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# **Vote recount continues in Florida**

Officials say results may come by 5 p.m. today

#### Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. Florida officials began recounting nearly 6 million ballots Wednesday to determine the next president, while Democrats and some voters complained of election irregularities. Partial results showed Al Gore cutting into George W. Bush's lead.

The recount in all 67 counties was triggered by state law because Republican Bush led Democrat Gore by less than onehalf of 1 per-

centage point. State officials said they expect to finish by the end of the day Thursday.

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tions supervisors also waited for undeteran

mined number of overseas ballots, primarily from military personnel and their families. The state allows 10 days after the election for the ballots to come in.

The state counted about 2,300 overseas ballots in the 1996 election — more than the margin separating Gore and Bush this time — so there is a remote possibility that those ballots alone could change the outcome.

The Florida totals, including all absentee ballots received so far, showed Bush with 2,909,135 votes and Gore with 2,907,351 — a difference of 1,784 in a state with 8.75 million registered voters.

After 28 of Florida's 67 counties were recounted Wednesday, Gore



Vice President AI Gore offers a statement during a press conference Wednesday, while Sen. Joe Lieberman listens. Gore said he won't make any predictions about his contest with W. Bush but rather await the results from the vote recount ptaking place in Flor

### Students blast hasty predictions by TV networks

#### By HELENA PAYNE News Writer

Several Notre Dame students compared the 2000 presidential elections to a prolonged spectator sport and said the media made hasty predictions about the winner of Florida's electoral votes.

"I went to sleep crying because I thought [Republican candidate Governor George] Bush won, but I was happy to see that they are definitely making sure who the winner is and I'm still hopeful that [Democratic candidate Vice President Al] Gore will win," said Lisa Demidovich, vice president of the College Democrats.

Demidovich said that the television networks made many assumptions about the winner of various states too early.

"I think it was pretty premature," said Demidovich. College Republicans treasurer

Trip Foley said that he and other Republican Party supporters followed the election Tuesday evening, but doubted the early evening announcements by news anchors that Gore had won Florida.

'We knew that the media had called it too early and that it was close and we are still confident that Bush will win," said Foley.

The constant updates and changing information made some students question the accuracy of the political contest. Sophomore Irene Onyeagbako said that she wasn't convinced that the networks' predicted election results

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#### **News Analysis**

# Bush-Gore race prompts electoral college concerns

#### By ANNE MARIE MATTINGLY News Editor

The inaguration of a President who did not win the greatest number of popular votes is a distinct possibility this January, according to some Notre Dame and Saint Mary's government professors. If Texas Governor George W. Bush, who will most likely lose the popular vote, carries the toss-up state of Florda, he will win the electoral college by a margin of at least 271 to 260 and become the third president in history to be elected in a divided contest.

The nation has only witnessed two such elections in history, first in 1876 when Ruteherford Hayes defeated Samuel

Tilden by one electoral vote despite losing the popular vote, and again in 1888 when Grover Cleveland carried the popular vote but lost the electoral college to Benjamin Harrison. The only son of a former president ever to be elected president himself, John Quincy Adams, won neither the electoral nor popular vote in1824, but was given the presidency by the House of Representatives when his opponent Andrew Jackson also did not earn enough electoral votes to win.

Sean Savage, associate professor of political science at Saint Mary's, said the chances are as high as one in three that Bush will become the fourth president to be elected without winning the popular vote.

Christina Wolbrecht, assistant professor

"At the end of the day, it takes a great deal of support to amend the Constitution."

#### **Christina Wolbrecht** government professor

of government at Notre Dame, said the race is definitely tight.

"It is among the closest races, certainly in the 20th century and even for all 200some years," she said.

But both Savage and Wolbrecht said that a Bush election without the largest number of popular votes would not necessarily signal the end of the electoral college.

"In order to end the electoral college, we would need to amend the Constitution," said Savage, who noted that the amendment process is never easy. "It seems to me more so than in any other time in our history, public opinion and election officials would aggressively challenge the electoral college.

Wolbrecht explained that for an amendment to become part of the Constitution, it must pass both houses of Congress by a two-thirds majority before being sent to state legislatures for ratification.

"At the end of the day, it takes a great deal of support to revise the Constitution. We don't do that very often, so I think the

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#### INSIDE COLUMN

# A woman's place

As I stood Tuesday night in the packed Grand Hyatt in New York City with other staff members, interns, and supporters of Hillary Rodham Clinton, a roar of approval and cheers sounded when the official announce-

ment came that the First Lady had won the election to become the first woman to serve as a senator from New York.

But I wasn't cheering just as a staff member because I had worked for the campaign this

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summer for three months and the week before the election. It went deeper than that. I was cheering because I was witnessing another woman assuming her "place" in the Senate.

The election of Hillary Rodham Clinton as the first First Lady to run for and subsequently win a political office signaled another breakthrough for women, just as the election of three other women to the Senate did on Tuesday.

Everytime a woman is elected to political office, it is a giant step forward for women. It is a step toward making all issues women's issues. It is a step toward having Congress reflect the demographics of America, where women outnumber men. It is a step toward electing a woman president or vice president of the U.S. Although resistance still exists surrounding the idea of women holding political office, strides have been made.

To understand how far we have come, think about this: of the 27 women who have served in the Senate, before 1992, only 15 had reached the office through election. The others, beginning with Rebecca Felton in 1922, were appointed to the seat after their husband died or appointed to fill a vacancy of a dead senator.

I left Mrs. Clinton's victory celebration filled with optimism. It was inspirational and moving to see the look in her eyes and the elation she surely felt as after years of watching her husband run for office, she was assuming her rightful place in the political world as New York's senator. It seems to me that slowly, with every woman who is elected to the Senate, the "Old Boys Club" that has been the Senate will be forced to change. This election cycle bring the total of women in the Senate to 12.

As women, we need to continue to do our part to support women candidates who we believe in. What better way could there be to ensure that our interests are represented than to elect one of our own - one who understands our needs as mothers, sisters, working women, and housewives?

Rebecca Felton, the first woman to serve in the Senate would have been proud Tuesday night of all the women who were elected to office. She promised her male colleagues that more women would follow her and she was right. She said, "When the women of the country come in and sit with you, though there may be but a very few in the next few years, I pledge to you that you will get the ability, you will get integrity of purpose, you will get exalted patriotism, and you will get unstinted usefulness."

Her words ring true as all the women serv-

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Sunday ◆ Exhibition: ND men's basketball vs. International Select, 1 p.m., Joyce Center ♦ Football: Internall Championships, 11 a.m., 12:30 p.m., Notre Dame Stadium

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#### **OUTSIDE THE DOME**

### Boston University students back third party

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When she cast it Tuesday, Megan Blanck-Weiss thought her vote wouldn't matter. In fact, the candidate she voted for is not even the candidate she hoped would win.

Blanck-Weiss said while she cast her vote for Green Party candidate Ralph Nader, she actually believes Democratic candidate Vice President Al Gore is the man best fit to be the next president of the United States. With the major parties so close on so many issues, however, Blanck-Weiss said she voted to help bring thirdparty diversity to the next election.

'I support the Green Party as a third party," she said. "I think the two major parties are becoming too close.

#### **UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS**

#### Palestinian rally ends in conflict

Students for Palestine released 150 black helium-filed balloons Tuesday to commemorate lives lost in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. But a rally meant to promote peace again became a standoff between the 30 Palestinian supporters and the 10 Israeli supporters, who arrived shortly after the balloons were released. Though pleased with the turnout and the message of the speakers, rally organizer Ammar Nayfeh said the event did not go exactly as planned. In the end, only 10 or 15 names were read. The Israeli supporters, whose goal is Jewish solidarity, arrived at the rally with their own signs and flags. Sophomore Michael Frazin said the organization came out to show its support for Israel's right to defend its land. "We have to come out here every time [Palestinian students] have a rally because we can't let them spread their lies without giving people our story," Frazin said. "They claim there's a situation where Israelis are slaughtering innocent civilians, but the truth is the Palestinians have an armed militia that uses children as a cover."

among the Boston University students who voted Tuesday, some of whom said they were moved to the polls by Nader's appearance in Massachusetts Monday night.

lose." "I saw Nader last night," said Freshman Blanck-Weiss was junior Elizabeth Daza. "He con-

vinced me [to vote for him]. I felt inspired by the fact that people care about making government for the people again.

Daza said she doesn't see her vote taking anything away from Gore because of his expected victory in Massachusetts. She did say she would like to see Nader get at least 5 percent of the vote, and thus qualify his party for federal funding in 2004, however.

"I don't expect him to be presi-dent," Daza said. "I just think it's good that he inspires us to revolt against what is wrong.'

Some students discounted the presence of a third party though, despite not particularly liking what either major party candidate offered.

#### **PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY**

#### Students hold death penalty protest

Pennsylvania State University students held signs and chanted in protest of the death penalty Tuesday afternoon. "Why do we kill people who kill people to show that killing people is wrong," read one of the many signs carried by protesters. Members of Penn State clubs and chapters including Pax Christi, Amnesty International, American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU), Students for Life and other on and off-campus religious organizations participated in the event. The protest was in response to the scheduled execution of Daniel Saranchak, who murdered his grandmother and uncle. Saranchak was scheduled to be executed by lethal injection yesterday at the State Correctional Institution. Vice President of ACLU Courtney Kirschner and other organizations represented held a vigil yesterday in front of Rockview prison in memory of Saranchak. "We're having a peaceful candlelight to remember the dead and those who have died at the hands of the state," said Douglas Grane, Amnesty International chapter president.

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ing in the Senate and those elected Tuesday continue to demonstrate strong leadership.

A clear message has been sent to the men of the Senate to open up the doors and let women assume their rightful place.

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# **Trustees to discuss Saint Mary's future**

By MOLLY McVOY Saint Mary's Editor

The future plans of Saint Mary's will be the main topic of discussion as the Board of Trustees meet today and Friday at the College.

According to Marilou Eldred, the College's president, there will be two major topics discussed in the twoday meeting.

The first will be presented by Mary Regan, a member of the education department, and Sister Louisita Welsh, who works in the center for

mission at the College. Welsh and Regan will present the progress of the College's strategic planning. "They are

"They are going to describe where we are and ask the Board for input on enrollment and marketing," Eldred said.

The strategic planning for the College is a comprehensive plan for Saint Mary's for the next five years.

"We're working on a strategic plan for the College that will position us for the next five years," Regan said.

The plan involves developing committees on curriculum, student development, technology, diversity and marketing, according to Regan.

The session with the Board will be an informational session, but also a session for discussion.

"I will do an overview and then the Board will have an opportunity to speak directly to the committee heads," Regan said.

In addition to the strategic planning, the Board will be introduced to the development consultants the College has hired, Bentz, Whaley and Flessner out of Minneapolis, according to Eldred. The firm is a fundraising consulting firm and will be offering the College advice on their fundraising efforts. Students also said they

expect to bring their opinions and concerns to the Board over the next few days to make their reservations known.

The Board will meet with several students to discuss student life in general and the growth of Saint

Mary's pride, in particular. "We're going to talk to the Board about some athletics," said senior Emily Koelsch, better known as the Belles' mascot. "Representatives from the cheerleaders, other Belle mascots and pom pom

squad will also be there." The students will discuss current student issues in addition to the topics of pride week and security on campus.

"Our basic job is to tell them what's going on campus," Koelsch said.

### STUDENT SENATE Proposal may ban studying abroad

#### Amendment could ground SUB reps, senators

By LAURA ROMPF Assistant News Editor

Although Stanford Hall resident Curt Roberts will go to Australia in approximately two months, he has spent this semester as an active member of the student senate. An amendment brought to the floor in Wednesday night's senate meeting could prevent future senators and other members of the student union from following in Roberts' footsteps.

The amendment would attempt to keep students who study abroad for a semester from serving in student government during the year they are scheduled to travel.

"I am not arguing against this amendment for personal reasons because it won't affect my term," Roberts said. "However, I feel excluding people who are going to study abroad from serving on the senate will hurt the body as a whole."

Roberts said passing the amendment could result in a heavy amount of underclassmen on the senate because typically juniors go abroad and seniors move off campus. This would cause representation in the senate to be unbalanced.

"I don't think there will be enough benefits to outweigh the costs of passing this amendment," Roberts said.

Pasquerilla West senator Audra Iliggins is chair of the oversight committee which pro-



posed the amendment. Higgins said people who commit to a student union office should hold the job as a priority and going abroad prohibits them from performing to the best of their ability.

"You say you want to do a job and by virtue of the office you are representing the student body," Higgins said. "Why would you say you are up to doing a job when you wouldn't be here for all of the term?"

Higgins said when new senators return in January to fill in for members who go abroad, the disruption is nearly impossible to work around. Roberts, however, disagreed.

"People that go to Notre Dame are very bright. People can pick up very quickly what we do in here, it is not brain surgery," he said.

Roberts also noted Notre Dame sends more students abroad then any other university and programs like Washington D.C. are especially attractive to government students who also have an interest in serving the student union.

"If someone is serious about running for office and is honest in telling students they are going abroad, then I feel they are effectively representing the people," Roberts said.

Liz Efta, director of programming for the Student Union Board (SUB), explained to the senate that SUB consists of five executive board members and around 30 other people. The five executive officers are appointed to serve from April 1 of one year to March 31 of the next and usually one of those members are abroad when they are appointed.

"I don't know how senate works, but I know how the Student Union Board works and it is not a big deal if someone is abroad when they are appointed to an executive office," Efta said.

Efta said SUB members would be excluded from service in both their junior and senior years if the amendment was passed. "You will be excluding people from service to the Student Union Board for an entire four semesters," she said.

Badin Hall senator Shannon Bennett will also be leaving in Jaunuary to study abroad.

"When I ran in Badin with Susie [Schaab], we ran as a team. Susie has been going to committee meetings and has attended senate a couple times. I don't think she will have any trouble representing the students when the time comes," Bennett said. ing, student body president Brian O'Donoghue informed Higgins that the student union constitution already states that anyone serving in an office must hold the position for the entire year. Higgins said more emphasis needs to be put on this clause of the constitution.

However St. Edward's senator Seth Whetzel said the senate should not determine what activities a student can participate in.

"College is a fleeting time, and many students want to take advantage of as many opportunities as possible," Whetzel said. "I think too much emphasis is being put upon the words of the constitution, rather than the spirit."

Some senators suggested offices such as student body president and vice president should be specified in the amendment, so that students could not run for these offices if they would not be present for the entire term. After a lengthy debate, the senate sent the amendment back to committee for further review.

#### In other senate news:

◆ Katie Bufalino, a member of the committee on academic affairs, said a resolution will be on the floor next week proposing a new study days schedule for 2001. Currently the Academic Council has arranged for two study days followed by two days of finals, then one study day and three days of finals. The senate's new schedule will be the normal four study days followed by five exam days.

"If you emphasize that past practice is needed for consistency and relate consistency and past practice to productivity, I think the faculty will vote favorably [for the new schedule]" said faculty senate liason Stuart Greene.

