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## ■ NEWS ANALYSIS

### Russia resistant to NATO expansion

By MIKE ROMANCHEK  
News Writer

NATO's acceptance of the former Eastern Bloc nations of the Czech Republic, Hungary and Poland has spurred hopes for development in these countries but has also brought about sharp criticism from Russia.

While Russia works to overcome economic woes, it must now also deal with the encroachment of NATO on three of its former Iron Curtain allies. The three nations joined NATO's ranks on Friday, just prior to NATO's 50th birthday next month.

Russia has openly opposed NATO expansion because it views the expansion as a sign of Russia's weakness following the Cold War.

"Russia's resistance to further NATO expansion is largely a rhetorical tactic designed to make the process more difficult for the West," according to adjunct professor Mark Jubulis. "Proponents of NATO expansion

maintain its former role as an equal with the U.S., even though Russia is no longer a superpower."

Most of the negative sentiments are coming from Russian political figures rather than average Russian citizens.

The Russians are attempting to "undermine NATO effectiveness" because Russia is not part of NATO, according to a March 13 New York Times article.

"Russia would rather have disputes settled by the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) and the U.N. than NATO because it has a vote within these organizations," said Jubulis.

Russia has also complained that the NATO expansion is an

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**'RUSSIA WOULD RATHER HAVE DISPUTES SETTLED BY OSCE AND THE U.N. ... THAN NATO BECAUSE IT HAS A VOTE WITHIN THESE ORGANIZATIONS.'**

MARK JUBULIS  
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, GOVERNMENT

sion focus on the issue of expanding the zone of stable democracies, while Russia feels excluded and is trying to

### Slow travel delays Spring Break trips

By ALISON HEINZ  
News Writer

While many are still enjoying the relaxing benefits of a spring break spent in a warm, sunny, tropical location, some Notre Dame students are recovering from botched spring break travel plans that made mid-terms seem like a picnic.

A group of students that made arrangements to spend a week in Negril, Jamaica, left Chicago a day later than originally planned with no explanation. When the group did board a plane, a bus hit the plane. Although no injuries were reported, the trip

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## FRIDAY FEATURE



The Observer/Photo Art by Joe Stark

As the Spirit of Inclusion aims to include all people under its very spirit, some professors and students on campus and around the country disagree as to the true spirit of the declaration. Contrary to the declaration, all students and faculty do not feel welcome at Notre Dame.

## Spirit of Inclusion contested by campus voices

By JOSHUA BOURGEOIS  
News Writer

At the end of a battle of numerous rallies, heated editorials, confidential meetings and extensive proposals, the Spirit of Inclusion was the winner and the addition of sexual orientation to the non-discrimination clause was the loser.

But, is the Spirit of Inclusion enough? Is it going to provide an atmosphere open to homosexuals? More importantly and probably least mentioned, is this atmosphere going to hurt the recruiting and retention of

professors who might be homosexual?

Last November, assistant professor of history at Carnegie Mellon Scott Sandage wrote a letter to the editor published in The Observer that addressed two major problems at Notre Dame. One was that several members of the gay community believe that the Spirit of Inclusion does not adequately provide equality. The other is the whether or not Notre Dame will be able to acquire quality professors, without regard to their sexual orientation.

In a statement urging Notre

Dame to accept adding sexual orientation to the University's non-discrimination clause, Sandage described the University's reputation in academia as unsupporting of homosexuals. He also claimed that professor Gregory Dowd invited him to apply to the University for a professorship position.

"I had to inform professor Dowd that however much I might want Notre Dame, Notre Dame would not want me because I am openly gay," he said of his response to the offer.

Sandage further expressed his disappointment with the

University's actions regarding GLND/SMC and the removal of a top job candidate in the College of Business Administration because he revealed his sexual preference to the search chair.

The Carnegie Mellon assistant professor thinks that "such widely known incidents mar the reputation of a distinguished university and can only harm Notre Dame's efforts to recruit new faculty."

In his letter, Sandage said that universities should be leading the way into the future rather than the past. Furthermore, he expected

Notre Dame to have an atmosphere of equality. For this reason, he believes the University should adopt the non-discrimination clause.

Members of the University faculty are divided on the effectiveness of the Spirit of Inclusion, which is Notre Dame's official statement on sexual orientation. Some feel that it is an adequate statement in accordance with Catholic teaching and others feel that it is not enough.

"The Spirit of Inclusion is a statement that is open and welcoming to the gay commu-

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■ INSIDE COLUMN

# Promoting Animal Rights

It often surprises me how much some animal rights activists prioritize the rights of our little friends in the wilderness. I can't help but notice that some even venture to place all creatures on equal footing with humans, and not just U.S. vice presidents.

**Dustin Ferrell**  
Viewpoint

I can't say I agree with these so-called rights as defined by many, and I took it upon myself to define the rights of animals as I see fit.

## Right to Marinate

This right co-exists with the right to bake, right to barbecue, etc. Fairly self-explanatory, this provides animals with the ability to taste wonderful.

## Right to Swift Cooking

To respect the dignity of each meal, a swift cooking ensures a delicious, humane and convenient demise for all. We must ensure that no animal turns out dry or bland in any way, as anything else would be unjust.

## Right to a "Clean Shot"

Regarding dignity, each animal should be taken out as efficiently and painlessly as possible, preventing excessive complaining by PETA.

## Right to Decorate

Various woodland creatures hereby reserve the privilege of adorning my living room wall or sprawling out in front of the fireplace as a rug.

These rights concern the "afterlife" of our friends in the wilderness, but several must be made to include the living:

## Right to Jump Through Hoops at Sea World

Each sea-faring creature capable of such has the right to do so, along with swimming around in a large tank and splashing water on people for entertainment.

## Right to Entertain Me on Jay Leno and Wildlife Shows

For animals in captivity, this includes any such act which actually makes the Tonight Show interesting, such as throwing waste at Jay Leno or running around in the audience.

## Right to Sniff Airport Luggage

For German Shepherds primarily, this provides ample exercise while serving to fight the war on drugs. These fine animals also have the right to appear on "COPS" jumping over fences to apprehend violent criminals. Providing pets with exercise gives them a primitive concept of "self-actualization," allowing the higher place on the Maslow Hierarchy of Doggy Needs.

## Right to Test Cosmetics

With their selfless generosity, these animals ensure that the makeup wearers of the world will have safe, defect-free cosmetics. Additionally it allows Notre Dame women to complement their pea-coats with appropriate eye shadow. This is one of the more philanthropic acts of animals.

## Right to Bite Owners Who Make Them Wear Sweaters and Bandanas

Yes, some of these rights actually benefit animals. I have great empathy for dogs who wear clothes of any kind, and support active resistance to such annoying pampering.

Understand that with rights come responsibilities. There are things that animals should refrain from doing, especially the following:

## Starring in Disney Movies

Okay, how many of you went to see "Air Bud?" I think I speak for the majority when I oppose all "Free Willy" movies. No self-respecting animal would appear in such a role.

Some of you may find these rights objectionable, but they ensure that we respect the utility of animals along with dignity, and progress toward a more just world.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

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# Outside the Dome

Compiled from U-Wire reports

## Students occupy president's office in sweatshop protest

ANN ARBOR, Mich.

More than 25 university students occupied university president Lee Bollinger's office Wednesday morning and planned to remain there through the night to demand that administrators adopt a stronger set of labor standards in the collegiate apparel industry.

The student activists refused to continue talks with Bollinger and university general counsel Marvin Krislov after the administrators offered to meet with two of the group's leaders.

The students who led the sit-in, all of whom are members of Students Organizing for Labor and Economic Equality (SOLE), said they want Bollinger and Krislov to meet with the entire group, which is camped out on the floor of the president's office.

"We're done negotiating. We want action," junior Andy Cornell said.



Later in the evening, SOLE members said they attempted to meet with administrators, but had not heard back from them.

University spokesperson Joel Seguire said talks could begin as early as this morning.

The students "have definitely put on the pressure," Seguire said.

SOLE and its affiliate organizations on campuses across the nation have said that current calls for tougher standards in the collegiate apparel industry are not strong enough.

The Collegiate Licensing Company — the licensing agent that handles contracts between manufacturers and the university and 160 other colleges nationwide — has been facilitating talks with various schools to improve working conditions and unfair labor practices in the apparel industry.

The university reported more than \$5.7 million in revenue from the sale of licensed merchandise last year, the most of any school in the nation reporting similar information.

"We will be here until our demands are met," SOLE member Peter Romer-Friedman told the participants of the sit-in yesterday.

SOLE members said the university needs to commit to full public disclosure of the location and ownership of factories and the living wage. Bollinger said, "it would be reckless for us to sign on to a concept that hasn't been tested."

## ■ UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND

### Classmates act to ease Cuba's strife

COLLEGE PARK, Md.

When students from the "Nationalism, Socialism and Democracy" course at Maryland returned from Cuba over winter break, they did not simply put away their experiences in scrapbooks. Instead, students from the government and politics class, which spent two weeks in the communist nation, decided to act upon some of the problems that plague Cuba. They created Focus on Cuba, a group through which they have planned relief efforts for Cuban citizens, as well as programs and debates to heighten student awareness of American-Cuban relations. Part of the group's purpose is to educate the campus community on Cuban issues and lobby Congress for an ease on sanctions, according to group literature. Focus on Cuba's president, Juliana Menasce, a junior government and politics major, said she and her 21 study abroad classmates were inspired to start the organization after their trip.

## ■ UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA

### Freshman rescues police officer

GAINESVILLE, Fla.

Most college students spend spring break trying to avoid crossing paths with law enforcement officers. Fortunately for Gainesville Police Officer Howard Harran, freshman Arthur Bruggeman took a different approach. According to a police report, just before 10 p.m. on March 14, Harran was unexpectedly struck in the face by David Smith, Jr., of St. Augustine while questioning Smith in front of a tire store. Smith then wrestled Harran to the ground. Harran tried to call for backup on his radio and shouted for help. Bruggeman, 18, was leaving a friend's house when he noticed the police cruiser with its headlights on parked next to the tire store. "I slowed down when I saw the police car," he said. "Then when I saw the guy and the policeman rolling around on the ground, I slammed on the brakes and ran over. If they hadn't been in the glare of the headlights, I wouldn't have seen them."

## ■ COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY

### Pickers unite to battle lumber giant

FORT COLLINS, Colo.

"Go green!" was the battle cry of a handful of picketers from Colorado State University who gathered outside Home Depot Wednesday to protest the company's use of old-growth forest lumber. The Sierra Club group, in front of the home improvement store on Harmony Road, was just one of many groups rallying across North America Wednesday to urge Home Depot to "stop selling old growth wood, and go green for St. Patrick's Day," according to a flyer distributed by the protesters. "Home Depot is a huge corporation with a lot of influence," CSU Sierra Club member Beth Moore said. "[Home Depot is] one of the last companies to continue using old growth wood, and consumers need to know what is going on." The retailer allegedly sells products made of spruce, fir and cedar from the Great Bear rain forest of British Columbia and mahogany cut from the Amazon rain forest.

## ■ UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

### Police criticize "Naked Mile" run

ANN ARBOR, Mich.

The "Naked Mile," a yearly tradition in which hundreds of students celebrate the last day of classes by running nude through the streets of Ann Arbor, has in recent years become a spectator sport, leaving many questioning the safety of the run. While the Naked Mile started out small with only members of the university men's crew team participating, Ann Arbor Police Department deputy chief Larry Jerue said it attracted about 800 runners and more than 10,000 spectators last year. Jerue said the thousands of spectators who come from around the world and take pictures and videos usually show up not only in newspapers and on television, but also on the Internet. "It does allow a very seedy element of society," he said, and along with the "party atmosphere" and alcohol consumption, "sexual deviates come just to reach out and touch participants as they run by," compromising safety.

## ■ SOUTH BEND WEATHER

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## ■ NATIONAL WEATHER

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Dallas	55	50	New York	47	37	Washington	50

# McCarthy: Finding peace is ultimate goal of living well

By KYLE ANDREWS  
News Writer

In order to accomplish peace, we need a sense of prayer, service and exorcism to drive out evil and violence, said Colman McCarthy, a journalist for the Washington Post and the founder and director of the Center for Teaching Peace in Washington, D.C., in a lecture Thursday night.

"Peace is the result of love, and if love was easy, we'd all be good at it," McCarthy said.

"True prayer is asking God what he wants from us," said McCarthy. It is not asking God for favors. Our job is to discover our gifts and use them. This entails risks; but McCarthy said, "If your life has no risk it is probably a dull life."

McCarthy praised the service work done at Notre Dame and stressed the fact that real learning comes from experience and not solely from book learning. Service is about human exchange and making a difference in a person's life, not just collecting sweaters for homeless people in the winter.

"You will be radicalized when you go among people in pain," McCarthy said in reference to personal service. "It tends to wake you up and shake you up."

McCarthy said that when former students from his Georgetown Law classes return, the one experience they always remember is not the lectures on law but when McCarthy took them to prisons and homeless shelters. Those experiences were the ones that stayed with his students through their experiences later in life.

"We're not called on to do big things; we're called on to do small things in a great way," McCarthy said. The question we should ask ourselves is how we can fulfill our commitments better, and how better to serve the people around us.

A major cause of the problems in the world today is the lack of peace and conflict resolution courses in the American educational system, especially in the early formative years.

These skills must be taught at an early age because that is when violent people begin to become lost.

The question asked of young children should not be what they want to do when they grow up, but rather how they

want to serve society when they are ready.

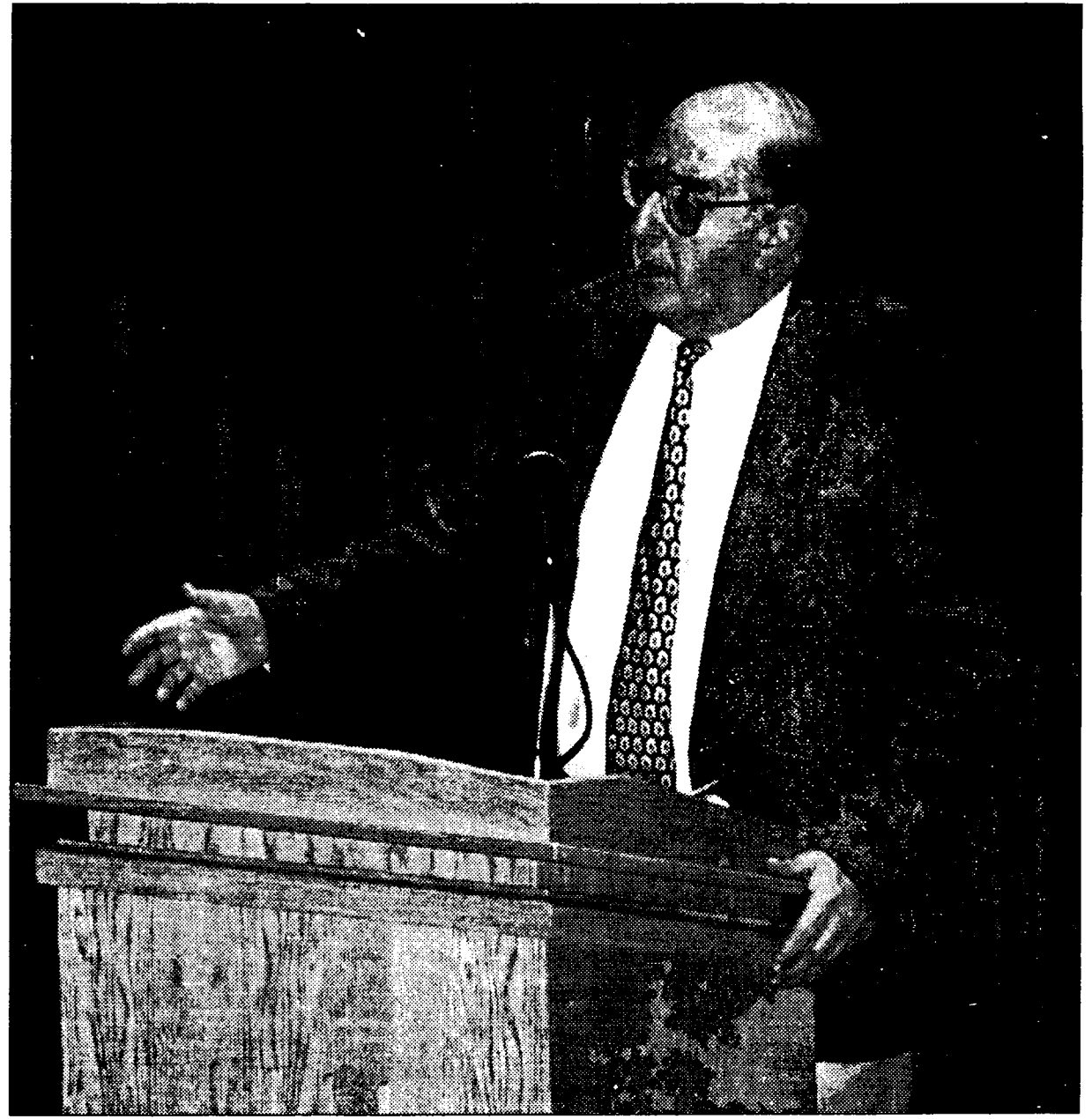
"You can make all As and go out and flunk life," McCarthy said on the dangers of education. Many students, he said, leave college "idea rich but experience poor."

At the college level, too much attention is given to grades and not enough to developing life experiences. People are so concerned with themselves and getting ahead that they lose track of what they are called to do.

"Don't ask questions," McCarthy said in reference to combating evil and violence in society, but "question the answers." We are to question abusive power and take a stand, not cooperate in violence.

Often this means going against our culture, one that is so permeated with injustice.

"The very same day we spend \$700 million on the Pentagon war machine, 40,000 people die from hunger and



Colman McCarthy praised the service at Notre Dame in a lecture Thursday night, but stressed that real learning comes from experience and not just from book learning. He believes many students leave college "idea rich but experience poor."

hunger related diseases," McCarthy said.

He also pointed out that between the White House and the Capitol, there are eight homeless shelters. Something must be done to change the priorities of our nation.

