Memories the focus for senior class

Editor's Note: This is part three of a five-part series looking at student government at Notre Dame, including class councils and executive offices. An article will appear every day this week.

By MAUREEN SMITHE
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Freshman Orientation may have been three years ago for the class of 2002, but that doesn't mean the icebreaking activities have to end.

Tonight, in the first of many events planned for the upcoming year, the Senior Class Council plans to resurrect an old orientation favorite from the orientation graveyard.

President Peter Rossman, vice-president Laura Rompf, treasurer Chris Willbrandt, member Conor Zeidler, and Miranda Thomas organized a T-shirt signing event at the Alumni Senior Club to kick off their own version of Senior Orientation.

"Senior-0 is important to us because we want to provide lots of social events to bring our class together for this last year and we hope to kick it off with this," Seestile said.

"It's scary to think that we're in our last year already, and this gives us all a chance to have fun together one more year," Rosman said.

In addition to the updated version of the Graffiti Dance, the council is also hosting a Taco Bell class dinner for $1 tonight and class mass at the Grotto on Sept. 16.

But the council has plans that extend far beyond Senior 0.

The council will bring students, faculty and community members together to honor the memory of Conor Murphy, Briney Clary and Miranda Thomas through a special Last Race fundraiser, an event inspired by Murphy. Designed to raise money for leukemia research, the fundraiser will bring a famous speaker to campus to present a speech as though it was his or her last.

"I want their memories to live on and I feel like this will help us all to remember and to celebrate their lives," Seestile said.

"In addition to money raised, the event will raise awareness," Rompf said. "Conor, Briney and Miranda touched many lives in the class of 2002 — it's the least we can do in return."

Rossman said the council has big plans for Senior Week, including a day trip to a Cubs game, buses to Cedar Point, a Silversharks night and Class formal.

"Our biggest event this year will be Senior Week. We stayed last year to see how Senior Week was run and to get some ideas for this year," he said.

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Student computer complaints swell Saint Mary's clusters

By BECKY SHEPKOWSKI
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Saint Mary's sophomore Kelly Willibrandt just wanted to print a PowerPoint presentation for her biology class. She didn't have the presentation program on her computer, so she had to use one of the College's computer labs.

There, she found herself out of luck.

"The two computer classrooms in Madeleva were being used, the lab in Madeleva was locked, and the computers in the writing center were all under repair," Willibrandt said. "By the time I found a working computer in the Trumper Center, I had wasted nearly an hour of my time."

Renee, the campus technology office that handles management of the computer labs, has been flooded with students complaining about lack of computer availability on campus, and slow Internet access since school began.

Complaints have also been heard from students wishing to get online in residence hall e-mail lounges. Students wishing to use the lounge in...
I'm lost

Wait, let me rephrase that: I'm lost — without my laptop. The most technical thing I brought with me when I moved last year was my friend, the laptop. I didn't have a computer. Whenever I got the urge, I would utilize the computer lounge. But after awhile, being away from my computer usage off friends lost its appeal.

As I dramatically explained to my parents, having a laptop was necessary for my survival in college. I explained all the things I would use it for minus the CD burning and DVD watching, of course. My pleas were not immediately yielded to. But, after surviving the rest of freshman year without one, and half of my sophomore year, Santa brought my dream gift by way of a moo print box. Thank you to mom and dad, Gateway, my life would be changed forever.

I bought my laptop with a purpose. And for the first week, that purpose was AOL Instant Messenger. But, like a phase, that passed and I moved on to other better things: Yahoo! games. Writer’s side note: If you participate in those games, you are an effort to play “showbandman.” That is my little brother. Beat the pants off him.

With my three-month-old laptop, I felt very similar to a parent of a three-month-old child. The child, the computer store had supposedly jacked my best friend from her No. 1 spot on my speed dial. I admit that I was overprotective. I was dependent. Just like I imagine what I would do if my newborn friend broke beyond repair.

And then, it happened. It began acting funny; uninstalling programs and eventually destroying all the work I had done — including two papers due the next day. Inconsolable, I entered the computer store and made my way to the counter. Handing over my laptop, I was told that they would do everything in their power to save my papers. To hell with my papers. I was thinking, “Why is it worth, I will keep Gateway on speed dial just in case.”

Beyond Campus

Florida schools aim for new drinking policies

GAINESVILLE

The problems are nothing new. College students drinking too much alcohol and local bars offering specials that may entice even more binge-like behavior. But college towns, in coordination with Florida’s two largest universities, are tackling the problems in what they can do differently. Attempting to target the attitudes students have about drinking and its effects.

With a program called “Social Norms” at both the University of Florida and Florida State University and alternative nighttime activities available, universities across the state are looking into ways to change the attitudes of students toward alcohol consumption.

“It’s a really complex issue and it requires a variety of initiatives,” said Tavis Glassman, coordinator of UF’s Alcohol and Drug Resource Center. “(As a university), we can create a more health-promoting environment.”

In Gainesville, students have seen the creation of the Party Patrol that patrols the streets enforcing the city’s noise ordinance and may see work being done to curb binge-drinking advertisements.

“We’re trying to prevent people from dying ..., or having worse quality of life,” Glassman said. “I hope we have to wait for another incident before we do something.”

The Tallahasse-based Partnership for Alcohol Responsibility, working hand-in-hand with members of the FSU Division of Student Affairs, intends to make its work with local businesses and within the City Commission.

“We need to take a serious look at our campus environment,” said Tom Dono, FSU vice president for Student Affairs. “This is not a prohibition movement ... we’re saying to students of age that if you’re going to drink, drink responsibly.”

University of California - SF

Univ. eligible for stem cell research

President George W. Bush named University of California-San Francisco as one of 10 locations with stem cell lines eligible for use by federally funded scientists August 27. The nod of approval from the federal government on Aug. 9 to fund stem cell research — which would allow for the use of leftover human embryos — will bring together the scientific issues of cloning, which is illegal under current laws, and the ethical questions of whether to destroy a human embryo for potential research.

UCSF Rosenstein said he had been so relieved that he felt like a parent of a three-month-old child. The child, the computer store had supposedly jacked his best friend from her No. 1 spot on his speed dial. I admit that I was overprotective. I was dependent. Just like I imagine what I would do if my newborn friend broke beyond repair.

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Local Weather

5 Day South Bend Forecast

The AccuWeather forecast for conditions and high temperatures.

Thursday 8/30 81°63°F
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Saturday 9/1 78°60°F
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Monday 9/3 77°62°F

National Weather

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Corrections/Clarifications

The Observer regrets its error in last week’s column on the issue of stem cell research. It has been determined that the University of California at San Francisco is one of 10 locations with stem cell lines eligible for use by federally funded scientists. The Observer regrets any confusion this may have caused.
Mission receives largest sum from Bengal Bouts

By AMANDA GRECO
New Wise

Prominent members of the Holy Cross Mission and Bengal Bouts organization gathered Tuesday afternoon on the front porch of Corby Hall for the presentation of the largest donation the Bouts has yet given to the Bangladesh Mission.

Generated by fundraising from last semester’s Bengal Bouts, the check was presented to Father James Rahilly, former director of the Holy Cross Mission, and Father Joe Peixotto, a Bangladesh missionary for the past 39 years.

