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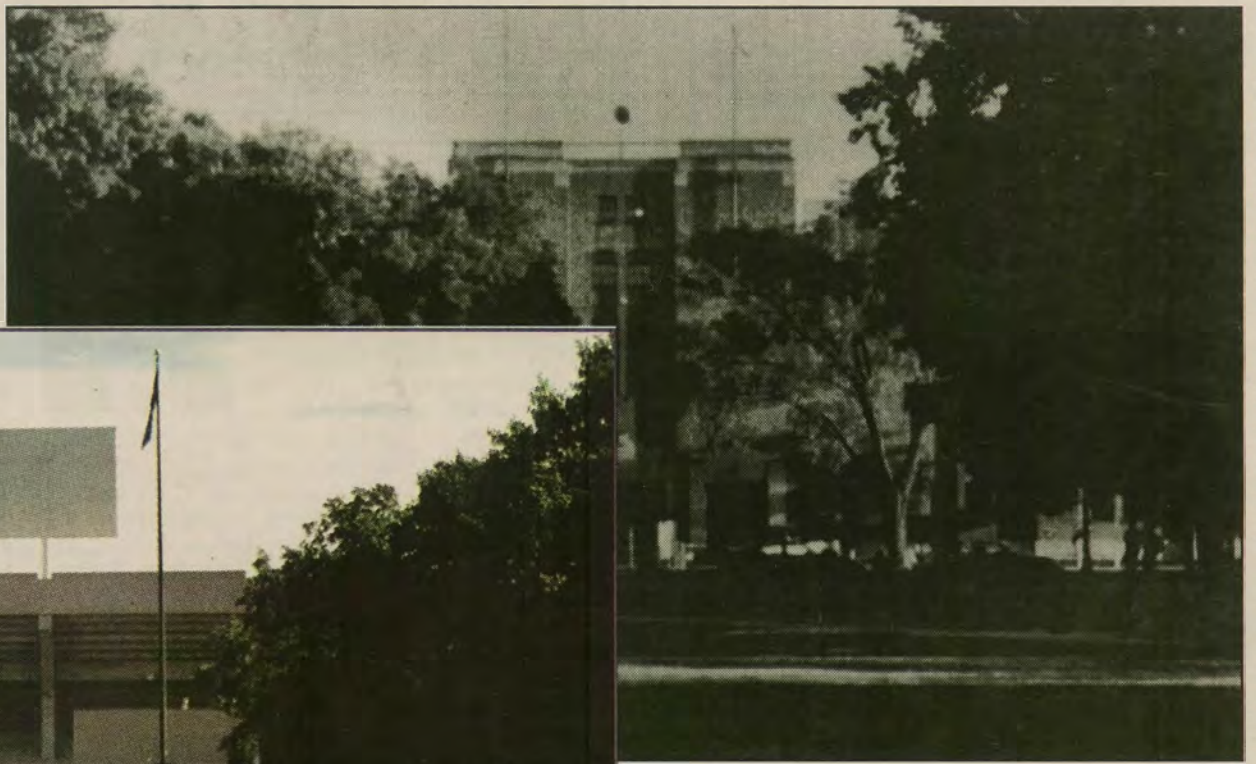
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## Friday Feature

## Out with the old...



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## ... and in with the new

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## Stadium stands ready for rededication

By DEREK BETCHER  
Associate News Editor

Nineteen ninety-seven will mark the start of a new era for Notre Dame football; Saturday, fans will arrive and see a new head coach,

new recruits and a new offensive scheme. None of these changes, however, can outmatch the opening of the new Notre Dame Stadium.

Following a two-year \$50 million renovation that added 21,000 seats, the stadium is finally ready to welcome a full complement of fans for tomorrow's rededication game against Georgia Tech.

Following the last game of the 1995 home season, construction swiftly began, and for the next 20 months neither winter tempera-

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## Rally to move outdoors

By BILL UNIOWSKI  
News Writer

With all of the changes the Notre Dame football program has gone through in the past year, even the traditional pre-game pep rally has not survived unscathed.

In hopes of renewing some of the spirit and

enthusiasm that has been lost in recent years, organizers have moved the pep rallies from the Joyce Center into the newly renovated Notre Dame Stadium.

Coach Bob Davie's new emphasis on student involvement was the catalyst for change.

"We're trying to get the

fire back in Notre Dame Stadium," Davie said as he addressed students in Alumni Hall on Wednesday night. "We've had some tough times."

Davie also indicated the importance of allowing all students to attend and to be the first to enter the

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## Timeline of a Decision

Monday, April 7

- SMC Board of Governance grants recognition to The Alliance

Monday, April 14

- President Hickey defers Alliance recognition to confer with the Committee on Relationships

Friday, April 18

- Pro-Alliance rally protests deferment

Saturday, May 31

- President Hickey officially leaves office

Sunday, June 1

- President Marilou Eldred takes office

## SMC Alliance will continue its wait

By LORI ALLEN  
Saint Mary's Editor

Members of The Alliance will now have to wait longer to gain recognition as an official campus club because president Marilou Eldred continues to deliberate the decision.

Campus officials, including student body president Nikki Milos, Board of Governance (BOG) Notre Dame/Saint Mary's Liaison Sara Nienaber, and Alliance members Poogie Sherer and Kelly Curtis, will be meeting with Eldred early next week to further the discussion.

This summer, Eldred contacted several constituents of the College in order to better familiarize herself with the issue regarding sexuality on

campus, and to gain as much information as she could. Upon the students' return to campus, Eldred approached the appropriate student leaders to begin discussion.

"In order to make the best possible decision for Saint Mary's College, I feel that I have to be here for a while to get a better sense for the place," said Eldred. "This is a complicated issue, and my ultimate responsibility is to determine what is best for the College, I don't want to set up false expectations."

"I feel that president Eldred is handling the situation quite well," said student body president Nikki Milos. "She approached the student representatives in an open and friendly manner."

The Alliance, formally

known as The Alliance of Lesbian, Bisexual, Straight and Questioning Women of Saint Mary's College, first proposed its constitution at the March 3 BOG meeting, where it was tabled until the March 19 meeting. At this meeting, BOG members formed an internal research team to seek out unbiased information to educate the members of BOG in order for them to make an informed decision on the question of official recognition of The Alliance.

The research team reported answers to previous questions on campus ministry opinion, verification of club advisor, Catholic documents and the laity of the Catholic community.

The board then voted in favor of The Alliance's consti-

tution and approved club recognition at Saint Mary's College for the remainder of the semester, and continuing into the 1997-98 academic year.

The following week, however, their decision was deferred by former president Hickey, who first wanted to consult with the Committee on Relationships.

The Committee on Relationships had been instituted in order to support the educational environment which impacts cultural norms in the lives of Saint Mary's College students.

"It is my understanding that president Eldred is interested in seeing this committee continue its work," said Linda Timm, vice-president for stu-

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## ■ INSIDE COLUMN

## We Are ND

I completely agree with GLND/SMC, but I think I speak for the majority of the student body when I say I'm kinda sick of the hype. I realize and respect the intensity of this issue, and I truly hope their hard work is rewarded with the success it deserves. But there are other serious divisions plaguing our Notre Dame community that, when added up, subtly affect our daily lives.

We walk around in clusters, or alone, lost in our private worlds. Racial lines divide our dining halls. Saint Mary's women are persecuted and shut out. Dorm bashing isn't always just in fun. We snub one another because we just don't have the time to smile or say hello.

We are mean sometimes, and we hurt others without even realizing it. We look down our noses at smokers as we destroy our livers. We scoff at different majors and give in to misconceptions and stereotypes. We have brought our pre-conceived opinions into this glorious haven and in doing so have disrupted its peace.

Each of us has a story to tell. Each of us has come from a unique background with unique ideas to share. We are all here because we can contribute something of ourselves, something wonderful and inspiring.

Kindness exists in our high school-like cliques, but seldom do we ever reach beyond the horizons of our little spheres.

We are all striving for the same goals — success, fulfillment, meaning, and love. Finding our place in this crazy world isn't easy, and we need each other. There is so much we can learn from each other; why do we push people away?

We are all an important part of something so special that we won't even realize its depth until it's over. Allow me to present you a challenge. Tomorrow, when we all yell the "We Are ND" cheer, think about it. I mean really think about it.

What does it mean to be a part of this community? Do you really treat everyone as one of your Notre Dame family? Do you extend the same degree of respect to those you encounter, regardless of their appearance or personal choices? Or do you just brush past people as if they were shadows, allowing your fears to consume you?

We all have a right to be here without worrying about haughty glances and raised eyebrows. Judge not and ye shall not be judged. We need to embrace our differences instead of condemning them.

Go ahead. Greet that stranger on the sidewalk good morning. Smile. Someone may need it more than you know. Thank people. Let someone go ahead of you in the dining hall. Question your convictions. Join a club you know nothing about. Trust me, there's plenty of time left. Go on a Notre Dame Encounter or Freshman Retreat. Step outside yourself and venture into what this amazing place truly has to offer ... each other.

Open your minds, open your mouths, but before you do anything, open your hearts.

A spirit of inclusion is all right, but what we really need around here is a spirit of acceptance.

We are ND. Let's start acting like it.

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

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## ■ WORLD AT A GLANCE

## Elton John rewrites 'Candle' as tribute to Princess Diana

LONDON

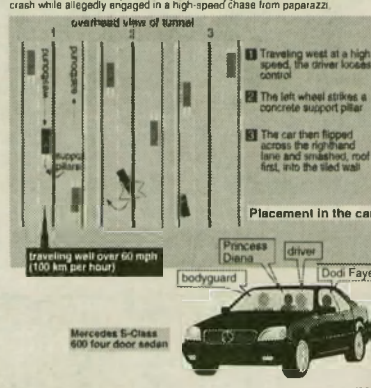
Two decades ago, he eulogized another fallen icon, remembering Marilyn Monroe with a sentimental song called "Candle in the Wind." Now, Elton John has updated it to mourn someone more real to him — his friend, Princess Diana.

The pop star will sing the new version of the song Saturday in Westminster Abbey at the funeral of the princess, a fan of his since childhood. The revised lyrics, released Thursday, tell of a woman who was "the grace that placed itself where lives were torn apart," and who leaves behind "a country lost without your soul."

Where in the original song, released in 1973 and co-written by lyricist Bernie Taupin, John sang "Goodbye, Norma Jean" — a reference to Monroe's real name,

## Close up on the crash

Princess Diana, Dodi Fayed, a driver and a bodyguard were in a fatal automobile crash while allegedly engaged in a high-speed chase from paparazzi.



Norma Jean Baker — now, he will sing "Goodbye, England's Rose."

The new version about "the nation's golden child," also co-written with Taupin, eliminates some of the bite and bitterness of the original words about Monroe's overdose death in 1962. There is no mention of the media in the new lyrics.

John and the princess both were AIDS activists and friends of designer Gianni Versace, who was shot to death in July. Diana sat next to the singer and comforted him when he broke down at the designer's memorial service in Milan, an image captured by photographers and distributed widely.

"Candle in the Wind" was first released on John's "Goodbye, Yellow Brick Road" album, and an intensely emotional live version of the song was nominated for a Grammy in 1988.

## Gore aide testifies before committee

WASHINGTON



With the 1996 election near and controversy swirling around Al Gore's appearance at a Buddhist temple, the vice president was told by his deputy chief of staff that the event five months earlier — where \$100,000 was donated — was a "community outreach" luncheon, not a fund-raiser, according to the aide's sworn statement. The aide, David M. Strauss, told Senate investigators that when Gore asked his recollection of the April 29, 1996, event, Strauss did not know that political contributions linked to the event had been raised for the Democratic Party. Strauss was testifying today before the Senate Governmental Affairs Committee, where Republicans were eager to grill him over his definition of the event at the Hsi Lai Temple near Los Angeles. In defending his calling the luncheon as a "community outreach" function, Strauss told investigators that in Gore's briefing papers for the appearance, "there is no reference here to any money being raised at this particular event." Strauss told investigators that when Gore asked last October for his recollection of the temple appearance, the vice president never asked whether the aide thought it was a fund-raising event — even though that question was becoming a problem for Gore as the election neared.

## Chicago schools require volunteering

CHICAGO

Chicago's high school students will need good deeds — not just good grades — to graduate. Beginning next year, they will have to put in 60 hours of community service to get a diploma. "There is no better way to teach and reinforce honesty, respect, tolerance, work ethic, discipline, self-respect and respect for others," public school chief executive Paul Vallas said Thursday in announcing the policy. Chicago, which has roughly 95,000 high school students, is instituting a system already in place in communities across the country. Federal judges have upheld community service requirements in Pennsylvania and New York, and the Supreme Court rejected an appeal of the Pennsylvania case. Pence warned it won't be easy to launch and coordinate a mandatory program in a city the size of Chicago. "It can have a tremendous impact on the staff — coordinating, keeping track and taking responsibility," he said. "This is not necessarily simple." Chicago students were not opposed to the requirement. "While we're concerned about kids having the skills to make them employable, we also want to make sure it's important to care about your community," Vallas said.

## Montana may reinstitute speed limit

HELENA, Mont.

Confronted with a 31 percent increase in highway deaths, lawmakers are pressing for a special session of the Legislature to end Montana's status as the only state without a fixed daytime speed limit. The secretary of state's office on Thursday received its 10th request for a special session. That triggers a mail canvass of lawmakers. A majority vote is needed to convene the Legislature. Montana has been without a posted daytime speed limit for most vehicles since December 1995, when Congress repealed the federal speed limit. Montana law requires drivers of cars and light trucks to drive in a "reasonable and prudent" manner based on conditions. In the first year without a fixed speed limit, deaths dropped slightly, from 215 in 1995 to 198 in 1996, and the 1997 Legislature rejected a proposal for an 80 mph limit on all highways. The picture changed this year. As of Thursday, 177 people had been killed in traffic accidents, 42 more than on the same date a year ago. "It's getting to be, in my estimate, a matter of life and death," Rep. Joe Quilici said. "Our friends and neighbors are dying out there." Others argue a link between the existing law and the increased deaths has not been proved. They note that many of the deaths involve alcohol or not wearing seat belts, and many occur at night, when a speed limit is in effect — 65 mph for interstate highways, 55 mph for other highways.

## MTV Awards gets Martha Stewart

NEW YORK

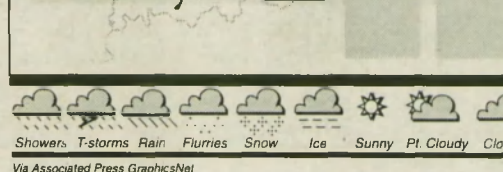
Pierced tongues, posers and a fashion rainbow from black to brown — Manhattan was the Island of Hip Thursday for the MTV Video Awards, the celebration where winning a trophy is far less important than looking right. Nowhere was that more evident than on 51st Street, where office workers watching from a window flashed numbers to grade the outfits of glitterati disgorged from black stretch limousines. MTV's cultural influence has faded over the past few years, not coincidentally as it de-emphasized music videos. Only the truly hip know much about Jamiroquai, the British band that led with 10 award nominations. But MTV still knows how to throw a party. The Rolling Stones, noted band of the 1960s, and U2, noted band of the 1980s, showed up to try and create a 1990s buzz. So did Elton John, who warned not to expect anything shocking on his new album. "It's definitely not techno-funk-rap," he said. Even domestic queen Martha Stewart showed up to present an award. Martha Stewart? "What are you doing here, anyhow?" asked quizzical rapper Busta Rhymes to a decidedly uncomfortable Stewart.

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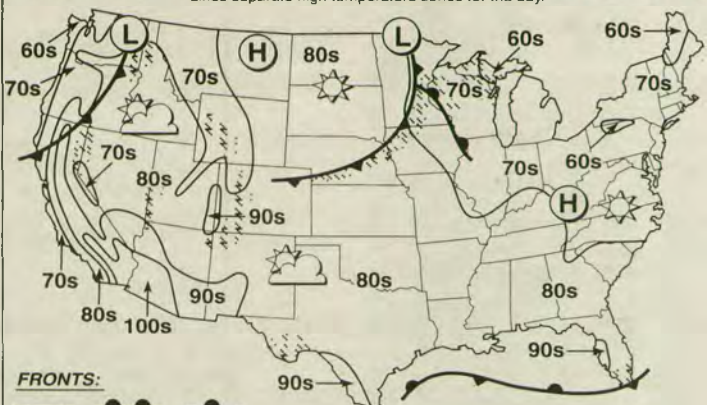
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Columbus	79	57	Minneapolis	79	58	St. Louis	87	64



# NCAA certifies Notre Dame

By SEAN SMITH  
Assistant News Editor

Following the completion of a year-long self-study and review process, the University of Notre Dame received unconditional certification last week from the National Collegiate Athletic Association's Committee on Athletic Certification.

Established in 1993 as part of the NCAA's reform agenda, the committee oversees a certification program designed to ensure integrity in collegiate athletic operations and to assist departments in improving their programs. All 307 Division I members must complete the process by December 1998.

According to the NCAA, athletic departments receiving unconditional certification have shown that they run their programs in "substantial conformity with operating principles adopted by the Division I membership."

Notre Dame's certification process began in October 1995 when Father Edward Malloy, president of the University, appointed a 47-member committee to examine all aspects of the athletic department, with particular emphasis upon governance

and commitment to rules compliance, academic integrity, fiscal integrity, and commitment to equity.

Nathan Hatch, provost of the University and professor of history, chaired the self-studying committee.

"The cardinal principle of this process was to make sure that the athletic department is run with integrity," Hatch said. "The whole process attempts to look at every facet of a Division I program and to confirm that the program is being run legitimately."

Upon the completion of the self-study last September, the committee submitted a report to a peer-review panel comprised of individuals from other Division I institutions. A peer-review team then visited the campus last October for three days, subsequently making recommendations to the NCAA Committee on Athletic Certification, which last week announced its decision to certify Notre Dame unconditionally.

"Basically, they [the NCAA] gave us [Notre Dame] a clean bill of health," Hatch said.

Perhaps more important than the formal certification, howev-

er, Notre Dame will incorporate the results of the self-study into its own internal plan.

In the University's NCAA Athletic Certification Self Study Report, Notre Dame outlines six major goals for the future of the athletic department. The goals are as follows:

- "Providing opportunities on an equitable basis that enhance the moral, intellectual, and physical welfare of the student population primarily, and the faculty and staff secondarily."

- "Recruiting, training, supporting, and retaining outstanding coaches in each of our varsity programs and administrators in each of our areas of support."

- "Providing the programs that develop the leadership skills of highly potential student athletes."

- "Attaining consistently superior athletic achievements."

- "Enhancing Notre Dame's tradition of loyalty and pride."

- "Managing effectively and efficiently the physical and human resources of the department."

"This process and review is a great way for the athletic department to be understood," Hatch said.

## Georgia Tech Weekend Schedule of Events

### Friday, September 5

9 a.m.-7 p.m.	Special Bookstore Hours	Bookstore
3 p.m.	Historic Campus Tour	Meet at Main Circle
3 & 3:30 p.m.	Center for the Homeless Tours	Main Circle
3-10 p.m.	Irish courtyard picnic	Morris Inn patio
4:30 p.m.	Marching Band rehearsal	Fieldhouse Mall
4:45-6 p.m.	Glee Club open rehearsal	Crowley Hall
6:20-7 p.m.	Cheerleaders and pom poms	Notre Dame Stadium
7 p.m.	Pep Rally	Notre Dame Stadium
9 p.m.	Film, "Rudy"	Cinema at the Snite

### Saturday, September 6

9 a.m.	SMC-Breakfast in the Halls	SMC dorms
8 a.m.-8 p.m.	Special Bookstore Hours	Bookstore
8:30 a.m.	Marching Band rehearsal	Loftus
9 a.m.-12 p.m.	Alumni Hospitality Center	JACC, North Dome
10-10:30 a.m.	Cheerleaders and Pom Poms	Bookstore
10 a.m.	Alumni flag football game	Stapan Field
11:30-12 p.m.	Glee Club - ND in Review	JACC, North Dome
12 p.m.	Marching Band Concert	Bond Hall
1:10 p.m.	Marching Band pre-game	Notre Dame Stadium
1:30 p.m.	Notre Dame vs. Georgia Tech	Notre Dame Stadium
30 min. after game	Mass	Basilica
4:45-7 p.m.	Candlelight Dinner	ND Dining Halls
7:30 & 9:45 p.m.	Film, "Rudy"	Cinema at the Snite

### Sunday, September 7

8, 10, & 11:45 p.m.	Mass	Basilica
8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.	Bookstore	South Quad
1 p.m.	Men's Soccer: ND vs. Providence	Alumni Field

