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A United Steelworkers of America official delivered the 2001 McBride Lecture Wednesday.

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ND researchers study WTC debris

◆ Lab to call NY officials today with dust analysis

By JASON McFARLEY
News Editor

A team of Notre Dame researchers expected today to contact New York officials with analysis of dust and

debris from the collapsed twin towers of the World Trade Center.

Professors Jinesh Jain and Clive Neal, both of the University's civil engineering and geological sciences departments, since Friday have studied samples delivered from ground zero of the fallen skyscrapers that were struck by terrorists Sept. 11.

Results from the study will

determine whether the ruins pose a health risk to rescuers at the attack site or to Manhattan residents.

"It's a good feeling that they contacted us," Jain said of officials at New York University Department of Environmental Medicine, who last week shipped nine samples of Trade Center debris to Notre Dame.

"We feel good that we are contributing something to the

rescue effort," he said.

The scientists tested for toxic metals and other contaminants in the grayish-white samples, according to Neal.

"We were asked to look at elemental abundances in the samples," Neal said. "What is in the dust ... that's what we want to know."

"There were lots of rescue workers and other people who inhaled the dust," Jain said.

"We want to make sure there's no long-term effects."

The men will phone preliminary results to New York today and will complete tests in the Notre Dame laboratory for at least another week, Neal said. Chemistry professor Al Miller may assist in further testing.

The researchers were

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STUDENT SENATE

Members eye dining hall upgrades

By ERIN LaRUFFA
Associate News Editor

At its meeting Wednesday night, the Student Senate discussed dining hall issues and possible improvements to Notre Dame's meal plan system.

Several senators will be meeting with a representative from Food Services to discuss dining hall issues, according to Alumni senator Matt LaFratta. At that meeting senators will bring up many of the topics discussed on Wednesday.

Extending North Dining Hall's hours is one subject senators will bring up, LaFratta added. Stanford senator Aldo Tesi said that other improvements related to North will also be discussed.

How students are allowed to use meals on their meal plans is another issue senators plan to address.

"You could go eat dinner three times if you want to, if you're that hungry."

Matt LaFratta
Alumni Hall senator

"[Food Services] restricts you now to having meals at certain times during the day," said LaFratta.

Instead, some senators would like students to be able to use three meals a day, but at any

time they wish.

"You could go eat dinner three times if you want to, if you're that hungry," LaFratta said. He added that he would like students have the option of eating a meal in the dining hall and then getting Grab and Go during the same meal period.

Morrissey senator Padraic McDermott suggested allowing students to use one of their weekly meals if they were taking a guest without a meal plan to the dining hall.

However, off-campus senator Matthew Smith pointed out that students can already use Flex Points to buy meals for their guests.

A major limitation to changing meal plans

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Journalist urges pursuit of dreams

By LETY VERDUZCO
News Writer

Sandra Guzman, an Emmy Award-winning journalist and former editor-in-chief of Latina magazine, encouraged students in a lecture to follow their dreams and not be deterred by the opinions of others.

"No one has a right to tell you what your dream is," she said. "If today I am here, if I followed my dream against all odds, so can you."

The lecture, "Latina Leadership in the New Millennium," was *n i c k n a m e d* "Hispanic 101" by Guzman.

Guzman started from humble beginnings to become a published author and famous journalist. Her book, "The Latina's Bible" will be released Feb. 26 by Random House.

"I was not born with a silver spoon in my mouth," she said. "I was born with a plastic spoon in my mouth."

Guzman was born in Puerto Rico and moved to New Jersey when she was 9.

She came to this country speaking no English except the few words of a children's song. She is the second in her family to go to college. Guzman's first job after college was a receptionist in publishing house.

Emphasis was placed on not only the obstacles she faced as moved toward her dream but at the obstacles she faced once she achieved it.

She talked about the obstacles surrounding interracial dating and marriage and the reality of prejudice and



LIZ GAIDOS/The Observer

Sandra Guzman, an award-winning Latina journalist, spoke Wednesday at Saint Mary's about the importance of having dreams and following them.

discrimination. The most important thing she said for Latinos is how to get over their family. This is the first topic she discusses in her book.

Guzman explained how Hispanic families could sometimes hinder an up and coming woman.

She talked about machismo in the Hispanic culture and how women were the ones who did all of the domestic chores while husbands and brothers sit back.

"We (Latinas) are raised and socialized to nurture," she said. "The

challenge for Latinas is to locate the 'servant' button and to know when to turn it off."

After getting over the socialized pull to serve, the Latina, Guzman went on to emphasize what the next and last important thing for Latina women was, to decide what she wants to do and do it.

In a pre-lecture banquet, Guzman ate dinner at Haggar Parlor with Saint Mary's faculty and students.

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INSIDE COLUMN

Victim of bike theft speaks out

As some of you noticed, I wrote an Inside Column two weeks ago about my bike being stolen. Although it did really suck to have my bike taken away by the lock smashing devil-thief, I got over it. Some people don't have a bike, and it's not like the end of the world or anything, so my point wasn't to arouse pity.

The point was that I was sickened at the way that some people lack the mutual respect for their fellow human beings and their property. Especially sickening is that it happened no more than three days after the horrible tragedy of Sept. 11. At a time when compassion was at an all-time high among American citizens, some scoundrel saw fit to snatch a bicycle.

However, this story doesn't end with me being bitter about bike thieves. I am bitter enough already from enduring three years of engineering, and I think that's enough bitterness for me. You may ask why I am no longer bitter. Well, it's because I have my bike back. The short tale I am about to share with you will probably not greatly influence your life, but the stupidity and audacity of this said bicycle thief is just too funny.

I was pretty sure a fellow student didn't steal my bicycle. I thought it was an outside operation from the beginning, because seriously, what student carries around a hammer to smash bike locks off? My opinion has changed, because when I left work on Tuesday afternoon, my blue GT Outpost stood triumphantly against a column outside of DeBartolo hall, not 10 feet from where it was stolen. The only thing that was different was that the seat was cranked way high up, and a kryptonite U-lock graced the space between the frame and the back tire.

I hope whoever stole my bike reads this. I hope that lock didn't cost you too much, you despicable scrub. I called Security, they came over, and we locked the bike up to make sure whoever stole it didn't come for it. Of course, the culprit never appeared, or if he did, figured something was up when he saw the huge chain on it and left quietly. So the officer took my bike back to security, and they're going to have the lock cut off with a plasma torch.

Thief, I hope you had to walk very far that day. And then I hope you had a pebble in your shoe. I also hope you got a blister, and your shoes smell bad from the foot sweat. Then I hope that you pulled your groin, hamstring and ended up crawling back to your hole. In addition, I also wish upon you a case of explosive colon pressure during a job interview, just for added spite.

For those of you who have had your bike stolen, I feel very sorry for you, because I do know what it's like. If you own a coil lock, go out and spend the 15 bucks for a U-lock, because it will keep your bike infinitely safer, unless said thief plans to go out and purchase a plasma torch. Today, my fellow victims in bicycle larceny, I am triumphant. Keep an eye out for your bike. You may just find it. I wish you all better luck than myself in catching your thief. I guess that I'm just happy to have my bike back.

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THIS WEEK AT NOTRE DAME AND SAINT MARY'S

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
◆ Discussion: College athletics today, 8:15 a.m., Rolf's Rec Center	◆ Forum: Faculty reflects on gender studies, 1:30 p.m., Room 119	◆ Concert: "WVFI Quad Rock 2001," 4 p.m., North Quad	◆ Concert: Vermeer Quartet, 2 p.m., Snite Museum Annenberg Auditorium
◆ Lecture: Mother of anti-gay victim speaks, 7:30 p.m., Hesburgh Library Auditorium	◆ Performance: Traditional Irish folk band, 7:30, O'Laughlin Auditorium		

BEYOND CAMPUS

Compiled from U-Wire reports

700 University of Maryland students left homeless

COLLEGE PARK
University of Maryland students living in the privately owned University Courtyard apartments expressed their frustration Tuesday night after being told they would not be able to return to their apartments for days, maybe even weeks, after a tornado ripped through the complex Monday evening, breaking windows, destroying roofs and taking out electricity.

"We did not call the tornado to come to the University Courtyard," said Ryan Holmes, executive vice president of Ambling Companies, the company that owns the Courtyard. "Ambling is doing what it can."

None of the apartments in the Courtyard have power, phone or data connections and officials do not

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Pat Mielke
Resident Life Office director

know when students will be allowed to go back to their apartments. None of the more than 700 residents are allowed to pick up any belongings from their apartments or move their cars from the lot. Only medication and other necessary items can be retrieved.

"The reason we cannot let you in is

safety," said Pat Mielke, director of the resident life office, which determines students' priority numbers for the Courtyard, during the meeting. "We just don't have any idea whether there's structural damage or not. Safety has to come first."

Also, University Boulevard, the main road to the Courtyard, is closed until at least noon Wednesday, making it nearly impossible for students to get their belongings.

Ambling hopes to allow students to pick up essential items from their apartments beginning on Thursday and to permit students in less-damaged buildings to move back in on Friday, Holmes said.

In the meantime, University Police officers are assigned to patrol the area, Holmes said.

BOSTON UNIVERSITY

Alum killed in terror attack

Judith C. Larocque, a Boston University College of Arts and Sciences alum and founder and chief executive officer of a Framingham-based market research company, died on Sept. 11 when terrorists crashed American Airlines Flight 11 into the World Trade Center in New York City. She was 50 and lived in Framingham.

Larocque graduated from CAS in 1973 with a degree in sociology and attended graduate school at Clark University. She started her studies at the University of Massachusetts and transferred to BU in 1970.

"She enjoyed the valuable education she received at Boston University," said Larocque's daughter, Carie Lemack. Larocque often contributed to the BU alumni fund, said director Coleen Resnick.

Larocque was born in Boston and grew up in Framingham.

She is survived by two daughters, Danielle Lemack, 29, of Chicago and Carie Lemack, 26, of Cambridge; and a sister, Diane Marshall, 52.

KENT STATE UNIVERSITY

Loans lag behind tuition increases

Tuition hikes are an annual affair at colleges and universities. But the maximum amount for the most common federal loans has remained stagnant since 1992.

Nationally, available grant and scholarship money is dwindling in proportion to the loans students and their parents must take out to pay for school.

At Kent State, tuition has increased every year for the past 10 years, from \$3,596 a year in 1992 to \$5,598 in 2001, according to information from the University Budget Office. That's a 56 percent increase.

But since 1992, federal loan amounts have not budged.

Stafford loans are the major type of federal student loans. The government last increased Stafford amounts in 1992, said Mark Evans, director of Student Financial Aid.

In 1991, freshmen and sophomores could borrow \$2,625 per year in interest-free (subsidized) Stafford loans if they had financial need. Juniors and seniors could borrow \$4,000. In 1992, the government upped these amounts to \$3,500 and \$5,500, respectively.

LOCAL WEATHER

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Monday	67	48
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NATIONAL WEATHER

The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Thursday, Sept. 27.
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Atlanta	75	54	Las Vegas	98	69	Portland	70	52
Baltimore	68	47	Memphis	80	51	Sacramento	50	52
Boston	66	50	Milwaukee	62	47	St. Louis	76	51
Chicago	65	47	New York	66	50	Tampa	81	70
Houston	80	64	Philadelphia	66	52	Washington DC	69	52

Labor unions brace for change

♦ **Steelworkers chief says corporate neglect of values hurts industry**

By **MATT BRAMANTI**
News Writer

America's vital industrial economy — and its national security — is suffering due to corporate neglect of American values, according to Leo Gerard, president of the United Steelworkers of America.

Gerard's speech, the 24th in the Lloyd McBride Lecture Series, focused on the contrast between the values of labor unions and "the global trading regime," particularly the World Trade Organization.

In speaking of trade unions' values, he referred to the heroics of unionized firefighters, police officers and rescue crews in New York and Washington as examples of "compassion, caring, of working collectively for the good of the community." Gerard contrasted this with the declaration that "economics systems that are based on individualism" have resulted in the loss of a million

American manufacturing jobs in the last 12 months.

Gerard stated that the corporate culture's focus on profit has led to more steel being produced abroad, particularly in China and the former Soviet republics, sometimes employing child labor and paying sweatshop wages. He explained that this foreign steel is frequently "dumped" into American markets at prices that U.S. firms simply cannot compete with. This "illegally subsidized steel," said Gerard, has put "24 of the nation's steel companies into bankruptcy in the past 30 months."

"You can't have national security without a strong industrial economy, and you can't have a strong industrial economy without a strong domestic steel industry."

Leo Gerard
international president,
United Steelworkers of America

In speaking of a clash of values, Gerard alleged that the principles of sovereign government are frequently subverted by WTO actions, and by corporations' lawsuits under the North American Free Trade Agreement. In referring to the WTO's closed-door meetings regarding trade policy, Gerard asked "What is it that they're hiding?" He argued that lawsuits brought by corporations against governments often succeed, allowing corporations to overturn the authority of the countries in which they operate. Gerard further suggested that

this pall of secrecy has led to environmentally dangerous measures that would not survive the light of day.

Gerard encouraged his audience, mostly members of the United Steelworkers of America, to attend a rally being held in Merrillville, Ind., to mark the beginning of International Trade Commission hearings. These proceedings will gather testimony about the faltering American steel industry, and its problems in competing with "illegally dumped foreign steel." The rally will begin at 5 p.m. along Broadway. Hearings will begin at the Radisson Hotel the following morning at 9 a.m.

The speech was met with exceedingly positive reactions. Tom Hargrove, president of the United Steelworkers of America Local 1010 in East Chicago, agreed that "we're losing our ability to produce steel domestically" and offered his expectation that thousands will attend the rally to "keep the issue on the table."

In a question-and-answer session following his remarks, Gerard stressed the importance of American steel to the security of the United States.

"You can't have national security without a strong industrial economy," he said, "and you can't have a strong industrial economy without a strong domestic steel industry."

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Dowell study earns SIF award

Special to The Observer

A study coauthored by Glen Dowell, assistant professor of management at Notre Dame, has received the 2001 Moskowitz Prize for outstanding research on socially responsible investing.

Administered by the Social Investment Forum (SIF) in cooperation with the Colloquium on Socially Responsible Investing, the prize includes a \$2,500 award and acceptance of the author's study for publication in the Journal of Investing.

The research, which was conducted by Dowell, Stuart Hart and Bernard Yeung, found that contrary to conventional wisdom, big businesses that adopt strict environmental standards are rewarded with higher stock market performance.

Of the companies examined in the study, those applying their own strict global environment standard abroad have an individual value approximately \$10.4 billion higher than those using less stringent U.S. standards.

Suggesting that firms that employ high environmental standards are those that strive for eco-efficient production systems, the study "refutes the idea that adoption of global environmental standards by multinational enterprises constitutes a liability that depresses market value."

Dowell earned his bachelor of commerce degree from the University of Alberta in 1989 and his master's of business administration degree from McGill University in Quebec in 1995.

He completed his doctorate at the University of Michigan in 2000 and has been a member of the Notre Dame faculty since January 2000.

The SIF introduced the Moskowitz Prize in 1996.

It is named for Milton Moskowitz, a top researcher on social responsibility and the coauthor of "The 100 Best Companies to Work for in America."

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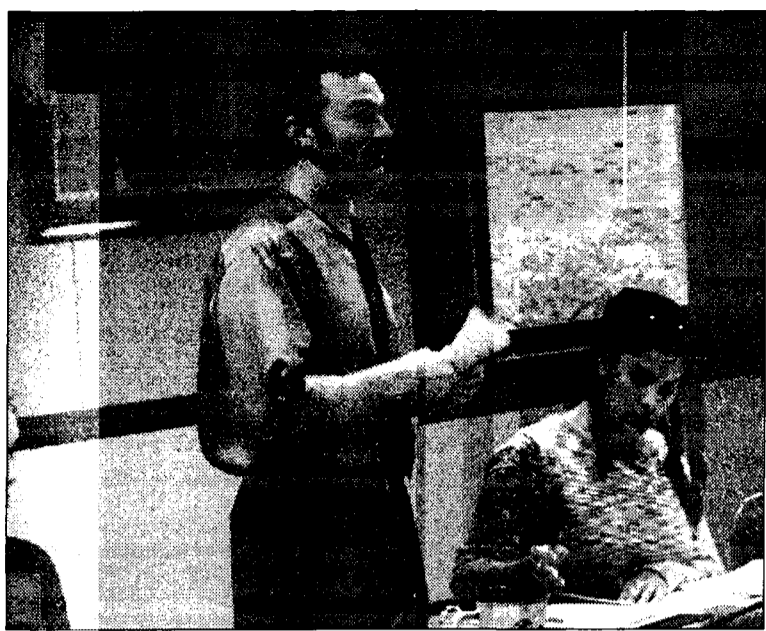


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Brian Moscona, student body vice president, led the Student Senate in a discussion Wednesday about the dining hall issues, including possible changes to student meal plans.

KYLIE CARTER/The Observer

Senate

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is price, according to Tesi.

"They plan on people eating 17 or 18 meals a week on the 21 meal plan," he said, adding that significant changes to the structure of meal plans could raise the price.

In other senate news:

◆ The Senate voted unanimously to confirm Nick Williams, vice president of the Class of 2004, as the sophomore advisor to the freshman class council.

◆ Student Activities director Brian Coughlin announced that after seeing Notre Dame's collection last Saturday, high schools in the Fort Worth, Texas area have decided to collect money for victims of the World Trade Center attack at their football games.

Student body president Brooke

Norton added that she received a call from someone at Arizona State University, which is currently considering a collection similar to Notre Dame's at its football game on Saturday.

◆ Walsh senator Jeanine Valles said that the senate's University affairs committee will be looking at transportation issues, particularly in relation to vehicles available through the Center for Social Concerns (CSC).

The vans currently available through the CSC are being used so extensively, Valles said; that they are often all booked at certain times.

"Notre Dame really encourages students to branch out and get involved in the community, but getting access to vehicles is becoming a problem," said Valles.

◆ Student discount cards will be available beginning on Oct. 9, according to Jonathan Jorissen,

chief of staff in the office of the student body president. Cards will be free of charge, and will entitle students to discounts at local businesses, including Papa John's, Fun Tan and Molly McGuire's. Student government will be distributing the cards at the dining halls and in LaFortune.

◆ At the next Board of Trustees meeting, the office of the president has decided to address the issue of students moving off campus, Jorissen said. Before presenting the issue, however, student government will conduct research on the topic.

"We're going to investigate the paradox of Notre Dame wanting people to remain on campus but needing them to move off because of housing space," said Jorissen.

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Guzman

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Conversation surrounding the dinner focused on what the Latina students of Saint Mary's, who were present at the banquet, wanted to do with their future.

"There should be no ifs in your vocabulary, you have to decide what you want to do and do it," she told the students.

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unsure when or if test results would be released to the public.

"We'll let New York University know the results first, and they'll make the call whether they want to make the information public," Neal said.

