isn't making a disastrous one in firing him after just three years. □

Family Matters

South Bend native Jacqueline Batteast attributes her successful hoops career to her family's constant support



HOME COURT ADVANTAGE Jacqueline (in middle with white headband) is not the only Batteast on the edge of her seat, as her father Wayne (top left, in hat) anxiously watches the Notre Dame drive.

MIKEISELIN

October was a decorated month for women's basketball forward Jacqueline Batteast. The senior was named the NCAA National Preseason Player of the Year by *Sporting News Magazine*. A few days later, she was honored as the 2004-2005 Big East Conference Preseason Player of the Year by the league's head coaches. These weren't her first athletic accolades: She was named Big East Conference Rookie of the Year in 2002 and was a finalist in 2004 for the Naismith Award, which is given to the NCAA Player of the Year.

It's clear that Batteast is a phenomenal basketball player. So what exactly gives her such a gift for the game?

Coaches, teammates and friends attribute it to sheer drive and unwavering focus on improving. But what Batteast highlights is a whole other source of support: her family.

That is largely why, after growing up in South Bend and attending nearby Washington High School, she chose to play college basketball close to home.

"Being at home makes a big difference," says Batteast, who sees her family nearly everyday. "I don't think I could have done as well if I was away from my family."

Basketball is in her blood. Batteast first learned the game from her father, Wayne, who played college basketball for the University of Montana. "I guess I got most of

my talent from him," Batteast says of her father, who works in Building Services at Notre Dame. Batteast's younger sister — a sophomore at Vincennes University — and a younger brother — a high school senior — both play basketball for their respective schools.

Wayne Batteast, however, speaks modestly of his influence on his daughter's game. "I've showed her some things, but I have to give her credit; she's worked hard," he says. Wayne never coached one of her teams while she was growing up, but he admits to giving her a lesson or two in the backyard.

"[My parents] never forced basketball on me, but because it came so naturally, they made a lot of sacrifices so that I could come to Notre Dame," she says. "They had to pay a lot of money for me to play in all the travel leagues."

While growing up and playing bas-

is going in."

This season, Batteast has great expectations for herself and for the team: Their goal is to reach the Final Four in Indianapolis at the RCA Dome. So far, Batteast has risen to the challenge and met both her team's and her personal expectations. She led the Irish to the Preseason WNIT championship, averaging 21.5 points per game. Batteast already has made a number of big plays this season, including a tremendous block on Ohio State's Caity Matter, who was attempting a game-tying three-pointer with two seconds remaining in the WNIT final game. This block secured the championship for the Irish. Through the beginning of this week, Batteast has led the Fight-

"[My parents] made a lot of sacrifices so that I could come to Notre Dame."

—Jacqueline Batteast

ketball in her backyard with her father, Batteast dreamt of playing in college, but not necessarily for Notre Dame. She says that the University of Tennessee was her top choice. In fact, she didn't consider the university next door until it started to recruit her as a high school junior.

Both of Batteast's parents hoped she would choose Notre Dame. For her father, the decision was a simple one. "If you get an opportunity to go to Notre Dame, how can you pass it up?" he says. "After looking at the other schools, she decided there is no place like home."