The United States is the only western nation that still has the death pun-

ishment. Currently, the United States has more people on death row than any other year in U.S. history. The U.S. is also a major supplier of weapons around the world.

McCarthy said that issues like these desperately need to be addressed in order for the state of our nation and the world to improve.

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## Travel

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was further delayed.

After arriving in Negril, the students discovered that their luggage had been lost. It did not arrive until two days later.

"I just bought a little outfit to wear, but I had to go barefoot for two days," said Mary Bozlee, Notre Dame senior.

In an attempt to make it up to the students, Student Travel Services (STS) offered them wristbands good for free drinks and other bonuses. The students, however, said they were not satisfied because bars and clubs where the bracelets were valid ran out of alcohol or were over-crowded.

The group used Anthony Travel to book their trip through the STS. Anthony Travel has used STS for the past four years but has never had problems of this caliber.

"Whenever you send that many kids on so many trips you can expect a few minor problems, but nothing like this," said Kayleen Carr, an Anthony Travel consultant.

Upon their return, some of the travelers immediately took action by going to representatives at Anthony Travel and writing up a list of grievances.

STS is one of several tour operators that design packages aimed at students for the spring break travel season. It then becomes the job of the travel agency to book the trips.

According to Anthony Travel's director of Business Services, Pat Walsh, this can be tricky.

"We try and find packages that combine both quality and affordability. The very best

packages are simply not a possibility for most students," she said.

Walsh warns that there are many spring break scams out there, such as some of the incredibly low-cost packages offered on the Internet, making it a good idea to use a travel agency when making vacation arrangements.

STS is not a division of Anthony Travel, but Anthony Travel is acting on behalf of the students to receive monetary compensation for the delays encountered on their trip.

But STS is not legally required to offer the students compensation, according to Carr.

"The Department of Transportation requires compensation for delays of 48 hours or more. Because the delays on this trip were less than that, technically STS does not have to do anything," Carr said.

Walsh is not yet sure whether or not Anthony Travel will continue to use STS packages next year.

"Much of that decision depends on how adequately they compensate the students for their troubles this year," said Walsh.

There were various reasons for the delay.

When using charter companies instead of major airlines, delays can be much more significant because many of the charter companies have only three to five planes, whereas major airlines have hundreds of planes.

When the number of available planes is so limited, getting replacement planes in the event of mechanical difficulties is often a real problem.

Also, due to the small num-

ber of planes, when a delay occurs in one city it is going to affect the travel plans of other passengers using the same charter.

Students were left at the airport with many unanswered questions because the gate agents were not made aware of or were incapable of receiving word of delays elsewhere.

Both Walsh and Carr urge students who were dissatisfied with their packages and tour operators to write letters to these companies.

Questions about steps to take in order to receive compensation for problems encountered as a of the package can be directed to Anthony Travel representatives.

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## Professor receives social work honors

By LAURA ROMPF  
News Writer

The National Association of Social Workers has named Saint Mary's assistant professor and director of the social work program Frances Kominkiewicz Social Worker of the Year for region two of the Indiana chapter.

"I feel blessed and honored to be in the same context as Gladys Muhammad, who won the Citizen of the Year

Award," said Kominkiewicz. "I know my colleagues have faith in me and I won't let them down."

The National Association of Social Workers chose Kominkiewicz for her contributions to the profession of social work.

The nominations were sent to the Indiana office where a final decision was made.

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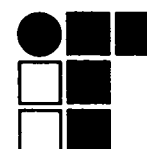
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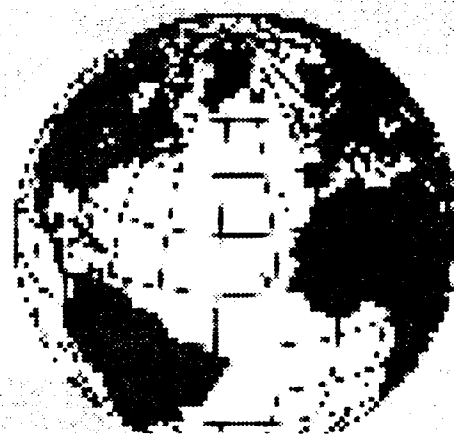
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## WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

### Chinese police arrest donkey soup poisoners

BEIJING

Police have arrested five people accused of putting acid in a popular restaurant's speciality — donkey meat soup — and poisoning 148 people in central China, state media reported Thursday. Customers of the Tang Palace Donkey Meat Soup Restaurant began streaming to local hospitals in the city of Luoyang on March 8, vomiting and complaining of numbness in the limbs, the Workers' Daily newspaper said. An investigation found that a rival donkey meat soup restaurateur conspired with a worker fired from the Tang Palace and hired people to pour nitric acid into the soup, the newspaper said. The newspaper did not identify those arrested and said police were still searching for another person.

### Legislators investigate sale of orphan's organs

CAIRO, Egypt

Egyptian prosecutors opened an investigation Thursday into allegations that an orphanage sold the organs of some of its children to hospitals that cater to wealthy Gulf Arabs, resulting in a number of deaths. The allegations were made earlier this week by 10 Parliament members, who demanded that the state launch a probe. The legislators charged that 25 children had died within a three-month period last year in an orphanage in Shebin el-Kom, a town in the province of Menoufiya, 30 miles north of Cairo. Mohammed Abdel-Aal, who formerly ran The Association for Handicapped Children orphanage, told Egyptian reporters Thursday that the allegations were untrue. No charges have been filed against Abdel-Aal, and prosecutors in Menoufiya declined comment. "We have no knowledge about the charges and have no evidence," Bahiga Hamam, the new director of the orphanage, told Associated Press Television News.

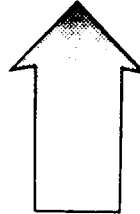
### Museum asks for permission to display carcass

WASHINGTON

The Smithsonian Institution was happy to accept \$20 million from former NFL team owner Kenneth Behring and would like to take a more controversial gift from him as well — the remains of one of the world's most endangered animals. Smithsonian scientists have asked for a waiver to the Endangered Species Act to import the carcass of a bighorn sheep that Behring shot on a 1997 big game hunting trip in the former Soviet Union. The nation's premier public museum complex is thus doing a favor for its leading donor by lending his trophy hunting the legitimacy of scientific research, the Humane Society of the United States charged Thursday.

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## GERMANY



AFP Photo

The body of German poet Johann Wolfgang von Goethe was secretly exhumed in 1970. At that time, Goethe's skull and other bones were cleaned, preserved, and returned to the tomb.

## Newspaper exposes 1970 exhumation

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BERLIN

No one is more revered in German literature than Johann Wolfgang von Goethe, so it was with some surprise that a leading German newspaper broke the news Thursday that the national hero had been secretly exhumed some 30 years ago.

The macabre revelation — published on the front page of the conservative Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung — came as Germany prepares to celebrate the 250th anniversary of Goethe's birth later this year, on Aug. 28.

The Thuringia state culture minister, Gerd Schuchardt, demanded an investigation into the report, while the foundation that oversees the Goethe

archives, where the newspaper found the files detailing the exhumation, went into damage control.

"It was agreed to handle this situation very discreetly. And it wasn't to hide it, or to keep it quiet, rather for reasons of piety," said Juergen Seifert, the head of the Weimar Classics Foundation.

Seifert confirmed that scientists in the former East Germany removed Goethe's remains from his Weimar tomb in 1970, but he denied it was done surreptitiously.

The purpose, he said, was to preserve the remains for posterity.

By then, some 140 years after his death, the remains were too fragile to consider mummification. The scientists instead opted to preserve the skeleton.

The remaining tissue was cremated, the skeleton cleaned, enclosed in foam and returned to the tomb, the Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung reported.

At the time of the exhumation, the scientists discovered they were not the first to have opened the tomb since Goethe's burial in 1832. One of the tomb's interior seals had been opened, and the lead lining had been cut, leading them to speculate that the tomb had been tampered with at the end of World War II.

Seifert, for one, reserved judgment on the scientists.

"The only people qualified to judge this would be a body of scientists at home in this field. All the others would be frivolous, reckless or biased," he said.

## IRELAND

## Bishop calls for calm after murder

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LURGAN

The bishop presiding over a funeral for an assassinated Catholic lawyer appealed for calm Thursday, saying revenge would only serve the hopes of the vast majority for peace.

Bishop Francis Gerard Brooks said retaliation also would be disrespectful to the memory of Rosemary Nelson, 40, a human rights lawyer "who strove by political and legal means to right a grievance."

Thousands of mourners packed St. Peter's Church in Lurgan, 30 miles southwest of Belfast, to honor Nelson, who died Monday when a bomb exploded just yards from her home. An outlawed Protestant group claimed responsibility.

Her killing was followed by the fatal shooting Wednesday of a paramilitary group member in Belfast, apparently ordered by fellow Protestants. A violent Protestant-Catholic clash later that night in Portadown, near Lurgan, spilled over into gasoline bomb attacks on police, who responded with plastic bullets.

Hours after the funeral Thursday, a bus and several cars were hijacked and burned on the Garvaghy Road, touching off more rioting between hundreds of Protestants and Catholics.

Masked Catholics threw gasoline bombs and stones at police and tried to burn down the Protestant Orange Hall, drawing condemnation from Brid Rodgers, a lawmaker in the moderate Catholic Social Democratic

and Labor Party.

"If this is a response to the murder of Rosemary Nelson, it is certainly not what Rosemary would have wanted," Rodgers said.

Nelson had represented Catholic residents in their fight to block Protestant marchers from parading down the thoroughfare in the largely Catholic neighborhood.

In Lurgan, Nelson's husband, Paul, and three children — Christopher, 13, Gavin, 11, and Sarah, 8 — had walked hand-in-hand behind her coffin to the great Victorian church, passing the bouquets that now mark the spot where her wrecked car came to rest.

Sarah's classmates at the nearby Tannaghmore School solemnly lined the narrow, winding road in their green school uniforms,

and residents of a Catholic housing development replaced their Irish tricolors with ragged black flags.

A pro-British terrorist group called the Red Hand Defenders has claimed responsibility for killing Nelson in an apparent bid to wreck the peace process. But many Catholics have accused the Royal Ulster Constabulary, Northern Ireland's predominantly Protestant police force, of colluding in the lawyer's death.

Nelson had represented a number of Irish Republican Army suspects, and had complained of threats and harassment from RUC officers.

Police chief Sir Ronnie Flanagan has called in an English police official to supervise the murder investigation and asked the FBI for help as well.

# NATO

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attempt to gain strategic positioning. They claim that the United States and some Western European nations sought the membership the former communist nations in order to further possible military positioning in the future.

Jubulis disagrees with this claim.

"The process of expansion was driven more by the Eastern European nations knocking on the door rather than NATO pushing forward," he said.

NATO was reluctant to expand until the U.S. stepped forward and supported it.

"The new members will mostly support the U.S. position in NATO because they credit the U.S. with getting them in. They have also stated that they will support the interests of other nations that aspire to NATO membership, such as the Baltic states," said Jubulis.

The former Soviet Baltic states of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania are eager to join NATO and Russia's attempts to block the Baltics membership only increases their desire to join.

"They view Russia's attempt to block expansion as an infringement on their sovereignty," said Jubulis.

If the Baltic nations join NATO, problems will arise because the Russian territory of Kaliningrad will be separated from the rest of Russia by the new NATO nations.

"Russia said they will not accept former Soviet states joining NATO but Russian officials also previously said the same thing about any former Eastern

Bloc country," said Jubulis.

While Russia tries to maintain some influence over its former Iron Curtain allies, the new NATO nations are moving further away from their former communist ties.

"The [new NATO] nations are celebrating this as an important date in their history; it is a tangible sign that they've returned to the West and a confirmation of their successful transition to democracy," said Jubulis.

"Perhaps, the greatest advantage for the new NATO members is psychological. Now they feel firmly rooted in the West," he continued. "It is also a recognition of their stability, which should lead to more foreign investments."

"Once you open up markets, you give people a vested interest in [democracy]," said government department chair James McAdams.

The NATO expansion is also benefiting relations between prospective NATO nations and the new members.

"The prospect of NATO membership has already improved relations between countries such as Hungary and Romania," said Jubulis. "By including Hungary, NATO is now in a better position to deal with problems in the volatile Balkan area."

The end of the Cold War and the inclusion of former Eastern Bloc nations have changed NATO's role significantly.

"NATO has had two roles traditionally, a defensive and an offensive. The defensive role was to prevent Soviet expansion and the offensive role was to spread democratic values," said McAdams. "While the defensive function will remain the other function must involve convincing Russian doubters."

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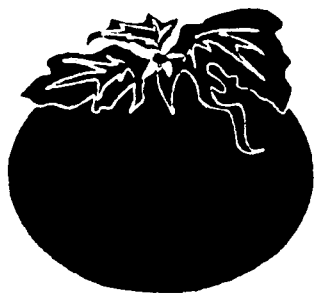
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# Schneider: Teens lack direction needed to succeed

By ERIN COSTANTINI  
News Writer

Although America's adolescents are more motivated than ever, they lack direction, said Barbara Schneider, professor of sociology at the University of Chicago, in a lecture Thursday afternoon.

In 1988, Schneider began studying adolescents and the transitions they make in a longitudinal study between their eighth and 10th grade years. The eighth graders had "skyrocketing ambitions," demonstrating a major societal change for all students to aim for college and graduate school educations, she said.

By the time they reached 10th grade, the students' high aspirations had not changed, as they all sought careers as professionals and the goals were consistently high among both sexes and across all races.

The educational and career ambitions of today's adolescents are unprecedented, according to Schneider. While in 1955 only 30 percent of high school seniors predicted they would graduate with a

college degree, the number soared to a high of 70 percent in 1992.

Economist Kevin Murphy of the University of Chicago coined the phrase "college premium," meaning that if one possesses a high school degree, he or she is looking at the future welfare population.

In today's competitive society, one must earn an advanced degree to reach the level of subsistence, Schneider continued.

She said the educational and career goals of today's teens are compared to each other to determine whether their ambitions have direction.

A student is said to have aligned ambitions if the amount of education he or she craves matches the educational criteria of the career he or she desires. Schneider discovered that 43.7 percent of stu-

amount of education they need for a specific job.

Sixteen percent of students underestimate the amount of education required, demonstrated by someone who desires a career as a doctor, yet only strives for a high school degree, Schneider explained.

Two important factors determining alignment and direction are high school counselors' guidance and parental support.

Schneider also found that all high schools differ in guidance techniques, as some counselors favor advancement to two-year

community colleges, while others push their students to apply to all the top four-year

schools, even when their chances of acceptance are low.

Guidance from high school counselors is critical because students are encouraged to coordinate individual interests and statistics with criteria from specific colleges, according to Schneider.

When guidance counselors push their students to apply to the top schools, problems occur when the students do not get accepted. This is harmful because the school is then placing the blame on the child.

Schneider discovered adolescents who receive strong parental support are more likely to have aligned ambitions. In another study, she found that it is easy for students to agree that they will always feel loved, but what they crave most is guidance and direction from their parents.

In today's society where most children have two working parents, there is an unusually large amount of time spent alone.

In a typical adolescent's day, 20 percent of his or her time is spent alone. This makes it easy for a child to be bored or depressed or to get into trouble; only the most gifted of these students learn how to spend this alone time wisely, said Schneider.

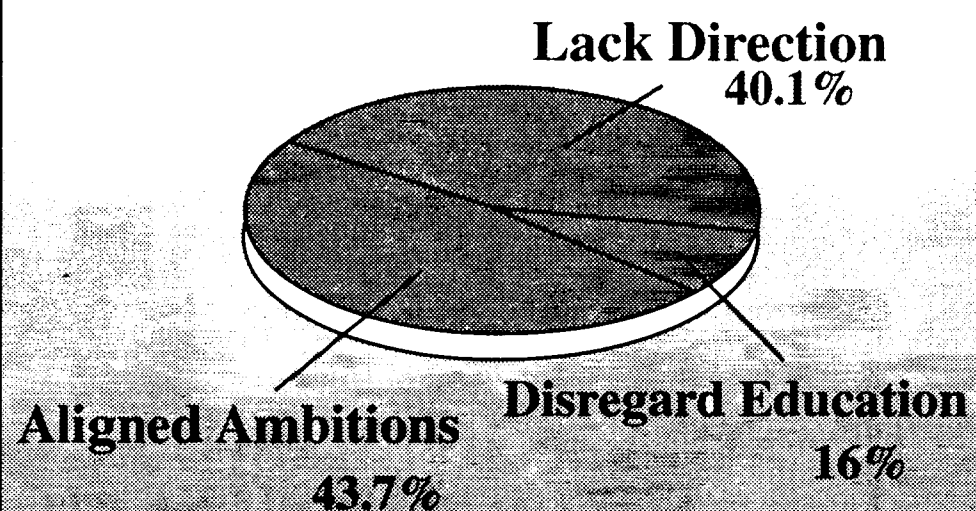
Another major factor contributing to the teenagers lack of direction is that more young people are going to community colleges expecting to go on to receive a bachelor's degree. Most of these students do not make the step to transfer to four-year institutions and they are left without job opportunities.

Schneider believes these youngsters cannot be sent to two-year colleges unless they are aware that it will essentially be harder and take longer to attain their bachelor's degree. She argues that they need more guidance in choosing courses and exploring career options. The transfer to four-year schools must be made easier and more fluid.

Schneider's book, "The Ambitious Generation," is aimed at the students themselves. It depicts the life of young people today, the challenges they face and the world that lies ahead.

Professor Schneider earned her Ph.D. at Northwestern University, and is currently senior social scientist at the National Opinion Research Center. She is also the co-director of the National Council on Education Standards and Testing, and is considered a leading researcher and professor in her field.

## Today's Teens



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dents have aligned ambitions, where 40.1 percent lack direction by overestimating the

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## Inclusion

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nity. It states that harassment of any kind is not tolerated," said counselor to the president and director of campus ministry Father Richard Warner, an advocate of the document. "A lot of work went into the Spirit of Inclusion, and the work was to make all students feel welcome at Notre Dame."

Associate professor of history Gail Bederman feels differently.

"The Spirit of Inclusion is not adequate because there still is no feeling of equality on this campus," she said.

