

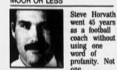
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Horvath good word in football

By AL LEBAN
South Bend Tribune



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Steve Horvath went 43 years as a football coach without using any word of profanity. Not even "f---."

He went 43 years without uttering a disconcerting word to a kid. He went 43 years without ever conveying a negative thought about the kid and, in the next game, the next practice, the next day.

"What a wonderful role model he has been," said his next-in-line, Adams football coach Bill Farris. "We had to go back to the last time I saw Steve and get a little rest."

For 43 years, though, the South Bend native has been about football. "I guess you can say football is in my blood," Horvath said.

But at the age of 72, he has decided he'll see his next high school game from the stands. He's hanging up his whistle after a coaching career that took him to four local high schools — including the Riley alma mater where he was both the head coach and athletic director.

Why retire now? Why not go for it? "I'm a farmer who still works his land. Horvath certainly isn't working down."

"Well, I'll tell you," he said. "My grandson Jason is a sophomore at Penn and trying to be a defensive back. If he's going to get to play some, I'd like to be there to see him."

Some coaches said it quits when their sons are old enough to play. Horvath waited until his grandson was wearing the gear. Horvath didn't push football on his grandson, who lives with him and his wife, Len, along with their son Patrick. He knows the sport he loves is a big commitment. He always has had a knack at knowing what to say — and what not to say — to teenagers.

"Steve is 72 years old and still relates so well to kids who are 14 to 16," Farris said. "He's been a father figure to me, too, and a calming influence for everybody. With him around, you can't help but think that you're only as old as you think."

Steve played football himself at Riley for Forrest Wood in the late 1940s, unrecalled in college years at Butler when he went off to war and served as a bombardiernavigator on 10 missions in 17 months.

One of those missions ended in a crash landing at the end of the runway. The plane exploded as it tried to take off.

"I guess I've been able to keep it in perspective after all these years," Horvath said. "I don't get mad because I never served a purpose. And as far as not using profanity, I've always tried myself to be able to say what I wanted to say in proper English."

He's touched the lives of thousands of kids.



JAVIER ZULUAGA

Zuluaga, Navy zero in on Irish

By AL LEBAN
South Bend Tribune

PHILADELPHIA — Being selected by Sports Illustrated as one of the 10 most underrated college football players in the country doesn't affect Javier Zuluaga in the least.

In the last four years, the Navy linebacker has been through too much to let it have an impact — either positive or negative.

The only thing the 5-foot-11, 230-pound tackle runner from Randall High School in Indianapolis hopes is overruled in Notre Dame's role as a favorite in Saturday's game at Veterans Stadium here.

For the first time in Zuluaga's four years at the Navy Academy, the battle with Notre Dame is critical.

Even during 14 seasons the past few years, a shot at knocking off the Irish was a long way toward ending the pain. But this year's effort, it was never closer. There was a long way toward losing a Liberty Bowl appearance for the 43 Midshipmen.

"Winning last week to 38-0 here at Louisville would have helped quite a bit," Zuluaga said.

COUNTDOWN TO KICKOFF

■ **WHAT:** Navy (4-3) vs. No. 2 Notre Dame (8-3)
■ **WHERE:** Saturday at 11 a.m. EST
■ **TV:** ESPN, Versus, then on Philadelphia, Pa.
■ **TICKETS:** Available
■ **TELEPHONE:** 800/451-2828
■ **RADIO:** WISN AM (980), WISN FM (104.5), WISN TV (12)
■ **WEATHER:** Forecast: Partly cloudy with 10 to 15 degrees in the late night and early morning.

■ **QUICK QUOTE:** "The toughest part on offense is getting down the line. We're going to be on a defense. That's the heart of it." — Navy coach George Johnson

"This is crunch time now. Beating Louisville would have been a great game. Now, our backs are against the wall."

And the Midshipmen are not expected to be the targets of an Irish firing squad. They know what it's like to value in practice.

...and they've found out that winning can be a lot more fun.

"The past few or three seasons were always measured by what we were able to overcome," Zuluaga said. "This season is different. Measuring it in victories is much better."

