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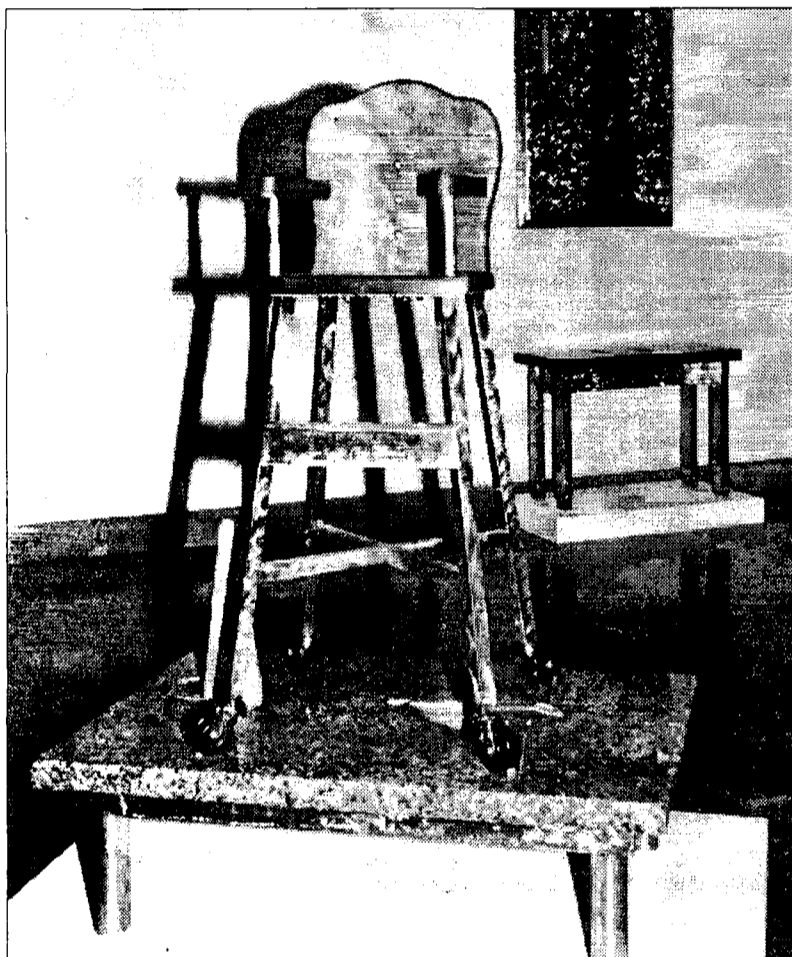
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## Faculty 'engage' Snite visitors with new exhibition



Art professor Derek Chalfant has several pieces, including the one shown above, on display at the Snite's faculty exhibition.

By ERIN LaRUFFA  
 Assistant News Editor

It's not every day that one can see television sets, a portable phone and other electronic devices in large sarcophagi.

That installation, Technophilia by art department chair Father Austin Collins, is just one of the many unique exhibits on display through Oct. 15 at the Snite Museum of Art.

Unlike most exhibitions at the Snite, this one features artwork created exclusively by faculty from the Notre Dame art department. This is the first time since 1997 that there has been a faculty exhibition at the museum.

Other pieces displayed at the exhibition include furniture made out of recycled materials, wood-fired stoneware and a marble-topped sideboard with a revolver resting on top of it.

"It's one of the more exciting exhibits. It shows the growth of the faculty," said Gina Costa, the museum's public relations and marketing specialist.

Most art faculty have exhibitions at other galleries and did not create the pieces displayed at the Snite specifically for this exhibition, according to

Martina Lopez, a photography professor.

Many art professors, who see the show as an important way to introduce students to art, will take their students to see the exhibition, Lopez said.

One of the show's benefits is that it allows art students to see what their professors create outside of class, something students do not always get to see, Lopez added. Industrial design professor Paul Down explained that students are often curious about their teachers' artwork.

"I liked what I saw. I think it was really interesting," said junior arts and letters pre-professional major Nicole Burkette, who is concentrating in art and design. She was able to identify which professor created many of the pieces, she said, because the work reflected the professors she was most familiar with.

Even for students not majoring in art, the exhibition has important "entertainment value," Down said. It could even inspire a student to take an art class from one of the professors whose work is displayed, Lopez said.

"It's engaging people, and that's its function — to engage the student," said Costa.

An important way a piece of

art can engage students is through the message it conveys.

"I think that a lot of the work that is in the show ... gives us a new perspective," Down said. "Usually artists have a message they want to bring to people."

Collins' Technophilia, for example, "is a reflection on our society's pervasive use of technology," according to the exhibition's catalog.

Propeller-driven boats are the main focus of Down's work displayed at the Snite. He noted that many boating accidents involve propellers, which can also harm wildlife living below the water's surface.

"I'm trying to encourage consumers and manufacturers toward a more benign propulsion system," Down said.

Some of his pieces show jet propulsion systems, while another shows a young swimmer dangerously close to a propeller. The latter picture highlights the vulnerability of living things underwater, Down said.

In addition to Notre Dame's faculty, visiting professor Robert Sedlack is also displaying work — a poster series he created for the Northern Indiana Historical Society. Selected works of emeriti faculty are also included in the show.

### FACULTY SENATE

## Profs support paper's independence

By TIM LOGAN  
 News Editor

The Faculty Senate thinks some things should change at Notre Dame. It also thinks some things should stay the same.

One thing that should definitely stay the same is The Observer's complete editorial and advertising independence from the University, senators said Wednesday. They voted 20-1 in favor of a resolution saying Notre Dame's student newspaper has done nothing that would warrant the University changing its status.

"We think that nothing has happened in the last 34 years, and nothing happened last year, to justify that," said philosophy professor Ed Manier, who chairs the Student Affairs Committee which proposed the resolution.

The measure passed with very little debate among the whole Senate, which also passed a motion in May asking University President Father Edward Malloy to withdraw his policy banning advertising from homosexual groups in the paper.

Wednesday's resolution said no "modification or further codification of [The Observer's] current status" should be made and that

allegations of editorial impropriety against the paper should be dealt with in "good faith" between its editorial board and the offended party, without University intervention.

Members of the Student Affairs Committee said that The Observer's track record was strong enough to maintain their independence, and that no incident had come up justifying a change in that status.

The Observer has been criticized in past years for a few isolated incidents, including a 1997 comic that many Hispanic students found offensive, and an advertisement run in 1993 by a group which denies the Holocaust. But Manier said those events are not enough to warrant placing The Observer under the control of Student Affairs or a faculty advisor.

"The criticism The Observer has taken in the past does not rise to the level of serious charges of editorial irresponsibility or impropriety," he said.

The issue of The Observer's independence has come to the forefront in the past year, since Malloy said the newspaper was not allowed to run ads from homosexual student groups and

other organizations that "espouse positions contrary to the moral teaching of the Catholic Church."

Since that policy was set forth in August 1999, The Observer has run several ads from homosexual student and alumni groups, and Malloy has formed an ad hoc committee to study the newspaper's role in the University.

That committee, chaired by philosophy professor David Solomon, is expected to present its report and recommendation to Malloy by the end of the month. The Faculty Senate does not meet again until Oct. 11, and Manier said the timing of Wednesday's vote was intended to give the faculty a voice on the issue before the report is made. The resolution will be sent to Malloy and Solomon.

#### In other senate news:

♦ Members voted 22-0 in favor of a resolution calling for more faculty involvement in the reviewing the University president before a contract is renewed. When the Board of Trustees renewed Malloy's contract for five more years in May, it did not consult enough faculty members, senators said.

## ND explores Web class registration

By JASON McFARLEY  
 News Writer

After a year of focused work on the issue, Notre Dame class registration via the Internet is no longer a question of if, but

when, the University will implement a Web-based system.

Pending word late next week, University officials said Wednesday that the change may come as soon as sometime this fall.

"We know that students feel very comfortable on the Web. We know that's how they want to interact with the University," said Larry Rapagnani, assistant provost for computing.

Rapagnani said the Office of Information Technologies (OIT) and the registrar's office

have been in serious discussion for the last year and are currently working together to implement an Internet-based registration program within the next two months.

Come November, assistant registrar Don Steinke said he would like to begin phasing in the system as students register for their spring semester courses.

"We'd probably test the system on just one class or grade level," Steinke said. "We've seen schools throw their entire student bodies into new programs and it's been a disaster."

If all goes well with the November testing, Steinke said the system would probably be in place for the course drop-add period, following students' return from winter break in January 2001.

The next step, according to Steinke, would be to have the system fully operational by next April, when students register for the 2001 fall semester. It would operate, he said, as an option on IrishLink, the

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INSIDE COLUMN

A basic instinct

I had just climbed into my truck in the Walgreens parking lot on 31 and was about to start the engine when I heard a voice outside my door. I looked up and a man was standing just outside my window.

"Can you give me a hand?" he asked.

My first instinct was just to start the car and drive away. Helping strange men in dark parking lots was hardly the safest thing to do and I had to get back to work anyway. But when I looked at him, something told me I just couldn't drive away.

So I asked him what the problem was and he launched into a story about a truck that ran out of gas and an unreachable wife who had his ATM card. He lived in Fort Wayne and had no way of getting home without some gas or some money. He said he had an aunt who lived in South Bend, but he had walked to her house and nobody was home. He just needed a ride back to his truck so he could figure out what he was going to do.

Once again my first instinct was to start the car and drive away. This sounded just like a rehearsed story from an accomplished scam artist or, even worse, a rehearsed story from a carjacker. While my cynical and self-absorbed side was telling me just to drive off and let this guy deal with his own problems, another side was telling me this guy really needed help.

So against my better judgement, I said "OK, jump in. I can give you a ride."

So the guy walked around to the other side of the truck and I unlocked the door. He slid into the seat and stuck out his hand and we started talking about Notre Dame.

We drove south on 31 to the Arby's where his truck was parked. As we pulled into the parking lot he said, "I sure could use about 12 bucks. That's all it would take to get me home."

Well, I didn't have 12 bucks. I only had three. But I pulled it out of my wallet and gave it to him. It wouldn't be enough to get him home but maybe it could get him closer. He shook my hand again, hopped out of my truck and walked over to his own.

I didn't tell you this story to brag that I was a great person for driving this guy to an Arby's and giving him three bucks. I am retelling this story because my initial reaction was not to help this man. My initial reaction was not to trust this guy. Maybe I did get scammed for three bucks. Or maybe I didn't. Maybe I actually helped a guy who was in trouble a little bit.

Jesus says, "I was naked and you clothed me, hungry and you gave me food." I wonder how many times I have walked by the man on the street begging for change for a hot meal because I thought he was trying to scam me. Why is my first instinct to distrust and doubt the man in need? I guess I still have a long way to go before I truly live a Christian life.



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THIS WEEK AT NOTRE DAME/SAINT MARY'S

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
◆ <b>Conference:</b> Deloitte and Touche Placement Presentation, 4:30 p.m., McKenna Hall.	◆ <b>Book signing:</b> "Leahy's Lads" by Jack Connor, 2 p.m., Hammes Bookstore	◆ <b>Film:</b> "Lolita," 9:30 p.m., Annenberg Auditorium, Snite Museum.	◆ <b>Art:</b> Ramiro Rodriguez Exhibition, all day, wood-cut and silkscreen prints, 230 McKenna Hall.
◆ <b>Lecture:</b> LAASP Internships and Summer Research, 5:30 p.m., C-103, Hesburgh Center.	◆ <b>Lecture:</b> Pat Hayden, Rhodes Scholar, 8:30 a.m., Jordan Auditorium, Mendoza College of Business.	◆ <b>Book signing:</b> "Turning 50: Fifty Personal Celebrations" by Ilivia Wu, 10:30 a.m., Hammes Bookstore.	◆ <b>Workshop:</b> Lector Workshop, 8 p.m., Basilica of the Sacred Heart.

OUTSIDE THE DOME

Compiled from U-Wire reports

University of Texas at Austin staff stage sickout

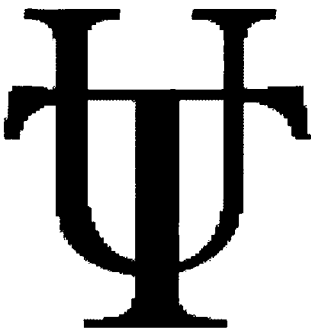
AUSTIN, Texas

About 400 University of Texas at Austin staff, students and faculty stood on the steps of the Main Building sweating in the record-breaking 112-degree heat Tuesday at a University Staff Association protest rally.

Gathering one last time before the sickout scheduled to begin today, many audience members wore staff association T-shirts and held orange signs reading "President Faulkner: Are you going to fire me?"

Staff association officials said they expect 4,800-6,000 staff members to participate in the sickout by not coming to work from Wednesday through Friday to bring attention to their demands.

"Too many of the working people



at UT are sick. They are sick with worry about how rent will be paid," said Mia Carter, interim director of Asian American Studies. "They are sick with dread because they want to improve their lives, but they do not want to be punished for complain-

ing."

Other speakers included USA president Peg Kramer, two UT custodians, associate professor of journalism Bob Jensen and representatives from several graduate student organizations.

In her speech, Kramer told the audience that the University has decided to divert attention away from the fact that staffers are underpaid and mistreated.

"The university has decided to focus on ... the sickout rather than our 17 basic human demands that we announced on June 8," she said. "We just asked them to address basic human needs on this campus."

USA member Jennifer Marson-Brooks said she felt the meeting was a success.

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

GOP criticizes gay lifestyle course

Republicans seeking to regain a majority on the University of Michigan Board of Regents have targeted professor David Halperin's English 317 class titled "How to Be Gay: Male Homosexuality and Initiation," asserting taxpayers are wrongly funding a course that teaches immoral behavior. In recent months the class has come under scrutiny by conservatives, adding an intriguing spin to an election that despite its statewide scope usually draws little or no attention. Halperin insists that he never intended to incite any controversy by teaching the English class. "I do not seek controversy and I certainly had no intention of attracting critical attention to the university," he said. Although unsuccessful in his bid, Auburn Hills mayor Tom McMillin said the class inspired him to run for one of two Republican nominations for regent. "That was the straw that broke the camel's back," McMillin said, insisting there were other reasons for his candidacy, including the elimination of benefits for same-sex partners of university employees.

CHICO STATE UNIVERSITY

Divers search for drowned student

CHICO, Calif.

Divers are still trying to locate the body of James "Jamie" Harper, 26, who drowned Aug. 27 after falling 140 feet from a bridge above Lake Oroville. Divers from the Butte, Shasta and Tulare counties' sheriff's departments tried to recover Harper's body Aug. 29, but their efforts failed despite the use of underwater cameras. "We saw an object down there, but weren't sure if it was him," said Ellen Clark, public information officer for California state parks. "There are trees and debris down there, not to mention the extreme cold and three-foot visibility." The 50-degree depths could be a major reason why Harper's body has yet to surface, Clark said. "With the cold being so severe, there is a kind of inversion layer that holds bodies down there," she said. "There are some bodies in Lake Oroville that have still never surfaced." More underwater equipment is needed to find the Chico State University graduate, and Harper's family enlisted the aid of the Sierra View Dive Company.

