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## Presence of women transformed the classroom, campus

By JESSICA DALRING  
News Writer

When the first freshman class containing women arrived on campus in 1972, Notre Dame's history changed forever.

"The University may need some structural modifications and personnel additions to make it work smoothly, but fundamentally the healthy integration of women into Notre Dame depends on attitudinal adjustments," then-president Father Theodore Hesburgh wrote in a 1972 edition of the "Notre Dame Report."

The presence of 325 women on campus posed a challenge to students and administration

alike. Though the University established an advisory committee for co-education to deal with the changes that might be required, there were few noticeable changes to curriculum or tradition. Not until the number of women dramatically increased in the years after 1972 did significant changes occur.

Many of the changes made in the early years were subtle. Anne Therese Palmer, one of the first female students, said, "For the first few years professors had to change their teaching style and anecdotes used in lectures."

Most of the classes and courses remained the same but actions within them had to be

altered with the entrance of women. Bradley Marcotte, a member of the last all-male freshman class, remembered one such activity that ceased with the advent of women on campus.

All freshmen are required to pass a swimming test in order to pass physical education and get a diploma. "To top it off, I was informed that we would be taking our swim test in the buff!" Marcotte said. "Yes, buck naked!" Obviously, that tradi-

tion changed when women arrived on campus in 1972.

No long-term strategic plan was made for hiring female faculty. College of Arts and Letters Dean Ava Preacher, chairman of the Women of Notre Dame

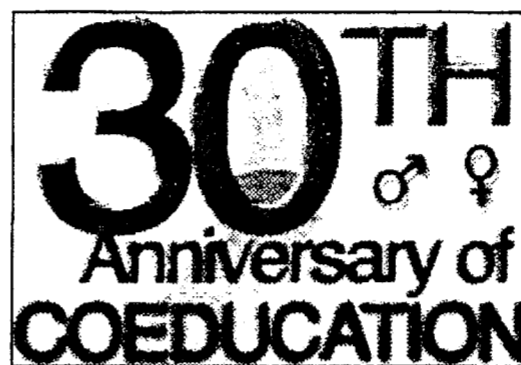
It seems that though Notre Dame has made a concerted effort to hire female faculty in recent years, but few have reached seniority.

"Female faculty members have been making huge strides," Assistant Director of Gender Studies Sophie White said, "but not so many women have made it to senior positions."

Preacher also agrees with White's sentiments. "Women faculty members tend to go into administration instead of to senior teaching positions," she said.

Despite initial resistance to their presence on campus,

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Project, noted that one of the early alumnae told her that she "had only one woman teacher in her whole career at Notre Dame."

## Mellencamp slated to perform at JACC

By MARIA SMITH  
News Writer

Tickets for John Mellencamp's concert at the Notre Dame Joyce Center on November 8 go on sale today.

John Mellencamp will be the latest in a series of famous musicians to perform in the JACC, which has hosted performers such as Billy Joel, Elton John, Bob Dylan and more recently groups such as Matchbox 20 and U2.

The concert will be the fifth in Mellencamp's solo tour featuring songs from his latest album "Cuttin' Heads," released in October 2001. Mellencamp's latest performances have been a hit with fans.

"I just saw Mellencamp at Farm Aid in Pittsburgh a week ago," said sophomore Justin Halls. "It was a great show."

Though Notre Dame has many Mellencamp fans, the concert has received little publicity. Even loyal fans have been unaware of the impending sales. "I'm shocked this hasn't received more publicity," said sophomore



John Mellencamp performs at the 2002 Farm Aid benefit in Pittsburgh earlier this fall. Mellencamp is slated to visit campus for a Nov. 9 concert.

Jan Vijayaraghavan. "I had no idea he was coming. I'll definitely be there, it'll be a good concert."

Many student fans of John Mellencamp are excited. "We play a lot of '80s, and John Cougar Mellencamp is at the top of the list," said seniors Matt LaFratta and Chris Huebner of the L Train and Factor Show on WVFI. "We're really excited

Notre Dame could get him."

The concert has special meaning for Notre Dame, since Mellencamp was born and raised in Indiana. "He's a great hometown hero kind of guy," Halls said. "Midwestern guys can relate to small town life. He just stands for a lot of what America is about."

Students who are less familiar with Mellencamp's music are still likely to recognize some of his hits, especially famous songs like "Small Town," "Jack and Diane," and "Rock in the USA."

"I think this is one of those things where a lot of people don't realize how many songs they know," Vijayaraghavan

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## Mr. ND pageant marks third year

By SAMANTHA RANERI  
News Writer

Ten Notre Dame men competed for the glory title "Mr. ND" Thursday night in the LaFortune ballroom. The third annual Walsh Hall-sponsored event showcased the eclectic talents of the participants ranging from singing to reciting self-composed poetry.

While ten dorms were represented in the contest, only representatives from Knott, Dillon, Morrissey, Fisher and Keough made the cut for the third and final round. The competition was tight, but in the end Mr. Keough, Judah Wilson, was able to win over not only the crowd, but the judges as well.

The night began as contestants strutted their stuff across the ballroom stage with their own Walsh Hall escort and a single flower. Hosted by freshman Walsh resident Summer Shea, the pageant marked the final event in Walsh's Wild Week, which concludes tomorrow night with their hall dance.

In the first round of competition, designed to reveal individual personality, each contestant took to the stage and highlighted the significance of his attire. Wilson was able to achieve the look that he said embodied "refinement, elegance, and class," with an appropriately worn "ND" tie and outlet-mall shoes. His favorite element of his outfit was his glasses, which allowed for the apparel to be "easily convertible to the cunning intellectual look," that he sported so well.

The second round began with the pageant's runner-up, Mr. Dillon, singing a crowd-pleasing rendition of "Part of that World" from Disney's "The Little Mermaid." His performance, complemented by interpretive dance movements, left its mark as a highlight of the night.

Mr. Fisher was also able to stir up the crowd later in the round with a salute to music of the



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Mr. Keough, later to be crowned Mr. ND by a panel of judges, checks out the competition as Mr. Fisher aims for the prize and fellow contestants enjoy the show.

1980s complete with dance moves and spandex. But it was the winner, Mr. Keough, who stuck with Frank Sinatra's time-honored "The Way You Look Tonight," impressing the ladies and earning enthusiastic applause.

After the elimination of five contestants, the third round, or "Q & A" period, commenced with Mr. Knott contending that if he were no longer in the realm of humankind, he would like to personify a star fruit, because they are "odd and unknown."

After much anticipation, during which the final five contestants anxiously held hands, Wilson's triumph was announced. The sophomore transfer student was then awarded flowers and a crown, as well as a \$40 gift certificate to Best Buy.

Of his first official pageant, Wilson said, "It was a great experience—so much fun. Everyone was friendly backstage." He additionally revealed that the key to his success that evening was simply being well prepared.

Finally, Wilson, who volunteered to represent his dorm, said that he would like to, "Thank the guys of 2A, especially Q-Tip." Although a modest winner, the new Mr. ND disclosed that while he plans to continue participating in pageants, he is now going to travel to Disney World and promote world peace.

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INSIDE COLUMN

# Protect America

The 30th anniversary of co-education at Notre Dame is upon us, but I still have yet to see the special significance of the number 30. After all, this is, also, if anyone is interested, the 160th anniversary of males at Notre Dame. But because of the supposed "gender problems" at Notre Dame, I'll stop myself here immediately, before I unintentionally get myself into any sort of trouble. Therefore, I'll digress, and discuss a different, albeit somewhat related topic: war. And this probably will get me into trouble.

**Joe Lindsley**

*Wire editor*

Our nation is currently involved in a great discussion over the nature and purpose of war, and good people all over the country have well-thought out and deeply held beliefs on what this nation should do with its military might. Some suggest that it would be immoral for our nation to use force in attacking those who we deem a threat to our national and global security. Two wrongs don't make a right, they argue. Turn the other cheek, they say.

Certainly, from a Catholic perspective — especially here at Notre Dame — it is important to recognize that we should respect one another, and try our best to avoid violent resolutions to problems.

There is another aspect of the Catholic perspective that is too often ignored, though, and that is the failure to acknowledge that those to whom the gifts of liberty and prosperity have been given bear a serious obligation to the protect that precious possession. Taking care to ensure the continuation and respect of liberty serves not only to keep ourselves free, but also to inspire the world.

If we truly believe in the ideals of this nation, then protecting our way of life is truly selfless. We do not necessarily have to go around the world making sure everyone sets up their own versions of Congress, but we do need to make sure that our government — that experiment in liberty — remains a beacon for the oppressed of the world. If we value our liberty, we must protect it — at all costs. In economics they say that there is no such thing as a free lunch. Similarity, we cannot obtain liberty without cost. It comes at a price; oftentimes, that price is paid in blood.

If we do not cherish this gift, if we do not fight for its survival, then that flame in the hearts of freedom loving patriots could be doused by the waters of apathy and jealousy. If we do not show the trouble-making nations of the world that we will not sit passively while our values our trodden upon, while our way of life is threatened, then we might as well welcome invaders into our boarders today. If we do not care about safeguarding our liberty, that will be the inevitable result.

There is no guarantee that America will last forever — in fact, it is unlikely. If we like living here though, and if we have a real love for the freedoms which we enjoy — if we want others to be able to enjoy that — then we must defend it. For if the greatest bastion of this sacred liberty is ever conquered, then the world will be in a sad and nearly hopeless state.

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

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Saturday's fair promises to be bigger and better than last year's multicultural fair.	Isidore hit the shore Thursday causing damage and knocking out power to more than 200,000 homes.	President Bush tells executives at a fund-raiser Thursday to run their companies with honesty and integrity.	Students are encouraged to do what they want to do, not what their parents want them to do.	Check out this small, one-room theater located in Three Oaks, Mich.	Mens soccer falls 1-0 to No. 2 St. John's Thursday.
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WHAT'S HAPPENING @ ND

- ◆ Lecture with Patrick Griffin of Ohio University, "Ireland and America in a British Atlantic World," Flanner Room 424, 3 p.m.
- ◆ Concert: Rabo de Lagarixa, Rio de Janeiro choro band at Mendoza College of Business, Jordan Auditorium, 7 p.m.
- ◆ Applications and Lessons from the Cultures of Death and Life Conference, Center for Continuing Education, McKenna Hall, all day
- ◆ Freshman Retreat and Sophomore Road Trip #2, all day

WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SMC

- ◆ Glenn Miller Orchestra, O'Laughlin Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.
- ◆ Confidential AA Meeting, Havican Hall Room 20, 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
- ◆ Alumnae Athletic Reunion Weekend, in the AAF, Stapleton Lounge and Noble Family Dining Hall, all weekend
- ◆ Fleur De Lys Baroque to Rococco in North Germany, Danielle Svonavec, Soprano, Welsh Parlor, 7:30 p.m.

WHAT'S COOKING

**North Dining Hall**

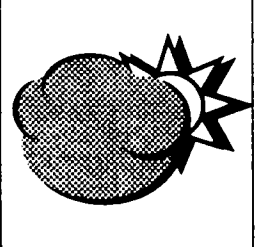
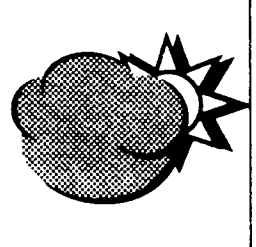
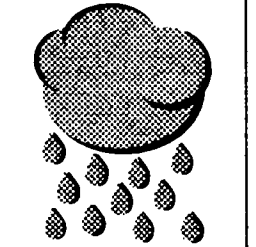
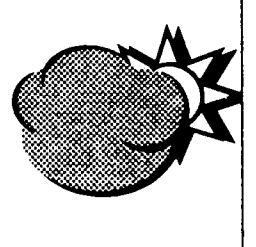
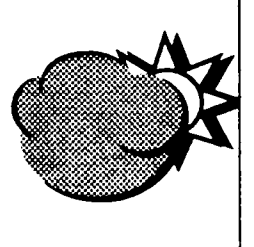
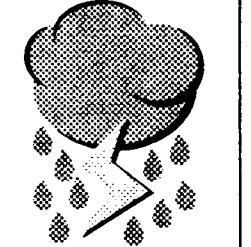
**Today Lunch:** Pasta, marinara, hummus & cucumber pita, rice vegetable asparagus roll up, baked potato, california cobb salad, hamburgers, vegetable patties, turkey melt, french fries, chicken kabobs, saffron rice pilaf, chef's vegetables, tomato basil pizza, cheese pizza and deli bar with vegetable cream cheese

**Today Dinner:** Chef's pasta, marinara sauce, steamed broccoli, Asian tofu, sticky rice, Cuban sandwich, chicken breast, fried cheese ravioli, bread sticks, sauteed Cajun beef tips with mushrooms, peppers and onions, sausage pie, cheese pizza and deli bar

**South Dining Hall**

**Today Lunch:** Boiled thin spaghetti, boiled shells, boiled mostaccioli, boiled tri-color rotini, boiled linguine, pastaria meat sauce, spaghetti sauce, meatball with sauce, alfredo sauce, tortellini with basil cheese sauce, boiled fettuccini, pepperoni pizza, cheese pizza, sausage pizza, brown-n-serve breadsticks, bianco pizza, Greek pork loin, turkey pot pie, hamburger, chicken patty, chicken teriyaki, chicken taco, taco meat, and portobello fajita

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# Bauer-Goers ticket takes SMC election

By ANNELIESE WOOLFORD  
News Writer

Following a week-long campaign, Saint Mary's Anna Bauer and Liz Goers were named the 2002-2003 freshman class president and vice-president, winning 53.5 percent of votes in Thursday's run-off election.

The ticket defeated Becky Winston and Kathleen McMorrow with 45.7 percent of the vote in an election that drew a 31.5 percent class turnout.

Both tickets entered the run-off election on Tuesday after winning the highest percentage votes out of six total tickets.

Tuesday's primary election also filled eight positions on the Freshman Class Board, leaving five more available. Filling the remaining positions on the board is one of many things Bauer and Goers plan to do now that they are in office.

However, as promised in their platform, the first thing they will do is send out a survey.

"We want to know what the

class is thinking, what they're wanting, and what they're needing from us," said Bauer. "It'll be the gauge and we'll go from there planning activities and events."

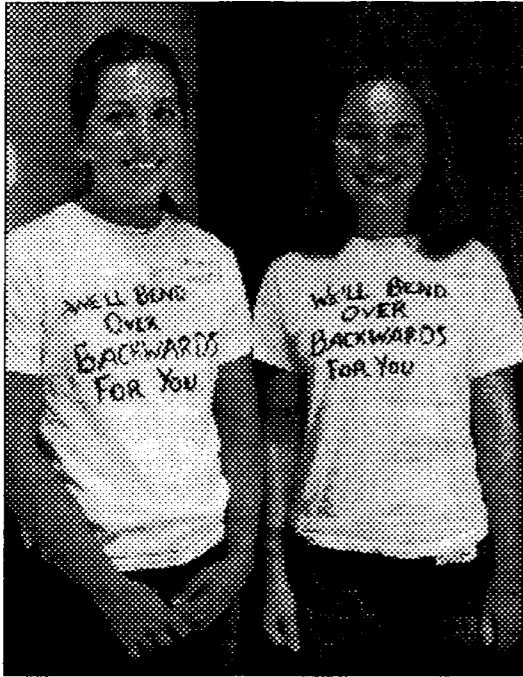
Bauer and Goers also want to work toward integrating the freshman class into Saint Mary's community. They are looking to establish a "big sister" mentor program, which would pair freshmen with upper-classmen.

Although elections are over, the ticket assures that their motto "We'll Bend Over Backwards For You" will continue to be their drive throughout the year.

"We look forward to working with our class, because we're all freshmen together. We're definitely going to be their voice," said Bauer.

Bauer and Goers will preside over the first board meeting Monday at 7 p.m. in Haggard College Center.

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**Newly-elected freshman president and vice president Anna Bauer and Liz Goers sport T-shirts decorated with their campaign slogan.**

# ND Campus Wide Fair revamped

By JASON McFARLEY and MARIA SMITH  
News Writers

If performances by the Hawaii Club or the Bagpipe Band don't attract a crowd, then Zahm Hall residents smashing a car on North Quad might.

The cultural diversity and creativity of Notre Dame students will be on full display Saturday at the second annual Notre Dame Campus Wide Fair. Featuring a variety of student organizations representing over 15 cultures, the Fair "is a great way to open up the year — just another way to celebrate ND," said Joyce De Leon, chair of the cultural division of the Club Coordination Council.

Student planners of Saturday's Notre Dame Campus Wide Fair say the event improves upon last fall's multicultural fair by showcasing a greater variety of student clubs and interests. Organizers hope the revamped format will boost attendance past the 200 to 300 students who attended last year's fair.

"We've asked more groups to perform and be part of the fair this year," DeLeon said. "It's not just a cultural fair this time."

Students attending the Fair can expect a relaxed, entertaining and informative atmosphere, DeLeon said. "We really wanted to show that culture on campus isn't just something we talk about and learn about in the classroom. This is a chance to showcase everyone's talents and celebrate a sense of togetherness."

The free event includes music, dance and food from 1:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. on North Quad. Fairgoers can sample

food from a dozen ethnic student clubs and watch performances by 17 groups. The fair includes special performances by the Bagpipe Band, Ballet Folklorico, Coro Primavera, Filipino-American Student Organization, First Class Steppers, Guitar Players Association, gymnastics team, Hawaii Club, Irish Dance Team, Pom Pon Squad, St. Edward's Hall Players and Voices of Faith. Performances begin at 2 p.m.

Zahm Hall has planned a unique show, said Morgan Russell, co-chair of the cultural division in the Office of the Student Body President. Residents of the North Quad residence hall will take turns smashing an old car with baseball bats.

"The idea behind the whole fair was to create a fun outdoor event that people can just stop by and have fun at," Russell said. "It's a good thing to go out and see it. It's an even better thing to walk away thinking about it."

Organizers timed the fair around the football team's bye week this weekend, DeLeon said.

DeLeon had originally planned the fair for last spring as a campaign goal on Brian Moscona and Keri Oxley's platform when the pair ran for student body president and vice president. After Libby Bishop and Trip Foley defeated them in the election, the new student leaders voiced support of the

fair even though it had been a Moscona-Oxley idea, DeLeon said.

Notre Dame Student Government, the Office of Student Activities, Multicultural Student Programs and Services, Student Union Board and Campus Ministry sponsor the fair.

Among the groups providing cultural music, dance and food at the fair will be FASO. The group plans to perform two traditional dances and to serve free food prepared by the officers.

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**Joyce DeLeon**  
chair, Cultural Division  
Club Coordination Council

Club Vice President Charleen Vinalon encouraged students to stop by and said, "The goal of our performance is to share our culture with a wider part of Notre Dame. We're trying to

demonstrate how fun it can be to try something new, and I think that the Campus Fair will give a lot of groups that chance."

"I'm really excited for the cultural clubs that don't get to do big events on campus," DeLeon said. "With the fair, they get a lot of exposure without having to spend a lot of their resources."

Stepan Center will host the event in the event of rain.

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## Women

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women became active in working for their own changes on campus. Most notably, a group of seven women faculty members launched the Gender Studies department.

The Gender Studies department began with seven courses offered per semester and has now grown to more than 40 courses each semester. There is still not a major given in Gender Studies, but a second major is available. The number of students interested in women's issues and male/female relationships has also grown significantly. There were four students that gradu-

ated with minors in Gender Studies in its first year and last year there were 58.

White sees a "willingness and desire to discuss male-female relations as they pertain to current issues in *The Observer*," with her students.

Tremendous strides have been made in all areas of the campus in the last 30 years, but as a letter sent to female alumni noted, "Women play a key role at Notre Dame as intellectual and campus leaders as well as in their capacity as teachers and students, but we still have much to do."

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## Concert

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said.

"It doesn't get any better than when he sings 'Hurts So Good,'" senior Sarah Henry said.

Purchasing tickets is not expected to be nearly as difficult as for last year's U2 concert. "I waited pretty much all day for U2 tickets," Henry said. "It was awful."

Though the concert is not as high profile as U2, many students are more excited for Mellencamp, and find the prices more reasonable.

"U2 was a little out of our price range," said LaFratta and Huebner. "This show might not be as popular as U2, but we're as fired up as for the Michigan game, maybe more so. We're huge fans."

Tickets will be sold at the JACC starting at 10 a.m. Prices range from \$33 to \$41. Tickets purchased online or at Ticketmaster outlets will have an extra service charge.

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## BOG debates Reading Day issue

By SARAH NESTOR  
Saint Mary's News Editor

Saint Mary's Board of Governance passed a new proposal to alleviate the 10-year push to have a study day built into the academic calendar. Written by Student Body President Kim Jensen and Student Body Vice President Elizabeth Jablonski-Diehl the "reading day" proposal was unanimously approved by BOG last Thursday.

Since 1992 students began voicing their need for a study day by pursuing avenues in which a study day could be added to the schedule. Last year Jensen and Jablonski-Diehl took on the issue again by asking for students to participate in a study day survey and used the data to write the new reading day proposal.

"Past proposals have not been as comprehensive, with only a few paragraphs or suggestions," Jablonski-Diehl said. "People are impressed by this proposal and are telling us that we did do our homework."

The three-page proposal includes data from the study day survey results, a comparison to the academic calendars of other colleges, accreditation information and a calendar of the reading day format. The reading day proposal is different that the study day proposal as it will not rearrange the calendar or take away days that have previously been off. The reading day

would occur on the Friday before exams week and would cancel all classes.

"The study day proposal has gained a negative connotation," Jablonski-Diehl said. "When we did the survey we did not ask about this proposal, but I think that the general consensus is that the extra day would help stu-

Mary's students."

"Most of those Friday's are used for review days and professors could still assign projects to be due or hold review sessions," Jablonski-Diehl said. "No matter what you use the day for it's going to help you prepare for finals."

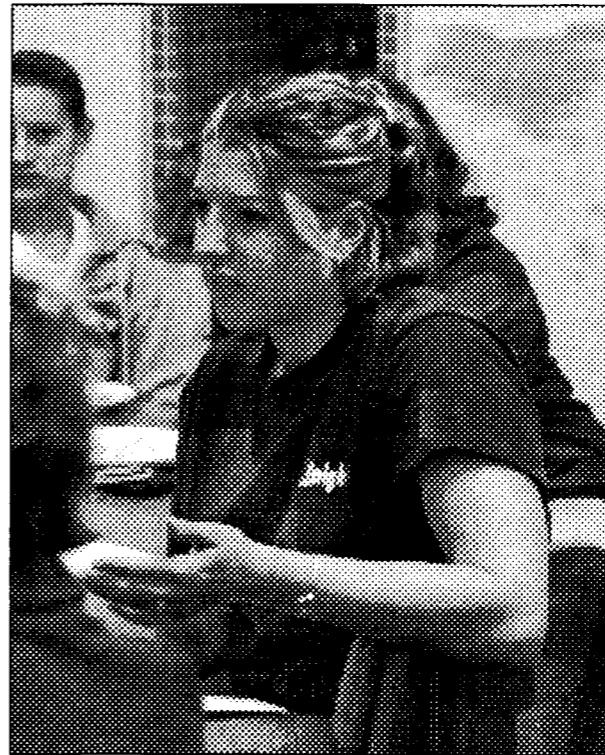
The next step that Jensen and Jablonski-Diehl are taking is to present the proposal to the faculty assembly for their approval. While they are not asking the faculty assembly to vote on the proposal, they would like to gain their support.

"I think the big concern of the faculty is how we are going to know if this is working and their second concern is that it will be used as a party day, which is a cheap shot," Jablonski-Diehl said. "To them we go to class, go home and do homework, but that is not realistic with the level of student extracurricular involvement on campus."

