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Freshman Orientation 1997

## 2001: A FRESHMAN ODYSSEY

### ND welcomes its 'strongest' crop of frosh

By HEATHER COCKS  
News Editor

Two years ago, the University of Notre Dame lauded its class of 1999 as being the best and the brightest. Last year's freshman class, with 1,925 members, entered the record books as the largest group ever to enroll at Notre Dame.

This year's freshmen, though slightly fewer in number, are continuing the record-breaking trend. Daniel Saracino, assistant provost for enrollment, touted the Class of 2001 as the strongest group academically that Notre Dame has ever welcomed.

"This is the strongest class in our history," Saracino said. "On average, they were in the top 6.3 percent of their high school graduating classes."

Saracino said the students' mean SAT score is 1313, higher than the previous record of 1302, which was set by last year's freshmen. It should be noted that SAT scores were re-centered in 1996, resulting in a trend of higher verbal scores.

"Each year, the classes get stronger. That makes a Notre Dame

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The chaos of moving in began Friday as freshmen checked out their new dorm rooms and crammed their stuff inside.

The Observer/Kevin Dalum

### SMC touts freshmen as 'diverse' leaders

By LORI ALLEN  
Saint Mary's Editor

Every year a select number of women choose to attend the top-ranked Midwest liberal arts school, and as Saint Mary's welcomes its first-year students to campus this weekend, those

women will begin to recognize the magnitude of their decision.

This year, 334 freshmen women from across the country have decided to shun convention and enroll at an all-women's college. Most will discover they are a match for both each other and their college.

"This is a very talented and diverse group of incoming freshmen. They are academically well-suited material for Saint Mary's College," said director of admissions Mary Pat Nolan. "They were very involved leaders in school -

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### CONSTRUCTION BEAT

## They're 'Knott' women

By MICHELLE KRUPA  
Associate News Editor

Freshmen coming to Notre Dame this weekend will cram most of their worldly belongings into their new dorm rooms, and only months ago, several undergraduates were involved in a similar move.

In July, summer residents of Knott and Siegfried Halls took pictures off the walls and packed up furniture for a trek across campus to the new McGlinn and Welsh Family Halls on the quickly-expanding West Quad.

According to project manager Paula Carlaccini, Casteel Construction Co. finished the buildings' structures in mid-summer. Since then, interior furnishing has been the main concern.

"The bed and desk units have been put in place as well as the upholstered furniture for social space. By July 7, the dorms were available for beneficial occupancy, but now, we're ready to get the students moving in," Carlaccini said.

The dorms, each carrying a \$20 million price tag, can house 275 residents and will be opening as women's dorms to com-



West Quad is finally complete now that McGlinn and Welsh Halls are open to residents.

The Observer/Katie Kroener

plement the year-old men's dorms, Keough and O'Neill Family Halls. The area will also soon hold the Eck Center, with new Alumni Association offices and a bookstore.

According to Welsh Hall rector Sister Maureen Minihane, moving has been tough, with setting up RA rooms, unpacking furni-

ture and dealing with usual student phone calls occupying much of her day. She noted that getting used to the location has been difficult.

"My car still goes to Siegfried when I drive on campus, but we're orienting ourselves to

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### ND/SMC Schedule of Events

#### Saturday, September 23

|                |   |                          |
|----------------|---|--------------------------|
| 12:50 p.m.     | Orientation Program                       | Joyce Center             |
| 2-3:30 p.m.    | College Open House (SMC)                  | Angela Athletic Facility |
| 4:30-6 p.m.    | Information Fair on University programs   | DeBartolo                |
| 4:30 p.m.      | Liturg (SMC)                              | Angela Athletic Facility |
| 8 p.m.         | Students meet with hall rector and staff. | Assigned halls           |
| 10 p.m.-1 a.m. | Graffiti Dance                            | Stepan Fields            |

#### Sunday, September 24

|                 |                             |                 |
|-----------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| 10 a.m.         | Eucharistic Liturgy         | JACC South Dome |
| 12:15-1:15 p.m. | Spirit of Notre Dame        | JACC South Dome |
| Start @ 2 p.m.  | Code of Honor Presentations | Washington Hall |
| 7-11 p.m.       | LaFortune Open House        | LaFortune       |
| 8-11 p.m.       | SAB "JAMAICA SHAKA" (SMC)   | Haggar College  |

#### Monday, September 25

|                 |                                      |                 |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 9, 10:30 a.m.   | Small group discussions with faculty | TBA             |
| 8:45-10:30 a.m. | Registration (SMC)                   | LeMans Hall     |
| 9-5 p.m.        | Football Applications and Yearbooks  | Haggar Parlor   |
| 10:30-4:30 p.m. | Enrollment                           | Concourse JACC  |
| 7, 8, 9 p.m.    | Gender Issues: Myths vs. Reality     | Washington Hall |

#### Tuesday, September 26

|        |                                   |     |
|--------|-----------------------------------|-----|
| 8 a.m. | Classes begin for both ND and SMC | TBA |
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■ INSIDE COLUMN

# Get involved... the right way

A quick glance through the campus phone book shows that there are 245 academic, athletic, social action, music and special interest clubs on the Notre Dame and Saint Mary's campuses.

245.

If you can't find something here that interests you, then you've got the personality of a dead eggplant.

But finding enough good activities for the students isn't the problem; the problem is finding enough good students for the activities.

Every year, the sense of excitement surrounding Activities Night prompts each student to sign up for a half dozen clubs. But a half dozen is four or five more than a student can handle. It's a classic case of overcommitting oneself in order to feel complete, to feel as if all the important facets of an individual are attended to.

Most decisions to sign up with a group are motivated by a desire to feel socially responsible. People think, "Hey, Habitat for Humanity is a good cause, so I'll be making the world a better place if I put my name on this sign-up sheet."

But those sign-up lists — originally the expression of all goodness — quickly become the catalyst that prompts darker feelings to emerge.

Here's how it works: After Activities Night, the leaders of a student organization rush back to their office, brimming with optimism about the coming year. But a week later, when a club holds its first organizational meeting, the number of people on the list won't match the number of people in attendance.

As the semester progresses, the percent difference between actual and expected attendance steadily declines. And the voice-mail messages that a group leaves for the people on its list become annoying for those who have drifted away. I should know. By December of my freshman year, I was prepared to lead a military assault on Amnesty International.

While upperclassmen have no reason to be so naive about their own interests that they sign up with clubs that they'll soon abandon, you freshmen have an excuse. Your first semester *should* be spent sampling the different opportunities that these campuses present. It's worth it to continue a personal interest that began before college, but it's also part of the college education process to participate in different experiences.

Once you've found the one or two activities that you genuinely enjoy, pursue them wholeheartedly. The books and the studying aren't the only part of your education; quite often, they represent only the theoretical half. Extracurricular activities provide the chance to apply the analytical thinking and creativity that's been developed in the classroom. More importantly, they teach you how to work with other people, something that no textbook will ever be able to teach.

Over the next few years, you'll hear a lot about the Notre Dame family. Your contribution to this community will be grounded in how much you bring to the extracurricular activities in which you participate. In doing your part to advance the development of these campuses, the secret lies not in the quantity of activities on your résumé.

It lies in the quality.

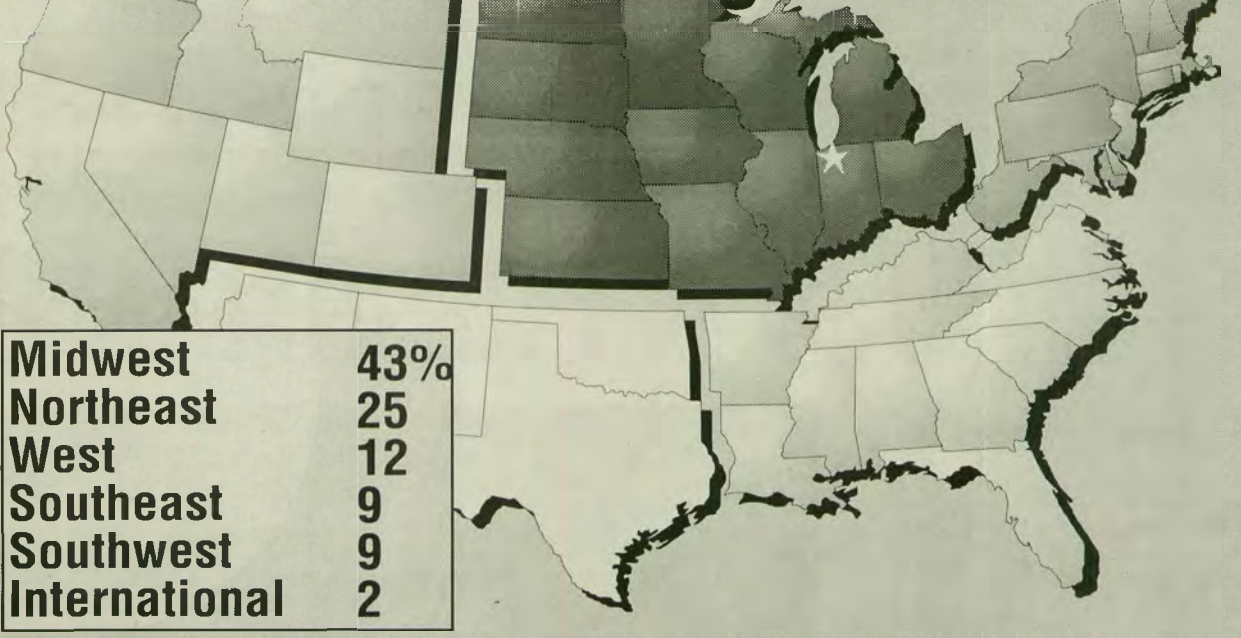
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# Geographic Distribution for ND and SMC Incoming Freshmen



■ NOTRE DAME OBITUARIES

## Professor emeritus Sandeen passes away at age 89

Ernest Sandeen, professor emeritus of English at the University of Notre Dame, died July 12 at his home in South Bend.

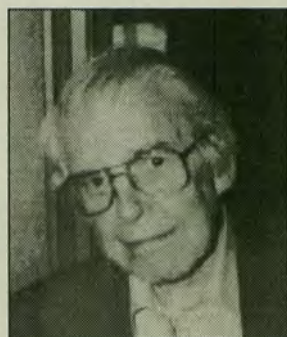
Born in 1908 to a small farming family, he graduated from Knox College in 1931 and received a fellowship from Oxford University. He later taught at Knox College and the University of Iowa, where he received a doctorate in English in 1940, with a dissertation on Ralph Waldo Emerson. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II, and in 1946 joined the faculty of Notre Dame, where he remained for the next 50 years, leaving only to travel to the University of Aarhus in Denmark as a Fulbright Fellow in 1957.

Sandeen chaired Notre Dame's English department from 1965-68 and received several honors for his teaching, including the College of Arts and Letters' Sheedy Award in 1976. His commitment to the work of beginning poets ranked his courses among the most popular in the College of Arts and Letters. He liked to convene his poetry writing classes in the living room of his home, where he and his wife were also the hosts of countless dinners and long evenings, which became legendary among undergraduate English majors and graduate students.

He displayed a seemingly limitless and encouraging patience, according to clumsier practitioners. "You ought to assume that your reader is at least as intelligent as you are," he once teasingly admonished to a student.

His poems appeared in a wide variety of periodicals including Poetry, the New Yorker, Commonweal, Sewanee Review, The Nation and the Saturday Review, and he published several volumes of them, including "Antennas of Silence," "Children and Older Strangers," and "A Later Day, Another Year."

Memorials may be made to Notre Dame's Ernest Sandeen Poetry Prize fund or to Hospice of St. Joseph County.



## Former Laetare winner dies at 91

Former Supreme Court Justice William Brennan, winner of Notre Dame's Laetare Medal in 1969, died on July 24 after a long illness. He was 91 years old. The Laetare Medal, established in 1883 at Notre Dame, is commonly regarded as the most prestigious honor available to American Catholics. In 1969, Brennan was the only Catholic on the court, and he became a controversial figure in the Church because of his support of abortion rights in the 1972 Roe v. Wade decision. Brennan retired from the Supreme Court in 1990, after having served for 33 years.

