Academics could fuel Big Ten fire

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Associate News Editor

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Outside the Dome

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DON'T BLAME THE RICH

I have to admit that I feel guilty about my nomadic lifestyle. But that guilt isn't the same as the guilt that comes from thinking about the rich and poor, specifically the rich/poor question which I am a member economically if not ideologically. In fact, I hear all sorts of attacks on the wealthy, most revolving around their influence. Not so fast, folks! I'm well aware of a moral obligation to help those in need, but not to suffer merely because someone suffers elsewhere. Your suffering will not decrease another else's problems, but only appease your conscience. Touchy trade-offs are a tradmark of "prognosticators": "I'm looking, don't I feel better! What have you DONE? Then these same folks chow down on a meal for a lack of compassion, and wonder why no one talks to them seriously.

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Gainesville, Fla.

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Legends ... SAINT MARY’S STYLE

The most famous Saint Mary’s legend, which Shinnors said began with a psychic’s prediction of a mass murder on a college campus, involves a serial killer dressed in a Little Bo Peep Halloween costume. In the Saint Mary’s version, the psychic predicted the murderer would attack a women’s Midwestern college that had a building shaped like an “H.” It was possible with tunnels, however, the legend was false, and Shinnors said that the story had been “circulating since the 1960s, and is refreshed as audiences get a hold of the details.”

Another false legend describes three girls playing with a Ouija board in Regina Hall, one of whom is possessed by the devil. Shinnors said he heard the same rumor, which ends with the girl’s exorcism, 25 years ago when he was in college in Louisiana. Christa Heidbreder, the director of McCandless Hall, has heard that the ghost of an old maintenance worker who wears overalls haunts the tunnels of LeMans Hall. LeMans Hall’s reputation as one of the oldest halls on campus adds fuel to the fire of the circulating legends. “Our room was haunted,” said Tiffany Mayerhofer, a freshman who lived in the second annex of LeMans earlier this year. “Stuff fell off the walls the first night we were there, and we heard chains jingling in the night. We’d leave the door locked and we’d come back and it’d be unlocked.”

During orientation weekend, Mayerhofer also heard a story that during pre-year room checks, the resident advisor in the second annex was unable to unlock any of the doors, even with the master key. Only after she went to get assistance did the doors open.

THE RAPID WRETCH OF HUMORS

Perpetuated much like rumors, urban legends are a form of folk tale and are meant to pass on some sort of important message to the community, Shinnors said. “I heard that in Queens Court a LeMans section, some girl had a baby and killed it and put it in a dumpster, and sometimes you can still hear it crying at night,” said Shannon O’Donnell, a McCandless freshman.

One true legend, according to Shinnors, involves a student solving two unsolvable math equations on accident.

“Dantzig, a graduate student at UC-Berkeley, saw two math equations on the board in an empty classroom, and thinking they were his assignments, went home and solved previously unsolved problems,” Shinnors said.

The use of e-mail has assisted the rapid spread of legends, especially on college campuses. “I think the Internet is the great backyard fence for spreading urban legends,” Shinnors said. “It has all the advantages of quick communications with a large group of strangers. And because it’s in print, it looks like it’s true.” At the same time, some Web sites, including The San Fernando Valley Folklore Society’s Urban Legends Reference Pages at www.sausau.com, list and rank legends according to their validity, and provide information on some legend sources.
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Using official figures, finance professor Richard Sheehan, a specialist in sports finances, said that Notre Dame’s athletic program would most likely lose more than $4.5 million each year by joining the Big Ten.

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Tom Kelly, associate director of Athletics, although Tom Kelly, associate director of Athletics did sit on the panel. He said his department was prepared for either option and had looked at the researching process as a good opportunity.

"We have approached this as a learning experience," he said. "We’ve put together information on where we’re going."

Two members of the Board of Trustees listened in on the forum. Provost Nathan Hatch attended the discussion while Trustee Robert Conway had a special telephone hookup to his home in London in order to hear the debate. One of the panelists, Elizabeth Toussey, sits on the Board as president of the Alumni Association. She indicated that she would vote against joining the Big Ten because of structural alumni opposition to the move.

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"Unfortunately, this is the only time that people of African descent get any kind of publication," Outlaw said. "I am more about including this spirit throughout the entire year is to incorporate that we do lift up all year."

Black History Month was officially organized in 1976. Its roots go back to 1929, when W. E. B. Du Bois created "Negro History Week" to celebrate black heritage. The week of Feb. 19 was chosen, since the birthdays of Abraham Lincoln and Frederick Douglass, leaders in the fight for emancipation, both fall during that time. People expressed concern that the month was not sufficient to observe all of the contributions blacks have made in America’s history. As a result, the entire month of February was designated as "Black History Month" in 1976.

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and the fact that the University falls behind CIC members in graduate pro-

grams has become a major concern in the decision to become a Big Ten member.

Membership in the CIC would allow Notre Dame's reputation as a gradu-

ate and research university through a connection with the Association of American Universities (AAU) and a higher rank in the Carnegie Classification System.

Notre Dame currently boasts an R2 classification regarding research activities and is not a member of the AAU. All CIC institutions, however, are AAU members with R1 status. Joining the Big Ten would give the University immediate exposure to these high-ranking qualifications and could very well propel it to an R1 status.

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Though joining the CIC seems a good prospect for graduate students, many undergraduate students are worried about how it will affect them. According to the report sent out by the Student Senate, there are also real negatives for undergraduates if Notre Dame moves forward by taking a research university. "Our undergraduates won’t be academically harmed," said Preacher, who emphasized the fact that though they will be able to utilize more resources in the researching, the faculty does not plan to stray from under-

graduate teaching.

