Students question The Shirt's new design concept

By COLLEEN McCARTHY
Associate News Editor

When many students, alumni and fans don the 2000 "Shirt" for this football season, Notre Dame senior Neil Fitzpatrick will decline to follow suit. The Shirt, which is designed by a student and sold in various campus venues, is an organization run by students. The popular piece of apparel is a tribute to the football team and worn as a sign of solidarity by the student body at the first home football game.

For Fitzpatrick, his ordial with The Shirt began in the spring of 2000 when he submitted a design to The Shirt committee. What followed led to much frustration for Fitzpatrick and made him question the extent to which students run the committee — or if the University's administration was calling the shots in the end.

"The design I submitted had the football players in a group holding up their helmets at the base of the Dome with the words 'Proudly in the heavenly gleams thy gold and blue,'" said Fitzpatrick. Fitzpatrick was notified that his design had been selected as the 2000 Shirt.

Peggy Hnatusko, assistant director of Student Activities programs, said that although students are responsible for selecting the design of The Shirt, it has to go through various University offices to make sure that it meets University and NCAA regulations. It was during this process that objections to Fitzpatrick's design were encountered.

"I was told that my design violated the University's policy of mixing football and religion," said Fitzpatrick.

Fitzpatrick was then directed to Father William Beauchamp, who at that time was executive vice president of the University. Beauchamp said he was asked to look over the design although he normally did not view the designs.

"There was not a specific policy regarding the mixture of religious and football, but someone had questions about his design and I did make suggestions to Neil that the University was concerned about the design because it had the statue of the Holy Mother Mary in it," said Beauchamp. "We are very sensitive with the use of University religious symbols and wanted to be sure the use of any symbols in the design were in keeping with the appropriate use of that symbol."

Fitzpatrick detailed his conversation with Beauchamp.

"I wanted to meet with him to show him the design and ask what changes I needed to make for it to be acceptable," said Fitzpatrick. "We agreed that I would enlarge the Dome to make it a silhouette so that no details of Mary were visible and that would be acceptable. I know I repeated myself a few times as to the changes that were agreed upon."

Fitzpatrick said he was puzzled that the University would object to his use of the Dome with the football players since on the 2000 football media guide the football players are before the Dome in a design similar to his original design for The Shirt.

"I was frustrated because the school is inherently Catholic and known for football so it was frustrating not to be able to see SHIRT/page 4"
College. As a highschool student I would think about that word and what it meant for hours. I had spent my whole life going to school, studying, preparing for the opportunity to attain something more — the path to knowledge. This is not knowledge in the form of memorizing facts and rhetoric, but a knowledge centered on experiences, a quest to define and question all that I am and all that others may or may not be.

I could not wait to enter into a level of truly meaningful conversation about things that really matter, finally leaving behind the one-dimensional, matter­alistic clones of the high school world and moving on to people who actually had personality, interests, and most of all, substance.

What I found was a little more than disappoint­ ing. I learned one of my first lessons on the ways of the real world — people and ideals are pretty much the same wherever you go, with nothing changing except the scenery surrounding us all.

As a freshman last year, I recalled my first few days of classes and how I thought to myself how the students here were more superficial, more high society, more unearthy than my newfound perceived playground. I felt a sense of confusion and confusion thought that many were so engrossed with the idea of becoming more like the next person until eventually one would get lost in a muddled world of pointless transformation.

And, now, a year later as a sophomore, not much has changed, except maybe a new fad or a new type of hairstyle. To actually believe that clothes make the person along with the scenery surrounding us all.

We are all beautiful, and we naturally belong, for we were all created by the same Spirit. We all have a voice, not intended to drown in confusion among thoughtless chatter. To recognize this voice as the most important distinguishing factor and to break free of the fear that entangles both weak and strong is discovering freedom itself.

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Renovations transform Fisher Hall's reputation

University plans to renovate Pangborn next summer

By FINN PRESSLY
Assistant News Editor

It used to be said among residents of Fisher Hall that they had the best spirit but the worst dorm.

"Now we've got the best of both," said Fisher resident assistant Steve Doherty. "We went from being one of the dumpiest dorms on the campus to being one of the nicest."

Fisher underwent a full renovation this summer that included replacing carpet, windows, doors and floor tiles, according to Deborah Murray, manager of maintenance and projects for Facilities Operations.

"Many of the rooms in Fisher bore the remnants of a past renovation, when the walls between singles were partially knocked down to create doubles. During this summer's renovation, the remaining walls were removed — something Doherty says will dramatically increase the available free space, as well as allow for more creativity in furnishing rooms."

Though Murray was unable to disclose how much the renovations cost, she estimated that dorms are reevaluated yearly to address any pressing concerns that may prompt Facilities to turn its attention to a different building.

Fisher Hall was not the only dorm involved in remodeling this summer, however, Murray said.

"We actually had 14 buildings that still did not have sprinkler systems. After the fire at Seton Hall, the University took a serious look at that," said Murray. Three students were killed and many were injured in the Jan. 19 fire in a freshman residence hall at Seton Hall — an incident that brought about increased fire safety awareness on college campuses across the country.

Six dorms have already been outfitted with sprinklers: Alumni, Breen-Phillips, Dillon, Howard, Lyons and Pangborn. Sprinklers will be added to two dorms before Christmas Break and the remaining will be completed next summer.

Dayton's senior dorm, Pangborn, according to Murray, students and staff of the hall are beginning preliminary meetings to determine what elements need special attention.

"We usually try to get the rector, some of the staff and some of the students — usually those in hall government — and see what kind of things they would like," Murray said.

After Pangborn, Murray could only add that which dorms would come next.

"We may just finish out South Quad and do Dillon and Alumni," she said, adding that dorms are reevaluated yearly to address any pressing concerns that may prompt Facilities to turn its attention to a different building.

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SMC alters judicial process

By KATIE MILLER
News Writer

Saint Mary's College students who violate student rules will face a new judicial process this fall.

In the past, the students charged with rules violations had the choice of being reviewed by the Student Judicial Board or the residence hall director.

Now, when a violation of a College regulation occurs, "the residence hall director determines if the case will be heard by the Student Judicial Board or herself," according to the Student Handbook.

