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## Former student dies

By TERESA FRALISH  
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A former Notre Dame student was found dead in an apparent suicide in Bloomington, Ind. Saturday morning.

Brian Berg, a former member of the class of 2004 from Wheaton, Ind., had a history of mental illness and had been enrolled in a resident treatment program for his illness in Bloomington at the time of his death, his mother Julie Berg said.

Sgt. David Drake of the Bloomington Police Department said Berg's body was found Saturday morning and police had no reason to believe foul play was involved.

Berg's mother said her son was on his way to a Halloween party Friday night in Bloomington and did not return to the treatment center for its nightly curfew.

Berg, a computer engineering major, participated in Notre Dame's London Program during the fall of his junior year in 2002 and began to show signs of what counselors initially thought was homesickness, his mother said. After returning to the United States in the spring, Berg was placed on medication and eventually diagnosed with schizophrenia, his mother said.

"The electronic signals between his left-brain and right-brain short-circuited," she said.

Berg took a leave of absence from the University for the spring 2003 semester, and officially withdrew in August.

At the treatment center, Julie Berg said counselors thought her son was progressing well and, as a result, was beginning to gain more independence.

She said she was confident the treatment center — which she described as the best in the region — would help her son.

"They had actually enrolled him to start taking a class at Indiana University," she said. "He had a job. He was on the road to recovery."

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## Men's basketball tickets sell out

By AMANDA MICHAELS  
News Writer

Students arriving at the JACC Ticket Office after 1:45 p.m. yesterday were turned away, frustrated and fuming, after the 2,800 men's basketball tickets set aside for student purchase sold out in an unprecedented four and a half hours. In a school dominated by football, 10 sales per minute came as a pleasant and unexpected surprise for athletic officials.

"Two years ago, we did not sell out the entire allocation of tickets, and it took a whole day to do so last year," said Jim Fraleigh, assistant athletic director for

ticketing. "Obviously, as the team got better, demand increased considerably."

Of the 11,418 seats available in the JACC, 3,200 were allocated for student use — a number "consistent with previous years," Fraleigh said. One hundred of those will be sectioned off for the band, and the rest will be distributed to student athletes on game day, as per NCAA rules.

In regards to Domers' complaints over the 150 ticket allotment to Saint Mary's students and the 30 to Holy Cross, Fraleigh said, "The numbers of tickets given to Saint Mary's and

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MEGAN DAVISSON/The Observer

Students line up to purchase men's basketball tickets Monday. The tickets designated for student use were sold out in 4.5 hours.



## Students integrate class, current events

Priority placed on academics varies among students

*Editor's Note: This article is the first in a series of three articles focusing on academic engagement at Notre Dame.*

By JOE TROMBELLO  
News Writer

Sophomore Elizabeth Webster would like to spend more time reading a newspaper or a book, but she finds she just doesn't have time; when she's not in class or practicing for cross-country, she must do her homework.

"Some people seem to be able to do it all," she said. "I feel like I'm limited."

Like many Notre Dame students, Webster's involvement in both her schoolwork and her extra-curricular activities leave little time for much else. Students often said that, although they would like to keep up more with current events, politics and the news through reading outside sources, the academic and extra-curricular rigors of Notre Dame can prevent them from having the time to do so.

"Nearly everyone is consumed with classes, clubs and jobs," junior theology

major Eric Wooldridge said.

As a result, students said they cannot really spend time focusing on material they know will not be necessary for a test, even if they are personally interested in the subject.

"If I sit down to study for a test [and] the professor gives us something to concentrate on, I'm going to concentrate on that. I don't want to clutter my brain with information that is not going to be on the exam," said Zach Goodrich, a biology major.

### Satisfaction

Despite this time crunch, however, Notre Dame students generally said they remain well-informed about politics and current events through conversations with peers, rather than outside media or reading. They also said the level of intellectualization on campus satisfies them, in contrast to faculty concerns about the lack of undergraduate academic engagement outside of the classroom.

Some students said that conversation among their peers often focuses on subjects such as sports, alcohol

and the opposite sex.

"Partying, alcohol, girls and sports are much more common topics of conversation than politics or philosophy. I'm more comfortable with that — I like it that way," Wooldridge said.

Students, however, said they often connect material learned in class in conversations with peers to make their discussions more academic, which contradicts faculty perceptions that most students do not often discuss academic issues in their dorms or the dining halls.

"A lot of [my] conversations with friends are deeper than 'what are you doing this weekend,'" said Robert Gibbs, a finance/psychology major. "My friends and I talk a lot about philosophy in general."

Jessica Campbell, a senior biology major, said she likes how she and her friends from science classes can discuss the material outside of the classroom.

"With [my] pre-med friends, we are always analyzing what's going on with our bodies — and it's so cool

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## Student participation historically low in municipal elections

By LAURA VILIM  
News Writer

Municipal elections for such offices as mayor, city council and city clerk will be held in counties across the nation today, despite the fact that such races in non-presidential election years tend to receive low voter turnout.

Of the three levels of elections that are held in the United States — municipal, state and federal —

municipal, or local, elections historically have the lowest voter turnout. There is also a particularly low percentage of young adults who vote in their local elections, especially for those who are enrolled in college or working in a job away from home.

For students at Notre Dame, several factors contribute to this lack of participation in municipal elections. According to assistant professor of political science Louis Ayala, coverage of the politicians who are running for



office is usually limited to local newspapers, a resource that few students have access to while living hundreds of miles from home. Local television stations have

only recently devoted part of their daily news to election coverage, but even this information is typically not enough for a voter to make an informed decision about a particular candidate. In addition, even with access to information about the candidates, it is difficult to motivate students to vote in elections in a town they now call home only three months out of the year.

Another factor that keeps students from the polls is the general lack of information about

polling places, dates and times that voting is available and the intricacies of absentee ballots.

Several students interviewed on campus were unaware that elections were being held today; others were unfamiliar with the term "municipal elections." Many students said they know that elections are held every first Tuesday of November, but decided not to vote in this particular race.

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INSIDE COLUMN

# Impossible dream?

We can't get enough of it. We want it every day and once we get a taste, we just want more. We get it around the clock — in the morning, afternoon and our big dose at night.

You'd better know darn well what I'm talking about, eh?

Well, without further hemming and hawing over the matter, I might as well confess it's sleep. Have you ever met someone who said they needed to sleep LESS? I don't believe I have, and I doubt you have either.

Unless, of course, you're a close personal friend of a giant panda. In which case I don't particularly want to know any more details, since I have a thing against being stabbed in the face with bamboo.

In this day of 24-hour news channels and tabloid magazines, CNN and the National Enquirer, maddening classes and ceaseless work, it's hard to take time out for things that really matter.

I suppose right about now you're ready to put the paper down, expecting some polemic on the value of getting a good night's sleep. Well, you'd normally be correct, judging from this space's usual occupancy (or For Rent sign blowing in the breeze, whichever you prefer).

Right now, though, I really don't care. I'm going on about four hours of sleep in the last forty-eight, and I've had so much Starbucks that I'm thinking of opening a Siegfried Hall franchise. Ah, the joys of PLS.

No, really, I love PLS, and that wasn't supposed to be a snide joke aimed at business majors either — another difference between me and the Energizer Bunny that is the campus dead horse of all jokes. It's just that sometimes, I really question my sanity — especially at 3 a.m. when things still aren't done. Like this column, for example.

I'm fully expecting the great newspaper god to fly down out of the sky and smite me dead with a charcoal-smearing F on my forehead, but that's the beauty of it. I can do this not out of some desire to see my own words in print, not out of some desire to see a certain configuration of letters on my report card, but out of, aw heck, let's be honest: adrenaline and caffeine. Probably in some proportion that would make my normally quite genial family doctor turn the air blue.

There's no moral to this story, there's no lesson to be learned; thing is, maybe that makes me happy. Maybe I need this or that or the other, but then again, maybe I just need to cover my television set with Crisco and heave it into one of the lakes.

If you ask me, the probabilities are just about even...

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## QUESTION OF THE DAY: WILL YOU BE VOTING IN TODAY'S ELECTION?



Nikkl Villifane

Junior  
Farley Hall

"Eeeee?!"



Rachel Manley

Sophomore  
Farley Hall

"Wh-what election?"



Erin Carney

Sophomore  
Farley Hall

"No."



Caroline Connor

Sophomore  
Farley Hall

"No, I did not get my absentee ballot in time."



Debbie Hornacek

Sophomore  
Welsh Family Hall

"Had I known there was an election? Oh yeah, Gore all the way."



Angellina Zehrbach

Junior  
Farley Hall

"Who's running?"