## Niemeyer dies after 40 years at ND

Gerhart Niemeyer, professor emeritus of government and international studies, died on June 24 at the age of 90. Niemeyer joined the Notre Dame faculty in 1955 and taught introductory courses and two advanced courses on political theory until he retired. He also wrote many articles in scholarly and popular journals on a variety of topics including cultural history, education and the writings of Eric Voeglin and Alexander Solzhenitsyn.

In 1941, Niemeyer published a critically acclaimed book, "Law Without Force," which became required reading for many international law students.

Niemeyer was born in 1907 in Essen, Germany. He received a political science degree from Cambridge University in England and a law degree from the German Universities of Munich and Kiel. He left Germany in 1932 for Spain and finally the United States, where he joined the faculty of Princeton University in 1937.

In 1950, the U.S. State Department appointed Niemeyer to the planning staff of its Bureau of United Nations Affairs. After three years in that position, he became an analyst for the Council on Foreign Relations, a position he held until joining the Notre Dame faculty. Niemeyer became a canon in the Episcopal church in 1987.

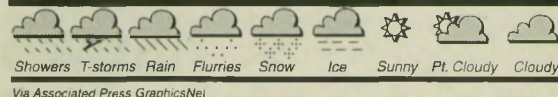


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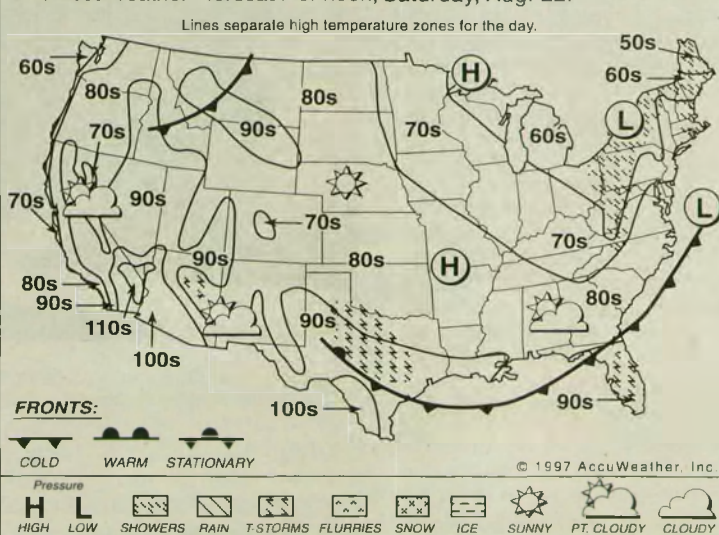
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| Wednesday |  | 76 | 66 |



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■ NATIONAL WEATHER

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| Atlanta   | 81 | 64 | Detroit       | 68  | 53 | New York       | 80  | 65 |
| Baltimore | 78 | 55 | Houston       | 93  | 77 | Phoenix        | 107 | 87 |
| Boston    | 71 | 60 | Milwaukee     | 69  | 56 | Seattle        | 75  | 58 |
| Calgary   | 79 | 57 | Kennebunk, ME | 65  | 56 | St. Louis      | 78  | 60 |
| Chicago   | 73 | 48 | Las Vegas     | 103 | 79 | W. Windsor, NJ | 78  | 59 |

# If you build it, they will come...

**From buildings to sidewalks, statues to shrubbery, most of campus was rejuvenated this summer, and some projects still boast the bulldozers and dirt piles to prove it.**

Photos by Kevin Dalum/Text by Michelle Krupa

## ■ Stadium ready to host a swarm of Yellow Jackets



Arguably the most prominent of campus construction projects, the stadium expansion is moving along as scheduled, according to John DeLee, director of Utilities. "Contractor Casteel Construction Co. has finished their work and right now we are focusing on University installations," DeLee said. Included in those installations are furniture, training equipment, NBC and WNDU wiring, telephone cabling, and concession equipment. Workers still need to add grass and sod to the landscaping, but all trees have been planted. The two-year-old project has increased the seating capacity of the stadium by 21,915 seats and added a three-story press box that extends to each of the two 20-yard lines.



Tractors dug trenches as part of the new stadium's underground sprinkler system.

## ■ Dirt piles evolve into RecSports

Just north of the Joyce Center, construction continues on the Rolfs Sports Recreation Center set for completion in January 1998. The 70,000 sq. ft. facility will house a 5,000 sq. ft. fitness room, a multi-purpose court resembling a hockey rink, three maple-floored basketball courts, two rooms with state-of-the-art sound systems and a floor suitable for dance, self-defense and aerobics classes, and a one-tenth mile elevated track. First priority for use of the building's facilities will be given to non-varsity athletes. According to Paula Carlaccini, project manager for Facilities Engineering, all outside work is finished except for installation of windows surrounding the elevated track. On the interior, crews are presently working on drywall and mechanical work.

## ■ Walkway refurbishing afoot across ND campus



The asphalt walks of God Quad (left) were replaced with cement carriageways and brick paths. The improved sidewalks extend from the Christ statue in all directions – toward LaFortune Student Center, Sorin Hall, South Quad and the Basilica of the Sacred Heart. Old trees and overgrown bushes were removed and new shrubbery will be added in the coming weeks, as will a

granite seat wall around the statue. The project, begun in mid-May by the Verkler Construction Co., was undertaken for purely aesthetic improvements.

Also, the exterior walkways of the library outside the building's eaves and overhangs, made of Mankato stone, are being reconstructed to reduce the "hazard for pedestrians and to minimize the potential for injury,"

according to Dave Woods, director of Support Services. The stone, which was included during the building's erection in the early 1960s, has deteriorated and will be replaced with more sturdy and durable concrete.

All walkways under the eaves will be paved and thoroughly cleaned. The project began two weeks ago and should be complete by Sept. 2.



## ■ Green means go – out of D6

In an effort to manage football game traffic and ensure the safety of pedestrians and bikers crossing U.S. 31, a traffic light was installed at the intersection of U.S. 31 and the D6 parking lot entrance.

According to Butch Layman, construction administrator for Facilities Engineering, the signal "will facilitate more parking at Holy Cross College on game days as we are constantly looking for parking to accommodate

for the new seats in the stadium."

Work was begun on the light, constructed by TransTech, on June 20 and completed on Tues., Aug. 19. It includes a push-button activated pedestrian crossing system.

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degree even more valuable," he said. Saracino estimated that the class is more geographically and culturally diverse than in previous years, though he said official statistics have yet to be compiled.

In addition, the incoming freshmen as a group received more financial assistance than any other class in the history of the University, according to Joseph Russo, director of Financial Aid.

"As much monetary aid was given to the Class of 2001 as was given to the entire undergraduate student body in 1990," Russo said. "It's a dramatic improvement. The money is reaching much further now."

He estimated that, since 1990, Notre Dame has added 12 new scholarships each year. The endowment has also increased, Russo said, because it appreciates over time, on top of new donations.

The exact number of incoming students will not be known until formal enrollment is completed Monday. Saracino said 1,923 students accepted a spot at Notre Dame, and he

anticipates close to a dozen cancellations. That "summer melt" is lower than last year, when 25 cancellations were recorded, Saracino said. He directly related the low rate of attrition to the increase in financial aid given by Notre Dame.

"I'd stake my life on the fact that financial aid is going to keep getting better," he said. "We want to enroll every student that wants and deserves to be here, no matter how much aid they need."

Other facts about the freshman class:

- The class has a male-to-female ratio of 54 percent to 46 percent.

- Twenty-two percent of the class are "legacies," or relatives of alumni.

- Fifty-six percent of the freshman class attended public high schools. Thirty percent are coming from Catholic schools, and 6 percent attended private schools.

- Forty-three percent of the freshmen hail from the Midwest, 25 percent from the Northeast, 12 percent from the western U.S., 9 percent from the southeastern states, and 9 percent from the Southwest. Two percent of the freshman are international students.

## New Halls

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everything including the little things, like where our recycling bins are," Minihane said. "Overwhelmingly, people are happy to see each other. We're like a family moving to a new neighborhood."

In an effort to differentiate themselves from the existing Walsh Hall on God Quad, Minihane said the women are

stressing the use of the building's full name Welsh Family Hall as they move to establish a distinct spirit in their new home.

With the closing of Flanner Tower, 500 men will split up and inhabit the recently-vacated Knott and Siegfried Halls, and changes have been made to the interiors to accommodate the new residents.

"We repainted, recarpeted, and changed the bathrooms, putting urinals in the bathtub areas. We have also made some ADA [Americans with

Disabilities Act] changes, like making some of the rooms more handicap-accessible," Carlucci said.

Brother Jerome Meyer, the new rector of Knott Hall, noted that the former men of Flanner are disappointed to have left the tower but are hopeful for the future.

"They miss Flanner's spirit, but look forward to the challenge of creating a new spirit. It's almost like they are creating a new dorm, but they're very aware of who was here last year."

## Leaders

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from community service to student body presidents. Diverse leadership is a common thread among this group."

Proof of the high quality of the incoming class lies in the statistics, according to the admission office. Resulting from last year's premiere of the Alumna Endorsed Application, where alumnae are encouraged to seek out and sponsor a potential applicant, 19 percent of the freshman class are alumnae connected.

Broken down geographically, the Class of 2001 hails from 32 states and three foreign countries; China, Guatemala, and Panama. Seventy-six percent of the class hails from the Midwest; seven percent is from the South; six percent is from the middle states; five percent is from the West; four percent is from the Southwest; and two percent hails from New England.

A large majority of the freshman class was in the top 20 percent of their graduating classes or better, with an average grade point average of 3.57.

The highest enrollment for the past 10 years has consistently been in the 13-state region spanning from the Dakotas to West Virginia.

**The Observer open house for freshmen has been moved to Monday. See page 15 for more details.**



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# The Huddle convenience store gets a face-lift

By MICHELLE KRUPA  
Associate News Editor

The days of piling quarter-dogs onto a tray moments after midnight, squished in between the cappuccino machine and a grocery aisle in the dimly lit Little Store in The Huddle, have come to an end.

On Monday, a completely renovated Huddle Mart opened in the southeast corner of LaFortune's first floor. The \$200,000 project has more than

tripled the size of the store to 1,900 sq. ft. and will allow for amenities impossible in the old location.

"We just needed to have a bigger store," said Jim LaBella, operations manager for the project. "The concept was to keep the store uncluttered with a clean, crisp look to it. We have a lot of room to expand for the future, too."

LaBella, who lobbied for the project for the past four years, noted that more space has

allowed for a hot deli counter, walk-in freezers, a candy wall, and expanded floor space. He said that plans also call for a hot nacho bar, full ice cream shoppe, another ice cream freezer, and 25-cent hot dogs and 50-cent tacos from 10 p.m. until 3 a.m.

An expanded line of school supplies and personal care items will also be available.

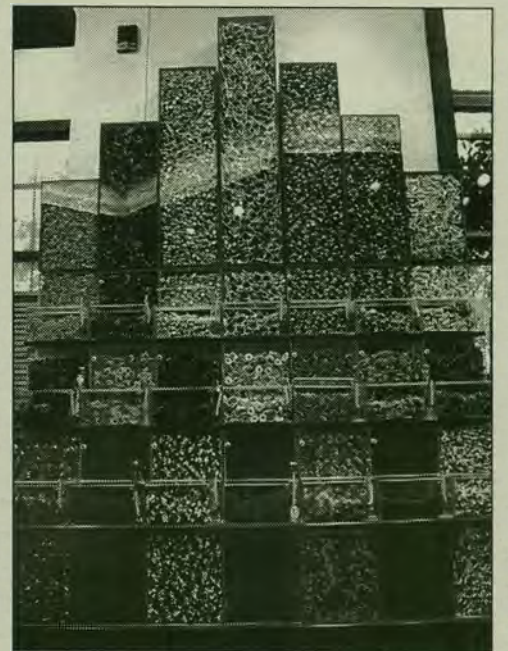
Vendors anticipate benefits as well because more of their products will be visibly available to

customers, according to Michael Thomas, Coca-Cola's district sales manager.

