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Welcome

Notre Dame was in my blood long before I was even thinking about college. My dad was a graduate, and my mom had attended St. Mary's across the street, so "Go, Irish!" were some of the first words in my vocabulary. They had dressed me in the requisite Notre Dame athletic wear, taken me to South Bend for football weekends, and told me more stories about their college years than I can remember.

But it was something of a shock when I actually arrived on campus for freshman orientation. After experiencing mixers like the infamous graffiti dance, tasting dining hall food for the first time, and finding out that the "no sex on campus" rule wasn't just a rumor, I thought there was no way my college experience could ever compare to my parents' years at Notre Dame.

But by the end of the year, Notre Dame had become a second home to me, just as it will be for you. Best of wishes as you start your time at Notre Dame, and enjoy it. These will be the fastest four years of your life.

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Scholastic Magazine is the student magazine at Notre Dame. We've been covering news, campus events, sports, entertainment and more for over 130 years, making us the oldest collegiate publication in the country. Look for us on Thursdays next fall.

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Kristin M. Alworth
Editor in Chief

25 Years Ago: Prepare Yourself

Having never seen a Notre Dame football game from the student’s perspective, that Saturday in September of my freshman year is vividly imbedded in my mind. I woke up that morning, groggily stumbling out of my room and was greeted with the Victory March in one ear and the theme from Rudy in the other. After a hurried shower, I stepped out of my dorm’s front door and onto a campus drowning in a mid-morning sea of beer, brats and green-clad humanity. I was knocked sideways by the noise.

With this in mind, I wish I had read this piece in the September 15, 1972 issue of Scholastic, warning newcomers of the six upcoming circuses.

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Meet the Family
Your guide to a few campus personalities

BY MICHELLE CROUCH AND LAUREN WINTERFIELD

"Monk"
Fr. Edward A. "Monk" Malloy, CSC, is in his second five-year term as the 16th president of the university. Formerly a member of President George Bush's Advisory Council on Drugs, he was recently appointed chairman of the new Commission on Substance Abuse at High Schools. He is also a founding director of the Points of Light Foundation, a national initiative to promote community service.

Malloy has been a faculty member in the Department of Theology since 1974, and he continues to teach today. He resides in Sorin Hall, and is one of very few university presidents in the country who lives in a dorm with students.

Ted the (former) Head
Fr. Theodore M. Hesburgh, CSC, retired in 1987 after serving as Notre Dame's president for 35 years. He spends much of his time making speeches and fulfilling his obligations as a member of a number of international organizations.

Despite these obligations, Fr. Hesburgh is still involved with Notre Dame students. He can be found making guest appearances, lecturing in classrooms and presiding over liturgies in the residence halls. In addition, he chairs the advisory committees of two of the university's academic institutes.

Father Hesburgh is probably most well-known for his public service career. He has held 15 presidential appointments over the years, involving him in major social issues such as civil rights and atomic energy. He is also a leader in the field of education, as reflected by his 127 honorary degrees, the most ever awarded to a single individual.

Contrary to the rumor that Father Hesburgh lives on the 14th floor of the library named after him, he actually resides in Corby Hall.

Patty O'
As vice president of student affairs, Professor Patricia A. O'Hara makes many of the decisions that affect Notre Dame students. She sets the agenda for campus ministry, campus security, student activities and residence life.

Consequently, her relationship with students is bittersweet, as many students associate the Department of Student Affairs with discipline and punishment. "That comes with the territory," says O'Hara. "Part of our work is with rules and expectations, but there is so much more to what we do, from

Coach Davie
Former defensive coordinator Bob Davie was named head football coach of Notre Dame six days after the legendary Lou Holtz stepped down on November 18, 1996.

Davie's program plans to focus more on the students and the players. This represents a change from the Holtz regime, which was dominated by Holtz's strong presence. Davie formed a committee that aims to involve the students and fans more at pep rallies and games. "Although Notre Dame students are probably the best football fans in the country, it still takes someone to get students going," he says.

The new coach also intends to implement changes in the way the team plays. Davie plans to have the team prepared to pass the football 35 times a game, in a drop-back passing style that fits the diverse strengths of quarterbacks Ron Powlus and Jarious Jackson.
More Than Just Fun and Games

Student Body President Matt Griffin and Vice President Erek Nass look forward to leading a newly redesigned student government, while keeping the emphasis on “fun”

BY LAUREN WINTERFIELD

Although “fun” is the buzzword of this year’s student government administration, the overhaul of student government this year means that seniors-to-be Matt Griffin and Erek Nass, the current student body president and vice president, will have more responsibilities than past administrations. The president and vice president are elected each year to speak for the students to the administration on all issues relevant to campus life. Griffin and Nass took office this past April 1.

The most noticeable change is in the name. Rather than Student Government, the organization is now referred to as the “Student Union.” In addition, the chain of command is structured differently than it has been in the past. Last year’s leaders, graduate Seth Miller and rising senior Megan Murray, hope that streamlining authority and more clearly defining the roles of those involved in student government will provide more effective communication between student leaders and students. The clear-cut system should alleviate the financial problems which have troubled student government in past years. While introducing the new system, Griffin and Nass will attempt to provide a more efficient and productive system for incoming students.

Although Griffin and Nass will be working many hours to implement these changes, they promise to pursue a number of new programs and activities to serve students as well.

Foremost among them is a plan to change the personality of student government. Rather than “a mean office with lots of desks,” Griffin wants the Student Union office atmosphere to be fun and inviting to students. Griffin and Nass are considering installing a ball pit in the office. With it they hope to offer stress relief at any time on the second floor of the LaFortune Student Center. Students will also be able to satisfy their sugar fixes with a constant supply of candy available in the office.

Students can look forward to a number of new services under this administration as well. Griffin and Nass would like to provide more 24-hour study space, perhaps by keeping the first floor of LaFortune open around the clock.

The administration will maintain SafeRide, a student transportation system that provides rides back to campus on Friday and Saturday nights. In keeping with their underlying theme of “fun,” Student Union plans to issue a weekly publication called The Campus Hook-Up intended to keep students aware of weekend activities.

“We want to have a more energetic, more fun campus,” Nass says. “We don’t want people to complain that there’s nothing going on.”

But this laid-back administration will also face more difficult student concerns. “There are certain issues that won’t go away,” says Griffin. He plans to fight for the publication of a bill of rights in du Lac, an issue which past administrations have grappled with. Nass says, “We are open and proactive to the issues that students think about,” such as placing a student on the Board of Trustees, revising the university’s non-discrimination clause to include gender and sexuality and improving faculty-student relations.

Griffin and Nass ran on a platform that hopes to deliver results, stating that their goals are “well-researched and attainable.” Changes in the office are already underway and next year’s administration will try to be different than its predecessors, both in style and in design.

Wild Gesticulations. Student Body President Matt Griffin (right) and Vice President Erek Nass discuss the dynamics of their roles in Student Government.
EVERYTHING OLD IS NEW AGAIN

BY JAKE MOONEY

The Grotto. The Basilica of the Sacred Heart. Even “Touchdown Jesus.” All of these are a part of the Notre Dame tradition that draws hordes of tourists to campus for six Saturdays a year in the fall and was probably a major factor in many freshmen’s decision to attend school here. This year, though, the administration will be making changes which will affect some of the most storied aspects of Notre Dame tradition, making the school less like the one Knute Rockne or even Lou Holtz was familiar with. They will also affect about half of the stomachs on campus.

The most noticeable and, in the opinion of many, the most sacrilegious alteration to campus will be the changes to the football stadium. By now everyone knows that the coming football season will be the first one played in the expanded facility, which will now have room for 80,990 fans. All those extra tickets will go to alumni, university employees, parents and, of course, big-money contributors.

Another equally dramatic and even more controversial change is the addition of permanent lights. The lights have actually been up and running since last season’s Pittsburgh game, when they were installed as a more cost-effective replacement for the temporary lights which had been set up in past years to make up for the lack of daylight later in the season. NBC was responsible for funding the $700,000 project. The administration insists, however, that the installation of the lights is not a sign that we will have night games and shift to prime time.