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AccuWeather® forecast for daytime conditions and high temperatures

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Thursday		82	63
Friday		76	60
Saturday		81	62
Sunday		83	63
Monday		83	61

Shows: Showers T-storms Rain Flurries Snow Ice Sunny Pt. Cloudy Cloudy

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NATIONAL WEATHER

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Atlanta	73	63	Los Angeles	81	63	San Francisco	77	55
Denver	75	48	Miami	93	82	Seattle	68	52
Boston	75	50	Nashville	79	61	St. Louis	82	63
Chicago	79	54	New York	73	57	Phoenix	102	77
Dallas	93	70	New Orleans	84	73	Washington, DC	75	52

## STUDENT SENATE

## ND students may lose study day

By LAURA ROMPF  
Assistant News Editor

Students may have one less study day during the 2001 fall semester finals week, the Student Senate learned Wednesday night.

Because of a rule set by the Academic Council, the school year cannot start before August 22. If a normal finals schedule is used for the 2001 calendar, finals would not be completed until Dec. 21.

Because this date is so close to Christmas, the Academic Council suggested a new finals week schedule. Classes would end on Tuesday, Dec. 11 and two study days would follow on Wednesday and Thursday. Friday and Saturday would be finals days followed by another study day on Sunday, and then three consecutive days of finals starting Monday.

Some senators voiced concerns about only having three study days versus the normal four.

"I cannot speak for everyone here," said O'Neill Hall senator Kevin Berrill. "But I need a switch-over day. I need a day where I don't necessarily have to do anything."

"I know that a lot of students, especially those in science and engineering, that do use all four study days," said Zahm Hall senator Ryan Becker. "They have to use all four study days or their grades will fall. If it's going to affect even a few students negatively, we should look into the

issue more. If we don't, it would be unfair to the students who do use all that time for studying," he said.

Melissa Rauch, McGlinn Hall senator, told the senate she spoke with Harold Pace of the Office of the Registrar about the new schedule and whether it will definitely be used in the fall of 2001.

"He said it is not completely set in stone. If we work on it and have the backing of the student body, we could change it," said Rauch, who is also co-chair of the committee on academic affairs.

Rauch said the committee on academic affairs will continue to research alternate schedules.

"We're going to keep talking about it in committee. We'll go to the dorms and try to find out the student body's opinion, what their feelings are and what they would prefer," she said.

Rauch added that the most obvious suggestion would be to have school start earlier, on August 21, so the committee will ask the Academic Council why that specific date was chosen.

"We want to talk to the Academic Council and see why the 22nd day was set. We will be fully researching the area before we make any statement or recommendations," she said.

"[School starting a day early] was suggested by our committee and if we have the backing of student body, we will try to pass a resolution and have it changed."

Also discussed at Wednesday's

meeting were concerns about 24-hour space.

"Because the CLC only heard the opinion of the rectors last year, we wanted to interview the students," said Luciana Reali, Lewis Hall senator. "Our goal is to assess the situation in each individual dorm."

Reali distributed surveys to the senators, who were instructed to find out the opinions of students in their dorms.

"We just wanted for each of the senators to ask the questions to the members of their halls, to get information from their dorms and just general information," said Reali, who is also co-chair of the committee on gender issues.

The committee's main goal is to have consistent policies in all of the dorms, Reali said. She also said that she wants to find out if dorms have an adequate amount of 24-hour space.

"For the dorms that might not have enough space, we're hoping to fix that problem," she added.

Reali said the committee is investigating one final proposal.

"We also are looking into having a students' 'Bill of Rights' posted in the 24-hour space that would list what you are and are not allowed to do ... This would make policies more consistent."

## In other senate news:

♦The Senate approved the nomination of Veronica Kessenich as the 2000-2001 Saint Mary's College representative to the Senate.

## BOARD OF GOVERNANCE

## Group debates future Keenan Revue location

By AMY GREENE  
News Writer

Saint Mary's Board of Governance (BOG) will be a deciding factor in whether the Keenan Revue will continue to be performed on Saint Mary's campus.

It has been one of the largest and most successful events on campus in the past, but there has been recent debate as to whether the Revue "opposes the mission of the College," said Linda Timm, vice president of Student Affairs.

The Keenan Revue, a comedy show sponsored by Notre Dame's Keenan Hall, is held every January in the O'Laughlin Auditorium. Notre Dame does not have an auditorium large enough to accommodate all the Revue fans.

"They use our auditorium because it's public and accessible, not because it's on Saint Mary's campus," said Board member Julie Frischkorn.

Some feel the Revue is "crude and offensive" while others enjoy the comedic and sarcastic view of college life.

"It's personal opinion whether to attend or not, and the school shouldn't take away that option," said Board member Kristy Sutorius.

A forum is tentatively scheduled so both sides of the debate can be heard.

"We need a forum to have

the entire student body decide as a whole, not just us 20 BOG members," said Board member Katy Robinson.

Either a forum or a survey will be administered to determine if BOG abolishes or reinstates the Revue.

Student body president Crissie Renner is scheduled to meet with this year's director of the Revue in hopes that any unanswered questions or concerns can be addressed.

Also discussed at the BOG meeting was an idea for a new book, "Quiet Hours." Students Shelly Houser, Veronica Kessenich and Kristen Matha are organizing the final plans for this historical/folklore book which will include experiences about life at Saint Mary's.

"It is a way to weave the tales of our past, preserve the memories and restore the pride of the College," said Houser.

The book is tentatively scheduled to be published in March and, according to Matha, "any money generated will go back directly to the school."

Other topics addressed were McCandless Hall elections, which will be held Sept. 11, and freshman elections scheduled for Sept. 18. The senior class will have a dance on Nov. 4, and the sophomore class dance will be Dec. 2.



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## Web

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Internet-accessible information database available to Notre Dame students and faculty.

Once implemented, Web registration would lessen the current registration system's role, not completely diminish it, officials said. The Direct Access Registration by Telephone (DART) system, in place at the University since 1989, would still be available to students.

But Rapagnani predicts that most students will opt for registration over the Internet.

"Students seem to want it, and that's why we keep moving in that direction," Rapagnani said.

Junior Mike Dougherty, a transfer student from Holy Cross College, believes registering over the Internet is a matter of convenience.

"It's more of a visual aid. You can see your schedule as you're building it. It's just more convenient," said Dougherty, who used paper registration forms as a Holy Cross student.

Sophomore Joe Gillespie agrees.

"If the University offered registration on the Internet, I'd use it. It seems easier than doing it over the phone," he said.

Steinke cautioned that several factors could impede the implementation of Web registration. He said the most crucial obstacle would be upgrading current University computer software to allow for Web registration.

"The process has been more complicated than we envisioned," Steinke said. "It's taken longer than we thought it would."

Setting up an Internet registration system will be of minimal cost to Notre Dame because current University software is already capable of handling online registration, University officials said.

But it cannot do so before a software upgrade, which will be part of the software's administrative and maintenance fees. Officials said the upgrade would affect systems in several University departments, including admissions, financial aid and student accounts.

"If there are problems with the upgrade, then the Internet-based registration will be delayed," Steinke said.

Already, those involved with the project have missed their projected implementation deadline.

Initially, officials hoped to make Web registration available during the course drop-add period in the opening weeks of this semester. Organizational problems and a desire not to rush into a new system hampered their progress.

Despite the delay, Steinke is confident that registration via the Web is in the University's near future.

"One way or another, we're going to get it in place. Whether that happens this fall or later, that's too early to say," he said.

Once Web registration is a reality on campus, officials hope it will pave the way for further student services, such as financial aid and housing application information, through the Internet.

"Think about any business that students have to go to a campus office to complete — they could probably do this on the Web," said Rapagnani. "Our focus is webification for students, providing new services via the Internet."

## IrishLink problems send OIT scrambling

By JASON McFARLEY  
News Writer

Only a week after it began, a new computer service failed, sending representatives from the Office of Information Technologies (OIT) scrambling to correct periods of malfunction associated with IrishLink, the University's Web-based information application for faculty and students.

Troubles began last week and were not widespread, according to Larry Rapagnani, assistant provost for computing.

Rapagnani said the problems only affected Notre Dame professors attempting to use IrishLink to compile information on students in their classes. More specifically, the difficulties were limited to faculty members who on Tuesday tried to prepare class lists accompanied by students' pictures and biographical information.

Rapagnani explained that the

University stores class lists and student information in one administrative computer system and photos, taken from student identification cards, in another.

"The problems arose when professors attempted to blend the data from the two systems," Rapagnani said.

He noted that in order to print class lists with pictures, it takes the cooperation of four interlinked computers working in sync. Rapagnani blamed a performance error in one of the computers for last week's failure.

By last Wednesday, OIT officials had resolved the issue, much to the delight of many professors. Foreign language instructor Odette Menyard said she uses the available technology to become familiar with her students and to gauge their in-class participation.

"I am terrible with names and use it as a way to get acquainted with students faster," said Menyard, who on Monday printed a roster with photos of students in her second-year French class.

## Registrar, OIT struggle with system glitches

By JASON McFARLEY  
News Writer

Relief may be in sight for members of the Notre Dame community struggling with NDAccess and AFS availability, but it looms as far away as mid-October.

Since the academic year began, faculty, staff and students have encountered computing problems. According to Don Steinke, assistant registrar, problems range from slow IrishLink connections to unavailability of the system altogether.

"It's certainly been an inconvenience, and it's becoming more significant," Steinke said.

He said his office and the Office of Information Technologies have experienced difficulties in determining the nature of the glitches but have narrowed their scope to a known bug in the system.

A remedy, however, will not likely be in place until the University's mid-semester break, which begins Oct. 14.

Steinke noted that while the problems have caused headaches for students, other network users have been just as frustrated.

Last week workers in the registrar's office were unable to access the computing system for several hours in one day. This occurred on the traditionally busy last day for students to drop or add courses.

Steinke said he received similar reports of isolated computer failure as recently as Wednesday.

# University Ombudsperson



The University of Notre Dame is pleased to announce that **Professor Kevin Misiewicz** will serve as University Ombudsperson for Discriminatory Harassment.

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## WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

### New legislature will test system:

Hong Kong selects a new legislature on Sunday, in a system critics say is rigged to give pro-Beijing forces and businesses undue power. Still, a minority of seats are expected to go to a vocal opposition that loudly attacks Hong Kong's political leader, Chief Executive Tung Chee-hwa, as it clamors for more democracy.

### Hostages see freedom:

Six Europeans held hostage for months in a southern Philippine jungle will be freed Friday, their Muslim rebel captors said Wednesday. Their release would leave one foreigner — an American — and 12 Filipinos in the hands of the Abu Sayyaf rebels.

## NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

### Texas father kills children:

A father herded three children into their trailer home, forced their grandmother at gunpoint to douse the place with gasoline, and set it on fire Wednesday, killing the youngsters, officials say. Rafael Holiday, 21, was jailed on three counts of murder. The youngsters were 18 months old, 5 and 7. The grandmother escaped through a window.

### Ex-employee wins against Wal-Mart:

A former Wal-Mart worker whose home was raided by company employees and police two years ago won \$1.65 million after claiming the company wrongly accused him of theft. Wal-Mart promised to appeal the award by the jury, which found the retailing giant liable for defamation and invasion of privacy.

## INDIANA NEWS BRIEFS

### Boy survives bulldozer accident:

A 4-year-old boy from South Bend was in stable condition Wednesday with a broken pelvis after he was knocked down by a 17,000-pound bulldozer that then drove over him. Thomas Yergler went underneath the bulldozer in a curled-up position and the bulldozer "rolled" him, said Lt. William Thompson of the St. Joseph County Sheriff's Department.

### Hamilton County man duped:

Robert Poshusta received a phone call from the Hamilton County Sheriff's Department telling him that if he cut down the 8-foot-tall marijuana plant growing in his home and brought it in, he wouldn't be charged. He chopped the towering pot plant down and walked into the lobby of the sheriff's department. He was then promptly arrested and charged with cultivating marijuana, a Class D felony. It turns out Poshusta was the victim of a prank phone call. The 28-year-old is being held in the jail on \$7,500 bond.

## EAST TIMOR



Indonesian Mobile Brigade police guard a U.N. container at the air force airport in Baucau, East Timor. A Geneva-based refugee agency confirmed Wednesday that three of its international staff members had been killed in a militia attack in West Timor and the United Nations was evacuating all relief workers from the area.

# Timor militia storms U.N. office

Associated Press

DILI  
Thousands of armed militiamen and their supporters rampaged through a U.N. office in West Timor, killing at least three workers — including one from Puerto Rico — and burning their bodies. The brutal attack brought new pressure against Indonesia's president as he gathered with world leaders at the United Nations.

Four U.N. helicopters swooped down to the border town of Atambua and safely evacuated 54 people to East Timor, but world leaders quickly and harshly castigated Indonesia for not doing more to protect

aid workers. Witnesses said Indonesian security forces stood by as the mobs torched the U.N. office and beat the workers.

The unprecedented violence — one U.N. official said it was one of the worst attacks on U.N. personnel anywhere in the world — cast a shadow over the U.N. Millennium Summit, which opened Wednesday in New York. More than 150 leaders, including Indonesian President Abdurrahman Wahid, stood for a moment of silence in honor of the victims, who were from the U.N. High Commission for Refugees.

President Clinton said he was "deeply saddened" to

hear of the deaths. "I urge the Indonesian authorities to put a stop to these abuses."

Secretary-General Kofi Annan said he had taken up the killings with the Indonesian government "at the highest level."

The militias and their military sponsors have been blamed by the United Nations and Wahid's government of carrying out the bloody destruction of East Timor a year ago after its people voted to break free of Indonesian rule in a U.N.-supervised referendum.

Indonesia still controls the western part of the island, where the U.N. refugee agency has been delivering aid to an esti-

mated 90,000 refugees who remain in border in camps after fleeing the violence in East Timor 12 months ago.

The rampage in the border town of Atambua was apparently triggered by the killing Tuesday of a militiaman opposed to East Timor's independence. Witnesses said some in the crowd accused the United Nations of not paying attention to their plight.

One of the dead U.N. workers — Puerto Rican Carlos Caceres — sent a desperate e-mail to a U.N. security office six hours before the massacre warning that they had heard a mob was en route to destroy the office.

# Millennium Summit asks for peace

Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS  
The world laid out its hopes for the third millennium Wednesday at an extraordinary convocation of leaders great and obscure, and with a plea from President Clinton for help in bringing peace to the Middle East before it is too late.