“It’s remarkable what has happened with Bengal Bouts over the last two years... this last year especially,” said Peixotto about the record $77,000 donation.

Now in its 72nd year, the Bengal Bouts has seen a tremendous increase in fundraising over the last five years, according to Rahilly. “Previously, we would be receiving checks ranging from $15,000 to $26,000,” Rahilly said. “But it has been increasing yearly. Last year, we received $31,000 and that was tremendous,” Rahilly added.

Each year, the Bengal Bouts gathers financial support from the sale of program advertising space, alumni donations and ticket sales for the spring boxing event. One hundred percent of the revenue earned goes to charity.

Adding to the soaring numbers are the women boxers, who help the men with the sale of T-shirts and tickets and also host their own fundraiser, The Power Hour, in the fall. The women involved in the fundraiser receive pledges for the amount of push-ups, sit-ups and jumping jacks they can perform within an hour’s time.

“I can’t think of a better way to do charity than to combine a sport with a very worthy cause,” Karie Jerge, president of the women’s team said.

For the Notre Dame students directly involved with the fundraising efforts, perspectives have been altered and sobering lessons have been learned. Admittedly, most students entered the Bouts for the boxing, knowing little about the true purpose Beyond the healthy hearts and healthy bodies, the benefits of the Bengal Bouts lean muscles, the benefits of the boxing matches help to make “it (the competition) more important,” said senior officer Mark Grinil. Occasionally, the organization receives letters of gratitude from Bangladesh missionaries and children alike.

“Seeing firsthand the hard work that is put forth helps to make us realize what our work goes to,” said Matt Fumagalli, Bengal Bouts president.

That sentiment is nothing new in the Bouts. Coach Tom Suddes is now in his 31st year with the Bouts. “It’s a whole different experience of being able to see this is a great program,” Suddes said.

The organizers would like to see the numbers and support continue to rise. “Our goal is to make it (the donation) an even greater amount, maybe to reach the $100,000 mark,” Fumagalli said.

Plans are in the making for more fundraising, rallying more support and gaining more publicity. “We’d like to see more campus involvement with students,” Fumagalli said. “You can ask anyone involved and they will tell you this is the best thing they’ve ever done at Notre Dame.”

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Second death caps standoff

Associated Press

VANDALIA, Mich. — A standoff at a campground for marijuana advocates ended its fifth day Tuesday with a second man fatally shot by police after allegedly pointing a weapon at an officer.

Rolland Rohm, 28, had been ordered several times to put his weapon down, Cass County Sheriff Joseph Underwood Jr. said. He lived at the campground, which is the target of civil forfeiture proceedings.

"It's our understanding that the campground has been booby-trapped," Underwood said.

Rohm was fatally shot Monday night by an FBI agent after pointing a rifle at the agent, Underwood said. Rohm had been facing drug and weapons charges.

Officials said a third man, Brandon J. Peoples, suffered an injury to his face and was being questioned. Early Tuesday, Rohm had said he would surrender at 7 a.m. if his son were brought to see him, Underwood said. Rohm's son, whom police said he helped raise, had been upset against police and federal agents.

The standoff began Friday when deputies went to the farm after neighbors said Crosslin was burning buildings on the property, which is the target of civil forfeiture proceedings. Crosslin reportedly warned neighbors to leave the area because "all hell was going to break loose."

Dori Leo, Crosslin's and Rohm's attorney, said Rohm and his 12-year-old son, who was recently placed in foster care, had lived with Crosslin at least five years. Leo said Crosslin was upset because Rohm's son, whom he helped raise, had been taken from the home.

Authorities alleged Crosslin shot a news helicopter from WNDU-TV in nearby South Bend, Ind., as it flew overhead Friday. Shots also were fired at an unmarked state police plane Saturday but missed, police said. Both aircraft landed safely.

Deputies said they believe Crosslin was upset about a bond revocation hearing scheduled for Friday, which he did not attend. It was set because police said he held a festival at the campground in violation of the terms of his release on bond after previous drug and weapons charges.

Crosslin was arrested in May over allegations of marijuana use at his 34-acre campground and charged with felony possession of a firearm, growing marijuana and maintaining a drug house.

Crosslin said he bought the property about 14 years ago to support marijuana advocates.

Buzz Daily, 44, a farmer who had known Crosslin and Rohm for about five years and attended several festivals at the campground, said the pair were known for their generosity. Daily said they would drive into Vandalia at Christmas and distribute gifts, and would buy food and clothes for people at the campground.

"I am wooded," Daily said. "I don't think they were trying to hurt anyone."

Rohm's stepfather, John Livermore, said the family is considering a lawsuit against police and federal agents.

Michigan State Police Lt. Mike Riske defended the shootings, and said Rohm was repeatedly ordered to put down his gun.

"In each occasion both subjects pointed firearms at officers, and I don't know what else you would have officers do," Risko said.

Labs continued from page 1

Holy Cross Hall have found two very old Power Macintosh computers, minus the keyboards. Sally Goldberg, network and systems administrator, said there are new computers for both the Holy Cross and McGannes lounges, but due to staffing problems, they have yet to be set up.

"We are sorely understaffed — we have only two people in take care of the entire campus," said Goldberg.

The staffing problems are why more than half of the Dell computers in the writing center have yet to be configured for the network and why the Madeleva 252 lab is locked and filled with boxes. However, Trumper Computer Center, which received all new Dell computers this year, is fully functional.

Jamie Rubino, a junior computer cluster consultant at the Trumper Cluster, is hopeful the situation will be remedied soon.

"We haven't had any problems. We've got new computers and people seem to be very happy with them," said Rubino.

Even though computers in the Trumper Computer Center are replaced each year, new classroom computers are rotated into classrooms every other year. Faculty and staff receive the older classroom computers, which are retired after a three-year stay. At that time, the computers are either moved to e-mail lounges or are recycled. The oldest classroom computers are now going on their second year.

"I think it is very important for students to realize that they have access to the newest equipment," said Dan Mandell, faculty support specialist.

Goldberg said that the current problems are being fixed. Student workers from many sections of the information technology department are logging hours at the help desk so that the usual workers can concentrate on configuring new computers.

As far as now, students are encouraged to use the computers in the Trumper Center, the library base­ ment classroom, or Madeleva 351. Although there are other locations with some functional computers, these places are fully functional and are less likely to cause problems, Goldberg said.

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The deans in the College of Arts & Letters Undergraduate Studies Office are excited to invite you to join them for informal conversation during lunch in the North / South Dining Halls on the following days:

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Dean Preacher, Dean Nemecek, and Dean Pratt, along with special guests will be at the table decorated with balloons.

Get to know your deans in a casual social atmosphere!

Win a free t-shirt!
U.N. racism talks continue: After the United States and Israel walked out Monday night over a condemnation of Israel, in a proposed conference declaration, South Africa rushed to convene emergency meetings to redraft a draft and propose action in the hope of averting other nation walkouts.

Military questions capital cases: A move in which jurists and individuals are questioning the death penalty in the military, saying that service personnel deserve the same protections as civilians. In civilian courts, no person may be convicted of a capital crime except by the unanimous verdict of a 12-member jury. A jury of five is all that is required to sentence a member of the armed services to death in a court-martial.