MEGAN DAVISSON / Observer

Notre Dame's varsity hockey team practiced yesterday in the Joyce Center ice rink. The team is gearing up to take on the Spartans of Michigan State on Friday and Saturday. They have won six of their eight games played this season.

### OFFBEAT

#### Prosecutor found with knife in luggage

DETROIT — A Macomb County assistant prosecutor faces a misdemeanor weapons charge after authorities found a steak knife in his carryon luggage at Detroit Metropolitan Airport.

Eric Smith, 37, of Chesterfield Township is charged with one count of attempting to possess a weapon in a sterile area of an airport, Wayne County Prosecutor Mike Duggan said Monday. If convicted, Smith could get up to a year in jail for the misdemeanor charge.

Smith, who prosecutes sex offenses for Macomb County, was stopped Oct. 9 when airport screeners found a 5-inch steak knife in a DVD

carrying case in his carryon luggage.

Smith said he didn't know he was carrying a knife. He said he later learned his sister had packed it in the DVD case in order to cut fruit during a summer road trip.

Duggan said he believes Smith intended no harm, "but the fact of the matter is, you are responsible for what you carry onto a plane."

#### Former police chief charged with illegal handgun possession

DETROIT — The city's former police chief, who resigned late last week over his failure to declare a loaded pistol on a flight, was charged Monday with misdemeanor possession of an

unlicensed handgun.

Jerry Oliver stepped down on Friday, saying the controversy over the gun had become a distracting sideshow.

The controversy began after Oliver, 56, failed to tell airport officials he had a loaded, .25-caliber pistol in his luggage before taking a flight Oct. 18 from Detroit Metropolitan Airport to Philadelphia. He already has been fined by federal authorities.

Wayne County Prosecutor Michael Duggan said Monday in announcing the charge that Oliver should have registered the gun when he moved to Michigan, nearly two years ago.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

### IN BRIEF

Kati Koestner, a rape prevention activist, will talk to students today at 9 p.m. in the Carey Auditorium of the Hesburgh Library. Koestner, who has been featured on MTV, will discuss the risks and prevention of date rape.

The Kroc Institute will present a lecture entitled "Peacebuilding and Development in Guatemala and Ireland," delivered by Charles Reilly, the former director of the Peace Corps in Guatemala, today at 4:15 p.m. The lecture will be held in room C-103 of the Hesburgh Center for International Studies.

The College Democrats will sponsor a group watch of the America Rocks the Vote debate among Democratic candidates for the presidency today at 7 p.m. in Reckers.

The Center for Social Concerns will sponsor a workshop entitled "Unlocking Your Not-For-Profit Career" Wednesday at 5 p.m. in the Career Center.

The Alliance for Catholic Education program will hold an information night Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the LaFortune ballroom.

The Italian Club will present a screening of the movie "Ciao, professore!" Wednesday at 8 p.m. in 141 DeBartolo. The film is free and open to the public.

Notre Dame's Breast Cancer Awareness 2003 program will be celebrated Wednesday night with speakers and a candlelight vigil from 7 to 9 p.m. in 119 DeBartolo. The event is free and sponsored by a group of women's dorms.

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

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COUNCIL OF REPRESENTATIVES

# Members adopt new bylaws, name

By MATT BRAMANTI  
News Writer

Executive Cabinet members met Monday evening to discuss their new bylaws, which shake up the composition of the broad-based committee. Under its new bylaws, which were adopted unanimously, the body will now be called the Council of Representatives, reflecting its composition of members from bodies across student government.

A key change to the bylaws allows for four members of the Student Senate to receive voting seats on the new council. Student Body President Pat Hallahan said the addition of the senators allows the council to more directly represent the concerns of students.

"It increases representation across the board," Hallahan said.

The new bylaws also eliminate several positions from the council. Chairs of the six Club Coordination Council divisions will no longer sit on the Council of Representatives, though the CCC president will remain a voting member. In addition, the Student Union Board director of programming will

no longer be a council member.

Hallahan said the new arrangement is more fair to all student constituencies.

"Their voices won't be lost — they'll be heard through the heads of their organizations," he said.

"There's no real loss and a lot of gain," he said.

Several amendments were added to the new bylaws. Tai Romero, SUB director of programming, proposed an amendment making Council of Representatives meetings open to the public.

The council approved the amendment without objection, reversing an April decision to close the Executive Cabinet meetings. Other amendments clarified the definition of a quorum and mandated that members give three days' notice before bringing new business to the council.

The council also voted to meet twice a week for the rest of the semester, in order to allow enough meeting time for a successful transition to the new constitution.

"We don't want to lose this momentum," said Charlie Ebersol, SUB manager.

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# Undergrads often uninterested in academia

By JOE TROMBELLO  
News Writer

A combination of parental expectations, career choice and conversations with faculty members outside of the classroom that do not focus on the world of academia may explain why Notre Dame students said that there is a general stigma about entering into higher education, some undergraduates said.

Although many students said faculty members are often willing to meet with them during office hours, they also said that conversation topics are often about class-related matters and not about academia in general.

As a result, and by choice, students know little about entering into the field of academia. Many said that because of parental sacrifices and a deeply-instilled work ethic, they think that students are uninterested in becoming professors.

Zach Goodrich, a biology major, said that his experiences with Notre Dame faculty during office hours have been very positive.

"Professors here are willing to try to help you out. They want to see you succeed," he said.

Like Goodrich, Elizabeth Webster, a sophomore psychology major, said her professors are usually very accessible and willing to meet with her. She said that she attends office hours "all the time."

However, some students said they have felt uncomfortable attending office hours because they think faculty are too busy to meet with them.

"I feel intimidated," said senior biology major Jessica Campbell, "because [professors] are so busy. I



Professor Greg Downey lectures in Lewis Hall. Many students feel they do not often engage in extracurricular academic conversations.

just feel they don't have time. Notre Dame is such a big research university, I've gotten the impression that teaching is not what they want to be there for. I would just rather not bother them," she said.

Students also said they usually attend office hours for a specific purpose — with a question about a test or a lecture — rather than simply to talk to professors about issues unrelated to class.

"I am goal-oriented, and if I'm going to meet with a teacher, information that I expect to get is going to be on the test," Webster said.

Students also said their parents instilled in them a strong work ethic, and they recognize that their parents often make financial sacrifices for them to attend Notre Dame. Because of these factors, students said they do not often consider entering academia and becoming professors, as they feel obligated to graduate with a "firm" career path in mind.

"We are heavily weighted toward the corporate world and the career world here," Eric Wooldridge said. Some also said that perceptions

of academia and a general lack of knowledge about what professors actually do might cause an unfair stigma towards becoming one.

"Maybe a lot of students don't know what it [academia] entails and hear, 'You'll be in the lab all day' — which can maybe cause a stigma," Campbell said.

Robert Gibbs, a finance/psychology major, said that parental influence may also lead students to choose a major that satisfies their parents and may lead to a financially successful career. However, he said this perception probably extends to the general college population as opposed simply to Notre Dame.

"I think there might be pressure felt to choose a major based on what [would give] a comfortable living because ... your parents have sacrificed to put you through college," he said. "I think a lot of people chose majors based on that — they feel like they owe it to their parents."

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## Academics

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to see that what we are learning in class has practical applications," she said.

### The Honors Perspective

Like other Notre Dame students, undergraduates in the University's Honors Program and those recommended for prestigious scholarships like the Rhodes said they tend to engage in intellectual discourse outside of the classroom and see little difference between themselves and the rest of Notre Dame undergraduates.

"It's not a division between Honors Program students and non-Honors program students," said senior Mary Mullen, an honors student and English/Political Science double major. "It's a division between people for whom academics is their first priority [and those for whom it is not]. You can learn many things at college, and academics are part of that."

Josh Stuchlik, an Honors Program student and a Rhodes Scholarship candidate, said he remembers students having many conversations about politics in Sorin College and fervently watch-

ing presidential debates and elections.

"Students are very engaged in matters about news and politics," he said.

Like Stuchlik, Mullen said that the small classes and frequent required colloquia common to the Honors Program have allowed her a greater forum for the exchange of ideas outside of the classroom. However, she said her personal interest in academics has driven her to actively attend many lectures on campus.

"I just think that because I'm really interested in academics and in making the most of my four years here . . . I have gone to a lot of the lectures," she said.

Mullen also said she has found the ability of Notre Dame students to integrate academic issues with their conversations to be an impressive quality.

"The percentage of people who talk [about academics] outside of class is pretty high at Notre Dame. The way that people think, I'm pretty impressed with all the time . . . how people in normal conversations can tie it [academics] in is really incredible," she said.