Bederman said that not only is equality lacking, but that

the atmosphere makes faculty members nervous.

"There is a real feeling of fear," she said. "This feeling exists not only among gay and lesbian professors, but also among untenured heterosexual professors who are afraid to speak publicly on this issue."

In a previous interview with The Observer, associate professor of Spanish Carlos Jerez-Farran expressed similar sentiments.

"People stay in the closet because of the environment that people are afraid of being known for who they are," said Jerez-Farran in a previous interview. "That is very pervasive on this campus."

Bederman believes these feelings damage the academic mission of the University because "it damages academic

freedom when professors are afraid to speak out."

Bederman agreed that Notre Dame's official attitude on sexual orientation has given the University a negative reputation in academia.

"Notre Dame's attitude is drastically different from most of the universities I know about," she said. "The trend at other top schools is to welcome gay and lesbian faculty and staff explicitly, not to offer them an inclusion that has spirit but no actual concrete meaning."

Bederman sees the omission of sexual orientation in the non-discrimination clause as a major deterrent in recruiting gay and lesbian professors.

"Top schools like the University of Chicago and Stanford University offer the

partners of gay and lesbian faculty health benefits and other spousal benefits. Notre Dame won't even promise not to fire gay and lesbian faculty or staff if they come out — let alone doing anything material to make them feel welcome," she said.

"I joined the ND faculty the same year a former faculty member in theology [Bill Storey] was declared persona non grata by the University. It was not a welcoming environment," said Jerez-Farran. "I think this University does not know, or rather, does not want to know how to deal with the issue of homosexuality."

Bederman suggested potential changes that would help to remedy the situation.

"Health benefits for the partnexc staff would be a

good start. A dedicated faculty line in Gay and Lesbian Studies, to be administered by the Gender Studies Program would be another good start," she said.

Overall, Bederman feels that until the University provides an open atmosphere for professors and students to be who they are, the problem of attaining and retaining top professors will continue.

"It's not just homosexual professors who are denied an open atmosphere — all of us, of all sexualities, are denied an open atmosphere," she said. "Because gay and lesbian professors can't openly say who they are — because they have to hide — free speech for everybody is denied. This is deadly for academic inquiry."

### ■ EGYPT

## Leaders reject Iraq's demands

Associated Press

CAIRO

Arab foreign ministers on Thursday again turned down Iraq's demands to condemn U.S.-British airstrikes on the country, declaring instead that it should comply fully with U.N. resolutions.

In a joint statement issued at the end of their two-day meeting, the ministers only demanded "a halt to any action against Iraq outside the mandate of the related [U.N.] Security Council resolutions."

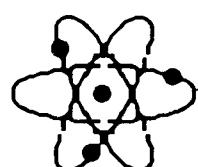
The statement did not refer directly to the

airstrikes or name the United States and Britain.

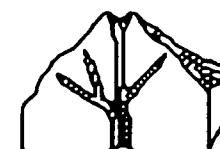
The lukewarm statement is a second rebuff to Iraq. In a January meeting, the Arab League also failed to condemn the airstrikes. It did, however, pledge to work for the lifting of U.N. trade sanctions imposed after Iraq's 1990 invasion of Kuwait.

The emirate was liberated by a U.S.-led multinational force in the 1991 Persian Gulf War. Since mid-December, U.S. and British warplanes have bombarded Iraqi sites regularly to punish what the allies say are Iraqi violations.

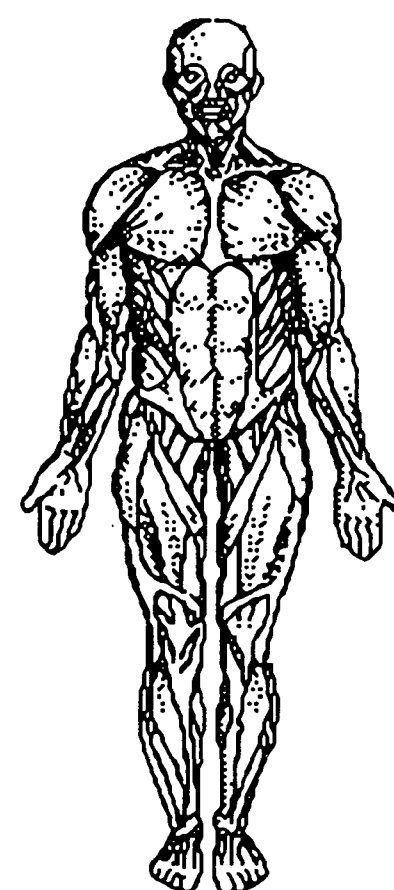
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## ■ UNITED NATIONS

## U.S. must pay debt to retain vote

Associated Press

## UNITED NATIONS

The United States must pay the United Nations at least \$250 million by the end of December to avoid losing its vote in the General Assembly, a senior U.N. official said Thursday.

"At least — underline it," said Joseph Connor, the world body's undersecretary-general for management.

Connor said that nearly \$1.7 billion owed by Washington has left the world body without capital — and a perennial borrower.

"The level of unpaid assessments has become intractable," Connor said. "Unstable conditions hold hostage the financial future of the United Nations."

The loss of a vote in the General Assembly would be an embarrassment, but it would not affect Washington's veto power in the Security Council, the most powerful decision-making body at the United Nations.

Seven former secretaries of

state from the Nixon, Ford, Carter, Reagan, Bush and Clinton administrations on Thursday expressed concern in a letter to Congress that the United States "is squandering its moral authority" by failing to pay what it owes.

"It's simply unacceptable that the richest nation on Earth is also the biggest debtor to the United Nations," said the letter, which is also running as an advertisement in several newspapers.

The letter came as the Clinton administration launched its annual effort to get Congress to pay overdue bills to the United Nations.

"It's undermined our leverage in the U.N. on a broad range of political and management issues," the deputy U.S. ambassador Peter Burleigh told a House panel in Washington.

Connor said more of the U.N.'s 185 member nations are paying their dues on time — 117 in 1998 compared with 75 in 1994

— and for the first time in four years, the United Nations is borrowing less from a separate peacekeeping fund to cover operating costs.

But at the end of February, member states still owed the United Nations over \$2.9 billion for current and past assessments.

By far the largest debtor, the United States owes \$1.69 billion, nearly 60 percent of the total.

The U.S. debt includes \$620 million for the regular budget and slightly more than \$1 billion for peacekeeping and tribunals.

Congress — which had conditioned payments on financial and other reforms at the United Nations — authorized legislation last year that would have paid off a chunk of the arrears.

But President Clinton vetoed the bill because it contained unrelated abortion restrictions.

Based on a formula used to calculate what nations owe, Connor said Washington must pay \$250 million this year.

## ■ RUSSIA

## Senate's new defense bill receives criticism

Associated Press

## MOSCOW

Russia and China on Thursday criticized the Senate's approval of a U.S. anti-missile defense system, saying the move would threaten the globe's strategic balance.

The bill overwhelmingly approved by the Senate on Wednesday commits the Pentagon to building a national defense against limited ballistic missile attack "as soon as technologically possible."

"That poses a serious threat to the whole process of nuclear arms control, as well as strategic stability, for which major international agreements have been worked out for decades," the Russian Foreign Ministry said in a statement.

The U.S. bill was based on a

new assessment of the threat of attack from countries such as Iran, Iraq and North Korea.

In Beijing, Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman Sun Yuxi said the measure is counter-productive for arms control and disarmament and will "have an impact on global strategic balance."

China fears the system could spark a costly arms race, would strengthen U.S. military alliances with Japan and South Korea and may be used to protect Taiwan, thereby obstructing reunification.

Russian officials have long expressed concern over the U.S. plan to develop anti-missile defenses that would violate the 1972 Anti-Ballistic Missile treaty between the United States and the Soviet Union. They have resisted U.S. proposals about possibly amending the treaty.

## Safety board interviews accident witness

Associated Press

## BOURBONNAIS, Ill.

A motorist who claims to have been directly behind the truck involved in the deadly Amtrak collision said the driver tried to snake through lowered crossing gates and beat the train, a high-level federal source said Thursday.

The National Transportation Safety Board source, who spoke on the condition of anonymity, said investigators believe the motorist is credible and had a clear view of the accident, which killed 11 people and injured more than 100 Monday night.

"We are continuing to interview him, but his statements are not inconsistent with what the engineer originally said," the source told The Associated Press in Washington.

Amtrak's chairman, Wisconsin Gov. Tommy Thompson, had said the train's engineer claimed the truck driver tried to zigzag his tractor-trailer through the crossing gates after they had come down.

John Goglia of the NTSB said Thursday there is still no indication the crossing signal malfunctioned. And in a re-enactment of the crash using a truck and locomotive, the truck was able to zigzag around the downed crossing gates without hitting them.

The trucker, 58-year-old John Stokes, told investigators the gates came down after he started across the tracks. Since then, he has hired a lawyer, and the attorney has barred authorities from questioning his client any further.

The developments came as the NTSB prepared to wrap up its work in this

community 50 miles south of Chicago. Thirty of the agency's investigators have been looking for the cause of the wreck.

With its whistle blowing and its engineer trying to stop, Amtrak's City of New Orleans slammed into the truck loaded with steel rods at 79 mph. It was the nation's deadliest train accident in three years.

Goglia said the witness is a motorist who called Amtrak on Wednesday night and claims to have been directly behind the truck in the crossing. The motorist — whom Goglia would not identify — said in an initial interview that other cars were nearby.

Stokes was driving on a probationary license after receiving three Indiana speeding tickets in a year. In total, he had been ticketed for speeding seven times since 1993 and had to take two

separate safety classes last year to keep his driving privileges, according to records in Indiana and Illinois.

A company that has had him under hire, Melco Transfer Inc., declined comment.

Stokes' phone number is not listed, and NTSB officials would not disclose the name of his attorney.

About 100 people, including at least one family who lost a relative in the crash, attended a memorial service Thursday night in Bourbonnais. People wept and hugged during the nearly hour-long service as 11 white votive candles were lit and 11 chimes played.

"This evening we are together. This evening we are one. We are one in grief, for who has not been touched by this tragedy?" said Father Stan Haxton said during his homily.



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# Gambling research encourages debate

Associated Press

WASHINGTON  
More than five million Americans are pathological or problem gamblers, and another 15 million are at risk of becoming just like them, concludes a study likely to further inflame the debate over legalized wagering.

The study conducted for the National Gambling Impact Study Commission found that 20 million Americans have or could develop gambling problems but said the economic impact of that is "relatively small."

A second report, also released Thursday as the commission began two days of meetings in Washington, estimated that 1.8 million American adults as well as up to 1.1 million American adolescents age 12 through 17 engage in severe "pathological" gambling each year.

The commission has three months to finish a wide-ranging report on gambling for Congress, and the extent of compulsive gambling in the country is just one of several open issues. Yet gambling addiction is the most contentious topic, and the report on the survey conducted for the commission only widened the chasm between the two sides.

Frank Fahrenkopf, Jr., president of the American Gaming Association, alleged that an earlier draft of the report was retooled to exaggerate the dangers of gambling through sensational language and changes in conclusions.

Still, he noted that the report "confirms that the economic and social benefits of gaming far outweigh the costs to society of pathological and problem gambling."

The report's classification of 15 million Americans as "at risk" for developing a gambling problem was criticized by Fahrenkopf and some commission members.

Survey participants who said they gambled just once to relieve uncomfortable feelings were put in the "at risk" group, said commission member John Wilhelm, general president of the Hotel Employees and Restaurant Employees International Union.

Other members were troubled by the report's finding that the economic cost of problem gambling is "relatively small" — about \$5 billion a year in legal fees for divorce, court and jail costs for arrests, lost wages and bankruptcy. That compares with \$72 billion for smoking, \$166 billion for alcohol abuse and \$71 billion for motor vehicle crashes, the report said.

James Dobson, president of Focus on the Family and the panel's most outspoken opponent of gambling, said the \$5 billion estimate of gambling's cost is far too low. He wondered how to calculate the costs of child abuse or spousal abuse committed by a gambling addict.

"Everybody on the commission has really struggled with this: How do you estimate the social cost?" said commission chairwoman Kay James.

## ■ VENEZUELA

# Court blocks new constitution

Associated Press

CARACAS

Venezuela's highest court blocked President Hugo Chavez's plans for a new constitution Thursday night, ruling that his decree on the issue was unconstitutional.

Chavez, a former coup leader who took office 45 days ago, decreed a national referendum April 25 to allow Venezuelans to vote for a constituent assembly to write a new constitution,

which he said was needed to root out corruption.

But the Supreme Court ruled that the decree was invalid because the president didn't have the right to decide how the members of the assembly would be chosen.

It wasn't immediately clear late Thursday what action the government would take.

Chavez, a former army paratrooper who led a failed coup attempt seven years ago, has previously stirred controversy

by using the military to help build public works and by appointing fellow coup participants to senior government posts.

The opposition has strongly criticized his efforts to rewrite the constitution, charging it shows a tendency for authoritarian control.

In an effort to dispel such fears, Chavez announced on March 10 that the 103 members of the Assembly would be chosen by popular vote.

## ■ PUERTO RICO

# Balloonists reach Atlantic

Associated Press

SAN JUAN

More than three-quarters of the way around the world, two weary balloonists reached the Atlantic Ocean on Thursday, seeking a jet stream to help them conquer one of aviation's most elusive goals.

Buoyed by their success so far, Bertrand Piccard of Switzerland and Brian Jones of England soared over Haiti and the Dominican Republic and headed out over the Atlantic. Their goal: A possible Sunday morning landing in northwest Africa, perhaps in the remote mountain scrublands of Mali.

"If we could only find a fast jet stream and whiz across the Atlantic, that would be great," flight controller Brian Smith said Thursday from a makeshift control tower in Geneva.

Piccard and Jones already have gone farther without stopping than any balloonist so far.

By 9 p.m. EST Thursday, Jones, a 51-year-old balloon instructor, and Piccard, a 41-year-old physician, had traveled more than 22,000 miles of the 26,000-mile odyssey that began with a March 1 liftoff from the Swiss Alps.

"Tension is building at the control center at

Geneva airport as team members realize that the completion of the first round-the-world flight is now more than a possibility," said a statement Thursday afternoon.

The excitement came after one of the most difficult days of the 18-day flight, when the huge propane-fueled silver balloon was ejected from the jet stream Wednesday, slowed down and started to drift.

Earlier, the team had raced across the Pacific in six days and scooted over Mexico in less than a day, hitting speeds of up to 115 mph.

At one point Wednesday, the jet stream seemed to toy with them, spiraling the Breitling Orbiter 3 balloon into a slow-moving corkscrew and dragging it south toward Venezuela, instead of east across the Caribbean, Smith said.

Then the pilots developed breathing problems and got the shivers, despite thermal clothing, as the air at 36,300 feet sank to 58 degrees below zero and a heater could not stop their small cabin from chilling to 46 degrees.

Doctors urged the pilots in computer messages to breathe additional oxygen. After 15 minutes, their breathing returned to normal, the control tower reported.

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### ■ RIGHT OR WRONG?

## The Principle of Truth in Labeling in Ex Corde

Next November, the American bishops will consider a revised draft document to implement Ex Corde Ecclesiae (ECE), the 1990 Apostolic Constitution on Catholic Universities.

### Charles Rice



The draft was prepared by a bishops' subcommittee to comply with Vatican insistence that the document include "juridical elements" to make it effective. The disagreements between the universities and the bishops include the following areas, among others:

**The mandate for theologians.** Canon Law requires that "those who teach theological disciplines in any institute of higher studies have a mandate from the competent ecclesiastical authority." (Canon 812).

**Fidelity the Magisterium.** ECE requires that "Catholic theologians, aware that they fulfill a mandate received from the church, are to be faithful to the magisterium of the church as the authentic interpreter of sacred Scripture and sacred tradition." ECE also states that "[o]ne consequence of its essential relationship to the church is that the institutional fidelity of the university to the Christian message includes a recognition of and adherence to the teaching authority of the church in matters of faith and morals."

**The requirement that a majority of the faculty be Catholic.** ECE provides that "[i]n order not to endanger the Catholic identity of the university or institute of higher studies, the number of non-Catholic teachers should not be allowed to constitute a majority within the institution, which is and must remain Catholic."

The bishops do not seem eager to enforce ECE in a compulsory way. Moreover, it is unlikely that the leaders of the major American Catholic universities will ever voluntarily accept any effective implementation of the norms of ECE.

Rev. J. Donald Monan, S.J., former president of Boston College, and Rev. Edward A. Malloy, C.S.C., president of Notre Dame, said in the Jan. 30th *America* magazine: "The portions of the subcommittee draft that threaten ... are ... those that apply small sections of ... Canon Law directed to individual Catholics. These canons have created conundrums since their publication in 1983. [They] prescribe that Catholic teachers of theological disciplines hold a mandate from ecclesiastical authority (Canon 812); that theology professors and some administrative officers make a profession of faith and take an oath of fidelity upon assuming appointment (Canon 833) and that colleges condition an individual's appointment on integrity of doctrine and good character (Canon 810). It is unfortunate that [the subcommittee draft tries] to breathe life into canons that, with the full knowledge of the U.S. hierarchy, and with good reason, had been lifeless for 25 years."

It is not unfair to note that any "lifeless" character of the Canons is attributable to the disobedience of the universities, which now assert the "lifeless" condition of the Canons they reject as a justification for their own further disobedience. Father Monan and Father Malloy said the Canon 812 mandate requirement "is an instrument ... to control what is taught and written. The authority competent to give, deny or remove the mandate is ... external to the university. ... Most Catholic professors ... will not request such a mandate, and Catholic universities will take no steps to implement it because of its obvious threat to academic freedom." Interestingly, their concept of selective obedience is not applied by the universities to their on-campus drinking

policies, their stated tuition charge and other rules that they themselves establish.