Other programs offered through the CIC could enhance initiative in deciding to join. Efforts such as the Alliance for Success (AAPS), which promotes advancement in minority graduate attendance, and the Traveling Scholar Program, which allows doctoral students from CIC schools to do course work abroad, add to the appeal of CIC membership.

Academic pros and cons aside, much concern has been raised over the Catholic identity of the University. "I don’t think we’re going to lose our Catholic character," said Preacher.

As the only member of the CIC with a Catholic affiliation, questions have been raised whether the University would lose its religious identity. The CIC bases its membership on the autonomy of each institution, which many of faculty members hope would help maintain the independent and religious character of the University.

"I think Notre Dame is ever going to lose its indepen-

dent character," added Preacher. "We define our own character within the confines of our institutional autonomy."

Tim Logan contributed to this story.

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Spencer for behavior

The opposition Conservative Party on Sunday suspended a European Parliament lawmaker who was fined by customs for bringing more than 100 homosexual pornographic videos into Britain. Tim Spencer, 50, a member of the Conservative group in the European Parliament’s union, based in Strasbourg, France, paid $900 to customs in an out-of-court settlement after pornographic videos, magazines and a small amount of marijuana were found in his briefcase during a routine check at London’s Heathrow Airport. Such settlements are usually confidential and mean individuals do not have to appear in court. However, news of the fine was leaked to newspapers at the weekend. Spencer said he would not stand for re-election to the European Parliament in June, adding that he would understand if the Tories decided to drop him. “I am gay, I have always been gay,” Spencer told reporters, standing alongside his wife, Ulrika, outside their home in Chart, Surrey.

Scientists link origin of AIDS with chimps

CHICAGO

Where did the AIDS virus come from? Scientists believe they have solved this lingering mystery. The answer: chimps. In a press conference Sunday, researchers from the University of Alabama at Birmingham said they have convincing proof that the virus has spread on at least three separate occasions from chimpanzees to people in Africa. One of these cross-species transmissions was the start of the epidemic that now infects about 35 million people worldwide. Chimps, which have carried the virus for hundreds of thousands of years, apparently do not get sick from it. Figuring out why could be important.

Bauer announces bid for 2000

WASHINGTON

Conservative activist Gary Bauer, saying he has a vision for the country that will excite the public, announced Sunday that his intention to run for the Republican nomination for president. Bauer, 52, admitted that "a lot of Americans probably don't know me yet," but said he has the conservative credentials and money-raising skills necessary for a viable candidacy. Bauer, interviewed on NBC's "Meet the Press," said he will file papers Monday with the Federal Election Commission on forming a presidential exploratory committee. "I think we have a story to tell and enthusiastic about getting into this debate and seeing if we can elevate it, see if we can put some real issues on the table for the American people," he said.

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Bauer announces bid for 2000

WASHINGTON

Conservative activist Gary Bauer, saying he has a vision for the country that will excite the public, announced Sunday that his intention to run for the Republican nomination for president. Bauer, 52, admitted that "a lot of Americans probably don't know me yet," but said he has the conservative credentials and money-raising skills necessary for a viable candidacy. Bauer, interviewed on NBC's "Meet the Press," said he will file papers Monday with the Federal Election Commission on forming a presidential exploratory committee. "I think we have a story to tell and enthusiastic about getting into this debate and seeing if we can elevate it, see if we can put some real issues on the table for the American people," he said.

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There is considerable pressure now for them to unite, and it’s not coming from the international community but from inside the Albanian community as well,” Vetan Sreeri, an influential ethnic Albanian journalist, told The Associated Press.

Independence from the Yugoslav republic of Serbia is a goal agreed on by most Kosovo Albanians, who form 90 percent of the province’s 2 million people.

Mahmut Bakali, the former Communist Party president in Kosovo, says international pressure will probably lead the rivals to overcome their differences.

“There is no difference in the goal of independence,” he said. “These rivalries are irrational.”

Still animosities are strong and have sometimes exploded into bloodshed.

In September, moderate politician Sabri Hamiti was critically wounded in an unsolved ambush after expressing readiness to negotiate only if it made the goal of the talks in Rambouillet, France.

The key ethnic Albanian players are: Ibrahim Rugova, the twice-elected president of a Kosovo government that the Serbs has never recognized; and the Kosovo Liberation Army, which has regrouped from battlefield defeats last summer.

Although independence remains his goal, Rugova has accepted a plan for an “interim solution” to grant Kosovo sweeping autonomy for three years.

After that, Serbs and ethnic Albanians could reconsider full independence. But Albanian state television quoted senior KLA official Jakup Krasniqi as saying “negotiations organized in a rush do not guarantee success for the solving of the Kosovo problem.”

Krasniqi, who met last week with U.S. envoy Christopher Hill, was quoted by the rebel news agency Kosovo Press as saying the guerrillas “remain open to negotiations with relevant international actors.”
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AMMAN

King Hussein's departure to the United States last week to treat a relapse of cancer ended a stormy week of power struggles and purges that forever changed the royal family.

At times, not even the king's closest advisers knew his choice for an heir — and many suspected it might be his 19-year-old son, Hamza, considered his favorite, palace sources said on condition of anonymity.

Throughout, the king was in and out of the hospital, twice after falling in his bathroom, they said.