◆ Lewis Hall senator Luciana Reali presented the senate with a proposal to the student wellness advisory board regarding a healthy living guide for incoming first year students. Reali proposed a packet be sent to all incoming freshmen to help them deal with balancing academic responsibilites along with social and extracurricular activities.

Reali also informed the senate that focus groups are being formed to investigate first year orientation. Freshman class council officers will meet with representatives from their dorm to discuss this year's freshman orientation and possible changes for the future.

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chances would be slight," she said. "You need a lot of support for an amendment, and I'm not sure that it's necessarily going to be there.'

Both professors

agreed that a split election would have little effect on the new president's ability to successfully conduct foreign policy.

"I don't think it's going to affect things much

internationally," said Savage. "This person is the President of the United States, regardless of how narrow his victory was.'

**Bush** 

Instead, the bigger threat to the new administration's legitimacy comes in terms of dealing with the Congress, which may become influential as several seats will change hands in January. Legislators, who often view the results of a presidential campaign as a mandate from the people dictating the government's direction for the next four years, might be less influenced by the outcome in the case of a split vote.

"The Republicans in each house are going to be more likely to keep their distance from George W. Bush as president because they know he could be a political liability back in their home states when they run for reelection," said Savage. "There's always going to be this big question about his legitimacy politically.

But Americans can expect the result of the electoral vote to stand, even if widespread discontent with the outcome ensues, said Wolbrecht.

"The fact of the matter is that we have certain rules about how elections are run in this country," she said.

Ultimately, the presidential race has come down to the state of Florida, which Bush won by just over 1,200 votes in the first ballot-counting. The

votes are now being recounted as required by Florida law in any election with a margin of victory of 0.5 percent or less.

Concerns have been raised about the security of the ballots in Florida, where Bush's brother Jeb is the governor.

Both campaigns have sent digni-

taries to represent them -Republican James Baker and Democrat Warren Christopher during the recount. But despite the Bush family's connections in Florida,

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were reported efficiently. "They barely had accurate exit poll results," said Onyeagbako.

Senior Tonio Buonassisi said he was keeping track of the results on the Internet by looking at CNN and the New York Times web sites, but he soon became frustrated with trying to separate the actual results from the media's often faulty speculation.

"It was almost like a game," said Buonassisi. They were jumping the gun in a lot of states without mathematical certainty.'

Onyeagbako said the election was reminiscent of a Notre Dame football game and she kept changing channels to keep up with the latest "play-byplay" information on both candidates.

'The whole screen was filled with red at the beginning just like the Nebraska game," said Onyeagbako of Tuesday evening when Bush gained a considerable amount of votes from the south and Midwest regions of the nation.

Senior Irish football team co-captain Grant Irons said the comparisons of the election to a spectator sport are valid and that he was excited for the outcome.

"It's overtime right now," said Irons.

However, as excited as he was, Irons said he was unable to vote because he never received his absentee ballot from his home

state of Texas. "I felt hurt. I felt like I didn't have a voice," said Irons.

Irons, however is the resident of a state that was overwhelmingly for Bush, unlike in Florida where the winner of the state will likely win by a small margin. Still, officials remain uncertain as to the precise number of votes that either Gore or Bush have.

"I'm glad that it hinges upon Florida which is a very diverse state," said Demidovich.

Senior Joe Napolitano, a Florida resident, said that he regrets his decision to vote for the Green Party candidate Ralph Nader.

"I feel really guilty being Nader supporter,"

remarkable to

watch."

**Brian O'Donoghue** 

student body president

"What an amazing s a i d Napolitano. time to be a student Napolitano voter. This has been said he

decided to vote for Nader because he was trying vote to based on his conscience.

However, he said that he never realized that the election would be so close in his state.

" I assumed that [Florida] would lean to Gore," said Napolitano.

He said that he will be 'more practical" in the future because he doesn't think the nation is ready to change the two-party system.

Another Florida resident, sophomore Christian White said that he talked to his parents Wednesday and reporting that there was a lot of confusion in

Florida about the election. "It wasn't clear whether they were voting for Gore or Buchanan," said White of some Florida voters who were puzzled about ballots on which Buchanan and Gore's names were possibly switched.

"Now they basically just don't know what to expect," said White.

The anxiety of waiting for election results is not new to either Notre Dame or Saint Mary's. There were problems when it came to counting the votes in both schools' student body president elections last year.

"It just goes to show that once again Notre Dame is once again ahead of

the times," said student body president Brian O'Donoghue in jest. However,

when O'Donoghue and student body vice president Brooke

Norton waited for the results of the election last year along with the other candidates, it caused similar emotions that students have about the national presidential election. O'Donoghue said that the current election situation proves that the individual is extremely important in the electoral system.

"What an amazing time to be a student voter," said O'Donoghue. "This is history right now. This has been remarkable to watch.'





"In this day and age, it'd be a tough thing to do," said Wolbrecht, noting that Florida's state district attorney, who is responsible for supervising the recount, is Democratic candidate Al Gore's campaign manager in the state

Florida Secretary of State Katherine Harris has said that the recount should be complete by 5 p.m. today. The election may or may not be decided at that time, depending on the number of absentee ballots which have not yet been received from voters abroad and the margin between Bush and Gore.

The overseas absentee ballots, which are primarily from personnel serving in the U.S. military, are expected to go primarily for Bush.

Other concerns about confusing Florida ballots, in which several senior citizens claim they mistakenly voted for Reform Party candidate Pat Buchanan, have not yet been resolved.

Regardless of the outcome, America can expect a peaceful transition of power.

"Gore has already said that if [Bush wins the electoral college], he's fully ready to concecde and recognize [Bush] as the president," said Wolbrecht.



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Quake hits Panama City: A 6.2-magnitude earthquake centered in northeast Colombia damaged a hospital and police station Wednesday across the border in Panama, civil defense officials said. The quake was centered near the remote Colombian town of Jurado, 300 miles northeast of Bogota, and was felt across the border in Panama. No damage or injuries were reported in Colombia. But the quake did cause cracks in a hospital and police station in Boca de Cupe, an Indian village.

#### Former police chief faces charges:

A pro-democracy police chief serving as an interior minister in Serbia's transitional government on Wednesday brought charges against former President Slobodan Milosevic's head of security. Stevan Nikcevic, one of three officials who share the post of interior minister, said he had initiated a lawsuit in a Belgrade district court against security chief Rade Markovic.

#### **NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS**

Ashcroft loses to deceased Carnahan: Republican John Ashcroft fought back tears Wednesday as he conceded the Senate election to the late Gov. Mel Carnahan and opened the way for Carnahan's widow to assume the seat. "I hope the outcome of this election is a comfort to Mrs. Carnahan," he said. "Missouri is a compassionate state and, I think, in a very special way, they have demonstrated their compassion," said Ashcroft, surrounded by his family and two dozen supporters at his suburban St. Louis headquarters.

**Fired stockbroker charged in killing:** Virginia police were searching Wednesday for a fired stockbroker accused of returning to the office and killing the manager who dismissed him. Joseph Ludlam, 36, reportedly was fired a month ago from First Union Securities because of discrepancies in his accounts and aggressive trading practices. Police say he returned to the brokerage Tuesday morning and killed Timothy O'Shaughnessy, 40.

#### INDIANA NEWS BRIEFS

**Death penalty under review:** A state commission studying the fairness of Indiana's death penalty law is now seeking the public's input after four months of examining the issue. The Criminal Law Study Commission isn't finished with its review, but its members decided it was time to ask the public for their thoughts on the issue, said state Sen. Bill Alexa, D-Valparaiso, who heads the panel.



Democratic presidential candidate AI Gore and running mate Joe Lieberman leave the podium following a statement on the status of the presidential election. Gore called opponent George W. Bush early Wednesday to concede.

# Gore retracts concession to Bush

#### **Associated Press**

NASHVILLE, Tenn. Al Gore set aside the stoic valedictory written for him by an aide and picked up the phone. George W. Bush did not take his call happily. "You don't have to get snippy about this," Gore spat.

The acid of their yearlong fight — character assaults and name-calling, layered onto the Clinton-Gore defeat of Bush's father in 1992 — boiled over as Gore, in an underground office at the War Memorial, insisted that Florida's decisive 25 electoral votes remained in limbo.

"Let me make sure I understand," protested Bush, his victory speech in hand. "You're calling me back to retract your concession?" Florida Gov. Jeb Bush, chastened on Election Night when it appeared Bush had lost the state, had just assured his brother it was a done deal. And the TV networks had already declared Texas Gov. George W. Bush the 43rd president of the United States.

"Let me explain something," Gore lectured in a stony tone, "your YOUNGER brother is not the ultimate authority on this."

The conversation, quoted to The Associated Press by two of the 20 or so people in the room with Gore and confirmed by a Bush aide, ended abruptly.

Outside, thousands of supporters, sick from the night's roller-coaster drama, shouted "Stay and fight!" and "Recount!" While campaign chairman William Daley announced, "Our campaign continues," the vice president marched unseen from the Memorial through a side exit. Stranding dozens of friends, family and VIPs in the drizzle, he ordered his motorcade back to the hotel suite where no more than 60 minutes earlier he had telephoned his congratulations to Bush.

gratulations to Bush. "He's fine," said Gore's brother-in-law, Frank Hunger, on the sidewalk and looking for a ride.

President Clinton called Gore to second his decision, praise him for a good night and note consolingly that Gore had won the nation's popular vote.

On Wednesday, the picture of morning-after confiphotographers into the dining room of the Governor's Mansion as he, wife Laura, running mate Dick Cheney and Cheney's wife, Lynne, sat down to a lunch of chilled soup.

He recalled his exchange with Gore: "I felt like I was fully prepared to go out and give a speech and thanking my supporters. I thought it was an interesting comment he made and listened to what he had to say and didn't have much to say."

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#### GREECE

# Greek ferry victim awarded \$250K

#### Associated Press

#### PIRAEUS

A court awarded \$250,000 Wednesday to a survivor of a ferry sinking that left at least 80 people dead, the first ruling in dozens of lawsuits against the shipping company, local media said.

Greek passenger Stathis Livieratos, 22, had sued the ferry's operator for damages from the accident in which the Express Samina struck a well-marked rocky islet and sank off the Aegean island of Paros on Sept. 26, the official Athens News Agency said.

The company, Minoan Flying Dolphins, said it would appeal the decision. But it must deposit a check for the full amount with the court within three days as a guarantee until the appeal procedure is completed, ANA said. The company also faces criminal charges for exposing passengers to danger.

Dozens of lawsuits seeking compensation totaling more than \$32.5 million have been filed against the company by crew members, survivors and relatives of those who died.

The sinking was Greece's worst maritime disaster in 35 years.

On Tuesday, several coast guard officials were charged with criminal negligence in connection with the sinking. The ferry's captain, Vasilis Yiannakis, is currently in custody pending trial on charges equivalent to murder.

## Florida

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had gained 351 votes.

Pinellas County, which includes St. Petersburg, will have to redo its count because a poll worker inadvertently failed to run an unknown number of ballots through its computer Wednesday, county Supervisor of Elections Deborah Clark said. The county retracted its original announcement that Gore had gained 404 votes and Bush dropped by 61 votes in its recount.

The scrutiny was intense because Florida and its 25 electoral votes will decide the next president. In an added twist, the state's governor, Jeb Bush, is the Republican nominee's younger brother.

"We thought it would be close. Never in my wildest dreams did I ever imagine it would be this close," Jeb Bush told reporters Wednesday.

Both Bush and Gore campaigned hard in the state and regarded it as crucial.

Some counties completed the count Wednesday and forwarded results to Tallahassee for certification by Republican Secretary of State Katherine Harris and state elections director Clay Roberts, a Republican appointee. Jeb Bush said he recused himself.

Although both candidates typically pick up votes in a recount, veterans of the process said it is unusual for one side to pick up enough votes to make a difference in the outcome.

In each county, a county judge, the chairman of the county commission and the local elections supervisor, recounted the votes by feeding punch cards through tabulation machines three times. The makeup of the canvassing board is supposed to insulate the process from politics, Roberts said.

Two former secretaries of state - Warren Christopher for Gore and James A. Baker III for Bush - were heading monitoring teams sent to Florida on Wednesday.

# **Ballots confused some voters**

#### ♦ Residents sav they voted for Gore, not Buchanan

Associated Press

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. More than 19,000 ballots were disqualified on election night in a Florida county where confusion over the punch-card voting system led to a flood of complaints and a lawsuit Wednesday.

officials Election said Wednesday that 19,120 ballots from Palm Beach County had showed votes for more than one presidential candidate. Those votes were nullified and not included in the count.

"That total is a high number," said Palm Beach County Commissioner Carol Roberts, who is part of the canvassing board that is conducting a recount of the presidential race. Only 3,783 voters made the same mistake on the U.S. Senate section of the ballot.

On Wednesday, hundreds of Al Gore supporters called the county elections office, saying the punch-card ballot was so confusing they thought they may have accidentally voted for Reform Party candidate Pat Buchanan instead of Gore.

Three people sued, seeking a new election. Lawyers for the Democratic Party said that the design of the Palm Beach County ballot is illegal and that they may ask for a re-vote. But no immediate action was taken by the party.

In the Palm Beach County recount completed Wednesday night, Buchanan picked up 5 votes for a total of 3,412 votes, Gore gained 751 votes for 269,696, and George W. Bush gained 108 votes for 152,954.

"It was so hard to tell who and what you were voting for. 1 couldn't figure it out, and I have a doctorate," voter Eileen

Klasfeld said

Two larger counties south of Palm Beach both had much lower Buchanan results - 789 in Broward County and 561 in Miami-Dade County. In Duval County, a much more conservative county in northeast Florida, only 650 Buchanan votes were cast.

The confusion apparently arose from the way Palm Beach County's punch-card style ballot was laid out for the presidential race. Candidates are listed in two columns, with holes down the middle between the columns, to the right or the left of each candidate's name.

The top hole was for Bush, who was listed at top left; the second hole was for Buchanan, listed at top right, and the third hole was for Gore, listed under Bush on the left. Arrows linked the names with the proper hole, but some voters feared they had missed the arrows and punched the wrong hole.







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#### **BOARD OF GOVERNANCE**

# Students discuss role of diversity on SMC campus

#### **By AMY GREENE** News Writer

Saint Mary's is steadily making campus diversity a major priority for the future. Diversity Committee member Mana Derakhshani approached the Board of Governance Wednesday for the board's input and plans on campus diversity.

"So often people think of diversity as being a racial issue,"said student body president Crissie Renner. "It's important that we encourage diversity overall beyond the issues of ethnicity and race.

Derakhshani approached the board with the Diversity Committee's "Four Prong" plan to increase campus diversity. The four prongs include student recruiting and retention, hiring faculty, administration, and staff, expanding the curriculum, and campus climate.

Some students admitted noticing a lack of diversity on campus.