Regardless of what the faculty assembly decides the proposal will move on to the Academic Affairs committee to vote on the proposal. Jensen and Jablonski-Diehl also plan to present the proposal to the Parents Council on Oct. 4.

BOG will continue to sponsor discussion groups where students can express their concerns about the proposal and also pick up reading day buttons to wear to show their support of the proposal.

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ALLISON DAY/The Observer

Student Body Vice President Elizabeth Jablonski-Diehl debates the issue of holding a reading day at Saint Mary's.

dents."

The study day survey did find that 89 percent of the student body supported a reading day at the end of the semester. The proposal emphasizes the fact that the reading day would alleviate stress and is not "based on a lack of time management skills by Saint

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PERFORMANCES BY: Harmonia, FASO, Pom Pon Squad, Bagpipe Band

SHOWCASING CULTURES FROM AROUND THE WORLD

Notre Dame Campus Wide Fair

Saturday, Sept. 28

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North Quad

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## Tropical Storm Isidore batters Gulf Coast

Associated Press

DELACROIX, La. Tropical Storm Isidore blew ashore Thursday with near hurricane force wind, spinning off tornadoes, swamping the Gulf Coast with 15 inches of rain and knocking out power to more than 200,000 homes and businesses.

Thousands fled their homes in Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama before the storm reached land at 3 a.m. Floodwaters swept through houses in communities across the region and rose to the windshields of cars in low-lying New Orleans.

"I don't know whose they are, but I've got three recliner chairs in my yard," Susan Serpas said in Delacroix, a fishing town east of New Orleans, where screen doors, mailboxes and furniture bobbed in 3 feet of water.

Gov. Mike Foster said the storm did at least \$18 million in damage in Louisiana, including \$3.7 million in lost sugar cane. Foster said the damage estimate will grow, and he was seeking a federal disaster declaration.

Isidore was packing wind up to 65 mph when it arrived, below the 74 mph threshold of a hurricane. The storm lost its punch and was downgraded to a tropical depression as it moved

past Jackson, Miss., in late afternoon.

Forecasters said the storm would slide into the Ohio Valley by the weekend, bringing heavy rain to the Midwest and the Northeast. Up to 8 inches of rain were forecast in Tennessee.

Several tornadoes spun out of the storm and touched down in the Florida Panhandle. One hit a barn near Graceville, Fla., injuring a farmer, while another damaged more than 20 homes in Santa Rosa Beach.

Mississippi officials also said floodwaters also kept them from reaching a 67-year-old man who died of cardiac arrest early Thursday.

The wind toppled trees in Alabama and gusts of 40 mph hit Birmingham, more than 200 miles from the coast. Most schools in the region were closed.

Mississippi kept its floating casinos shuttered. One, the Treasure Bay in Biloxi, sustained a 12-foot gash when the surging sea drove its entrance ramp deep into one of its walls. Backup security cables were the only thing keeping the casino barge from floating away.

"This was totally unexpected, this much water," Bernard Carlson, 71, said as he watched the swollen Tchoutacabouffa River from the upstairs porch of his flooded home near Biloxi.



AFP Photo

Tropical Storm Isidore slammed the Gulf Coast Thursday and left residents from Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama stranded in the floodwaters.

City officials estimated 50 to 75 homes were damaged by floodwaters.

Foster said Port Fourchon appeared to be hit hard by surging tides. The huge oil terminal

on the Gulf Coast is a clearing-house for about 13 percent of the nation's crude.

"Fourchon, I am told, is a lake right now," Foster said. More than 200,000 customers

lost power during the storm, including 87,000 in Louisiana (half of them in greater New Orleans), 50,000 in Florida, 47,000 in Alabama and more than 20,000 in Mississippi.

### ISRAEL

## Mohammed Deif, top Hamas bombmaker may be dead

Associated Press

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip Israel tried to kill the mastermind of the Hamas bombing campaign Thursday, firing two missiles from a helicopter into a car in crowded Gaza City and killing two bodyguards. Thirty-five bystanders were wounded but the fate of the Palestinian militant remained uncertain.

A senior Palestinian security official said Israel's target, 37 year old Mohammed Deif, escaped with moderate injuries. Israeli police sources said the Israeli military told them Deif atop

Israel's wanted list for years was killed. The military had no comment.

Hamas official Abdel Aziz Rantisi said Deif was not even in the car. But he said the group would avenge the attack nevertheless. "We will hit Tel Aviv. We will hit everywhere."

Hamas and the Palestinian Authority are rivals, possibly explaining the different versions of Deif's fate.

In other violence, four Palestinians including two gunmen, a civilian and a baby and one Israeli were reported killed. Israel maintained its stranglehold on Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat's headquarters in the West

Bank town of Ramallah in defiance of Tuesday's U.N. Security Council resolution to end the siege.

Two helicopters appeared in the sky over Gaza just after 1:30 p.m., firing missiles that blew apart a green Mercedes sedan and sent a plume of white smoke over the Sheik Radwan neighborhood.

"Suddenly we heard the sound of a big explosion," said Mohammed Hajar, a hairdresser working in the area. "When I ran out, a second explosion took place."

Blood, body parts and shrapnel were strewn across a wide area and nearby

windows were shattered. A large crowd, confused and angry, gathered as rescue workers led the wounded to ambulances.

One man leapt on a car and shouted, "God is great."

Hamas sources identified the two dead men as members of Hamas, Abdel Rahim Hamdan, 27, and Issa Abu Ajra, 29. Rantisi said they were Deif's bodyguards.

More than a dozen children were wounded in the attack, the latest in a series of assaults the Israeli military calls "targeted killings" of Palestinians.

### WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

#### Iraq condemns strike on airport:

Iraq said a U.S. airstrike hit its civilian airport in the southern port city of Basra. The announcement did not mention casualties. A Pentagon official said two strikes early Thursday were in response to Iraq's firing anti-aircraft artillery and surface to air missiles at allied aircraft patrolling zones declared off-limits to Iraqi planes.

#### 6 missing in Australia air crash:

Four New Zealanders, an American and their Australian pilot were presumed killed Thursday after their light plane crashed and burst into flames on an island off Australia's east coast, police and aviation authorities said. The single-engine Piper Cherokee Six was carrying the five overseas tourists from Hamilton Island, an exclusive resort island about 370 miles north of Queensland state capital, Brisbane. Its destination was not immediately known.

### NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

#### Ex-Maine caseworker gets 20 years:

A former state adoption caseworker was sentenced Thursday to 20 years in prison for the asphyxiation death of her 5-year-old foster daughter, who died bound with duct tape. The sentencing of Sally Ann Schofield, 41, closes a chapter on a criminal case that led to legislative investigations into the state's child welfare system.

#### Bush, Democrats at odds on Iraq:

Democratic leaders in Congress, angered by President Bush's criticism, said Thursday that lawmakers may not be ready to vote next week on a resolution authorizing war against Iraq. Bush struck a more conciliatory stance and said, "Soon we will speak with one voice," as he stressed the dangers of delay in reaching a unified approach on Iraq. The proposed text would declare Iraq in violation of past U.N. resolutions on disarmament, lay out a path for Iraq to meet its disarmament obligations.

#### Suspects arrested in Neb. robbery:

Three holdup men shot five people to death in a bank robbery and fled in a stolen car Thursday morning in a crime that spread terror through this small farming town. Three suspects were arrested hours later. It was the nation's deadliest bank robbery in more than a decade. Authorities would not say whether the gunman got away with any money.

#### Daschle: Senate to debate resolution:

Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle said Thursday the Senate will begin debate next week on a resolution authorizing the president to use force against Iraq. But he said the latest White House proposal remained unacceptable. A resolution giving the president the authority to go to war should be backed by the broadest coalition possible, Daschle said after a meeting with Senate Democrats. "We've come some distance. We've got a long way to go before that can be achieved."

## Germany plans to drop tech stocks

Associated Press

FRANKFURT

Germany's stock exchange operator announced Thursday it will dump its tech-heavy Neuer Markt after a 2 1/2-year plunge that wiped out almost all the market's value and move companies to a more tightly regulated new listing system.

Deutsche Boerse said that dissolution of the Neuer Markt — Germany's answer to Nasdaq — was aimed at reassuring investors with clear, tough rules on financial disclosure.

Neuer Markt-listed companies, some of whom were consulted on the move, and stock analysts said they hoped the new structure would bring investors back.

"We think this is absolutely positive," said Gudrun Geissler, head of investor relations at Neuer Markt-listed Pfeiffer Vacuum Technology AG, a maker of vacuum pumps and one of the segment's profitable companies. "For international investors this will give a much clearer picture."

Thomas Effler, head of small and mid-cap research at Commerzbank in Frankfurt, said the proof of the system would be in how effective the new rules were.

"If they really make a clear structure, and can convince investors that these are the

rules, and the hurdles are higher to get into the stock market and to stay in the market, then I think it can be successful," Effler said.

The changes will close out an institution that gave Germany its ticket to the high-tech party when it opened in 1997.

The exchange pumped billions into German software and Internet companies and helped stimulate the growth of venture capital in Germany by giving investors in privately held companies a place to cash in their gains when startups went public. And it spread pro-shareholder practices such as publishing quarterly earnings — a novelty for many German companies.

But then it fell along with the tech fad. Its Nemax All-Share Index traded Thursday afternoon at 411, up 2 percent on the day but down some 95 percent from its March 2000 peak of 8,140.

The number of companies has fallen from 342 in June 2000 to 264 through delistings and bankruptcies.

The Neuer Markt was also tarnished by scandals such as that of Comroad, a navigation-systems company that prosecutors say faked most of its earnings in 1998-2000. The government, not Deutsche Boerse, is responsible for policing fraud — but the news didn't reassure investors.

## First ladies pledge to fight poverty

Associated Press

MEXICO CITY

Laura Bush joined first ladies from across the Americas in a pledge to fight child poverty, recognizing the problem is not limited to poor, developing countries but also plagues rich ones like the United States.

Promising to honor their roles as "promoters of change," the 22 spouses of heads of state ended a conference in Mexico City on Thursday by signing a 50-point declaration.

"Our mission is to encourage the creation and improvement of social programs that promote effective, tangible benefits for children living in poverty," the statement says.

The signatories pledge to work toward everything from equal access to education and healthy early childhood development to responsible sexual attitudes in children and the reintegration of street kids into mainstream society.

Preventing domestic violence, encouraging children to have tolerance and respect, and eliminating discrimination against minority children are among other broad goals they set forth in the declaration.

Given that most of the first ladies lack official clout in their governments, some experts and analysts have questioned just how much weight such a conference can carry.

But the Declaration of Mexico notes that past meetings have allowed the women to "coordinate efforts aimed at address-

ing social problems and strengthening our role as promoters of change, allowing us to make a considerable contribution" to eradicating disease, changing women's roles in society and improving health care services, among other advances.

The first ladies, hailing from the Caribbean as well as North, South and Central America, promised to pursue their com-

In the United States, the poverty rate for all children under 18 rose from 16.2 percent to 16.3 percent last year, while nearly a half of Mexico's 35 million children live in poverty.

Mexican first lady Martha Sahagun de Fox said one of the conference's most important goals should be to strengthen cooperation between governments and private organizations.

"The government can't do everything and society can't do it alone," said Sahagun, reciting what became her mantra during meetings with her counterparts. The assertion is included as a clause in the Declaration of Mexico.

Speaking at the conference in both Spanish and her native language of Nahuatl, 14-year-old Bernarda Temoxtle of Mexico's Veracruz state recounted how she used to sleep on the floor and hike long distances from her Indian village to her school.

She praised a Mexican program that provided her and others with better meals, beds to sleep in and an education through satellites and computers.

"I ask with all my heart that we unite and combat child poverty," she said, dressed in a traditional white blouse embroidered with brightly colored flowers. "We are the future of our world, and I imagine that one day in the future, when I am big, I can arrive at a position like you have."

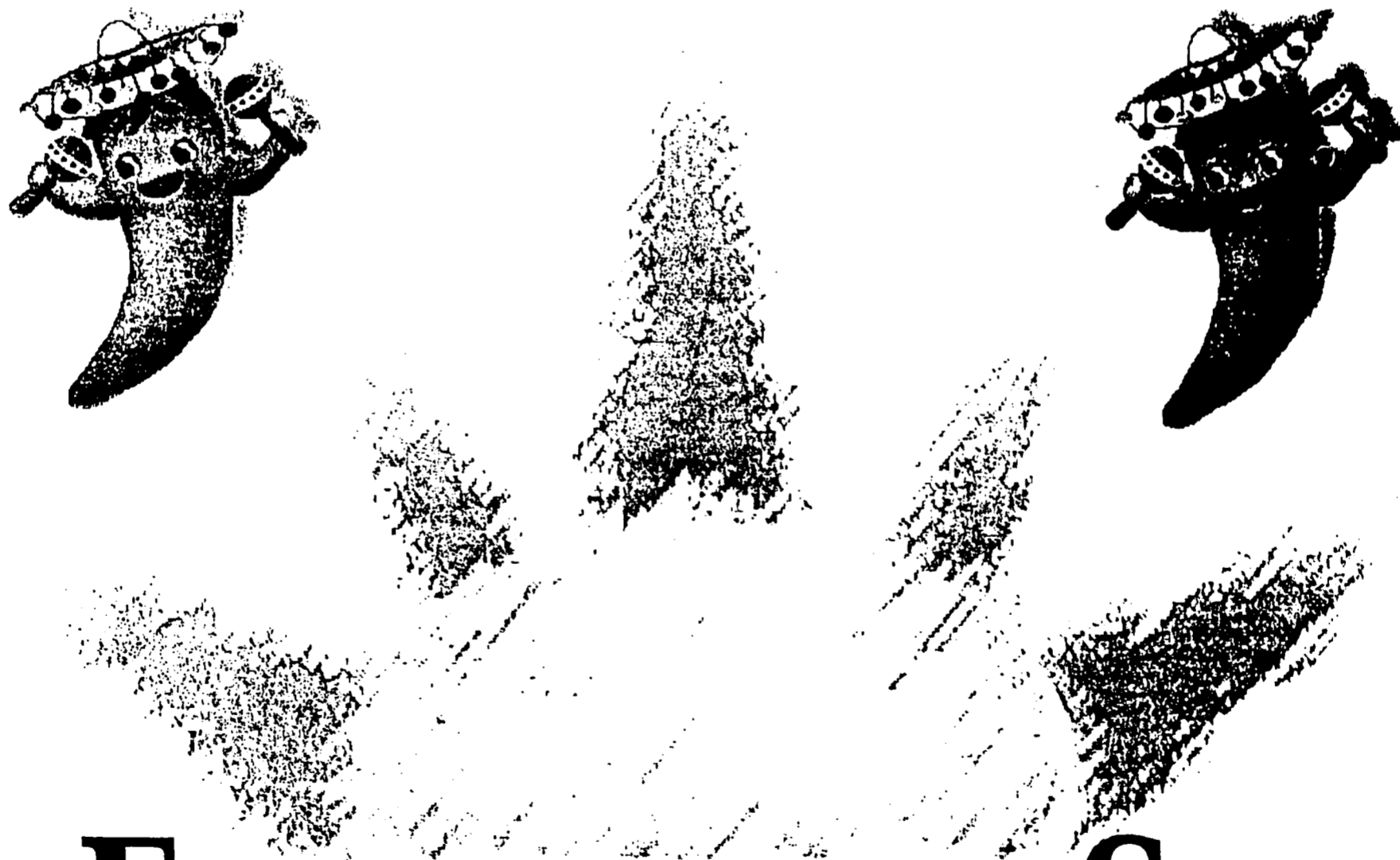
*"From the crib to the classroom, from the classroom to the workplace, our children deserve to realize their hopes and dreams."*

Laura Bush  
U.S. First Lady

mitments in informal follow-up meetings and to review their progress at their 12th conference, scheduled to take place in the Dominican Republic.

"No matter what country we call home, no matter what customs or faiths or cultures we embrace, one value transcends every border: All mothers and fathers throughout the world love their children and want the very best for them," Mrs. Bush said.

"From the crib to the classroom, from the classroom to the workplace, our children deserve to realize their hopes and dreams."



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COMPANY	%CHANGE	\$GAIN	PRICE
ISCO SYSTEMS (CSCO)	-5.02	-0.60	11.3
NASDAQ-100 INDEX (QQQ)	-1.23	-0.27	21.6
INTEL CORP (INTC)	-0.33	-0.05	15.1
ORACLE CORP (ORCL)	-3.45	-0.29	8.2
SUN MICROSYSTEM (SUNW)	-5.65	-0.16	2.6

## IN BRIEF

### Home sales hit monthly record high

Orders to U.S. factories for big ticket goods dropped by a smaller than expected amount, new home sales hit a monthly alltime high and new claims for jobless benefits plunged, providing a dose of good news for the economy.

The Commerce Department reported Thursday that orders for durable goods expected to last at least three years dipped by 0.6 percent in August from the month before, reflecting slackened demand for cars, communications equipment and machinery.

The decrease which came after a 8.6 percent jump in July was smaller than the decline of more than 2 percent that many analysts were forecasting. That heartened some economists.

The manufacturing sector was hardest hit by last year's recession. To cope, the industry throttled back production and cut hundreds of thousands of workers. Although industry is back on its feet, manufacturing isn't bursting with vitality and has recently hit some rough patches.

### United plan to cut cost ignites stock

The offer by United Airlines' unions to slash labor costs by \$5 billion to help stave off bankruptcy got a mixed public reception Thursday as the carrier's management and board huddled to review the proposal.

Investors drove United's lagging stock up more than 30 percent, restoring three weeks of losses. But numerous analysts said the concessions might be too little, too late, for an airline that was seeking even bigger cuts to end its two-year money losing streak.

United chairman and CEO Glenn Tilton didn't publicly tip his hand whether the \$1 billion a year concessions are enough or would likely satisfy the federal panel that's weighing United's application for a \$1.8 billion loan guarantee. The board of directors discussed the plan at a regularly scheduled meeting Thursday but made no announcement.

## Bush addresses fraud at fundraiser

### ◆ Bush attacks fraud near scandal headquarters

Associated Press

HOUSTON

Not far from the symbolic center of corporate scandals, President Bush told business executives at a fundraiser Thursday to run their companies with honesty and integrity.

"If you're running a corporation in America, you're responsible to tell the truth to your shareholders and employees," Bush said at the political event around the corner from the headquarters of scandal-plagued Enron Corp.

The \$1 million reception for Texas' Republican Senate nominee John Cornyn was the fourth of six campaign appearances this week for the president. It brought to at least \$127 million the total that Bush has raised on behalf of Republican candidates this year.

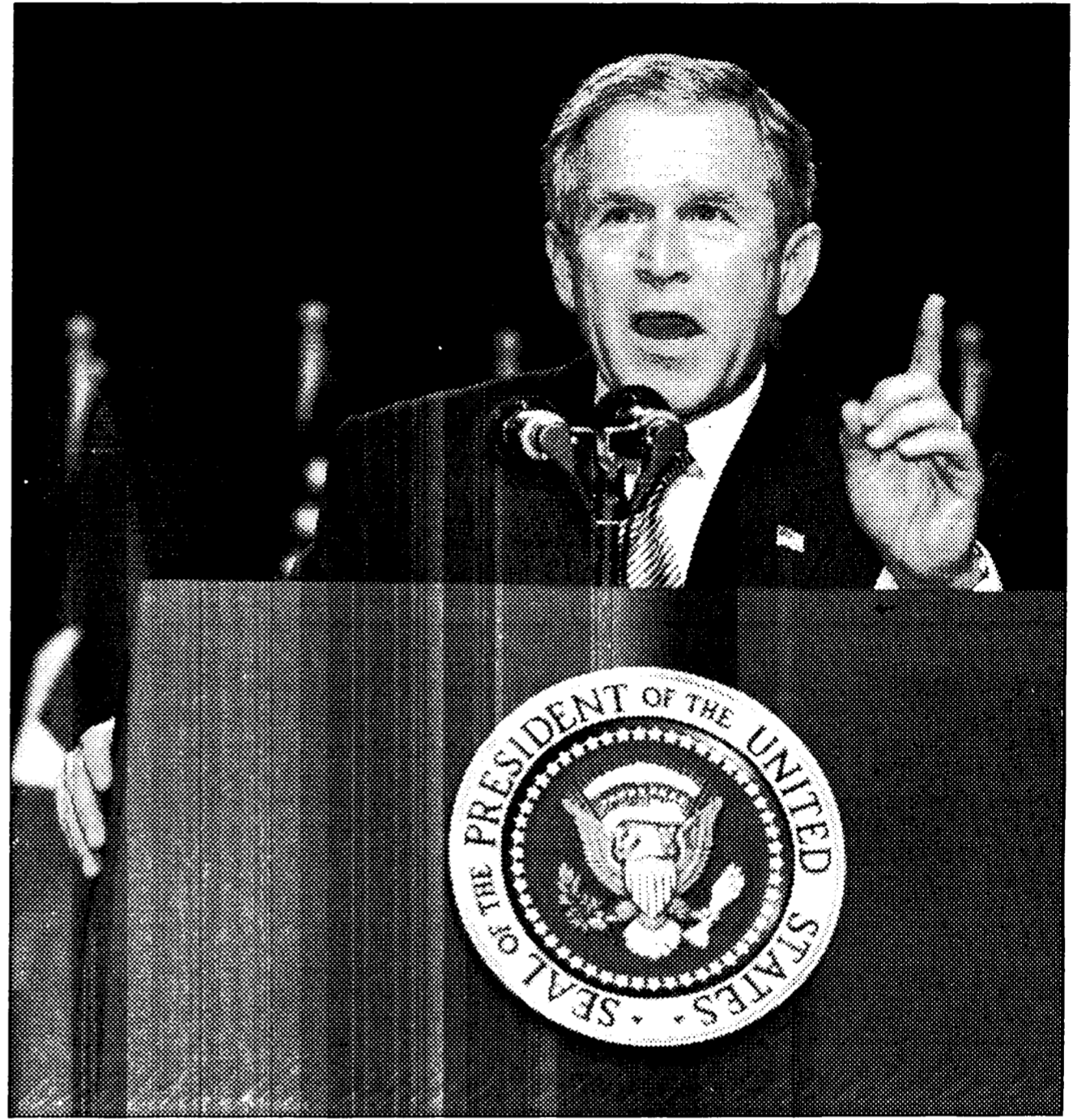
Just before flying here, Bush was in Washington promoting federal work to bust the corporate crime wave that first made headlines with Enron's bankruptcy filing last year. He reported 100 new investigations and 150 defendants charged in his corporate fraud crackdown.

And with lingering uncertainty about the markets, Bush turned up the volume on his theme that business scandals have undermined economic confidence. At a Justice Department conference for federal investigators tackling corporate crime, he claimed "broad and dramatic progress."

"Our law enforcement agencies are after 'em," Bush enthused.

A federal task force, in its first 2 1/2 months, has opened more than 100 new cases, the president said, and filed charges against more than 150 people and secured convictions or guilty pleas against 45 defendants.

"The American economy



AFP photo

President George W. Bush denounced corporate fraud Thursday at a reception for Texas Republican Senate nominee John Cornyn.

depends on fairness and honesty," Bush said, adding that "the government cannot and should not try to remove the risk from investment. But we will help ensure that the risks are honest and the risks are clearly understood."

Scandals involving Enron, WorldCom Inc., Adelphia Communications and ImClone Systems Inc. have contributed to the Dow Jones Industrial Average's plunge to its lowest levels since the fall of 1998. Consumer confidence also hit a four year low this week.

While planning for a possible war with Iraq has gotten most of the attention in the past few weeks, Bush sought to show that he remains focused on the

economy and what ails it.

But Rep. John Spratt, top Democrat on the House Budget Committee, faulted the administration for not offering more money for investigators at the Securities and Exchange Commission.