The universities and the bishops may be at an impasse. It may be time to reconsider a proposal made in the 1987 Crisis by William Bentley Ball, the great constitutional lawyer and Notre Dame Law School graduate, who died two months ago:

"My suggestion," Ball wrote, "would ... enable any institution which desired to meet Church criteria ... to be accredited as a Catholic institution. [The universities tell] us that accreditation processes, by secular and government agencies, are ... acceptable — even though they involve a great deal of monitoring, ... inspection [and] record-keeping, ... even [as to] 'whether the institution is meeting its stated objectives.' A ... far less cumbersome accrediting process ... could ... be adopted by the Church [so] the Church [could] provide Catholics and the public in general list, in each diocese, of Church-accredited colleges and universities. We would then all know who is who. If a student, or parents, desired higher education at a college of the faith, they would run no risk of being deceived. If a college desired to be all-out orthodox, it would not be subject to unfair competition by those who tell the government that they are nonsectarian and the Catholic market that they are Catholic. But what of the [secularizing universities]? Their problem with the Church would be over. They could label themselves anything they wished ... They could do their own thing. But now everyone would know that that thing is not the real thing."

Instead of forcing institutions to comply with standards they resist, the objective under the Ball approach would be to afford any institutions that do accept ECE, Canon Law and their implementations the opportunity to affirm that acceptance and to pledge to put it into effect. The burden would be on the university. If it accepts those requirements, it could say so. The bishops, including the bishop of the diocese

in which the school is located, could publish a list of institutions that have made that commitment. If the institution reneges on its commitment, the bishops could remove it from the list. Any oversight by bishops on the universities would be limited. And juridical enforcement of the norms and ordinances would be greatly minimized if not eliminated.

The governing principle is truth in labeling. If the "Catholic" universities were selling meat instead of education and if they labeled generic hamburger as ground round, they could be in legal difficulty. The government properly sets binding standards for labeling food. The Catholic Church, speaking through the Vicar of Christ, properly sets binding standards for labeling institutions as Catholic. Canon 808 provides that "Even if it really be Catholic, no university may bear the title or name *Catholic university* without the consent of the competent ecclesiastical authority." In *Veritatis Splendor*, John Paul II, citing Canon 808, said: "It falls to [bishops], in communion with the Holy See, both to grant the title 'Catholic' to Church-related ... universities ... and, in cases of a serious failure to live up to that title, to take it away."

The criteria that make a university "Catholic" are clearly defined by the Pope, who is the only person in the world with the ultimate authority to make that definition. If a university will not live by those criteria, it is a species of consumer fraud for it to claim to be "Catholic." The controversy over Catholic universities need not be an occasion to start World War III. But it involves a non-negotiable principle of truth in labeling. The way to vindicate that principle may be simply to consider an adaptation of Mr. Ball's proposal.

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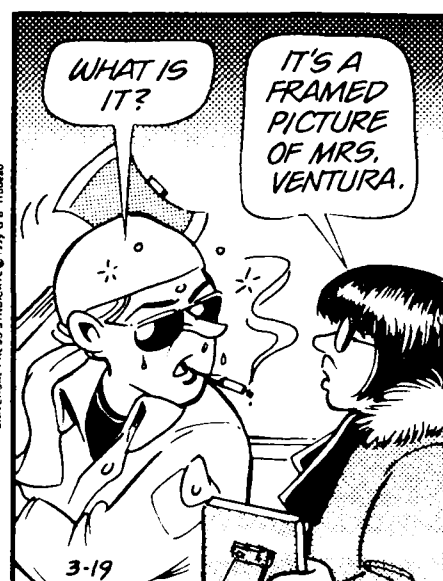
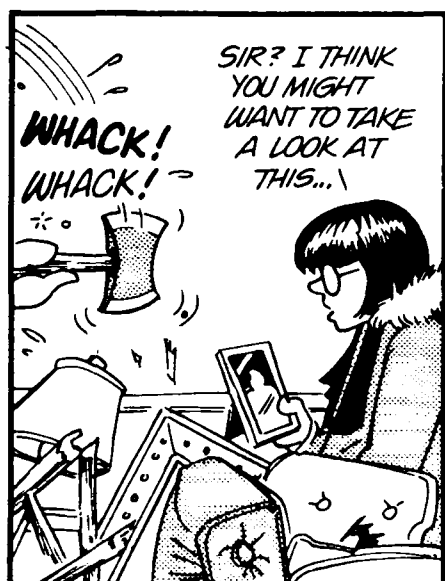
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### ■ QUOTE OF THE DAY

**'Just about the time you think you can make both ends meet, somebody moves the ends.'**

— Pansy Penner





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## ■ THE COMMON GOOD

### The Maximum Living Wage, Part I

In my last column, I showed how Michael Novak's use of Catholic teaching on the limits of private property is empty. While he draws on the concepts of the tradition — the idea of the universal destination of created goods and the distinction between the right to private property and the use of that property — he avoids the direct implication of these concepts. That implication is that there are moral — that is, required — limits to what we can accumulate for our own use. Novak avoids this implication by appealing to an understanding of charity as supererogatory. The moral hero may give generously, but giving up that third or fourth or even twelfth car is not anything that can be demanded based on Catholic social teaching. In this view, there is no amount of accumulation of goods that can call a person's standing as a practicing Catholic into question.

Catholic social teaching itself, however, has drawn on the idea of universal destination and the right/use distinction to develop quite a different understanding, and it has done so as it has become increasingly aware of the deleterious effects of consumer-driven capitalism. (Here, it is again important to keep in mind Catholic teaching's distinction between capitalism and the free market. In *Laborem Exercens*, for instance, John Paul II defines the free or market economy as a market economy which is situated in a comprehensive society such that there is recognition of the primacy of the whole person over simple material well-being and of the common good over individual interest. Capitalism, by definition, reverses the priorities. "Precisely this reversal of order, whatever the program or name under which it occurs, should rightly be called 'capitalism'" (paragraph 7). John Paul then continues this usage in *Centesimus Annus* (par. 42).)

As I have discussed in earlier columns, while capitalism, so defined, has undercut formal social differences, such as aristocratic titles, under the rubric of equality, it has in fact increased the gap between rich and poor and ignited a ceaseless quest for consumer goods on the part of the well-off. One of the effects of the dynamic nature of capitalism, then, has been to erode any sense of a maximum living wage. The classical liberal economics of Adam Smith, F. A. Hayek, Milton Friedman, and William Simon, and the Catholic "neo-conservatism" of Michael Novak argue that dynamic capitalism means that the rich-poor gap and consumerism are irrelevant as long as the poor are better off. The wealthy can consume as much as they want. Simon, the Chair of the self-titled "Lay Commission on Catholic Social Teaching and the Economy," has been quoted as saying that "Greed is not a sin."

Official Catholic teaching has a very different read on dynamic capitalism and its implications. Traditional teaching has held that there are three levels or classes of material goods or possessions. The first consists of the basic necessities of life: food, work, shelter, health care, and so forth. These necessities are what is generally included under the title of "economic rights" in Catholic doctrine, which neo-conservatives deny to be rights at all. The second level or class of goods are those things that are common or typical for a person of a particular social class. The third level of goods are those which are not required to maintain one's social position. The three levels of material goods can be understood as the levels of 1) necessity, 2) substance, and 3) superfluity.

The first effect of dynamic capitalism has been to erase the distinction between what is required for one's position in society and what is superfluous.

This is because one's position in society is never set; therefore one can always gain more and not have it be too much. There is no such thing as accumulating too many goods for oneself and one's lifestyle. The second effect of dynamic capitalism, as we have seen, is to deny that the basic necessities — the first level of material goods — are rights.

The poor have no strict claim on the wealthy; they can only hope for the latter's generosity, which may or may not be forthcoming.

Catholic teaching on the limits to private property has developed over the past century in response to the increasingly destructive effects of capitalism. The earlier documents still hold to the three-level understanding of material goods and state that one is to give out of one's superfluity. Writing *Rerum Novarum* in 1891, for instance, Leo XIII has yet to discern any profound erasure

use as one pleases." Yet, he concludes that one is to give "that which is left over" once one has established "one's position fairly considered" (paragraph 19).

Greater awareness of the increasing gap between rich and poor and the fact that the well-off have not been giving

adequately begins with the pontificate of John XXIII and the Second Vatican Council. This awareness leads the Council, in *Gaudium et Spes*, to emphasize persons' obligation to give "not merely out of

their superfluous goods." In short, the Council's view is that if capitalism is going to erase the distinction between what is required for one's station in life and what is superfluous, then "the universal purpose for which created goods are meant" implies that we are to give out of our substance. We see here that in response to the erasure of the super-

*Gaudium et Spes* goes on to cite the implication that Aquinas himself draws from the teaching on property, an implication that Leo XIII fails to mention: "If a person is in extreme necessity, he has the right to take from the riches of others what he himself needs" (paragraph 69). This quote develops further the implication of the idea of the universal destination of goods. Leo says to give out of our superfluity. *Gaudium et Spes* says that we are to give out of our substance. But in quoting Aquinas, it goes even further to argue that what the person in need takes from us is in fact not really ours to begin with. It is a common good, and to the extent that a person lives in a state of necessity and we do not, his or her taking it from us does not constitute theft in the moral sense. In the 1967 document, *Populorum Progressio*, Paul VI quotes the church father Ambrose to make the point explicit: "You are not making a gift of your possessions to the poor person. You are handing over to him what is his. For what has been given in common for the use of all, you have arrogated to yourself" (par. 23). In

other words, YOU are the thief.

The strongest statement of this view moves from theft to murder, and is again in *Gaudium et Spes*. The document quotes Gratian's *Decretum*: "Feed the man dying of hunger, because if you have not fed him you have killed him": (par. 69). To put it in the terms of contemporary moral theology, starvation is not simply an indirect side-effect of various political and economic forces; it is a directly committed intrinsically evil act carried out by those who fail to feed the starving.

Catholic teaching, then, has moved from stating that we must give out of our superfluity to requiring that we give out of our substance, to pointing out that that substance is not really ours in the first place. John Paul II confirms this development. Private property is "under social mortgage which means that it has an intrinsically social function, based upon and justified precisely by the principle of the universal destination of goods." This requires even the church to give more than simply out of its "abundance" (*Sollicitudo Rei Socialis*, 31 and 42).

Like the recent Popes and Council before him, John Paul II, in response to capitalism, moves in the opposite direction of neo-conservative economics. The critique of the rich-poor gap and consumerism is strongest of all in his writings. Therefore all the more, instead of allowing the erasure of the distinction between substance and superfluity to lead to a lifting of any requirement to give, John Paul strengthens the requirement. Where he goes beyond the earlier documents is in his awareness that meeting the requirement involves much more than an individual change of heart. In *Centesimus Annus* he writes that, "it is not enough to draw on the surplus goods which in fact our world abundantly produces; it requires above all a change of lifestyles, of models of production and consumption, and of established structures of power which today govern societies" (paragraph 58).

One concrete implication of the individual and social changes required by Catholic teaching in response to capitalism is the maximum living wage: there are specific limits to what we can accumulate for our own consumption. I will detail these limits next time.

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of the distinction between what is called for by one's station in life and what is superfluous. He draws on the key Catholic concepts, quoting Thomas Aquinas that, "Man should not consider his outward possessions his own, but as common to all," and arguing that "it is one thing to have a right to a possession of money, and another to have a right to

fluity/substance distinction, official Catholic teaching moves in the opposite direction of neo-conservatism, away from the neo-conservative removal of any real requirement to give and towards making that requirement more strict. If there is no difference between substance and superfluity, then we must give out of our substance.

# Oscar's Beautiful Love

## This Sunday's Academy Awards: predictability, lots

By JULIE HAMILTON  
Assistant Scene Editor

The nominees in each major category of the Academy Awards, which will air this Sunday on ABC, are consistently from the same films that represent the best that Hollywood had to offer in 1998 — "Saving Private Ryan," "Shakespeare in Love" and "Life is Beautiful." This year, the Academy Awards will be closely competitive and each nominee is deserving of its nomination. But only a choice few will take home the gold statue this Sunday.

### BEST PICTURE

Each of the five films nominated for best picture boasts wonderful strengths. However, it is their weaknesses that will set them apart come Sunday night. The film that entertains and intrigues the Academy the most will be rewarded with the most coveted award in the film industry.

"Saving Private Ryan" and "Shakespeare in Love" possess blockbuster casts of previous Oscar winners and nominees and popular Hollywood box-office stars. Tom Hanks makes a clear impact on "Saving Private Ryan," while Gwyneth Paltrow adds to the charm of "Shakespeare in Love." Despite the appeal of these stars, they unfortunately cannot always carry their entire films on their performances alone. A film that deserves the Oscar has to have more than good actors playing inspirational roles — it has to be an intricately-woven balance of plot, setting and entertainment value.

The three films that seem to be in the closest contest are "Shakespeare in Love," "Saving Private Ryan" and the foreign-language film "Life is Beautiful." "Saving Private Ryan" and "Life is Beautiful" both play on similar circumstances — World War II and the human stories behind it. However, the writers took two completely different angles on the war. "Life is Beautiful" is a refreshing view of World War II, where "Saving Private Ryan" is traditional and strongly vivid. The remaining nominees, "The Thin Red Line" and "Elizabeth," are definitely worthy of the Academy's consideration as well.

But the three that are more likely to win are in that position because they have proven already that they are more effective at previous award ceremonies, polls, and the box-office.

Shekhar Kapur's ornate film, "Elizabeth" transports us to England in the dark 1500s, which were saturated with luxury. The obvious centerpiece of the film is Queen Elizabeth,

played by Cate Blanchett. It focuses on her maturation into the responsible role as Queen.

The problem with "Elizabeth" is a very common obstacle for historical pieces — information is deleted and recreated according to the taste of the directors, producers and writers. Their decisions should reflect historical accuracy, which they usually do. However, what one person deems important may not follow for another. The film is rich with the history it actually provides, yet it stumbles enough to lose its chance at an Oscar.

"The Thin Red Line," by Terrence Malick, has a confusing storyline — not in such a way as to keep you in suspense, but in such a way that you do not know what is happening. The imagery in the film focuses on the interplay between humans and nature. This is a nice twist for a war film, but it is underdeveloped in terms of plot and characters. The film makes you think and draw your own conclusions, which leaves some unsatisfied and others intrigued.

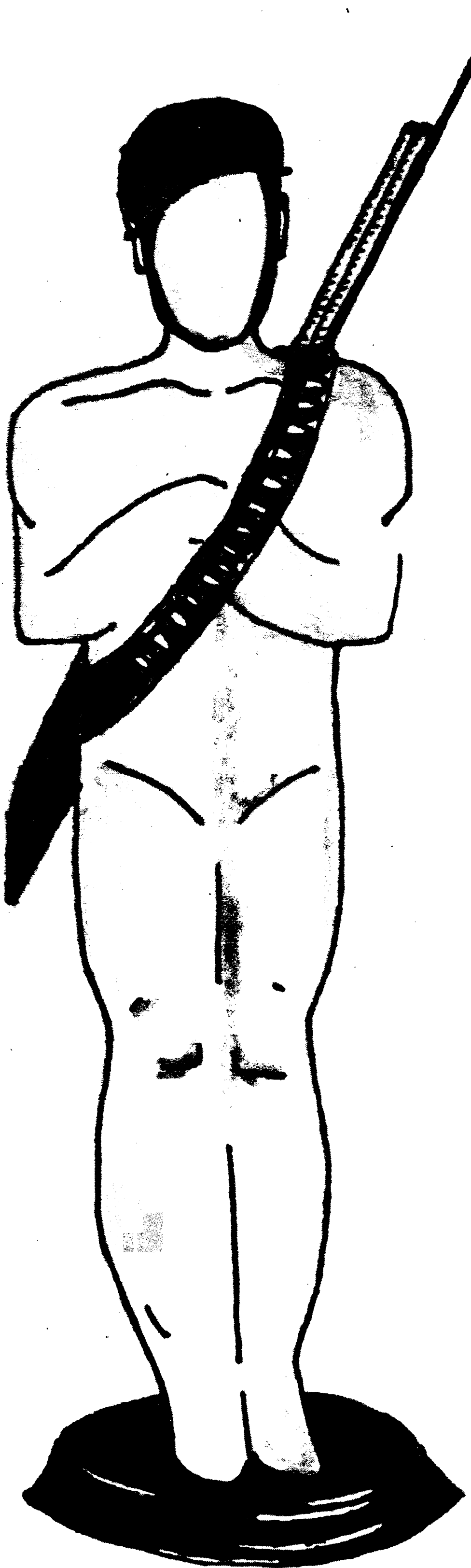
"Shakespeare in Love" is John Madden's masterpiece that is reminiscent of Shakespeare's classic play, "Romeo and Juliet." It is a reminder of the passion of the Shakespearean era where ladies and gentlemen whispered in words of prose.

The film's stars, Gwyneth Paltrow, Joseph Fiennes and Ben Affleck, perform superbly in their roles. Paltrow is especially enchanting as Viola, a noblewoman whose love for poetry and theater inspires her to achieve her dreams of being on the stage. She captures the attention of the young Will Shakespeare, who in turn becomes obsessed with writing a play devoted to her spirit. This play soon becomes "Romeo and Juliet."

"Shakespeare in Love" is a tale of unbridled love, forbidden passions and human inspiration, illustrating the Shakespearean era vividly and accurately. Although the film is impressive, it is too connected to stories already told. Therefore its lack of originality does not warrant the Academy Award for Best Picture.

"Saving Private Ryan" is an epic film by Steven Spielberg, set in the same time period as his Academy Award winning "Schindler's List." It has already collected several awards, including Golden Globes for best film, director, and actor. The film is a hauntingly true depiction of World War II.

What sets it apart is its main theme: "The mission is a man." Rather than monotonously shooting battle scene after battle scene, the film has the triumphant goal of keeping the audience



## And The Nominees Are ...

### BEST PICTURE

Elizabeth  
Life is Beautiful  
Saving Private Ryan  
Shakespeare in Love  
The Thin Red Line

### BEST DIRECTOR

Roberto Benigni, Life is Beautiful  
John Madden, Shakespeare in Love  
Terrence Malick, The Thin Red Line  
Steven Spielberg, Saving Private Ryan  
Peter Weir, The Truman Show

### BEST ACTRESS

Cate Blanchett, Elizabeth  
Fernanda Montenegro, Central do Brasil  
Gwyneth Paltrow, Shakespeare in Love  
Meryl Streep, One True Thing  
Emily Watson, Hilary and Jackie

### BEST SUPPORTING ACTRESS

Kathy Bates, Primary Colors  
Brenda Blethyn, The Piano  
Judi Dench, Shakespeare in Love  
Rachel Griffiths, Hilary and Jackie  
Lynn Redgrave, Gods and Monsters



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waiting for Private Ryan to show up. It captures the horror and atrocities of war more believably than many previous war films. It also encompasses more aspects of the war than simply battles — it shows the war affects on families, soldier's individualized experiences and a glimpse into the function of war on an everyday basis, as a way of temporary life.