U.S. to develop anthrax strain: The Defense Intelligence Agency plans to develop small amounts of a potentially more potent variant of the bacterium that causes deadly anthrax. Pentagon officials said Tuesday that the purpose of developing a new strain of anthrax is strictly defensive to ensure that an effective vaccine is available should a biological weapon be used against American troops.

Shark attacks swimmers: A man was killed by a shark and his girlfriend was critically injured as they swam along the North Carolina coast this year. The last reported fatal shark attack in North Carolina was in 1957.

Union president faces arrest: The president of the United Mine Workers and 11 other people were arrested in front of a cheering crowd Tuesday for blocking a road during a protest outside a coal mine. Cecil Roberts, who is attempting to unionize more than a dozen Black Beauty Coal Co. mines in Indiana and Illinois, said the arrests were part of a recruitment effort. Gibson County Sheriff George Ballard asked the group to move off a road on coal company property at least five times before the arrests. Each was charged with failure to comply with police.

INAFGHANISTAN

The trial of eight foreign aid workers — including two Americans — accused of preaching Christianity in this deeply Muslim nation began Tuesday in the austere office of the supreme court chief justice.

For four hours the mostly elderly judges sifted through evidence and debated the law as it applies to the eight aid workers — the two Americans, four Germans and two Australians.

The trial closed despite earlier promises that it would be open to journalists, the and relatives of the accused, is expected to continue Wednesday and last several days at least.

The eight foreign employees of Shelter Now International, a German-based Christian group, have been accused by Afghanistan's Taliban militia leadership of trying to convert Muslims — a crime that carries the penalty of jail and expulsion for foreigners. The workers were arrested along with 56 Afghan staff members. It is not known when the trial of the Afghan employees will be held. For an Afghan, the penalty for proselytizing is death.
By MYRA MCGRIFF
Saint Mary's Editor

Three years ago, Teamwork for Tomorrow Initiatives (lEI) has received a grant of $10,000 from the South Bend Community Foundation in order to support a position of associate director in lEI.

"As a nonprofit corporation, we depend on the generous support of the local community to fund our programs and services," said Joyce Johnstone, director of educational initiatives. "This grant will allow us to expand our programming and reach more of the children and families we serve." The grant will support the position of associate director, who will oversee the day-to-day operations of the lEI and help to implement and evaluate its programs.

"We have worked with many families over the years," said Trisha Jones, a senior at Saint Mary's and a former participant in the lEI. "Getting involved in the community and seeing the impact our programs have had on the lives of children and families has been a very rewarding experience. I am very grateful to be able to continue my work with the lEI through this grant." The grant will allow the lEI to continue its important work in the South Bend community.

"We also want to thank the South Bend Community Foundation for their continued support of the lEI," said Johnstone. "Their commitment to our work is essential to our ability to make a difference in the lives of children and families in South Bend." The lEI is grateful for the support of the South Bend Community Foundation and looks forward to continuing its important work in the community.

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Business students make connections in New York City

Special to the Observer

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"Getting our names out was nice, and they [companies] were all helpful offering internships and job positions for after we graduate," said Renshaw. "We came from a small group of Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students. The program emphasized trust, respect, purpose, affirmation and accountability. Its volunteers, trained and advised by a member of the Notre Dame faculty, cooperate with the Housing Authority of the City of South Bend to serve some 35 children. A nonprofit corporation, Teamwork for Tomorrow, Inc., was established last year to develop and support this and similar after-school programs.

"We wanted to expand students' horizons of business," said Renshaw, a professor in the business and economics department. "Since New York is the hub of business, they can see people functioning in the workplace." The idea came from Jill Vitalic, chair of the business department, who set out to give students a glimpse of the business world. Renshaw worked to contact Saint Mary's alumni who live and work in New York City in order to take students on a trip to New York City and New York City businesses.

"Getting our names out was nice, and they [companies] were all helpful offering internships and job positions for after we graduate," said Jones. "The trip not only gave students a glimpse of the working world, students had a chance to network and ask questions about jobs and internships." At MetLife, an all-female panel talked to the students about balancing careers and families.

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Cullinan succeeds Nanni as Malloy's executive assistant

By LAUREN BECK
News Writer

Matthew Cullinan is the new face in the Office of the President this fall, succeeding Lou Nanni as executive assistant to University President Father Edward Malloy.

"My goal is to support Father Malloy to the best of my ability and to make this office responsive in the ways it needs to be to a variety of constituents," Cullinan said.

Cullinan assumed a wide range of responsibilities as executive assistant, including service on Notre Dame's budget groups and athletic board before taking the position in Malloy's office. This year he will help design the University's 10-year plan and will work on its execution. He also serves as the president's liaison to the athletic, development and public affairs departments and communicates with other organizations that report to the president.

His other duties include overseeing aspects of commencement and working on special projects as they arise. Cullinan does expect a slight learning curve in his new position.

"When you start any new position even though I've had experience at Notre Dame, there's a real investment of time required. I need to learn about a variety of areas, including athletics and how public affairs impacts us and even start just to scratch the surface of a whole complex array of things development has to do," Cullinan said.

Cullinan received his bachelor's and master's degrees in American history from Duke University in 1992-98 and returned to earn his doctorate in 1999. He also received a master's degree in public policy from Duke University in 1996.

Cullinan previously served as a special assistant to Father Malloy from 1992-98 and as assistant provost for academic outreach from 1998-2000. As special assistant he reviewed University administrators policies and financial aid resources and recruited new administration members. He then served as senior program officer for education policy at the J. Paul Getty Trust in Los Angeles and finally returned to Notre Dame to assume his new position in August.

"I am exceptionally pleased that we've been able to lure Matt back to Notre Dame," Malloy said in a press release. "His deep knowledge and understanding of the University as a whole, the administrative process and my own vision will serve us well as we move forward on new and challenging initiatives."

"I am delighted to have [Cullinan] back," said Chandra Johnson, assistant to the president. "His expertise in University operations adds in what we do here in the administration office," she said.

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Ground-breaking professors unmask complexity of universe

In a paper published in 1981, Ikaros Bigi, Anthony Amar, and Ashton Carter pointed out that certain decay modes for so-called B mesons, which are 10 times heavier than K mesons, would have to show large CP asymmetries, if the Standard Model was correct.

Two "B factories" — facilities that accelerate electrons and positrons, make them collide head-on, and analyze the resulting production and decay of B and anti-B mesons — were built to study these phenomena. One is located at the Stanford Linear Accelerator Center (SLAC) in California and is operated by an international collaboration of scientists, including LoSecco, known as the BaBar group. The other B factory is located at the Japanese National Laboratory for High Energy Accelerator Research (KEK) and is operated by a group known as BELLE. In July, the BaBar collaboration submitted a paper for publication showing the observation of a large CP violation in the decays of neutral B mesons as predicted by Bigi, Sanda and Carter in 1981. Two weeks later the BELLE collaboration published very similar findings.

Special to the Observer

Two University of Notre Dame physicists are involved in the discovery of a new fundamental difference between matter and its mirror image, antimatter — a finding that helps explain why the universe is not a giant void.

John LoSecco, a professor of physics, was active on the experimental side of the discovery and Karren Bigi, also a professor of physics, played a key role on the theoretical side.