"The more you have on display, the more you're going to sell," he said. "With the new Huddle Mart, we have three times as much stuff on the floor. Shopability is what people look for, and this place definitely has that."

Six hundred sq. ft., roughly one-third of seating eliminated by the Huddle Mart's construction, will be relocated to The Little Store's former location. It is presently being painted and carpeted. LaBella said that discussions have begun with SUB regarding the relocation of Acoustic Cafe but no decision has been reached.

The Food Services-funded project was a creative conglomeration of University officials. According to LaBella, a large amount of money was saved since no outside contracting was necessary for the store's design.



The Observer/Kevin Dalum

The new Huddle Mart features a Wall of Candy, one of the most noticeable additions.

"We saved at least \$40,000 by not hiring a designing consultant for the project," he said. "It was a lot of fun to put together and we hope students and faculty will like it."

The new store will be open from 7 a.m.-3 a.m. daily during the academic year.

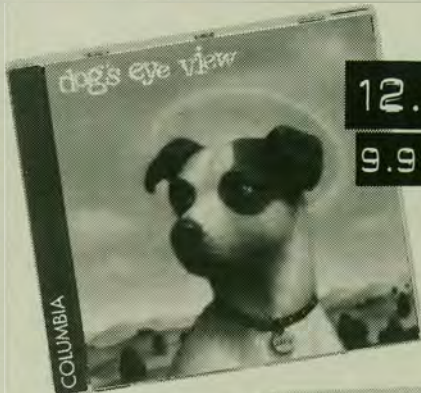
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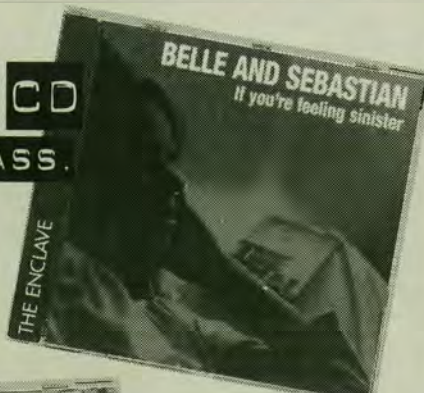
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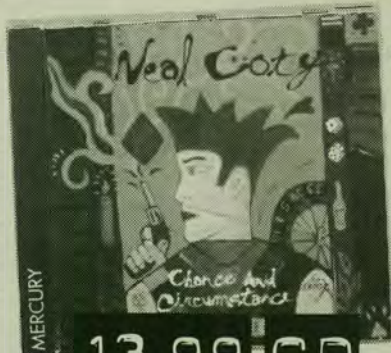


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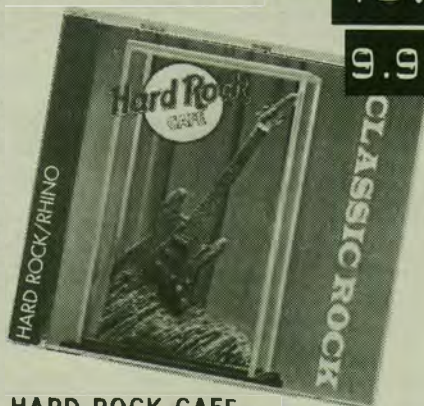


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Start me up...

## ResNet users surf the Web without hassle of modems

By DEREK BETCHER  
Associate News Editor

Students living on campus this fall will be greeted by the long-awaited completion of ResNet. Once activated, ResNet provides students direct Ethernet access to e-mail, the Internet and the University's network software from the convenience of their dorm rooms.

Twelve months after the first cluster of dorms officially went online, the campus-wide Ethernet connection has reached its final stages. Welsh Hall and McGlinn Hall were activated over the summer and O'Hara-Grace Graduate Residences are scheduled to be brought online in the coming weeks. With those moves, Morrissey Hall and Old College will remain the only campus residences still waiting for Ethernet access.

"The reason it's taken so long is that we've tried to coordinate our wiring installations with campus construction," said Larry Rapagnani, associate provost for Information Technologies.

"It's been a three-year effort for structural and fiber-optics work. The server and installation work, while equally large, is very much more condensed in the time it takes," Rapagnani explained.

Once a dorm is physically connected and switched on, each resident has direct access to the campus network by using an Ethernet jack instead of a telephone line and modem.

The benefits from this change in technology are threefold: First, a computer connected to the network with Ethernet runs roughly 350 times faster than an identical computer using a modem. Ethernet also allows students to simultaneously work on the computer and use the telephone.

ResNet also increases network capacity, as dial-in flow is limited by the size of the OIT modem pool, which contains 128 modems. Resnet operates independently of the phone capacity, allowing greater access to the network.

"We're very close to our original schedule, and our only expectation is that changes this fall will go even more quickly than last year," Rapagnani said.

Morrissey is scheduled for activation Oct. 27 and Old College is set to go online Jan. 19.

With 12 months to reflect on its partial implementation (North Quad went online last August, followed by most of South Quad in late 1996), directors are more than pleased with ResNet.

"It has been an overwhelming success," Rapagnani said. "It exceeded our expectations."

"There have been very few problems," Information Resource Center consultant Chris Kolik said. "The small percentage of problems we've had were with people with unique computer systems."

Rapagnani noted that new developments are being planned to expand on Ethernet's current offerings. Using recommendations from Hall Presidents' Council, OIT is installing ResNet jacks in campus buildings for use by students studying with laptops. Several jacks are online in DeBartolo Hall, 66 will soon be made available on the second floor of the Hesburgh Library, and plans call for more jacks next spring in LaFortune Student Center.

Rapagnani also said the OIT is devising a new package of services which he hopes will be available to ResNet users in the near future.

## He's being all that he can be...



The Observer/Kevin Dalum  
An Army ROTC freshman was pulled back to the mainland in front of a crowd of onlookers Friday, having successfully pulled himself across St. Joseph's Lake to a small island near Carroll Hall.

## UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME INTERNATIONAL STUDY PROGRAMS

109 Hurley Bldg.

General information session with Fr. Timothy Scully, C.S.C., Vice President and Senior Associate Provost

**When: Saturday, August 23, 1997**

**Where: Joyce Center Arena**

**Time: 4:30 p.m.**

Immediately following the general 4:30 information session, which will last approximately 20 minutes, sessions for the various programs will be held in the following rooms:

*Sessions will be led by faculty. Former student participants will also be on hand to discuss their experiences, offer comments and answer questions.*

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| London - Arts and Letters       | Arena                 |
| London - Engineering (Summer)   |                       |
| London - Engineering (Fall)     |                       |
| Innsbruck, Austria              | Auditorium, Room C14  |
| Dublin, Ireland                 | Monogram Room A       |
| Maynooth, Ireland (SMC)         |                       |
| Angers, France                  | Monogram Room B       |
| Semester Around the World (SMC) | Monogram Room C       |
| Athens, Greece                  |                       |
| Cairo, Egypt                    |                       |
| Jerusalem                       | Auxiliary Gym 3 (B-1) |
| Nagoya, Japan                   |                       |
| Rome, Italy (SMC)               | Gate 3, Gym 4         |
| Caribbean                       |                       |
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# News department story policies and guidelines

Observer Staff Report

The Observer is a daily, student-run newspaper serving both Notre Dame and Saint Mary's College. The Observer news department uses the following guidelines in its news gathering:

The Observer news department strives to report on all campus and local events that affect both campuses and the surrounding areas. In addition to local news, The Observer uses Associated Press stories and graphics to keep readers informed about national and world events.

As stated in our editorial policy, "The news is reported as accurately and objectively as possible." We realize that the department is comprised of amateur journalists, yet we strive to conduct ourselves as professionals at all times.

Story ideas come largely from Notre Dame's Department of Public Information and Relations. We also generate our own ideas from advertisements in The Observer, other publications, and campus posters.

A final and important source of story ideas is the members of the ND/SMC community who call, write, or e-mail The Observer staff regarding events they are planning. We encourage groups to contact us at least one week prior to the event.

As a rule, we do not run previews of lectures that we are planning to cover. We simply do not have the staff or space to run previews of every campus lecture. Exceptions to this rule may be made if a

## ■ JOB OPPORTUNITIES

### We're looking for a few good freshmen

Any students interested in writing and editing for The Observer news department will have an opportunity to sign up and browse the office when we host an open house from 3:30-5 p.m. on Monday.

Staff members and senior editors will be on-hand to answer any questions and provide a look into how The Observer functions. Individuals who are interested but cannot attend the open house can contact the news editor, Heather Cocks, at 631-5323 or 634-3615.

Right now, the news department is looking for an unlimited number of reporters and also has four paid positions available at the copy editing desk. Both positions require a willingness to meet and respect our nightly deadlines.

Freshmen are strongly encouraged to apply. We are always glad to have people with prior experience, but we readily accept applications from students who are looking to try something new.

The Observer office is located at 314 LaFortune Student Center.

lecture is to be given by a speaker of international or national prominence.

We suggest, however, that the sponsoring group fill out an "Of Interest" form at The Observer by 1 p.m. the day before the event. Another alternative is taking out an advertisement in the paper at our special campus rate.

With certain events, we only run previews. For instance, if a group is sponsoring a career day or an off-campus event, we might simply run a story on the fact that the event will happen. We will also run previews if having a reporter cover or attend the event is not feasible.

We understand that there are times when a preview article is more appropriate than an article reporting on the event. This type of decision is made by the news editor. However, we are always to discuss news department coverage of an event, provided a group representative contacts the news editor at least one week prior to the event.

If you have any additional questions, please contact Heather Cocks, news editor, at 631-5323.

Questions or comments can also be e-mailed to the news department at Observer.obsnews.1@nd.edu.

# SMC adds policies to handbook

By SARAH CORKREAN  
Saint Mary's News Editor

Not only will freshmen and transfers be acquainting themselves to new surroundings of campus this weekend, returning upperclassmen will be reacquainting themselves to revised policies in the Saint Mary's student handbook.

• Although the few bomb threats last year turned out to be hoaxes, procedures have been established to respond to such incidents for the safety of all members of the Saint Mary's community. In the event a bomb threat is received, students will be evacuated from all buildings and required to stand at least 100 yards from all buildings. No one may re-enter the buildings until clearance is given either by Safety and Security or the residence hall director.

Should it be determined that the individual responsible for the bomb threat is a student, the College will initiate immediate disciplinary action and criminal prosecution will also be a consideration.

• Previously an almost hidden resource, the WellnessSMC office will relocate to the basement of Holy Cross Hall, a larger location, to better serve students. Programs offered this year are geared toward nutrition, fitness, and alcohol and drug awareness education.

• Awareness of sexual harassment will be highlighted not only for students and campus employees, but for current undergraduates and College employees. Harassment includes any behavior, physical or verbal, that victimizes an individual or creates a hostile environment. It can include physical force, violence, comments, suggestions, threats, obscene phone calls, abusive language, sexual advances, or any other behavior that may interfere with a person's ability to work or to study.

"The revisions printed in the student handbook this year add more defined guidelines for the community which will hopefully avoid any controversies that occur in the future regarding the issues of harassment and complying with requests from college employees," said LeMans Hall director Jill Aitchison.

• Compliance with requests of college employees will be stressed this year to avoid possible confrontations between students and employees. It is expected that students will show respect for all College employees and will comply with their reasonable requests when they are acting in their official job capacity.

• College employees include any student staff member, professional staff member, faculty, or administrator.

"I think the revised policies to the handbook this year will close a lot of loopholes that in the past created quite a bit of controversy among students," said senior resident assistant Olga Robles.