The civil engineering and geological sciences lab has a history of conducting analysis in high-profile projects.

In the past, the lab analyzed moon and meteorite samples. In 1996, University researchers examined wreckage from the TWA Flight 800 explosion.

The lab also has performed studies for the Environmental Protection Agency.

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ND AFTER FIVE



Thursday, Sept. 27

- 7:30 p.m. "Because we call Notre Dame family. . ." Mrs. Judy Shepard lecture in the Hesburgh Library Auditorium. Reception following the presentation
- 8:30 p.m. - 10:30 p.m. Drop In Lacrosse, Rolfs
- 8:30 p.m. - Midnight ND Express Pool Room open, free billiards, LaFortune Student Center
- 9:00 p.m. Acoustic Cafe, LaFortune Student Center Huddle
- 9:00 p.m. Mod Quad Mania: Music and Games, Mod Quad
- 10:00 p.m. Movies: *Swordfish* and *Pulp Fiction*, DeBartolo 101 and 155*

Friday, Sept. 28

- 7:00 p.m. Women's Volleyball vs. Virginia Tech, Joyce Center Arena
- 7:00 p.m. Movie, *Pulp Fiction*, DeBartolo 155*

Friday, Sept. 28

- 7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Drop In Badminton, Rolfs
- 7:00 p.m. Choro na Feira, Hesburgh Center for International Studies
- 7:30 p.m. Movie, *Swordfish*, DeBartolo 101*
- 7:45 p.m. Hayride and Campfire at Bendix Woods, bus leaves Library Circle 7:45 p.m.*
- 8:00 p.m. 807 Mass, Lounge, Coleman Morse Center
- 8:30 p.m. Tournament Fridays, Double Billards Tournament and free billiards, LaFortune Student Center Notre Dame Room
- 9:00 p.m. Crafting Corner: Friendship Bracelets, Dooley Room, LaFortune Student Center
- 10:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m. Alumni Senior Club All Ages Dance Party. Free refreshments.
- 10:00 p.m. Movies: *Swordfish* and *Pulp Fiction*, DeBartolo 101 and 155*

Saturday, Sept. 29

- 4:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m. WVFI Quad Rock 2001, North Quad
- 7:00 p.m. Movie, *Pulp Fiction*, DeBartolo 155*
- 7:30 p.m. SUB Movies: *Swordfish*, DeBartolo 155*
- 8:30 p.m. - Midnight ND Express Pool Room open, free billiards, LaFortune Student Center
- 8:45 p.m. Campus-Wide Scavenger Hunt followed by food and movies at Welsh Family, LaFortune West Entrance
- 10:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m. Open Karaoke in the Huddle, LaFortune Student Center
- 10:00 p.m. Movies: *Swordfish* and *Pulp Fiction*, DeBartolo 101 and 155*

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WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Italian prime minister causes stir:

Breaking ranks with allies reaching out to the Muslim world, Italian Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi on Wednesday said Western civilization is superior to Islam. He also said he hopes the West conquers Islamic civilization. He told a news conference, "We must be aware of the superiority of our civilization, a system that has guaranteed well-being, respect for human rights and — in contrast with Islamic countries — respect for religious and political rights, a system that has as its values understandings of diversity and tolerance."

Japan's military prepares for war:

Japan has promised to help when the United States strikes back at terrorists. But unlike its past efforts at "checkbook diplomacy," Tokyo is preparing to put its military closer to harm's way than at any time since World War II.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Economic trouble strains Congress:

Fissures are opening between the Democrats and Republicans and also within each of them over measures aimed at reviving the stalled economy. Against GOP opposition, Democrats want to add provisions helping laid-off aviation workers to airline security legislation. Saying the money was needed to pay for war, Republicans muscled small domestic spending cuts through a divided House subcommittee Tuesday. They have also applied pressure to accelerate work on energy legislation that many Democrats oppose. In addition, partisan fights erupted this week over trade and government benefits for unmarried partners.

Virginia man linked to hijacker:

A Virginia man whose name and phone number were found in a car registered to one of the 19 suspected hijackers was ordered held without bond Wednesday. A prosecutor described him as an essential witness and "he may be more."

INDIANA NEWS BRIEFS

Hoosiers fortify Marion:

Security-conscious city officials are barricading Marion's City Hall behind more than 100 one-ton boulders starting this week to stop potential attackers from driving up to the building. "We're doing our job, which is to protect the facility from any threat," Mayor Bill Henry said. City Engineer Pat McCarty said no recent threats have been made against the city. Other precautions include placing concrete-filled steel posts in sidewalks, McCarty said. They are expected to stand four feet above ground and six feet below.



New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani and New York Governor George Pataki tour ground zero in New York City on Wednesday. Later that day Giuliani indicated that he was available for a third term as mayor.

Giuliani: I'm here for New York

Associated Press

NEW YORK

In an interview set for broadcast a day after voters narrowed down their candidates for mayor, Rudolph Giuliani said that if New Yorkers want him to stay on past the end of his term, he is available.

It was the mayor's strongest indication yet that he may try to extend his stay at City Hall. It came during an interview taped Tuesday for Wednesday night's "60 Minutes II."

In yet another indication of Giuliani's intentions, the Republican mayor contacted the Democratic speaker of the state Assembly on Wednesday, seeking support in the place he would

probably face the most resistance.

"I am open to the idea of doing it," Giuliani said in the interview. "I don't know yet the right way or the right thing to do and I have to really consult and talk to the governor and other people that really have to have a voice and a role in figuring out how to do it."

Asked if he was available for the job, Giuliani said: "Yes, I couldn't walk away from it and then I would feel that I was walking out on my duties and obligations if I did."

On Tuesday, voters gave billionaire media mogul Michael Bloomberg the Republican nomination for mayor and sent two Democrats, Bronx Borough

President Fernando Ferrer and Public Advocate Mark Green, into a runoff next month.

Giuliani is barred by the city charter from serving a third term. But riding a wave of popularity for his steady leadership since the World Trade Center attack, he has been urged by many New Yorkers to stay on and guide the city through the crisis. His aides are said to be exploring a way to extend his term or lift the two-term limit altogether.

Only the state Legislature or the Democratic-led City Council can overturn term limits. While there has been support in the Republican-led state Senate, the Democratic-controlled Assembly, led by Sheldon Silver, has been

cool to the idea.

"While the speaker is not a supporter of term limits, he is uncomfortable changing the rules," Silver spokeswoman Eileen Larrabee said.

She said Silver told Giuliani he would bring it up with Senate members. No date was set for such a discussion.

Republican Gov. George Pataki is among those who suggested voters should write Giuliani's name in during Tuesday's primary vote.

Exit polls Tuesday night also showed that about 40 percent of Democrats said they would vote for Giuliani if he found a way to run in November, while 80 percent of Republicans pledged to back him.

Market Watch September 26

Dow Jones	8,567.39	-92.58
Up: 1,499	Same: 176	Down: 1,643
Composite Volume:		N/A
AMEX:	786.20	+5.74
NASDAQ:	1,464.04	-37.6
NYSE:	524.56	-1.43
S&P 500:	1,007.04	-5.23

TOP 5 VOLUME LEADERS

COMPANY/SECURITY	%CHANGE	\$GAIN	PRICE
CISCO SYSTEMS (CSCO)	-2.94	-0.37	12.23
NASDAQ 100 (QQQ)	-3.47	-1.03	28.67
AES CORPORATION (AES)	-49.48	-12.00	12.25
INTEL CORP (INTC)	-3.60	-0.78	20.90
SUN MICROSYSTEM (SUNW)	-2.88	-0.25	8.44

Bush, Powell welcome security talks

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Secretary of State Colin Powell said Wednesday the agreement between Israel and the Palestinian Authority to hold security talks was a hopeful sign.

Powell said the talks set for Friday by Foreign Minister Shimon Peres and Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat could lead to shoring up a shattered truce and to peacemaking moves proposed by a panel headed by former Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell.

In fact, Powell said, the new cooperation between the two sides might lead

to tackling the key issues that have divided Israel and the Palestinians.

And, he said, the lives of ordinary Palestinians could be improved as well.

Under suicide attack and seeking to screen out terrorists, Israel has imposed tight restrictions on Palestinians on the West Bank and in Gaza. As a result, their economic conditions have suffered even though the United States is providing hundreds of millions of dollars yearly.

"I am pleased some progress was made," Powell said. "I hope we can move rapidly."

Earlier, Powell spoke on the tele-

phone to Arafat, Peres and Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon.

Most of the Arab world has clamored for a resumption of negotiations between the two sides, hopeful for territorial concessions by Israel.

Powell, in an Associated Press interview Tuesday, said "it is an especially charged environment."

He said the goal of the talks was one Sharon and Arafat shared — beginning to implement the peacemaking measures suggested by the Mitchell panel.

"It doesn't require Israel to be put back on its heels," Powell said. "This is what Israel wanted."

Saint Mary's opens intercultural leadership center

By KATIE RAND
News Writer

The Center for Women's InterCultural Leadership (CWIL) at Saint Mary's officially opened with an Open House for campus faculty and staff Wednesday afternoon.

The center, located in Havican Hall, is in its first year of operation after receiving a \$12 million Lilly Grant last November.

The goal of CWIL is to prepare women to become leaders in today's world, requiring an awareness and understanding of the role of culture and gender in society.

CWIL will examine the relationships that evolves from different cultural groups coming into contact with each other. Particular emphasis will be placed on examining the leadership of women in a multicultural society.

"In order to educate women to become leaders in the 21st century, one must

provide them with the intercultural skills necessary in an increasingly interconnected world," said Mana Derakshani, interim director of CWIL. "This reception is a way to get people to come to the center, find out what it's all about, and hopefully they'll feel comfortable to come again and learn."

The directors of CWIL hope to initiate a connection with community leaders, providing a venue for scholarly and practical work in different fields. This will provide the opportunity for students to learn leadership skills and exchange ideas. The CWIL is looking into the possibility for students to work on long term projects with community leaders, extending their growth and leadership skills.

For now, however, the main focus is spreading the word about the Center.

"Later in the semester we'll hold more student-oriented events, pizza or some-

thing, to get women at the College to come and find out what CWIL is," Derakshani said. "I've spoken to [student body president] Michelle Nagle and BOG, and we're looking into how to get the students more involved."

Wednesday's Open House was primarily for faculty and the students of CWIL's two Fellows, Richard Ya-ez and Marcia Maust.

Ya-ez holds a joint appointment with the English Department and serves as writer-in-residence. He brings a wealth of intercultural experiences to the Center, having spent many years living in the borderlands of the Southwest.

Maust works with the Department of Anthropology and Social Work. She too contributes much to the center, having spent 25 years outside of the United States.

Both fellows will help design and participate in the many seminars and workshops that CWIL hopes to sponsor.

Many campus faculty such as Dana North, director of Residence Life, and Ted Billy, English professor, came to find out what the Center will offer the Saint Mary's community.

"I'm] very happy with the turnout," Derakshani said.

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A Saint Mary's faculty member attends open house activities at the Center for Women's InterCultural Leadership. The center, funded by a \$12-million Lilly Grant, officially opened Wednesday.



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University dedicates plaque in front of Corby

By JASON McFARLEY
News Editor

Notre Dame formally dedicated Wednesday a plaque that clarifies or corrects information inscribed on a 1911 statue of former University President Father William Corby.

The statue and plaque commemorate Corby's service in the Civil War, where he was a chaplain for the Irish Brigade of the Union Army.

The statue, popularly referred to as "Fair Catch Corby" because Corby stands with one arm raised, actually depicts the man giving General Absolution during the Battle of Gettysburg.

The plaque located directly in front of the statue on the Corby Hall lawn was the project of Lou Reps and several University administrators.

"The old plaque underneath the statue made no mention of to whom he gave General Absolution," said Reps, of Merrillville, Ind., "and it was wrong that he gave it before the battle. It was a three-day battle. He gave it on the second day."

Reps, an admitted history buff who gives campus tours, considered creat-

ing a plaque for several years.

Notre Dame officials, including University Executive Vice President Father Timothy Scully and Corby Hall Religious Superior Father Bill Seetch liked the idea.

The Committee on Campus Environment signed off on the project.

"The University was in favor of making the information about Father Corby more up to date," Seetch said Wednesday.

Although the plaque was dedicated Tuesday, it has stood in front of the hall since early July.

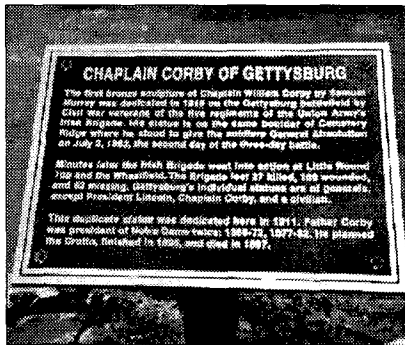
"I see people stop by all the time to see it," Seetch said.

Corby served two terms as University president, from 1866 to 1872 and 1877 to 1882.

The Corby statue is a replica of a bronze sculpture of the priest dedicated in 1910 on the Gettysburg, Pa., battlefield.

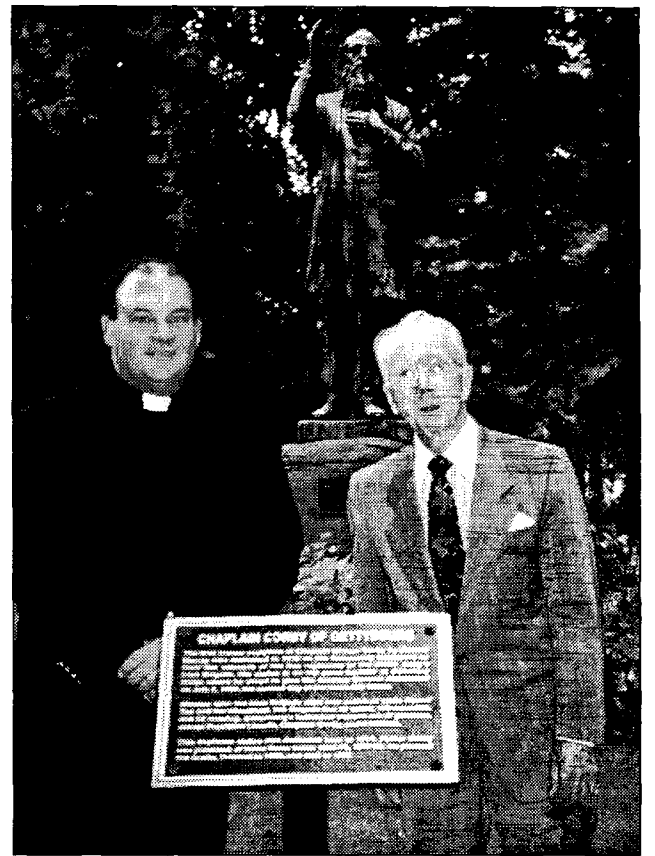
"Gettysburg's individual statues are of generals, except President Lincoln, Chaplain Corby and a civilian," according to the inscription on the new plaque.

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Father Bill Seetch and Lou Reps stand next to a plaque dedicated Wednesday outside Corby Hall. The plaque clarifies information contained on a 1911 statue of Father William Corby, a former Civil War chaplain and president of the University.

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United Way campaign to kick off today

Special to The Observer

Notre Dame's 2001 "Caring Close to Home" United Way Campaign Kickoff will take place Thursday from 7-9 a.m. and 1 a.m.-2 p.m. on the concourse of the Joyce Center.

Representatives of St. Joseph County United Way agencies will be in attendance explaining programs and services. Breakfast and lunch will be served, courtesy of Notre Dame Food Services.

A special feature of this year's campaign kickoff will be a drawing to win the use of a 2002 Hummer for six months. A new or increased pledge gift of \$2 per week will make employees eligible for the drawing which includes vehicle insurance. Fifteen finalists will select a Hummer ignition key after a drawing at United Way's annual meeting in March, and the key that starts the engine at Notre Dame's UW kickoff event next September will drive away in a Hummer.

Door prizes will be announced every 10 minutes during the campaign kickoff Thursday. Prizes have been donated by St. Michael's Laundry, the Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore, Notre Dame Food Services, the Physics Department, the Department of Licensing, the Athletic Department, TIAA-CREF, Patricia Ann Florist, and St. Joseph County United Way. Notre Dame has been a long-time participant in the county's annual United Way campaign, which funds 33 agencies and 83 programs.

This year's University campaign goal is \$350,000. With approximately 4,100 faculty and staff, Notre Dame is the largest employer in St. Joseph County and pledges the largest yearly campaign total. Pledge totals are posted weekly on signs at the Main Gate on Notre Dame Avenue, the East Gate on Holy Cross Drive, and outside of DeBartolo Hall.

Campaign pledge cards will be mailed to University employees at campus addresses on Monday (Oct. 1). During each week of the campaign a prize will be awarded in a drawing of the names of employees who have pledged an annual minimum of \$26.

The prizes include:

- ♦ Two press box tickets to the Notre Dame-Navy football game Nov. 17, courtesy of the Department of Athletics
- ♦ Two sets of two tickets each to the Washington Hall mainstage theatre season, courtesy of Washington Hall
- ♦ A starry night at the observatory on top of Nieuwland Science Building to view the universe, courtesy of the Physics Department
- ♦ Two University Club memberships, courtesy of the University Club
- ♦ One Palm Pilot model m100, courtesy of the OIT Solutions Center
- ♦ Dinner with Father Hesburgh for two winners and a guest, courtesy of Sorin's Restaurant and the Morris Inn
- ♦ One I-Omega Zip CD Drive, courtesy of the OIT Solutions Center
- ♦ An individualized house portrait, courtesy of the School of Architecture
- ♦ One tree or bush for home beautification, courtesy of Landscape Services
- ♦ A bouquet-of-the-month seasonal flower bouquet, courtesy of Irish Garden Florist
- ♦ Two reserved campus parking places, courtesy of Notre Dame Security/Police
- ♦ Grand prize: Two round-trip airline tickets to anywhere in the continental United States, courtesy of Anthony Travel and U.S. Airways.

Weekly updates and campaign prize winners will be posted on the Notre Dame United Way Web Site at www.nd.edu/~uway. For more information on Notre Dame's 2001 United Way "Caring Close to Home" Campaign, contact Mary Pat Farnand at 631-3260 or farnand.1@nd.edu.

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NBC exec faces choices after terrorist attacks

Associated Press

NEW YORK NBC News President Neal Shapiro had a unique responsibility and opportunity in the busy days following the terrorist attacks. He had not just one network prime-time schedule to program, but three: NBC, MSNBC and CNBC.

He used the time for experimenting with different approaches, breaking down some walls at his news organization and remaining true to his roots as the former "Dateline NBC" executive producer.

"This was a chance to rethink everything that we've done before," said Shapiro, who was elevated to his job this summer when predecessor Andrew Lack became NBC president.

With three networks essentially following the same story at the same time, Shapiro opted not to simulcast NBC's coverage on the cable stations, as has been done in the past.