The sources provided this account:

Wowed of the change came a day after Hussein's return, on Jan. 20, when the king hinted to CNN that, after 34 years grooming his brother for the throne, he might choose a new successor. The next day, Prince Hassan contacted the king's office, inquiring about his status. He received no answer.

The response was to come Jan. 22, when the king sent two senior aides — his intelligence chief and army chief of staff — to Hussein's home to tell him that he was no longer crown prince. The two men were among a group that Hussein had accused Hussein of trying to purgo while he was sick.

Hassan tried to call the king, but he had returned to a military hospital to receive transfusions. Upon his release Friday evening, the king saw Hussein at his home in Amman's outskirts.

On Jan. 23, the king informed his senior aides of his decision that Hussein would not be his successor, but stopped short of naming an heir.

That decision was taken the next day, when the king met Abdullah, his oldest son and a major general in the army.

Later that night, the king fell in his bathroom, hitting his head — the first in a series of mishaps — and had to return to the hospital. He fell again in his bathroom Monday and cut his thigh, just hours after signing the decree to appoint Abdullah as heir to the Hashemite throne.

He was again taken to the hospital with a high fever, and his doctors decided he had to return to the United States.

He was released about midnight, concerning his security and military aides, the prime minister and his brother, Prince Mouhamed, to give them instructions while he was gone. Hussein arrived three hours late. Once there, he turned over the crown to Abdullah in the presence of the king.

The next day, the king, weak and flushed, left for the airport, where he swore in Abdullah and then departed.

Indicted pilots blame faulty map

Associated Press

CAMP LEJEUNE, N.C.

A flawed map that failed to show ski patrol towers stretching 500 feet above an alpine valley may be the central issue at the court-martial of a Marine pilot charged with killing 20 people when his plane's sword a gondola cable.

Capt. Richard Ashby's defense team says he never would have flown his EA-6B Prowler jet into the valley near Cavalese, Italy, if he had known about the ski lift. But his map didn't show the cable-system built in 1966.

"Air crews rely on maps given to them by the United States to plan their missions," said Frank Spinner, a civilian lawyer hired to assist Ashby's military attorneys.

"When you have an uncharted obstruction that goes 500 feet above ground level smack in the middle of an approved low-altitude route, how could you expect them to know that it exists?"

Prosecution lawyers acknowledged Ashby's map did not show the Mount Cerami ski lift but say the omission does not bear on the fact that Ashby was "flying foolishly," flying too low and too fast.

Ashby denies it.

Army attorneys plan to question the 15 military jurors Thursday and Friday in a squat brick building on this sprawling Marine Corps base. Opening statements are planned Feb. 8.

The tragedy itself, in which a giant cable cut plummeted more than 350 feet, tossing disemboweled bodies onto blood-stained snow, will be fresh in many minds when the court-martial begins. A memorial service is planned in Italy on Wednesday, the first anniversary.

Ashby, 31, of Mission Viejo, Calif., faces a possible 200-year sentence if convicted of 20 involuntary manslaughter counts. He is also charged with destroying government and private property and dereliction of duty.

The jet's navigator, Capt. Joseph Schweitzer, 31, of Westbury, N.Y., faces court-martial Feb. 22 on 20 counts each of involuntary manslaughter and negligent homicide.

Charges were dismissed last year against two other crew members who were seated in the rear and had obstructed views of the plane's path.

Besides the bad map, Ashby's lawyers plan to show the pilot may have succumbed to an optical illusion that tricked him into thinking he was flying higher than he was. A crash investigator said he experienced the same illusion in a simulator.

When he "flew" out of the narrow valley into the wider area where the lift was, he said ground appeared — incorrectly — to be falling away.

Another issue will be whether the jet's radar altitude — properly signaled whenever the jet dropped below 1,000 feet — was prescribed minimum altitude. The cables were 370 feet above the gondola, the ground where the wing hit them.

Spinner said the radar was checked out on the ground, and a crew member said he heard it before the accident. The jet's tone had sounded frequently during the ridge-hopping flight, Spinner said, and the pilot may have not noticed it after ashby.

Spinner, a former Air Force prosecutor who as a civilian represented Air Force Lt. Kelly Flinn in her adultery case, said the case would rely heavily on expert testimony. Each side plans to produce eight to 10 experts.

While the personal stakes are great for Ashby, foreign relations are at stake for the United States.

Last year, when the Italian government threatened U.S. landing privileges at the Aviano air base, President Clinton assured the Italians justice would be served.

Giuseppe Pontrelli, spokesman for a Cavalese residents association, accused the United States of trying to minimize the accident.

Last week, he said the trial should have been held in Italy.

"The fact that the two back-seat crewmen have been cleared of charges tells you a lot about the way the U.S. is handling the case," Pontrelli said.

"If I said I'm confident about the outcome of the trial, it would be a lie.

During the trial, jurors will be taken 60 miles to the Cherry Point Marine Corps Air Station. That's home base for the Prowler, which is designed to fly at 20,000 feet and use its radar to find enemy planes and missiles and warn fighters and bombers. There, jurors will observe a Prowler in the air and sit in another's cockpit.

Of the five Belgian servicemen, one plans to attend the trial, at the Marine Corps' invitation, said their lawyer, Torrence Armstrong.
On the eve of the Board of Trustees meeting in London this week, an opportunity has presented itself to us, the members of the student body. Tomorrow evening at 7:00 p.m. at Washington Hall a presentation will be made advocating the addition of homosexuals to the non-discrimination clause of this University. As many of us are aware, much debate has transpired over the issue of the amended non-discrimination clause or not, I petition you to come and listen to those who will speak. Whether you support amending the non-discrimination clause or not, I implore you, the student body, to show your support for your fellow students, faculty, staff, and most importantly, yourself by engaging in the discussion tomorrow evening.