James Cronin and Val Fitch of the Brookhaven National Laboratory in New York first detected the difference, referred to as CP violation, in 1964 as a tiny defect in the decays of particles known as "K mesons." Cronin and Fitch shared a Nobel Prize for their work.

In 1966, Soviet physicist Andrei Sakharov, another Nobel laureate, pointed out that CP violation might explain the observed excess of protons and neutrons over their antiparticles in the universe.

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Service creates new outlook

I came to the Dominican Republic to participate in a nine-month volunteer program in September 1998 and have stayed two and a half years. Obviously, I’ve found my service work to be a wonderful experience. I would encourage any Notre Dame or Saint Mary’s student to visit the country at least one year to do some service. So many people who hear about my work have said, “I wish I would have done something like that when I was your age.” Don’t be one of those people years down the road.

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quote of the day

"The language of truth is simple"

Seneca
ancient philosopher
Letters to the Editor

Chairs deem Flipstock successful

As the three co-chairs for the Flipstock 2001 concert, we would like to express our thanks to the more than 3,000 students who attended the show last Friday night. Our goal, when we began planning this free music festival for the students of Notre Dame, Saint Mary’s, and Holy Cross, was to do in a big way what Flipside does in a little way: to involve students in a number of activities for students looking for an alternative to drinking, whether it be for a night or as a lifestyle.

Flipstock was planned for the first weekend night of the school year because we know that students set their social patterns early on, and we wanted them to know that Flipside and many other campus organizations regularly provide fun and meaningful events for weekend activities. The efforts of many clubs prove that there are lots of things to do on the weekends. We are not against drinking, nor are we a club just for non-drinkers. Flipside plans events for all students from all three campuses, and last Friday’s concert was a perfect example of that. Students from all three campuses enjoyed the music of Nine Days, Silver and They Might Be Giants. We were ecstatic that we could provide those students with an event that they enjoyed. We have received nothing but positive feedback from students who attended the concert. Even those who had never heard of the bands and hadn’t planned on attending still enjoyed themselves immensely.

When we first began the planning of this event two years ago, Flipside as a whole got behind the idea of the concert from the beginning. At the time, we had very big ideas for what the festival would be, and we very much wanted it to be a success. There were times during the planning stages when we faced daunting challenges and difficulties and even considered giving up the whole thing. But we pressed on, knowing that the result for the three campuses would be worth the efforts of all three individuals. Eventually, we came to understand that because of the size of the show, there was just too much for us to do alone. When we realized this, we decided to ask for help from campus clubs, organizations and offices. Overwhelmingly, we received positive responses. Everyone wanted to see this show happen and they made commitments and sacrifices to the end. Without the efforts of these many groups, Flipstock 2001 would not have happened at all. So to them we owe the success of the show.

The success of this year’s concert gives us great hope for Flipstock 2002. We hope to have more bands, bigger names and more attendees. Granted, it will take more planning and greater sacrifices from more groups, but we know that all of the concert-goers who enjoy the free music and positive atmosphere of the show, it will be worth the effort. We hope to see you in 2002.

Michael Rampolla, Le Mans Hall Sarah Houtz, Holley Cross Hall Amelia Marcom, Holy Cross Hall

Newly revised faculty sexual harassment policy overlooks faculty rights

Notre Dame recently revised its sexual harassment policy. I write to explore the current policy’s failure to protect the basic rights of faculty members accused of misconduct.

According to Notre Dame, sexual harassment accu­
sations can range from "sleep with me or you’ll fail" type accusations from students to expressions of "discom­fort about personal interaction" from fellow employees. Accusations against faculty are processed by the Office of the Provost. One found in violation of the policy faces disciplinary action ranging from reprimand to a recommendation to dismiss for serious cause.

I am concerned with the dismissiveness of such charges is the fact that even unfounded charges can sometimes ruin a career. With the stakes high, basic protections for the accused should be in place. At Notre Dame this is not the case.

Faculty members accused of misconduct are given no right to even one hour’s notice of the charges before being required to respond, no right to a written copy and explanation of the charges, no right to a formal hearing (those making the charges choose formal or informal proceedings) no right to question, directly or indirectly, the accuser(s) or any parties allegedly offering neutral testimony about the matter, no right to be accompanied to all hearings by parties or other witnesses, no right to call witnesses, no right to a transcript or recording of any testimo­
ny. Office of Internal Affairs, the office responsible for investigating misconduct complaints. Office of Internal Affairs, the office responsible for investigating misconduct complaints, is required to “supress such evidence,” no right to an explanation of any finding by the office of the Provost, no right to an explanation (even a vague one) of the standard of evidence or proof used in deciding if policy violations have occurred.

Notre Dame could, of course, implement these basic protections without turning internal issues into legal matters. Internal hearings for undergraduates accused of academic dishonesty, for example, include most of the protections on the above list without being "overly legalistic."

Faculty found in violation of the policy may appeal the finding. Rights missing during the initial inquiry, how­ever, do not suddenly appear during the appeal process. A facult­

First, under the old policy, faculty members could reject informal resolutions of harassment complaints (and demand formal resolutions). Faculty no longer have this right. Second, under the old policy if charges against a faculty member were not substantiated, the University agreed to attempt to protect the fac­

university member by taking "all reason­able steps ... to restore the repu­tation of the alleged harasser if possible." In the new policy, this protection is nowhere to be found.

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Seizing Red

Upon a recent visit to the ticket office in the Joyce Center I was informed that all ticket allotments for the Nebraska game would be given to alumni only. I was disturbed by this decision given the actions of our alumni at last year’s game.

I for one know what it is like to walk into Memorial Stadium in Lincoln, Neb., attending all six home games as a freshman. Yes, that’s right I was a Husker. I was utterly con­

fused at the ticket situation.

I believe 4,500 tickets were distributed last year to Nebraska fans, yet nearly 40 percent of the stadium was red. Of course we could also credit this unmistakable sight to the fact the same Notre Dame students made game T-shirts in Nebraska school colors.

However, I doubt anyone had time to buy these shirts because they were too busy selling their tickets to Nebraska fans. I congratulate the commission on allotting tickets to alumni only so that they may sell them to Nebraska students for a healthy profit when they arrive.

Obviously there was no punishment for those ticket holders last year. For anyone planning on attending the game in Lincoln this Saturday, they may be competing against Nebraska students who were not given student tickets. Once again, the University of Nebraska cut student tickets leaving incom­

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Scene Writer

As the heat fades from the days giving way to cooler nights, Americans across the country are settling back into their couches and easy chairs, grabbing their remotes and finding out what new and exciting shows the television networks have to offer for the Fall 2001 television season.

Several months earlier, when summer was nothing more than an anticipation, network heads and programming executives prepared to announce their schedules for the forthcoming season. After analyzing demographics and spotting trends, they rolled out their latest hopefuls for what might be the next best thing.

With wacky comedies, cop dramas, reality shows and fantasy action adventures, the networks are in a desperate grab to find the next biggest hit that will secure a key demographic for years to come. The Fall 2001 TV season, however, highlights more than ever the networks searching for trendy, sure-fire hits in favor of original programming.

One of the most obvious trends this year is the rise of so-called reality television. After the super-success of CBS’s “Survivor” and its sequel, “Survivor: The Australian Outback,” expect a tidal wave of reality shows from all corners of television.