"Coming here as an international student I did see segregation by race,"said Student Diversity Board president, Akmaral Omarova. "I understand it is somewhat natural, but I think that once we graduate from here we should be sensitive and aware of all people,"said Omarova.

According to Omarova, some alumnae have admitted to being

unprepared for the presence of diverse groups found in everyday life after experiencing Saint Mary's.

"The question remains though,"said Derakhshani, "What should diversity mean at Saint Mary's?

Treasurer of the Student Diversity Board Kendra Klink said that "diversity should encompass not just race, but religion, sexual orientation, and individualism.'

Students also addressed current attitudes towards diversity on campus.

Board member Kristy Sutorius added "I think there should do more urban recruiting to bring diversity. Too often here there is the 'white middle class girl who went to Catholic high school."

Some students proposed the idea that the availability of financial aid was a probable factor in stunting campus diversity.

"I know students that have had to leave here because of financial aid,"said board member Cindy Cvengros. "We need to find a way to bring students here financially then keep them here financially.

The Diversity Committee is searching for the best and most universal way to educate and make the student body aware about diversity on campus.

'Perhaps we need to bring diversity into the curriculum and not just have clubs about diversity. With a club only those who



Board of Governance members Crissie Renner (right), Michelle Nagle (middle) and an unidentified student discuss diversity issues at the board's weekly meeting Wednesday. The board was approached with a "Four Prong Plan" Wednesday designed to increase diversity at Saint Mary's.

are interested are going to go and make the effort,"said freshmen president, Zoe Zelazny.

Derakhshani proposed a possible general education requirement for the future encompassing an aspect of diversity. The committee speculated about having a tentative "Four Prong" proposal draft in January.

#### In other BOG news:

 Nine chemistry students will be traveling and to San Diego in April to participate in the National American Chemistry Society Convention.

• Dalloway's dedication and grand opening is planned for Friday, November 10 at 4 p.m.

• "Who Wants to Win \$100"

will be held in LeMans lobby on Monday, November 13, at 8:30 p.m.

• The Student Diversity Board's "Cultural Potluck" is Wednesday, November 15 in the dining hall.

◆ The BOG announced that **Operation Christmas Child boxes** are due Friday, November 17.





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# McDonnell earns SMC Aquinas chair in philosophy

**By SARAH RYKOWSKI** Saint Mary's News Editor

While the nation waits with baited breath to discover its new leader, Saint Mary's has inaugurated a new philosophical leader, professor Kevin McDonnell, as the Edna and George McMahon Aquinas Chair in Philosophy.

'You may know him as a teacher, a professor, as a colleague, as a scholar, or as a good friend," said Karen Ristau, vice president of faculty at the College, in her introductory remarks.

The chair was endowed by Joyce McMahon Hank, an alumna of Saint Mary's, in memory of her parents and in tribute to Thomas Aquinas, a philosopher, teacher of the Church, and a saint. Hank has also endowed the Joyce McMahon Hank Aquinas Chair in Philosophy, held by Keith Egan, a professor of religious studies and the director of the Center for Spirituality at the College.

"The establishment of these two chairs affirms and strengthens the academic base of the College, while it enhances each student's search for the truth regardless of her chosen field," Hank said. "I believe it will give their lives both roots and wings for the future."

McDonnell has taught at Saint Mary's since 1976, after receiving his B.A. from Manhattan College, a Ph.D. from Georgetown University, and a year of post-doctoral study at the Pontifical Institute for Medieval Studies at the University of Toronto.

"I think he is an extremely appropriate faculty member to hold the first chair in philosophy," Marilou Eldred, president of Saint Mary's, said. "I would describe Kevin as an intellectual role model for students. I am hopeful that it will increase students' interest in philosophy.'

McDonnell's first publications were in the field of medieval philosophy and ethics, especially the thought and work of William of Ockham and Aquinas.

After McDonnell began to teach a course on medical ethics at the College, he focused his research on the areas of contemporary bioethics and medical ethics. Currently, McDonnell serves on the Ethics committee at Memorial Hospital in South Bend, and the Human Rights Committee of the Logan Center.

Along with his classes at Saint Mary's, McDonnell also teaches medical ethics courses at the South Bend Center for Medical Education, part of Indiana University's medical school.

'He has accomplished a great deal here and has a reputation as a fine teacher and scholar," Ristau said. "His work and Aquinas' work, and what [the College is] trying to do really come together."

In her opening comments, Ristau directed attention to McDonnell's newest publication, the second edition of his medical ethics casebook, "Tough

Decisions," with John Freeman. McDonnell is also co-editor of "A Health Law Reader", another medical ethics textbook, with John Robinson of the Johns Hopkins Medical Center, and Roberta Berry.

In honor of the inauguration,

McDonnell gave a talk on Aquinas titled "Thomas Aquinas—An Intellectual's Life." Aquinas should not be classified as either a theologian or a philosopher, McDonnell contended.

"I would like to suggest that he was either both or neither,' McDonnell said. "More that he was a master of impure reason, reason not divorced from religion," said McDonnell.

McDonnell used a brief biography of Aquinas' life in addition to an outline of his four modes of order, to prove his point.

"Contemporary intellectuals need to employ diverse methods,' McDonnell said. "[They need to] mix learning with relative life experiences.'

While Aquinas was a student and follower of Aristotle's teachings, McDonnell explained, Aquinas differed from the ancient philosopher with regards to religion and creationist theory.

"Aquinas reworked Aristotle's view of nature [and] did not take up with those theologians [who denied evolution,]" McDonnell said.

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> the cultural centers of the world," McDonnell said. "He was a worthy member of the company of intellectuals."

Along with his regular classes, McDonnell's duties as Aquinas Chair include teaching a new course on "Thomas Aquinas and Natural Law," and organizing an annual symposium to further the dialogue between Aquinas' thought and contemporary philosophical issues.

"I hope we can find in his life what genuine and effective intellectuals are all about," McDonnell said.



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Kevin McDonnell was recently named the Edna and George McMahon Aquinas Chair in Philosophy. The honor is given in memory of its namesakes and in tribute the the moral philosopher Thomas Aquinas. McDonnell has taught at Saint Mary's since 1976.





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### GERMANY New law targets hate crimes

Associated Press

BERLIN The German government on Wednesday approved an effort to outlaw an extremeright party that has been compared to the Nazis and blamed for fueling an alarming surge in hate crimes.

Т h Cabinet supported a proposal to ask the country's highest court to ban the National Democratic Party, the most visible action yet in its struggle to

stem the largest resurgence of neo-Nazi activity since reunification in 1990.

"This is a party that generates violence," Interior Minister Otto Schily told reporters after the Cabinet approved the proposed ban on the party, widely known by its German initials, NPD.

"There is an essential kinship between the Nazis and the NPD — and it seeks that out in politics, party colors and choice of language," Schily said.

The NDP is politically insignificant, but Schily compared outlawing the group with the ban placed on the Nazis in 1923, when they were a small group. That ban was later lifted, however, and Hitler gained power in 1933.

At least three people have died this year in attacks motivated by racial bias or other forms of hate.

Officials say neo-Nazis are becoming more violent and the number of reported anti-Semitic crimes is rising.

<sup>\*</sup>Forbidding a party is one action in the fight against right-wing extremism — but not the only one," Schily said. He said other steps would include tougher policing and

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> > a ban. The upper house of parliament is expected Friday to give its consent Friday. Less certain is approval in lower the house, which won't debate the proposal for another two weeks at least

> > Schily said he hopes to file the ban motion in the Federal Constitutional Court before the end of the year.

> > A 74-page summary of the government's case cites NPD documents and party officials talking of recruiting skinheads as "political soldiers" who will fight a "war on the streets" to restore a

"Volksgemeinschaft" or national community - a word associated with Nazi definitions of Germanness.

The party teaches classes in Nazi ideology to members of its youth wing and has links to neo-Nazi Web pages on its home page, the summary released Wednesday said.

The government also said the party uses crude antiimmigrant invective and complains that "international Judaism" is preventing Germany from closing the book on its Nazi past.

Some officials have expressed doubt that advocates will be able to meet the constitution's stringent requirements for a party ban — and say a failed attempt would only strengthen the NPD. Schily said there is enough evidence.

Germany "There is an essential has banned only two Nazis and the NPD other parties since and it seeks that out World War II: a successor to the colors and choice of Nazis in 1952 and the German Communist Party in 1956.

Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder has urged Germans to take part in an "uprising of decent people.'

He planned to attend an anti-hate march in Berlin on Thursday, the anniversary of the Nazis' 1938 Kristallnacht pogrom and the 1989 fall of the Berlin Wall.

# DENMARK **Denmark remembers** Queen day after death

Associated Press

**COPENHAGEN** Red-and-white flags flew at half-staff and a carpet of cut flowers outside the royal palace in downtown Copenhagen grew larger Wednesday as Denmark mourned the death of its beloved Queen Mother

Ingrid. Ingrid, a Swedish princess who married into Denmark<sup>\*</sup>s royalty, died Tuesday at the age of 90, sur-rounded by her three daughters ---Queen Margrethe, **Princess Benedikte** and former Queen Anne-Marie of Greece - and 10 grandchildren.

Guns at the main naval base in Copenhagen and on all naval vessels at sea fired a traditional 81round salute. Hundreds of Danes filed past the palace, adding flowers and candles to a makeshift memorial that was about 16 feet long and six feet wide by morning

Člose relatives declared a mourning period until Dec. 4 and planned a private ceremony Wednesday evening at Fredensborg Castle north of the capital, where Ingrid died.

Across the Scandinavian nation of 5.3 million people, flags flew at half-staff on homes, public buildings and ships in mooring.

Ingrid's body will lie in state for three days, starting Saturday, at the chapel at the parliament building to let Danes bid farewell to the popular dowager queen.

The casket will be carried by a horse-drawn carriage through Copenhagen on Tuesday, then taken by train to the cathedral at Roskilde, 25 miles west of Copenhagen, the resting place of 38 Danish kings and queens.

Ingrid will be buried next to her husband, King Frederik IX, who died in 1972.

"She was a woman who cared a lot. At official dinners, she would always ask me in private how my old mother was doing."

**Poul Nyrup Danish Prime Minister** 

Sweden's King Carl XVI Gustaf, Queen Silvia and **Crown Princess** Victoria and Norway's King Harald were those among planning to attend the funeral.

Born in Stockholm, Sweden, Ingrid

was the only daughter of Sweden's King Gustaf VI Adolf, a great-granddaughter of England's Queen Victoria and an aunt of King Carl.

She entered Europe's oldest royal house in 1935 after she married Denmark's future King Frederik. Ingrid stepped out of the limelight after his death but remained active into old age and was patron to some 40 social welfare and aid organizations.

'She was a woman who cared a lot," Prime Minister Poul Nyrup Rasmussen told The Associated Press.

"At official dinners, she would always ask me in private how my old mother was doing. Or how elderly people in our society were doing after hearing about a debate (in parliament) on the issue," he said.



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# Efforts increase voter turnout

#### Associated Press

#### WASHINGTON

Get-out-the-vote efforts, a barrage of political ads and intense media coverage were cited as explanations for increased voter participation in this year's election.

An estimated 51 percent of Americans old enough to vote did so on Tuesday, said Curtis Gans, director of the Committee for the Study of the American Electorate.

By comparison, the rate in 1996 was 49 percent, the lowest since 1924. In 1992, about 55 percent voted.

Gans' figures for 2000 were based on turnout reported by The Associated Press and CNN, and include an estimated 2.4 million absentee votes uncounted Wednesday. He also based turnout on estimates of uncounted votes in Oregon, Alaska and Michigan.

Gans said the higher turnout likely was due to well-funded, grass-roots mobilization efforts and media coverage about the White House race between Democrat Al Gore and GOP Gov. George W. Bush of Texas.

Still, he said, "We've got half the electorate sitting at home.'

More people voted this year in Florida, Illinois, Missouri, Michigan, Minnesota, New Hampshire and Delaware. A lottery on the ballot in South

Carolina helped increase turnout there by about 6 percent from 1996.

Turnout was down in Arizona, Kansas, Louisiana, Montana, New Mexico and other states not visited as often by the candidates.

Voters said the tight presidential race energized them.

'Bottom line: every vote matters," said Homer Cason of Lebanon, Tenn., who cast his vote for Gore, who lost his home state.

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#### **Bill Cowles** Florida election supervisor

than in 1996. "Those people who didn't vote are probably kicking themselves in the butt because they procrastinated in getting to the polls or they used feeble excuses for not getting there," Orange County, Fla., election supervisor Bill Cowles said. "Today they're saying, 'Gee if I had gone, I

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might have made a difference." In Wisconsin, turnout was 66

percent, up nearly 9 percent from 1996. Both nominees visited the state often during the campaign.

Blacks, who account for 10 percent of the electorate. favored Gore by a margin of 9to-1, slightly better than the vote for President Clinton in 1996, according to exit polls. The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People said it spent \$9 million to In Florida, where a recount increase black voter turnout. Voters leav-

ing the polls were interviewed by Voter News Service, a works.

consortium of The Associated Press and the television net-Union members, 26 per-

cent of the electorate. pre-Gore ferred over Bush by nearly a 2-to-1

margin, according to exit polls. Unions were 23 percent in 1996, with the margin for Clinton about the same.

In Oregon, the convenience of nation's first all mail-in election was not enough to push state turnout to record levels, though an estimated 300,000 votes remained uncounted. Gans said.

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# Lieberman still has his Senate day job

Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. Joseph Lieberman postponed his Connecticut victory rally and headed back to Washington instead. He was

still a senator. indeed just re-elected to a new six-year term. B u t

Lieberman was tenaciously pursuing

every detail about the recount process in Florida, still believing he would become the first Jewish vice president and Vice President Al Gore would be president, aides said Wednesday.

Indeed, campaign manager Thomas Nides described Lieberman as one of the driving forces behind the effort to dispute the election results in Florida that seemed to show Republican George W. Bush had won the presidency.

"He was the one last night who was saying as we were going to concede, ... 'Wait, wait, wait, how many votes are there really?" Nides said. "He said, 'Isn't there an automatic recount? What's the percentage? ... He was not in the camp of quickly rushing to the stage to concede."

Lieberman, a former state attorney general, spent much of Wednesday on the phone with Rep.

Robert Wexler, who has alleged voting irregularities in his Florida district, and with Florida's Sen. Bob Graham, pressing for details about the recount, Nides said.

Lieberman sent his youngest daughter, 12-year-Hana. old home to Washington early Wednesday so that she could resume her school routine. He and his wife, Hadassah, planned to join her late Wednesday night. Other family members left earlier in the day.

"Why are we going back tonight? Because he has a child at home," spokeswoman Kiki McLean said.

It was unclear whether he would rejoin Gore in Nashville once Florida's election results were clear.

"Right now, he's going to go home to Washington and he'll obviously be in very close contact, in touch with what's going on," McLean said. Things are pretty fluid.

