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Iraq veteran discusses war effects

Marine sergeant Rob Sarra explains a soldier's mentality on behalf of Iraq Veterans Against War

By CLAIRE HEININGER
News Editor

Cutting through the political rhetoric surrounding the Iraq war and acknowledging the brutal human reality facing soldiers in the Middle East is the only way to bring them home, former Marine sergeant and veteran Rob Sarra said Tuesday.

Sarra, 32, who served with the 1st Marine Regiment in Iraq from January to June 2003 and addressed his Notre Dame audience on behalf of Iraq Veterans Against the War, advised those still smarting from election partisanship to tone down their arguments.

"It's not about your views, it's about the guys," he said. "Republicans have kids over there, Democrats have kids over there ... We've got to work together to end this thing."

Though he made it clear that he is "by no means" a pacifist, Sarra rigorously questioned the United States' exercise of military

force in Iraq and said IVAW's first priority is to bring home troops who should not have been sent in the first place.

Iraqi soldiers who receive training away from suicide bombings and sabotage can legitimately replace these American units in the near future, he said.

Blunt but dynamic, Sarra never strayed in his characterization of a soldier's mentality — duty-driven and loyal while in battle, disillusioned and resentful back home.

"In combat, you see 'with us or against us,'" Sarra said. "These guys can't afford not to believe in the mission, even though it might be twisted ... when you're there, it's about the guy next to you. But when you come home it's a raw deal."

Because of this focus, soldiers in combat have little time to worry about anti-war sentiment in the United States, Sarra said, dismissing war advocates' claims that peace protesters sink troops' morale.

"The troops don't care," he



PAMELA LOCK/The Observer

Rob Sarra lectured Tuesday about the effects of war on American soldiers serving overseas.

said. "They care about the guy next to them, where the next round [of fire] is coming from, and how to get home, that's it."

Opposing the war also does not necessarily contradict supporting

the troops, Sarra added.

"I preach you can support the warrior [and] not the war," he said. "You can send them cookies,

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Campus groups place closet on quad

By ANGELA SAOUD
Saint Mary's Editor

The Notre Dame department of sociology, the Graduate Student Union and other student groups have coordinated a series of events to address heterosexual, gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgendered and queer (GLBTQ) issues today with the aim to unify the campus community.

A larger-than-life closet will be placed on South Quad from 5 to 7 p.m. tonight so students can come out of the closet not only as gay or lesbian but also as such things as a sports fanatic or a chemistry major.

Organizers had tried to hold the same demonstration on Oct. 11, but the event was cancelled after Student Affairs declined to provide permission.

Anna Gomberg, one of the organizers of today's events and a member of the unrecognized student group AllianceND, credited a number of groups with easing the organization of the 'Coming-Out Celebration.'

"This time around, the GSU and Sociology coordinated the communications with Student Affairs, without any connection to AllianceND," Gomberg said. "AllianceND is not an established student group, and therefore does not incur the same rights and privileges as official student groups."

Vice President of Student Affairs Bill Kirk said the display is being allowed because the groups sponsoring it this time are officially recognized campus enti-

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College hosts annual Showcase of Careers

By DANIELLE LERNER
News Writer

Students are printing resumes and ironing business suits today as Saint Mary's College hosts the annual Showcase of Careers from 3 until 6 p.m. in the LeMans Hall Lobby. The event, sponsored by the Counseling and Career Development Center (CCDC), will bring more than 40 organizations to campus.

"Historically, this is the premier opportunity to introduce internships, full-time volunteer positions, graduate school and post-baccalaureate career

opportunities," said Jeff Roberts, associate director for career opportunities at Saint Mary's. "This represents a tremendous networking opportunity for all students."

Organizations ranging from the Federal Bureau of Investigation to Chicago Public Schools and the South Bend Silverhawks will be present to meet with students at the event, which will be open to Saint Mary's, Holy Cross and Notre Dame students of all levels, majors and interests.

In the past, between 300 and 400 students have attended and expectations for this year remain high.

"We were very sensitive to students' schedules this year," Roberts said. "We want to give as many students access to this event as possible."

Saint Mary's junior Jackie Huelbig is thankful for that.

"It's rare that this many organizations come together on our campus," Huelbig said. "I felt this didn't really apply to me in the past, but now that I'm a junior I'll be focusing on getting an internship for this summer."

Whether students are interested in finding employment opportunities or information on a particular graduate school, Roberts said the job fair can accommo-

date both. Participating organizations can offer both insight into their own group, as well as career information regarding their industry as a whole.

"The organizations are here to address as many student concerns about the future as possible," Roberts said. "It is an ample opportunity to explore the world of work, and to introduce the students to the breadth of opportunities out there."

In conjunction with Showcase of Careers, Avon Community School Corporation will host informational sessions for educa-

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TIM SULLIVAN/The Observer

University President-Emeritus Father Theodore Hesburgh spoke in Keough Hall Tuesday for their new "Past, Present, and Future" series.

Hesburgh draws crowd to Keough

By JANICE FLYNN
News Writer

University President-Emeritus Father Theodore Hesburgh awed the audience the moment he entered the Keough Hall Lounge, bringing commotion to a complete hush, and continued to captivate as over 100 students sat in rapt attention for nearly an hour, soaking in the anecdotes and advice of Notre Dame's greatest living legacy.

Hesburgh stood for the entire question-and-answer lecture, gesticulating with his cane and drawing on his life's experiences with characteristic humility.

"Excuse me for talking so much about myself," he said.

The Keough Hall government

invited Hesburgh to be the first of three presidential lectures themed "Past, Present, and Future." The hall hopes to host Fathers Malloy and Jenkins to speak later in the year.

Although students posed only four broad questions, Hesburgh's stories spanned much of his life as he described his roles as University teacher, football chaplain and executive. He also explained his role on the Civil Rights Commission and his vision for the University.

"What he's done for the University, for America, for the world, it's just unbelievable," said Bryan Bylica, Keough vice-president.

True to form, Hesburgh seemed to enjoy himself and showed his endearing quality of

connecting with students. He related to students' dorm life, speaking about living on the third floor of Badin Hall early in his career.

"It was a wonderful time," he said. "I never got to bed before 2:30, and of course we always had 7:00 Mass — I used to just about fall asleep."

As recipients of his legacy but never witnesses of his leadership, students asked about change over his years at the University, and were told that the enrollment of women and the increased endowment of the university rank among the most important during his tenure.

Hesburgh even tackled the issues of same-sex dorms and

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INSIDE COLUMN

Send the spirit

In three years of writing news for The Observer, I've covered just about every subject Notre Dame and Saint Mary's could possibly offer to a journalist.

I've held the Board of Governance weekly beat, debated Catholic issues and written features about students who have become engaged, run the Chicago Marathon, or started clubs. I've attended lectures on topics ranging from photography to the Patriot Act to the "state of the school" address to the process of coming out of the proverbial closet.

In this semester alone, I've had the opportunity to investigate how our community works with the elderly, the voting process, the new bookstore manager, student reaction to Labor Day and the recent dining hall surveys.

I've interviewed everyone from professors and students to apartment complex managers and local restaurant workers. I even spent one wild and crazy night attending parties around town to get election watch coverage. That's not even the half of it — there's a list a mile long, and it grows longer by the week.

But earlier this week, for the first time in my long Observer News career, I was assigned to write about a subject that moved me to tears.

Several groups on campus are currently holding drives to collect items for care packages to send to soldiers, sailors, airmen and Marines serving overseas.

The Notre Dame Accounting Association will be accepting donations from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. all week in the Mendoza College of Business atrium and Army ROTC Cadets and ND/SMC College Republicans and Democrats members will be collecting contributions right up until the last day of classes.

All items received will be sent to friends and family members of the Notre Dame and Saint Mary's communities.

These drives are asking you to donate little amenities like soap, sunscreen, chapstick, gum and magazines. These small things we take for granted will be luxuries to the men and women who receive them. Even if you don't have the money to purchase items to send, I urge you to write a short note or Christmas card, or donate that Beanie Baby you've got sitting in the corner so a soldier can give it to an Iraqi child.

While doing research to write this article, I came across letters from Notre Dame grads who benefited from the drives last year. Every single person who received a package shared it with other members of their platoon and said that it truly brightened their holidays. These packages boost troop morale at a time when spirits among even civilians can drop low.

You will be going home next week for Thanksgiving, to share meals and laughs with your family. Can you imagine the kid — your age — who will be sleeping in the desert that night, thousands of miles from his family and home? I can. And I'm going to send him a little piece of the Notre Dame and Saint Mary's spirit.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer. Contact Nicole Zook at zook8928@saintmarys.edu.

Nicole Zook

Production Editor

QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE CARTOON? WHY?



Brandon Peterson
sophomore O'Neill

"Rescue Rangers is the best cartoon because the theme song can't be beat."



John Attaway
waiter Legends

"DuckTales, because I can appreciate wealthy animals who appreciate the importance of the extended family."



Dennis Bonilla
senior Off-campus

"I am Charlie Brown!"



Silvana Zepeda
senior Cavanaugh

"Goofy — it's so goofy."



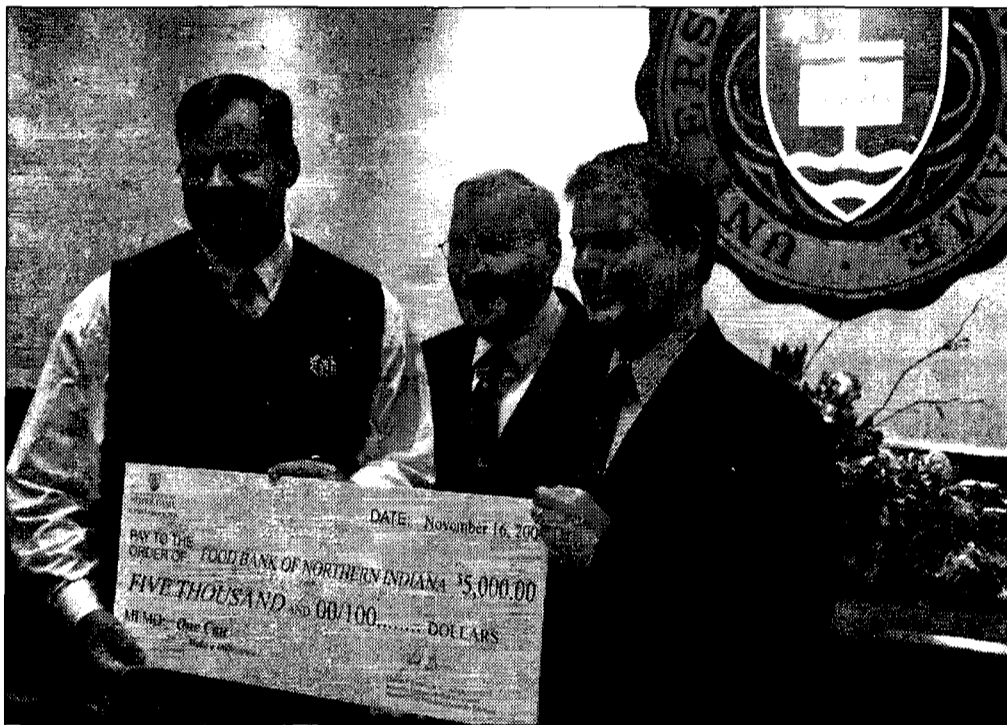
Isaac Gatwood
freshman Stanford

"Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles, because it reminds me of my friend Alex."



Joey King
freshman Siegfried

"Beavis and Butthead; on most levels, it's intellectual."



TIM SULLIVAN/Observer

The Alumni Association's Sean O'Brien and Chuck Lennon presented Food Bank of Northern Indiana representative Bill Carnegie with a check for \$5,000 yesterday at a ceremony in the Eck Center. The event was the culmination of the University's Alumni Association-led One Can Make A Difference fund raising campaign.

OFFBEAT

Study shows dieting with a dog helps weight loss

LAS VEGAS — People looking for a way to lose weight may want to trade in pills for a pooch.

A first-of-its-kind experiment to put people and their pets on a diet and exercise program found that both lost weight and kept it off, though dogs did better than their owners and didn't drive them crazy begging for food.

With two-thirds of Americans and one-fourth of pets overweight or obese, there's huge potential for this novel buddy system, experts say.

"If you're looking for

motivation and social support to lose weight, you probably don't have to look any further than the pet in your own home," said Dr. Robert Kushner of Northwestern Medical School in Chicago, who led the study.

Woman sells decade-old grilled cheese on eBay

MIAMI — The people at eBay were no believers in this cheesy miracle: half of a 10-year-old grilled cheese sandwich whose owner claimed it bore the image of the Virgin Mary.

Diana Duyser put the sandwich up for sale last week, drawing bids as

high as \$22,000 before eBay pulled the item Sunday night. The page was viewed nearly 100,000 times before being taken down.

An e-mail Duyser received from eBay said the sandwich broke its policy, which "does not allow listings that are intended as jokes."

But, Duyser, a jewelry designer who has bought and sold items on eBay for two years, insisted this was not a laughing matter.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

IN BRIEF

The Institute for Latino Studies will present "New Voices in Latino Literature: An Afternoon of Poetry and Fiction" from 4 until 6 p.m. in 202 McKenna Hall today. Steven Cordova and Lisa Gonzales will read from their work during the event.

Multicultural Student Programs and Services will present Dr. Samuel Billison, who will discuss his experiences as a World War II Navajo code talker. The event will be held in the LaFortune ballroom from 7 until 9 p.m.

The Notre Dame Concert Band and Concert Winds will perform tonight at 8 p.m. in the Leighton Concert Hall.

Political science professor Daniel Lindley will present "Is War Rational?" at 12:30 p.m. in the Hesburgh Center, room C-103 Thursday. The event is sponsored by the Kroc Institute.

The Nanovic Institute will present a screening of the Italian film "I Cento Passi (The Hundred Steps)" at 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. Thursday in the Browning Cinema.

The Student Union Board will sponsor a screening of "The Bourne Supremacy" at 10 p.m. Thursday in DeBartolo Hall.

The Notre Dame Percussion Ensemble will perform at 3 p.m. Sunday in the Band Building.

To submit information to be included in this section of The Observer, e-mail detailed information about an event to obsnews@nd.edu.

CORRECTIONS

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Security Council heads to Nairobi for meeting

Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS — The U.N. Security Council headed to Africa on Tuesday for a rare meeting in the field to promote a quick end to the 21-year civil war in Sudan which the United States says is crucial to ending a separate conflict in Sudan's western Darfur region.

U.S. Ambassador John Danforth, the current council president who promoted the trip, said members expect the meetings on Thursday and Friday in the Kenyan capital, Nairobi, to lead the Sudanese government and southern rebels who have been fighting since 1983 to resolve their remaining differences quickly.

"The Security Council is speaking with one voice," he said. "We are expecting in short order a peace agreement ... to be concluded."

If an agreement is signed to end the civil war, hopefully by the end of the year, that "would put in place the possibility of resolving the various problems of Sudan, including Darfur," he said.

The 15-member Security Council, the most powerful U.N. body, has sent missions to many countries, and is dispatching one to central Africa immediately after the Nairobi meeting. But the two-day session in Kenya will be only the fourth official council meeting outside New York since

1952.

Secretary-General Kofi Annan, who is traveling elsewhere in Africa, will fly to Nairobi to attend Thursday's council meeting.

Council ambassadors held closed-door consultations until shortly before they left for the airport Tuesday on a draft resolution which they will adopt in Nairobi. Danforth said it was nearly completed and the opposing sides were "so close it's just word-smithing now."

The draft expresses the council's "determination to help the people of Sudan to promote national reconciliation, lasting peace and stability, and to build a prosperous and united Sudan in which human rights are respected and the protection of all citizens is assured."

The council is focusing on the war in southern Sudan that began when rebels from the mainly animist and Christian south took up arms against the predominantly Arab and Muslim north.

As Spain's U.N. Ambassador Juan Antonio Yanez-Barnuevo explained, an agreement to end the north-south war "would change the overall picture in Sudan" because there would be a new constitution and a new government which could deal more effectively with the conflict in Darfur, where the United Nations says 70,000 people have been killed and 1.6 million forced to flee their homes.

Aid worker believed to be dead

Margaret Hassan said to be first female murdered in Iraq kidnappings

Associated Press

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Margaret Hassan, an aid worker kidnapped after decades of helping Iraqis, was believed murdered, her family and aid officials said Tuesday after Al-Jazeera television said it received a video showing a hooded militant shooting a blindfolded woman in the head.

Hassan was believed to be the first foreign female hostage killed in Iraq's wave of kidnappings. More than 170 foreigners have been abducted this year, and at least 34 killed. One woman — a Polish-Iraqi citizen — remains captive.

Hassan's family in London said the longtime director of CARE in Iraq was likely the victim, and British Foreign Secretary Jack Straw said analysis of the video showed Hassan has "probably been murdered, although we cannot conclude this with complete certainty."

CARE said it was in mourning for the 59-year-old Briton, a veteran humanitarian worker known around the Mideast for her concern for Iraqis — particularly during the years of U.N. sanctions, whose effects on children she vocally denounced.

"To kidnap and kill anyone is inexcusable," Straw said. "But it is repugnant to commit such

a crime against a woman who has spent most of her life working for the good of the people of Iraq.