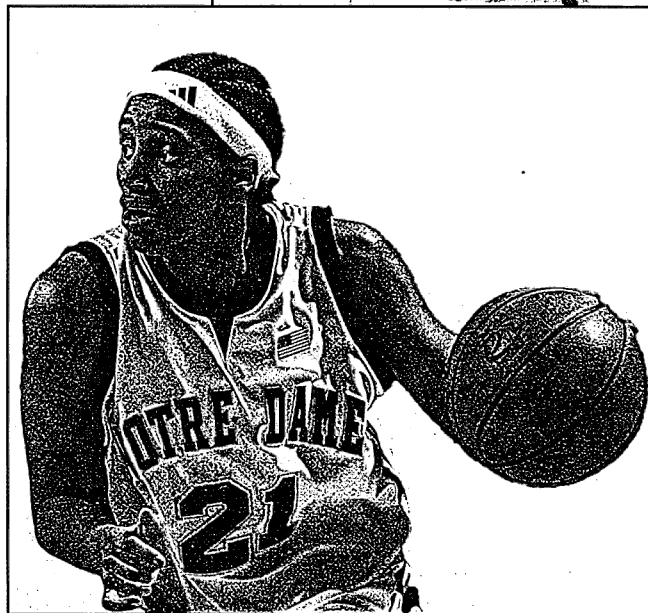
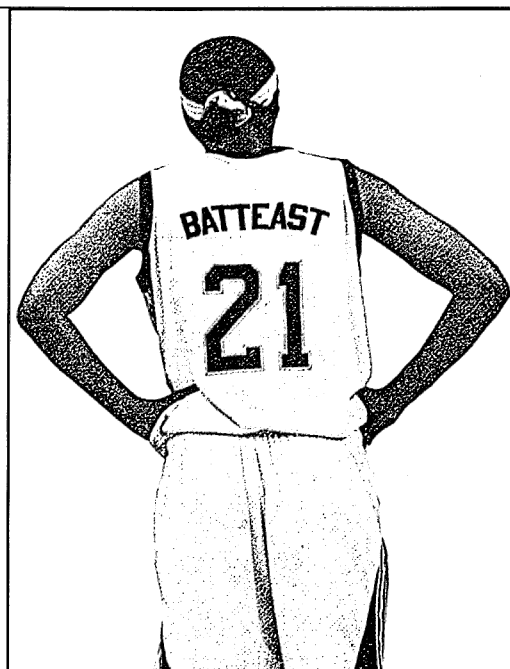
Batteast knew her father would be more than pleased with her decision: "My dad whispered every five minutes, 'Notre Dame. Go to Notre Dame,'" she says.

And her father is still right behind her. Staying close to home and having her parents at all the home games — and even some of the nearby away games — has been irreplaceable for Batteast. Her parents have seats right behind the Notre Dame bench in the Joyce Center, where Batteast easily can see them. "My mom usually gives me a thumbs up," Batteast says. "If my shot's not going in, it's a thumbs up, and a thumbs up if it

ing Irish to a 7-0 record and a No. 3/6 national ranking. In her first six games, Batteast averaged 19.7 points and also has led the Irish in scoring in four of the team's six contests. Batteast has made a strong case to be named 2005 NCAA Player of the Year.

Batteast isn't averse to a relocation after graduation, however. Playing professional basketball in Europe or the WNBA are both options — meaning Batteast will, most likely, move away from the South Bend area for the first time in her life.

But the prospects of flying solo aren't as dire to Batteast as they may seem. She'll still have her mom by her side, wherever she moves. "My brother and sister will both be in college," Batteast says, "And my dad said he could live without her for a couple of months." No matter where she ends up, Batteast knows she always has a solid fan base at home. □



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THE BEST OF THE JEST



LISTENING

"You know, with an endowment of \$3 billion, I think we could've afforded to pay the refs more than Pittsburgh did."

— student exiting the stadium after Notre Dame's loss to Pittsburgh

"Oh, no ... bad things are going to happen to you. I mean, I'm not saying I'm going to do them. I'm just saying ... cell phone karma is a bitch."

— literature professor after a student's cell phone rang in class

"What's that?"

"Scholastic."

"What is it?"

"It's campus news for literate people."

— law school students

"God, I felt Amish at that party last night."

— student describing the attire of her fellow females

"Reading [is] not really my thing."

— Notre Dame football player

109 Years Ago

You can tell from Old Navy ads and *American Idol* specials that Christmas is creeping up soon, but what do you get that special gal-pal that you haven't swiped from the dining hall already? A hop, skip and a jump into the way-back machine might help deck the halls with boughs of holly. From the Jan. 19, 1895, issue of *Scholastic*:

We have been asked, "What does the new woman want?" After the matter of the Yankee, we reply: "What doesn't she want?" [...] What a strange world it would be if all the modern woman's ideas were carried out! The meek and lowly man, probably, would remain at home, while the fair sex, in the words of an end-of-the-century poet, "[...] would spank their babies at the polls when women vote."