"Administration statements about corporate responsibility will be truly meaningful only if words are matched by actions," said Spratt, D-S.C. "Thus far, the administration's pledge to provide the resources the SEC needs to do its job effectively has been empty rhetoric."

The elections will decide control of Congress and many of the statehouses that could help Bush's own re-election in 2004. As such, the president this week has kept up a fever-

ish fundraising pace "getting on the road" as he called it Thursday night gathering Republican campaign cash in the nation's capital (twice), New Jersey, Texas, Colorado and Arizona.

It was the second time this year Bush has traveled to Texas to raise money for Cornyn, after collecting \$1.8 million for the Texas attorney general's campaign in March. Cornyn and Democratic Senate nominee Ron Kirk are running to succeed Phil Gramm, who is retiring after three terms.

Despite the support, the Republican Cornyn has differed publicly with Bush on secrecy issues while the Democratic Kirk has taken care to praise the president and his war on terror.

## Irish bank to sell Allfirst to M&T

Associated Press

BALTIMORE

Allied Irish Banks PLC is selling its U.S. subsidiary, Allfirst Financial Inc., to M&T Bank Corp. for about \$3.1 billion in a deal that it said was first discussed months before a currency trading scandal surfaced at the division.

The deal announced Thursday ends a seven-month effort by AIB officials to boost the reputation and market value of its Baltimore based unit. That's after an alleged \$691 million fraud by its senior foreign-exchange dealer there, John Rusnak.

AIB chief executive Michael Buckley said the trading losses did not push

the bank "farther or faster or any other particular way into this."

"I mean, we had the broad outline of what might work sketched out well before that happened," Buckley said.

AIB chief financial officer Gary Kennedy said negotiations with M&T began in October 2001, well before the currency scandal surfaced in February.

Buckley said the deal was slowed down after the losses were discovered "simply because I was spending my time in dealing with those issues."

Robert Wilmers, M&T's chairman, chief executive and president, said he considered currency-trading case "an isolated incident." He said the fact that

Allfirst had a foreign exchange trading operation was "totally irrelevant to us."

"We were never interested in their foreign exchange trading business," Wilmers said.

Wilmers said his bank has an active foreign exchange desk, "but just for the benefit of our customers. We do not take positions."

Rusnak was charged in June with seven counts of fraud. A Feb. 10 trial date has been set for Rusnak. His attorney, David Irwin, has indicated the case might not reach trial. On Thursday, Irwin wouldn't comment on how negotiations with prosecutors have been going.

# Smallpox vaccine to combat bioterrorism

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Moving aggressively to steel the nation against bioterrorism, the Bush administration is preparing to offer the effective but risky smallpox vaccine to every American before an attack ever occurs.

The decision, which goes well beyond earlier thinking, stems from practical and philosophical concerns including the looming war with Iraq and the fact that, for the first time in decades, the government will have enough vaccine on hand to inoculate everyone.

Just three months ago, federal advisers were recommending that only select hospital workers get the smallpox vaccine, maybe 20,000 total. Now Bush administration officials say that eventually, it will be offered to all 280 million Americans. The questions being debated are how fast and under what circumstances, according to three officials involved in the planning.

Experts don't know if the nation will ever be attacked with smallpox, which kills one-third of its victims. Eradicated from nature two decades ago, it is still feared as a bioterror agent. But the vaccine itself carries rare but serious risks, including death, complicating any decision to inoculate people absent a certain risk.

The Bush administration has yet to make final decisions or announce plans for what is called "pre-attack" smallpox vaccination. But administration officials say the consensus is to begin vaccinating those at greatest risk of encountering a highly contagious smallpox patient, such as hospital emergency room workers. That could total a half million people. Then the vaccine would be offered to non-hospital health workers, such as primary care doctors, and to police, firefighters and other emergency workers.

At some point after that, it would be offered to the general public.

"You start with one group and based on their potential risk, you keep expanding," one administration official said Thursday, speaking on condition of anonymity.

But it hasn't been decided how many people will get vaccinated during the first wave of shots, or how long it will take to offer them to everyone.

At issue, officials say, are important details such as who should get the vaccine while it's still an experimental drug, which requires a lengthy procedure to ensure that people understand and accept the risks. One option is to wait until the vaccine is fully licensed by the Food and Drug Administration before offering the vaccine widely, which could take a couple of years.

Another unanswered question is liability — how to compensate people injured by the experimental vaccine.

Made from a live virus, the vaccine itself is risky, particularly for people with certain skin diseases and weak immune systems. Studies from the 1960s suggest one or two people per million inoculated

will die. About one in 1,000 will face complications, some serious, including a severe skin rash or encephalitis that may kill or cause permanent neurological damage.

Other issues are logistical, such as how states and cities prepare large vaccination clinics and train people to give the shots. Another point: how to deal with people who get sick from the vaccine and the publicity likely to surround such an incident.

Those questions get more complicated as the number of people vaccinated increases.

No matter how these questions are resolved, the administration's direction represents a remarkable shift in thinking in a very short time, say experts both in and out of government. The reasons, they say, are practical, political and philosophical.

Immediately after last fall's anthrax attacks concentrated attention on bioterrorism, mass vaccinations were not considered because there wasn't enough vaccine: only 15.4 million doses in storage with another 40 million on order.

Since then, researchers have determined that by diluting the 15.4 million doses, 75 million people can be inoculated. A drug company found another 86 million doses in its freezer and donated them to the government. And the Department of Health and Human Services signed or expanded contracts for 209 million new doses, which should arrive early next year.

The new shipments bring a natural pressure to offer the vaccine. Newspaper editorials and leading voices, including Sen. Bill Frist, R-Tenn., a physician, have argued that people should be allowed to weigh the risks and decide for themselves whether to be vaccinated.

"What if you do have an attack and people die and you had something you could have given them, how do you answer that?" a second administration official said.

On top of that looms possible war with Iraq. All smallpox was supposed to be destroyed except for samples kept in special labs in Atlanta and Moscow, but experts fear that hostile states including Iraq have it.

"We're very worried about Iraq," said Dr. D.A. Henderson, a top HHS bioterrorism adviser. "Why is Saddam Hussein pushing ahead with weapons of mass destruction if at some point he is not going to use them? It's certainly got to be a factor in all of this."

Another factor: Officials are realizing how complicated it will be to vaccinate large numbers of people quickly after a smallpox attack. This week, federal officials gave states guidelines for mass vaccinations after an attack; most cities are far from ready.

If there were an attack, mass vaccinations would be significantly easier if many people are already protected. Some argue aggressive vaccinations might even deter an attack.

A decision had been expected by the end of September, but officials now say it's not expected until next month.

# Quechan run to protect ancient sites

Associated Press

For centuries, young American Indians have run a series of trails that stretch from the muddy red waters of the Colorado River to the Arizona-California line.

Running the trail has been at the center of the Quechan Nation's religion, traditions and history. Now 30 young men are running to try to save the paths for the next generation.

The runners are making a 700-mile relay trek through California to focus attention on state legislation that seeks to protect ancient sites like the one they hope to safeguard from becoming a gold mine.

The group wants Gov. Gray Davis to sign a bill that would require local governments to notify a tribe of proposed construction within 20 miles of a reservation and to protect sacred sites from development.

Opponents of the bill said it could grant tribes veto power over both private and public land. The California Chamber of Commerce said the bill threatens to delay or stop public improvement projects, school buildings and new homes.

Davis, who has until month's end to sign or veto the bill, has not publicly taken a position.

"This is not only for politics," said 15-year-old runner Richard "Ticky" Smith, a Quechan tribal member who

has sweated through triple-digit temperatures in California's Central Valley this week. "It's for all the elders — the ones that passed on, the ones who are sick, the ones who can't run or walk or hear or see. It's also for the future."

The run began last Friday in Sacramento, Calif., and is expected to end Saturday at the tribe's Imperial Valley reservation. The proposed mine site — at Indian Pass, a remote spot near the Arizona-California line — sits on federal land outside their reservation.

Lillian Sparks, an analyst for the National Congress of American Indians, said no state has enacted legislation similar to the bill before the governor.

"California is really taking initiative to protect Native American sacred places, and we're hoping other states will follow through until we can get protection at the federal level," said Sparks.

Across California, about 300 sites that average a quarter-acre each need protection, according to the Native American Heritage Commission.

Under the legislation, a local government would hire an outside investigator such as an anthropologist to check historical records and determine whether a site has long been considered sacred. The investigator also would look at whether the area has a shrine

or other religious artifacts.

The bill stems from Quechan opposition to plans by Glamis Gold Ltd., a Reno, Nev.-based company that wants to build an open pit gold mine on 1,600 acres of BLM land near the tribe's reservation. The Bureau of Land Management parcel includes a site of religious ceremonies that contains ancient pottery shards and petroglyphs.

Charles Jeannes, senior vice president of Glamis, said the proposed state bill could ruin the company's efforts to create an operation on which it already has spent \$15 million.

Jeannes said the bill now on Davis' desk would hamper development statewide by only allowing construction of projects on sacred sites that have an overriding environmental, public health or safety reason.

"It's a fairly narrow exception and it gives the native tribe any right to veto any project they deem sacred," he said.

The Clinton administration rejected the gold mine plan, citing "undue impairment" to Quechan sacred land, but the Bush administration rescinded that ruling in October 2001.

Quechan president Mike Jackson said the issue is about continuing a tradition for his 3,000 tribal members.

"We want to preserve our history just like any other person," he said. "We should enjoy our religious rights like anybody else."

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# Teenagers plead guilty in beating

Associated Press

PATERSON, N.J.

Four teenage defendants accused in the beating death of a homeless man pleaded guilty Thursday to aggravated assault charges and agreed to testify against several others.

At least 13 youths kicked and punched 42-year-old Hector Robles as he sat sipping a beer near a warehouse in an industrial area near the teens' school in 2001, authorities said. An autopsy revealed he died from internal bleeding.

Francisco Rodriguez, Jawon White and Shohmahree Brown-Parris, all 18, had been charged with murder. In addition to aggravated assault, they also pleaded guilty Thursday to riot charges. They face three to five years in prison.

Judge Randolph Subryan indicated he would give them probation for up to five years along with nearly a year in jail contingent on their cooperation with authorities.

The fourth defendant, Henry Robinson, 17, also pleaded guilty

*"It's very difficult to prove who struck who, how many times, was it hands or fists? We know fists were flying."*

**William Purdy**  
chief assistant prosecutor

Friday to aggravated assault, robbery and riot. Five other teens rejected plea offers and will stand trial for murder.

"All of these defendants acted as accomplices," Chief Assistant Prosecutor William Purdy. "It's very difficult to

prove who struck who, how many times, was it hands or fists? We know fists were flying."

John Schadegg, the attorney for Brown-Parris, said his client "joined a group knowing the group was looking for trouble" but never intended to seriously harm anyone.

"My client had no idea this was going to be the end result of this," Schadegg said. "He knows he did something wrong by not walking away when he had the chance."

Those who pleaded guilty Thursday will be sentenced April 25.

Thirteen boys were initially charged as juveniles in the June 20, 2001, attack; most of the cases were moved to adult court. Two defendants accepted plea bargains while their cases were in juvenile court.

The case of the final defendant, Freddy Rivera, was adjourned until Oct. 1 pending completion of another case involving him.

# School bans dances

## ◆ 200 students show up to homecoming party after drinking, 5 taken to hospital

Associated Press

SCARSDALE, N.Y.

School dances at Scarsdale High have been banned after about 200 students turned up drunk at a homecoming party.

Five of the 600 students at last Friday night's dance were taken to hospitals. All have recovered.

*"It was easier to find a drunk kid there than someone who was sober."*

**Dave Nambar**  
senior

drunk kid there than someone who was sober," senior Dave Nambar told The Journal News.

Principal John Klemme, who called police to the party, banned school dances until school officials felt sure that the students in the affluent New York City suburb wouldn't misbehave.

Klemme said several students were suspended, but he did not divulge how many.

"You have slightly drunk kids taking care of very drunk kids," police Detective Richard Fatigate said of the party. "It doesn't make for a very

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# Study outlines risks of Ecstasy

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Partying with Ecstasy several times a night, a common practice among users of the illegal drug, may damage key neurons in the brain and perhaps hasten the onset of Parkinson's disease, according to a study in monkeys.

But some researchers were skeptical that the results from the animal studies translate to humans and said such studies discourage research that might lead to medical uses for Ecstasy.

A Johns Hopkins University researcher injected squirrel monkeys and baboons with three shots of Ecstasy, also known as MDMA, three hours apart, mimicking dosages "often used by MDMA users at all-night dance parties." He said the drug caused enduring damage to dopamine-producing neurons in the brains of the animals.

The damage was still evident two weeks to six weeks later, said Dr. George A. Ricaurte, the lead author of the study appearing this week in the journal *Science*. But he said it is not clear if the damaged neurons will repair themselves, a key factor in whether Ecstasy could cause Parkinson's disease.

Parkinson's disease is a brain disorder triggered by the permanent loss of dopamine-producing nerve cells.

"We already know from the literature that brain dopamine declines with age," he said. "A young individual who sustains injury to these dopamine cells and depletes their reserve may be at greater risk of Parkinsonism."

But Julie A. Holland, a psy-

chiatrist on the faculty of the New York University School of Medicine, said earlier studies on humans have failed to show that Ecstasy causes permanent damage to dopamine neurons.

"It is a big leap to extrapolate what he is seeing in these primates and what you expect to see in Parkinson's syndrome," Holland, the author of a book on the risk and recreational use of Ecstasy.

She said Ricaurte's research has helped "demonize" Ecstasy and prevented studies to determine if the drug could be used to treat post-traumatic syndrome.

Dr. Alan I. Leshner, former head of the National Institute on Drug Abuse, however, said the Ricaurte study shows "that even an occasional use of Ecstasy can lead to significant damage to brain systems."

Stephen Kish, a University of Toronto researcher studying Parkinson's disease and Ecstasy, said he analyzed the brain of a deceased habitual Ecstasy user two years ago and found no evidence of dopamine neuron damage.

"Ricaurte's findings do raise a concern that Ecstasy may damage the dopamine neurons and potentially cause Parkinson's," said Kish. But he said the current study "might not translate to humans" and has not proven a clear connection between the drug and the brain disease.

In the study, the animals were given six milligrams for every 2.2 pounds of their weight. One of five monkeys and one of five baboons used in the study died shortly after receiving the shots.

The brains of the surviving animals were examined microscopically and chemically after two to eight weeks.

The nerve endings where the dopamine is processed were destroyed, said Ricaurte.

"There hasn't been a single animal that escaped the dopamine [cell] lesions," he said.

Ricaurte said the damage was not enough to cause Parkinson's symptoms, but there is "a clinical concern" that repeated use of Ecstasy will diminish the natural reserve of brain cells and lead to early disease.

Holland said Ricaurte's study in monkeys and baboons does not relate to the experience of human recreational users of Ecstasy.

"The dose that he gave killed 20 percent of the animals immediately," said Holland. "Clearly these animals reacted to the drug differently than humans because not one out of five Ecstasy users drops dead."

Also, she said Ricaurte's study injected Ecstasy, while most human users take the drug orally. Drugs taken orally are less concentrated in the body than drugs that are injected, said Holland.

The NYU psychiatrist said "there is a lot of politics involved" in Ricaurte's study because the government does not want to allow medical research with Ecstasy, even though it has been approved for study by the Food and Drug Administration.

Ricaurte's research has been funded by the National Institute on Drug Abuse, the agency Leshner once headed. Leshner is now chief executive officer of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the organization that publishes *Science*, the journal printing Ricaurte's current study on Ecstasy.

# House limits use of malpractice suits

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

The House, responding to doctors' complaints that rising insurance premiums are forcing them to quit their practices or relocate, passed a bill Thursday to cap pain-and-suffering damages that juries can award in malpractice suits.

The 217-203 vote came after a lengthy debate over whether limiting large jury verdicts would ease the costly insurance crunch felt by doctors and patients. Its passage faced an uncertain future in the Democrat-controlled Senate, which already has rejected a similar measure.

"Our nation is galloping toward a health care crisis of dimensions we have never faced before," said Rep. Nancy Johnson, R-Conn. "There are whole states where a woman cannot find an obstetrician that will take a high-risk pregnancy."

"Very quietly, access to sophisticated high-risk care is declining in America," she added.

Democrats questioned whether the bill would simply be a cash cow for insurers after Republicans rejected Democratic attempts to require that savings be used to lower malpractice insurance premiums.

"They are going to allow the insurance industry to pocket this money," said Rep. Edward Markey, D-Mass. "That's what it's all about. It's about the insurance companies, not about physicians."

But Republicans were buoyed by support from the White House, business groups, insurers and hundreds of physicians.

"This is the moment of truth," said Dr. Donald Palmisano, president-elect of the American Medical Association. "Without reforms, patients, trauma centers, maternity wards and physicians are all at the mercy of an out-of-control liability system."

The House legislation would limit noneconomic damages, such as pain and suffering, to \$250,000. Punitive damages would be limited to twice the amount of economic damages awarded or \$250,000, whichever is greater.

Patients' ability to file lawsuits over old cases would be limited under the legislation, which would also curtail lawyers' fees.

In tackling the issue, the House waded into a debate that is already taking place in dozens of states. Nevada Gov. Kenny Guinn, a Republican, recently signed into law a bill that caps pain-and-suffering awards, and Mississippi legislators have been in a special session for weeks trying to craft a bill.

For doctors, the relief is sorely needed, supporters said.

"There definitely has to be a cap," said Dr. Khadra Osman, a gynecologist in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. who recently had to drop her obstetrics practice after seeing her yearly malpractice insurance rate go from \$32,000 in 2000 to \$74,000 in 2002. "I cried with every single patient of mine who was pregnant."

Dr. Robert Comeau, a Las Vegas obstetrician, understands. He recently began scaling back his practice because his insurer is going out of business and he envisions trouble getting affordable insurance. Already, he has gotten estimates of up to \$100,000 for malpractice insurance.

# South Africa to set AIDS vaccine trials

Associated Press

CAPE TOWN

South African scientists said Thursday they will begin manufacturing, and testing on humans, three new vaccines intended to protect against the AIDS virus.

The vaccines showed great potential in laboratory tests on mice and primates, said Anna-Lise Williamson, associate professor at the University of Cape Town's Institute of Infectious Diseases and Molecular Medicine.

Small-scale human trials could begin as early as next year, said Dr. Tim Tucker, director of the South African AIDS Vaccine Initiative.

UNAIDS, the United Nations agency on AIDS, last year estimated that 40 million people worldwide were HIV positive and the development of a vaccine was considered imperative to stop the epidemic's spread.

More than a dozen candidate vaccines are at various stages of testing worldwide.

Human trials are underway in the United States, Brazil, Britain, Haiti, India, Kenya, Peru, South Africa and Thailand.

The vaccines developed by the

University of Cape Town will be manufactured and tested in the United States and Britain. They will be produced using genetic material from the strain of HIV most commonly found in Southern Africa.

The scientists will insert harmless pieces of the HIV virus into human cells in hopes of stimulating the production of antibodies that will provide immunity.

The South African AIDS Vaccine Initiative will contribute \$1 million toward producing and testing the vaccines, while the U.S. National Institute of Health will contribute about \$2 million.

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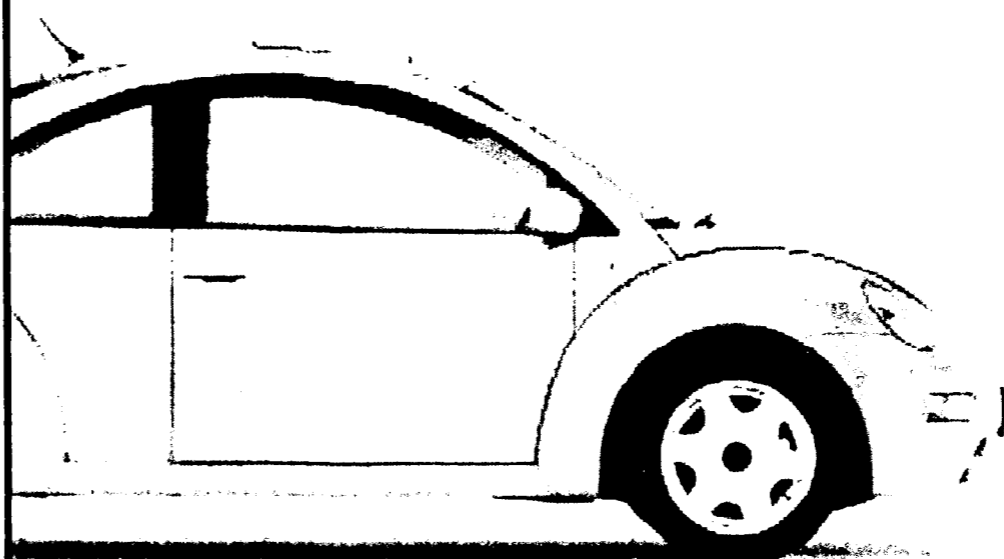
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## ITALY

## Assisi celebrates fresco restoration

Associated Press

## ASSISI

St. Jerome's white beard is largely gone, his rich cloak looks like it was devoured by moths and the roll of writing paper on his desk has disappeared.

But in a kind of restoration miracle, much of the rest of the Giotto fresco is back on the soaring ceiling of St. Francis Basilica, five years after an earthquake sent the masterpiece crashing to the floor in tens of thousands of fragments.

Like a giant puzzle knocked apart by an angry child, the fresco was painstakingly pieced back together by a team of restorers, who celebrated their achievement Thursday as this town marked the fifth anniversary of a pair of powerful quakes hours apart that claimed 10 lives and destroyed homes and artwork across Umbria in central Italy.

The race to save the fresco, which experts believe was painted by Giotto at the end of the 13th century, began almost immediately after a huge chunk of the basilica's nave fell a distance of seven stories in the earthquake, burying two Franciscan monks and two workers in a mound of dust, plaster and bricks on Sept. 26, 1997.

After the bodies were pulled out, volunteers and restoration experts, who slept in a tent camp with some of the thousands left homeless in the quake, started sifting through some 50,000 fragments of the fresco of St. Jerome and pieces of lesser-known frescoes of eight other saints.

They tried to match pieces to an enlarged photograph of the original St. Jerome work and carefully laid unmatched pieces on cushions of foam in crates and drawers.

"Days would pass when people would find nothing, or maybe just a little piece," recalled one of the chief restorers, Paola Passalacqua. "Then suddenly we would remember seeing a certain piece in a certain drawer that matched. It was a work of memory."

Part of the ceiling above the altar also came crashing down in the second of the quakes, including another priceless masterpiece, a fresco by Cimabue, who is considered the father of Italian painting.

Restoration work on some 120,000 fragments of Cimabue's St. Matthew will begin in a few months, aided by a computer that will try to find matches between the pieces and a photograph of the masterpiece. Fragments of the Cimabue now fill 880 drawers in a cloister of the Franciscan basilica's convent.

A computer might also have helped with the Giotto fresco, but right after the quake there was no time to tailor programs to the enterprise, said Passalacqua.

"The computer will do what we do, looking into one's memory, only we do it much more slowly," said the restorer.

In the weeks after the quake, the art world debated if the wrecked frescoes should be mounted in a museum if not enough pieces were found to be put back on the ceiling.

A few months after the quake, Giuseppe Basile, the

restorer overseeing the fresco project, said that if mainly blue sky and little human figures were found, restorers would not be able to put the work back on the ceiling.

But piece by piece, a lot of the puzzle started to be filled in: St. Clare's nose in a cycle of Giotto-school frescoes depicting a row of saints; St. Jerome's book, his two-peaked hat, his penetrating eyes and reed-thin nose, some of his burgundy-colored cloak and a few wisps of his wavy beard.