The overwhelming dramedy, "Life is Beautiful," — winner of the Grand Jury Prize at the prestigious Cannes Film Festival and also several Screen Actors' Guild awards — is a fresh and honest look at the gruesomeness of the Holocaust. Rather than merely focusing on the atrocities of human loss, it emphasizes the fight between basic good and evil during one of the most testing times in world history. The bond of a family's love overcomes the effects of the war in this true classic. The triumph of the human spirit amazes and is as close to perfection as a film's plot and lesson can get. Roberto Benigni's "Life is Beautiful" deserves every one of its accolades, including the Oscar for Best Picture.

### BEST ACTOR

The nominees for Best Actor are Nick Nolte, Edward Norton, Ian McKellan, Tom Hanks and Roberto Benigni. Only the last two look to contend for the gold statue come Sunday night.

Tom Hanks satisfied audiences in his role as Capt. Miller in "Saving Private Ryan." His solid performance added believability and realism to the film, mainly because of his character's perspectives and determinism to get tasks accomplished. His performance was not superb, however. It was a traditional role that could have been executed by several other talented actors as well.

Roberto Benigni stands out in his performance as Guido, an Italian Jew caught in the throes of World War II. The role seemed so completely natural that the acting was not mechanical — it was perfection. Benigni glides through the dialogue and action of the film and makes the audience feel as if he has truly endured his character's life, rather than simply acting a part and reading a script. This lack of visible effort on his part makes him the choice for Oscar's Best Actor.

### BEST ACTRESS

The contest for Best Actress includes veteran actress Meryl Streep, Cate Blanchett, Gwyneth Paltrow, Emily Watson and Fernanda Montenegro. Gwyneth Paltrow is quickly build-

ing her successful reputation as a demanding actress, most recently exceeding expectations in her charming role as Viola, the young lover of William Shakespeare. She performs exquisitely as a dramatic woman who is restricted from what she considers the true pleasures in life — poetry, acting and theater. Cate Blanchett gives a convincing portrayal of Queen Elizabeth in "Elizabeth," but Paltrow's role was more fitting and inspiring. The Academy Award should go to her.

### BEST DIRECTOR

John Madden's "Shakespeare in Love" is entertaining and romantic, providing clear insight into the Shakespearean era. The scenery is lush and impressive, with gorgeous costumes amidst the enchanting renaissance towns of England. "Shakespeare in Love" is a raury tale with all of the right stuff. But with all fairness, the competition — Steven Spielberg, Roberto Benigni, Terrence Malick and Peter Weir — possess more compelling directing pieces.

Peter Weir's "The Truman Show" is a decent attempt at a new wave of films that question personal existence and reality. Weir's idea is original and thought-provoking, deserving the recognition that it received with its nomination. However, up against the other directors, Weir's film can't prevail.

"Life is Beautiful" was also directed by its star, Roberto Benigni, who does a fair job with the film. The directing is not outstanding by any means, however, as "Life is Beautiful" is a simple film that did not require fancy angles. The film was convincing only by remaining direct.

Although "Life is Beautiful" deserves the award for Best Picture, Steven Spielberg still overrides Benigni, for his acute direction of soldiers at war, as well as his recreation of the harsh reality of World War II. Spielberg gets the Oscar.

Last year's Academy Awards were fraught with monotony as a result of the sinking of the "Titanic." Predictability became the theme of the evening when James Cameron's tale of passion on the icy seas swept the spectrum of categories. This year, it's going to be a different story. The five nominees for best picture have unique and individual strengths, but none of them has the potential to overwhelm every category.

Enjoy the show on Sunday night, and expect the unexpected.

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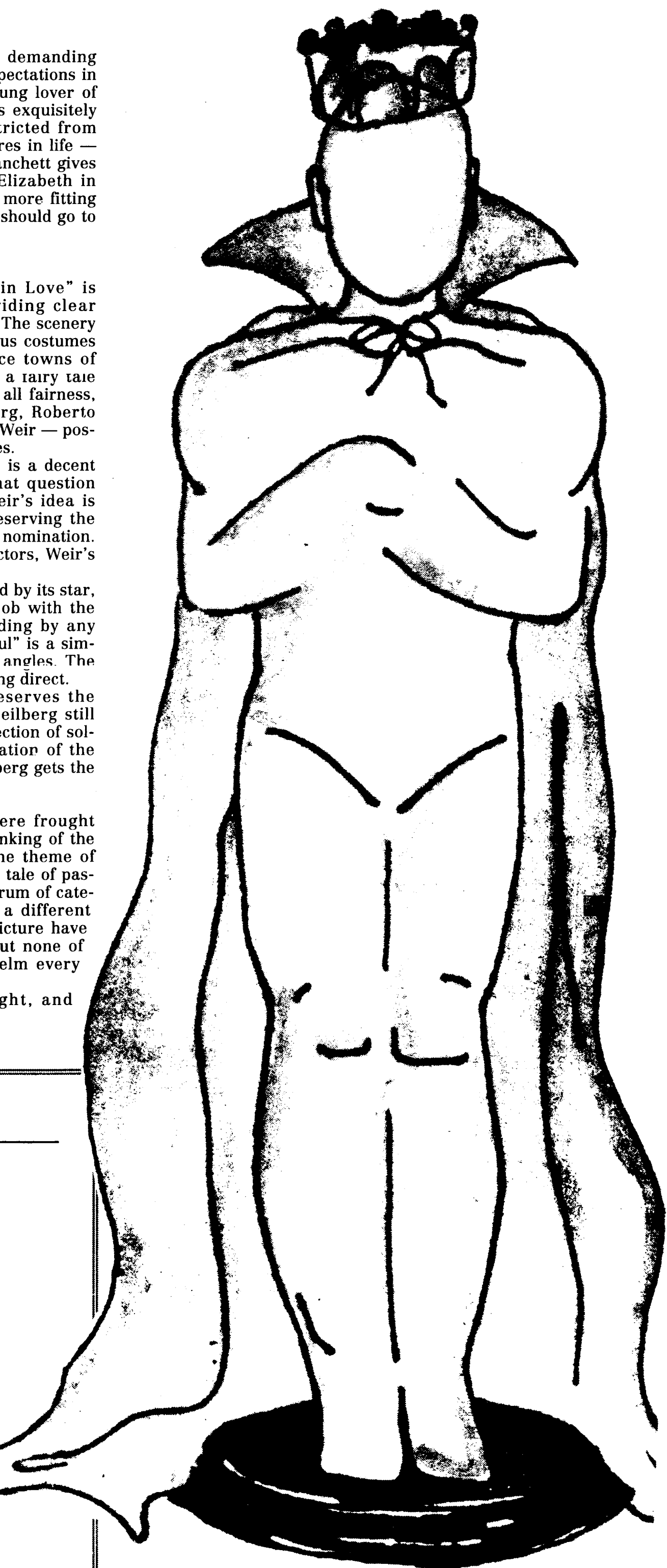
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Tom Hanks, Saving Private Ryan  
Ian McKellan, Gods and Monsters  
Nick Nolte, Affliction  
Edward Norton, American History X

### BEST SUPPORTING ACTOR

James Coburn, Affliction  
Robert Duvall, A Civil Action  
Ed Harris, The Truman Show  
Geoffrey Rush, Shakespeare in Love  
Billy Bob Thornton, A Simple Plan



# Oscar's final five take the stage with a recent history of Best Picture

By CHRISTIAN A. PIERCE  
Scene Movie Critic

Well, we've finally reached March Madness, a competitive month in which opponents battle for the title. For most people, March invokes thoughts of college teams, jump shots at the buzzer and Dicky V. screaming, "Oh Baby." Yet, for others, March Madness involves ritzy limousines, lame speeches and little gold men. For the film industry, this time of year means celebrating the Oscars. The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences has nominated what they feel stand as the best films of 1998. Now we must simply await the announcement, "And the winner is ..."

The films of 1998 have made it to the fourth quarter, now we must see who has enough gas to finish the game. The field includes the unorthodox style of "The Thin Red Line," the imported lineup of "Life is Beautiful," the hall-of-fame stars of "Saving Private Ryan," the rookie squad of "Shakespeare in Love" and the proficient play-calling of "Elizabeth." Each team has a definite strength, yet they all know only one can win, as Oscar rarely allows ties.

In preparing for this year's final, we see highlight reels from past events. Commentators like to blurt out stats which declare the likelihood of a team taking the win. Well, the Oscars are no exception to such predictions. Comparing this year's nominees to winners of the '90s will point out certain trends which often direct the Academy's selections. Now, this is not to claim that the analysis of past years will determine 1998's winner, but it will give a good idea as to which film may in fact be the front-runner.

The first film to win in the '90s was Kevin Costner's project, "Dances with Wolves," by far his greatest work. His more recent attempts at this type of film, "Waterworld" and "The Postman," give the impression that Costner is box-office poison. Certainly that is true lately, but he did have a brilliant past, as demonstrated

by "Dances."

The film looks at a Civil War Lieutenant who no longer knows why he is fighting. Lt. Dunbar, played by Costner, loses faith in the army and requests a station on the frontier for isolation. The cinematography displays the sheer beauty of the frontier west before it was won. With this loneliness, Dunbar discovers who he is and what he wants. He then befriends a Native American tribe, whose members eventually accept him into their community.

The film then points out the wrongs committed by the white man against the Native Americans and their land. This historical epic displays America's conquest of the west, as it rapes nature of the purity it once had. Costner's piece was a personal vision and one that deserved the recognition it received.

In 1991, the Academy swiftly reacted to the historical epic of the previous year by selecting a thriller — Jonathan Demme's "The Silence of the Lambs." This

had no other choice. Spielberg had crafted a masterpiece that displayed the triumph of the human will — just what the Academy likes.

After two consecutive years of highly emotional films, the Academy needed a film that was less traumatic. In 1994, Robert Zemeckis submitted "Forrest Gump" for consideration as Best Picture. Like "Schindler's List," this film was far above the rest of the year's films. The film stars Tom Hanks as Forrest Gump, a simple-minded man with a heart of gold. Hanks solidified his level of maturity with this piece, and it has only grown stronger. Zemeckis follows Gump throughout his life, observing the achievements of such an honest individual. Gump never strays from what he feels is right, a credence that leads him to incredible success in life. All the way around, "Forrest Gump" was an incredible piece, a clear winner.

Something the '90s had not truly recognized until this point was an action film. In 1995, this changed with Mel

Gibson's "Braveheart," an epic along the lines of "Ben Hur."

Gibson starred as William Wallace, a Scottish patriot who hoped to earn his country's freedom from England. The film follows Wallace through love and war, displaying one man's conquest for personal rights. "Braveheart" surpassed all action films of the time, and the Academy took definite notice of such stellar work.

Following an action film, there seems only one place to go — romantic drama. In 1996, Anthony Minghella directed the tragic story of romance, "The English Patient." A visually stunning film of life in North Africa before and during World War II, the film included the all-star cast of Ralph Fiennes, Juliette Binoche, Willem Dafoe and Kristin Scott Thomas. This cast gelled like no other in recent years, bringing the perils of romance during war to life. The film is an emotional roller coaster, but is still a ride worth taking. The Academy clearly noted the quality of acting and story in "The English Patient," and awarded the memorable effort.

The last film to win the big prize was James Cameron's box office giant, "Titanic." Again, the Academy awarded another love story, but this film remains unique for its overwhelming use of a female lead. The film stars Kate Winslet as Rose Dewitt Bukater and Leonardo DiCaprio as Jack Dawson. Even though most people consider DiCaprio the central character, the Academy disagreed with popular opinion by only giving Winslet an acting nomination. Though this was not an overly original film — "It Happened One Night" follows a similar story about the Titanic's maiden voyage — the Academy took notice of this film when it broke box-office records left and right. "Titanic" did deserve recognition, but this year the Academy will react with force, mainly because of Cameron's snooty speech at the award ceremony.

Now back to this year's nominees. The key this Sunday will be uniqueness and originality. War films have flooded the '90s, so "The Thin Red Line" and "Saving Private Ryan" are out of the running. Spielberg also created a better piece with "Schindler's List" — "Saving Private Ryan" was just not of the same caliber. Historical biographies of British royalty are getting old as well, so kiss "Elizabeth" goodbye.

That leaves only two films, and honestly, it seems a toss-up. On pure ingenuity, "Life is Beautiful" excelled this year, but it is unfortunately a foreign film. The Academy does not look kindly on foreign films, as they have a separate foreign-language category, where "Life is Beautiful" should win.

That leaves "Shakespeare in Love," a rather unmatched idea for film, writing a fictitious life and romance about the non-fictitious William Shakespeare. The late '90s have been full of love stories, but they all seem to have led up to the direction taken with "Shakespeare." This film never appears corny like "Titanic," or so emotionally involved as "The English Patient." Many humorous references are made to Shakespeare's works, and the Academy typically loves sophisticated entertainment. All around, the film has what it takes to be a winner. So if the Oscar betting pool is going around, and you need a pick, go with "Shakespeare in Love." It just might walk away with championship gold.



choice illustrates how the Academy enjoys a unique film. Demme's film was certainly unique, starring Sir Anthony Hopkins as serial killer Dr. Hannibal "The Cannibal" Lector. Hopkins played one of the most horrifying characters in film history, a portrayal which won him his own Oscar. Jodie Foster also won an Oscar playing Clarice Starling, the FBI agent who participates in a battle of minds with Lector, attempting to solve a murder case.

The chemistry between Foster and Hopkins is superb and unparalleled in recent years. Demme's vision of horror frightened its audience and scared the Academy into selecting it as its winner.

Well, if a thriller won in '91, the Academy certainly reacted in 1992 by selecting a western — or rather an anti-western. Clint Eastwood's film "Unforgiven" won in 1992 for its "realist" look at the western genre.

When discussing westerns, one often looks to the heroic pieces starring John Wayne. Eastwood uses "Unforgiven" to declare that John Wayne is simply a fairy tale.

"Unforgiven" follows the character of William Munny (Eastwood), a retired murderer who returns to his trade to kill two men for a large sum of money. In hunting down the men, we see how run-down Munny has become, barely able to mount his horse. Eastwood uses this character as an opportunity to display how ruthless, gritty and corrupt the west was. In his film, lead characters die, innocent people get hurt and no one truly comes out a winner. This film is so innovative, the Academy must have felt obligated to choose it, a western that repudiates the glorified west of John Wayne.

As if "Unforgiven" wasn't depressing enough, 1993 saw one of the most emotionally draining films of all time. That year, the Academy chose Steven Spielberg's personally significant work, "Schindler's List." One of only two biographies to win in the '90s, "Schindler's List" follows the actions taken by Oskar Schindler during the Holocaust. Spielberg brought heroism to the screen and glorified a figure neglected by history.

Liam Neeson brilliantly plays Oskar Schindler, the man who saved 1,100 Jews from genocide during World War II. This true story demonstrates how one man reacted to the wrongs committed by his countrymen. In 1993, the Academy clearly

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## ■ NBA

## Kukoc's 21 points lead Bulls over Marbury, Nets

Associated Press

CHICAGO  
Too bad the Chicago Bulls can't play the New Jersey Nets every night.

Toni Kukoc scored 21 points and grabbed 11 rebounds, and Ron Harper scored 10 of his 18 points in the third quarter as the Bulls beat the New Jersey Nets 104-95 on Thursday. All five Chicago (7-16) starters finished in double figures.

It was the Bulls' second victory in 10 days over the slumping Nets (4-19), and only their second 100-point effort of the season. The other? Last week's 103-87 rout of New Jersey.

The Nets have now lost nine of their last 10 and 15 of their

last 17. New Jersey fired coach

John Calipari on Tuesday, but interim coach Don Casey doesn't seem to be having much better luck. The Nets are 1-2 under Casey.

Stephon Marbury led the Nets with 24, his fourth 20-plus game since being traded from Minnesota last week. But he got off to a slow start, and by the time he found his groove, it was too late for the Nets. He had 14 in the fourth quarter, but was 7-of-24 from the floor, including 1-of-7 in the first half.

The Nets also got 20 from Kerry Kittles, who was 4-of-7 from three-point range.

The Bulls went on an 18-5 run at the end of the first half and beginning of the second,

taking a 60-51 lead on Harper's dunk with 8:52 left in the third quarter. He capped an 8-0 run to end the quarter with a jumper and layup, and the Bulls took an 80-65 lead into the fourth quarter.

But the fourth-quarter woes that have plagued Chicago most of the season surfaced again, as the Bulls went scoreless for almost the first four minutes. The Nets, meanwhile, opened with a 9-0 run, cutting the lead to 80-74 on Marbury's two free throws with 9:15 left to play.

But Kukoc nailed a jumper and converted on a three-point play, and the Nets couldn't get any closer. And as the Bulls got close to the 100-point mark—which means a free taco for every fan from

Taco Bell—the crowd went wild.

Kukoc, who also put the Bulls over the 100-point mark last week, went to the free throw line with 1:04 left with the Bulls ahead 99-88. The crowd groaned when he missed his first free throw, but he sank the second, drawing huge cheers and a standing ovation.

A 16-0 run gave the Bulls a 30-18 lead with 1:35 left in the first quarter. But they were scoreless for the next 5:22, and former Bull Scott Burrell's layup cut the lead to 30-29.

Kittles scored 10 of his 16 first-half points—including back-to-back three-pointers—as New Jersey went on a 12-3 run, taking a 46-40 lead with 2:12 left in the half. But the

Nets didn't score again before halftime, and the Bulls got treys from Brent Barry and Cory Carr to give them a 50-46 lead at halftime.

It was four years ago Thursday that Michael Jordan announced he was coming out of retirement. He played his first game the following day, scoring 19 points in Chicago's overtime loss at the Indiana Pacers. In a strange twist of deja vu, Chicago will play at Indiana on Friday night. But don't expect Jordan to suit up.