"The hall directors will make the decision case by case. Most cases will go to the J-Board," said Sara Scalzo, LeMans Hall director.

"We feel that students will learn more from sanctions given by their peers. People who have gone to J-Board have learned their lesson." Scalzo

Sara Scalzo
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ND AFTER FIVE

Thursday, August 31

5:30 p.m. Dillon Pep Rally, South Quad

7:00 p.m. One Night RecSports Volleyball Tournament, Stepan Courts

7:00 p.m. Africentric Spirituality - Freshmen intro: Partner's Reception, Recker's Hospitality Room

9:00 p.m. Acoustic Cafe, LaFortune Student Center Huddle

10:30 p.m. SUB Movie, "Gloriador", DeBartolo 101* and SUB Movie, "Erin Brockovich", DeBartolo 155*

Friday, September 1

4:00 p.m. Shamrock Classic Women's Volleyball Tournament: ND vs. Fairfield, Joyce Center

6:00 p.m. Football Pep Rally, Joyce Center

6:00 p.m. Voices of Faith Gospel Choir Welcome Social, 115 Crowley Hall

7:30 p.m. Women's Soccer vs. Tulsa, Alumni Field

8:00 p.m. SUB Movie, "Gloriador", DeBartolo 101* and SUB Movie, "Erin Brockovich", DeBartolo 155*

9:00 p.m. Cinema at the Snite, "Rear Window", Snite Museum*

10:00 p.m. SUB Loft Show featuring The Elms (high energy rock), LaFortune Student Center Ballroom*

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finance their education and do pro bono work at the same time."

In response, the Board proposed summer internships funded by sources determined by the law school. These benefits, ranging from individual students' needs, to the social service tradition. Not that I quick discovered the need for

more attorney advocates to assist in legal aid offices. Even with a positively large staff, we were unable to tackle all the cases we would have liked," Barton said.

Both students expressed gratitude for the opportunity to take part in the project.

"I felt extremely privileged to work with competent, compassionate attorneys who really believed in their work and who viewed it as their calling," Campbell said. "Had it not been for this opportunity, I might have had to take a non-paying legal position and do something else, like waitressing to pay the bills. But because the Alumni Club of Cincinnati supported me, I was able to work full-time at the Public Defender and concentrate on my work there."

"The opportunity was made possible by the generous network of ND alumni — a network that stretches as far away as Oregon," Barton said. "I am thankful for the opportunity to spend my summer at Legal Aid not only helping others but also continuing to learn more about the law."

Due to the overwhelmingly positive response, Mattingly said that he hopes the program will grow in the future.

"We hope this becomes an institutional thing, like the CSC (Center for Social Concerns) summer service projects for undergrads," he said. "Half of the cities from this year have already renewed their participation for next summer, and we hope to expand to include more places and students. This program exemplifies the best Notre Dame has to offer — exceptional learning opportunities combined with the social service tradition."
Rebels release British captives: Louise rebel faction on Wednesday released five British soldiers held captive in the country’s jungle interior since last week, officials said. The troops were “in British hands and on their way home,” said Lt. Cmdr. Tony Cramp, the British forces spokesman. Six others were still believed held by the small rebel faction, known as the West Side Boys, and their status was not immediately clear. The United Nations welcomed the development but obviously our thoughts and concerns still remain with those being held,” Cramp said. The British are holding an open inquiry and we hope for early release of the remainder.”

God may rule Jerusalem: Israelis and Palestinians who have spent months wrangling over which side should control Jerusalem’s holy sites are turning their attention to an idea floated after Camp David’s failure: put God in charge. The proposal to declare God the sovereign over Jerusalem shrines is still tentative, but it has the potential to help defuse the most emotio­nally charged dispute in the Mideast peace talks. It has won the guarded endorsement of Jerusalem’s hawkish Israeli mayor and a top Palestinian official — marking the first time the two sides have found any common ground on how to share the city.

Texas loses Medicaid ruling: With his sweeping rulings, William Wayne Justice forced Texas to deagregate its schools, reform its prisons and educate undocumented immigrant children. Now the liberal federal judge known for his soft-spoken style and fierce commitment to the U.S. Constitution is taking on the state’s Medicaid program. Justice, 80, ruled this month that Texas has not lived up to a 1996 agreement to make major changes in its Medicaid system.

USDAs focuses on food safety: The government says its overhauled meat inspectors spend too much time on jobs that processors could do themselves, such as checking scales and monitoring the water content of meat products, and wants to focus more on stopping harmful bacteria. The Agriculture Department, which has 70,000 inspectors, is responsible for regulating a number of consumer protection rules that officials say have little or nothing to do with food safety. The department is considering allowing inspectors to spend less time doing tests to enforce those rules. “We’re trying to make sure that our resources are devoted to food safety. That’s our first priority,” said Phil Derfler, associate deputy administrator of USDA’s Food Safety and Inspection Service.

Colombia

President Bill Clinton and Colombian President Andres Pastrana held a joint press conference in the garden of the presidential palace in Bogota Wednesday to announce funding of $1.3 billion for the “Plan Colombia” anti-drug program.

U.S. provides aid to abolish drugs

Court convicts Neo-Nazis of murder

Reading the verdict Wednesday, Judge Albrecht Hennig said the court concluded that the three defendants killed Adriano solely because of his skin color. He said none of the three cared whether Adriano would survive the beating.

"It was the latest in the long chain of attacks to which we must put an end," Hennig said. "Animals show mercy to opponents, but as the verdict and sentences were read, the court sentenced Ferenc Hilpich, 24, to the maximum of life in prison. His two 16-year-old co­defendants, Christian Richter and Frank Miehbauser, were each given sentences of nine years — one year less than the maximum allowed for juveniles.

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Associated Press

CARTAGENA

In a country beset by decades of violence, President Clinton delivered a $1.3 billion U.S. package Wednesday which he said would help Colombia defeat its drug traffickers without getting the United States into a Vietnam-like quagmire.

"We will not get into a shooting war" with Colombian guerrillas, he said, standing alongside Colombian President Andres Pastrana, both in short sleeves in the sweltering heat of this Caribbean port city.