In an emotional appeal on Al-Jazeera, Hassan's Iraqi husband, Tahseen Ali Hassan, said he had heard of the video but did not know whether it was authentic.

"I appeal to those who took my wife [to tell me] what they did with her. ... I want my wife, dead or alive. If she is dead, please let me know of her whereabouts so I can bury her in peace," he said, his voice choked with tears.

The video shows a hooded militant firing a pistol into the head of a blindfolded woman wearing an orange jumpsuit, said Al-Jazeera spokesman Jihad Ballout. The station received the tape a few days ago but had not been sure of its authenticity until recently, he said.

"We invited British diplomatic officials to come and view it," he told The Associated Press. "It's now likely that the image depicts Mrs. Hassan."

Ballout said the station would not air the video and would not broadcast any acts of killing, outside war. Al-Jazeera has been under pressure not to show videos of kidnapped foreigners.

Hassan was abducted in Baghdad on Oct. 19 on her way to work, the most promi-

nent of more than 170 foreigners kidnapped in Iraq this year. Her captors issued a series of videos showing her weeping and pleading for Britons to act to save her. In one video, she fainted and a bucket of water was thrown on her to revive her.

In one video, she begged British Prime Minister Tony Blair to withdraw troops from Iraq and calling for the release of female Iraqi prisoners.

On Sunday, U.S. Marines found the mutilated body of what they believe was a Western woman on a street in a Fallujah during the U.S. assault on the insurgent stronghold. The U.S. command said the body had not been identified as of Tuesday night.

Besides Hassan, the only Western woman known to be held was Teresa Borcz Khalifa, 54, a Polish-born longtime resident of Iraq seized last month.

A Blair spokesman said the prime minister "sends his sympathy to the family of Margaret Hassan and shares their abhorrence at the cruel treatment of someone who devoted so many years of their life to helping the people of Iraq."

CARE said it was "with profound sadness" that it learned of the video. "The whole of CARE is in mourning," said the group, which closed its Iraq operations after the kidnapping.

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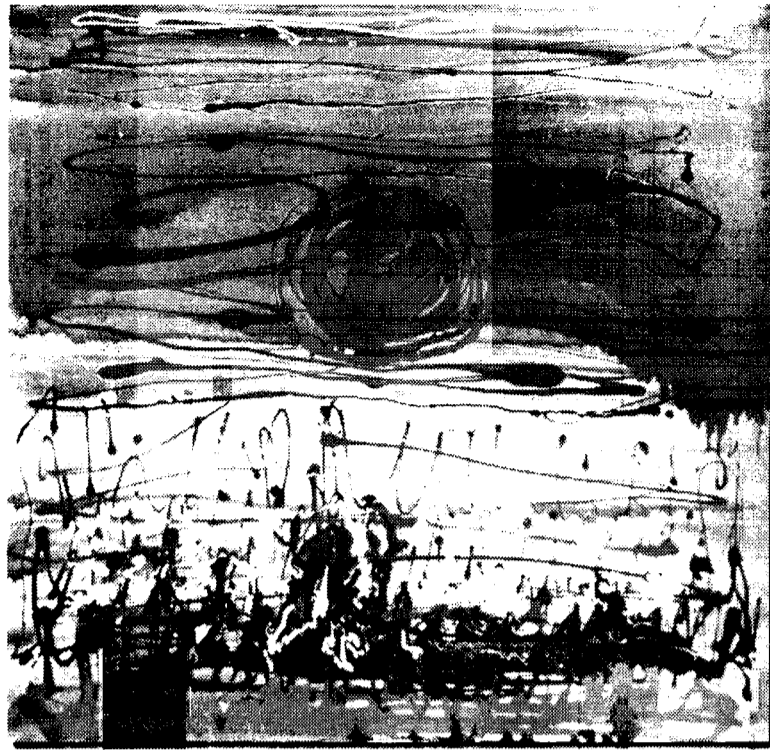
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Epiphanies of Beauty

THE ARTS IN A POST-CHRISTIAN CULTURE

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"Even beyond its typically religious expressions, true art has a close affinity with the world of faith, so that, even in situations where culture and the Church are far apart, art remains a kind of bridge to religious experience."
— Pope John Paul II, Letter to Artists

The Notre Dame Center for Ethics and Culture's fifth annual fall conference will examine the variety of ways in which the fine arts can help build a more genuinely Christian civilization in an era that is ever more deeply post-Christian in its character. Our first triennial series culminated in proposals on how to build a genuine culture of life, and last year's conference reflected on the renewal and formation at the heart of such a culture. This conference will focus our reflection on the fine arts and their place in a culture of life.

Thursday, November 18

McKenna Hall Auditorium
7:30-9:00 p.m. Keynote Address
"Shouts or Whispers? Faith and Doubt in Contemporary American Literature"
— Gregory Wolfe, Image

Friday, November 19

8:00-9:10 a.m. Colloquium Sessions
Session 1: Examining the Works of Flannery O'Connor
Session 2: Art and Nature
Session 3: Architecture and Urban Planning
Session 4: The Visual Arts and the Imagination
Session 5: Theology and the Arts
Session 6: Philosophy and Literature
Session 7: Case Studies in Film

9:40-10:50 a.m. Colloquium Sessions

Session 1: Medicine and the Arts
Session 2: Case Studies in Literature
Session 3: Sacred Architecture
Session 4: Philosophical Perspectives on the Arts
Session 5: The Arts in Modern Society
Session 6: Case Studies in Painting
Session 7: Depicting the Human Face

11:20 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Invited Papers

Session 1: "What Makes a Painting a Religious Painting?" — Alasdair MacIntyre, University of Notre Dame
Session 2: "Isolation, Community and the Artistic Life" — Barbara Nicolosi, Act One: Writing for Hollywood
Session 3: "J.R.R. Tolkien: Our Post-Modern Contemporary" — Ralph Wood, Baylor University

2:00-3:10 p.m. Invited Papers

Session 1: "The Passion and Reaction" — Jorge Garcia, Boston College
"Chance or Providence? Kieslowski, God, and Contemporary Film" — Thomas Hibbs, Baylor University
Session 2: "Poetry and Evangelizing" — Kevin Hart, University of Notre Dame
"The Epiphany of Fiction" — Ralph McInerney, University of Notre Dame

Session 3: "First, Kill All the Lawyers: Intellectual Property and the Re-Feudalization of Culture" — Leo Linbeck III, Rice University/Linbeck Corporation

3:40 - 4:50 p.m. Colloquium Sessions

Session 1: Musical Performances
Session 2: Art and Politics
Session 3: Relating Art and Religion
Session 4: The Soul of the Artist
Session 5: Working Artists Discuss Their Methods
Session 6: The Place of Art in Philosophy
Session 7: Tour of the Snite Museum: Christian Images in History (Snite Museum of Art)

7:30-9:00 p.m. Lecture-Concert: Olivier Messiaen's Visions de l'Amen (Annenberg Auditorium)

Pianists: Hyesook Kim, Calvin College
Stephane Lemelin, University of Ottawa
Lecturer: Stephen Schloesser, Boston College

9:30 p.m.-1:00 a.m. Musical Performance:
Mark Lang and Nadina Bembic (LaFortune Ballroom)

Saturday, November 20

8:00-9:10 a.m. Colloquium Sessions
Session 1: Music and Culture
Session 2: Conversion Narratives
Session 3: Expressing Catholicity through Culture
Session 4: Relating Beauty to Truth and Goodness
Session 5: Educating Young People through the Arts
Session 6: Appreciating Religious Themes in the Arts
Session 7: Art as Cultural Expression, Part I
Session 8: Philosophy, Faith and Fiction (Hesburgh Center Auditorium)

9:40-10:50 a.m. Colloquium Sessions

Session 1: Educating the Imagination
Session 2: The Arts and Language
Session 3: Christian Aesthetics and Literature
Session 4: Image and Word
Session 5: Goodness and Beauty in Secular Films
Session 6: Panel: The 20th Century Catholic Novel and Christian Morality in a Post-Christian Culture: Three Studies (Hesburgh Center Auditorium)
Session 7: Art as Cultural Expression, Part II
Session 8: Panel: The Moral and the Aesthetic

11:20 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Invited Papers

Session 1: "Worship as High Art: The Liturgy as the Epiphany of Beauty and Truth" — H. Tristram Engelhardt, Jr., Rice University
Session 2: "Creating Epiphanies of Beauty" — William Schickel, Schickel Studios
"William Schickel: Metaphysical Realist" — Gregory Wolfe, Seattle Pacific University/Image
Session 3: "The Strength, Function, and Beauty of Catholic Architecture" — Thomas Gordon Smith, University of Notre Dame
"Pilgrimage and Transcendence: Towards an Epiphany Architecture" — Duncan Stroik, University of Notre Dame

2:00-3:10 p.m. Invited Papers

Session 1: "The City is Also an Aesthetic Object" — Philip Bess, University of Notre Dame
Session 2: "Love's Labor: The Poetry of John Paul II" — Laura Garcia, Boston College
Session 3: "Epiphanies, Beauty, and a Father's Love" — David Lyle Jeffrey, Baylor University

3:40-4:50 p.m. Colloquium Sessions

Session 1: Developing Artistic Sensibilities
Session 2: Renewal through Literature
Session 3: Images, Ideas and Imagination
Session 4: Placing Works of Art in Historical Context
Session 5: The Arts and the Absurd
Session 6: The Arts and Spiritual Formation
Session 7: The Arts in the Protestant Tradition
Session 8: Tour of the Snite Museum: Christian Images in History (Snite Museum of Art)

All sessions are open to the public. Conference events will be held in McKenna Hall unless otherwise noted. A full program and registration information may be found at our website:
<http://ethicscenter.nd.edu>.



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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Namibia elects new leader

WINDHIEK, Namibia — Officials declared Namibia's presidential and parliamentary election a triumph for their young democracy Tuesday as polling stations closed following two days of balloting.

President Sam Nujuma's hand-picked successor, Hifikepunye Pohamba, is widely expected to win among Namibia's 1.8 million voters. Namibians are also voting for representatives to their 72-seat parliament, where analysts expect a shake-up among opposition parties.

"Our process was efficient and effective. ... The efficiency shows that Namibia's democracy has come of age," Election Commission of Namibia spokesman Theo Mujoro said after polls closed at 9 p.m. Results were expected Thursday.

Nujuma, considered the father of this country on Africa's remote and desolate southwestern coast, is stepping down after three terms.

Moroccan charged in Spain

MADRID, Spain — A judge charged a jailed Moroccan on Tuesday with being a leading member of Islamic extremist groups in three countries, including an organization suspected in the killing of a Dutch filmmaker.

Judge Baltasar Garzon filed the provisional charges after interrogating Abdeladim Akoudad, who has been jailed in Spain since October 2003 on an extradition request from Morocco over bombings in Casablanca in May of that year.

In his order, the judge said Akoudad, 36, was a "a leading member" of an Islamic extremist cell known in the Netherlands as the Hofstad Network believed responsible for the Nov. 2 killing of Dutch film director Theo van Gogh, who made a film criticizing treatment of women under Islam.

NATIONAL NEWS

Anti-piracy lawsuits filed

LOS ANGELES — A trade group representing seven major movie studios filed a first wave of lawsuits against individuals they say are offering pirated copies of films using Internet-based peer-to-peer file-sharing programs.

As part of a larger effort to combat piracy, The Motion Picture Association of America also said it would soon make available a computer program that sniffs out movie and music files on a user's computer as well as any installed file-sharing programs.

The MPAA announced the federal court suits Tuesday, but did not say how many defendants were sued or where the lawsuits were filed. The group also did not immediately make available a copy of the complaint.

FDA chief counsel resigns

WASHINGTON — Daniel E. Troy, chief counsel for the Food and Drug Administration, resigned Tuesday with plans to return to the private sector.

Troy, 44, took over as the FDA's senior legal adviser in August 2001.

"More than three years passed. And we won the election. And that's about the amount of time that I intended to serve," Troy said. His resignation takes effect Nov. 28.

Lester Crawford, FDA acting commissioner, accepted the resignation with "mixed emotions," according to a statement.

LOCAL NEWS

Speaker of the House chosen

INDIANAPOLIS — Republicans used the first official day of the Legislative session to renew their pledge to streamline government and to change some General Assembly rules and committees.

Republicans in the House took control for the first time since 1996 on Tuesday, electing Rep. Brian Bosma of Indianapolis as the new House speaker. In the Senate, President Pro Tem Robert Garton, R-Columbus, was confirmed in the position he has held since 1980.

New Secretary of State chosen

President picks Notre Dame alumna Condoleezza Rice to replace Colin Powell

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Bush on Tuesday picked National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice, who once tutored him on global affairs, to be his top diplomat, saying her foreign-policy experience and struggle against racism uniquely qualified her to be America's "face to the world" as secretary of state.

"In Dr. Rice, the world will see the strength, the grace and the decency of our country," Bush said.

Rice will face major challenges across the foreign policy spectrum, trying to advance peace between Israel and the Palestinians, foster democracy in Iraq and persuade North Korea and Iran to step back from suspected nuclear-weapons programs. She is considered more of a hardliner than Secretary of State Colin Powell, who was out of step with more hawkish members of Bush's national security team.

In a Roosevelt Room announcement, Bush made plain that terrorism and the Middle East conflict topped his list of foreign-policy priorities. Rice's eyes welled with tears as the president cited her "deep, abiding belief in the value and power of liberty, because she has seen freedom denied and freedom reborn."

Bush also chose longtime domestic policy adviser Margaret Spellings to replace Rod Paige as education secretary, administration officials said. Spellings helped shape Bush's school agenda when he was Texas governor and again when he assumed the presidency.

Rice, who would be the first black woman to serve as secretary of state, was somewhat sheltered as a youngster in Alabama from the racial conflicts and segregation of the South. Her school teacher parents



Condoleezza Rice speaks to the press after Bush announced her as his choice to replace Colin Powell as Secretary of State on Tuesday.

guided her into ballet, piano and French studies; her mother bought all her Girl Scout cookies so she wouldn't have to go door-to-door. But when she was 9, a bomb exploded at a Baptist church a few miles away, killing four black girls, one of them a schoolmate.

"As a girl in the segregated South, Dr. Rice saw the promise of America violated by racial discrimination and by the violence that comes from hate," Bush said. "But she was taught by her mother, Angelina, and her father, the Rev. John Rice, that human dignity is the gift of God and that the ideals of America would overcome

oppression."

Rice was careful to say nothing about how she would oversee the State Department, its nearly 30,000 employees and its 265 posts around the world.

In a statement read from a prepared text, she confined her remarks to heaping praise on Bush and Powell.

"It is humbling to imagine succeeding my dear friend and mentor, Colin Powell. He is one of the finest public servants our nation has ever produced," Rice said.

Her cautious remarks reflected the potential minefield she faces in Senate confirmation hear-

ings, likely to come the second week of December.

"I think she'll get hard questioning. That's inevitable," said Sen. Mitch McConnell of Kentucky, the majority whip. But McConnell and newly elected Senate Democratic leader Harry Reid of Nevada predicted Rice would win approval.

Rice should "be confirmed fairly easily unless there's something I don't know," Reid said.

Sitting silently in the first row at Bush's announcement was the president's pick to succeed Rice as national security adviser, Stephen Hadley, who served with Rice for four years.

Extradition of Thatcher sought

Associated Press

MALABO, Equatorial Guinea — The prime witness in an alleged coup plot in oil-rich Equatorial Guinea repudiated his confession Tuesday, saying it was coerced by interrogators who threatened him with death.

Equatorial Guinea now intends to seek the extradition of the most prominent figure in the case Mark Thatcher, the 51-year-old son of former British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, a legal official close to the prosecution told The Associated Press.

Thatcher is charged as an alleged bankroller in the plot, defense attorney Fabian Nsue Nguema told

reporters.

However, no new charges were announced in court Tuesday, when the coup trial resumed after a two-month break. Thatcher's lawyer maintains his innocence.

Equatorial Guinea already has charged 19 Africans and Armenians as alleged mercenaries in the purported conspiracy to overthrow the regime of President Teodoro Obiang. The government claims Thatcher and other, mostly British financiers intended to install an exiled opposition figure, Severo Moto, as the figurehead leader of Africa's No. 3 oil-producing nation.

Attorney General Jose Olo Obono

closed arguments Tuesday by renewing his request for the death penalty against his own top witness, South African arms dealer Nick du Toit.

Du Toit is accused of leading an advance team for the alleged plot, foiled in March when South African intelligence exposed the alleged conspiracy, leading to the arrests of scores of suspected mercenaries here and at a stopover point in Zimbabwe.

Former British special forces member Simon Mann accused by Equatorial Guinea of being a go-between connecting bankrollers to mercenaries was convicted by Zimbabwe in September with 67 others on weapons and other charges.

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tion majors from 7 until 8 p.m. in the Mother Pauline Room on the third floor of the library.

Hesburgh

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parietals.

"Men tend to dominate at times, and I wanted the women to have the time to be independent, to be free to do what they maybe can't do with men there," he said, defending his reasons for the gender restrictions.

"Well, I'm sure nobody in this room will agree with that," he deadpanned. "But it has served us well."