MSNBC, the third-place cable news network that's spent much of its existence in an identity crisis, abandoned its usual taped prime-time lineup for traditional minute-by-minute reporting and interviews. That gave NBC more flexibility.

"If there was a live press conference that we thought was going to be good but not great, we could say, 'OK, MSNBC will stay with the Giuliani news conference,'" he said. "It was a huge advantage."

CNBC, the prime-time home of Chris Matthews and Geraldo Rivera, stuck with its talk format while spreading its

financial news expertise among all three networks.

Prime-time NBC looked more like a news magazine than a newscast.

"Generally, on a breaking story you have your anchor go on as long as he can, do as many interviews as he can, and you just fill up air time," Shapiro said. "What I figured out early was that you're not going to have developments every second."

Each night, Stone Phillips taped a summary of the day's top news developments that was updated and repeated later on NBC and MSNBC. The broadcast network concentrated on lengthier, taped pieces in a storyteller format, like a Kerry Sanders report on the flight training of the suspected terrorists and a Jane Pauley interview with the family of a man who likely fought hijackers on the flight that crashed in Western Pennsylvania.

The changed approach was so subtle one broadcast news expert confessed he wasn't

aware of it.

"That was a wise thing for Shapiro to do, not that I noticed it," said Andrew Tyndall, who owns a company, ADT Research, that tracks the content of news programs. "It really makes you look like a broadcaster, instead of a cable network."

Tyndall said, however, he was more impressed with ABC, heavily dependent on Peter Jennings as a sort of managing editor on the air.

Shapiro conceded there was some internal resistance at first to his reliance on "Dateline NBC" personnel and techniques in prime-time, instead of NBC's usual special events unit.

Ultimately, though, there was enough airtime to fill that everyone was involved. The

news president said it promoted teamwork among individual shows and the networks more than any event in years.

Television news received high marks from the public for its performance after the terrorist attacks. Shapiro said he's never been prouder of his profession.

"We can't all be down there lifting rubble, but one thing journalists can do is we can be there when people are scared and nervous," he said. "Part of what helps to allay these fears is letting people know that they're informed."

Shapiro rejects the conventional wisdom that this story has exposed the networks' lack of attention to international news and that they'll have to spend heavily to make

up for it.

"I think we did more in foreign news than people gave us credit for," he said. "But this has changed things. This is the biggest story there is and a large part of it is foreign. We're going to be covering it and giving it everything we have."

How much NBC, and its rival networks, have to give is another question. Network budgets were tight because of a declining advertising market even before the attack.

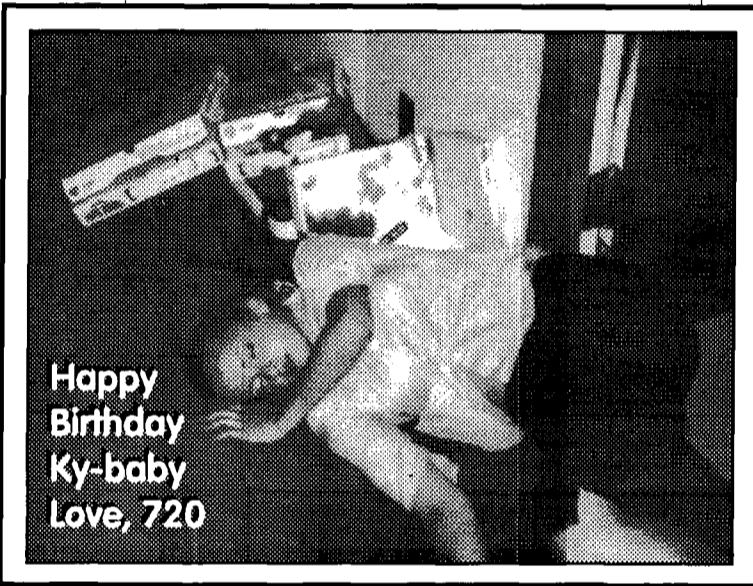
After the attack, NBC Chairman Bob Wright estimated in Electronic Media that the company lost \$100 million a day before regular programming resumed.

Declining revenue and the increased expenses of a demanding news story means Shapiro has budget-related headaches ahead.

"We're going to spend what I think we need to cover the story," he said. "It doesn't mean that you write blank checks."

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**Neal Shapiro
NBC News president**



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Minn. unions plan strikes

Associated Press

ST. PAUL, Minn. Two unions representing nearly 28,000 Minnesota state workers have voted overwhelmingly to go on strike, and Gov. Jesse Ventura has ordered the National Guard to be ready to fulfill vital functions if they do.

The walkout deadline was pushed from Sept. 17 to Oct. 1 because of the terrorist attacks, which also have tempered some support for a strike.

Last-ditch talks resume Thursday on two-year contracts for the workers, who make up more than half of the state work force. Their former contracts expired June 30.

In landslide votes a few weeks ago, members of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees Council 6 and the Minnesota Association of Professional Employees gave the go-ahead for strikes.

But since the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, even rank-and-file members who are prepared to strike acknowledge that a few of their co-workers are having second thoughts.

"Members are kind of all over the board as to whether we go forward or not," said Lyn Crosby, a 34-year state employee and MAPE member who works in the Department

of Human Services.

"As an organization, I believe the drive is still there. We're not going to take a bad package just because of the national tragedy," Crosby said.

AFSCME member Paul Bissen hopes union leaders don't back down, but he senses uneasiness.

"We've had a few people who have said maybe it's not appropriate right now," said Bissen, a road and bridge inspector for 17 years.

At issue for both unions is pay and proposed changes to health benefits. The state offered across-the-board increases of 2.5 percent this year and next for AFSCME, and 2 percent a year for MAPE. AFSCME's last contract proposal sought across-the-board increases of 6.5 percent for each of two years. MAPE sought 6.3 percent this year and 4.2 percent next year.

The average gross salary for an AFSCME member is \$30,000; for MAPE members, it's \$49,300.

If either union walks off the job, it would be the first major strike of Minnesota government in two decades.

The usually outspoken Ventura, who campaigned on a platform of fiscal austerity, says the state has made a fair offer. He hasn't injected himself into the negotiations, saying he would rather leave it to his employee relations com-

missioner.

Ventura spokesman John Wodele said he's not aware of any law that would allow the governor to block a strike.

Prison guards, who are AFSCME members, are barred from striking. But other services would be affected.

A walkout would slow work in the state crime lab, and for driver's license tests and renewals, birth certificates, death certificates and adoption records. Processing of tax collections and disbursements would have to be done by the 10 percent of nonunion workers in the Revenue Department. Welfare workers who deal directly with recipients are county employees.

Janitors, groundskeepers, clerks and food service workers at some state colleges could be idled.

State 911 operators, who take emergency calls from cell phones, would be eligible to strike but state troopers would fill in, the state's public safety commissioner says.

Two weeks ago, about 1,000 of Minnesota's 12,100 National Guard members spent two days learning how to care for vulnerable patients in the state's five veterans homes and 108 community-based residences. They would offer basic help but not deliver medical care, said Maj. Gary Olson.

Strike duty shouldn't distract from any national call-up for possible military action abroad, Olson said.

The prospect of war and the state of the economy make retired teacher Jean Foley, 66, uncomfortable with the idea of a strike.

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Lyn Crosby
MAPE member

Death certificate process begins

Associated Press

NEW YORK

Hundreds of people, some sobbing, filtered into a building on a Hudson River pier Wednesday, many to begin the heartbreaking process of applying for death certificates for loved ones still missing in the smoking ruins of the World Trade Center.

"I'm still hopeful that somehow my wonderful wife will be found alive, but for the sake of our children I have to somehow sort through this," said George Santiago, 37, of Brooklyn, his eyes brimming with tears.

More than 6,300 people are missing in the crumbled towers. Only about 300 people have been confirmed dead, and officials have said that it could take months to remove and identify the victims of the fiery disaster, and that some may never be found at all.

Typically, it can take three years to get a death certificate without a body, a waiting period used to prevent fraud. But the city is streamlining the process — and reducing the wait to a few days in most cases — so that victims' families can get death benefits and access to bank accounts.

On Wednesday, the first day of the speeded-up process, some relatives said they were not ready to say goodbye and only wanted to see what the process was. A police officer at the gate said some families got as far as the door, then became overcome with emotion and left.

Many of those in line clutched envelopes containing documents such as birth and marriage certificates, along with photographs.

For Barbara and Clive Sohan

of Hazlet, N.J., who lost their only child, 32-year-old Astrid Sohan, a death certificate was a way to try to move past paralyzing uncertainty.

"I just have to find a way to move on," Mrs. Sohan said. "There's no body, so at this point I don't even know what to think. Yesterday was her birthday, and we just stayed at home. We were numb."

Dozens of lawyers are donating their help, and the city expects to help 500 to 600 families a day.

Families members were asked to provide names, addresses, dates of birth, the circumstances of their last contact with the victim, and the reason they believe

the victim was at the trade center on the morning of Sept. 11.

Steven Fischner, the city's criminal justice coordinator, said the lawyers would prepare an affidavit that would be presented to a judge along with one from an employer or airline vouching for the victim's presence at the disaster. The judge would then send an order to the medical examiner. The Health Department would then issue a death certificate.

Astrid Sohan's father told of the three heartbreaking messages his daughter, who worked at the reinsurance company Marsh & McLennan, had sent by beeper to a friend before disappearing.

"The first message said, 'There's a fire and it's dark.' The next time she said, 'It's very dark and there's so much smoke. We're huddling in the corner.' And in the last one, she just said, 'Tell my boyfriend and my parents that I love them.' She knew," he said, his voice trailing off.

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George Santiago
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Layoffs hit WTC, travel workers

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Carl Chambers' job crumbled with the World Trade Center on Sept. 11, and since, he has relied on his union and government help to make ends meet.

Chambers, 56, monitored elevators and escalators in the Twin Towers for contractor AMB, his employer for 27 years. He knew many, many employees in the towers, he said.

"I lost my family and my friends and my job," he said. "I lost everything."

Workers employed at or near the World Trade Center, by the airline industry and in other jobs related to travel, are feeling reverberations of Sept. 11. More than 100,000 layoffs have been announced in the airlines and related industries, and many of those workers are being let go

without severance pay, health care and other benefits.

"I think there's a recognition that there is a crisis upon us," said AFL-CIO legislative director Bill Samuel.

Chambers' local of the Service Employees International Union represents 1,820 janitors, elevator operators, security guards, window washers and tour guides displaced by the attack that destroyed the World Trade Center and nearby buildings.

Twenty-six of the local's members were among more than 6,000 missing and presumed dead. Chambers said he was late for work on Sept. 11 and had not arrived when the hijacked jetliners struck the towers.

Union leaders met with employers after the attack and negotiated for those workers to receive six months of health and supplemental unemployment benefits.

"I'm waiting and hoping for the best, but I need to keep working," Chambers said.

Thousands of airline workers are getting pink slips without severance packages included in their union contracts. Carriers say there is a war emergency that justifies withholding those benefits.

Many employees at hotels and restaurants are nonunion and part-time and weren't promised severance benefits.

Layoffs could climb to 500,000 in industries related to the airlines and travel, said economist Mark Zandi of Economy.com. The nation's unemployment rate soared to 4.9 percent in August from 4.5 percent, the biggest one-month jump in more than six years.

More layoffs will take a toll on the economy because con-

sumer spending has been keeping it from tipping into a recession.

"Almost everyone now is being touched by unemployment," Zandi said. "You may not have lost your job, but you know someone who has."

President Bush was considering ways Tuesday to help laid-off workers. One option underdiscussion was to extend unemployment benefits to workers caught in the aftermath of the attacks.

The economic output lost from the attack is expected to amount to some \$25 billion in September alone. The air passenger and freight industry will take the biggest hit, losing almost \$5 billion in the month, followed by the hotels and securities industries, Zandi said.

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**Mark Zandi
Economy.com**

Congress approved a \$15 billion bailout last week for the airline industry that includes nothing for the estimated 100,000 laid-off workers. Organized labor is pressing Congress for a relief package that would include health care coverage, extended unemployment benefits and job training for displaced workers.

A proposal by Sen. Jean Carnahan, D-Mo., is aimed at laid-off airline workers, and would extend employment benefits beyond 26 weeks and provide job training, health care coverage and relocation benefits.

Airlines, including American, Continental, Northwest, United and US Airways, have cited clauses in some of their labor contracts that void severance packages in emergencies, airlines and unions said.

Unions say they will fight for the benefits workers are guaranteed in contracts, such as severance pay, seniority benefits and relocation assistance.

"It's not for one side or another to unilaterally determine what that agreement means, says or which portions of it they'll honor or ignore," said International Association of Machinists spokesman Frank Larkin.

Northwest Airlines (news/quote) announced Wednesday it would not pay severance to laid-off workers, then later reversed that decision.

AirTran Airways mechanics and other workers represented by the Teamsters union have agreed to a shorter work week and reduced compensation to avoid layoffs.

The Teamsters also represents airport food service workers, cargo handlers, curbside check-in employees and rental car workers, all of which are facing layoffs, said Teamsters spokesman Bret Caldwell.

Dow drops 93; Nasdaq falls

Associated Press

NEW YORK

Stocks fell back Wednesday as wary investors collected profits from Wall Street's first two-day advance since the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

Analysts said the retreat was to be expected, given the week's earlier gains and the troubled economy.

"Obviously we've had some slippage, but if we compare where we are today to where we were last week ... this isn't a significant selloff," said Michael Strauss, managing director at Commonfund. "The market is trying to bottom. The economy continues to be the battleground and we're getting some weakness associated with the terrorist attacks."

The Dow Jones industrial average fell 92.58 to 8,567.39, giving back nearly a quarter of its 424-point advance of Monday and Tuesday.

The Nasdaq composite index slid 37.60 to 1,464.04, while the broader Standard & Poor's 500 index was down 5.23 at 1,007.04.

Many on Wall Street are hesitant to make any big commitments until they have a better idea of the form and timing of U.S. retaliation for the assaults on the Pentagon and World Trade Center.

"You don't know what might happen Saturday, if that might be when retaliation or something happens, and how that will affect the market," said Chris Wolfe, equity market strategist for J.P. Morgan Private Bank. "So you don't want to take many chances."

Those concerns, as well as profit-taking from Monday's big rally that sent the Dow up 368 points, appeared to drive much of Wednesday's trading.

Among tech stocks, IBM (news/quote) dropped \$3.15 to \$91.30 and Sun Microsystems (news/quote) fell 25 cents to \$8.44 — a loss of about 3 percent for each — after Goldman Sachs (news/quote) cut their earnings estimates on fears companies will have less to spend on both firms' products as they recover from the assaults.

Reaction to the economic fallout wasn't all negative.

Delta Airlines gained 34 cents to \$24.86 on news of 13,000 job cuts, about 15 percent of its workforce, because of declining air travel following the terrorist attacks.

The other light buying was concentrated in sectors considered less risky in times of uncertainty, including pharmaceuticals and consumer goods. Johnson & Johnson rose \$1.18 to \$54.12, while Procter & Gamble climbed 13 cents to \$71.12.

"Are you going to change your food consumption or amount of shampoo you buy because of the economy? No," Strauss said. "But you might change your mind about luxury items."

Oil stocks prices were weak, but not directly because of terrorist worries. Despite some concerns that a Middle East crisis could hurt U.S. oil supplies and access, analysts said the sector fell on investors' greater fears that the economy might tip into recession, creating less demand. Valero Energy (news/quote) dropped 77

cents to 33.41.

Poor earnings reports also drove selling. Micron Technology (news/quote) plummeted \$3.99 to \$17.25, a 19 percent loss, after reporting a fourth-quarter earnings loss twice what analysts were expecting.

Market watchers attributed some of the decline to the usual end-of-quarter trading by fund managers seeking to adjust their portfolios. The third quarter ends Sunday.

The market appeared to be more stable than it was last week, when the Dow fell 1,369 points, its worst weekly performance since the Depression. Although analysts agree more tough times are ahead for the markets, there is also some optimism.

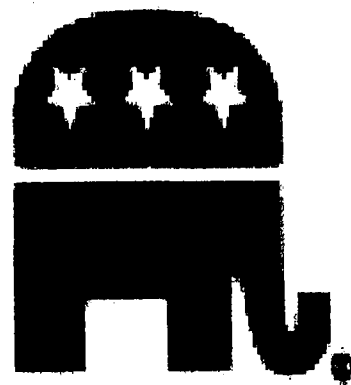
They believe the eight interest rate cuts and tax cuts so far this year, combined with billions of dollars in aid packages for businesses affected by the terrorist attacks, will eventually stimulate the economy.

"This is a difficult environment and it would be difficult for the market to put together several days of advance," said Robert Streed, portfolio manager at Northern Select Equity Fund. "Still, I think there's a very high probability that a month from now we'll be higher."

Declining issues narrowly led advancers 8 to 7 on the New York Stock Exchange. Volume came to 1.52 billion shares, compared with nearly 1.60 billion Tuesday.

The Russell 2000 index fell 6.39 to 389.79.

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Officials won't help U.S.

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TEHRAN
Iran's supreme leader said in a blistering speech Wednesday that his nation would not participate in any U.S.-led coalition against terrorism, taking a tough line despite many Iranians' expressions of sympathy for Americans.

Ayatollah Ali Khamenei called U.S. behavior "disgusting" and said in a state-run television address to the nation that Iran does not consider the United States "competent and sincere (enough) to lead any global campaign against terrorism."

U.S. officials had publicly raised the possibility of working with Iran as the United States retaliates for the attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. The prime target of an attack would be Saudi exile Osama bin Laden, who is believed to be harbored by Afghanistan's Taliban rulers.

In the wake of the Sept. 11 attacks, reformist President Mohammad Khatami had expressed "deep regret and sympathy with the victims." Many Iranians signed a condolence book at the U.S. interest section at the Swiss Embassy in Tehran and some 4,000 of them held a candlelit vigil for the American victims — though hard-line vigilantes broke it up.

But Khamenei — a hard-liner who outranks the president — took a much tougher line against the United States in Wednesday's speech, rejecting Bush's declaration that nations had to choose between being

"with us or terrorism."

"We are not with you," he said. "At the same time, we are not with terrorists. America is not sincere in fighting terrorism. It has other objectives. America's hands are stained with all the crimes committed by the Zionist regime," he said.

America's behavior, by expecting help but not earning the respect of other nations, was "disgusting," Khamenei said.

The United States has not had diplomatic relations with Iran for 22 years, leaving a gap that cannot easily be bridged even with crisis as an impetus.

"Iran will not participate in any move under U.S. leadership. Iran will not extend any assistance to the U.S. and its allies in attacking the already suffering Muslim neighboring Afghanistan," Khamenei said in his address to families of soldiers killed in the 1980-88 Iran-Iraq war.

The United States says Iran sponsors terrorism by providing weapons to Hezbollah fighters in Lebanon for their attacks on Israel. Iran steadfastly opposes Israel's occupation of Palestinian territories and accuses Washington of being biased toward the Jewish state.