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## Death

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Counselors had made arrangements for Berg to live independently in his own apartment within the upcoming month, she said.

In light of these improvements, Berg's mother said the suicide was completely unexpected by the treatment center counselors.

"They think something snapped in him," she said. "He was not suicidal."

Until his junior year, friends and family said Berg loved being a student at Notre Dame.

"He was valedictorian of his high school class. He wanted to go to Notre Dame since he was a little kid," his mother said. "He was ecstatic [about getting into the London Program.]"

"We used to play pool all the time," said Kristin Cordova, one of Berg's friends who kept in touch through e-mail. "One of the best

memories [was] dining hall dinners. I always remember Brian's smile."

Berg was also "extremely close" to his younger sister, currently a junior in high school, his mother said.

"He was really fun-loving," said senior Annie Moranski, who dated Berg during their freshmen and sophomore years. "He always made us laugh."

Like his mother, Moranski said news of Berg's death was unexpected.

"It came as a huge shock. I've never lost someone close to me," she said.

Ed Mack, rector of O'Neill Hall, Berg's former dorm, said a memorial Mass is being planned for later this week.

Funeral services for Berg will be held Wednesday at 10 a.m. at St. Cecilia Catholic Church in DeMotte, Ind. A visitation will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. today at Jackson Funeral Services in DeMotte, Ind.

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## Elections

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Municipal elections tend to draw less attention from the public sector because, often, none of the highly dramatized events that occur on the state or federal levels is present among local candidates.

Ironically, local issues are not thought to be as important as some of the debates occurring on the federal level, even though attending to local issues would affect more citizens than would most federal issues, Ayala said.

He said students and faculty might be motivated to vote more often if they keep in mind that beneficial changes in their everyday lives cannot occur if they do not let their politicians know there is a problem.

"The next time [one] complain[s] that there are not enough fun things to do in town, or that the roads . . . tear up your car, or that you wish downtown had more diverse entertainment options, remember that municipal elections play a large part in deciding these questions," Ayala said. "If you want the city to be more responsive to your needs and wishes, you first need to reg-

ister a response."

Students and faculty are also working to make the process of voting easier on campus in the hopes of encouraging more students to take part in the elections.

Sarah Wheaton, a freshman student council officer, said the Progressive Student and Faculty Alliance soon will be holding a voter registration drive for students in the library during the day and at night. At the drive, registration forms and information on absentee voting will be provided. The College Democrats will also be holding a registration drive, tentatively planned for the start of the spring semester. Further details for both drives will be provided at a later date.

In the South Bend area, one of the most important races is between mayoral incumbent Democrat Stephen Luecke and his Republican challenger Thomas Schmidt. If Luecke wins and serves the entire length of his term, he will become the longest-serving mayor of South Bend in history, surpassing the nine years of mayoralty by current Indiana Governor Joe Kernan.

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## Tickets

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Holy Cross are extremely limited. We have a long-standing relationship with these schools, and we want to share with them the enjoyment of our sporting events."

The timing of the sale was also called into question.

"It's discouraging. I had classes all morning, like a lot of people, and really had no other option but to come later," said Bridget Tuohy, a McGlenn freshman. "Hopefully, my schedule next year will let me get here earlier, because that seems to be the only solution."

Stanford sophomore Mike

Savino also expressed his discontent at being sent away without a ticket.

"It's great to see all this excitement, but I wish there were more student tickets available so everyone could join in," Savino said.

Those arriving earlier in the day were greeted with snaking lines and free Krispy Kreme donuts, handed out by men's basketball head coach Mike Brey.

Also involved in the morning's event was the Leprechaun Legion, arguably the loudest and most public source of student support for the men's basketball team. In conjunction with Sports Promotions and the athletic department, the Legion distributed green shirts for students to wear to the games in a display of solidarity.

"The goal of the Legion is to unify the student body, to bring all of the students together in support of the team and to intimidate the opposing team," said junior Eric Tarnowski, vice president of marketing for the Legion. "That's what these shirts will do."

Despite ticket shortages and short tempers, the sale proved the student body's anticipation of an impressive basketball season and continuation of athletic support in the face of current disappointment.

"Everyone's excited about the new season," Tarnowski said. "It'll be good to get something fresh in the way of sports."

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## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

### Spain closes border with Gibraltar

GIBRALTAR — Spain briefly closed off its border with Gibraltar on Monday while a cruise ship with some 2,000 passengers, including several dozen sickened by a highly contagious stomach virus, docked at the British colony.

The 13-hour border closing — the first in nearly two decades — angered London, which called the move unnecessary, and temporarily kept several hundred people from entering the tiny territory from Spain. Spain and Britain regularly disagree over the sovereignty of the once-strategic military post.

The British-owned Aurora, which was denied entry to a Greek port on Friday because of the illnesses, docked for 11 hours at Gibraltar. About 50 passengers stayed on board while the rest of the passengers, mostly Britons, were allowed to go ashore.

### Sumatran park, town hit by flood

BUKIT LAWANG, Indonesia — A torrent of water, mud and logs swept through a resort village near a reserve for endangered orangutans on the island of Sumatra, killing at least 71 people, including five foreigners, and leaving more than 100 people missing, officials said Monday.

Days of heavy rain triggered a surge Sunday night in the Bahorok River, which winds through the village of Bukit Lawang. Dozens of inns and restaurants that line its banks were destroyed.

Most of the village's 2,500 people were asleep when the flood hit. Many had been observing the dawn-to-dusk fast of the Ramadan holy month and had gone to bed early in order to rise for a pre-dawn meal.

## NATIONAL NEWS

### Calif. fires declared under control

BIG BEAR, Calif. — Exhausted firefighters were sent home Monday as remaining crews doused hotspots and watched for new ones, with the vast wildfires that ravaged parts of Southern California all but extinguished.

More than 27,000 people remained displaced from their homes, but that was well down from the 80,000 at the peak of the fires, said a spokesman for the state Office of Emergency Services.

Sylvia Illman, forced to flee the community of Lake Arrowhead, said that after a week in a pop-up tent parked in a friend's driveway, she found herself arguing with her husband and snapping needlessly at her two boys, ages 5 and 3.

"We can't help it. The stress level is unbelievable," she said. "I want to go home."

## LOCAL NEWS

### State applies for terrorism funds

INDIANAPOLIS — Indiana will receive more than \$44 million in grants from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security to train emergency responders who would be the first on the scene of a terrorist attack.

Most of the money — nearly \$34 million — will go toward helping state and local law enforcement and emergency personnel pay for planning, training and equipment for first responders.

Another \$10 million will help law enforcement agencies detect and prevent acts of terrorism, particularly attacks involving weapons of mass destruction.

Homeland Security Secretary Tom Ridge said that for the first time, agencies can now apply for the grants online.

"No longer will our state and local partners have to go to different places within the departments to apply for terrorism-related funding," Ridge said in a statement.

Since March, the Department of Homeland Security has awarded nearly \$4 billion in grants to the nation's first responders.

## AFGHANISTAN

# Draft constitution made public

Associated Press

KABUL — Two years after the fall of the Taliban, the Afghan government unveiled a historic draft constitution Monday, aiming to cast aside a quarter-century of conflict with a unified Islamic state under a powerful presidency.

The draft makes Afghanistan an Islamic republic but stops short of imposing the harsh brand of Islamic law favored by the Taliban, and for the first time enshrines a permanent role for women in governing the country.

Still, turning the document's guarantees of equality, liberty, dignity and free speech into reality in a country lacking all of them will be a singular challenge for President Hamid Karzai and future Afghan leaders.

The draft, containing 160 articles in 12 chapters, is to be presented next month for approval at a constitutional loya jirga, or grand council, of some 500 delegates from across the country. Nationwide elections would then be scheduled in June.

The document was the result of a year's work — and months of delay — reflecting deep divisions and fierce back-room struggles inside the 35-member Constitutional Review Commission.

The most dramatic change from earlier drafts was the elimination of the post of prime minister and concentration of power in the president — who will be commander in chief of the military, have the power to appoint one-third of the parliament's upper house, and to name judges, military officers, police and national security officials.

Extending that centralized power to Afghanistan's provinces and patchwork of regional



Nayamatullah Shahrani, head of the Afghan constitutional commission, presents a copy of the Afghan draft constitution to former King Mohammad Zahir Shah as President Hamid Karzai looks on, during a ceremony in Kabul Monday.

allegiances and ethnic groups — where warlords rule like feudal princes in areas that seem frozen in time — will be the constitution's true test.