Another campus building that has been here for years and will undergo some changes is South Dining Hall. Although SDH is considerably less tradition-laden than the stadium, the modifications stand to affect almost as many students. To help deal with the increased number of patrons brought by the shift of over 1,000 students from Grace, Siegfried and Knott halls to the new Golf Quad dorms, SDH will combine what are now two separate food service areas into one large food court. This will displace the Oak Room, a popular South Quad social spot and self-serve restaurant. The plans call for the construction of a new Oak Room as well as areas devoted to study space and a possible 24-hour lounge with Internet access.

What all these changes will mean for students this year, though, is less about checking e-mail and more about inconvenience. After November 15, South Dining Hall will shut down its kitchens for construction, and food will be brought over in trucks from North Dining Hall. Also, toward the end of the school year, SDH will begin using disposable utensils and dishes. SDH management says it will do its best to minimize the problems the construction causes for students, and that the food imported from NDH will be served in temporary buffet-style lines.

Besides the yearly tuition increase, another upcoming change which will affect the contents of every student’s wallet is the implementation of a new identification card system. The new cards will feature sharper pictures and signatures printed directly onto the card’s surface, and will serve purposes similar to those of previous cards but will eventually entail several new uses.

Welsh and McGlinn Halls, the two new female dorms on Golf Quad, will use a system similar to the detex system that allows card-sweep entrance to the other female dorms. Instead of a separate detex card, however, Welsh and McGlinn residents can gain access with the new ID cards. Also, students will no longer have to give up their IDs at computer clusters, but will be able to use a swipe system to check in. Although no debit-card system is planned for this year, the organizers of the new system are considering a possibility that would allow students to charge meals at LaFortune and other campus locations using their IDs.

First-year students may not be familiar with the way things were before the implementation of these improvements, but the initiation of the changes next year represents the beginning of a process to update the campus that will take several years. Students can look forward to a campus that offers more of technology’s comforts each year.
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Perfect STRANGERS

Getting along with an assigned roommate is a unique aspect of the freshman experience

BY ALLISON FASHEK

ever before has a computer held so much control over your life. I’m talking about the computer that randomly assigns roommates for Notre Dame freshmen. There will be very few times in your life when you will be forced to live with a total stranger. This is one of them. But it’s not as scary as it sounds.

There are typically three categories that roommate relationships tend to fall under, ranging from “we’re inseparable” to “computer error.” True, there is no set formula for getting along with a roommate, especially in a 9 by 12 cubicle. But you should think of getting to know your roommate as an opportunity to share your everyday experiences with someone, an important part of the college adventure. Whichever situation you find yourself in, remember, it is up to you to make the best of it.

You Complete Me

This category is reserved for those students who find a long-lost brother or sister within their roommate. Upon meeting, the two find they have everything in common, including a love for country music and racquetball. While unpacking, they discover they own matching lava lamps. Even their bedspreads coordinate. They will go to practically every meal and party together, walking around as though attached at the hip, laughing at the same stupid jokes. They will rarely fight, even during the weeks of midterms, finals and roompicks, and will probably become Godparents for each others’ children. If you find yourself in this category, you are somewhat rare, but also extremely lucky. If this is not the label for your situation, do not fret. Undoubtedly, you will still find this type of friendship with someone on campus, just not with your roommate.

I’m O.K., You’re O.K.

This is probably the most common category for roommate situations. So you’re not best friends with your roommate, no one said you had to be. You still get along really well. You hang out on the weekends sometimes, and you have fun spending time with each other. But maybe you have even more fun hanging out down the hall or downstairs with another group of people.

Having a best friend who lives down the hall, or even in another dorm, can be a major asset. Sometimes it’s important to get out of the room for a little while, whether the purpose is just for a change of scenery or even a temporary refuge. As you start class and become involved in activities you will find people on your own that you will enjoy spending time with. But, you also have a good friend in your roommate and have the opportunity to get to know his or her friends as well. This is a great way to meet a diverse group of people.

It Wasn’t Meant To Be

Some people just weren’t meant to live together. This is another rare situation, but it does happen. Certain roommates do not get along. This is no reason to panic or call home in tears. You can have a great freshman year, no matter who you room with. A roommate is someone to share living arrangements with; anything more or less is up to you. You can create a life completely independent from that of your roommate if you so choose. If anything, this situation should encourage you to be more outgoing, to meet more people in your dorm section and in your classes. You should be doing this anyway.

Whether you are best friends or acquaintances with your roommate, the key to the survival of the relationship lies in communication, compromise and respect. It’s al-

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Packing 101

BY KRISTIN M. ALWORTH

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THE BIG SQUEEZE. Sophomore Nick Petitte discovers the limits of a Notre Dame dorm room.

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- beds
- desks
- dressers
- mirrors
- futons

Decorative Touches

- posters
- pictures
- lamps
- fans
- stereo
- TV

Electronic Items

- computers
- printers
- CD-ROMs

Clothing

- winter clothes
- summer clothes
- shoes
- jewelry

Extra Furniture

- couches
- bean-bags
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The Freshman 15

This survival guide will answer all of your questions about life as a Domer except how to fit Friends, Seinfeld, ER and a 10-page paper into one night

BY BRIDGET BRADBURN

You've packed your entire life into six boxes and a couple of suitcases. You've heard all the advice from your well-meaning parents and all-knowing older friends and siblings. But no matter how prepared and anxious you are to embark upon four years of unlimited fun and work, questions about daily life at Notre Dame undoubtedly still linger. You are not alone. In an attempt to provide information about some of these important details, Scholastic has compiled a list of the answers you will to survive your first year at Notre Dame.

1. Starting Out
Freshman Orientation will be your most entertaining, carefree and hectic time at Notre Dame. From the Graffiti Dance, where you meet other freshmen by signing their shirts, scavenger hunts and cook-outs, to Mass, moving in and saying goodbye to your parents, there is little time for homesickness. Enjoy every minute of this chance to meet people.

2. Braving the Elements
No matter what corner of the world you come from, you will not be prepared for Notre Dame weather. The days of Freshman Orientation are traditionally hot and humid, but this pleasant weather ends soon. You will quickly learn to be prepared for rain, no matter what the weather reports say or what the sky looks like. And you will need your winter clothing sooner than you think. The first snow can occur as early as October, and the campus usually does not thaw out until March.

3. Food for Thought
After settling into your room, you will no doubt wonder about the means of satisfying that basic college-student need: hunger. North Dining Hall and South Dining Hall both make valiant attempts to offer a variety of culinary delights. Although the choices are certainly not always appealing, the freedom from parental judgment to have less-than-balanced meals is a definite bonus. If you decide to skip the dining hall, various fast foods are available at the Huddle and at Allegro sandwich shop in LaFortune Student Center. In addition, most dorms have food sales during prime study hours.

4. Dining Out
Inevitably, you will get tired of dining hall food and find your way to local restaurants. Macri's Deli is an affordable sandwich spot, in addition to TGIFriday's, Don Pablo's, Chi-Chi's, Olive Garden and Colorado Steakhouse, which are close to campus. South Bend has a few nicer restaurants include the Landing, The Emporium, The Wharf and Tippecanoe Place. Of course, ordering-in Papa John's pizza is always an option.

5. Weekend Escapes
Weekends offer the perfect opportunity for students to escape from the tedium of schoolwork. In the fall, bus trips to away football games offer students the chance to visit other college towns. Once the football season is over, many students travel via the relatively affordable South Shore Railroad to Chicago and to Michigan City, an outlet shopping location. In February, the freshman class usually sponsors a class trip to Chicago, a great opportunity to bond with friends and make new ones as well.

6. Shopping Around
University Park Mall is close by, and there is a bus that runs from campus to the mall every half-hour during the day for the low fare of $1.50 round-trip. The 24-hour Meijer is a favorite shopping place, offering everything from food and household products to hardware and electronics. On campus, there is a convenience store in LaFortune Student Center, and the bookstore has a limited amount of drug-store products, as well as various school supplies and anything you could ever want with the Notre Dame logo on it.