Lieberman had been planning to return to his home state of Connecticut late Wednesday for a "victory rally" in Hartford to celebrate, if nothing else, his Senate win. Aides said that rally had been indefinitely postponed because of the uncertainty of the general election.

Nides described Lieberman as experiencing a roller coaster of emotions late Tuesday and early Wednesday as TV networks declared Florida for the Democrats - and then undeclared it.

When we won Florida the first time, I think there was a general elation that we probably had won the election," Nides said. "He was very excited about the idea that he helped put Florida over the top."

. Later, when the networks put Florida back in the tooclose-to-call column, "I think the elation kind of ended there, somewhat dramatically," Nides said.

Lieberman had fought hard for Florida's 25 electoral votes, campaigning in the state almost every week since August when he was selected to be Gore's running mate. Aides said he had made eight trips to Florida and spent 13 days there.

Lieberman, the first Jew to run for national office on a major party ticket, was especially popular at Florida's predominantly Jewish senior citizen residential communities.

He customarily spoke to seniors in their own familiar language, Yiddish. Even his 86-year-old mother, Marcia, has campaigned for him in the Sunshine State.

At Florida Atlantic University last week, he adapted the lyrics of "New York, New York," belting out, "If we win it here, we'll win it everywhere. It's up to you Flor-id-a!"

He was never so right.

Lieberman ran simultaneously for a third term to the Senate and easily won by defeating Waterbury Mayor Philip Giordano.



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# Pushing for a true living wage

Last column, I addressed four objections to the living wage. There are more. I will conclude this theme by addressing the remaining objections.

Objection five: Instituting a living wage would be imposing

first world values on the third world. Reply: The companies that fail to pay a living wage are first world companies. If a living wage is a first world value, then they are not living in accord with it. Moreover, it needs to be clear that what constitutes a

living wage is minimal. We are talking, for instance, about

clothes (one for on, one for off being cleaned and one for special occasions like weddings). This is hardly a closet full

ing a fourth wall for their shacks

Pope John Paul II has made blistering attacks on consumerism, calling it "contrary to what is good and true to happiness." I invite anyone who might make this objection to go and live on the workers' wages for a month and then report back whether current wages are meeting basic needs. The charge that the living wage is a first world value implies that workers in the third world already have

some of James Keady's words and work, but his Olympic Living Wage Project drives this particular point home quite well. Mr. Keady previously offered to work for Nike at Nike's third world wages and Nike declined. He then decided to live on what amounted to those wages — \$1.25 a day in Indonesia — for the duration of the 2000 Summer Olympics. Mr. Keady, already trim, lost 25 pounds and "spent most of the month painfully hungry and exhausted.' Objection six: If the idea of a living wage is not an imposition, then enforcing it through first world agents is.

Reply: Contained in this objection is a legitimate consideration, though it is far from clear that the motives are pure. The legitimate consideration is this: If it could be done, it would be better for workers to achieve their basic needs through selforganization without pressure on companies from first world organizations. The more that the workers themselves have agency, the better. When the objection comes from corporate representatives, there may be reason to be suspicious of motive. Many of the corporations make product in China, which does not recognize the right to organize.

It appears that such an objection seeks to take advantage of the fact that worker organization is frequently weak in third world countries and often both subtly and violently suppressed. Low wages and weak worker organization often go hand in hand. When workers receive wages below a living wage, then they are less inclined to part with what little they receive to pay the dues necessary for there to be a worker organization.

Catholic social doctrine affirms both a living wage and the right to organize and thus does not view the relation between them as a zero sum game. In a particular case, it might be that the best way to achieve a living wage is through worker organization alone, but that is a question of strategy, not a trade-off in principles.

Catholic teaching puts forward a principle that helps regulate the roles of various parties in a situation of social injustice: the principle of subsidiarity. The core insight of this principle is that those groups or persons most proximate to a situation generally have the best read of the situation's nuances. Where possible, those most proximate are to be the primary respondents. In this case it is the workers organizing themselves

However, the Latin root for subsidiarity means, "to support," or, "to help," and larger, more remote institutions are to help the more proximate groups do their work. In this case, first world organizations can help workers organize and can sponsor living wage studies. "In extremis" situations can require the more remote institutions to intervene directly if the more proximate persons and groups do not have the wherewithal. Much depends on one's read of the situation regarding the strength of the worker organizations relative to that of the manufacturers and the corporations. Any intervention must have in view the final goal of the living wage being

addressed through the workers themselves, even if "help" and perhaps direct intervention is necessary in the meantime

My own judgment about Notre Dame's case is that the empirical situation of imbalance between corporate and worker strength requires the university to provide help at present. The question is that of how. Some advocates contrast "formula" and "negotiated" approaches. The former uses formulae to calculate the living wage and then demands immediate payment of it, the latter negotiates with the companies to raise wages. Once again, this is a false trade-off.

It is important to have a clear sense of what a living wage is in a particular region in order to have a mark in relation to which one negotiates, thus the need for formulae. It may be important as well to work with corporations via negotiation to move towards the living wage over time. This is a matter of prudential judgment, and my own judgment is that negotiation with a clearly stated goal carefully calculated through formulae and a stated timeline for full implementation of the living wage will be most effective.

It is worth noting that if the corporations followed subsidiarity, they would "help" third world countries develop their own local economies rather than impose the manufacture of product for the first world; the charge of imposing first world values turns on the corporations at this point.

Objection seven (final objection): But paying a living wage would disrupt the market.

Reply: This presupposes that the status quo of the present market is the natural order of things. Corporate representatives cannot have it both ways: they cannot argue that their move to the third world — with its moving of whole sectors of economies from agricultural to industrial bases - makes things for workers incomparably better and then argue that a move to a living wage from within an industrialized economy constitutes disruption. In Catholic teaching, payment of a living wage is the act that is in keeping



**Todd David** Whitmore

The Common Good

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There is a big difference between basic needs being met by a living wage and a lifestyle of rampant consumerism. Those who articulate this objection would have you believe that the movement for a living wage is seeking second houses for workers when it is more accurately seek-

all that is necessary for a life of dignity.

I have written before in critique of

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with the natural order.

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# VIEWPOINT

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# Pressure to get fit to fit in

I'm not a healthy person. My idea of peak physical condition is being able to walk to DeBartolo without getting a side stitch. Back at home, this wasn't a problem. Sure, experts advocated regular exercise, but most people got enough physical exertion from running away from Governor Bush, who was constantly trying to execute us

all. I, however, managed to distract little Georgie with a shiny object, allowing me to concentrate on my Ben & Jerry's and poor educational system. This system worked out well for me and I was ready to continue my highcholesterol lifestyle, to live the typical pizzaeating, beer-drinking, Animal House-watching college life. But, unfortunately, this isn't any college.

Amy Schill

Dazed and Amused

This is Notre Dame. Our Lady of the Treadmill.

From the moment I arrived here, it seemed like everyone was on a health kick. My friends were constantly at one of the several exercise facilities (which I'm sure have names), lifting weights in the dorm or adding a nutrient supplement to their fruit smoothies. Once at confession, the priest made me say five Hail Mary's and do 30 minutes on the Ab Slide.

Around March last year, the pressure to fit into the well-toned Notre Dame family finally got to me. Despite the fact that my previous exercise experience here consisted only of wandering into Rolf's accidentally while looking for mayonnaise, I decided to launch a full-scale fitness program. My friend Allen, a guy who if you ask him to flex, pulls out his ID card and goes to the Huddle, agreed to join me. Here is an account of our program:

Amy and Allen's Fitness Fandango Spectacular 2000. Day one: jogged around the lakes a couple of times. Day two: speed-walked to Reckers. Got some mayonnaise for the road. Spring break. The end.

Yeah. Well, between Allen's chemistry tests and my ... napping, it was difficult to find time to get together to work out. We still meet regularly for cheese sticks, however.

Well, exercise just doesn't seem to be for me. I'm just going to have to find other ways to fit in, like listening to Guster and drinking a lot more. The sacrifices I make for this school. So no, despite seeing everyone around me working out, I don't exercise, but unlike in high school, I now feel really, really guilty about it. Hey, I never said I wasn't a good Catholic.

Amy Schill is a sophomore English major. Amy enjoys cheese and all cheese related products.

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# **Showing courage**

Tuesday morning, I hung about 25 posters in O'Shaughnessy hall. Posters which you will never see because all but three were systematically ripped down within hours. These posters weren't obscene. They didn't have any foul language, and they were even approved by the Student Activities office.

They announced a lecture taking place on Thursday, Nov. 9, at 7:30 pm in 113 DeBartolo that someone obviously doesn't want you to know about. Someone who has decided to take it upon themselves to be a censor of the University community's intellectual discussions.

Four groups, including the Knights of Columbus whom I represent, are presenting a lecture that night by the founder of a group named Courage. What does Courage do that could be so offensive to someone at this Catholic institution? Do they abort babies? Do they support Planned Parenthood? Do they fund communist regimes or engage in devil worship?

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR Father Garrick writes in

Since my difficult resignation from Notre Dame in April 1998, I have been through a lot. My religious order sent me, at my request, to Los Angeles to work as a volunteer chaplain for AIDS Project LA and to look for a salaried position in academy. Although I applied to a number of universities, I received no offers, probably because I am over 50 years old and have not been able to find a publisher for my book on theater and rituals of grief.

In June 1999, I resigned from the Congregation of Holy Cross because the provincial felt that he could not offer me an assignment unless I could refrain from publicly identifying myself as a gay person and working as an activist for gay civil rights. He probably had little choice. This policy apparently originates with Cardinal Ratzinger in Rome.

However, I have remained an active Catholic priest, working with Dignity - a Catholic gav organization that was expelled from the official Church by Cardinal Ratzinger in 1987 for insisting that gay persons who fall in love with each other must be encouraged to form a life commitment. Very sadly, I can no longer work with Catholics in regular Catholic settings. In the Church, a priest has no official standing unless he is connected with a religious order or a diocesan bishop - a very good rule, unless it is abused to discriminate against marginalized people.

Since I had to have a job in order to get an apartment, I took a position with Pinkerton in September 1999 and worked as a security guard at The Tonight Show for four months. During an

appearance of Robin Williams, my face was briefly visible on television in the distance over his right shoulder. I left that job (slightly above minimum wage) to do part-time teaching at a local community college near Los Angeles.

Some Notre Dame and Saint Mary's juniors and seniors may have seen my first play, "The Escape of Kropotkin," which I staged at Notre Dame during my final semester. What I would like the readers of The Observer to know is that my new play, "A Difficult Patient" - written, produced and directed by me under my theater name of "David SteCroix" - opened in North Hollywood, Calif. on Wednesday, Oct. 25. Critics from seven weeklies and biweeklies were present, and their reviews will be appearing over the next week. In the opinion of the actors and myself, the performance was outstanding. We will be running the play three days a week until Nov. 22

Before I could begin writing, I had to devote six solid months to research, some of it in the UCLA medical library. In the play, the year is 1973, and pressure is mounting to delete homosexuality from the official psychiatric illness list. Gay activists are confronting psychiatrists - and psychiatrists are angrily diagnosing each other in public. Meanwhile, Los Angeles psychologist Dr. Evelyn Hooker struggles to exorcise the angry ghost that stands between her patient and his gay lover.

> Rev. David A. Garrick Sylmar, Calif. Oct. 28, 2000



# Finding one's place

My mother is a pretty good judge of character. She has five children and like a good mother, she recognizes that each of us is different in our own ways. There is the socialite, the radical, the athlete and the baby. I am the humanitarian. Well over fall break, I went with a group of 13 other Notre Dame students to New York City as a participant of the Children and Poverty seminar run by the Center for Social Concerns. We traveled to our nation's biggest city to help some of our nation's poorest children. This trip left me thinkolder than us, he is a first grade teacher in an after-school program at PS 171 in Harlem. While most of his friends wear suits and ties to work, he revels in the fact that he can still wear jeans and a T-shirt. However, while he does have fun in the gymnasium, he works hard so that the children learn in the classroom.

Anne listens to rap. As a social worker in the Bronx, the children that she works with influenced her. Big Pun, a rapper, came from the area where her organization, UNITAS, was established, and he was a hero to many neighborhood children. She is currently working to find similar role models for the younger children in the community. So there I was in New York City among children who needed help and adults who were making a difference. Where was my place? Participating in a smorgasbord service project like this one where there is an array of policy meetings and hands-on programs can distort one's vision. I did not spend my fall break solving the problems of inner-city violence, crime and poverty. I did not change the world. What I did change however was my way of thinking and I hope this change stays with me. In January I will be graduating from Notre Dame with more than a degree in history. I will graduate knowing that I will make a conscious effort to prove my mother right. I hope to be that humanitarian.

#### No.

Courage is an organization devoted to helping people inculcate in their lives, in day-to-day experience, Catholic teachings, specifically Catholic teachings on homosexuality. It is a support group in this way, much like certain groups around Notre Dame claim to be support groups. Father Harvey, its founder, is coming to speak on an intellectual level surpassing everyday discussion on why such groups are necessary and the great love that he has been privileged to bring to struggling gay and lesbian members of the Catholic community.

Are you going to let someone else decide who you'll listen to on Thursday night? Why not come and see someone who offers so much compassion to so many people?

Don't let the hate and censorship of a few blind you to new possibilities. Come and see what Father Harvey has to offer.

> Nathaniel Hannan junior , Dillon Hall Nov. 6, 2000

ing about my role in society.

During the days I went to impoverished, crimeridden neighborhoods and played with some of the most giving children. Marlon knew all the lyrics to all the Britney Spears songs. He is four years old and impressionable. As he sang

"Lucky," the phrase, "isn't she lucky," rang through my ears. Was I not lucky to be born in white suburban America to white collar parents who could give me the opportunity to attend a college like Notre Dame? Why are not all children that lucky?

Kassandra always had a smile on her face. She is creative and inquisitive. Though she speaks very little English, she was able to communicate to me despite the language barrier that she wanted the eye of her pumpkin to be on top of the stem rather than on its broad side like the rest of the children. If only all Americans could break down their artificial barriers.

As the days progressed, I interacted with the adults involved in the various programs and organizations where we volunteered. Mr. Robs' favorite gym game is steal the bacon. Not much Colleen Murphy senior off-campus Nov. 7, 2000



#### Movie Review

# 'Nicky' gets stuck in comedy hell

#### By JUDE SEYMOUR Scene Movie Critic

Since Adam Sandler is not only the star of "Little Nicky" but also its co-writer and producer, there is little chance he would admit his movie is not funny. Adam Sandler is too involved in this film, and the result for "Little Nicky" is disaster.

The plot is thin and Sandler's "Nicky" On earth, character is painfully unfunny. In fact, he's the least funny of the group. It is a rare instance in an Adam Sandler movie, but he **"Little Nicky"** 

It is a rare instance in an Adam Sandler movie, but he has been outperformed by the legions of cameos he has collected.