"We want to be the country's best. We want to be as good as we can be. When you get together you have to come together. We're the Navy. We're the Navy. We're the Navy."

"After every loss, the only thing we had left to do was to be back the next week and play that much harder."

Playing harder, though, didn't always translate into playing better.

During 2015 and last year, the Midshipmen showed down the Irish running game. Reggie Smith was out with an ankle injury and Reggie Brooks gained just 96 yards in 20 games.

However, quarterback Rick Mirer was efficient. His completed 13 of 24 passes for 212 yards.

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MacLeod, Irish ready to go

By FORREST MILLER
South Bend Tribune

SCOTT BEND — John MacLeod is ready to go.

"Eight months is a long time to be away," said Notre Dame's third-year head basketball coach.

"That forced vacation away from the basketball court comes to an end Saturday morning when MacLeod and his staff assemble candidates for the 1993-94 Irish."

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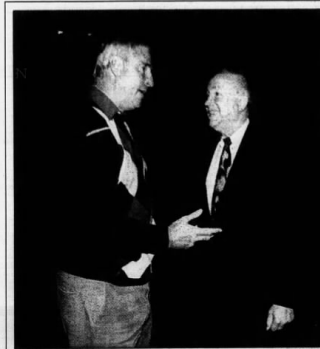
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Indiana basketball coach Bob Knight talks with Illinois basketball coach Lou Henson prior to their annual Big Ten basketball luncheon in Indianapolis Thursday.

Henderson coming along

By ERIC HANSEN
South Bend Tribune

INDIANAPOLIS — The way Bob Knight looks at it, there is nothing wrong with Alan Henderson's hand.

And that is why the 23rd-year Indiana basketball coach doesn't even concern himself with the medical arguments in the 4-0-4-9 junior forward's right knee.

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the Birmingham Herald Times.

"That's not where it was. He's got to be able to practice when practice starts. We don't necessarily expect him to be able to practice the entire strength of practice. There will probably be some days when he's sore and has some setbacks, and we'll have to modify his activity to accommodate that."

Said Henderson, "There are a lot of people who have had the same kind of surgery and have come back and are playing well."

Trainer Tim Galt is one who has already seen Henderson do more than walk.

"All of it is improving," Galt told

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New nickname honors history

By CAVIT RALL
South Bend Tribune

SOUTH BEND — Alan Levin, owner of the South Bend's minor-league baseball franchise, is using a page from the past to add a new chapter to South Bend's sports heritage.

Levin made it official that the franchise will change its name from the South Bend White Sox to the South Bend Silver Hawks. The team will retain the silver and black colors of the parent Chicago White Sox, but add a touch of green to its color scheme.

Silver Hawks is the name of a line of automobiles built by the Studebaker Corporation in South Bend in the 1930s and 1940s. The new logo is a line of a Studebaker Hawk head ornament.

"It was always Silver Hawks," said Levin. "Silver Hawks was never another name considered. I think Silver Hawks is a timeless name. We're very proud of it."

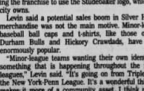
Levin said he wanted a nickname that said South Bend.

"We wanted a name that was indigenous and identifiable to the region," Levin said. "We wanted to give the franchise its own identity."

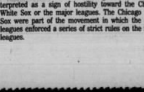
"Silver Hawks is a nickname that we can have some fun with and be proud of," Levin said. "It relates to the heritage of the region and the Studebaker logo is unique."



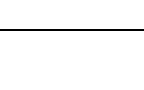
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Mullen rolls to LPBT title

By FORREST MILLER
South Bend Tribune

SCOTT BEND — Michelle Mullen, helped by the support of loads of relatives from the Chicago area, rolled down the No. 2 qualifying position to win the Ladies Professional Bowling Tour's Brunswick Open's top prize Thursday.

The 39-year-old University of Illinois graduate was

seventh in the 4-0-4-9 junior forward's right knee.

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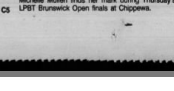
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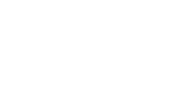
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