The more than 150 world leaders — the greatest assembly of presidents, prime ministers, monarchs and other rulers in history — listened as Russian President Vladimir Putin called for an international conference to outlaw the militarization of space. They heard U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan appeal for leadership to end poverty and war.

They took a moment of silence to

remember U.N. workers slain when their headquarters was overrun by rioters in Indonesian-controlled West Timor, then launched a three-day marathon of speeches and negotiations on the world's most vexing problems. Outside the hall, New York's streets gave an alternative podium to commoners.

In the largest demonstration, about 2,000 followers of the Falun Gong spiritual movement marched from China's U.N. mission to the United Nations, protesting Beijing's crackdown against the sect. There were others who protested slavery in Sudan, and still others who objected to the Mideast peace process.

Israel and its adversaries "have the chance to do it, but like all life's chances, it is fleeting and about to

pass," Clinton told the U.N. Millennium Summit.

On the sidelines of the conference, the statesmen were meeting privately — Clinton with Putin and with the parties in the Middle East, Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak with French President Jacques Chirac, British Prime Minister Tony Blair with Saudi Arabian Crown Prince Abdullah, and many more.

Privately and publicly, they exchanged advice and warnings on Mideast peace, disarmament, access to new technology, and above all, giving billions of the world's poor a better life.

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# ND grad plays strategic part in Bush presidential campaign

By ERIN LaRUFFA  
Assistant News Editor

George W. Bush may have degrees from Yale and Harvard, but one of his advisors – foreign affairs specialist Condoleezza Rice – has a degree from Notre Dame.

Only 15 years old when she began her undergraduate studies at the University of Denver, Rice was 19 when she arrived at Notre Dame. She received a master's degree in govern-

ment and international studies with a concentration in Soviet and Eastern European studies from the University in 1975.

"It was a very good place to be away from home," she said, adding that another factor in her decision to come to Notre Dame was its "excellent program in international relations." Rice's father also knew Father Theodore Hesburgh through work on the Civil Rights Commission.

While studying at Notre Dame, Rice

worked with George Brinkley, now a government professor emeritus.

"She was obviously a very bright individual. She was very independent – still is," Brinkley said. "She was outstanding ... I knew where she was going."

Rice has gone from her birthplace of Birmingham, Ala., to Stanford University's provost office to the White House.

She joined Stanford's faculty in 1981. In 1993, she was appointed provost of Stanford, a position she stepped down from in 1999. Still part of Stanford's faculty, she is currently on a one-year leave of absence from the university.

Outside of academia, Rice worked on nuclear strategic planning at the Joint Chiefs of Staff in the 1980s. In 1989, she became director of Soviet and East European affairs on the National Security Council. She also served as President George Bush's special assistant for national security affairs.

Rice enjoyed working in the White House, she said, despite the long hours required. She worked in Washington during the fall of the Berlin Wall and other major changes in the region that is her specialty.

Currently, Rice is presidential candidate George W. Bush's primary foreign policy advisor – counseling the Republican nominee in an area critics have labeled as one of Bush's weaknesses.

An African-American female, Rice does not fit the image some Americans may have of a typical member of the Republican Party. However, she does not see this as an issue.

"I can't go back and turn myself into a white male to see if it would have come out differently," Rice said of her life.

However, she has taken a different path than she originally anticipated.

"I was a failed piano major," she said, explaining that she realized in college that she would not have a career as a musician. She took an international relations course taught by current Secretary of

State Madeleine Albright's father and "loved it."

She developed areas of interest in the politics of East-Central Europe and the former Soviet Union, military institutions and international security.

Looking back, Rice encourages current students to use their college experience to do just what she did: discover what they love.

"College is the time to find what you're passionate about – not to find a job," she said.

After she left Notre Dame, Rice earned a doctoral degree from the University of Denver's Graduate School of International

Studies. Brinkley said he has not been in touch with his former student since she was in her Ph.D. program.

"I've been following her career in the newspapers and magazines, like everybody else," he said.

Rice has stayed in touch with the University, though, and has been a member of the advisory council for the College of Arts and Letters since 1991. She delivered the 1995 Commencement address at Notre Dame, at which time the University also awarded her an honorary degree. The University named her one of three National Exemplars, recognizing her service to America, in 1997.

Outside of her work in academia and the government, Rice has been involved in social service. She is vice president of a Boys and Girls Club in California and is co-founder of an after-school and summer program for children from disad-

vantaged areas. Among other things, the program offers music lessons and hands-on math and science classes.

"For me, it is just important to be committed to making the lives of people less fortunate better," she said, adding that it is "the special responsibility of educated people to make a difference in the world."

Rice serves on several corporate boards, including those of Chevron and Charles Schwab, and is a member of the international advisory council for J.P. Morgan. She is also a trustee with the National Endowment for the Humanities and a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

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LaFortune Ballroom

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Sunday, September 10, 1:00 pm

ND Room, LaFortune Student Center

RCIA: Information Sessions for Candidates and Sponsors

Sunday, September 10, 1:30 pm

Keenan-Stanford Chapel

Spanish Mass

Presider: Rev. Patrick Neary, csc

Sunday, September 10, 2:30 pm

Basilica of the Sacred Heart

Eucharistic Minister Workshop

Sunday, September 10, 8:00 pm

Basilica of the Sacred Heart

Lector Workshop

Tuesday, September 12, 6:00 pm

Keenan-Stanford Chapel

Training for New Spanish Mass Ministers

Tuesday, September 12, 7:00 pm

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Campus Bible Study

Wednesday, September 13, 10:00 pm

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### Basilica of the Sacred Heart

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

Sunday, September 10, Mass

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### Scripture Readings for this Coming Sunday

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Gospel: Lk 17: 11-17

## Companions on a Journey

By Tami Schmitz

It's a new school year. A new football season. A new season of "West Wing". It is a natural time to set goals and be filled with hope for what this new year at Notre Dame can bring. Improving GPA's, spending more time with friends, making it to Rolfs at least three times a week may be some of the goals you hear echoed in your section. However, how many times do you hear yourself or a friend say, "I'll go to Mass at least once during the week as well as on Sunday." The most important area of our lives is our spiritual life and it needs our constant attention. Spirituality, though, is often put on the back burner most easily when our calendars and lives fill up with so many other seemingly more important things.

What new goals and hopes do you have for building a closer relationship with God this year? Perhaps going on a retreat or stopping by the Grotto a bit more often are some goals which you have been thinking about. We at Notre Dame are blessed with abundant invitations to feed and nurture our spiritual lives. Not only do we have endless programs through Campus Ministry, the Center for Social Concerns, and the dorms for helping our spiritual growth, but we are surrounded by countless people – companions, if you will – who are the best resource for our spiritual lives. These companions are RA's, professors, rectors, roommates, staff members, advisors, coaches, friends who through their very words and actions provide a daily witness for what it means to live as a committed Christian in today's world.

As the director of the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) at Notre Dame, I have had the privilege of listening to many stories of students who come to Notre Dame to get their degrees but along the way are touched deeply by the witness of their peers or someone else in the community. Because of these encounters, they decide to take the time to look more closely at their own spiritual lives. In particular, some of these students are moved by the way they see members of the ND community living out their Catholic faith and so they desire to learn more about it.

RCIA is one way to start. RCIA is for three groups of people: those who have never been baptized, those who have been baptized another Christian religion and desire to become Catholic, and for those who have been baptized Catholic, but have received no other sacraments. The three pillars of RCIA, study, prayer and community, allow us to learn more about Christ and the Church, develop a meaningful prayer life and journey with a supportive community consisting of the RCIA group itself and the larger Church community. These three aspects will hopefully inspire participants to develop a rich, meaningful relationship with Christ and the Church and call them forth to be witnesses of faith to our campus and the community beyond.

The following are reflections from two students who participated in last year's RCIA process. The first is from Ashlee Logan '03:

*I never expected the degree to which RCIA would change my life. Growing up, my faith experience consisted of church on Christmas and Easter. My parents were never very religious and I had never been baptized.*

*When I first came to Notre Dame, I looked into the RCIA program and decided to give it a shot. I asked one of my good friends to be my sponsor and we began the RCIA journey together. At first I had many doubts. There are so many choices involving faith and it was hard for me to know just how my faith would form through this process. The strongest force keeping me in the program was the reassurance that I didn't have to complete the initiation if I didn't feel ready at the time.*

*Throughout the RCIA process one of the things I liked the least was leaving mass early since all of the catechumens leave before the consecration during the months of preparation for the sacraments. One Sunday as we were walking away from the church a fellow catechumen said to me, "I am really glad to be doing this with you." This catechumen was a 50-year old Jewish woman, the wife of an ND alumnus, who I did not expect to have much in common with, but realized through our brief conversation the common bond we shared as a result of our faith journey and the process we chose for ourselves. At that point I began to truly appreciate the RCIA community.*

*Following the conversation with my fellow catechumen things started falling into place. My life changed in unexpected ways. I began to feel this community bond not only within RCIA but also within my other relationships. The more I learned about God and His miraculous ways the more I felt at peace with myself. At the time of initiation I had many friends and family come for support. I was both surprised and thankful for how much others cared. It was amazing how much I learned and discovered when I gave RCIA a try and risked a part of myself in the process. Although RCIA is not for everyone, it was a wonderful experience for me and has changed my life forever.*

The second reflection is courtesy of Katie O'Banion '02:

*Last year, I volunteered to sponsor a catechumen in the RCIA process. Never did I anticipate the joy and peace that would grow as a result of this sharing of faith. Journeying with my catechumen taught me about friendship, honesty and commitment. Working within the small group fostered trust, laughter and personal revelation as we shared stories of faith and learned more about the Catholic church and the community we were fostering because of our commitment to RCIA. Standing before the congregation during the Saturday Easter Vigil brought tears, success and great peace. RCIA is a process for both the candidates and sponsors to come together as a community working towards the ultimate goal of growing closer to God and finding God in the people whose lives we touch and encounter on a daily basis.*

*One Sunday morning our small group discussion centered around Confirmation experiences. Everyone shared their own personal stories of when they felt or understood the presence of the Holy Spirit in their lives. It was truly a beautiful conversation among close friends who had once gathered for the first time as strangers. We were not sharing our calculus answers or our weekend gossip, but rather opening our hearts and sharing our experiences with one another on this faith-filled journey.*

*As a "cradle Catholic," I thought I knew everything I needed to know about the Church. I realized through my involvement in the RCIA process that I am only at the beginning of this journey. I am glad and truly blessed that I happened upon the RCIA advertisement in The Observer last fall. I encourage everyone and anyone to seize this opportunity to become a traveler, a partner in faith and a student of happiness! It changed my life.*

We are companions on a journey. May we help one another along the way this school year as we strive to meet our goals academically, personally and most of all, spiritually!!

If you know of anyone or you yourself are interested in the RCIA process, please contact Tami Schmitz (1-3016) or Justin Dunn (1-3390) in Campus Ministry at 112 Badin Hall. Our next info session is Sunday, September 10 at 1:00 pm in the Notre Dame Room of LaFortune Student Center.



# Elizondo describes cultural importance of Lady Guadalupe

By MYRA McGRIFF  
News Writer

Lady Guadalupe (Virgin de Guadalupe) has become a universal symbol of healing and unity, said Father Virgilio Elizondo during his lecture "Guadalupe: Prophet of a New Humanity."

On the crest of a new school year Saint Mary's College kicked off their academic theme, "Chicana 2000: Emerging Identities," with a lecture by Notre Dame professor Elizondo on the Lady Guadalupe. Winner

of the 1997 Laetare Award, the Notre Dame award for achievement, Elizondo gave personal and historical account on the importance of Guadalupe not only to the Mexican community but to people around the world.

"On the very birth of America," said Elizondo, "the Lady Guadalupe spoke to the commonality of people and their beliefs."

Elizondo lectured from his latest book, "Guadalupe Profit of a New Humanity," to an audience of students and community members on the importance of the Lady of Guadalupe. He

stressed her powers of protection by reaching all peoples, healing the wounds of all people and bringing together all people.

"She calls all to be concerned with the welfare of one another," said Elizondo, "caring for the disabled, the elderly and poor. She brings us all together. With the position of her hands in pictures symbolize her offering herself to all people."

To understand the significance of the Lady Guadalupe in so many peoples lives, Elizondo recounted the first manifestation to Juan Diego on the sacred

mountain of Tepeyac in 1531 after the defeat and domination of Aztec natives by Spaniards.

"He begins to believe what society has told him," said Elizondo giving account to the feeling of Juan Diego after the bishop disbelieves the vision of the Lady that Diego saw. "He begins to believe that he really is just a dumb Indian, but the Lady says I have chosen you, the littlest of all to go before and speak of me."

Through the simple story of the oppressed rising out the ashes of their defeat, many revolutionary movements stand behind the Lady Guadalupe.

"Nobody thought the farm workers of California would ever become victorious," said

Elizondo, "but with the Cesar Chavez movement working through the devotion of Lady Guadalupe, farm workers saw change."

It is that same devotion that draws not only Mexicans or Catholics, but also every type of people to respect the power of the Lady Guadalupe. Elizondo said. Still, some may wonder about how the story of Lady

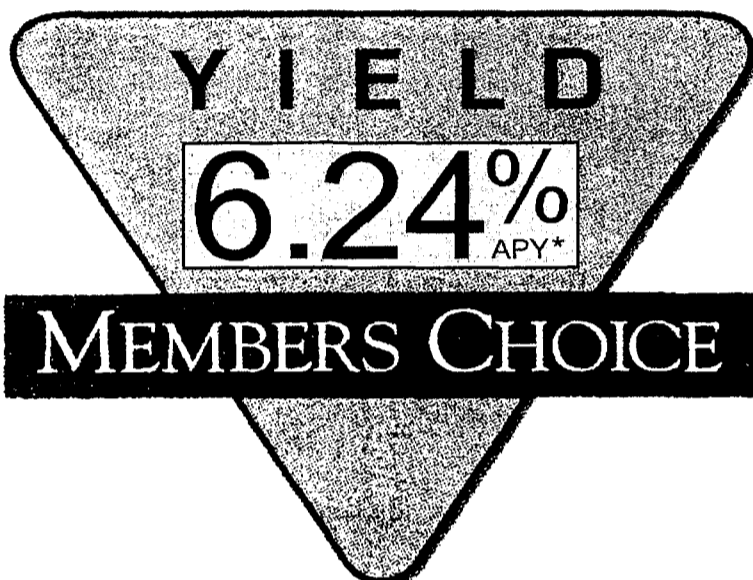
*"She calls all to be concerned with the welfare of one another."*

Virgilio Elizondo  
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Guadalupe is applicable to the hustle and bustle of college life.