The Rev. Enzo Fortunato gazed up Wednesday at St. Jerome and the other eight saints near the entrance and said: "When we could see the face of St. Rufino, his eyes, beard, a cheek, then real hope began for us" that the restoration would succeed.

At a kind of thanksgiving ceremony Thursday, the Franciscan custodian of the basilica complex, the Rev. Vincenzo Coli, told the restorers who will work on the Cimabue: "We're faithfully waiting for another miracle of faith and of the capabilities of man."

The upper level of the two-tiered basilica, where the frescoes are located, was reopened to the public in 1999.

"When pilgrims come in, they point to where the Cimabue fresco was and say, 'That's where the quake damage was,'" Fortunato said.

Visitors don't realize the St. Jerome fresco also was quake-damaged, its missing details taken for a casualty of passing centuries and not the temblors, a true indication, Fortunato said, of the restoration's success.

## IVORY COAST

## Americans evacuated from Ivory Coast

Associated Press

## YAMOOUSSOUKRO

American schoolchildren flew to safety Thursday on the first evacuation plane out of rebellion-torn Ivory Coast, while French troops launched a full-scale evacuation of frightened Westerners from a rebel-held city under threat of imminent government attack.

A U.S. C-130 carried the first 18 evacuees — students age 8 to 18 from a mission boarding school and staff, most of them American — to an airport in neighboring Ghana, where U.S. Embassy workers whisked them away to rest and start arranging reunions with families.

Smiling broadly, the rescued American teens and younger children clutched water bottles as they crossed the tarmac toting bags of their belongings.

U.S. forces armed with assault rifles had flanked the children's military cargo plane when it left Ivory Coast — ending a week that saw teachers and children pinned down by rebel fire that at times came over the walls of their whitewashed mission boarding school on the edge of the besieged city of Bouake.

"We were hunkered down for seven days waiting for help — then the French came," said Mike Coustineau, security chief for the U.S.-allied International Christian Academy. "We were very delighted to see them."

The first flight out came as U.S., French and British forces scrambled to bring all their nationals out of Bouake, a central city of 500,000 people that has been held by rebels since a failed Sept. 19 coup attempt.

In Washington, the State Department advised Americans on Thursday to leave the rebellion-torn country and authorized the families of American diplomats and those whose jobs are not essential to leave at U.S. government expense.

As the evacuation got under way, Ivory Coast Defense Minister Liéa Moïse Kouassi took to state TV to declare Bouake and one other rebel-

held city "war zones." He said attack was imminent.

"The national forces of Ivory Coast will be called upon to do their duty," Kouassi declared.

Troops from France — the once-stable nation's colonial ruler — hammered out a ceasefire with rebels for the evacuation and rushed to clear the city of all who wished to go.

Hundreds of armed French troops in jeeps and at least one light tank secured the main roads out of Bouake.

Anxious evacuees lined the roads in cars, rolling out in convoys when the word to move out came.

Thousands of the Bouake's people fled on foot, walking the sides of the roads with bundles of belongings or cooking pots on their heads.

Rebels in camouflage uniforms manned checkpoints in and out of the city. Shattered glass and other wreckage by some of the checkpoints testified to recent fighting.

Government troops secured the 40 mile route to a hastily erected reception center at the Ivory Coast capital, Yamoussoukro. French and U.S. forces and diplomats of several European countries and Japan waited there to take in and process their nationals.

Refugees, streaming to the safe haven in cars crammed with suitcases and children, spoke of a week pinned down by gunfire, with water and electricity out and food running short.

"It was the isolation, and thinking every night there could be an attack," Jamal Bittar, a French evacuee of Lebanese descent, among the first convoys of evacuees arriving in cars crammed with suitcases and children.

"It's sad for the locals. They're not going to be able to leave," Bittar said. "We will pray for them."

On the day the firing was worst, Frenchwoman Catherine Martin said, she retreated with her husband to a room with no windows, and brought in mattresses to avoid any flying bullets.

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## Honor code must imply trust

Plagiarism seriously inhibits the intellectual environment of a university, and dishonest academic behavior should be penalized. The new changes this fall in the University Academic Code of Honor Handbook, along with the school's contract with Turnitin.com, an online plagiarism detection company, tighten the reins on academic dishonesty.

While a service like Turnitin.com should be employed in cases where professors have a reasonable suspicion of academic dishonesty, it should not be used as a standard procedure in the grading process.

On the Turnitin.com Web site, a UC-Berkeley professor is quoted as saying that incidents of plagiarism in his classes have dropped nearly to zero percent and the trust level has risen to 100 percent. Reducing plagiarism should be a priority for the institutions currently dealing with this growing problem, which is related to increased student computer access.

However, Notre Dame's decision to contract with Turnitin.com indicates that an outsider must solve what is essentially an internal problem. While the service should be utilized by those professors who perceive a serious

problem of academic dishonesty, it cannot be abused and applied without provocation or strong suspicion.

But the University's honor code is supposed to assume that Notre Dame students can be trusted. Inherent in the code is a mutual trust and respect between professors and students. Only in cases where that trust is broken are other measures needed.

The honor code revisions and the contract with Turnitin.com indicate that the trust has been broken. The University has made its decision, but that does not mean that student honor cannot be restored. Professors and students can both agree to uphold the values that the University has for its students.

The argument can be made that a professor would not need to use Turnitin.com if students were not cheating. Yet, there is a difference between some students and all students.

The question is: Will professors use Turnitin.com before there is a reason to do so? Technological advances in academia are beneficial to all, but professors and students can maintain the trust and honor that Notre Dame should symbolize if they choose not to abuse their use.

### Editorial

### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

## Solutions demand respect, cooperation

On Wednesday, President Bush accused Democrats in the Senate of not being interested in homeland security.

Senator Tom Daschle (D-S.D.) gave an impassioned speech reprimanding such comments and demanding an apology from the president for showing blatant disrespect for the Democratic Party.

What's going on?

How is it that politics in our nation has been reduced to name calling and insults, not of ideas, but of the very people who represent at least half of the United States population? This is totally unacceptable.

I find the current political atmosphere in which politicians from one party are accusing members of the other party (and thus those that elected them) of being unconcerned with the security of this nation impossible to tolerate. Forget the accusations of politicizing the war being thrown around by both parties; what this boils down to is respect.

It is necessary the parties of this country demonstrate respect for each other. They do not have to agree on issues, nor should they.

However, they do have to recognize that we are all created equal, and if one side thinks that more than one issue needs to be considered, and that the state of our national security does not warrant ignoring issues that are still important and have not gone away since national security came to the forefront, that view and the people who hold it must be respected.

Our government is not set up on the principle that one side is right and one side is wrong. It is set up on the principle that through dialogue, through analysis of events and issues and

through respect of those representatives who hold opinions different than one's own, it is possible to reach an agreement that is acceptable to the majority of the nation's representatives and to the people that they represent.

No one is perfect and no one has the right answers because no one can know the future or how others will react to the decisions that are made. One cannot know what goes on inside another person's head. One cannot assume that just because that other person has reached a different conclusion, they do not care about the same issues.

Apparently, someone has forgotten this. Someone has decided that he knows what is good, what is evil, what is best for this country, and that anyone who decides he's wrong simply doesn't care about this country. Personal offense is being taken at views and opinions different from his own.

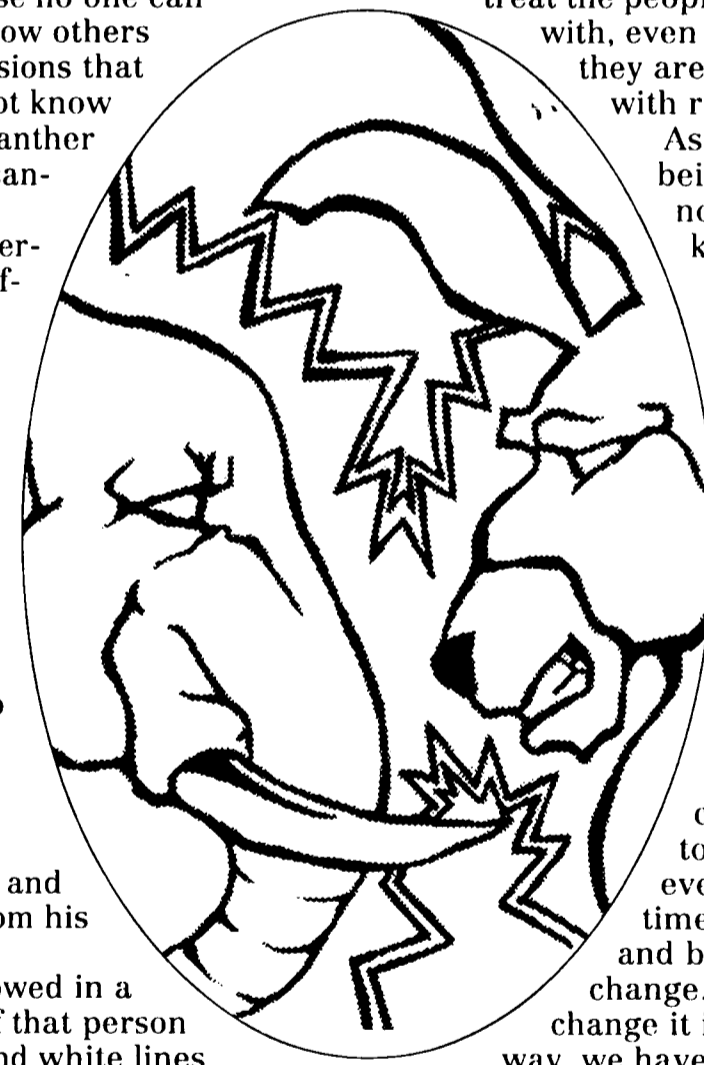
This cannot be allowed in a democratic nation. If that person begins draw black and white lines about what's what, the political process will stop, nothing will get accomplished, not even on those issues he values most. Compromise is necessary, even in a situation in which our nation is facing war, and the people who frame the issue and draft a reso-

lution are to be blamed for the halt of that resolution as much as the people who halt it.

Domers and Belles alike, I am calling you out. I am calling on you to discuss the very important issues that our nation is facing. I am calling on you to treat the people you argue with, even if you think they are dead wrong, with respect.

As fellow human beings who do not and cannot know the right answers, we cannot be so presumptuous as to judge the moral bearing of others based on what beliefs they hold.

Our world is in the middle of a situation that, regardless of the outcome, is going to change it forever. Now is the time to stand up and be a part of that change. If we want to change it in a positive way, we have to work together in a climate of mutual respect.



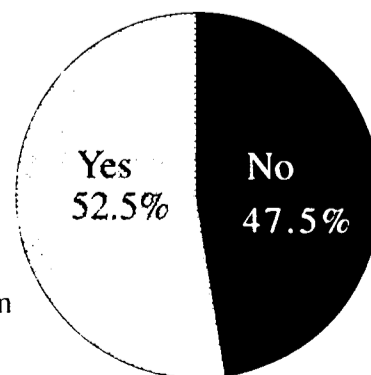
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"An independent is the guy who wants to take the politics out of politics."

Adlai Stevenson  
politician



## VIEWPOINT

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## Dissidence is a form of patriotism

On Tuesday, conservative radio entertainer Rush Limbaugh hurled a trash can in reaction to a speech by former Vice President Al Gore.

Gore had cautioned against rushing after Iraq's Saddam Hussein at the expense of combating terrorists worldwide. Limbaugh claimed he was so ill, he almost did not climb out of bed to work his show.

Nice drama, Rush. While he may entertain millions with his conservative ideology, he offers little to an honest, intellectual debate over staging a war with Iraq. Limbaugh makes millions of other Americans, including this writer, ill with his babble. If liberals, moderates and Democrats stooped to Limbaugh's level of "truth," long ago we would have begun a holy war against the current president like Limbaugh did on day one of the Clinton presidency.

Yet us "non-conservatives" are not questioning President Bush's efforts to fight Osama bin Laden. We know when to act as the loyal opposition, unlike anti-Clinton fanatics who claimed in 1998 that Clinton was "wagging the dog" to divert attention from impeach-

ment proceedings. Ironically, Limbaugh and his fanatics prevented Clinton from seriously retaliating against bin Laden.

He mocks Clinton's veracity for merely firing missiles at bin Laden while Republicans waged their 1998 impeachment war.

If Limbaugh served in Vietnam, regardless of where his military assignment may have been, he would have credibility for his opinions regarding war. Al Gore is a Vietnam veteran.

If Limbaugh was an elected official who bucked his party to support the other party's presidential efforts in the Gulf War, he would have credibility when he comments on the methods and timing of Bush's war against Iraq. Al Gore was one of only a few Democratic U.S. senators who crossed over the aisle to vote in a nonpartisan manner with Republicans to support Daddy Bush's Gulf War resolution.

If Limbaugh would pull his head out of his ideological bag, he might lose ratings points at the expense of gaining respect points. Despite Limbaugh's antics and jovial entertaining perspective, he is dead wrong whenever he attempts to tackle a serious issue.

Al Gore, the Vietnam veteran with a record of supporting the Gulf War, points out that this president has squandered the worldwide good will the United States gained after the Sept. 11 attacks with his insistence on fighting unilaterally if necessary. Gore notes that an immediate war with Iraq will dilute our anti-terror efforts, especially

if we cannot provide compelling evidence of Iraq's immediate threat and the international community does not join us through the United Nations.

Gore, like conservative House Republican Minority Leader Dick Armey (R-Tex.), has shown great political leadership and courage in speaking out in opposition to a first strike against Iraq when others have remained mute.

Despite the White House's usual personal and nasty characterization of Gore, saying that he was "irrelevant," Gore and Armey have struck a chord with many. Both have articulated a position for those of us who, for whatever moral, diplomatic or logistical reasons, do not believe it is wise to attack Iraq at this time.

The president has already done much harm to our diplomatic relations abroad.

By accusing the United Nations of being irrelevant for not adequately enforcing 16 resolutions pertaining to Iraq, Bush has allowed our allies and foes to laugh at the United States for our refusal to pay U.N. dues.

They point at our hypocrisy by citing our recent Security Council abstention, the only non-affirmative vote, condemning Israel's current attacks in Gaza.

They in fact remind us that more than 100 U.N. resolutions condemning and sanctioning Israel have also not been enforced because the United States wants inaction.

The White House will do much domestic harm if it continues to portray

the war with Iraq on patriotic terms. During the Vietnam War, my generation's patriotism was impugned by Richard Nixon and the great silent majority. The Reagan campaign in 1980 portrayed Republicans as flag-draped patriots implying that the Navy veteran Jimmy Carter was less of an American merely because he was unable to manage the economy and settle the Iranian hostage crisis.

Al Gore, this writer, Democrats, moderates, independents and liberals have joined our president in response to the terror attacks upon our fellow citizens and society. The president's natural constituency of conservatives, including wind bag Rush, need to realize that we are as much Americans, as much patriots as anyone.

If we choose to exercise our freedoms by questioning or even opposing the president's policies, we are patriots.

It is time that the intolerant who think they know everything realize that we are not living a John Wayne movie. At stake are American lives and long-lasting consequences after a war with Iraq.

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Gary Caruso

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Biblical teaching on homosexuality stands

I don't hate gays — never have, never will. I have no fear of a gay man hitting on me. Some of my friends are gay, some of my family are gay, and I still talk to them. However, in no way does that mean I agree with or accept homosexuality.

Joe Muto's attempt to disprove Biblical teaching on homosexuality in his Sept. 25 column is neither correct nor convincing. He failed to take into account that some teachings are stronger and more binding than others.

The two teachings in Leviticus that Muto cited are inherently different. It is considerably worse to "lie with another man" than to wear a garment wove with more than one fabric. Also, the infamous "garment argument" doesn't hold sway with any Christian.

Christ came to fulfill the Old Covenant. In doing so, the universal teachings were kept and expounded upon while those which were temporal, those not necessary in the New Jerusalem, passed away. Jesus himself said not to "hold fast to the traditions of men" (Mark 7:8). The garment is such a tradition.

Homosexuality, on the other hand, is not. If it were, wouldn't the Apostles have known this? Yet they spoke just as firmly against homosexuality as Leviticus, if not more so.

St. Paul condemns homosexual acts as sinful in Romans 1:26-32. He does so twice more in 1 Timothy 1:10 and 1 Corinthians 6:9, where he equates homosexuality with theft, kidnapping, murder, greed, fratricide, lying and lawlessness. These are St. Paul's words, not mine. It's quite obvious that Biblical condemnation is not even remotely limited to Leviticus.

Muto does make a good point about not dwelling on "the sexual relations of people you've never met." Truth be told, I normally don't give them a second thought, but some things must be responded to. After all, Jesus did tell us, "Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you." God didn't drop the ball on this one; He took it to the basket.

Becket Gremmels  
sophomore  
Alumni Hall  
Sept. 26

## Follow your own dream

It is that time again. Career fairs and recruiters from all over the country are coming to Notre Dame to find the best and brightest for their respective companies. Career fairs, in my mind, are just another parental reminder that you need to figure out what you want to do for the rest of your life. That nagging question that appears every Sunday morning when the family calls to check on you. Of course they want to hear the answer that most families want to hear: doctor, lawyer, attorney general.

As a freshman, these questions didn't matter as much because you were away from home and caught up in the magic found under the Dome. Sophomore year was a blur because it always is. But now you're an upperclassman and these questions have gotten old.

As I was sitting in the publishing session of the recent English Career Night, Professor Kerry Temple said something that struck me: "I talk to some of my doctor and lawyer friends who I graduated with and they hate their jobs."

Why is that? Did any of these people stop to think if they really wanted to be that doctor, lawyer or Fortune 500 businessperson? Too many of us live the life set out before us on a silver platter. But is the silver platter really what we want?

You suddenly realize that you've spent most of your college career taking certain classes to please your parents. When does living in your parents' shadow end? The answer is, right now. Stop living the life your parents want for you and start taking some chances. Follow those dreams that leave you unable to sleep at

night.

Choosing a career path aside from your parents' ideals may create some hostilities. But rest assured, you parents do love you and they will understand ... eventually. Maybe they

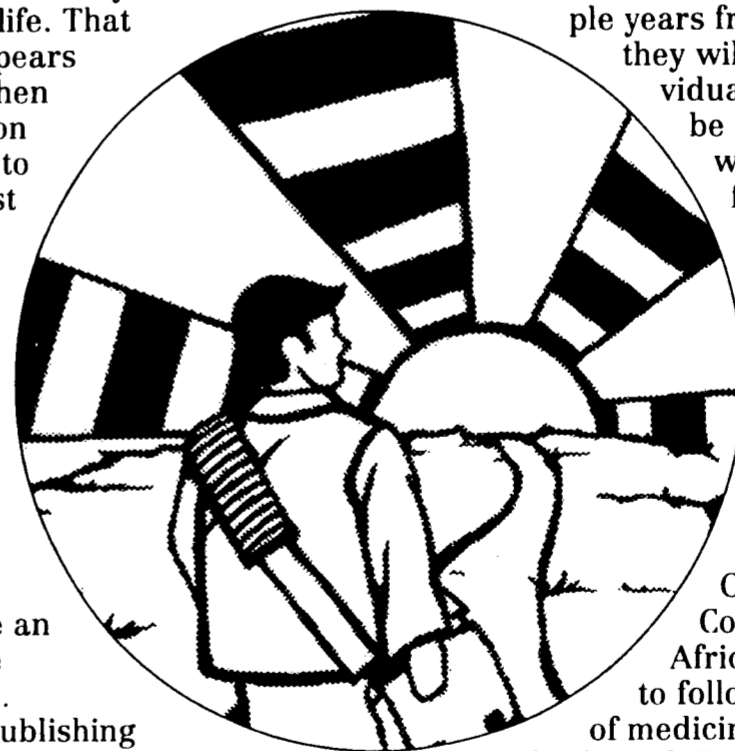
won't understand at first or even a couple years from now, but in the end they will be proud of the individual they raised. They will be proud because you were brave enough to follow your dreams.

So, here's some advice for you younger Domers. Do not be intimidated by these career fairs. Look at them as opportunities to seek that which you've never sought before. Look at that teaching position in China or that Peace Corps position in South Africa and if you still choose to follow the family tradition of medicine, law or business,

that's cool. But don't live a life without passion because it's just not worth it.

In short, follow your heart. But when you do, don't hold back. Don't be afraid to fail. Don't misunderstand me, though. You will make mistakes along the way. But support the decision you've made with hard work and conviction. And if you fail, it's OK. Only then will you know you've given life — your life — a shot. Be proud of who you are and who you've become here. And if you turn out to be a Kerry Temple, people will envy the amount of joy that radiates from a conversation with you.

Adam Cahill  
junior  
Sorin Hall  
Sept. 25



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## MOVIE REVIEW

'Lips' romances  
the dark sideBy C. SPENCER BEGGS  
Scene Editor

"Read My Lips" plays like Bonnie and Clyde go to France and start a Fight Club. The romance noir from French director Jacques Audiard is a heist thriller with teeth.

The plot follows Carla (Emmanuelle Devos), an unappreciated middle manager come secretary in a Paris construction firm. Invisible, disrespected and made fun of by the rest of the office staff, the homely hearing-impaired 30-something is a depressed and brooding mess.

When her boss asks her to hire an assistant to help her with daily duties, most of which include throwing away half finished coffee cups and making copies of construction proposals, Carla turns to a temp agency. But good help is hard to find and the temp agency sends Paul (Vincent Cassel), and recently released ex-con with no marketable skills whatsoever.

Carla hires Paul and they quickly fall into a pseudo-sexual psychological relationship. The pair finds unlikely companions in each other as they help each other put their lives in order by reciprocal illegal favors. Paul is eventually hired/indentured by a nightclub manager/wannabe gangster. When he discovers that the manager and some other shady associates are using the club to move large amounts of valuables, Paul and Carla plan a heist.

"Read My Lips" is a well-scripted movie. Though the couple has a relationship, it doesn't solidify itself until later in the film. The movie avoids over simplifying by presenting both Carla and Paul as stubborn characters who won't let themselves be helped by anyone.

The movie also uses sound and audio effectively to build suspense. The audience will view scenes as Carla hears them, with her hearing aids turned on or off. As the pair begins to live both at Carla's office and the nightclub the mood shifts from the sterile white lights of the corporate world to an insomniac Kafkaesque nightmare.

And even though the movie uses Carla's ability to read lips to advance the plot, it doesn't rely solely on it. Lip reading is treated as one more tool a thief's black bag.

Dramatically, the change in the characters of both Carla and Paul is realistically portrayed. As time progresses Carla not only behaves more assertively, she also appears so. Similarly, Paul migrates from a disheveled bum sleeping in a supply closet toward a more refined mastermind.

The movie contains a lot of realistic violence. While it still pales in comparison to most blockbusters, "Read My Lips" treats a punch in the face like a punch in the face: it hurts. More squeamish viewers might want to think twice about this movie.

There are a number of subplots that seem to be

thrown into the script for convenience – such as stories about Paul's parole officer and Carla's best friend that never seem to work into the main plot beyond their apparent usefulness when they cross paths with the heist. The movie appears to waste about 15 or 20 minutes developing these only to throw them away on relatively minor roadblock in the heist plan.

Overall, "Lips" is a delightfully dark romantic thriller certain to please audiences with an addiction to suspense.

**"Read My Lips"**

**Director:** Jacques Audiard  
**Writer:** Jacques Audiard and Tonino Benacquista  
**Starring:** Emmanuelle Devos, Vincent Cassel and Olivier Gourmet

French with English subtitles

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Carla and Paul plan a heist in the dark romantic thriller "Read My Lips." The French film is this playing this week at Vickers Theatre in Three Oaks, Mich.