When talking about his time as a charter member of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, Hesburgh broached an area of his life several students were unfamiliar with, but one that he remembers as among the greatest experiences of his life.

A student asked how Hesburgh became involved in the Civil Rights movement.

"Well it was very simple," he said. "I got a call one day from the White House."

This extensive list of Hesburgh's associates and responsibilities amazed the crowd. They chuckled at the enormity of one of his digressions.

Teach for America will also hold a special information session for all students on Thursdays from 5 until 6 p.m. in room 303 of Hagggar Hall.

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"I've had 15 presidential assignments," he said, "some of them pretty big. In fact, once I was offered to head up NASA, which is a pretty big agency."

Sophomore Matt Plaska, Keough liturgical commissioner and organizer of the lecture, said he was impressed by Hesburgh's consistent values among such prominence.

"Very few people know so many important figures, but the fact that he's remained so humble and willing to listen to people sets a really good example," Plaska said. "For me he's a very good role model in that regard."

Plaska's fellow attendees were equally in awe.

"I've never seen him before, that was awesome," said sophomore Aileen Wu.

"Seriously how much can one person do?"

A lot, according to Father Hesburgh.

"My message to you tonight is to have vision and don't say ... 'I can't do that,'" Hesburgh advised.

"Use the brains God gave you, do everything out of enthusiasm. Don't put any limitations on you life. God only knows what you can do."

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ties.

"An academic department — sociology — and the Graduate Student Union were jointly granted permission to conduct a demonstration and use campus grounds for an event [today]," Kirk said. "The University procedures necessary to conduct these events were followed."

As part of today's events, AllianceND will host activist Andy Thayer, founder of the Chicago Anti-Bashing Network, who will speak about social movements in America as well as his personal experiences with the gay rights movement.

In conjunction with tonight's campus opening of "Angels in America Part 1: Millennium Approaches," a Tony award-winning play about the AIDS crisis and its impact on the GLBTQ community, orange T-shirts stat-

ing the phrase "Gay? Fine by Me" will again dot the campus.

Nearly 2,000 T-shirts were distributed in the spring of 2004. About 500 more T-shirts have been distributed and Gomberg said she hopes students will wear the shirts they have from last year both today and throughout the year.

"We intend to do many more T-shirt days and will try always to order more shirts ahead of time to meet the demand," she said. "I hope that this event will show the community that the Notre Dame community itself is a gay-friendly, non-homophobic environment and that individuals in this community are willing to support gay and lesbian students on campus."

In addition to the larger events, the day will also offer students a variety of informational handouts and a chance to share their opinions on the "Truth Ribbon," a large rainbow ribbon that will be displayed near the closet. Students will be able to write their thoughts and experiences on

the rainbow as a way to increase communication in the community.

Gomberg said she hopes that even students who might not be supportive of the events will at least be willing to talk to one another about it.

"I'm sure not everyone is supportive of these events, but I hope they inspire dialogue within the Notre Dame community. We want these events to contribute to campus life in good ways," Gomberg said. "I want Notre Dame to be a safe space for all of its students, because we are all a part of Notre Dame."

Gomberg said while she hopes that the University will grant AllianceND club status this year, she just wants these events to cause people to discuss issues with one another.

"Gay rights are human rights," Gomberg said. "This is such an important point that so many people miss."

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cry when they die and cheer when they come home — but you still have the perfect right to say this war is bulls—t."

Sarra supported the war until his personal turning point in April 2003, after he shot and killed an Iraqi woman who seemed like a suicide bombing threat — only to pull a white flag out of her bag as she fell.

"Right there and then I was done. Mentally I was done," Sarra

said. "I threw my weapon on the [military] vehicle and said 'what the f— did I just do? I just killed someone who's innocent.'"

Such civilian casualties are often invisible to those watching American news coverage, Sarra said, describing blood, car and street bombings that left bodies torn apart. These images and sounds lingered in his mind after he returned home to Chicago, leading to nightmares, fistfights and bouts of alcoholism. After attending group counseling and finding others who shared his resentment, Sarra joined IVAW when it formed this summer and

marched at the Republican National Convention in August. The organization now sports more than 100 members with varying degrees of involvement, and Sarra travels the country sharing his experiences.

The DeBartolo Hall crowd gave Sarra a standing ovation at the end of his lecture.

"You have to be a conscious objector, make it heard," he said. "It's very easy to say something's right when you haven't seen the bad part of it."

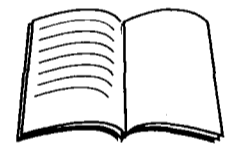
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Volunteer Opportunities

Tutoring at Salvation Army

Salvation Army is looking for tutors to help out with their after-school program for 3rd through 8th graders on Mondays-Fridays from 4:00-5:00pm. Contact Trudy Rodriguez at 386-9648.

Castle Point Tutoring

An 8th grader who lives at Castle Point needs a tutor to help with homework in all her subjects. Anyone who lives at Castle Point or who is able to go to Castle Point to tutor, please call Jeff Wallis at 534-3673 or at 208-1038. Dickinson Intermediate Center

Dickinson Intermediate Center

Dickinson Intermediate Center desperately needs of volunteers. They have a large special education population and almost all of their students live below the poverty line. They need volunteers to help with programming that they offer 3:00-4:30pm Monday-Thursday. If interested in tutoring, mentoring or just listening, call Diane Richardson at 283-7625.

"Crossing Over" Africa Panel Discussion

Come hear Notre Dame students from the US and Africa share their reflections on their cross-cultural experiences in Africa. Panelists include: Michael Poffenberger, Erica Ruddy, Joseph Isanga and Sammy Mbuthia. Dinner will be provided.

When: Wednesday, November 17 at 6:00 pm

Where: Coleman-Morse Lounge

"The Costs and Benefits of Environmental Protection" Panel

This panel discussion will examine the relationship between environmental protection and economic analysis. Topics to be discussed include the current state of the environment, climate change, deforestation, clean air legislation and endangered species protection. The diverse panel of speakers will include Barbara Connolly, Assistant Professor of Political Science, Jessica Hellman, Assistant Professor of Biological Sciences, and Richard Jensen, Chair of the Department of Economics and Econometrics. For more information, contact John Infranca at jinfranca1@nd.edu.

When: Thursday, November 18 at 7:00 pm

Where: 141 DeBartolo Hall

A Call for Leadership in Action: LEAD-ND & The Youth Action Project 2005

Join ND leaders who working to provide equitable after-school opportunities for all youth to learn the value of community service and active citizenship. Empower traditionally underestimated, under-resourced young people through an engaging, underest-based leadership development program. The Youth Project is an initiative of LEAD-ND and is sponsored by the Institute for Educational Initiatives and the CSC. Visit the LEAD-ND website for more details: www.nd.edu/~leadnd. Applications due November 24.

When: Information sessions on Wednesday, November 17 at 7:00 p.m.

Where: Center for Social Concerns.

'Vocation & Leadership in the Catholic Social Tradition' Course Offering

"THEO 273: Vocation and Leadership in the Catholic Social Tradition" will be offered this spring semester. The Center for Social Concerns invites students to consider taking it. The course meets Tuesday and Thursday 2-3:15 p.m.

Specifically, the Center is looking for students who will continue to be involved in the greater South Bend community next semester. The service/social action experience will be built in as one of the dimensions of the course. The course description follows:

This course will invite students to consider the meaning of vocation in relation to the social mission of the church. Beginning with a theological understanding of the significance of vocation and charisms, this course will provide a narrative-based exploration of the vocational journey of prominent figures in the Catholic social tradition.

For more information, contact Andrea Smith Shappell at ashappel@nd.edu.

Hispanic Leadership Internship Program Summer 2005

Applications due to Center for Social Concerns by Friday November 19th.

HLIP provides students with exposure and experience in Latino communities in Chicago where they serve as a leader and a student of the community for 8 weeks during the summer. Students earn three credits, receive a tuition scholarship, accommodation for the 8 weeks, and a food stipend. Cosponsored by the Institute for Latino Studies and the Center for Social Concerns.

Applications are available at the Center for Social Concerns or at the Institute for Latino Studies.

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IN BRIEF

AirTran, ATA deal for Midway gates

INDIANAPOLIS — AirTran Airways said Tuesday it will pay nearly \$90 million to take over operations at all 14 of bankrupt ATA's gates at Chicago's Midway airport.

The deal, which AirTran described in a statement as a "definitive agreement," is subject to approval by the judge overseeing ATA parent ATA Holdings Corp.'s Chapter 11 reorganization. It also needs approval from the Chicago Department of Aviation, which regulates Midway's gates.

Annette Martinez, a department spokeswoman, said city officials had been negotiating with ATA and AirTran about the gate leases but had not reached a decision. Other airlines also had inquired about the Midway gates, she said, but declined to identify them.

Kevin Carney, lead analyst on U.S. airports for Moody's Investors Service, said the agency recently upgraded Midway's rating outlook from stable to positive, in part because Chicago officials were looking for an airline or airlines to build business at the ATA gates.

Newsday circulation inflated

NEW YORK — Newsday overstated its daily circulation by nearly 17 percent and its Sunday circulation by 14.5 percent, a report by a newspaper auditing group said Tuesday.

The Audit Bureau of Circulations reported weekday circulation of 481,816 copies at the Long Island tabloid for the year ending in September 2003, down from the 579,599 copies originally reported by Newsday.

Auditors also reported Sunday circulation of 574,081, down from Newsday's original estimate of 671,820.

Newsday parent Tribune Co. said earlier this year that an internal probe of Newsday and the Spanish-language daily Hoy had found poor record keeping and programs that deliberately violated the audit bureau's regulations.

Among the penalties imposed on Newsday by the bureau are twice-yearly audits and exclusion from its recent report on the top-circulation papers in the country.

NASA launches "scramjet"

Newest aircraft breaks records almost 10 times faster than the speed of sound

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — A tiny unmanned NASA "scramjet" soared above the Pacific Ocean Tuesday at nearly 10 times the speed of sound, or almost 7,000 mph, in a record-breaking demonstration of a radical new engine technology.

The 12-foot-long X-43A supersonic combustion ramjet flew at about Mach 9.6 or slightly higher, said research engineer Randy Volland, leader of the scramjet propulsion team at NASA's Dryden Flight Research Center at Edwards Air Force Base.

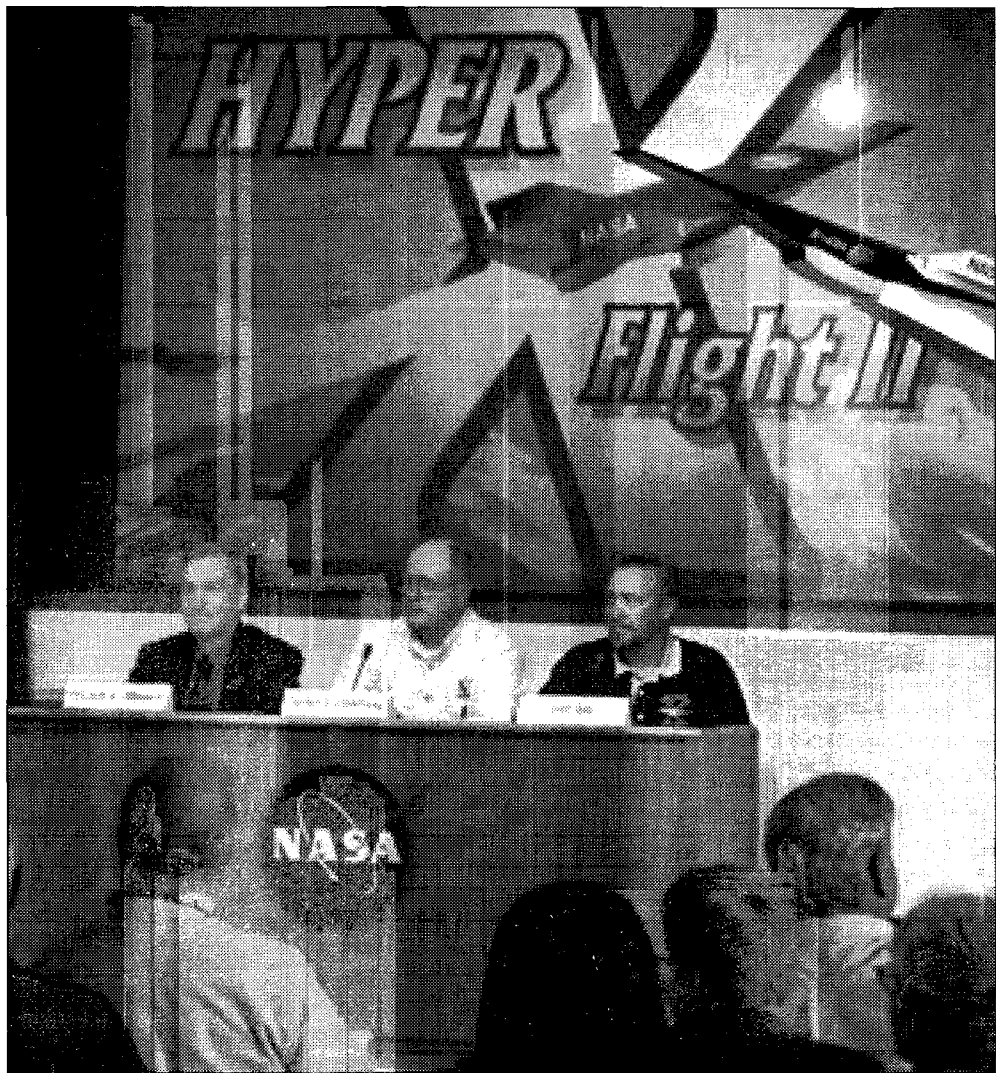
The exotic aircraft flew under its own power for about 10 seconds after separating from a booster rocket at 111,000 feet, then glided to a splash landing about 800 miles offshore. Analysis of data to determine the exact performance will take several months, but mission officials were jubilant.

"Once again we made aviation history. We did that in March when we went seven times the speed of sound and now we've done it right around 10 times the speed of sound," said Vince Rausch, Hyper-X program manager from NASA's Langley Research Center in Virginia.

The X-43A, mounted on a Pegasus rocket used to boost it to flight speed, was carried under the wing of a B-52 aircraft and released at an altitude of 40,000 feet over a test range off the Southern California coast. The rocket motor then fired for a 90-second ascent.

"It's 90 seconds of terror, but once it's over with you realize that you've really accomplished some great things," said Joel Sitz, the X-43A project manager at Dryden.

Like its predecessors, the X-43A will not be



NASA officials announced the creation of its experimental X-43A scramjet at a news conference in March 2004. The aircraft broke speed records at its launch Tuesday.

recovered from the ocean.

The flight was the last in a \$230 million-plus effort to test technology most likely to be initially used in military aircraft, such as a bomber that could reach any target on Earth within two hours of takeoff from the United States, or to power missiles.

Scramjets may also provide an alternative to rockets for space launches.

Unlike conventional jet engines which use rotating fan blades to compress air for combustion, the X-43A has no such rotating engine parts. Instead it uses the underside of the aircraft's forebody to "scoop" up and

compress air for mixing with hydrogen fuel.

The X-43A launched Tuesday was the last of three built for NASA's Hyper-X program.

The first X-43A flight failed in 2001 when the booster rocket veered off course and was destroyed.

The second X-43A successfully flew in March, reaching Mach 6.83 — nearly 5,000 mph — and setting a world speed record for a plane powered by an air-breathing engine.

That was more than double the top speed of the jet-powered SR-71 Blackbird spyplane, which at slightly more than Mach 3 is the fastest air-

breathing, manned aircraft.

The old X-15 was the fastest rocket-powered manned airplane, hitting Mach 6.7. Rockets don't "breathe" air, but instead carry oxidizers that are combined with fuel to allow combustion.

Not having to carry oxygen is one of the advantages scramjets hold over rockets. Rockets can also reach high speeds but the weight of oxygen tanks or other oxidizers reduces the amount of payload they can carry.

Tuesday's launch was expected to be the last research flight for NASA's B-52, which is being retired after some 40 years of service.

Studios file anti-piracy lawsuits

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — A trade group representing seven major movie studios filed a first wave of lawsuits against individuals they say are offering pirated copies of films using Internet-based peer-to-peer file-sharing programs.

As part of a larger effort to combat piracy, The Motion Picture Association of America also said it would soon make available a computer program that sniffs out movie and music files on a user's computer as well as any installed file-sharing programs.

The MPAA announced the federal court suits Tuesday, but did not say how many defendants were sued or where the lawsuits were filed. The

group also did not immediately make available a copy of the complaint.

One lawsuit, obtained by The Associated Press, targets 18 individuals and was filed in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Missouri in St. Louis.

Other lawsuits are believed to have been filed in New York, Philadelphia and other areas with large concentrations of high-speed Internet customers. Such connections are required to download the massive movie files.

The St. Louis lawsuit is brought against "John Doe" defendants, including four people who are allegedly in possession of one pirated film each. Some of the Internet addresses for the defendants can be

traced to high-speed Internet connections made available by Charter Communications, a cable television company based in St. Louis.

Like similar lawsuits filed by the record industry against downloaders of music files, the studios say they will be able to identify the individual defendants at a later date.