The worst element of "Nicky" may be its plot. Admittedly, people do not go to Sandler movies for something deep. But they do want more than a string of jokes. Sandler has done comedy tours; certainly that could whet the appetite of anyone interested in just a couple of laughs without any context.

People flock to movies for something more, however: something that is as funny as a comedy tour but could never be captured on the small stage (like punching out Bob Barker in a heated golf match in "Happy Gilmore").

"Happy Gilmore"). In "Little Nicky," the plot will make even a Sandler aficionado wince. Nicky is the product of an alcohol induced sexual encounter between the Devil (Harvey Keitel, "Reservoir Dogs") and an angel (Reese Witherspoon, "Cruel Intentions") at a Heaven-Hell mixer.

Nicky has two brothers, Adrian (Rhys Ifans, "Notting Hill") and Cassius (Tom Lister Jr., "Friday"), who are both looking to take over their father's rule of Hell.

When the Devil announces that he has

decided to rule for another 10,000 years, the brothers conspire to go up to earth and make a hell out of New York City. But since they go the wrong way through the soul portal, they freeze it. And since the Devil feeds off souls, he needs the brothers to come back, together, to free up the passageway. So it is up to Nicky to complete this task and save his father from dissipating into nothing.

On earth, Nicky is guided by a talking dog (voiced by Robert Smigel, creator of

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out of five shamrocks

Director: Steven Brill

Harvey Keitel, Patricia

Arguette and Allen Covert

Starring: Adam Sandler,

"SNL's" animation skits). And as he tries to trap his brothers and save the day, Nicky begins to fall in love with Valerie (Patricia Arquette, "Stigmata").

The weakest character in this movie is Nicky for several reasons. Sandler is forced to either deliver flat lines out his character's decrepit voice, or repeat a joke ad nausem (such as Nicky being from "the deep south"). Also, his character's facial expressions and

speech mannerisms make it impossible for Sandler to make any joke funny.

The cameo roles are a mix of the creative and the ill-planned. A cameo by Rodney Dangerfield is well received because Dangerfield always has an appealing sort of humor. His lines are delivered with the customary Dangerfield gusto and phrases like "I get no respect" are as funny in "Nicky" as they were when they were first spoken.

Another cameo, by Quentin Tarantino, is well scripted and adds a few more laughs. Bit parts given to Rob Schneider ("Deuce Bigalow: Male Gigolo") and Michael McKean ("Best in Show") are a waste of otherwise good talent, however.

The romantic element of the film, as well as Nicky's introduction to earth, is riddled



Adam Sandler wrote and stars in "Little Nicky," the actor's latest comedy to hit the big screen. Fellow "SNL" alum Robert Smigel provides the voice of the dog.

with the customary lack of attention to detail that hampers almost every Sandler film. Valerie and Nicky fall in love without exchanging one personal question or idea. And when Nicky is brought up to Earth, he does not understand urinating or how to eat food, but he understands basketball without ever playing.

The lone bright spot in the movie is Allen Covert, who plays Nicky's gay roommate, Todd. His lines (probably written by cowriter Covert himself) are the main source of humor in the film. Unfortunately, his part is miniscule in comparison to Sandler's role, so the humor quickly disintegrates.

Adam Sandler has proven himself a comedic talent over the last 10 years, but

his movies have shown a serious lack of what it takes to make a good movie. Unless they are taped stand-up performances, movies cannot exist as a string of jokes. Even Sandler fans can admit that movies with a halfway intriguing plot are better than the ones that contain little substance.

"Little Nicky" went through four rewrites before New Line agreed to produce it. From the looks of it, a little more time should have been spent in that fourth rewrite to make an enjoyable plot. Maybe showing the script to someone else would have done the trick. Any way one looks at it, it's up to Sandler to make amends for "Nicky." Perhaps by being less involved in his next picture he'll gain a better perspective on what is truly funny.

#### **SPECIAL FEATURE**

# Sandler offers candid discussion on 'Nicky,' future

#### By JUDE SEYMOUR Scene Movie Critic

CHICAGO When Adam Sandler strolls through the entranceway of the pressroom, he lets out a "hey hey hey!" to the college crowd of 50 that is eagerly anticipating him. With an accompanying giggle from the attendees,

unfunny 84-minute performance in "Little Nicky."

Adam Sandler, as proven by his platinum selling CDs, has clearly mastered humor in a rehearsed act. What was in question, though, was whether or not his performance in "Nicky" reflected the "real life" Sandler: had he lost his comic touch? Over the next hour, the answer became certain: absolutely not. friend and collaborator, Allen Covert (who plays Todd in the film) answers questions about his new movie, his past successes and his promising future. Covert and Sandler bounce questions and jokes off each other back to the audience, displaying their real life personas as laid back and inviting.

Sandler recalls how he chased his only interest in life: "When I was in college, I you still have that hat?"

Sandler and Covert both acknowledge the debt that they owe to earlier great comedies like "Caddyshack," "Fast Times at Ridgemont High" and Woody Allen's movies. Sandler is "really thrilled" to hear that many college students consider his movies to be the great comedies of their generation.

As for making more "great" comedies in the future, Sandler is unsure of where his plans are taking him. "P.T. Anderson wants me to look over a script and work for him," Sandler nonchalantly remarks about working with the director of "Magnolia." "Quentin [Tarantino] has something for me lined up for the spring too so I've got all of these options." It must be tough for Sandler: after raking in \$25 million for both "Big Daddy" and "Little Nicky," working with two accomplished directors like Anderson and Tarantino might not seem as glamorous. If he decides not to pursue either of those scripts, Sandler has a couple things lined up: a comedy tour and the creation of Shnorff.com, an Internet humorist project he and Covert are working on. In talking to Sandler after the question and answer session, he is both approachable and friendly. He's interested in Notre Dame football, and says he would "definitely consider" a stop at Notre Dame if his comedy tour starts again. Hopefully, there is much more in store for such warm and funny individuals as Adam Sandler and Allen Covert.

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he completely wipes away his flat and

Sandler, accompanied by his longtime



Photo courtesy of New Line Cinema

At an advanced college press screening of "Little Nicky," Adam Sandler was more than willing to answer journalists' question and, later on, sign autographs. really wanted to be a comedian. I wasn't really interested in writing," Sandler quips. "The best thing we did [at NYU] was to encourage each other to take chances. I started doing stuff that I thought was funny. When I was first on stage, no one laughed. My family was like, 'Wow, they hate your guts."

Sandler's big break was as a cast member and writer on "Saturday Night Live" from 1991 to 1995. After 1995, his move into full-length movies was natural, as was the case with past "SNL" cast members. He received a lot of support from his friends on show, and has repaid their loyalty with recurring roles in his movies.

Some cast members, like Ellen Cleghorne, he cast in "Nicky" because he had "lost contact with her for a couple of years, and we're really good friends." Others, like Rob Schneider, he has enticed with memories of earlier successes. "I told Rob," Sandler joked, "that I remembered when I heard the biggest laughs on set, for "The Waterboy," when Rob was doing, 'You can do it!' And we were at his father's funeral, and Rob leaned in and said, 'Do



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## MOVIE REVIEW 'Charlie's Angels' is a no-brainer

#### **By GUNDER KEHOE** Scene Movie Critic

With the recent failures of "The Avengers," "A Very Brady Sequel," "Sgt. Bilko" and, most notably, "Wild Wild West," one would hope that Hollywood had learned its lesson. Unfortunately, another old TV show has been force-fed to the American publc in the form of "Charlie's Angels.

"Charlie's Angels," the TV show, has been revived on TVLand, but for those who can't fit the show in their schedule, the gist is pretty simple: A wealthy old guy employs three sexy women to work as crime-fighting investigators. Together, these young pussycats dress incognito, foil villains and do all sorts of silly things. It sounds more like a porno story-line, only the writing is slightly better and the all-or-nothing sex has been replaced by some less-exciting romance

The Angels, played by Cameron Diaz (Natalie), Lucy Liu (Alex), and Drew Barrymore (Dylan) leap from costume to costume in hopes of thwarting a wring of evil masterminds bent on stealing special computer software. Fortunately, the sexy trio has Bosley (Bill Murray) on their side, and his antics make their close calls all the more daring.

The movie doesn't connect through its



Drew Barrymore (from left), Cameron Diaz and Lucy Liu star in "Charlie's Angels," the latest Hollywood remake of an old TV show.

story, so the usual twists and turns won't leave any jaws dangling. The director, known only as McG, serves up quite a spectacle that delivers a bit of everything, vet amounts to nothing.

"Charlie's Angels"

out of five shamrocks

Starring: Cameron Diaz, Drew

Barrymore, Lucy Liu, Luke Wilson and

Director: McG

**Bill Murray** 

For a movie that brags about its girl power, the actresses don't live up to the hype. Sure, the Angels can do some pretty nasty Kung-Fu, but their chemistry falls flat. Maybe it's asking too much to hope that each woman would feel like an irreplaceable piece of the film; but exchange any one of these actresses with

another cute starlet and the movie wouldn't be any better or worse.

As Alex, Lucy Liu (TV's "Ally McBeal") has the most presence. When she slips into her dominatrix leather, there isn't a man alive she couldn't slap silly.

It's fun to watch Cameron Diaz dance in her undies, but is her cute hiney really worth \$12 million dollars (her reported salary)? Diaz has a long, slender frame and it's well-suited to the martial arts, but her best karate is no match for the harsh lighting on her face. The glowing aura she donned in "There's Something About Mary" has faded and it looks like the make-up lady shot her face with a paint gun. In the wrong moment, her character looks less like a butt-kicking heroine than she does a heroine addict.

Drew Barrymore ("Never Been Kissed") is the least exciting of the Angels. She lacks the exoticism of Lucy Liu and the spunk of Cameron Diaz, so she's left out as the bastard Angel.

It's probably not fair to criticize when it's obvious the actresses had little to work with. No one expects brilliant writing from a television remake, but this screenplay reads more like an Internet script promotion where every page is written by someone different. Had less than 15 writers been able to pull off a more coherent nar-

rative, the actors' fates might have been different.

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The camera tricks that made "The Matrix" famous have been ripped off by everything from car ads to Nacho Cheese Doritos. Now "Charlie's Angels" is the latest inspiration.

If stealing from other movies is a sign of directorial talent, then

McG is a bona fide genius. Maybe this is actually a clever parody of overblown action flicks, but that's giving Mr. McG too much credit. There comes a point when people have to finally recognize that repeated stealing is nothing more than copycat filmmaking. The director has enough tricky moves to helm an 'NSync video, but hopefully his future project is no bigger than the next McDonald's TV spot.

Ironically, it's the men of "Charlie's Angels" who provide the saving grace. The film's funniest moment is Bill Murray's heart to heart with a funny-looking bird, but for the most part the actor is contained. Give another strike to McG for squandering Bill Murray and throwing away the potential for some much needed humor. And Luke Wison ("Blue Streak") is a welcome addition as Natalie's boyfriend. His effortless charm proves he's one of the more genuine young actors around.

Of course, a production of "Charlie's Angels" or any other third-rate TV show will never be remembered past the year it opens. But why not make its short life a bit more memorable?

#### **MOVIE REVIEW**

# 'Legend' is an enjoyable, old-fashioned fable

**By BILL FUSZ** Scene Movie Critic

From time to time, a movie comes along that is just a joy to watch. Some may not nominate it for an Academy Award, some may say it's not the most innovative movie of the past year and

#### Rules").

The war changes Junuh, however, when he is sent to command Savannah's boys in Europe and they meet defeat at the hands of the Germans. A broken man, upon his return he deserts Savannah and Adele and spends the 1920s playing poker in a drunken stuno the

that a local golfer be included as well, and no local golfer is better than Junuh.

The majority of the movie is about the golf tournament and how Junuh struggles to regain his golf game and bring pride to the town. He is assisted by two caddies: Hardy Greaves (J. Michael Moncrief), a youth admirer of Junuh who grows up to be the narrator of the film (Jack Lemmon), and the title character, Bagger Vance (Will Smith), a mysterious caddy who appears out of nowhere and has come to help Junuh get his "authentic swing" back. Incredible directing and excellent acting are what lift this movie above the lackluster. With breathtaking shots of the course and a knowledge of just how long to hold a shot before losing the audience's interest, almost every frame displays Redford's mastery of cinema. Damon and Theron both give strong, if unremarkable, performances. The previews, which suggest a love story, are misleading though. This is a golf story. With that in mind, the two do an excellent job of keeping the romance a lighthearted accent to the movie.



corny. But despite all that, the the film's funniest moments. film simply cap-

tures and holds your attention. "The Legend of Bagger Vance' is such a film.

Directed by **Robert Redford** ("A River Runs Through It"), "The Legend of Bagger Vance' set in is **Depression Era** Savannah, Georgia. It tells

the story of a hometown hero, Rannulph Junuh (Matt Damon, "Good Will Hunting"), who, before World War I, won practically every great golf tournament in the South, as well as the heart of Savannah's wealthiest heiress, Adele Invergordon (Charlize Theron, "Cider House

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Director: Robert Redford America. Starring: Will Smith, Matt Damon and Charlize Theron made this a

poor investment and he committed suicide.

course

In order to save her father's dream, Adele announces a grand golf tournament to feature Bobby Jones and Walter Hagen (real golfers, played by Joel Gretsch and Bruce McGill respectively), the two greatest living golfers. The city demands

Smith and newcomer J.



Will Smith (left) is a mystical caddy opposite Matt Damon's struggling golf pro, in "The Legend of Bagger Vance."

Michael Moncrief are the film's gems. The role of the wise mentor and the hero-idolizing child could all to easily be played to stereotypical perfection. Instead, they both deliver inspired performances which truly make the film

With golf being a metaphor for life, "The Legend of Bagger Vance" explores the relationship between people and what they do best. It could just as easily have been about any sport or any activity of human endeavor. For this reason, you do not need to be a golfer or even know anything about golf to enjoy the film. But for those who do love golf, this is as fine a film as has ever been made about it. It may not be a hole-in-one, but "The Legend of Bagger Vance" definitely makes birdie.

# NBA Cavaliers edge Knicks, 99-97

#### Associated Press

NEW YORK

Bimbo Coles scored four of his 17 points in the final minute Wednesday night as the most surprising team in the NBA, the Cleveland Cavaliers, stayed undefeated with a 99-97 victory over the New York Knicks.

Playing with the enthusiasm of a high school team, the Cavaliers took the lead with 4 1/2 minutes to play and never gave it back to improve their record to 4-0 — the first time since 1988-89 that they have started a season with four consecutive wins.

Andre Miller and Matt Harpring added 16 points each, Lamond Murray had 13 and Wesley Person scored 10 of his 12 in the fourth quarter. Cleveland's reserves outscored New York's 44-15.

Allan Houston scored 25 for the Knicks, but he missed his final four shots and scored only two points in the fourth quarter. Glen Rice, starting in place of the injured Latrell Sprewell (back spasms), added 23.