CBS will bank on name-brand success with “Survivor: Africa” (Thursdays at 9 p.m. beginning in October), the third in the series. NBC, coming off the success of “Peer Factor,” will roll out “Lost” (Wednesdays at 8 p.m.), a show where three teams of two are dropped in the middle of nowhere and must find their way home. “Lost” will compete with CBS’s similarly themed trek across the globe, “The Amazing Race” (see following page).

ABC has “The Mole II” (Fridays at 8 p.m.), the sequel to last year’s semi-successful show about a group of people who attempt to complete tasks for cash, despite the fact that one of them is a mole hired by the producers.

Fox will roll out another “Temptation Island” (Thursdays at 9 p.m.), along with “Love Cruise: The Maiden Voyage” (Tuesdays at 9 p.m.), where single young men and women are placed on a boat where they will lie and flirt their way to riches.

The WB will premiere “ElimiDate Deluxe” (Thursdays at 8:30 p.m.), where one man or woman is sent on a getaway with four members of the opposite sex, eliminating them one by one.

Doctor Susan Ohmer, an assistant professor in Notre Dame’s American Studies department, feels the recent trend in reality television is a symptom of how much entertainment is out there. “I think people are kind of tired of the glitz and glamour Hollywood has given them. There’s almost a desire to get back in touch with reality, an antidote to the simulated world,” Ohmer said. “These reality shows provide the opportunity for audiences to connect with what they are watching.”

Another trend rising this year is a new wave of fantasy-action shows. Shows such as “ Buffy the Vampire Slayer” (which switches to Tuesdays at 8 p.m. on UPN this fall), “ Angel” (Mondays at 9 p.m. on the WB) and Fox’s “Dark Angel” (Fridays at 8 p.m.) all have a youth-oriented focus.

This year will bring “ Wolf Lake” (Wednesdays at 10 p.m.) CBS, a show about a small town with a slight werewolf problem, and the WB’s “Smallville” (Tuesdays at 9 p.m.), a series centering around a teenage Clark Kent/Superman trying to cope with his superpowers.

Dr. Ohmer, who teaches a class entitled “Television in American Culture,” feels that this trend is born out of a desire to lure youthful audiences. “This trend is about the demographics, pure and simple. These types of shows appeal to the target 18-24-year-old market, especially young men age 18-24. Shows that reach these age groups can pull in a lot of advertising revenue for the networks,” Dr. Ohmer said.

Yet another trend rearing its head this season is a desire by big screen actors to take on small screen roles. This year, Richard Dreyfuss and Marcia Gay Harden will come to CBS in “The Education of Max Bickford” (Thursdays at 9 p.m.). Dr. Ohmer plays a for-mer senator who, after a surprising election loss, returns home to Seattle and his three daughters.

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There are even some big screen stars returning to television for sitcoms. Daniel Stern stars in CBS’s “Danny” (Fridays at 8:30 p.m.), where he plays a newly divorced man who also runs a local community center. Jim Belushi goes to ABC with his own show entitled “According to Jim” (Wednesdays at 8:30 p.m.), where he plays the patriarch of a modest working-class American family.

Returning to the small screen can be risky business. While works for some (Martin Sheen in “The West Wing”), it hasn’t been so successful for others (remember Gabriel Byrne’s “Madigan Men?”).

Motivations for this trend may not be based so much on ratings and advertising revenues. “For some, like Martin Sheen, it’s really the material that draws them,” Ohmer said. “But with Hollywood looking for younger faces, older actors like Richard Dreyfuss look for alternate opportunities in television, plus the promise of a steady paycheck.” Dr. Ohmer said.

But just how steady is that paycheck? In general, trends tend to simply be just that — nothing more than temporary and fleeting interest. One such trend that has seen its prime is the recent game show trend. When “Who Wants to Be a Millionaire” made its debut in 1999, audiences flocked to it in droves. The trend took off, with “Millionaire” pulling in over 25 million viewers nightly on a consistent basis. Other shows, such as CBS’s “Winning Lines” and NBC’s “21,” were rushed into production.

Two years later, however, these shows are long since gone. “Millionaire” is still around, but pulls in a far smaller (and, more important,
The leaders of the networks are finding success forged by hit reality shows and other popular formats.

Aside from the current trends hitting the airwaves, mainstay genres are showing no signs of death. This year there are a total of six new investigative dramas hitting the airwaves. Four of these will center around spy/undercover cap drama, from “The Agency” (Thursdays at 10 p.m.), a CBS show about the CIA, to “UC Undercover” (Sundays at 10 p.m.) on NBC. There are also three new legal dramas hitting the air, like CBS’s “The Guardian” (Tuesdays at 9 p.m.) and ABC’s “Philly” (Tuesdays at 10 p.m.).

There’s also the next cycle of half-hour situation comedies hitting the airwaves. Ellen DeGeneres returns to television on CBS with the innovatively titled “The Ellen Show” (Fridays at 8:00), while NBC will try to make another successful medical show in “Scrubs” (Tuesdays at 9:30 p.m.), a medical comedy. Popular culinary chef Emeril Lagasse gets his own self-titled sitcom on NBC (“Emeril,” Tuesdays at 8 p.m.), where he plays a father trying to juggle work with raising his children.

With the rise of trendy copycats, the room for original programming on the broadcast networks is getting smaller and smaller. Of the few innovative shows this year is Fox’s “24” (Tuesdays at 9 p.m., after “Love Cruise” completes its run), a show whose entire season takes place over a single day. The story is told in real time, where one hour of viewing is equal to one hour in the world of the characters.

“Original programming is going to other venues like HBO,” Dr. Ohmer said. “These shows (like the forthcoming “Band of Brothers” miniseries) can be very expensive and the advertisers simply aren’t there. Because of this, the broadcast networks shy away from these types of shows. So while the broadcast networks attempt to create, engineer and tweak their shows to attract the largest possible amount of people in the key demographics, America sits back waiting to be entertained. Amid the avalanche of shows, the networks hope that at least one will emerge that will prevent a certain question from sneaking its way into the mind of the average viewer: ‘What else is on?’”

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Action fantasy series, like “Angel,” a spin-off from the ever-popular “Buffy the Vampire Slayer,” thrive on networks like UPN and WB.

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The pairings also allow viewers to mix things up in CBS's new reality TV brainchild. Kevin O'Connor (left) and Drew, his partner in crime are ready and willing to secure that last plane or train ticket. But all's fair in reality TV. The way in which teams are eliminated in "The Amazing Race" offers a final unique feature, rather than the subjective voting systems featured on "Survivor," "Big Brother" and "The Weakest Link," merit and competition decides winners and losers in this race. The teams that lag the farthest behind are out. The winners of this contest, will truly deserve it. Although the show was taped in March, CBS is doing everything in its power to keep the winners a surprise. Each contestant had to sign a confidentiality agreement in order to participate. Fortunately though, Scene was granted a sneak preview of the show's first episode and it does not disappoint. The pace is energetic and the characters engaging. The Race does not feature aspiring actresses and singers trying to make a name for themselves, but real people who decided to go on the trip of a lifetime. When they fight (and boy do they fight) it's not over how to cook rice properly, but how to make decisions in high-pressure situations. The interactions within and among the teams will also captivate audiences as rivalries quickly develop and certain teams look like they're ready to crumble at any moment. Viewers will definitely take sides quickly, and even without the Notre Dame connection Kevin and his partner are sure to be popular favorites. In short, they're absolutely hilarious. As each team introduces itself in the first episode, Kevin's voiceover jokingly explains, "Oh, we're the ugly Americans..."