Pastrana stressed that Colombia has no intention of drawing the United States into its military conflict.

"As long as Andres Pastrana in president, we will not have a foreign military intervention in Colombia," he said.

There were reminders, during Clinton’s half-day visit to Cartagena, of the fear and violence that bleeds this Andean nation. Police said they discovered and deactivated a 4.4-pound bomb found five blocks from a neighborhood Clinton planned to tour.

Officials said the bomb was intended to spread rebel pamphlets and would have been unlikely to cause harm. A U.S. Secret Service official, Terry Samway, insisted that only materials for explosives were found, not a bomb.

In an unusual display of bipartisan support, Clinton was accompanied by House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R­­Ill., and 10 other members of Congress. Hastert was instrumental in pushing the aid package through Congress, despite misgivings by some who feared the United States would get drawn into the guerrilla conflict and help an army long criticized for human rights abuses.

Clinton was also accompanied by Attorney General Janet Reno, Secretary of State Madeleine Albright and Harry McAlpine, Clinton’s chief drug policy adviser — part of a delegation of 35. Daughter Chelsea also came along.

"Why are we here today?" Hastert said. "Not only do we share a great heritage of democracy, but we also share a great burden — the threat drugs pose both to countries that produce drugs and those that consume them.

"In our nation, over 14,000 young people, children, lose their life every year to either drug use or drug violence, and it happens in our wealthiest communities and the street corners of our most devastated inner cities," Hastert said.

The U.S. assistance is part of Pastrana’s $7.5 billion "Plan Colombia," designed to end decades of civil war, fight drug trafficking, strengthen the judicial system and revitalize an economy in the doldrums.

Pastrana called the U.S. assistance "a recognition that the menace of illegal drugs is truly international and therefore requires a concerted global response." Clinton praised the Colombian leader, who is bedding in opinion polls, and urged the Colombian public to "be patient with him" as he struggles to find a lasting solution to a guerrilla war that feeds off the drug trade.
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ers," said Dougherty.

The women of Howard Hall emphasized the importance of being open, according to Dougherty, and helped her feel welcome at home.

"The girls are upbeat, motivated and caring," she said. "There is a real sense of community here at Howard."

Steele, the new rector of Morrissey, has a similar background of community experience in South Bend and in Hispanic ministry. He worked for four years at St. Steven's parish, a predominantly Hispanic church in South Bend.

He also helped inmates receive a Graduate Equivalency Diploma at a prison in Virginia. Steele is excited to be involved with an educational institution again, and says that his strong ties with the Holy Cross community strongly influenced his decision to come to Notre Dame.

"I am really excited to work with young people," he said. "I hope to do a lot of things, but more important is quality and execution."

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By LAURA ROMPF Assistant News Editor

From establishing a Grab 'N Go site at DeBartolo to expanding the DART (Direct Access Registration by Telephone) system online, the Student Senate set several goals for the year at their first meeting Wednesday night.

"I think we can accomplish great things," said student body vice president Brooke Norton. "We just need to get the groups together, be efficient and get things done."

Norton also told the senators to remember they are representatives of their dorms and should make an effort to talk to the students.

"We need to be a cohesive team working to represent each dorm," she said. "We should not just worry about the number of accomplishments we have, but the quality. It would be great to do a lot of things, but more important is quality and execution."

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Prof: Internet collapse is plausible

By KEFLIN TURNER

Growing fears over a sudden collapse of the Internet is not just an unfounded concern, but it is a plausible event that could lead to mass communication failure, said associate professor of physics, Albert-Laszlo Barabasi.

"You never break the system — you deflate it," said Albert-Laszlo Barabasi, physics professor

Barabasi believes that if targeted highly frequented sites are hit by hackers, these sites could cause other links to shut down, which lead to a massive breakdown in the event of worldwide disconnection. "Real networks are not static, they are always expanding," said Barabasi.

"A node is linked with higher probability to a node that already has a large number of connections," said Barabasi. "Because of these highly frequented sites, Barabasi believes that if targeted by hackers, these sites could cause other links to shut down, and thus lead to a massive domain effect in the breakdown of Internet correspondence."

In addition, the Internet is continually growing, and in effect, making a possible situation increasingly worse, according to Barabasi. "Instead, it is when highly frequented nodes are targeted that low survival occurs," Barabasi said. "In the case of the "Achilles heel of the Internet," high traffic sites are the weaknesses of the Web, Barabasi said.

Barabasi based his conclusions on the idea of "complex systems made of many non-identical nodes connected by diverse links."

"To understand the concept and behavior of complex networks," Barabasi said the "need to understand the topography of networks" are fundamental in relating and observing the frequency of links made between other sites, and pinpointing particularly busy sites that may be easy targets.

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SMC group plans campus reinvention

By AMY GREENE

Saint Mary's campus will be "totally reinvented," according to Ted Adey, member of the Planning Committee, who met with Saint Mary's Board of Governance regarding new construction plans.

"We are about eight months into the process now," said Adey. A new dining hall will be one of the features of the new construction.

"There will be much higher quality food, more efficiency and just a better place," Adey said. "The food will be prepared in front of you, rather than taken from the back run and placed in a steam tray."

In addition to the new dining hall, there will be an outside picnic area, terraces, courtyards and a fountain central in campus.

"The bookstore will be larger with extended hours and will also have a general book area with a Barnes & Noble atmosphere," said Adey.

There are also plans for a new lounge with a capacity to hold up to 400, a new lecture hall and a copy shop, as well as a cafe and cyber cafe.

"The idea is to create a more welcoming, inviting environment that encompasses modern design without losing Saint Mary's tradition," he said.

Adey and other members will be meeting later today to discuss funding. The construction is scheduled to begin in summer 2001.

Other issues the Board addressed included the Senior Formal, which is planned to have a "Mystery Location" and freshmen elections to be held in mid-September.
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ND prof takes reins of coaching accreditation council

By LIZ ZANO
News Writer

Notre Dame professor F. Clark Power, who has conducted research for 25 years in the areas of moral development and democratic education, will now oversee sport organizations as they become accredited coaching education programs by the newly established National Council for Accreditation of Coaching Education (NCACE).