## Fall Break Seminars

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### APPALACHIA SEMINAR

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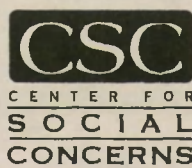
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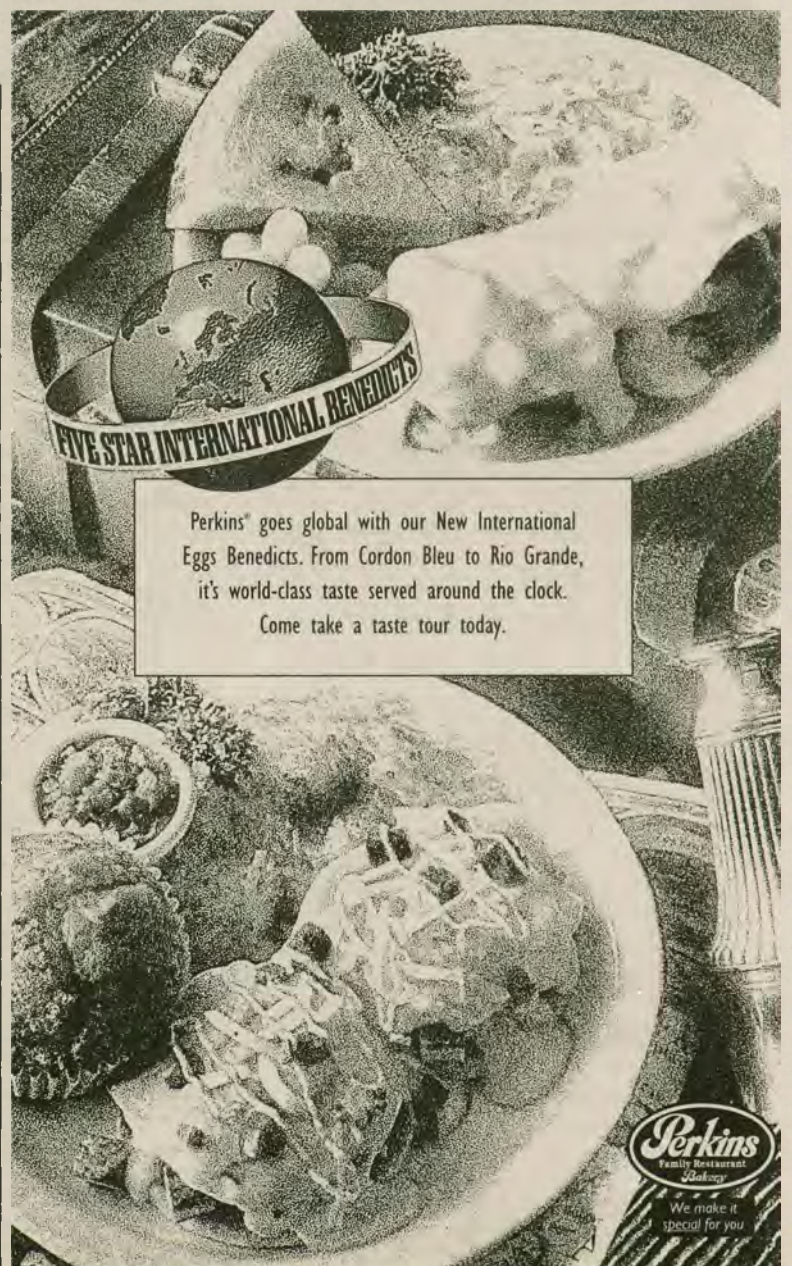
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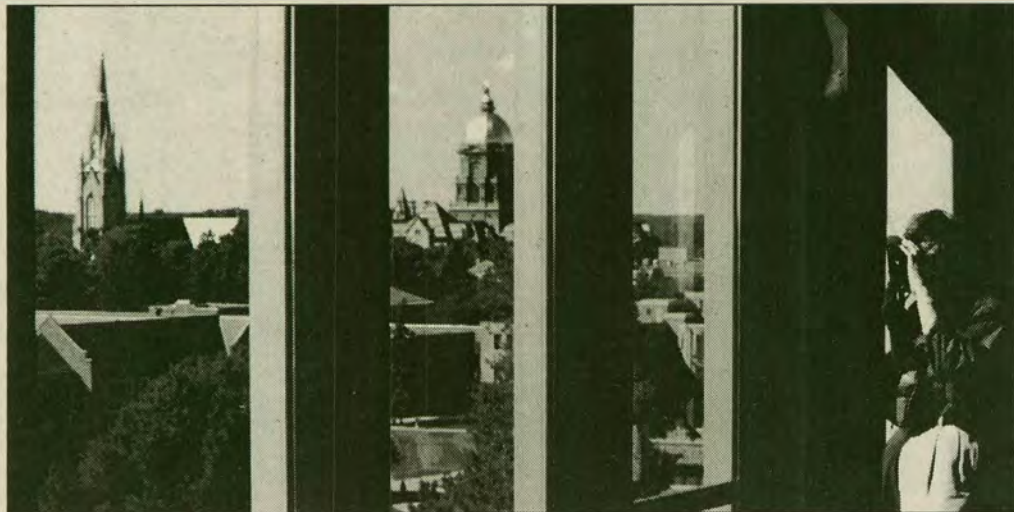
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# A new look for this old house

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The fifth level of the press box offers an impressive view of the campus and surrounding area.



The famous tunnel has undergone a facelift and now presents even greater intimidation for the visiting team, which has to exit its locker room at the top of the ramp and walk the length of the tunnel.

## Rally

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new stadium.

"That's our stadium, and I don't want that stadium to open Saturday morning to let Georgia Tech fans be there before we have," Davie said.

Junior Matt Trosper, a member of the committee that organized the new pep rallies said that Davie "has been really involved and he's really gotten this thing rolling."

Organizers expect 20,000 to 30,000 people to attend the rally tonight. The gates to the stadium open at 5:30 p.m.

"So far, the reaction has been really positive," said Trosper. "There's no problem with seating. No one will be turned away."

Students will be seated front and center, as opposed to the past rallies in the Joyce Center where they have been in the upper levels.

Organizers are tentatively planning to hold the first three rallies outside in the stadium and the last three back in the Joyce Center when the weather turns colder.

"If the beginning stages get off on the right foot, look for more changes in the future when they go back into the JACC," said Trosper.

New for this year, residence halls will also be included in the preparation. A group of dorms will act as hosts for

each pep rally and participate in the events. Students from host dorms will also address the crowd.

"Bob Davie and his staff have taken bold steps to insure the spirit of Notre Dame never dies," said Ryan Cox, resident of Alumni Hall, one of the host dorms for the first rally. "We must heed Coach Davie's call to make the House that Rockne Built the most feared college stadium."

Another member of the organizing committee, junior Chris Utz, explained that the organizers had both students and the team in mind when planning the rallies.

"We want the students to want to go every time, not just on the first time and before big games," Utz said. "We also want to fire up the team so it's not just something they have to do on Friday nights."

Students have reacted positively to news of the change, but they also have concerns as well with the ability to fill the stadium consistently throughout the season after the first game's rally.

Despite this, most students welcome the change from the crowded rallies of past years.

"It was really annoying last year getting into the pep rallies with people shoving and being turned away," said senior Laura Giuliani.

Junior Lisa Thode added, "It's a good idea, and it's fortunate now that everybody has a chance to go."



"Touchdown Jesus" is not as visible from the stadium's seats, but fans can look to the north from the new concourse to view the "Word of Life" mosaic.

## ■ SECURITY BEAT

# New parking lots make room for more ND fans

By HEATHER COCKS  
News Editor

As if finding a parking spot during football weekends wasn't already tough enough, Notre Dame has been scrambling to make room for over 10,000 extra spaces, compensating for those lost to stadium and golf course construction.

With some help from the surrounding area, the University successfully found enough parking areas to accommodate 11,300 vehicles, according to Phil Johnson, assistant director of Notre Dame Security/Police.

"Parking and traffic considerations have been part of the stadium project since its inception," Johnson said in a statement. "We've studied the ramifications both internally and with the advice and support of local government and police agencies."

The largest lot, holding 6,000 cars, is located off Juniper Road, between the intersections of Douglas and Pendle Road north of campus. Holy Cross College and St.

Joseph's High School offered a total of 3,300 spaces, and 900 spectators can park near Moreau Seminary.

Additional spots are available near the WNDU stations and University Village, west of campus on Douglas Road.

"Historically, our traffic and parking patterns have worked well, and our goal has been to maintain that efficiency to the greatest degree possible, given the substantial increase in the game-day crowd," Johnson said. "Now, we'll see how well our plans translate to reality."

Transpo buses will shuttle spectators to campus from the areas farthest from Notre Dame.

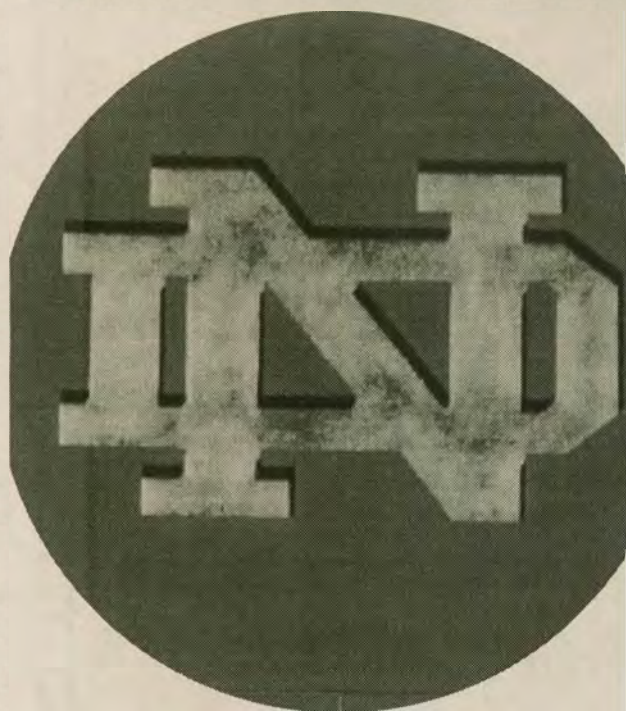
Buses will also run from Saint Mary's College, Town and Country Shopping Center, and several local hotels and motels.

It costs \$7 to park in the new lots, Johnson said, and the fee includes shuttle service.

The majority of roads surrounding campus are turned into one-way streets three hours prior to kick-off; they remain one-way until one hour after the game's conclusion.



# Notre Dame Stadium



## Stadium

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tures nor the 1996 home season would derail the construction. As many as 300 workers were on site during the project to ensure that the reborn stadium would be ready for the public on Sept. 6, 1997.

The day has come, and it has been much anticipated.

Even in 1930, when Knute Rockne first led his team into Notre Dame Stadium, game-day publications reported that the "new" stadium had been designed keeping in mind a possibility of future expansion. Over the next 67 years the program grew and fan-base exploded, setting the stage for the stadium to grow as well.

In explaining their May 6, 1994, decision to expand the stadium, Notre Dame's Board of Trustees cited overwhelming ticket demand as a primary force launching the construction's planning.

"In light of our increasing inability to meet alumni demands, it only makes sense," executive vice president Father William Beauchamp had said early in the renovation process.

Correspondingly then, most of the additional 21,000 seats have been earmarked for Notre Dame alumni — 16,000 of them. University staff, alumni clubs, benefactors, and parents of students will receive much of the remaining surplus.

In addition to trying to leave fewer members of the Notre Dame family standing ticketless at the entry gates, the stadium's final post-renovation appearance was an equally large concern. Throughout the planning and construction

process, administrators emphasized that they wanted the renovations kept within the character of Notre Dame.

With the stadium ready to be reopened, officials are more than pleased.

"The stadium really does fit Notre Dame. It's not a glass palace or an art-deco piece. I think it's just a beautiful stadium," said University president Father Edward Malloy. "It's just a very attractive building."

Malloy's predecessor, President Emeritus Father Theodore Hesburgh, agreed wholeheartedly.

"I've seen a lot of stadiums on a lot of campuses, and very often they're eyesores — giant lying down by pygmies," Hesburgh said. "But this structure, sitting alongside [DeBartolo Hall] and the business building, both of which are fairly monumental, and with the Joyce ACC right across the street — it fits right in."

Notre Dame Stadium is still the House that Rockne Built, now it is just bigger. Plans called for the original stadium to remain relatively preserved, and contractors in keeping with that request concentrated on adding only a 26-row ring around the original stadium. Purists can gain some satisfaction from knowing that beneath all of the visible accouterments, the original structure stands largely intact.

A first glance at the exterior, however, would indicate otherwise; the stadium's changes are far from limited to additional seating.

A new grass field and drainage system was installed, as were two dot-matrix scoreboards. A modern three-level press box — four times larger than the original one — was also added. Concession stands and restroom facilities were improved and doubled in number not just to accommodate additional spectators but to ease the overall crowd. Handicapped access seating was vastly increased and the number of elevators was doubled. The asphalt parking which had surrounded the stadium has been replaced with maple, oak and birch trees and other landscaping.

Even those on the field will appreciate the improved amenities; locker rooms for the home team, the visitors and even the referees were doubled in size. Permanent lights were also added at the request of NBC. No night games will be held, however. The improved lighting is planned solely to aid television broadcasters' picture quality.

In sum, nearly every facet of the stadium was improved.

Tradition, however, was left untouched.

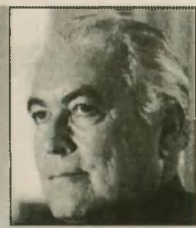
The 1997 Notre Dame Marching Band will continue perform the "Victory March," the end zones with their new turf will still be diagonally striped, and Notre Dame players led by a new coach will continue to file beneath the "Play Like a Champion Today" sign on their way to the playing field.

That spirit of allowing the old tradition and mystique to augment the new changes and innovations best connects the physical stadium to the redesigned Notre Dame team that will enter the field Saturday.

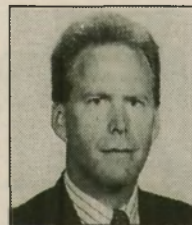
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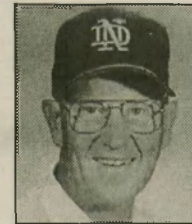
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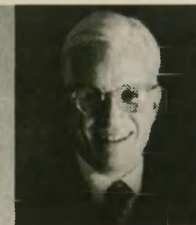
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## Alliance

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the Committee on Relationships along with Sister Rose Anne Schultz, vice-president for mission.

"It's important that everyone understand that president Eldred is continuing the dialogue, and that we as a College community give her time to do that," said Timm.

Alliance members, several of whom have graduated since last year's deferment, are a prime example of the timeliness of the issue; they graduated without any closure on the issue. Members had organized a protest rally late last semester in order to demonstrate their frustration with president Hickey's decision to defer club recognition.

"I continue to believe that this is an important step for Saint Mary's College, and I hope that president Eldred will take this issue seriously," said Alliance member Kelly Curtis. "The Alliance stands ready to serve the campus community, and we welcome the opportunity to do so from the administration."

"I am really afraid that the student body will think that BOG is not standing behind the decision that was made last semester. I know that there are people on this cam-

pus whose needs are not being met, and I will do anything possible to fix that," said student body vice-president Lori McKeough.

As stated in The Alliance's constitution, the organization strives to provide a safe environment for those dealing with issues regarding sexuality. The group aims to provide students with a safe and welcoming atmosphere to hold discussions on sexuality.

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According to the organization's mission statement, The Alliance looks to educate the larger campus communities on issues surrounding sexuality, create an open forum in which students freely and critically study the rich heritage of the Catholic tradition, raise the questions necessary to develop a mature religious life, cultivate a community life which responds to the needs of women in a way that is dedicated to the personal and social growth and foster an appreciation of differences and acceptance of diversity.

The Alliance contains in its constitution a policy on non-discrimination which seeks to set an example of acceptance, respect and inclusiveness for the Saint Mary's community.

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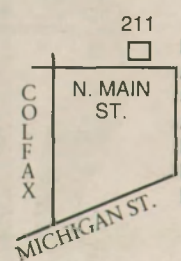
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# Architecture students visit Greece, create new town

By DAVID FREDDOSO  
Assistant News Editor

Unlike many other U.S. architectural programs which focus on the antiquities of Greece, the group of 14 students who went to Greece this past summer with the School of Architecture focused on the urban and architectural character of contemporary Greek towns.

The six students from Notre Dame and eight from abroad worked together to create a future plan for the expansion of the small-sized city of Nauplion, Greece, which is near the city Argos.

According to faculty advisors Michael Lykoudis and Richard Economakis, the program was a success because of the hard work of the students who participated in the program, Notre Dame's first summer program in Greece.

"I feel that it's extraordinary that all the students, from such diverse backgrounds were able to pull together and produce a design that was uniquely consistent," said Lykoudis. "They were able to cooperate so well and leave their egos at home."

The program culminated with a presentation of the students' master plan for the future development of four boroughs on the outskirts of the present city to the town's residents.

Economakis and Lykoudis both said that they plan to complete the design of Nauplion next summer, which will be the program's second year.

This program, Economakis explained, is the first design studio in all Greece since the Second World War that takes an openly traditional approach to city planning. It is based on the principles of traditional architecture and urbanism, as opposed to the urbanism prevalent since World War II.

Modern cities tend towards suburban sprawl and a centralized business district while traditional cities are characterized by an integration of living space, businesses, and recreational areas in each of several neighborhoods.

The students, by planning the growth of the city with a traditional scheme, hope to solve the complex problems facing the city of Nauplion today.

This particular city was chosen as the area of study because of its vibrant neo-classical old town. But in its present state, the town is experiencing unregulated outward growth, creating an unattractive and sprawling new town in the nearby countryside.

The program's official report summarized the problem as "the purely financially motivated, speculative nature of modern urban growth, which has

resulted in a serious degradation of the quality of the built environment."

Lykoudis explained that this is because of "public policy and misguided political and economic attitudes." In order to expand its economy, the city of Nauplion is selling much of its surrounding countryside for commercial development.

Lykoudis sees this as a shame.

"It's a wonderful place, with a pristine countryside," he said. "But some people are not thinking of what they are doing to it."

Lykoudis and Economakis pointed out the sharp contrast between the accused "modern movement" and the traditional ideal of city planning.

"The post-war model that is taught in schools around the world is a monocentric model, a city of mono-functional 'zones,'" Economakis said.

Such a city, he continued, is characterized by sprawling suburban areas and large shopping malls on its outskirts.

"You have bedroom communities, office parks, and shopping malls," he said. "Your life is spent commuting from one mono-functional zone to another."

This description, he said, which is immediately recognizable as an accurate description of nearly any medium to large



Photo courtesy of program participants  
Fourteen architecture students studied this summer in Nauplion, Greece. They studied the town and designed a new more modern organization for it.

size city in the United States, could become the norm in Nauplion if the outward flood of development continues.

"It would have a large residential zone, a commercial zone, a cultural zone, et cetera, and you have to commute between them," Economakis explained.

"It is a waste of time because of all the driving, and it is a waste of space because of the roads and parking lots that need to be built."

The traditional model of a city, on the other hand, is polycentric, containing several neighborhoods, each of which has most or all of the functions necessary for city life.

Lykoudis explained that among the many advantages this model affords, "it has a high density, which allows for commercial viability. It also allows people to share public and private space."

And in addition to the environmental advantages inherent in not spreading the city into the surrounding country, he added that the traditional model puts everything within walking distance of one's home.

"Specifically," he said, "older

people don't need to rely on their cars to do the things they need to do during the day."

Economakis also pointed out that in traditionally designed cities, "crime rates are lower, because people have a clearly defined local community, and for the most part they feel that they are contributing to it." In the traditional city, he said, "people feel that they have a place in society."

Economakis believed that this is primarily because the modern model is based on the premise that a society is focused primarily on distributing and consuming.

"The modern model of the city is obsessed with the distribution of goods," he said.

In modern eyes, Economakis went on, the average person is merely a "consumer," rather than a citizen, a contributing member of the community.

"Citizen" is a word that has become eclipsed since the zoned city came into being. Yet 'citizen' reminds one of 'city,' Economakis said. "The 'consumer' only has rights. He is not thought of as having responsibilities. But the citizen has responsibilities as well as rights."



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## *An Open Letter to the Notre Dame Community*

We, the undersigned members of the Notre Dame community, appreciate the intent of the "Spirit of Inclusion at Notre Dame." This is a truly pro-active document which calls the University community to adhere to a high moral code of conduct. We hope that this statement will inspire all members of the Notre Dame community to reflect on their individual roles in making Notre Dame a more inclusive environment in the spirit of Christ.

We urge the Administration and the greater Notre Dame community to recognize that this is not a final solution to the issues facing the gay, lesbian, and bisexual community at Notre Dame. Rather, this action must serve as an impetus for the revision of the legally binding non-discrimination clause.

The "Spirit of Inclusion" holds most members of the Notre Dame community accountable for their actions with regard to discriminatory activities. However, the Administration has refused to hold itself to the same standard; it reserves the right to discriminate on the basis of sexual orientation "in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs." (du Lac, p. 4)

We, the undersigned members of the Notre Dame community, ask that the University of Notre Dame include "sexual orientation" in the official legally binding non-discrimination clause of the University.

*Signed, September 4, 1997*

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## ■ NEWS COMMENTARY

## ND student sees London's reaction to Diana's death

LONDON  
In Johannesburg, paintings of the Princess now adorn the Wall of Remembrance. In Sydney, thousands are attending memorial services. In Washington, Chicago, Moscow, and countless cities across the globe, flowers have been piled high on the steps of British Embassies and Consulates.

Political figures, celebrities, and sports stars from every continent have expressed sadness, disbelief and shock at the death of Princess Diana. There is global anger and despair to go with the sadness. Diana's brother, Charles Spencer, issued an understandably bitter statement from his Cape Town residence.

"This is not a time for recriminations, but for sadness," he said. "However, I would say that I always believed that the press would kill her in the end."

In Los Angeles, the few maga-



Dan McKillop  
London Correspondent

zines and newspapers that actually printed the photographs taken by the "stalkarazzi" who caused the accident were burned in the street. On the other side of the world, a Pakistani man who posed for a photo with Diana when she came to visit his village was found in his home, having committed suicide by poisoning himself. The photograph was found in his shirt pocket.

And though the entire world weeps, the tears here in London are the most grief-stricken and bitter of all.

The famous lights of Harrod's Department Store, owned by Mohammed ay-Fayed, Dodi Fayed's father, are dark. Thousands of people have come from all over the British Isles to join the line leading to St. James Palace, where Diana now lies in state, to add their names to the Books of Condolences.

Caught completely unprepared for the magnitude of the mourners, the Palace opened a paltry five Books the day after Diana died.

There are now 43 open to the public, and the wait to sign one remains five hours long. Floral tributes at the gates of

Buckingham and Kensington Palaces number in the thousands, stretching in a sea of color and fragrance for dozens of yards. The overwhelming scenes at the Palaces were no less powerful Sunday, the day of the accident.

After learning of the tragedy from my sister back on campus at 6 a.m. (and subsequent calls from friends and loved ones), I walked the length of Hyde Park to Buckingham with one of my flatmates. Britons from every walk and station of life had already come to the nation's center to find consolation and solidarity.

The flowers had formed a sizable semi-circle against the wrought-iron front gate, brought by young adults who had heard the news on their way home from late parties, businessmen and women headed for work, and children who had come with their parents.

When police attempted to remove the tributes, they were angrily remonstrated by the crowd, and there the flowers stayed. Most people had the same look on their face that I'm sure I did — not quite sure why

they were there, what they were supposed to be doing, or how to concentrate enough on one emotion to let it surface.