"The degree of centralizing that you see here is for the time being simply wishful thinking, unless there's going to be a change of the balance of power between the center and the provinces," said Vikram Parekh, senior analyst on Afghanistan for the International Crisis Group think tank. "Frankly, I don't see in the near term how that's going to be implementable."

The draft's first article declares "Afghanistan is an Islamic Republic," an indication of the government's desire to bring the

country together under the banner of Islam, practiced by almost all Afghans.

"The religion of Afghanistan is the sacred religion of Islam. Followers of other religions are free to perform their religious ceremonies within the limits of the provisions of law," the draft states, according to an English translation provided by the government.

At a ceremony at the Presidential Palace, red-bound copies of the draft constitution were handed to former King Mohammad Zahir Shah, President Karzai and Lakhdar Brahimi, special envoy of U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan.

"I hope this will be acceptable for the people

and will direct people toward peace, security and democracy," said the 88-year-old Zahir Shah.

The constitution accords for the former king the ceremonial title of "Father of the Nation." But it has no provisions for the monarchy to continue after his death — an issue that could be contentious in southern regions loyal to Zahir Shah.

Many feared a strong prime minister could have emerged as a political and military rival to the president, a major concern in a country that has known little but war for the past generation. Much debate focused on limiting the powers of that position before the commission decided to drop it entirely.

## ISRAEL

# Foreign reporters to need 'accreditation'

Associated Press

JERUSALEM — Israel will force journalists to undergo stringent checks by its Shin Bet security service as a requirement for accreditation, the head of the Government Press Office said Monday.

Israeli and foreign journalists criticized the measure as an attempt to inhibit freedom of the press.

The Foreign Press Association said that while it understands Israel's security problems, there is no evidence that journalists pose a risk. The new policy gives Israeli authorities "unreasonable veto power" over who can serve as a foreign correspondent, the association said in a statement.

Citing security concerns, Government Press Office director Daniel Seaman said he decided to hand a list of more than 17,000 accredited journalists to the Shin Bet for security checks beginning Jan. 1.

Until now, only Palestinian journalists were checked by the Shin Bet, Seaman said. Under the new policy, Israeli and foreign journalists will also have to go through a security check, although it will not be as thorough as that given to Palestinians, he said.

"I am sure that [the Shin Bet] have the intelligence information regarding people who could present a danger ... and therefore they have to give their opinion," Seaman told Israel Radio.

The press office stopped issuing cre-

dentials to most Palestinian journalists in the West Bank and Gaza — many of whom work for foreign press agencies — shortly after Israeli-Palestinian fighting erupted three years ago.

The Government Press Office is responsible for overseeing the needs of all journalists in Israel, both domestic and foreign. The office issues credentials, helps arrange visas for foreign journalists and distributes information about news conferences and other events.

Seaman said that after journalists are accredited under the new system, the Shin Bet will evaluate them and inform the press office if they pose a threat.



## Prize winner speaks on classical architecture

By DUSTIN VONHANDORF  
News Writer

Leon Krier, renowned architect and first recipient of the University of Notre Dame School of Architecture's Richard Driehaus Prize for Classical Architecture spoke Monday at Washington Hall on the subject of classical architecture and the modernist movement.

The lecture began with a brief introduction by architecture professor Richard Economakis.

"[Krier] challenged us to examine the disposable society we promote," Economakis said.

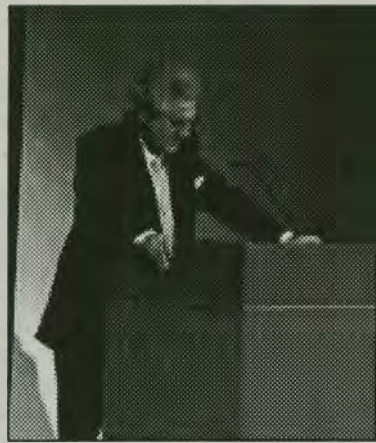
The "disposable society" is one riddled with the confusion of modernism, he said. Krier advocates a return to the classical and traditional elements of architecture.

The dominant factor in architecture, Krier said, is a structure's surrounding geography. "[Architecture is] the response of the human psyche and human needs to the geography," he said.

As proof of this point, he included references to the similitude of all buildings in mountain ranges and those in river valleys.

During the course of the lecture, he spoke of what he called the tragic demise of classical architecture, saying that he believes that modernism is too contradictory and confusing. Modernism, he said, dictates that buildings should be built in "the spirit of the time." However, Krier said that the spirit of the time is only known in the long run.

He said that he witnessed the destructive effect of the modernist



BUG DAVISSON/The Observer

**Leon Krier speaks at Washington Hall Monday.**

movement first-hand while living in Luxembourg.

Krier's most prominent work is the town of Poundbury in Dorset, England. He has also written many books, including *Architecture: Choice or Fate*.

Known as the godfather of the New Urbanist style of architecture, he was presented with the Driehaus Prize for his works, both written and architectural, as well as the teaching positions he has held throughout his career.

The Driehaus Prize is presented to the person who makes a significant contribution to the field of classical architecture. Krier is the first person to receive the award, which was bestowed on March 22, 2003.

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# Happenings

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A woman who wants to take the GED is in need of tutors in math and spelling. She is available before 10:30am and after 7:45pm any day of the week at her house. Contact Cassandra Robinson at 251-0325 or 232-8808 between 11am-7pm (press zero and ask for the kitchen).

### One Time Opportunities

An elderly man with a large yard needs help raking leaves. He has the rakes and bags, and leaves could be raked either on a Wednesday or Friday. Contact Alex LaBanco at 256-9806.

with Life Treatment Center (LTC), students schedule 2-4 hours per week of volunteering at LTC and one 75 minute class meeting per week. Students must agree to and maintain a consistent schedule at the Life Treatment Center, and class times will be arranged for mutual convenience.

LTC is an organization that serves indigent recovering addicts, many recently released from prison. It offers on the job training and clinical experience with its programs for detoxification, intensive treatment programs, group therapy, case management, and relevant aspects of public policy.

The Course will be held at Reilly Center Life Treatment Center, 1402 South Michigan, South Bend.

Email [manier.1@nd.edu](mailto:manier.1@nd.edu) to schedule an interview or for more information.

## New Childrens Defense Fund Chapter Formed

A campus Chapter of the Children's Defense Fund (CDF) has been formed at the University of Notre Dame. CDF is a 30-year-old national organization which has a mission to "leave no child behind and to ensue every child a healthy start, a head start, a fair start and a moral start."

The goal of the group is to "inform, educate, and motivate" students on the issues that are facing the youth of this country. Through lectures and events hosted by CDF, the student group intends to engage the community to become more socially aware on issues that children are facing, to become informed on policy issues, and to be motivated to act accordingly.

The Notre Dame Chapter of CDF received university approval in the Fall 2003 after senior Dennis Barrett, returned from a semester studying in Washington, DC. As an intern with

CDF, Dennis saw a need to increase awareness of social issues, particularly those dealing with children.

Contact Maureen Carney at [Carney.13@nd.edu](mailto:Carney.13@nd.edu) for more information.

## Seminars and Programs

### Take the Urban Plunge

Immerse yourself in the realities of urban poverty. The Urban Plunge is a one-credit experiential learning course scheduled for a 48-hour period during winter break. The deadline is November 7. Download an application and learning agreement at [http://centetforsocialconcerns.nd.edu/acadsem\\_urban\\_plunge.html](http://centetforsocialconcerns.nd.edu/acadsem_urban_plunge.html)

### Summer Service Project Internship

Applications are now available for the Summer Service Project Internship. SSPI is eight weeks of volunteer work in service agencies serving disadvantaged people during the summer months.

**Information meeting:** Wednesday, Nov. 5 at 7pm in Morrissey Hall. Students from SSPI '03 will talk about their experiences.

See posters in your Halls for more information. Contact: Sue Cunningham ([cunningham.5@nd.edu](mailto:cunningham.5@nd.edu)), Director Summer Service Projects, Alumni Relations with questions.

### Hispanic Leadership Intern Program

This is an eight-week immersion into the Latino community of metropolitan Chicago. Intern with one of five community agencies. Application deadline is November 19. Contact Colleen Knight Santoni ([knight.28@nd.edu](mailto:knight.28@nd.edu)) with questions.



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NYSE	5,995.98	+36.97
AMEX	1,061.31	-2.02
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**IN BRIEF**

**AT&T fined for intrusive calling**

WASHINGTON — AT&T faces a \$780,000 fine for reaching out and touching consumers who had asked to be left alone, federal regulators said Monday.