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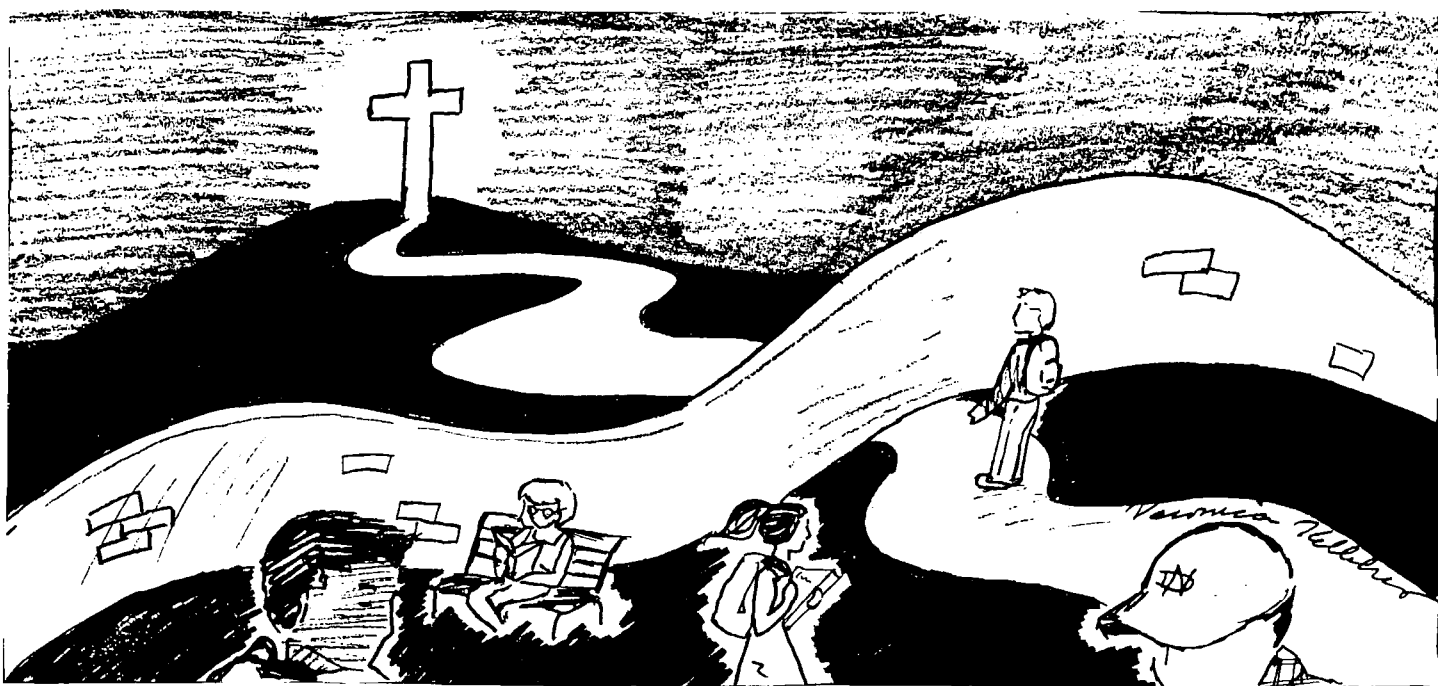
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## Catholic teaching is facing obstacles

I am often asked what difficulties or obstacles there are in developing programs in Catholic social teaching at colleges and universities. This summer, 14 Catholic colleges and universities met at Notre Dame to discuss just that and it is noteworthy that the participants discovered patterns that are common to most of their institutions. I should begin, though, by emphasizing that the recent focus on Catholic identity at these colleges and universities has created an openness to the introduction of such programs.



Todd David Whitmore

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Virtually all of the proposals developed for programs in Catholic social teaching at the various schools drew upon the mission statements of the respective institutions. Most of these mission statements have been crafted or re-crafted in the last decade and most draw upon key terms of Catholic social teaching — for instance, human dignity, solidarity and the option for the poor — to highlight a dedication to the common good of society.

This re-focusing on Catholic identity is a conscious response to a constellation of trends — from the lowering of the number of requirements in theology and philosophy to the hiring of more narrowly quantitative analysts and fewer broad theorists in disciplines like economics — that has squeezed specifically Catholic content out of the curriculum. Administrators and others aware of this pattern have welcomed the idea of developing programs in Catholic social teaching.

The primary obstacle to the development of programs in Catholic social teaching and tradition is a split between theory and practice that manifests itself

in a number of ways in college and university settings. Catholic social teaching has always been both a sophisticated social theory and a guide to everyday practice. In a setting where there is a split between theory and practice, there is confusion as to where a program that joins the two ought to be located. A bias that a number of the conference participants mentioned is one among their academic colleagues who feel that because Catholic social teaching involves seriously posing to students the question of how they plan to live their lives, it is not appropriate as a focus of academic study. In this view, such a program is best situated in and limited to campus ministry. This bias is often coupled with a devaluation of service or community-based learning as "soft." One source of this bias, I believe, is assumption that all of the academic disciplines should emulate the sciences. This is a modern assumption.

A longer tradition is that of practical reason, which serves as a rubric for the study of ethics, politics and economics, and runs from Aristotle through Thomas Aquinas and includes the tradition of Catholic social teaching. Here, the task of reason is less to analyze first principles or causes — that is the task of theoretical reason — than to aid students in the development of "phronesis" or "practical wisdom."

The development of such practical wisdom not only allows for what we now call experiential learning, it requires it. Practical wisdom grows out of guided reflection on experience. It is noteworthy that practical wisdom is, in this tradition, an intellectual virtue. Such learning is no less rigorous than that which takes place in theoretical reason.

If one's model is the modern one of all disciplines emulating the sciences and mathematics, then any program in practical reason — whether specifically Catholic or not — will have a tough go of it. The philosopher F.H. Bradley wrote in 1884 that the idea of practical reason

"has been placed on the shelf of interesting illusions." If this is the dominant view, then a program in Catholic social tradition will be difficult to establish. In Notre Dame's case, this view was expressed, and expressed strongly, in the College Council, but the proposal for a program passed 31-2.

The continuing effort to strengthen Catholic social thought and teaching in the university curriculum depends on how this interaction between modern and classical understandings of learning and scholarship plays itself out at a number of levels. On the administrative level, the provost and the deans must make difficult decisions with regard to the allocation of limited funds. How they prioritize depends on which models of the academy they find convincing. In Notre Dame's case, the provost and dean of Arts and Letters approved a modest budget for the Program in Catholic Social Tradition that is adequate for this early stage in its development. Programs at other schools with fewer resources and perhaps less concrete commitment among administrators to the Catholic identity of the institution are having a much more difficult time securing the three necessities of any program — time, funding and space.

Another level at which the case for practical reason and Catholic social teaching becomes an issue is that of the faculty. The 31-2 vote in the College Council is a strong sign of openness. The next question is that of how to move from general openness to the actual integration of Catholic social thought into courses across the university. I will take up this question next time.

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### QUOTE OF THE DAY

*"As a Roman Catholic I thank God for the heretics. Heresy is only another word for freedom of thought."*

Graham Greene  
author

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## POLITICAL FACE-OFF

# Delineating the 2000 candidate platforms

## *Continued prosperity and human rights part of Gore platform*

On Jan. 20, the United States will once again witness one of its great ceremonial institutions. On that day, notwithstanding some immanent revolution, the country will witness the peaceful transfer of power from President Clinton to the still unchosen president-elect. From now until election day, the electorate of America have the opportunity — and the responsibility — of choosing the next national leader. As November draws closer, it becomes clearer that Al Gore is the candidate with the best possibility of delivering the promise of American equality and liberty to the nation.

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In a country that boasts to hold "self-evident" that "all men are created equal," there is an uneasy alliance between the political powers and the wealthiest individuals. The American public has justifiably felt that the one vote allotted to each person is losing its influence as the rise in campaign costs force candidates to continually search for funds and kowtow to corporate donors to finance campaigns.

Today, most Fortune 500 companies find it within their interest to donate large amounts of unregulated "soft money" to both political parties, which is then indirectly used in campaigning efforts. As president, Gore has promised to make the McCain-Feingold bill, which bans soft money and strengthens already existing campaign laws, the first bill he sends to Congress. To further limit the influence of money and strengthen the power of citizens, Al Gore will work to require broadcasters to provide candidates in campaigns targeted by issue advocacy advertisements with an equal amount of free broadcast time to refute attacks against them.

He would further work to ensure American liberty by securing the rights of working families throughout the nation and abroad. Gore supports legislation to ban companies from permanently replacing striking workers. He also plans to increase the minimum wage by \$1 over the next two years, helping to deliver America's prosperity to the rest of the nation. He is also dedicated to increasing the Earned Income Tax Credit, to help supplement the income of working families in the lowest economic brackets.

Moreover, unlike his main competition, the vice president realizes that free trade is not a good that exists in a vacuum. He wants to secure trade agreements that contain provisions that will protect the environment and labor standards.

Al Gore is the only candidate of the major two parties that plans to use his presidential position to ensure that environmental protections, worker rights and human rights are

components of trade agreements.

With a strong belief in what FDR described as an inherent American right to a "freedom from fear," Gore has a sensible plan for securing safe American communities. He proposes to hire 50,000 more community police officers and 10,000 more prosecutors to protect the nation's citizens. Additionally, Gore plans to attack the underlying problems that often lead to criminal behavior.

He plans to increase after-school programs to give young people positive alternatives during the critical 3-8 p.m. time period, when most juvenile crime occurs. He intends to create second-chance schools where kids headed for trouble or those caught with weapons can receive the strict discipline and intensive services they need.

Finally, Gore will not bend to the special interests of groups like the NRA. He supports a plan to provide a state-based photo licensing system for handgun purchasers, much like licensing now used for motor vehicle drivers. Under this system, no law-abiding hunter would lose his or her weapon, but criminals would be impeded from purchasing such materials. He would extend the Brady Law to include a mandatory background check on those people attempting to purchase guns at gun shows.

Through sensible step-by-step initiatives, Vice President Gore plans to secure the rights and liberties of average Americans around the nation. While he does plan to cut the "marriage penalty" tax, Gore opposes attempts to provide large, risky tax cuts to the wealthy. From education to health care, Gore is the only candidate who has the desire and the potential to help the least among the nation partake in the fruits of prosperity.

The 2000 election is a referendum on the American conscience. Should the national community as prosperous as ours be concerned with the good of all citizens, regardless of class? Is there the will to secure opportunities for jobs, safety and education for all people in the United States? If the electorate answers "yes" to both those questions, on January 20th, 2001, Al Gore will be sworn in as the next President of the United States.

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## *Bush intends a proactive role for government*

Prosperity, growth and opportunity have characterized the last eight years in our nation. These successes are attributed to no one party, but rather they are the result of bipartisan cooperation and interest in the American people. Yet there is nothing the

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Republican congress could do to ameliorate the damage done to the legacy of the White House by the Clinton/Gore administration.

Unlike Al Gore, who hopes to ride the current economy into the White House, Governor George W. Bush plans to take a proactive role in continuing to improve the lives of each and every American, leaving no one behind and dragging no one down.

Many of our public schools are inadequate and do not give students the life skills necessary to enter the workforce or pursue a college education. Governor Bush's plan aims to narrow the achievement gap between disadvantaged students and their peers. He hopes to do this by ensuring that every disadvantaged child can read by the third grade, extending grants and funding for underprivileged students to pursue science and technology and not giving failing schools taxpayer funds.

Parents will have the option to send their children to another school system if they are in an area with a poor school. Governor Bush believes that no matter how much money is given to a school, unless it is properly used, the level of achievement will not increase.

The federal government does not know enough about local school systems to make decisions on spending and how to improve education. Therefore local communities should control their own school systems, while having to meet national rigorous standards to

ensure that all students are given the same opportunities.

Federal taxes are the highest they have ever been in peacetime. The popular perception is that Republicans only want to lower taxes for the wealthy. The truth is that Governor Bush wants to lower the marginal rates, which are highest for the lower income brackets.

Under Governor Bush's plan, a single mother making \$22,000 would pay no income taxes at all. This is just one example of eliminating the tollbooth on the road to the middle class. Governor Bush also calls for the total elimination of the death tax, which plagues farmers attempting to pass family farms to the next generation. No one should have to visit the cemetery and the IRS on the same day.

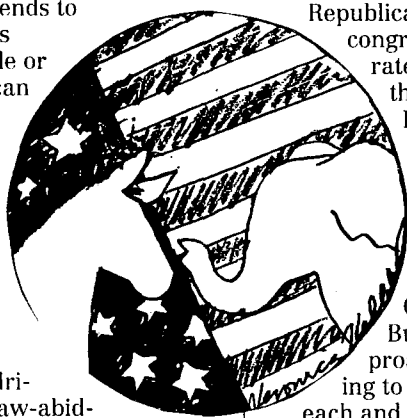
Social Security is a pivotal issue in this election and to young Americans it should be of utmost importance. Unless properly reformed there will be no Social Security in the future. Electing Governor Bush will ensure that Social Security will be alive and well for years to come.

Social Security must be run on the same principals of a private business, which includes cost cutting, smart investing and maximizing profit. Governor Bush believes that privatizing social security will ensure its success by holding someone accountable, while at the same time reinvesting in American business.

The choice we make in November will impact our schools, our economy and our future. It is imperative that our nation decides to continue moving forward and leave no one behind. Republican George W. Bush is poised and prepared to continue the success the nation has seen, while restoring integrity to the White House.

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

# Correcting lethal injection process error

I am writing in reference to the viewpoint by Lauren Jiltoy in Wed., Sept. 8 issue of The Observer titled "Protesting death as punishment." Without getting into a long and drawn out argument on the death penalty I would like to point out a glaring error in a statement she makes concerning the use of lethal injection. The author states, "The horror of lethal injection is also kept shamefully secret. Three shots are administered. The first shot paralyzes the muscles. This way, the face won't reflect that the internal organs are actually going through armageddon and to the witnesses it looks 'peaceful.'"

The problem with this statement is that it is flat out wrong. I know this personally from experience in the

medical field as an Emergency Medical Technician and I confirmed my suspicions at North Carolina's Department of Corrections Web site. The first drug given in a lethal injection is thiopental sodium which is a heavy sedative used in the operating room to knock people unconscious.

The paralyzing drug, called Pavulon, is then given but by then the person being executed is unconscious and is not able to feel that he is being paralyzed. To complete the execution most states then use potassium chloride which totally stops the heart.

The only pain the inmate feels is the slight stick from the two intravenous lines, but most inmates are offered valium to help calm them while an IV is being started. If I

had to be executed I would choose lethal injection hands down because you never feel a thing. The person being executed is done so without pain; that is why the execution looks "peaceful" to the witnesses.

The point of this letter was not to figure out who's right and wrong in the death penalty issue but a valid argument can not be made against the death penalty that uses incorrect information.

