Holliday to be publisher
O’Meilia resigns post; Observer re-organizes

Pressure from various segments of the Notre Dame community caused ROTC’s role in freshman orientation to be toned down this year. Last year the Presidential Review was cancelled.

by Glenn Corso

Observer leadership expression of change and re-organization yesterday. Tim O’Meilia, former editor-in-chief, resigned his post. The position of publisher was created, and Don Holliday was appointed.

Holliday, ROTC’s new executive editor, promptly apologized Guy DeSapio to the newly created position of editor.

DeSapio was a former news editor.

Tim commented on his resignation by saying, “My decision was a personal one. The finest people I’ve met on this campus have been connected with the Observer. I plan to continue to write for the paper.

Tim added, “I resigned because I found that the administrative chores which accompany the job left me too little time for actual editing. By relinquishing myself of that responsibility I hope I can help myself in other areas in which the Observer couldn’t.

The re-organization which was a good move, I think. Don has been with the paper longer than anyone and there is simply no one who could handle the job of editor better than Guy. I won’t be missed.”

Both men commented on Tim’s resignation, and their future plans on handling the newspaper.

Guy DeSapio said, “I sincerely regret the fact that the Observer has to resign his position. I hope to make the Observer the best it can be.”

I’ve got to resign because I am in a very difficult position. There is a lot of work to be done, and I feel that the Observer needs the experience and depth he can add to the paper.

Don Holliday also expressed his regrets, and went on to comment on the changes in organization that took place.

“I’m sorry to see Tim resign but I respect his decision. As for the organizational changes they are based entirely on looking toward the future. The basic change is that instead of my assuming the full responsibility of the editorship, I assume it is best for the Observer and the position of publisher to appoint a new editor whose concern is that of the actual content of the newspaper. I have full confidence in Guy and would like to emphasize the jobs which I have now.

DeSapio remarked, “I don’t expect editorial policy to change much. I hope that it will be more intellectual and dedicated to the best interests of the Notre Dame-St. Mary’s community. I hope to continue to improve the image of the Observer by making it a reasonable and responsible organ for communication.”

Holliday and DeSapio stressed the need to work on the editorial policy to broaden its perspective.

Within two weeks Holliday and DeSapio will finish making new appointments to the editorial staff and solidify those positions which they have now.

They plan to expand the Observer’s coverage, which has been neglected in the past, in order to make the Observer a true News-Democrat community newspaper.

DeSapio said, “I am optimistic about the future of the Observer and hope that it will bring a wealth of experience to their jobs. Holliday, now a senior has been with the paper since his sophomore year. At various times he has held the positions of layout editor, associate editor, managing editor, and most recently executive editor.

DeSapio started out as a reporter in his freshman year and was promoted to news editor at the close of his freshman year. Last spring he was elected as the SLC as a representative from the north end.

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Policy statement

Starting with today’s edition there will be an administrative change in The Observer office.

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By agreement the office of Editor-in-Chief will be eliminated as of today. The responsibility for running the paper will be carried on through the establishment of two positions that of Editor and Publisher.

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New biology building is under construction

Ground was broken this summer for the construction of a new biology section of the University's Life Science Center.

The 103,000 square feet, three-story structure will be built next to Lohband Laboratory on the southeast corner of campus between the stadium and the Library. Lohband Laboratory, which is in part of the Life Science Center was built in 1967 and is used for the study of bacteriology and animal control.

The new building will have basement and three floors. The basement and first floor will contain instructional areas and specialized laboratories while floors two and three will have faculty offices and research labs for faculty members. A total of 30 faculty members are involved in the two departments of biology and microbiology.

The new building will replace the overcrowded Wenninger-Kirsch Biology Building, built in 1937 and now slated for remodeling to house the department of biology and microbiology. The Biology Building, built in 1937, was designed to accommodate undergraduates. The new building will contain the latest teaching equipment. Among its features are a controlled environment facilities where manipulation of temperature, light and humidity will enable researchers to study organisms under a variety of conditions.

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The air-conditioned facility will contain the latest teaching equipment. Among its innovative features will be a special suite for electron microscopy, stereo-microscopy, and radio isotopes laboratories for tracing work. A 3,000 square foot library is also included in the building.

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Contracts for the building totalled $3,673,690. Major contractors are Fred Black Construction Co., and Morse Electric Co. Architects for the project are Elderer Architects, of St. Paul, Minn.

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Father McCarragher, Vice-President for Student Affairs, and Dean Burke, Head of the Freshmen Year, made the final decision not to list the ROTC in the orientation pamphlet.