Photo courtesy of Magnolia Pictures

By C. SPENCER BEGGS  
Scene Editor

Hollywood has been lying to you: There are more movies released each year than most people know about. While big-budget studio pictures are distributed nationally to major movie houses almost uniformly, there are hundreds of independent or smaller studio releases that have spottier runs. In fact, the art house movie scene has been remarkably productive in the last decade, producing much of the country's best cinema.

But in a world of corporate-dominated multiplexes, many of these movies, despite critical acclaim, never come to a theater near you. Luckily, the small town movie theater is long from extinct. Art movie houses across the country continue to play quality movies against most odds. The only problem is finding a hip theater.

Luckily, Michiana has its own art house theater in Three Oaks, Mich.: Vickers Theatre. The restored turn of the century movie theater is a breath of fresh air for movie buffs who live in a cinematic world dominated by the ever-important male 15-25 year-old demographic in which Hollywood seems to be trying to think of as many ways as possible to justify Freddie Prince Jr. falling in love with the unlikely high school nerd who just happens to be a supermodel underneath all her unnecessarily baggy and distastefully arranged clothes.

The building in which the theater is located was built in the 1890s to serve as a livery for the nearby train station. The livery was transformed into an early movie theater by a group of investors lead by a man named Frank Lee. Though 1911 is early in the history of movie-only theaters,



Two and a half years of renovation restored this turn of the century one-screen theater. The one-screen theater plays offbeat and art house movies.



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average moviegoer. The theater is a friendly place; either Jon or Jennifer is there every night. They employ two local high school students, Rachel Trucks and Joe Pobocik, to fill out their staff.

Oaks. Drive up a block, cross the railroad tracks and S. Elm Street becomes N. Elm Street. The theater is located at No. 6.

For movie schedule information visit [www.vickerstheatre.com](http://www.vickerstheatre.com). Show times are generally at 7 p.m. on Fridays, 6:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. Saturdays, 3 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Sundays and at 7 p.m. Mondays. General admission is \$7 and \$5 for students and seniors.

The Vickers like presenting an offbeat selection of film; they follow

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especially in the Midwest, the theater was actually only one of three located in Three Oaks.

The Lee family owned and operated the theater until 1978 when they sold it. The building changed hands a number of times throughout the '80s, operating sometimes as a mainstream movie house and at others as office space or even apartments. Facing tough competitions from modern multiplexes, the theater finally closed in 1987.

Around the time the theater closed, Jon Vickers moved back to the area in which he grew up with his wife Jennifer. Vickers, a civil engineer by trade, thought that the building could be restored to its former glory that he

remembered from his childhood.

"We knew a woman that owned the building at the time. I think something just struck [Jon] and he said, 'Why not? Let's create a theater here.' And I was all for it. I think if we had stopped and thought about the difficulty of opening a theater in Three Oaks, we may have not done it," Jennifer Vickers said.

The Vickers re-opened the 120-seat theater in 1996. They had spent the last two years renovating the inside.

Originally, the theater was meant to present all different types of art including live theatre and music. The Vickers soon discovered, however, that the plan may have been overly ambitious and have gone to an almost strictly cinema format. The theatre does, however, double and an art gallery for Midwestern artists and craftspeople.

"When we first opened, our goal was to be a well-rounded center for the arts, offering film, music and theatre. ... We've kind of flowed into the film and artwork side of things. Once in a while, we'll have live music," Vickers said.

Currently, the theatre is featuring the furniture of South Bend craftsman Larry Szymanski. Szymanski works primarily as an educator and reproduces antique furniture as an amateur artist.

Now in its seventh season, Vickers' Theatre is doing well, and business is getting better each year.

"Obviously, overhead on a single-screen theater is different than on a 14-screen. The business is doing fine now, but we really get more enjoyment out of the people here than the theater being prosperous monetarily," Vickers said.

The theater mostly culls its audience from northern Indiana, though a there are a number of local regulars. A core audience group that is devoted to the theater's rare charm mostly supports it. Vickers' patrons tend to be older and more refined than the

movie openings in Chicago and New York as well as read trade magazines to decide their feature schedule. The theater's patrons themselves request a number of the features.

Running the theater is a labor of love for the couple, who balance their duties at the box office with Jon's civil engineering practice and raising their three children: Max, Frank and Ava.

To get to Vickers Theatre from campus, take U.S. Route 33 North to Michigan about seven miles. Merge onto U.S. Route 12 West and continue for about 17 miles. Turn right onto S. Elm Street at the first (and only) stoplight in Three



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Theater co-owner Jennifer Vickers (right) and employee Rachel Trucks relax after a screening.



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Century film house now called Vickers Theatre.



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Vickers Theatre doubles as an art gallery for Midwestern artists and craftspeople. Currently the gallery is displaying a collection furniture reproductions by Larry Szymanski.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

# Cardinals chop Seminoles

Associated Press

LOUISVILLE, Ky. Florida State coach Bobby Bowden worried for months about playing Louisville. It turned out his fears were warranted.

Henry Miller ran 25 yards for a touchdown on the second play of overtime as Louisville upset the fourth-ranked Seminoles 26-20 in a steady downpour.

"They were better than we were," said Bowden, who was denied his 328th career victory. "Before the season, I was very concerned about this game because they were playing as good as anybody last season."

Anthony Floyd intercepted a pass by Chris Rix near the goal line a play earlier to set up Miller's run.

The Seminoles (4-1) were the highest-ranked team to play in the 4-year-old Papa John's Cardinal Stadium, and Bowden knew the game would be tough.

"We came in here 4-0, but they could have been 4-0 just as easily," Bowden said.

Florida State was playing its first overtime game and lost to an unranked team for the second time in two seasons. North Carolina State beat the Seminoles 34-28 last year.

"It's kind of like playing golf — you come to the last hole even and then you hit your drive out of bounds," Bowden said.

The Cardinals (3-2) spilled onto the field after finishing one of the biggest wins in school history. Most of the rain-soaked crowd of 38,109 followed them and carried off the goal posts behind each end zone.

"To have these guys come to our house was big," Louisville coach John L. Smith said. "To beat them was even bigger."

Dave Ragone's 1-yard touchdown pass to Damien Dorsey

tied it at 20-20 for Louisville with 11:37 left. Neither team threatened to score again in the fourth quarter.

The Cardinals won the coin toss, but chose to play defense first in overtime.

Remnants of Tropical Storm Isidore soaked Louisville throughout the day and the showers never subsided after the game began. Most of the crowd stayed until the end.

"We fed off an unbelievable crowd in a torrential downpour," Ragone said. "They started ripping down the goal posts, ripping off my helmet, ripping off everything."

The Cardinals trailed 13-6 at halftime, finishing the first half with more penalties (eight) than first downs (six) — and more penalty yards (100) than total yards (77).

Ragone, 2-of-8 in the first half, finished a seven-play, 51-yard drive in the third quarter with one of his best throws of the night — a 30-yard touchdown pass down the sideline to Joshua Tinch with 4:05 left.

Rix was just 2-for-12 in the first half, but was 5-for-5 on Florida State's answering drive. Talman Gardner's 21-yard touchdown catch was his fourth reception of the drive and temporarily silenced the crowd.

A holding penalty nullified a 43-yard touchdown pass from Ragone to Dorsey early in the fourth quarter. Unfazed, Ragone found Tinch for 23 yards on the next play. Two passes to running back T.J. Patterson drove the Cardinals to the Seminoles 2.

A penalty on Florida State moved the ball to the 1 and Ragone rolled right and found Dorsey for the tying touchdown.

Ragone finished 15-for-27 for 182 yards and two touchdowns. He also rushed for 43 yards.

"I couldn't take him down

enough," Florida State defensive end Alonzo Jackson said. "He's a great player. We just couldn't contain him enough. We had opportunities to make plays that would've enabled us to win and we just couldn't do it."

The Seminoles gave up their first first-quarter points of the season on a 45-yard field goal by Nate Smith 1:42 into the game.

Florida State trailed for the first time this season, but weren't behind for long. A 33-yard pass from receiver Anquan Boldin to Gardner set up Xavier Beitia's 40-yard field goal with 10:21 left in the opening quarter.

Louisville linebacker James Greene blocked Chance Gwaltney's punt and gave Louisville its initial first-and-goal at the Seminoles 2.

Florida State's defense stuffed three Louisville runs before linebacker Jerel Hudson intercepted a pass by Ragone at the goal line.

A personal foul on Louisville cornerback Laroni Gallishaw kept alive Florida State's first touchdown drive in the second quarter. Rix found Gardner on a slant route for a 23-yard touchdown with 11:08 left.

The Cardinals drove to the Florida State 2 again on their ensuing drive. But a delay of game penalty and Jackson's sack of Ragone pushed Louisville back to the 16. The Cardinals settled for a 26-yard field goal by Smith.

A personal foul on Dewayne White and a pass interference call on Gallishaw aided Florida State on its closing drive of the first half. Beitia kicked a 20-yard field goal as time expired.

The Seminoles, fourth in the nation in scoring defense coming into the game, had only 335 yards. Rix finished 14-of-33 for 173 yards with an interception.

NCAA

# Injuries must be kept undisclosed

Associated Press

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. Some football coaches refrain from talking about their players' injuries in a strategic move. Next season, speaking about them could be against the law.

The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, passed in 1996, goes into effect in April and could affect how much coaches know about players' injuries and whether the university can report those injuries to the media.

Alabama coach Dennis Franchione has already adopted the policy. It's why few outside the Crimson Tide trainer's office know for sure whether quarterback Tyler Watts will play Saturday against Arkansas.

Watts sprained his left foot in the Tide's victory over Southern Mississippi last week and didn't play the rest of the game.

"I don't see the advantage in exposing our players' every little bump and bruise to everybody," Franchione said. "There's nothing to be gained by it. I think it offers a little bit of protection to them as we go through the season."

Under the act, which was signed by President Bill Clinton, institutions could lose federal funding for disclosing an athlete's medical information.

Arkansas sports information director Kevin Trainor said he and his SEC counterparts started discussing the law and its ramifications during their spring meetings. No

formal guidelines for the conference were adopted then, so the discussion of injuries is left up to each university this season.

"It's my understanding from talk going around that the health insurance act may change the landscape on that a little bit," Trainor said. "We're just going to wait to see what comes out of it."

The act was designed to protect individual's insurance coverage by keeping their health history private when they changed jobs. Its effect on college athletics is an unintended consequence.

Charles Bloom, the SEC's associate commissioner for media relations, said the conference still is trying to figure out if the law will apply to college athletics.

"Right now there's so much haziness as to how it would pertain to us," Bloom said. "It wasn't meant to affect college sports. We'll wait and see and if it doesn't affect us, then all the colleges will go back to what they've been doing in the past."

Some colleges aren't waiting for the law, Franchione's policy aside. Texas won't report on the status of its No. 1 receiver Roy Williams, who appeared to injure his hamstring last week against North Carolina. The university won't discuss his injury and it won't make Williams available to talk about it.

In Florida's win over Tennessee last week, the Gators wouldn't provide injury information about running back Earnest Graham or quarterback Rex Grossman to CBS' television crew.

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## MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

## A's top Seattle, clinch West

Associated Press

SEATTLE

The Oakland Athletics were all smiles, high-fives and handshakes on the infield grass at Safeco Field. Then it was party time inside the visitors clubhouse.

Miguel Tejada tied the game with a ninth-inning homer and Scott Hatteberg hit a two-out, two-run double in the 10th as Oakland beat the Seattle Mariners 5-3, clinching the American League West championship for the second time in three years.

"This group of guys is so family-like," Hatteberg said. "It makes it sweeter and it helps us. We are really excited."

Oakland, which had failed to hold eighth-inning leads against Seattle the previous two days, opens the AL playoffs at home Tuesday against Minnesota. The A's are a half-game behind the New York Yankees, who play Anaheim in the first round, for home-field advantage throughout the playoffs.

The A's wore their championship T-shirts over their uniforms and donned "2002 AL West champions" hats in a clubhouse celebration that lasted 40 minutes. David Justice danced for cameras, and manager Art Howe was doused several times with champagne, beer and Gatorade.

"We can kick back, enjoy it for a while and start to work hard again tomorrow," said

Billy Koch (11-4), who pitched two innings for the victory. "I don't know about any urgency, but we just wanted to get it done, win, and wrap up the West. It feels good to get it out of the way."

After Hatteberg's hit off Shigetoshi Hasegawa (8-3) put Oakland ahead 4-2, Tejada had a run-scoring single. Tejada, who went 4-for-5, had tied the score with a one-out solo homer in the ninth off Kazuhiro Sasaki, who blew a save for the eighth time in 45 chances.

"There weren't many guys hitting good against Sasaki," Tejada said. "I was happy I got a hit against him in that situation. The only thing I said was, 'I want to be on base.' ... I didn't think the ball would get out. I didn't think I hit it that hard."

Tejada has a .306 batting average, 201 hits, 32 homers and 127 RBI, making him a strong candidate to become the AL's Most Valuable Player.

"It topped off a fantastic year for him," Howe said. "What can I say? He played every single inning for us. Every time we needed him, he stepped up and came through. He just had a phenomenal season."

It was subdued in the Mariners clubhouse.

"We were hoping they would do their celebrating somewhere else," Seattle manager Lou Piniella said.

Seattle, which tied the major league record with 116 victories

last year before losing to the Yankees in the AL championship series, was eliminated from postseason contention about 15 minutes before the start of the game Thursday when Anaheim beat Texas 10-5.

"It wasn't as fun as it could have been," said Bret Boone, who hit his 24th homer in the fourth. "It was a longshot anyway. We kept that glimmer alive for a long time. Over the last 10 games, we showed a lot of character."

The A's would have clinched earlier in the day if Anaheim had lost at Texas.

"I don't think anybody wanted to back into it," Howe said. "Even if the Rangers had won today, we didn't back into anything. We had a great year and clinched it with a victory. We went out in style today. That was great."

There was little reaction from the fans at Safeco Field when the Angels' game ended. The mood carried over to the Mariners.

"It was kind of somber going into the game," reliever Jeff Nelson said. "Everybody had some hope. When we saw that score, it made things kind of meaningless."

Seattle went ahead in the fourth on consecutive homers, Boone's 24th and Mike Cameron's 25th. Boone favored his right foot as he rounded the bases, limping slightly because of a bruised right heel

## Angels grab wild card, avoid letdown

Associated Press

ARLINGTON, Texas

Now, the Anaheim Angels can celebrate.

After 16 years and a four-game losing streak that kept putting off the party, the Angels finally clinched a playoff berth with a 10-5 victory over the Texas Rangers.

"We would have taken it anyway, but to have an opportunity to get to do this right here, it's pretty special," said center fielder Darin Erstad, who was doused in champagne and beer just like everyone else in the Anaheim clubhouse.

Since their last postseason appearance in 1986, the closest the Angels got to the playoffs was when they finished a game behind Seattle in 1995, when Garrett Anderson and Troy Percival were rookies.

"I had a glimpse of it my first year, but that has been a sour note in my career until now," Anderson said. "I was so close, then the last six or seven years I got a rude awakening of how hard it is to really get to the postseason. I'm enjoying this."

With the score 2-2 in the fifth, outfielder Tim Salmon hit a run-scoring infield sin-

gle and Anderson added a three-run homer off Colby Lewis (1-3).

Salmon and Scott Spiezio each hit a two-run homer in the seventh.

Rookie John Lackey (9-4) allowed three runs and seven hits in five-plus innings. He left after giving up consecutive singles to start the sixth.

Anaheim, which eliminated Seattle with the victory, will open the postseason as the AL wild card Tuesday in New York against the Yankees. Oakland and Minnesota have also clinched AL playoff berths.

The Angels, who had lost four in a row and seven of nine, clinched on the road for the first time. The team also went to the playoffs in 1979 and 1982 but has never won a postseason series.

While Anaheim struggled the past week, the Mariners remained in contention with consecutive come-from-behind victories over the A's.

"It's been a long grind. It's been emotionally draining and physically draining," Angels manager Mike Scioscia said. "We got over that little rough spot of maybe guys were trying to bull themselves through that last game to get at least to the playoffs."

## Expos may move to Portland

Associated Press

PORTLAND, Ore.

For six years, Lynn Lashbrook has been on a crusade to bring major league baseball to Oregon. In the Montreal Expos, he sees his best chance yet.

"Nobody really believes it can happen," Lashbrook said. "But you and I both know the Expos have to go somewhere."

Major league baseball, which operates the Expos on behalf of

the other 29 teams, isn't sure whether the team will remain in Montreal after this season.

A move is an option, with Washington, D.C., the leading candidate. Charlotte, N.C.; Las Vegas; and Portland also are possibilities, and an investor group said this week it wants to buy the franchise and move it to Puerto Rico.

"I'm embarrassed that we're bigger than Kansas City and we don't have a major league

team," said Lashbrook, president of the Oregon Baseball Campaign, which hopes to bring the Expos to the City of Roses.

Commissioner Bud Selig said back in January that Washington was a "prime candidate," for relocation. But Baltimore Orioles owner Peter Angelos doesn't want another team in his area. Expos president Tony Tavares doesn't know where the team will wind up.

"It's a very difficult situation to be in," he said. "To be the leader of a group of people who every day want to know what the future holds for them."

John McHale, executive vice president of administration in the commissioner's office, is studying the alternatives for Selig and his staff.

"The season isn't over yet," McHale said. "There's no particular immediacy to this."

The Portland Oregon Sports Authority has already submitted a proposal to major league baseball and is poised to do whatever necessary to formally bid for the Expos. That includes playing host to them temporarily to demonstrate that Portland can support a team.

"They need to answer first that philosophical question whether it's best for the Expos to exist in Montreal — or flourish somewhere like Portland," said Drew Mahalic, chief executive officer of the sports authority.

Portland supporters cite the availability of an interim stadium, PGE Park, the commuter-friendly downtown home of the Class AAA Portland Beavers. The ballpark seats more than 25,000 and features 38 luxury boxes.

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NFL

# Moss apologizes, snubs cop

Associated Press

EDEN PRAIRIE, Minn. Minnesota Vikings receiver Randy Moss apologized to his team, family and friends Thursday — but not to the woman he's accused of pushing with his car while trying to make a turn.

Moss spent a night in jail after the Tuesday night episode, which resulted in two misdemeanors but no felony charges. Moss will start Sunday's game against Seattle, and his agent said the team will fine him, although the amount hasn't yet been determined.

"I'm sorry for what I've caused and what I brought on everyone who really cares about me or this team," Moss said during a news conference. "I am human. I am a man. I do take care of my responsibilities, and I stand up for my actions."

Moss, however, made no direct mention of Amy Zaccardi, the 27-year-old traffic control officer who police say stepped in front of Moss' car to stop him from making an illegal turn. Police say the 25-year-old Moss slowly pushed her along the street, stopping when she fell off the car.

Zaccardi, who's a city employee but not a police officer, was not seriously hurt.

"I don't know if trouble is out to find me," Moss said. "But I'm certainly not out to find trouble."

Moss took no questions at a

news conference, but later, in an interview with ESPN, insisted he did nothing wrong.

"By the time the woman told me to turn back into the lane that I turned in, it was too late," Moss said. "The woman had me confused as to what I was supposed to do. There was no conversation. ... All I know is the cuffs are slammed on me, and I'm in the back of the cruiser."

Moss said the arrest was especially unfortunate considering all the attention he's received for being a team leader early in the season.

"I'm trying to be there, trying to change, trying to change for the best," he said. Moss practiced Thursday and looked more relaxed, smiling and joking with teammates as well as Tice.

"I thought he seemed very sincere in his apology, and I think everyone accepted that and is ready to have him back on this team," linebacker Greg Biekert said. "He felt bad about what happened and was willing to come to us and say that. I think it takes a lot for a guy to do that."

Moss whistled as he walked out of jail Wednesday. He was charged with careless driving and failure to obey a traffic officer. He faces a maximum penalty of 90 days in jail and a \$1,000 fine on each charge. He will be arraigned Oct. 2.

Police also said they found a marijuana cigarette in Moss' car, an amount that would qual-

ify as a petty misdemeanor, with a fine of up to \$200. But no drug charge has been filed. Moss' agent, Dante DiTrapano, and his attorney, Joe Friedberg, have said that the marijuana did not belong to Moss.

Moss didn't directly say who the marijuana belonged to, but repeated that others had the use of his car. He said the NFL does not allow the use of marijuana and he tries his best to stay within the rules.

Friedberg said Moss has five cars and four other people had driven his Lexus recently. The attorney said they planned to fight the traffic charges.

Despite the arrest, Coach Mike Tice said Moss will still start for the 0-3 Vikings on Sunday against the Seattle Seahawks. But he said Moss would be disciplined for missing Wednesday morning's practice. Tice didn't specify what punishment would entail.

DiTrapano said that the team would fine Moss, with the amount yet to be determined.

League and team sources told ESPN.com's Len Pasquarelli on Wednesday that the amount of fines will total about \$50,000.

"I know they had to discipline me, for what reason I don't know," Moss said.

Under NFL rules, Moss will undergo mandatory "evaluation" because he was charged. Any disciplinary action would follow a conviction or guilty plea.

NFL

# Griese sprains ankle tripping over dog

Associated Press

DENVER

Denver Broncos quarterback Brian Griese was limping on a sprained left ankle, the result of being tripped by his dog on some stairs at his home Wednesday night.

Griese's availability for Monday night's game in Baltimore was uncertain.

He was listed as probable on the team's injury report, but he said his ankle was sore and still somewhat swollen.

Head coach Mike Shanahan said the injury was severe enough that X-rays were taken to be sure there was no fracture. Griese did not participate in Thursday's practice, the first of two major workouts this week.

"I was walking down the stairs and my dog came barreling down the stairs after me and clipped me, and I kind of twisted my ankle on the stairs," Griese said. "These things happen. Unfortunately, it happened to me."

"I'm getting treatment. I'm going to ice it and hope the swelling goes down."

Asked about his status for Monday night, Griese said, "I'm expecting to play right

now."

If Griese can't go, veteran Steve Beuerlein would take his place.

Shanahan said the undefeated Broncos should know more about the severity of the injury in the next few days.

"With a sprained ankle, I don't think you really know," he said. "Sometimes it's two weeks, other times you can come back in a day or two. I'm not exactly sure how serious it is, but it's bad enough that he's not going to practice [Thursday]."

"It's one of those things you deal with."

Asked his reaction when Griese gave him the news, Shanahan said, "I said, 'Oh, no.' I thought, 'What's going to start from here, rumors and speculation of what happened? Did he really trip over the dog?' That's what I was thinking."

On May 5, Griese tripped on a steep driveway at teammate Terrell Davis' house and was knocked unconscious, bruising his face. The injury fueled speculation Griese was intoxicated.

Tight end Shannon Sharpe expressed disbelief when informed of Griese's version of his latest injury.

"Are you jiving?" he said. "I know you're all joking."