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## MOVIE FEATURE

# P.T.'s house of frogs and porn

*Two recently released DVDs showcase director's talent*

By JEFFREY Q. IRISH  
Scene Movie Critic

"We may be through with the past, but the past ain't through with us" is just one of the many themes in director Paul Thomas Anderson's latest masterpiece "Magnolia," which was released onto DVD this past week.

The film is basically a day in the life of nine troubled characters whose lives intersect in the San Fernando Valley. Although universally praised by critics, "Magnolia" failed to connect with an audience at the box office. Some audience members thought the movie was "too long," or "too boring." Others, however, thought that it was a true triumph. Undoubtedly, "Magnolia" has polarized its audience and carved itself a place in cinematic history.

### The title

There has been much debate concerning the reasons for the title of the film, but recently Anderson has shed some light on the subject. "It's foremost the intersection (or street) where the climax of the film takes place. Secondly, it has been hypothesized that the bark from a Magnolia tree could help cure cancer [two characters in the film suffer from the disease]. It is also a close name to Magonia, which is a mystical place I read about. Magonia is like a Bermuda Triangle of some sorts in the air, it's like this place where things

(like frogs and guns) go when they are missing until they finally fall back down to the earth."

### The falling frogs

Towards the end of the film, there is a sudden shower of frogs that envelops all of the San Fernando Valley, disrupting each character's actions.

Believe it or not, but it rains frogs in real life. This rare phenomenon takes place in parts of the world with heavily concentrated frog populations such as the Amazon Rainforest. Tornadoes touch ground and pick up the frogs and carry them miles away where they float in the atmosphere until the winds die down. The result is an amphibian rainfall.

At the beginning of the film, Anderson ingeniously sets up the viewer for a freak occurrence by recounting a series of three stories.

He tells the story of the man of Greenberry Hill who was killed by three other men named Green, Berry and Hill; the story of a scuba diver who was killed in a forest fire; and the story of an attempted homicide that prohibited what was to be an unsuccessful suicide, but was somehow ended by a related accidental homicide. "This cannot be 'one of those things,'" the narrator says. But the setup prepared the audience for 'one of those things,' and two hours later a phenomenon takes place that shocks everyone.

Anderson claims that he did not



Photo courtesy of New Line Cinema

Paul Thomas Anderson's "Magnolia" was released on DVD this week. The two-disc set contains an extensive video diary documenting the director's work.

know that frogs could rain in real life. He explains the raining of the frogs as thus: "you get to a point in your life, and s--t is happening, and everything's out of control, and suddenly, a rain of frogs just makes sense."

from the laserdisc version of the movie. Still, "Boogie Nights," which tells the story of a young actor in the porn industry, is an excellent, genre-bending masterpiece, and the DVD is worth buying.

### The DVD

The DVD itself is a two-disc release similar to that of "Fight Club." One disc contains the movie and one contains the supplemental material. The supplemental material is less than one would hope for, but a lot of it is hilarious. It has two extended versions of Frank "T.J." Mackey's (Tom Cruise) pathetic sexual empowerment seminar and a few of the usual DVD extras such as the trailers and television spots.

Unfortunately, there is no Anderson commentary track to go along with the movie. In replacement, there is a 75-minute "Making of Magnolia" documentary that shows Anderson at work. It is very cool, but disappointing to those who have loved his commentaries on his previous DVDs.

### "Boogie Nights" re-release

A new version of P.T. Anderson's second and most notorious film, "Boogie Nights," was also released this past week. This updated version is a two-disc double platinum series from New Line Studios with digitally enhanced coloring and soundtrack. There was apparently some color distortion in the original transfer (some scenes leaked red) on last year's release, so the studio and Anderson decided to re-release the film. Aside from that, there is little on this version that was not on the original platinum edition release. The only noticeable additional feature is that of an alternate commentary track taken

### P.T. Anderson's next

On a sadder note, it has been confirmed by a publicist of Anderson that he is almost done with a comedy script that will soon team him up with former "Saturday Night Live" star Adam Sandler. Anderson met Sandler on the set of SNL last season as he was fine-tuning his comedic skills. Let's just hope that Lorne Michaels, responsible for such hits as "Coneheads," "A Night at the Roxbury" and "Superstar," doesn't produce the film.



Photo courtesy of New Line Cinema

Paul Thomas Anderson, one of Hollywood's great young directors, has three films under his belt. Two of them, "Magnolia" and "Boogie Nights" were recently released on DVD.

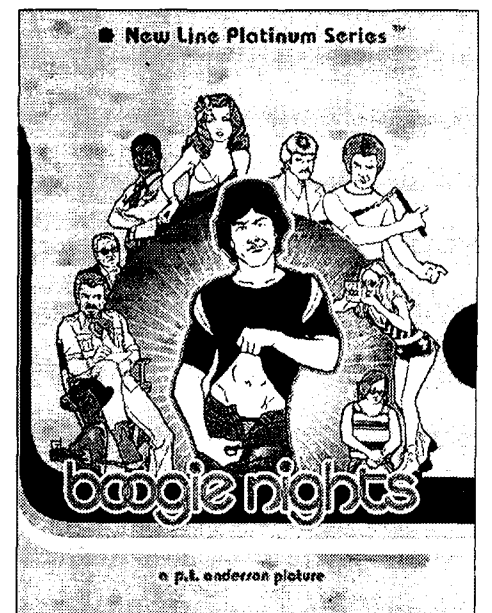


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The "Boogie Nights" DVD re-release offers better picture quality and a few extra supplemental features.

## MOVIE COLUMN

# The re-creation of Bruce

Remember the old Bruce Willis? Star of the "Die Hard" trilogy, "Pulp Fiction" and "The Fifth Element?" The problem isn't remembering this Bruce Willis, it's seeing him. He is no more.

Suddenly, the old, action-star Bruce Willis has become the new, kinder, gentler Bruce Willis of "The Story of Us" fame. Yep, Willis has gone soft. He has abandoned the act that made him famous for something entirely new – and entirely ridiculous.

Consider the last four big-name films he has starred in, beginning with last year's Academy Award-nominated "The Sixth Sense." Sure, this looks like a chilling tale of ghosts and terror, but is it really? Does it match up to the zaniness of some of Willis' older movies? It's nowhere near as strange as "12

Monkeys," or as chilling as "Striking Distance." Also, keep in mind that Willis made almost this exact same movie two years earlier with

"Mercury Rising." Except in that movie Willis was the leading man; in "Sixth Sense" he plays a supporting role to a little boy.

Or how about "The Story of Us," easily one of the worst movies of the past decade? Willis stars opposite Michelle Pfeiffer as a husband in a marriage that just isn't working. Sounds fine in theory except that Willis treats his marital problems more like a hostage negotiation than a family matter. I was just waiting for him to break loose and blow up the kitchen. He didn't, the movie did.

Next up, this spring's "The Whole Nine Yards." Give me a

break. Willis used to play real hitmen in the old days.

Remember "Billy Bathgate" and "The Jackal?" Not particularly great films, but at least they let Willis play the part he was made for. Not this year. Now, when Willis is put in a mobster film, he's the straight man for an endless stream of tired Matthew Perry jokes.

And finally, this summer's tragedy of a children's film, "Disney's The Kid." Not much of a change from the "Nine Yards," except now Willis is the straight man to a 10-year old's jokes. And please, Willis in a Disney movie?

Somewhere John McClane is crying.

But let's not put all the blame on Bruce. He's simply copying what others have done before him, most notably John Travolta.

Travolta broke onto the scene in the late 1970s with "Saturday Night Fever" and "Grease," only to fade from view for over a decade. His comeback was made possible, in large part, because he transformed himself from a heartthrob singer-dancer to a more mature, versatile actor. Charging back into Hollywood with "Look Who's Talking" in 1989 (in which, coincidentally, Willis played the voice of little Mikey), Travolta endeared himself to comedy fans immediately. He later proved his crime stripes in "Pulp Fiction" (Bruce was in that, too) and his dramatic abilities in "Primary Colors." His transformation was a success.

Others have succeeded in even more revolutionary transformations. Will Smith went from an early-'90s rapper to a late-'90s leading man with hardly missing a step. More recently, Jennifer Lopez



Photo courtesy of 20th Century Fox Films

In the "Die Hard" series, Bruce Willis played a wise-cracking, tough-as-nails cop. Now he's lost his edge.

has achieved the opposite: going from actor to singer. Former athletes like Jim Brown, O.J. Simpson and Dick Butkus have also made successful, though short, careers on the big-screen.

So what happened to Bruce? Why did he decide the time was right for a change? Maybe it was the criticism his last action movie, "Armageddon," received. Or maybe it's

the terrible taste that was left in everyone's mouth from 1996's "Last Man Standing." Or maybe Willis wants to recapture his youth and transfer himself back to his early days, when he was on the television series "Moonlighting." Whatever the reason, it isn't working.

So, what should Willis do to regain his lost form? Three words: "Die Hard 4."



Photo courtesy of Walt Disney Pictures

Bruce Willis' more recent roles have paired him with child actors, such as Spencer Breslin in "Disney's The Kid."

## MOVIE REVIEW

# Overdose of pot jokes kills 'Grace's' momentum

By JUDE SEYMOUR  
Scene Movie Critic

In his directorial debut, Nigel Cole presents a British comedy about a housewife named Grace Trevethyn and her very big problem.

Grace (played by Brenda Blethyn) has been left with a mountainous load of debt thanks in full to her recently deceased husband. It seems Grace's husband has mysteriously died at the perfect time: the moment the creditors and repo-men are coming to disseminate the Trevethyn estate. Without a job and facing a 300 thousand-pound debt, Grace's innocent conversation with her gardener leads to a gold mine idea: growing marijuana in twenty kilo chunks to subsidize her rather quaint life.

"Saving Grace" has immediately presented us with its main source of fodder for the remain-

ing 60 minutes. Each joke is now hit or miss depending on whether the audience will find funny a housewife growing hemp plants in the greenhouse behind her estate and trying to avoid going to jail.

A couple of striking visuals (smoking pot over a cliff) and a pop soundtrack (with a very English flavor) are not enough to supply any additional depth. The movie will be a hit or miss with the audience based on the presentation of each successive pot joke and also if those jokes can be woven together to make a satisfying plot.

As with all successful British comedies, the movie explores minor characters that provide jokes for certain scenes. For

example, Grace's elderly lady friends stumble upon her greenhouse and use a plant leaf for their tea. In minutes, we see the two ladies giggling and munching

## "Saving Grace"



out of five shamrocks

**Director:** Nigel Cole  
**Starring:** Brenda Blethyn  
and Craig Ferguson

obnoxiously on corn flakes. The movie is in trouble: the jokes are laughable, but do nothing to advance the plot.

In addition, a romantic element is rather hastily outlined for us. Grace's gardener, Matthew, is struggling to make his relationship work with his long time girlfriend, Nicky. While the director provides a clever parallel in two scenes (scenes of Nicky at church interspersed with a scene of Matthew helping grow the marijuana bud), the viewer knows

from the introduction of the characters that the relationship will work out.

When Matthew and Nicky embrace in the water near the completion of the film, solidifying their love, the romantic element has done nothing but slow the laughter in the film. When the audience is not laughing, it is a hazard for this movie: it cannot stand alone with its dramatic elements.

Moreover, the character development of Grace is rather standard. The movie provokes the audience to feel sympathy for her situation early so it can justify her illegal activity later. When the creditors and the police start getting close, the story was designed so the audience would root for Grace to somehow avoid jail and earn enough money to keep her house.

Naturally, a movie that promotes bulk marijuana distribution to solve life's problems would

receive criticism from someone, so the plot turns to a contemporary version of "straddling the fence." It is not marijuana that saves Grace from money troubles. It is unfortunately something a lot less believable, but very legal.

Here is where the main fault of the movie lies: it was conceived with an ending that invalidates the movie's sole source of humor. In this case, maybe it is not a movie whose discussion afterwards should be based on the weakness of the ending (or so says a fellow moviegoer). This reviewer comes from a different school of thought, however, which stipulates that a movie should attempt to achieve greatness from beginning to end.

In this case, if you are looking for a smart British comedy in the same vein as "Saving Grace," rent 1998's "Waking Ned Devine" for a decidedly more satisfying payoff.

## NATIONAL LEAGUE

# Montreal puts stop to St. Louis streak with 7-2 win

Associated Press

## ST. LOUIS

Vladimir Guerrero hit two home runs and Montreal stopped St. Louis's six-game winning streak with a 7-2 victory.

Dustin Hermanson (11-12) struck out four, walked two and gave up seven hits in eight innings as the Expos stopped their three-game losing streak.

Guerrero hit his second home run in the eighth for his sixth multihomer game, and 10th of his career. The two homers were the first of his career at Busch Stadium.

Cardinals starter Garrett Stephenson (15-8) gave up four runs, nine hits, struck out six and walked one in eight innings. He is winless in his last two starts after winning his previous four decisions.

St. Louis took a 1-0 lead in the third with the help of an error by second baseman Jose Vidro. J.D. Drew singled and went to third on a single by Jim Edmonds. Drew scored when Vidro bobbled a grounder hit by Will Clark.

The Expos took a 2-1 lead in the fourth when Vladimir Guerrero hit his 33rd homer after a single by Andy Tracy.

The Expos added another run in the fifth on back-to-back doubles by Orlando Cabrera and Brian Schneider.

The Cardinals got their second run in the eighth when Drew doubled and scored on a single by Will Clark.

With the score 4-2 after Guerrero's second homer of the game, reliever Alan Benes gave up the final three Expos runs in the ninth. Cabrera, who reached on a double, scored on an error by shortstop Edgar Renteria and a two-run homer by Milton Bradley.

Hermanson didn't allow any runners past second base after Fernando Tatis' double in the fourth.

Hermanson, who had lost three of his last five deci-

sions, faced the Cardinals for the first time since Sept. 26, 1998, when he allowed Mark McGwire's 67th home run of the season.

A loss would have dropped the Expos to a season-low 23 games below .500. They were 42-42 at the All-Star break.

## Astros 13, Marlins 5

Chris Truby hit a two-run homer in a seven-run fifth inning, and Jose Lima won despite giving up two more homers as Houston beat Florida.

Lima (7-15) allowed five runs and seven hits in eight innings, striking out six and improving to 6-2 in 12 starts since July 9.

But he gave up homers to Preston Wilson and pinch-hitter Chris Clapinski. Lima has allowed 42 homers, eight short of the major league record Bert Blyleven set with Minnesota in 1986.

Truby went 3-for-5, including a triple and three RBIs. Jeff Bagwell and Richard Hidalgo each drove in three runs.

Jesus Sanchez (8-10) was tagged for eight runs and seven hits in four-plus innings.

Truby put Houston ahead with an RBI triple in the first but Derrek Lee's run-scoring single tied it in the fourth.

Moises Alou's 27th homer again gave Houston the lead in the bottom half, but Wilson's 25th homer, a three-run drive, gave Florida a 4-2 lead in the fifth.