Meek and lowly baby-spanking gender equality? How do you gift wrap that?

— Erik Powers

Not-So-Sunny Southern Cal:

A USC fan proves the power of plastic with his innovative rain gear. Underneath, he sports a fuzzy, pink, polka-dot hat that wouldn't be half as stylish if soggy.

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PHIL HALL

Musings of a Misguided Messiah

Under the Dome and Dreaming

One student's vision of a twisted reality



STEVE MATTINGLY

I had the strangest dream last night. It was one of those weird dreams that approximates reality, yet is so twisted and bizarre that you breathe an audible sigh of relief upon waking up and realizing that the world hasn't really gone crazy. I haven't discerned what it means yet, so I'll just recount the dream and see if anyone can explain it.

First, it seemed like President Bush had actually been re-elected, but that wasn't too surprising, because he was running against this hilarious stiff who was so boring that his speeches made babies and old women cry. But the real kicker was that Bush then pushed out the most knowledgeable and competent person in his Cabinet and promoted the worst-performing member of his staff to the most critically important position. Hilarious!

Then, I was watching an NBA game on TV, and some fan decided to try to win a Darwin Award — an award given to those who find unique and clever ways to remove themselves from the gene pool — by throwing a full beer at an angry player with a history of smashing expensive video equipment and other players' faces. Then that player and several of his teammates actually ran into the crowd and started an all-out brawl. In this crazy dream world, fans were throwing punches, beers and sodas, and one of the league's star players landed a right hook directly to the face of a fan!

Next there was some sort of closet being built on South Quad. When administrators tried to stop it, the closet-builders decided to change sponsors and allowed people to "come out of the closet" as anything they wanted to be. Students were outing themselves as everything from sports fanatics to "anal-retentive accounting majors" to pedophiles! It was all very egalitarian and very cool.

Soon after that, the FCC began to pine for the days of scarlet letters, witch burnings and other nifty things. In maybe the strangest segment of the dream, they started a reign of morality-policing, the likes of which hasn't been seen since Oliver Cromwell — or the Notre Dame administration. They turned a blind eye to the mind-numbing trash that fills the airwaves each day and instead decided to prosecute the dastardly folks who allowed Janet Jackson's right breast to pop out, and also those who let some third-rate actress drop her towel before a Monday Night Football Game. It was all so deliciously irrational that I would

have laughed, had I been awake.

But that wasn't all from the morality police. Many local network affiliates, terrified of being fined, refused to show the scheduled ABC broadcast of *Saving Private Ryan* on Veteran's Day. They avoided showing the film — a moving and accurate depiction of the horrors of war — not because it was too graphically violent, but because they feared the FCC would send them to timeout for broadcasting the "f-word." Then, a college quarterback was chastised and forced to apologize for letting a harmless f-bomb slip in his post-game exuberance after playing the game of his life to help beat a certain storied college football team. This segued immediately into the next part of the dream, which was hysterically implausible.

[This portion of my column was once a sarcastic diatribe about how, in my dream, a talented young football coach — and former ND assistant — had turned Utah's football team into a powerhouse while Notre Dame allowed its program to slide into obscurity. I've had to make some changes, as now it appears we are going to take their coach and have him lead us back to football glory. I feel sorry for Coach Willingham: he is a good man who simply couldn't produce on the most visible stage of his profession. Still, I find myself as giddy as a schoolgirl and would like to offer the Board of Trustees and the

university's incoming leaders a sincere expression of my gratitude. As an Arts and Letters major, I may never have enough money to express my gratitude in the form of a check, so I will offer you the next best thing: my firstborn son. Now, back to your regularly scheduled dream sequence ...]