I had brought an extra candle from the Grotto with me and I left it burning in front of the Palace, though I felt — even as I was doing so — somewhat ill at ease for leaving a remembrance at the establishment that had spurned Diana so often.

The first hours were like that, though — nobody seemed to know quite what to do, and anything was better than nothing at all. Deeper emotions were felt at Kensington Palace, Diana's London residence, that evening. After several hours spent coping with the situation, Londoners began to head for her home.

The remembrances had by now taken on a decidedly more personal tone — poems, candles, photographs, collages, and even soccer jerseys adorned the gates and the walls of the Palace.

"We have lost our shining star," declared one note. Others included "Queen of Hearts"; "Rest in peace, Diana and Dodi"; and one especially poignant, "You took care of me while you were alive. Now it is my turn."

The grief at Kensington Sunday night was palpable and obvious; men, women, and especially children wept openly in front of the softly glowing candles and swaying lillies. Police on foot and on horseback were unable or unwilling to try to control the broken-hearted crowd.

It was like a surreal scene from a movie, reminding me of the stories and images related to the deaths of Evita, James Dean, Marilyn Monroe, JFK, and John Lennon all wrapped into one.

There truly aren't words emotive or meaningful enough to describe the feel of the city this week before the funeral. Most are not intent on the punishment of the paparazzi responsible for

the death of Diana, at least for now. All roads lead to the Abbey, as one of the London newspapers said Thursday.

The preparations for the most significant burial ceremony since that of Sir Winston Churchill in 1965 — indeed, for one of the most significant ceremonies of this century — occupies the thoughts of everyone here.

More than two million people are expected to line the now two-mile long processional route from Kensington Palace to Westminster Abbey, which will result in crowds almost 100 people deep at every point., this despite the use of giant television screens in Hyde Park to provide live coverage for 500,000 more people.

Five thousand journalists will broadcast the event to the far reaches of the globe, and the 2,000 individuals invited to the actual funeral service itself will include some of the most important persons in Diana's life and from our society.

I am planning, with several of the Notre Dame students here, to camp out at Westminster Abbey Friday night in order to have a decent position for the procession into the Abbey on Saturday morning.

We are not doing this as a lark or to just be able to say that we did it — rather, we feel that our respect might best be shown to the Princess in this manner. As for any reason why this might have happened, no one can say.

It may be a comfort, however, to believe that Diana was taken away in a time when she was happiest, with a man who provided her with compassion, understanding and love. It is small comfort indeed for those of us who are left to remember her.

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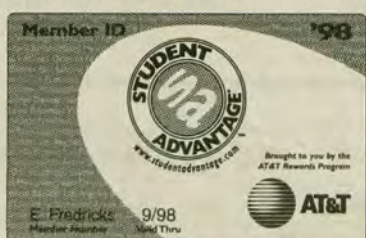
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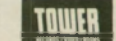
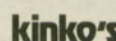
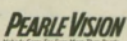
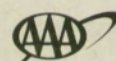
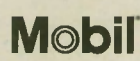




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## ■ ISRAEL

# Bombs explode again in center of city, killing seven

By HILARY APPELMAN  
Associated Press Writer

## JERUSALEM

Three suicide bombs exploded within a few deadly seconds in the heart of Jerusalem on Thursday, spraying rusty nails into a crowd of shoppers and late-summer tourists on the city's main pedestrian mall.

The blasts, claimed by the Islamic militant group Hamas, killed seven people — including the three bombers — and struck a new blow to the peace process just as hopes were rising for its revival.

At least 192 people, including several American tourists, were wounded in the attack, which turned the bustling Ben Yehuda Street walkway of cafes and shops into a chaotic nightmare of broken glass and blood. The dead included a 12-year-old girl.

The bombers apparently positioned themselves outside three stores, close enough to make eye contact, and blew themselves up within seconds of each other.

"There were three of us talking, and suddenly I heard an explosion," said Bob Helfman of Detroit, who was sitting at a cafe when the attack began.

"I tried to get up, realizing it was a bomb, but my feet could not even support me, and I fell over. Then I heard another bomb, and everyone started

running. No one knew which direction to go in."

With sirens wailing and a charred smell in the air, rescue workers treated some victims on the sidewalk, surrounded by overturned cafe chairs and umbrellas. In a scene that has become all too familiar in Israel, ultra-Orthodox burial squad volunteers searched for pieces of flesh in the debris.

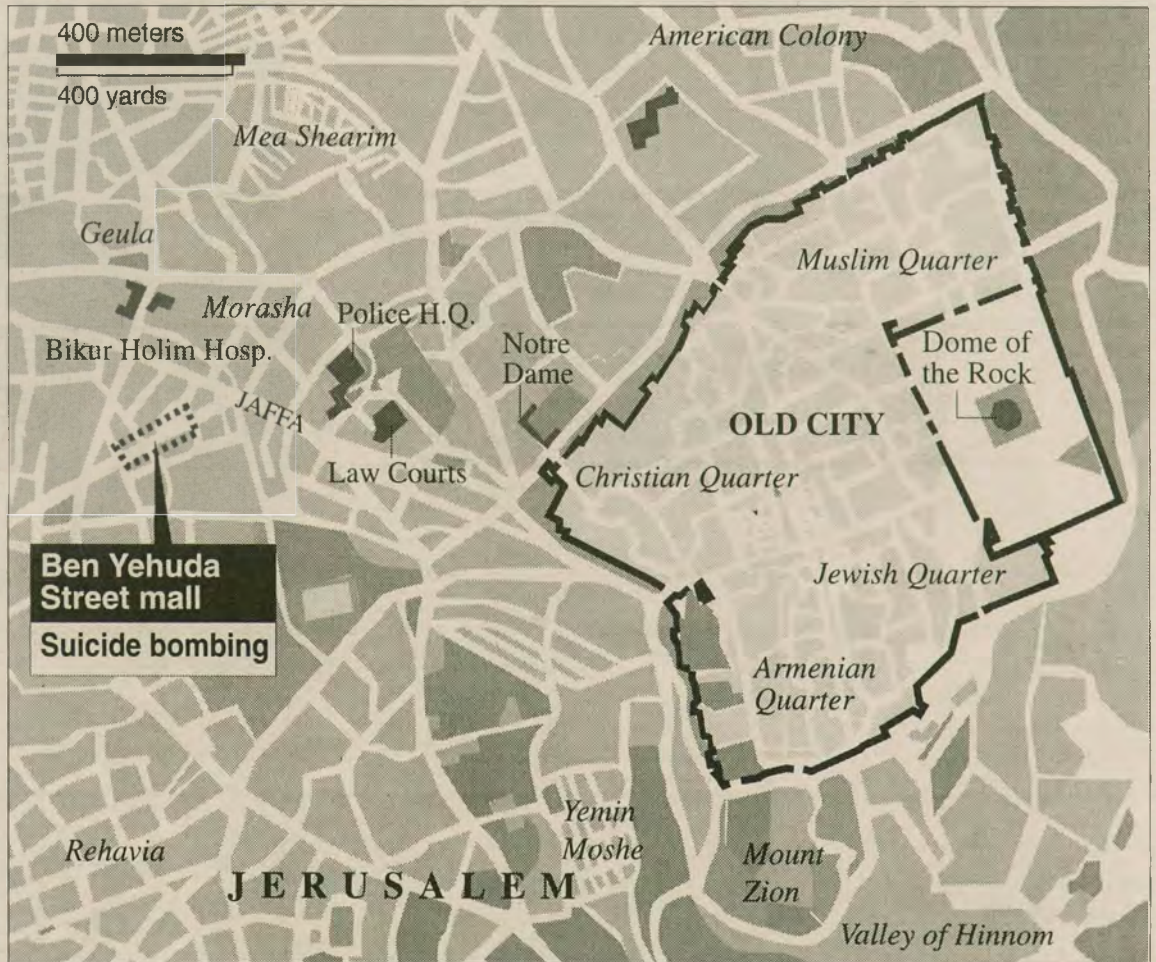
After the blasts, Israel stepped up pressure on Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat for an immediate crackdown on Islamic militants, and sealed its borders with the West Bank and Gaza Strip. A previous closure had been eased only two days earlier, ahead of the planned visit of U.S. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright next week.

That closure was imposed after a double suicide bombing in a Jerusalem market on July 30, which killed 17 people.

In Washington, President Clinton denounced the latest bombings and said Albright would go ahead with her trip. He urged Arafat's Palestinian Authority to "do all it can to create an environment that leaves no doubt that terror will not be tolerated."

Clinton called Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu on Thursday to express his outrage and condolences, Netanyahu's office said.

Israel Radio said Netanyahu



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canceled plans for his security chiefs to meet with Palestinian and U.S. security officials, and a source in Arafat's office said Israel was refusing Arafat permission to travel by helicopter from Gaza to the West Bank city of Ramallah.

The three nail-studded bombs exploded shortly after 3 p.m., when hundreds of shoppers and tourists crowded the pedestrian mall, which is lined with cafes, tourist shops, and American fast food restaurants such as Burger King and Sbarro.

In the tumult, a toddler was rushed into the back of an ambulance. Paramedics

splashed water in the face of one weeping man. Blood spattered the facade of the Israel Discount Bank.

Hamas, which has carried out 13 bombings in four years of Israeli-Palestinian peacemaking, claimed responsibility and threatened more bombings unless Hamas prisoners held by Israel were released by Sept. 14.

Arafat condemned the attack, and a senior Palestinian official pledged full cooperation with Israel on security matters. But Netanyahu said the already deeply troubled peace process could not go on unless Arafat

crushed Hamas once and for all.

"No peace process can exist when the Palestinian Authority enables the leaders of the terrorists to walk around free with their arms, demonstrations and flags in cities that have become refuges for terrorists," he said.

Palestinian authorities detained two Hamas political leaders in the West Bank on Thursday night, arrested eight activists and shut down a Hamas newspaper in Gaza, Palestinian security sources said. But the moves fell far short of the mass arrests Israel is demanding.



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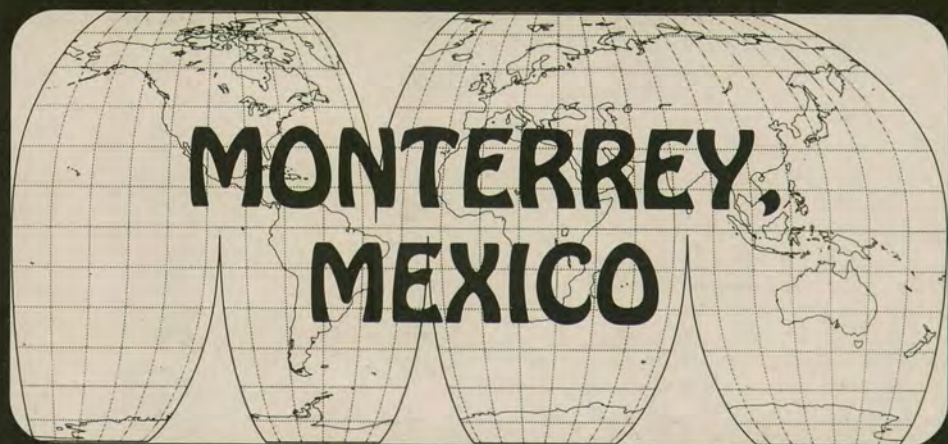
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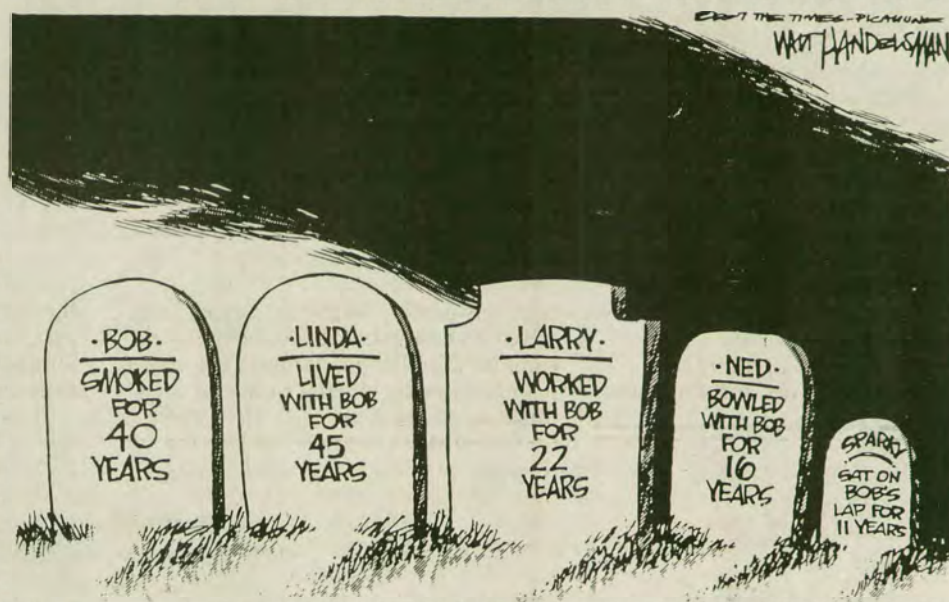
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### EDITORIAL

## Without clause revision, 'Spirit' remains weak

In reviewing the University's recent decision to draft a "Spirit of Inclusion" statement that welcomes homosexuals into the Notre Dame community, one praise-worthy concept emerges.

Rooted in the wording of the "Spirit of Inclusion," released by University president Father Edward Malloy last Friday, is the administration's clear desire to appeal to a moral standard higher than American legal statutes. Such action is commendable.

American society has always created legal standards that put a minimum restraint on the liberties of the individual, that define only what a person cannot do. That's one of the great things about this country. But between what a person can do and what he should do lies a deep gulf. Simply put, the American legal code represents the minimum of what society expects of the individual.

In an ideal world, the "Spirit of Inclusion" — the University's expression of a moral code — would be sufficient. However, the fact is homosexuals face discrimination. Legal codes, while minimalist, are necessary to support the moral codes on which they are based.

That's why the University's decision to issue the "Spirit of Inclusion" without the corresponding legal action — the revision of the legally-binding non-discrimination clause — is so disappointing. It represents a situation where the University has failed to provide the support — and failed to hold itself legally accountable — to the very moral code that it advocates. The "Spirit of Inclusion" may condemn "harassment of any kind," but it fails to provide the legal deterrence necessary for realistic protection of homosexuals.

In explaining his decision not to revise the non-discrimination clause, Malloy said that to add sexual orientation to the clause would open the University up to potential challenges in civil court, where the University's definition of sexual orientation may not coincide with society's definition.

Malloy argues that society considers the term "sexual orientation" to mean both the orientation itself and the sexual activities that accompany it; he says that because the Catholic Church sees an important moral distinction between having a homosexual orientation and engaging in homosexual activities, revising the clause might jeopardize the University's right to make policies that are in alignment with Catholic teaching.

If that risk exists, that's a shame. But it is worse to allow that risk to override the opportunity to extend legal protection to an often-threatened section of society, as homosexuals are.

Legal semantics should not supercede an individual's right to a needed protection that a moral code suggests. Legal semantics should work to guarantee that protection.

### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

## A Call for Consideration

As I graduate with honors and into a teaching position from Bowling Green State University, I look back on my first two years of college education.

I remember fondly the hours that I spent with the women students of Saint Mary's and the wonderful teaching staff that the institution employed. I remember games and practices for the soccer team, the thrill I felt in being one of only four sophomores to receive a resident advisor position. I remember the hours I spent reading to and visiting with Sister Helen Patrice through the Adopt-A-Nun program.

Of course, the challenging yet exciting classes are vivid in my mind, as well as the thrill of being promoted into junior standing with honors. Then my memories turn to the office of financial aid, a real thorn in my side throughout my stay at Saint Mary's. I remember several unpleasant visits with the Saint Mary's financial aid office and the true sadness I felt when I was forced to realize that I would financially not be able to return to Saint Mary's.

When I reflect on my two years at Bowling Green, I cannot control my smiles. As at Saint Mary's, the teaching faculty and student population that I encountered were wonderful. Surprisingly, however, even those working in BGSU's finances were nothing but kind and helpful. Isn't this ironic, that in a state institution of over 16,000 students, we were all respected and treated as important individuals — even by the financial office?

If I recall correctly, when I was looking at post-secondary schools as a senior in high school, one of the big marketing points for Saint Mary's was the individualized attention. The faculty and staff "really work with students" to try to understand their situation. That marketing scheme turned

out to be a real farce when it came to the office of financial aid. The financial aid office did not work with me at all in trying to find financial alternatives for funding my stay at Saint Mary's.

I received a teaching position in Ohio (the exact area I desired) in April. Many education graduates in Ohio must substitute teach for a significant amount of time, relocate out of state, or otherwise sacrifice to get a full-time job. I was hired by one of the highest paying districts in the state. It seems that almost everywhere I go, people realize my dedication to that in which I am involved. People also realize all that I have to offer their organizations and groups.

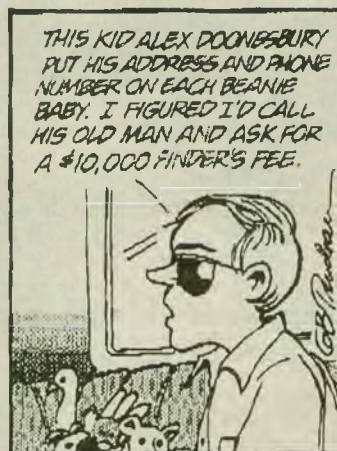
Everyone, it seems, but Saint Mary's.

I am sorry for Saint Mary's missed opportunity. I can assure you that I mince no words when sharing my financial story with the people that I encounter. I wish the best to the students and teaching staff of Saint Mary's, but I assure you that I will never recommend Saint Mary's to anyone. I would never want anyone to grow as attached to a wonderful school as I did, only to have the opportunities ripped from underneath them by some emotionless individuals in the financial administration office.

I hope that the existing attitude in the financial aid office at Saint Mary's is not concurrent with the one that I encountered two and three years ago. I hope that the current students at Saint Mary's are enjoying all that the great school has to offer, without living in the shadow that I did. Perhaps, in your free time, you can call BGSU's office of financial aid to see how they pleasantly meet the needs of their many students.

Emily Albrecht  
July 9, 1997

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### GARRY TRUDEAU

### QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Wonders never cease as long as you never cease to wonder."

—Ziggy



## ■ CAPITOL COMMENTS

# Money is the Name of the Game at Notre Dame

Subtly embedded in tomorrow's football game is the root of modern-day Notre Dame...money. When NBC bought the Irish rights for about \$1 million per game, the era of big money at Notre Dame was officially baptized by Father Beauchamp. And as we inch toward the millennium, the campus betrays the many monuments of a Notre Dame marching as a big business.

This year is the first in many that ticket prices for students and the gener-

**Gary Caruso**

al public have not been increased. Some attribute the expansion of 21,000 seats as the primary factor. However, season ticket holders were offered a "deal" to guarantee their rights for the next decade. Instead of contributing the mandatory minimum of \$100 per seat to the athletic building fund (a figure which had not increased in several years), season ticket holders could lock in their seats for the next ten years by contributing a mere \$1,000 per seat.

Let's estimate that about one quarter of the old stadium's capacity (14,769) was held by season ticket holders. At \$1,000 per seat, the University could have received almost \$15 million. However, let's also conservatively anticipate that half of the holders did not have the good sense to lock in their tickets. So assume that ND only received an additional \$7 million this summer from season ticket holders for the athletic building fund.

Add to that amount an additional 21,000 seats (the University's official count according to the July 15 football ticket lottery letter sent to each alumnus) at \$32 each, and ND will receive \$672,000 per game in increased revenue. That totals to over \$4 million per

season just from new ticket sales. At 70,000 general admission seats (excluding student seating), the University should make \$2.2 million per game or \$13.4 million this season.

But those figures are just the beginning of the many twists of the football money saga. The July 15 lottery letter listed the actual number of ticket requests for five of the six games this year. It seems that these five games rank on the all-time demand list of ND ticket requests, placing in five of the six top slots. This year, USC, Michigan State and West Virginia rank in the top three respectively. Last year's Ohio State game ranks fourth, and this year's Boston College and Georgia Tech games rank fifth and sixth in all-time demand. The number of requests range from a high of 57,048 requests for first place USC to sixth place Georgia Tech at 43,408.

Alumni are now allotted 31,769 seats per game. (Can anyone explain why this is not an even number?) For the USC game, 25,279 more requests were received than available tickets. At \$32 per ticket, the University held almost \$809,000 (for this game only) for about three months before issuing refunds. Let's see, a 90-day CD has how much of an interest rate?

Using the figures of the five games published in the letter, Notre Dame held 78,827 requests which subsequently had to be refunded, for a total of \$2.5 million. On the other hand, the University accepted 158,845 requests for those five games. In other words, for five of the six games this year, 237,672 requests were made by alumni who submitted a total of \$7.6 million, \$5.1 million the University permanently pocketed from the alumni lottery.

Some would suggest that a focus on the handling charge added to each application might attribute significant sums to the University. It is harder to estimate how many games on the average each application might include, but the number of ticket requests should be divided in half to account for the limit of two ticket requests per game.

Let's now estimate that every alumni request listed four games on the form.

Using the numbers for the five games above, the number of applications received would average around 30,000 (discounting Navy altogether). At about \$15 per application, the University should receive some \$450,000 in non-refundable handling fees. Don't forget that those 30,000 alumni also must contribute at least \$100 on average to the annual fund for the privilege of receiving the ticket application...netting an additional \$300,000 to the University.

Thus far, the list of receipts mentioned in this article for a Notre Dame football season totals about \$30 million. Add such items as preferred parking at \$20 per permit and lot parking at an average of \$6 or so, food and souvenir concessions, football programs along with other trinkets, and the scope of a football "event" becomes quite clearly enormous. Then add the bookstore "fare" to the mix, and many crazed Irish fans will leave campus much lighter in the wallet.

Money in itself is not bad. Father Beauchamp's financial genius is a strength of the University. Some, like my grouchy classmate, rant incessantly about the rapid growth of what he calls "the insensitive commercial zeal on campus." He insists that so much emphasis is placed on money, that the vision of the University's leaders is tainted enough that educational goals ultimately become secondary.