"There have been concerns about coaches because they are constantly working with kids; they have the opportunity to do both harm and good," said Power, an elected board member of the NCACE. "As the number of kids participating in adult-organized sport programs increase, Power is aware of the effect coaches have on the development of a child's psychological, moral and social being. Unlike teachers, who must be certified to instruct in a classroom, most coaches have few established standards to follow while directing kids on the field."

Although there are no specific or mandatory requirements established by NCACE, a program trying to become accredited must present its organization's plan and meet standards agreed upon by a national council of coaches. A NCACE "seal of approval," according to Power, will give credibility and support to training programs committed to assisting kids through sports.

"There is a temptation to do anything you can to win. But to win in the right way, a program creates ways to help children develop," said Power. "But to win in the right way, a program creates ways to help children develop." Power brings his experience and expertise as associate director of the Center for Sport, Character and Culture at Notre Dame to the NCACE board position. The center, whose mission is to "create a sense of human solidarity and concern for the common good that will bear fruit as learning becomes service to justice," encourages sports as an important key in character development.

The center is trying to promote coaching for the whole person throughout the country," said Power, who sees NCACE as another way to contribute to the center's broader effort. The center, which was created last year, encourages athletes to excel in all areas of life and foster service learning and community outreach.

"Notre Dame has an image of being committed to the athletes and their moral character," said Power. A Notre Dame faculty member since 1982, Power views Notre Dame's involvement with NCACE as a great opportunity for the University to join with sports psychologists, social scientists and other specialists to exercise leadership in preparing coaches through training and education.

Power, who is chair of the Program of Liberal Studies and concurrent professor of psychology, is also a faculty fellow of the Institute for Educational Initiatives, which strives through its programs to improve the education of disadvantaged youths.

The Villanova University graduate earned his master's degree in systematic theology from Washington Theological Union and his doctoral degree in human development from Harvard University.

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Appalachia Seminar

The Seminar

- Service-learning through various sites in Appalachia, October 15-21, 2000
- One credit Theology course
- Involves orientation & follow-up classes
- Past participants in Appalachia Seminar are encouraged to apply as Site Coordinators
- Presents opportunity to work, laugh, & learn with others

The Appalachia Seminar during Fall and Spring break presents a unique service-learning opportunity. Students travel to a variety of sites in Appalachia which focus on issues concerning rural health care, the environment, women, children, and housing construction. Through hands on work and person-to-person contacts, students experience the cultural richness of the area and begin to understand and analyze the social forces that influence the Appalachian people.

Applications

Available at the Center for Social Concerns
Due date: Thursday, September 7, 2000 10:00 am
$40 deposit with application (non-refundable if accepted)

Information Night

Monday, September 4, 7:30-8:00 pm @ CSC

Further Information

Steve Recupero, Student Task Force Co-Chairperson, 634-1217
Allison Reilly, Student Task Force Co-Chairperson, 243-1842
Center for Social Concerns, 631-5293

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La Alianza

General Meeting

7:00

Notre Dame Room

Monday, September 4

Got news?

Call The Observer at 631-5323.

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As a service to Observer readers, I have appointed myself to monitor the daily paper in Riverbend and to rectify misinformation. This column is about some recent items. When the NCAAs assessed a two-school penalty against the football program last year, a local sports scribe wrote that "it's only logical to assume" Coach Davis will end his stated plan to issue on-campus football grant-in-aid per year. The writer stated that the NCAAs penalty would therefore hurting only a deserving young athlete instead of the football program. (Granted, this isn't as bad as their prior story stalling the football program. (Granted, this isn't as bad as their prior story stalling the football program. (Gr...
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MOVIE REVIEW

Comedic ‘Kings’ live up to their name

By MATT CACCAMO
Scene Movie Critic

Since his first theatrical release in 1986 with "She's Gotta Have It," Spike Lee has been challenging audiences and critics with his experimental style and contemporary themes. His newest film, "The Original Kings of Comedy," presents movie critics with the ultimate conundrum: how to review a comedy show.

Perhaps more so than movies themselves, comedy is the most subjective area of arts and entertainment. A single joke, let alone two straight hours of them, is received with varying degrees of enjoyment and laughter, depending on the audience.

With "Kings of Comedy," Lee gives us two distinct forms. This isn’t simply a movie about a comedy show; it is both a movie and a comedy show at the same time. Technically speaking, the film is a documentary of a two-night event in Charlotte featuring four "Kings" of black comedy. Steve Harvey, D.L. Hughley, Cedric the Entertainer, and Bernie Mac.

Although these four comedians are best known from stand-up shows such as "Def Comedy Jam" and "Cedric's Big Fat landlords," they give us a new vantage on the big screen by avoiding the static camera and lack of style that these cable comedy shows rely on. Using several different camera angles and focusing a good portion of the film on the audience's reaction to the performers, Lee makes the movie audience feel like part of the show.

"Kings of Comedy" wonderfully illustrates the connection successful black comedians have with their engaged audience. Many times in this film, the audience feels like whooping and hollering along with the live crowd in Charlotte.

Lee also successfully presents the backstage portion of comedy rarely seen on TV or in print. Interspersed with segments showing the off-stage interaction among the four entertainers, we see them doing a radio talk show, playing cards and, in the case of Cedric the Entertainer, giving us a backstage tour of his wardrobe and pre-performance rituals.

In fact, one of the funniest pieces of the film occurs in one of these off-stage pieces: at the conclusion, when the four comics are discussing basketball on a playground court, Bernie Mac gives a hilarious impression of Phil Jackson yelling out instructions to Scottie Pippen, complete with Jackson's walk and talk. These short instances are priceless and serve to break up two straight hours of stand-up.

While it is difficult to rate the pure comic value of each performer, Cedric the Entertainer best captures the movie in so many ways. All four discuss the differences between white and black America with relate; however, Cedric brings an energy and multi-talented approach to his performance that truly lives up to his nickname.

Steve Harvey plays the comfortable host of the show, making the most of the audience doing impromptu comedy. D.L. Hughley brings a certain spark to an otherwise observing, vulgar routine. The film, in large part, is an introduction of these comedians to a wider, mainstream audience. Making it all the more important for Lee to keep the film open to groups of varying race and age.