Some of the pirated copies of films allegedly offered over Internet peer-to-peer networks include "Troy," from Warner Bros., "Spider-Man 2," from Columbia Pictures and "Confessions of a Teenage Drama Queen," from The Walt Disney Co.

Unlike the recording industry, the Hollywood studios did not offer an amnesty program for people to admit they have illegal downloaded files.

Air Force secretary resigns, Harvey named Army secretary

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Air Force Secretary James Roche resigned Tuesday and the Senate confirmed defense industry executive Francis J. Harvey as secretary of the Army, the service's top civilian post.

The roll call vote on Harvey was 85 to 12.

Roche, who was caught up in a series of controversies and conflicts with some members of Congress over Air Force contracting decisions, was widely expected to leave before President Bush began a second term.

In a brief statement, the Pentagon said Roche had informed Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld in early October "of his intention to complete his service at the end of the first Bush administration."

The statement gave no more specific reason for Roche's departure.

"Jim Roche has led the Air Force during an important period in history," Rumsfeld said in a written statement issued at

the Pentagon. "Combined with his distinguished career with the United States Navy, Secretary Roche has served our country capably and with honor."

There was no immediate word on likely successors. The Pentagon said Roche plans to leave Jan. 20, 2005 or sooner in the unlikely event that the Senate confirms a successor before then.

Separately, the White House withdrew the nomination of Lawrence Di Rita to be assistant secretary of defense for public affairs, to replace Victoria Clarke, who resigned for personal reasons in June 2003.

Di Rita's nomination was submitted to the Senate on Nov. 21, 2003, but was not acted on because of a dispute between Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., and the Pentagon over an Air Force leasing deal with Boeing Co.

Pending Senate action on his nomination, Di Rita for the past year has performed the duties of chief spokesman for the Pentagon. He is one of Rumsfeld's closest advisers, and

it was unclear Tuesday whether he intended to remain at the Pentagon during a second Bush administration.

Di Rita, traveling with Rumsfeld in Ecuador on Tuesday, told reporters he wasn't leaving immediately and had

no specific plans. He suggested he withdrew his nomination because he did not intend to hold the position over the long term.

DeLay supporters propose rules change

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Supporters of House Majority Leader Tom DeLay proposed a Republican rules change Tuesday that would protect the Texan's leadership position if he were to be indicted by a Texas grand jury that already charged three of his associates.

House Republicans are likely to approve Wednesday the change in the rule that would force him to step aside if indicted. The show of support would be an endorsement of DeLay's position that the Travis County investigation is a partisan attack.

Currently, members of the House Republican Conference, which comprises all House GOP members, requires leaders to resign the party post if they are indicted for a felony punishable by two or more years in jail. The proposed change would eliminate the step-aside requirement for nonfederal indictments.

The Texas grand jury is investigating alleged campaign finance irregularities in 2002 state legislative races. Republican victories in those contests enabled DeLay ultimately to win support for a congressional redistricting plan that resulted in the GOP's gain of five seats in this month's elections.

The language was proposed by Rep. Henry Bonilla, R-Texas, who was helped by the redistricting. Bonilla was re-elected in 2002 with less than 52 percent of the vote. After the boundaries were

changed, he won this month with 69 percent of the vote.

Jessica Boulanger, spokeswoman for third-ranking House Republican Roy Blunt of Missouri, confirmed the proposal and said Blunt supported it.

The majority whip "believes the allegations are baseless, and they were political in nature. So he supports the proposed rules change by congressman Bonilla."

Bonilla spokeswoman Taryn Fritz Walpole said the proposed change is intended to "prevent political manipulation of the legislative process" and reduce the possibility of "political exploitation and intimidation of House leadership and chairmanship positions."

The Texas investigation is led by a Democrat, retiring Travis County District Attorney Ronnie Earle.

In September, the grand jury indicted three political operatives associated with DeLay and eight companies, alleging campaign finance violations related to corporate money spent in the 2002 legislative races.

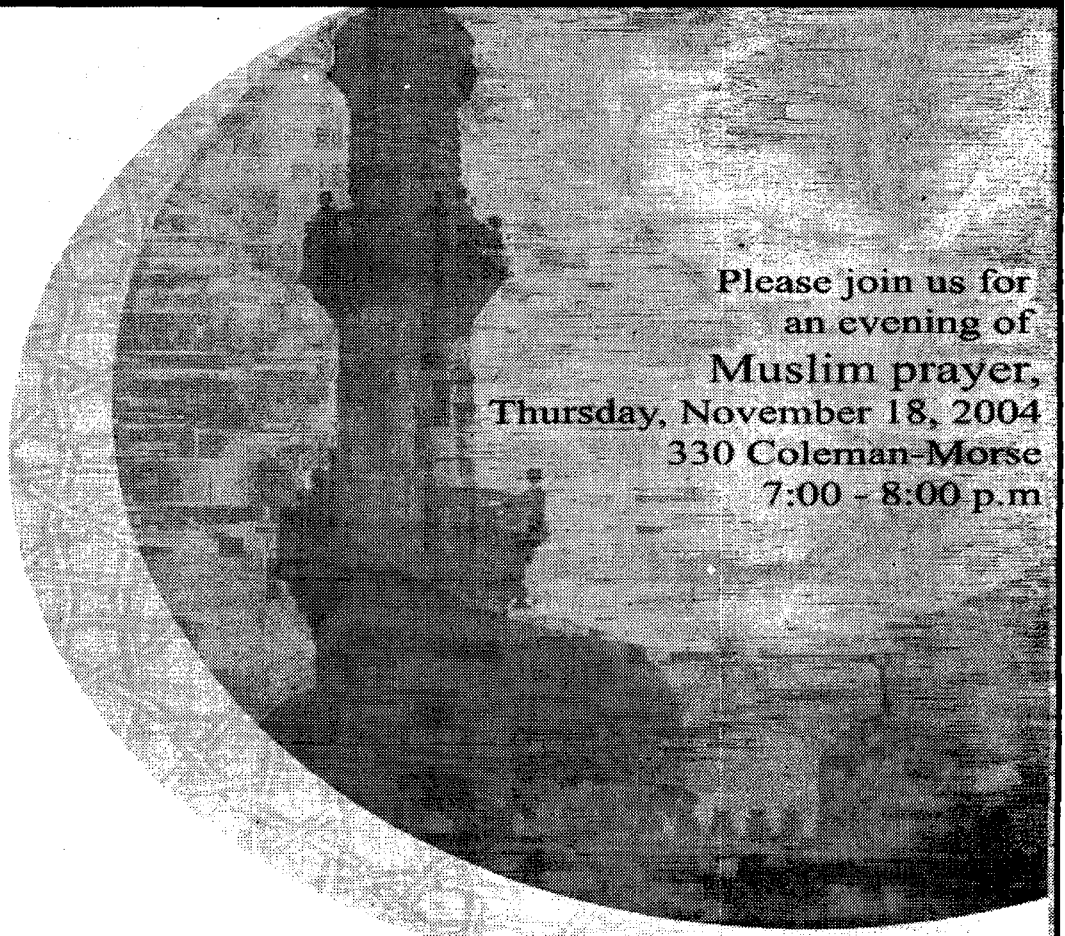
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Europe's first mission to moon called success

Associated Press

BERLIN — A fuel-efficient, compact spacecraft has made it into lunar orbit, signaling Europe's first successful mission to the moon and putting the inexpensive probe on course to study the lunar surface, officials said Tuesday.

Almost more impressive than reaching its destination was the slow and steady way the SMART-1 craft pattered its way there — flying 13 months in ever expanding circles around the earth using a cutting-edge ion propulsion system.

The spacecraft used only 130 pounds of the 181 pounds of xenon fuel it had aboard, according to European Space Agency spokesman Franco Bonacina in Paris. That translates to more than 5 million miles per gallon.

The fuel consumption was less than expected, and the success of the mission has raised hopes that the technology can be used to send other craft far deeper into space, where the chemical propulsion systems that power conventional rockets would be too expensive or unworkable.

"Europe has proved that it is able to fly a spaceship with ion propulsion alone," Giorgio Saccoccia, one of the ESA's propulsion specialists, told reporters at the ESA's control center in Darmstadt, in southern Germany.

Launched into Earth orbit from French Guiana on Sept. 27, 2003, atop a conventional booster rocket, the SMART-1 probe made it to within 3,100 miles of the moon Monday, and will now begin spinning its way closer to the surface as it orbits, Bonacina said.

Rumsfeld discusses drug trafficking



Ecuadoran Minister of Defense Nelson Herrera, left, and U.S. Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld talk on their way to a meeting with Ecuadoran President Lucio Gutierrez on Tuesday.

Associated Press

QUITO, Ecuador — Latin American countries must work together to defeat drug trafficking and international terrorism as they have done in working to keep the peace in Haiti, Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld said Tuesday.

Rumsfeld, in South America for a conference of Western Hemisphere defense ministers, told reporters he hopes to strengthen regional security agreements aimed at stopping narcotics and terror organizations.

He and other U.S. officials held up the peacekeeping force in Haiti, which draws heavily from Latin countries, as an example of such cooperation.

Despite Rumsfeld's calls for

cooperation across Latin America, significant gaps between the policies of the United States and many of the largest countries in Latin America remain.

Many opposed the U.S.-led war in Iraq and push a U.N.-based multilateral foreign policy. Only a few sent troops to Iraq, and just one Western Hemisphere country, El Salvador, still has troops with the United States in the coalition fighting the insurgency.

Rumsfeld had a lesson Tuesday in the difficult job he faces in winning over Latin leaders as he met with Ecuador's embattled president, Lucio Gutierrez, and Defense Minister Nelson Herrera.

In a press conference with Rumsfeld, Herrera signaled that the American's pitch for

increased cooperation might not have found willing ears.

He repeatedly emphasized Ecuador's sovereignty in dealing with international terror, drug trafficking and other problems that trouble the region.

Asked about the civil war in neighboring Colombia, Herrera responded, "The problem of Colombia is the problem of Colombia. The problem of Ecuador is the problem of Ecuador."

President Gutierrez has faced demands for his resignation in recent months amid allegations of corruption, but efforts to impeach him fizzled last week in Ecuador's legislative body.

Rumsfeld said the American delegation "expressed our strong support for constitutional democracy" in Ecuador.



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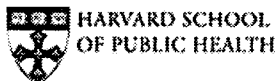
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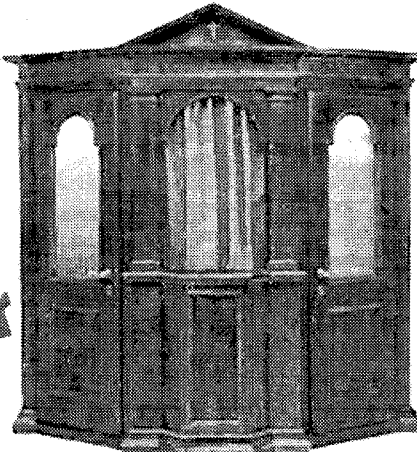
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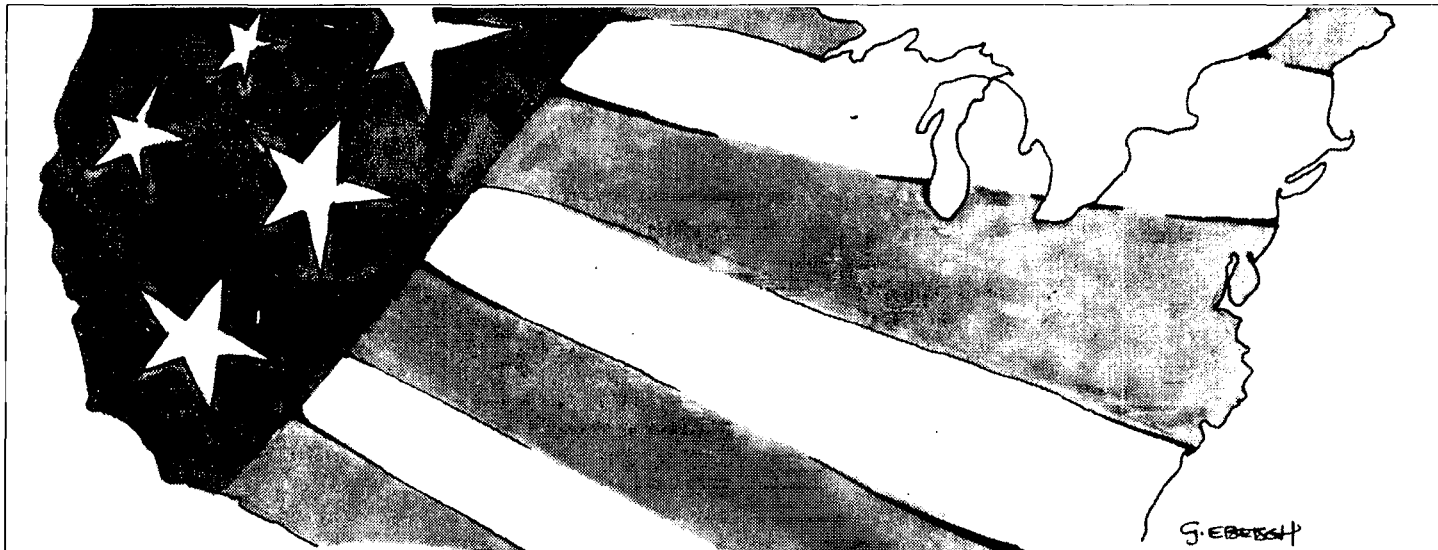
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America: come out of the closet



In the wake of Election 2004, I have witnessed two reactions among campus politicians: Monday-morning quarterbacking or total rejection of all things political. Among those of us young, rising

Peter Quaranto

A Call to Action

Stephanopoulos-wannabes that lean towards the former, there has been a rising wave of thought placing abortion as the pinnacle "moral values" issue to understand President George W. Bush's re-election. While abortion certainly was a mobilizing factor, I tend to side with Tony Perkins, president of the Family Research Council. Perkins said, "Same-sex marriage was the hood ornament of the family values wagon that carried the president to a second term." Call it a "hood ornament", call it pandering to Americans' worst prejudices, same-sex marriage played a decisive role on Nov. 2 and will continue to play a critical role in the state of our nation in the years ahead.

The "moral values" surprise of the exit polls has left analysts wrestling with a new American political phenomenon: the rise of the evangelical. According to many sources, Karl Rove declared that Bush had to get 4 million more evangelical Protestants and conservative Roman Catholics to the polls in order to win. And this Rove and his armies of Christian crusaders achieved, especially in states like Ohio and Arkansas, where voters were also faced with proposed state constitutional marriage amendments. These ballot measures, hyped by evangelicals and grassroots social conservative moments, may have tipped the balance. In Ohio, where a constitutional ban of same-sex marriage passed by a margin of 62-38 percent, over 900,000 more voters than 2000 went to the polls. Bush won by 136,000 votes.

Certain conservative elements, scared at the thought of the Republican Party tied too closely to Jerry Falwell, fundamentalism and his Moral Majority, have rejected this "moral values" phenomenon, claiming the exit polls to be broad and skewed. While their criticisms may hold some weight, it is indisputable that

Republicans won the ground game thanks to the passion, manpower and moral appeals of conservative Christians. Now, Falwell and his fellow fundamentalist-televangelist gurus are launching organizations, such as the Faith and Values Coalition, to ensure that Bush and the Republican Party deliver on their demands. It appears that Bush will not disappoint.

Building on the opposition to same-sex marriage that galvanized voters on Nov. 2, Karl Rove announced Sunday on the reputable Fox News that Bush will continue his push to ban gay marriage with a constitutional amendment. So much for healing a divided nation. The American political narrative has been scorched with legislation that institutionalizes discrimination, and of course, Bush needs to leave his mark. This mark will only further divide a nation, while alienating and dehumanizing a large group of Americans.

I can only imagine what it must feel like to be a gay American in these times. One gay Christian single mother, interviewed by The Washington Post, said, "It's a sinking feeling to think that you live in a place where some people have just voted to say that you are not a real person." The recent electoral results have exposed biases and prejudices that many felt were beginning to fade away. America continues to be a place where discrimination abounds. Bush has brought that discrimination into the political sphere, guaranteeing himself a second term at the expense of the gay and lesbian community. When evangelist Jimmy Swaggert recently remarked that gays who want to marry should be killed for God, he concluded, "Thank God that President Bush supports the Federal Marriage Amendment."

During the course of American history, each generation has been asked to fight a struggle that America might

live out its creed to give life, liberty and pursuit of happiness to all its citizens. The struggle for gay rights is the avant-garde civil rights issue of our times. Will we be a generation to fight for equal rights for all peoples under the law or will we use the law to institutionalize our own bigotry? Will we assent to a politics of hope that calls us to certain ideals or will we succumb to our fears? Will we work for equality for the marginalized of our society or will we simply preach tolerance while remaining complicit in existing structures of injustice? This electoral cycle has highlighted the urgency and relevance of these questions.

Here on our own campus, where the administration refuses to recognize AllianceND, the unofficial gay-straight alliance, we see a microcosm of this larger civil rights struggle. Princeton Review has placed Notre Dame on the top of the "Alternative Lifestyles Not An Alternative" category for two consecutive years. Polls conducted by NDToday and others show a Notre Dame student body that is divided on the very issue of accepting homosexual individuals.