My friend points to the fact that he gave several thousands of dollars to Notre Dame during his younger years when dollars were worth more but never receives recognition today for that sacrifice. Now that he has a family, he figures that he could save money by not contributing to the annual fund, but instead, come to the games of his choice and buy tickets at scalpers' prices. His famous quote about the new stadium seating is, "The only thing that the new seating will do is reduce scalpers' prices from an average of \$80 to \$60 per game."

His other observation is that letters for money and "good news" are always signed by a real person while bad news comes from "committees" or "offices."

Case in point, the July 15 lottery letter is signed, "University of Notre Dame Ticket Office." On the other hand, new parking instructions and informational letters that accompanied the football tickets are signed by real people like "Lawrence Cunningham." He asks, "How can we hold an 'office' accountable for policy matters?"

Mr. Grouch has a final observation about how money affects the alumni lottery. He insists that he has broken the computer system. According to his theory, quality points are assigned by age, societal status and amount of contribution. Sorin Society members receive tickets to each game for which they apply. However, their seats are not ideal locations for the more important games, while they are fantastic for the lesser games.

Non-Sorin Society alumni are rotated every other year so that an application for four games will "win" two or three games one year and only one, or maybe a shutout, the following year. He swears that his relatives who also graduated from Notre Dame are "victims" of this system, currently reaping the bumper year of the cycle as opposed to their "shutout" famine of 1996.

My friend has "outsmarted" the computer this year. He only applied for the Georgia Tech game. He won those tickets, so maybe his theory does not have its roots in the money levels of giving. On the other hand, I applied for four home games and two away games, only to "win" one game. The tickets are in a very good location, but I need to figure out the quality scheme of the computer...or follow the money path and rejoin the Sorin Society.

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## ■ ON THE POLLEN PATH

## Benefits Outweigh Cost of Renovated Stadium

On the way to DeBartolo for class this week, I couldn't help but notice the array of construction workers finishing up the grounds of the newly renovated stadium in preparation for Saturday's game. The first game in the stadium this year is also the first game of a new season and the first game for Bob Davie.

**Kyle Smith**

All these firsts have most people around campus pretty excited, but I am still hearing murmurs from a small group of ignorant whiners who think that the \$50 million spent to renovate the stadium was a frivolous waste of money. This notion is ridiculously shortsighted, and I am sick of hearing it.

If the money spent to renovate the stadium bothers you, consider this: over the next 30 years, the revenues on the bonds for the stadium will generate enough money to allow the stadium to pay for itself. In addition, these bonds will generate another \$47 million for academic purposes. This is just the money from the bonds and doesn't even begin to include all the revenue from the 21,150 additional tickets sold for each of the six home football games a year or all the money each of these people will spend on con-

cessions, merchandise or at the bookstore.

Alumni contributions to the University generate an enormous sum. In the new stadium, twice as many alumni tickets will be available (16,000 to 32,000). I know that if I was an alum, I would be a lot more likely to give, and give in greater amounts, to the University if I had the opportunity to come back to campus each year to see old friends and attend a football game — wouldn't you?

Besides the economic aspect of the renovation, I've heard complaints that lately it seems as if the administration puts more emphasis on football than it does on religion or academics.

Writer and scholar, Joseph Campbell, once proposed that an outside observer can tell what principles form a society by noting the tallest building of the place.

For example, during medieval times the cathedral was the tallest building in a town, but by the 17th century, political palaces reigned above all. Now, in modern times, office buildings and banks dominate the skyline. According to Campbell, this demonstrates the progression of Western civilization from its emphasis on religion to government to economics.

What, then, are the informing principles at Notre Dame? The highest point on campus is the tip of the cross mounting the spire at Sacred Heart Basilica (234 feet). Second highest is the top of Mary's head on the Dome (212 feet), and third is the Hesburgh Library (210 feet). The height of the renovated stadium is just 115 feet — less than half the height of the Basilica.

Thomas Schlereth, a Notre Dame archivist and historian, suggests that the location of the campus buildings is also a factor in their relative importance. The Dome and the Basilica are both centrally located, yet the stadium is far off to one side of campus. According to Schlereth, the University officials in the 1800s purposefully located the Dome and the Basilica in such obnoxious proximity to each other in order to dramatize Notre Dame's mutual dedication to the mind and the spirit of its students.

With the renovation of the stadium, Notre Dame boasts three structures which are recognized and revered across the nation.

The Basilica represents dedication to the spirit, the Dome represents dedication to the mind, and now the new stadium represents rededication to the body. This is not a detrimental shift away from religion and academics toward athletics, but rather a rededicating to the spirit, mind and body of the students.

Notre Dame is consistently ranked in the top 20 academically of all colleges and universities nationwide, and at few other institutions are students more dedicated to religion than at Notre Dame. In fact, South Bend has the highest per capita concentration of masses on Sunday than anywhere else in the world. And just this spring, Sports Illustrated ranked ND second only to UCLA in the number of students who frequently participate in athletic activities. It is precisely this tripartite commitment to learn, pray and even exercise as a community that sets Notre Dame apart from any other college.

Though the stadium has undergone some massive changes, it has not been set apart from Notre Dame. Every facet of the renovated stadium indicates that the underlying wholeness of the University has been preserved.

Bricks like the ones used to build DeBartolo and COBA were used to build the new outer walls of the stadium, and these bricks permanently encase the tradition of the old stadium within the to-be-written tradition of the new. In addition, the lights are low and discreet and don't detract from the classic architecture of the stadium. Also, the view of Touchdown Jesus has been preserved, and in fact, I would contend that with the portals in the upper-reaches of the stadium and the second-story walkway around the stadium that the view of all of the campus has actually been improved.

As a parting thought, look up at the name on the stadium as you enter tomorrow afternoon. It doesn't boast the name of a Heisman Trophy winner or a championship winning coach, rather it reads: University of Notre Dame.

The stadium and the football team are most definitely not frivolous expenditures, but rather an integral part of the Notre Dame community as a whole. During the week we learn, on Sunday we pray, and on Saturday ... we play football.

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# Weekend

## A GLANCE AT GEORGIA TECH

### THE FIGHT SONG

Georgia Tech  
"Ramblin' Wreck"

*I'm a Ramblin' Wreck from Georgia Tech and  
a hell of an engineer,  
A helluva, helluva, helluva, hell of an engineer,  
Like all the jolly good fellows, I drink my  
whiskey clear,  
I'm a Ramblin' Wreck from Georgia Tech and  
a hell of an engineer.*

*Oh, if I had a daughter, sir, I'd dress her in  
White and Gold,  
And put her on the campus, to cheer the brave  
and bold.  
But if I had a son, sir, I'll tell you what he'd do.  
He would yell, "To Hell with Georgia," like his  
daddy used to do.*

*Oh, I wish I had a barrel of rum and sugar  
three thousand pounds,  
A college bell to put it in and a clapper to stir it  
around.  
I'd drink to all good fellows who come from far  
and near.  
I'm a ramblin', gamblin', hell of an engineer.*



### THE ALUMNI

- ☆Former President Jimmy Carter;
- ☆Former Undersecretary of Defense Edith Martin;
- ☆John Portman, architect;
- ☆Ron Allen, president and CEO of Delta Air Lines;
- ☆John Salley, professional basketball player, Miami Heat;
- ☆Dick Truly, former head of NASA; Nancy Jan Davis, first astronaut ever to fly into space with a spouse (Mark Lee);
- ☆Kary Mullis, winner of the Nobel Prize for chemistry.





# Madness

## The Rudy Horror Picture Show?

By JOEY CRAWFORD  
Accent Editor

"Let's do the time warp again." A common refrain from the "Rocky Horror Picture Show" will be replaced tonight by quite possibly the more recognizable Notre Dame Victory March. Rudy will take center stage — or shall I say center screen — minus the drag of course, to kickoff a new era in Notre Dame history. The film based on the real life account of the famed little man conquers all, Notre Dame alum Rudy Ruettger, will show tonight at the Snite Theatre at 7 and 9 p.m. and also Saturday night at the same times.

The film will be shown in celebration of Bob Davie's new head coaching career as well as the opening of the new and improved stadium. It is also commemorates the only game Rudy ever played here at Notre Dame, when he squared up against the mighty Georgia Tech Yellowjackets. The movie, however, will be presented in a much different format from what had been previously available at the 9 p.m Friday show. According to Ted Mandell, a professor in the Communications and Theatre Department and creator of the Rudy Rally, "The format is geared to get the audience more involved and not be so passive."

Passive is definitely not how the audience will be. Following the first Pep Rally in the stadium, fans are encouraged to come to the Snite Theatre to enjoy some free entertainment with the family favorite "Rudy" — with an interesting twist. Fans are encouraged to dress up like their favorite Rudy characters to possibly win free Cinema at the Snite passes. Fans are also encouraged to recite lines from the movie and even cheer out loud if the feeling so possesses them, in much the same fashion as the famous cult classic, "The Rocky Horror Picture Show." Spectators will not be taken to Transylvania but to Rudy's humble beginnings in Joliet, Illinois, to his now legendary years at Notre Dame.

There will be some very special guests at the Rudy Rally as well. The Notre Dame Communication and Theatre Department has asked some of this year's walk-ons from the football team to join them in this bash. There is also the possibility of some other surprise guests, but the COTH department is being very secretive as to who it may be.

So come out tonight and enjoy the festivities and celebrate another great year of Notre Dame football in a most unique fashion.



## If football is not your thing...



By JOE WEILER  
Assistant Accent Editor

For all of you who are bound and determined to scoff this weekend's festivities in an attempt to prove to your parents and friends once and for all that you did not come to Notre Dame for the football game, there are a few alternatives with which you can occupy yourselves.

Hardly second rate alternative material, seven mary three brings its alternative tunes to the Heartland Dance Hall at 222 S. Michigan St. in South Bend this Sunday. For those of you unfamiliar with the band, 7M3, an Atlantic recording artist out of William and Mary, got its first big break after selling stores out of their first major album, CHURN. From that point they went on to open for such bands as Live and Matthew Sweet.

Most well known for its radio-friendly hit, "Cumbersome," 7M3 will be bringing a type of grass roots alternative style with it to Heartland this Sunday. Following in the tradition of Pearl Jam in the same manner that Oasis does the Beatles, they range from mellow, heavy tones, likes those found in "Cumbersome's" droning melodies, to grungy, upbeat tunes with just a bit of funk, like their less popular but still very happening "Rock Crown."

Also appearing at Heartland will be the nationally recognized Nixons, who will be opening for 7M3 along with Soak and Ceilophane. Doors open at 6 p.m. for the general admission show. Tickets are \$12 in advance and are available at all Ticketmaster locations and at the Heartland Box Office. Tickets are also available the night of the show for \$15. For more information, call Heartland at 234-5200.



## ■ MLB

# Helling fans 12, hands Toronto 7th straight defeat

Associated Press

## TORONTO

Rick Helling struck out a career-high 12 in 8 1-3 innings, leading the Texas Rangers over Toronto 6-2 Thursday night and sending the Blue Jays to their seventh straight loss.

Rusty Greer drove in three runs and Tom Goodwin went 3-for-4 with four runs scored as Texas won its third consecutive game.

Helling (2-1), who hasn't had a complete game since May 1994, allowed seven hits and walked one in sending Toronto to its longest losing streak since a eight-gamer in 1995. Benito

Santiago chased him with a ninth-inning homer, and Scott Bailes finished up.

Cris Carpenter (1-7) gave up five runs — one earned — and six hits in five innings.

Carpenter hurt himself with a first-inning error that led to a run, and errors by shortstop Tomas Perez and third baseman Tom Evans led to three more unearned runs in the third.

Goodwin started the game with a walk and went to second when Carpenter's attempted pickoff bounced in the dirt and deflected up the first-base line. Greer singled one out later to put Texas ahead.

Goodwin singled in the third, then ran on a pitch and reached second when he kicked the ball out of Perez's glove. Greer hit an RBI single, Juan Gonzalez reached on a throwing error by Evans and Lee Stevens hit a two-run double for a 4-0 lead.

Shannon Stewart hit an RBI double in the bottom half, but Carpenter threw a run-scoring wild pitch in the fifth. Greer's RBI groundout made it 6-1 in the seventh.

## Orioles 5, Yankees 2

Rick Krivda pitched six effective innings before

Baltimore's bullpen took over, and the Orioles remained perfect against the Yankees this year with a 5-2 win Thursday night that increased their AL East edge over New York to 7 1/2 games.

Jeffrey Hammonds hit a tiebreaking sacrifice fly in the seventh inning and a solo homer in the ninth as the Orioles ended a five-game losing streak. New York has lost four in a row and seven of eight, but still leads Anaheim by six games for the wild-card spot.

Baltimore improved to 5-0 against the Yankees. The Orioles were only 4-14 against

New York last season, including a five-game loss in the AL playoffs.

The Yankees began a stretch in which they play Baltimore eight times in 11 days.

Owner George Steinbrenner met with manager Joe Torre before the game, seeking re-assurance that New York wasn't conceding the division title to the Orioles, then watched David Wells (14-9) lose before a crowd of 39,770.

Mike Bordick and Aaron Ledesma doubled and Berroa hit an RBI single that put the Orioles ahead 2-1 in the third. Curtis' sacrifice fly tied it in the bottom half.

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## ■ GOLF

# Controversy surrounds Ryder Cup team picks

By RON SIRAK  
Associated Press Writer

Nick Faldo and Jesper Parnevik were added to the European Ryder Cup team Thursday even as Miguel Angel Martin pushed forward his threat to sue to reclaim his spot on the squad.

The two captain's picks by Seve Ballesteros gave his team an intimidating player with a load of experience and one of the hot players in the world.

Martin, meanwhile, refused to abandon his effort to get back the spot stripped from him and given to Jose Maria Olazabal on Tuesday when Martin said his injured wrist was not yet ready for play.

Martin has appealed to the European Ryder Cup committee and said he would go to court if that failed, as it almost certainly will.

"We are informed it is very unlikely that an injunction (to stop the matches) would be successful," Ken Schofield, executive director of the PGA European Tour, said Thursday. The Ryder Cup begins three weeks from Friday.

Faldo, who had his worst year ever in the four major championships, will play in a record 11th Ryder Cup, breaking the mark he shared with Christy O'Connor Sr. Parnevik, who has eight top-five finishes this year,

including second place at the British Open, made the biennial team competition between the United States and Europe for the first time.

"It's the same thing as 1995," Faldo said from his Florida home. He failed to finish in the top-20 in any of the four Grand Slam events that year yet went on to be a Ryder Cup hero. "Winning the Ryder Cup then made it a great year."

Ballesteros also pointed to the European victory in Rochester, N.Y., in explaining the selection of Faldo.

"If I had to bet my life on someone playing the last hole, Nick Faldo would be my choice," Ballesteros said at the European tour stop in Switzerland.

"We have to remember what happened at Oak Hill two years ago," Ballesteros said. Faldo won the last three holes to defeat Curtis Strange 1-up in a crucial match as the Europeans took the Cup by a half point.

"Nick opened the door for us to win the Ryder Cup," Ballesteros said.

Parnevik was also an obvious pick because of his great play this year, but there was some concern Ballesteros might skip him because, unlike Faldo who is also playing full time in the United States, Parnevik has not maintained his membership on the European PGA Tour.

## ■ TENNIS

# Australian revives tradition

By STEVE WILSTEIN  
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK

Patrick Rafter, spearheading a revival of Australia's proud tennis tradition, reached his second Grand Slam semifinal this year Thursday at the U.S. Open with a classic attack reminiscent of his famous mentors.

Rafter's 7-6 (7-4), 6-4, 6-2 victory over Magnus Larsson bore all the hallmarks of the great players of Australia's past, from John Newcombe to Rod Laver, from Tony Roche to Ken Rosewall to Pat Cash.

The link between the long-haired Rafter and those champions is evident in his serve-and-volley style, his powerfully sculpted legs, and the pleasure he takes from the game — even down to clowning a bit at match point as he did against Larsson.

Roche is Rafter's tutor at the major tournaments these days, and Newcombe has been talking to Rafter about strategy and desire in an effort to build his confidence and see him fulfill his promise. For Australians, their lost dominance in the sport is seen as something of a national challenge to recover, and they are banking on players like Rafter and Davis Cup teammate Mark Philippoussis to reclaim it.

Rafter's emergence this year as a championship contender — he finished the past

two years ranked 68th and 62nd as he struggled with injuries — began in February in Australia when he came back from two sets down to beat Cedric Pioline in a thrilling, five-set Davis Cup duel.

That victory, coming right after Rafter lost in the first round of the Australian Open, made the 24-year-old realize he could beat top players. A month later, that feeling was reinforced when he reached the final of a tournament in Philadelphia, where he pushed Pete Sampras to three tough sets.

Rafter would reach the finals of four other events, falling each time in close matches against excellent players, including Michael Chang in Hong Kong and Carlos Moya two weeks ago on Long Island.

At the French Open in June, Rafter reached his first Grand Slam semifinal before losing to former champion Sergi Bruguera in a fourth-set tiebreaker.

Coming into the U.S. Open, Rafter had already achieved his year's goal of cracking the top 30 — he was seeded No. 13 — and his victory over Larsson will put the Aussie into the top 10 when the next ATP Tour rankings come out next week.

"I was thinking about that on the court," Rafter said. "All the dreams, all the goals, all the things I've worked for."

Rafter paid homage to the Australian champions who preceded him and who have helped him so much as he's overcome wrist and ankle problems the past two years and a shoulder injury more recently.

"They really are idols for a lot of us," Rafter said. "They were like gods when we were growing up. Then when you meet them, it's great to see they're just like regular guys. It's great to have the Aussie guys in your corner. Rochey will give me a call, or Newk will give me a call, just to talk about things and help me along if I'm going through a rough patch."

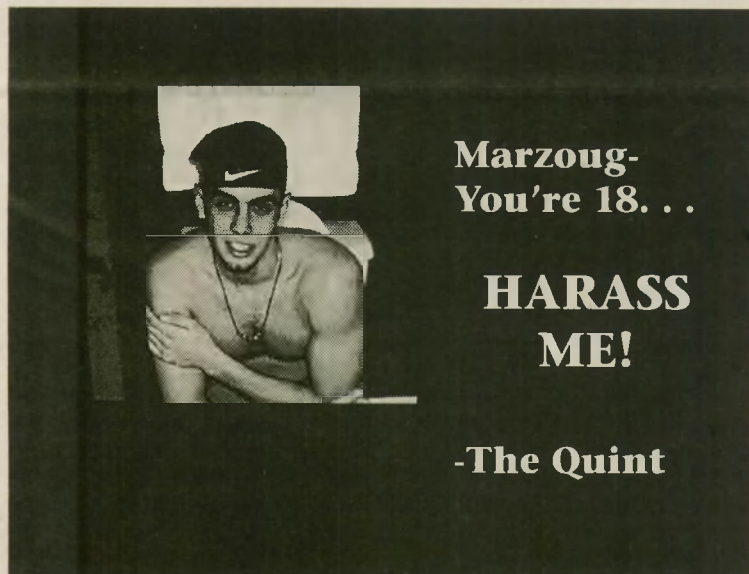
Rafter, who beat Andre Agassi in the fourth round, faced few rough patches against the baseline-hugging Larsson. Though the wind played havoc with balls for a second straight day, Rafter's relentless net attacks following backhand slices allowed him to cut through the breezes.

"It was very tricky, very hard to hit your shots and put the ball where you want to," Rafter said. "I played pretty well under the circumstances. You just go with your strengths, what you think is working well. I felt my slice was working well."

Larsson was certainly impressed, comparing Rafter to Stefan Edberg.

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## ■ MLB

# Sanders leaves Reds, joins Cowboys

By JOE KAY  
Associated Press Writer

## CINCINNATI

Deion Sanders is going back to the thing he does best — cover receivers — on a full-time bases this weekend, unsure whether his latest fling with baseball will be his last.

The Cincinnati Reds have given Sanders permission to end his season after Friday night's game against Pittsburgh so he can be with the Dallas Cowboys full-time.

Sanders intended to play baseball during the week and football on weekends through the end of the month, but a bulging disc in his lower back made it impossible to do both effectively. The travel also was taking a toll.

"It gets tough emotionally more than physically, to tell you the truth," Sanders said Thursday.

Sanders, the outfielder, was in the starting lineup Thursday night against Pittsburgh, four days after Sanders, the defensive back, played against the Steelers at Three Rivers Stadium. Sanders returned a punt, got knocked on his head and aggravated his sore back during a 37-7 victory in the Cowboys' opener.

Sanders turned 30 on Aug. 9 and has been limited since mid-August by the bulging disc, which required two cortisone injections. He sat out baseball last season but returned to the Reds this spring under an unusual contract arrangement.

The Reds permitted him to leave once they were eliminated from contention. The club also could give Sanders permission to play football full-time if it was not in the middle of the race.

General manager Jim Bowden spoke to Sanders on Wednesday and gave Sanders the option. He

chose football.

"We just let him know from the club's standpoint we would not stand in his way from going to play football full-time, given his situation and given our situation," Bowden said.

Sanders, who has a base salary of \$1.2 million, will not be paid for the time he misses. There is a mutual option for next year at \$2.5 million, but Sanders is not sure whether he will play baseball again.

Sanders is going through a divorce and is trying to get custody of his children, ages 6 and 3. Playing baseball during the summer works against his chances.

"Right now, that's a factor," Sanders said. "I must be in a stable place. ... That carries a lot of weight."

Bowden is one of Sanders' biggest fans — he named one of his dogs "Prime Time" — and would love to have him back.

## ■ NFL

# Rookie QB to start for 'Niners

By DENNIS GEORGATOS  
Associated Press Writer

## SANTA CLARA, Calif.

The San Francisco 49ers will start a rookie quarterback Sunday for the first time since 1979.

Then, it was Joe Montana. On Sunday, it will be Jim Druckenmiller.

"I've always been a little nervous before I start a game but it's always a good feeling," said Druckenmiller, who will start at St. Louis in place of injured Steve Young and his backup Jeff Brohm. "If I'm not nervous, I'd get worried."