In "The Original Kings of Comedy," Lee has made a creative, new documentary that only helps the comics deliver their routines effectively. How well the actual jokes work must be left up to each individual viewer. From a filmmaking standpoint, Lee can only be praised.

In Spike Lee's "The Kings of Comedy," stand-up comedians (from left) Bernie Mac, Cedric the Entertainer, D.L. Hughley and Steve Harvey deliver the laughs.

Five films comment on America's political climate

MATT CACCAMO ♦ Scene Movie Critic

As the Presidential campaign heats up this Fall, here are some rental suggestions for the best in political films.

All the President's Men (1976) ★★★★★
Famous film version of Bob Woodward and Carl Bernstein's investigative work on the Watergate break-in. Robert Redford and Dustin Hoffman play their roles to perfection as young Washington Post reporters hungry enough to follow every lead in their pursuit of the truth. Director Alan Pakula succeeds in creating an interesting history lesson as well as a moving investigative drama.

An Ideal Husband (1999) ★★★★
This light-hearted yet politically savvy film strikes at the heart of political ethics—if it truly exists. A funny, romantic film set in late-19th century England which follows the rise, and possible fall, of a supposedly young, morally pure member of parliament. Good pick for those interested in politics, romance or just an entertaining witty movie. Starring Rupert Everett, Minnie Driver, Cate Blanchett and Julianne Moore.

Bob Roberts (1992) ★★★★
Tim Robbins' directorial debut casts himself as a right-wing Senatorial candidate who knows how to manipulate the audience and, especially, the media. This sharp, scathing satire of American politics succeeds where "Wag the Dog" fails. The film, whose tagline reads "Vote now. Ask questions later," is most effective when it is relentlessly truthful about the role of fact and fiction in political campaigns.

Primary Colors (1998) ★★★★
Dynamic adaptation of the political satire by Anonymous (Joe Klein) about a Southern governor's Presidential race. The film portrays John Travolta's Jack Scratchen as both a true believer in people power and an insatiable womanizer who will do anything to cover his tracks (sound familiar?). Travolta is exquisitely good in a Bill Clinton-esque characterization and Elaine May's smart, funny and insightful screenplay sheds some light on the behind-the-curtains politics.
Jennifer Lopez enters a twisted ‘Cell’

By V. VAN BUREN GILES

**Movie Review**

**The Cell**

Simply put, "The Cell" is "The Silence of the Lambs" meets "The Lawnmower Man." During the most satanic Trent Reznor music video you can imagine. To its credit, the film is as bizarre as it is creative and horrifying.

The story centers around a psychopathic killer named Carl Stargher who has invented a killing device modeled after a glass prison cell. The mechanism is fully automated and drowns its female victims after 40 hours. Carl has committed numerous brutal murders of attractive young women throughout the country. After drowning them in the cell, Carl peru...er...murders of attractive young women throughout the country. After drowning them in the cell, Carl performs a masochistic post-mortem ritual and then dumps the bodies off highway overpasses.

Peter Novak is the FBI agent in charge of the investigation and will neither sleep nor listen to reason until he apprehends the killer. Just as Novak is about to capture his suspect, Stargher falls into a comatose trance from which he will never wake.

The present dilemma for Special Agent Novak is that, before turning into a vegetable, Stargher captured his last victim and put her in the cell. Stargher is the only person who knows the girl’s location, and he ain’t talking.

The victim’s only hope is child therapist Catharine Deane, who has mastered a form of therapy that takes place inside a person’s mind.

Scientists have developed a parallel universe centered on a person’s imagination. It is now up to Dr. Deane to infiltrate Stargher’s mind and find out the missing girl’s whereabouts.

This is where the film gets really intense and demonic thoughts. Fortunately for Catharine, she comes in contact with a 7-year-old Carl Stargher. It is through this child’s eyes that we discover the parenting tactics of Carl’s father, who thoroughly believed in chastising his son with belts and steaming hot irons.

As if Carl Stargher’s mind was not vile enough in reality, the audience now gets to see his most obscene and grotesque thoughts become real.

First-time film director Tarsem Singh has an impressive opener with "The Cell." Singh first won notoriety directing the R.E.M. music video "Losing My Religion," which won the coveted MTV Video of the Year award in 1991. Credit should also be given to the production and makeup designers for transforming Carl into a memorable movie monster.

Though the film is somewhat predictable, the costumes and special effects are more than enough to leave a lasting impression on the audience.

Check this film out for an in-depth mystery that succeeds in creating a truly demented dreamscape.

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**Box Office**

Teens still prove to be a powerhouse at the box office, with the chee...leading comedy "Bring it On" opening in the top spot with $17 million. Wesley Snipes’ thriller "The Art of War" shot into second with $10.4 million. "The Cell" and "Kings of Comedy" slipped to third and fifth place respectively. The other new comer, the mob comedy "The Crew," was a bit of a fizzer. Next week sees little challenge with the new "Lawnmower" movie and the romantic comedy "Whipped" entering the fray.

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**Top Ten Weekend of Aug. 25-27**

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Photo courtesy of Universal Pictures
American League

Sirota's strong pitches pushing uppers recording, Sox past A's

Associated Press

OAKLAND, Calif. - Mike Sirota pitched seven strong innings, Jose Valentin put down a two-run double and Frank Thomas homered in the ninth off the left elbow of the hero. B a h a m a s,

Sirota (3-10) limited Oakland to two runs and six hits, with a solo homer by Eric Chavez in the fourth inning. The White Sox scored four times in the first two innings to break open a tight game.

Sirota charged to 4-3 on Jason Giambi's RBI double off reliever Kelly Wunsch in the eighth, but Bob Howry replaced Wunsch and retired the last two batters to preserve the lead. Howry got six outs for his sixth save.

Chicago stretched the lead in the ninth, when Oakland's Jason Giambi grounded into a double play and Frank Thomas drove in two more runs on a two-run double.