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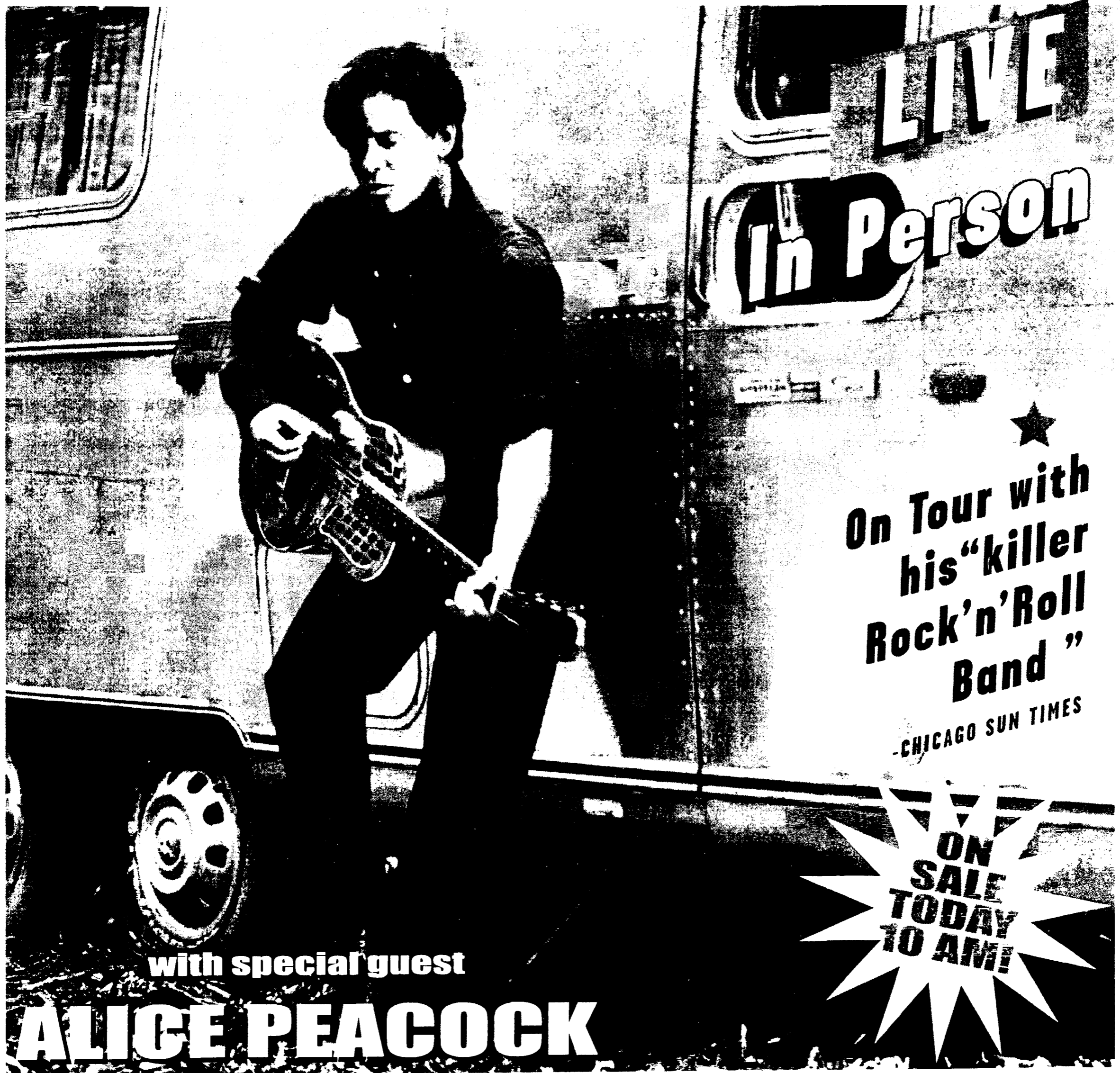


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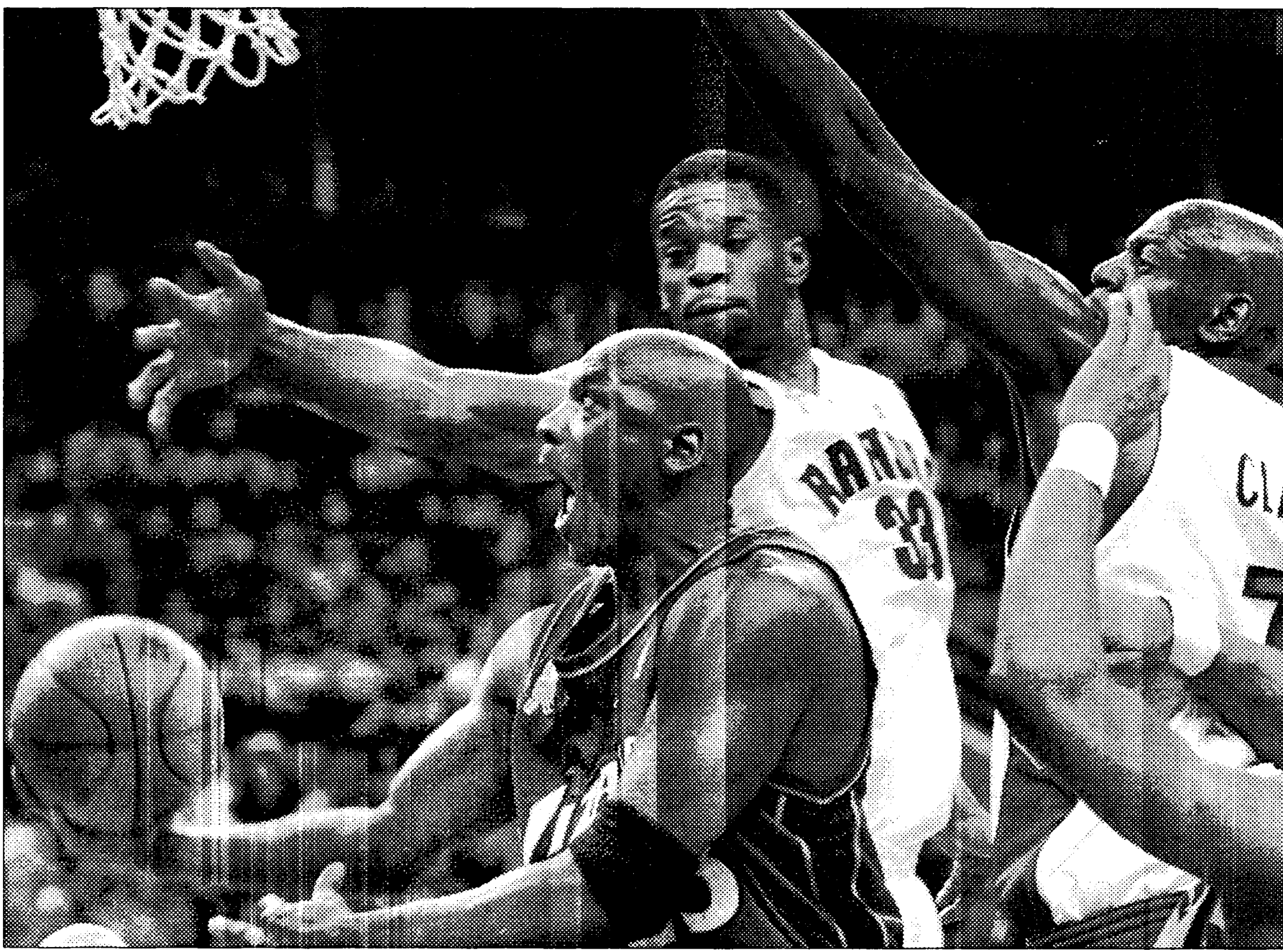
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## NBA



Washington Wizards forward Michael Jordan drives to the hoop past Toronto Raptors forwards Antonio Davis and Keon Clark during a Mar. 24, 2002 game in Toronto. Jordan just announced that he will return for another season.

## Eye on Irish Opponents

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Northwestern (2-2) at MICHIGAN STATE (2-2)

STANFORD (1-1) at Arizona State (3-1)

Toledo (3-1) at PITTSBURGH (3-1)

AIR FORCE (3-0) at BOSTON COLLEGE (2-2)

Central Michigan (3-1) at Utah (2-1)

Duke (1-3) at NAVY (1-2)

RUTGERS (1-3) at Tennessee (2-1)

Oregon State (4-0) at USC (2-1)

## Citing love of game, Jordan will return

WASHINGTON Michael Jordan, satisfied that his knees can take the punishment, announced that he will play another season with the Washington Wizards.

"My love for the game of basketball continues to drive my decision," Jordan said in a statement released by the Wizards. "Physically I am feeling very strong, and feel that the steps I took in the off-season have allowed me to return to the game in great condition."

The announcement lacked the drama and magnitude of Jordan's announcement a year ago, when he ended a 3 1/2-

year retirement by resigning from the Wizards' front office so he could resume his playing career.

Although Jordan has come out of retirement twice before, he has indicated that this would be his last season. At the All-Star game in Philadelphia this year, he answered with a definite "no" when asked if would play more than two seasons with the Wizards.

Jordan is returning as a projected backup. Coach Doug Collins said he has spoke to Jordan about using him as a sixth man at shooting guard, and he's said he doesn't want to use Jordan at small forward

because of the physical demands of playing against better defenders.

With Jordan, however, such plans are never a certainty. Last season, whenever Collins, trainers or even Jordan himself tried to put limits his playing time, his competitive juices would get the better of him. He exceeded his projected minutes almost every night.

However, the lineup and Jordan's age — he'll turn 40 in February — suggest the bench is where Jordan belongs at the start of the game. The Wizards have had a busy offseason, acquiring point guard Larry Hughes, shooting

guard Jerry Stackhouse and small forward Bryon Russell to start on the perimeter.

"No decisions have been made as to my exact role on the team," Jordan said in the statement, "but I expect that coach Collins will make those assessments next week in training camp."

Jordan signed a two-year contract when he unretired for the second time a year ago, but he had worked so hard getting back in shape that his knees weren't ready for the rigors of a full NBA season. He played 60 of 82 games and started 53 while trying to hide the discomfort he felt.

## around the dial

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Ryder Cup 8 a.m., USA

### BASEBALL

Pirates at Cubs 3 p.m., WGN

Braves at Mets 5 p.m., TBS

### SATURDAY GOLF

Ryder Cup 8 a.m., NBC

### COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Iowa at Penn State noon, ESPN

UCLA at San Diego State 2 p.m., ESPN2

Michigan at Illinois 3:30 p.m., ABC

Kentucky at Florida 3:30 p.m., CBS

Minnesota at Purdue 6 p.m., ESPN2

South Florida at Oklahoma 7 p.m., TBS

Alabama at Arkansas 7:45 p.m., ESPN

### SUNDAY NFL

Browns at Steelers 1 p.m., CBS

Saints at Lions 1 p.m., FOX

Patriots at Chargers 4:15 p.m., CBS

Vikings at Seahawks 8:30 p.m., ESPN

### GOLF

Ryder Cup 7 a.m., NBC

## IN BRIEF

### Brewers' Hernandez on verge of strikeout record

On the brink of tying the major league record for strikeouts in a season, Milwaukee's Jose Hernandez was held out of the starting lineup Thursday night and he might not play the rest of the year.

Brewers manager Jerry Royster kept Hernandez out of the lineup against the St. Louis Cardinals, saying all the media attention surrounding the dubious record "is kind of making a mockery of it."

Hernandez has struck out 188 times this season, one shy of the mark set by Bobby Bonds in 1970.

Royster said he had not decided whether Hernandez would bat at all in Milwaukee's final series of the season, a four-game set in St. Louis. The manager said his shortstop "won't be laughed at."

"To be honest with you, I don't care if he played another game," Royster said. "I can tell you one

thing — there's no need for him to play. I don't have a plan to sit him the rest of the season, and I don't have plans to play him. If we need him, he will play."

Royster planned to talk to his coaches to get their opinions about whether Hernandez should play. If he does, Royster said it might be Saturday.

Hernandez made the NL All-Star team in July. He said all the talk about the record, while frustrating, means little to him.

"I don't even think about that stuff," he said. "I don't think I've got to show anybody anything. I'm having a great season."

Hernandez leads all NL shortstops with 24 home runs and is batting .288 with 73 RBIs. He is hitting .448 when he makes contact.

### NCAA graduation rates reach 60 percent

The graduation rate for Division I student-athletes has reached 60

percent for the first time since the NCAA began tracking the figures 18 years ago, according to a survey.

Male athletes are graduating at a rate of 54 percent, up 3 percentage points from a year ago, while the rate for female athletes remained at 69 percent.

The NCAA's survey covered on-scholarship athletes who entered college in 1995 and graduated within six years. The graduation rate among athletes remained 2 percentage points higher than the rate for the general student population.

Among black male athletes in Division I, the graduation rate was 43 percent, and 60 percent for black females.

Only 36 percent of male basketball players graduated, however, and the rate for black basketball players was 28 percent. The rate for white male basketball players was 51 percent.



**WOMENS INTERHALL**

# McGlinn offense to face challenge

By **ROB MILLS**  
Sports Writer

McGlinn captain Julie Kremer is worried about the Lyons defense this weekend, and rightfully so. The Lyons defense has played superbly the past few games, always making the big stops when they needed.

Despite her worries Kremer still expects a well-played game from both teams.

"It's going to be a good game," Kremer said. "You know the other team is preparing just as hard as you are and that you really can't take anything for granted."

Over the past week, Kremer and offensive coach Grant Kreizenbeck have worked on improving receiver routes and quarterback vision. The Shamrocks are hoping to use the passing game frequently.

Like McGlinn, Lyons plans to rely primarily on its passing game and with the rise of freshman receiver Holly Law, McGlinn may come to find that it isn't only the Lyons defense to be worried about.

Both teams have recruited a number of first year players to increase team size, but although the McGlinn defense becomes stronger and more aggressive each game, inexperience may come into play.

Lyons captain Sarah Jenkins agreed with Kremer that the team's biggest strength is in its defense, but also mentioned that the Shamrocks should expect a strong showing from

their offense this week as well.

The past few games, the Lyons offense has had its share of problems, but after a week of work, it is starting to show some progress, Jenkins said.

Jenkins said her team was looking for a big win this weekend. With a 1-1-1 record Jenkins and the rest of the Lyons need a few good wins to carry them into the playoffs.

**Howard vs. Pangborn**

Pangborn may not have a coach this weekend, but they will not be without a leader. Pangborn quarterback Charlotte Troupis, says that although their biggest concern is heading into the game without a coach, there will be plenty of talent to rally the team together.

Troupis says no single athlete causes their success and that the strong team effort drives the Phoxes to succeed.

However, Troupis is impressed with the play of April Flores, one of Pangborn's leading receivers. Flores is an integral part of Pangborn's strategic aerial attack. Troupis also praised the efforts of upcoming freshmen Amy Matte and Aliya Riddle.

Most of Pangborn's work in practice this week has been focused on knowing individual roles, player responsibilities and becoming more serious and focused for the upcoming game.

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**MENS INTERHALL**

# St. Ed's starts season late, ready to get victory

By **LISA REIJULA**  
Sports Writer

It makes sense that a team that would win a game last year would get an extra week to prepare for this season. St. Edward's interhall football team, 0-4 in 2001, is the only Blue League team that has yet to play.

St. Edward's faces Sorin Sunday at 1:00 p.m. at Riehle Fields. The Otters squeaked out a 6-3 win over the Juggs of Knott in their season opener.

Senior quarterback and kicker Greg Carney made two field goals in the win. The legitimacy of the second was controversial, and the Otters look to avoid a situation like that Sunday.

"We need to put points on the board besides field goals,"

senior wide receiver Dave Knesek said. "We need our offense to be more efficient. We were a little rusty against Knott."

The Sorin defense looked solid against Knott, only allowing one field goal. They will look to shut down St. Ed's, a team the Otters defeated last season.

"Our chances are pretty good against them," said Knesek. "We feel positive about our ability to get a win."

St. Edward's team is also feeling good about the upcoming game. The defense will feature a few new wrinkles. The Steds plan to employ a 5-2 formation, which they did not use last season. Sophomore quarterback Dan Tarsha returns to lead the offense.

"This year's practices have been a lot more intense with a

lot more participation," Tarsha said. "We are together as a team and hopefully will work as a unit to win games."

Lineman Nick Stober is considered a player to watch for St. Ed's, along with freshman tailback Joe Blatt and fullback Mike Bartowitz. Senior Jim Kleckner is also expected to contribute.

Tarsha considers his team to be similar in style to Sorin in that both are prone to turnovers, but also capable of big plays.

"We don't want to be overconfident," Tarsha said. "This will be a building year for us and hopefully we will be able to control the ball against Sorin."

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**GOLF**

# Ryder Cup set to begin

Associated Press

SUTTONCOLDFIELD, England — Separated on stage by the gold Ryder Cup trophy they desperately want to win, U.S. and European players paused to remember why they had to wait so long for the chance.

U.S. captain Curtis Strange began with a reminder of the

Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, the reason the matches were postponed for the first time since World War II.

"Every country represented here lost citizens that day," Strange said during the opening ceremony.

Strange urged players and fans not to forget why the Ryder Cup was started, recalling the vision of English seed merchant Samuel Ryder to stage a golf exhibition that would promote friendship and peace on both sides of the Atlantic.

"Guys," he said with a nod to each team, "let's make Samuel Ryder proud."

Three years after the Americans staged their great comeback in suburban Boston and riled the Europeans with a

chaotic celebration, the Ryder Cup finally returns to the golfing stage Friday at The Belfry, with Tiger Woods in the first group. 1

No one questions that the matches should have been postponed a year. No one doubts that the intensity will be just as strong. Everyone figures it will be close.

In the last seven Ryder Cups, each team has won 98 total points.

"It's a two-horse race, and we have a super chance," Colin Montgomerie said. "It's very, very close — one of the closest competitions in sports. That's why it gets your attention."

Woods has conquered every domain in golf except the Ryder Cup, where he has a 3-6-1 record in his matches.

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ND WOMENS TENNIS

# Irish to sweat out tough schedule in Atlanta

By MARK ZAVODNYIK  
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame womens tennis team hopes for some sweet southern hospitality as they travel to Atlanta for the adidas Classic this weekend.

The adidas Classic provides the Irish with an early opportunity to measure themselves against the country's very best. Florida, Duke, Tennessee and Northwestern were all ranked among the nation's top 15 teams last year.

"It'll be good to see how we do against them," Irish coach Jay Louderback said. "All of our players compete really well."

The Irish are excited for the challenge of facing top national teams.

"It's good for us to play against the best teams," Louderback said. "It's the most important

tournament of this fall."

Despite the increased strength of competition, many of the Notre Dame tennis players have nothing to worry about. That's because the team has a large talented group of freshmen who are experiencing college tennis for the first time.

"We have so many freshmen, they have nothing to lose, they have nothing to expect," junior Caylan Leslie said.

The Irish are coming off a great performance at last weekend's season opening

Prince Cup Invitational. The Irish were led by junior Alicia Salas who battled her way to the finals of the singles bracket. Also, the Irish received strong performances from their five freshmen — Lauren Connelly, Liz Donohue, Kelly Nelson, Jennifer Smith and Kristina Stastny.

The Irish hope to get another stellar performance from Salas,

the team's No. 1 singles player. Salas will be facing the best players from the other schools and has a chance to knock off some top-ranked players.

"This is a great weekend for Salas," said Louderback. "She will play a lot of people who are ranked ahead of her."

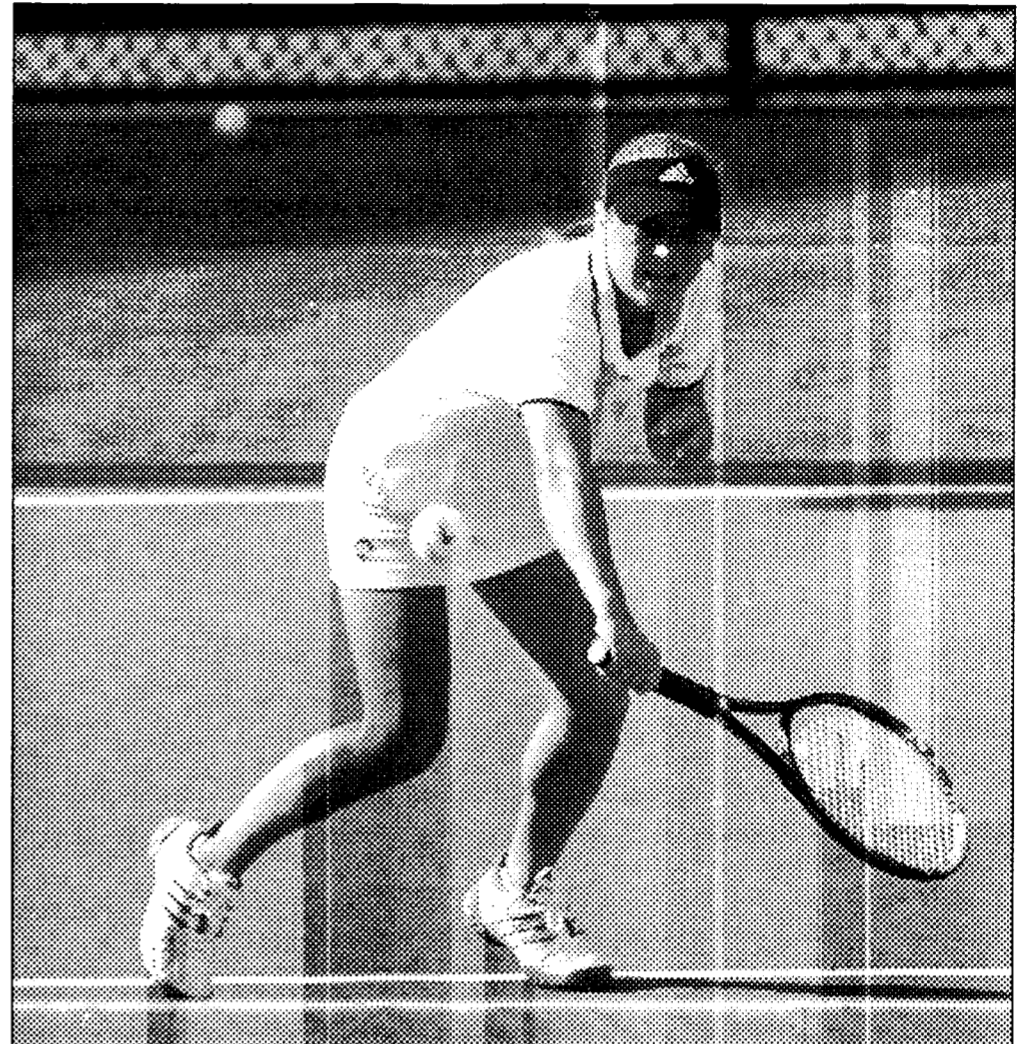
Louderback is confident Salas will use last weekend's performance as a springboard to play well against the top-flight competition.

"She has a chance. She can hang in with any of them," said Louderback. "I want to see how she reacts."

Salas' teammates are impressed by her early season success.

"Alicia is amazing," said Leslie. "She is a tough girl, tough competitor."

The adidas Classic will be setup with "A" and "B" flights, with the better players in the "A" flight, for both singles and doubles.



TIM KACMAR/The Observer

An Irish player serves in a match last season. Notre Dame faces some tough competition in the adidas Challenge this weekend.

*"It's good for us to compete against the best teams."*

**Jay Louderback**  
Irish coach

## Volleyball

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St. John's averages 14 kills, 11.3 digs, and 1.7 blocks per game.

Connecticut qualified for the 2001 Big East tournament with a fourth-place regular season finish. The Irish defeated the Huskies in the semifinals of the postseason tournament.

The Huskies are struggling, having lost their last four matches. Despite the poor start to its season, Connecticut presents Notre Dame's offense with some problems.

"Traditionally, UConn has been a strong team in the Big East," Brown said. "I think one of the things they do well is that they are a good defensive team. They average 18 digs a game, which is good. The challenge for us is that we don't get frustrated getting dug and make shots that cause us to have unforced errors."

Notre Dame plays Connecticut Friday at 7 p.m. and St. John's at 2 p.m. Sunday. Both matches are at the Joyce Center.

**Notes:**

♦ The Irish have never lost a Big East conference match at the Joyce Center. Their home conference-winning streak is currently at 43 matches. Also, the Irish currently have a 29-

match overall home winning streak, the longest in school history.

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WOMENS INTERHALL

# Babes put up 20 points in 2nd half for win

By ERIK POWERS, JUSTIN SHUVER and HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN  
Sports Writers

Breen-Phillips defeated Walsh 20-0 on Thursday night, but the game was far from a blowout. In a game that was the tale of two halves, the Babes scored 20 unanswered points in the second half to emerge with the victory.