Cheer, cheer for ol' Notre Dame ND alum among cast of CBS's newest reality project "Amazing Race"

By MELISSA RAUCH Scene Writer

Kevin O'Connor has always had a strong fascination with reality television. When MTV debuted the first season of "The Real World" in 1992, he was instantly hooked. During his days as an undergraduate Notre Dame in 1997, he pursued his skeletal roommate, Gary Moore, to check out the show — then in its sixth season — and soon both were addicted.

His love for reality television also influenced his more recent excitement over the tribal conflicts and immunity challenges of CBS's "Survivor." Still, though some have called O'Connor's love for reality TV an obsession, they never expected it would result in his participating in CBS's newest global adventure competition, "The Amazing Race," premiering tonight at 9 p.m.

Touted as "Survivor" on speed," the contest features 11 pairs traveling around the world completing various tasks to win a trip valued at $1 million. It will not be an easy path for the contestants, as they have no idea where their next mission will lead them — anywhere from Australia to Africa. Since the program's executive producer is Hollywood heavyweight Jerry Bruckheimer, "The Rock"

Kevin O'Connor (left) and Drew, his partner in crime are ready and willing to take up the stairs. To be honest, they look like they had a difficult time making it to the site that morning after a long night of beer drinking.

They continue to charm as they try to complete their first mission. While trying to read a map, Drew excitedly exclaims, "Zambia! That's where we are!" to which Kevin quickly retorts, "That's Namibia, Jackass."

In a more lighthearted moment, a challenging physical task inspires one to shout to the other "Swing, you fat bastard, swing!" For the sake of viewing entertainment (and consequently CBS's ratings) one would hope these two last for a long while into the game.

Oddsmakers have already begun to speculate on which team will be victorious. Not surprisingly, the young, strong and intelligent "frat boy" duo top many of the lists of predictions.

Reality News Online gives them 1-2 odds of coming home with the loot, but believes they will have strong competition from "the Working Moms," as "Survivor's" Gretchen and Tina have taught America not to underestimate this strong demographic.

Other early favorites include "The Dating Couple" and "The Lawyers." Though expectations of victory are not as high for "The Grandparents," they will likely garner the sentimental vote.

If all these fears aren't enough for Notre Dame students to catch on to this show, they should enjoy following the adventures of their fellow Irishman O'Connor, who wears a conspicuous yellow Notre Dame hat throughout the episodes. Of course, there is one catch. "The Amazing Race" airs on Wednesday nights, opposite NBC's "The West Wing," which features a fictional Notre Dame alum, President Jed Bartlett, who has also been known to sport some Irish gear from time to time. Thank goodness for VCRs.

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Brandon Arroyo (4-6) won for the first time since he beat the Braves 6-3 at Atlanta on May 27. Arroyo spent much of the summer in the minor leagues. Buehrle allowed four hits in eight innings as the White Sox hit four solo homers off of him.

Pirates 5, Brewers 2
Warren Morris hit a two-run double in a 5-run first inning Tuesday night that carried the Pittsburgh Pirates over the Milwaukee Brewers.

Pittsburgh won consecutive games for the first time since Aug. 4-5 and for just the third time in the last 40 games. The 27-year-old batsman is hitting .282 and has hit 14 home runs. Morris doubled off the right-field wall to make it 3-0. Craig Wilson hit a sacrifice fly and Burch started a run-scoring infield single.

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Beckett's strong debut helps Marlins beat Cubs

CHICAGO (AP) — Josh Beckett tossed seven scoreless innings Wednesday night to lead the Florida Marlins to a 7-1 victory over the Chicago Cubs.

The 21-year-old right-hander allowed one hit in six shutout innings as the Florida Marlins beat the Chicago Cubs 8-1 Tuesday night.

Beckett also doubled and scored as Florida won for just the fifth time in 22 games. Preston Wilson had a three-run homer and Kevin Millar hit his second career grand slam, providing plenty of run support for Beckett.

Beckett (1-0), the second overall selection in this year's amateur draft, struck out five and walked three.

Beckett signed a $7 million deal with the Marlins, then predicted he would pitch in the 2001 All-Star Game. Maybe he could have, but the organization didn't want to take any chances with his talented arm — especially after shoulder tendinitis put him on the disabled list twice last season.

He started this season in Class-A Brevard County, pitching in warm weather through the spring, and then dominated the Florida State League, then did well enough at Double-A Portland. He went 14-1 with a 1.56 ERA in 29 games. He looked just as masterful against Sacramento and the Cubs.

Sox was 0-6-3 against Beckett. He grounded out in the fifth with the bases loaded in the fourth, on a 97-mph fastball and struck out two batters.

Homell White had the Cubs' only hit off Beckett, a second-inning single.

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Fast forward to 2000. I’m a law student at Notre Dame now, but still unable to defeat the Children of the Corn. Thanks to the many greedy, dis­loyal faculty and alumni who shamelessly sold their tickets to the Husker faithful, the “House that Rockne Built” was transformed into a neutral site by a sea of red filling both the stadi­ums.

I watched in despair as No. 1 Nebraska squeaked out an overtime victory against an undermanned and determined Irish football team. This Saturday, Notre Dame must travel to Lincoln to face the col­lege football juggernaut that is Nebraska.

The Huskers are 2-0 already this season, but clearly are not the same powerhouse that they have been in the past. This is my last year as a stu­dent, and I’ve suffered long enough. Our time is now, and all indications suggest that they’re ripe for an upset. In my years weathering the Cornhusker storm, I have learned how they work and, more importantly, how to beat them.

First of all, it is important to understand the evolution of the Cornhusker program. Ten years ago, Nebraska was known as the team that beat up on pasties all season long, then lost against “real” opponents in the bowl game. Before 1994, Tom Osborne was the Phil Mickelson of college football, and our all-time talent in the world, but still unable to win the one.

To his credit, he made two decisions that changed Nebraska forever. First, he injected speed into the Nebraska offense in the 1990s: running the ball behind five behemoth linemen. There’s a reason why you don’t see a Nebraska backfield in our league. Mother Teresa could rush for 1,500 yards in a season behind those human bulldozers. Nebraska has also enjoyed an extraordinary lineage of stand­out option quarterbacks in the last decade. Tommie Frazier, Scott Frost and now Tim Crouch have provided stability, play­making prowess and leadership during a time when rotating quarterbacks is curiously in vogue.

Second, Osborne injected speed into what was a stout but immo­bile defensive unit. The Black Shirts copied Dennis Erickson’s Miami Hurricanes defenses of the early 1990s: a 4-3 alignment featuring two nasty, aggressive defensive tackles complemented by a pair of bull­raising defensive ends whose only job in life is to maim opposing quarterbacks.

Add to the mix three lineback­ers who can run like the wind, and the overhaul was complete. The result was only three national championships in four years and a job in Washington, D.C., for Congress­man Osborne. How, then, does Notre Dame defeat Nebraska on Saturday?