Young needs another week to recover from a concussion, his third in 10 months, and Brohm

hasn't practiced this week after chipping a bone in his throwing hand as well as having problems with his lower back. Both were injured in San Francisco's opening 13-6 loss at Tampa Bay, a game that also saw the 49ers lose wide receiver Jerry Rice to a season-ending knee injury.

"We're all going to miss Steve. We're all going to miss Jerry, a lot of things," said Druckenmiller, the team's first-round draft pick out of Virginia Tech.

"But we've got a game to play and that's the main issue right now. We need to attack that. Hopefully, I can fill in some shoes and hopefully a lot of other players can pick it up

around us."

Coach Steve Mariucci said Thursday that Young, whose neurologist recommended he sit out this week's game, would be inactive at St. Louis. Brohm will tape his injured middle finger and receive pain-killing injections so he can back up Druckenmiller on game day.

The team Thursday signed former University of Utah quarterback Mike McCoy to serve as the third quarterback. Center Steve Gordon was waived to make room for McCoy.

"This is what we were leaning toward, what we thought was going to happen," Mariucci said. "We just wanted to make it official on a certain day and today is the day."

# National League tops third round

By RONALD BLUM  
Associated Press Writer

## NEW YORK

The National League came out the big winner in the first season of interleague play, beating AL rivals 117-97.

Both leagues, however, won at the box office. Interleague games averaged 33,407 fans, up 20.02 percent from the intraleague average of 27,800.

"It brought new levels of excitement," acting commissioner Bud Selig said Thursday. "There was a certain element of electricity in the air."

Playing mostly at home in the third round of interleague games, which ended Wednesday, the NL drubbed the AL 53-31. NL East teams were the most dominant, going 24-6 against the AL East in this last round. Florida and Montreal wound up with baseball's best interleague records, each going 12-3.

"I'm too superstitious to say anything," NL president Len Coleman said Thursday. "I've still got a World Series ahead of me."

Familiar names headed the statistical categories. Seattle's Edgar Martinez had the top interleague batting average at .475 (19-for-40). Eric Karros of the Los Angeles was tops in homers with 10, and the Giants' J.T. Snow led in RBIs with 20.

But interleague play also

provided some surprises. Roger Clemens, 20-2 with a 1.65 ERA against AL teams, went 0-3 with a 4.24 ERA against the NL.

"It doesn't matter what league you're in, if you leave the ball out over the plate, you're going to get hit," Clemens said.

Anaheim had the worst interleague record at 4-12, with Philadelphia and Toronto only slightly better at 4-11. The World Series champion Yankees, 74-48 against the AL (a .607 winning percentage), went 5-10 against the NL.

"The only time I like interleague play is in October," Yankees manager Joe Torre said Thursday before the start of a four-game series against AL East-leading Baltimore.

The main complaint voiced by players was having interleague games in September, when contenders were concentrating on the stretch run. The first two periods of interleague play were June 12-18 and June 30-July 3.

"I understand that, but I kind of like it the way it was," said Selig, one of interleague play's chief advocates. "The attendance was spectacular, the television ratings were very good all over, radio was heightened. But the biggest thing was that it was a major factor in redirecting the focus back on the field."

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■ BOXING

# Love and war for Scranton fighter

By ED SCHUYLER JR.  
Associated Press Writer

The bridesmaids will wear tuxedo jackets and shorts.

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The five women will display the round cards when groom Chris Mills fights Wednesday night in Scranton in the featured bout of a promotion billed as "The Boxer & The Bride."

Bride Sandy Yarbrough will cheer for the man she'll marry two days later and cut a 7-by-7-foot wedding cake after Mills fights Wayne Holloway. Each fan will get a piece.

"I never used to be a fight fan, but I've grown to like it," Yarbrough said. "I would never tell him not to fight. If he likes it, I'll support him."

Love is grand. For the 29-year-old Mills, so is boxing.

"It's my whole life," said Mills, a latecomer to the sport who has a 4-0 record as a light heavyweight.

He's billed as "Scranton's Coming World Champion."

"The town is very, very excited," said Mayor Jimmy Connors, who will serve as the ring announcer at the CYO and sing or song or two. "This is one of the best towns in the world."

A crowd of 3,000 to 4,000 fight fans is expected to attend, and they might not have to wait long to sample

the \$3,000 cake, so big it will take two days to make.

Mills' first four pro fights all ended with first-round victories and lasted a total of 4:19.

Holloway, the Ohio Golden Gloves champion, is 1-5, but as promoter Don Elbaum pointed out: "All of his wins as a pro are by knockout."

Elbaum has put together this type of fight before. He once bought a cake and the wedding gown and had the ceremony performed in the ring after the groom had won.

"I have to tell you," Elbaum said. "They're divorced."

On another occasion, he planned to have a man jump across Niagara Falls in a jet-powered snowmobile, but the U.S. Parks Service said the man would not be allowed to land.

"What are the going to do, blast him out of the sky?" wondered Elbaum, who called off the stunt.

In 1965, Elbaum was involved with a fight in Johnstown, Pa., featuring the great Sugar Ray Robinson, in the last year of his career. At a luncheon, Elbaum presented to Robinson the gloves he supposedly wore in his pro debut in Madison Square Garden in 1940.

"Ray was choked up and (his wife) Millie was crying," Elbaum said.

■ IN MEMORY OF DIANA

# Funeral halts English sports events

Associated Press

GLASGOW, Scotland Saturday will be a sports-free day in Britain while the nation pays respect to Princess Diana.

There will be no pro soccer, the big cricket final has been postponed for a day and all horse racing had been canceled.

The Scotland-Belarus World Cup qualifying game became the latest event to join the sidelines in tribute to Saturday's funeral in London. On Thursday, soccer's international ruling body agreed the game could be put off until Sunday.

In New York, British tennis star Greg Rusedski will wear his black ribbon in the U.S. Open semifinal. And, in France, Olympic champion rowers Steve Redgrave and Matthew Pinsent will compete, although their thoughts will be

with Diana.

Rusedski, Redgrave and Pinsent are competing abroad and can't expect organizers to reschedule their events.

"Yes, it is a very difficult situation," said Redgrave, a four-time Olympic gold medalist. "Obviously we will carry on up to our capabilities but our thoughts and hearts will be what is going on as well."

"One of the main reasons is that there are other crews we are racing against are racing two events and there is no way we can put races onto Sunday. It wouldn't be fair to them."

Rusedski, aiming to become the first British player to reach a U.S. Open semifinal in the Open era, has been wearing a small black ribbon on his tennis shirt since he heard of Diana's death in a car accident in Paris early Sunday.

The eventual postponement of the Scotland-Belarus soccer

game happened after public fury and the withdrawal of three star Scottish players.

Ally McCoist, Gordon Durie and Andy Gorm said they would not play. And, after pressure from Prime Minister Tony Blair, the Scottish Football Association agreed to ask FIFA to delay the game until Sunday.

SFA chief executive Jim Farry at first insisted the game proceed Saturday as scheduled. On Thursday, he fought off calls for his resignation.

"I am still angry, as is the whole of the nation, at the way this has been handled by the SFA," lawmaker Jimmy Hood said. "If this is not a resignation issue, then what the heck is a resignation issue with the Scottish FA?"

Donald Findlay, vice chairman of Scotland's most powerful club, Glasgow Rangers, demanded an inquiry.

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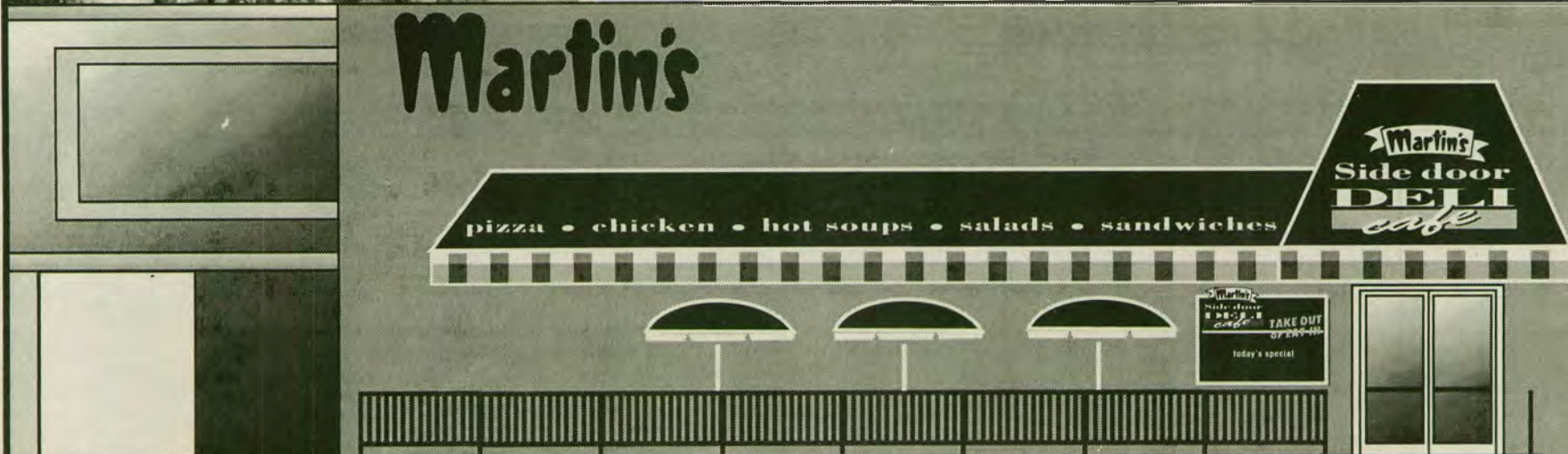
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## ■ AUTO RACING

## Earnhardt cleared to race

By HANK KURZ Jr.  
Associated Press Writer

RICHMOND, Va. A "migraine-like event" probably caused Dale Earnhardt to fall asleep at the wheel of his race car last weekend, a doctor who performed tests on the driver said Thursday.

Dr. Charles Branch of the neurosurgery department at Bowman Gray Medical Center in Winston-Salem, N.C., notified NASCAR that he has cleared the seven-time Winston Cup champion to race this weekend.

"The episode last weekend in all likelihood was a peculiar form of a migraine-like event that caused a brief period of altered mental function," Branch said.

He said the incident also could be the result of a small bruise on the brain from an earlier incident.

In last Sunday's Southern 500 at Darlington, S.C., Earnhardt twice fell asleep at the wheel while waiting for the race to start. He then wrecked on the first lap and had trouble finding his way back to pit road.

Branch's clearance came after Earnhardt underwent four days of testing at two hospitals. The results were reviewed by specialists at two other hospitals, then sent to the circuit's headquarters in Daytona Beach, Fla.

NASCAR said Branch and Earnhardt would answer questions about the tests at

the track Friday.

"The doctor told us he didn't see any reason why he couldn't race, and that's good enough for us," NASCAR spokesman Kevin Triplett said. "He knows more about it than we do."

Ernie Irvan, who was nearly killed after crashing in 1994, then returned amid some concern last year, said it's a tough position to be in.

"I was in the same position of having to have a doctor say it was all right, and that's not a fun deal because that doctor is just looking at it as a doctor," Irvan said. "He's not looking at it as your livelihood, racing for a championship and everything that goes along with it."

At the same time, Irvan said he knows Earnhardt won't be foolish.

"I'm sure he had all the doctors check him. He doesn't want to race if he thinks he'll put anyone in danger. Life is too valuable," Irvan said.

Earnhardt has started 537 consecutive races, the second-longest streak in stock car racing's premier series. Terry Labonte has started 560 straight.

The driver known as "The Intimidator" has 70 career Winston Cup victories, but hasn't won since the Purlator 500 in Atlanta last year.

On Wednesday, Dale Earnhardt Jr. said he'd gone dove hunting with his father the day after the race in South Carolina and his father seemed fine.

"He caught his usual," he said. "To do that, his eyesight would have to be at least near-perfect. That's something I really paid attention to."

Earnhardt has long been known for taking cat naps while sitting in his car waiting for repairs or for a race to begin. So when he nodded off before the start of the Southern 500, no one in his pit paid much attention.

They became suspicious, though, when Earnhardt fell asleep a second time. But by then, the drivers were being ordered to start their engines, and Earnhardt fired up the car and drove away with the rest of the field.

On the first lap, Earnhardt's Chevrolet Monte Carlo slammed into the concrete retaining wall in both the first and second turns. Earnhardt failed to respond when car owner Richard Childress called him on the radio several times, and the driver also couldn't find the entrance to pit road.

When Earnhardt finally came over the radio, he apologized for seeing "two race-tracks."

Earnhardt finally pulled over and was lifted from his car like a rag doll and taken first to the infield care center, then to a nearby hospital.

Tests there were negative, and he was released the next day. He had more tests Tuesday and Wednesday upon his return to his home in Mooresville, N.C.

## ■ NFL

## Patriots linebackers land blows, stiff fines

Associated Press

BOSTON

New England Patriots linebackers Tedy Bruschi and Todd Collins were fined \$7,500 each by the NFL Thursday for hits on San Diego Chargers quarterback Stan Humphries last Sunday.

The Patriots beat the Chargers 41-7 and Humphries separated his left, non-throwing, shoulder.

Besides the dislocation, Humphries took a helmet-to-helmet shot from Bruschi and a forearm beneath the chin from


Collins. Bruschi's hit split Humphries' lip.

Chargers coach Kevin Gilbride said Monday he didn't think the hits were cheap shots, but he changed his mind and appealed to the NFL.

"I didn't want to get into it at that point (on Monday)," Gilbride said. "I tried to do it the right way and send film clips to the league."

"At least it sends a message, and hopefully it will encourage some additional sensitivity to some of the hits he has been subjected to. In that respect, I'm delighted."

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## ■ MLB

# Basement dwelling Tigers mix-up pennant races

Associated Press

## DETROIT

While Detroit may be a few years away from pennant contention, they want to have a say about who's playing this October.

Tony Clark hit a game-tying three-run homer in the eighth inning and Bobby Higginson singled home the winning run in the 11th as the Tigers overcame a four-run deficit to beat the Anaheim Angels 5-4 Thursday night.

"It just goes to show you no one's quitting in this clubhouse," Higginson said after the Tigers, coming off two victories in three games at Atlanta, won for the fifth time in seven games.

"This is our little playoff series coming up: California, Seattle, Baltimore, the Yankees," Higginson said. "There is a chance for us to make a difference in the standings. These games aren't meaningful for us, but they're meaningful for the other teams and we want to show we're just as good as they are."

The loss was the third straight and sixth in eight games for the Angels, who fell three games behind first-place Seattle in the AL West.

Higginson's two-out single off Pep Harris (2-4) scored Deivi Cruz, who reached on first baseman Darin Erstad's throwing error.

Erstad's throw pulled short-stop Gary DiSarcina off the bag at second after Cruz attempted to sacrifice pinch-runner Juan Encarnacion to second. After a failed sacrifice and a strikeout, Higginson singled up the middle.

"It was a curveball that stayed up and he stayed back on it and hit it well," Harris said. "It's tough to lose a game

like this at this time of year when you're in a pennant race."

Todd Jones (3-3), the last of four Tigers relievers, pitched a hitless 11th to cap four scoreless innings by the bullpen. Detroit relievers have allowed just two runs in their last 22 1-3 innings, an 0.81 ERA.

"Everybody is just picking each other up and that's what it's all about," Jones said.

"Our bullpen's been as good as any in baseball lately," Tigers manager Buddy Bell said.

Tim Salmon hit his 27th and 28th homers to help stake the Angels to a 4-0 lead in the fifth, and Ken Hill left with a 4-1 lead after giving up just a run on three hits in seven innings.

"I think we kind of lulled them to sleep a little bit, and a lot of that had to do with Ken Hill," Bell said. "We don't hit Ken Hill very well."

Damion Easley and Higginson singled to lead off the eighth against Mike Holtz, and, after Easley stole third, Clark lined his 30th homer into the left-field upper deck.

"I thought I could at least get a sacrifice fly," said Clark, who has three-run homers in each of his last two games. "I was just fortunate to get something I could handle."

Holtz said Clark hit a hanging curveball.

"I left it up in the zone," he said. "When you do that, the big guys are going to get it. Hindsight's always 20-20, but it's a situation where maybe I should've done something different."

Salmon went 3-for-5, with a solo home run in the fourth and a two-run homer in the fifth. He scored the Angels' first run when he led off the second with a single, took third

on Dave Hollins' double and came home on Garrett Anderson's grounder to first.

Salmon made it 2-0 when he led off the fourth with a drive high into the left-field upper deck. The Angels went on to load the bases with one out, but DiSarcina hit into a double-play.

Erstad drew a two-out walk in the fifth, then Salmon made it 4-0 when he hit his 28th homer just out of Brian Hunter's reach in left-center.

Hill didn't allow a hit until the fifth, when the Tigers scored their lone run off him.

"Unfortunately we lost, but the only time I have control over things is when I'm in the game," Hill said. "We needed this game. Seattle won and we don't have too much time."

Notes: Salmon's two-homer game was his second of the year and 11th of his career. ... The Tigers have brought up seven of their top Class A minor leaguers for a "major

league orientation" during the current six-game homestand. Pitchers Francisco Cordero, Dave Borkowski, Clayton Bruner and Brian Powell; infielders Rob Fick and Alejandro Freire; and outfielder Gabe Kapler participate in all pregame activities, but sit in the stands during the games. ... Anaheim's Tony Phillips was 0-for-3 with two walks, ending a 12-game hitting streak. His career-best was a 13-game streak in 1994.

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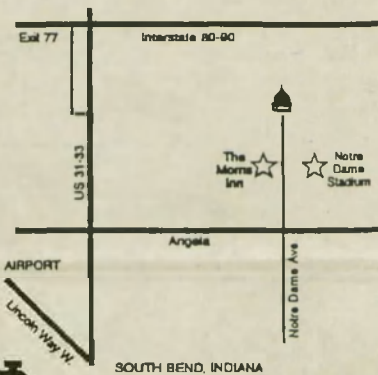
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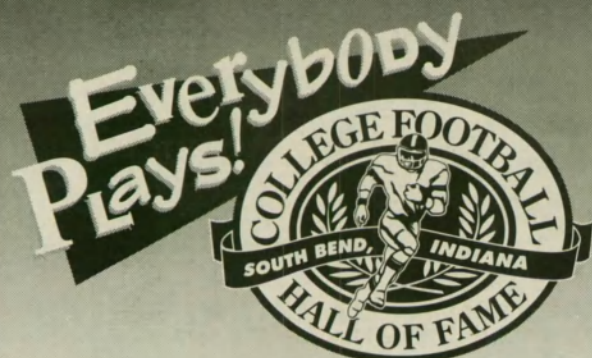
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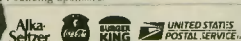
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The Observer/Tom Roland

## M. Soccer

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year in favor of Notre Dame as the teams play at Alumni Field. In the last seven seasons, the men have won 75 percent of games played in South Bend.

Providence, who finished ninth in the conference overall last year, has lost only three starters. Andy McConville, an all-rookie selection last year, is a top contender in the midfield, and senior forward Juan Acevedo will lead the offensive

campaign for the Friars. Also returning is goalie Daniel Pires, who has an impressive saves percentage of .829.

The one factor that remains a main focus during this game and throughout the season is a more aggressive offense.

Forward Andrew Aries said, "We need to work on goal scoring and finishing the game. We had opportunities to score against Indiana and we came up short. Another aspect that needs some improvement is shots on goal, as we have not had enough to make the offense truly successful."

## NHL

# Howe attempts comeback

By HARRY ATKINS  
Associated Press Writer

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. Gordie Howe is at it again. The 69-year-old hockey great wants to play one game with a minor league team, allowing him to have competed professionally in six decades.

Howe will skate one shift with the Detroit Vipers in their Oct. 3 International Hockey League home opener. Howe said the cameo appearance would fulfill a longtime dream of his wife, Colleen, who accompanied him Thursday at a news conference at The Palace.

"This not a comeback," said Howe, wearing a Vipers' sweater — with his familiar No. 9 — over a white shirt and tie. "I want to make it clear this is only for one shift. Colleen wanted this, and I do, too."

Howe tried to accomplish the feat last season, but the Syracuse Crunch of the American Hockey Association canceled plans for his April 1 appearance because the team

was vying for a playoff spot.

"When some negative responses from the league came in, we called Syracuse and said, 'This is not a good time, this is not for us,'" Howe said. "We've found this (Vipers) organization to be a win-win thing. They've done everything we wanted here."

The Vipers, who won the Turner Cup championship last season, will open camp Sept. 12, but Howe won't be there. He said he would train at a rink near his home in Traverse City, Mich., and skate with the Vipers perhaps a time or two, just to meet the players.

"This is not going to be the Gordie Howe of old," Howe said. "I am not going to run the beach or roller blade through downtown. All I want is one shift, to realize a dream."

Howe said his wife got the idea after seeing the Chicago White Sox arrange a similar cameo for outfielder Minnie Minoso a few years ago.

"Sports is not just games," Mrs. Howe said. "It's really show business. Right?"

Howe last wore a minor league jersey in the spring of 1946. That autumn, he began a 25-year career with the Detroit Red Wings. After a brief retirement, he joined the Houston Aeros of the now-defunct World Hockey Association, playing with sons Mark and Marty. He finished his career back in the NHL in 1980 after the league absorbed the Hartford Whalers.

Howe scored 801 goals and had 1,049 assists in 1,767 NHL regular season games. He won the NHL's most valuable player award five times in an eight-year span and led the Red Wings to four Stanley Cup championships.

During those glory years, Howe was considered the greatest hockey player of all time. Is there a concern this return might tarnish that golden image?

"No, no," Howe said. "What tarnished my image was the amount of money I made. I got as much money in four years at Houston as I got my last 18 years in Detroit."

## SPORTS MEDIA

# Albert's plea for dismissal dismissed

By ANNE GEARAN  
Associated Press Writer

ARLINGTON, Va. A judge rejected Marv Albert's claim Thursday that sex charges against him should be dismissed because a mem-

ber of the grand jury that indicted him managed the prosecutor's election campaign.