It is in this climate that hundreds of students and faculty will don orange shirts today, bearing the words "Gay? Fine by Me" in an act of solidarity among heterosexual, gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and queer students on campus. The T-shirt campaign, coupled with other events, seek to spark a dialogue that has been avoided far too long at Notre Dame, and in America. It is time that we, as a university and a nation, come out of the closet of silence and prejudice.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"We are a nation of many nationalities, many races, many religions bound together by a single unity, the unity of freedom and equality."

Franklin Delano Roosevelt
U.S. president

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Wearing orange for acceptance

I collect coming out stories like other people collect stamps. Some of them come from my readers, while others I gather from various, generally online, sources. This gives me perspective, like a piecemeal Gay State of the Union address, and it gives me hope as well. The stories that I hear are not all sweet and happy, but they speak well of their tellers, that they are strong, bold, stubborn, clever and resourceful. All the gay and lesbian people I have had the honor of meeting at Notre Dame have these kinds of stories.

Lance Gallop

The Third Way

I collect the other kind of stories as well, the stories of people who could not make it to where we stand today.

One of the most common statistics that I find on the subject, and the result of a number of studies, states that perhaps 25 percent of all teenage suicides are gays and lesbians, many motivated to death precisely because they could not cope with that reality.

A June 27 article in The New York Times noted that as many a half of all homeless youth were kicked out of their homes because their parents discovered, accidentally or through admission, that they were gay. In New York City alone there are thousands. Some of them were very young when they were thrown away.

The most common question I receive, and one of the most common queries about ND's "orange movement," is what it is that we actually seek, which we do not have now, and what we actually mean to accomplish? Ironically, I don't have the right to answer this question, since motivations are unique to individuals, and we the gay and lesbian students of Notre Dame are indeed a minority's minority, a random cross-section.

So I will speak for myself. I write about gay and lesbian issues for the sake of those other stories, that people do not wish to tell. I write for the sake of the young people, early adolescents, who are just now discovering a part of themselves that the world does not accept, and who are uncertain of how to deal with this. I write for the sake of those who are suffering in silence, or wandering the streets, or flirting with death.

Nothing is born in a vacuum. Gay and lesbian youth are not intrinsically more prone to self-loathing than anyone else. They are very much the product of their culture, of the mindset that surrounds them. We, all of us, are that culture. We are that mindset. It does not matter if we are not openly discriminatory, or if we do not practice hate-speech, there is still an implicit and powerful negative judgment, which lives within us. Humans, especially teenagers, are very fragile creations. It does not take much to crush them.

Acceptance means the end of that negative judgment. Acceptance means that parents do not have a preference over their child's sexual orientation, and that there is nothing lost in their eyes when a son or daughter tell them he or she is gay. For some of you, someday, it will be your child who has to come out to you. She will already have decided how you will feel based on all of your actions and attitudes over the years. She may well love or hate herself accordingly.

Acceptance means that schools are safe places for children to come to understand their sexuality, whatever it may be. Right now several states have laws prohibiting openly gay persons from teaching in schools. This denies gay and lesbian youth positive role models, and counselors. For most young people, being gay begins as a very lonely experience, and the attitudes of our school systems only reinforce this.

Acceptance means that, on a broad level, the social negativity surrounding being gay, and the hopelessness it spawns, which drives so many young people to suicide, is removed.

Acceptance means changing hearts, and it is for the sake of this slow, painful, but incalculably necessary change that many of us wear orange, and it is for the sake of this change that I wrote this series.

You will see many people dressed in the color of acceptance as you walk around today, some gay, many more simply expressing solidarity. None of them are, I pray to God, facing the types of crises that I have outlined here. But there are still many who are, all over this country. Ultimately there is only one way to help them, and that is what we are doing today. If you open your heart now, in this little Catholic bubble, you will take what you experience with you to influence the wider world. You will be the change that many gay youth so desperately need.

I will say one last time, you, and no one else, possess the power to shape today and create tomorrow. Please do not forget.

This is the final in a series of three articles dealing with GLBT issues. Lance Gallop is a fifth-year with too many majors for his own good. He welcomes comments and can be reached at lgallop@nd.edu. All correspondences are kept confidential.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

We must love in truth

Those who struggle with same-sex attraction bear a cross I have not struggled with personally. I have only a secondary understanding of how difficult it can be to remain chaste in mind and body when one's sexuality is diverted toward the same sex. However, I certainly understand struggles with chastity. Most of us strain at some point to discipline the desires, passions and heartfelt longings for union with another. Some of us (dare I say most of us guys) must address the realities of these desires every day.

Sex and sexuality are a large part of the constant chatter at this school, much like the murmur of the crowd at a ball game. This is not bad. While only one aspect of who we are, it is important to have a healthy sexuality, and we're all at an integral time of formation into adulthood. Ultimately, though, the demands of certain homosexual activists who call on Notre Dame to officially endorse groups or activities with precepts patently contrary to Catholic teaching are doing a dis-

service to this University community. Why should Notre Dame endorse a message that will lead to confusion, lifeless and disordered unions and emptiness? This school cannot — must not, for the sake of her Mission — bow to the demands of those who wish to hollow out or undermine the hopeful, challenging, life-giving Catholic spirit that animates her.

This University needs to be a bold witness to the truths of humanity. Often we already do such a good job of rallying for the poor, oppressed, unborn and needy. It would be a serious mistake — a great sin toward our brothers and sisters, I believe — to abandon those with homosexual tendencies to the barren waste of the secular homosexual world.

Of course we need to be loving, respectful and welcoming. And "mere tolerance" is not the message of Christ, who loved everyone to measure beyond comprehension. However, his message is not one of mindlessly accepting brokenness. While loving sinners (which includes ALL of us), and

always providing the greatest hope for conversion of heart and actions, He condemned sin, abhorred sin and then died and rose again that it might not triumph over us.

Homosexuality should not be celebrated, and this week's events aimed at that purpose are seriously misguided. Neither should those struggling with homosexuality be abandoned to indulgent or patronizing groups that encourage devotion to a sexuality-based creed. We as a University family must be committed to living virtuous and disciplined lives of loving each other and seeing the good in our brothers and sisters. Let's win this culture war with love.

I do hope, however, that we have an ally in Our Lady's University, which has a choice in either promoting or rejecting the Church's beautiful truths of human sexuality.

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Don't wear orange — dress up

Please read this to the end. Those of you who are not freshmen recall a couple of days last year on which the entire campus saw hundreds of people wearing the orange shirts that say, "Gay? Fine by me." on the front. Freshmen, you've probably seen people wearing them around. Well, today is the next "official" day for that. Chances are, it's made the front page of The Observer and is causing a big deal of some sort. I proposed an idea last year that some people seemed to like, and so I am again proposing it this year. In response to the orange, many people like to wear the blue shirts from last year or the Zahm shirts or whatever, but for charity's sake, I wanted to ask first, don't wear those shirts.

Rather, let's take a different look at the whole issue. Instead of looking like or even being the stereotypical anti-orange shirt guy who is homophobic, etc., why don't we take on the Christian spirit and show what we really think? To achieve that, I wanted to propose that we oppose silently in a certain sense, but dress up (coat and tie for guys, and the equivalent for girls). Here is my reasoning.

First, it does not insult. The Christian spirit is not one of insult or degradation. It is, instead, one of charity and Christian love. Our silent proclamation of our views, while not loud and "forceful" per se, takes on the form of the entire Christian message — belief and action. We believe in the dignity of all mankind. We believe that living a homosexual lifestyle hurts and degrades that dignity, because we are not defined by our sexuality. We are all defined in the same way, in the image and likeness of God. Hence, we strive so that all our beliefs and all our actions might reflect that part of us. In the end, this means that we disagree with certain choices that active homosexuals make and with certain beliefs that those

who advocate homosexual rights hold. We also understand that it's not an easy thing to hear such an absolute no, especially in the area of sexuality. This leads me to my second reason for proposing what I have proposed.

We dress up not as a sign of disagreement, but rather as a show of respect and even honor for those who struggle with and against homosexual tendencies. Homosexual individuals deserve more than to be left in and even pushed into a life that in the end will not make them as happy as they want to believe or do believe it will. So then, why be complacent as men and women are influenced so greatly? Why not strive to live the life of charity and offer these people the gift that God so greatly wants for them and for all? As odd as it sounds, we love every single person, homosexual or heterosexual, on this campus, and that love leads us to do what we do. Again, we respect and honor homosexuals in their struggle to deal with their tendencies, we stand with them and for them (because their identities are unknown) and will support them as best we can as they live life with their silent secret.

Some might comment that the orange shirts don't necessarily condone the homosexual lifestyle. OK, but at the same time, the message is not clear enough. Dressing up stands for something specific, and to disagree with it at least makes it clear what one dis-

agrees with. Not wearing an orange shirt can easily cause one to be labeled as homophobic or bigoted, and we who dress up strive to the best of our abilities not to be homophobic and

not to be bigoted, though at times we may fail since we are human.

And so I ask, if you haven't already, go change and join us! Men, wear a coat and tie. Women, dress nicely the way you do. And, if you like, as St. Paul says, "offer your bodies as a living sacrifice holy and acceptable to God" (Romans 12:1), by joining us also in a bread and water fast tomorrow.

Fasting has always been a means of prayer in the Church, and it is no less powerful now than in the past. But, whatever you do, stand up with us in support of men and women who struggle against homosexual tendencies, and show the world that we are not afraid of the issue of homosexuality. We are not unwilling to face touchy subjects. At the same time, I'd like to make it clear to those who disagree with us that we aren't mean individuals who want to deprive people of freedom. Rather, we are people who really and truly care about the other and who only want the best for them. Thanks much for reading, and God bless.

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Angels in America




Above, Joe (Adam Bonosky) and Harper (Lena Caligiuri) are a young Mormon couple with serious problems. At left, Joe and his deceptive boss, Roy Cohen (Scott Wagner). Below, Valium-addicted, fantasy-prone housewife Harper Pitt speaks in one of the play's many monologues.

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It was well-received by the Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism when it won the Pulitzer Prize in 1993. It was well-received by Broadway when it was awarded two Tony Awards. It was well-received in 2003 when it was produced as a mini-series on HBO, won both an Emmy and a Golden Globe and was charted as the most watched made-for-TV movie of 2003. One question remains: will "Angels In America" be well received by the University of Notre Dame?

In the first of this two-part, six-hour play, Tony Kushner brings to the stage the lives of several homosexual men in New York City in 1985 as they come to grips with their relationships, the threat of AIDS, the challenges of acceptance and the political climate of the country. The play opens tonight at Washington Hall in association with St. Edward's Hall Players, and it is directed by senior Steve Hoeplinger.

The Princeton Review cites Notre Dame as tops in the "Alternative Lifestyles Not An Alternative" category, claiming it to be the least accepting campus in the country when it comes to homosexuals. A recent poll on NDToday of nearly 4,000 students still had 53 percent commenting that to be gay was "not 'fine by me.'" Why, then, is this the time for a show such as "Angels In America" to be shown at Notre Dame?

Hoeplinger sees a means of resolution to be sourced in theater. "I looked at how intolerant and unaccepting this campus is of gay people," he said. "I believe that theater can be used as a means of conflict resolution." For Adam Bonosky, who plays Joe Pitt, a married Mormon who comes to recognize that he is gay, the show "opened [his] eyes into that internal struggle ... the everyday things." A common view of many members of the cast is that this show, with its multi-dimensional portrayal of the lives and struggles of these characters, will help open some eyes and minds on the campus.

"Angels" opens at the funeral of Louis Ironson's mother. Ironson, played by junior Joe Garlock, is a neurotic, openly-homosexual Jewish court clerk. His lover, Prior Walter, fears and later learns that he is sick with a new syndrome that affects his immune system, a syndrome that comes to be commonly called AIDS. At the same time, Joe Pitt, a low-paid Mormon prosecutor for the public court is offered a new and lucrative position by his boss in Washington. Pitt doubts the move, however, due to the fragile emotional state of his wife, a hallucinating Valium addict whose life does not extend beyond their apartment except in her mind.

Pitt's boss, real-life McCarthyist Roy Cohen, has ulterior motives in mind, hoping to use Pitt's appointment in Washington to his own

corrupt advantage. Pitt, portrayed by second-year architecture student Adam Bonosky, is torn in many directions as he attempts to help his wife, please his mentor and struggle with intensifying feelings towards other men that do not fit into his strict Mormon lifestyle. Lena Caligiuri, a senior film, theatre and television major, plays his disturbed, pill-popping wife and Scott Wagner plays his boss and mentor, a man that tries to hide his own homosexual tendencies with an excessive, masculine image and drowning himself in work.

As Prior's illness worsens, he finds himself visited by ghosts and hearing the voice of an ever-approaching angel. Andre Valdivia plays the desperate and tragic character of Prior, whose situation only worsens when his lover, Ironson, leaves him. Cohen is also diagnosed with the "syndrome" and told that it is giving him can-



are written so realistically that you can't help but identify and feel for them," said Hoeplinger. It is in this sympathy that an accord begins to be drawn between the characters on stage and the members of the audience. Bonosky sees the show as "not simply about homosexuality ... but creating an identity for oneself, coming to terms with oneself ... I want to sympathize with [Pitt] ... I can sympathize with the torment."

One of Caligiuri's great struggles with the role of Harper Pitt was the creation of a character so consistently in a state of manic brooding, marked by erratic mood swings. The role has been "taking an emotional toll on my life outside of this play, and I don't think there was anyway around that ... I had to make the sacrifice and go to that place of her demons torturing her constantly, and it's very hard to turn demons on and off. It's hard to not take it home with you." Despite the internalized sympathizing with Harper, Caligiuri is able to create a substantial and compelling character.

Likely to be one of the "firecrackers" of the show and a potential source of controversy is the portrayal of Garlock's character engaging in homosexual intercourse with a stranger in Central Park. "When I first read the play, [Ironson] was the one character that I didn't want to be because I didn't know if I could do it," Garlock said. Upon being cast as Ironson, he quickly had to grow accustomed to the power this scene has on the overall play, creating a psychological experience for both character and audience alike that leaves both scarred and shaken.

The show is difficult to put on in any venue. Technically, it is meant to be incredibly complex and intricate, a feat that is difficult to accommodate at Washington Hall. In addition, while the writing of Kushner is brilliant, with commentary ranging from political themes to homosexuality to personal struggles with deep inner demons, the play brings with it many monologues that have a tendency to get away from the actors. They have created an emotionally trying and moving show. While the actors are at times inconsistent, they are able to convincingly portray characters meant to create sympathy and unify them with the audience.

Hoeplinger hopes that people will leave the theater and take the show with them. "I'd like to see people affected by it, challenged by it, rethink opinions they've had their entire lives," he said. "If someone is struggling with these issues in their own life, I'd like them to take comfort from this, that they aren't alone. I'd like to see people talk about it. I would rather people have conversations with each other than simply ranting against each other through The Observer with printed name-calling."

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Above, Louis Ironson (Joe Garlock) watches his lover, Prior Walter (Andre Valdivia) die from AIDS. At right, Joe (Adam Bonosky) must cope with being Mormon, being gay and being married to the mentally unstable Harper (Lena Caligiuri). Below, Louis and Prior have a discussion in bed.

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cer, as well as other symptoms. As Pitt tries to share with his wife the revelation of his sexual orientation as he slowly arrives at it himself, she continues to slip into her drug-induced madness, at times sitting alone in the dark unable to function. Pitt meets Ironson and his relationships with both Ironson and Cohen begin to flourish a somewhat perverted romantic sense as his denial and rejection of who he is prevents him from sharing himself fully with either of them. The action builds toward the arrival of the Angel, an ethereal figure prophesied to arrive at the beginning of the show.

At the heart of these torrid affairs and conflicting relationships is a sense of humanity and tragedy that evoke feelings of sympathy that go beyond sexual orientation into the more universal community of mankind. Kushner's "characters

NBA

Jazz rally from 22 points down to beat Bobcats

Hawks upset Rockets; Sonics win seventh straight; Wolves beat the Heat

Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — The Utah Jazz have no idea if they are any good, despite their 6-1 start.

The Jazz overcame a 22-point deficit Tuesday night for a 107-105 victory over the expansion Charlotte Bobcats. It was the kind of win that has Utah coach Jerry Sloan wondering what kind of team he has.

"We try to play for respect," said Carlos Boozer, who scored 34 points. "A lot of teams don't respect us, Jerry has warned us about that."

That's because Utah's impressive start has included wins against bottom-feeders Golden State and Denver (twice).

"When we do the right things, we can be a good team," said Raja Bell, who scored 21, including five critical points in the waning moments to lift the Jazz.

"But if we don't do the right things, we can lose to a team like Charlotte."

Bell made a 3-pointer with 18 seconds left and hit two clutch free throws to rally the Jazz.

His 3-pointer cut Charlotte's lead to 105-104, then he gave Utah its first lead on two free throws with 15.5 seconds to go. That put the Jazz up 106-105, and the Bobcats set up for a final shot.

But the clock failed to start twice, stopping play both times, and Gerald Wallace missed his jumper for Charlotte. Utah got the rebound, Boozer was fouled, and he made a free throw to wrap it up.