7. Hitting the Books
Wait until the first day of class to buy your books as professors tend to make last minute changes to the syllabus. Before you go to the bookstore, check posted lists of used books for sale — but remember to make sure they are the right editions. When you do brave the bookstore, be prepared to wait in long lines and spend most of your summer earnings in one trip. However, the bookstore does offer certain used books and lines tend to be shorter in the morning.

8. Dollar Sense
If it sounds like you will be spending a lot of money in the first few weeks of school, don't worry. The spending will slow down. For the money left over, there is a branch of Key Bank in the LaFortune Student Center, and a branch of the Notre Dame Federal Credit Union just behind campus, both of which offer student savings and checking options. And for those instant-cash needs, there are four ATM machines on campus — one in the basement of LaFortune and another at Gate 10 of the Joyce Athletic and Convocation Center, both serving Key Bank, and one at the bookstore serving NDFCU. A fourth machine located in the basement of the library serves 1st Source Bank.

9. Keeping in Touch
One way to save money and keep in close contact with family and friends is to activate your e-mail account. Just go to a computer cluster, where a consultant will help you open your account free of charge. Students who purchase ResNet equipment for their computer from the campus Computer Store...
will have access to e-mail and Netscape.

10. Getting Involved
Beyond e-mail, other sources of diversion available are the various student clubs and organizations. Watch for signs within the first few weeks of school advertising Notre Dame’s annual Activities Night. This is an opportunity to meet representatives from many different organizations and to sign up for those that particularly interest you.

11. A Sound Mind in a Sound Body
For those who are concerned about keeping in shape, there are several exercise options on campus. The Rockne Memorial offers a pool, a weight room, racquetball courts and a basketball court for students to use free of charge. There is an indoor track in both the Loftus Sports Center and the Joyce Center. The Rolfs Aquatic Center holds an Olympic-size pool with a diving well. The Eck Tennis Pavilion and the golf course are other sporting options. For those looking for organized exercise, the RecSports department offers various activities.

12. The Balancing Act
No matter what diversions you choose, schoolwork cannot be neglected. There are several services available specifically to freshmen to help balance these time demands. The First Year of Studies provides free tutoring and an advising program to assist freshmen in picking classes and a major.

13. Taking the Night Off
Central to social existence at Notre Dame are SYRs (screw your roommates) semi-formal and formal dances. Each dorm typically has one SYR and one formal each semester. When held in the dorm, the decorating preceding the dance is entertainment in itself, providing a memorable day of section bonding. It is traditional to bring your date a small gift, ranging from flowers to a crazy trinket. Typical SYR attire at Notre Dame includes khaki pants, a tie and a blazer for the men. For the ladies, a short, semi-formal dress is the norm.

14. Lights Out
If you haven’t heard the term “partietals” yet, learn it. Parietals are the visitation hours at Notre Dame. Students must be out of the opposite sex’s dorms by midnight on weekdays and by 2 a.m. on weekends. However, there are 24-hour lounges in all of the dorms so coed studying and socializing don’t have to end. The consequences for violations can be severe. It is not a good idea to test these rules.

15. The Joys of Communal Living
No student escapes getting sick while at school. As a preventative measure, free flu shots are offered during the year. But the combination of little sleep, lack of exercise, unbalanced meals, stress, bad weather and close contact with other students can lead to many colds. The infirmary has doctors and nurses on staff, as well as a pharmacy. But unless you are seriously ill, it is a better idea to keep your own supply of medications, stay in bed when you get sick and call home if you need a little extra attention.

Obviously, there is no one experience common to all Notre Dame freshmen. Everyone’s first days here involve a great deal of exploration and a lot of trial and error. However, the more questions that can be answered before arriving on campus, the more excited you can become about embarking on the first of your four years at Notre Dame.
Tales of haunted halls, supernatural bells and secret tunnels shroud Notre Dame in mystery

BY MARK J. MITCHELL IV

If you have a grandfather who graduated from Notre Dame, there is little doubt that he sparked your imagination with stories of the university. Even if you do not have relatives to regale you with university legends, a campus tour will supply you with several bits of university lore.

While these tales add color to the university’s history, some of them bend the truth a bit. Scholastic has tried to get the stories behind the legends and the secrets.

Hauntings

Some of the favorite Notre Dame tales revolve around the reputed ghosts of the campus. The most popular story is about the Ghost of Washington Hall who has supposedly haunted the old theatre since 1886. In that year, a steeplejack was killed in a fall from the fly loft high above the stage. Since then, students and professors have reported hearing voices, loud thuds and music coming from the stage area, according to Tom Barkes, the manager of Washington Hall. Barkes adds that he puts no stock in the haunting tale, saying that all the noise is probably attributable to echoes and pipes.

Supernatural Forces

Sacred Heart Basilica is also the center of a popular campus legend. According to legend, one of the Basilica’s bells named after Saint Anthony of Padua weighs over three tons. When it was first rung in Sacred Heart in 1875, it reportedly broke the wooden beams supporting it. It was then hung with metal beams, and it pulled the beams out of the wall again.

So the Saint Anthony bell was allegedly left resting on a platform high in the tower, never to ring again. But its famous low ring can be heard from time to time across the campus. Supposedly, the great bell rings only when Saint Anthony of Padua himself strikes it, and if you hear the deep gong of the bell and you say a prayer to Saint Anthony, your prayer will be answered.

In reality, there is such a bell in Sacred Heart. It weighs 7,000 pounds and hangs on its own rack. According to Brother Dennis Meyers, the Basilica sacristan, the Saint Anthony bell only rings a few times each year on the most important and solemn occasions. Because it is the loudest and largest bell in the Basilica’s tower, when it does ring, it can be heard across the campus.

Secret Tunnels

Various legends surround the secret tunnel system that runs all through campus. The tunnel system provides every building with heat, electricity and phone service.

Exits to the tunnels are scattered around campus. Students are prohibited from entering the securely locked tunnels because of the danger of electrical shock from the wires and the chance of collapse in some of the older sections.

Hidden Floors

The Main Building carries with it many legends of its own. Most of them center around its supposedly condemned fifth floor. Though visitors cannot go up to the fifth floor, it is only closed, not condemned. There is no access because, without an elevator, it is too difficult to put offices up that high. After the Main Building renovations are complete and elevators are installed, the fifth floor will be reopened.

The fifth floor also holds the entry to the hidden staircase to the balcony inside the Dome. Ladders lead all the way up to the pedestal beneath Mary’s feet.

The catalogue of legends about Notre Dame could stretch on infinitely. You will hear hundreds of tales in your four years here, and you’ll probably tell them all to your grandchildren.
A list of film, music and television shows that any self-respecting freshman should be familiar with

by Chris Myers and Aaron Nolan

MOVIES

The Star Wars Trilogy  George Lucas’ sci-fi, intergalactic epic should be at the top of your list. Multiple viewings of it in dorm rooms throughout the year spark some of the most identifiable film talk on campus. Disregarding the now-retro special effects, those dopey Ewoks, and all of Mark Hamill’s “acting,” the trilogy presents topics and ideas that can easily be incorporated into any theology, philosophy or literature class. Not to be missed.

National Lampoon’s Animal House  Sophomoric humor at its primitive best. From the opening motto, “Knowledge is Good,” this senseless, panty-raiding, beer-guzzling, food-fighting film plays closer to Notre Dame than any administrator would be willing to admit.

Caddyshack  Another senseless comedy dealing with the complex relationship between working toward a college scholarship and golf. Rodney Dangerfield has yet to play a better role than the obnoxious, insult-spewing Al Czervik, and the interplay between resident nuts Chevy Chase, Bill Murray and Ted Knight sets a classic example for ensemble comedy. Crude, offensive and funny as hell. Why women don’t get this movie is beyond any man’s comprehension.

Rudy Hoosiers  on the football field — at Notre Dame! This saccharine-sweet, beat-the-odds story is strictly of the been-there, done-that variety, but the footage of campus makes for fun repeat viewing. Unless your parents have already made you watch it with them 100 times, this is a must-see.