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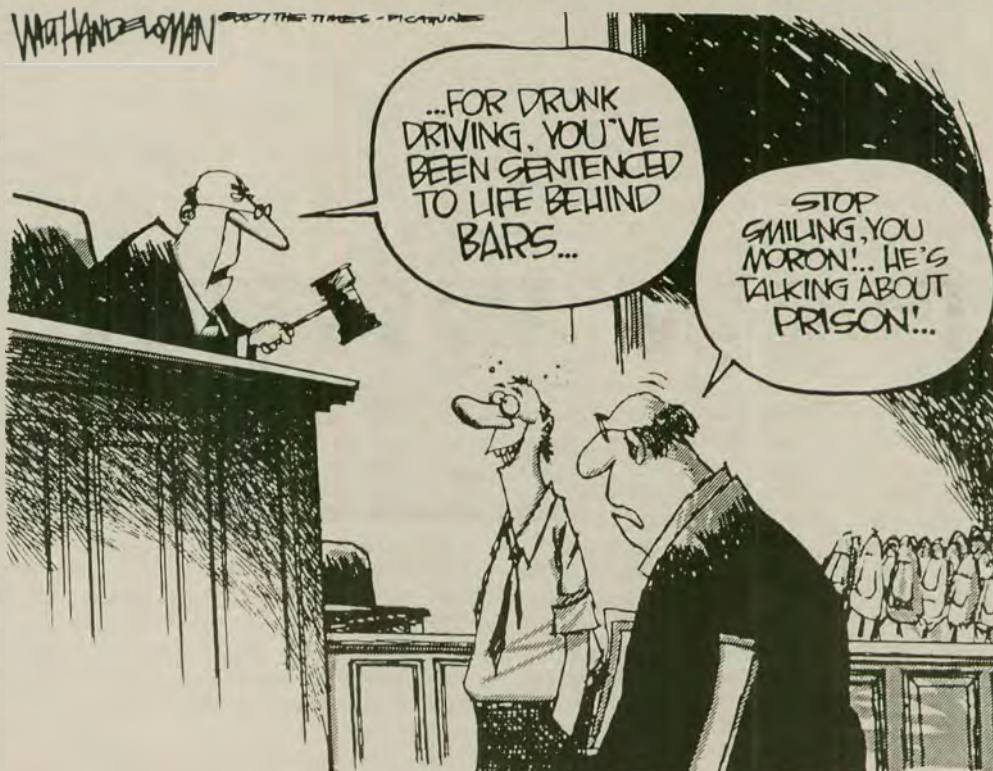
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## The Viewpoint page: Express yourself

The Viewpoint department provides the opportunity for the Notre Dame and Saint Mary's communities to share their opinions and reactions to campus, local, national, and international issues. The Observer welcomes students, faculty, and alumni to write letters to the editor expressing their opinions. The following is the Viewpoint department policy:

**I.** All members of the Notre Dame and Saint Mary's community may submit columns, letters to the editor, quotes, poems or cartoons to the Viewpoint department of The Observer. Individuals not associated with the Notre Dame and Saint Mary's community are also welcome to submit, but preference is given to members of the University communities.

**II.** Letters to the editor may not exceed 250 words. The Viewpoint editor may shorten any letter regardless of length or deem it worthy of print in its entirety as a commentary, though the length of the commentary may not exceed 550 words.

**III.** The Viewpoint department reserves the right to edit all commentaries submitted to the Viewpoint department. The Observer has no obligation to print commentaries submitted. Commentaries will not be printed if they are libelous or unintelligible or irrelevant as applied to local, national, or world interest on a particular issue, its extension of existing issues on the Viewpoint pages,

and/or its role in fostering spirited and intelligent discussion. A disclaimer will appear with any letter deemed highly graphic, profane or discriminatory, yet nonetheless relevant. The disclaimer will appear at the beginning of the letter and will alert readers to the serious nature of the piece in question.

**IV.** All commentaries submitted to The Observer must bear the signature of the author.

**V.** All commentaries printed in the Viewpoint section must be verified before being printed. Authors of all columns, letters to the editor, quotes, poems and cartoons must be notified before being published in The Observer.

**VI.** Only those individuals authorized to speak as representatives for a group will be allowed to use the organization's name. In such cases, the primary author of the commentary is the individual(s), and the commentary is, in effect, only being co-signed by the organization.

**VII.** No commentaries of any kind will be printed in the Viewpoint section concerning any candidate for student government or hall office once the

official campaign period has begun for that office. This ban on commentaries is to continue until the election for this position has been completed. The Observer reserves the right to comment on any candidate or issue it wishes throughout the campaign period. At any time, the editor-in-chief and the Viewpoint editor may suspend this article.



**VIII.** Commentaries submitted as letters to the editor may not exceed three in number from the same individual or organization within the same academic semester. There is no limit to the number of times an individual or organization may have their commentaries appear in print as columnists.

**IX.** All material submitted to the Viewpoint department becomes the property

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**XIV.** This policy must be approved by the editorial board and can be amended by a majority vote of the editorial board. All procedures not covered in this policy statement are left to the discretion of the Viewpoint editor. The procedures outlined in this policy apply only to the Viewpoint department of The Observer.

**XV.** This policy is available to the public during normal business hours and must be prominently displayed in the Viewpoint department of The Observer.

### DOONESBURY

### GARRY TRUDEAU

### QUOTE OF THE DAY



"Exhaust the little Emoment. Soon it dies. And be it gash or gold it will not come again in this disguise."

—Gwendolyn Brooks

# WELCOME FRESHMEN

## Now what?

Dear Members of the Class of 2001,

Undoubtedly each and every one of you has received countless letters that have begun with this greeting or a similar salutation. From people selling everything from computers to laundry service; to groups and clubs desiring your esteemed membership (who knows, maybe you even received a letter from the illustrious Observer staff) to quite possibly the most anticipated letter of the summer, your living arrangements: the flood of letters seems like enough to make even the most hardened upperclassman's head spin. Sure, it maybe just from pure shock that they received mail from something that they didn't have to buy a subscription to first ... but anyways.

The letters have stopped and the moment of anticipation has arrived. You will finally get to put a face to your roommate's name, see how big — or small — your room really is and see what life at Notre Dame is really like. All of your questions will be answered. Freshman orientation commences.

For most people, this time represents the first extended stay away from home. It is a time of great uncertainty and fear. Will I fit in? What if there isn't anyone else like me? Are these classes too hard for me? These are common questions that plague everyone's mind as are statements like, "I feel like I am at summer camp and it's time to go home." Freshman orientation is a great way to meet new people and lay these doubts to rest. True, some of the events are oozing with cheesiness, but make the most of it. You will, after all, only have one Freshman orientation.

What exactly is there to do in South Bend after the games and the graffiti dances of freshman orientation wind down and classes begin? In addition to visiting local watering holes there is actually a variety of things to do. There are a variety of theatres in the area, including the Snite Museum and Cushing Auditorium on campus. The Snite is an excellent place to see films that perhaps didn't get a great deal of play time at the local cineplex. But if its cineplexes you want, Movies 10 is the place for you. Movies 10 has 10 grand theatres complete with hi-fi sound and very comfortable reclining seats equipped with cup holders. Leg room is extremely ample, however if you are from the old school of movie viewing and believe that being crunched up in the seat and sticky floors is part of the viewing experience, Town and Country and the University Park theatres are the place for you.

There are two celebrated miniature golf courses in the area. Putt Putt is the more traditional course with the moving animals and the windmills, while Putters on State Road 31 is more of the kind of course that would be seen on the beach complete with waterfalls and bridges. Putters is also the home of an immaculate driving range and a go-cart track.

If its action you want, the Laser Tag arena just off campus is the place for you. For those of you who are unfamiliar with Laser Tag, it is fast-actioned Arnold Schwarzenegger fun without the guts and the gore, and at just a fraction of the price and mortality rate. For 20 minutes participants can shoot at their friends and roommates and alleviate a great deal of the tension associated with everyday life. Calculus class just doesn't seem to matter as you stare down the barrel of a laser gun.

If you are looking for a nice quiet day, there are a variety of museums in the area, including the South Bend Art Museum and the Snite. Both have highly acclaimed collections and serve as a great escape from the everyday drone of classes. The Studebaker Museum is a great alternative for all those hot-rod fans.

In addition to the plethora of sporting events, the campus offers a variety of outlets. Each dorm has three or four dances a year. Dances are a great place to let loose and meet some new people. Clubs are also a great way to meet new people with similar interests.

Life at Notre Dame is very interesting. You hear all these stories about the Notre Dame family. The tendency is to dismiss them until you finally realize that it does exist. There was an article in a magazine a few years ago that I came across as I was trying to figure out what college to go to, and quite frankly Notre Dame wasn't near the top of that list. It told the story of Notre Dame beyond the football games. It was true celebration of humanity and of the school. A student's mother tragically passed away and the article was a testament to how the other students rallied around him and offered their support. It was touching and such a celebration of the Notre Dame family that I inevitably wanted to be part of it. Now not everyone will experience this degree of family as was apparent in the article, but the possibly is invariably there.

This wouldn't be a complete article if the issue of the weather wasn't addressed. The skies are eternally gray in South Bend. It is very cold in the winter and it rains almost every day. Walking to classes will at times be downright painful. But is it worth it to endure this kind of torture. You bet. It can't rain all the time.

Sincerely,  
Joey Crawford

## Welcome...again

Dear Saint Mary's Women,

Welcome to campus. I'm not the first to say it, and I won't be the last but welcome to the beginning of the best years of your life.

You are now a part of an institution rich in tradition and honor, and are entering — with hardly a second to reflect — your college years.

These are years sure to be filled with memories both good and bad, sacred and scary. You will meet friends who will become family, friends who when you look back on, you will wonder how you ever lived without.

Ask any upperclasswoman, and she will tell you that she wished she had a few more pictures to go along with reliving stories of the past. So before the academic pressures of the semester begin, buy a box or photo album to start storing the memories from football weekends, hall dances, parties, or simply hanging out with friends. These are the most important things that you will take away with you when you leave the shadow of the bell tower four years from now.

You won't realize it now, but that extra chapter of biology pales in comparison to that late

night chat with your first roommates. It's trite, but no one ever graduates and wishes that she had spent more time studying and less time with friends.

Find the perfect balance. It may take a semester — or two or three — but find a routine that makes you appreciate every moment for what it's worth. Organize your time well, and you will succeed.

Most importantly, be your own person. There's only one you. Don't be afraid to speak your mind; people will respect you more for what you said than what you were afraid to speak.

Remember that this is your time and place; make it everything you want it to be. I hope that in four years, you too will look back on this chapter in your life and the time spent here, and realize you wouldn't trade it for anything in the world.

Best of luck and enjoy the ride. It goes by faster than you would ever imagine.

Cordially yours,  
Lori Allen

### ■ EXPERIENCE COUNTS

*What do the upperclassmen have to say about their freshmen orientation?*

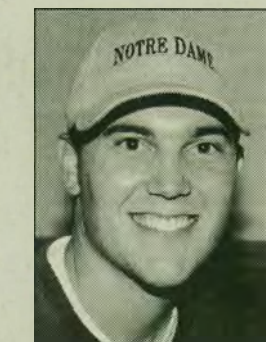


"I think the graffiti dance is nothing more than freshmen ego-boosting."

Steven Gomez  
Sophomore, Sorin

"What's your name?  
Where are you from?"

Angela Anderson  
Sophomore, Lyons



"When does the freshmen dogbook come out?"

Adam Rieck  
Junior, Dillon

"Ten cases of beer, plus one mix tape, plus 150 people in a double equals one freshman party!"

Patrick Coyle  
Junior, Dillon



"It looks like a pretty good crowd: lots of parties."

Sean Ryker  
Junior, Carroll

# ORIENTATION WEEKEND '97

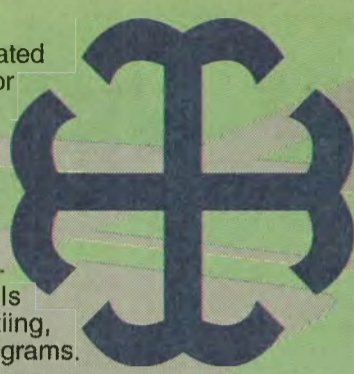
## TOBACCO POLICY

In accordance with an administrative directive issued two years ago, all buildings on the Notre Dame campus are **smoke-free** in their entirety. This ban extends to the seating area of Notre Dame Stadium. Chewing tobacco is not expressly included among the substances prohibited indoors. Ash cans are provided outside most buildings for the convenience of smokers. Your cooperation is appreciated.