On Tuesday, British Foreign Secretary Jack Straw had praised the Iranian stance toward the attacks, after Iran's

Foreign Minister Kamal Kharrazi reiterated his government's position on the need to reach international consensus to eradicate terrorism. But Straw, on the highest level British visit to Iran since 1979, added that he had not brought any message from Washington.

Other Iranian officials — both hard-liners and reformists — have said the country opposes any unilateral retaliatory U.S. strike

against Afghanistan, even though Iran has long opposed the Afghan leadership. Khamenei's remarks were the clearest yet in response to suggestions that Washington may call on Iran to join a U.S.-led global force to fight terrorism.

The United States wants Mideast support — from the use of military installations and airspace to intelligence — as it builds forces for an expected assault on bin Laden's operations in Afghanistan.

Secretary of State Colin Powell said 10 days ago that the United States was considering seeking Iran's support and said "perhaps there are new opportunities" to wean Iran away from supporting terrorism.

Earlier, Richard Haass, head of policy planning for the State Department, told the BBC: "Iranians made a very positive statement in response to" the attacks on America.

"Iran will not extend any assistance to the U.S. and its allies in attacking the already suffering Muslim neighboring Afghanistan."

Ayatollah Ali Khamenei
Iran supreme leader

SPAIN

European hunt for terrorists continues

Associated Press

training camps in Afghanistan linked to bin Laden.

MADRID

Europe continued to crack down on suspected terrorists, making arrests in Spain, Britain and the Netherlands in an effort to link Osama bin Laden to the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks on the United States.

In Spain, police detained six Algerians allegedly linked to bin Laden, the chief suspect in the suicide jet attacks, and to a group suspected of planning attacks on U.S. targets in Europe.

In Britain, authorities captured a French national who was allegedly involved in a plot to attack U.S. interests in Europe. France has already placed seven other suspects in the case under formal investigation, a step before being charged.

Authorities say the eight all are believed to have ties to bin Laden. Evidence found during arrests in France last week suggest the suspects were part of a group scouting out European locations for attacks, with the U.S. Embassy in Paris a prime target, French news reports said.

In the Netherlands, police arrested an Iraqi man suspected of belonging to a radical Muslim network planning attacks, Dutch news reports said.

Authorities declined to confirm the Dutch reports. They said the suspect, who was arrested Monday, faced the same charges as four other men detained in Rotterdam Sept. 13 for possessing fraudulent documents.

In Sweden, police have placed some people under surveillance who allegedly went to suspected terrorist

The six people detained in Spain on Tuesday night and before dawn Wednesday allegedly belong to a dissident faction of the Armed Islamic Group, Algeria's most hard-line insurgency movement, Interior Minister Mariano Rajoy said.

The six Algerians have not been charged but "evidently had serious connections with international terrorism and were financially connected with terrorist bin Laden's organization," Prime Minister Jose Maria Aznar told reporters.

The Algerians appeared to be responsible for sending optical, electronic, computer and communications equipment to colleagues in Algeria, as well as camping material to Chechnya, Rajoy said. Russia maintains that separatist rebels in Chechnya are Islamic extremists aided by foreign terrorist groups.

Spanish police found forged passports and sophisticated computer equipment used to produce fake documents, and airline tickets for trips to Algeria and France, Rajoy said.

The state news agency Efe identified the six Algerians as group leader Mohamed Boualem Khnoui, Mohamed Belaziz, Yasin Seddiki, Hakim Zerzour, Madjid Sahouane and Hocine Khouni.

Meanwhile, in Britain, police got a 48-hour extension Wednesday to continue interrogating two men arrested in connection with the World Trade Center attacks.

Lotfi Raissi and Abu Imard were arrested on Friday, along with another man and a woman who have been released.



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Discovering our inner rebel

People have always tried to do things that set them apart from the rest of the crowd. Non-conformists for years have changed their clothes, hairstyles and hair colors in order to look different.

Amy Schill

The problem has always been that with everyone trying to look different, everyone ends up looking the same.

Dazed and Amused

Because it's so easy to change clothes and hair, we've come to the point where there's only one really sure fire way to insure your individuality: endure intense pain voluntarily, and pay ridiculous amounts of money to do so.

No, not Orgo. I'm talking about tattoos and body piercings. Though no longer as rare as they used to be, tattoos and piercings still are not quite in the mainstream.

After intense sociological study in several different geographical areas, I've discovered that the reason tattoos are not even more popular is that they hurt a lot and scar your body for life.

After conducting the same study with regards to body piercing, I realized that body piercings may not be on every man woman and child because it involves sticking sharp pointy objects into your skin.

Tattoos and piercings aren't as easy to procure as thrift store clothing, bowling shoes and Buddy Holly glasses, because it takes a special kind of

person to get them, a special kind of sick and demented yet somehow cool person.

Which is why I had to get one. Well, not really. Tattooing was never an option for me, because, well, having "Lafortune Building Managers 4 Eva!" sprawled on my back at age 70 didn't sound too appealing.

But because body piercing is relatively painless and not nearly as permanent, I thought this would be the safe way to realize my inner rebel.

But, as always, my desire for approval beat out my desire to be a non-conformist. After running my eyebrow ring idea past friends and the entire ndtoday.com community and getting responses ranging from disgust to ... disgust, I decided piercings weren't so cool after all.

A couple of my friends, however, were still willing to endure torture in the name of individuality. One wanted a shamrock tattoo (because, you know, not many people here want that), and another friend wanted her navel pierced.

Though piercing was no longer in the cards for me, I thought I could at least be rebellious vicariously by tagging along ... plus I was putting off writing this column.

Because we are oh-so-non-conformist, we decided to patronize Michiana Tattoo, the place where all Notre Dame students go for their tattooing and piercing needs.

Yeah, not too crazy, I know, but at least we got to cross the state line to do it, making the activity feel some-

what illicit, like gambling or getting extra deposit money on bottles.

My friend wanted the most sterile masochistic experience possible, so she asked numerous questions about cleanliness, infections, Hell's Angels meetings, *et cetera*, and indeed, the place was relatively low on the shady scale.

However, the one thing my friends neglected to find out was whether or not they had time to actually tattoo or pierce them with their impeccably clean pointy sticks.

After getting lost in Niles and making a U-turn in front of a scary looking NASCAR enthusiast we arrived at the place only to learn that all the employees were booked for the rest of the day. Apparently, all those wishing to thwart authority and throw caution to the wind need appointments.

So our afternoon was pretty much a bust. My tattoo-wanting friend made an appointment for next week, but my piercing pal could not fit poking herself into her upcoming schedule.

So who knows when they get to be different from the pack, or if it will be anything different by the time they get it done. As for me, I have an appointment at Abercrombie I'm late for.

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"You must be the change you wish to see in the world."

Mohandas K. Gandhi
Indian nationalist leader

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Students' hearts loyal to football team

This is in response to Monday's letter from Lt. Dan Cook, but more specifically, it is in response to four years worth of letters from various alumni from around the country who basically say the same thing.

On behalf of everyone in the student body who, like me, bristles under the contention that we are classless and in some way are not living up to some mythical standard of healthy sportsmanship that all of you graduated alums have previously established, I would like to respectfully ask that you please leave us alone.

Not a single football loss goes by where I don't read the whiney holier-than-thought words of some faceless alumni sticking it to the current student body, admonishing us for some perceived lack of decorum.

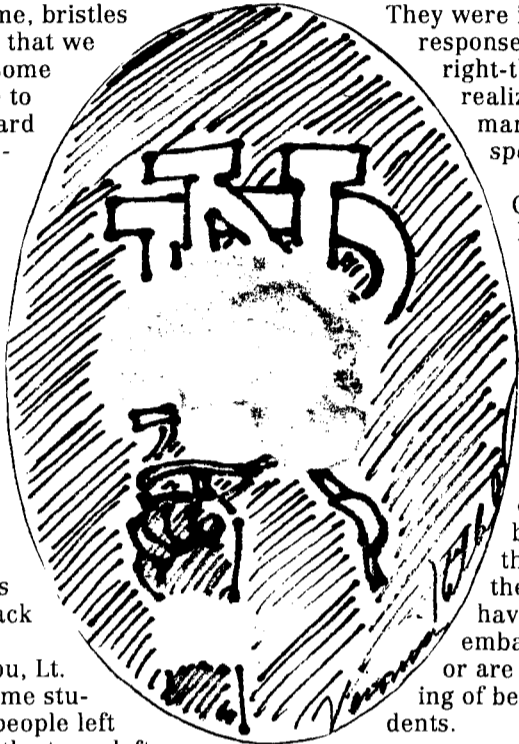
I've got news for you, Lt. Cook — the Notre Dame students were the only people left in the stadium when the team left. We were also the ones to cheer supportively when our classmates saluted us with gold helmets raised. We support our players. We comport ourselves with class above and beyond any other college stu-

dent body that I can think of, and those boos that scared your children were leveled either after the team had left the field or when the coaching staff was on it. No one I could see was confused as to who this frustration was intended for.

They were in loud and frustrated response to what we and all right-thinking Irish fans realize as sub par performances in the national spotlight.

We love our team, Lt. Cook. We want very badly to see them win. No one should blame us for being dissatisfied with current trends. And no one, certainly not you or the rest of the Notre Dame nation who were already in the parking lot when any of this controversial booing occurred, has the right to say that we, the most loyal fans of all, have no class, are an embarrassment to anyone or are in any way undeserving of being Notre Dame students.

Tim O'Connor
senior
Dillon Hall
Sept. 25, 2001



Confront real issues

Joanna Mikulski, in her article "Impending war is not worth the cost", has demonstrated an utter lack of comprehension of the war waged on the United States and the President's actions.

Would that the rest of us could live in her ivory tower of blissful ignorance.

Ms. Mikulski, more than 6,000 innocent American citizens are dead and killed in such a vile and violent fashion that thousands of survivors will be denied the small comfort of retrievable remains to lay to rest.

If America does nothing to wipe the scourge of terrorism from the face of the earth, the attacks will continue.

These terrorists want to destroy our nation, our way of life and everything we hold dear. You or your loved ones could be next.

If sanctions and international embargos were effective tools with which to alter the behavior of despotic governments, then oppression and/or state-sponsored terrorism in places like Iran, Iraq, Libya, Afghanistan, North Korea and Cuba would no longer exist.

The evildoers who falsely claim to defend Islam by committing violence against the West are trying to repress and silence Western culture and freedoms and not the reverse, as Ms. Mikulski suggests.

President Bush has not called for rapid strikes of vengeance. He has called for the application of our military might to the elimination of the global terrorism network which will take months and years to accomplish.

And this military effort will be in tandem with economic and diplomatic actions that are being developed concurrently.

Whether you like it or not, Ms. Mikulski, the sheltered, innocent "children of the '90s" do know war. You saw it Sept. 11. Burying your head in the sand of denial won't make it go away.

We are not helpless. Evil will be routed. If you choose not to face it yourself, pray for those who do, like your classmates in the Notre Dame ROTC programs, the servicemen and women defending your freedom today and those like Lieutenant Colonel Neil Hyland, class of 1977, lost at the Pentagon, who died defending your freedom.

Lieutenant Colonel Lynn Hamilton O'Connell, United States Army
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Sept. 24, 2001

GUEST COLUMN

End terrorism with unconventional means

NEW BRUNSWICK, N.J.

I'm half Arab. My father is Egyptian, and in the past 20 years he has tried to talk to me about my heritage and my ancestry, and I have denied him the privilege.

At the time my family's background was more than inhibiting, it was stifling my sense of independence. I didn't want to be regarded as an Arab, because I wanted to be regarded solely for my own being.

I didn't want to know, so I turned a deaf ear when my father spoke to me of a past I should have acknowledged, yet didn't. I'd like to apologize to my father today. I'd like to apologize for not understanding, and not listening.

For not making the effort toward empathy, because today I suffer in ignorance. I apologize for my country, the great and wonderful United States, which in all its glory and purity will never understand the need to lend an ear to others.

I apologize for the American people, who in their ignorance do not even know when they are being led. Who are sadly, like me, acting the part of a sheep.

Terrorism is defined as using the acts of extreme fear in a manner of coercion. Our president has visited the leaders of foreign countries to "pressure" them for their support in aiding our cause.

Asking France to not only support us in the fight against terrorism, but to refrain from trading with Iran and Iraq because of their prior involvement with terrorism.

How about our own prior involvement? How about our current involvement? How does a country as liberal as ours, one that trumps freedom, cover up the fact that we have trained bin Laden in his warfare?

How do we cover up the fact that we continually send arms and assistance to Israel to protect our interests

there? How much do we need to gain from taking sides before we do?

There is a saying that goes: "Do not try to take down the Master with the Master's own tools." It is impossible to end terrorist attacks by using the same tactics.

So I'm not scared about renewed attacks upon the United States. I'm not scared about a building coming down around my ears when it seems like I have more to fear from the world coming down.

This endless circle of tragedies we will inflict upon each other will be never-ending. We must stop it before it starts. I do not mean war.

We must not inflict more unnecessary grief upon the world and those who suffer in it. We are a large, strong, important government — we do not need to "save face" by attacking a faceless shadow in the mountains of a foreign country.

We can be strong enough to make things right. To apologize for past transgressions, to protect ourselves better in the future and to show the world what true power and authority is.

We need not use it to make the world kneel before us, for there are those who will never kneel — I like to think that we are among them — but why add thousands of Americans and thousands of victims of war to the growing list of the dead?

In this tragic aftermath, we cannot change the past and bring back those who have lost their lives, but we can protect the lives of those still living.

We must reevaluate the things we learned in that moment of grace after the buildings had fallen. The silent moment of grace where what mattered most was forefront in our minds: family, friends, love and hope for peace.

Do not let the deceptions of the media and the governments hold the power for our future in their hands.

They are incapable of treating it with the tenderness it deserves.

They will scream war and retribution because they know we are scared, and they know we want to hurt those who have hurt us.

But as for the leaders of our country, they are surprisingly uncreative. There must be another way, and if we cannot think of one today, we must hold off for one more day and give ourselves time.

I urge you all to make your voices heard. We should not let ourselves be intimidated by the minority who want war just because their voices are so much louder than our own.

Pain, fear and ignorance are often blanketed by strong emotions yelled at top volume. Do not let us send off our siblings, our parents and our friends to die for something we have no control over.

We must always have the control — we have the vote, we have our voices and we will be heard.



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MOVIE FEATURE

A timely 'Apocalypse'

The anticipated theatrical release of 'Apocalypse Now' arrives in the midst of mourning

By MATT NANIA
Scene Movie Editor

The current mood of the country is understandably not one befitting the release of a war movie. As people are praying for peace, as citizens are shocked by innumerable casualties, as even the slightest allusion to anything related to the terrorists attacks gets censored, along comes Francis Ford Coppola's 1979 Vietnam War film "Apocalypse Now," updated, re-mastered and re-cut with 49 minutes of additional footage.

Released in early August in major cities and areas around the nation, South Bend theaters will receive its prints this Friday.

It's hard to believe that any person is "in the mood" for a war movie given the fact that the U.S. is currently on the brink of war itself, but considering "Apocalypse's" pedigree — it won numerous awards and has been long heralded as one of the greatest films ever made — it would be remiss if coverage was not provided of what is certainly one of the biggest and most-acclaimed releases of the year.

A moviegoer's decision to see or not see the film will largely depend on their immediate feelings towards cinema of this nature, but there is no doubt that "Apocalypse Now" will attract audiences this weekend.

Young audience members and film students who have previously only been able to watch the picture on video and DVD will finally get the chance to experience the film theatrically. Older moviegoers, who may have seen it when it was originally released in 1979, will want to see the restoration and new footage. Perhaps the public at large, interested in momentous cinema not available since the '70s, will attend the screenings.

On top of the release itself, "Now's" history adds even another layer of intrigue. At the 1979 Cannes Film Festival, where the film claimed top prize, Coppola made a strange comment about "too much money and too much power" and slowly going insane during the production. Although it probably sounded pretentious at the time, to some extent that's exactly what happened.

By 1976, Coppola's "Godfather" films had made more money than any film in history, and the director was flushed

with power, youth and genius. He took on a novel — Joseph Conrad's "Heart of Darkness" — that even Orson Welles had abandoned, convinced that he could do it better.

Originally scheduled to be shot over six weeks, the production ended up taking 16 months to complete and was punctuated with a number of crises.

Coppola replaced Harvey Keitel, originally cast as Captain Willard, with Martin Sheen two weeks into shooting. A typhoon (filming took place in the Philippines) destroyed some of the sets, causing a delay of several months. Sheen had a heart attack. Marlon Brando (who had been cast as Colonel Kurtz) threatened to quit. Another actor, Sam Bottoms, was on speed, LSD and marijuana, as was Coppola himself.

Needless to say, it's a rare thing when an artist goes mad, gets drunk on his own power and genius, undergoes such a daunting production, and still creates a giant-sized masterpiece.

Adapted for the screen by John Milius, "Apocalypse Now" is a magnum opus. As it begins, with a long, quiet shot of a row of trees, The Doors' "The End" slowly coming up on the soundtrack, helicopters buzzing by almost noiselessly, and finally the row of trees being suddenly decimated, the viewer knows he's watching something remarkable. For nearly its entire running time, "Apocalypse Now" is simply a fascinating film.

Captain Willard's (Sheen) story sends him up a Vietnam river to find and kill the renegade Colonel Kurtz (Brando), but "Now" is more about the journey than the destination. Each stop along the way takes Willard and his cohorts, Chief, Chef, Clean (14 year-old Laurence Fishburne) and Lance (Bottoms), farther and farther out of reality. In one of the first scenes, crazy Bill Kilgore (Robert Duvall) screams at his men about surfing, gives a canteen of water to a dying Vietnamese (then snatches it away, distracted by something else), and doesn't even bother to flinch when bombs go off a dozen yards behind him.

As the film continues, things get more hazy and dreamy, as if the drugs are kicking in, culminating in a surreal and nightmarish finale. Some critics claim this last act doesn't work, where Willard hangs around the Kurtz compound waiting for something to happen. However, the illogical, unreal ending the movie

gives us is the perfect solution. Anything conventional would have been insulting.

The experience of watching "Apocalypse Now" has a tremendous sensory impact, most notably in the early battle sequence in which an Army Air Cavalry attacks an ordinary village overrun with Viet Cong. This sequence is both depressing (innocent children and civilians are destroyed by men who view combat with brainless machismo) and exhilarating (it is a brilliant show of logistics, firepower and the cinematic use of objects in open spaces).

Even later, as the film slows down to a groggy march up the river, punctuated only by occasional stops for recreation, fuel, protocol and burial services, we are held hypnotized by a force that we would be hard-pressed to explain.

It is this spell that makes "Apocalypse Now" resistant to any kind of conclusive deconstruction. In that sense, it has a place among but a few works of the film medium.

