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Ruehlmann ticket victorious; runoff decide four spots

By THERESA GUARINO

Yesterday's class elections resulted in three runoffs, with only the class of 1986 producing a decisive winner.

The "Mob" ticket pulled in a close first-place finish, earning a spot in tomorrow's runoff election against the Dean Christy ticket, in senior class elections.

Twenty-six percent of the vote went to the "Mob" and 24.4 percent to Christy, in an election where 62.8 percent of next year's seniors voted.

Leader of the "Mob" John Decker, said he believes it was their "little bit of originality that did it... We are serious candidates. A lot of people still think we are jok ing, but we really want to do the job."

Decker's opponent, Ward Fitzgerald, vice president on the Dean provided ticket, was "very pleased with the results. We won because of our hard work and dedication," he claimed. "Our newness on the campus trail set us apart."

The class of 1987 had nine tickets running, more than any other class. Opposing each other in that runoff are the Domagalski ticket, which earned 39.1 percent of the vote, and the Martello ticket, earning 12.4 percent. Next year's sophomore will have the opportunity to vote again in tomorrow's runoff elections. Story at right.

Lebanon cancels U.S.-sponsored Israeli troop withdrawal pact

Associated Press

BEIRUT, Lebanon - President Amin Gemayel's government scrapped Lebanon's troop withdrawal pact with Israel yesterday as part of a deal with Syria designed to end the Lebanese civil war.

Gemayel held an emergency session of his Council of Ministers to announce abrogation of the U.S.-mediated pact signed May 17.

"The council has decided to cancel this... accord, consider it null and void and alter everything that may have resulted from it," he said from the council, Lebanon's Cabinet.

In response, Syria was expected to guarantee its Druse and Muslim militia allies in Lebanon will support a cease-fire while Lebanese reconciliation talks resume in Switzerland.

Israel condemned the move as a capitulation to Syrian "dictates." A spokesman for President Reagan expressed "Regret." Israeli jets bombed suspected guerrilla bases at Aley near Beirut before and during the Cabinet session.

In Beirut, rocket fire killed a French soldier and a gunner wounded a U.S. Marine colonel. Police said fighting among Lebanese factions along the line between Christian east and Moslem west Beirut killed two and wounded 11.

Army Col. Don McClary, a U.S. military spokesman, said the year, featured teams from 24

US, Canada, and Western Europe. This is the second time Saint Mary's has been invited to attend.

has the highest voter turnout, with 76.6 percent.

"We're thankful for all the people that voted," said Martello. "We got off the bat sooner than others with our organization, and I think that helped us a lot."

Domagalski said he believes it was their innovative ideas, experience, and strong service platform that aided their victory. "We were very appreciative of the overwhelming support we received," he said. "We've really taken the personal approach during this, and I think it worked."

Fifty-seven percent of the class of '86 turned out to vote, electing Ruehlmann, Beth McCallah, Don McMahon, and John Spatz, as their officers. The Ruehlmann ticket won with 52.9 percent of the vote.

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By MIKE MILLER

A plan to increase student activities fees by one-third was introduced at last night's Student Senate meeting. The resolution, which would add $10 to the current $30 fee, was initiated by Sophomore Class President Lee Broussard.

Broussard plans to send 70 percent of the increase directly to dorms, with the remainder going to the portion of the Student Activities Programming Board budget aimed at providing social activities. He justifies the proposal by noting there is a "need for an increase in social activities" and "new funding commitments would be necessary to increase the level of social activities on campus."

Student Body President Brian Callaghan disagrees. He notes "non-alcoholic events are not anywhere near as expensive" as those which do involve alcohol. "I'm not in favor of it; let's debate the fee, and let the next senate decide."

The issue will not be discussed further until the halls themselves look into it, said Callaghan, adding "Lee (Broussard) has done some research, but it hasn't gotten the support it needs."

He said the proposal will be debated sometime in the near future, but there is "no need to get passed next year." Also at last night's meeting, the senate approved Kevin Mc Govern's appointment as student union board manager after a brief discussion.

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A proposal to install lights on Ivy Road was also discussed. This was said to be a long-term project, however, as construction coordination problems dictate action be taken no earlier than next year.