The NBC sportscaster is charged with forcible sodomy and assault and battery in a Feb. 12 attack on a Virginia woman.

He faces up to life in prison if convicted.

Albert sat silently and held hands with his fiancée, Heather Faulkner, during the three-hour hearing.

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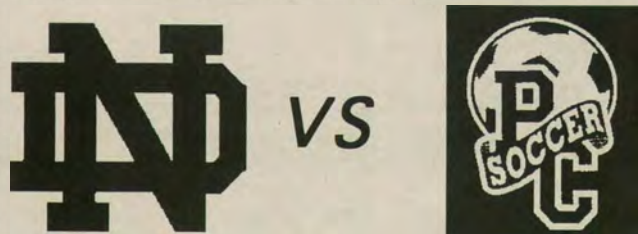
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## JOCK STRIP

## Domers battle best of world for USA

By GENE BRTALIK  
Sports Writer

As I walked across North Quad the other day, I couldn't help notice one of the t-shirts adorned by one of my peers walking in front of me. It read, "God, Country, Notre Dame, and Beer (not necessarily in that order)." The first three were instilled by Father Theodore Hesburgh as the way that items should be ordered in our lives. For most students, God and Notre Dame are the basic statutes that are followed. Country is often left out of the mix.

This summer, nine Notre Dame athletes included honoring America as one of their goals. These athletes took part in Olympic-type events such as the Nordic Cup, an under-20

soccer competition, and the World University Games. This group included three Big East award winners, including Jaimie Lee (volleyball player of the year), Pat Garrity (basketball player of the year), and Jenny Streiffer (soccer rookie of the year). Four of the nine players traveled to Sicily, Italy, while the others traveled as a team to Denmark. Below recounts the travels and the preparation of these World Class athletes.

Five of this year's Notre Dame women's soccer starters, including three on defense, were selected to join the U.S. squad for their journey to Denmark. These five are goalkeeper LeKeysia Beene, defenders Kate Sobrero and Jen Grubb, midfielder Jenny Streiffer, and forward Meotis Erikson. Without the support of this quintuplet, the U.S. may have never captured the gold.

In their first game against Sweden, Beene made five saves while Grubb and Sobrero limited the Swedes to only four more shots, resulting in a 3-0 win. The following day, the Americans were back in action. This time Streiffer aided in the victory. After entering in the second half, Streiffer scored eight minutes later on a volley from five yards out. Later in the half, Streiffer added her second point of the competition with an assist to put the Americans up 3-0. Beene added her second shutout in as many games with a 4-0 win.

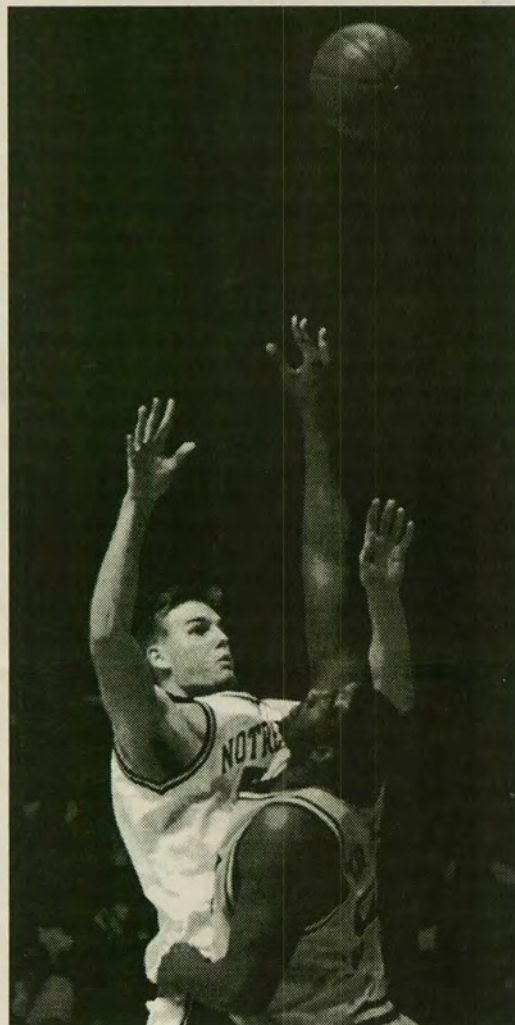
Next the U.S. took on the host team from Denmark. The Denmark team was poised to notch a goal and then drop into a defensive standpoint. Their plan would have

worked fine if Beene was not the goalie. Midway through the first half, Beene dove across the goal mouth to save a strike from one of the Danes. This kept the game in a scoreless tie until Streiffer entered the game.

Streiffer's second goal and assist in as many days enabled the Americans to capture a 3-1 win and place them in the finals against Norway. Against the Norwegians, the U.S. played a whole game, and still neither team had a tally on the board. Eight minutes into overtime, the hero of the last two games made her first appearance on the pitch. Quickly her presence was felt. Noting that the Norwegian defense was exhausted, Streiffer gathered the ball at the midfield and passed it off to her teammate on the left wing. The forward dribbled down the sideline, and after spotting that Norway's keeper had come out too far, she crossed the ball to Streiffer who one-touched the pass into the back of an empty net.

Beene again played fabulously in goal, preventing two different scoring attempts from entering the goal. Sobrero and Grubb once again shone throughout the game, and were praised by head coach Lauren Gregg who said that they neutralized the opponents' attack and really helped the team find a rhythm and maintain possession.

While soccer was being played up North, the rest of the Notre Dame athletes were down in Sicily showcasing their talent. One of those players was Jaimie Lee. Lee was one of 10 players selected to play for the U.S. Lee was also selected as the captain of the squad. She quickly fulfilled the role of captain in her first match. Serving 15 straight points to open the second game, Lee shut out the New Zealanders, and also contributed to America's victory over Estonia later in the day. The next day, Lee rose to occasion again, amassing 10 kills, four aces, and three blocks in a four set victory over the Chinese, putting the Americans in the semifinals against Canada.



The Observer/Rob Finch

Big East Player of the Year Pat Garrity was one of 12 players selected to play for the U.S. in Italy.

## W. Soccer

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always played very well against them."

With no major changes to the starting lineup, expect the Irish to rely on the strong defense of Kate Sobrero, Jen Grubb and Kelly Lindsey, with the athletic LeKeysia Beene in the net, set for her first true test.

Monica Gonzalez, Big East Rookie of the Week for her first two games in a Notre Dame uniform, and fellow freshmen phenoms Anne Makinen and Meotis Erikson have done a more than adequate job filling the high-scoring shoes of Cindy Daws, and will need to show their maturity for the Irish to beat the Pilots.

Veterans Monica Gerardo, Jenny Heft and Jen Streiffer must step up and finish the many scoring opportunities created by the playmakers, Shannon Boxx and Holly Manthei, among others.

If the Fighting Irish can emerge from their first road trip unscathed, they will be well prepared to take on top-ranked North Carolina in the Adidas/Lady Footlocker Classic at Alumni Field on Sept. 19.

## SPORTS BRIEFS

**Indoor and Outdoor Track & Field** — Any prospective athletes must attend a meeting at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 10. It will take place in the Loftus Auditorium.

**Varsity Women's Tennis** — Anyone interested in trying out for Women's Tennis should contact the coaching staff by Monday, Sept. 8. The number to call is 631-5149.

**Shorin-Ryu Karate** — This is a semester-long course which is instructed according to Okinawan techniques. Register in advance at RecSports. The fee is \$18. A demonstration will be held on Sept. 10 at 6:30 p.m. in the Rockne Memorial.

**Women's Self-Defense** — This course meets for 10 sessions on Mondays and Wednesdays in the Rockne Memorial. Class begins on Sept. 8 and is open to students and staff. Class size is limited and there is a fee of \$12. For more information, call 1-6100.

**Horseback Riding Lessons** — The course consists of English Style lessons on Thursdays from 5 to 6 p.m. All levels are welcome. There will be an information meeting on Sept. 10, at 7 p.m. in the

RecSports office. Register in advance at RecSports.

**Jazz Dance** — Classes will be held on Sundays from 1:15 to 2:45 p.m. and Wednesdays from 6:45 to 7:45 p.m. The fee is \$25. There will be an information meeting on Sept. 7 at 1:45 p.m. Space is limited. Call RecSports for more info.

**Ballet** — Classes will be held on Sundays from 3 to 4 p.m. and Wednesdays from 8-9 p.m. The fee is \$35. Sign-ups begin on Sept. 8. There will be an informational meeting on Sept. 7 at 1:15 p.m.

**Men's Tennis** — Walk-on tryouts will be held on Monday, Sept. 8. Sign-ups will be held at the Eck Tennis Center.

**Charity run** — The first annual ND Hockey 2m, 5k, and 10k Power Play Run/Walk for the fight against Cancer will be held on Sunday, Sept. 7 at 11 a.m. in front of Stepan Center. Registration will be held in RecSports, the Life Skills Office, dining halls, and with your dorm athletic commissioners.

**Off-Campus Football** — Anyone interested in playing interhall football for the off-campus team should contact Bill McCartney at 273-1929.



The Observer/Rob Finch

Former Irish standout Beth Morgan helped the United States world-championship team to a silver medal in Sao Paulo, Brazil.

Versus the Canadians, Lee led the team with 18 kills, setting the stage for a rematch with the Russians, the only team to have beaten the U.S. thus far for the gold medal. In the gold medal game, Lee was called upon to play a different role. Infected by food poisoning only 21 hours before the match, she came out onto the court to fill in at setter.

Despite her efforts, the Americans couldn't stop the Russians from walking off with the gold medal. Even though she played setter in the last match, Lee was still able to lead the team in kills. Dejected that they didn't win the gold, the Americans held their heads up high as they strolled off the court with a silver medal in hand.

The journey for Garrity to Sicily started in Colorado. He was one of 66 college players chosen to try for one of the 12 roster spots on the team. After several months of tryouts, Garrity was selected to play and began to train with his new teammates in California. On Aug. 1, Notre Dame's star forward stepped onto the court and quickly made an impact. With Yugoslavia closing in on the lead, Garrity's back-to-back baskets helped the national team pull away for good. Two games later against China, Garrity contributed a team-high 14 points in a 107-39 romp.

Against a tough Lithuanian team, Garrity once again led the team with 20 points including 2-of-3 from behind the arc. Trying to help the U.S. capture their second consecutive 22 & Under World Championship, Garrity turned in his best performance of the tournament. He tallied 19 points and 11 rebounds in 33 minutes, obtaining the team's second double-double of the tournament, only to see his team fall to Australia and fall out of medal competition. In the final game, his two baskets

gave the national team a four point lead to work with in the last five minutes of the game.

Two former Notre Dame women's basketball players also got in on the Olympic excitement. Beth Morgan and Katryna Gaither, both All-American Honorable mentions, were members of the World Championship team in Sao Paulo, Brazil. Their play off the bench contributed to the Americans capturing the silver medal and qualifying them for a spot in the 1998 World Championships in Berlin. Morgan was pleased with the silver, but knew that the gold was just out of her reach. Her chance to obtain gold came when she was selected to play in the World University Games. Morgan's spirit and play whenever she entered into the game was quickly passed on to her teammates who would steam roll through the competition like the Dream Team did in '92. A defeat of China in the final game accomplished Morgan's goal of obtaining gold around her neck.

Lastly, senior backstroke Erin Brooks trekked to Sicily in hopes of securing a medal. The All-American swimmer was in third going to the finals. In a closely contested race, Brooks finished in third and won a bronze medal in the 200 meter backstroke.

To see your country's flag raised as you stand on the podium is one of the greatest thrills in an athlete's life. For many college athletes, this may be their only chance to participate in Olympic style events as amateurs, due to the growing interest to see professionals play. Few are chosen to represent their country, but those who are make the best of the situation as shown by the 10 athletes above. These athletes now have a better understanding of Hesburgh's ideology of God, Country, Notre Dame.

## Wrangler

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game for granted: We must continue the longest winning streak against one opponent in college football.

When the seniors walk off the field after the West Virginia game, I will stay on the field and cheer them. Then I will stay and will celebrate the season with a party on the field until I am kicked out of the stadium.

Most importantly, win or lose,

I will support Notre Dame football, our team.

Now granted, the last time that I signed a pledge was at my eighth-grade graduation, when myself and all of my classmates signed a piece of paper saying that we would never smoke a cigarette. At our first party in high school, four months later, 90 percent had probably broken the pledge...

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## ■ COLLEGE FOOTBALL

# Craig carries Auburn past Virginia in opener

By DAVID REED  
Associated Press Writer

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. Dameyune Craig threw two touchdown passes to Karsten Bailey and scored on a 17-yard scramble as No. 16 Auburn defeated Virginia 28-17 in a season opener Thursday night.

Craig had a shaky start in the first meeting between the Southeastern and Atlantic Coast Conference schools. He fumbled the opening snap and missed on four of six passes in the first quarter.

Craig directed a 98-yard, six-minute scoring drive that put Auburn ahead for good in the second quarter. He completed passes of 19, 35 and 7 yards and ran 17 yards for a touchdown on a scramble after finding no open receiver.

Craig put Auburn ahead 21-9 with 12:45 left in the third quarter after Bailey made quick amends for dropping an easy touchdown catch. On the next play, Craig hit Bailey again on a crossing route, and Bailey caught the ball over his shoulder with a defender's hand in his face for a 57-yard scoring play.

Bailey beat his defender deep again with 13:44 to play for a 77-yard touchdown reception.

Craig, who was 12-of-19 for 247 yards, was sacked on the Auburn 5 after fumbling on the first play and three plays later Jaret Holmes' punt was blocked. Virginia got a safety when Holmes recovered the loose ball in the end zone.

The Cavaliers returned only three defensive starters from last year's team that was 7-5, but the replacements pinned Auburn inside its 35 through the first quarter, twice forcing punts from the end zone.

Virginia's offense, only slightly more experienced with four starters back, failed to take advantage of good field position, however, and spoiled three scoring opportunities in the first half.

Aaron Brooks' 12-yard pass completion brought the Cavaliers to the 4 on their second possession of the game. On third-and-1, Thomas Jones fumbled an option pitch and Auburn's Ryan Taylor fell on the ball.

Craig then took Auburn 98 yards for a 7-2 lead that stood up the rest of the half.

On the first play of the second half, Brooks' pass went right into Taylor's hands and the linebacker returned the interception 25 yards for a touchdown to put Auburn ahead 14-2.

## Legal troubles plague Va. Tech

By HANK KURZ Jr.  
Associated Press Writer

### BLACKSBURG, Va.

The road to prominence has not been easy for Virginia Tech. For every achievement and football victory, there has been a headline screaming about another arrest, another legal problem.

For each of the team's 20 wins in 24 games over the last two seasons, there has been a player charged with a crime, several of them felonies.

Coach Frank Beamer and team leaders say the image will change; school president Paul Torgersen has said it must.

"Last year was a real bad year, not only for myself but really for the whole team," said senior fullback Marcus Parker, who was suspended for the first four games of last season after being arrested on shoplifting charges.

"As a team, I think we've taken it a little bit more upon

ourselves," he said. "I've seen older guys helping out, trying to keep guys out of trouble. We've had a few team-only meetings this summer and talked about a few things. So we know how important it is to stay out of trouble."

The team's troubles began attracting national attention in 1995, when linebacker Tony Morrison and wide receiver James Crawford were suspended before the Sugar Bowl.

Already notorious as the players accused of raping a fellow student, Morrison was charged with trashing a bar during a drunken rampage and Crawford was charged with felony hit-and-run and fraud for reclaiming his car from an impound lot without paying fines.

Morrison later was cleared of the charges and has since left Virginia Tech. Crawford was convicted of disorderly conduct and fined \$400.

Then last year, before the Hokies played Nebraska in

the Orange Bowl, Crawford and roommate Brian Edmonds were charged with raping and attempting to sodomize a woman who had attended a party at their off-campus apartment.

The trial, to begin Monday, will return the Hokies' problems to the spotlight. In the last two years, 20 Virginia Tech players, many no longer with the team, have been charged with a crime.

In an effort to deal with all the problems, Torgersen and then-athletic director Dave Braine put together a set of standards for athletes last February. They include tougher sanctions, more drug testing, expanded player counseling and more attention to character assessment in recruiting.

Players charged with a felony will be suspended immediately until their cases are heard. Those convicted of felonies will be kicked off the team. The circumstances of lesser convictions will determine the discipline.

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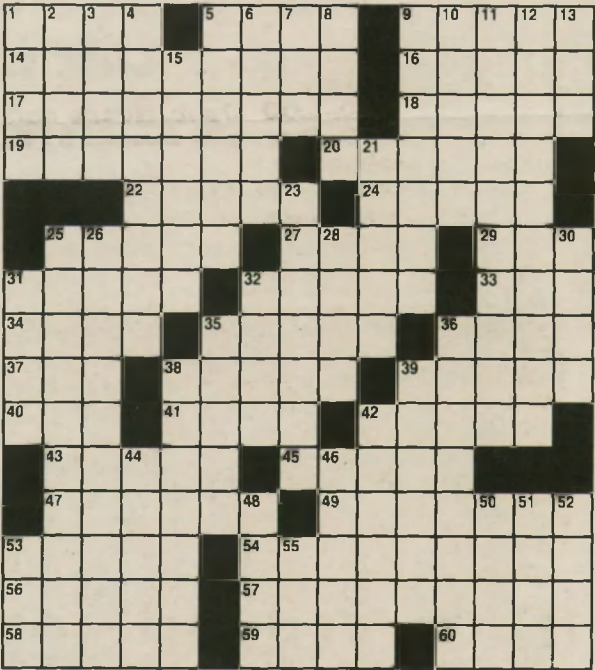
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**DEAR EUGENIA:** I was born on March 8, 1976, at 7:03 a.m. I need to know which of two men I match up to better. The first was born on Nov. 23, 1967, at 6 p.m., and the second was born June 24, 1976. I just can't make up my mind. Also, I need to know what my financial outlook and prospects are going to be in the near future.

Fish Swimming with Two Mates

**DEAR FISH SWIMMING WITH TWO MATES:** In all honesty, I'd keep on looking for a mate if I were you. You are in a high cycle where romantic opportunities are concerned right now. However, I feel that you may miss out on someone who really matches up to you well if you are spending too much time with these two men.

The signs that match up to you best are Aries, Leo, Libra and Sagittarius. The Nov. 23 mate whom you picked is not a strong Sagittarius. His chart is predominantly Virgo and Scorpio. Your financial outlook is on the rise slowly but surely, and although you won't see major gains instantly, as we reach the end of this decade you'll be in a much better financial position.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19): Do something special with your lover. You will be in the mood to be active, so consider going to a sports event or dancing.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20): Love connections can be made if you get out with peers. You will find interesting items at the flea market.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20): Prop-

erty investments will prove to be lucrative. You may consider a residential move. Domestic affairs will improve. Lady Luck is with you.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22): Spend time with someone you love today. You can get ahead if you discuss your intentions.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22): Your emotions will be unsettled with regard to joint financial ventures that may not look that stable. Get sound advice before you make a final decision.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Social functions will result in romantic attractions. You can benefit through conservative investments. Pleasure trips will be enjoyable.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Sudden romantic interludes will unfold through social events you attend. Pleasure trips will turn out to be more fruitful than you ever imagined.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Social activity should involve large groups where you can meet the most people. Romantic attractions will surface through the events you attend.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Don't lend or borrow today. Difficulties with friends or children will unfold if you aren't diplomatic. Avoid getting involved in joint money ventures.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): In-laws or relatives may cause friction today. Don't discuss your personal problems with others. You can gain valuable information if you listen.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You should make decisions regarding your professional position. Job opportunities will be fruitful and changes in your direction will be beneficial.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20): You will be in love with life today. Involvement in group activities will be conducive to romantic encounters. New business ventures will be profitable.

**Born Today:** You'll have a tendency to overreact this year if you aren't careful. Be sure to get all the facts and to listen to good advice being offered. You will make a mistake if you are reluctant to forgive others for their shortcomings.

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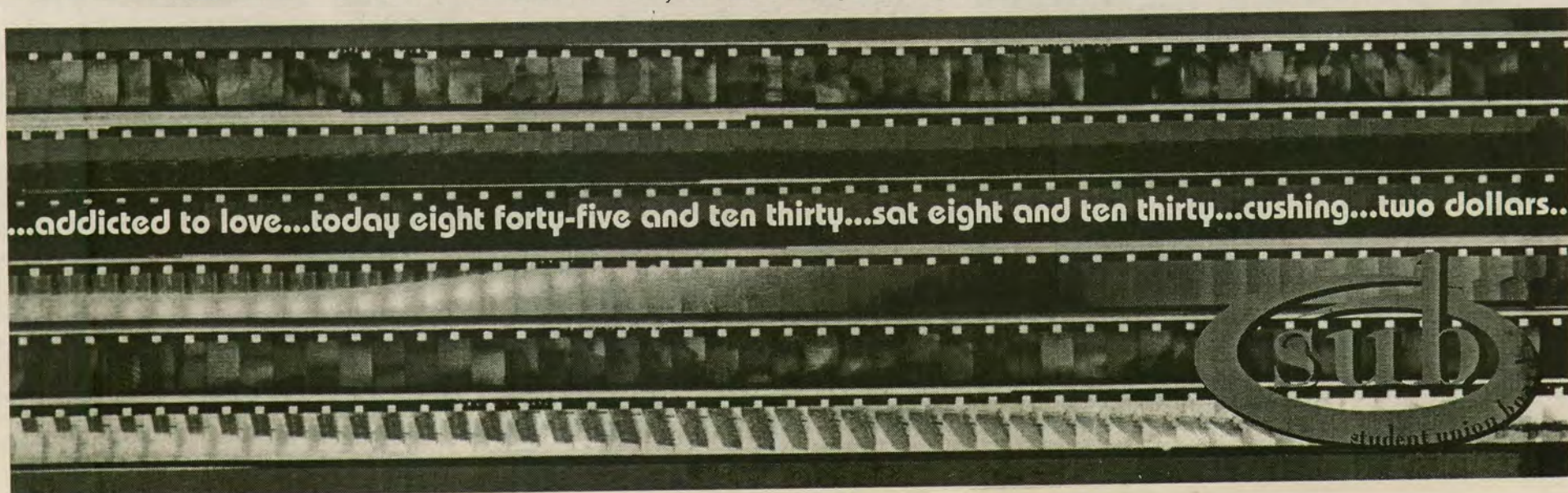
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## ■ WOMEN'S SOCCER

### Irish to face Huskies, third-ranked Portland

By ALLISON KRILLA  
Sports Writer

If the true test of a ranked team is its performance against ranked opponents, then the Fighting Irish women's soccer team will have its hands full this weekend.