Now, in 2001, Coppola and editor Walter Murch have released "Apocalypse Now Redux" to the public with 49 minutes "restored" to the film. These extra sequences — an extended French plantation scene, another surfboard incident, more time dedicated to the Playboy playmates, and an episode showing Kurtz in the daylight — will hopefully be every bit as masterful as the rest of the film. But they have unfortunately been criticized of detracting from the flow of the original.

Coppola's famous declaration at the Cannes Film Festival press conference — "My film is not about Vietnam. It is Vietnam" — has an element of truth to it. Unlike the war films we are accustomed to seeing, "Apocalypse Now" doesn't comment on the war, or on war in general, so much as recreate its madness and desperation.

As Kurtz says, "Horror has a face and

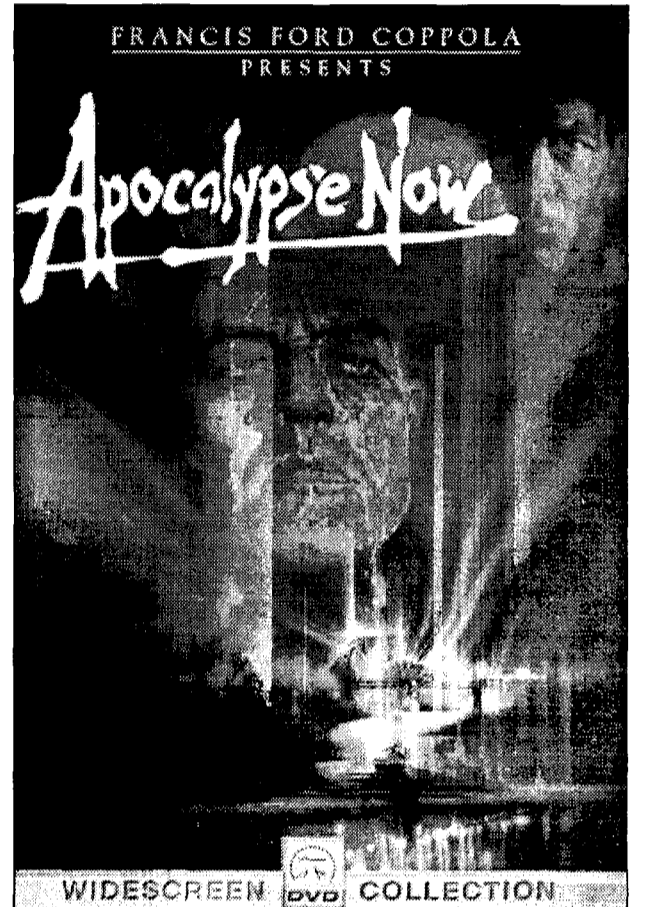


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"Apocalypse Now" has been available to rent on DVD, but starting this Friday it can be seen in theaters.

a name, and you must make a friend of horror." The trek up the river, into the heart of darkness, is no more and no less than a journey to an epiphany, and not a happy one.

Given how these past few weeks have altered our perceptions of violence and destruction — our epiphany came at the highest price — "Apocalypse Now's" message of terror seems all too prescient.

For film enthusiasts, what's also notable about the release of "Apocalypse," even if it has been retailed, is how it will put all of this year's other offerings to shame. Come Friday, it will be the only veritable masterpiece playing in multiplexes, the only movie not made by marketing committees and, truly, the only film worth seeing.

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Director Francis Ford Coppola (far left) shot "Apocalypse Now" on location in the Philippines, where bad weather and inhospitable conditions caused delays in the production. Robert Duvall (far right) and other actors contributed to the ultimate success of the film, which has gone down in history as one of the greatest war films ever made.

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MOVIE REVIEW

'Party' doesn't do its characters any favors

By JUDE SEYMOUR

Scene Movie Critic

"The Anniversary Party," the directorial debuts of actors Alan Cumming ("Get Carter") and Jennifer Jason Leigh ("Single White Female"), is a voyeuristic peek inside a couple's sixth wedding anniversary party. Invited are cross-sections of Hollywood's petty, narcissistic and self-absorbed breeds posing as caring friends.

Over the course of two hours, the pool of invited guests manages to deconstruct one another before even attempting to rebuild their own narrow-minded existences.

The personalities stew in their self-constructed depression for such duration that their words become trite and their characterizations worth none of the audience's empathy. In the end, each character is most memorable for the potential that existed within themselves that they

never bothered to explore.

"Anniversary Party," shot entirely on digital video, reports the story of Joe (Cumming), a novelist, and Sally (Leigh), an actress. They invite their closest friends over to celebrate their sixth wedding anniversary, even if the last year has been tumultuous (they spent time away from each other in separate countries).

Their choices for invites are more political than friendly.

Joe invites Skye (Gwyneth Paltrow) over because he wants her to play the female lead in his directorial debut (an adaptation of his latest novel). He also invites the neighbors over, Ryan (Denis O'Hare) and Monica (Mina Badie), to assuage the current tensions over Sally's barking dog and to avoid a possible lawsuit. The rest of the ensemble cast is filled out by the likes of Kevin Kline, John C. Reilly, Parker Posey and Jennifer Beals.

As the party begins to wind down, Skye produces her gift: 16 doses of the drug ecstasy. If the alcohol had not already loosened tensions, Joe sees this as an opportunity for the group to become even more carefree with themselves and with each other.

Unfortunately, the drugs seem to have the reverse effect: For the last half of the film, we witness brutally honest confrontations. Joe and Sally confront their fears of abandonment and of having children. Mac (Reilly) and Cal (Kline) realize Sally's constant detachment while acting is ruining the success of their movie. And Sally confronts her jealousy toward Gina (Beals), a former lover of Joe's.

The intention of "The Anniversary Party" is to cut away the fleshy insecurities of these Hollywood friends and expose the bones of their true nature, hoping that the audience will applaud the movie for its tough method of eliciting true feelings.

This theme, to expose the "fakeness" of people immersed in Hollywood, comes from a personal insight of Leigh and Cumming, using their debut as directors to speak their minds on issues that they felt were prevalent given their experience as actors.

With certain stories, they succeed admirably. Joe and Sally's confrontation, in the midst of an ecstasy excursion and a dog search, plays as extremely personal. They finally address all the issues that had been lurking just beneath the surface. Sally's issues include her rejection over not being cast in Joe's new movie and her fear that children will ruin her career. Joe's uncertainties lie in his sexual curiosities and consequent marital infidelity, his giant ego and a possible drug addiction. The array of issues in such a short period of time is dizzying to the viewer, leaving the audience surveying the wreckage of emotions long after the movie has moved onto another issue.

The scenes between Joe and Sally are where most of the film's character depth and emotions lie. Then again, it's no surprise that Cumming and Leigh are able to reveal such depth: Their characters are the movie embodiment of their real life personas.

Unfortunately for its audience, "The Anniversary Party" does not develop the rest of its ensemble in the same manner. The directors, therefore, shed no new insight on Hollywood's "fake" breed and present no solutions to overcome the pettiness of the movie star bunch. This, conjoined with the film's overall depressing tone, made its conclusion feel empty and lackluster.

After the events that transpired at the World Trade Center on Sept. 11, audiences now crave films that engage and promote the goodness of the human spirit, films that will offer some hope for the future. Watching movie stars bicker and bellow horrific insults at each other is, at this juncture, terribly shortsighted.

"The Anniversary Party"



out of five shamrocks

Director: Alan Cumming and Jennifer Jason Leigh

Starring: Alan Cumming, Jennifer Jason Leigh, Kevin Kline and Gwyneth Paltrow



Photo courtesy of Fine Line Features

Alan Cumming and Jennifer Jason Leigh (front) wrote and directed "The Anniversary Party," an ensemble comedic drama.

VIDEO PICK OF THE WEEK

Tragedy weighs on every life in 'Hereafter'

By JOHN DONNELLY

Scene Movie Critic

A bright yellow school bus slowly winds its way down a road through a wintry Canadian wilderness. An overprotective father follows the bus in his truck, waving at his children sitting in the back seat. The bus hits a patch of ice, crashes through a guardrail, and rolls down the embankment onto a lake frozen over for the winter. The ice cracks and the bus slowly sinks into the freezing water. The father watches on, stricken.

"The Sweet Hereafter," a 1997 film directed by Atom Egoyan and based on Russell Banks' novel, recounts this tragedy, but deals primarily with its aftermath.

Overlooked in part because of the "Titanic" juggernaut that rolled into theaters the same year, not many saw the film. In both pictures, a horrible disaster takes place which results in a tremendous loss of life. However, the school bus tragedy hits a lot harder than the liner going down in the Atlantic, mainly due to "Hereafter's" strong character development.

The film traces the characters in five different sequences: Before the accident, after the accident, and during the accident itself.

The most important sequence takes place after the death of the children. Set a short time after the tragic event, the

sequence revolves around a lawyer (Ian Holm, "The Fifth Element") looking to file a class-action lawsuit on behalf of the parents who lost children in the accident. Holm's character, however, has problems of his own: His daughter has a drug problem, and he does not know what to do.

Holm visits several grieving couples who lost children, and the film provides a glimpse of a small town where not everything is perfect.

The first couple he visits runs a motel and has a shouting match right in front of him. The wife suggests other couples the lawyer should talk to, with Holm noting that he needs good people

that do not have a troubled past. The husband ridicules every pair she suggests, listing the vices of each. But he doesn't know everything: His wife had an affair with a widower who runs the garage next door.

Another family has an even darker secret. A teenage girl (Sarah Polley, "Go"), who survived the accident but is now confined to a wheelchair, ended the incestuous relationship she had with her father as a result of the incident.

A flashback sequence details the affair of the motel owner's wife and the garage owner. Polley baby-sits for the man's children while he goes off to the motel. She reads the children Robert Browning's tale of "The Pied Piper of Hamelin." In the story, special emphasis is placed on the child who is left behind by the Piper. Polley is later identified as this figure

when specific passages of the story are recited in voice-over as she goes to bed with her father and as she gives her deposition.

More importantly, the tale recounts the punishment of Hamelin for lying to the Piper about paying him. Their punishment is the loss of their children. Similarly, in "The Sweet Hereafter," the sins of the town are related to the loss of their children in the bus accident.

Holm identifies with the people of the town because he too has lost a child, just in a different manner. Not a money-hungry personal claims attorney as one might expect, he is just a very sad man. He no longer knows his daughter, who has become a drug addict. In the film's last sequence, Holm flies from Canada to take care of his daughter. He sits next to a childhood friend of hers on the flight, and tells a story of how his daughter almost died from a black widow bite when she was three. Holm's eyes seem ready to just give up on life at any moment.

"The Sweet Hereafter" carries a tremendous emotional impact. The bus sinking into the lake is horrifying, but takes place midway through the film. We dread seeing it, but we are more concerned with those still living. The people of the town have to continue on. The bus driver, who survived, speaks of the children as "her kids," using the present tense to describe them. The garage owner barely gets along after the

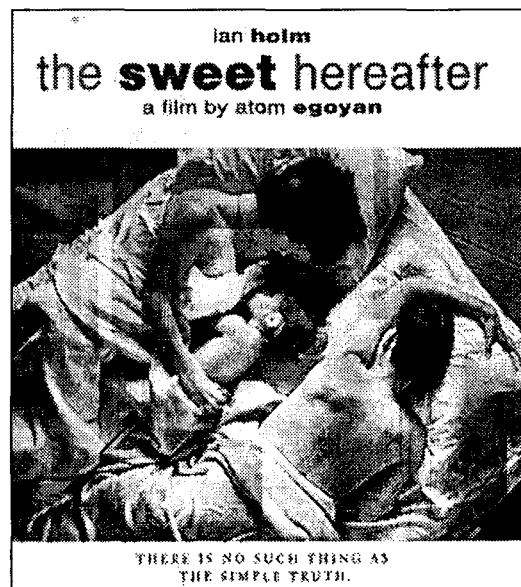


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"The Sweet Hereafter" is available to rent on video and DVD.

death of his children. Holm and Polley seem ready to just give up on life at any moment.

Egoan juggles these different events perfectly. He deftly weaves from character to character to create an overwhelming sense of loss. Life goes on for the town after the accident, but just barely, and only because it has to. What else can they do?

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This Week in Campus Ministry

Retreat Signups

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9/30 Sunday

RCIA Inquiry Session
10:00 a.m.
330 Coleman-Morse Center

Learning to Talk About Race Retreat for Student Leaders
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10/1 Monday

RCIA Study Session
6:30 p.m.
330 Coleman-Morse Center

The Way Catholic Bible Study
8:30 p.m.
331 Coleman-Morse Center

International Student Open House
9:00 p.m.
102/103 Coleman-Morse Center

26th Sunday Ordinary Time Weekend Liturgies

Presiders

Basilica of the Sacred Heart

Sat. September 29 Mass
5:00 p.m.
Rev. David J. Scheidler, c.s.c.

Sun. September 30 Mass
10:00 a.m.
Most Rev. Daniel R. Jenky, c.s.c.
11:45 a.m.
Rev. Patrick Neary, c.s.c.

Sunday's Scripture Readings

1st Reading Am 6: 1a, 4-7
2nd Reading 1 Tm 6: 11-16
Gospel Lk 16: 19-31

CAMPUS MINISTRY

CONSIDERATIONS . . .

Why Can't We Love Ourselves?

■ By Fr. Gary Chamberland, c.s.c., Rector of Keenan Hall

I am often moved by the commitment to service and justice I see in the students of this university. Domers embrace the Christian call to serve others, especially the poor and needy of South Bend, and strive to give back some of the blessings they have received. "Love God" and "Love your neighbor" are more than pious platitudes here. They are challenges wrestled with by students intent on deepening their relationship with God and humanity.

Yet, as I watch students accept their Christian vocation of service to others, I am often saddened by the way they treat themselves. While finding God in the face of a child or a homeless woman, they seem unable to see God in the mirror, unwilling to honor his greatness in the created splendor of their own person, and uninterested in reverencing the divinity which dwells in their soul. Jesus did not leave us simply with command to love God and neighbor. He calls us to "Love ourselves," as well.

Self-love is the most difficult love of all. Self-love is not self-centeredness; it does not make oneself the center of one's world. Self-love is the harder task of accepting that one is beloved by God. Self-love is coming to terms with the fact that God made us to be who we are and deeply desires that we develop the talents and gifts we have been given. Self-love is a healthy and critical assessment and acceptance of who we are. It is not the unhealthy fixation on who we are not.

Why have we seemed to embrace Jesus' command to love God and others, but seem unable to love ourselves?

In reveling in the reality that we are made in God's image and likeness, we no longer self-define ourselves by our grasp of calculus or the deeper nuances of philosophy, by our straight or kinky hair, or our waist sizes and bust lines. We look beyond our imperfect humanity and see the lovable and beloved child of God. We do not deny the desire for developing the mind or body, self-acceptance is simply not conditional upon that development.

True love of self leads the Christian to a deeper awareness of the wholeness and unity of his or her person.

This love, itself a gift, in turn, brings the Christian to a fuller sense of his or her own incarnation. He or she grasps that one body is intimately tied to the spiritual self - that the body and soul dwell in an inseparable oneness. This incarnation is the very means of living the dynamic impulse of love that surges through our being. It is our only way of spreading that love to others through our work, service, expression and touch. Our body is the primary organ of communicating and communing with other humans - themselves expressions of God's love. Our bodies as visible, concrete, tangible enactments of God's creative glory are temples - temples of God's indwelling Spirit. That Spirit impels us to approach the table of the Lord each week and consume the very flesh and lifeblood of Jesus that we might eat ever more fully in our thoughts words and deeds the very reality we eat. We dwell in God and God dwells in us.

Why then are so many incapable of reverencing this vessel of holiness? Why do so many women on our campus despise their bodies and torture them with starvation, binging and purging? Why do so many students abuse these edifices of God's love and drink alcohol to the point of vomiting, coma and near death? Why do men and women cheapen the beauty of the gift of human sexuality by randomly sharing their bodies with people who neither care about them or for them? Why do we run our bodies to the point of exhaustion without providing proper nutrition, exercise or sleep? Why have we seemed to embrace Jesus' command to love God and others, but seem unable to love ourselves? Why in this place of holiness, love and Christian conviction is there so much self-hate?

Notre Dame needs a revival of the Spirit. We must help each other to grow in love. Speak up and help others to see that they are lovable and loved. Challenge inappropriate behavior and don't sit idly by while friends and acquaintances harm themselves; love of neighbor requires us to act. "It's none of my business" is unchristian and cowardly. Be self-critical and accept the reality of your life and your behaviors. Go to confession and ask God's forgiveness for your sins, both those against others and against the temple of the Holy Spirit. Accept that forgiveness, move on and strive to love all people (self included) better. Together with God's help, we can move towards Christian perfection, become ever more completely the Body of Christ and change the world. Bold hopes, yes, but realistic because it all starts at home. For all people can say, "It starts with me."



Friday Night Mass
8:00 p.m.
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Coleman-Morse Center

NCAA MEN'S BASKETBALL

Cardinals coach copes with loss

Associated Press

LOUISVILLE, Ky.

As he watched replays of the second hijacked plane crashing into the World Trade Center, Louisville coach Rick Pitino began counting floors, hoping that his best friend was still alive.

Bill Minardi, the brother of Pitino's wife, was one of 670 employees of the bond brokerage Cantor Fitzgerald who died in the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

Minardi worked on the 105th floor of the north tower, the first one hit and the second one to collapse.

"It was so painful watching those planes, over and over. I knew Billy was high," Pitino said at a news conference Wednesday.

Returning to work this week has given Pitino the diversion he's needed.

"I'm emotionally spent," he said. "The only solace I get is when I'm on that court for four hours a day. It's an escape from it all."

"What I have to do is to immerse myself in it, day and night, so I don't think as much."

The only thing you have to do is go overboard and immerse yourself in your work and your family and just pass out at night."

Pitino, who was hired in March, said his new team sent him a touching sympathy card last week. He reciprocated by returning them to their usual exhausting workouts.

"Fortunately, for the players, there is a 20-hour (per week) rule," he said.

Pitino said the death of Minardi, his best friend since high school, won't change his perspective on basketball.

He said that happened in 1987, when his 6-month-old son, Daniel, died from congenital heart failure.

"[Basketball] is my passion, it's my professional life, but it's entertainment. It's always been entertainment to me since 1987. I know what sports is about — it's about making us laugh, it's about good times together."

Pitino said last week was a blur.

"A week ago, I didn't know where my life was going," Pitino said. "You didn't know what to do, where to go."

Pitino and his wife had waited for word from Minardi on the day of the attacks, but none came. The next day, the Pitinos drove to New York.

They got false hope when Minardi's name turned up on a computer database that listed people working in the towers at the time of the attacks.

Minardi was listed in critical condition, but Pitino found out through Cantor Fitzgerald's emergency hotline that the report was wrong.

Soon after, Pitino learned that every employee who showed up for work on the day of the attacks had died.