Phil McKenna, Student Body President, suggested the idea to Father McCarragher and stated his reasons for doing so. "I do not think any activity of the university should automatically be granted special mention during orientation." Doing so, the university would be "explicitly giving its endorsement for the ROTC program."

Father McCarragher commented, "The attitude of the students and the Student Life Council was the deciding factor."

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Star Light

Ehrbar, born under the sign Taurus (the bull) and having brilliantly survived three years in these not so auspicious surroundings, will now, in a fit of poetic generosity, reach into the realm of the occult and with hand poised to furious brow offer you star-gazer's freshmint a portrait for staring upon your own inner light. Let me throw caution to the wind, and encumber you to the notice. You might even refer to them as stellar tips.

Monday, Sept. 15

Today... A time of intense topic will slowly set in. Furtive to note, Becky try! Most of the charts are against you, as well as the administration, the professors, and the St. Mary's girls. Beware of false prophets appearing in shiny-britic garments. They are more interested in showing stars than studying the stars. Also beware shaggy and bearded men (wearing Gilbert's beer-sucker suits) who will preach with golden-tongues and arouse the idealistic passions stirring within you. They are mere dreamers, worthless star-gazers.

Don’t sign anything. Don’t believe any sign that says “You are here.” Don’t trust anyone not thirty. Wear levis and ND sweatshirts and white tennies. Current radiations from the heavens indicate that Venus is rising in the sky and that nuclear fall-out is descending.

Pray that the next generation of college kids will be able to work their way out of the incredible we have made of things. Be thankful the voting age is still 21. Learn how to drink beer (in hip freshy masculine galp), and when the easy bars are. Find out what the “ hotline” is, and the social implications of “the circle.”

Mimic the words “gross” and “horney.” Buy a ND jeanpant and learn to bluff. Feel the full of the full feel and remember that you are now part of an international revolution dedicated to the overthrow of the establishment. Write a letter home to your parents asking them “to try to understand.”

The Year Under Your Sign

-Aries (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) You are a bland, tasteless individual, mimicking the vogue and repeating the popular. To find acceptance surround yourself with those of like temperament—i.e. join the Social Committee. Don’t worry about your extra spending money, surprise revenues should be coming your way.

-Taurus (April 20 to May 20) Be discreet, read only the best magazines and journals. Laugh sarcastically when the word Observer is mentioned. Laugh exuberantly when the word “Thfrhar” is mentioned; it helps the pain go away.

-Gemini (May 21 to June 21) If your taste in women is changed, that Venus is rising in the sky and that nuclear fall-out is descending.

-Cancer (June 22 to July 21) Give up smoking.

-Leo (July 22 to Aug. 21) With your inquisitive, probing mind you are an ideal candidate for the student senate. You might even find out why we have one.

-Virgo (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) “Go back, go back, go back across the road.”

-Sagittarius (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) See Capricorn.

-Capricorn (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) See Sagittarius... (like running around in Blue Circles).

-Aquarius (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) I’d like to suggest that you run for student government, but we have none.

-Pisces (Feb. 20 to March 20) Keep a watchful eye on the floundering administration. Charts indicate that everything is going to Pisces PiPi.

-Neptune gained the fewest yards passing over against Iowa in 1949, minus 7 yards.

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Miscellany

I'm not really that partial to the AFL, and after the Jet-Colt affair I was gleefully tossed into the showers, but I must admit that I got a little choked up a few weeks ago when Oakland cut Cotton Davisson. Maybe that's the real sign of a league with some of age, nostalgia.

Davisson was one of the first quartback stars for the infant league, along with Jack Kemp, John Hadl, George Blanda, and Frank Tripucka (my favorite with the Denver Bronco). I also read where Paul Lowe's comeback had been halted by an injury. Fluid and lofty, Lowe was the title holder of his time. The other star backs of the time are also gone: Ahron Haynes, Charley Taylor (the human bowling ball), and bad-boy Cookie Gilchrist (for some good stories about Cookie's younger days in Pittsburgh get hold of 'SCHLASTR Sports Ltd. Terry O'Neill). The receiving ranks are also gone: Albert Ayres, Glenn Hixson, and Lloyd Wilson, the finest receiver in league history with the possible exception of Lance Alworth and Don Maynard.

Some people long for the days of the old Mets. I'd rather see Pee Wee Hainsworth (Golden Wheels Dubenion and Lionel Terry), the finest receiver in league history with the possible exception of Lance Alworth and Don Maynard. The former Irish football captain and Pittsburg Steelers running back Bob "Rocky" Bleier was seriously wounded in Vietnam this fall. He suffered several wounds in both his thighs and his career as a runner is doubtful.

Bleier did, however, send a letter to Steak owner Art Rooney wishing the team good luck and saying that he would be fully recovered.