During a scoreless first half, Walsh outplayed Breen-Phillips but was unable to reach the end zone. The Wild Women kept the Babes off-balance with unorthodox play calling on offense, controlling the clock with a creative series of options, reverses, and quarterback draws.

BP played clutch defense, however, ending one Walsh series with an interception and thwarting another drive with aggressive goal-line defense. The Babes caused the Wild Women to turn the ball over on downs on the BP three-yard line with 36 seconds left in the half.

The Wild Women used a wicked pass rush in the first half to sack Babe quarterback Atasha Potter once and intercept two passes.

In the second half, Walsh stuck with similar offensive play calling but scrapped its blitzing, physical man-to-man coverage for a conservative Cover 2 defense.

BP responded by loading up on the run, holding Walsh to 28 yards rushing in the second half. The Babes also limited the Wild Women to 10 yards passing in the final half. BP defend-

ers Jen Aguirre and Kelly Deckleman each had an interception.

On offense, Potter stood tall in the pocket and used her quick release to spread the ball around the field. Walsh sacked her once in the second half, but Totter eluded the weakened rush consistently.

Totter was 8-for-12 for 110 yards with two touchdowns in the second half and finished 15-for-26 for 190 yards with three touchdowns and two interceptions. In the second half,

Totter rolled out to the right and threw a 31-yard bomb to Kelly Deckleman, who split two defenders and scored a touchdown.

"Walsh did a good job on defense, especially in the first half," said Deckleman, who finished with two touchdown catches and an interception. "Luckily, we came out strong in the second half, like we usually do, to pull it out. I have to give credit to Walsh."

Lauren Ohlenforest caught the other touchdown pass from Totter. Kelly Landers, playing with a torn rotator cuff, caught a two-point conversion pass on the game's final play.

**Welsh 20, Pasquerilla West 7**

The Whirlwinds might have taken a page from Tyrone Willingham's playbook as three different players threw touchdown passes in Welsh Family's 20-7 win over Pasquerilla West

in Gold League womens inter-hall football action Thursday night.

The Whirlwinds (3-1) got the scoring going with their own version of the Holiday-to-Battle-to-Holiday pass the Irish used against Michigan State.

Starting quarterback Lauren Hoeck pitched the ball right to running back Vanessa Lichon, who found Hoeck open in the end zone for a 14-yard touchdown pass.

Lichon not only scored the touchdown, but also set it up with an interception of Purple Weasels quarterback

Leslie Schmidt at the PW 31-yard line on the previous play.

The Whirlwinds added to their advantage just before halftime. This time, the play was remarkably similar to Dillingham-to-Battle.

From the PW 31-yard line, Hoeck completed a short pass to wide receiver Sarah Skrabacz, who juke and wiggled her way around the Purple Weasels' defense to the end zone.

Back-up quarterback Melissa Sands continued the Whirlwinds' potent pass offense, completing all three of her passes in the second half for 37 yards, including a 9-yard touchdown to wide receiver Mary Murphy.

The Purple Weasels (1-2) got on the scoreboard with less than two minutes left in the game, when Schmidt completed a 39-yard touchdown pass to

wide receiver Heather Van Hoegarden. The conversion pass to Van Hoegarden was also successful, making the final score 20-7.

"It felt good [to score] because we never gave up," Schmidt said. "We know Welsh is a good team. We got off to a slow start, but picked up momentum in the second half. We'll be ready for the next game."

Whirlwinds co-captain Murphy explained the reason for her team's quarterback switch.

"We just have two different quarterbacks," she said. "They're both pretty solid players and it's good to throw [our opponents] off a little bit."

Following a previous loss to Breen-Phillips, Murphy said that the team really needed a good win to get back on track.

"It's a pretty good win for us," she said. "We really picked it up and came together as a team."

**Badin 19, Farley 0**

It only took Farley's defense two plays to realize what they were up against in Badin's offense. After referring to Badin (2-1) as a "small dorm," Farley saw Badin wide receiver Steph Heath take an out pattern 60 yards and start the Bullfrogs on its way to a 19-0 victory.

Bullfrog quarterback Erin Zachry threw for 160 yards and three touchdowns. Zachry did not take the credit for her team's victory.

"Our receivers ran crisp routes, and the line did a great job blocking," she said.

Despite the team-first attitude, Zachry picked apart the Farley secondary, scrambling

and firing to open receivers all over the field. Farley tried to blitz to slow down Zachry, but all of their efforts came up empty.

On defense, the Bullfrogs were led by Jen Carter's three interceptions. Carter, the former varsity soccer player, is playing interhall football for the first time as a junior. This year, Carter has been more than a welcome addition to the Bullfrogs, as she has emerged as a defensive leader already.

"Jen is extremely helpful to our team," Zachry said. "She adds a lot of athleticism to our defense."

Meanwhile, the Finest look to regroup after their third straight loss. In the post-game huddle, the team was upbeat, looking forward to their next game, in hopes of a victory. Quarterback Katie Popik, a freshman, struggled to run an option-like offense against a more experienced and skilled defense.

However, Popik had a positive outlook about the game, and the future of the Finest this season.

"Everything was clicking," she said. "We moved the ball up the field, but we just couldn't get it in the end zone. We will be fine."

Zachry meanwhile walked out with a smile on her face.

"I had a lot of time to throw because of the offensive line tonight, and our receivers just caught the ball," she said.

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## MENS INTERHALL GOLD LEAGUE

## Dillon off to slow start, hopes to rebound

By JUSTIN SHUVER, ERIK POWERS AND TREY WILLIAMS  
Sports Writers

Early in the 2002 season, Stanford and Dillon look like the interhall football version of the Prince and the Pauper.

Dillon (0-1) was last year's interhall champion, amassing a 7-0 record along the way. This year, its one game has been a 14-0 loss to Alumni.

Stanford (1-0) was 0-4 a year ago and has already improved upon its 2001 record with a 14-6 win over Keenan.

One team is anxious to turn it around, the other is anxious to keep the good times rolling.

"This year, we just have 24 guys who love to play football," Griffins captain Adam Oyster said. "Last year we just never came together. This year we're just going out and having fun."

Oyster credited the turnaround to several key players, including freshman wide receiver Colin Walsh, freshman quarterback Rich Whitney and veteran tailback Mark McNamee.

"There's probably about four or five seniors [besides the newcomers] as well who didn't play last year. That's helped us out a lot," Oyster said.

After winning the interhall championship last year, Dillon had not experienced a loss since 2000.

"I wouldn't say [we were] disappointed [with the loss]," Big Red captain Patrick Esper said.

"You take it with a grain of salt. We look at it as a learning experience."

Esper thinks his team's struggles early on have given the team a renewed focus.

"This could be the best thing that could happen to us, how we respond to this loss, because we didn't have one last year," he said.

Mark Zeph, a junior on the squad for the first time, has taken over quarterback duties for the Big Red and has done a solid job.

"I've been really surprised with our quarterback," Esper said. "Our freshmen as a group have performed beyond expectations as well."

Both teams realize that it's a new season, and that the records from last year have little relevance now.

"They still look like a pretty good squad so it should be a good game," Oyster said.

"After last week's game we're looking for a big improvement this week," said Esper. "We want to take it one game at a time and put ourselves in position to get back to the playoffs and have a chance to defend our championship."

**Morrissey vs. Keough**

The season is only one week old, but Sunday's game between Keough and Morrissey is already a pivotal game for both teams.

Keough (1-0) defeated O'Neill last weekend and knows games against perennial powerhouses Alumni and Dillon loom on the

horizon.

"We have three games left," Keough captain Andy Hess said. "We need to win one more, maybe two in order to get into the playoffs. So it's really kind of a must-win situation."

The Kangaroos pride themselves on their defense. Keough concentrated on a strong pass rush versus O'Neill, often leaving its defensive backs in man-to-man coverage.

On offense, quarterback Hess will look to connect frequently with receiver Brian Adams before handing off to running backs James Waechter or fullback Dan Degnen.

"We've had success on the ground versus O'Neill. We've been a little off with passing, but that's just how it is early in the season," Hess said. "We'd like the pass to be more productive to open up the run."

Morrissey takes the field for the first time on Sunday. The Manorites hope an extra week of preparation and conditioning will work to their advantage. If anything, the bye week has added a bit of mystery to the perception of Morrissey.

"I'm not quite sure how good Morrissey is this year, but we'll find out on Sunday," said Hess.

The game will be a baptism by fire for the Morrissey's untested offense. The passing game will be carried by quarterback Rick Ysasi and receivers John Mulligan and Greg Bright. The Morrissey running game hinges on the debut of freshman Nick Kline. The pressure will be on

Kline and fullback John Caver to establish a balanced ground attack.

"We hope to mix it up pretty well," Caver said. "Fifty percent passing and 50 percent running."

Morrissey has lost to Keough the last two years, yet remains confident they can win a drawn-out battle with the Kangaroos. The Manorites believe that they can win if they stop the long plays and force Keough to drive against them. But victory is not Morrissey's only goal.

"We want to come out and hit people and, regardless of the outcome, have them hurting the next day," Caver said.

**Alumni vs. O'Neill**

Alumni will stroll onto Stepan field this Sunday to take on O'Neill (0-1) with the realization they are an all-around better team than the Dawgs of a year ago. Already, they shut out defending champion Dillon last week.

This kind of accomplishment might give any team a big ego, but Alumni (1-0) is not quite ready to assert itself as the best just yet.

"There are a lot of new dorms on the rise, including ourselves," Alumni co-captain Billy Siegfried said. "This weekend, we take on O'Neill and that's where our focus is going to be at this point. Then we'll see where the rest of the season takes us."

O'Neill (0-1) comes into Sunday's match up with a little less pride and a lot more to

prove after they suffered a disappointing 14-7 loss at the hands of west quad rival Keough.

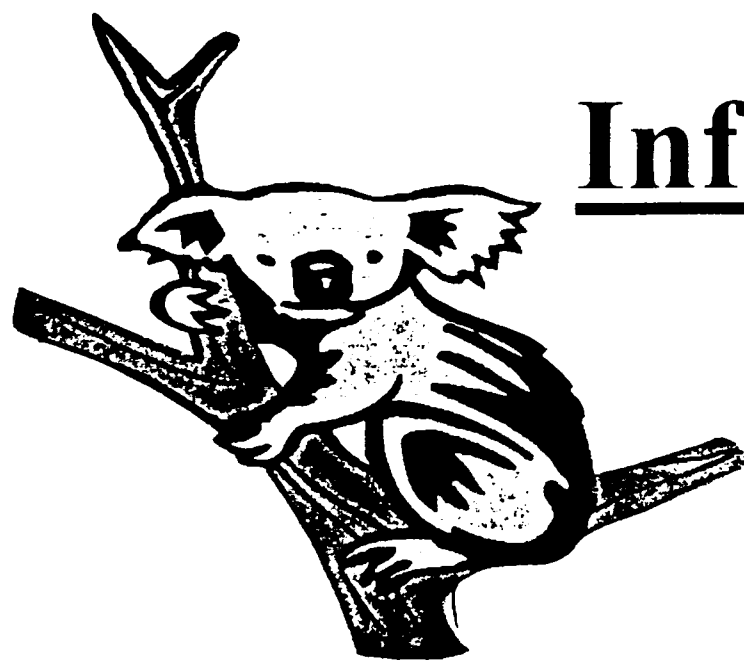
"I think it was our lack of real game experience that hurt us," O'Neill captain Jesse Norman said. "This time around we really haven't tried to incorporate anything new. We're just going to try to do what we did in the second half [of the Keough game] and see how we match up."

Norman's strategy may have some bearing in this weekend's bout with the Dawgs. Alumni's defense shut down Dillon's offense, which is built primarily on rushing, but the defense's overall strength will be tested when facing O'Neill's strong passing game led by quarterback Troy Montgomery.

"We have a very versatile defense," Siegfried said of his team's chances against the Angry Mob. "The talent that we have enables us to switch up and defend against a running defense or a passing defense."

With neither team able to tell who the true powerhouses are this season, there is a mutual feeling this is anybody's game. O'Neill can't afford to go 0-2 while Alumni would be well on its way to the playoffs with a second win.

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# BCS

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exempt and under the original date, it probably qualified under that vein. But once the proposal to move it came about, we thought that changed it to a regular season game."

Notre Dame points to the fact that Maryland, already scheduled to play the NCAA-maximum 12 games, had to file a petition to add a 13th game because the date change would move the game inside the regular-season window. After Maryland's successful petition, Notre Dame simply assumed the game would count as a regular season game.

An NCAA spokeswoman said how the BCS selects teams is governed solely by the BCS committee, composed of the conference commissioners of

the ACC, the Big 10, the Big 12, the Big East, the Pac-10, the SEC and Notre Dame athletic director Kevin White.

The Irish could possibly respond by petitioning the BCS committee to count the game as non-exempt. A BCS official said this is the first time the exemption status of a game is in doubt and there is no formal appeals process. Right now, the BCS considers the Kickoff Classic exempt.

Another option the Irish have would be to add another game to their schedule, either on the Nov. 16 open date or Dec. 7. Heisler said the possibility of the Irish adding another game remains extremely low.

"I don't believe we would be trying to add a game at this juncture," he said, adding that the Irish haven't decided what they plan to do.

If the Kickoff Classic counts as a non-exempt game, the Irish would need to finish the

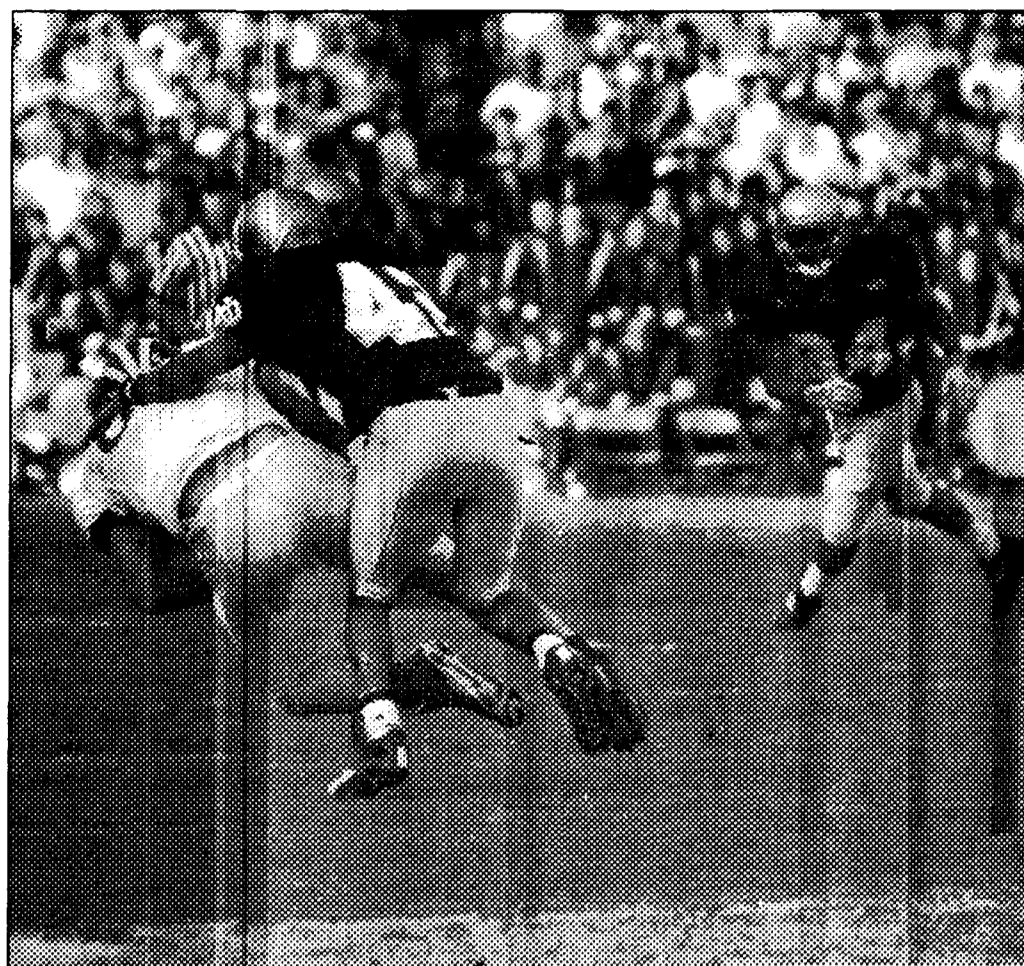
season 10-2 in order to be considered eligible for one of college football's four major bowls. Even if the game is counted toward the win total and the Irish finish 9-3, it is doubtful they would appear in a BCS bowl. No team with three losses has ever been selected for a BCS bowl.

"I don't think there is any question, I think the NCAA determines what's exempt and non-exempt," Heisler said. "[Based on the rule], the game is non-exempt."

Notre Dame coach Tyrone Willingham brushed off the issue when he was asked about it Tuesday at a press conference.

"Right now what this football team has to do is leave all of the details to others and let us focus on playing one game at a time," he said.

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Irish cornerback Shane Walton tackles a Michigan ball carrier. Notre Dame is 4-0 on the season, but only 3-0 in BCS standings.

## ND WOMENS GOLF

# Irish hope for home cookin'

By ANDY TROEGER  
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame womens golf team hopes its home course advantage will result in victory at the this weekend's Notre Dame Invitational held at Warren Golf Course.

The Irish come into the tournament after finishing 10th at last week's Mary Fossum Invitational at Michigan State, but the team still has high expectations for this week.

"As long as everyone shoots somewhere in the 70s, we'll have a good shot to win,"

freshman Sarah Bassett said. "We're a deep team, everyone challenges each other in practice and we have good team chemistry."

Irish coach Debby King's lineup this week largely reflected the way her players finished at last week's tournament. Bassett and fellow freshman Lauren Gebauer were the low scorers for the Irish and will play the top two positions this weekend.

Juniors Rebecca Rogers and Shannon Byrne will be joined by two more freshmen, Katie Brophy and Lauren Barbir. All of the Irish golfers in the lineup competed last week except for Barbir, who will be seeing the first action of her collegiate career this weekend.

Notre Dame in general and Rogers in particular will be looking to duplicate the success

that the 2000 team had in the inaugural Notre Dame Invitational. Rogers opened the tournament with a two-under par 70 on her way to the individual championship. She also the Irish to a 30-stroke win over second-place Princeton.

Considering that every golf course is different, playing at home should be a significant asset for the Irish as they look to win their tournament for the second time in three years.

"Playing our home course is definitely an advantage," Bassett said. "The greens and bunkers are the toughest part of the course."

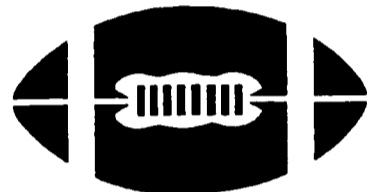
"We should be able to win if everyone is on their game," King added.

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ND WOMENS SOCCER

# Irish take to road against conference foes

By JOE LICANDRO  
Sports Writer

Sometimes winning is simply not enough. Just ask the Notre Dame womens soccer team.

Last weekend, the No. 9 Irish recorded two home victories against conference opponents Rutgers and Seton Hall, but winning those games does not tell the whole story.

After Sunday's game, Notre Dame coach Randy Waldrum was extremely upset with his team's effort on the field.

"Everybody's got to get on the same page and get a commitment level to what we're doing," Waldrum said. "Until we do that, every game is going to be like this. We've got a difficult schedule. These are the types of games we need to win by five or six."

The Irish (6-2, 2-0 in the Big East) begin the walk down the difficult part of their schedule this weekend when they play at Villanova (5-1-2, 1-1) on Friday and at Georgetown (7-3, 2-0) on Sunday. Both of these games will be important factors in determining the final standings of the Big East's Mid-Atlantic division.

In last Friday's match against Rutgers, the Irish needed some clutch saves by freshman goalkeeper Erika Bohn and an incredible goal by forward Amy Warner in the second overtime to finally put away the Scarlet Knights.

Sunday's performance against the Pirates was not much better. Even though Notre Dame outshot the Pirates 13-2, the Irish were lucky to escape with a 1-0 win. Had it not been for midfielder Randi Scheller stepping in front of Pirates forward Jo Ann Flanagan's wide-open shot from 10 feet in front of the goal, the game probably would have ended in a 1-1 tie.

"We played terrible," Irish captain Amy Warner said. "We need to improve in all aspects of the game. We need to be much quicker to the ball and play smarter. We are not as mentally tough as we need to be."

The lone bright spot for Notre Dame last weekend was the play of its defense. Despite playing without injured starters Vanessa Pruzinsky and Gudrun Gunnarsdottir, the Irish did not surrender any goals.

Mary Boland, who just converted to defense from midfield only two weeks ago, was named the Big East Defender of the Week. Bohn was named the Big East Goalie of the Week after recording the first two shutouts

of her career. Notre Dame is hoping their defense continues their top-notch play against this weekend.

"Everyone is starting to get more comfortable on defense," Chapman said. "We're starting to learn how to communicate a lot better on the field. We need to play well again this weekend."

After scoring five goals in the final 25 minutes against Maryland two weeks ago, the Irish offense fell flat last weekend scoring only two goals against two of the weakest defenses in the Big East.

"It's been really tough," Warner said. "We know we have the talent out there, but we just are not getting results. At this point, everything that could be said has been said."

"Now, it's just a question of us going out there and doing it on the field. Villanova and Georgetown are much tougher than last week's teams so we know we have to play better."

**Notes:**

◆ Notre Dame will again play without starting defenders Pruzinsky and Gunnarsdottir. Pruzinsky has appeared in only one game all season due to a severe knee injury. Gunnarsdottir has been sidelined with a stress fracture in her foot. She is expected to be back in two to three weeks. Kim Carpenter and Boland have replaced them in the starting lineup.

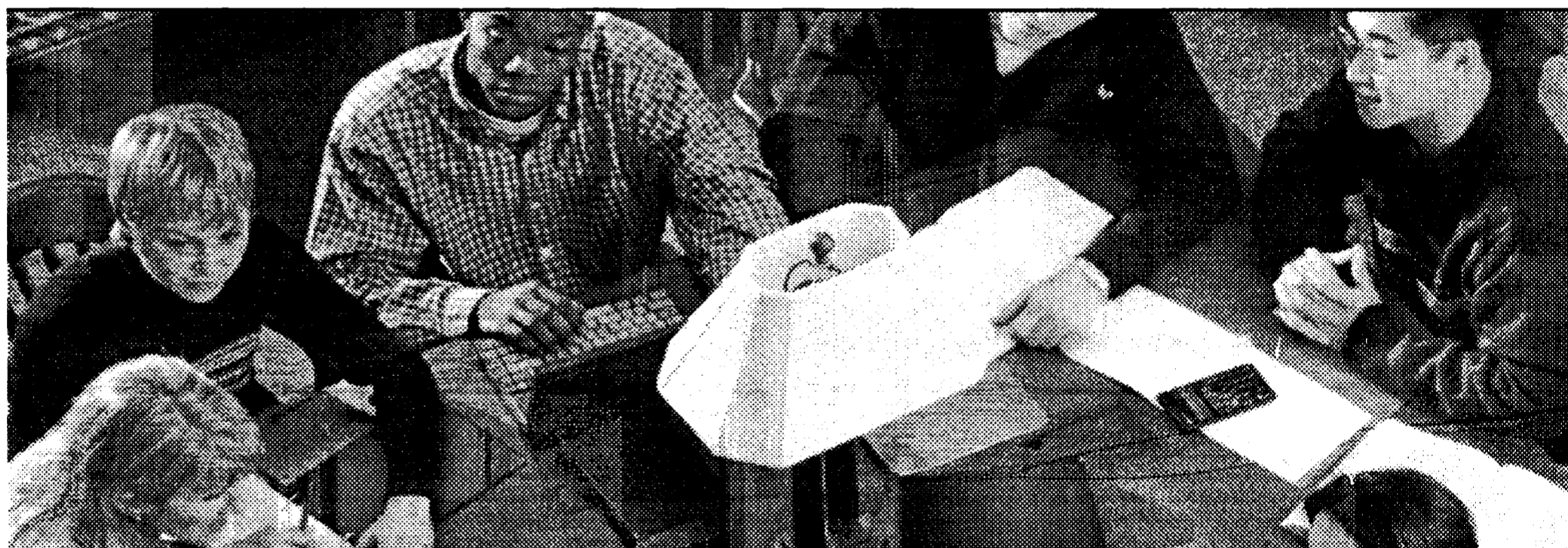
◆ Starting midfielder Ashley Dryer is also expected to miss this weekend's action due to an ankle injury she sustained against Rutgers. Freshman Maggie Manning replaced her in the starting lineup last weekend against Seton Hall.