Pitino, who grew up in New York City, attended a memorial service for Minardi last Thursday.

"The swing of emotions, thinking you had a hope and a prayer, waiting for one Cantor Fitzgerald person to make it down," Pitino said. "It's just been unbelievable."

He reminisced about his friendship with Minardi through tear-filled eyes.

"Joanne and I were trying to laugh about stories about Billy the other night," Pitino said. "Kidding around, I said, 'You know, I always loved Billy more than I loved you.' And she said, 'I've always known you loved him more.'"

"We had so many fun times, so many great memories. I cherish those memories. It was a good reason to marry Joanne."

NFL

Sharpe returns to Denver

Associated Press

OWINGS MILLS, Md

Shannon Sharpe expects a warm reception from appreciative Denver Broncos fans during pregame introductions Sunday.



Sharpe

Once the game starts, however, the Baltimore Ravens tight end expects the crowd to treat him like any other foe.

"Maybe when I come out there, they'll cheer. But when I do something good, they'll boo. That's what fans are supposed to do," Sharpe said Wednesday.

Sharpe played 10 seasons with the Broncos, appearing in seven Pro Bowls and helping

Denver win two Super Bowls. But after the 1999 season he and the Broncos parted ways, and Sharpe quickly latched on with the Ravens.

"From a salary cap standpoint, what the Ravens were able to give me, the Broncos weren't able to do that," Sharpe said. "I totally understand."

No hard feelings. I had 10 great years there and now I love my time here."

Sharpe figures everyone benefited from the switch.

"They're happy with their decision and I'm very, very happy with mine," he said. "It was time for me to move on, and it was time for them to

look at some of the younger tight ends."

Sharpe still has the respect of his former teammates, many of whom still say he's as good as any tight end to play the game.

"He will definitely go down as one of the best ever," Broncos linebacker Bill Romanowski said.

"I think he's the best of all time," Denver coach Mike Shanahan said.

Sharpe is closing in on two NFL records for tight ends. He's 32 catches and 70 yards short of breaking the career marks held by Hall of Famer Ozzie Newsome, now the Ravens executive vice president of player personnel and the man responsible for bringing Sharpe to Baltimore.

Asked if he thought the Broncos might stop Sunday's game if he amasses 70 yards receiving, Sharpe grinned and said, "I don't want them to stop the game. I want to keep going, because if I've got 70 yards that means I'm doing pretty good, I'm hot and on a roll."

He then kiddingly added, "I'd like to break the other one, get about 32 catches. That would be really special."

Regardless of how he performs, Sharpe expects it to be a one of a kind afternoon.

"Obviously it's going to be strange, but I don't think it's going to be as strange if we were playing in the Old Mile High (Stadium)," he said. "I'm not going to know what it's like to walk out on the visitor's side, compared to the home side."

"But it's still going to be strange. For the most part,

while I was there, those 75,000 fans were cheering for me. Now I catch a pass or do something good, they're going to boo me."

Sharpe turned a deflected pass into a 58-yard touchdown in Baltimore's 21-3 wild-card victory over the Broncos last January in Baltimore.

"They called me lucky. I leave one team, go to another and win the Super Bowl," Sharpe said. "Sometimes it's better to be lucky than good."

Sharpe is both. He had the last laugh a season ago, but Denver appears ready to mount a drive to the Super Bowl while Baltimore is coming off a 21-10 loss to the Cincinnati Bengals in which quarterback Elvis Grbac was forced to throw 63 passes.

"I'd like to think we're going to come out and make a better showing this week. We have to run the football," Sharpe said. "As well as Elvis can throw the football, we're asking an awful lot asking him to throw the ball 60, 70 times. You can win games like that, but you can't win championships."

When he walks onto the field Sunday, Sharpe will likely be reminded that he has yet to pay up on a bet that Denver's Keith Burns could not get his body fat under 10 percent before the 2000 season.

Burns came in at 9.3 percent, putting him in line for a Mercedes.

"I didn't say what kind, and I didn't say what shape it was going to be in," Sharpe said. "Eventually he will get the car, but not if he keeps harassing me."

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NFL

Jackson carries Browns

Associated Press

BEREA, Ohio
James Jackson raised eyebrows back on draft day in April when he said the Cleveland Browns could call off their search for a feature running back.

Jackson said he was the man.

Two weeks into the season, there's no doubt he is.

The rookie gained 124 yards on 31 carries in Cleveland's 24-14 win over the Detroit Lions on Sunday, and nobody — not even former college teammate Edgerrin James — is questioning Jackson anymore.

"Hopefully, I can go out and get a few more of those," Jackson said Wednesday.

Jackson became the first Cleveland back to get 100 yards in a game since the team returned as an expansion franchise in 1999. That's 34 games.

He also tied Jim Brown's rookie team record for attempts and perhaps more importantly got James, Indianapolis' star back and Jackson's close friend, to cut him a little slack.

Following a 14-carry, 37-yard effort in his NFL debut against Seattle, Jackson said he caught grief from James and others.

"I heard a lot about it on the phone from my home boys," he said. "Edgerrin and those guys."



Jackson

But as soon as he got back to the locker room on Sunday, his cellphone was ringing.

"Three minutes after the game they were calling me up," Jackson said. "They just said, 'Good game and we're proud of you.' I didn't rub it in."

During their first two years back in the league, the Browns' rushing game was not existent, and the club paraded in all kinds of backs looking for a decent one.

In 1999, Terry Kirby and Karim Abdul-Jabbar got their shots. And last year, Travis Prentice and Errict Rhett got the most carries. But there were countless others who came and went.

"I don't think I could list them all," quarterback Tim Couch said. "I think we finally found one that's probably going to be here for a while."

Browns coach Butch Davis had Jackson at Miami so he knew what kind of player he got when the 5-foot-10, 210-pound Jackson was selected with the 65th overall pick in this year's draft.

Jackson, who backed up Jacksonville's Fred Taylor in high school, sat behind James for two years with the Hurricanes.

But as a part-time player he made the most of his chances, averaging nearly 7 yards per carry for two years before becoming a starter.

Davis joked that there were many times when Jackson made him look bad.

"They wanted to fire the coach every other week," Davis

said. "Edgerrin was tearing the country up, nobody was tackling him and half the people in the stands thought we were playing the wrong running back."

"James would get his nine carries and would get his 134 yards and have two 60-yard runs, and everybody would say, 'See, coach. I told you we're playing the wrong guy.' He was a good player, and is a good player."

Unable to sign a top free agent back, the Browns seemed resigned to go into this year with a running-back-by-committee approach. James, however, has changed their thinking.

Davis has been reluctant to name either Jackson or Jamel White as his starter during the exhibition season or in the first two weeks of the regular season.

He still won't.

"James has started the first two games, and at this time there's no reason to think that won't continue," Davis said.

Jackson said he could only remember one other game when he carried the ball as much as he did on Sunday. As a junior, he rushed for 129 yards on 33 carries against Penn State.

He prepared himself for the pain on Monday, but was surprised to find that he didn't ache from head to toe.

"It wasn't bad," he said. "A lot of coaches were asking me all day, 'How's the body?' And I said, 'I'm serious, coach. I'm fine.'"

Redskins sack quarterback

♦ Washington cuts ineffective George, signs Graham

Associated Press

ASHBURN, Va.

Jeff George was cut by the Washington Redskins on Wednesday after he failed to lead the team to a single point in its two embarrassing losses to open the season.

Handcuffed in a system that didn't suit him, the quarterback was scoreless in 6 1/2 quarters. The Redskins have been outscored 67-3, with the field goal coming while backup Tony Banks was on the field in the opener against San Diego.

George's 34.6 quarterback rating ranks last in the NFL. In the two games, he completed 23 of 42 passes for 168 yards and three interceptions. He was also sacked six times.

The Redskins are without a touchdown two games into the season for the first time in their 69-year history, which includes three Super Bowl titles.

George was told of the decision when he arrived at 7:15 a.m. for a workout.

"He was surprised and saddened," said his agent, Leigh Steinberg. "His perspective is that it's the coach's prerogative to make these decisions. The timing was a complete surprise, but the decision seems to have been made a long time ago."

Steinberg said he had already received several calls from teams expressing interest in the 33-year-old George. He did not disclose the teams.

Soon after cutting George, the Redskins signed quarterback Kent Graham, who was cut by Pittsburgh earlier this month.

Graham has also played for Arizona and the New York Giants. He signed a one-year contract for the veteran minimum of \$477,000.

George, who was in the second year of a four-year, \$18.25 million contract, was the NFL's No. 1 pick in 1990 out of Illinois, but he has had a troubled career. Although blessed with a strong arm, he is just 46-78 as a starter with five teams.

Controversy has followed him everywhere, reaching its peak when he argued with Atlanta coach June Jones on the sideline during a game in 1996. The Falcons suspended George, then cut him.

In the Redskins' season

opener, a 30-3 loss to the Chargers, George and coach Marty Schottenheimer had an animated sideline discussion after Schottenheimer put Banks in the game.

George had four turnovers against San Diego — two fumbles and two interceptions — and refused to speak to reporters for 11 days afterward.

Schottenheimer kept George as his starter for Monday night's game against the Green Bay Packers.

The Redskins lost 37-0, with George playing the entire game, completing 15 of 24 passes for 102 yards, with one interception.

On Tuesday, Schottenheimer gave an indication of what was to come when he said he was considering starting Banks in Sunday's home opener against Kansas City.

George's teammates indicated they were losing faith in their quarterback.

"There's got to be some changes," defensive end Bruce Smith said Tuesday. "By no means am I pointing fingers, but we can't survive on an average of 1.5 points per game."

It had been long obvious that George's strong-arm, downfield game wasn't compatible with Schottenheimer's quick-drop, short-pass West Coast offense.

George worked all spring and summer to learn the offense, but he never looked comfortable. It also didn't help that he missed nearly all

"There's got to be some changes. By no means am I pointing fingers, but we can't survive on an average of 1.5 points per game"

Bruce Smith
defensive end

of training camp with tendinitis in his throwing shoulder.

Schottenheimer, 0-2 for the first time in his 16-year coaching career, said he wasn't ready to radically

change the offense to feature a downfield passing game.

Some of George's attempts to dump the ball for short gains have looked awkward. In both games, the first two drives were killed when a third-down pass was completed short of the first-down marker.

Schottenheimer said part of the blame for those plays was with the quarterback.

"The bottom line is we're not making enough first downs," Schottenheimer said. "We're not making enough yardage."

George was drafted by Indianapolis and played with the Colts from 1990-93. He was in Atlanta from 1994-96, then spent two seasons with Oakland and one with Minnesota before joining the Redskins last year as Brad Johnson's backup.

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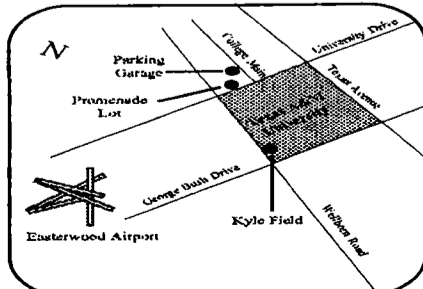
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NATIONAL LEAGUE

Piazza bruises thumb during Mets victory

Associated Press

MONTREAL

The New York Mets got a big scare — an injury to Mike Piazza — before sealing an important win.

Glendon Rusch pitched 7 2-3 strong innings after Piazza suffered a bruised right thumb as the Mets beat the Montreal Expos 5-2 Wednesday night.

Piazza was taken to hospital for X-rays — which proved negative — after he was struck directly on his thumb by Mike Mordecai's foul tip leading off the bottom of the first.

"That was a scary moment," Mets manager Bobby Valentine said.

Piazza had a black sleeve on his thumb to keep the swelling down as he talked to reporters following the game.

"I'm going to treat it throughout the night and tomorrow morning, and see how it feels," Piazza said. "If it feels better, then it might be good enough to play. If not, I don't see it going past maybe one more day."

Armando Benitez pitched the ninth for his 42nd save, topping the team record for saves he set last season.

The Mets remained four games behind division-leading Atlanta, which won 4-1 in Florida. New York has won seven of its last eight games, and 24 of 30.

Rusch (8-10) allowed one run in the first and held Montreal scoreless before leaving with two outs in the eighth after Orlando Cabrera's double put runners at second and third.

Rick White relieved and Geoff Blum hit an RBI single to make it 5-2, but Cabrera was cut down at the plate by left fielder Tsuyoshi Shinjo's perfect throw to Vance Wilson, who replaced Piazza. It was Shinjo's 12th assist of the season.

"It was a strike, right down the middle," Valentine said. "He's a very good player. If it wasn't for division play, if all the teams saw him equally, I think he'd get a Gold Glove this year. But I don't know if the other teams have seen him enough to see just how good he's been day in and day out."

Rusch allowed eight hits and two runs. He struck out four and walked one.

"It's do or die right now, and there's nothing better than to have chances to pitch in these situations and help," Rusch said.

Piazza, who struck out in the first, was examined by assistant trainer Scott Lawrenson behind

home plate while Valentine stood waiting nearby. He attempted to grip a ball before making his way off the field.

"It just kind of went numb," Piazza said. "It might have hit in a sensitive spot. Bobby asked me if I wanted to throw the ball and I told him I couldn't really feel the ball."

Phillies 8, Reds 0

Randy Wolf won't be going back to the bullpen anytime soon.

Wolf pitched a one-hitter, giving up Raul Gonzalez's first major league hit in the opening inning, and the Philadelphia Phillies beat the Cincinnati Reds 8-0 Wednesday night.

Travis Lee hit a three-run homer and Scott Rolen also connected for Philadelphia, which remained one game behind first-place Atlanta in the NL East. The Braves beat Florida 4-1.

"That might have been the best I've seen Randy pitch," Phillies manager Larry Bowa said. "It was unbelievable."

Wolf (8-11) allowed just a line-drive single to right by Gonzalez, the second batter of the game.

The left-hander retired 14 straight after the hit before walking Corky Miller to start the sixth. Wolf retired the last 11 batters, finishing with eight strikeouts.

After losing five straight starts between June 2-27, Wolf was taken out of the rotation. He wasn't too pleased about going to the bullpen.

"It was something that was definitely a reluctant thing," said Wolf, who is 3-2 with a 2.92 ERA since returning. "But sometimes you need something like that to evaluate what you are doing. It gave me a chance to look at what I was doing mentally and physically."

Wolf didn't overpower the Reds, but he kept them off-balance by changing speeds and spotting his fastball.

Gonzalez almost got another hit in the fourth, but shortstop Jimmy Rollins made a back-handed play and a strong throw to first to get him. Wolf made a nice play on a hard grounder up the middle by Sean Casey in the fifth.

The Reds didn't come close to getting another hit.

"He had us baffled all night," Reds manager Bob Boone said. "He had a good breaking ball and a sneaky fastball."

The victory clinched Philadelphia's first non-losing season since 1993 and just its

second in 15 years.

"I wanted to win more than I lost," Bowa said. "That was one goal."

Cubs 8, Pirates 4

The Chicago Cubs finally got what they've needed for more than a week — a well-pitched game. What they must be wondering is whether it came too late to matter.

Ricky Gutierrez had three hits and drove in two runs and the Cubs built a six-run lead behind rookie Juan Cruz in beating the

Pittsburgh Pirates 8-4 Wednesday night, ending a four-game losing streak.

Cruz (3-1) was working on a three-hit shutout until leaving

after former Cubs outfielder Gary Matthews Jr.'s three-run, pinch-hit homer in the seventh.

Unlike Monday, when the Cubs squandered a 5-0 lead and lost 7-6 on a homer by Matthews, their bullpen held on this time. David Weathers got out of the seventh despite allowing two more hits, Kyle Farnsworth pitched a scoreless eighth and Jeff Fassero finished.

"We could not give up another lead," manager Don Baylor said.

The Cubs had lost 10 of 14 to fall 4 games behind St. Louis in the NL wild card race.

"That first game here hurt everybody. It was a big blow to us. We had to win today," Gutierrez said. "We're going home for 10 days and hopefully we can make a run at the wild card. If we had lost this one, our season would probably be over."

The Cubs (82-70) trail both St. Louis and San Francisco in the wild card standings — but they still have made a significant improvement from last year's 98-loss season.

"We have to rely on St. Louis and San Francisco to lose, and it's tough when you're relying on two other teams to lose," Matt Stairs said. "It was a disappointing (4-5) road trip and it could have been a lot better."

Cruz, considered the Cubs' top pitching prospect, held the Pirates to three singles over the first six innings until tiring in the seventh, when he was lifted after throwing 101 pitches in the longest of his six starts.

"I pulled him aside and said he had to get us into the seventh and throw strikes, and he was good enough to do that," Baylor said.

The Cubs, playing their final road game of the season, opened a 2-0 lead in the first as Bronson Arroyo (4-7) walked two around Michael Tucker's bunt single, Stairs'

sacrifice fly and Gutierrez's RBI single. Arroyo gave up four hits and three runs in four innings.

"Physically, his stuff was not there. Mentally, he wasn't into the game out there," manager Lloyd McClendon said. "It's like they say, every time he takes one step forward, he takes two steps back."

Braves 4, Marlins 1

Jason Marquis decided to pitch on Yom Kippur, and the Atlanta Braves are glad he did.

Andruw Jones, left, put the Braves ahead for good in the sixth inning with his 33rd homer.

Marquis, who is Jewish, allowed one run in six innings and helped Atlanta beat the Florida Marlins 4-1 Wednesday night to maintain a one-game lead in the NL East.

The second-place Philadelphia Phillies kept pace by beating Cincinnati 8-0. The New York Mets beat Montreal 5-2 and remained four games back with 10 to play.

Marquis (4-6) declined the Braves' offer to let him skip the game in observance of the start of the holiday, and he won for the first time in his past five starts.

"I discussed it with my family, and I think I came to the right decision," said Marquis, 23, who lives in nearby Coral Springs, Fla. "Baseball is a very important part of my life — as important as family and religion. I am fasting, and I'm going to temple Thursday with my family."

"I pulled him aside and said he had to get us into the seventh and throw strikes."

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Tel Aviv to bid for 2012

Associated Press

LONDON
Tel Aviv is considering a bid for the 2012 Olympics but acknowledges the Palestinian conflict must first be resolved before the games could go to Israel.

Alex Gilady, an Israeli member of the International Olympic Committee, sent a letter to IOC president Jacques Rogge on Tuesday that said his government plans a study of a Tel Aviv bid.

Citing "the dark days of terror, violent conflicts and dark clouds over my country," Gilady said Israel realized that a settlement of the Palestinian conflict was a "precondition" for a viable Olympic candidacy.

But he said Israel would press ahead with the possible

bid while politicians try to negotiate a lasting peace.

"This decision is a clear indication that we will not let the years be wasted and use the Olympic dream to upgrade our infrastructure and sports facilities," Gilady said.

"It may take 20 or 30 years to fulfill the project," he added. "The most important thing is that every piece of land that the five (Olympic) rings are flying over is — or wants to be — a better place for mankind."