Zydrunas Ilgauskas gave Cleveland a 93-90 lead by making one of two free throws with 1:23 left, and the Knicks committed their sixth turnover of the quarter on their next possession when Marcus Camby couldn't handle an entry pass.

Coles came off a screen to hit a 20-footer with 49 seconds left for a five-point lead. Larry Johnson tipped in a miss by Houston with 34 seconds left, but Coles hit two from the line six seconds later.

Erick Strickland's 3-pointer with 21 seconds left made it a twopoint game, but Andrew Miller hit a pair from the line with 12.9 seconds left to all but wrap it up. Rice hit a jumper at the final buzzer.

#### Nets 102, Wizards 86

Stephon Marbury scored 31 points and rookie Kenyon Martin added 20 to lead the New Jersey Nets to a victory over the Washington Wizards.

Martin, who scored a total of 24 points in his first three NBA games, enjoyed his best game as a pro. Ile shot 9-for-17 and had seven rebounds, four assists, four steals and three blocked shots.

New Jersey's victory overshadowed a career-high 30 points by Washington forward Richard Hamilton, who came off the bench

to hit 10 of 23 shots. Rod Strickland had 18 points and six assists for the Wizards, who got 17 points and seven rebounds from Juwan Howard.

#### 76ers 103, Pistons 94

Allen Iverson scored 28 points and Eric Snow added a careerhigh 23, including 10 in the fourth quarter, as the unbeaten Philadelphia 76ers beat the Detroit Pistons.

They built a 27-point lead in the second quarter and held on after Detroit rallied within a point in the fourth quarter.

Jerry Stackhouse scored 36, including 28 in the second half, and Chucky Atkins added 24 for the Pistons. Vernon Maxwell had 15, Tyrone

Hill had 14 and Theo Ratliff added 13 for the Sixers. Detroit got within 79-78 after

opening the fourth quarter with a 16-2 run. Stackhouse scored the last six on three jumpers from near-identical spots on the wing.

But Iverson and Snow then took over. Iverson hit a free throw and drilled a 3-pointer and Snow

drilled a 3-pointer and Snow scored on a driving layup to make it 85-78 with 6:20 left. The Pistons didn't get any closer than four the rest of the way.

Snow had eight of the last 20 points for Philadelphia. He finished 8-for-14, had five rebounds and four assists. Iverson was 10for-21, and had eight assists.

#### Mavericks 101, Grizzlies 74

Shareef Abdur-Rahim had 22 points and 12 rebounds as Vancouver beat the Dallas Mavericks to improve to 4-1, the Grizzlies' best start in their sixyear history.

Abdur-Rahim had eight points during a 25-3 Grizzlies spurt in the third quarter. Othella Harrington added 21 points and nine rebounds. Christian Laettner scored 17 for the Mavericks.

Steve Nash and Courtney Alexander had 10 points each for Dallas (3-2).

The Grizzlies took a 54-38 halftime lead behind Abdur-Rahim's 11 points.

Vancouver shot 62 percent in the first half while Dallas was hitting only 39.5 percent of its field goals.

The Mavericks got as close as 56-45 early in the third quarter, but Vancouver answered with a 12-0 spurt capped by Harrington's basket for a 68-45 advantage. Vancouver finished the quarter

with its 25-3 run and took an 81-48 lead into the final quarter.

#### Homets 96, Magic 90

David Wesley had 30 points and P.J. Brown scored eight of his 19 in the final four minutes to help the Charlotte Hornets hold off the Orlando Magic.

Brown broke a six-minute drought from the field with a short jumper and went 6-for-6 from the foul line down the stretch.

Brown also grabbed 10 rebounds for Charlotte, which squandered most of a 17-point fourth-quarter lead before the forward made two free throws to break the momentum Orlando built during a 14-2 run that cut the Magic's deficit to 83-78.

Darrell Armstrong led Orlando with 18 points. Reserve Bo Outlaw had 16 points and 16 rebounds, while Tracy McGrady missed 11 of 16 shots and finished with 14 points and seven rebounds.

#### Heat 87, SuperSonics 81

Bruce Bowen hit five free throws in the final 31 seconds and Brian Grant had 30 points and a season-high 21 rebounds as the Miami Heat beat the Seattle SuperSonics.

Eddie Jones added 25 points for the Heat. Gary Payton led Seattle with 22 points.

Patrick Ewing had 16 points and eight rebounds for the Sonics. A day earlier, he offered to donate a kidney to his close friend, Alonzo Mourning, the Heat star who is sidelined for the season by a kidney disease.

Seattle scored 10 consecutive points to cut Miami's lead to 78-75 with 2:22 left in the game. Rashard Lewis, who scored 16 points, had four during the run.

The Heat let the Sonics come no closer, however.

Bowen hit a pair of foul shots with 30.9 seconds left, making it 84-78.

After Payton made a 3-pointer, Bowen had two more free throws with 17.4 seconds to go. Bowen added a late foul shot.

## NHL Devils fall prey to Predators in 4-3 loss

#### Associated Press

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. Tom Fitzgerald scored with 16.7 seconds remaining in the third period Wednesday night, spoiling the return of New Jersey goalie Martin Brodeur, as the Nashville Predators pulled out a 4-3 victory over the Devils.

Fitzgerald poked the puck past Brodeur's lunging attempt at a glove save in the midst of a goal-mouth scramble.

Cliff Ronning, David Legwand and Scott Walker also scored for Nashville, which ended a two-game winless streak.

Steve Kelly, Sergei Nemchinov and Brian Rafalski scored for New Jersey which lost its third straight and extended its winless streak to four.

Those who left early missed the down-to-wire excitement.

Nemchinov scored a tideturning goal on a setup from Bobby Holik at 13:48 to set the stage for Rafalski to make amends 26 seconds later.

With the Devils on the power play, Rafalski, at the point, took a pass from Patrik Elias and cut to the net to beat Vokoun from the bottom of the left circle and pull New Jersey even at 3-3.

It appeared the Devils would reach overtime until Fitzgerald decided it in the waning seconds.

#### Canadiens 4, Panthers 2

Brian Savage scored one of Montreal's three specialteams as the Canadiens beat the Florida Panthers 4-2, snapping a five-game losing streak.

The Canadiens won a matchup of last-place teams by scoring twice on the power play and once while short-handed.

Savage and Andrei Markov each scored with a manadvantage and Oleg Petrov added one with Montreal short-handed as the Canadiens earned their first victory in seven road games.

Florida, last in the Southeast Division, lost its fourth straight game and has just one win this season (1-6-3-3).

Montreal scored twice within a three-minute span of the second and third periods to open a 4-2 lead. Jim Campbell scored from the slot to make it 3-2 with 1:51 left in the middle period, and Markov's goal, a blast from the top of the left circle, came just 35 seconds into the third.

Florida's Mike Sillinger sent a one-timer past Jose Theodore to give the Panthers a 1-0 lead 11:42 in.

Montreal tied it on Savage's sixth goal of the season with 1:33 left in the first. Petrov made it 2-1 with Montreal's first short-handed goal of the season. The shot, from just inside the blue line, was the Petrov's third and the fourth short-handed goal allowed this season by the Panthers.

#### Penguins 5, Flyers 2

Alexei Kovalev scored Pittsburgh's first three goals and the Penguins, playing at home for the first time since their top players decided to overhaul their offense, beat the Philadelphia Flyers.

Kovalev scored twice in the first period and added a third goal to make it 3-1 as the Penguins did what they couldn't do in the second round of last season's playoffs — beat the Flyers in Mellon Arena.

Kovalev's hat trick was the third of his career and his first since Oct. 16, 1996, for the New York Rangers against the Penguins.

The five goals were the most by the Penguins in seven games and came several days after captain Jaromir Jagr called a meeting of the team's top two lines to suggest strategical changes to rookie coach Ivan Hlinka.

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#### Thursday, November 9, 2000

SAME-SEX

#### Homosexuality is one of the most controversial topics in the American social landscape.

Unfortunately, public discussions of this subject often bounce between the extremes of "gay rights" on one hand and "God hates fags" biblical fundamentalism on the other.

But this needn't be the case; the Catholic Church — virtually alone in Christendom teaches a message of both real compassion and real hope for the men and women who live every day with some degree of same-sex attraction.

Our two speakers will discuss some of the aspects of the lives of those who have such attractions, and the pastoral care that can be provided them, in the context of the most important consideration of all: Christ's invitation to each of us to become saints in the Kingdom of God.

THURSDAY ПOVEMBER 9, 2000 7:30 P.M. 113 DEBARTOLO HALL

#### Schedule

7:30 PM Fr. Harvey, "The Application of the Five Goals of COURAGE."

8:15 PM Question and Answer Period.

8:30 PM Mr. Morrison "Same-Sex Attraction and the Call to Be Saints."

> 9:15 PM Question and Answer Period. Refreshments and reception following lectures.



# OURAGE AND THE BEAUTY AND STRENGTH OF THE CATHOLIC TEACHING

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#### Rev. John Harvey, OSFA, STD. COURAGE

is an organization that provides spiritual support for men and women striving to live chaste lives in accordance with the Catholic Church's pastoral teaching on homosexuality. Fr. Harvey is the founding Director of this remarkably effective movement. He has written and lectured for over forty years on the pastoral care of individuals with same-sex attractions. He is the author of two books including *The Truth About Homosexuality: The Cry of the Faithful* (Ignatius Press, 1996). **Mr. David Morrison.** Aware of his attraction to other boys from about age 13, Mr. Morrison grew up as an isolated, angry adolescent who then became a gay activist until his late twenties. Becoming disillusioned with the actively gay life, he turned to God and, later, the Roman Catholic Church. He has written extensively on issues of faith, identity, sexuality, and culture. Mr. Morrison is also the author of the widely-read book *Beyond Gay* (Our Sunday Visitor, 1999).

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#### *The Observer* **♦ SPORTS**

#### Thursday, November 9, 2000

#### **CHASE CHAMPIONSHIPS**

## Top players withdraw from 16-player singles tournament

#### Williams, Pierce, **Huber sidelined** with injuries

**Associated Press** 

**NEW YORK** Serena Williams, French Open champion Mary Pierce and Anke Huber withdrew Wednesday from the season-ending Chase Championships because of injuries.

Taking their place in next

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ter Venus to win the doubles gold medal in the Sydney Olympics, withdrew with a foot injury. She was injured in August during the Canadian Open, retiring

during the singles final against Martina Hingis. Williams also was forced her to withdraw from doubles at the

U.S. Open in September. "I've had this injury for a while

"I'm disappointed, but I have to look at my career from the big picture and it's important for me to take care of myself and be ready for next year."

#### **Mary Pierce French Open champion**

now," Williams said. After the U.S. Open "I went to my orthopedic surgeon in Washington, D.C.,

who told me that the injury . was close to a stress fracture and I needed to rest immediately and not play for a few weeks. I never took that rest because I really wanted to play the Olympics with Venus. It was a special opportunity I didn't want to miss. Following the Olympics, I played in Tokyo, then returned home where I've been practicing and trying to work through the injury. I just never gave my foot the full amount of rest that it needed."

Pierce, who has rotator cuff tendinitis in her right shoulder,

has played only two tournaments since winning the French Open in June.

She has not played since the U.S. Open, where she retired during her fourth-round match.

"I'm disappointed, but I have to look at my career from the big picture and it's important for me to take care of myself to be ready for next year," Pierce said. "I have been struggling with this injury since September and have been doing physical training to stay in shape, but the shoulder is not ready for competition.'



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November 6-27 103 Hesburgh Library Sign-up, Freshmen Retreat #32 (Dec. 1-2, 2000) Targeted Dorms: Carroll, Cavanaugh, Fisher, Knott, Pangborn, Siegfried, Stanford, and Welsh Family

Saturday, November 11, 9:00 p.m. Basilica of the Sacred Heart Annual Notre Dame Concert for the Missions

Sunday, November 12 Keenan-Stanford Chapel Spanish Mass Presider: Rev. Thomas Bednar, csc

Monday, November 13, 4:00 pm Christian Spirituality: A Passion for the Human A conference on the lay Catholic movement

<u>Monday-Tuesday, November 13-14.</u> <u>11:30 pm-10:00 pm</u> St. Paul's Chapel, Fisher Hall Eucharistic Adoration

<u>Tuesday, November 14, 7:00 pm</u> <u>Badin Hall Chapel</u> **Campus Bible Study** 

<u>Wednesday, November 15, 10:00 pm</u> <u>Morrissey Hall Chapel</u> Interfaith Christian Night Prayer

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### Weekend Presiders

#### Basilica of the Sacred Heart

Saturday, November 11 Mass No mass in Basilica

Sunday, November 12 Mass 8:00 a.m.

Rev. Charles B. Gordon, c.s.c.

# The Spirituality of Drivers Ed.

by Fr. Tom Doyle, c.s.c.

NOTE: This is an encore presentation of Fr Tom's column that first appeared the day before fall break.

Elden Humphrey taught Drivers Ed.. Although the class was at an inconvenient time, the presentations were beyond tedious and we had more homework than geometry class, we were all willing to tolerate the discomfort because we knew the prize that awaited. I worked through the class with some arrogance because I'd been driving tractors and pickups for local farmers for some years. Emergency braking and correcting the vehicle from a full slide were second nature given my vast experience on gravel roads. Little did I know that Mr. Humphrey would give me some of the best driving and most relational advice of my life.

"Keep your eyes high," he would say in his squeaky voice. Whether we were driving down Main Street or the highway, he repeated "keep your eyes high" like a mantra. It worked! With eyes raised to the horizon, I naturally stayed in my own lane of traffic. The vehicle was no longer a pinball ricocheting between the stripes. My nervous, quick corrections of the wheel were no more.

I've noticed, and it happens every year about this time, that peoples' eyes have dropped. As we pass about campus between classes, meetings, rehearsals, practices, meals and appointments the friendly, eager eye contacts that characterized our Au-

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gust have given to the anxious fallen eyes of October. The excitement of connecting with that friend or stranger along the way has been overcome by something that draws our heads and eyes downward. And, if history repeats itself, this trend will last beyond our temporary mid-semester fatigue through the remainder of the year. Why is it that when passing another person the concrete sidewalk becomes the preferred place for our eyes?

While there are certainly many explanations, I'd like to throw out a hypothesis that it has to do with intimacy. As human beings we are wired to desire intimate relationship with others and God. Intimacy is not merely physi-

cal closeness, but it requires emotional and spiritual connections as well. To know and be known is a beautiful thing; but it's not an easy thing.