The Federal Communications Commission said it was the first major penalty for violating do-not-call rules for telemarketers.

The FCC said AT&T made 78 phone calls to 29 consumers who had asked the company to leave them alone. The proposed fine is \$10,000 per call.

"This puts telemarketers on notice that we will take all measures necessary to protect consumers who chose to be left alone in their homes," FCC Chairman Michael Powell said.

The fine is based on alleged violations of FCC rules that require companies to maintain lists of people who have said they do not want to be called with sales pitches. It is separate from the do-not-call list maintained by the Federal Trade Commission, which allows consumers to put their numbers off limits to a variety of companies.

**Thomson workers to move to startup**

CARMEL, Ind. — About 200 of the dwindling number of Thomson Consumer Electronics employees in suburban Indianapolis would work for the company's new joint venture with a Chinese television giant.

Thomson's French parent company, Thomson SA, and TCL International Holdings Ltd. announced plans Monday to create a joint venture that they hope will eventually become the world's largest manufacturer of television sets.

The deal is not expected to affect Thomson's other remaining operation in Indiana, a picture tube plant in Marion with 860 workers, company spokesman Dave Arland said Monday.

"We're looking to find ways to grow a profitable consumer electronics business. The new company will have the scale it needs to be profitable, we believe," Arland said.

**Mutual investigation continues**

*Boston SEC chief, industry executives step down; "painful" fines to be assessed*

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Federal and state law enforcers drew a portrait Monday of widespread trading abuses within the mutual fund industry and among brokers that siphon money from ordinary investors. Senators expressed outrage at the abuses and dissatisfaction with the response of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

The scandal has claimed its first government victim: Juan Marcelino, the head of the SEC's Boston office, announced he was leaving "to minimize any further distractions for his staff." According to recent news reports, an employee of large mutual fund company Putnam Investments seeking to expose abuses at the firm was brushed off by attorneys in the SEC office and later got a more receptive hearing from Massachusetts securities regulators.

There were also industry casualties. Putnam's chief executive, Lawrence J. Lasser, is stepping down following the filing of civil fraud charges against the firm and a slate of new top officials is being appointed at the nation's fifth-largest mutual fund company, the firm's parent company announced Monday.

Richard Strong, chairman of Strong Mutual Funds, also resigned amid multiple inquiries into his personal trading of the company's funds. But Strong stays as a board member and as chairman and CEO of Strong Capital Management, the investment adviser to Strong Mutual Funds.

Regulators told a Senate hearing that fundamental changes are needed in the way the \$7 trillion mutual fund industry operates and governs itself. That's in addition to stiff punishment of wrongdoers, they said.

The SEC found, for



New York State Attorney Elliot Spitzer, left, speaks to Mary Schapiro, Vice Chairman of the National Association of Securities Dealers, prior to a Senate committee hearing.

example, that a quarter of the nation's largest brokerage houses helped favored clients illegally trade mutual funds after hours. That finding moved Sen. Peter Fitzgerald, R-Ill., to ask: "We're talking about serious, wholesale criminal violations coming to light, aren't we?"

Fitzgerald is chairman of the Senate Governmental Affairs subcommittee examining the burgeoning mutual fund scandal and the regulators' response. A House panel is also holding hearings this week on the debacle, which has tarnished the reputation of mutual funds, traditionally viewed as a safe, conservative investment. Some 90 million people have money in U.S. stock mutual funds; half of all American households invest in them.

Stephen Cutler, the SEC's enforcement director, told the subcommittee he wanted to "emphasize that we will aggressively pursue those who have violated the law and injured investors as a result of illegal late trading, market timing, self-dealing or any other illegal activity we uncover."

The agency's investigation is "continuing on multiple fronts," said Cutler.

Companies must be forced to pay back to investors the hefty fees received for managing mutual funds while they allowed fund trading abuses to occur, New York Attorney General Eliot Spitzer testified.

"This number will be big. It will impose pain, and it should," he said.

Repayment of manage-

ment fees would be in addition to restitution to shareholders of profits made from alleged improper trading, said Spitzer, who charged in September that preferential trading deals for big-money customers at mutual fund companies were taking billions of dollars from ordinary investors.

Since then, dozens of firms have been subpoenaed, including Fidelity Investments, Janus Capital Group, Morgan Stanley and Vanguard Group.

Sen. Susan Collins, R-Maine, head of the full Senate committee, said she found it shocking that the trading practices, "which benefit a select group of individuals at the expense of the vast majority of mutual fund investors, continue."

**Supreme Court to hear HMO case**

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court said Monday it will use the case of a Texas woman whose Health Management Organization (HMO) gave her only one day in the hospital to recover from a hysterectomy to clarify when patients can sue health insurers for denying treatment that a doctor recommends.

The facts of Ruby Calad's case go to the heart of many patients' frustration with managed care health plans, which save money by limiting coverage and treatment options.

"That is the quintessential HMO horror story," said George Parker Young, Calad's lawyer. "They gave her one day after major female sur-

gery," even though her doctor objected. "It kind of sums up (patients') worst fears about HMOs."

The court also agreed to hear a companion case from Texas involving a post-polio patient required to use a cheaper pain pill than his doctor had recommended. Juan Davila claims he suffered bleeding ulcers and nearly had a heart attack.

Calad, of Sugar Land, and Davila of Denton, ended up in the emergency room, and both later sued over allegedly shoddy treatment.

Patients' rights advocates and trial lawyers say HMOs need the threat of lawsuits to ensure they don't short-change patients. HMOs say lawsuits drive up costs for everyone and they must draw the line somewhere.

Employer-sponsored health insurance covers nearly 160 million employees and their families, as well as 16 million retirees, according to court filings in a related lawsuit. As of 2001, 93 percent of employees with employer-sponsored health plans were enrolled in some kind of managed care.

Some in Congress have pushed for national patients' right legislation that would allow patients to sue over alleged injuries, and HMOs lobbied hard against it. The broadest recent effort faltered two years ago.

So there remains only a web of unwieldy laws and lower court rulings governing where patients can bring their lawsuits and what they can ask for.



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## An endangered culture

I have always felt like a person without a past. Unlike people who can trace their families back to some far away time and place, I am unjustly ignorant of my cultural identity. Due to two of history's greatest crimes — Middle

Passage and the enslavement of Africans — black Americans such as myself are

lacking the most basic personal right — knowledge of their ancestors and history.

Because of this void, I decided to venture on a CSC Seminar to the South Carolina Sea Islands and learn about the Gullah people — a rare group of African-Americans. The Gullah people are ancestors of West Africans, stolen in the slave trade and brought to the United States. In an early headhunting exercise, slave traders noticed these people from countries along the coastline including Sierra Leone, Senegal, Gambia and Liberia practiced efficient methods of cultivating rice.

Thus, traders tore countless Africans from their homes, languages, cultures and families to both harness these effective growing techniques and exploit the people for slave labor. The Africans who survived the high concentration of disease and cargo (people) dumps of the Middle Passage had a greater evil waiting for them — slavery.

The story of the Gullah people in the Sea Islands is quite uncharacteristic compared to other plantation experiences in the south. Due to the tropical climate conditions and malaria, whites could not settle on the islands and impose the typical violence-based plantation dynamic. Therefore, Africans lived and worked in rice fields with little influence from whites. In these conditions, cultural attributes of West Africa such as the craft of sweet-

grass basket-making survived, while other aspects were blended among the community with the new environment. The Gullah language consists of a mixture of words from various African tongues, European languages of slave captors and English, with its own unique syntax and structure.

After the Civil War, the newly freed peoples of the Sea Islands bought and maintained the land of their captivity since the property was isolated and of no value to whites — yet.

Unfortunately, within the last 50 years, the Sea Islands have transformed from an intolerable living area to prime real estate for vacation and luxury development. Now the culture-crushing tactic already dished out to African-Americans during slavery times is being served up big time to the Gullah People. Every aspect of their culture stands at risk of annihilation.

Building companies working to construct unnatural paradises like Hilton Head, Kaiwah and Seabrook Islands Resorts tracked down Gullah people who had moved away or directly approached land holders and basically bamboozled them out of their land. Either by flashing a suitcase full of dollar bills or presenting perplexing contracts of sale, developers snatched up land to erect golf courses, vacation homes and gated communities.

Now sweet-grass basket makers have to buy the needed grass from Florida because chemicals used in the upkeep of resorts and golf courses kill the crop, or "No Trespassing" signs prohibit people from collecting the grass within gated areas. Gullah people need special passes to pay homage to their ancestors buried on former plantations — now resorts for the rich.