Sincerely,

Jay M. Smith
President of the Notre Dame College Democrats
January 30, 1999

Classic Architecture is Hip, Keenan Not

As an architecture student at the University of Notre Dame, the "Athens of the New Classicism Movement," I take offense at the description in the "Keenan Tribune" of the new bookstore as looking like a church. The Keenan Review is using the power of humor to re-attribue aggressive attitudes towards traditional architecture. Clearly the people whom put together the review have been infiltrated with modernist architects. What really shocks me is that no traditional architects were consulted for the piece.

Perhaps a more up-on-the-valors-of-traditional-architecture, issues of trachinics, and theories of Vitruvius and Alberti could have been included. That surely would have been a highly intriguing article and a service to the Notre Dame community. Some may say that I am taking the review too seriously, but really if people continue to go to the review even though it makes fun of traditional buildings then more buildings like Debartolo will be built on this campus. It is a sad day in America when anyone can take the above seriously. It is an indictment of our country that today in America we have become collective whiners. Today in America you must fear hurting any person's feelings for fear of reprisal. My ancestors came to this country from Ireland, Germany, and Slovakia. They came to this country at a time when sooner posted signs for jobs that read "No Irish need apply." Those were times when true oppression ran rampant throughout this country. I ask you to think of just how these and other immigrant populations rose to prominence in this country. "The Fighting Irish" which was once a slur is now a symbol of our strength, our "Red Badge of Courage." What allowed them to succeed was not complaining, but rather their work ethic. It did notсмотримо me that our society has fallen from the work ethic of my ancestors to one of loud whining. Today people construct issues for the sake of being heard. Take for example the aide to the Mayor of Washington, D.C. who used the word "niggardly" to describe a fund that he administers. This word in no way associated with the slur that it may sound like. However because some people mistakenly felt that it was a slur this man lost his job. What has our country come to? Must we censor every word that someone may take offense to? Statements by people like Ms. Curtis in this Friday's Observer fuel the downfall of American society from a free country to one of self-censor and political correctness.

Michael Patrick Sullivan
Fifth-Year Architecture Student
January 29, 1999
Right to Age Rites

U-WIRE BALTIMORE, Md. — In four days I am going to be 21 years old. Everyone makes such a big deal when I tell them, and they all want to know how I am going to celebrate this great milestone in my life. What they really mean to say is “Where are you going to try your first drink?” After all, everyone has to have at least a little something on their 21st birthday, right? But I don’t have any earned plans to do so. So what then, if any, is the significance of this birthday I am about to have?

If you ask people who are not members of the Hopkins drinking team, you get various answers. Some say that it’s just a number, whereas others see it as independence and the entrance into adulthood. But is 21 actually the usher of adulthood? At 18 years of age you can join the military, vote, sign any legal document, buy cigarettes and porno, and try(ed) as an adult. At 21 you can also purchase alcohol and gamble, but you still can’t rent a car until you are 24. So, when do you become a full-fledged adult?

Most earlier civilizations and many tribal nations have their own rituals of passage, ceremonies which provide a clear line between childhood and adulthood. Although they vary in their actual rituals, they all consist of three parts. Separation, transition, and incorporation. The child must be separated from the family and go through some sort of ritual, sometimes hunting or survival in the wilderness, for males and women during the first menstrual period for females, in which they are considered to have earned their manhood or womanhood. Upon completion, they are incorporated into the adult society and no longer looked upon as children. Most will marry and begin to have children shortly after their rite of passage.

Modern culture has a less obvious and bit different way to view this. Many religions have spiritual rites of passage. Jewish children have their Bar/ Bat Mitzvah and at 13 years of age; Catholics are confirmed at 12 years old; Islamic children are incorporated into the religion between 7 and 10 years old; and Hindu boys of the Brahmin Caste go through a Sacred Thread ceremony shortly before puberty in which they are given a sacred thread to wear around their bodies and the responsibility to perform prayers and rituals every morning. A spiritual maturation marker does not equal or create a social rite of passage, and a fourteen year old in these cultures is still considered less than a full-fledged adult on account of gender.

The end of adolescence is the beginning of adulthood is greatly influenced by a culturally set time clock which establishes the appropriate time for particular life events. This social clock varies between different cultures, but often highlights events such as marriage and child bearing.

Psychologically, adulthood has often been measured by the mastery of Erikson’s Identity vs. Role Confusion Stage or the entrance into Postformal thought, but today in most cultures there is no definite life event which signifies adulthood.

Now as the “Educated Class” we find ourselves with even more ambiguity. Whereas you may be able to parents drove away on moving day, who considered themselves full adults, the results of a poll where they asked called Extended Adolescence. Sort of a new term in psychosocial studies, extended adolescence is this period where we are quasi-independent, relying on our parents or sponsors for financial stability, but making many of our own life choices. Fifty years ago people were considered adults when they had left your home and gone off on your own. Now as more people realize that we have become stuck. Some people still believe in the sanctity of marriage and believe the point when they know they will be an adult. Others have decided that we become financially independent or reach the “Educated Class” where we will be an adult. Still others felt they were an adult the second their parents kicked them out of the house.

This month’s Glamour Magazine ran an article titled “The Right to Age” where we were women when they knew they were an adult. Buying furniture full-price and presenting themselves as the point when we are considered a legal adult, a rite of passage. Whatever the final answer, if any, is, it will be high on the list.