"They made some big shots and we didn't get any stops," Wallace said. "This is a tough one because mentally we let down and they just outworked us in the second half."

Keith Bogans led Charlotte with a career-high 28 points. Eddie House had 17, Wallace scored 16, Emeka Okafor had 13 and Primož Brezec 11.

Bogans, acquired in a trade with Orlando before the season, began the year on the injured list for the expansion Bobcats. But with guards Brevin Knight and Jason Hart out with injuries, Charlotte had to put Bogans in the rotation, activating him on Monday.

A self-proclaimed defensive specialist, he came off the bench to give the Bobcats an offensive lift by scoring 15 points in the first half as Charlotte opened its 22-point lead.

"It was good for me individually, but it doesn't matter," Bogans said. "Without the 'W' it's good, but getting the 'W' makes it even

better."

Hawks 88, Rockets 84

After an embarrassing performance three nights before, the Atlanta Hawks wanted to show some backbone at home.

"I don't want teams to think they can come in here and dominate us," Antoine Walker said. "We're still a long way from where we want to be."

Walker had 20 points and 10 rebounds, and the Hawks rallied from an 11-point deficit in the final 6:11 to beat the Houston Rockets.

Yao Ming, who had 27 points and 11 rebounds, ended Houston's 0-for-10 skid from the field with a 5-footer with 18 seconds remaining, cutting Atlanta's lead to 86-84. But Jon Barry made two free throws to seal the win for the Hawks.

"We just melted down," Houston coach Jeff Van Gundy said. "You've got to give them credit, they did a good job of pressuring us."

Reserve point guard Royal Ivey gave the Hawks a boost in the fourth quarter with a pair of foul shots before stealing a backcourt pass and driving for a layup for Atlanta's first lead of the game at 83-82. Ivey, a rookie, had 10 points.

"We got some good defensive stops," Ivey said after playing 26 minutes to starter Kenny Anderson's 22. "We were down 14 and we never gave up. We stuck to our principles. We fought back and pulled it out. My turn came early tonight."

Yao hit 13 of 15 shots, and Tracy McGrady scored 21 points, but the Rockets lost for the third time in four games. McGrady, who was despondent over Houston's late fade, was just 3-for-11 from the field in the second half.

"I think we let our guard down," McGrady said. "They turned it up another notch and we were just chillin' out there. We tried to bring our intensity back up and it was too late."

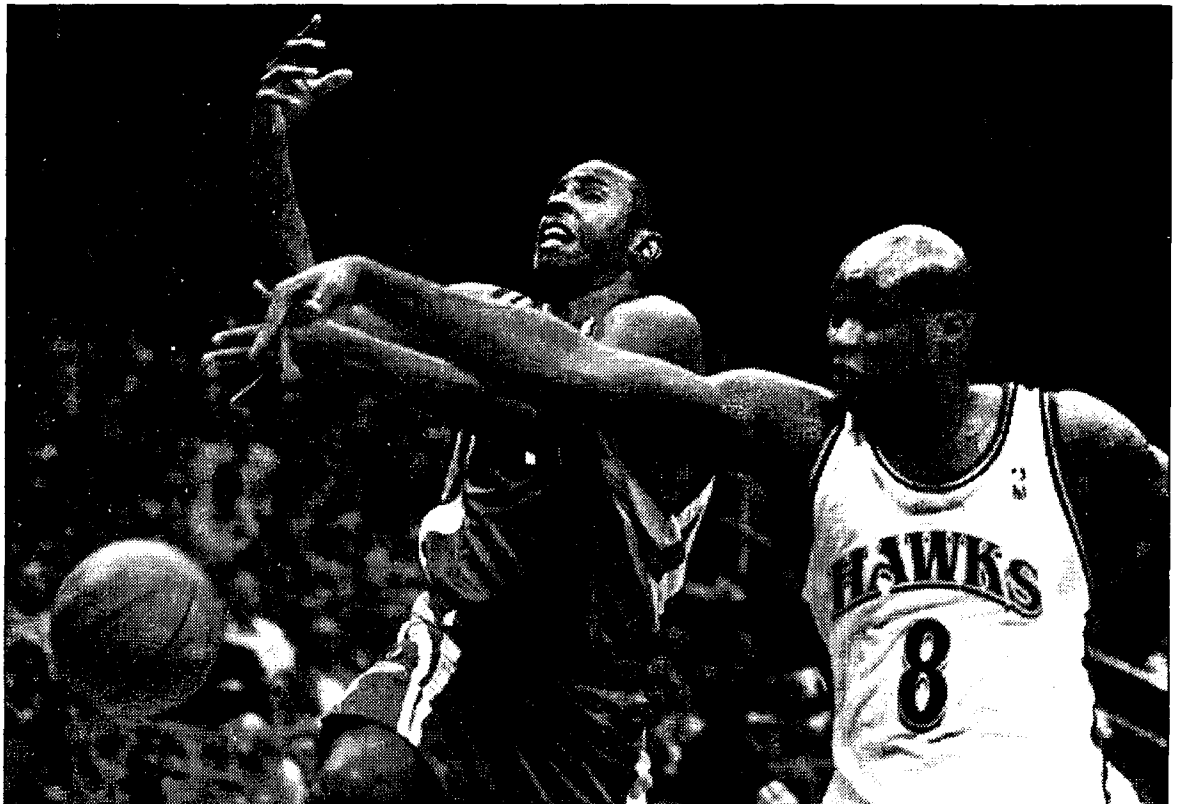
SuperSonics 103, 76ers 95

Wide open or contested, the Seattle SuperSonics hit 3-pointers from all over the court.

Ray Allen scored a season-high 37 points, Rashard Lewis had 21 and Vladimir Radmanovic added 20, leading Seattle to its seventh straight victory, beating the 76ers.

The Sonics are off to their best start since opening 10-0 in 1993. They haven't lost since dropping their opener to the Los Angeles Clippers by 30 points after going 2-6 in exhibition games.

"Everybody stepped up and



The Houston Rockets' Charlie Ward, left, has the ball stripped away by the Atlanta Hawks' Antoine Walker during the fourth quarter of Atlanta's 88-84 win over Houston.

played their part," Allen said. "We had it working on all cylinders."

Allen Iverson scored 26 and Kyle Korver had 14 for the Sixers, who had won three in a row.

Seattle, which came in with an NBA-best 58 3-pointers, shot 18-of-39 from beyond the arc, tying a team record for 3s. Allen finished 12-of-24 from the field, including 7-of-12 on 3-pointers. Radmanovic went 6-of-11 on 3s.

Antonio Daniels had 19 points off the bench for Seattle, which got 41 points from its reserves.

"This team is playing the game the right way," Sonics coach Nate McMillan said. "We are getting play from our first and second units. We're getting solid play from 10 guys."

Timberwolves 108, Heat 97

Dwyane Wade returned from his injury and played an amazing first half. The NBA MVP just did his usual thing, from start to finish.

Kevin Garnett came close to another triple-double, finishing with 25 points, 21 rebounds and eight assists for the Minnesota Timberwolves in a victory over the Miami Heat.

"That was an incredible performance," teammate Fred Hoiberg said.

Wade, after missing the last two games with a sprained left ankle, scored 20 of his 25 points in the first half for the Heat.

Shaquille O'Neal added 20 points and 15 rebounds.

Garnett stole the show, though — surpassing 14,000 career points and guiding Minnesota's best all-around effort of the season. Wally Szczerbiak scored 21 points, and Sam Cassell added 19.

"Fourteen thousand, all with the T-Wolves — that says something in this day and age," Szczerbiak said.

The Timberwolves were ahead for the final 40-plus minutes, building a lead as big as 22 when Eddie Griffin hit a 3-pointer to make it 102-80 with 6 1/2 minutes left. Miami used an 11-0 run to pull to 102-91, but Garnett ended the spurt by sinking a 21-footer with 1:24 left.

Suns 107, Mavericks 101

Steve Nash felt many different emotions about his return to Dallas. That included feeling very comfortable on the Mavericks' home court.

Nash scored 17 points and had a season-best 18 assists, many setting up Amare Stoudamire's 34 points, to lead the Phoenix Suns past the Dallas Mavericks.

Nash spent six memorable seasons in Dallas, becoming one of the most popular players in town as the Mavs became one of the NBA's top teams with him pushing the offense.

He signed a six-year deal worth at least \$60 million with Phoenix in July, but the locals

didn't hold a grudge. "Thanks Steve" and "Welcome Back Nash" were among the signs waived by fans.

Nash was rolling from the start, scoring or assisting on 12 of Phoenix's first 17 baskets. He opened the second half with a 3-pointer and another jumper and soon after the Suns were up by 15.

But the Mavericks rallied to tie and even led by five early in the fourth quarter. It was last tied at 93 with 4:28 left, then Stoudamire put Phoenix up for good with a driving layup. Nash fed Shawn Marion for a jumper that stretched the lead and the Suns were off on a 10-2 run that sealed the victory.

Nash's excitement — which contributed to his 10 turnovers — probably wasn't as devastating to Dallas as losing center Erick Dampier in the first quarter and backup point guard Jason Terry seconds into the second quarter. Dampier strained his left hip and Terry sprained his right ankle. Then Dirk Nowitzki picked up his fifth foul with 3:39 left in the third quarter, keeping him on the bench for about 10 crucial minutes.

The Mavericks wound up losing at home for the first time this season on their fourth try. They won their first 12 at home last season and finished with a league-best 36 home wins.

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TENNIS

Hewitt loses first set, comes back to win

Aussie star knocks off Carlos Moya in first round of the ATP Masters Cup



Carlos Moya returns a shot against Lleyton Hewitt during the third set of their Tennis Masters Cup match Tuesday.

Associated Press

HOUSTON — Lleyton Hewitt let the first set slip away after an overnight rain delay. He wasn't about to allow the trend to continue.

Hewitt came back from a first set lag to beat Carlos Moya 6-7 (5), 6-2, 6-4 in a first-round match at the ATP Masters Cup Championships on Tuesday.

In a later match, Marat Safin of Russia needed just one hour to beat Guillermo Coria of Argentina, 6-1, 6-4. Coria played his first match in over three months after surgery on his right shoulder. Second-seeded

Andy Roddick was to meet Tim Henman in the night's featured match.

"Obviously I had a set point in that first set and things just didn't go my way," Hewitt

said. "I tried at the start of the second set to get myself back in the match and in the third set I was having a lot of chances out there again but I was always playing behind."

Hewitt took a 5-4 lead and was ahead 30-0 on Moya's serve in the 10th game when play was suspended late Monday night, after it had started following a delay of over 3 1/2 hours.

When play resumed, Hewitt couldn't break in the 10th game even though he had a set point, allowing Moya to escape and win the tiebreaker with an overhead on the first set point.

Hewitt took charge of the second set with breaks in the first and third games.

The players were on serve in the third set until Hewitt broke in the seventh game. He ran down a shot by Moya and then smashed a forehand down the line to bring the game to break point and then Moya hit a forehand error to give the lead to Hewitt.

"I came up with a couple of huge passes when I needed to in that game to break," Hewitt said. "To win a point like that to set up the break point, that was a huge mental swing in the match."

"He thought he had the

point won at one stage and I came back and turned it around. It was definitely a turning point in the third set."

Moya escaped one match point in the final game for deuce but an overhead winner by Hewitt and forehand error by Moya ended the match.

"He served very well, I had no chance for a break," Moya said. "That's the only part of my game I'm not happy about. The rest I was pleased. There were just a few key points and I didn't win them. It was a close match."

"If you play a guy like Lleyton you have to take advantage of your chances."

The victory allowed Hewitt to take a 6-5 series lead against Moya, although the Aussie has won the last four meetings, including in the finals at Sydney in January.

Hewitt played in his fourth Masters Cup in five years with back-to-back titles in 2001-2002.

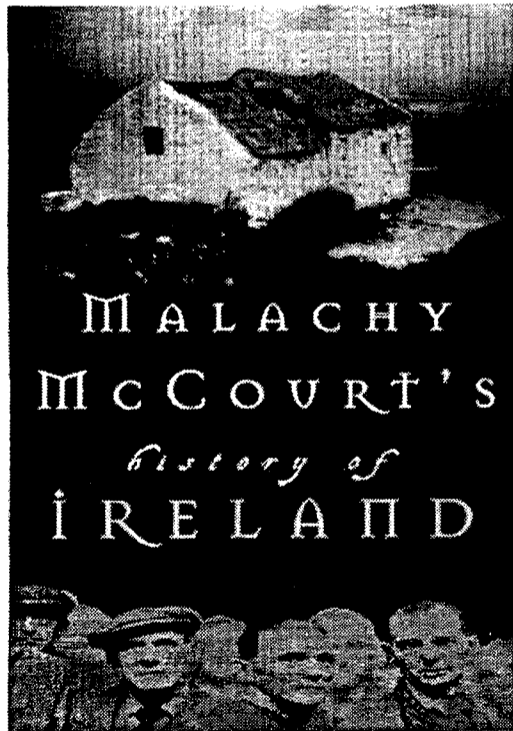
Moya and Gaston Gaudio are tied for the ATP lead with 31 victories on clay. Moya also has a 22-8 record on hard court. He's the only player this year with at least 20 victories on both clay and hard courts.

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WOMEN'S TENNIS

Sharapova ranked No. 4 after beating Serena Williams

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — So what's a girl who loves to shop do with \$1 million?

"That's a lot of shoes," says Maria Sharapova, winner of Wimbledon and the year-end WTA Championships.

The 17-year-old Russian is headed off to a "super-fantastic" vacation knowing she beat the world's top players during five consecutive days to earn one of the richest paychecks in women's tennis.

"I certainly deserve a spot on that list," she said.

Sharapova rose to a career-high fourth in the year-end WTA rankings released Tuesday after starting the year at No. 32. She finished with a 55-15 match record and her fifth title after defeating an injured Serena Williams 4-6, 6-2, 6-4 Monday night.

"I've had an amazing year and accomplished so much," she said. "To achieve so much, I don't think a lot of people realize

that I'm still 17."

Lindsay Davenport claimed the year-end No. 1 ranking for the third time in her career, although she failed to advance to the semifinals after winning a Tour-best seven titles.

"To be able to do it at 28 is quite an accomplishment," she said.

Sharapova's run through the season-ending tournament proved a breakthrough, with three victories over players she had losing records against. She

beat countrywomen Svetlana Kuznetsova and Vera Zvonareva in straight sets, and outlasted fellow Russian Anastasia Myskina in three sets in the semifinals after losing to her three other times this year.

"It just shows that I came a long way in a short period of time," she said. "It's just really unbelievable. I played five days in a row and with my body at 17, it's not very easy to do that."

Sharapova's only loss in five matches came against former No. 1-ranked Amelie Mauresmo. The two had never played before and Mauresmo won 7-6, 5-4.

"When I was playing Amelie I was absolutely dead, I felt that I couldn't go on," she said, "but I found an inner strength in myself."

The long year clearly took a toll on Sharapova, who didn't smile much as the tournament wore on and had a muted reaction when she beat Williams.

"It was a relief," she said. "I froze."

Sharapova's life turned into a whirlwind of promotional appearances, photo shoots and constant scrutiny after her stunning 6-1, 6-4 victory over Williams at Wimbledon. Expectations piled up on her thin shoulders, too.

She played 10 more tournaments the rest of the year, winning titles in South Korea and Japan before beating Williams again.

"There were definitely a lot of difficult periods. That's how I learned to be at the top. That's how I learned a lot about

myself," she said. "After winning Wimbledon at 17, it's a bit of a struggle. I'm just one girl in front of millions of people and a lot of people are watching me,

looking at me every second to see what I'm doing, wanting me to win and this and that."

Sharapova's recognition among non-tennis fans has gone up, especially when she hands over her credit card in stores.

"Unfortunately, I have to give them my credit card lots of times because I am a big shopper," she said.

At times, Sharapova finds the attention to be intrusive, especially if she's approached while eating in public.

"Then yeah, it is a little bit like, 'You are bothering me.' It is very difficult when some fans are a little crazy," she said. "But other times, I don't mind if people come up to me and ask for my autograph."

The blond beauty's looks have generated as much interest as her game, helping give women's tennis a marketing boost during a year in which Serena and Venus Williams didn't win a Grand Slam tournament.

Organizers of the WTA Championships focused their advertising on Sharapova, featuring her in a

short skirt and without her racket in tournament posters and billboards with the tag line, "The closer you sit the hotter she gets."

Williams, who loves fashion as much as Sharapova does, saw nothing wrong with a 17-year-old being portrayed in an alluring way.

"I love her legs in this picture. Her legs are so sexy," Williams said. "She is not being sold in this picture. This is a hot picture."

WTA Tour CEO Larry Scott defended the ads, saying, "They were respectful and tasteful. I was surprised for any questions to be raised."

Sharapova didn't have a problem with the ads, and enjoys getting dolled up for photo shoots.

"I find it to be very glamorous because definitely the work on the court is not very glamorous," she said. "So it feels good to get the makeup on. I am a Renaissance woman. I love to try different things."

Sharapova showed a gracious side after beating Williams. She said she planned to give the SUV worth \$56,300 that she won or proceeds from its sale to the survivors of the September hostage-taking in Russia that left more than 300 people dead, half of them children.