Election Tally

Class of 1985

percent

John Canena 12.8

Dean Christy 24.6

John Decker 24.4

Connie O'Brien 15.4

Michael Schmitz 11.5

Class of 1986

percent

Virginia Blaisdell 36.0

Graig Herman 10.5

Richard Ruehlmann 52.9

Class of 1987

percent

James Domagalski 39.1

Michael Elliot 24.6

Brian Fentec 12.4

Jeff Martello 12.4

Patrick McCauley 16.0

Michael McMahon 16.0

Thomas Powers 9.5

Michael Herring 4.4

Joseph Zahn 11.1

O.C Commissioner percent

Michael Colgan 9.1

Jim Hagen 24.6

Doug Honeywell 30.1

John Maley 16.3

Beth McCallah 11.9

Mock Convention Poll

Ruben Ashok 10.4

Alan Cranston 1.7

John Glenn 15.2

Gary Hart 41.5

Enroll-Holmquist 2.8

Jessie Jackson 9.8

George McGovern 3.2

Walter Mondale 16.2

A runoff election will be held tomorrow for those races in which no candidate won a majority of the vote. The top two tickets will use the new runoff election to select their slate.

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**Mardi Gras paradox is a way of life in New Orleans**

**Paul McGinn**  
Executive Editor

NEW ORLEANS - Anthropologist call Mardi Gras an inverted ceremony because persons do today exactly the opposite of what they would do any other day of the year.

New Orleanians, however, call Mardi Gras a way of life - and with good reason - they live for it. It has been said the city spends its time from the Epiphany (when the Carnival season officially begins) till Fat Tuesday celebrating Mardi Gras and the rest of the year planning for it.

Many go so far as to blame Mardi Gras for making New Orleans into a powder puff city. They claim New Orleans lacks the tenacity to attract industries and financial institutions which have made Houston, Dallas and Atlanta into superpower cities of the South.

In large measure, such critics are correct. Most persons here are often more worried about having a good time than making New Orleans into a little New York City. Natives would rather be happy, drunk and insignificant than dull, sober and in charge.

Not that New Orleans does not have a power structure of its own - Mardi Gras remains the pillar of New Orleans "society." For these social elite and those who want to look like them, Mardi Gras provides a convenient opportunity to jump on Huey P. Long's "share the wealth" bandwagon. Parades become a symbol of noblesse oblige whereby the wealthy under the heading of "pro bono publico" (motto of the Krewe of Rex) distribute trinkets and their guilt.

Nowhere else in the United States do members of the establishment dress up like fools and ride through city streets throwing to crowds upwards of $5000 worth of junk. It is so unthinkable, almost sinful, to think such money could be wasted on silver-dollar sized aluminum doubloons, plastic necklaces or beads. It would seem even more absurd to think some Carnival Krewe spend money for "official" throws such as garners, parties and megaphones.

In fact it would seem ludicrous for money to be spent in such ways any other time of the year in New Orleans. But today, it is not only tolerated - it is encouraged.

New Orleanians parade not without their sins, however. Still a much segregated tradition, Mardi Gras revolves around an old guard of 2000 white families who control the more well-known parades and Carnival organizations. Yet many of the self-proclaimed bluebloods (ironically cannot even trace their family history more than 100 years back because they, much as the rest of New Orleans are descendants of European refugees. Mardi Gras parades are not for the social elite only.

Blue collar, middle class white collar and black organizations flourish here, each with a distinct heritage.

But the biggest Mardi Gras spot is reserved for the crowds. They, who pay absolutely nothing for the extravaganza, are the real beneficiaries of Mardi Gras parades. They have Fat Tuesday and a week and a half before it to drink, eat and scream for junk.

Mardi Gras' official colors are purple, gold and green. But Carnival needs only one official color to describe its place in the Crescent City - Ash Wednesday grey.

If there is any tradition which typifies the city's racism, sexism and materialism, it is Mardi Gras - men scream to women to bare their breasts in exchange for beads, while black flambeaux (kerosene torches) carriers scramble for pennies beneath the floats of image-conscious lawyers, doctors and bankers. But Mardi Gras, as most of New Orleans, cannot be so easily dismissed as immoral. Mardi Gras, such as its hometown, is a living paradox - one just has to be here to experience it.