Notre Dame (2-0-0) ventures to the Pacific Northwest for a two-game stint against Washington and third-ranked Portland.

"We're very excited about the weekend," said head coach Chris Petrucelli. "We're looking forward to (the games). They're going to be a bit of a challenge for us."

In today's action, the Irish face an experienced Huskies squad that returns seven starters from last season's 12-8 campaign, ending in a first round NCAA tournament

defeat.

"We seem to match up well with [Washington]," said Petrucelli. "I feel good about this game, especially the way we match up defensively."

Petrucelli's strong feelings for the defense are grounded in the two games the Irish played last weekend, in which the defense did not give up a goal, and allowed only five total shots on goal.

The Portland Pilots, who return 10 starters from last season's 19-1-2 team, dropped a 3-2 match to the Irish in last year's NCAA semifinals, and will pose the greatest challenge for Notre Dame this weekend.

"They will be a major challenge for us," said Petrucelli. "They are a very good team, very experienced. But we have



Forward Monica Gerardo leads a talented, experienced Irish squad to the Northwest this weekend where it faces Washington and Portland.

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## ■ IRISH INSIGHT

### Student body spirit questioned

Dear Fellow Students:  
Much ink has been spread in the Blue and Gold over the last year about

the lackluster performance and interest of the student body at football games. Ever since the media, during the broadcast of the Navy game, railed us for our inability to support our team after the Air Force loss, many excuses have been used to explain the students' lack of spirit.

We say it is NBC's fault. We say it is the alumni who sit on their behinds during the whole game that makes it seem like the fans of Notre Dame Stadium are watching the Phillies versus the Royals in September rather than the most storied team in all of sport.

We say that it is the make-up of the student body, who are now better academically than in the past and have many other interests besides football. We say it is the fact that Notre Dame is not an all-male school anymore. We say that Notre Dame Stadium does not serve alcohol.

Instead of making excuses for our performance, I say we search for solutions. My first attempt at getting the students more involved is for all students (and for that matter all alumni, subway alumni, and tourists making the pilgrimage to the hallowed grounds of Notre Dame) make the following pledge.

I, (state your name), pledge that I will attend all home football games, and stay until the Alma Mater is sung, no matter how many beers that I have drunk.

I will stand and sing and cheer every time the fight song is sung.

On every third and fourth down, I will scream when the opposing team has the ball. When NBC is advertising Must-See TV for the 16th time, I will remain excited and not lose my edge as a Notre Dame fan.

I will attend one road game this year, not including the Orange Bowl.

The only time that I will criticize Notre Dame football is when we run option right on third and eight.

I will do push-ups after we score at least once during the year (alums, this one is for you too).

When we are beating Southern Cal 42-0, I will hum the USC fight song.

I will not bet on the Boston College game.

I will not take the Navy

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## ■ HOCKEY

### Team sponsors Power Play Run/Walk

By CHARLEY GATES  
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame community has a long-standing, well-founded reputation for community service.

Programs like Big Brother/Big Sister, Habitat for Humanity, and Summer Service Projects are manifestations of the students' commitment to this tradition. And varsity athletes are no exception. They, too, are committed to bettering the lot of



Poulin

others.

"One thing that separates this University from the rest," explained head hockey coach Dave Poulin, "is our commitment to coming out and helping others. We avoid just leading a sheltered life on the campus or in the gym."

The hockey team, for instance, has been actively involved in such programs as Logan Center and the Stars Program. This weekend, Poulin and his staff hope to add one more event to this rich tradition of service: the Notre Dame Power Play Run/Walk.

The event begins at 11 a.m. on Sunday at Stepan Center, and three distances are available — two miles, five kilome-

ters, or 10 kilometers. The pre-registration fee for students is \$6 or \$8 on-site; all others pay a pre-registration fee of \$10 or \$12 on-site.

Students and faculty can register at North and South Dining Halls, the Joyce Center's RecSports office, or with dorm athletic commissioners.

Alumni and visitors in town can register in the Alumni Association hospitality area from 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Saturday.

"This is a great event, and it is an extension of an already existing commitment to service. We hope that it will become a tradition," stated Poulin.

The proceeds from this event will benefit the family of Ed

Slaggert, brother of assistant hockey coach Andy Slaggert, who died of cancer this summer.

The event was originally supposed to feature Ed Slaggert and to raise money in his honor for the American Cancer Society, but now the event has taken on even more meaning.

"We've had a tremendous response with registrations so far," observed Andy Slaggert. "The students and the dorms have just been great in their support for this event."

Prospective participants are encouraged to sign up as soon as possible, and runners who plan to register on-site are advised to show up early, due to the large turnout expected.

## ■ MEN'S SOCCER

### Men pursue first win of young season



Goalkeeper Greg Velho will try to save the Irish from another home loss, when the team hosts Big East rival Providence at Alumni Field.

By KAREN SEYMOUR  
Sports Writer

Looking for its first win of the season, the Notre Dame men's soccer team eagerly awaits Sunday's match against Big East opponent Providence.

This game will be the second home appearance for the Irish who were defeated last Tuesday by Indiana, one of the most renowned soccer programs in the country.

Although the loss was disappointing, the team has set its sights on upcoming rivalries, and an overall satisfaction with its last effort was affirmed by coach Mike Berticelli.

"We played exceptionally well," said Berticelli. "They are an outstanding program who have all 15 of their starters

returning from last year. Also due to extreme depth within their team, they are able to substitute, in moments of fatigue, easily without losing experience from the field."

A strong record against Providence proves a good omen for Sunday. Both in 1995 and 1996, a 1-0 score put Notre Dame on top of the Friars.

Last year, the lone goal was scored by Chris Mathis, and the Irish handily out shot their opponents, 11-5, proving dominant throughout the game.

This win proved significant for the Irish because it was their first Big East away game, a disadvantage so early in the season.

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At A  
Glance**



vs. Georgia Tech,  
Saturday, September 6



at Washington,  
Today



at Gonzaga,  
Today, 7 p.m.



vs. Providence,  
September 7, 1 p.m.

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# IRISH INSIDER

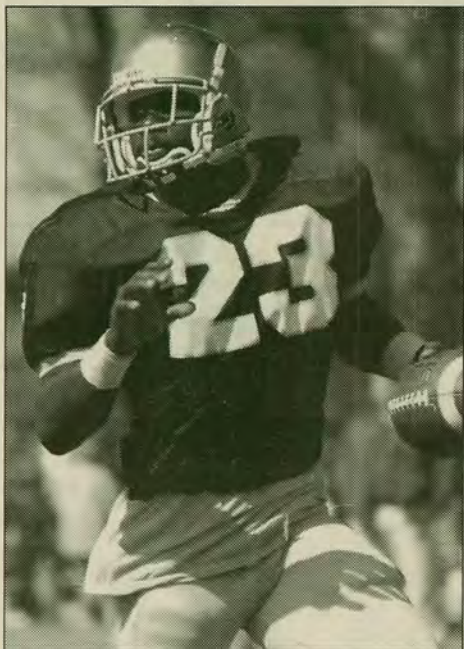
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NOTRE DAME V. GEORGIA TECH



**VISION OF  
GREATNESS**





The Observer/Brandon Candura  
In 1996 Denson enjoyed the fifth best year in Irish history with over 1,100 yards.

# Fightin' Irish

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## IRISH ON THE OFFENSIVE...



Senior QB Ron Powlus will open his fourth season as the Irish signal caller. The Observer/Brandon Candura

For the first time in a long time, Irish fans will enter Notre Dame Stadium not knowing what to expect from the Irish offense.

"We're not going to drop back and throw it 50 or 60 times in this game," head coach Bob Davie said. "I do think you'll see us throw it more on running downs. You will see some different formations involving multiple wide receivers."

This puts the pressure squarely on the shoulders of Ron Powlus. Jim Colletto has installed his offense that will fit the drop-back passing talents of the fifth-year senior, so tomorrow fans will see how he handles it.

"Ron Powlus has had an excellent preseason," said Davie. "He has had a great attitude, and our football team rallies around him."

If the aerial assault is to be effective, the receiving unit will have to take advantage of an inexperienced Tech secondary

Leading the pack is Malcolm Johnson, who is the most proven of the Irish receivers. Alongside Johnson will be Bobby Brown, who only has two career receptions but is looking to prove that he is a different player.

"Bobby has really continued to show the type of improvement he showed in the spring," said Davie. "He got much stronger in the off-season and I wouldn't hesitate to say that right now, he's probably our best receiver. That's a credit to him because he's come an awful long way."

Also in the mix are burners Joey Getherall and Allen Rossum, who will line up on the offensive side of the ball about 10 times.

"Getherall has been an immediate hit from the first day he walked on campus," said Davie.

Powlus certainly should feel comfortable in the pocket with an offensive line that, with the exception of center Rick Kaczinski,

averages over 6-foot-6 and weighs in at over 300 pounds and has the potential to be one of the most dominant in college football.

"Certainly the strength of our offense is in the offensive line," said Davie.

The battle in the trenches should be a good one with the Ramblin' Wreck defense posting a strong front seven and a massive line. Nose tackle Patrick Bradford weighs in at 287, and senior defensive end Derrick Shepard tips the scale at just under 300 pounds.

Linebackers Keith Brooking and Ron Rogers, the heart of the Yellow Jacket defense, are considered one of the best duos in the nation.

"They've got two excellent inside linebackers," said Davie. "Both of them are really active, play the run extremely well, and really play hard."

The Yellow Jackets will have their hands full with Irish tailback Autry Denson and the talented trio of Joey Goodspeed, Jamie Spencer and Ken Barry at fullback. Behind Denson are Clement Stokes and Tony Driver, who has managed to live up to his hype.

"I think he had a fine reputation coming in, and he's not disappointed anyone," said Davie. "He's a big, strong running back who plays the game 100 percent every time."

The only concern for the offense is the tight end slot where Dan O'Leary, who has not played a down, will get the start with converted tackle Tim Ridder as his backup. Also in at the time at the tight end slot will be Jabari Holloway, who has been another impressive member of the Class of 2001.

"He's one of the more talented young tight ends we've had in the program," Davie praised.

All of those questions that Irish fans have had since winter will begin to be answered come kickoff tomorrow afternoon.

## ... YELLOW JACKETS ON THE OFFENSIVE

The perennially quick-starting Yellow Jackets enter Notre Dame Stadium this weekend with the offensive tools to give the Irish defense a run for its money. Tech boasts an experienced group of players who want to prove that a 4-1 start in 1996 was not just a fluke.

Notre Dame head coach Bob Davie is the first person to acknowledge the offensive strengths of the Ramblin' Wreck.

"The most important thing I see is they're an experienced football team," commented the first-year coach. "When you look at their offense, certainly their skill positions are the strength of their football team."

Georgia Tech's attack will be led down the field by talented sophomore quarterback Joe Hamilton. Hamilton, who started nine games a year ago, possesses a solid throwing arm and is always a threat to take off and run with the ball.

Hamilton's primary targets include first-team All-ACC selection Harvey Middleton and speedy fifth-year senior Derrick Steagall. Middleton figures to be a serious contender for a first-team All-America spot, as he brings to the table a combination of great hands and dangerous quickness. If Steagall is healthy enough to make a legitimate contribution on Saturday, the experienced Irish defensive backfield will have its hands full.

Also returning from injury for the Jackets is 6-foot-1, 226-pound junior running back Charles Wiley. The versatile Wiley could spend time at both tailback and fullback due to his speed and blocking ability.



Senior captain Melvin Dansby will start on Saturday despite a sore knee. The Observer/Brandon Candura

It will be up to the six-man rotation of Melvin Dansby, Corey Bennett, Jason Ching, Brad Williams, Lance Legree, and Kurt Belisle to anchor the Irish defensive line against the relatively inexperienced Tech offensive front.

Solid play from whichever three linemen happen to be in the game for the Blue and Gold will allow the young Notre Dame linebacking corps extra space in which to contain Hamilton and the rest of the Yellow Jacket backfield.



## Quarterbacks

Tech's sophomore QB Joe Hamilton finished second in ACC rookie of the year honors, but you can't have more experience than Powlus and itss his shoe sto run.



## Running Backs

Denson racked up more yards than the Tech's top three rushers combined, and the rest of the stable is loaded.

## Receivers

Middleton is a star, and Steagall can burn. Rossum and Getherall can fly, but it remains to be seen if they can get their hands on the pill.



## Offensive Line

Sheer mass and experience give the Irish the advantage of about the size of Rosenthal, and the fifth-year seniors are looking to prove they're one of the best units in the land.

## Defensive Line

Shepard and Bradford are a mass in the middle, and they can play. This is Dansby's year to shine, and we'll have to see who'll step up to fill the void left up front.



## Linebackers

The unit headed by Kory Minor is loaded with athletes, but no one knows how they'll perform on game day. Brooking and Rogers form one of the best duos in the game.



## Secondary

Rossum and Guilbeaux are turning into playmakers, and the Irish return everyone from the '96 squad. Graduation leaves Tech's backfield thin.

## Special Teams

Tech's special teams are better than average, though not as explosive as Rossum and Co. Continuing woes at kicker give the Jackets the edge.



## Coaching

Although he lacks experience in the head coach's headset, Davie's enthusasium give him the nod over O'Leary.



## Overall

Tech would like to play the role of spoiler, but the atmosphere will not likely allow it. The players have been waiting for this one since November.





The Observer/Rob Finch

All eyes of the Irish team, as well as the Notre Dame community, have turned toward Davie since he took over the reigns of the Irish legacy.

# Facing the Pressures

By BETSY BAKER  
Associate Sports Editor

Many people have labeled Notre Dame head coach Bob Davie as a "players' coach." While this moniker may apply, there exists much more to the first-year head coach than a simple label allows.

Listening to Bob Davie talk about the upcoming season and what has gone into it, he sounds more like a philosopher than a football coach. Following in the tradition of Vince Lombardi and George Allen, it is not an unlikely combination. Still, when you're chosen as the football coach of the University of Notre Dame, most people don't care about philosophy. They only care about wins.

Fortunately, for Bob Davie, his philosophy lies in what it is going to take to win.

"First of all, everything we've done and everything that has been done all affects how you play and winning," Davie said, without a hint of hesitation or tension. "The only pressure we feel is to, number one, have a plan for every situation and then to have great preparation. Winning is going to take care of itself if we follow the plan and have great preparation."

Everything has a plan, he says. Since he took over as head coach last November, Davie has seen many plans develop into the one grand plan that will be unveiled tomorrow when the Irish christen the new stadium in their home opener against Georgia Tech. The most visible of these is the stadium itself. The expansion will 20,000 witnesses to Davie's grand plan. Another is the renovated football office, that allows the main architects of his plan — the players and the coaching staff — to be more comfortable with in the plan.

Finally, there is the conditioning of the team itself, which again is a compilation of smaller plans. Davie called upon former Purdue head coach Jim Colletto and former Michigan defensive coordinator Greg Mattison to join in on the drawing of the blueprint as his new offensive and defensive coordinators, respectively, all the while supplying input from their former programs.

But he remains the master of the plan. What stands out most

about Davie, however, is that he takes no credit for the implementation of the plan, letting praise and compliments roll off his back and onto his supporting cast of coaches and players, or the University itself. He remains focused in his plan, citing victory and betterment of program as the goal.

"Really, winning is just a culmination of all the things that have transpired since I've taken this job," Davie said. "All these areas really have only one focus in mind, and that is winning and making it better for our players."

There is no doubt that Davie has the best interest of his players in mind. The sincerity with which he discusses this year's team and the affection with which he explains how he put together his coaching staff prove this. He even makes you want to believe him when he says he feels no pressure.

The manner in which he explains the unfathomable response that a Notre Dame football coach feels no pressure to win could convince even the biggest skeptic.

"I've been asked that question so many times, about the pressure," Davie explained. "I honestly don't feel the pressure as far as winning. The pressure is in the preparation, and things have gone extremely well as of this point."

Pure and simple. Case closed. Unrefutable. Davie leaves no room for question, no room for doubt. In a job that many consider one of the most high-pressure jobs in the U.S., next to that of the president, Davie remains calm, cool, and collected. He has the utmost confidence in his players, in his staff, in the University, and most importantly, in himself.

"There certainly is a lot of hype," Davie commented. "But I think it comes down to this, you know: I take this job very seriously. I don't take myself all that seriously, other than what's important, and that's coaching this football team."

Of course, he will encounter the first and possibly

greatest test as a coach tomorrow when the Irish take the field against the Yellow Jackets.

Although he might experience bigger games and higher-ranked opponents than the Yellow Jackets, over 80,000 people will witness first-hand and over a million viewers will watch on television his coaching debut. Still, Davie absorbs himself in the task at hand, and that is preparing his team for the game.

"It's still about preparation to me," Davie said. "You don't all of the sudden Monday or Tuesday before the first game start worrying about winning. We've got too many immediate things to concentrate on and not worry about the big picture."

When you do look at the big picture, though, the bottom line is that Bob Davie is a man with a plan, who enjoys his job and enjoys the surrounding community and the support it exudes.

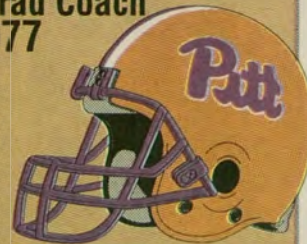
"You know, I enjoy coaching at a place where people really care, and I mean that sincerely," Davie said. "One of the most surprising parts of this job is just the mail and the suggestions and the letters of encouragement and things that you get. The only thing that's really increased as we get clos-

er to game day, I've gotten a lot of prayers from a lot of people."

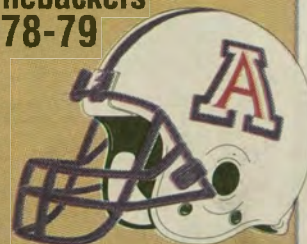
The only thing that could make Bob Davie happier is if those prayers are answered, and the Irish walk off the field with a win.

## EXPERIENCE

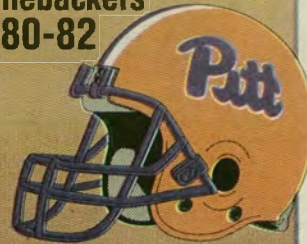
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Linebackers  
1978-79



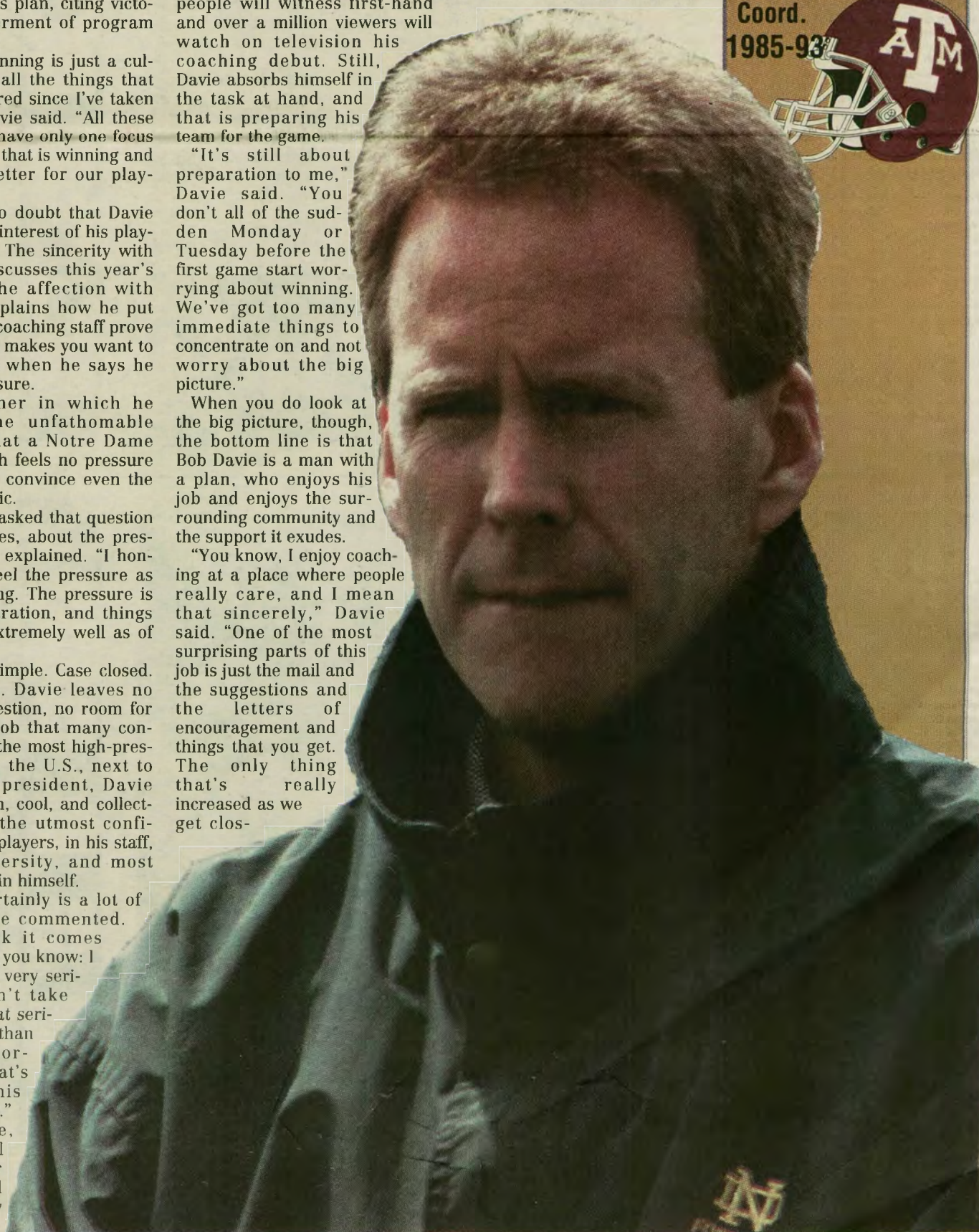
Linebackers  
1980-82



Defensive  
Coord.  
1983-84



Defensive  
Coord.  
1985-93





NOTRE DAME SCHEDULE

Sep. 6

at Georgia Tech

Sep. 13

at Purdue

Sep. 20

at Michigan State

Sep. 27

at Michigan

Oct. 4

at Stanford

Oct. 11

at Pittsburgh

Oct. 18

at USC

Oct. 25

at Boston College

Nov. 1

at Navy

Nov. 15


at LSU

Nov. 22

at West Virginia

Nov. 29

at Hawaii



1st season at Notre Dame

Career record: 0-0

At Notre Dame: 0-0

Against Georgia Tech: 0-0

In the Spotlight

Irish Linebackers



This season Bert Berry, Kinnon Tatum, and Lyron Cobbins are playing on Sundays. Only Kory Minor returns from the heart of the 1996 defense.