America's suppression of every speaking pattern outside the King's English forces the Gullah language into hiding. People only use it in their own homes or with other Gullah people. Viewed as uneducated and low, the

Gullah language has become a source of undue shame for blacks.

Resorts and gated communities not only disrupt the equilibrium the Gullah people established with the land, but also raise the property taxes of natives. When they are unable to keep up with the modern, unforgiving economy, the property their ancestors cultivated for centuries is stolen from them in tax auctions. Lacking the isolation that facilitated cultural survival, the Gullah people are going through the same assimilate-or-perish, cultural imperialist tactics suffered by all non-white peoples of this country.

The white-capitalist-patriarchal social structure in all its forms and applications spells the end of contemporary articulations of Gullah culture on a mass scale. Certain aspects may survive in individual families or insulated communities, but the "white man" is showing the Gullah people, as other blacks have already experienced, difference is not welcome and resistance is futile.

I, for one, am not ready to give up on the Gullah culture. The people of the Sea Islands stand as ambassadors to a home blacks today will never know; their language, music, crafts, and traditions are more valuable than anything I can imagine.

I urge everyone to learn about this nuanced community, as the participants of the Gullah Seminar did this semester. And if you find yourself on the seventh tee on some golf course at Hilton Head or any of the other Sea Islands, remember that that land once belonged to a people stolen for slavery and oppressed in freedom.

*Kamaria Porter, a sophomore history major, would like send some love out to the 2003 participants of the Gullah Seminar; you are all awesome.*

*The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.*

### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

## Homophobic remarks disturbing

I am writing this letter out of pure disgust with respect to how I saw many of the students at the FSU-ND game act this past Saturday when the FSU band took the field before the game and during half time. When the FSU band came onto the field to play before the game started, I noticed that they had a male baton twirler as part of their group. I couldn't help but think how cool it was to see someone break a gender barrier and participate in something that he looked to be really enjoying.

However, I was astounded when I heard the Notre Dame student section's response to his entry onto the field. Many students, mainly men, immediately began to laugh and call him insulting names like "fairy," "flamer" and one person, after he started twirling the fire batons, even stated, quite loudly, "He doesn't need the fire batons! He's flaming enough as it is!"

First of all, just because he is a baton twirler does not mean that he is gay. Second of all, even if he is gay, it is com-

pletely inappropriate for the student section to be shouting such insults at him. Are these students so insecure about their heterosexuality that they feel the need to shout these insulting names onto the field and act in such a juvenile manner? Is this the way Notre Dame students want visitors to the campus to see us? Do we want to be seen as a campus that has such an intolerance towards people that don't follow the norm of society that we feel the need to make fun of them for it?

I, for one, do not want to be counted as part of this campus if this is the way that students here are going to act. I think it is time that these students go back to kindergarten so they can relearn the basic grade school teachings of decency of behavior and respect for others.

Joanna Basile  
sophomore  
Pangborn Hall  
Nov. 3

### OBSERVER POLL

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### QUOTE OF THE DAY

*"A man is not finished when he's defeated; he's finished when he quits."*

Richard Nixon  
Former U.S. President



# Oxford achieves synthesis of old and new

Walking the streets, I have come to notice more often the contrast, the anachronisms: cranes flexing beside old stone monuments, bulldozers belching diesel smoke past green, manicured lawns, yelling workmen and scurrying dons. Oxford is not so important for what it was, but for what it still is; but I'm getting ahead of myself.

**Geoff Johnston**

*A Domer at Oxford*

First, let's look at student life and then I'll meander into a more meditative look at Oxford.

Allow me to correct a misimpression that I reported in the last column. From what I have seen of student drinking here at Oxford, there is not the culture of binge drinking that is so prevalent at Notre Dame. While the Oxford students on average probably drink the same amount of alcohol as their counterparts under the Dome, the atmosphere here is more open, tolerant and embracing of the drinking culture, and so students seem to drink not to get drunk, but for the pleasure and enjoyment of alcohol. The Notre Dame community can learn much from the healthy way that alcohol is embraced at Oxford.

Second, there are so many more opportunities to relax and talk at Oxford than there are at Notre Dame. For example, there are dozens of small, ethnic restaurants throughout the city, serving food in casual environments perfect for chatting and lamenting the weather (which, to be honest, really isn't that bad). One of the other Domers here succinctly summed up the differences between South Bend and Oxford

while we were dining at a fancy Italian restaurant: "Did you guys know that the Olive Garden was voted the best restaurant in South Bend?"

Also, New College has its own beer cellar adjoined to the dining hall; how many dorms at Notre Dame have their own bars? (Actually, I shouldn't ask that question, since I'm from Zahm; how many dorms have their own legal bars?) Life here is, for better and worse, much more laid back, much more relaxed, off-the-cuff. Oxford students reflect this European ethos; they don't seem to have the driving zeal of so many Americans (and Notre Dame students in particular).

Relations between genders are not the forced, awkward affair that they are at Notre Dame; as much as I appreciate the single sex atmosphere of the dorms for building camaraderie and community, talking to the girls who live and eat and study with us is refreshing.

The academic system here, as I have written previously, is as different from

Notre Dame as night from day. First off, I have no classes. None. I have two academic obligations over the course of the week: one hour-long tutorial on Tuesday and one on Wednesday. Oxford is unique, in all of higher education, in its emphasis on individual interaction between mentor and student, and in the maturity that it assumes from every student.

My teachers assign me a list of problems; some are mandatory, others optional, and I am sent off into the blue yonder in search of solutions.

When I do finally return with answers is when the fun begins. For example, when my mathematics tutor and I sit down to discuss, he begins by folding his hands, staring out the window for what could be three or four minutes, says a sentence, deliberating over every word, weighing every syllable, and then furrows his brow when I respond. This continues for an hour. At which point, having exhausted what knowledge I had gained over the week, I am sent out once again in search of answers to finely crafted questions.

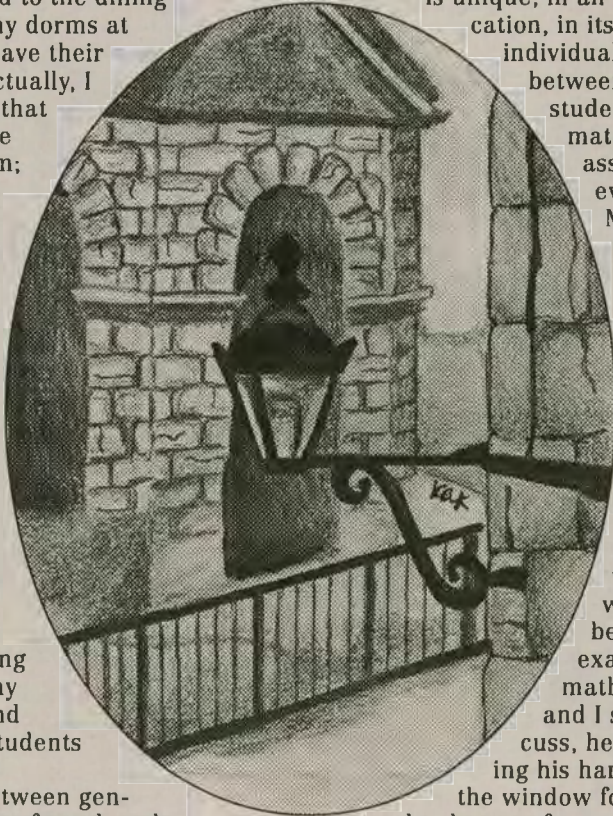
No 300-student lecture halls, with homework and tests; nope, just simple face-to-face interrogation, the crucible of the mentor's knowledge squeezing out every last drop of the unformed, vague and hazy from my thoughts.

But, as at Notre Dame, most of my time is spent in my hall (or College, at Oxford). New College is universally regarded as one of the most beautiful colleges, with good reason. When New College was built in the middle of Oxford's late-14th century red-light district, part of the agreement was that the College would maintain the walls. And so it has preserved, these many years, its medieval wall: the stairs that lead to the archer posts, the turrets and crenellations, the gargoyles struggling to emerge from the rock face.

What characterizes Oxford as an institution is the balance, the tension between the old and the new. As Susan Sontag professed in her acceptance speech of the Friedenspreis, "old and new are the perennial poles of all feeling and sense of orientation in the world," and Oxford is constantly trying to synthesize the two, to reconcile tutorials with higher expenses, decaying buildings with diesel, liberal education with science. Oxford is a place where the past meets the future, and this is the bond between Oxford and Notre Dame: the attempt to preserve while innovating.