Bulls rookie Corey Benjamin was placed on the injured reserve list with tonsillitis. Chicago's 30 points in the first quarter was its highest output since scoring 33 in the first quarter against the L.A. Clippers.

## ■ MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

## Angels' Hill again finds his wings

Associated Press

TEMPE, Ariz.

There's nothing like zipping a few fastballs past batters to convince a long-ailing pitcher that he's back in form.

The Anaheim Angels' Ken Hill, who struggled through elbow and shoulder problems the last two years, looked like the Ken Hill of old as he struck out five and allowed one run on four hits in four innings against the Colorado Rockies.

"I felt comfortable, and I haven't felt comfortable the last couple of years," he said.

Hill pitched in pain early last season, had surgery to remove bone chips and spurs from his right elbow in June and didn't return to the Angels until Aug. 28.

"I was hurt in April of last year and I still pitched," Hill recalled. "I can take so much pain, but it was unbelievable."

Hill, who was 16-10 with a 3.63 ERA with Texas in

1996, was acquired by the Angels in a 1997 trade that sent catcher Jim Leyritz and infielder Robert Sasser to the Rangers in late July.

Hill, who strained his right shoulder in May of that year and seemed to be bothered by it later, was 4-4 with Anaheim that season, and 9-6 in 19 appearances last year.

This spring, he feels healthy again and believes he is throwing as well as ever.

"My splitter got to moving like it used to. Location is still the big thing. I've got to be more aggressive, establish my fastball in and out," he said after the Angels' 13-7 victory over the Rockies on Thursday.

Slowly but surely, he's regaining the confidence to challenge hitters.

"It feels good to throw the fastball 90-92 mph, the splitter, the slider," said Hill, 33.

"When you're not able to throw inside, the hitters are all over the plate and can reach anything you throw."

## ■ MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

## UConn ends Iowa's hot streak

Associated Press

PHOENIX

When push came to shove, and there was plenty of both, Connecticut had too much talent, too much quickness and too much depth for Iowa.

For awhile in Thursday night's West Regional semifinal, bull's strength, flying elbows and the intense emotion of what would be the last game for Tom Davis as Iowa coach were enough for the Hawkeyes to fight UConn to a standoff.

Then came the last 10 minutes, and the Big East champions pulled away for a 78-68 victory.

"They figured they could do it by bullying us," Connecticut's Kevin Freeman said. "But we knew we weren't going to let them get away with it."

The Huskies (31-2), the West's No. 1 seed, advanced to a regional final for the second year in a row and the fourth time since 1990 under coach Jim Calhoun.

But Calhoun never has gotten the Huskies to the Final Four. Now only a Saturday game against upstart Gonzaga stands in the Big East champions' way.

The Huskies are confident they can end the Zags' magical tournament run.

"If we go out and play 40 minutes of Connecticut basketball, we should come away with a victory against anyone," point guard Khalid El-Amin said.

The decisive surge Thursday came when UConn clamped on the defense, while Freeman and Richard Hamilton turned on the offense.

"When the game got real close, I felt I had to really dig deep and really try to step my game up," Hamilton said. "When I wasn't open, I tried to get it to Kev, and Kev did an excellent job of scoring. We're that type of team. We want to compete and make big-time plays."

Hamilton scored 24 points and Khalid El-Amin added 21 for UConn despite foul trouble.

"It was one of the more physical games we've played in a long time," Calhoun said. "It was like being in a Big East brawl."

The Huskies outscored Iowa 25-15 in the last 10 minutes.

Much was made of a flying elbow thrown by Iowa's Joey Range at El-Amin late in the first half. Further altercations followed in the nasty final seconds of the half, and the players, with Iowa's Jacob Jaacks at the center of the trouble, engaged in a brief shoving match before

they left the court.

"It was the dirtiest situation I've ever been involved in," Freeman said. "I put my elbows out to protect myself. If they want to play that style we can play that style, too. We're a tough team. We play in the toughest league. We can play physical."

Calhoun wouldn't criticize Iowa's tactics. Quite the contrary.

"I didn't see any cheap shots," Calhoun said. "I saw some very physical play on a team that wasn't as quick as us. They played within the rules the way the game was being called. I think Tom tried to do everything humanly possible to make a slower team quick."

"Once again, he almost got my number because it's the first time I beat Tom Davis. I told him, 'I hope I have a chance to beat you again.'"

It won't come against Iowa. Davis was told last fall that his contract wouldn't be renewed after this season.

"I don't know that I've ever put more into a team in the sense that they gave so much," Davis said. "I am wiped out, emotionally as well as physically drained, and I'm sure the team is. They gave you a great, great effort."

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## ■ MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

## Jarvis, St. John's finds 'elite' victory over Maryland

Associated Press

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. Mike Jarvis didn't realize just how good St. John's was in the first half.

The Red Storm scored 20 straight points over the final 7:11 of the first half Thursday night and went on to beat Maryland 76-62 to reach the final of the NCAA South Regional.

"The first half was incredible, particularly the defense. Until I was told at halftime we had a 20-0 run, I didn't know how good a run it was," Jarvis said.

St. John's (28-8) never trailed after going inside to Boots Thornton late in the first half. The Red Storm had suffered through an early 4-of-18 shooting slump before consecutive baskets by Thornton started what became the game-deciding run.

Thornton, who finished with 17 points, converted a dandy pass from Ron Artest into a basket and a 20-19 lead with 7:11 left.

"I wasn't expecting to be up 19 or 20. It gave me confidence in my team. There is no way we could do that except as a team," Artest said.

After a Maryland miss, Barkley fed Thornton for another inside shot. As St. John's scored 20 straight points to take a 38-19 halftime lead, Maryland missed its last 10 shots and had its lowest scoring half of the season.

"They didn't get a chance to run what they wanted to run," Thornton said. "We took away a lot of what they wanted to. I think that's why they got frustrated."

St. John's plays Ohio State, a 72-64 winner over Auburn, Saturday for a trip to the Final Four. Maryland (28-6) finally came alive midway through the second half, but it wasn't enough to avoid having its season end in the round of 16 for the fourth time in six years.

"That is small consolation what happened in the first half," said Maryland coach Gary Williams. "We would have liked to have lost giving it our best shot offensively and defensively. It just got out of hand in the first half and that really cost us."

Five days after handing

Indiana its worst NCAA tournament defeat ever, St. John's appeared on the way to another blowout victory before Maryland used a 19-2 run to get within single digits.

Still, things ended with another premature exit from the NCAA tournament for Maryland.

The Terrapins have made 13 NCAA tournament appearances since advancing to their last regional title game, in 1975.

"I'm very disappointed," said Williams, who has 399 career victories. "I always am when the season is over, but especially tonight. I think we had a special group that had a chance to advance."

The pressure was on Maryland to make it to the Final Four. But Jarvis, who took George Washington to the round of 16 in 1993, has tried to take pressure off his young team by telling them to have fun and enjoy their "fantastic voyage" through the tournament.

They must have really enjoyed themselves against Maryland.

When the Terrapins finally got the deficit under 10 points twice in the second half, Erick Barkley — who led St. John's with 24 points — responded.

Maryland's 19-2 run ended on driving layup by Steve Francis with 6:33 left that made it 58-49.

After Barkley hit two free throws with 5:42 left, Francis made hit two free throws for Maryland. But Barkley's three-pointer from the top of the key pushed the margin back to 63-51 and Maryland never got under double digits again.

"I anticipated the run and I told the kids it was coming. Was I nervous? You bet your life I was," Jarvis said. "Did I think we were going to lose? No, but I did ask for a little divine help."

Francis, with 13 points, was the only player in double figures for Maryland, who shot only 35 percent from the field and finished well below its season scoring average of 85.2.

St. John's had a 56-30 lead, its largest, before freshman Danny Miller's three-pointer with 10:39 left started the Terps' surge during which six different players scored. Miller also converted a three-point play.

"You just keep playing, hope shots will fall and you can get some stops. We couldn't do either one," said Maryland's

Laron Profit.

## Gonzaga 73, Florida 72

Gonzaga's wild NCAA ride is one more upset from a trip to the Final Four.

The scrappy Bulldogs, on Casey Calvary's tip-in with 4.4 seconds to go Thursday night, surged into the NCAA West Regional final, edging Florida 73-72.

"This is unbelievable," said Calvary, who last hit a game-winning shot "in the third or fourth grade. We've dreamed about this since we were little and now that we're there, we have to take advantage of it."

The 10th-seeded Bulldogs of the overlooked West Coast Conference trailed by three when Jeremy Eaton made a layup and Florida's Brent Wright then traveled with 15.4 seconds left.

Quentin Hall drove to the basket and missed, and Calvary, who had 10 points in the second half, tipped it home.

Florida's Eddie Shannon missed an off-balance three-pointer at the buzzer, sending Gonzaga within one step of its first Final Four.

"We were blessed today," Gonzaga's Matt Santangelo said. "It was not a pretty game, but we showed the heart and character of the team. It's like getting a new life and we'll savor it and then come ready to play Saturday."

That will be against top-seeded Connecticut, which beat Iowa 78-68. Again, Gonzaga, just the fifth 10th seed to get this far — none has made the Final Four — will be an underdog.

That doesn't bother the Bulldogs a bit.

"This team has great character and they are great kids," coach Dan Monson said. "There are a lot of teams at home with

better basketball ability, but we get through that with chemistry and character."

Florida is one of those highly skilled teams no longer in the tournament. The Gators made one critical error down the stretch when Wright walked, and it was enough to decide the game.

"It just hurts inside that I let the team down," Wright said. "It's just real sad."

"I thought the ref gave me a timeout, but it was too late."

Freshman Mike Miller's layup put Florida on top 69-68, and Santangelo tied it with a foul shot.

Greg Stolt, the Gators' career

three-point leader, was wide open for his fourth three of the night with 45.7 seconds remaining, setting up the frantic finish.

"We were rushing, going too fast at times," Gators coach Billy Donovan said. "The turnovers hurt us."

Gonzaga showed surprising strength inside in the second half, making things easier for its guard-oriented offense. Several times, Florida didn't deny entry passes, setting up inside shots for the Bulldogs. When the Gators did sag, it opened the outside for Richie Frahm, while Calvary was the main beneficiary underneath.



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## ■ MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

## Buckeyes give Tigers an early ticket back to Alabama

Associated Press

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. Ohio State, which finished last in the Big Ten a year ago, is now one victory away from the Final Four.

The Buckeyes broke open a tie game with nine straight points down the stretch and

beat top-seeded Auburn 72-64 Thursday night in the South Regional semifinals.

"This just keeps hitting me right between the eyes," said Ohio State coach Jim O'Brien, whose Buckeyes struggled to an 8-22 record last season.

"How these guys constantly

come back to try and accomplish a little more. Just when I ask myself 'Can they do any more?' They surprise me and do more."

Ohio State (26-8) advanced to Saturday's regional final against St. John's, which defeated Maryland 76-62 in the other semifinal.

Brian Brown's free throw broke a 61-61 tie with 2:41 left and Ohio State opened a 70-61 lead before Auburn's Doc Robinson banked in a meaningless three-pointer with 6.5 seconds left.

The Buckeyes' success is no surprise to Scoonie Penn, the guard who followed O'Brien to Ohio State from Boston College. He predicted last fall that the Buckeyes would turn it around and make the the NCAA tournament this season.

"Look at us now. I'm sure they will believe me now," said Penn, who scored 19 of his 26 points in the second half despite playing with four fouls the final 10 minutes. Auburn (29-4), which hadn't been to the round of 16 since 1986, became the first No. 1 seed to fall in this year's tournament thanks to some cold shooting down

the stretch.

The Southeastern Conference's highest-scoring team missed seven straight shots after Scott Pohlman's three-pointer tied the game at 61.

Neither team could grab the momentum in a game where they swapped the lead 17 times. Auburn coach Cliff Ellis said his Tigers had their chances with three minutes left.

"Penn and (Michael) Redd came on and took them over the hump," Ellis said. After Brown started the 9-0 run with his free throw, Redd added two foul shots, Penn made a basket, Brown stole the ball from Bryant Smith and fed it to Jason Singleton for a dunk, and Singleton added free throws to put Ohio State up 70-61.

"We went into the game knowing Ohio State was a very good team. You see why they have had such success," Ellis said. "Scoonie Penn hit big shots. They were huge when they came. He and Redd are tremendous basketball players."

The victory put Ohio State in its first regional final since 1992, when the Buckeyes lost to Michigan.

Redd added 22 points and 10 rebounds for the Buckeyes.

Chris Porter, the SEC's player of the year, led Auburn with 15 points but fouled out with 1:57 remaining. Robinson finished with 14, and Smith had 10.

Ohio State led for nearly the first eight minutes of the sec-

ond half until Auburn went on an 11-2 run started by Pohlman, who finished with only seven points after scoring a career-high 28 in the Tigers' second-round victory over Oklahoma State.

The spurt put Auburn up 52-46 with 10:17 remaining, but the Tigers couldn't hold onto that edge. Auburn wound up with 18 turnovers, and Ohio State converted them into 17 points. The Buckeyes took good care of the ball and lost it only nine times.

Penn, the Big Ten's player of the year, went to the bench with his fourth foul with 13:23 left. He came back and pulled Ohio State within 52-51 with a three-pointer and a baseline drive.

Neither team led by more than three until Ohio State's late run.

Ohio State, which held its first two opponents in the tournament to just 28 percent shooting, continued its stingy defense against Auburn in the first half, when the Tigers were 8-for-29.

Redd set the tone for the night on the Buckeyes' opening possession. He calmly took a pass with the shot clock winding down and hit a three-pointer as the buzzer sounded. But Ohio State couldn't shake the Tigers, who set a school record for victories this season.

The teams swapped the lead back and forth before Penn hit a long three-pointer with 18.5 seconds left to give Ohio State a 31-26 halftime lead.

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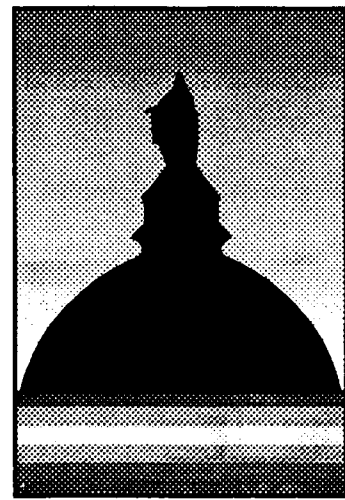
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## ■ NBA

# Rodman faces fine upon return to L.A.

Associated Press

## LOS ANGELES

An end to Dennis Rodman's leave of absence from the Los Angeles Lakers appears to be in sight.

And although Rodman is being paid despite missing games and practices, coach Kurt Rambis said in Cleveland the wayward forward will be fined.

Team spokesman John Black told The Associated Press several hours before the Lakers faced the Cavaliers at Gund

Arena on Thursday night that Rodman spoke with executive vice president Jerry West and general manager Mitch Kupchak earlier in the day.

"Apparently, he's making some progress taking care of the personal business he needs to take care of," Black said. "We expect him to rejoin us sometime soon, in the not-to-distant future."

The game against Cleveland was the first of four in five days for the Lakers, who then play at Philadelphia, Orlando and Dallas to complete a six-game road trip.

Asked if he expected Rodman to rejoin the team on the trip, which ends Monday night in Dallas, Black replied, "That we're not sure of; hopefully."

Black said Rodman continues to be paid for the games he's missed — the game at Cleveland was the third since Rodman told the Lakers he needed time off to deal with personal issues.

However, Rambis told reporters Wednesday that Rodman "definitely will be fined."

Black's only comment on that subject was, "That will be handled internally."

Black added his denial to a TNT cable network report that team members voted unanimously that Rodman be fined. Rambis and several players had said Wednesday that the report was untrue.

## ■ BOXING

# Williams testifies before Senate

Associated Press

## NEW YORK

The judge at the center of the controversial Lennox Lewis-Evander Holyfield draw said Thursday that her view of the fight was obscured at times by photographers.

Testifying at a New York state Senate hearing, Eugenia Williams also said that after watching a tape of Saturday's heavyweight unification fight, she would have scored it a draw, instead of 115-113 for Holyfield.

That scoring, however, would not have changed the ultimate outcome. If Williams had scored the fifth round for Lewis, her card would have been 114-114, and the decision would have been a majority draw.

Williams, of Atlantic City, N.J., appeared at the state Senate Committee on Investigations hearing and held fast in her belief that she had correctly judged the fight 115-113 for Holyfield.

Asked by state Sen. Roy Goodman if she had second thoughts about her opinion, Williams replied: "No sir. I scored what I saw when I saw it."

After watching a replay, Williams said she would have scored the fifth round for Lewis.

But she added, "What I saw that night is not what the camera saw. They were at a different angle than I was. I only score the blows I see."

Williams also said that during several rounds, including the fifth, her vision was sometimes blocked by ringside photographers whom she had to push

aside.

Williams, a 10-year veteran of judging who works as a \$39,200-a-year accounts clerk for Atlantic City, confirmed reports that she had filed for bankruptcy recently, but denied that there had been any attempt by anyone to help her financially in exchange for influencing her judgment.

"Absolutely not," she replied.

As the investigation got under way, a still furious Lewis returned home to London and demanded that "everything should be looked into."

He urged Holyfield to hand over the WBA and IBF titles.

"If Evander's a man, he should admit that he got beat and give me my belts," the WBC champion said. "But he's not that kind of character."

"You could say that Evander Holyfield is holding my belts right now for me. They're actually my belts, but he's holding them."

Separately, Manhattan District Attorney Robert Morgenthau has convened a grand jury to issue subpoenas and gather testimony about Saturday's unification bout. In addition, the New York state Athletic Commission also is investigating.

Of the other judges, South Africa's Stan Christodoulou, scored the fight 116-113 for Lewis and Britain's Larry O'Connell scored it 115-115. Most who watched the fight thought Lewis had clearly won.

IBF president Bob Lee, whose organization selected Williams, defended her work.

"I am sure they aren't going to find anything irregular at all," he

said. "It is a subjective viewing of a fight and you can't tell these judges what to see or what not to see. All I tell them is, 'Do the best you can.'"