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The Official temperature in downtown Kansas City was 68°, who complained after an R B I single in the third inning. Boston pitchers. Bobby Smith

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STUDENT FOOTBALL TICKET DISTRIBUTION

Thursday, August 31
5-6 pm
the foster room,
3rd floor LaFortune
Clark homered, doubles in Cardinals victory over Marlins

Associated Press

Will Clark homered in the second inning and added an RBI double in the ninth, giving the St. Louis Cardinals a 10-2 win over the Florida Marlins. Jim Edmonds snapped an 0-for-20 streak with a single in the sixth and added another base hit leading off the ninth with the game tied at 2.

Clark followed with a double to right-center, scoring Edmonds from first for the go-ahead run. Clark moved to third on a sacrifice and scored on Ray Lankford’s single off Antonio Alfonseca in the sixth. Dave Vonpitches the ninth for his third complete game of the season of his career. The left­

St. Louis went ahead 2-1 with an inning-ending double play. Jim Edmonds snapped an 0-for-20-2 hit and scored on his 10th. Cornelius kept the lead off the second.

Preston Wilson’s fielder’s drive to the right-field bleachers for the win.

The Braves took a 1-0 lead in the first. Andy Fox singled, moved to second on a walk to Andy LaBar, and scored on a throwing error.

The Reds hardly touched Glavine, who retired the side in order five times. The Braves outhit Cincinnati 14-3. Former Atlanta closer Mark Wohlers made his first appearance at Turner Field since he was dealt to Cleveland in April 1999 with his career in shambles because of control problems. He pitched two scoreless innings and didn’t walk anyone.

**Writing the Fulbright Essay: Writer’s Workshop**

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This writer’s workshop is for people who wish to sharpen their Fulbright application essays. Bring a copy of your essay to the workshop and discuss it with other writers and with readers from the Notre Dame Writing Center. You can bring in the polished draft, a rough beginning, or just an outline of what you want to say.

The workshop is meant to help you at all stages of the writing process, whether you are getting started, defining concepts, developing your narrative, organizing your ideas, or making final edits. The workshop is designed to improve your work-in-progress by giving you the opportunity to share it with others and discuss your work.

**To Register:** Registration is limited. To register, send an e-mail to Professor John Duffy, Writing Center Director, at John.Duffy.27@nd.edu.

**Where:** 232 DeBartolo

**When:** Thursday, August 31, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

**MARKETING CLUB ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**

*This Thursday, August 31st

*6:00 PM

*Mendoza College of Business Lounge (Basement)

*Free Pizza and Soda

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*All are welcome

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SOUTH BEND'S BIGGEST PARTY
Favre credits time off for healing injured elbow

Associated Press

GREEN BAY, Wis. — For maybe the first time in his career, Brett Favre is showing a little patience — and it might save his season.

When Favre missed a month of action because of tendinitis in his right elbow, Favre said Wednesday that the extended rest has improved his condition considerably. He missed the Green Bay Packers’ final three preseason games and only returned to practice last week.

Favre threw several dozen passes during practices Wednesday and felt no significant pain. He expects to play in the Packers’ regular-season opener Sunday against the New York Jets, though a final decision hasn’t been made yet.

“There was no way I would have played this week if I hadn’t rested,” Favre said. “It was getting to the point where I couldn’t even grip a football.”

And even a month of rest might not be enough. When asked, the three-time MVP still didn’t eliminate the slim possibility he might sit out Sunday.

Favre has started 123 consecutive games, a league record for his position.

“If I’m going to play Sunday, I’m going to cut it loose,” said Favre, who wore a large ice wrap on his forearm and shoulder.

Favre clearly has learned from his experiences in the last two years. Last season, he balled around through a painful thumb injury that clearly affected his technique and decision-making.

He threw 23 interceptions as the Packers stumbled to an 8-8 record, but the experience left him wiser about his body’s needs.

This year, he and Green Bay’s coaches are trying to modify the gambling, off-the-cuff playing style that made him a star by adding a little more common sense — both on the field and in the training room.

“Brett knows what we want him to do, and he’s given us what we need,” coach Mike Sherman said. “I also realize that Brett has a history of making something out of nothing. That’s where we have to find the balance.”

After taking Tuesday off, Favre threw about 50 passes on Wednesday, including several long passes during a morning walkthrough.

“I just saw him throw the ball down there just about as well as he can throw it,” Sherman said. “You know how sometimes you see that smoke that comes off the ball when he throws? I haven’t seen that yet, but he’s throwing hard.”

Favre said he felt no significant pain in his elbow, even when he made a tricky crossbody throw — the one pass he said he was “afraid of throwing.”

“I was a little hesitant on some throws, just a little cautious,” he said. “Every throw I had, it was thought out before throwing, as opposed to just letting it go.”

No surcharge ATMs on campus...pass it on.
Calendar of Events

Thursday, August 31, 2000

August 28-September 18

Targeted Dorms: Badin, Keenan, Lewis, O'Neill, Pasquella East, St. Edward's, Morrissey, Walsh, and Zahn

Monday-Friday, August 28, September 1

103 Hesburgh Library

Freshmen Retreat #30 Sign-up

Target Dorms: Badin, Keenan, Lewis, O'Neill, Pasquella East, St. Edward's, Morrissey, Walsh, and Zahn

Thursday, August 31, 7:00 p.m.

Recker's

African Spirituality Freshmen Intro Reception

Sunday, September 3, 1:00 p.m.

Keenan-Stanford Chapel

RCIA: Info Sessions for Candidates and Sponsors

Sunday, September 3, 1:30 p.m.

Keenan-Stanford Chapel

Spanish Mass

Monday, September 4, 8:30 p.m

Basilica of the Sacred Heart

Acolyte Workshop

Monday, September 4, 10:00 p.m

Basilica of the Sacred Heart

Eucharistic Minister Workshop

Tuesday, September 5, 7:00 p.m

Siegfried Hall Chapel

Confirmation-Info Session for Candidates

Tuesday, September 5, 8:00 p.m

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Tuesday, September 5, 8:00 p.m

LaFortune Ballroom

"Fiesta de Bienvenida"

Wednesday, September 6, 10:00 p.m

Basilica of the Sacred Heart

Lector Workshop

Wednesday, September 6, 10:00 p.m

Basilica of the Sacred Heart

Interfaith Christian Night Prayer

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Weekend Presidents

Saturday, September 2 Mass

30 minutes after game

Rev. John A. Herman, c.s.c.