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

# Dorm rivalries taken too far

On the night before Halloween, students from Keenan Hall participate in a traditional community service event known as the Keenan Great Pumpkin. As a symbol of our pride and commitment to the event, the men of Keenan hang a huge wooden sign in the shape and color of a pumpkin that reads: "Coming soon, the Keenan Great Pumpkin." During the Great Pumpkin, students from Keenan and other dorms take young children from the local Boys and Girls Club trick-or-treating at all of the participating dorms on campus. As an event where students volunteer their time to help local kids, this is surely an activity that I believe all students should support and embrace.

When I woke up for breakfast last Wednesday morning, I saw something that made me ashamed of some of my fellow Domers; when I looked up at the big, orange sign, I saw something that turned my pride in Keenan Hall into disappointment in Notre Dame: during the night, someone from a rival dorm of Keenan Hall defaced the Great Pumpkin sign. I have only one question for the perpetrators of this act: Why?

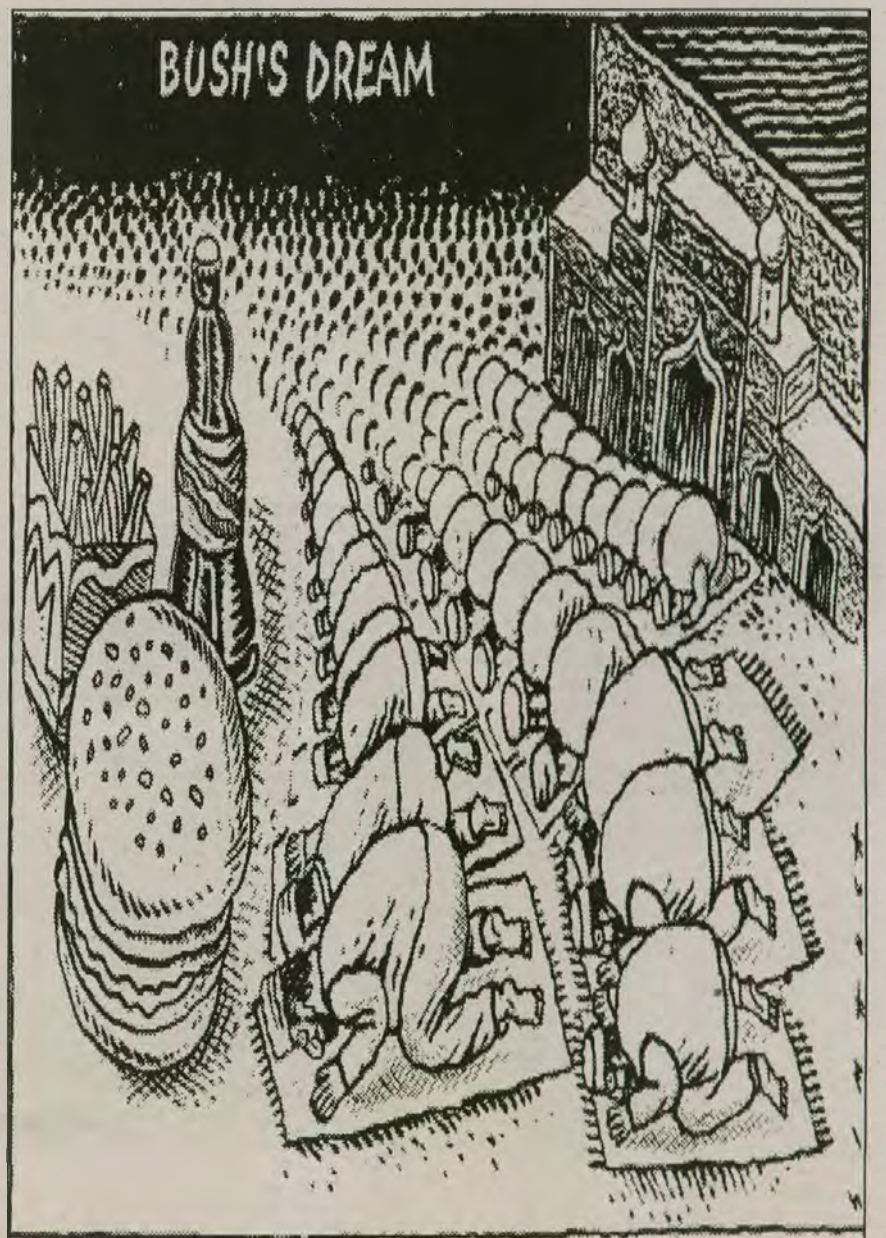
Why did you feel the need to mar a sign that supports a community service event to help eight-year-old kids? Even if you have a rivalry with the dorm hosting the service event, why would you ruin it for the children who wanted to have a fun night of trick-or-treating?

Even for those people who have the attitude of "I would never have done it, but I think it's hilarious that someone else did" — perhaps you are more a part of the problem than you realize, and you need to rethink your attitude. In any event, it is not my place to speculate or point a finger.

I was dismayed tonight when I heard the rector of Keenan Hall, Father Mark Thesing, announce a new rule regarding Christmas light decorations to help prevent vandalism. Christmas lights hanging on Zahm and Keenan Hall cannot hang less than eight feet from the ground, so that the lights cannot be cut by someone on the ground. The rule was created because both dorms' lights displays were cut last year. This rule, based on the failure of Notre Dame students to respect each other, makes me disappointed in and ashamed of my fellow Notre Dame students. Even though one of Keenan's signs has already been vandalized, I call on students from both dorms to respect each other's Christmas light displays this year, show respect and class to all other dorms, and to overcome our rivalries and take pride as a single Notre Dame community.

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## EDITORIAL CARTOON





MOVIE REVIEW

# Third time not quite the charm

By MATT FREY  
Scene Movie Critic

Jenny McCarthy and Pamela Anderson: together for the first time on the big screen. Could my life get any better?

Yes. The movie could have been rated R. You may have heard of *Scary Movie* or even *Scary Movie 2*, those infamous scary movies with no plots and too many laughs to count. The commercials promised much of the same in *Scary Movie 3*; it's a shame those commercials had every actual joke in them. All I got from this movie was a headache from the 50-year-old man sitting one row over.

I must admit the raunchy and albeit satirical humor did make even this cynical boy crack a smile, ever so slight it may have been, but the movie altogether was just okay. Only 85 minutes long, this movie was run-of-the-mill at best. Although the Wayans brothers are credited with creating several of the main characters in the film (see the Coors Twins), the movie lacked the usual hilarious comedy star power provided by the two brothers and their usual drug/sex antics.

This time, the writers tried too hard and wound up with joke followed by poor humor into another joke in a film that had absolutely no story line whatsoever. Frankly, my 16-year-old cousin

loved it and, well, if I were still a young boy inside, I would have died laughing, too. Correction on the last point — college males all still act 16 and, therefore, I did die laughing.

I never knew Charlie Sheen (Tom) could be so hilarious or well, bland, but hey his dad's commercial for ND is stellar. Anyway, *Scary Movie 3* was primarily based on *The Ring*, which, if you haven't seen is ... well, I am not sure, because I haven't seen it, either. Simon Rex (George), yes MTV's very own, did a superb job as a rapping, country farmer. George has a dream to have a dream and becomes a rap battler inspired by *8 Mile*. He plays the all-too-typical klutz, the dumb guy that the film takes advantage of for his clichéd dim-witted remarks. Anna Faris (Cindy) does

an excellent job acting as the main character of this story as a news reporter known for her left field personality and blonde ways. Cindy has a story on the late news about a new cornfield

phenomenon which she promises to get to the bottom of. Her adventures take us through farm and city, surprisingly close together, and the creature of the black lagoon finding her way from the bottom of a well to say "can you hear me now". Who would have realized that someone confined to living in a ghost world would know the ever-popular cellular phone commercials?

## "Scary Movie 3"



**Director:** David Zucker  
**Writers:** Craig Mazin, Pat Proft, Brian Lynch, David Zucker and the Wayan bros.  
**Starring:** Charlie Sheen, Jenny McCarthy, Pamela Anderson, Simon Rex and Anna Faris



Photo courtesy of www.imdb.com

In a parody of 'The Ring,' Becca (Pamela Anderson) and Kate (Jenny McCarthy) receive a menacing but incomprehensible call from a killer in 'Scary Movie 3.'