Houston took a 6-4 lead in the big bottom half when Lugo and Jeff Bagwell hit consecutive two-run doubles.

Hidalgo followed with an RBI double that chased Sanchez, and Truby hit a two-run homer off Manny Aybar that made it 9-4.

Hidalgo added a sacrifice fly in the sixth. Clapinski hit his first major league homer in the seventh.

Houston added three runs in the eighth off Brad Loeper in the eighth and Bagwell's

second double, Hidalgo's sacrifice fly and Alou's RBI groundout.

## Giants 5, Phillies 4

Ellis Burks hit an infield single in the eighth inning and San Francisco defeated Philadelphia for its eighth straight win.

The Giants took a season-high 7 1/2-game lead in the NL West and matched their longest winning string of the year.

Philadelphia lost its eighth in a row.

Vicente Padilla (3-5) walked the bases loaded and Burks hit a ball into the hole. Third baseman Scott Rolen fielded the ball, but had no chance to get an out as Marvin Benard came home with the go-ahead run.

Aaron Fultz (4-2) pitched two scoreless innings striking out a career-high five, for the victory. Alan Embree recorded the final two outs for his second save.

The Giants took a 4-0 lead in the first against Randy Wolf. Calvin Murray was hit by a pitch and eventually scored on a single by Barry Bonds.

With two outs, Burks singled and Russ Davis followed with his eighth homer of the season, a three-run shot over the left-field fence.

In the third, Bobby Abreu tripled off the glove of a leaping Bonds in the left and scored when Doug Glanville singled to make it 4-1.

Wolf started the tying rally in the fifth with a one-out single against Mark Gardner. Abreu walked and Glanville singled to load the bases for Rolen, who singled home two runs.

Travis Lee followed with a sacrifice fly that tied it.

## Pirates 8, Dodgers 3

Dan Serafini pitched six strong innings before needing relief help and Pittsburgh completed a perfect West Coast road trip, beating Los Angeles.

The Pirates went 6-0, finishing off their first three-game sweep at Dodger Stadium since 1988 following a three-game sweep at San Diego.

Pittsburgh's season-high six-game winning streak has come after a 4-17 slide. Brian Giles had three hits and drove in two runs.

Serafini, winless in his previous five starts, held the Dodgers to two hits in the first six innings Serafini (2-3) lasted 6 2-3 innings, allowing four hits and two earned runs.

The left-hander struck out four, walked one and was removed after giving up Alex Cora's two-out triple in the seventh and a single by pinch-hitter Kevin Elster.

The Dodgers managed only three earned runs against the Pirates in the three-game series.

Pittsburgh third baseman Enrique Wilson and shortstop Pat Meares committed throwing errors on consecutive routine grounders by Jim Leyritz and Chad Kreuter in the second inning.

The miscues ended the Pirates' errorless streak at a season-best 58 innings, and helped the Dodgers score two runs without the benefit of a hit after they had fallen behind 5-0.

The Pirates, whose three-run first inning Tuesday night triggered an 8-0 victory, scored four in the first off against Ismael Valdes (2-7).

The right-hander was charged with five runs and eight hits in six innings, and fell to 0-3 since rejoining the Dodgers in a July 26 trade with the Chicago Cubs.

John Vander Wal drove in Pittsburgh's first run with a double. Wilson and Alex Hernandez added RBI singles and Pat Meares capped the rally with a bases-loaded sacrifice fly.

The Pirates blew it open in the eighth with two-out RBI singles by Adrian Brown, Jason Kendall and Giles

against Mike Fetters.

## Padres 7, Brewers 6

Woody Williams went 3-for-4 with an RBI and pitched six shaky innings as San Diego beat Milwaukee.

Williams (9-5) scored San Diego's first run and hit a run-scoring single in the fifth that tied the game at 6.

He is batting .286 (14-for-49) this season with eight RBIs, including .363 (12-for-33) since returning from the disabled list July 2. It was his second three-hit game this year.

As for pitching, he allowed six runs and eight hits, walked five and struck out five. Trevor Hoffman finished with a perfect ninth for his 38th save in 45 chances.

John Snyder (3-8) was tagged for seven runs, eight hits and seven walks in four-plus innings. He is 0-6 in 13 starts since June 22.

Richie Sexson was 3-for-4 for Milwaukee with a homer and four RBIs.

The crowd of 13,777 was the smallest for a game at San Diego this season.

With Milwaukee leading 6-5 in the fifth, Snyder (3-8) walked Mike Darr and Desi Relaford, and David Weathers gave up a one-out single.

A walk to Damian Jackson loaded the bases, and Eric Owens drove in the go-ahead run with a groundout.

Sexson's RBI single put the Brewers ahead in the first, and his two-run homer in the third, his 26th of the season and 10th since Milwaukee acquired him from Cleveland on July 28.

San Diego tied the score in the third when Jackson hit a two-run homer and Snyder walked Relaford with the bases loaded, then went ahead 5-3 in the fourth on Owens' RBI single and Dave Magadan's sacrifice.

Milwaukee retook the lead in the fifth on Geoff Jenkins' RBI single. Sexson's run-scoring double and Jeromy Burnitz's RBI single.

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## AMERICAN LEAGUE

## Royals rally in ninth inning to top Yankees, 3-2

Associated Press

## KANSAS CITY

Carlos Febles doubled home the tying run and scored on Johnny Damon's single as Kansas City rallied in the bottom of the ninth inning to beat New York 3-2.

The Royals beat New York for only the second time in nine games. Derek Jeter and Paul O'Neill homered for the Yankees.

With one out in the ninth, Dave McCarty singled off Mike Stanton (2-3). Pinch-runner Luis Ordoz scored on Febles' double, and Damon followed with his fourth hit of the game.

Stanton blew his fourth straight save chance.

Brian Meadows (4-2) pitched his second complete game of the season for the Royals. He gave up nine hits, struck out three and walked one.

Chuck Knoblauch returned to the Yankees lineup and went 0-for-4 in his first game since going on the disabled list Aug. 3 with tendinitis in his right elbow. The second baseman was mistake-free recording two assists in a solid performance.

New York's Orlando Hernandez pitched shutout ball into the eighth inning, helping himself by starting two double plays. The blown save by Stanton denied El Duque his fifth straight win.

Joe Randa hit into both of the double plays started by Hernandez, who also had two other assists on ground balls

back to the mound.

The first double play came in the fourth inning, and the second came in the eighth with runners on first and third and the Royals trailing 2-1.

Meadows retired nine of the first 10 batters he faced. But Jeter led off the Yankees fourth with a homer to left-center field, and O'Neill bounced a ball off the top of the left-field bullpen gate for a 2-0 lead with one out in the sixth.

Jermaine Dye went 2-for-4 and started Kansas City's rally with an RBI single in the eighth, cutting New York's lead to 2-1.

## White Sox 13, Rangers 1

Frank Thomas hit his AL-leading 41st home run and Chicago spoiled Scott Sheldon's adventure at all nine positions with a romp over Texas.

Charles Johnson, Greg Norton and Magglio Ordonez also homered for the AL Central-leading White Sox. Chicago scored seven runs in the first inning, sending Rick Helling to the shortest start of his career.

The only bright spot for the Rangers — or maybe it was comic relief — came from Sheldon, who became just the third player ever to play all nine spots in one game. He joined Bert Campaneris (Sept. 8, 1965) and Cesar Tovar (Sept. 22, 1968) as true utility players.

Sheldon, normally a third baseman, entered the game in the fourth inning at catcher. By the eighth, he was pitching and he struck out the only batter he

faced, Jeff Liefer.

While his White Sox teammates were knocking in runs, Kip Wells (5-7) was keeping the Rangers in check. Making his first start since being recalled from Triple-A Charlotte, Wells pitched one of his best games ever.

Wells gave up one unearned run and four hits in seven innings. He struck out four and walked only one.

Mike Lamb drove in Texas' run with grounder in the third. The Rangers had won three in a row.

Helling gave up a whopping seven runs — two of them homers — before being yanked after getting just two outs. He gave up five hits, walked three and threw 41 pitches.

With their division lead down to 6 1/2 games, the White Sox head to Cleveland this weekend for a series with the second-place Indians. Chicago's offense seemed to be sputtering at a very inopportune time as it managed just five runs in their first two games against Texas.

But the White Sox broke out of their mini-slump in a hurry Wednesday. After Helling

walked Jose Valentin, Thomas homered to left. His 41st homer of the season tied his career high, set in 1993, the year he won his first MVP award.

The smoke from the fireworks hadn't even cleared when Ordonez homered, giving the White Sox a 3-0 lead.

Chicago then loaded the bases with a single by Carlos Lee and walks to Paul Konerko and Norton, and Chris Singleton hit a two-run single.

After Johnson lined out, Ray Durham hit a two-run single to center, giving the White Sox a 7-0 run and chasing Helling.

## Angels 1, Tigers 0

Scott Schoeneweis shut out Detroit on two singles for eight innings and Anaheim stopped a season-high six-game losing streak, defeating the Tigers.

Mo Vaughn drove in the lone run with an RBI grounder in the third inning. Troy Glaus tied an Angels record with three doubles.

Schoeneweis and reliever Troy Percival combined to hand the Tigers their major league-leading 12th shutout.

Schoeneweis (7-7) struck out six and walked two. Percival pitched a hitless ninth for his 26th save.

Steve Sparks (6-3), selected earlier in the day as the AL Pitcher of the Month, had his five-game winning streak stopped.

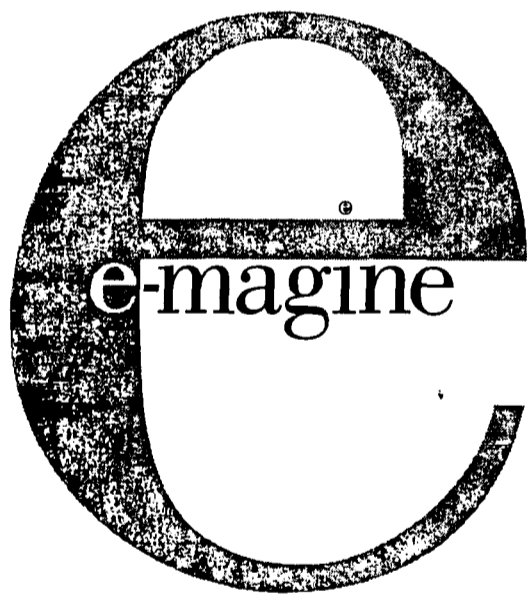
Sparks gave up seven hits over eight innings. He struck out three and walked two.

Kevin Stocker walked to start the Angels third, moved up on Scott Spiezio's double and scored on Vaughn's grounder to second.

Schoeneweis made that run stand up against the Tigers, who had won their last 10 games against left-handed starters.

Schoeneweis breezed through the first six innings, facing the minimum 18 batters. Brad Ausmus led off the third with a single, but was erased on a double play.

Detroit loaded the bases with one out in the seventh on two walks and a single by Bobby Higginson. But Schoeneweis struck out Wendell Magee and got Deivi Cruz on an inning-ending grounder.



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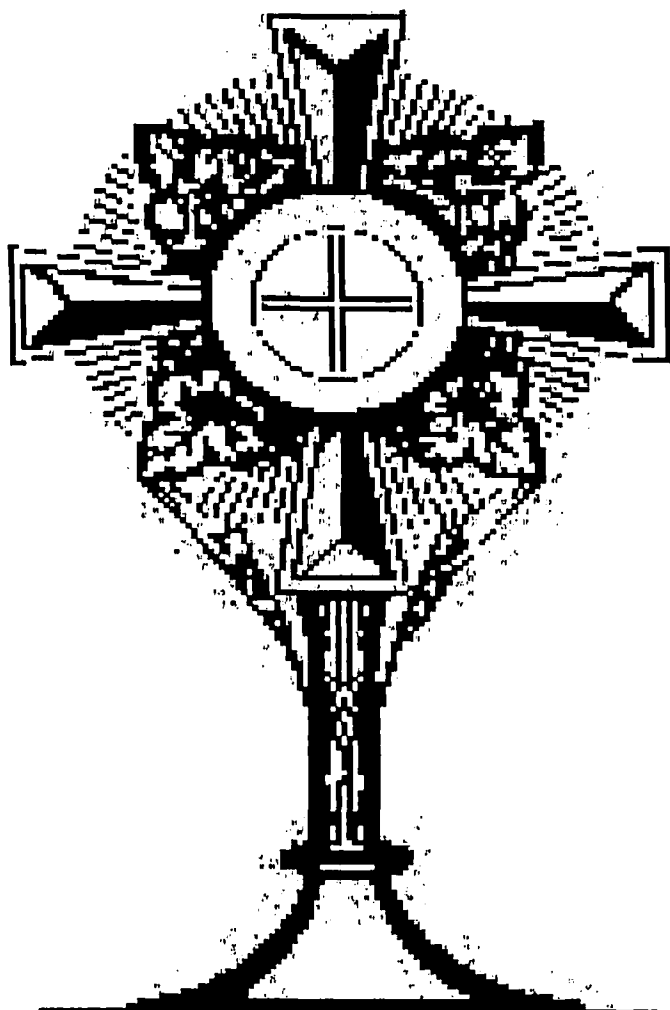
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Senior captain Kelly Lindsey will lead No. 4 Notre Dame in critical games this weekend against No. 2 Santa Clara and No. 10 Stanford.

KEVIN DALUM/The Observer

# Lindsey

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Bronco coach Jerry Smith tossed out a lot of "the best team didn't win today" lines and belly-ached about yet another Santa Clara semifinal loss throughout his press conference after the game.

"We did not get a lot of respect last year in the Final Four period from any of the teams," Lindsey said. "So it will be a good chance for us to step back into the limelight and prove ourselves as a team."

Although Santa Clara dropped a game to unranked Washington earlier this week, Lindsey has no doubt that the Broncos will still pose a stiff test.

"Everyone knows that they are a really good team and anyone can get knocked off — especially early in the season," she said. "That loss could do more harm than help because they'll probably be fired up and ready to go when they come in here Friday night."

The Irish know all about bouncing back from a tough early loss. Last year they dropped their sixth game of the year to Southern Methodist

before rebounding to win seven-straight.

While the Irish are used to playing an extremely tough team early in the season, facing No. 10 Stanford on Sunday makes the weekend twice as difficult. The Irish also defeated the Cardinal 1-0 in the second round of the NCAA tournament last fall.