OTHERS TO SEE: Strange Brew, Dead Poet’s Society, The Graduate, Monty Python and the Holy Grail.

MUSIC

Reservoir Dogs and Pulp Fiction soundtracks  It is a little-known fact that a Notre Dame dorm party is not allowed to be thrown unless a song from one of these two soundtracks is played. Whether you are “Hooked on a Feeling” or “Stuck in the Middle,” the songs from these soundtracks are probably the most overplayed on campus next to the “Notre Dame Victory March.” You will rapidly grow tired of these songs after your freshman year, so you might as well get used to them.

Violent Femmes, Violent Femmes  A true college classic, this self-titled album is certainly a must for any college student with a sense of taste. “Blister in the Sun” and “Prove My Love” are among the many delicious songs on the album that carved out a niche in college indie music. If the raw, garage sound of the Femmes combined with Gordon Gano’s nasal lead vocals don’t make you want to mosh around, nothing will.

Dave Matthews Band, Under the Table and Dreaming  The slow tempo of a snare drum ... a saxophone joins in ... a violin starts fiddling away. It could only be one song — Dave Matthews’ “Ants Marching.” Many students find this odd combination of instruments and the whiny-voiced “Dave” (as he is avuncularly dubbed by students) simply annoying. There are, however, 20 times as many students who think he’s really cool. Whether you like him or hate him, get to know him. He’s as inevitable as death and taxes.

OTHERS TO HEAR: LL Cool J (All World), Billy Joel (Greatest Hits, Vol. I & II), Blues Traveler (four), Hootie and the Blowfish (Crack’d Rear View), Romeo + Juliet (soundtrack), Verve Pipe (villains), ABBA (Gold), Garth Brooks (The Hits).

TELEVISON

Party of Five  A touching look into the lives of five orphaned siblings who rely on each other to make it through the tough times. This well-written program has certainly surpassed 90210 as the best Fox drama (not that that’s saying a lot) and is a lot more intelligent. This is the perfect show to watch in a dorm room full of other Party addicts and is sure to perpetuate many a heated dispute. Can Bailey ever overcome his alcoholism? Will Griffin and Julia’s marriage work out? You’ll have to see for yourself.

Seinfeld  The “show about nothing” certainly appears to exhibit some substance. The NIELSENS consistently place it as the number one show, and Entertainment Weekly recently named Jerry Seinfeld the second funniest man alive. Co-stars Jason Alexander, Michael Richards and Julia Louis-Dreyfus as well as bit characters like the Soup Nazi and Poppy help give the show its charm. As far as Notre Dame students are concerned, the antics of these zany characters make Seinfeld the master of its domain.

The X-Files  Sunday night studying seems to come to a halt when this hour-long sci-fi show comes on. If you haven’t yet familiarized yourself with the bizarre adventures of FBI agents Fox Mulder and Dana Scully, the people you laughed at in high school may soon be laughing at you. Whether or not you are of the stereotypical sci-fi fan (i.e. Spock ears and a slide rule), you have to admit that from the creepy intro music to the thrilling end, this show is just plain cool. The truth is out there, and that’s no lie!

OTHERS TO WATCH: ER, The Dating Game, Days of Our Lives, Baywatch, Xena, Late Night with Conan O’Brien, Monday Night Movie (only if it’s made for TV), The Simpsons.

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The Best of Michiana

Scholastic’s editors searched high and low for the finest establishments around. And the winners are:

Ambiance and Beer
The Mishawaka Brewing Company combines a cozy, rustic atmosphere with good food and beverages. Try some of the homemade seasonal brews, or take a case or keg home (but not to campus). MBC also sports a home brewing shop for the budding braumeister. (3703 N. Main, Mishawaka)

Burgers
Oaken Bucket’s patties rival CJ’s (the off-campus burger favorite). The wooden paneling and white Christmas lights, as well as a river view, capture the essence of South Bend. (1212 S. Ironwood)

French Fried Pertaters
CJ’s spicy fries are the ideal afterlife for potatoes. Whatever condiments you might choose, these piping hot wonders are delectable. (417 N. Michigan)

Quintessential Italian Food
The Sunny Italy Cafe has been around since the 1920s. Homemade fare tells why. (601 N. Niles)

Thin Crust Pizza
Forget Papa John’s. Go to Rocco’s and eat the best pizza surrounded by pictures of the Pope. Enjoy the cozy, trailer-like atmosphere. (537 N. St. Louis Blvd.)

Deep Dish Pizza
Rathskellar is one of the best-kept treasures south of town. The spinach pizza rivals Chicago’s, and you’re served in a medieval cellar atmosphere. (100 Center, Mishawaka)

How to Do South Bend

A few hidden spots of the town you’ll call home

Underneath the daily hustle and bustle of this small Midwestern city lies a latent party town.

BY AARON NOLAN

Those of us who have attended this university long enough realize that South Bend is neither the Spring Break capital that Daytona Beach is nor the cultural mecca of a London or a Paris. One might say that besides the occasional monster truck rally or Billy Ray Cyrus concert, the entertainment potential of this city is virtually nil. The fact of the matter, however, is that underneath the daily hustle and bustle of this small Midwestern city lies a latent party town. The only problem is trying to pick and choose from among the best in South Bend night life. This is why we at Scholastic have assembled this list of things to do in South Bend so you can get a better idea of the unlimited possibilities the Greater Michiana area has to offer the next time you go out for a night (or day) on the town.

Try the brand new College Football Hall of Fame. This place can keep you occupied for the whole day, so make sure you plan ahead. There are hundreds of things to see and do here including the 360 degree theater, where you’ll feel like you are a part of the game. Check out the Hall of Champions, where you can view displays of the inductees and interactive kiosks. Maybe the Training Center is more your style. You can test your agility, practice passing at targets, and hit tackles on dummies and blocking sleds—just about everything except suit up for a game. “Going to the Hall of Fame really gave me a chance to look back on the rich tradition of the sport,” says rising senior John McCarthy. All told, the Hall is a great place to soak up some sports history with a couple of fellow football fans. (111 S. St. Joseph St.)

If you find yourself in the mood for a good caffeine buzz, pay Lula’s Cafe a visit. It’s practically right on campus and is a more laid-
back alternative to the bar scene. Lula’s is a carbon copy of Friends hangout Central Perk — but don’t expect to find Monica and Chandler hogging all the couch space. Instead, a jolly constituency of latte-guzzling Domers can be found there playing checkers, reading poetry or just engaging in friendly banter. This is a great place to unwind after a long week of classes, and the coffee isn’t that bad either. (1631 Edison Rd.)

When life at college has got you down, the St. Joseph’s County Public Library is the perfect place to kick back. It sounds crazy, but it’s amazing what a nice, quiet library can do to calm a student’s frazzled nerves. Sit back in one of the library’s 57 Barca-Loungers (the most of any public library in Northern Indiana) and leisurely read the newspaper or magazine of your choice. A silent and carefree refuge away from the pressures of school. (304 S. Main St.)

The Morris Civic Auditorium is a decent place to catch touring Broadway shows and concerts, although it is a bit old and run down. Try one of South Bend’s numerous charming fringe theaters such as the Wagon Wheel Theater, Dunes Summer Theater or the Canterbury instead. These theaters offer the most for your money: a good view, comfortable seating and quality entertainment including musicals, comedies and dramas. Since 1995, these theaters presented A Chorus Line, Jesus Christ Superstar, Our Town, Guys and Dolls and many others. Overall, they’re more entertaining and economical than trekking out to Chicago.

Relax at the Golden Gate Spa in Michigan City whenever the pressures of classes and exams make you feel like one big knot of stress. Let any one of a number of the spa’s “professional American and Oriental masseuses” rub you back to a healthier you. This den of delicate digits will have you moaning for more. With the interesting hours of 8 a.m. to 4 a.m., this massage parlor is sure to please any guest. (1304 Franklin St.)

Hopefully this list has helped you get an idea of what Michiana really has to offer. The good news is, this is only a small taste of the cultural smorgasbord that is South Bend, Indiana.