Maybe your eyes have fallen because you're a little gun-shy. Your initial overtures toward someone you found attractive were not reciprocated and you have withdrawn like a turtle into its shell. It could be something as benign as getting "shot down" calling a girl from the Dog Book or as predictable as hearing him say the words, "I have a girlfriend back home." Perhaps you tried taking a short-cut to intimacy that turned into a dead end through a "hook-up"; now the chance of meeting his eyes somwhere on the quad causes pain or embarrassment. Maybe she doesn't look up because she can feel that your eyes are looking at every part of her body except her eyes. Maybe he's heard too many crude comments loaded with sexual innuendo. Maybe you're afraid that he'll take a smile the wrong way and start pursuing you. If it's friendship and intimacy you desire, don't give up, look up. Real relationships are not like our Hollywood versions where beautiful people move from eye contact, to clever verbal exchanges and then to bed. Intimate relationships begin with friendship, respect, careful listening and they are sustained by patience, fidelity and prayer. Keeping one's eyes high in relationships means looking toward what you most hope for the other in the next ten years, not the next ten minutes. Viewing relationships on the horizon will also allow Christ to be included in the landscape. So, remember what Mr. Humphrey always said, "Keep your eyes high." It will do more for you than prevent collisions and keep you out of the mud troughs along the sidewalk. With your eyes on the horizon, you can focus on true intimacy with others and steer toward your desired destination.

10:00 a.m.

Rev. Mark L. Poorman, c.s.c., presider Rev. Charles B. Gordon, c.s.c., homily 11:45 a.m.

Rev. Thomas V. Bednar, c.s.c.

Stepan Center

Saturday, November 11 Mass 45 minutes after the game Rev. Paul Kollman, c.s.c.

#### Scripture Readings for this Coming Sunday

1st Reading	1 Kgs 17:10 – 16
2nd Reading	Heb 9: 24 – 28
Gospel	Mk 12: 38 – 44



# Yankees agree to single year \$52 million contract

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appropriate."

**Barry Watkins** 

**MSG** spokesman

#### ◆ Team postpones negotiations for multi-year deal

Associated Press

NEW YORK The New York Yankees postponed their attempt to negotiate a multiyear television contract, instead agreeing to a \$52 million, one-year deal with a branch of the International Management Group.

The deal with IMG's Trans World International division was submit-

d e Wednesday to Madison Square Garden Network, according to source a familiar with the deal who spoke on the condition of anonymity. Under the

terms of the Yankees' expired \$486 million, 12-year contract with the MSG Network, MSG has seven business days to match it.

"I know we have it. It's somewhere in the building. I just haven't seen it yet," said Seth Abraham, MSG's new executive vice president and chief operating officer.

A key provision of the deal is that it contains no right of first refusal, which has hampered the Yankees in their attempts to negotiate a multiyear contract.

MSG, a division of Cablevision Systems Corp., has gone to court twice to enforce the right-of-firstrefusal.

The Yankees and TWI agreed in July to a 10-year contract that would have cre-

ated a network 95 percentowned by the team. It would have guaranteed the Yankees about \$900 million in the next 10 years.

MSG sued, saying that it must be given the chance to match a contract for 100 percent of the team's TV rights, and New York Supreme Court Justice Barry A. Cozier issued an injunction on July 31 that blocked the contract.

on, one-year anch of the lanagement IMG's Trans nal division "We received the offer. On Sept. 8, the Yankees told MSG they intended to form their own network, and said Morgan Stanley Dean Witter projected the network's value to the team at \$2.4 billion over 10 years, or \$1.3 billion

or \$1.3 billion in present-day dollars, not accounting for inflation. MSG sued

MSG sued again Oct. 18, and the team quickly withdrew that proposal.

By going with a oneyear deal with

no right of refusal, the Yankees would gain the freedom to negotiate whatever contract that wanted for their rights starting with the 2002 season.

MSG, which has broadcast Yankees' games since 1989, must now decide whether it wants to match the offer. Another lawsuit is always a possibility.

"We received the offer," MSG spokesman Barry Watkins said. "We're reviewing it and will make comments if and when the time's appropriate."

The Yankees declined comment.

If it wins the rights, TWI would resell them to another network. A long shot would be for TWI to form its own regional cable channel.

# Manuel earns 'AL Manger of Year'

Associated Press

NEW YORK Jerry Manuel had just been voted American League Manager of the Year, and to listen to him speak, he had nothing to do with it.

"What I try to do is make sure I remove myself and put the team first in all aspects," the Chicago White Sox manager said Wednesday after winning the award in a runaway.

In a race that was no cliffhanger, Manuel received 25 first-place ballots and three seconds for 134 points in voting by the Baseball Writers' Association of America.

Oakland's Art Howe, whose team won the AL West title, was second for the second straight season, getting 74 points with two firsts, 20 seconds and four thirds.

Seattle's Lou Piniella was third with 28 points, receiving one first, three seconds and 14 thirds.

"You don't have to necessarily like me," Manuel said, recalling his spring-training speech to the team. "I'm not going to be a player's manager or whatever they want to call it. I just want you to do what's best for the team and respect the office of manager more than anything else. Hopefully that has worked here for the White Sox."

Manuel, who in his third season as manager led Chicago to its first postseason appearance since 1993, became the fourth White Sox manager to win the award, joining Tony La Russa (1983), Jeff Torborg (1990) and Gene Lamont (1993). "What I try to do is make sure I remove myself and put the team first in all aspects."

#### Jerry Manuel White Sox manager

"Our team came together in a stretch of about 11 days in spring training," Manuel said. "We had a lot of split squads, and there were 11 straight days where we won a game."

Manuel's White Sox, who finished 95-67, wound up five games in front of the Indians and were the talk of baseball for much of the season. They did it with a payroll of just \$37 million, which ranked 21st.

"It probably will be very difficult to repeat 95 wins, and also probably difficult getting into the postseason," Manuel said. "My message is to get to the postseason: 85 or 86 or 87 wins, it doesn't matter. I think postseason is more of a goal than wins."

Going in, most fans predicted Cleveland would win its sixth straight AL Central title.

But Chicago won 17 of 25 games in April, taking the division lead on April 19.

By June 2, the White Sox had the best record in the league, and the White Sox went 7-0 on a June road trip to Cleveland and New York.

"We caught some people not at a good time and we were playing good baseball," Manuel said. "That bred some confidence in a very young team." Voting took place before the start of the postseason, so Seattle's sweep of Chicago in the first round of the playoffs wasn't a factor.

"I think what happened in the Seattle series was obviously a painful lesson for us," he said. "We felt we played good baseball, they played better baseball.

"The lesson that's learned is hopefully that empty feeling we had we'll remember going into spring training. We'll use that as our rallying cry throughout the season."

The National League Manager of the Year is announced Thursday, and San Francisco's Dusty Baker is expected to win.

Both Manuel and Baker are from Sacramento, Calif.

"I was on the other side of the American River," Manuel said. "We didn't basically cross paths until professional baseball."

Since then, Baker has been a friend.

"My first year, when I got the job, my first call was from Dusty Baker in my home in West Pam Beach," Manuel recalled. "He just simplified it. He said, 'Be yourself. You can do it. Never waver with your confidence. You're a very confident man. never waver that despite what you're going through.""

After the White Sox began slowly, Baker called him again.

"It showed me he was still looking out for me," Manuel said, "even though I was in the Midwest while he was having his problems on the East Coast."

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# NFL Running back Levens undergoes surgery on right knee

#### • Doctors say **Packers' star could** be out for season

#### Associated Press

GREEN BAY, Wis. Packers running back Dorsey Levens had right knee surgery Wednesday and could miss the rest of the season.

Team doctor Patrick McKenzie removed a loose fragment and scar tissue under Levens' kneecap, and the Packers don't know how long Levens will be out.

There is "an outside chance that he would be available at the end of the season," Green Bay coach Mike Sherman said.

"Everything went as expected," team spokesman Lee Remmell said.

Levens, who had an operation on his left knee during training camp, bruised the right kneecap against Miami two weeks ago and it didn't respond to treatment last week so the exploratory surgery was suggested. "They had to go in and just

find out what the problem was,' Sherman said. "He just could not play on it the way it was func-tioning. He didn't have any strength to push off.'

Also, weakside linebacker Brian Williams might need a season-ending operation on his surgically repaired right knee, which has developed an abscess, Sherman said.

"It's OK. I'm cool," Williams

said as he drove up to Lambeau Field. He declined to discuss specifics of his injury or his prognosis

The Packers expect to know by Friday whether or not he'll need another operation that would finish his season.

Levens has missed four games because of injury this season and 15 games in the last three years. The Packers have begun talks with his agent, Hadley Engelhard, in hopes of restructuring Levens' \$25 million contract, which calls for him to make \$6 million next season.

Levens' age and injury history mean the Packers, who have a \$10 million overrun on their projected 2001 salary cap, will seek a substantial salary cut for their 30-year-old star running back.

Even though Levens is in the midst of a forgettable season with just 224 yards rushing and a 2.9-yard average, the Packers aren't the same without him in the lineup. Sherman said Levens just brings "an air of confidence" to the offense.

Levens' backup is Ahman Green, a third-year pro who is faster than Levens but not as reliable a receiver.

"That's where I miss Dorsey," quarterback Brett Favre said. "But in order for Ahman to get to that level, he has to play, and if you want to say, make mistakes along the way, then so be it. But he's getting better each week to the point where we're just going to run our stuff.'

Williams had two operations

after tearing his patellar tendon on Nov. 1, 1999, and returned to action a month ago. But he began experiencing trouble with the knee last week and was deactivated Monday night.

On Tuesday, his knee was drained but the abscess returned. The Packers are hoping antibiotics will work.

There's a chance it may need to be surgically drained," Sherman said. "If that's the case, it would have to be opened up and he would be done for the season."

Also, defensive end Vonnie Holliday (ankle) and wideout Corey Bradford (knee), both of whom recently returned to the lineup, are sidelined again. Holliday won't play Sunday at Tampa and Sherman doesn't expect Bradford to, either.

Williams was replaced by Nate Wayne; and Holliday will be replaced by Cletidus Hunt, both of whom have started four games this year.

"Our team has been through this already," defensive coordinator Ed Donatell said. "It's not like this is a shock wave. We've been through the drill."

The Packers' injury woes right now rival the worst in franchise history.

After eight starters and three key backups missed games with injuries during the season's first half, the Packers emerged from their bye two weeks ago with everybody healthy except right tackle Earl Dotson, certain they could make a push for the playoffs.

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### NFL Gian

# Giants gear up to meet defending Super Bowl champions

#### ◆ Sehorn prepares to return to lineup after recovering from broken rib –

#### **Associated Press**

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. New York Giants cornerback Jason Sehorn practiced Wednesday for the first time since breaking a rib last month, and hopes to play Sunday against St. Louis.

"It's a coach's decision every week," Sehorn said. "I don't get to make the decision. I told them I wanted to play last week."

While listing Schorn as day to day, coach Jim Fassel thinks the seven-year veteran will play against the NFL's topranked offense.

"Any time you go against the St. Louis Rams with their attack and you have your best corner sitting on the bench that isn't good," Fassel said. "I think he'll be back and he'll be effective."

The major concern is seeing how Sehorn reacts to contact. He has not had any since being hurt intercepting a pass on the first play from scrimmage against Dallas on Oct. 15.

Sehorn didn't get much contact Wednesday practicing in shells, a smaller and lighter shoulder pad.

Center Dusty Zeigler (knee), tackle Luke Petitgout (thigh), tight end Dan Campbell (concussion) and linebacker Jack Golden (neck) all returned to practice Wednesday despite being hurt in Sunday's win over Cleveland.

Only backup halfback Joe Montgomery (leg) missed the workout.

#### ◆ Defense aims to hold Rams to season-low score

Associated Press

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. With Kurt Warner and Marshall Faulk out of St. Louis' lineup, the New York Giants' defense is getting a little cocky about playing the Super Bowl champions.

Safety Sam Garnes even has a number in mind — 24. If Carolina could limit the Rams (7-2) to a season-low 24 points in beating them Sunday night, the Giants (7-2) can do better, Garnes said Wednesday.

"We think we're a good defense," Garnes said. "That's how we have to look at it. If somebody can hold them to something, we have to be able to hold them to . .

During the current fourgame winning streak that has put New York in first place in the NFC East, the Giants have allowed only 30 points, including 10 in wins over Cleveland and Philadelphia the last two games.

Adding to the Giants' confidence is the fact that New York's defense played well in a 31-10 loss to the Rams last season. St. Louis' offense only scored 17 points. The other 14 were scored by the Rams' defense.

"I don't know if there is a better coordinator in the league than John Fox," Rams coach Mike Martz said. "He's at the forefront of defense. He knows how to motivate these guys. They play with great emotion, so they'll be tough to deal with."

The key to the Giants' defense has been the play of the front seven, particularly the front four which has been limiting opponents to 67.9 yards rushing per game. That's also made opposing offenses one dimensional and helped the pass defense, which is giving up an average of 214.6 yards.

While that's impressive against anyone else, doing that against the Rams will be a challenge, even with Trent Green starting at quarterback in place of Warner.

St. Louis is leading the league in total yards per game (484.1), passing (370), first downs (221) and points (354).

"They have some horses and we got some horses, too," Giants defensive tackle Keith Hamilton said. "Rightfully so, they got the respect. They won the Super Bowl last year and they started off 6-0. So we're not taking them lightly, but we're not in awe of them, either."

With Faulk sidelined by a knee injury Sunday, the Rams still managed to gain over 400 total yards. Green generated most of it, hitting 29 of 42 for 431 yards and two touchdowns. The running game was limited to 31 yards on 16 carries.

"On their worst night of the season they scored 24," said Giants cornerback Jason Sehorn, who probably will return this week after missing two games with a broken rib. "I think every team in the NFL would take that as their worst game."

Garnes said that's what makes the Rams scary. "You know if you don't

"You know if you don't play good you can be embarrassed," Garnes said. "They can put up 50 points fast if you don't do you're job. They're that good."

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# BCS

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major bowl the Irish took part in was just one year later, a 31-26 Orange Bowl loss to Florida State.

Since then, the once-proud Irish have been seen in the Poulan/Weed Eater Independence Bowl and the Toyota Gator Bowl. They've also been found at home for the holidays two of the past four years.

But if the current trend continues of too-close-for-comfort

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Paul Houlihan

director

wins, Notre Dame might just make it into one of the four big bowls. Champions from the ACC, Big East, Big 10, Big 12, Pac-10 and SEC qualify for a BCS game, along with two at-large teams.

The granddaddy of the BCS is the Orange Bowl, played for the national championship, which for Notre Dame this year is an overtime loss to Nebraska out of reach. Big 12 team Oklahoma, ACC leader Florida State, Big East school Miami and SECbased Florida, ranked first through fourth in the BCS, respectively, seem the best bets for the Orange Bowl.

The Rose Bowl pits the Big 10 champion versus the Pac-10 champion, barring the possibility that a team from either conference is in the title picture. With Washington, the topranked Pac-10 school, at No. 6 in the BCS rankings, and Purdue, the highest Big 10 team, at No. 10, neither conference seems likely to put a

school in the Orange Bowl. There may be a spot free for Notre Dame in either the Fiesta Bowl or the Sugar Bowl, however. The Fiesta takes the Big 12 champion and one at-large school, while the Sugar picks the SEC winner and an at-large team. "I'm sure the Sugar Bowl

would have an interest in Notre Dame [if Notre Dame goes 9-2]," Sugar Bowl executive director Paul Houlihan said.