And she later acknowledged slipping up during the post-match awards ceremony. "I forgot to thank Serena," she said. "I'm sorry I didn't mention her name."

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Maria Sharapova tennis player

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NFL

Cowboys hoping to salvage season

Dallas had big expectations coming into this year, but a 3-6 record has the team reeling

Associated Press

IRVING, Texas — Keyshawn Johnson sat alone at his locker for a long time with a blank stare on his face. Then he found it hard to put his frustration into words.

How could things have gone so wrong for the Dallas Cowboys? What next after losing for the fifth time in six games, each of the last three losses by more than 20 points?

"I haven't felt this way in a very, very long time in terms of not knowing what the next step is," Johnson said late Monday night after the Cowboys' 49-21 loss to Philadelphia. "Maybe my expectation is too high for us. I don't know, I just don't know. ... It's mind-boggling."

Bill Parcells' teams have always been better in his second season — until now. The New York Giants, New England Patriots and New York Jets improved between Years 1 and 2 under Parcells and went to the playoffs.

The Cowboys (3-6) would have to win their last seven games just to match last year's surprising record that got them back into the playoffs. Only three NFL teams have worse records, and Dallas is tied at the bottom of the NFC East with Washington.

Still, Parcells refused to concede after the Philadelphia defeat that this season is a lost cause.

"No, it's not lost," said Parcells, offering only short pointed responses.

"I'm not going to go into a litany of this stuff," he said. "We've got to get back to work, try to get ready to play Baltimore, and I'm not going to get into the state of the union right now. ... I'm not giving you any sound bites."

The Cowboys took their regular day off Tuesday, and Parcells didn't have a media availability.

Philadelphia (8-1) rebounded from its only loss by scoring its most points since November 1981 in the highest-scoring game by an opponent at Texas Stadium. The Eagles scored touchdowns on five straight possessions, becoming the first team with four in one quarter against Dallas.

Still, Dallas was within 35-21 when Eddie George scored on a 15-yard run to cap the opening drive of the second half.

The Eagles then went 83 yards on a drive capped by Terrell Owens' third touchdown catch, a 16-yarder over defenders Terence Newman and Tony Dixon.

A month ago, the Cowboys led Pittsburgh 20-17 and had the ball near midfield with less than 3 minutes left.

Vinny Testaverde was stripped of the ball after dropping back to pass. The Steelers recovered and drove for the winning touchdown in the final minute, and haven't lost since. They remain with Philadelphia and New England as the league's only one-loss teams.

After that, Parcells challenged his team to get to 4-4 by the midpoint of the season. But the downward spiral only continued.

The Cowboys lost 41-20 at Green Bay before a 31-21 win

over Detroit that kept their midseason goal in reach. Then came a 26-3 loss at Cincinnati.

"It's tough. We had higher expectations than we

showed," Testaverde said. "It's just disappointing. I don't know any other words to describe it. It's just back to the drawing board."

Parcells has given no indication he plans to replace Testaverde, who turned 41 Saturday.

Rookie Drew Henson is considered the team's future starter, but hasn't played a snap, even in the three 20-point losses.

A quarterback switch wouldn't be a reflection on bad play by Testaverde, who was 21-of-30 for 254 yards with two touchdowns and an interception against Philadelphia.

It would be preparation for the long-range future, which Parcells isn't ready to discuss.

"We've just got to get back to work and try a little hard next week," Parcells said.

"Maybe my expectation is too high for us."

**Keyshawn Johnson
Cowboys wide receiver**

TENNIS

Davenport finishes year as No. 1

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Lindsay Davenport finished No. 1 in the world for the third time in the year-end WTA rankings released Tuesday.

Davenport won a WTA Tour-leading seven titles and had a 22-match winning streak during the summer hardcourt season. She also was No. 1 in 1998 and 2001.

"To be able to do it at 28 years old is quite an accomplish-

ment," she said.

She led second-ranked Amelie Mauresmo by 214 points. Mauresmo could have surpassed Davenport if the Frenchwoman had won the season-ending WTA Championships, but she lost in the semifinals.

French Open champion Anastasia Myskina was third — one of six Russians in the top 12.

Maria Sharapova, the 17-year-old Wimbledon champion,

improved to a career-high fourth after defeating Serena Williams in three sets to win the WTA Championships on Monday.

U.S. Open winner Svetlana Kuznetsova was fifth. Elena Dementieva was sixth, followed by Serena Williams, Olympic gold medalist Justine Henin-Hardenne, Venus Williams and Jennifer Capriati.

Vera Zvonareva (11th) and Nadia Petrova (12th) were the other Russians in the top 12.

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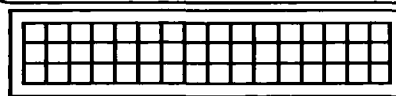
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4	California	8-1	8522
5	Texas	9-1	8140
6	Utah	10-0	8062
7	Michigan	9-1	7494
8	Florida State	8-2	5876
9	Boise State	9-0	5843
10	Louisville	7-1	5602
11	Georgia	8-2	5478
12	Miami	7-2	5469
13	Wisconsin	9-1	5415
14	Arizona State	8-2	4338
15	Virginia Tech	7-2	4307
16	LSU	7-2	4264
17	Tennessee	7-2	4238
18	Iowa	8-2	4119
19	Virginia	7-2	3071
20	Texas A&M	7-3	2823
21	Boston College	7-2	2152
22	Oklahoma State	7-3	1891
23	West Virginia	8-2	1659
24	UTEP	7-2	1135
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NBA

Eastern Conference

Atlantic Division

team	record	perc.	division	streak
Boston	3-2	.600	1-1	W3
Toronto	4-3	.571	0-0	L2
Philadelphia	4-4	.500	2-1	L1
New York	2-4	.333	1-1	L2
New Jersey	2-5	.286	0-1	L3

Central

team	record	perc.	division	streak
Indiana	5-2	.714	2-0	W1
Milwaukee	3-2	.600	1-0	L1
Cleveland	4-3	.571	0-2	W4
Detroit	3-3	.500	0-0	L2
Chicago	0-4	.000	0-1	L4

Southeast

team	record	perc.	division	streak
Miami	5-3	.625	2-0	L1
Orlando	4-3	.571	0-2	L1
Washington	3-4	.429	2-2	L2
Atlanta	2-5	.286	0-0	W1
Charlotte	1-5	.167	1-1	L4

Western Conference

Northwest

team	record	perc.	division	streak
Seattle	7-1	.875	1-0	W7
Utah	6-1	.857	2-0	W2
Minnesota	4-2	.667	0-1	W2
Portland	3-3	.500	0-0	W1
Denver	2-5	.286	1-3	L1

Pacific

team	record	perc.	division	streak
Phoenix	5-2	.714	0-1	W2
L.A. Clippers	4-3	.571	1-0	W1
L.A. Lakers	4-4	.500	0-0	W1
Sacramento	3-4	.429	1-0	W2
Golden State	1-7	.125	0-1	L1

Southwest

team	record	perc.	division	streak
San Antonio	6-1	.857	2-0	W4
Dallas	7-2	.778	0-0	L1
Houston	4-5	.455	2-0	L1
Memphis	2-5	.286	0-3	L1
New Orleans	0-6	.000	0-1	L6

MLB



Dominican President Leonel Fernandez, right, congratulates Angels' Vladimir Guerrero at the National Palace in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic on Tuesday. Guerrero won the AL MVP award, receiving 21 first-place votes.

Guerrero earns first AL MVP Award

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Vladimir Guerrero had such a huge impact during the final week of the season that voting for the American League Most Valuable Player award wasn't even close.

Guerrero easily defeated his competitors on the Boston Red Sox and New York Yankees on Tuesday, becoming just the fifth player to switch leagues and earn the honor in his first season with his new team.

The Anaheim Angels right fielder received 21 of 28 first-place votes and

354 points in balloting by the Baseball Writers' Association of America.

Yankees right fielder Gary Sheffield finished second with five first-place votes and 254 points. Boston players split the remaining two first-place votes, with left fielder Manny Ramirez finishing third with 238 points and designated hitter David Ortiz winding up fourth with 174 points.

Guerrero was prepared for a close vote.

"I was in no way expecting it to be the way it came out," he said through a translator during a conference call from the presi-

dential palace in the Dominican Republic.

Guerrero, 28, signed a \$70 million, five-year contract with the Angels last January after eight seasons with the Montreal Expos. He hit .337 with 39 homers and 126 RBIs as Anaheim won the AL West, and led the league with 124 runs and 366 total bases.

He batted .371 in September with 10 homers and 23 RBIs, and went 14-for-30 (.467) with six homers and 11 RBIs in the last six games of the season, helping the Angels finish one game ahead of Oakland.

Anaheim manager Mike Scioscia said Guerrero was "at times carrying our team single-handedly."

"When he came to our team, our expectations were obviously very, very high, and he met every one of them," Scioscia said. "Not many players can do what he did the last week."

The only other non-rookies who became MVPs in their first AL seasons were Baltimore's Frank Robinson (1966), Chicago's Dick Allen (1972) and Detroit's Willie Hernandez (1984). In the NL, Kirk Gibson accomplished the feat with Los Angeles in 1988.

IN BRIEF

ABC apologizes for Monday Night Football tease

NEW YORK — ABC's "desperate" bid at cross-promotion backfired on "Monday Night Football."

The network's steamy intro to the Philadelphia-Dallas game, featuring a naked Nicolette Sheridan jumping into the arms of Eagles receiver Terrell Owens, drew complaints from viewers and the NFL.

ABC Sports apologized Tuesday for the segment, used a day earlier to promote the hit show "Desperate Housewives" and broadcast just nine months after another football flap — the Janet Jackson Super Bowl fiasco.

"We have heard from many of our viewers about last night's 'MNF' opening segment and we agree that the placement was inappropriate," ABC Sports said in a statement.

The NFL called the intro "inappropriate and unsuitable for our 'Monday Night Football' audience."

"While ABC may have gained attention for one of its other shows,

the NFL and its fans lost," NFL spokesman Greg Aiello said.

The spot showed Owens and Sheridan in an empty locker room, with Sheridan wearing only a towel and provocatively asking Owens to skip the game for her.

After she dropped her towel, he smiled, agreed to be late for the contest and she jumped into his arms. Sheridan was shown only from behind and above the waist.

Three finalists named for best NCAA receiver award

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Two Big Ten receivers, Michigan's Braylon Edwards and Purdue's Taylor Stubblefield, and Ball State's Dante Ridgeway are finalists for the Biletnikoff Award, given to college football's best receiver.

Edwards, a senior, has caught 76 catches for 1,049 yards and 11 touchdowns going into the seventh-ranked Wolverines game Saturday at Ohio State.

Stubblefield, also a senior, has

caught 68 passes for 876 yards and 12 touchdowns for the Boilermakers, who play host to Indiana in their season finale Saturday.

A junior, Ridgeway's 95 catches for 1,184 yards and seven touchdowns are the best numbers among the finalists. Ball State (2-8) closes its season Saturday at Central Michigan.

High school basketball coach called for active duty

HAMMOND, Ind. — Jesette Perkins will be part of a different team for the next year or so.

The junior varsity girls basketball coach at Hammond High School, called to active duty with the Indiana National Guard, is heading to central Indiana's Camp Atterbury for training and deployment to Iraq.

The only thing she regrets is the timing, just at the start of the new basketball season.

"It's difficult because I got to see them develop at practice, getting to know this year's team and their style of play," Perkins said.

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ND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Two signed to class of 2009

By HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN
Sports Editor

Notre Dame announced this week that two players have signed during the early signing period to play for the Irish.

For the ninth consecutive year, Notre Dame has a top-20 recruiting class, leaving it as just one of three schools with that distinction. Notre Dame shares these honors with Tennessee and Connecticut, who have won eight of the last 10 national championships.

The 2009 Irish class of 6-foot guard Lindsay Schrader and 6-foot-2 forward Chandrica Smith is ranked 15th in the nation by Blue Star Index.

Schrader, a native of Barlett, Ill., is ranked among the nation's top 30 seniors by three different publications — Blue Star Index (No. 14), All-Game Sports (No. 21) and All-Star Girls Report (No. 26). Schrader has averaged 20.1 points, 9.8 rebounds and 3.1 steals in her prep career at Barlett High School.

"Lindsay Schrader is someone who is more of a scorer. I think she's more of a 3-point shooter, who is a very strong player inside," Irish coach Muffet McGraw said. "She can rebound, she's got great hands."

Schrader has been atop the basketball world in the Chicagoland area, as a three-time All-State selection, a two-time Illinois Miss Basketball finalist and a two-time All-American selection by Street & Smith's.

Schrader also participated in

the 2004 USA Basketball Youth Development Festival in Colorado Springs, Co. She played for the North Team, which won the silver medal, and averaged 14.8 points per game, third at the festival. As a result, Schrader was invited to the 2004 USA Women's Junior World Championship Qualifying Team Trials. She was one of 17 finalists for the 12-player team that won a gold medal in Puerto Rico in August.

"[Schrader] is somebody who you want to take the last shot of the game because she's really a big game performer," McGraw said. "She's really scored a lot of points with her team and certainly the perimeter threat is a weakness of ours right now."

Schrader expressed her excitement about playing for the Irish as she watched the Irish take on Nebraska with her father.

"I visited the school at the beginning of my junior year, and I just fell in love with it — I fell in love with the campus, the coaches the girls, everything," said Schrader, who chose Notre Dame over the University of Virginia, the University of Illinois and Penn State. "Every other school I went to I compared it to Notre Dame. And nothing could top it."

Schrader will be joined by Smith, who hails from Stone Mountain, Ga., but plays at Oak Hill Academy in Mouth of

Wilson, Va., where she transferred prior to her senior year.

Smith averaged 12.5 points, 8.1 rebounds, 3.5 steals and 2.4 blocks per game as a junior at Stephenson High School in Stone Mountain, where she shot 62 percent from the field. She has been named a two-time honorable mention All-American by Street & Smith's, and was a Student Sports All-American as well. Smith is ranked No. 29 in the nation among high school seniors by All-Stars Girls Report.

"I'm really excited about Chandrica Smith because she brings the same traits that Tulyah Gaines and Charel Allen have brought to this team," McGraw said. "So I

think the fans are going to love her. She's someone who can run the floor, play up tempo, press, score. She really is a great defender and is going to fit in really well with the new up-tempo style that Charel and Tulyah play."

Smith also played at the 2004 USA Basketball Youth Development Festival, averaging 5.4 points and 2.6 rebounds per game en route to a bronze medal.

"I think that she's going to be a great addition to our team, particularly in light of losing Jackie [Batteast]," McGraw said. "We're very excited about what she can add to our team."

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Muffet McGraw
Irish coach

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team."

Another threat is guard Jessica Foley, who hit the game-winning 3-pointer against Connecticut last season.

But Currie has the most experience for Duke. She will be a challenge for the Irish defense and recently was named one of the top-five wing players in the country by ESPN.com, an honor received by Irish forward Jacqueline Batteast as well.

"I think [Currie] is a great shooter," McGraw said. "She's definitely a great perimeter threat for them."

But the real challenge may be on the blocks. The Blue Devils boast an impressive front line with 6-foot-3 center Mistie Williams, who averaged 10 points and 5.4 rebounds, and led the ACC with a 67.1 percent field goal percentage in 2003. Duke has been very successful in the paint, shooting 54.7 percent inside the three-point line, and outrebounding opponents by 15 rebounds per game this season.

Notre Dame will counter Currie with a star of its own in Batteast. The 6-foot-2 senior was an honorable mention Associated Press All-American last season, and has been solid thus far for the Irish.

She will be joined down low by Courtney LaVere and Teresa Borton. McGraw said the post game will be especially important tonight, despite the Currie and Batteast matchup.

"We absolutely need [to be aggressive] against Duke because they're so big," McGraw said. "I think the game's going to be won on the backboard. It's going to be a battle of the inside game. You've got two marquee players going, in Currie and Jackie and

that's going to be great to watch, but I think the game will really be won inside."

For the Irish, this game will be a gauge of where this team is early in the season. It will help them see their weaknesses and hopefully help them once Big East play starts.

"It's great to play top teams early on because you get to see where you are against a really good opponent," McGraw said. "It's like a measuring stick to see if you're where you need to be and how far you are from where you want to get. I think only good things can happen from this game."

Tip-off is set for 7 p.m. at the Joyce Center, where the Irish have a 22-game winning streak.

"I'm happy to be at home," McGraw said. "Our fans have been great the first two games of the NIT; we've had just great crowds. They've really helped us and were going to need them."

Notes

◆ Notre Dame leads the series with Duke, 3-1. The last time these two teams met, No. 11/19 Notre Dame destroyed No. 6/4 Duke in 1998, winning 84-57 at the Joyce Center. Ruth Riley led the Irish with 20 points, 18 rebounds and eight blocked shots, and Danielle Green added 20 points and 15 rebounds.

◆ Notre Dame was originally tied with Ohio State for No. 10 in the Associated Press poll, but dropped to No. 11 after Ohio State defeated St. Joseph's in the preseason WNIT.

◆ Tickets are still available through the Notre Dame ticket office by calling 631-7356. Ticket prices, as mandated by the preseason WNIT and not Notre Dame, are \$7 for students.