Lula’s Cafe is the perfect place to unwind after a long week of classes.

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**Jazz and Oysters on the Half-Shell**
The Madison Oyster Bar serves up the best of both, often drawing jazz and blues acts from Chicago. (421 E. Madison)

**Sandwiches and Beer**
Mancino’s tasty grinders on fresh bread fill you up without emptying your wallet. (St. Andrew’s Plaza an Edison Rd.)

**Night Out with the Guys**
Beacon Bowl can’t be beat for booze and bowling. For under age students, it can’t be beat for bowling and the original Ms. Pac-Man. (4210 Lincoln Way West)

**Golf Course**
Juday Creek is fairly challenging, complete with plenty of water and some beautiful scenery. The new Blackthorn course by the airport promises to be a strong contender. (14770 Lindey Dr., Granger)

**Late Night Hangout**
Meijer. Where else can you get bulk food, lawn furniture and plumbing supplies at 4 a.m.? (On Grape Rd. You can’t miss it.)

**On-Campus Cinema**
The Snite Museum. From Citizen Kane to Trainspotting, the Snite offers something for every taste with culture and a decent sound system. Shows on Mondays, Tuesdays and weekends for $2.

**Country & Western Bar**
Heartland downtown offers a fresh alternative to typical rock ‘n’ roll bars with a lot of space to roam. (222 S. Michigan)

**Getaway for the Physically Uninhibited**
Sunny Haven Recreation Park, Inc., Granger’s one and only family nudist park. For more information, write Box 100 SB, Granger, IN 46530. Color brochure upon request.

— compiled by Chris Blanford and Miranda Sanford
WASHINGTON HALL — Bruce Auerbach, Director of Theatre of Notre Dame Communication and Theatre, has announced that the annual reception for students interested in theatre will be held Wednesday, August 27, at 6:00 P.M. in Washington Hall. Students interested in acting, directing, sets, costumes, lights, management, or theatre as a major are encouraged to attend.

Theatre at Notre Dame is open to all students — majors and non-majors — who wish to participate. A wide variety of activities is available including: acting, scenic design and construction, costume design and construction, lighting design and execution, marketing, directing and stage management. There are theatre opportunities to fit every schedule and level of talent. If you have a willingness to learn, you are qualified.

Becoming involved in theatre is an excellent way to meet new people, make new friends, and have a great time while involving yourself in the creation of something special on campus.

This season, the Department of Communication and Theatre (COTH) will present a mainstage season consisting of four plays as well as many other acting and directing projects. Mainstage productions this season will be:

- *Rosencrantz and Guildenstern are Dead*
- *The Compleat Works of Wllm Shkspr (abridged)*
- *As You Like It*

In addition, COTH will host a residency by Actors from the London Stage, sponsored by the Paul M. and Barbara Henkels Visiting Scholars Series. Acting and directing projects are showcased at the end of each semester. All of these projects will need a great amount of student support. There are positions for all who wish to participate.

Auditions for the first two plays of the season will be held Wednesday, August 27, and Thursday, August 28, at 7:00 P.M.

If you cannot attend the reception, but wish to be involved or have questions about the program, please call Bruce Auerbach at (219) 631-5957.
Of Disastrous Proportions ...

Look for these films coming to a theatre near you much too soon!

Unless you have been gobbled up by a twister lately, you have noticed that there is a popular and ugly trend in filmmaking today. It appears that some producer/Mensa member came up with the neat idea of resurrecting a film concept that has been lying as dormant as a volcano since the late '70s—the disaster film. This madness all began last summer when a tornado blew into town and whisked Helen Hunt right off of the screen and into our hearts in Twister. The theme began to wear a bit thin with the one-two punch of Volcano and Dante's Peak, the two movies that turned magma into lava (oooh, scary!) much to the collective dismay of Tommy Lee Jones and Pierce Brosnan (as well as moviegoers across America). Then there was the high-concept comedy Down Periscope, which was a disaster movie of a different sort. Coming up later this year are The Flood, proving that water can be pretty scary too, and Titanic.

As you can see, this cinematic trend has been done ad nauseam. This is more than beating a dead horse; it is spitting on the dead horse and calling him “Stinky.” This leads to a question: if these movies are so repetitive and stupid, why the heck do movie studios keep cranking them out? The answer is as simple as a little piece of paper with a president on it (and we’re not talking about Jennifer Flowers’ little black book here, folks). Money, as well as the millions of morons who carry it in their pockets and then utter stupid things like, “Uhhh, one for ID4, please,” is the cause of the perpetuation of this wave of awful special effects pics. Since money does make the world go round, however, Out of Bounds thought it would be a good idea to get in on the action. Here are a few disaster movies which, surprisingly enough, have not been brought to the silver screen ... yet.

Locusts!

They’re pesky, they travel in swarms, and they buzz real loud. Hollywood goes biblical with this movie about those crispy critters that destroy crops like it’s nobody’s business. Entomologist Percy Cummings (vividly portrayed by Brad Pitt) follows a large swarm of locusts around Iowa when something goes horribly wrong — the locusts get spooked and turn on him. The rest of the movie is Percy running around with a can of Raid shouting out cool catch phrases like, “Suck on this, antenna breath!” This intense action culminates in the whole town’s getting together and building a giant backyard bug-zapper and luring the locusts to it with a trail of corn. Awesome!

Noah’s Ark 2: Wet as Hell

San Diego, California. 1999. Noah McAllister is a down-on-his-luck zookeeper who happens to have a pretty good relationship with the man upstairs. One day, a hapless sheep in His flock tees God off, so He has no choice but to send a catastrophic flood down upon us mortals. Since Noah (triumphantly played by Charlton Heston) is down with the G-man, he is given prior notice. And where Charlton Heston is, comedy isn’t too far behind as Noah consistently jokes with God about using the cubit system. “You’re almost as bad as those Canadians,” Heston chides. Being the good-natured zookeeper that he is, all the animals get a free ride on the yacht that Noah hijacks — leading to many hilarious stepping-in-poop jokes. One of the coolest moments of the film is when Heston shouts at the crew of the yacht, “I’ll sequester your asses like the O.J. Simpson jury!” And sequester he does! After 40 days of wacky seafaring antics, they finally find their way to dry land and start life anew.

Epicenter

San Francisco sits precariously near the deadly San Andreas Fault, which keeps local seismologist Burt Kolik (Ben Kingsley in an Oscar-worthy performance) extremely busy. Unfortunately, things get a little out of hand when an earthquake rips downtown Frisco in two, leaving Kolik and local disaster-relief expert Jingles McConville (played by Rowdy Roddy Piper in a Travolta-esque comeback role) in charge of saving the city. Burt and Jingles (the ’90s version of Danny Glover and Mel Gibson) run around rescuing people until they decide that their only hope of saving the citizens of San Francisco is to stop the earthquake itself. And how, you ask, do you stop an earthquake of 8.3 on the Richter scale? Super Glue, of course. The movie ends with Jingles unloading tons of the sticky adhesive into the fault from a chopper. “Try this on for seis!” he growls as the glue pours into the fault. Now the people of California can sleep without fear. Thanks, Jingles!

— by Aaron J. Nolan
Quite A Year

From a new football coach to a Final Four in women’s basketball, the past year in sports was full of surprises

BY BRIAN LUCAS

When people look back at this past year in Notre Dame sports, one word will come to mind: LOU. The legendary coach stepping down and being replaced by Bob Davie was by far the biggest story of the academic year. Besides the gridiron, though, there were many other exciting happenings in the world of Irish athletics. From women’s basketball to men’s soccer, almost everyone was in the headlines this year.

1a. Lou

The rumors began with a report from ESPN’s SportsCenter one Thursday evening. Five days later, it was official: After 11 years, 100 victories and a national championship, Lou Holtz had decided to resign as head football coach of the most famous college football team in America. His reason was simply, “It’s the right thing to do.” Speculation for the “real” reason lasted weeks, with reports of problems with athletic director Mike Wadsworth, tightening academic restrictions that hindered recruiting, and a desire not to break Knute Rockne’s record of 105 wins. Whatever the reason, a legend called it quits and paved the way for ...