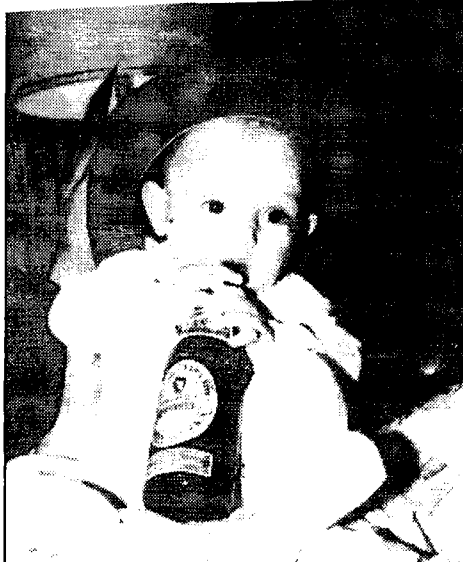
So with two of the top 10 teams in the country coming to town this weekend, you'll have to forgive Lindsey for skipping the hot sun and tailgating of the football game for her couch in Farley.

Plus, beating Nebraska is old hat for Lindsey. She and her teammates have eliminated the Huskers from the NCAA tournament three-straight years. Last year her sudden-death penalty kick after four over-times sent the Irish to San Jose for the final four while the Huskers spent December in Lincoln.

So what advice does this proven Husker killer have for Bob Davie's boys?

"How to beat Nebraska? Hit 'em hard," she said.

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5:45 p.m. Pachanga '00, Upperclassmen, LaFortune Student Center Ballroom

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8:30 p.m.-Midnight ND Express Billiards games open, LaFortune Student Center

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

10:30 p.m. SUB Movies, "Mission Impossible 2", DeBartolo 101\* and "Some Like It Hot", DeBartolo 155\*

Friday, September 8

4:00 p.m. Adidas Invitational Women's Volleyball Tournament: ND vs. Nebraska, Joyce Center

5:00 p.m. Women's Soccer, Keybank Classic, Connecticut vs. Stanford, Alumni Field

6:30 p.m. Football Pep Rally, Notre Dame Stadium

7:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m. Open Rec Badminton, Court 2, RSRC

7:30 p.m. Women's Soccer, Keybank Classic, ND vs. Santa Clara, Alumni Field

8:00 p.m. SUB Movies, "Mission Impossible 2", DeBartolo 101\* and "Tootsie", DeBartolo 155\*

8:30 p.m.-Midnight ND Express Billiards games open, LaFortune Student Center

9:00 p.m. Cinema at the Snite, "Lolita", Snite Museum\*

10:00 p.m. Flipside 80's dance, LaFortune Student Center Ballroom\*

10:30 p.m. SUB Movies, "Mission Impossible 2", DeBartolo 101\* and "Tootsie", DeBartolo 155\*

Saturday, September 9

4:30 p.m. Adidas Invitational, Women's Volleyball: MSU vs. Nebraska, Joyce Center

7:00 p.m. Adidas Invitational, Women's Volleyball: ND vs. UCLA, Joyce Center

8:00 p.m. SUB Movies, "Mission Impossible 2", DeBartolo 101\* and "Dr. Strangelove", DeBartolo 155\*

9:00 p.m. Cinema at the Snite, "Lolita", Snite Museum\*

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## Receiver

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Bishop Luers won the Indiana Class 2A title. Witherspoon transferred to Bishop Luers after spending his freshman

and sophomore year at Fort Wayne South Side High School.

He was rated the 25th best prospect in the nation by recruiting analyst Tom Lemming and placed fourth in the Indiana Mr. Football balloting.

Lemming told The Observer last spring, "He's probably going to be their go-to guy in the next couple of years."

Senior flanker Joey Getherall, who sprained his right knee and suffered a groin injury as a freshman, was surprised with

Witherspoon's decision.

"I knew he was going through rough times but I thought he was going to stay," Getherall said. "I went through a real rough time [as a freshman] and I know all the freshmen right now are going through rough times, especially here at Notre Dame because it's a real tough place academic-wise and athletic-wise."

"But especially being from Fort Wayne I thought he would know what it would be like. I think he knew it would be tough but who knows what he was going through? Maybe he had difficulties but I have no idea. I don't want to speculate anything. I don't even think the whole team knows about it. Coach [Davie] hasn't really said anything."

Witherspoon is the fourth Irish player since May to leave the program.

Receiver Jamaar Taylor has enrolled at Texas A&M, defensive back Albert Poree has enrolled at Georgia Tech and offensive lineman Neal Ambron left school and may not play football again.

## Defense

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Mattison and the Irish coaching staff have been stressing the importance of flawless execution to the players.

"Nebraska has an offensive scheme that will take advantage of anyone that's not prepared," said Mattison. "If you're doing something you shouldn't be doing, they will expose you."

With quarterback Eric Crouch at the helm, Nebraska trampled San Jose State in its season opener 49-13. The Huskers gained 596 offensive yards, scored on their first four possessions and did not punt until the fourth quarter.

"Obviously, they can get rolling on you," said Irish head coach Bob Davie. "We're not going to be intimidated. We respect them and we know how good they are. We played Tennessee and Tennessee beat us pretty good and they beat Tennessee. I think we are better than we were then."

Irons is ready to lead his defensive corps against the Husker offense, but his brother might have a tougher time picking sides.

"I actually think he might be split," said Irons. "But I'll make sure I find out who he's rooting for before the game starts."

There is no question which side Grant Iron's heart will be on.

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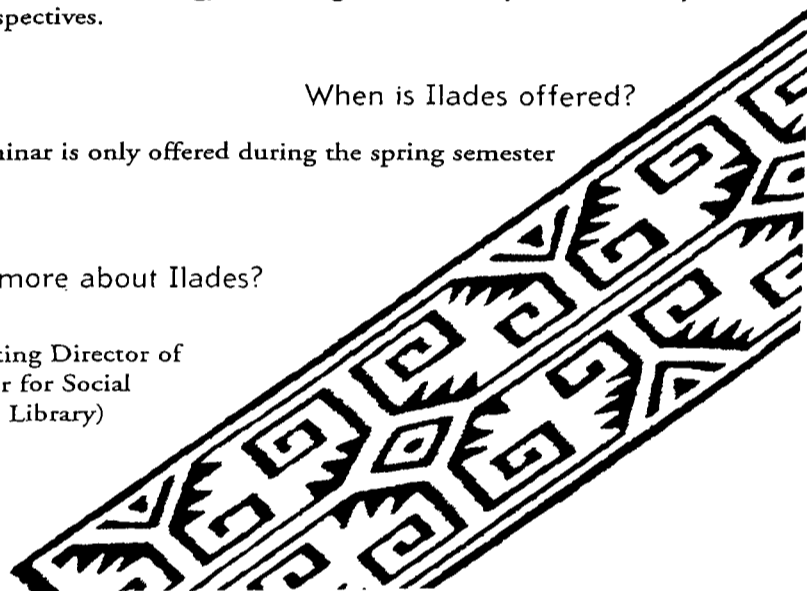
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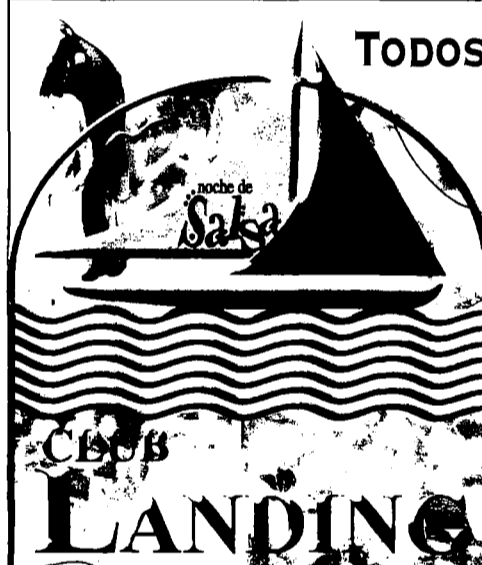
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## MEN'S SOCCER

## Irish drop home opener to No. 21 Braves, 3-1

## ♦ Notre Dame outshoots Bradley but cannot convert

By NOAH AMSTADTER  
Sports Writer

When a team completely dominates an opponent in seemingly every category, the end result is usually a victory.

Unfortunately for the Irish men's soccer team, this wasn't the case Wednesday night as they lost its home opener 3-1 to the 21st-ranked Braves of Bradley.

Despite putting up 25 shots to merely seven by the Braves, the Irish were only able to convert one penalty kick into a goal.

Head coach Chris Apple felt that the team's youth showed tonight.

"It's frustrating to own the ball, to own the game, to have 25 shots to their seven, to have seven corner kicks to their three, and come out on the losing end," Apple said.

"A lot of our youth and inexperience showed tonight. We were the better team, but better teams don't always win when they don't play intelligently."

The Braves began the scoring early — just three minutes and seven seconds into the game. Bradley's Hamid Mehreioskouei drove the ball downfield before finding a flying Gavin Ginton open on the right side. Ginton received the pass on the right side and shot the ball past Irish goalkeeper Greg Tait for the game's first score.

"We knew that their two forwards were going to be good," said Tait. "I just don't know if we accommodated for their quickness and speed right away. For them it was really the two man show up front."

The Irish regrouped to

dominate the majority of the remainder of the first half. Freshman Chad Riley and sophomore Justin Ratcliffe each were able to get two shots before the half ended. However, Bradley goalkeeper Adam Gross, playing behind a strong defense, was able to keep the Irish off the scoreboard.

Notre Dame allowed Bradley a second scoring opportunity late in the first half, as Ginton was able to take an open shot in the box.

Tait dove to the ground to make the save, Tait made the initial save but Ginton pounced on the rebound for a goal.

"He came through from my right. Steve Maio slowed him down to the point where I could come and I tackled him," Tait said. "When I deflected the ball it kind of went to my left. I tried to get back and [Ginton] literally just kicked me in the back of my head, trampled me down on the ground and put it away."

Tait felt that the physical play was an important aspect of the game.

"The first 20 or 25 minutes of the game was some of the fastest soccer I've played in a long time," Tait said.

"As the game went on, we were getting more and more intense and along with that comes physical energy."

As the second half went on, we got more and more anxious, and the tackles were taken a bit more personally."

The Irish came out aggressively in the second half as well, taking 15 shots to only one for the Braves.

At 76:05, senior Griffin Howard was fouled in the penalty box following a header shot by freshman Justin Dettler and awarded a penalty shot. Howard put the ball past Gross for his second goal in the last three games, closing the gap to 2-1.

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Unfortunately, that was all the offense the Irish could muster. Despite 16 second half shots — including four by Riley — the Irish never really seemed close to tying the game.

Bradley sealed the game at the 81:11 mark. After a shot by Irish sophomore Andreas Forster was blocked.

Bradley's Justin Arabadjief was able to break away from the Irish defense and take the ball downfield toward the Irish goal. In the final third of the field, he found Mehreioskouei open for his second goal of the season.

Following two shutout victories last weekend, Apple was less than pleased about his team's defensive play.

"Tonight our defensive play was haphazard. Sometimes it was there, sometimes it was not," said Apple. "There's no reason to give a team three counter-attacks like that and give up three goals. The second half they had one shot, the one that went in. That was it."

Apple also believed the offense needs to work more on shot selection, despite producing almost four times as many shots as Bradley.

"I think we need to create more dangerous chances, more chances from 12 yards on in rather than 25 yards and out," Apple said. "So, we'll work on that a little bit, we'll work on keeping the ball from the middle third to the final third of the field."

The team looks to regroup this weekend as it travels east for the Big East Conference opener against Boston College at 1 p.m. on Saturday.



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Freshman forward Devon Prescod dribbles past a Bradley defender in Notre Dame's 3-1 loss Wednesday.