Infamous adults who create their own rite of passage often begin to wonder if they passed the right test. One of the newest rites I’ve heard of is where women who reach 30 years of age and have decided that it’s just a number, whereas others as a bona fide adult. The enoted acceptance as a real adult is the third step of the rite of passage, incorporation.

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‘The wise learn many things from their enemies’

— Aristophanes
Much to be desired ‘At First Sight’

“At First Sight”

Director: Irwin Winkler
Starring: Mira Sorvino, Val Kilmer, Nathan Lane, Kelly McGillis and Steven Weber

(Out of five shamrocks)

By JENELLE WILLIAMS
Some Movie Critic

Sitting in front of a computer screen, fingers poised awaiting divine inspiration, it is often difficult to formulate concrete opinions on that which compels no serious passion; that which does not reside in the otherwise concerned coworkers and friends; that which does not bring to life the fast-paced city-life swirling around her. The perfect solution to her problem, according to her overly concerned coworkers and friends, is a vacation to a spa out in the country. Although skeptical, she concedes, heading off for a few peaceful and uneventful days.

Enter Van Der Beek as Virgil, the blind massage therapist whose deep tissue jobs are a little too deep and personal for the emotionally volatile Amy. After carrying the weight of the world around on her shoulders, she lies on the table to comfort her, and Virgil falls in love at first sight.

When Virgil goes to comfort her, she realizes just how caring he is, and she begins to look at him in a new way. Suddenly, he understands her and views her like no other person even has — without physically seeing her. Through some kind of mystical magnetism, they develop a relationship, insignificant to everyone in the outside world, including Virgil’s overprotective sister, Jenny (Kelly McGillis) and Amy’s ex-husband, Mox (Scott Caan).

They continue to spend every possible minute together until one day, after a short period together, Amy discovers the possibility that Virgil could regain his sight by means of surgery. However, when Virgil goes through with the procedure and moves in with Amy, things are not exactly how they expected. As both of them adapt to the new lifestyle, life becomes difficult, and their relationship is put to the test.

The bottom line — this movie is horribly predictable. But of course, that is only one of the endless “chick flick” ingredients present. The plot closely follows the “love” story formula, complete with stereotypical gender roles. She is overworked and under­loved, and Amy’s ex-husband, Mox, is the deviant behind VanDerBeek’s love affection.

And he is going to show her the light. Because, of course, he is like no other man alive — sensitive, observant and friendly, a regular ‘saint’ with ironic cracks. Oh yeah, and he can give a great massage. And she is the one for his rhetoric, because she smells like ‘coffee cake’ and has a deep, seductive voice.

As the drama, this movie harbors on the border of some serious issues, but unfortunately it chops them up into fragmented pieces so as to distract the love story. Besides the topics related to blindness — living with a handicap, being accepted by society, etc. — the plot attempts to transform interpersonal issues into something philosophical and profound. This is primarily done in the moments of intense (relatively speaking) emotion between the two given characters. It takes the shape of a misplaced comment, which only serves to barishly disrupt the flow of natural conversation.

There is one exception. An underlying message that could have been more developed was the concept of compatibility zones. Everyone attempts to live in a zone of stability where all is safe, comfortable and predictable. And perhaps some people are content existing in this manner. But do these people ever really live? Only when people step outside of their own little worlds, taking a chance to view things from a new perspective, can they truly appreciate life. Only then are they capable of personal growth, happiness and love. While this theme came up at random moments, it was not adequately developed.

Within one film lies the possibility for two. Potential for an endearing love story and a compelling drama exists in “At First Sight.” But these two conflicting stories undercut one another leaving only a forced melodrama. It is not a movie which provokes love or serious emotions, but it is solid entertainment. It is not a bad movie, but it just is not particularly creative. Based on a true story, it is more plausible than, for example, “Sleepless in Seattle.” Indeed, it follows the love story outline to the letter. So, in that capacity, perhaps it has succeeded. For that reason, though, perhaps it is worth seeing — if only once.

‘Varsity Blues’ can’t fake the funk

“Varsity Blues”

Director: Brian Robbins
Starring: James Van Der Beek, Jon Voight, Paul Walker, Ron Lester and Scott Caan

(Out of five shamrocks)

By JEFFREY Q. IRISH
Some Movie Critic

“Football is religion,” is a witticism often uttered on fall Saturdays in South Bend, but it is the true belief of almost all the small town of West Canaan, Texas. And West Canaan just doesn’t have a high school football team. The setting for “Varsity Blues,” a stereotypical high school movie about the overemphasis put on sports in many communities across America. As the seemingly infinite commercials have hinted, “Varsity Blues” is a corporate motion picture (Coca-Cola and Budweiser, both included) by MTV Productions. The film is void of both originality and reality, though it does produce some likeable characters.

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Mox is a man of character though, and tries his best to stay away from the delinquent temptations in which many of his teammates are involved. Among these delinquents is Tweeder (Scott Caan), who is the wide receiver, party animal and fan favorite. Tweeder is immature and volatile, and he epitomizes frat boy come true. He is also the star quarterback’s chief rival.

There is a gratuitous amount of nudity throughout the film and it is the most obvious reason for the R-rating. In one memorable scene, the team visits a nearby strip club in which the on-duty line man Billy Bob (Scott Lester) poses with the high school’s sex education teacher.

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By CHRISTIAN A. PIERCE
Scene Movie Critic

Do you find yourself wandering down the video rental aisles looking for something different, only to find repetitive Hollywood garbage? Does it seem like the plot is always the same and only the faces change?