1b. Bob

When looking to replace Holtz, Wadsworth and the university’s Executive Vice President Fr. William Beauchamp had very specific qualities in mind. They didn’t have to look far to find their match. Following a brief courtship of Northwestern’s Gary Barnett, defensive coordinator Bob Davie was promoted to head coach five days after Holtz resigned. The former Texas A&M defensive coordinator had been a part of Holtz’s staff since 1994. In ’95, with Holtz in the hospital after neck surgery, Davie led the Irish to a 41-0 victory over Vanderbilt and was carried from the field. It was this type of camaraderie with the players that led to ...

1c. Ron’s Return

The biggest question facing the football team after the stunning overtime loss to USC was not what bowl game they were going to (see number seven) but whether Ron Powlus was going to return for a fifth year. After sitting out his freshman year with a broken collarbone, Powlus had another year of eligibility. On Dec. 20, citing the excitement of the new coaching staff, the often criticized quarterback announced his intentions to stay in school. With new offensive coordinator Jim Colletto promising to open up the offense, Powlus, the career leader in touchdown passes among Irish QBs with 43, will hopefully have plenty of opportunities to add to his record.

4. The Final Four

Yes, there are sports besides football here at Notre Dame and many years this story would have headed a top-10 list. Led by senior all-Americans Beth Morgan and Katryna Gaither, the women’s basketball team made an improbable run to the Final Four. Though they were ranked 14th to end the season, the Irish received a disappointing sixth seed in the NCAA tournament and had to travel to Austin, Texas. After easily defeating Memphis in the first round, Notre Dame went on to three straight upset victories, beating the number three seed Texas in Austin, then second-ranked Alabama and number five George Washington in Columbia. Their magical run was stopped by the eventual national champions, Tennessee. The Irish finished the year 31-7 and captivated the entire school.

5. In Elite Company

Entering the 1996-97 season, the men’s basketball team was picked to finish last in the Big East. Proving their critics wrong, the Irish finished the year one point away from a trip to New York and a berth in the NIT final four. Led by Big East Player of the Year Pat Garrity and Coach of the Year...
John MacLeod, Notre Dame went on an unlikely run in the second half of the season that included eight consecutive home victories before a buzzer-beating loss to Michigan in the NIT quarterfinals. With senior guards Admore White and Pete Miller complementing the outstanding play of Garrity, the team finished with a 16-14 overall record, 8-10 in the Big East.

6. Almost a Repeat

Last year, the women's soccer team captured the NCAA championship in dramatic fashion. This season, after being the first defending national champion not to be number one in the following season's preseason poll, they had to prove that '95 wasn't a fluke. An October 4 match-up with top-ranked North Carolina provided the first opportunity to prove the experts wrong. The Irish left Chapel Hill with a 1-0 victory and the number one ranking. Led by national player of the year Cindy Daws, they held on to the top spot throughout the season, which included another Big East championship. When tournament time came around, The Irish were stunned to find that they were given the second seed while Carolina was the top seed. With something to prove once again, the Irish stomped their opponents on their way to a rematch in the finals. Despite the outstanding play of all-American goalie Jen Renola, Carolina got revenge with a 1-0 double-overtime victory, the second time in three years the Irish were runners-up.

7. No Bowling

Going into the final football game of the year, the only question was what bowl the Irish would be going to on New Year's Day. Many people had Lou Holtz coaching his final game in Tempe, Ariz. in the Fiesta Bowl against Joe Paterno and Penn State. With two losses already, one to national power Ohio State, the other to the Air Force academy, the Irish only had to beat USC to wrap up a bowl bid. Unfortunately, no one told the Trojans. Southern Cal entered the game 5-5 on the season and appeared to be half-heartedly playing out their season. Notre Dame was the team that played like a team on the slide, though, as they turned the ball over four times, missed a critical extra point and allowed USC to drive the length of the field late in the fourth quarter and tie the game with a two-point conversion. Irish bowl hopes ended when Ron Powlus' fourth-down pass was batted away in overtime.

8. April Madness

Every April, campus lives up with the biggest outdoor five-on-five basketball tournament in the world. Bookstore Basketball is a way of life for one week in April. This year, 591 teams of students and faculty entered the tournament with names like "Sexual Frustrations Rechanneled 2: We Still Can't Score (SFR2)" and "We Traded Our Best Player for a Handle of Captain Morgan." Competition lasts two weeks, with games played to 21 points. The intensity increased around the round of 32, and especially after a record-tying 41-39 victory by Bring Out The Gimp II over Downtown Assassins in the round of 16. The Final Four saw Swoosh defeat Primetime in one semifinal and top seed Corby's upset by Dos Geses. In the final, led by MVP Mike Denvir, number six Geses beat fourth-ranked Swoosh 21-19.

9. Unexpected Champions

The men's soccer team had a successful regular season, finishing third in the Big East with a 10-6-2 record, including a 2-2 tie with eventual national champion St. John's. The Irish went into the conference tournament hoping to improve their position for an NCAA tournament bid. They did better than that. The Irish won the tournament, earning the automatic bid that comes with it. After defeating Georgetown and Connecticut by identical 2-1 scores, the Irish took on Rutgers in the final. On the strength of a Konstantin Koloskov goal and the goal-tending of Greg Velho, Notre Dame won 1-0. The Irish went on to upset second-ranked UNC Greensboro and advance to the second round of the NCAA tournament for the first time in history. Their season ended with a 1-0 loss to UNC Charlotte.

10. Lax-tastic

With four preseason all-Americans, including a first-team goalie, the men's lacrosse team expected big things this year. They didn't disappoint. After beginning the year ranked 14th, the Irish ended the season ninth in the national polls. Their regular season record was 9-2 with their two losses coming against UMass and Loyola, both top-10 programs and both defeats by one goal. Included in their nine wins was a victory over then number four Hofstra, 10-9, the highest ranking team Notre Dame has ever beaten. The Irish received an invitation to the 12-team NCAA for the sixth consecutive year, earning a rematch with Loyola. This time, Loyola dominated, winning 21-5 and ending the Irish season.
Athletes of the Year

Throughout the year, these athletes thrilled us with their highlights

Autry Denson
The sophomore tailback led the Irish in rushing with 1,179 yards, the fifth best total in Notre Dame history. Denson ranked 24th in the country in rushing, with 107.2 yards per game. He needs to average slightly more than 98 yards a game in his final 23 regular-season games to become Notre Dame's all-time leading rusher.
Honorable Mentions: Renaldo-Wynn (Football), Tony Capasso (Soccer)

Cindy Daws
The senior midfielder was the best player in the country, winning both the Hermann and Missouri Athletic Club Awards given to the player of the year. The first team all-American led the Irish in goals with 26 and was third in assists with 20. She is Notre Dame's all-time leading scorer with 61 goals and 67 assists for 161 points.
Honorable Mentions: Jaimie Lee (Volleyball), Jen Renola (Soccer)

Rookie-Jenny Streiffer
In her rookie season, Streiffer was named Big East freshman of the year and a third team all-American. She was also elected to the NCAA all-tournament team. A starter in all 26 games for the Irish, Streiffer finished the year with 22 goals and 22 assists, good for 66 points and second on the team.
Honorable Mentions: Mary Leffers (Volleyball), Jen Grubb (Soccer)
Pat Garrity
Garrity was named the Big East Player of the Year and carried the team for much of the year. The junior forward averaged 21.7 points a game and 7.6 rebounds, both tops on the Irish squad. He had a career high 36 points against Indiana and scored more than 20 points in 18 of the 30 games, including 11 games with more than 25 points.

Honorable Mentions: Admore White (Basketball), Steve Noble (Hockey)

Katryna Gaither
This senior all-American led the Irish to the Final Four, averaging 20.2 points and 9.6 rebounds a game, both to lead the team. In the NCAA tournament, Gaither was named the East Regional MVP, averaging 26 points and 12 rebounds over the four games. She set a Notre Dame single-season record for points with 776.