The dream had a strange ending. Someone was reading a passage from a book called "A Tale of Two Bars." One bar was filthy, fetid, cramped, and made it a habit to sue ND students. But everyone insisted on going there on Thursdays. Another had plenty of room for the whole senior class, a nice lounge upstairs, and some pretty good drink specials. Yet, for some reason, no one could stop re-living freshman year memories of sneaking into the first bar with hilariously bad IDs and then making out with hilariously funny-looking people (OK, maybe that last part was just me). But anyhow, the misguided ND students in the dream continued to eschew the nice bar for a place whose only remaining novelty is the sheer joy of drinking directly out of a \$1 pitcher of beer.

As I woke up, I couldn't help but wonder — am I taking crazy pills or something?!



My Enemy List

Things and people I hate

MIKEHEALY



I came home from class the other day wanting nothing more than to relax and maybe take a nap. Much to my dismay, however, when I opened the door to my room, I found my roommate, Kenton, had returned from his afternoon day-trip with a huge *Star Trek* poster and life-size cardboard cutouts of Capt. Kirk and Mr. Spock. When I told him we had to take these down and that I couldn't believe what a dork he was, he argued that our two new "roommates" were "sweet" and "babe magnets." It was at this point I told him that if he didn't get rid of all his newly-acquired paraphernalia, we wouldn't be friends

any more. Luckily for me, Kenton rationalized that maybe his Mr. Spock and Capt. Kirk cutouts might be better used at his

home (so he could round out his collection), and the crisis was averted.

The whole situation got me thinking. Nothing got Kenton to see my perspective more quickly than the threat of incurring my wrath. Bearing this in mind, I figured that the smartest thing for me to do is to make a public "Enemy List." This way, if people know that I am unhappy with them, they will change their ways, or at least know that I am coming to destroy them.

So, without further ado, here is a listing of my most bitter foes at the present time:

Karl Malone — The Mailman. Man, do I hate this guy. Karl didn't really bother me until 1997 and 1998, when his Utah Jazz went up against my beloved Chicago Bulls in two consecutive NBA Finals. During these heated series, I noticed two things: 1) Karl Malone and Miami Dolphins wide receiver Marty Booker are the only two athletes in recent sporting history to actually wear wristbands exclusively around their wrists. Very annoying. 2) Karl Malone is the dirtiest, most underhanded basketball player since former Golden Domer Bill "Elbow to the Throat" Laimbeer. All throughout the Finals, Malone would deal cheapshots to Dennis Rodman and manipulate the referees to his own advantage. He also took a really long time to shoot free throws.

Drew Barrymore — The darling of one of the most prestigious families in Hollywood, Drew Barrymore started her career young, making her debut as the adorable little girl in *E.T.*, and then as the terrifyingly powerful little girl in

Firestarter. Then she ran wild. By the age of nine, she had already started doing drugs and looking really scummy at public events. Then, all of a sudden, she has the lamest part of all time in *Scream*, ruins Adam Sandler's career in *The Wedding Singer*, and she becomes America's sweetheart? I'm not buying it. This is the same chick who seduced the dad from *Picket Fences* in the movie *Poison Ivy*.

The Wave — During a blowout, it doesn't bother me quite as much, but during close games, nothing upsets me more than seeing the Wave. (Actually, I'm sure there are things that

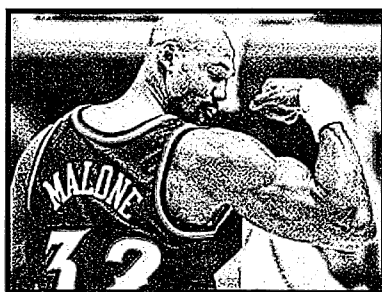
would upset me more, like getting stabbed or something, but I really can't stand the Wave.) I just don't get it. What's so great about

everyone putting their arms up? Also, why do people feel the need to make that weird yelling noise when they go up for the Wave? "Whoa! This is crazy! I'm putting my arms up! If there's any type of substance flying through the air, I'm going to get it *all over* my hands!" I know, people say it's a cool effect in a stadium full of people, but it would also be a cool effect to have everyone in the stadium belch at the same time, and we don't do that.

Asian People — Just kidding!