Lewis' manager Frank Maloney said he didn't believe bribes had been paid, but he questioned Williams' competence.

"I don't believe there was any illegal payment, they wouldn't have been that stupid," Maloney said. "They may not find money in her bank account, but there was definitely something wrong with her judging."

Soon after touching down at London's Heathrow Airport, Lewis maintained he had been the victim of a "conspiracy" and that the judges had been "incompetent."

"I think everything should be looked into," Lewis said. "There was definitely something going on, some kind of conspiracy we don't know about."

"In this particular fight the public got hurt as well ... I say Don King should apologize and definitely the judges."

"Next time I'm going to definitely bring my two judges, my own two judges," Lewis added.

Lewis, criticized for not being more aggressive — particularly in the fifth when he had Holyfield on the ropes — said going for the knockout would have been risky.

"In the fifth he wasn't as hurt as I thought. I wasn't satisfied I could go in there and feel safe," Lewis said. "He was definitely playing possum and he admitted it on TV."

"But if I had realized it was going to be like that, I would have went out there ... and realized my only hope was a knockout and go after it."

In Atlanta, Holyfield was quoted as saying he understood the judges' decision perfectly.

"The judges said it was a draw. Realistically, he didn't knock me out, and I didn't knock him out. It's all based on a decision," Holyfield told the Atlanta Journal-Constitution.

Holyfield said Lewis didn't do as well as some people said.

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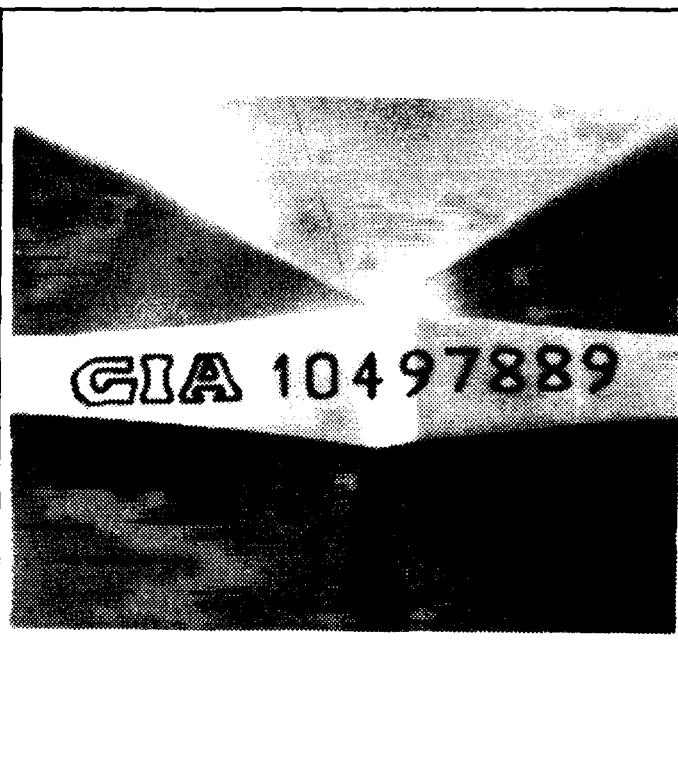
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Lloyd and Suddarth will also compete in Saturday's 200-meter breaststroke, where they will both need to move up in the rankings to make finals.

Mattingly will compete on the three-meter springboard, and Nixon will have her

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chance to move up from a 16th place ranking in the 100 butterfly.

Notre Dame qualified a record eight athletes for the championships. The Irish hope to finish among the top 15 teams, up from last year's finish of 23rd.

With 18 athletes, host Georgia is favored to win the meet. Stanford, the defending national champions, and Arizona are not far behind in the rankings.

Top-ranked host Georgia leads the team scoring with 143.5 points. Southern Methodist is in second — just six points behind with 137.5, followed by defending national champions Stanford with 129 points.

## ■ ON THE HOT CORNER

# Automatic bids make March Madness fun

By BRIAN CHURNEY  
Sports Columnist

Could you imagine how much less exciting the NCAA tournament this year would have been without Weber State beating North Carolina, Detroit beating UCLA, or Creighton beating Louisville?

How about without Gonzaga, Miami of Ohio or South West Missouri State making their Cinderella runs?

Had it not been for automatic bids and the NCAA tournament selection committee's very recent trend of inviting lesser known, minor conference teams we may not have been able to enjoy any of these success stories.

With all of the craziness surrounding this year's NCAA tournament, it's hard to claim that anything is certain. It seems that only uncertainty is absolute.

There is, however, one clear fact that the results of the NCAA tournament have made evident. This fact is that the NCAA should continue its recent trend of inviting small conference regular season champions whether they win their conference tournament or not.

Here are the facts: nine non-major conference teams in particular could have been considered "on the bubble" if they hadn't won their conference tournaments. These teams were Creighton, Evansville, Southwest Missouri State (all from the Mississippi Valley), Gonzaga (West Coast), Detroit (Midwestern Collegiate), Weber State (Big Sky), Miami of Ohio, Kent (Mid-American) and Murray State (Ohio Valley).

All of these teams could

have had a legitimate claim to at-large bids if their conference tournaments had not gone as planned. Of the nine teams selected, six got into the tournament with automatic bids and three were selected as at large bids.

Not only have these nine teams proved worthy of tournament bids, but many of them proved more worthy than their larger conference, better-known foes. These nine teams have compiled a record this year of 9-6 — better than a 50 percent success rate (something Irish basketball fans know little about).

This winning percentage is very close to the winning percentage of major conferences. Of the three teams that the tournament selection committee chose to extend to the ever-elusive at-large bids, two (SW Missouri State and Miami of Ohio) are still in the tournament. In fact, six of the nine "bubble teams" won at least their first round games — all being upsets.

Some claim that these teams are flukes; others claim that the opposition was caught off guard.

As for me, I find it hard to call a team that had over 20 wins a fluke. I also find it hard to agree with the "catching their opponents off guard" theme. Every year, a No. 12 seed beats a No. 5 seed. I sincerely don't believe that any No. 5 seed in the tournament doesn't take its opponent very seriously. Yet Detroit managed to knock off UCLA and Southwest Missouri State managed to upset Wisconsin.

In reality, it's time for the public to come to realize what the NCAA selection committee is only now starting to understand. The time has come to recognize that national pow-

ers don't necessarily have to come from one of the major conferences. Sometimes strength of schedules are deceiving, and these teams not only deserve to be in the tournament but deserve just seedings as well.

While the successes of Purdue and Oklahoma make a strong argument for extending bids to mediocre, major-conference teams, little argument exists for expelling these smaller conference teams. The most prevailing argument for keeping lesser-knowns out of the tournament is that while their records are impressive, their schedules look more like Nebraska's non-conference football schedule than something worthy of an invitation.

This happens mostly as a result of larger teams refusing to play these up-and-coming teams.

What do teams like UConn and Duke have to gain from playing upstart teams like Miami or Gonzaga? The answer is nothing. A win is perceived as an expected victory against a lesser foe. A loss, however, is a huge upset.

Consequently, these lesser-knowns have a hard time finding teams that will play them, especially if they appear to be dangerous. Even when they do find large profile teams to play them, it seldom is at home.

Beating Kansas at Lawrence or Duke in Durham is a much more difficult task than at one's own home. Should these teams be punished come selection time because other teams are afraid to play them? I think not.

The tournament, then, is the only way to reward these teams for finishing a season

with a great record. In the tournament these lesser-knowns get a shot at the high profile teams. Recently, and especially this year, these lesser-knowns are making good on that shot.

If the NCAA doesn't continue its recent trend of inviting lesser-knowns, they eliminate the possibility of any sort of "changing of the guard." Smaller programs use the added exposure of the tournament as a tool in recruiting. If they are ever to advance "to the next level," they need to continue being invited to the tournament and get opportunities to "play with the big boys."

Furthermore, not inviting these teams would drastically lessen the possibilities for upsets and excitement throughout the tournament. Parity in college basketball is becoming more and more apparent. It allows for upsets, close games and exciting finishes.

Overall, it significantly improves the entertainment value of the tournament. How many people watched Valparaiso make its run last year? How many more are going to watch one of this year's Cinderellas as opposed to a run of the mill Sweet 16 game?

The NCAA owes it to these up-and-coming teams to continue to give them a shot at playing on the level of the Dukes and the Kentuckys. Not only will it benefit the NCAA, but also the schools themselves.

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## ■ IRISH INSIGHT

# Unfair politics leaves Irish out of 'big dance'

By ANTHONY BIANCO  
Assistant Sports Editor

The Irish could easily be in Los Angeles right now awaiting to play Louisiana Tech in the NCAA tournament Saturday night.

But the Irish's third-straight trip to the Sweet 16 was halted by LSU last Monday night in a 74-64 Lady Tiger win. The Irish may have been sidelined for the season at that point, but the fouls were only just beginning.

The entire team, from players to head coach Muffet McGraw, believes that the NCAA selection committee was partially responsible for the loss. McGraw's No. 8 ranking in the polls and No. 11 spot in the Ratings Percentage Index were not good enough to secure a homecourt advantage.

Failing to earn one of the 16

first-round hosting spots, the Irish were doomed to lose from the Sunday nearly two weeks ago when the seedings were announced.

"We were pretty disappointed when the rankings came out," said All-American center Ruth Riley. "We were shocked. We expected to go down a little with Niele [Ivey] out, but not that much."

As if losing starting point guard Ivey in the semifinals of the Big East tournament was not bad enough for the Irish, the selection committee literally added insult to injury. A No. 5 ranking for Notre Dame placed them just far enough out of the rankings to force them to travel 975 miles to begin play.

And with that, the stage was set to play the first two rounds of the tournament at the No. 4 seed

Lady Tigers home court in Baton Rouge, La. A first-round win against St. Mary's (Calif.) matched the Irish against the bracket's other winner, LSU.

"We were traveling to a place we hadn't been to," said Riley. "They clearly had the advantage playing on the home court."

Beyond the obvious advantage of playing in front of their faithful fans, the Lady Tigers also had history on their side. LSU has not lost a non-conference matchup at Baton Rouge since Jan. 30, 1995 — a streak of 36 games.

Such a perfect setup for the Lady Tigers that it seems to have been scripted. Or set up.

"I don't think there's any question that the selection committee shows favoritism, and we need to stop that," said McGraw.

Who was on the selection committee that gave the Lady Tigers the home court advantage? LSU assistant athletic director Debbie Corum.

The answer, indicated McGraw, is a system similar to the men's basketball NCAA tournament.

"The only way they can stop [the favoritism] is to put this tournament on neutral courts," she said. "I think the NCAA could have done as well on a neutral court as they did here."

The men's tournament follows a system similar to the one proposed by McGraw and currently on the NCAA's table. If it goes through, teams would still be allowed to play at home, yet no team could host two years in a row or more than twice in four



The Observer/Kevin Dalum

Questions surround whether Ruth Riley and the Irish women's basketball team should have advanced further in the NCAA championships.

years.

Even a more regionalized system would be more beneficial, argues Riley. Drawing Irish fans to a game that Purdue is hosting is more advantageous than attempting to get Irish support in Louisiana — especially when LSU is on the court.

The rest of this year's tournament is no different. Each of the top 16 teams has advanced to the regionals, with only five

upsets in the 48 games played, the committee should be happy with their selections.

Has the better team won? Not according to McGraw.

"If we're playing at home," she said. "We're moving on."

For now, the Irish must settle on watching a lesser opponent take one step closer to fulfilling a dream Notre Dame believed was theirs throughout their best-ever 26-5 season.

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Things get going at 10:30am with registration. Show up early to make sure you get the discussion groups you want or email us at [ND.ministry.1@nd.edu](mailto:ND.ministry.1@nd.edu) before Saturday for an Early Sign Up form. **Pre-registration is NOT required.** Then, at 11:00 am things really get moving. Fr. Mike Baxter and Fr. Cyprian Consiglio will lead us in song, prayer, and all sorts of fun. At 12:00 pm, the first discussion groups begin. There will be 6 presenters from which to choose (see side), then lunch @ 1pm with an acoustic coffeehouse featuring Justin Dunn and Mark Lang. FYI, there will also be optional activities throughout the day like

sacramental reconciliation, stations of the cross, rosary, and Eucharistic Adoration that you can do instead of a discussion group. At 2pm & 3pm: two more discussion groups. 4pm: Everyone's back together with Fr. Baxter & Fr. Cyprian with some concluding words which will flow right into the closing Mass at 4:30!

If you can't make it to the whole day, try to come for the opening at 11am or join us at any time of the day. We'd love to have you for all or some of the activities.



## Schedule

**10:30am**

**WELCOME & REGISTRATION**

**11:00am**

**KICK-OFF**

- Music & Morning prayer *Fr. Cyprian Consiglio, OSB Cam.*
- Scripture & Preaching *Fr. Michael Baxter, CSC*
- Student Talk *Kelly Rich, '02*

**12:00pm**

**DISCUSSION GROUPS (SEE SIDE)**

- also, optional activities:  
Sacramental Reconciliation available in the Quiet Space (until 4pm)  
Eucharistic Adoration begins in Fisher Hall Chapel (Until 4pm)

**1:00pm**

**LUNCH**

- Acoustic Coffeehouse *Justin Dunn & Mark Lang*

**2:00pm**

**DISCUSSION GROUPS**

- beginning with Music & Prayer in Stage Area
- also, rosary @ Fisher Hall Chapel

**3:00pm**

**DISCUSSION GROUPS**

- beginning with Music & Prayer in Stage Area
- also, Stations of the Cross @ Dillon Hall Chapel

**4:00pm**

**WRAP-UP**

**4:30pm**

**CLOSING MASS**

## Discussion Group Schedule

### 12pm Discussion Groups

- **Fr. Mark Poorman, CSC**  
*Sex, Culture, & Christianity*
- **Fr. Brian Daley, S.J.**  
*The Meaning of Lent*
- **Sr. Sue Bruno, OSF**  
*Vocations*
- **Bill Dalley, CSC**  
*Prayer*
- **Fr. Bill Seetch, CSC**  
*Reconciliation*
- **Fr. Jim Lies, CSC & Colleen Knight**  
*Our Best Kept Secret: The Catholic Social Teaching*

### 2pm Discussion Groups

- **Chandra Johnson**  
*Afrocentric Spirituality & the Sacred Scriptures*
- **Fr. Brian Daley, S.J.**  
*The Meaning of Lent*
- **Fr. Jim Foster, CSC**  
*Medicine & Ethics*
- **Sr. Carrine Etheridge, IHM**  
*An Ignation Meditation: Up the Road to Jerusalem, Jesus & His Friends*
- **John Cavadini**  
*Eucharist*
- **Fr. Bill Seetch, CSC**  
*Reconciliation*

### 3pm Discussion Groups

- **Chandra Johnson**  
*Afrocentric Spirituality & the Sacred Scriptures*
- **Fr. Bill Wack, CSC**  
*Responding to God's Call in your Life*
- **Fr. Jim Foster, CSC**  
*Medicine & Ethics*
- **Sr. Carrine Etheridge, IHM**  
*An Ignation Meditation: Up the Road to Jerusalem, Jesus & His Friends*
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## Fencing

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many observers believed would be an extremely close match. Szelle, however, dominated LaValle and defeated the senior All-American 5-0.

LaValle bounced back from the first loss by defeating his brother David, a freshman at Stanford, 5-0. Further success for LaValle was hard to find as he finished the day frustrated and in 14th place.

Through the first three rounds of competition, the sabre team earned 17 points.

"On the sabre side, it has been disappointing," coach Auriol said. "They should have done better."

The foil team fared worse than the sabre team. Hayes and Auriol combined to earn only 10 points for the Irish. In

head-to-head competition, Hayes defeated Auriol 5-3.

Both Hayes and Auriol were close in most bouts, but could not quite win the final touch. Between the two of them, they lost four bouts by 5-4 margins.

Most frustrating for the Irish was their performance against the perennial fencing powerhouse and the only other school to qualify 10 fencers: Penn State. In head-to-head competition, the Nittany Lions defeated the Irish six out of eight matches. The sabre team managed to split the Penn State series as both Szelle and LaValle each won and lost one match.

The foil team was swept by the powerful Penn State foil team of Gang Lu and David Lidow. Lidow and Lu stand in second and third place overall.

Stanford freshman Felix Reichling finished the day

in first place as the only undefeated fencer.

The Nittany Lions finished two points behind first place Columbia after the first day but Penn State will most likely surpass Columbia, as Columbia only has one men's epeeist and no women epeeists.

The Irish trail Penn State by 11 points. The deficit will be very difficult to overcome, especially since the sabre team has been the Irish strength all season.

"It's going to be difficult," coach Auriol said. "You don't want to get behind that much. We wanted to stay close. I didn't think that Penn State had the best sabre squad but they did what they were supposed to do. It's going to be tough."

The finals in men's foil and sabre will be held tomorrow morning with the men's epee competition beginning in the afternoon. If the Irish are to have a shot at the elusive national title, they must fence better tomorrow.

"We have to fence like contenders," coach Auriol said. "We did not fence like a team that has a chance to win the championship. We fenced like just another team. We have to be stronger mentally. Today we got a message. We need to regroup and each squad has to perform at their level."

## BASEBALL

# Irish to take cuts at Mountaineers

By BRIAN KESSLER  
Sports Editor

The Notre Dame baseball team, which was chosen as the preseason favorite to win the Big East, opens conference play tomorrow afternoon with a double header on the road against West Virginia.

The Irish and Mountaineers will play the third game of the series on Sunday at 1 p.m.

"We're going in with a positive outlook," said right-handed pitcher Aaron Heilman. "We're looking to play well and get off to a good start in Big East."

The Irish, winners of five straight, hold a 15-8 edge in the all-time series with the Mountaineers, but the two teams have split the last 12 meetings.

"I think three of the last six games we've played against them have been decided by one run," said Heilman. "They are a quality team and usually play us tough, so we're looking to come out and play well as a team."

Notre Dame is coming off its spring break tournament victory at the fifth annual Irish Baseball Classic in San Antonio, Texas. Heilman earned tournament MVP and co-Big East pitcher of the week honors after tossing a complete-game victory over Creighton that advanced the Irish to the title game. Heilman had a career-best 11 strikeouts and allowed just three earned runs on six hits.