Sunday, September 3 Mass

8:00 a.m.

Rev. Nicholas R. Ayo, c.s.c.

10:00 a.m.

Most Rev. Joseph A. Fiorenza

Bishop Galveston/Houston, TX

11:45 a.m.

Rev. Peter D. Rocca, c.s.c.

Stepan Center

Saturday, September 2 Mass

45 minutes after game

Rev. Richard V. Warner, c.s.c.

Scripture Readings

For this Coming Sunday

1st Reading: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8

2nd Reading: Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27

Gospel: Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

We Are N.D.

By Fr. John Herman, CSC

In August of 1988, I ventured to Notre Dame for the first time to begin discerning a possible vocation to the priesthood in the Congregation of Holy Cross in the Candidate Program at Moreau Seminary (the big, curved building on the other side of St. Joseph's Lake). Soon after my arrival, my dad told me about a conversation that he had with our next door neighbor, Mr. Milton. Surprisingly, despite being a huge Michigan football fan and seemingly indifferent to Catholicism, Mr. Milton was incredibly positive about my coming to Notre Dame. He spoke glowingly to my dad about his one experience of Notre Dame.

Mr. Milton regularly followed the University of Michigan football team to their road games in the Midwest, many at other Big Ten schools and one special one at Notre Dame. He spoke of his surprise at being treated so well by Notre Dame students and fans, despite boldly dressing in all of his Michigan gear for the game. He was amazed that the students were so friendly and even helpful to "the enemy" and conducted themselves with such class. Mr. Milton saw a clear difference in the kind of reception that he received at Notre Dame compared with the other schools he had visited, and he could not have been more impressed.

More than a decade of Notre Dame football has passed since then. On Saturday, the 2000 football season begins, and the long, storied tradition of Notre Dame football continues. Throughout the history of Notre Dame football, we have certainly had many more successes than failures and wins than losses, but we too have had our tough times like other schools. One of the best and most enduring things about Notre Dame football, however, win or lose, has been the Notre Dame student body. There exists a strong tradition of Notre Dame students supporting their team to the end with dedication, energy, and as my neighbor, Mr. Milton, told my dad, "class." Class? Is it class that made the Notre Dame students stand out for my neighbor or was there something more to it than that?

One of the unique and very telling things about Notre Dame football Saturdays is the announcement made during every game that there will be Mass in the Basilica thirty minutes after the game ends. At a football game? Where else would a similar announcement be made or heard? These announcements are a reminder, even in the midst of intense, hard-fought football games, that there is something more than football that makes Notre Dame and its students special. We who are a part of the Notre Dame family know that this post-game Mass is only the tip of the iceberg.

Any outsider looking more deeply would quickly learn there are dozens of Masses each Sunday, most in each of the residence halls - and they are well-attended by students. An outsider would also learn of the impressive number of students who seek to grow in their faith by participating in retreats, faith-sharing communities and the many other programs put on by Campus Ministry and who act on their faith by engaging in service opportunities sponsored by the Center for Social Concerns, both in South Bend and throughout the community and world during fall and spring breaks and summers. Is it possible that it wasn't class that made Notre Dame students seem special to Mr. Milton but maybe the faith in God underlying the way that they conducted themselves?

Football weekends could provide an excuse for completely cutting loose, suspending our values and conducting ourselves in ways contrary to what our faith and the Gospel call us. The majority of students show us that it is possible to have a great time on football Saturdays without forgetting who they are and without separating football from the other parts of their lives which they allow their faith to inform and influence. It's clear that there will always be people around looking for reasons to dislike or even hate Notre Dame. Unfortunately there are some students who seem to go out of their way to validate the negative perceptions that these folks have of Notre Dame by drinking excessively, by yelling offensive things, by wearing inappropriate or derogatory t-shirts and by mistreating our opponents and even our own team at times. That's not what it means to be N.D. and fortunately not what most students communicate.

Each home game here on our campus this season will attract thousands of visitors from around the country and the world. Many will be alums coming back to the campus that will always hold a special place in their hearts. Many will be subway alumni who are connected to Notre Dame simply through their deep love of our team. Many will be other Mr. Miltons, whether from Texas A&M, Nebraska or the other visiting universities, people who have never been here before and may never come again. At each game, the eyes of the world will be upon us, watching, taking in everything and going forth to tell others what they have found at Notre Dame. This is the same dynamic that has been in place since the days of Rockne and that has helped to make Notre Dame known for the special university that it is. Each football game provides us with an opportunity to live our faith by treating our visitors with hospitality, respect and dignity and with the opportunity to spread the message of who we are at Notre Dame. Joe DiMaggio, the late, Hall of Fame outfielder of the New York Yankees, once told reporters why he played so hard each and every game. He said, "There is always some kid who may be seeing me for the first or last time. I owe him my best." Other Mr. Miltons will be here with us for the first or last time. We owe it to them to give our best, to uphold the illustrious traditions of the Notre Dame student body and, yes, to let the light of Jesus Christ shine through us - even on a football Saturday.
Runners

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be top recruit Todd Mobley, who placed 1A at the Foot Locker national cross country meet, and freshman Brian Kerwin, who won the New Jersey state cross country championship.

In addition to Mobley and Kerwin, Flutie hopes freshmen David Alber and Kevin Somak will make early impacts for the Irish. The women lost four of their top seven seniors to graduation in All-American track runner Alison Kienmann and teammates Patty Rice, Nicole LaSelle and Erin Bully. They also lost their No. 1 runner, All-American Johanna Dexter, midway through last season to an injury.

In 1999, the Irish squeaked into the NCAA Championships with an at-large bid, but the youthful squad will be hard-pressed to repeat the feat.

In order to have a shot at a return to nationals, head coach Tim Connelly will need leadership and improvement from seniors such as Erin Olson, Chrissy Kurnster and Bridgette O'Brien. All are runners who have shown potential during previous seasons, but none have attained the level of success Connelly believes they are capable of.