## SAINT MARY'S COLLEGE

Notre Dame's sister school is located directly across South Bend's major north-south highway, U.S. 33/Business 31 (directly behind this panel on map). The schools offer an **exchange program** via which students from both institutions may take advantage of the opportunity to study on the neighboring institution's campus. Also, the schools cosponsor the crew, downhill skiing, golf, gymnastics, and sailing programs.

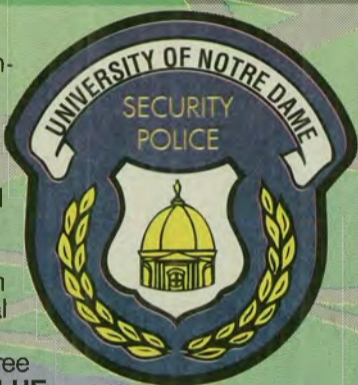


## LAUNDRY SERVICE

Formerly available only to males and the campus laundry service is now available to all students for a fee. A contract for \$75.00 without the contract, transaction charged to your student account. **Bundled laundry** is collected at your dormitory and is available for you to pick up at the Laundry Center (directly below on map); the schedule is posted in your dorm. Other services include dry cleaning, tailoring/alterations,

## CAMPUS SECURITY

For your protection Notre Dame employs a staff of uniformed police officers who provide 24-hour foot and vehicular patrols on the campus property. Additionally, eighteen emergency call boxes are spread across campus, and more are being added. To contact the Security Building (directly below on map) from any campus phone, dial **911**. From 8:00 p.m. to 2:30 a.m., the SafeWalk program provides a free campus escort service; call **634-BLUE**.



**Welcome and congratulations on choosing Notre Dame!** Induction could be entirely comprehensive, this guide will answer your questions, highlight some things you may want to know, and give you your bearings on this rather large campus. Good luck!



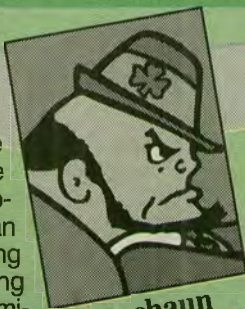
## COMPUTER-USER CLUSTERS

To help complete homework Notre Dame features over 500 computers distributed among several locations. These clusters, which support **Macintosh and PC** platforms, are networked to several laser printers at each location which output work at no charge. Clusters can be found in the following buildings: Computer/Math, DeBartolo, Fitzpatrick, Hayes-Healy, Hesburgh Library, LaFortune, Nieuwland Science, O'Shaughnessy, and the Business Complex.



## STUDENT REGISTER

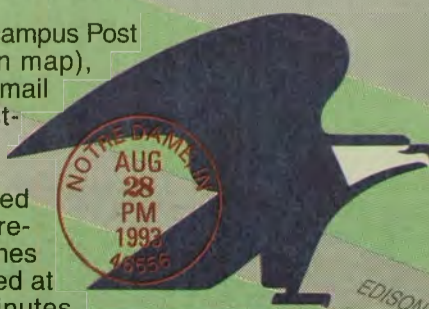
For those of you who are unfamiliar with the above term (upperclassmen included), it is the official name for what is more routinely and infamously known on campus as the **Dogbook**. This thin, bound black-and-white volume contains the photograph and brief biographical information each incoming freshman was requested to provide shortly after being admitted. Its reputation is for frequently being the sole basis for selecting one's date to dormitory-sponsored theme dances (also known as "SYR"s, for which one is "set-up") and formals.



**Leprechaun**  
Notre Dame, IN  
Sports fan

## POST OFFICE

Notre Dame has its own campus Post Office (directly above on map), which features a special mail slot for letters to be postmarked "**Notre Dame, IN.**" All mail not dropped in this slot will be postmarked "South Bend, IN." Be forewarned: the usual long lines often prevent being helped at the counter in the 15 minutes between back-to-back classes.



## PARIETALS RULES

As a feature of its *in loco parentis* policy, Notre Dame enforces restrictions upon the dormitory guests of the opposite sex. Beginning at 10:00 a.m. daily and ending at midnight on Sunday through Thursday and 2:00 a.m. on Friday and Saturday, students enjoy unlimited access to the opposite sex. Violations of these rules are taken very seriously, and can result in suspension or dismissal of the offender. Male dormitories are marked on this map in blue text, female dormitories in red text.

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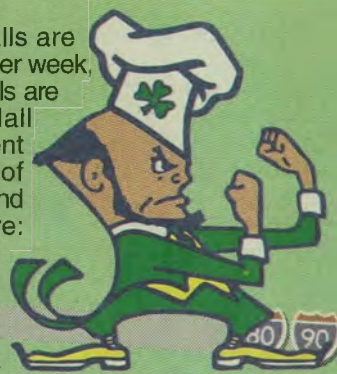
Providing direct service to the U.P. Mall in Mishawaka and transfer service to most areas of South Bend, the city bus stops outside the **Library** (below on map) every half hour Monday-Friday from 7:01 a.m. until 6:31 p.m. and then at 7:40, 8:30 and 9:20 p.m., and stops hourly on Saturday from 7:31 a.m. to 5:31 p.m. Service in this area, Route 7, is not provided on home football Saturdays. The fare is 75¢.



## DINING HALLS

Students who live in residence halls are automatically charged for 21 meals per week, regardless of how many of these meals are actually eaten. South Dining Hall and North Dining Hall feature different menus and the same hours of operation, which vary during finals and vacation weeks but otherwise are:

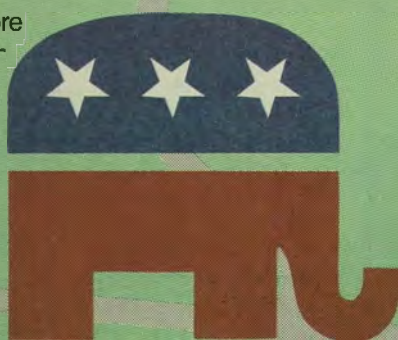
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| Continental..... | 9:15 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. |
| Lunch.....       | 10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. |
| Dinner.....      | 4:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.  |
| Grab 'n' Go..... | 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.  |



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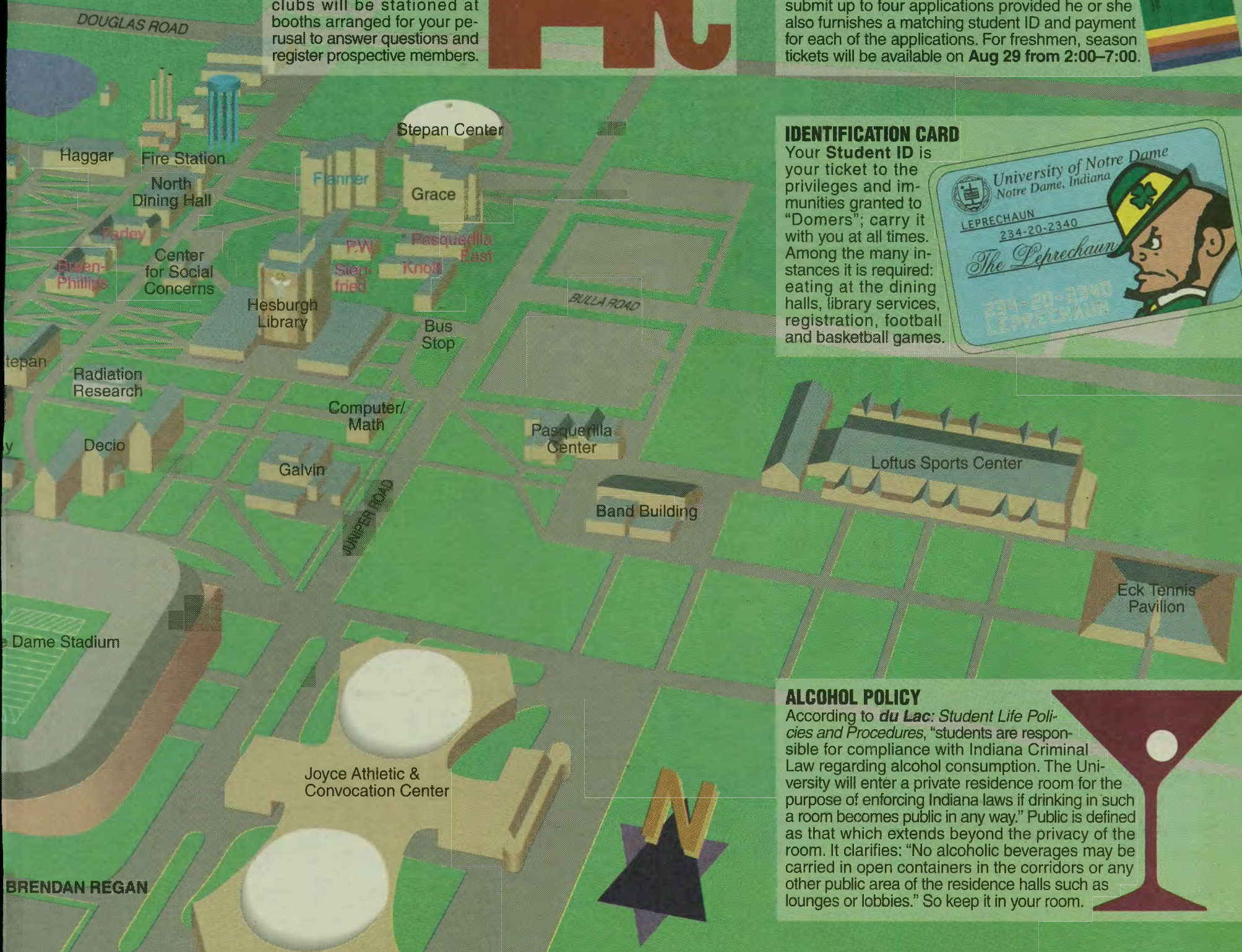
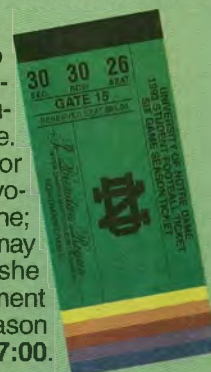
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A thorough opportunity to explore the wide range of campus organizations occurs **Sept. 2 from 7:00-9:00 p.m.** in the Joyce Athletic & Convocation Center. Student representatives from the various academic, athletic, media, musical, and political clubs will be stationed at booths arranged for your perusal to answer questions and register prospective members.