"My season is going well so far," said Heilman. "I had a rough outing in the beginning, but I've settled down and am starting to get back in the groove. It helps to have a team behind you that plays good defense and can score runs."

Left-hander Tim Kalita (1-1, 3.28

ERA), junior Scott Cavey (1-1 7.17 ERA) and Heilman (2-1 3.28 ERA) are the probable starters for this weekend's series.

The Irish bats have been hot lately and the team will look to continue that trend against the Mountaineers. Junior shortstop Brant Ust, last year's Big East player of the year, has picked up where he left off. He's batting .407 and leads the team with 18 RBIs.

"Brant is a great player day in and day out," said Heilman. "He always comes prepared to play and is always in the middle of things for us."

Center fielder Steve Stanley was named co-Big East freshman of the week while batting .444 (8-for-18) in the leadoff spot. He had seven runs scored, four stolen bases and drew four walks last week.

"Steve's been a great asset for us," said Heilman. "He's able to track down balls that most guys can't get to and he's done a great job at the plate as well."

West Virginia is coming off back-to-back 30-win seasons, but coach Greg Van Zant lost some key players off last year's squad and has 18 new players.

The Mountaineers are 5-7 on the season, but have won three straight, including last weekend's double header with Toledo. They captured the first contest 2-1 behind solid pitching from senior Louie Ross, who fanned 10 and gave up just one unearned run in the fifth. WVU took the nightcap 9-8 when Eddie Weightman scored on Craig Boggs' drag bunt single in the bottom of the ninth.

The Mountaineers scored six runs in the fifth inning to top St. Bonaventure 6-4 on Wednesday afternoon.

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## LaCrosse

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our offense," said Glatzel. "And our man-up is going to have to step it up to win."

At the attack position, senior Dusseau will have lead the offense if the Irish hope to add another game to the win column. Dusseau, a four-year starter, has scored 89 career goals and has racked up an impressive 100 points with 11 total assists this season. Dusseau was picked to the College LaCrosse USA's Preseason All-America team before the start of the season.

The Irish defense, led by senior captain David Biddison and junior goalie Kirk Howell, has also stayed tough, providing the squad with a strong backbone. Shutting down Air Force earlier this season by allowing only two goals, the Notre Dame defense has shown that they are a force to reckon with. First-year starter Howell has made more saves than goals allowed, tallying a total of 36 saves on the season.

"We're pretty solid throughout," said Glatzel. "We have a strong core of players that will carry us through the game."

Loyola, with a 3-0 record, will be a formidable stop on

Notre Dame's quest for victory. Returning five All-America selections from last year's NCAA final-four team, the Greyhounds have more depth than the Irish, with 27 returning varsity players.

Led by seven returning starters, the Greyhounds have easily handled their opponents this season. Loyola boasts a stingy defense coupled with an explosive offense that has outscored its opponents 43-14 in three games. The Greyhounds proved their ability last week during a 14-5 routing of previously top-seeded John Hopkins University.

In order to upset Loyola, Notre Dame will have to take control of the game early.

"Loyola's a real fast-paced team," said Owen. "If we can slow it down and make Loyola play our kind of game we should have a strong showing."

Saturday's match-up will be the ninth meeting between Notre Dame and Loyola. Loyola holds a distinct edge in the contest, if history has anything to do with it. Boasting an 8-0 record for the series, Loyola has proved its dominance in the past. Notre Dame will have to score early and take control of the game if it hopes to gain its first win against the Greyhounds and upset the top seed.



Irish midfielder Kevin Higgins looks downfield in a recent game against the University of Massachusetts. The Irish face a tough game tomorrow as they take on No. 1-ranked Loyola.

### ■ WOMEN'S TENNIS

## Irish look to outserve Iowa

By WES JACOBS  
Sports Writer

In their first meeting since 1991, the No. 14 Irish women's tennis team will face the Iowa Hawkeyes Saturday at home.

Notre Dame will look to build on its 3-0 record versus the Hawkeyes. Iowa enters the dual meet as the 53rd-ranked team in the country and is led by freshman Toni Neykova, ranked 97th for singles players.

While Irish players aren't overlooking the Hawkeyes, playing a lower-ranked team does present motivational problems.

"We feel confident going in, but we obviously can't take anyone for granted," said freshman standout Becky Varnum. "We've had a hard week of practice. We need to play every match like it's a Duke match. If you give anything up, teams can jump all over you, even teams in the 50s."

Because this will be Notre Dame's fifth home match of the season, the home crowd should give players plenty of motivation.

"We like to play at home," said Varnum. "You're always going to feel better where you play and practice most often."

If Notre Dame can manage to win Saturday's match, they will extend their winning streak against Midwest region opponents to 14. The Irish have won 13 consecutive matches against other Midwest teams, a streak that dates back to a loss to Wisconsin in the 1997 NCAA Midwest Regional.


The Irish have rolled through their regional foes, building a 35-4 record against other Midwest teams since the '95 season, including 28 wins against Big 10 teams.

As senior two-time All-American, Jennifer Hall enters this match as a senior two-time All-American. She is approaching the Notre Dame record for career singles wins after two wins during spring break to improve to 104-55. She stands just three wins behind the 107 singles matches Mary Colligan won from 1982-86.

Hall became the first Irish player to reach 100 wins under head coach Jay Louderback on Feb. 19, when she beat UCLA's Annica Cooper 7-5, 6-3.

Hall will be helped by Michelle Dasso, ranked 10th nationally. She is 10-4 in dual singles matches this year at the No. 1 spot for the Irish. Varnum, Marisa Velasco, Kelly Zalinski and Kim Guy will be strong back-ups.

At doubles, Hall and Dasso, ranked 6th nationally, will lead the way.



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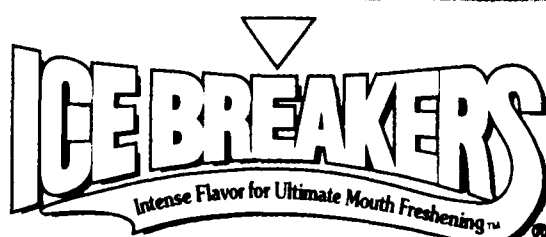
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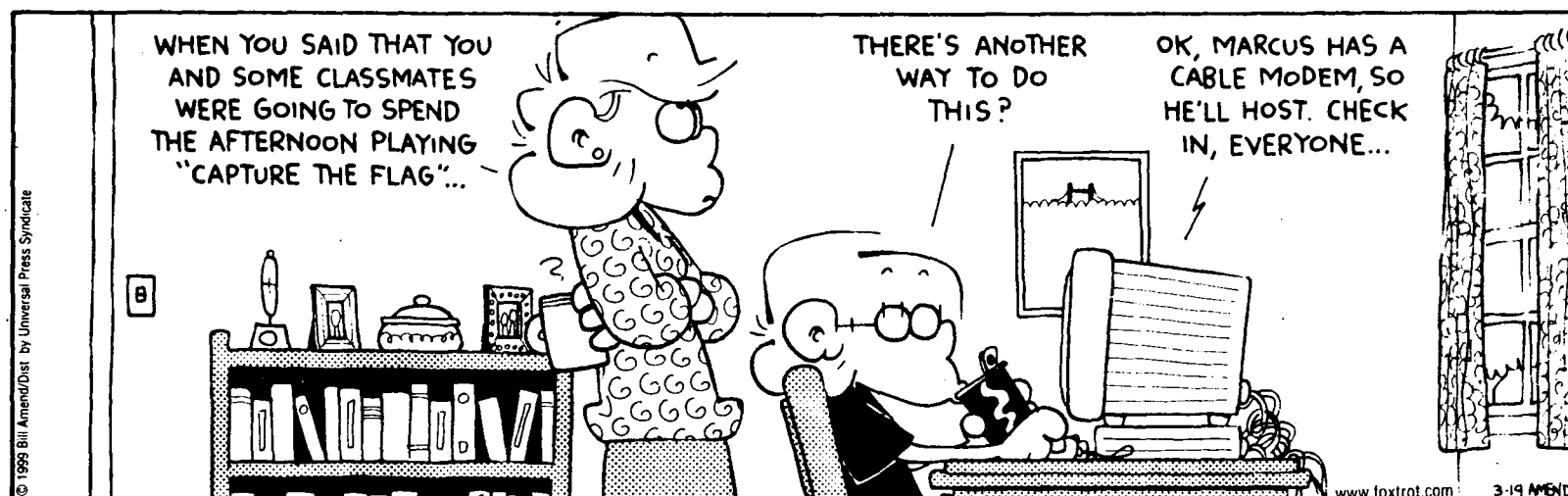
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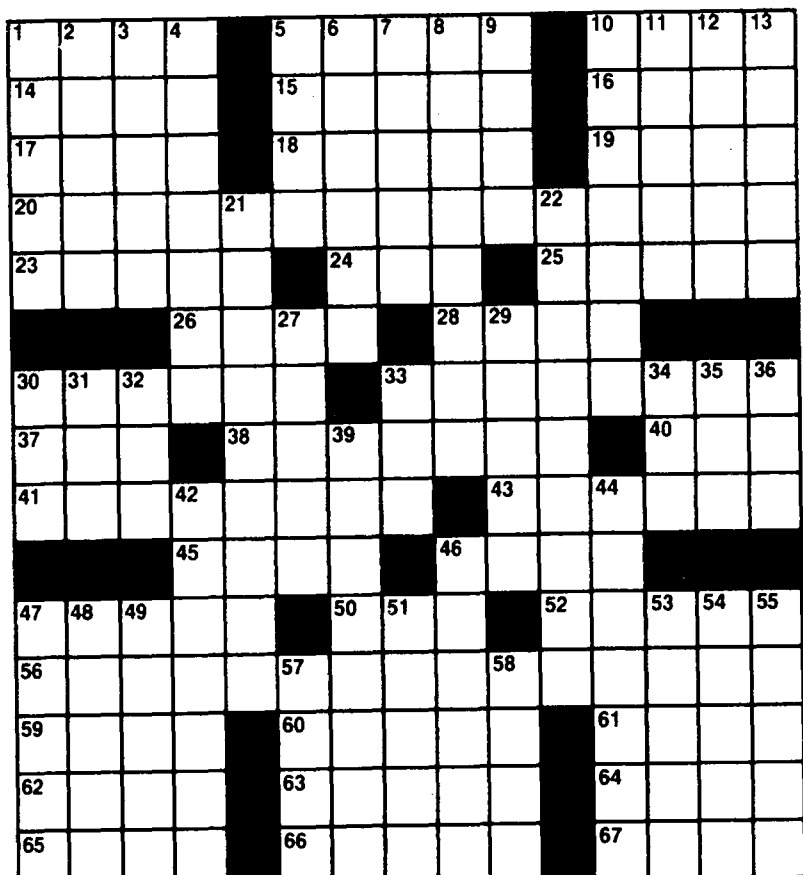
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- 20 Snake in the grass, literally
- 23 Take potshots (at)
- 24 Wren's wing
- 25 Let down, say

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- 26 Scooted
- 28 "The Mystery of — Vep" (Charles Ludlam play)
- 30 Arm muscle
- 33 Villains, at times
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- 38 Swaddles
- 40 Stay flat
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- 52 Midsection
- 56 Flash in the pan, literally
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- 60 Underway
- 61 Road —
- 62 Work units
- 63 "The Unbearable Bassington" writer
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- 66 More devious
- 67 Symbol of inactivity



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- 31 Prefix with diametric
- 32 Picture taker, in combinations
- 33 Sign of a big crowd
- 34 Hackberry's kin
- 35 Estuary
- 36 Hill person: Abbr.
- 39 Hardly kindly
- 42 Not in one's cups?
- 44 8-Down, to Sal Mineo
- 46 Poe poem
- 47 Quaker?
- 48 Cathedral topper
- 49 Waiting area, with "the"
- 51 Unsentimental
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**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Don't be so nosy. You'll get stuck taking on other people's responsibilities if you try to tell them how to do things. You are better off spending some time with the one you love. ☺

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**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Put your efforts into home-improvement projects. You can raise the value of your home if you're willing to spend a little cash. Real estate deals will be prosperous and plentiful. ☺

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**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** You need to keep busy. Frustrations will surface if you've overspent, leaving yourself short for the weekend. Try to focus on interesting new ways to make a little extra cash. ☺

■ OF INTEREST

The Nanovic Institute for European Studies presents John Boyer of the University of Chicago, who will give his lecture "Catholics, Christians and the Challenge of Democracy: The Heritage of the Nineteenth Century" today at 4:30 p.m. in the Hesburgh Center Auditorium.

The Medieval Institute — Margaret Mullet of The Queen's University of Belfast will give a lecture "Six texts in search of readership: the future of Byzantine literature" on Tuesday, March 23, at 5 p.m. in the Medieval Institute Reading room, 715 Hesburgh Library.

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## Leaving Los Vegas?

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■ Anthony Bianco's column explores whether unfair politics may have harmed the women's basketball's team.

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THE OBSERVER

Friday, March 19, 1999

### ■ FENCING

## Fencers face heartbreak in Waltham



Senior foil captain Stephane Auriol's struggles at the NCAA championships continued Thursday as he finished the day with a 4-11 record.

By MIKE CONNOLLY  
Associate Sports Editor

WALTHAM, Mass.

On the day after St. Patrick's Day, the luck of the Irish ran out for the Notre Dame fencing team as they stumbled to sixth place after one day of competition at the NCAA championships in Waltham, Mass.

"We fenced with fear today," head coach Yves Auriol said about the first day of competition. "We dropped bouts we shouldn't have."

With foil captain Stephane Auriol and sabre captain Luke LaValle posting only 4-11 and 6-8 records, respectively, the Irish find themselves trailing defending champion Penn State by 11 points. LaValle's struggles are particularly surprising, as he is the defending national champion in sabre.

Junior Chas Hayes, fencing in his first NCAA championship, finished the first four rounds of competition with a respectable 6-8 record.

The bright spot on the day for the Irish was the performance of freshman Gabor Szelle. Szelle went 11-3 on the day and currently stands in fourth place with three rounds of sabre competition remaining.

Szelle's only losses came against Keeth Smart of St. John's, a 1998 second team All-American, who finished the day in first place. Michael Takagi, a second team All-American, of Penn State and Jakub Krochmalski of Wayne State.

In the first bout of the day, Szelle faced LaValle in what

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### ■ WOMEN'S SWIMMING

## Irish splash to 23rd at NCAAs

By WES RICHARDSON  
Sports Writer

The No. 21 Notre Dame women's swimming team stands in 23rd place with 12 points after the first day of the NCAA championships in Athens, Ga.

The Irish 400-meter medley relay team of Kelly Hecking, Brittany Kline, Liz Barger, and Nixon qualified 11th in the preliminary session. Three-time All-American Shannon Suddarth replaced Kline for the breaststroke leg in the finals, and the team held onto an 11th-place finish, earning 12 points for the Irish.

Sophomore Carrie Nixon scored the only point earned by the Irish in an individual event. She placed 16th yesterday in the 50-yard freestyle in a time of 23.25 seconds. Her preliminary time of 22.88 qualified her for 13th place, tied with Michigan's Jennie Eberwein and Nevada's Jia Lin Sun.

Olympic champion Catherine Fox of Stanford won the 50-meter freestyle in a pool record time of 22.13. She and fellow Olympian Misty Hyman joined teammates Shelly Ripple and Elin Austevoll to win the 400 medley relay. Their time of 3:33.75 broke the American, U.S. Open, and pool records, and they narrowly missed their own NCAA and meet records.

The 200-meter freestyle relay team of Kelly Hecking, Nixon, Kristen Van Saun and Brittany Kline barely missed making finals and scoring points. Their time of 1:35.28 was good for 17th place.

Freshman Heather Mattingly, the first diver to represent Notre Dame at the NCAA championships, finished the one-meter diving in 18th place, also just missing a chance to score points.

Immediately after competing in the 200 freestyle relay, Van Saun swam a disappointing 4:54.59 in the 500 freestyle, dropping 23 places from her entry time and finishing 37th.

The meet continues today and Saturday, with preliminaries beginning at 11 a.m. and finals at 7 p.m. each day. The top 16 finishers in the preliminaries of each event return to score points in the finals.

The Irish begin today's

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### ■ MEN'S LACROSSE

## Laxers to host top-ranked Greyhounds

By KERRY SMITH  
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame men's lacrosse team looks to extend its three-game winning streak when it travels to Maryland to take on the Loyola Greyhounds this weekend.

The 17th-ranked Irish, with a record of 3-1, will need a strong performance both offensively and defensively in order to upset the top-ranked Greyhounds.

"The team feels prepared," said sophomore attack player Tom Glatzel. "It's not too often that you get to play a No. 1 team. We've been going over what Loyola does and preparing our strategy for the game in order to get ready."

Glatzel, who earned Great Western Lacrosse League Player of the Week honors last week, leads the Irish in scoring with

eight goals this season.

Glatzel will be joined offensively by starters David Ulrich, Tom Ulrich, Steve Bishko, Brad Owen and captain Chris Dusseau.

The team is looking forward to showcasing their ability to compete with top-ranked teams this weekend.

"Playing Loyola is a golden opportunity," said senior Owen. "We've got nothing to lose because we're not expected to win. So we're just going to go out there and prove that we can play with them."

The Irish have put together an impressive offense so far this season, outscoring their opponents 55-34 in four games. Averaging almost 14 goals a game, the Irish will need to capitalize on all offensive opportunities in order to beat Loyola.

"We're going to concentrate on

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Irish midfielder Kevin Higgins moves past Ohio State defenders in a recent game. Notre Dame takes on Loyola tomorrow.

SPORTS  
AT A  
GLANCE

at Blue-Gray National  
Classic  
Today-Sunday

vs. Iowa  
Saturday, 11 a.m.

Men's LaCrosse  
at Loyola  
Saturday, 12 p.m.

Softball  
at Purdue  
Tuesday, 2 p.m.

Women's Swimming  
at NCAA Championships  
Today-Saturday

Saint Mary's Tennis  
vs. Defiance College  
Saturday, 1 p.m.