Honorable Mentions: Beth Morgan (Basketball), Sarah Walsh (Fencing)

Rookie - Magda Krol
Krol was the 1997 national champion in women’s epee. She was also voted the most outstanding women’s epeeist in the NCAA tournament. In the finals, she defeated 1996 champion Nicole Dygert of St. John’s 15-14 to claim the title.

Honorable Mentions: Joe Dusbabek (Hockey), Dominique Calloway (Track)

Will DeRiso
The senior attackman led the Irish in scoring with 18 goals and 25 assists for a total of 43 points after managing only 17 goals and 12 assists in his first three seasons. He had at least one goal or assist in every game with highs of four goals (vs. Delaware) and four assists (vs. Harvard and Ohio St.)

Honorable Mentions: Mike Armbhein (Baseball), Jimmy Keenan (Lacrosse)

Meghan Murray
Named Big East player of the year for the second consecutive season, Murray helped the Irish to an impressive 35-25 record. She led the team in almost every offensive category, batting .422 with six home runs, 42 RBI, 38 runs scored, 13 stolen bases, and a .609 slugging percentage.

Honorable Mentions: Angela Bessolo (Softball), Cara Buchanan (Lacrosse)

Rookie - Women’s Lacrosse
The team posted an impressive 5-4 record in their inaugural season on the varsity level. Led by tri-captains Eileen Regan, Mara Grace and Tara Pierce, the Irish posted victories over Fairfield, Gannon, Denver, Stanford, Duquesne. They also impressed the fans as over 500 people showed up to watch their first home game ever, a 15-4 win over Denver.

Honorable Mentions: Ryan Sachire (Men’s Tennis), Brant Ust (Baseball)

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By Brian Lucas

Change is a common theme around Notre Dame athletics these days. The football team has a new head coach roaming the sidelines and an expanded stadium to play in. Just about everyone knows about those. More subtle changes involve women’s sports. Many Notre Dame women’s teams have gained national prominence and some have national championship aspirations.

Just eight years after the women’s soccer team became a varsity program, the Irish were hoisting the national championship trophy. That magical 1995 season followed a second-place finish in 1994 and preceded another runner-up finish this season. Coach Chris Petrucelli is responsible for this success, taking the Irish from mediocrity to perennial national championship contention. In his seven years as head coach, Petrucelli’s team has posted a 131-18-8 record and has been in three national title games.

“Our success has really been a credit to our players, in particular the seniors,” Petrucelli says. “It will be tough going to battle without the players that have been here the last four years.”

Even with the graduation of national player of the year Cindy Daws and all-American goalie Jen Renola, ND must be considered a favorite to return to the championship game this season. The squad has six starters returning, including all-Americans Holly Manthei and Kate Sobrero. In addition, the Irish have one of the top recruiting classes in the country coming in this fall.

“The quality of our class is outstanding from top to bottom,” says Petrucelli. “It is hard to have five freshman who can come in and contribute right away, but this class is certainly capable of that.”

Soccer wasn’t the only women’s sport to succeed last year. The women’s basketball team, led by a pair of senior all-Americans, Katryna Gaither and Beth Morgan, advanced to the NCAA Final Four before losing to eventual national champion Tennessee. Morgan and Gaither, the top two scorers in Notre Dame history, put the program on the map. The two seasons before they arrived, the Irish were a combined 29-29. During their four years, Notre Dame’s record was 107-32 with three NCAA tournament appearances. Coach Muffet McGraw has been the beneficiary of the accomplishments of the outstanding duo.

“A lot of the credit for the run goes to those two seniors,” McGraw says. “Both players are all-Americans and they have helped take our program from nowhere to the Final Four.”

Unlike Petrucelli, McGraw doesn’t have an experienced cast returning. Not only have Gaither and Morgan graduated but two other starters are gone as well. Only seven letter winners are returning, including only one starter, Mollie Peirick. With national powerhouse UConn roaming in the Big East, the Irish may have a tough time repeating their success.

“We’ll have a good team next year but it
during the past few years, women's athletics have gained prestige at notre dame

by brian lucas

there were four seniors-to-be, including only one starter, from last year's big east champions. included in that group is big east player of the year jaimie lee and big east tournament mvp lindsay treadwell. irish coach debbie brown is excited about the possibilities.

"i feel we have great leadership from our seniors-to-be," comments brown. "even before the school year ended they were getting everybody in the right frame of mind."

last season, the team also began the year with high expectations, ranked ninth in the preseason. injuries decimated the squad, though, as the projected starting six played together in only one of the 34 matches. that led to the team's dropping out of the top 25 for the first time since the 1992 preseason poll. they rallied to earn a bid to the ncaa tournament and won their first round game against hofstra before losing to ohio state in the next round. the volleyball team is still one of the most consistent winners, posting a 143-37 record in brown's five years.

"there are really three keys," says brown. "recruiting is vital, along with playing a tough schedule. then there is the administrative support that makes those things possible."

this spring, another women's team came upon the scene and aspired to join in the recent success of the other programs. the women's lacrosse team played its first season on the varsity level and enjoyed some success, finishing the year 5-4. the team was also received well by the fans, hundreds of whom came out to see the inaugural women's lacrosse game at moose krause stadium, a 15-4 irish victory over denver.

"our focus this season wasn't on wins and losses," explains coach tracy coyne. "we concentrated on learning fundamentals and getting experience. next season we'll look to building our strategy and improving our record."

they have plenty of role models if they want to be successful. with the history of

three out of four ain't bad. senior kate fisher has been part of the soccer team that has gone to the finals three consecutive years.

success of women's athletics at notre dame, it shouldn't be too long before lacrosse shares in the prosperity.

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THE MISSION

The Gipp would like you to meet the Gipp. He thinks it makes him unique to refer to himself in the third person, although there are some who say that this tendency has been present since biblical times. These are false prophets and are merely confused by the Gipp’s obsessive self-referral. Don’t be tempted by these individuals, for they are sent by Lucifer himself!

Let’s see, oh yes! The Gipp wants to tell you that you need not fear the wrath of the Gipp. Good, sound people like you and your friends help him write this column and keep people honest. You and your friends can tip the Gipp by e-mail (gipper.1@nd.edu) or by phone (1-7569). There is no guarantee that the Gipp will answer the phone, but his beautiful secretary will always take the call (if she isn’t with the Gipp). You can tell the Gipp about anything, but he especially likes rumors and strange happenings on campus. These tips are confirmed and they appear here in black and white. It is as beautiful and dramatic as the democratic process when it works. When it doesn’t the Gipp calls his lawyers.

THE WORD ON THE STREETS

This summer the Gipp thought back to when he was a first-year student (not a freshman – it’s politically incorrect) with curly hair and diapers. He was looking for his acceptance letter when he came across another packet of information. The Gipp was not amused. It described what life here was like before he ever set foot in the shadow of the Golden Dome. He realized that a few major details were left out, thus causing him much grief the first few weeks of school. So to reduce the shock, the Gipp has compiled a few lessons that he had to learn the hard way.

TO QUELL THE STRAPPING YOUNG BUCK

Notre Dame became a coed institution in 1972, but sometimes it’s hard to tell. Everyone knows that hormones rage in our years of post-adolescence and early adulthood. At most other universities the instinctive passions are channeled into entities known as fraternities and sororities, but at Notre Dame the Greek system has been outlawed. So unless one can find a way to the pleasure quarters that are off-campus apartments, one must survive socially within the dorms. But there’s a catch – parietals. To the administration, these are simply the deadlines by which the opposite sex must be out of your dorm. To Domers, they are the single greatest miscarriage of justice to college students in America. But don’t worry, the Gipp beat the system by bringing his drag queen outfit his sophomore, er, second year.

TO ACQUIRE A TASTE

There are some things that have to be learned the hard way, like the first time the Gipp shaved and emerged looking like he had been slapped by Edward Scissorhands. But at least the Gipp’s father warned him that the razor was sharp. When the Gipp first went to the dining hall, however, no one told him that he would be in the bathroom 20 minutes later wondering what happened. The Gipp’s friends call this the “20-minute rule.” The Gipp’s great-grandmother called it the skitters, but the Gipp just calls it diarrhea.