Well, the idea of watching another Meg Ryan-Tom Hanks romantic comedy makes me want to vomit. As I selected a film to review, I was determined to find a pioneer, an innovator who like myself was tired of the same old crap.

I'm not usually one to be sucked in by creative cover design, but "Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas" made a statement. The cover alone said that this was a film which would push the envelope, taking the medium of film to a new realm. "Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas" is the newest project by director Terry Gilliam, creator of such brilliant work as "Brazil" and "Time Bandits.

Typically, his films are labeled as absurdist, using ridiculous situations as a means of commenting on present day society. This strategy of filmmaking rejects many of the conventions of Hollywood by eliminating predictable plots. Therefore, I chose this film with the hope that Gilliam understood my frustration with recent releases.

"Fear and Loathing" is based on a notorious autobiographical novel written by Hunter S. Thompson in 1971. In the '70s, Thompson worked for Sports Illustrated and covered such events as a famous moto-cross in Las Vegas. The novel discusses his venture to Vegas with a rented convertible, his typewriter and a suitcase filled with drugs.

Well, hey, it was the '70s right? Everybody did a little drugs.

Knowing this going in, I expected a road film on the lines of "Easy Rider," but I was seriously underestimating the trippy writing of Thompson and low Thompson on his bender.

The film stars Johnny Depp as Raoul Duke, the character based on Thompson. With his "lawyer," Dr. Gonzo, played by Benicio Del Toro based on Thompson's friend, Oscar Zeta Acosta Raoul journeys to Vegas to cover the moto-cross. The duo drives from Las Vegas only stopping to fill the car with gas and fill themselves with hallucinogenic drugs.

The loose narrative follows Duke and Dr. Gonzo as they persist in traipsing every hotel room and casino they enter while in Vegas. Their action seem completely ludicrous and Depp's voice-over does little to rationalize their physical state. Moods swing from those of joy to depression, to psychotic thoughts of murder. We watch as they eat enormous meals, only to see them vomit minutes later. At times the viewer also sees the world through the eyes of the character's hallucinations. To reveal any of the details of these acid trips is to do the film injustice. The transitions Gilliam makes as a director are shocking, entertaining and disgusting at the same time. Duke's trip is painful to watch as one wonders how much of this really happened to Thompson.

Now in no way does this film glorify drug use! Gilliam uses Thompson as an example of a "life wasted with drugs," as the character rarely remembers what he did over the course of an entire week. For me it is this effect which makes the film worth seeing — the state of shock that leaves this viewer feeling dirty after watching the film. A viewing of this film is disturbing. It is one of the only films to actually make me feel sick. Not physically sick, but outraged that someone could actually waste away their life like this.

I recommend the film not for some sadistic reason, but due to the effect mentioned above. Johnny Depp is priceless as Duke and numerous cameos are made by a rather curious range of talent (Tobey Maguire, Mark Harmon, Cameron Diaz, Elye Lovett, Pena, Gary Busey and Christina Ricci). So if you are sick and tired of the same old films, rent "Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas" and experience Hunter S. Thompson's messed-up reality.

Johnnie Depp stars in "Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas."
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Associated Press

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A family decision.

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Broncos capture second Super Bowl Championship

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What a perfect way for John Elway to say goodbye.

The man who spent his first 14 NFL seasons without a Super Bowl ring got his second straight Sunday, wearing his magic for what could be the final time and gaining revenge on former coach and adversary Dan Reeves and his upstart Atlanta Falcons.

The final score was 34-19 over an Atlanta team that was its own worst enemy as the 38-year-old Elway, who was the unanimous choice for MVP, completed 18 of 29 passes for 336 yards and one touchdown and ran 3 yards for another score.

The total yardage was third best in Super Bowl history. In addition to the Falcons, who did everything they could to self-destruct on offense, Elway's accomplishments were:

— Dan Reeves, who intercepted two passes that set up two scores and set a Super Bowl record with 108 yards in interception returns.
— Fullback Howard Griffith, who gained two 1-yard TD runs.
— Terrell Davis, the league MVP, who carried 25 times for 102 yards for his seventh consecutive postseason 100-yard game, an NFL record set by John Riggins.
— Wide receiver Rod Smith, who caught five passes for 142 yards and an 80-yard touchdown.

Despite the absence of tight end Shannon Sharpe, who injured a knee in the first quarter, Smith and the other Denver receivers consistently burned Eugene Robinson, the Atlanta safety who was arrested Saturday night on charges of soliciting sex from an undercover police officer.

All that helped Denver become the first team to win two straight Super Bowls since Dallas did in 1992 and 1993 and the first AFC team to win two straight since Pittsburgh won in 1979 and 1980.

But for all the Broncos did, the game turned on what the Falcons didn't — getting only six points on their first six forays into Denver territory. Their first TD came on rookie Tim Dwight's 94-yard kickoff return with 11 minutes left in the game.

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The Falcons responded with an 80-yard, 10-play drive capped by Griffith's 1-yard drive for a touchdown. The key play was a 41-yard pass from Elway to Smith on third and 7 from the Denver 35.

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The Friars came up with similar luck on offense, shooting a dismal 29 percent from the floor, as only starting guard Chrissy Vozab and Kerri Sullivan off the bench scored in double digits, 11 and ten points respectively. The win caps an undefeated January for the Irish, who started the new year 1-2 in the Big East and exit 1998 with a 9-2 mark that has them in position to move past conference leaders Connecticut and Rutgers for the number-one spot. The Irish have not let an opponent shoot better the 45 percent from the floor since their last loss. 