◆ Warner was named the Big East Offensive Player of the Week for her dramatic overtime goal against Rutgers on Friday.



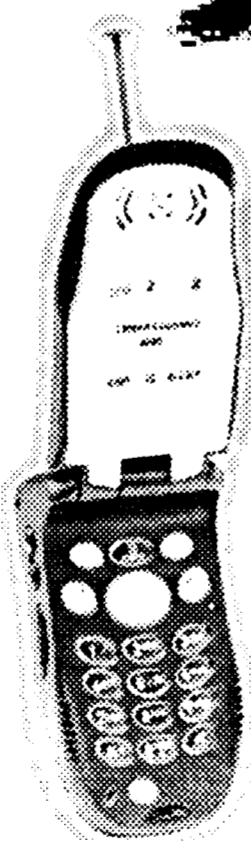
Irish midfielder Randi Scheller attempts to get away from two Seton Hall defenders in Big East action last weekend.

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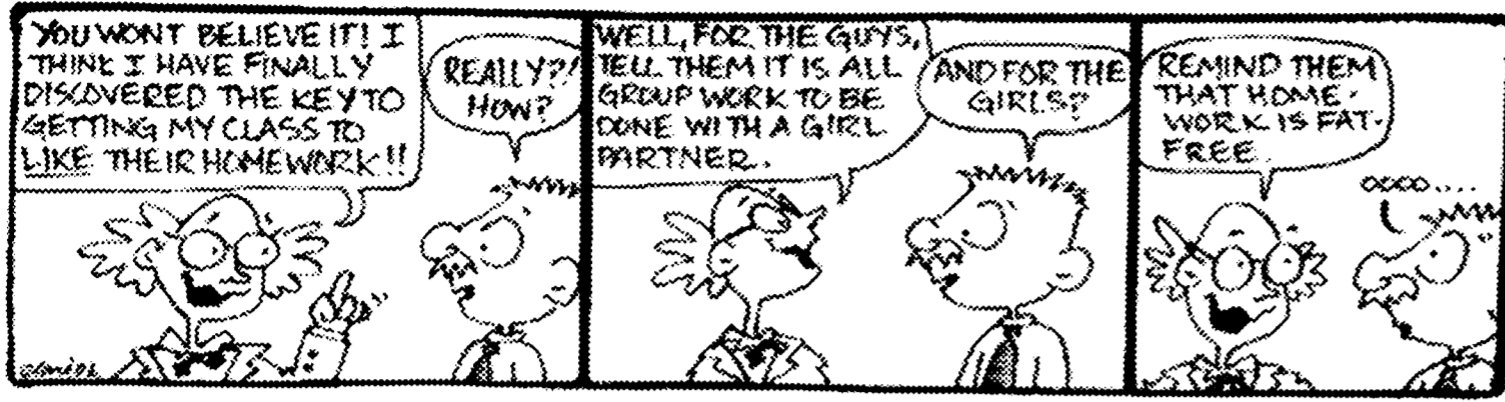
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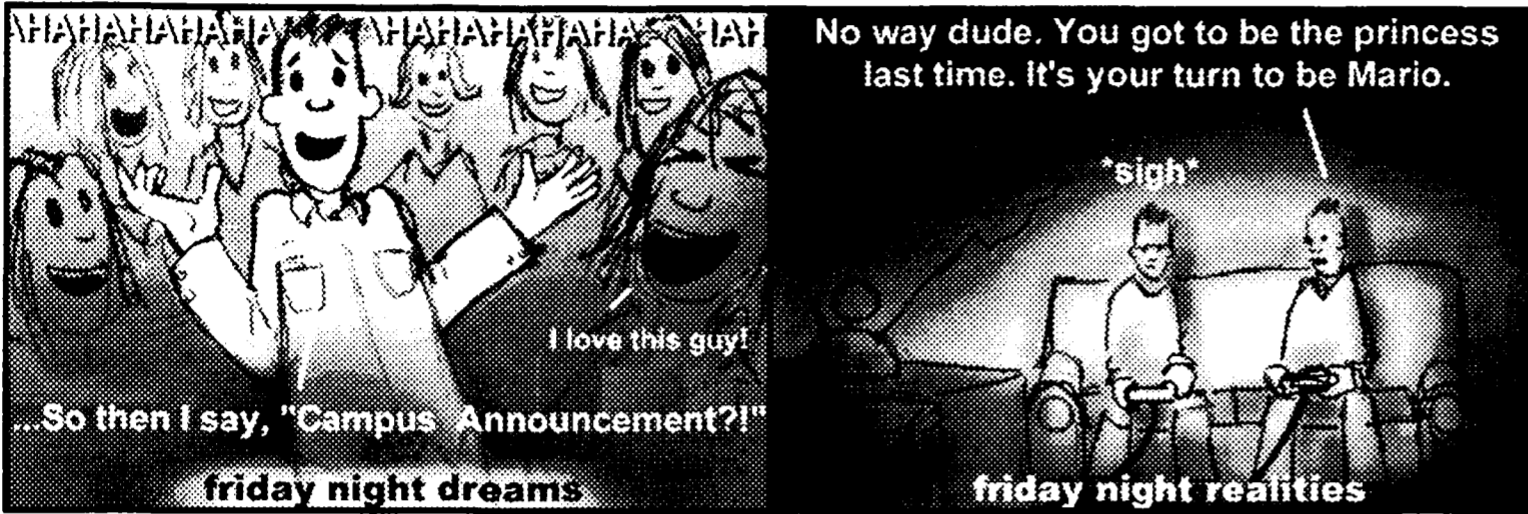
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**JUMBLE**

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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PARPE  
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CORLLS  
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HIPLAC  
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Ans: A "\_\_\_\_\_"

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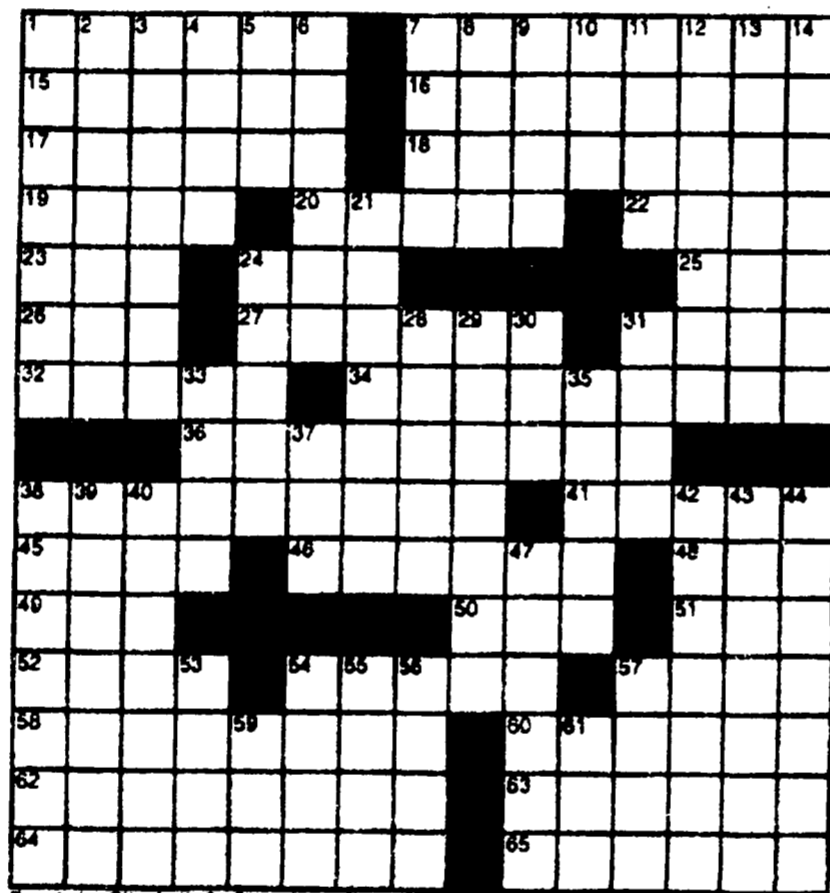
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**CROSSWORD**

WILL SHORTZ

- ACROSS**
- 1 Car controls
  - 7 Things with mirrors
  - 15 "Slavonic Dances" composer
  - 16 A Handel concerto might have one
  - 17 "By \_\_\_\_"
  - 18 Sound right
  - 19 1998 Sarah McLachlan hit
  - 20 Trainee
  - 22 Thompson of "Family"
  - 23 Checkers, e.g.
  - 24 Hang (around with)
  - 25 Riviera view
  - 26 International lang.
  - 27 Hit son: from the rock opera "Tommy"
  - 31 Tip
  - 32 Seat at the bar
  - 34 "Prometheus Bound" playwright
  - 36 Lines from a groupie, maybe
  - 38 Confusion, slangily
  - 41 Divide
  - 45 Cheers
  - 46 Disk readers
  - 48 Times Sq., to a straphanger
  - 49 D.C. party
  - 50 Actress Murray of the silents
  - 51 Occur, old-style
  - 52 Screen symbol
  - 54 Icy drink
  - 57 New Testament group
- DOWN**
- 1 "A Certain Justice" author
  - 2 Plain
  - 3 Frequent portrayer of Otello
  - 4 Solo
  - 5 Telecom setup
  - 6 It provides an overview
  - 7 128 cubic feet
  - 8 Tony's cousin
  - 9 \_\_\_\_ Blanc
  - 10 Tuner on a viola
  - 11 Real estate sect. listings
  - 12 Kind of apple
  - 13 Pearson's successor
  - 14 Big name on Wall Street
  - 21 It makes hay
  - 24 Middle Eastern dish
  - 28 Says quickly, with "off"
  - 29 Prizes
  - 30 Outer: Prefix
  - 58 Paper clip, e.g.
  - 60 Got
  - 62 "Don't let the heat get to you!"
  - 63 Noted French physicist
  - 64 Shrinks' appointments
  - 65 Many a snake



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- 31 Instrument for Orpheus
- 33 Takes out, so to speak
- 35 Wiesbaden's state
- 37 Patriot's org.
- 38 Alaskan animals
- 39 Winner of a race
- 40 Clickers
- 42 Bird formations
- 43 Stand for things?
- 44 Speedier
- 47 Avid
- 53 Times out
- 54 "Git!"
- 55 Province of Spain
- 56 Web addresses
- 57 Mariners' needs
- 59 Start of the third century
- 61 RCA competitor

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EUGENIA LAST

**CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY:** A Martinez, Randy Bachman, Shau Cassidy, Mike Schmidt

**Happy Birthday:** Be more selective in your choices this year so you don't take on too much and fall short of your goals. Say no to something that doesn't appeal to you. Personal relationships may not go the way you want them to and, if you let your emotions get the better of you, much will be lost. If you are persistent and focus on precisely what you want to accomplish, you should be able to reach your goals. Your numbers are 5, 13, 27, 33, 36, 42

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Get together with close friends or neighbors. A short jaunt to a nearby recreation facility will bring you in contact with interesting individuals. ★★

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** You may find yourself facing a financial burden if you don't stay on top of your personal portfolio. Don't let anyone else handle your money. Changes at work will turn out to be to your benefit. ★★

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Don't test your partner's patience by asking too many questions. Actions will definitely speak louder than words. You may be dealing with a situation that you know very little about. ★★

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** You can expect someone to try to hold you back today. Be cautious not to give away all your trade secrets. This is a perfect time to invest a little in your home. ★★

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Don't be too hard on the people you know through group associations. You need to get out and socialize with friends. Romance is likely to blossom today. ★★

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Someone you live with will be disgruntled about their life. Be congenial and offer to help make the necessary changes. Home improvement projects will pay off. Focus on professional gains. ★★

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** You may want to take off on a mini vacation, or at least take a jaunt to a place of entertainment. Buying something that will enhance your looks or your image will perk you up. ★★

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** You may be concerned with elderly person you're close to. Offer to take care of his needs. Money can be made through investments, winnings or other means that you don't have to work for. ★★

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Don't let your partner take advantage of you. You will have a lot of charisma today and you should be able to captivate any group of people you talk to. Take action by getting involved. ★★

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** If you put in a little extra time to whatever it is that you need to accomplish, it won't go unnoticed. This is the perfect day to start taking better care of yourself. ★★

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Elaborate on your talent by taking it to the next level. Now is the time to let other people see what you are capable of doing. Social events will lead to an interesting chance meeting. ★★

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** You can expect to experience some confusion at home today. Don't let delays get you down. Changes made to your home will be uplifting. ★★

**Birthday Baby:** You will be able to articulate well throughout life. You will be a perfectionist who sees clearly what you're capable of doing. You will be emotional and intent on getting your own way.

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# SPORTS

Friday, September 27, 2002

## MENS SOCCER

# Not enough

### ◆ No. 10 Notre Dame gives up last-minute goal, loses 1-0 to No. 2 St. John's

By JOE HETTLER  
Associate Sports Editor

The 10th-ranked Notre Dame's mens soccer team had never beaten No. 2 St. John's on the road and things didn't change Thursday night.

The Irish allowed the game-winning goal to the Red Storm's Jean Camere with only 1 minute, 48 seconds remaining as they lost a heartbreaker, 1-0.

"I thought we played very, very well in the second half," coach Bobby Clark said. "We had a tremendous second half. It was one of those games that when you look at the process, this was a suc-

cessful outtake. But you look at the result and, obviously, we're very disappointed."

The Irish had several scoring opportunities late in the game, with the first coming from sophomore Luke Boughen, who just missed from the top of the box with 8:45 remaining in the contest. Less than a minute later Erich Braun missed a shot from 12 yards out as the game stayed scoreless.

Camere's goal came from 18 yards away and deflected off an Irish defender before crossing the goal. Notre Dame goalkeeper Chris Sawyer saved two other shots on goal throughout the match while Red Storm goalie Bill Gaudette saved three shots.

St. John's out shot Notre Dame 11-8 for the game.

"The guys know they played well. It wasn't an easy place to play," Clark said. "There was very, very heavy rain, it was raining all day. ... I thought the boys did Notre Dame proud today even though they didn't win."

Clark felt confident about

Notre Dame's chances against St. John's heading into the contest.

"I really felt we were

coming into St. John's and looking for a victory," said Clark. "We were looking to play them evenly and I think we did that. I think St. John's was very relieved to get out of today's game with a victory."

"But maybe that's why they are the No. 2-ranked team in

the country because they are able to, somehow, get a victory out of a game like that."

Notre Dame's only other loss this season came as a result of a late goal by their opponent. Bradley scored with less than 10 minutes remaining to beat Notre Dame 3-2 a week ago. Clark feels the Irish must start winning close games and cannot allow the late goal.

"We've got to learn how to win these games because that's a couple games now that we've lost in the last five minutes of the game," said Clark. "[Allowing late goals is] maybe something we can look at when we look at the video tomorrow and take it from there."

Notre Dame's schedule doesn't get any easier as the Irish face Rutgers on the road Sunday.

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*"I thought the boys did Notre Dame proud today, even though they didn't win."*

**Bobby Clark**  
Irish Coach

## FOOTBALL

# BCS poll considers Irish 3-0

By ANDREW SOUKUP  
Sports Writer

Few college football fans expected Notre Dame to jump out to a 4-0 start this year. But the big surprise for Irish fans is that the BCS only considers the Irish 3-0, thanks to a dispute over whether or not Notre Dame can count its 22-0 win against Maryland in the Kickoff Classic toward the nine-win total needed to qualify for a BCS bowl.

But Notre Dame officials think it's obvious the game should count in BCS standings because the game was played after the date the NCAA considers the official start of the regular season.

According to NCAA rules, no team may play a game before the Thursday before Labor Day unless the school receives prior permission from the NCAA to play in an "exempt" preseason game. That game is then not counted toward the total number of games a team is allowed to play in a season.

In the past, the Kickoff Classic took place two Saturdays before Labor Day and never counted toward the total number of games a school could play in a season. Right now, BCS officials don't see any reason why it should be different.

"The Kickoff Classic has always been an exempt game," said John Paquette, associate commissioner for communications for the Big East Conference, whose commissioner serves as BCS coordinator this year. "But there's nothing to prevent them from asking [the BCS] to reconsider the situation."

The Notre Dame-Maryland game, originally scheduled for Aug. 24, was moved when Notre Dame officials discovered that the game would interfere with Freshman Orientation. They moved the game back a week and began the season the same time as most NCAA teams, automatically assuming the game would be considered "non-exempt."

"We always felt it was non-exempt from the beginning," Notre Dame associate athletic director John Heisler said. "In the past, the game was always

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## ND VOLLEYBALL

# Irish to kick off conference play

By MATT LOZAR  
Sports Editor

With no weekday matches scheduled last week, the Notre Dame volleyball team went back to the basics to prepare for the start of Big East conference matches.

"I think as much as anything, it gave us four days to practice and to work through some things we needed to work on," Irish coach Debbie Brown said. "We worked on serving and passing, the two basics that have to be strong in order for us to play well."

Notre Dame (9-3) begins conference action this weekend by hosting Connecticut (4-7) and St. John's (11-7).

Since joining the Big East in 1995, the Irish have won six regular season conference titles, including the last three. The Irish haven't dropped a conference match since losing to West Virginia in November 1998 — a streak of 34 regular season

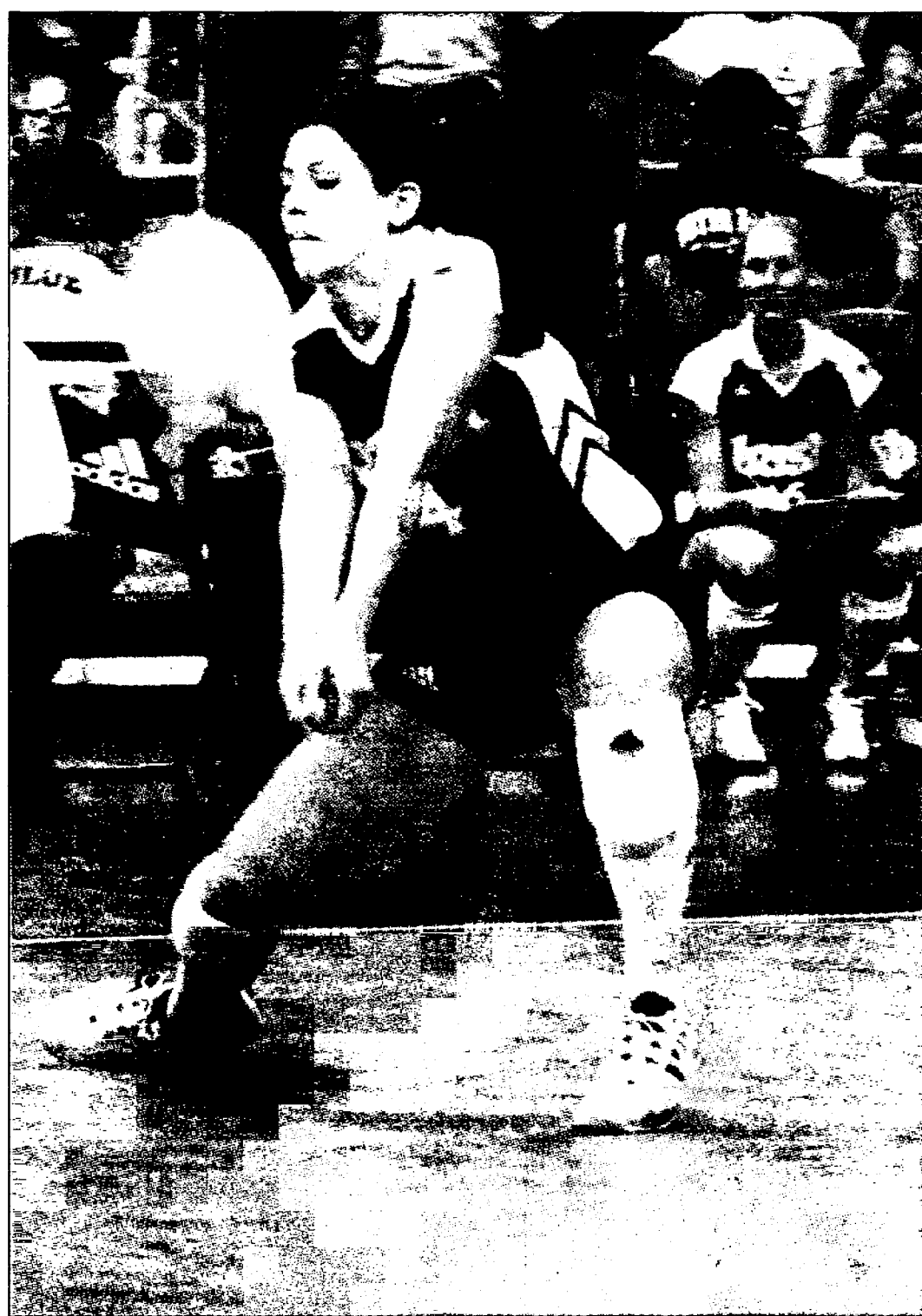
contests. With that impressive resume comes the burden of getting an opponent's best effort in every match.

"We just have to realize for the teams in our conference, or non-conference, it is usually the biggest match of the year for them against us," Brown said. "Our opponents are very well prepared and emotionally up for the game. Our biggest challenge in the conference is that we have to get up for every match. We have to match or exceed the level of determination the opponent brings to the game."

"If we think that we don't have to work that hard, we are in big trouble," she continued. "But I don't believe the team is thinking that way."

Last year, St. John's went 6-6 in the Big East and tied with Seton Hall for sixth place. The Red Storm started this season by dropping their first four matches but won 11 of their past 14. As a team,

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ADAM MIGLORE/The Observer

Irish freshman Meg Henican digs the ball in action earlier this season. Notre Dame opens defense of its Big East title this weekend.

## SPORT AT A GLANCE

### ND WOMENS SOCCER

Notre Dame at Villanova

Friday, 4 p.m.

The Irish return to play this weekend in two Big East conference games.

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### ND WOMENS GOLF

Notre Dame Invitational

Sat. - Sun.

The Irish hope to use a home-field advantage at this weekend's tourney.

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### MENS INTERHALL

Sunday

Keough vs. Morrissey, O'Neill vs. Alumni, Dillon vs. Stanford and St. Ed's vs. Sorin are all games in action Sunday at Riehle Fields.

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### WOMENS INTERHALL

Breen-Phillips scored 20 second half points to beat Walsh 20-0. Welsh topped Pasquerilla West 20-7 and the Badin Bullfrogs shutout Farley's Finest 19-0.

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### ND WOMENS TENNIS

adidas Classic

Fri.-Sun.

The Irish face a tough field including Florida, Duke, Tennessee and Northwestern in their biggest fall tourney.

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