The Israeli government has budgeted \$1.37 million for the two-year feasibility study.

As many as a dozen cities could enter the 2012 race, including Rome, London, Paris and Madrid. Eight American cities are in the running to become the official U.S. entry. The IOC will select the host city in 2005.

A possible Israeli bid was first proposed 22 months ago by three urban planning students at Tel Aviv University. They conducted a study showing how Olympic host cities such as Seoul, South Korea, and Barcelona, Spain, used the games for urban regeneration projects.

Former IOC president Juan Antonio Samaranch visited Israel in June, just days after a suicide bombing killed 20 people at a Tel Aviv disco, and said an Olympic bid was unthinkable without a peace agreement.

"It can happen if you have peace," he said. "Without peace it's impossible."

Israel and the Palestinians agreed Wednesday on a series of confidence-building measures aimed at formalizing a shaky cease-fire and end a year of fighting.

Greece behind in preparations

Associated Press

ATHENS, Greece

The IOC's new leader issued a harsh review of Greek Olympic preparations Wednesday, saying the country had no time to spare in meeting the "unparalleled" construction task.

International Olympic Committee president Jacques Rogge told Premier Costas Simitis during a meeting that the Greek government must begin building nearly a dozen long-delayed sports venues and facilities.

"There should be no comfort in the fact that 2004 sounds far off in the distance," Rogge said in his first visit to Athens

since being elected in July to succeed Juan Antonio Samaranch as IOC chief.

His comments echoed those Samaranch made more than a year ago, when he warned that the Athens Games were in jeopardy unless preparations speeded up. Samaranch later said work was on schedule and the games were safe.

Rogge said he was confident the stadiums and infrastructure would be finished on time "but we need to witness sustained construction activity to remain so."

Delays are so serious they overshadowed renewed concerns over security following the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks against the United States.

Rogge said he was satisfied so far with Greece's \$600 million security plan for the games and said preparations will be reviewed, "but personally I do not expect big changes, according to what our experts have told us."

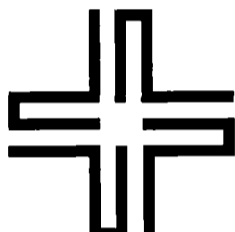
He was in Athens to accompany Denis Oswald, who took over from Rogge as head of the IOC committee monitoring Athens' preparations for the Games.

That 44-member panel fanned out across the capital to take a closer look at many planned venues that remain on the drawing board less than three years before the scheduled start of the Athens Games.

Work has begun on the Olympic Village and rowing center, but there has been no progress in at least eight other venues. They include the sailing and equestrian centers, wrestling hall and gymnastics arena. Some are still in the bidding process.

"I met with the prime minister and other Greek officials to underscore the importance of meeting all construction deadlines, since this falls under their responsibility," Rogge said.

In recent days, Simitis for the first time has admitted that the government lags in building venues and infrastructure, but his ministers hope to make up for lost time by speeding up timetables.




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WOMEN'S GOLD LEAGUE

Pangborn hopes to weasle by PE

By AARON RONSHEIM and MATT FURRIE

Sports Writers

On Thursday night the Pasquerilla West Weasels and Pangborn Phoxes will have two different mindsets. The Phoxes are coming off a winless season and looking towards the future while the Weasels are hoping to continue their march into the post-season.

"We are hoping to have a winning season and turn this program around," said captain Katrina Paulson. "The goal right now is to find out what things work and build towards our future."

Pangborn didn't get off to a good start. They lost their only game this season 18-0 to Pasquerilla East. With only three seniors, coupled with freshmen playing at many key positions, including quarterback, and a whole new coaching staff, inexperience is an issue.

"It was the first game for a lot of people including the coaches," Paulson said. "We are much more prepared now."

Seniors dominate on the other side of the ball.

"We have a lot of good seniors on our team that live off-campus," said PW wide receiver Amanda Gallen. "Hopefully our experience will be the difference in this game and we can pull out a win."

"It is important that the seniors take on the leadership responsibilities," said PW quarterback Leslie Schimdt. "If they do that underclassmen will follow them."

PW is coming off a disappointing loss to Welsh. The Weasels offense was held in check by the Whirlwinds strong defense.

"Our offense never got going," Schimdt said. "Their defense ate us up and we weren't ready for it."

PW is adding some new wrinkles to their offense when asked to comment on any offensive changes, Schimdt refused to comment.

PW is hoping for a breakout game from their two freshmen running backs Abby Nerlinger and Christen Boyd.

"They now have some game experience and we need them to step up," Schimdt said.

This is almost a must win game for the Weasels if they want to return to the playoffs.

"Our goal is differently to make the playoffs and play in stadium." Said

Schimdt. "Look for us have a good game."

Lyons, PE

Tonight's game will be a study in contrast as the Pyros of Pasquerilla East take on the Lions of Lyons Hall. While the Pyros have got off to a 2-0 start, the Lions are still searching for their first win this season.

Despite the Lions 0-2 record, they should not be counted out. Last year they got off to a similar start, failing to score in their first three games, but still managed to qualify for the playoffs. After two tough losses this season, Thursday just might be their night. But the first step to a win today is playing clean football.

"Penalties and small mistakes hurt us on both sides of the ball last game," said Lyons co-captain Kristin Furrie. "So were going to start by eliminating those mistakes."

Lyons is trying to bounce back from a 12-6 loss to Badin and build on the momentum of a strong finish. In the final minutes of the game, the defense came up with a turnover and Roxie Terevino scored the lone touchdown off a Sarah Jenkins pass.

"We'll probably try to put the ball on the ground a lot more," said Furrie. "Our defense is tough, but we want to make their job a lot easier by putting some points on the board."

Putting points on the board won't be an easy task considering the Pyros have been a powerhouse in women's interhall football the last several years. Two years ago they lost in the championship game against Walsh, and last year they continued the tradition with another winning season.

This year's group has proven to be just as talented and has shown every sign of heading in the right direction. Coming off wins against Welsh and Pangborn, P.E. is looking to make Lyons their third victim as they continue to dominant the regular season.

The Pyros offense has many weapons and its defense has been almost impossible to penetrate, but Lyons is up to the challenge, and they have nothing to lose but pride.

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Tennis

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Smith/Taborga earned spots on the preseason polls with No. 30 and No. 34 rankings respectively.

After struggling in doubles play throughout the year as a team, Bayliss knows that making a switch might be the answer to Irish success this year.

"As we discussed last year the key is going to be the doubles. We have to turn it around better than we did last year," Bayliss said. "If we become really good in doubles I think we are going to be pretty tough to beat, and I think we have a chance to beat everyone we play on the right day."

The singles lineup will also be shuffled to begin the season. Smith, who served as the No. 1 singles player for the Irish last year, will play behind Taborga who is ranked 76th in the preseason polls, while Smith is ranked 38th. The top four is rounded out by Talarico and Haddock—Morales, while Matt Scott, Andrew Laffin, Brian Farrell, and Brent D'Amico are all vying for starting time at Nos. 5 and 6.

Based on intrasquad challenge matches, Taborga earned a spot at No. 1, but the lineup is by no means set in stone.

"The top four players have played off for positions," Bayliss said. "The challenge match positions are simply a starting point, but at this point Javier Taborga won all of his matches and he'll start off at one."

The Irish will certainly get a chance to test their new look this weekend, as they matchup against William and Mary today, and will battle Purdue, Indiana State, Harvard, Ball State and Michigan during the weekend.

Finishing the season with a No. 28 national ranking, Indiana State may pose the biggest threat for Notre Dame, but the Irish know anything can happen early in the season, and that the fall play will help determine lineup decisions.

"There are really a dozen or more people in contention for playing time in doubles, and probably a dozen in singles — not necessarily the same people," Bayliss said. "So I would say between singles and doubles there are maybe 14 or 15 guys who will have a chance to see some action this year. It's really healthy to have Brent D'Amico knocking on the door in singles and

Paul McNaughton doing that in doubles, because the older guys can't rest and they know it."

No team scores will be recorded during this weekend's invitational due to rules imposed by the NCAA. Without official announcements of the winners of dual matches, teams will be able to record only one playing date instead of four, giving more opportunity for more season play. However, all individual matches will be recorded and taken into account in the singles and doubles rankings.

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time to get on a roll," said Ross. "We haven't found our place working as a team. It's kind of tough when you're practicing [for the first time] out on the field."

Despite the lack of practice, Off-Campus made use of the blitz, forcing Cavanaugh to pass more than usual.

"It was hard to get major yards with our running game because they blitzed so much," Reimer said. "But that did open up our passing game more."

After Tuesday's win, the Chaos feel ready to face some of the more difficult teams in the league, including Walsh, their next opponent.

"We're excited to have a big win going into a game against Walsh because they are a good team," said Bruckert. "We've got a week to prepare for them and so we're looking forward to that game."

McGlinn 0, Walsh 0

There was nothing wild about the stalemate between Wild Women of Walsh Family Hall and the Shamrocks of McGlinn. The Wild Women knew it.

"We were not all together at the same time," said Walsh running back Carrie Campbell. "The penalties hurt us, and we could not convert on third downs."

The Shamrocks, however, were pleased with their play, even with the tied score.

"This was the best game I've ever seen McGlinn play," said McGlinn safety Christa Gray.

"Our effort was superb today," said McGlinn head coach Geoff Heiple. "We executed well, the scoring will

come in time."

Execution was the key objective for the Shamrocks in the game. First-time quarterback Julie Kremer had 12 completions on 23 attempts and was the driving force of the McGlinn offense.

"We felt good as a team," Kremer said. "Our receivers are more confident, and everyone is settling into their positions pretty well."

Walsh couldn't say the same thing about their play in the game.

Where McGlinn executed, Walsh felt they fell short.

"It was really frustrating for the offense," said Walsh head coach Steve Dillenburger. "The game play was faulty, and that is my fault. We weren't clicking at the same time."

The first half was concentrated around McGlinn's 30-yard line. Walsh had two interceptions in the first half, but were unable to convert. And McGlinn was never able to advance it past the 50-yard line.

"Our defense played very well," said Dillenburger. "Freshmen Amanda Borys, Becky Tapp, and Katie Hesmond all played well."

Walsh found themselves at McGlinn's 20-yard line towards the end of the half, but Walsh quarterback Lauren Walsh was not able to connect with her receivers.

In the second half, McGlinn came out strong. Julie Kremer connected with Sarah Vatterott three times for a first down, but just couldn't find the end zone.

Late in the third quarter, Christa Gray intercepted a Walsh pass and ran it back to the Walsh 30-yard line, generating some energy from the McGlinn sideline.

But once again the Walsh

defense held its ground and McGlinn weren't able to convert.

The game ended on a 30-yard drive from McGlinn. The clock stopped what seemed like a great opportunity to score.

"If we had a little more time, we could have scored," said Kremer. "We should have used the first 18 minutes of the half better."

Lewis 24, Farley 0

Thanks to quarterback Erin "Naz" Nasrallah, the Lewis Hall offense became a scoring machine Tuesday night. Nasrallah threw for three touchdowns and ran for a fourth as the Chicks defeated the Farley Finest, 24-0.

Nasrallah showed off her versatility by leaving the pocket at will and scrambling for significant gains during the first half, including Lewis' first touchdown.

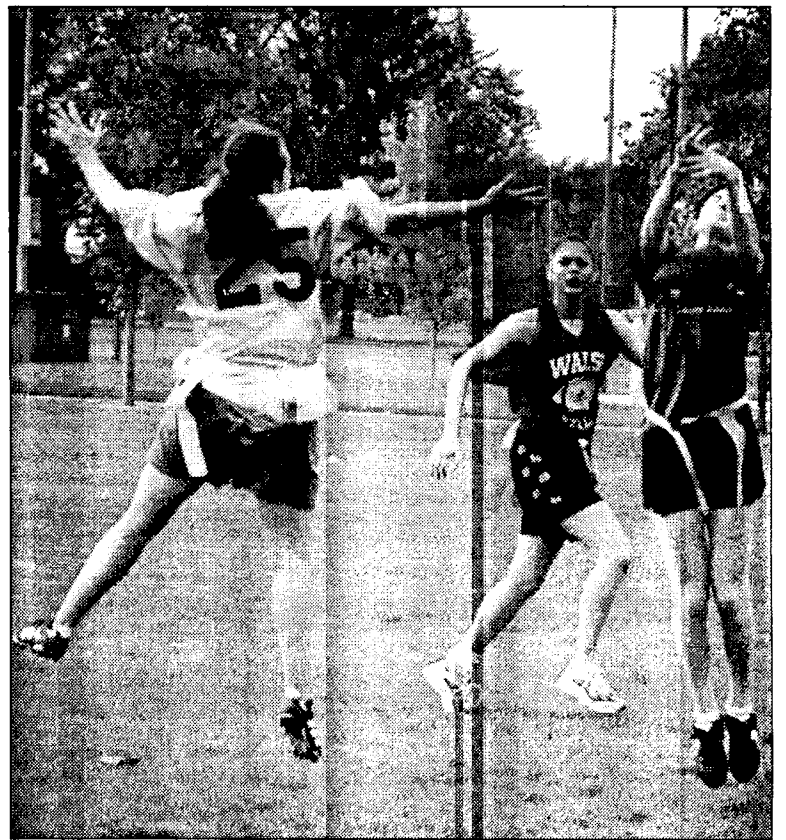
"This was a very satisfying game, but all the credit goes to the offensive line and the receivers," Nasrallah said.

Nasrallah did get plenty of help from her receiving corps. She hit three different receivers for touchdowns, including Katie Schlosser, Lynne McChrystal and Jennie Chang.

Schlosser also returned punts for Lewis, and her speed and agility on those returns helped improve her team's field position throughout the game. Schlosser attributes some of the team success to the unifying desire to return to Notre Dame Stadium for the championship game.

"We're really coming together now, because we wanna ... get back in the stadium," Schlosser said.

On Farley's side of the ball, the story was the offense's



LISA VELTE/The Observer

A Walsh Hall player makes a catch during a victory over Farley last Sunday. Walsh tied McGlinn Tuesday.

lack of production. The Finest were held scoreless once again, mirroring their performance in a tie against Walsh Hall two Sundays ago.

Farley Quarterback Megan Sheehan was sacked several times and received pressure on nearly every play.

"The [receivers] were definitely open, we just didn't get the ball to them," said Farley coach Irish Thompson. Lewis defenders intercepted Sheehan twice at key points in the game, including Ellen McCarthy's with less than a minute remaining in the first half to stop a potential Farley scoring drive.

Farley made a last-ditch

attempt to change the momentum late in the game with a rarely seen attempted punt block. While legal in theory, the play caused confusion on the field when a Farley player made contact with the Lewis punter. The resulting penalty and punt gave Lewis great field position after Alicia Hehr intercepted a pass deep in Farley territory.

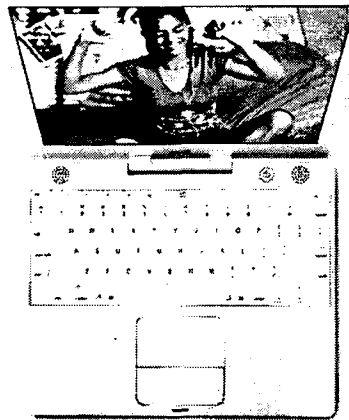
That field position set up Nasrallah's final touchdown pass to Jennie Chang in the closing seconds of the game.

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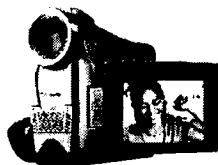
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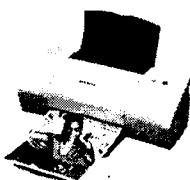
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He won't demand more carries when he is having a good game or challenge the coaches to give him the ball more. He has public confidence in his coaches.

"They are going to put the one in that they feel is going to contribute the most to the team at that point," he said. "The offensive coordinators know more about this offense than I do."

Fisher may have confidence in his coaches' choices, but his hard running is certainly influencing their decisions. He

will still split time with Jones this week but if he is clearly the better back, Bob Davie won't give him the quick hook again.

"I thought Tony Fisher ran the ball well last week," Davie said. "I start he started ripping it ... Both of them are going to play but I am going to go with the hot hand."

Fisher brings more than just a hard running style to the Irish. He is also a great receiver out of the backfield. But since his sophomore year when he caught 18 passes for 287 yards — including two catches for 51 yards against Michigan — he has been used less and less as a receiver. He caught just 12

passes in 2000 and has caught just one pass for minus one yards this year.

"I've been telling the coaches that I want to be more involved in the passing game because I feel I can contribute something to it," Fisher said. "Hopefully this week, I will be more involved in the passing game."

With injuries to Arnaz Battle and David Givens depleting the Irish receivers, Davie expects to use Fisher more as a receiver out of the backfield.

"With the injuries the way they are, you may see a little

more of that, where those tailbacks become receivers a little bit more," Davie said.

"That's something we were really good at here a couple of years ago, of getting that

ball in his hands in the passing game."

No matter how they do it, the Irish need to get Fisher the ball. Because when Fisher has the ball, the offense runs smoothest and the Irish have the best chance to win — which is all that really matters in the end.

"I am just out there to win the game," Fisher said. "I am going to make the most of my opportunities."

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Tony Fisher
Irish tailback



Tailback Tony Fisher avoids a Michigan State defender during a Notre Dame loss on Saturday. Fisher ran for 49 yards during the first Irish scoring drive of the game.

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"Because we call Notre Dame a family..."

The Standing Committee on Gay and Lesbian Student Needs offers some opportunities to stand in solidarity with gay, lesbian, and bisexual members of our Notre Dame community.

Featured Speaker:

Mrs. Judy Shepard

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Mrs. Shepard's story:

In October 1998, Judy Shepard lost her twenty-one year old son, Matthew, to a murder inspired by anti-gay hate. Her ordeal moved thousands of people across America to attend vigils and rallies in Matthew's honor.

Determined to prevent their son's fate from befalling other people, Judy and her husband, Dennis, established the Matthew Shepard Foundation to help carry on Matthew's legacy by embracing the just causes he had championed. This includes working for gay and lesbian equality and helping to prevent hate crimes.

Judy is determined to use her grief over her son's death to make a difference. She is now speaking to audiences nationwide about what they can do to make their schools and communities safer for everyone, regardless of their race, sex, religion, or sexual orientation.



September 30, 2001, is SOLIDARITY SUNDAY.

"Notre Dame, our Mother, in sharing your name, we claim that we are family." Solidarity Sunday invites the Notre Dame community to pray and grow as one family. On this Sunday, we recognize the value of our community's gay, lesbian, and bisexual members. All Masses on campus will express the commitment of Notre Dame to stand with Christ, in community, with all her brothers and sisters. Prayer cards and rainbow ribbons will be distributed at all Masses to serve as symbols for the Notre Dame community to display their commitment to stand together and make Notre Dame a place for all people to grow in faith, hope, and love.