"If we can get some of our older kids to fulfill their potential, we could be pretty good," Connelly said. "We're pretty solid right now. I think until we actually line up and race, I'm still not sure what I'm seeing, though."

Juniors Hilary Burn and Ann McGrath have turned on the heat. Burn is back in competition after suffering from mononucleosis in 1999, while McGrath blazed a trail of improvement this summer.

"She [McGrath] is probably the most improved kid we have on the team right now," Connelly said. "She had a great summer of training."

Sophomore Jen Handley stands out as Notre Dame's top returner, and classmates Kari Eaton and Muffy Schmidt should also compete for spots in the starting seven.

"Jennifer Handley is probably our top returning runner," Connelly said. "She's a kid with just tons of potential. She's very fit."

At least three freshmen have improved considerably in early season workouts. Megan Johnson, Beth Androsky and Rachel Endress. Johnson was a track state champion in Washington in high school, while Androsky placed third in New Jersey's cross country championships and Endress took sixth in Illinois in cross country.

The Irish open their season with the Valparaiso Invitational Sept. 8.

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Flutie: groin muscle feels 90 percent

Associated Press

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y.
Quarterback Doug Flutie, who practiced in pads on Wednesday for the first time in almost a month, says his torn groin muscle feels "90 percent" healthy.

"Despite Flutie's faster-than-expected recovery, he won't play Sunday in the Buffalo Bills' season opener against the Tennessee Titans. "He won't be ready for this game, but he's coming along fast," coach Wade Phillips said.

Flutie is itching to go and is just waiting for the green light from the team's trainers and coaches.

"I feel good enough that I can contribute," said Flutie, who threw with the quarterbacks and took part in 7-on-7 drills with the scout team. As a precautionary measure, he did not participate in any team drills.

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Soccer

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Berticelli had a unique ability to brighten a person’s day with the simplest of gestures. "He was very good to me," said Apple, "We can take what he started and continue it and make it better. Hopefully, we’ll be able to achieve higher heights than he was able to. But when we do, he’s a huge part of it. He laid the groundwork.

Apple falls close to the tree

The decision to name Apple head coach was an easy one. Rather than being confined to a specialized set of tasks, Berticelli involved his assistant in all aspects of the program during their four years together.

"One of the greatest things Coach did for me was to give me the responsibilities that I would have as a head coach," said Apple. "I was involved in everything from recruiting to training the team to making disciplinary decisions. He was the best mentor I could have asked for because he gave me all the experiences before I was able to do, he was always there as kind of a life-line."

The similarities between the two coaches have not gone unnoticed by the players. "Coach Apple was basically apprenticing under Coach Berticelli. A lot of things are very similar," said Matt Feeney. "Coach Berticelli taught me how to be a coach and what 'Coach B' taught him, Coach Berticelli would be very proud of Coach Apple for what he’s accomplishing already.

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"Probably the best decision I’ve ever made so far was to hire Nino Berticelli," said Apple. "He did an unbelievable job last spring with the goalkeepers. He’s continued to work diligently and intelligently. He’s going to be one of the next great coaches in the country.

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Paying tribute

The soccer program is honoring Berticelli’s memory in a variety of ways. Both the home and away uniforms have the words “Coach B” imprinted on the sleeves, honoring the fallen leader in an informal way that represents the close relationship he had with the players.

Before the team’s home opener next weekend against Bradley, there will be a small tribute and a moment of silence. The event that will truly keep Berticelli’s memory alive, however, is the Mike Berticelli Memorial Soccer Tournament, which will begin during the 2000-2001 season.

‘We’re bringing in a four-year commitment from some of the best soccer schools in the nation to come in and play in Mike’s honor,” said Apple.

As the young team — the majority of the players are freshmen and sophomores — Berticelli takes the field this fall, they bring with them an extra advantage. The strength and closeness forged in facing adversity together only reinforces the team concept. The traditions passed down from a veteran coach to his underclassmen, and from a father to a son will be influential throughout this campaign.

The Irish truly feel that Berticelli’s legend is with them each and every time they take the field. "The guys and I know that every time a ball bounces our way or something else comes out in the Irish’s favor, we’ve got a little extra help," said Apple. "Coach is watching, he’s making sure things are going well and he’s giving me the advantage."

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nacle of college football — Notre Dame — you feel the pressure to win.”

Sparks have been flying in past seasons as the once invincible golden dome has been tarnished by several consecutive losing campaigns.

The captains must now jump headlong into the flames and face not only their critics but questions concerning their coach’s job stability as well.

“I think we just have so many good leaders on this team,” Denman said. 

“Coach Davie thought it would be beneficial for all of us to get a chance.”

Each of the captains is well aware that the only way to restore the program to respectability is to command respect on the gridiron, but each is also certain that a winning attitude begins in the locker room, that Irons is confident not only in this year’s team but also in the captains’ ability to get the most out of it.

“Without a doubt it’s the best team I’ve been a part of,” said the star defensive linebacker. “We’re fortunate to have so many good leaders on this team.” Denman said.

It’s a great thing,” said Irons. “It motivates us, it gives us the chance to help the younger guys ease into college life, and it’s a good way to set an example and show them what a positive attitude is.

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It’s quite possible that the fate of Notre Dame’s season could hinge on the squad’s ability to rally during a time of adversity, be it a fourth quarter deficit or a tough loss.

In those instances it’s up to the squad’s senior leaders to lead the charge.

“Our team can handle the adversity,” Irons said. “I know myself and the other captains will stay positive and I know the younger guys will follow our lead. We’re not planning on giving up ever.”

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Berticelli spirit lives on under Apple

The late Mike Berticelli works with children at a past summer camp. Berticelli coached the Irish from 1990 through his death last January. The support after the tragedy was overwhelming. Phone calls, letters, flowers, and e-mails poured into the soccer office from former players, community members, and many others that Berticelli touched during his 23-year coaching career.

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By KEVIN BERCCHOI
SPORTS WRITER

Quartet of captains set to lead Irish

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Cross Country

Squads race to rebuild

Thanks to graduation, the men's and women's cross country teams find themselves forced to replace more than half of the runners who brought them twin trips to the 1999 NCAA Championships.

Photo courtesy of Notre Dame Sports Information

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