As would the Fiesta, which could make an interesting fight for the Irish. "To be BCS-eligible, a team

needs to have nine wins," Schoeffler said. "When all's "I'm sure the Sugar said and done, Bowl would have an that might be a interest in Notre Dame small list of teams that are [if Notre Dame goes 9eligible. Our first tie-in is with the Big 12 conference, but after that, we **Sugar Bowl executive** have to look at what's going to make the most

> intriguing matchup. "Notre Dame's definitely a team that we'd be excited to have.'

Irish hopes for a BCS berth are not set in stone, but three more Notre Dame victories and a couple key losses by higherranked schools could send the Irish on their way.

No. 11 Kansas State faces No. 4 Nebraska this weekend, and should the 'Huskers win as expected, Kansas State will become a blip on the BCS screen.

And there's no way that three Pac-10 schools ---Washington, Oregon and Oregon State are all higher than Notre Dame in current BCS rankings --- will make it into a BCS game. Oregon and Oregon State face one another Nov. 18, and the loser will drop from BCS contention.

Conference championships in the Big 12 could also prove lethal to Nebraska should it lose, or to Oklahoma, if it loses another game.

Meanwhile, Notre Dame faces Boston College at home, a brutal Rutgers team on the road

and closes out against a mediocre USC team in Southern California. The late-season Irish schedule hascbssporstline.com pegging Notre Dame as an atlarge pick for the Fiesta Bowl It's all up to the Irish to win

out. While the Irish suffered through a dry spell in the late

1990s, that's only left blue and gold fans hungrier for a big bowl. Notre Dame still sells out every game, still commands a huge NBC contract and would still draw a sellout crowd at any of the four BCS games.

That always makes Notre Dame an attractive option," Houlihan said.

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Basketball for the state. He selected Notre Dame over Indiana. The 6-foot-1, 165pounder's decision to sign with the Irish is a recruiting coup for Notre Dame, which usually loses out to in-state foes Indiana and Duke for top recruits.

Thomas's Pike High School team has tallied a 65-12 record in his three seasons. As a junior, Thomas averaged 24.3 points, 5.6 rebounds, 4.7 assists and 3.5 steals. He also captured secondteam all-state honors.

"With the graduation of Martin Ingelsby at point guard after this season," Brey said, "there is going to be every opportunity for Chris to come in and contribute immediately. He's an exceptional and gifted player with tremendous skills."

Notre Dame's second recruit, the 6-foot-9, 200-pound Cornette, helped St. Xavier High School in Cincinnati take home its first-ever Ohio state crown in 2000. He averaged 9.0 points, 5.0 rebounds and 4.0 blocked shots as a junior. "He has tremendous defensive instincts and a great feel for the

game," Brey said. "He's a good perimeter player who handles the ball very well." Cornette has risen drastically

in the recruiting rankings, growing eight inches since his freshman year and bulking up his frame. His performance with his AAU team also won acclaim. Cornette picked Notre Dame over Michigan State, Ohio State, Xavier and Dayton.

Thomas and Cornette's AAU teams met this summer in the semifinals of the 120-team AAU national tournament in Orlando, Fla., this July. Cornette's squad knocked Thomas's team out of the tournament to advance to the championships, where it lost. Both players rank among the nation's top 50.

Both Thomas and Cornette committed to Notre Dame last spring when Matt Doherty was still the head coach for the Irish. In July, when Brey took over at the helm for the Irish, one of his first moves was to keep the two recruits in the fold. He was

"I would have been really shocked if they didn't stay with us. Fits for Notre Dame are going to be fits for Notre Dame, no matter who's coaching. The top high school kids with grades are the top high school kids with grades."

#### Mike Brey Irish head coach

hampered by NCAA rules that prohibited him from calling the players more than once a week.

'You're only allowed one phone call a week, and the institution had made the call that Tuesday," Brey said, who was hired Friday, July 14th. "I'm sure they were waiting to hear from me Friday, but I couldn't call until Sunday.

Brey felt confident that the two would stick with their plans to play for the Irish.

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shocked if they didn't stay with us," Brey said. "Fits for Notre Dame are going to be fits for Notre Dame, no matter who's coaching. The top high school kids with grades are the top high school kids with grades."

The third recruit, Hendrix, was a late development for Notre Dame.

Hendrix, a 6-foot-7, 215pound power forward from Covington, Ga., made a verbal commitment to Notre Dame in October, surprising many. Even current Irish players did not even know Hendrix was considering Notre Dame at the time of his commitment.

In early September, Brey began to look at Hendrix to fill the spot that opened up after Mike Monserez transferred to Butler. Brey saw the senior play at the Charlie Weber Tournament in September, and was immediately struck by his potential.

"After watching him that weekend, we were all over that," Brey said. "It wasn't evaluation anymore. We wanted him, and a lot of people had the same attitude as us after that weekend."

Hendrix selected the Irish over schools such as Georgia, Memphis, Xavier, Georgia Tech and Clemson. He picked Notre Dame without ever having visited the campus.

As a junior, Hendrix put up 17.0 points, 10.0 rebounds and 3.0 blocks per game for East Side High School, which advanced to his first-ever playoff appearance. Hendrix also set a single-game mark last year for rebounds with 28.

"Jemere is a player who is only going to get better and improve with each season," Brey said. "He has a great frame and body for the game and is a skilled defensive player.

Now that Brey can sit back and relax about this year's batch of recruits, he will turn his attention to the current season and the Class of 2006.

"We've got to have a heck of a class," Brey said. "We need four good players when you look at what we're losing. You do have playing time to sell when you have four starters graduating. Certainly top high school players are looking for that right away."

## 2000 Notre Dame Men's Basketball Signees

Honors

Name	Position	Avg. Points	Avg. Rebounds
Chris Thomas	Point Guard	19.2	5.6
Jordan Cornette	Forward	9.0	5.0
Jemere Hendrix	Forward	17.0	10.0

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from the floor and five players scored in double figures, including junior forward David Graves who scored 18 points, grabbed four rebounds and dished out three assists.

Junior Harold Swanagan, who started for the Irish at center last season, came off the bench to

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Mike Brey

Irish head coach

score 14 points and pull down six rebounds in 17 minutes of action.

"Anything you ask of Harold, he does, Murphy said. "He sets screens that get all the shooters open. He provides offensive and defensive rebounds. We

know how important and instrumental he is.

Sophomore guard Matt Carroll scored 11 points and dished out seven assists in 28 minutes.

"No one has better in the first month of this season than Matt Carroll," Brey said. "No one's played better defense on the perimeter than him. He knows how to make the extra pass and tonight he had seven assists and no turnovers."

The unselfish play of the Irish was evident all night as they racked up 29 assists.

Senior point guard Martin Ingelsby led the Irish with nine assists.

"Certainly this is a team that can pass and will pass," Brey said. "Our challenge will be to make the extra pass.'

The Irish committed just 12 turnovers, a statistic they struggled with last season. Brey experimented with several lineups and also got to see two of his freshman in action for the first time. "That's the first time we've had

everyone on the same bench," Brey said. "We're trying to get a feel for rotations and who is going to be playing what minutes and who will be playing in what

utes tonight and certainly we are going to need

him this year. Freshman forward Tom Timmermans played the final three minutes of the game and knocked down two shots.

"We're ready to play and we're excited to play," Brey said. "We obviously have a lot of weapons on offense, but we are a work in progress defensively. We need to get better there. We still have a lot to work on and the nice thing is that our guys understand that."

The Irish close out the preseason when they host the International All-Stars Sunday at the Joyce Center. The regular season gets underway Nov. 18 when Notre Dame takes on Sacred Heart at home.

situations. And we'll learn from it.' Freshman point guard Torrian Jones had a good showing in his going to be playing what first collegiate game. He drained two 3-pointers and finished with seven points and two assists. "This was a positive step for us," Brey said. "He got 20 min-

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Forward David Graves was one of five Irish players scoring In double figures with 18 points. The junior also dished out three assists and grabbed four rebounds in Notre Dame's exhibition win.

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**CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS** DAY: Jane Pauley, Dan Rather, Dei-

dre Hall, John Candy, Lynda Good-friend, Roger Kahn Happy Birthday: You are ready, willing and able to take on the best and show how much you have to offer. Don't back down from any competition or opposition. Your strength of character and diplomacy in dealing with others will help you achieve your goals as well as the recognition you desire. Your num-bers: 5, 7, 18, 26, 39, 44

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Look into travel opportunities. You need to expand your circle of friends. Your knack for getting things started will be appreciated by colleagues.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You should be checking out investments. Bonds or other conservative ways of saving money will be beneficial. Real estate dealings will turn out better than anticipated. **OOO** GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Your

emotional situation may get out of hand if you don't bend to your mate's demands. Shopping will result in good buys. Take your mate with you to avoid discord later. OOO CANCER (June 21-July 22): Work

hard and you will see accomplishments. Your boss is watching how well you handle situations. Your ability to get along with co-workers will make a difference when it comes to

your evaluation report. **OOO** LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Your mind will be on entertainment and competitive games. You need to spend time with friends who may be potential mates. Look into careers that will allow you to work out of your home.

#### Birthday Baby: You have a serious perspective on things, but that's exactly why you will be able to make a difference. You are fair and honorable in all your dealings and will win the respect and admiration of those you meet throughout your life.

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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Female members of your family may be a little touchy. Be sure to stay out of their way and humor them if you must. Home-improvement projects will turn out well. **OO** 

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Get out with friends. You need some excitement in your life. Look into seminars that offer unusual information. You should try to attend functions that will stimulate your mind. OOOO SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You

should be able to come up with unique ways to make money on the side. Products or services for the home may be the answer. Look into all your options. Get the family to pitch in **OOO** 

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You will be emotionally up and down. Don't take things the wrong way. Your tendency to be overindul-gent and sentimental today will ave you feeling quite silly later on. 000

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Look into matters that may be secre-tive. It is best to take care of any pending legal problems before they get out of hand. Don't count on getting back money that friends owe you. 000 AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):

You can get ahead if you are willing You can get ahead if you are willing to contact those in a position to help. Favors will be granted if you are willing to barter with others. Group involvement will lead to good connections. OOOO PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Don't expect co-workers to pick up the slack if you need help. Be pre-pared to stay late if necessary. Your mate might not be too pleased if you

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# SPORTS

On the ball Allen Iverson scored 28 points to lead the 76ers over the Pistons, 103-94.

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#### **MEN'S BASKETBALL**

# Putting on an all-star performance

OBSERVER

No.15 Irish impress in season debut with 98-68 rout of California All-Stars

#### By BRIAN KESSLER Sports Writer

There is nothing like watching the Laker Girls on Family Feud to settle a few nerves.

That's exactly what senior forward Ryan Humphrey did Wednesday afternoon to relax before his first basketball game in a Notre Dame uniform. The Oklahoma transfer overcame a few pre-game jitters and responded with a 14-point, six-rebound effort as No. 15 Notre Dame picked up right where it left off last season with an impressive 98-68 rout of the California All-Stars Wednesday at the Joyce Center.

The lop-sided victory earned the Irish a surprising comparison to last year's National Champion Michigan State Spartan team.

"That's the best team I've played in seven games," All-Stars head coach Price Johnson said. "They're well coached and they shoot well. Last year, I got beat 66-115 by Michigan State. The team I have this year is better than the team I had last year and Notre Dame is better than Michigan State was when we played them. That is how embarrassing this is."

Junior player of the year candidate Troy Murphy put in a typical All-American performance with 24 points and 17 rebounds, but it was Humphrey who stole the show. "He's been a highlight film in practice," Brey said. "He can certainly light a crowd up and he's a momentum guy. He can make some amazing plays and guys are starting to learn to feed him in places where you can't feed most humans."

Humphrey drew "oooohs" and "aaaahs" from the crowd all night with his rim-rocking dunks and monster rejections.

"He's made some blocks on me like that so it was nice to see him do it on someone else," Murphy said. "He brings those blocks and a lot of excitement that has been lacking around here."

The Irish opened the game with a 16-0 run in the first 3:10 and never looked back, leading by as many as 37 points on two different occasions.

"We started that way because we were sound offensively, but also because we played defense in those first four minutes," Brey said. "I thought we were really there. They had possessions and we had six stops. We were active and caused a few turnovers and we had some clean defensive rebounds. But we need to work on our transition defense and our rotation."

The Irish shot nearly 50 percent

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Sophomore Matt Carroll helped lift the Irish over the California All-Stars Wednesday with 11 points and seven assists in 28 minutes of action.

#### FOOTBALL

# Irish remain on track for BCS berth

By KATHLEEN O'BRIEN Associate Sports Editor

After Notre Dame picked up

"There's a lot of football left, but Notre Dame is one of about eight or nine teams that we're looking at. It's been awhile since they've been in our bowl." from both the Tostitos Fiesta Bowl and the Nokia Sugar Bowl attended the Notre Dame-Air Force game. Representatives from both

#### MEN'S BASKETBALL

Brey seals recruiting deal with 3 signees

By KATHLEEN O'BRIEN

said. "These three players give

its second loss of the season at Michigan State, it looked like a Bowl Champion Series berth was all but out of the question.

But by racking up four straight victories, the Irish have slowly worked their way back onto the BCS radar.

Teams that finish with at least nine victories and in the top 12 of the rankings are eligible to be selected for a BCS berth.

Don't look now, but this week, the Irish are 6-2 and stand 12th in the BCS rankings. That, combined with Notre Dame's national fan

#### Shawn Schoeffler Fiesta Bowl media relations director

base, makes Notre Dame an attractive option for a BCS bowl should the Irish win out in their final three games.

An official with the Notre Dame athletic department confirmed that representatives bowls have expressed an interest in snagging a 9-2 Notre Dame team.

"It's a team that's definitely on our list," Fiesta Bowl media relations director Shawn Schoeffler said. "There's a lot of football left, but Notre Dame is one of about eight or nine teams that we're looking at. It's been awhile since they've been in our bowl."

That's an understatement. The Irish haven't played in the Fiesta Bowl since after the 1994 season, and the last

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Associate Sports Editor

It's finally official.

The Class of 2005 Notre Dame men's basketball recruiting class is in the bag, and head coach Mike Brey is free at last to mention the three future Domers' names. Forwards Jemere Hendrix and Jordan Cornette and point guard Chris Thomas all signed national letters of intent Wednesday to attend Notre Dame beginning next fall.

"We're thrilled that all three of the players will be attending Notre Dame next fall," Brey us athletic ability and speed, something that we need for the future."

Under NCAA regulations, Brey was not permitted to name the players until they signed their letters of intent Wednesday, although all three had previously given verbal commitments.

"It helps now that they're official, to develop the relationship even further," Brey said.

Thomas, an Indianapolis native, is considered the top high school senior basketball player in Indiana this year, and is a strong candidate to win Mr.

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