## FOOTBALL TICKETS

All students are guaranteed the opportunity to purchase one season ticket apiece. The procedure is as follows: application cards will be in student mailslots the week before tickets go on sale. Bring this card with your student ID and cash or check for \$90.00 to the Joyce Athletic & Convocation Center. Be prepared to wait in a lengthy line; many students camp out overnight. Any person may submit up to four applications provided he or she also furnishes a matching student ID and payment for each of the applications. For freshmen, season tickets will be available on **Aug 29 from 2:00-7:00.**



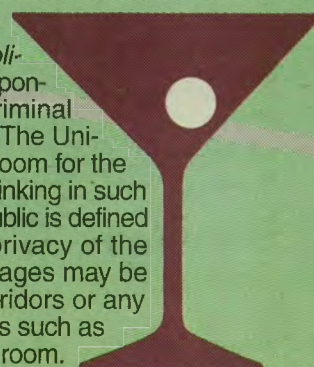
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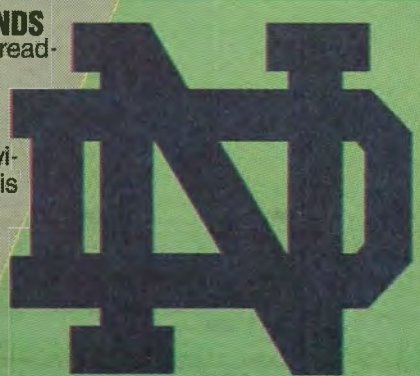
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## HOME FOOTBALL WEEKENDS

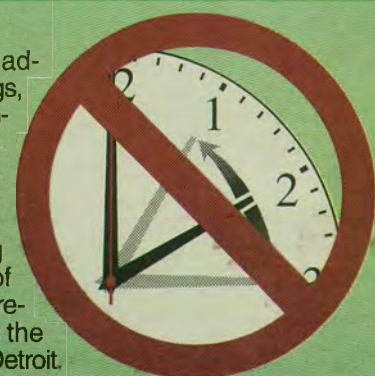
As you may have noticed by reading these panels, home football Saturdays are a slight departure from status quo in this area. Festivities and activities abound all weekend. This year's home games are:

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| Sept. 6 vs. Georgia Tech;    |
| Sept. 20 vs. Michigan State; |
| Oct. 18 vs. Southern Cal;    |
| Oct. 25 vs. Boston College;  |
| Nov. 1 vs. Navy;             |
| Nov. 22 vs. West Virginia.   |



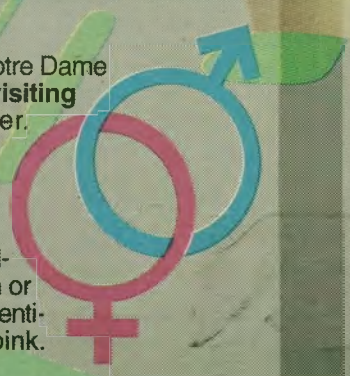
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# Freshmen

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in a more precocious fashion than running back Tony Driver. The 6-foot-2, 201-pound All-American from Louisville was the first freshman on the team to have the black stripe removed from his helmet, a long-standing Irish tradition that marks the rookies until they are able to distinguish themselves in practice.

After less than a week of practice, Driver's blocking ability on many of the veteran linebackers impressed both the coaching staff and the upperclassmen, thus earning him the untarnished gold helmet from Davie. Driver is currently listed

as third on the depth chart behind junior Autry Denson and senior Clement Stokes but is expected to give both upperclassmen a run for their money at the tailback position.

"Tony Driver is really a fine running back," Davie said of the freshman. "He's going to push Autry Denson and Clement Stokes. He's a player."

Joining Driver with a gold helmet in the first week of practice was 5-foot-7 receiver Joey Getherall. Like Driver, Getherall has managed to amaze both coaches and teammates with his handling of the abrupt transition into college football, especially after burning the co-captain Rossum a few times in practice.

Although Rossum chuckled at the insinuation, claiming it was

before they had pads on, he did give the freshman credit.

"He did catch a pass on me and may have caught two," Rossum commented. "He's a good receiver."

Getherall has already moved up to the No. 2 spot on the depth chart, trailing only senior Malcolm Johnson at split end. He looks to be a sure bet as a member of a five-man receiving core that includes Johnson, junior Bobby Brown, sophomore Raki Nelson, and possibly Rossum, who is still being looked to for big-play potential on both sides of the ball.

Another freshman receiver making an early impression is 6-foot-2, 195-pound Darcy Levy, but he is also a candidate for the backfield.

"I said before we started camp that our receivers would be better than what people give them credit for," Davie said. "Our numbers are solidified with Joey Getherall and Darcy Levy. So we're pleased with them as a group."

In addition to Driver and Getherall, two other freshmen earned the right to take the stripe off of their helmets: tight end Jabari Holloway and linebacker Anthony Denman. The 6-foot-3, 236-pound Holloway has surprised none with both his size and talent, but his adaptability to the Irish system will most likely earn him a spot in the offense. The position of tight end has been a question mark for the Irish, especially with the departure of John Cerasani, but Holloway looks like a likely candidate to back up sophomore Dan O'Leary.

"Jabari has been consistent from day one," Davie said. "He looks like he's ready to emerge. He's had an excellent training camp."

Denman provided a bit of surprise for the coaching staff with his early emergence as a standout. Although he entered camp as one of the highly-touted All-Americans, it appeared as though he could be lost in the shuffle of the running backs. After beginning practice as a running back, he was quickly handed over to linebacker coach Kirk Doll to begin working out with the defense. Denman is listed as No. 2 on the depth chart and earned the



The Observer/Kevin Dalum

Freshman Ron Israel (37) receives advice from veteran Kory Minor.

removal of his stripe for his ability to handle the veteran running backs.

"He made a hit on [fullback Joey] Goodspeed at the goal line that we think is worthy of removing his stripe," Davie said.

With the graduation of Bert Berry, Kinnon Tatum, and Lyrion Cobbins, the Irish were left with a major hole in the defense. Despite the return of junior sensation Kory Minor, a three-year starter at linebacker, the Irish need a player like Denman to step up and make an immediate impact on defense.

"Probably on our football team right now, that [the hole in the defense] is the biggest concern, even more so than at tight end," Davie said.

Kevin Dansby, brother of co-captain Melvin, is another freshmen possibility to help fill

in the holes on defense.

Overall, the strength of the freshman class, like that of the team as a whole, lies in the offense, especially in the backfield. Cooper Rego, who stands 5-foot-9, 185-pounds, has also shown that he has the ability and drive to make his way into the Irish offense this season. The Reebok and Parade All-American has awed his teammates with his slashing ability and his speed off the snap.

The one thing that all 19 freshmen have in common, however, is the desire to take their potential off of the practice field and onto the playing field to prove that all that has been hyped about the class of 2001 is true. They will have that opportunity on Sept. 6, when they suit up in the blue and the gold for the first time against Georgia Tech.

## DAVIE'S BABIES?

This incoming class features five of The Sporting News' Top 100 players



|                        |               |
|------------------------|---------------|
| <b>Kevin Dansby</b>    | LB, 6-1, 210  |
| Birmingham, AL         | 4.5 in 40 yd  |
| <b>Anthony Denman</b>  | RB 6-3, 205   |
| Rusk, TX               | 4.5 in 40 yd  |
| <b>Tony Driver</b>     | TB, 6-3, 210  |
| Louisville, KY         | 4.4 in 40 yd  |
| <b>Joey Getherall</b>  | WR, 5-7, 160  |
| LaPeunte, CA           | 4.23 in 40 yd |
| <b>Jabari Holloway</b> | TE, 6-4, 235  |
| Tyrone, GA             | 4.7 in 40 yd  |
| <b>Hugh Holmes</b>     | LB, 6-2, 210  |
| Kissimmee, FL          | 4.6 in 40 yd  |
| <b>Grant Irons</b>     | DE, 6-5, 225  |
| The Woodlands, TX      | 4.6 in 40 yd  |
| <b>Ronald Israel</b>   | DB, 6-1, 175  |
| Haddon Heights, NJ     | 4.5 in 40 yd  |
| <b>John Jordan</b>     | OG, 6-0, 265  |
| Brooklyn, NY           | 5.3 in 40 yd  |
| <b>Zak Kustok</b>      | QB, 6-2, 185  |
| Orland Park, IL        | 4.6 in 40 yd  |
| <b>Darcey Levy</b>     | RB, 6-2, 178  |
| Montbello, CO          | 4.5 in 40 yd  |
| <b>Jason Murray</b>    | FB, 6-2, 235  |
| Belle Vernon, PA       | 4.5 in 40 yd  |
| <b>Cooper Rego</b>     | TB, 5-9, 190  |
| Montvale, NJ           | 4.38 in 40 yd |
| <b>Casey Robin</b>     | OL, 6-7, 290  |
| Covington, LA          | 5.2 in 40 yd  |
| <b>John Teasdale</b>   | OL, 6-6, 255  |
| Kansas City, MO        | 5.0 in 40 yd  |
| <b>Justin Smith</b>    | WR, 6-1, 185  |
| St. Petersburg, FL     | 4.45 in 40 yd |
| <b>Kurt Vollers</b>    | OL, 6-7, 268  |
| Anaheim, CA            | 4.8 in 40 yd  |
| <b>Brock Williams</b>  | DB, 5-11, 175 |
| Hammond, LA            | 4.4 in 40 yd  |
| <b>Andy Wisne</b>      | DL, 6-4, 250  |
| Jenks, OK              | 5.0 in 40 yd  |

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here is divine and if I can be of any  
assistance to your during the year  
don't hesitate to call me! Good  
Luck and have fun!! — Cavanaugh  
Kerry

Mary, Heather, and Amanda,  
Hey chicas! So we need to have a  
fiesta so people can stay and crash  
on our fouton! Looking forward to a  
fabulous year. Love ya all...  
Michelle :-)

Mr. Boubal,  
How's your class, your own desk,  
your blackboard? Any Katies in  
your class I can challenge? Wanna  
make-WHAT???

Krupa

Mulligan,  
Hi. How are you? Hope you're not  
too sick of the Houston crew... I  
miss you!

Love, Sculder

That's the LAST time I offer to give  
flight information to ANYONE's par-  
ents. I'm never gonna hear the end  
of this.

Don't talk back to your mother.

YOU GOT THAT CUZ YOU WITH  
HIM!!

I  
I'm a scat man.

DAC: OK, so fine, it was a long  
shot. I know you told me not to back  
that horse, but I didn't understand  
you. Can't put my finger on WHY  
exactly... I know it has something to  
do with Baywatch... --HAC

Brad, they are NOT obscene.  
OBSCURE, maybe, but not  
obscene.

Welease... Wodewick!

Weleas... Woger!

Welease... Bwian!

I'm Brian of Nazareth, and so's my  
wife!

I'm sorry Lorie. It's Michelle's fault. I  
asked her to put them in the com-  
puter and she put them in for  
Tuesday. It's not my fault. Blame  
her. I'm a nice honest person. She's  
evil and coniving.

Mike's come to crack the whip.

All hail the mighty penguin! The  
speedbump has returned! see you  
at dinner. --Slim

Mark is a real pain because he  
doesn't do any real work, all he  
does is ask people to write classi-  
fieds.

Look everybody -- it's Don Hoe! Oh  
wait, that's just Day.

Mark DeBoy is my hero

Is it dark out? I really need to get  
some sleep.

WWOOC, Way out of control

Oh, Billie...

What're you -- nuts?

If you feel you're qualified to make  
the "marshal" list, please contact  
Patricia @ 5213... all applicants  
will be considered.

He's my hero too!

And mine.

Mine too.

He should be everyone's hero.

He IS everyone's hero!

I just want to sleep.

Mark DeBoy is his own hero.

Ask not what your country can do  
for you,  
ask what you can do for the  
Observer.

Joey Crawford would much rather  
express himself in his own fashion.

The guy in the ugly shirt is being a  
real hypocrite. Put up or shut up.

There goes Joey's mouth. Oh no,  
not again.

The end.

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bright, young leader with the charisma and personality that should create an attitude that has been missing in recent years.

Already, players have talked about being more relaxed,

upbeat and actually looking forward to going to practice. And at the same time, the intensity seems to be every bit as high as under the more dictatorial Lou Holtz.

That's not to say that Holtz will not be missed in these parts. The legend resurrected the Irish football program while carving out his place in ND history alongside Rockne, Leahy,

and Parseghian. Indeed, Lou Holtz is the essence of Notre Dame football.

But it was time for a change. Over the last three years, the program has seemed to be stuck in the mud and has watched rivals pass it by. While Holtz was still the master motivator, in other areas he was a dinosaur in a constantly changing world.

He never lost the respect of his players, but he may have lost the ability to relate to them. Practices were tense, and the players were tight. On the field, Holtz struggled to find an offense to match his personnel, and the Irish developed a penchant for failing to make the big play.

Davie has the chance to change all that.

With his first recruiting class, Davie has made strides in putting his stamp on the Irish. In past years under Holtz, teams like Ohio State and Florida State exploited Notre Dame's lack of speed and athleticism.

With freshmen like Tony Driver, Joey Getherall, Ron Israel, and Cooper Rego, the Irish have addressed their weakness while adding a little spice to Notre Dame football in the process.