The Gipp says: Liking dining hall food demands an acquired taste that is never acquired, at least not in four years. But in all seriousness, the food isn’t really that bad, though most students do complain that it gets monotonous. Once you find something you like, you tend to have it all the time, a problem the Gipp usually associates with beer.

TO APPRECIATE THE AMBIANCE OF SOUTH BEND

South Bend, or The Social Void as it’s referred to on campus, has a luster similar to that of granite. For those of you who aren’t geology majors that just means that the Gipp hopes you didn’t come to Notre Dame for the allure of the city. With its booming crime scene (especially during our spring and Christmas breaks), it would be a good idea to bring a big lock, maybe two or three, if you plan to keep your bike on campus.

The Gipp also recommends bringing a warm jacket because it will become your closest friend for about three months. The South Bend area is blessed with weather caused by the “lake effect.” All that means is that the temperature can drop 50 degrees in 24 hours. Oh yeah, and classes are never canceled for snow. Much to the chagrin of campus security, however, students do appreciate packing snow for its ability to fly through the windows of rival dorms.

Wondering how this can carry a price tag of a mere $25,000 a year? It’s hard to believe, but somehow it will all be yours for this bargain basement price. Football tickets will cost you extra, but just remember that the Gipp will be with you in the crowd, keeping an eye on things so you don’t have to. And know this: the Gipp is not just a person, but a state of mind. You are the Gipp. Rudy is the Gipp. The Gipp is the Gipp. The Gipp is everywhere but the library. So if you’re ever feeling blue, remember that whether tall or short, skinny or gifted with mass, warm- or cold-blooded, the Gipp loves you. So don’t let his love go unrequited. Tip the Gipp.
Describing college is kind of like describing smoking. Only after you've held the butt of a Marlboro between your lips and inhaled trillions of cancer-causing molecules can you really appreciate the mystique surrounding Joe Camel. You might see George Burns puffing away on a fat cigar or you might even inhale secondhand smoke, but it just isn't the same. Sure, I could give you the straight dope about roommates, but until you have one actually stumble in drunk and fall asleep with his head in the trash can, you just can't appreciate how stupid they can actually be. Nevertheless, I'm going to try to tell you what really happens in college. You've just committed about $100,000 of your parent's money to this place, so you might as well know what you're getting into.

It's all one big circle — the embodiment of greed and deception ladies and gentlemen! I'm not talking about Area 51, the location of Jimmy Hoffa's body, the second gunman on the grassy knoll, or why the Cubs are so bad every year. I'm talking about college: the great conspiracy. Like the 3,000 or so fake-ID carriers on this campus, appearances can be deceiving. On the outside it looks like a place where you just go and learn about things like business, history or philosophy, but in fact it is a hotbed of hedonism.

Now that last sentence kind of sounded like a thesis statement, and I apologize for reminding you about academics during this fine summer, but it is the truth. College is a celebration of pleasure seeking. This pleasure can take many forms: carousing, revelry, debauchery and inebriation, for instance. (These words may not have appeared on the SAT, but you will learn them soon enough). Contrary to what your parents, teachers, guardians and the Pope might tell you, college is the ultimate appeal to the lowest of human instincts. And although academics are there, they tend to interfere with your learning. Having said all this, I will attempt to describe four years of college in a few paragraphs.

College is a place where you spend about 15 hours a week in the classroom until you realize that you can get by on just 10. You end up with about 30 hours of homework, of which you do 14 once you get your fake ID. Some classes teach you things that you need to know to get a job. Others simply require you to memorize things that you will forget shortly after you take the final exam. These classes can usually be found under the category "liberal arts."

Everything else you do revolves around getting dates. College is a machine and dating is lubricant that keeps things running smoothly. Of course there are bars, parties, and an occasional concert that you can take your date to, but dating penetrates even the noblest of pursuits. If you go to the theater, it's not because you are cultured, but because you heard that girl you've been eyeing in your theology seminar is going. You might sign up for the ballroom dancing club, but only because it's a tool to enhance your dating skills. You might not like alcohol, but it makes your date look better.

You still perform the necessary actions of eating and sleeping, but you subconsciously do so to satisfy your desires to get with the opposite sex. You don't go to the dining hall to eat. That's the last thing on your mind. Some girls might spend an hour and a half every night in the dining hall. Twenty minutes of that time is to eat. For the rest of the time they will scope guys like it is their job.

Many kinds of people go to college. There are some good professors — the rest are bad and require attendance. There are kids who develop hobbies like playing Nintendo 64 and watching movies. There are administrators and trustees who try to break down the college machine, but things like dating and beer keep it chugging along.

Once a college has been around for a while it becomes "endowed." This is when a college gets a lot of money and doesn't give it to the students. The distance money tends to keep from students can be seen in both the conditions of the dorm rooms and the emptiness of student's bank accounts. Money comes to people in a mystical fantasy land called "The Real World." This is not a show on MTV, but rather a place college students go after four years and people start addressing them as "Mr.," or "Ms. So-and-So." These people start off poor and try to make money to send their own children to college. People try to act like they are still in college by rooting for the football team and walking around campus every 25 years or so at things called "reunions."

Then people get old like my grandpa and say, "Back in the days when I was in college, we spent 40 hours a week studying and couldn't have a girl out later than 9:30," and "Those were the best days of my life." Then grandma slaps grandpa because he dated another girl back in those days. But grandmas and grandpas are just links in the chain, bolts in the machine. They both know the true, Epicurean nature of the beast.

Notre Dame is just like any other college except that God is thrown into the mix. He is a very popular being on campus, getting almost more press than the football team. As you will soon see, He is so popular that many students put Him on shirts reading, "God, Country, Notre Dame, Beer... but not necessarily in that order." So be prepared for what you are about to experience, kids.

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Welcome to the Family

by Heather Schomann

It is an overused phrase, but it really is true that time goes by too quickly. One minute you’re packing your things to come to school, wondering if you will get along with your roommate and the next you’re packing your things to go home, wondering how you will make it three months without her. This time last year I was preparing to enter a new world, a world without parents and rules (so I thought, if you too are under this illusion read \textit{du Lac}), a world in which I would have all the freedom that I desired, the world we call “college.”

I wondered where I would fit in. Would my roommate and I be instant best friends, instant enemies, or something in between? Would there ever be a person complete person. There is no way to hide all of my faults. They are just like my family. They know everything, from how little sleep I can have before I get cranky, to what guy I secretly want to ask to the SYR. Although that can be annoying, I am thankful that they know when to give me space and when to offer help, without my asking.

You have made an incredible decision by coming to Notre Dame. The administration and the alumni constantly talk about the “Notre Dame family” and it starts with your hall. My friends at other schools cannot understand the loyalty that I feel for my dorm. “It’s just where you live. I don’t think I even know the people across the hall,” they say. But it is so much more. It is your home, your fraternity or sorority, your sanctuary. It is not a perfect system, but it comes pretty close. At first I thought a lot of it was weird. “Why don’t they just call parietals visiting hours, because that’s what they are,” I thought at the beginning. Okay, I admit, I still think that. And the idea of a rector was a little odd. “You have a nun living in your dorm?,” astonished friends would ask. I was a little unsettled at the idea too, but Sister has become a friend as well as an authority figure. She is here to enforce the rules, but she is also here to listen. You give up certain freedoms to live in the dorms, but the rewards are boundless.

They say that these are the best days of our lives. And they are. But they tend to leave out that these are also some of the most difficult. This year you will learn to love and to let go, you will learn what it means to be a true friend and how much it hurts to be betrayed. You will laugh a lot and cry a little too. You will bond with your dorm mates over inter hall sports and \textit{Friends} and with your classmates over study sessions where usually anything but studying gets accomplished. You will test yourself in the classroom, on the playing field, and in your relationships. You will devour more Papa John’s bread sticks and watch more movies than you thought humanly possible. Most of all, you will take a giant step towards becoming the person that you want to be, even if it is not apparent to you at the time.

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