Unlikely as it seems, where only 20,000 red-clad fans were present, the Irish can expect over 80,000 loud, proud Nebraskans dressed in red and husky for the party.

Save for Neyland Stadium in Knoxville, there is not a more intimidating venue in college football for a visiting team. For Notre Dame, this is a problem for Nebraska last year. They have played two games this season, and this is our first. While the Irish should be the team with the butterflies, they must stay focused and play four quarters of disciplined, fast-paced football.

Conversely, Nebraska must make some mistakes in order for us to have a chance to win. When they do turn the ball over, capitalize on the opportu­nity and score points. This all goes back to defense and special teams.

4. The real Kevin Rogers please stand up? After four years, I personally think Denovan McNabb made Kevin Rogers look like a beach bum. His schizophrenic play calling has left me cursing one moment and ecstatic the next. I still don’t understand his obligatory first and 10 run up the middle that always leaves the defense in second and short situations. While I will credit him with the fantastic fake field goal option play against Purdue, the Fiesta Bowl debacle showed his apparent inability to find weaknesses in an opposing defense and exploit them.

Use all of your weapons. Kevin, and don’t try to be macho and beat them at their own game. The Nebraska defense sees the best option offense in the country every day, and they will make you pay.

You gotta believe. Do not be surprised if Nebraska jumps out to a quick lead. The Irish cannot roll over and get pushed around, because Nebraska will embarrass you. Notre Dame must believe they can win, and play as if there is no tomorrow.

Wake up the echoes of former Irish greats Frank Spiers, Chris Zorich and Jerome Bettis and play with heart, emotion, and a nasty attitude. The 2001 Huskers are not as good as they were one year ago, and now is the time to return Notre Dame football to national prominence.

This will be my last clash with the Huskers as a student, and the stage is set for an awesome game under the stars in Lincoln. Notre Dame is its­self, as the underdog, as any Gator, Hurricane or Seminole will reluctantly admit. With the bitter memory of the Fiesta Bowl still tangible, this team needs to face its demons and respond to David’s challenges. I have a feeling we’ll do it.

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Nebraska can't come close to Notre Dame tradition

Bob Devaney and Knute Rockne are legends for putting the clouds and angels, and they're doing what any normal person does this time of year. They're talking college football. The football coaching legends still have an enthusiasm for the game that flows as if they were still bagging national titles a couple of decades ago and not stirring down Heisman Trophy winners.

And with the Notre Dame-Nebraska game looming Saturday, the conversation is beginning to get hostile. "Nebraska isn't good enough to wash Notre Dame's feet," Rockne professed. "It's not even good enough to be a local fan. It is." Devaney argues, "Nebraska is everything Notre Dame is. I'd put my program's history up to yours any day."

Oh what a losing battle Devaney has begun to wage. "Okay, what do you get besides a sea of red, two big screen TV's and some WVF intro music?"

Rockne goes on the defensive. "There's much more to Nebraska than that, he explains. "We've won back-to-back national titles. Twice. And another in '97. We've set a winning tradition over the past 40 years that is unequaled, We have a winning tradition."

Rockne smirks, cocks his head and puts his arm around his companion. "Look, anybody can win. So called 'winning traditions' can be bought and sold. Anybody can have a winning tradition. All that's needed is the right administrative moves and some creative recruiting schemes. Just ask Kansas State."

"No, lets get down to the real nitty-gritty. Throw winning out the window, level the playing field. Look at the little things that make up the support of a program; the gameday idiosyncrasies that show up on Saturdays. That will tell you who's truly the best."

Not as confident, Devaney decides to further his battle on those grounds. There's more to my program than winning he tells himself. "Let's get it on, they both think.

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"We have the best fans in the country!" Devaney proclaims. "Been a packed house since the 60's."

"Oh, and who else are your fans going to cheer for?" Rockne counters. "Nebraska State? Your fans are definitely loyal, Bob, definitely a top notch tradition. But you've got a monopoly going there."

"What about you, Rock?" Devaney asks.

"Got packed houses, and before that packed living rooms and before that had families surrounding the radio."

"Well, we've got the tunnel walk." Devaney says.

"So did the Chicago Bulls." Rockne laughs. "And before you guys, I may add"

"So, it's still cool." "Maybe," Rockne says. "But it's not beautiful. It's not like the glowing domes of 100 or so gold helmets packed in the tunnel, gleaming in the sunlight. That's pure. That's tradition."

Tell me, how can tradition involve video production?"

"Well," Devaney says. "You may be right there. Hey! We got the Blackshirts, now that's a tradition!"

Rockne passes. Thinks. "Yes, Yes, that's good. That is a real tradition. In fact that's probably the coolest tradition ya'll have. Okay, that's one."

"See," Devaney says, his chest a little more stout than before. "We got some tradition."

"Well, you know what you don't got?" Rockne asks.

"What's that?"

"An alma mater, Rock." Rockne says. "You don't have an alma mater, and the last one you had was so bad your chancellor stopped playing it at football games. How can a school not have an alma mater to sing?"

"Well," Devaney stutters. "We have a really cool band that they say is the pride of the whole state."

"Well, our band marches across campus and into the stadium in front of thousands of roaring fans," one ups Rockne. "And they have an alma mater to play. Plus, I bet your students don't even know the words to their own fight song."

Devaney knows the answer to that one. Not many. In fact, he knows that, by a good 10 to one ratio, Husker students can recite the Fresh Prince of Bel-Air theme song before their own fight song.

From here, Rockne decides to go on the offensive. He's going to put this thing away.

"Do you guys have pep rallies? No. We pack 'em in so tight every Friday night we gotta pay off the fire marshals," Rockne says.

"Do your students and players even know the other exists outside of fall Saturdays? Not at all."

"Think of all the rest I could brag about. Touchdown Jesus. We're No. 1 Moneys. Spray painting the helmets. 'Play like a champion today', and the players saluting the student body after every game by rais-
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ed Shay embarrassed some of America's best runners, tak­
ing his first-ever national championship in a time of 29.05.44, more than 20 sec­conds ahead of second-place Murray Link of Arkansas. Shay's win was Notre Dame's first NCAA outdoor title since 1956.

"It felt great when I crossed the finish line," Shay said. "It was one of my goals coming into Notre Dame as a fresh­man was to win an NCAA Championship."

Shay's win was as much a testament to his mental strength as to his physical endurance. In 2000, Shay entered the NCAA meet with his time at Mount Sac ranking him among the top collegiate runners. But his opponents, many of whom were also compet­ing in the 5,000-meters, went out slow, then kicked past Shay in the second half of the race.

"Before (2001) NCAA's, I told myself, 'I'm a 10K runner. This is going to be a 10K race from the start. Anybody who wants to go out slow, this isn't going to be the race for them.'" Shay said.

And when the gun went off, Shay wasn't going to be the first 300 meters. Then he noticed how slow the pace was. So he sped it up, carrying a group of four or five runners along with him. The other runners, per­haps seeing Shay as behaving like a "rabbit," chose not to try to keep up. By the halfway point, it was just Shay and Link.