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The second annual Saint Mary's "Fitness Fair" is today in the Haggar College Center. The fair is sponsored by the Health and Counseling Services Committee. Activities begin with a 6 p.m. talk entitled "Facts of Life: The Changing American Diet" by Deborah Morris, a nutritionist at the St. Joseph Health and Lifestyle Center. The fair also will feature booths with displays on a variety of health and fitness tonics. — The Observer

Curt Milhaupt, a senior majoring in Government and International Studies at Notre Dame, has been selected as recipient of the Japanese Government (Monbusho) Scholarship for 1984. Elite Ryan, a Saint Mary's senior, has been selected as an alternate recipient. Thirty-five students of Japanese took the three hour language examination last October. The two students were among seven who qualified from this region. The names were sent to Tokyo. The scholarship entitles the recipient to study as a research student at a Japanese university designated by the Japanese Ministry of Education. The student receives free transportation to and from Japan, and a monthly allowance for about $750 and tuition. Milhaupt is the sixth student from the University of Notre Dame to receive this award. Last year's recipient, Fredrick Dickinson, also a government major, is attending Kyoto University. — The Observer

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By KATHY CONLEY

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Dear Ronald Reagan,

As you have written, we know you have previously argued about your past due deficit and have yet to get a satisfactory response. This is our opportunity, sir, to know your credit rating is important to us and so we are taking this opportunity to review your financial situation. Immediate attention to this problem is required or we will have to take other action.

When you first contacted this office in 1980, you said you would be able to lower taxes, increase defense spending and balance the budget. This office had grave doubts about your plan, but we allowed you to proceed because your business is important to us.

But Mr. Ronald Reagan, you have not been able to balance the budget. According to our figures, your budget will be short $200 billion by the end of fiscal 1985. If this sum is added to previous deficits, we are talking of a debt approaching a trillion dollars. Mr. Ronald Reagan, we value your business, but you have done nothing to bring your budget into balance.

Mr. Ronald Reagan, in 1980 you said you would balance the budget. Every year since, you have made the same claim. Now only you fail to balance the budget as promised, but also the budget you recently submitted to this office shows an additional deficit. As usual, you say you will attend to this problem next year.

Mr. Ronald Reagan, we have been very patient with you, but look at what you have done. The government has to borrow its funds somewhere and it will be competing with others for the limited money available. This either will keep interest rates at the current high level, or increase them further. As you know the cost of borrowing money (interest rates) is reflected in t he price of almost everything - from new cars to new houses.

But additionally, Mr. Ronald Reagan, a perusal of your statements indicates that you do not know what you are doing. We are sorry for being so blunt, but this office has gone over your books and discovered that the result is that the dollar has increased in value, meaning cheap meals for a privileged few in Paris, but - more important - a higher cost for American exports. This means that American firms that do business abroad are being priced out of the market. At the same time, foreign firms now are able to sell here more cheaply. This accounted for a $60.6-billion trade deficit in 1983 and a projected deficit of $100 billion for 1984.

Mr. Ronald Reagan, we have written to you repeatedly about these matters and all we get back is promises that the budget will be balanced - but the promise is always for next year.

This is unacceptable to us. While normally we refrain from telling clients how to conduct their business, it seems obvious to us that you cannot continue to both spend the way you have on defense and also permit the rich to avoid paying their fair share of taxes. Your figures indicate that the rich enjoyed the major share of your tax reductions. A little corporate tax would not hurt, either.

In the end, Mr. Ronald Reagan, these choices are up to you. But we cannot continue to finance your debt or continue to rely on your promises that next year you will balance the budget. This, then, is your final warning. You have refused to respond adequately to previous letters. Therefore, we must inform you that your request for another $200 billion loan is denied.

We are sorry to have taken such stern measures. We always have valued your business, but we feel that you have taken advantage of the liberal credit policies extended to your predecessors. Remember, your credit rating is important to us. But frankly, Mr. Ronald Reagan, you don't have one anymore.

(End of 1984 The Washington Post Column)

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The Editor-in-Chief

Reagan's loan request denied

P.O. Box O
JP Weekend
Dear Editor:

We would like to join the many parents of Notre Dame juniors in thanking the faculty and students for a beautiful weekend. We will treasure those few days forever.

Everyone was so kind and welcoming. It was so heartening for us to come, but we believe the gratitude should go to all who worked so many months to arrange the weekend, the administration and faculty who gave so freely of their time and the students who made us feel so welcome. You gave us so many precious hours for us.

A very special thank you to all in the food services and the students who carried mountains of trays to so beautifully feed us all. Also, the dorms who worked so hard on the warm receptions.

Bob and Rosalie Stevens

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As in past years, only one former or present NCAA Division I basketball player on our team, male or female, is allowed per team. In addition, no more than three varsity football players will be permitted on one team, but if a team has a varsity basketball player on it, the number of allowable varsity football players is then two.

Just as one football player be unable to play for his team, and another basketball player may be substituted for him, as long as he has not played for any other team. Varsity basketball players, however, may not be substituted for any other basketball players. "Football players" are those persons who were listed on the previous fall roster or on the current spring roster.