Thursday, October 11, 2001, is National COMING OUT Day.

On the occasion of National Coming Out Day, October 11, 2001, we the Standing Committee on Gay and Lesbian Student Needs join Notre Dame's gay, lesbian, and bisexual students in gratitude for the love and support they have received from family and friends. We urge all members of our community to redouble all efforts to make our campus a safe and welcoming place free from harassment of any kind.

Remedies for Notre Dame football

OK, so the Notre Dame football team is 0-2 and suddenly those long Saturday afternoons are looking like a splendid time to catch up on some homework for your classes next week.

Indeed, these can be trying times for a Notre Dame sports fan, especially at a University where we stake so much of our pride on the fate of our football squad.

It gets even tougher if your favorite baseball team has already been mathematically eliminated from the playoffs and your football team is gazing at the Cincinnati Bengals' record with envy.

But don't despair, friends. You can still get your fix for competitive sports action without walking away mumbling to

yourself about ridiculous play calls and questionable substitution patterns. Welcome to the world of "other Notre Dame sports."

They may not receive as much print or be as glamorous to watch as our boys in blue and gold, but attending (or participating in) these competitions can be just as worthwhile.

So without further adieu, here are some suggestions about how to pass the time until women's basketball season starts.

Attend a women's soccer game: Oh sure, in about a month when the team has compiled its customary 21-3 record, won the Big East Championship, and solidified its position as one of the top five teams in the nation, everyone will be on their bandwagon. But wouldn't it be nice to say you supported these girls from the beginning? After their victory over No. 3 Nebraska it might be a little tougher to say those exact words, but believe me, plenty of good seats will certainly be available for their remaining games. Throw in the fact that

the cheerleaders give away a wide variety of shirts, mini-soccer balls, etc. at every game and you would be crazy not to go.

Attend a women's tennis match: In addition to being a perennial top 25 team, the women's tennis matches have a lot more scoring than is typically found in women's soccer games.

If that's the sort of thing that gets you going, you might want to invest some time in cheering on this team. Plus, it's much nicer to watch a match in the climate controller Eck Tennis Center than it is to sit through two hours in the chilling winds of the soccer field.

Exercise some of your own athletic skill: If your one of those purists who think that the only way that basketball should be played is on the blacktop, your time for action is now.

Ditto for you sand volleyball or ultimate Frisbee enthusiasts. The wrath of the South Bend winter is already knocking on our door and these may be our last few months to get a game at Stepan before the courts are turned into a slushy

mess.

Sure, anyone can go to Rolfe's and practice their jumper, but when Bookstore Basketball rolls around next spring, you'll be glad you invested the time in outdoor practice this fall.

Turn Irish football into a National Championship contender: The particularly passionate fan might want to give this strategy a try. It's really a lot simpler than you think. Simply go to your local electronics retailer and pick up a copy of NCAA 2002 for your Sony Playstation or PS2 console.

Want to see Matt LoVecchio gun tight spirals to Javin Hunter 30 yards downfield? Bombs away.

Want to watch Rocky Boiman rack up double-digit sacks and send Eric Crouch out of the game on a stretcher?

Happy hunting. Want to insert Courtney Watson at running back and watch him tote the rock for 200-plus yards? Have fun.

Turn the settings on to "rookie" mode and have a blast, releasing all your pent up frustrations on unsuspect-

ing Navy linemen.

But don't get too carried away. I hear that if you try to pass the ball on first down more than five times in a game with the Irish, the system's artificial intelligence gets confused and the game freezes up on you. Just be careful.

Well, there you have it. An annotated listing of sports and activities that you can support if you're tired of having your heart broken by the football team every week. Of course, I am by no means suggesting that you pawn off the remainder of your season tickets in order to pay off debts at the bookstore.

Cheer for the football team like it's the first week of the season. Give them the support they deserve. But give these other suggestions a chance as well. And by the way, if anyone wants to challenge me in a game of NCAA 2002, I'm always down for that.

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SMC SOCCER

Belles hope to improve on win streak

By KATIE McVOY
Associate Sports Editor

The ice has been broken and now the Belles are looking to heat up the season.

After getting two solid wins under its belt, Saint Mary's is looking to improve its winning streak to three in a game against Indiana Tech today.

"We're finally starting to see what style of soccer [we] play," head coach Bobby Johnston said. "We just needed to break the ice as a team."

Today marks the third game for the Belles in the last six days. After a long hiatus early in the season following a break between tournament play and MIAA play and another week off due to the terrorist attacks, Saint Mary's needed the close cluster of games to break through for some wins.

"Sometimes to get on a run like this helps your season," Johnston said. "We had two long layoffs and I think that hurt."

Junior Heather Muth agreed. "The fact that we won on Sunday and that we won Tuesday, and the games have gotten progressively harder, it feels like we're gaining some momentum," she said.

Although freshman second-string goalie Martha Hottenstein is out with a hand injury, the

rest of the Belles team is ready for play. After a season full of injury, this is the healthiest the Belles have been this season.

"All in all I think we're pretty much as healthy as we've been all year," Johnston said.

Today's game promises to be a close competition. Although Indiana Tech had its best season in history last year, finishing with a 14-7 record, the Lady Warriors (4-5-1) have struggled thus far this season.

However, with Lady Warrior goalie Wendy Jacobs in the box, the Belles will have their work cut out. Jacobs has given up an average of just one goal per game. This may affect the Belles, who have scored four goals in each of their two wins.

"We've improved on minimizing mistakes, so ... we can score a few goals right away," Muth said. "I think we can score more than one goal on their goalie."

With that in the back of their minds, Saint Mary's is going to look to capitalize on its strengths — keeping the ball in possession and playing smart soccer. Because they lack speed as a whole, they will also be looking to prevent speed from becoming an issue. Playing to their strengths was what gave Saint Mary's the victory against Alma on Tuesday.

"I think it played to our strengths of ball possession,

playing to people's feet," Johnston said. "We played a very intelligent game."

The Belles faced off against Indiana Tech earlier this year in a pre-season scrimmage, and although there was no official winner, the Belles outscored the Lady Warriors.

Halfway through the season, the freshmen that were unaccustomed to collegiate competition now seem to be ready to play. This, coupled with a solid defense, will play to the Belles' benefit today.

"Besides the freshmen stepping it up and really contributing, our defense is making less mistakes and is playing more as a unit," Johnston said. "Our communication is much better and our understanding of my style."

The final plus for the Belles is playing at home. The Belles have only left their home fields once in early season to play a tournament in Tennessee and feel more comfortable playing at home.

"We are so comfortable playing on our field," Muth said. "... Every game we've played since the tournament has been a home game and we [will] definitely use that to our advantage."

Competition gets under way today at 4 p.m. at the Saint Mary's soccer fields.

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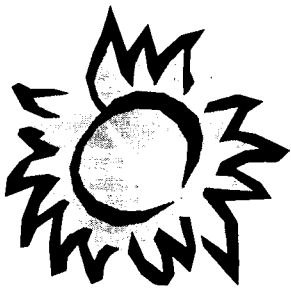
Sophomore defender Kathryn Green dribbles during a recent Belles loss to the Hornets of Kalamazoo.

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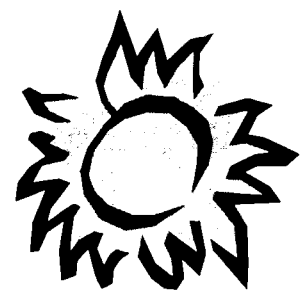
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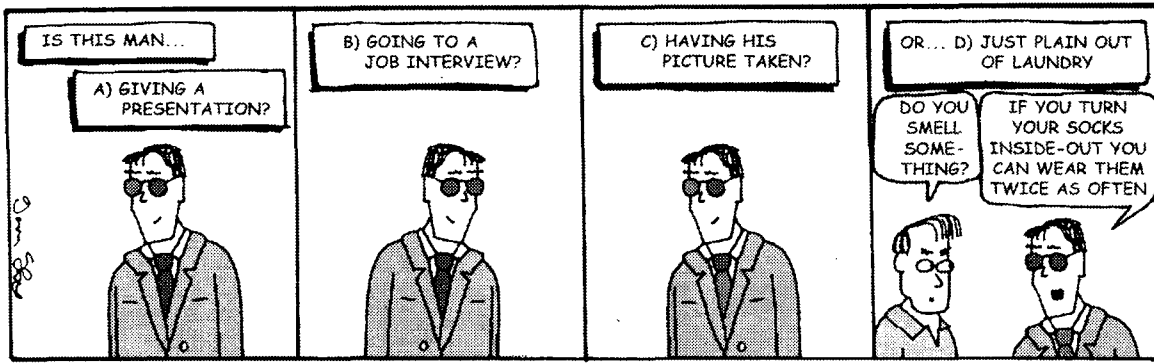
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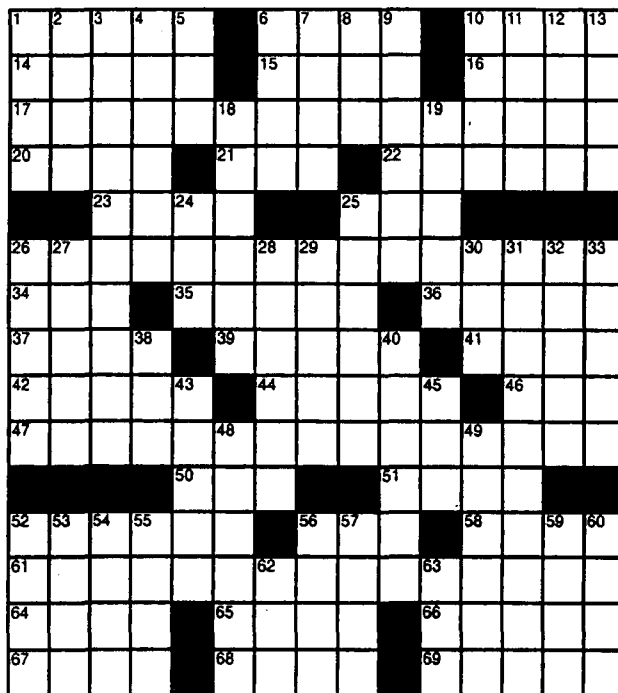


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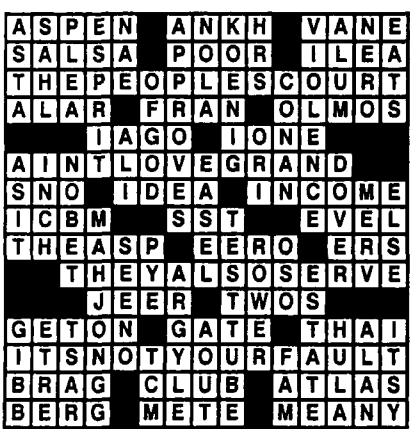


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Thursday, September 27, 2001

MEN'S TENNIS

Fall season heats up

◆ **Irish open their home season this weekend at Tom Fallon Invite**

By RACHEL BIBER
Sports Writer

Although the chilling weather is making a return to South Bend, the fall season is just warming up for the Irish men's tennis team as it head into the Tom Fallon Invitational this weekend at home.

Coming off an impressive 17-7 record and a season-ending No. 16 national ranking in 2000-01, Notre Dame brings its successful team back nearly intact and ready to show its potential to become one of the top programs in the nation this year.

"We have virtually our whole team back," Irish head coach Bob Bayliss said. "We are pretty talented — we are very deep and very experienced."

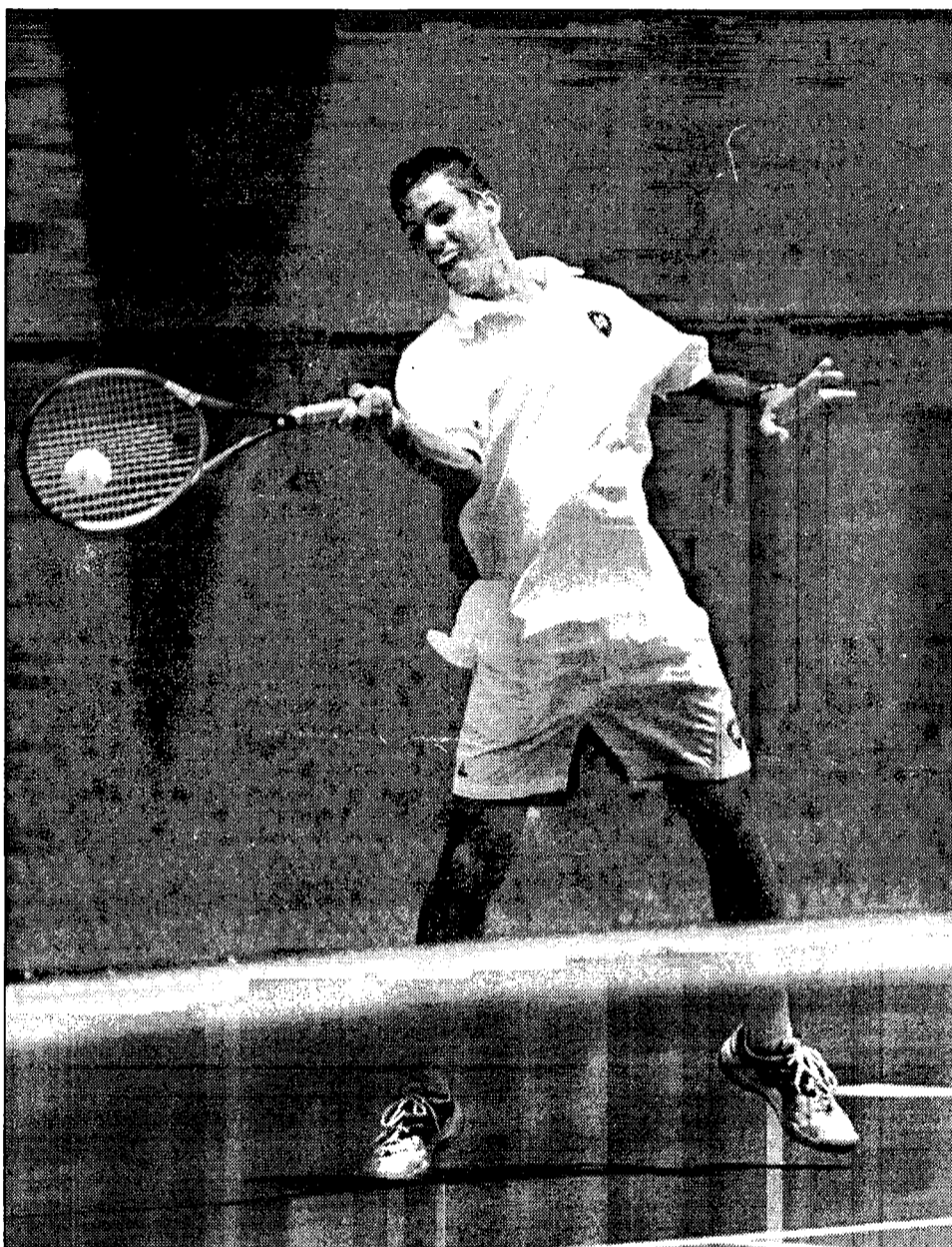
With the exception of graduated player Matt Daly, the Irish return a squad that was ranked as high as No. 10, marking the first time since 1993 that Notre Dame held a top 10 spot. However, a few key changes in the Irish lineup might come as a surprise to fans.

Seniors Javier Taborga and Aaron Talarico, a doubles duo that dominated competition throughout the year and finished ranked 20th, will not be playing together.

"We're going to break [Taborga and Talarico] up. We are going to look at sort of splitting our strengths," Bayliss said. "They would have been the No. 3 or 4 ranked team in the country preseason."

While Taborga and Talarico will be erased from the lineup as a doubles team, there will still be excitement in the doubles category. Taborga will pair with fellow senior Casey Smith, and Talarico will most likely team up with sophomore Luis-Haddock Morales or freshman Paul McNaughton. The pairings of Haddock-Morales/Talarico and

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TIM KACMAR/The Observer

Senior Casey Smith will team up with Javier Taborga this season in doubles. The Irish men's tennis team will open its home season this weekend at the Tom Fallon Invitational.

Fisher deserves more

With 1:42 remaining in the first quarter against Michigan State, Notre Dame's offense finally came to life at its own 20 yard line.

Tony Fisher ran for 49 yards on six carries to bring the Irish to the Michigan State 26-yard line nearly single handedly.



Mike Connolly

Nick Setta kicked a field goal to tie the game at 3 and the very next

Outside Looking In

offensive series, Fisher was back on the bench.

"It's going to be frustrating to any running back," Fisher said about rotating with Julius Jones. "Once you feel like you are in a groove, you feel like you should be getting the ball more and more ... I feel I deserve to run the ball. But Julius deserves to run the ball too. I've made some big plays for this team but he's made some big plays for this team too."

Fisher is too modest, too humble and too much of a team player to come right out and say it. So I'll say it for him: Give him the damn ball.

Not to take anything away from Jones, but Fisher is just flat out a better back. He runs harder, hits the hole faster and shakes more tackles than Jones. Jones is great in the open field but in Kevin Rogers' run straight up the middle offense, Fisher is much more effective.

Fisher hits the hole like he was shot out of a cannon, Jones dances up to the hole always looking for a big gain. While Jones has better big play potential, Fisher will make a gain out of a loss.

"I am more of a power runner," said Fisher, who ran for 103 yards against Michigan State and scored a touchdown against Nebraska. "If I don't see a hole I might just hit it up in there and get a few yards because I feel I am just a stronger back than Julius or Terrance [Howard] is."

But no matter how much better Fisher looks than Jones or

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WOMEN'S BLUE LEAGUE

Chaos jails Crime in 28-0 win

By JOE HETTLER and PHILLIP KOESTERER
Sports Writers

Too many big plays and too much defense proved to be just too much for the Off-Campus interhall football team Tuesday night, as it fell to Cavanaugh 28-0.

The Chaos used their passing game to roll past the Crime (0-3) on their way to a 2-1 record.

Chaos quarterback Mandy

Reimer threw three touchdowns passes, including a 60-yard bomb to receiver Megan Land in the second quarter and another 35-yard completion on the last play of the first half to Jenny Nokes. Reimer also hit Katie Burdick for a 20-yard touchdown in the first quarter to open up the scoring.

"The receivers ran their routes really well and gave me big, easy targets to hit all night," said co-captain

Reimer.

The Chaos defense also got involved in the scoring. Sarah Dreznes returned an interception 20 yards for a touchdown in the fourth quarter. Cavanaugh's defense recorded a safety in the first quarter as well.

"Give a lot of credit to the defense because they played very solid," said head coach Bart Bruckert.

While the biggest worry for the Chaos was which team

member would score next, Off-Campus had trouble just getting a team to the field.

"A couple of our key players weren't there so we had to scramble to get enough people to play," said Crime co-captain Abbey Ross.

The Crime's crumbled efforts to field a team showed in their struggle to move the ball or stop Cavanaugh's offense.

"It is going to take some

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