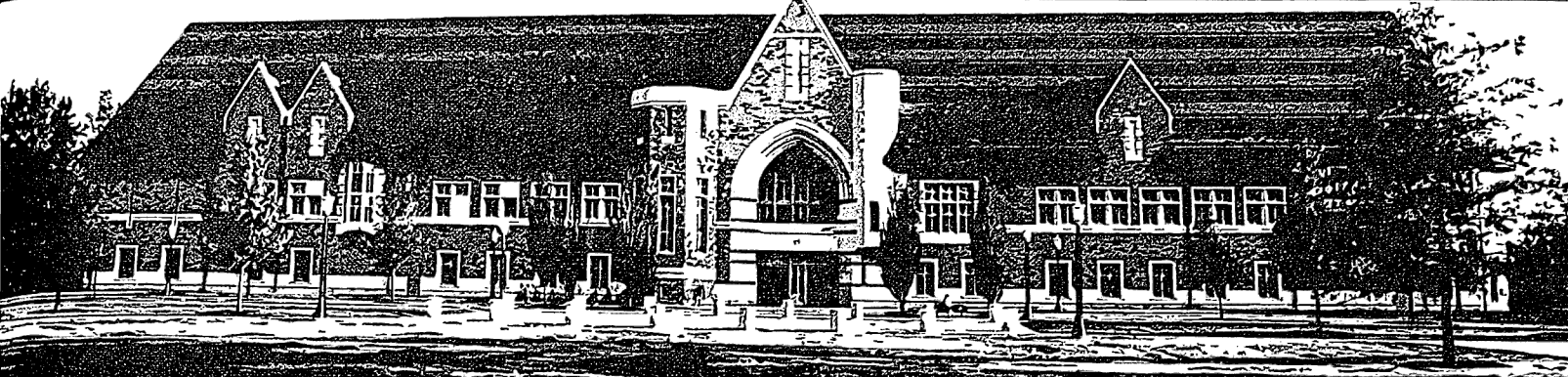
Wolverines — I'm not talking about the University of Michigan football team. Actually, there are no wolverines in Michigan (just as there are no badgers in Wisconsin). What most people don't realize is that wolverines are the most fearsome creatures in all of nature. Deadlier than the deadliest robot, more determined than the most determined robot, wolverines are the most ferocious little demons man has ever known. If someone were to let a wolverine loose on campus, 80 percent of the student body would be dead within 40 minutes, with the other 20 percent insane from fear. People say I'm insensitive for listing an animal as my enemy, but they don't understand that, if given the chance, a wolverine would destroy everything you believe in and hold dear.

So, there you have it, the first public acknowledgment of my enemies. I'm sure there are a lot of you out there who were holding your breath while reading this, afraid that my vengeance was coming your way, and were relieved to see you didn't make the list. To you I say, "See Malone? I knew you couldn't read." □



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with Nicole Mendes '05



Nicole Mendes, a senior political science major, is no stranger to cultural diversity. She was born in Dhaka, Bangladesh, and spent most of her pre-college life there. Her father is Bangladeshi and her mother is Irish and Armenian. Though most of her family resides in Toronto, Mendes was born in Bangladesh and spent most of her pre-college life there. Despite all this, she still felt it important to study abroad, and did so in London in the fall of 2003. After she graduates in January, Nicole has hopes of attending law school and — some day — returning to Dhaka.

Who do you admire most?

Mother Teresa. She was my grandmother's teacher in school, so she has become my family's role model.

I strive to be ...

Tolerant.

What work of art has most influenced your outlook on life?

The Alchemist by Paulo Coelho.

I would like Notre Dame to be more ...

Culturally aware and less ignorant.

What do you miss most about Bangladesh?

My family.

If you could have any job, what would it be?

World traveler.

What stands out the most to you among the four different cities in which you have lived?

The cultural differences. I think London is one of the most international cities I have ever been to.

What are your plans for after graduation?

I don't really have any yet.

What is your best memory of your time at Notre Dame?

My first Thanksgiving celebration.

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