Davie and the Irish could not have written a better script, launching the new regime in the recently completed Notre Dame Stadium. After two years of construction, the addition to the stadium is set to be unveiled Sept. 6 against Georgia Tech.

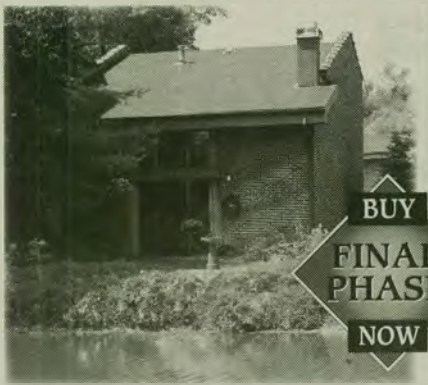
While it will always be the House that Rockne Built, Davie looks forward to the chance of putting his name on the addition.

It is certainly possible.

For the first time in years, an aura of excitement permeates the land of the Golden Dome. It is something that should not be taken for granted and should be soaked in to its fullest. With so much going on and with so much excitement in the air, times could not be better for Notre Dame football or for the University.

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rent players for a spot in the starting lineup.

The freshman class hails from various parts of the country, and freshman Anne Makinen comes from Helsinki, Finland. Makinen has extensive international experience, having played in 40 games. She joined the Finnish national team at 16. Just one year later, Makinen was named Finnish Player of the Year. She will make an immediate impact in the Irish midfield with her excellent playmaking abilities.

Also expected to have an instant impact will be freshman Meotis Erikson. In 1996, she was named National Soccer Coaches Association of America National School Player of the Year. She was also a three-time All-American. Erikson will join sophomore Jenny Streiffer and junior Monica Gerardo up front. Like her fellow teammates, Erikson is a skilled scorer who performs well with her back to the goal.

Freshman Monica Gonzalez also is expected to play up front. She is a natural goal scorer who excels in the air. Back in 1995, Gonzalez led her club team Dallas Sting to the under-16 national championship.

On the defensive end, freshman Kelly Lindsey is expected to solidify the back line. Her speed and agility make her one of the top freshman defenders. In high school, Lindsey was a three-sport standout in cross-country, basketball and soccer. She

earned four letters in all three of the sports. She was also selected to the Parade high school All-America list.

Rounding out the freshman roster are Kerri Bakker, Kristin Danielson, Lindsay Goodwin, Caroline Marino, Katie Miller, Stacey Tullock, and Liz Zandoni.

With the loss of many key seniors, some may think that the Irish might be out of contention for the title. That is anything but true. Notre Dame is currently ranked second, trailing only North Carolina. Barring any unforeseen setbacks, the battle for

the top spot will come early this year, — Sept. 19 at the Adidas Lady Footlocker Classic at Alumni Field.

According to the preseason coaches' poll, the Irish received the maximum points and are predicted to capture the Big East title again this year.

Tomorrow at 1 p.m. at Alumni Field, the freshmen will make their debut on the field against Missouri in an exhibition game. The first official game of the season will be, Aug. 29 at Alumni Field against Big East rival St. John's.



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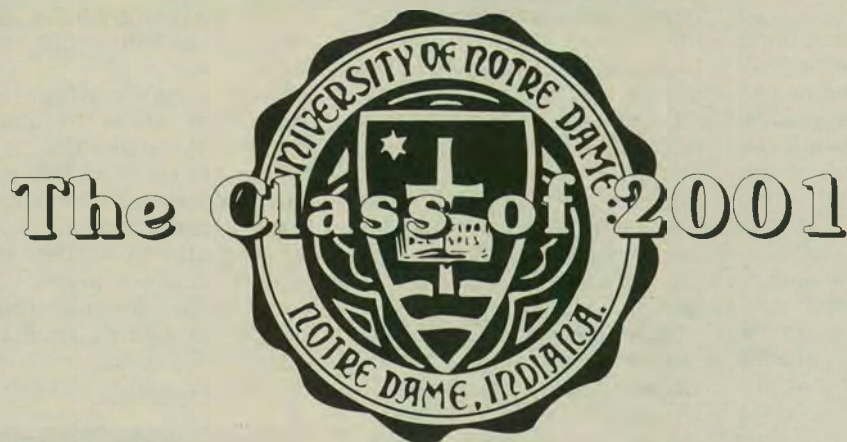
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# Athlete graduation rates among best in nation

Special to The Observer

The University of Notre Dame ranks third among the nation's Division I-A colleges and universities in the cumulative graduation rate of all student-athletes and is No. 1 in women's sports, according to an annual report compiled by the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

The 1997 NCAA Graduation-Rates Report, the seventh such survey issued by the association, covers students who enrolled between 1987 and 1990 at 306 Division I institutions. NCAA graduation rates are based on the comparison of the number of those who graduated within six years. The report regards students who leave or transfer, regardless of academic standing,

as nongraduates. Among Notre Dame student-athletes who complete their eligibility at the University, 99 percent earn a degree.

Based upon the NCAA's primary standard, Notre Dame graduated 87 percent of its student-athletes, trailing only Duke University at 91 percent and Boston College at 88 percent. The national average was 59 percent.

Notre Dame graduated 97 percent of women competing in varsity athletics at the University, tops among the 110 Division I-A schools. The 84-percent graduation rate of male student-athletes ranks third nationally.

Fighting Irish football players graduate at a 77 percent rate, seventh nationally, and 84 per-

cent of Notre Dame men's basketball players graduate, third highest in the Big East Conference.

Notre Dame's 87-percent graduation rate is first among the top 20 universities in the 1997 Sears Directors Cup rankings of all-around athletic excellence, demonstrating that academic and athletic success need not be mutually exclusive.

Among the general student body, Notre Dame's graduation rate of 94 percent trails only Harvard, Princeton, and Yale.

## Notre Dame vs. The Nation

### Notre Dame Graduation Rate Rankings

|                     |     |                     |
|---------------------|-----|---------------------|
| All Athletes        | 87% | 3rd in the nation   |
| Male Athletes       | 84% | 3rd in the nation   |
| Female Athletes     | 97% | 1st in the nation   |
| Men's Football      | 77% | 7th in the nation   |
| Men's Basketball    | 84% | 3rd in the Big East |
| Students in General | 94% | 4th in the nation   |

## NOTRE DAME COMMUNICATION AND THEATRE

WASHINGTON HALL--Bruce Auerbach, Director of Theatre of Notre Dame Communication and Theatre, has announced that the annual reception for students interested in theatre will be held **Wednesday, August 27, at 6:00 P.M.** in Washington Hall. Students interested in acting, directing, sets, costumes, lights, management, or theatre as a major are encouraged to attend.

Theatre at Notre Dame is open to all students--majors and non-majors--who wish to participate. A wide variety of activities is available including: acting, scenic design and construction, costume design and construction, lighting design and execution, marketing, directing and stage management. There are theatre opportunities to fit every schedule and level of talent. If you have a willingness to learn, you are qualified.

Becoming involved in theatre is an excellent way to meet new people, make new friends, and have a great time while involving yourself in the creation of something special on campus.

This season, the Department of Communication

and Theatre (COTH) will present a mainstage season consisting of five plays as well as many other acting and directing projects. Mainstage productions this season will be:

*Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead*  
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In addition, COTH will host a residency by ACTORS FROM THE LONDON STAGE sponsored by the Paul M. and Barbara Henkels Visiting Scholars Series, and Father David Garrick will stage a reading of his new play *The Escape of Kropotkin*. Acting and directing projects are showcased at the end of each semester. All of these projects will need a great amount of student support. There are positions for all who wish to participate.

**Auditions for the first two plays of the season will be held Wednesday, August 27, and Thursday, August 28, at 7:00 PM.**

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# VOLLEYBALL

## Freshmen look to set the stage

*Boylan leads effort to fill in the gaps*

By JOE CAVATO  
Assistant Sports Editor

Last May, Notre Dame head volleyball coach Debbie Brown graduated one of the finest classes to grace the floor of the Joyce Center. The departure of two-time captain Jenny Birkner and her classmates Jen Rouse, Kristina Ervin, and Jen Briggs leave Brown looking for fresh faces to fill the void.

Several weeks ago, Brown received some help when the Class of 2001 arrived to Notre Dame. That class of five ath-

letes include three players named to Volleyball Magazine's "Fab 50" high school recruits.

Freshman setter Denise Boylan, outside hitters Christi Girton and Adrienne Shimmel, middle blocker Jo Jameyson, and walk-on Katie Ward join the Irish this August.

"I am really pleased with the entire class," Brown said. "There is a great balance of ball control and strong net play."

According to Brown, the youngsters have not been overwhelmed by the adjustment to play at the college level.

"Starting with the preseason, I've been happy with how they've done. I think all of them have adapted really well, and none of them are behind. They have been able to get

right in there and play."

The atmosphere around the practice gym has been intense as the starting lineup is not set and everyone is looking to make an impression.

"At this point, we're going to have real good depth," Brown said. "When we scrimmage, it's been really competitive. People are getting better because they're being pushed all the time, not just the freshmen. There's just a really positive atmosphere in the gym."

The freshman with the most profound high school resume is the 6-foot-2 Boylan. The Lisle, Ill., native was named the 1997 Gatorade National Player of the Year and led her club team to a 100-4 season on its way to the 1997 junior title. Boylan and senior Carey May give Brown two true setters, something that the Irish did not have last year before May was hurt in the preseason.

"She (Boylan) and Carey are battling for the starting spot," said Brown. "Having Denise and Carey on opposite sides of the net has made the scrimmages that much better."

The most unique thing that Boylan brings is her height at the setter slot.

"It's very rare to have someone who is 6-2 as your setter. It's great to have a setter that can block that well. We made some technique changes, and as she gets used to the system, she's going to get better and better."

The competition for the starting right-side hitter position, which was filled by Jenny Birkner for the past four years, is the most wide open. Sophomores Emily Schiebout and Mandi Powell, along with freshman Christi Girton, are looking to fill the starting slot.

"Christi has played on the left side, middle, and right side so we could use her at any of those positions," Brown said. "Emily, Mandi, and Christi are having a pretty good battle for the right side hitter spot."

Jo Jameyson out of Alvin, Texas is working as a middle blocker, and her athleticism has impressed the coaching staff.

"Jo is real strong at the net, and she is very quick," Brown commented. "It's nice to have a middle with good lateral speed. She is a good all-around player, and she's going to add depth."

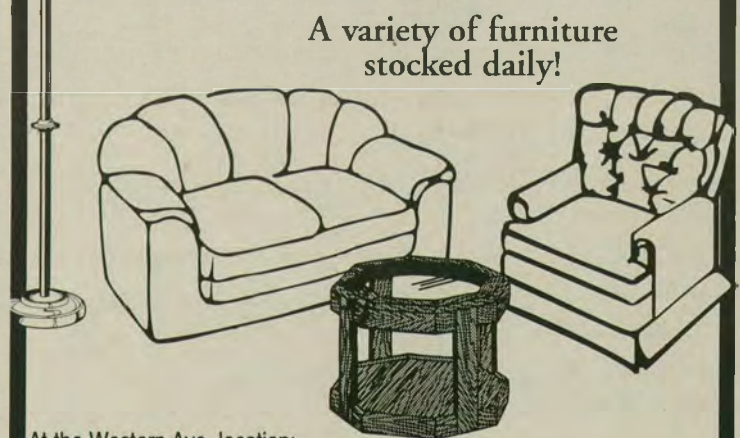
With left-side hitter Jaime Lee competing at the World University Games in Sicily, Italy, until early September, the starting position for the first several matches is open. Girton and fellow freshman Adrienne Shimmel, from Mission Viejo, Calif., will be battling for that slot until Lee's return. What Shimmel lacks in height she makes up for in her enthusiasm.

"Adrienne is 5-10, but she is really feisty, energetic and vocal," Brown remarked. "She brings another dimension. If she is not starting, she'll be a great person to bring off the bench."

The fifth addition to the Class of 2001 is walk-on Katie Ward, a 6-foot-1 middle blocker from Chicago.