Sophomore Ruth Riley scored 41 points Saturday versus Providence breaking the Notre Dame mark.

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Murphy proved to be too much for the visitors to stop. Murphy hit a turn-around jumper on the next possession, followed by a two-handed dunk by Hickey that gave the home team some breathing room.

"I think that we complement each other well," Hickey said about Murphy's presence. "When Troy is hot they get the ball to him, and I screen, and when he gets double-teamed, I'm open, so it's a complementory role and it works both ways."

While the duo of senior and freshman were tightly covered by the team's Providence defense, players like freshman David Graves stepped up, knocking two straight jumpers to push the lead back up to six points.

Another Friar run brought the lead to within three, but the Irish scored the final six points of the half to accomplish something they haven't done since December 29: carry a lead into the locker room at halftime.

You have different chemistry with different players on the floor that click," MacLeod said about the run. "When you [have the players] clicking, you leave them alone. Jimmy Dillon had some nice looks and really made things happen on that run."

While the Irish ended the first half in complete control, the Friars tried to find the momentum from the opening possession. By pushing up their tempo and turning up their aggressiveness, the visitors quickly chipped away at the lead the Irish built up. After a Murphy steal down from Wyche, the Friars went on a 10-0 run, ending with a leaping layup from DuPree. "I think they were the more aggressive team in the first half, but we came back in the second and got a total team effort," Hickey said.

The Friars were led by Murphy, who was back in the lineup at the Joyce Center for the first time after suffering a sprain left ankle during practice several weeks ago. The forward had 26 points and 12 rebounds on the day to go again with five blocked shots that stifled the Friar offense.

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Women's Basketball

Saint Mary's falls short against Olivet, 67-57

By MOLLY MCVoy
Sports Writer

What may have been one of the Belles' best defensive efforts of the year fell just short Saturday, as Olivet defeated St. Mary's 67-57.

As is typical for the freshman leader, Kelly Jones played well enough to win. We don't have a lot of means outmatched by Olivet, but we came back and we did. But we came back today and got a total team effort," Hickey said.

"When Providence made that little run, we stepped it up," he remarked, "which is something that we've been working on all week in practice. We didn't yield, and that was pretty important."

In the waning minutes of the second half, the Friars tried to find one more rally left inside of them, but came up empty. A Connelly three-pointer with 16:16 remaining cut the lead to one, but the duo of Hickey and Murphy used their size advantage to score the next six points and force Providence coach Tim Webb to use another timeout. After that point, the Friars never got within striking distance again.

"We had a good effort today against a great team," MacLeod remarked. "I liked the way we bounced back after we didn't play well against Boston College the other night. When you play that bad against a team, you should get peppered and we did. But we came back today and got a total team effort.

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Sports Briefs

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Such tentativeness would cost them later on.

With the teams skating four-on-four, sophomore Ryan Bolder worked to get a loose puck along the boards, fighting off two Michigan checkers in the process. Since neither Michigan player managed to finish his check on Bolder, Ryan was able to pass the puck to a wide open Benoit Cotnoir, who read the play and took the puck in the slot. Once again, Blackburn was beaten high by Cotnoir’s wrist shot, and the Irish had a 2-0 first period lead.

In the first period alone, the Irish were twice on the short end of five-on-three skating situations, yet Michigan did not score on either opportunity. For the game, Notre Dame killed off all right Michigan power play opportunities, making the penalty-killing unit 28 for its last 29.

Trailing by two in the second period, the Wolverines began to pick up their game. Michigan’s transition game kicked into high gear, catching Notre Dame’s defense on a few occasions with long passes through center ice. However, even with all the odd-man rushes Michigan had in the second period they still entered the third period down by the same 2-0 score.

In the third period, Michigan finally cashed in on one of those opportunities. Freshman sensation Mike Conrie received a long pass at the blue line and was able to get around the Notre Dame defense, as the teams were again skating four-on-four. Conrie then beat Forrest Kerr through his legs with a shot along the ice for his team-leading fourteenth goal of the year.

That play seemed to turn the tide in Michigan’s favor. Moments after Michigan got on the board, a slap shot from Andy Jurkowski caromed off both posts and managed to stay out of the Michigan net keeping Notre Dame’s lead at one goal.

After Conrie’s goal, Michigan took the game to the Irish as Notre Dame started to play a bit more conservative. As a result, Michigan was able to keep the puck in the offensive zone for long periods of time which led to numerous scoring opportunities.

On one of those long shifts, after Ben Simon lost his stick in the defensive zone, Michigan capitalized in front of the net. Without a stick, Simon attempted to kick the puck towards goaltender Forrest Kerr so the play could stop. The puck squirted through the pile of players, and Michigan senior Bobby Hayes tucked it home to tie the game at two.

Even with the huge momentum shift, Coach Poulin remained confident.

“It never even crossed my mind that we weren’t going to win the game. We needed a big goal from a big player,” he said.

With 6:27 remaining in the contest the Irish went on the power play and the big player stepped forward. Senior Aniket Dhadphale, who leads the team in power play goals, came through with the biggest one of his career with just 15 seconds remaining on the penalty. Sophomore Jon Carlson took a slap shot from the point, and Blackburn allowed the rebound to get away from him as he had done throughout the game. Dhadphale, as he always seems to be, was in the right place at the right time to slide the rebound past Blackburn for what turned out to be the game-winning goal as the Joyce Center erupted.