Looking to fill their shoes are Lamont Bryant, Jimmy Friday and Bobbie Howard. While their talent certainly is not lacking, gameday experience is.

Everyone knows what Minor can do and we will start to find out tomorrow if the rest of the 'backers can follow his lead.

How good the defense will be directly depends on if the linebacking corps can play up to their potential.

  
The Observer/Brandon Candura  
Bobby Howard will call the signals for the defense.

  
The Observer/Brandon Candura  
Jimmy Friday earned his first starting assignment.

GEORGIA TECH SCHEDULE

Sep. 6

at Notre Dame

Sep. 20

at Wake Forest

Sep. 27

at Clemson

Oct. 4

at Boston College

Oct. 11

at NC State

Oct. 18

at Florida State

Oct. 25

at North Carolina

Nov. 3

at Virginia

Nov. 15

at Duke

Nov. 22

at Maryland

Nov. 29

at Georgia



3rd season at Georgia Tech

Career record: 11-14

At Georgia Tech: 11-14

Against Notre Dame: 0-0

NOTRE DAME

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	YR
1	Deke Cooper	FS	6-3	209	SO
2	Benny Guilbeau	SS	6-1	207	JR
3	Ron Powlus	QB	6-3	225	SR
4	Kory Minor	OLB	6-1	234	JR
5	A'Jani Sanders	SS	5-11	188	JR
6	Malcolm Johnson	SE	6-5	213	SR
7	Jarious Jackson	QB	6-0	219	JR
8	Eric Chappell	QB	6-4	213	SO
9	Raki Nelson	FL	5-11	189	SO
10	Deveron Harper	CB	5-11	185	SO
11	Jay Johnson	SE	6-0	186	SO
12	Scott Cengia	K	5-10	181	SR
12	Mario Strayhorn	OLB	6-1	214	JR
13	Jimmy Friday	ILB	6-2	227	JR
14	Ivory Covington	CB	5-10	169	SR
15	Allen Rossum	CB	5-8	179	SR
16	Zak Kustok	QB	6-2	190	FR
17	Hunter Smith	P	6-2	210	JR
18	Cikali Champion	SE	5-10	183	SR
18	Joey Getherall	WR	5-9	165	FR
19	Jim Sanson	K	5-9	179	SO
19	Wayne Gunn	OLB	6-2	210	JR
20	Kevin Koppa	K	5-7	214	JR
20	Byron Joyner	FS	6-1	188	JR
21	Shannon Stephens	FL	5-10	175	JR
22	Jay Vickers	TB	5-11	218	SO
23	Aufry Denson	TB	5-10	184	JR
24	Ty Goode	CB	5-11	184	SR
25	Tony Driver	TB	6-3	205	FR
26	Lee Lafayette	CB	5-9	189	SO
27	Bobbie Howard	ILB	5-10	228	JR
28	Ken Barry	FB	6-0	221	SR
29	Cooper Rego	TB	5-9	185	FR
30	Jarvis Edison	FS	6-4	221	SR
31	Darcey Levy	RB	6-2	195	FR
32	Clement Stokes	TB	6-0	205	SR
33	Jamie Spencer	FB	6-1	248	JR
34	Ronnie Nicks	ILB	6-0	220	SO
35	Robert Phelps	CB	6-0	189	SR
36	Chirs Wachtel	P	5-11	207	SR
36	Tim Lynch	CB	5-9	177	SR
37	Ron Israel	DB	6-1	175	FR
37	Kevin Rice	FB	6-0	200	SR
38	Brock Williams	CB	5-11	175	FR
38	Paul Grimm	CB	5-9	170	SR
39	Anthony Denman	LB	6-3	205	FR
40	Jason Murray	FB	6-2	235	FR
41	Joe Ferrer	OLB	6-2	230	SO
42	Antoine Wellington	ILB	6-0	237	SO
43	Grant Irons	ILB	6-5	225	FR
44	Mike Tribe	ILB	5-10	215	FR
45	Joey Goodspeed	FB	6-0	225	SO
45	Chris McCarthy	K	5-11	205	SR
46	Kevin Dansby	LB	6-2	210	FR
47	Bill Mitoulas	OLB	6-1	225	SR
48	Johnathan Herbert	WR	5-11	194	SO
49	Joe Thomas	ILB	6-2	223	JR
50	David Payne	C	6-0	281	JR
51	Melvin Dansby	DE	6-4	276	SR
52	Alex Mueller	OG	6-6	270	JR
53	Lamont Bryant	OLB	6-3	243	JR
54	Luke Pettigout	OT	6-5	287	SR
55	Shelton Jordan	DE	6-3	241	JR
56	Kurt Belisle	DE	6-2	266	SR
57	Rick Kaczinski	C	6-4	258	SR
58	Brendan O'Connor	OG	6-2	294	SO
58	Mike Burdord	TE	6-0	205	JR
59	Matthew Kunz	ILB	6-0	215	SR
60	Scott Fagan	OLB	6-2	219	SO
62	Casey Robin	OL	6-7	285	FR
64	John Merandi	C	6-3	272	SO
65	Anthony Brannan	SS	5-11	194	SO
66	JW Jordan	OL	6-1	284	FR
67	John Wagner	OT	6-7	320	JR
70	Tim Ridder	OG	6-7	298	JR
71	Jerry Wisne	OG	6-6	295	JR
72	Leon Hires	OG	6-4	287	SO
73	Mike Doughty	OT	6-7	303	SR
74	Rob Mowl	OT	6-5	294	SO
75	Chris Clevenger	OG	6-8	312	SR
76	Kurt Vollers	OL	6-7	275	FR
77	Brad Williams	DE	6-4	266	SO
78	Jon Spickelmier	C	6-3	274	SR
79	Mike Rosenthal	OG	6-7	315	JR
80	Justin Smith	WR	6-1	185	FR
81	Lewis Dawson	SE	5-11	186	SO
82	Mike Gandy	TE	6-5	264	SO
83	Justin Orr	FL	6-2	233	SR
84	Mike Denvir	TE	6-4	243	SR
85	Antwon Jones	NG	6-3	267	JR
86	Dan O'Leary	TE	6-4	243	SO
87	Jabari Holloway	TE	6-4	235	FR
88	Bobby Brown	FL	6-3	185	JR
90	Lance Legree	NG	6-1	271	SO
91	N. VanHook-Drucker	DE	6-2	228	SO
93	B.J. Scott	DE	6-3	267	SO
94	Andy Wisne	DL	6-5	255	FR
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## ■ IRISH INSIGHT

# New stadium offers a little something for everyone

If it ain't broke, don't fix it. That was the cry of traditionalists like myself who wanted no part of the complete renovation of Notre Dame Stadium.

Granted, something needed to be done to the stadium. But something minor, like redoing the bathrooms or power cleaning the brick; not a complete overhaul of the nation's most historic and tradition-laden football venue.



Mike Day  
Sports Editor

So when the bulldozers came in and started ripping down much of the 67-year-old brick from the House that Rockne Built, we traditionalists were either completely outraged or in tears. It seemed that modernization had overtaken years of memories and history from the world's most storied sports program.

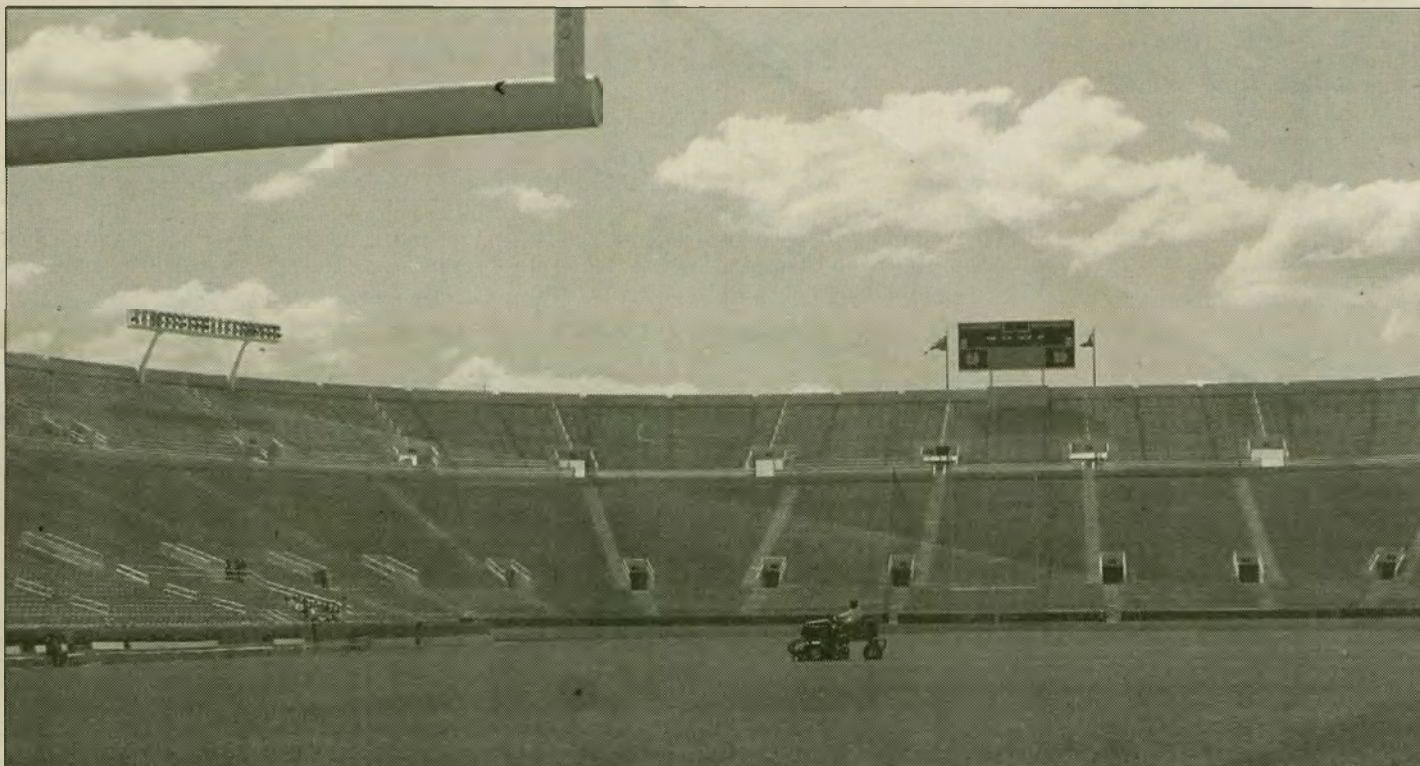
What's worse, it became apparent that "Touchdown Jesus" could not be seen without straining one's neck from the top of the recently added second deck. Instead fans were left with 22,000 seats and that same new brick that the University apparently "got a deal on" and decided to splash all over campus.

That is how many traditionalists like myself have viewed the past 21 months of construction. But oh, how close-minded we were.

Now that the product is finished, traditionalists may just have a completely different outlook. Simply put, it seems Notre Dame fans get the best of both worlds.

To begin with, the renovation did not rob the stadium of all the appeal it has always had as the playing field of the Irish. The old brick can still be seen as you enter the foyer, and the tunnel to the field provides a spectacular view of "Touchdown Jesus."

However, it is the new amenities and



The Observer/Michelle Keefe

The recently completed renovation of Notre Dame Stadium offers all the advantages of a modern facility but still possesses much of the history and tradition of the original House that Rockne Built.

"extras" that have propelled Notre Dame Stadium from a historical, yet slowly deteriorating building to a historical, and now state of the art facility that will be emulated for years to come.

From the glistening golden "University of Notre Dame" signs that radiate above each archway to the old-style streetlights that line the entrance, a touch of class and a sense of nostalgia permeate the surrounding grounds.

It only gets better once you enter the inside of this almost majestic palace. Immediately above the playing surface are rows and rows of flowers that have replaced the hundreds of folding chairs that were crowded together to accommodate just a few more fans.

The new upper deck blends smoothly into the old seats as if it had been there forever, while the luxurious press boxes, locker rooms, and closed-in seating area again add the modern appeal without sacrificing the tradition.

And what about the brick? It actually contrasts the older brick just inside the stadium in a way that brings out the best in both.

Indeed, it is the type of building that will propel Notre Dame head and shoulders above its peers in terms of facilities and appearance. And at the same time, history and tradition were not forgotten as many originally feared.

It has traditionalists like myself eating our words.

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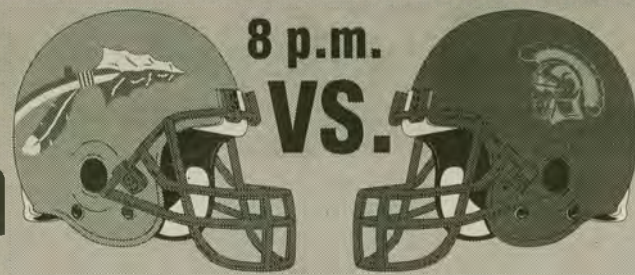
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# IRISH INSIDER Eye on the Nation



## National powers hit the road

### Trojans shoot for early upset

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#5 Florida State at #21 USC

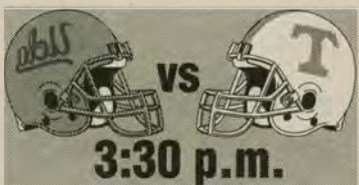
These squads boast two of the top five toughest schedules in the country this year and Saturday's inter-conference battle is one of the reasons why. The Trojans, whose schedule appears to be the most difficult of any Division 1-A school, have a golden opportunity to begin the quest to save John Robinson's job as head coach.

USC's potential all-America cornerback tandem of junior Daylon McCutcheon and senior Brian Kelly should be able to slow Thad Busby and the Seminole passing attack, now that Warwick Dunn can no longer bail them out.

Junior Dee Feaster will have an opportunity to balance the Florida State offense if he can expose the only weakness in the Trojan defense, the line.

Speaking of weaknesses in the defensive line, two of the Seminoles' front four will not be available on Saturday. Defensive end Greg Spires suffered a stress fracture in his ankle and nose guard Julian Pittman is out for disciplinary reasons.

It remains to be seen if senior tailback LaVale Woods can step up and exploit FSU's soft spots. As a junior in 1996, Woods rushed for 601 yards and seven touchdowns.

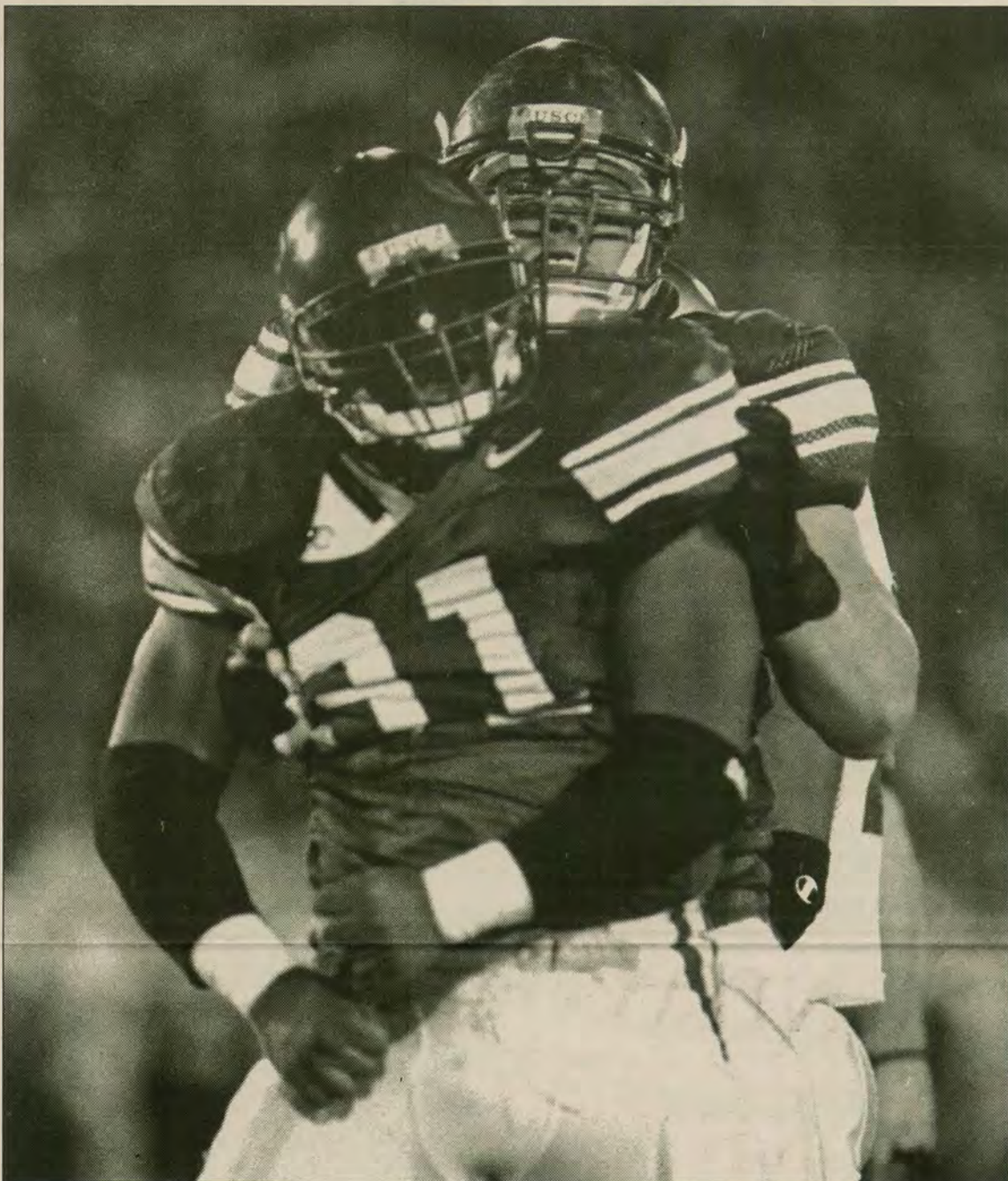


#3 Tennessee at UCLA

The picture is already looking pretty bleak for the Bruins. They come into Saturday's national television showdown with the Vols following a devastating week one loss at Washington State, and looking forward to a trip to national power Texas next weekend.

If the same UCLA defense that gave up 529 yards to the Cougars last Saturday decides to turn in another clunker this week, the voters may be forced to abandon New York's Downtown Athletic Club and hand Peyton Manning the Heisman on Saturday afternoon in sunny California.

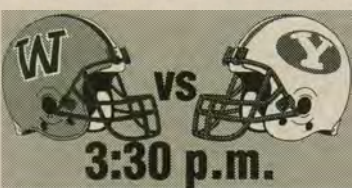
The Bruins hope that tailback Skip Hicks, who currently leads the nation in rushing with 190 yards, can turn in another stellar performance. But even with another gem from Hicks, if Manning even comes close to his five touchdown passes from a week ago, UCLA fans should start looking forward to spring practice



The Observer/Mike Ruma

USC will bring its brand of lovin' to the newly renovated Notre Dame Stadium this season.

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#4 Washington at #16 BYU

Picked by many to contend for a national title, the Huskies hope to prevent BYU from avenging its only loss of 1996. Washington ruined the Cougars' chance at a perfect season and an Alliance bowl bid last year with 29-17 defeat of BYU in Seattle.

Quarterback Brock Huard and tailback Rashaan Shehee will lead the Washington attack into Provo, Utah, but the Cougar defense, which returns nine starters, should not be caught by surprise this time around. They remember Shehee's 131-yard, two-touchdown display of a year ago and are not about to sit back and be spectators for an encore.

Linebacker/defensive end Jason Chorak will anchor the Husky line as it looks to slow the rushing tandem of Brian McKenzie and Dustin Johnson, who combined for over 1,200 yards in 1996. Washington will also attempt to put pressure on quarterback Paul Shoemaker, who is making his first collegiate start.

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2. Florida (14)	1-0	1543	2	
3. Tennessee (7)	1-0	1523	5	
4. Washington (9)	0-0	1502	4	
5. Florida State (6)	0-0	1494	3	
6. Nebraska (4)	1-0	1434	6	
7. N. Carolina (4)	0-0	1335	7	
8. Colorado (3)	0-0	1323	8	
9. Ohio State	1-0	1149	9	
10. LSU	0-0	1098	10	
11. Notre Dame	0-0	1051	11	
12. Texas	0-0	999	12	
13. Miami, Fla.	1-0	887	14	
14. Michigan	0-0	820	15	
15. Alabama	1-0	783	16	
16. Auburn	0-0	619	17	
17. Stanford	0-0	561	18	
18. Clemson	0-0	417	20	
19. BYU	0-0	411	19	
20. Iowa	0-0	374	21	
21. Kansas State	0-0	245	22	
21. Northwestern	1-0	245	24	
23. USC	0-0	216	23	
24. Colorado State	1-0	197	--	
25. Michigan State	0-0	162	25	

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