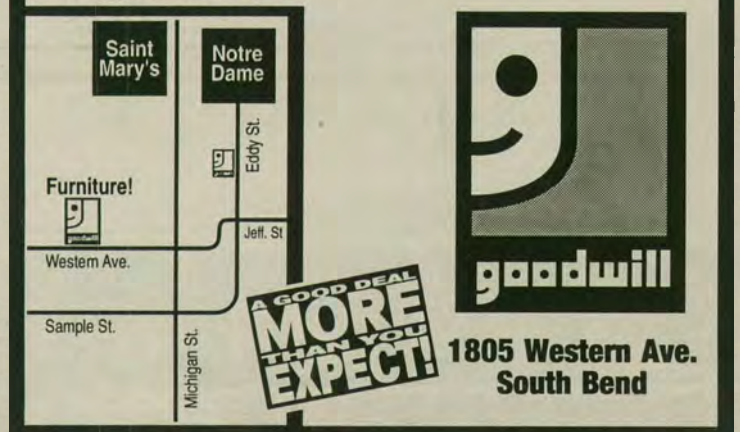
"She is a very good athlete but does not have great volleyball skills," Brown said. "It's great to have another middle blocker in the gym, and I think that in time she has the potential to be really good. I'm glad that she's here with us. I think that she'll help in the long run."

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| Christi Girton   | MB/OH    | 6-3  | Muncie, IN        |
| Jo Jameyson      | MB/OH    | 6-1  | Alvin, TX         |
| Adrienne Shimmel | OH       | 5-10 | Mission Viejo, CA |
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Dan Storino. The three pure defenders of the bunch are Stephen Maio, Patrick Moss, and Andy Murray. Bob Miske can play either in the middle or up front, while Dustin Pridmore is experienced at the midfield and defensive positions.

"We've been pleasantly surprised by a number of players," said Berticelli of the freshmen. "As a group they have done very well. Steve Maio has been doing exceptionally well."

Maio, a native of Ontario and a member of the Canadian Under-20 National Team, has a great deal of game experience which should benefit the Irish this season. Maio was also captain of his high school squad, Sacred Heart Catholic, for four years and was named the MVP following each of those seasons.

When asked if any of the freshmen were in the running for a starting job, Berticelli indicated that Maio would almost certainly find his way into the lineup before the season is over.

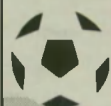
Some of the other rookies that have impressed the eighth-year Irish coach thus far include McKnight, Howard, Pridmore, and LaRose.

Berticelli has also been happy about the development of chemistry between the recruits and the veteran players. He acknowledged the benefit of having experienced players who have enjoyed success early in their college careers.

"It is certainly a plus (for the freshmen) to have guys around them who have succeeded in their first year," explained Berticelli. "Credit goes to the upperclassmen. They have been very accommodating and helpful."



Senior Bill Savarino will be looked to as leader for the young Irish soccer team.



## Men's Soccer Recruits

| Recruit         | Position | Ht.  | Hometown             |
|-----------------|----------|------|----------------------|
| Ben Bayer       | Def.     | 5-10 | Arlington, TX        |
| Justin Campbell | Mid.     | 5-10 | Westlake Village, CA |
| Griffin Howard  | Mid.     | 6-1  | San Diego, CA        |
| Conor LaRose    | Mid.     | 6-1  | Claremont, CA        |
| Stephen Maio    | Def.     | 5-10 | Ontario, Canada      |
| Reggie McKnight | Mid.     | 6-0  | Greenville, SC       |
| Bob Miske       | Mid.     | 5-11 | El Toro, CA          |
| Patrick Moss    | Def.     | 6-2  | S.J. Capistrano, CA  |
| Andy Murray     | Def.     | 6-0  | Lexington, KY        |
| Colin Nash      | Mid.     | 5-10 | South Orange, NJ     |
| Dustin Pridmore | Mid.     | 6-0  | Dallas, TX           |
| Dan Storino     | Def.     | 5-9  | Inverness, IL        |

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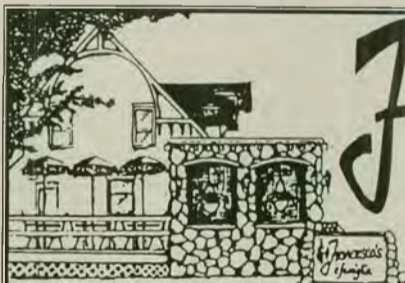
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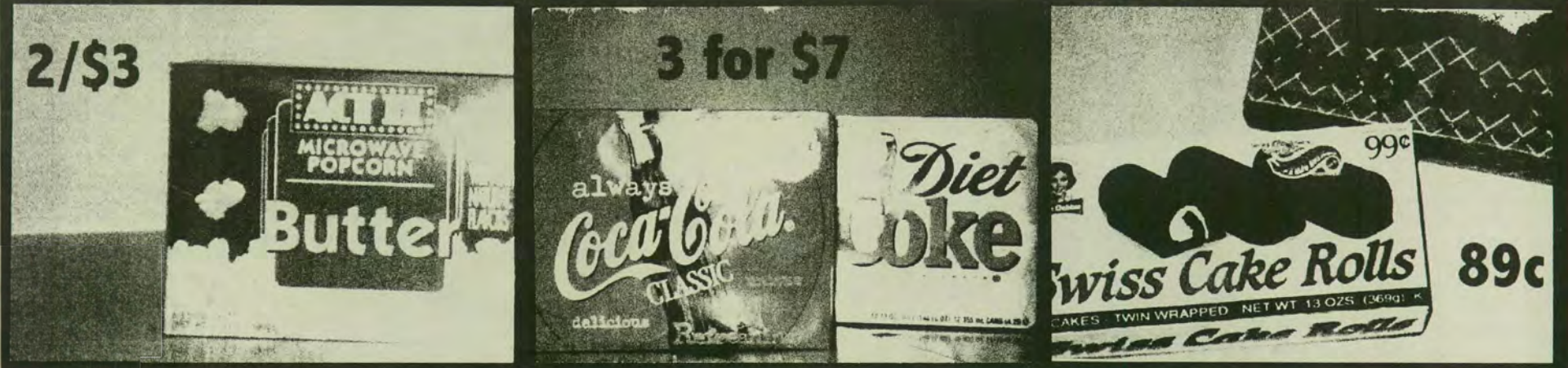
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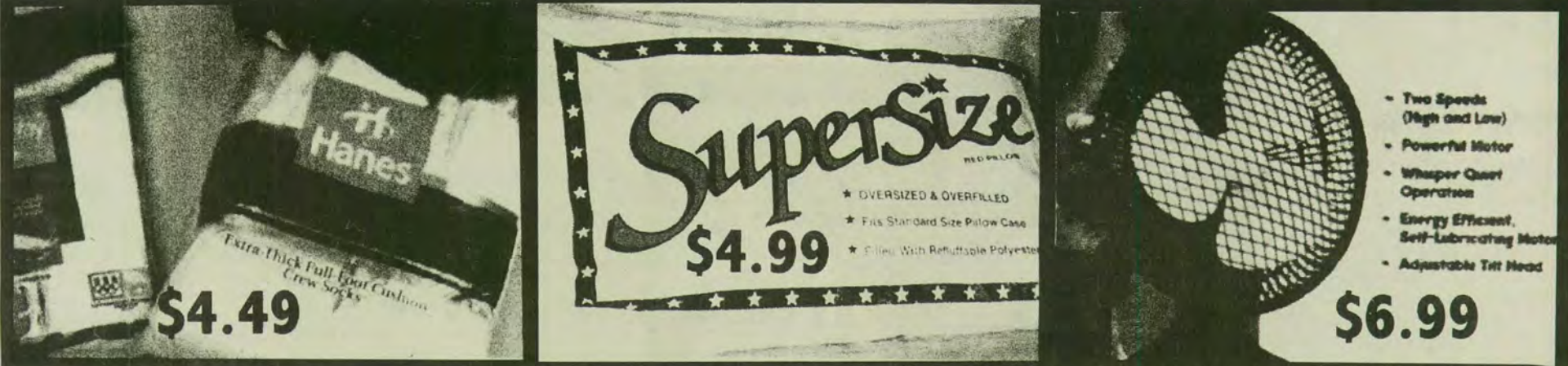
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# New Beginning

## Freshmen embark on new era for Irish

By BETSY BAKER  
Associate Sports Editor

The time has come for the speculation and anticipation to end and for the questions surrounding the future of Notre Dame football to be answered.

When the 19 members of the Class of 2001 reported for duty on Aug. 11, they signed up to be the pioneers of a new era of Irish football. Of course, they will be led into the wilderness by the experience of such players as fifth-year quarterback Ron Powlus, fifth-year defensive lineman Melvin Dansby, and senior defensive back Allen Rossum, but this year's freshmen will be the first official class to make their way through the Irish ranks under the tutelage of head coach Bob Davie.

Naturally, the Class of 2001 will serve as a barometer for the success of the Davie era, and thus far, after two weeks of pre-season practice, they appear to be handling the pressure quite well.

Many of the freshmen have managed to impress both coaches and teammates in the first two weeks, but none

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Head coach Bob Davie and defensive line coach Charlie Strong look on as the Irish prepare for the season.

## Opportunities abound for Class of 2001

The Class of 2001 has been given a great opportunity. Now, it is important that it takes the time to reflect on this tremendous opportunity that awaits.

As everyone has come to know, football is more than a sport at Notre Dame. In fact, it is an institution.

Notre Dame football touches the lives of every student, fan, or alum in a way that cannot begin to be described. It is an integral part of this University and an icon in Irish culture. So given the magnitude of football at Notre Dame, times could not be more exciting.

New players — a new coaching staff — a new stadium. A new era of football is being launched at Notre Dame, and the Class of 2001 has come aboard just in time to be part of it.

First, there is new head coach Bob Davie. He is a



Mike Day  
Sports Editor

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### WOMEN'S SOCCER

## Irish survive off-season overhaul

### Notre Dame works to recover from graduation

By KATHLEEN LOPEZ  
Assistant Sports Editor

This year's freshman class has big shoes to fill. The women's soccer team is looking to fill some gaps in the lineup with the graduation of several seniors this past year, including the Hermann Trophy winner, National Soccer Coaches Player of the Year, two Academic All-Americans, and several on the All-Big East team.

The loss of Kate Fisher, Amy VanLaecke, Jen Renola, and Cindy Daws leaves the Irish starting lineup with vacancies on all parts of the field.

The goalkeeping chores will be inherited by sophomore LaKeaysia Beene, but other positions will be up for grabs. There are 11 new freshmen trying to contend with the cur-

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Sophomores Kara Brown (left) and Jen Grubb do battle in practice.

### MEN'S SOCCER

## Eager eleven hope to make a difference

### Freshmen look to continue last year's success

By BRIAN REINTHALER  
Assistant Sports Editor

There appears to be a youth movement underway in the Irish men's soccer program. With the graduation of captains Tony Capasso, and Peter Gansler, along with Brian Engesser and midfield regulars Konstantin Koloskov and Chris Mathis, Notre Dame finds itself searching for the next generation of team leaders.

Fortunately for head coach Mike Berticelli, this season's roster is stacked with talented and experienced underclassmen. In fact, due to the success of freshmen in the past two seasons, the classes of 1999 and 2000 appear to form the foundation of this year's

squad. Seven starters are returning and the four remaining positions could be won by sophomores and juniors.

If the recent past is any sign of things to come, though, this year's recruits should be able to make an impact. Berticelli has proven that he will field the best possible team, regardless of seniority.

Junior captain Matt Johnson and goaltender Greg Velho both started as freshmen, as did sophomores Alan Woods and Matt McNew. Forwards Andrew Aris and Ryan Cox also found themselves in the starting lineup for certain games in 1996.

The class of 2001, eleven players deep, is the largest freshman group that Berticelli has had for some time. Six of the first-year players are midfielders. They include Justin Campbell, Griffin Howard, Conor LaRose, Reggie McKnight, Colin Nash, and

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