For the night, Notre Dame’s three goals were scored by points leader Simon and co-captains Cotnoir and Dhadphale. Senior Forrest Kerr sparked in the net with 35 saves frustrating Michigan’s power play by not allowing rebounds. It was all in the line of duty as Dhadphale said afterwards.

“We needed to step up, this was a key game. We’re the leaders of this team. We had to come through and luckily we did,” Dhadphale said.

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Strategy changes equal success

By ALAN WASIELEWSKI  Sports Writer

There is a line in the current Notre Dame men's basketball media guide that reveals just how different the 1998-99 team really is: "Irish coach John MacLeod promised his teams would play man to man defense once he took over in '91-'92, he has delivered on that promise and MacLeod has no plans to change that philosophy." Add one amendment to the last statement: May switch to zone to knock off Big East rivals. In an example just how difficult it is to understand MacLeod's team, he has abandoned his traditional defensive playbook and created a new one. It worked like a charm against Providence -- an 81-62 triumph against one of the better teams in the Big East.

The Notre Dame team that beat Providence was a new one. A team this focused, motivated, and dominating has not been seen at all this season. Shots were being blocked, no-look passes were executed to perfection, and the bench provided the spark MacLeod has been looking for all year. The team effort that was promised in the media guide that reveals just the personnel decisions MacLeod makes in the next few weeks will determine the outcome of the Irish program. The infusion of the young talent from freshmen Troy Murphy, David Graves, and Harold Swanagan along with sophomore Martin Ingelsby promises to give the Irish a nucleus to be reckoned with in the coming years. As the season progresses, MacLeod is looking to this young talent more and more.

Inglesby was the man who led the late charge back to lead Rutgers two weeks ago before the Irish fell to a last second shot. Graves and Swanagan are both dealing with freshmen growing pains, but still contribute minutes and key points when the game is on the line.

Murphy's stat line from the Providence game tells its own story: 26 points, 12 rebounds, two assists, five blocks, and three steals. The departure of All-American Pat Garrity left a huge hole in the Irish roster that Murphy has stepped into and let the country know that for the next three years the Irish power forward position will dominate.

The challenge that MacLeod faces is if he can mold this team into a consistent winner. The changes, adjustments, and personnel decisions MacLeod makes in the next few weeks will determine the outcome of this tumultuous season.
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Irish knock off Wolverines, 3-2

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On Saturday night, the most anticipated game of the season for Notre Dame lived up to its billing.

An enthusiastic sellout crowd, in addition to a large number of professional scouts, was on hand to watch one of the best college hockey games of the year. Furthermore, the crowd itself played a role in the outcome. The electricity in the air for the game against archrival Michigan helped carry the Irish to an exciting 3-2 win, keeping them in fourth place in the CCHA standings.

Jason Golka and the rest of the Irish Goon Squad helped pump up the crowd, and their efforts caught the attention of Notre Dame’s players and coaches alike.

"This is what I envisioned when I came to Notre Dame," Irish head coach Dave Poulin said afterwards. "The whole evening was great: the atmosphere, the game, the spirit, the enthusiasm, the crowd. That's terrific college hockey."

The start of the game was awesome," said junior Ben Simon. "It's never been that loud before... In the third period, I think [the noise] really pumped us up.

In the early going, Notre Dame took advantage of some tired Michigan skaters by using their great team speed. On Friday night, Michigan played an exhausting road game against their biggest rival, the Michigan State Spartans. Therefore, playing another road game against a team who are undefeated on home ice and were fully rested, proved a tough task for the Wolverines.

Before the game was two minutes old, Notre Dame's team speed drew first blood as center Ben Simon scored his thirteenth goal of the year. Simon snapped a wrist shot high and to the stick side, and the puck went into the goal just under the crossbar for a quick 1-0 lead.

"We have a lot of speed on our team and we like to go wide on teams," Simon said of his goal. "Our team was to hit them early and with the game before, it took its toll on them for the weekend."

Junior defenseman Andy Jurkowski earned his first assist on Simon's goal. In the first period, both teams played with reckless abandon in the offensive zone for a frenetic forecheck. In their defensive zone, however, Michigan seemed a bit tentative and let the Irish dictate the flow of play in their zone.

The Irish completed their game plan was to have some jitters," junior Jimmy Dillon said. "But with the same gritty determination they have used all season, the Irish came back. A three-pointer by guard Martin Ingelsby started Notre Dame on a 14-0 run over the next 3:39 to take a commanding seven point lead. En route to a 26-17 lead, a three-pointer from Wycher with 12:22 remaining in the first brought the Irish their first lead change of the game, putting them up 16-15. As it turned out, it would be the only lead change of the game.

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"It's good to get back on track but we need to keep playing like this," said Phil Hickey.

There have been many words used to describe the men's basketball team this season, but "consistency" has not been one of them.

While it is common for a team with sometimes as many as three starting freshmen to struggle with lack of experience, various obstacles have tried to slow down whatever momentum the team has created. Having used four different starting lineups in the last five games, the Irish were looking for some stability to carry them through the rest of the season.

This weekend, they just may have found it. Bouncing back from a loss earlier to Boston College, the Irish completed their first sweep of a Big East opponent this season, soundly defeating the Providence Friars 81-62 Saturday afternoon at the Joyce Center.

Early on, the Friars attempted to attack the crowd out of the game. Using an aggressive defense and relying on perimeter shooting, the visitors scored the first five points of the game and forced Irish coach John MacLeod to take a twenty-second timeout. That lead grew even higher when James Thomas hit a three-pointer to give the Friars a 15-9.

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