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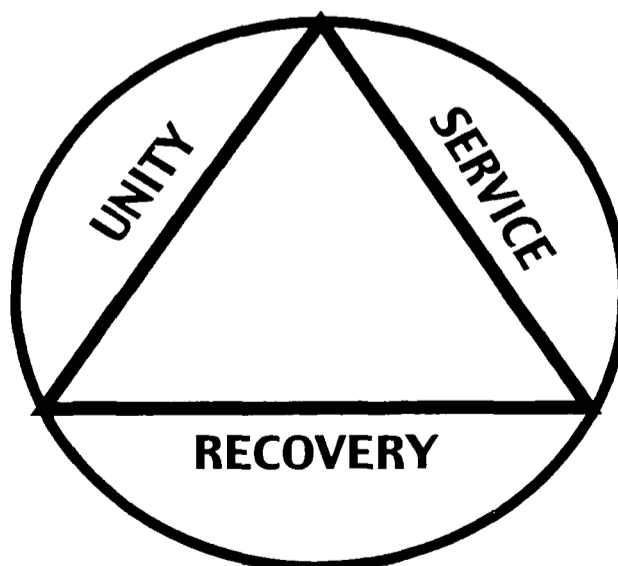
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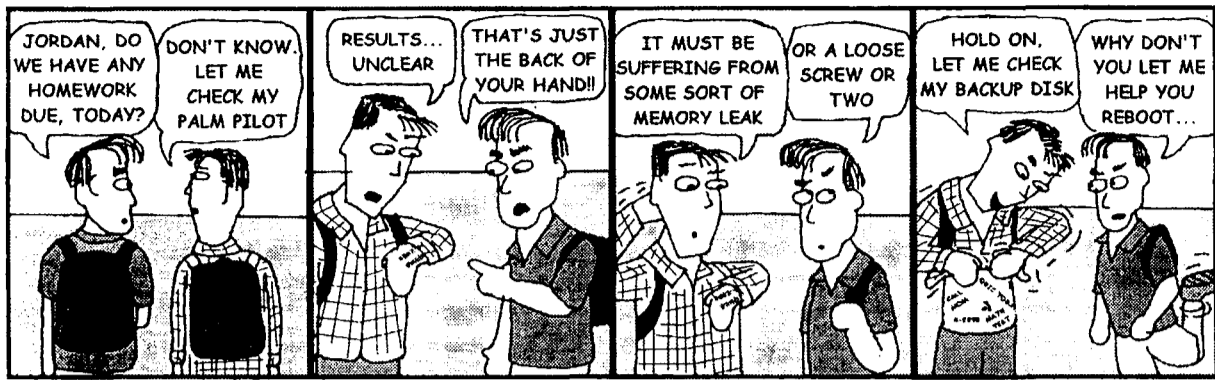
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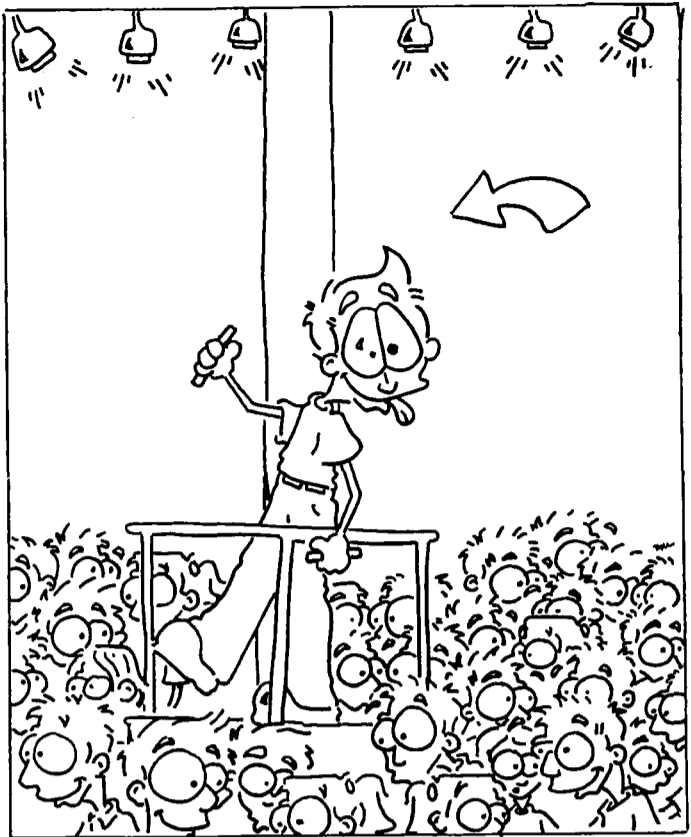
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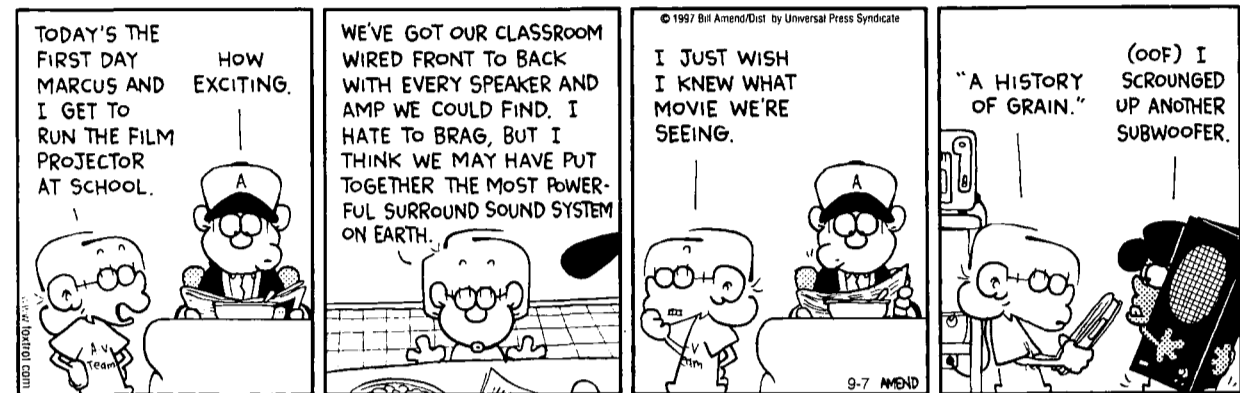
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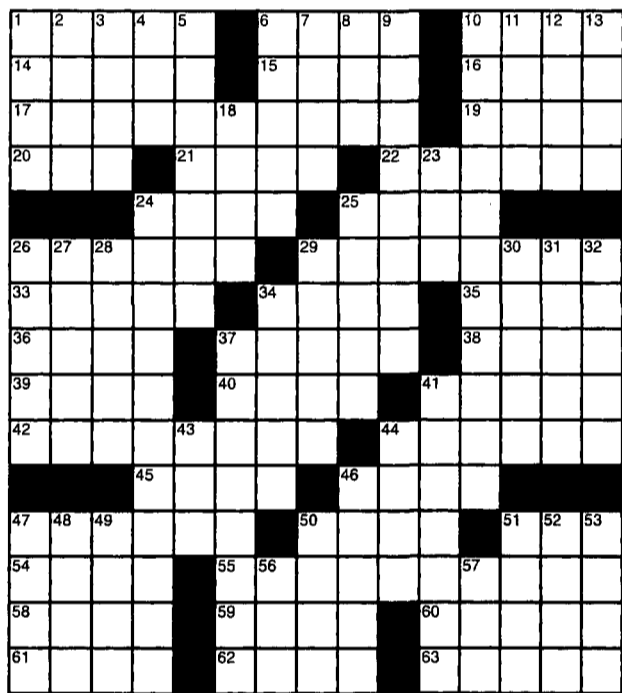
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**Happy Birthday:** Pace yourself or you'll be worn out before the year is half over. You need to learn to have some fun. Your focus has been too material oriented, and it's time you started to concentrate on your loved ones and the more personal aspects of life. You will learn a lot if you just give into the changes going on around you and stop trying to force issues. Your numbers: 4, 7, 13, 20, 33, 36

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** You will be quick-witted and charming, which will help you gain popularity at work. Friends and relatives will give you good advice. Romance will be exciting and spontaneous. ☺☺☺

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** Don't be too quick to invest in something just because someone you trust is investing. Overspending will lead to all sorts of problems in the future. Excessive behavior will result in poor health. ☹☹☹☹☹

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Don't evade issues or twist the truth. You won't get away with it. If you're honest, you stand a better chance of convincing your mate that you still love him or her and that you're willing to bend. ☺☺

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Don't push your luck with superiors or authority figures. Secret affairs will eventually backfire on you. You may not get your facts straight, so double-check before you make decisions. ☹☹☹

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Be yourself and you'll be surprised how many love interests you will entice. You can step into the limelight if you want to. Favors will be granted if

you ask. ☺☺☺

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Emotions will flare up among family members. Take one step at a time and don't pick sides. Your practical outlook will win out. Get sound advice from someone you respect and trust. ☺☺☺

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** You need to look at your situation from a different perspective. Sit down with someone you know well and find out how he or she would deal with the circumstances you're facing. ☺☺☺

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** You can prosper if you are smart with your money. Clear up any pressing legal matters or personal papers that need to be renewed. The time to make changes is now. ☹☹☹☹☹

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(Need advice? Check out Eugenia's Web sites at [astroadvice.com](http://astroadvice.com), [eugenialast.com](http://eugenialast.com), [astromate.com](http://astromate.com).)

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# SPORTS

**Sock it to 'em**  
The Notre Dame men's soccer team had trouble staving off No. 21 Bradley, losing 3-1 Wednesday.  
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## FOOTBALL

# Witherspoon drops out of school

By TIM CASEY  
Assistant Sports Editor

Jovan Witherspoon, a freshman wide receiver has left Notre Dame and does not plan on returning in the future.

"He had been thinking about [leaving] for awhile," said Roosevelt Barnes, Witherspoon's father Wednesday night. "It started when preseason camp started. I think Notre Dame is an excellent program and I think they'll be in a BCS bowl game this year but I just didn't think Jovan fit."

Barnes would not comment on where his son would transfer. Repeated phone calls to Witherspoon were not returned.

Matt Warner, Witherspoon's roommate at Fisher Hall, said Witherspoon and his father "packed everything

up" and left campus on Tuesday afternoon between noon and 1 p.m.

"I wasn't surprised he was leaving because I guess he had kind of talked about it a little bit before," Warner said.

"He had some conversations over the phone with people. But he didn't talk about it with me."

Warner said he had "ideas" where Witherspoon would be transferring but Witherspoon did not confirm his next school.

"He hadn't made up his mind, I don't think, at that point in time," Warner said.

Coach Bob Davie announced

the departure after practice on Wednesday. Davie said Barnes contacted him Friday night and asked the fourth-year head coach not to play Witherspoon in the next afternoon's Texas A&M game.

*"It was not necessarily a shock but a disappointment [that he left] because he was going to be a heck of a player."*

Urban Meyer  
receivers coach

"We were going to play him in the football game," Davie said. "I'm sad to see him leave. I think he's a bright, young prospect. Our coaching staff was extremely excited about him. We're disappointed that he left but I certainly wish him and his father well wherever he ends up."

Witherspoon has struggled with back pain since the sum-

mer but was expected to be a contributor on offense this fall. The 6-foot-4, 205 pounder from Fort Wayne attended several Notre Dame practices last spring while a senior at Bishop Luers High School and spent most of the summer in South Bend, preparing for the season.

"He was never full speed when he was here and I think that led to his frustration," said receivers coach Urban Meyer alluding to Witherspoon's back pain. "It was not necessarily a shock but a disappointment [that he left] because he was a good kid and I think he's going to be a heck of a player. I thought he was treated right. Everybody had huge expectations for him."

Witherspoon caught 69 passes for 1,140 yards and 11 touchdowns last season as

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## Bigger than the 'Huskers

Rabid football fans, prepare to be shocked ...

Kelly Lindsey will NOT be attending the Nebraska game this Saturday.

She will, however, be watching the game on her television from her Farley dorm room.

"Inexcusable!" you can hear the alumni shouting. "It's the game of the year and she won't even be there!"

But Lindsey will be at the game of the year. Wait make that games of the year. The senior captain of the women's soccer team — and heart and soul of the Irish defense — will not be at the football game Saturday because she has bigger concerns this weekend.

The No. 2-ranked Santa Clara Broncos visit Friday night and just two days later the No. 4 Irish must battle the 10th-ranked Stanford Cardinal on Sunday afternoon.

And if the weekend couldn't get any tougher, the Irish knocked both teams out of the NCAA tournament last year.

Lindsey, however, just laughs at the challenges the Irish face this weekend.

"It's going to be all the more fun," she said. "It's going to be exciting. We are going to be pumped the whole weekend. It will definitely be tough to play two top-10 teams back to back but it's something we can handle especially early in the season."

The Friday night match-up against Santa Clara will be a rematch of the semifinals of the 1999 NCAA College Cup which the Irish won 1-0. The Irish knocked off the formerly undefeated Broncos thanks to a goal by then-freshman Ali Lovelace who came off the bench to score the biggest goal of her short Irish career.

But defeating the Broncos wasn't enough to earn the Irish Santa Clara's respect.

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Mike Connolly

Outside looking in

## Defense irons out wrinkles for Nebraska

By KERRY SMITH  
Sports Editor

Grant Irons knows Nebraska football — it runs in his family.

Before coming to Notre Dame, the senior captain used to cheer for the Cornhuskers every Saturday. And one player in particular was his favorite — his brother Gerald, a nose guard for the Huskers in the early '90s.

"I was actually a really big Nebraska fan," said Irons. "I used to watch them all the time."

But when Nebraska comes to town Saturday, there will be no question where the senior defensive end's loyalties lie.

His family might have Nebraska in its blood, but Irons' heart bleeds blue and gold. And he is ready to show it on the field.

"We've been focused all week in practice," said Irons. "It's no secret that Nebraska is an unbelievable team and to be effective we need to play well as a team."

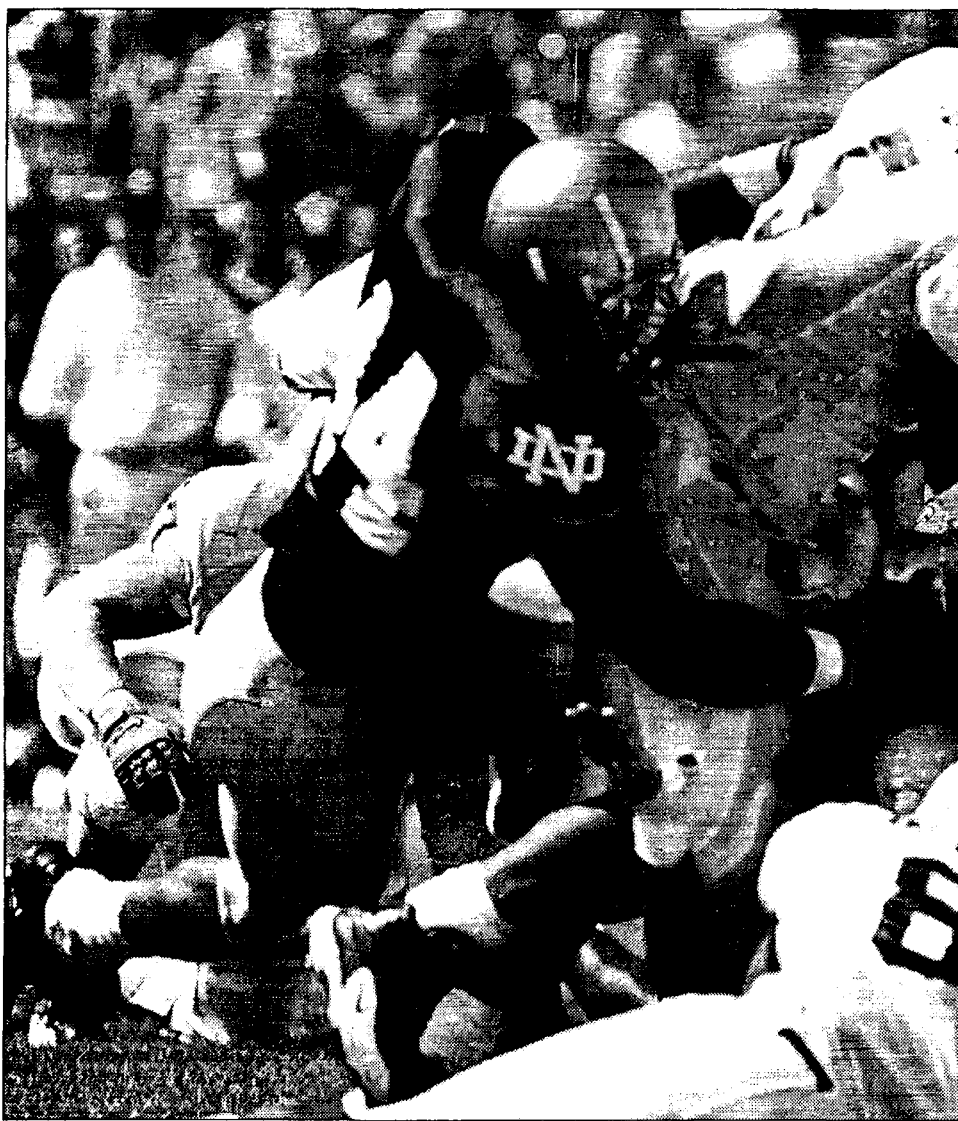
As much hype as there is surrounding Notre Dame's match-up with top-ranked Nebraska, Irons knows the defense needs to focus on fundamentals.

"We're making improvements in practice since last week, but we're not where we need to be yet," he said. "We need to work on all areas of our game, get back to fundamentals and make sure we have everything covered."

Irons and the defense will have their work cut out for them when the 'Husker offense takes the field at Notre Dame Stadium. The Irish limited the Texas A&M offense to just 255 yards in their 24-10 season-opening win, but faltered with three pass interference calls and key mistakes.

"We've had our eyes set on Nebraska all along," said Irish defensive coordinator Greg Mattison. "We're in a position to step up to the challenge Nebraska poses. It's an intense game in terms of the players wanting to do well. They've thought a lot about it and they'll be ready to play."

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PETER RICHARDSON/The Observer

Senior defensive end Grant Iron tackles an Aggie ball carrier in Notre Dame's 24-10 win over Texas A&M last weekend.

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