When signing up a team, please be sure to tell the people at the table if your team has any football players on it so that we may schedule those teams only for late games. If anyone on your team is going to the Senior Formal, also tell us about it so that we can avoid any conflicts if possible. It is important to make mention of both of these things because no team will be rescheduled this year.

Also keep in mind when registering that the number of games per team containing vulgarity (i.e., any of George Carlin's seven dirty words) or flagrant attacks upon other students will not be under any conditions accepted by the tournament staff. It is not that we want to stifle the great tradition of Bookstore names, only clean them up to some degree. We only ask that you be creative in choosing a team name, not crude for the sake of being crude.

The tournament staff will not turn down a creative name, but we will outright reject any team name not complying with the one above rule. Should the captain registering the team give us another team name, that team will be assigned only a team number or group number, but no team name, such as Joe Team. While on the subject of captains, be sure that we will not accept the names of two captains and their phone numbers at the time of registration.

The tournament itself begins on Friday, April 6 with the Hall of Fame game. Full-scale tournament action will start up, then, on Sunday, April 8, and run the gamut of nine rounds until concluding with the finals on April 29 behind the ACC.

We hope to have 512 teams again this year. Should we reach 512 teams at the time of registration, we will take further teams on a waiting list basis only, and then consider adding more teams to the tournament after registration is complete.

Still, I wholeheartedly encourage everyone to come out and participate in what is "The World's Largest Basketball Tournament." Get a team together with your friends, enemies, or anyone else you may choose. It's an experience you won't soon forget. And if you're not so athletically inclined, no one really cares. First and foremost, this is a fun tournament. Play anyway. If you still have reservations about playing and would like to get involved with the tournament as either a player or referee or in charge of getting scorekeepers in your hall, call either Cathy Chopp (6293) or Marc Ramirez (8286).

It's official. Notre Dame's third major sport is back in town for another year of fun, frolicking, traction, and, oh yes, a little basketball.

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had some 'Slapshot' attributes," he says. "The play was rough, but it was good. It gave me a lot of experience, especially as a 16-year-old playing with guys as old as 21."

Freshman year, Bonadio had just one assist as a walk-on, but more importantly to him, he was named "Rookie of the year."

In 1981-82, Bonadio added two more assists as well as 32 games to his playing experience.

Last year, he tallied the game-winning goal in a 3-2 decision over Michigan State. He also contributed seven assists on the season. When the 1983-84 regular-season concluded a short time ago, Bonadio was ranked third among any of his previous totals accumulating eight goals and 13 ASSISTS.

Besides graduation and employment, another big event is drawing nearer in Bonadio's future. "I got engaged over October Break," he says happily. "Julie (Whiting) and I haven't set a date yet. We're going to wait and see exactly what I'll be doing in basketball all year from now.

When Bonadio graduates, he expects that he will miss "the people, the acquaintances and the friends," and aside from all the academic learning, his athletic involvement has taught him something very important.

### Fencers

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squad also had a strong showing but was just edged out by Wayne State as the Terrars scored 48 points while the Irish fell short at 47. Detroit and Cleveland State tied for third with 36 points each.

The lady fencers were led by freshman Pia Albertson who took first place in the tournament with a perfect 18-0 mark for the day. The Swedish native also achieved an automatic berth in the NCAA Championships with her title. Freshman Cindy Webers (8-5) and sophomore Janet Sullivan (7-6) finished ninth and tenth, respectively, for the Irish.

On Saturday, Notre Dame trounced Great Lakes and Big Ten representatives at Northwestern and completed its roster for the NCAA by qualifying five more men to have a maximum of two fencers in each weapon at the national tournament.

The Lady Irish failed to qualify any other fencers besides Pia Albertson as the women's squad came in fourth just missing a required third place finish to qualify for the NCAA.

"All of our fencers are better today because of the help of assistant coaches Steve Remshaw (Irish sabre coach) and Marc DeJong (Irish foil coach)," explained DeCicco. "With their help and our talent, Notre Dame is going to be tough to beat."

The Irish will be in action again over break at Princeton as they will be facing their third national championship and coach DeCicco between March 20 and 24.

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**Sports**

**Graduating senior**

Bonadio scores points in life

**By ED DOMANSKY**

Sports Writer

It is not too often that Tony Bonadio is seen dancing around in celebration after scoring a goal. Most commonly he is seen battling with opposing players in front of the net, or in one of the defensive corners.

But despite a somewhat camouflaged public image, over his four years as a member of the Irish defensive core, Bonadio has earned the respect of both his coach and his teammates.