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point it was a very exciting moment."

Despite her joyful antics, Krivacek, who stands at 5-foot-11, usually does not blend in on the field anyway. Oftentimes, she stands a full head taller than many opposing players which allows her to control many of the header opportunities that come her way.

"I don't know if I'm out-leaping [defenders], but when you start at 5-foot-11, it's pretty easy to get over people," she said.

"Her height allows her to control a lot of balls in the middle of the field and take pressure off our defense so they don't have to come up," Irish coach Randy Waldrum said. "It's frustrating for our opponents when they try to clear the ball out and Jill's right there to dump it back in."

Her skills in the air have improved markedly over last season when the coaches were trying to get her to take advantage of her height.

"Last year, as big as she was, we really wanted her to improve her heading ability," Waldrum said. "She's really made big strides in that part of her game. Defensively, she wins a ton of balls when goalkeepers punt them out."

Though not a prolific scorer herself, Krivacek focuses on the little things that need to be done in order to set up the playmakers. She serves as the key tran-

sition player when the Notre Dame defense moves the ball out of its own end. This frequently involves navigating the middle of the field clogged with opposing players.

"In the middle you have to play quickly," Krivacek said. "If I get the ball from one of my backs, I usually have somebody on my back just because there's so many numbers always in the middle of the field."

Waldrum said the task is underappreciated and much easier said than done.

"She plays really deep on the field and what she does is control the ball and get the attack started," he said. "It takes a special player to be able to control the ball in a crowd of a lot of people. Not a lot of players have that ability. She has great vision and the ability to turn the play across the field."

But her style of play and contributions often get hidden behind those players with the gaudier numbers. In 19 starts this year, Krivacek has only totaled four points during this season. Saturday's game-winning score was her lone goal of the season, and she has taken only eight shots all year.

"When you look at our team and you've got Katie Thorlaksons and Candace Chapmans and Melissa Tancredis and Buczkowskis and those kind of players, she kind of gets lost in the mix," Waldrum said. "But she's clearly a key for us."

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FOOTBALL

Officiating still lingers in Irish memories

Controversial calls leave team looking for clarification

By HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN
Sports Editor

Irish coach Tyrone Willingham said Tuesday he had a chance to look at film from Saturday's loss to Pittsburgh. So what did he think of the officiating?

"I have a very clear idea of what took place, and I told you I wouldn't comment on it," Willingham said with a smile.

However, he did say that he would be looking for "clarification" on what took place Saturday.

"When things of this nature arise, then what you try to do is get clarification on what took place," Willingham said.

"And I'll do that." When asked what he thought of the replay in the Big Ten, Willingham said he would have to check the rules.

"I'd have to make sure I'm familiar with the Big Ten Conference rule and what would be reviewable," he said. "I'd imagine that some of [what took place Saturday] might not have been reviewable, so therefore you're in the same situation."

Sharing the ball

Irish quarterback Brady Quinn has completed passes this season to 20 different receivers, including himself. Willingham is not surprised by this.

"When you start naming the list of guys that have caught

passes, you go through the receiving corps, I think there's some guys that we expected to catch balls for us and be productive," Willingham said. "The fact that we hopefully are able to add more of our running backs into the mix is a plus, and also with our tight ends. I personally like that diversity, the ability to move it around."

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**Tyrone Willingham
Irish coach**

The Bush factor

Willingham recruited Southern California's Reggie Bush to Notre Dame, but the speedy running back chose the Trojans. Bush is now a Heisman Candidate.

"There is no question this is a very talented young man," Willingham said. "He makes a huge difference in their team."

He opens up things for other guys, just having him on the field at certain times and handing the ball to the other guy, makes them a very potent team. We don't like looking at him, but were going to have to find a way to defend him and slow him down and slow his team down.

USC: better than last year?

The Irish were drubbed by USC last year at home, 45-14. The scary part is that Willingham thinks the No. 1 Trojans might be better than that team.

"In many regards, they're better [than last year], and there are probably some areas they're learning and growing, and there are probably some replacements and a little younger at some spots," he said. "But overall I would say they're a better team."

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excellent job, that's not withstanding the two interceptions in there," Willingham said. "He really had command of his football team. He put the ball, in most cases, where it needed to be. And our guys responded."

Quinn threw for three touchdowns — Maurice Stovall, Matt Shelton and Rashon Powers-Neal. Diedrick was pleased with the play of his young quarterback as well.

"I think after midpoint of the first quarter, I was very pleased with his performance," Diedrick said. "I thought he really handled things well. He had to regroup after the midway point of the first quarter, and after he did that I thought he played very solid, made good decisions, took care of the football and I thought he threw the ball very well after that."

On the ground, the Irish were also effective against the Panthers. Darius Walker broke the 100-yard rushing mark for the second time in his career, finishing with 112 yards on the ground and two touchdowns. Ryan Grant added 48 yards.

In the air, Quinn found Shelton three times for 128 yards, a career-high for Shelton. Tight end Anthony Fasano also caught three passes for 27 yards.

As a whole, the Irish offense finally executed the way they thought they could the entire season. However, it was little consolation in a devastating loss.

"I think [the success of the offense] is something to build on and use on something to get through this week," Quinn said. "[But] I'm disappointed with the way the game turned out."

Diedrick said he thinks the Irish can use this game as a stepping-stone for the final regular season game against Southern California, and then a possible bowl game.

"I think that before you can get to that next step, you've got to do it one time, and I think that Saturday was that one time where, from start to finish, we felt like we executed with the success that we needed to have," Diedrick said. "I think regardless of who you're going in against, it's something that you can most definitely build on because that's what you're striving for all along. Until you ever get a game like that, you don't know what it feels like."

"It's been so frustrating to have a good first half, slow second half; a slow first half, good second half. Being able to do both for a full 60-minute game was quite beneficial, because now you can challenge the kids, that we've done it. We've done it before, we know what it feels like, let's go duplicate it."

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ages respectively. Brewster also contributed five blocks, one of which was a solo block.

The Irish sustained brief runs throughout the game, but had trouble in extending their advantage. Northern Iowa capitalized on their shortcoming, pulling ahead to 25-21 towards the end of the game. Notre Dame rallied to put the team within one point of its opponent in the final plays of the game, but Northern Iowa's Rachael Tink had a kill for a 30-28 victory.

Although the second game was equally close, the Irish seemed to be running on all cylinders, winning the game 30-28. Notre Dame's defense bested its efforts in the first game, holding Northern Iowa to .157 on hitting and forcing nine Panther errors. Junior captain Meg Henican scooped for six digs and sophomore Danielle Herndon recorded five to lead the Irish floor defense.

Brewster had nine kills on .429 hitting, while freshman Ashley Tarutis and Stasiuk added to the Irish offensive effort with an ace each.

Notre Dame extended its lead in the third game for a 2-1 advantage over Northern Iowa. The third game featured 11 ties — the most of the matchup — and four lead changes in one of the most contested games Tuesday night. The Panthers didn't establish a sizeable lead until midway through the match 16-13, before Notre Dame ended the set victorious over Northern

Iowa 31-29.

Northern Iowa controlled the tempo of the fourth match and the team's defense limited the Irish to .082 on hitting and just 11 kills. Stasiuk led the Irish in kills with four and .300 on hitting, while defensively, Henican chipped in seven digs and Cooper logged two blocks. Northern Iowa led by as many as nine points in the fourth game, finishing with an eight-point win 30-22 to force a fifth game.

A revived Irish team took the courts for the fifth game, but the team wasn't able to sustain a sizeable run. Northern Iowa claimed the win in the fifth game 15-13.

Despite Tuesday night's heartbreaking loss, the Irish are taking the disappointment in stride and look forward to this weekend's Big East Championship.

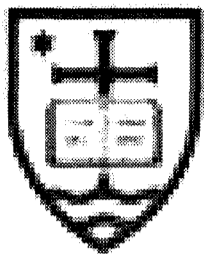
"This [match] was the best practice we could ever have for the Big East this weekend," Brown said. "We couldn't have orchestrated a better practice than that. Northern Iowa pushed us in all areas."

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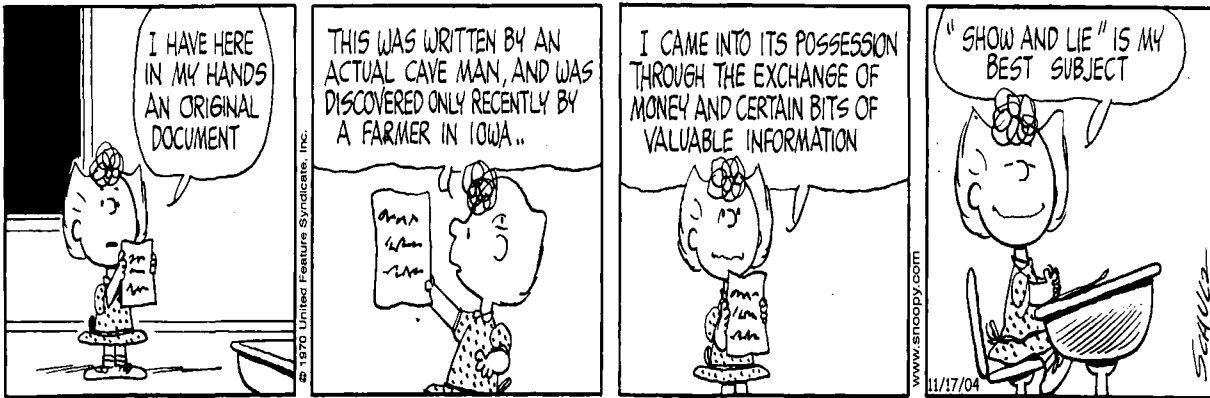
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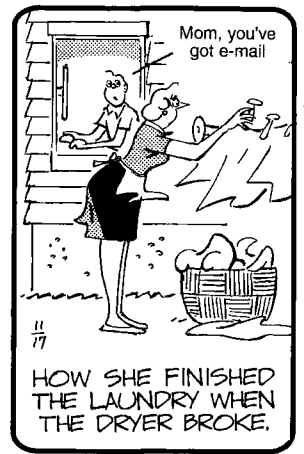


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ARIES (March 21-April 19): Talk matters over and try to resolve your differences.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Make this a day to remember. Spend time with loved ones and focus on the youngsters in the family.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Don't let entertainment, friends or children cost you today.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): A partnership will have to be nurtured today.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Your thoughts will lead to prosperity. Don't hesitate to turn your ideas into something concrete.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Take a creative approach to gift-buying and the festive season.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): This is not the time to put yourself on the line.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Rid yourself of things you no longer need.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): A business venture will catch your eye.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Don't let anyone goad you into revealing your deepest secrets.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Travel or visiting someone who has valuable information will benefit you.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You may want to help someone out, but do so by being there -- not by lending cash or taking on more responsibilities.

Birthdays: You are determined to follow your own path. You are excessive in your pursuits.

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ND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

The first big challenge

No. 6 Duke will be tough opponent for the Irish in preseason WNIT semifinals

By HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN
Sports Editor

No. 11 Notre Dame will face its first challenge of this young season tonight, and it will be a big one.

No. 6 Duke is in town, fresh off of two blowout preseason Women's National Invitation Tournament wins. They defeated Davidson 89-69 and South Florida 82-50.

"We're expecting a very good team who has a lot more size than anybody we've faced or anybody we will face," Irish coach Muffet McGraw said.

The Blue Devils (2-0) are still a very good basketball team, despite losing All-American Alana Beard to graduation. They are led by junior Monique Currie, who is averaging 18.5

points, eight rebounds and 4.5 assists per game this season. Currie is joined by freshman point guard Wanisha Smith, who earned her first collegiate start against South Florida. In that start, she scored 20 points on 8-for-12 shooting in 30 minutes.

Smith, who will square off against Irish junior point guard Megan Duffy, is starting in place of Lindsey Harding. Harding, a third-team all-ACC selection last season, was suspended indefinitely by coach Gail Goestenkors for breaking unspecified team rules, according to the Associated Press.

"I think they have real different look than they did last year," McGraw said. "It's difficult to scout them because it's so early and we haven't seen game tape this year and everything last year went through Alana Beard so it's really going to be a challenge for us because it's like playing a whole new

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Freshman guard Charel Allen drives to the hoop against Nebraska on Sunday as the Irish cruised to a 73-57 victory.

ND WOMEN'S SOCCER

Krivacek steps up in NCAA's

By MATT MOONEY
Sports Writer

Jill Krivacek generally doesn't like to draw a lot of attention to herself on the field.

"I wouldn't say I'm extremely vocal but mainly because I'm a sophomore and I don't feel like it's my territory yet," she said.

But when the sophomore headed a corner kick into the net with 53 seconds left to break a 0-0 tie in Sunday's second-round NCAA tournament victory over Wisconsin, she could barely contain herself. Krivacek screamed with jubilation, was mobbed by her teammates and then ran along the Notre Dame bench in celebration.

"It's one of the best [moments of my career]," Krivacek said. "Usually when I score I get pretty excited but it doesn't happen very often. But at that

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FOOTBALL

Role reversal for both sides of Irish

Usually consistent defense gave up 41 points to Panthers

By HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN
Sports Editor

Roles reversed Saturday against Pittsburgh.

The usually-consistent defense became a liability, and the usually-inconsistent offense became an asset.

The Irish offense put up 38 points against Pittsburgh, tying the season-high previously posted against Washington. Notre Dame registered 438 yards of total offense, and scored five touch-

downs against the Panthers.

"I would hope that we would be able to take what we accomplished on Saturday and continue to build on that and feel very confident in what we're capable of doing, and then go out on a week-to-week basis and do that," Irish offensive coordinator Bill Diedrick said.

The Irish (6-4) registered 179 yards on the ground, and 259 yards in the air, a balanced performance in a system that preaches balance. The offense turned the ball over two times on two interceptions; however, one of the interceptions was caused by what appeared to be defensive pass interference.

Irish head coach Tyrone Willingham was pleased with quarterback Brady Quinn, who finished with 259 yards on 15-for-26 passing.

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ND VOLLEYBALL

Irish fall to Northern Iowa 3-2

By ANN LOUGHERY
Sports Writer

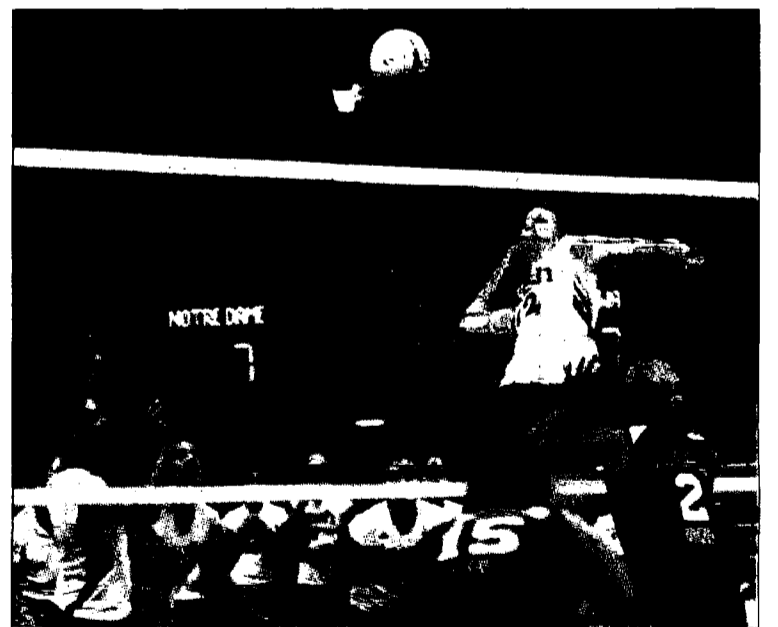
Northern Iowa proved the best offense is a solid defense as it defeated Notre Dame 3-2 Tuesday night.

The Irish anticipated a tough match heading into the competition, and the Panthers didn't disappoint. Northern Iowa's defense held the team to a .180 average on hitting and forced an average of nearly eight errors per game.

"We played with a lot of heart and fought hard, but it wasn't the best match in terms of execution," Irish coach Debbie Brown said.

Junior Lauren Brewster was among the players leading the Irish effort, tallying 27 kills and hitting .273. Brewster, who received her sixth career Big East Player of the Week award last week, also totaled eight blocks.

Senior Emily Loomis and freshman Adrianna Stasiuk followed up with 15 kills apiece and .204 and .146 on hitting respectively. Junior



Lauren Brewster goes up for a hit in Notre Dame's close loss to Northern Iowa Tuesday at the Joyce Center.

Carolyn Cooper also registered seven blocks to add to the Irish effort.

Northern Iowa's win in the first game did not come easily, as Notre Dame trailed the Panthers by no more than

four points at any given point in the game. Brewster and Loomis led the team in kills with four each and recorded .500 and .375 hitting percent-

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Guerrero wins AL MVP award

Angels outfielder takes the award for the American League's top player.

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Davenport is No. 1

Lindsay Davenport topped the year's final WTA rankings.

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Sharapova reflects on year

The 17-year old phenom speaks about her year in the spotlight.

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Lleyton Hewitt loses in the first set and comes back to defeat Carlos Moya in three sets.

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The Jazz rallied to beat the expansion Bobcats.

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