"I told myself that if the only person I had to beat was this guy, then I'm going to win," Shay said. "I was feeling great. I knew I had a better kick than he did. So with five laps to go I just picked it up and as soon as I did he didn't respond to my move and with three laps to go I had a huge head on him."

With three laps left, Irish head coach Joe Flase yelled at Shay, telling him that if he stayed on his feet the race was his. Shay did, and he took the title.

But Shay's NCAA adventure didn't end there. The senior had already previously ran a qualifying time in the 5,000-meters and was scheduled to run that race two nights later.

On Thursday morning, the day after the 10,000-meters, Flase asked Shay if he wanted to compete in his other race.

"I'm like, 'You know what, I really don't think I want to,'" Shay said. "So he said, 'You don't have to answer right now, but tonight. And even if you don't know tonight, the race isn't until 7 or 8 tomorrow night. But on Friday morning, Shay decided he felt de­cent and chose to run in both. Shay's goal was to top Dan Garrett's 1988 school-record time of 13:35.52. But the first lap went out slow, so Shay changed his focus.

"I was thinking, 'Okay, that's out of the question. What should my goal be now?'" Shay said. "So I was like, 'Okay, make All­American. From that point on I was just racing to make All­American. I wasn't really con­cerned with time.'"

Shay reached that goal, fin­ishing sixth overall. Of the runners competing in both the 5,000- and 10,000-meters, only Stanford's Jonathan Riley, who won the 5,000 after finishing a disappointing tenth in the 10,000, finished ahead of Shay in the shorter race.

When Shay looked up at the scoreboard, he said that his time was 13.52.45.

He had topped Garrett's record by a mere second. Shay's 13 total points were enough to give the Irish a 21st overall finish, even though Shay was the only male runner­compe­titor.

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games including three losses this weekend and a loss to Bethel Monday, Schroeder­Biek is optimistic.

"Bethel's a tough team. We all felt very up after that game. I saw a lot of good things," she said. "Even though we lost, we really had a lot of successes. This is a new team this year and I saw a lot of things click­ing, like learning to work together as a team."

Schroeder-Biek hopes that a lot of the problems the team had over the weekend and against Bethel on Monday were corrected in practice Tuesday.

"We haven't had the chance to practice the things that went wrong (after the weekend games). We had three games this weekend, had Sunday off, and played Bethel [Monday night]," Schroeder-Biek said.

She focused primarily on the front-court defense as well as game strategy during prac­tices.

"We're going to talk a lot about strategy. One of the problems we had was digging a hole for ourselves," she said. "Despite their losses, the Belles remains confident. Albion finished 4-0 last week­end at a tournament at University of Dallas, making them the only remaining unbe­t­eated team in the MIAA."

Past success against Albion, however, gives Saint Mary's confidence.

"We were 1-1 against them last year and we're excited for the challenge," said Schroeder­Biek.

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ATHLETIC TRAINING & SPORTS MEDICINE

There will be a meeting for any Notre Dame freshmen students interested in the student athletic training program. The meeting will be held on Monday, September 10 at 4:15 p.m. in the Joyce Center Athletic Training Room.
**FOXTROT**

MOM SAID I SHOULD BE NICE TO YOU AT SCHOOL.

CHECK OUT THE CUTE FRESHMAN! HUBBA HUBBA!

BACK OFF, GUYS! SHE'S MY SISTER!

SO WHEN DO YOU GIVE ME TIME TO START?

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**BEMUSED AND BEFUDDLED**

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‘Dude, that’s my Liquid Poop Cola’. My mouth’s been on that. That’s gross.”

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**CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY:** Jane Curtin, Mark Chesnutt, Ilene电源, Ross Perot, Jeffrey Young, Michael Winslow, Perry Brown

Happy Birthday! It’s time to start relying on others to help you reach your goals. Self-sufficiency is fine, but outside input can often lead to slightly different results. You have the drive, but be prepared for obstacles. Your numbers: 6, 15, 22, 29, 46

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19): Don’t become involved in other people’s secret affairs. Problems with relatives will cause friction with your mates. You will have to complete everything on time. You may hang by the neck.

**Taurus** (April 20-May 20): Your moneymaking ideas will be lucrative. Talk to relatives and friends about your intentions. Travel will be beneficial but costly. Protect ideas legally before presenting them.

**Gemini** (May 21-June 20): Involvement in joint ventures or financial or contractual matters will end in disaster. Read the fine print and check into the background of those urging you to invest. Don’t become involved in other people’s secret affairs. Problems with relatives will cause friction with your mates. You will have to complete everything on time.

**Cancer** (June 21-July 22): Truth be told, a pleasant surprise will be to your advantage. Get involved in mentally stimulating events. Your talents will surface, and hobbies can be taken to higher levels.

**Leo** (July 23-Aug. 22): Your moneymaking ideas will be lucrative. Talk to relatives and friends about your intentions. Travel will be beneficial but costly. Protect ideas legally before presenting them.

**Virgo** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You’ll be full of energy, so you’ll better find something to do. Outdoors activities will be favored. If you can spend a little time in the country, you’ll be ready to conquer the world.

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Track and Field

Shadow of a hero

Shay takes NCAA title on idol's old stomping grounds

By MIKE CONNOLLY
Sports Writer

Bob Davie opens his lunch bag Tuesday and found a few surprises: a peanut butter and jelly sandwich, a Pop Tart, some Gummi Bears and a banana. Apparently his wife had switched his husband and son Clay's lunches.

Just after lunch, Davie hinted that he might have his own surprise to spring on Frank Solich and the Cornhuskers Saturday.

When asked how he planned on using his quarterback backs in the first game of the year, Davie smiled and gave away little.

"We certainly have a plan right now," Davie said about his quarterback plans for Saturday. "Our players know the plan. But I don't think it's in my best interests or the team's best interests to disclose that right now. I think you'll know how it unfolds in the first game."

After watching Solich tip his hand a bit in the NCAA Track and Field Championships.

FOOTBALL

Davie hints at QB surprise

Senior Ryan Shay idolized Steve Prefontaine since high school. He's seen all the movies, read the books. Shay even has articles about the former Olympian taped up on his bedroom wall.

So last fall when the Irish distance runner found out that the 2001 NCAA Championships were to be held at the late 10,000-meter star's old track at the University of Oregon, he set a goal.

"When I found out last year that the NCAA's were going to be in Eugene I was like, 'If I'm going to win, that's where I want to win.'"

Shay is now a fifth-year senior completing his final year of eligibility on the Notre Dame cross-country team. And Shay, who finished seventh at the NCAA's in 2000 after running a Notre Dame record and Olympic trial-qualifying 28:26 in the 10,000-meters at the Mount Sac Relays in California, never thought he'd win. "That's what I was thinking."

But Shay was the first placer in the 10,000-meter run at the 2001 NCAA Track and Field Championships.

Saint Mary's brings a completely different volleyball team into Albion

By LINDSAY MOLLAN
Sports Writer

One of the problems we're having is digging a hole for ourselves," says head coach Julie Schroeder-Biek.

Despite the youth of the Belles, Schroeder-Biek feels they are prepared for their conference opener against Albion today. The Belles opened their season with a 1-4 record against non-conference opponents.

"We're in a good point with five matches under our belt. They have prepared us for Albion Wednesday night," said Schroeder-Biek.

Even though the Belles have lost four of their first five