"Tony has really impressed me over the years," says Notre Dame head coach Lefty Smith. "He came in completely unannounced and at first looked to be too small to play college hockey. He played with so much heart that he's not afraid of anything." 

"He is not an offensive threat, just a good defensive defender. He's pretty quiet, but when he talks, I think everyone takes notice of him," says Smith.

Just like many other players, Bonadio started skating at an early age. "My next-door neighbors had an ice rink, so I tried it when I was five," he says.

His days in organized hockey began one year later when his father saw an ad about hockey tryouts in the local newspaper and asked his son if he wanted to play.

"I guess it was the region of the country that got me started," says the Port Huron, Mich. native. "We're right on the border of Sarnia, Ontario and hockey is really big there. Ever since then, I've played hockey in the summer and winter." 

Bonadio's first game experience in the Port Huron Minor Hockey Association is one he'll never forget.

"When our goalie didn't show up and we had to play a goal, I recall with a smile. "Nothing went right. The pads were way too big and they kept falling off. I stopped about 30 shots and we still lost. I was crying because I thought it was my fault. My grandma and everybody was trying to console me." 

While playing on the Pee Wee level, Bonadio's rings twice made it to the finals of a major tournament. His team finished second in the State Tournament and took another big-place trophy in the Silver Stick Tournament.

"I didn't know what was going on, but everyone would make it to the finals, we'd lose," says the 5-9, 170-pound economics major. "We just couldn't win that last one." 

While attending Port Huron Northern High School, Bonadio elected not to play hockey for the school. Instead he chose to play on the Midget level for a team based in Detroit. "It was a good team," he says "but driving 140 miles round-trip all the time got kind of monotonous." 

During his junior and senior years, Bonadio played Junior B hockey for a team from Sarnia. "I'm shooting, joking that the big redhead had gotten injured earlier this season just so that he could collect the free throw shooting award."

Joe Howard entertained the crowd with his wit in accepting the award as Most Inspirational Player. The one known as "Small Wonder" told the audience he was uncertain what his role would be on the team when he joined it in early January. He good naturally joked that at first he thought he might play the same reserve role of Casey Newell. 

Newell, incidentally, was honored by the Notre Dame Club of St. Joseph Valley with the Student-Athlete Award. 

The general tone of the banquet was humorous.

"They've never given up," said Irish coach Digger Phelps of this year's team. "We're close to being perfect. Our day will come." 

No captain or captain for next year's team were named at the banquet.

To qualify several fencers for the NCAA National Championship later this month. See the story at right for more details.

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**Bookstore Basketball Returns**

Well, folks, we" ve come back. It's that time of the year again when springs arrives and a young man's thoughts turn to Bookstore Basketball. 

This Saturday, March 10, from 2-4:30 p.m. in the Great Hall of O' Shaughnessy, we will be holding registration for Bookstore XIII. Please enter through the big doors facing the quad. 

The Notre Dame women's fencing team snapped a string of six consecutive Great Lakes Championships for highly favored Wayne State by taking first at the ACC. 

The Irish, who got off to an excellent start by having eight of our twelve entries in the tournament advance to finals. They captured the overall team title with 157 points. Wayne State came in second with 151 points and Cleveland State finished third with a total of 93 points.

The Irish also gained two automatic berths in the 1984 NCAA Championships (March 20-24 at Princeton) and qualified the remaining ten fencers for berth by placing in each weapon to be decided at Northwestern the next day. "I can't believe they won because of the quality of John as a fencer," said DeCicco.

"I didn't see an emotional let down, and it's to the credit of the rest of the team because they felt as if they had to give a little more and they did." 

In the foil, the Irish also advanced three finalists including sophomore Mike Vande-Velder who took second place. Vande-Velder at 15-3 was bettered by his classmate John Pincus who was the only fencer that finished first with a mark of 16-2. 

Ernesty Andy Quoron, Notre Dame's sole finalist in the epee, lost the final match for his weapon. He was just edged out of first place by highly regarded Elliot Bianchi of Wayne State who won the epee over Greg Quoron in the final round. The junior captain of the Irish epee squad was 11-3 for the tournament. Sophomore Brian St. Clair and freshman John Pincus were also outstanding in a respective seventh and twelfth.

"In the foil, we were close but came up just short," said Andy Quoron. "Everybody had an input to the success that we enjoyed." 

"The two men who contributed beyond my greatest expectations were Tom Conolly and Chris Grady, Chris Grady faced the best competition and was fantastic just as the rest of our fencers were." 

The Notre Dame women's fencers can be seen in the FENCERS page.