Your ever-popular "teen movie" has struck again in this sequel to the sequel that failed to remember that number two left us a bit, well, unsatisfied. I admit that I waited and waited for Jenny and Pamela to reappear or maybe a rampant display of debaucheries from the twins, but nothing happened. (Tear drop). In fact, this is a movie that can wait until it comes out on video. In fact, it can wait until it is on the five for five for five list. You

know — five movies for five days for five dollars ... what a deal for all your dull classics. In the Wayans' defense, I know they tried, but the not-so-original Priest, Michael Jackson and violent humor has run its course. So, save your money, buy a stick of gum at the Huddle and continue on your merry way. We all know that SUB will have it cheap in the spring.

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MOVIE REVIEW

# Hackman headlines stellar cast in engaging film

By SARAH VABULAS  
Scene Editor

Imagine yourself sitting on a jury, evaluating and deciding the fate for another human — or, in the case of the film based on John Grisham's best-selling novel, *The Runaway Jury*, you must decide whether a gun production company is at fault for an office shooting.

What would you do to influence

other people?

*Runaway Jury* features an all-star cast to round off a great plot line. When a promising businessman (Dylan McDermott) is murdered during an office rampage, his widow hires Louisiana lawyer Wendell Rohr (Dustin Hoffman, with little to do) to take on the gun manufacturer who supplied the weapon in the first place. Looking to buy its way out of a huge settlement, the gun corporation hires a shady character named Rankin Fitch

(Gene Hackman) to sway the verdict their way by manipulating the jury. When Nicholas Easter (John Cusack) is selected to serve on the jury, Fitch and Rohr soon learn that Easter is engaged in his own jury tampering, with the help of a mysterious outside source (Rachel Weisz).

*Runaway Jury* takes moviegoers back into John Grisham's thrilling ups and downs of the lives inside a conservative southern courtroom. All the favorites from Grisham's novels can be found in this intriguing and engaging film: the cartoony villains, the easily swayed hand of justice, chases, intrigue and the nicest, most honest lawyers that seem to only exist in print or in the movies.

The film is one of the better Grisham adaptations from novel to the big screen. It is light and keeps audiences on their toes, much like *The Rainmaker* and *The Pelican Brief*. The film arms itself with a terrific cast and a willingness to keep the momentum going.

In adapting this book for the screen, the biggest change is the reason for the trial. In Grisham's book, it was a suit against a big tobacco corporation.

The film hinges on the issue of gun control, taking on a very topical sub-

ject that provides urgency where a trial about tobacco could not provide. This urgency pushes the movie along and adds much to the plot, keeping audiences on the edge of their seats for what might happen next.

Hackman beautifully stars as the manipulative man of the movie, coupled with the high levels of enthusiasm for the role. Hackman dominates the screen during his scenes and convinces the audience of not only the reality of the situation, but also the urgency involved in this controversial court case.

At the conclusion of the movie, as I surveyed the audience, all I could see was the nervousness in their faces as the verdict was about to be delivered. After all the blackmail and bribery throughout the entirety of the plot, the verdict was unpredictable and a sigh of relief was felt after it came out.

This movie was full of thrills, twists and turns. It provided two hours of thought-provoking entertainment. If you are at all into court cases or John Grisham, be sure to see *Runaway Jury*.

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Wendell Rohr (Dustin Hoffman) confronts Rankin Fitch (Gene Hackman) and tries to stop Fitch from manipulating the outcome of the trial in 'Runaway Jury.'



DVD REVIEW

# 'Reloaded' DVD does not fire on all cylinders

By TIM MASTERTON  
Scene Movie Critic

One billion dollars. The first two installments of *The Matrix* have already grossed over a billion dollars, and with *The Matrix Revolutions* due out this Wednesday, *Matrix* fever is starting to spread again. The movie's creators, brothers Larry and Andy Wachowski, have established an empire of merchandise, from video games to comic books, and are poised to make even more with the release of *The Matrix Reloaded* on DVD.

*Reloaded* picks up where the first film left off and is only half of the final chapter to this story. Rather unconventionally, *Reloaded* was released in May, leaving fans hanging for months with its huge cliffhanger ending — but that will soon be resolved with *Revolutions*.

The complex story of *Reloaded* makes that of the first film look relatively simple by comparison. Keanu Reeves is back as Neo, prophesized to be "The One" to save humans from destruction by the machines that have taken over

both the world and the majority of humans' bodies and minds. Reeves still retains his stone-cold delivery of lines, but who cares? It somehow works in this fascinating trilogy of movies. Back, too, are multiple philosophical and religious references, making this film appealing on many levels.

Like most other sequels, there are the typical bigger-and-better fights and action scenes. But very little about any of these films can be called typical. The revolutionary bullet-time camera techniques are used again in *Reloaded* to good effect when Neo flies, or, as one character notes, does "his Superman thing." (Yes, now he can fly.)

The highlight of *Reloaded* is the one-of-a-kind car chase staged on a one-mile stretch of highway built especially for the movie. The mix of real stunts and computer-generated imagery provides a seamless end result that will keep anyone on the edge of his seat. Only so much can be said or written about it. You just need to see this scene for yourself.

Some *Matrix* fans have complained about a few seemingly unnecessary scenes, including those depicting the developing love between Neo and Trinity's (Carrie-Anne Moss and one showing some sort of techno dance orgy that is too long and wholly excessive. Another fight scene between Neo and hundreds of agents drags on and ends when Neo flies away. Why didn't he just do that in the first place? However, the film



Photo courtesy of www.thematrix.com

Neo (Keanu Reeves) uses his God-like powers to stop a hail of bullets in the second installment to the Wachowski brothers' science fiction trilogy of films.

has very few major, glaring flaws.

The quality of the movie itself on DVD is outstanding. Although released as a two-disc set, don't get the wrong idea. There isn't much here beyond the film itself. Disc One features the film in its original widescreen format. The images are crisp, and the sound is phenomenal. Even though most students don't have flat-screen TVs and surround sound in their dorm rooms, *Reloaded* is still worth a view. You will probably want to go back and watch that highway chase again and again.

Disc Two includes "an explosion of mind-freeing features," or so the DVD case promises. Even though *Reloaded* will help you put off your homework, don't waste your time on Disc Two. The only things worth watching are a "How They Did It" explaining the aforementioned chase and a parody entitled *The*



*MTV Movie Awards Reloaded*, featuring a hilarious performance by Will Farrell as the film's character, the architect. Unless French subtitles and *Matrix*-inspired advertising excite you, skip the rest of this disc.

Although some, myself included, may find some elements of *Reloaded* to complain about, it is overall a thrilling movie and a great showcase for cutting-edge film technology. It picks up where the first movie left off and sets the stage for the all-out war between man and machine to be concluded in theaters this Wednesday. Like any good entertainment should do, *Reloaded* succeeds in leaving the viewer wanting more.

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**The Matrix Reloaded**

Warner Bros.

# Hollywood injects Christmas cheer into holiday season

Associated Press

At last, a holiday-movie season with real tinsel.

Amid the blockbuster big guns of *The Matrix Revolutions* and *The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King*, Hollywood serves up a wealth of warmhearted fare to put audiences in the holiday spirit, including three very different Christmas-themed comedies.

*Elf* is a merry boy-raised-by-Santa's-helpers tale starring Will Ferrell as a towering human who leaves his adopted home at the North Pole to find his real dad (James Caan) in New York City. Ed Asner plays the world-weary Santa Claus.

*Love Actually* is a big, fat ensemble romance set in the weeks before Christmas, with whipsmart dialogue and a cast of lovelorn Londoners including Emma Thompson, Liam Neeson, Alan Rickman, Colin Firth, Laura Linney and Hugh Grant as Britain's bachelor prime minister.

*Bad Santa* stars Billy Bob Thornton (who pops up briefly in *Love Actually* as the imperious U.S. president) in a black comedy about a thief who learns the meaning of the season while posing as a mall Santa to pull a robbery.

Directed by Terry Zwigoff, who made the art-house hit *Ghost World*, *Bad Santa* co-stars the late John Ritter as the mall manager. With Joel and Ethan Coen as executive produc-

ers, the movie promises a blend of sentiment and Coen brothers weirdness, Thornton said.

"It's like an episode of *South Park* that turns into *It's a Wonderful Life*," Thornton said. "It's definitely the alternative Christmas movie. ... We'll hit you with a right cross, then the other holiday movies will come along to bandage you up."

*Elf* is a crowd-pleasing mix of slapstick, fish-out-of-water silliness and childlike heart as Ferrell takes Manhattan with nothing more than his bottomless Christmas cheer and a dorky elf suit.

Ferrell said he could relate to the character's naive innocence and holiday spirit.

"One of the things that struck me about playing this character is that it was so appealing to play someone who's very earnest, is completely nonjudgmental and accepting of anyone and everyone," Ferrell said.

*Love Actually* could have taken place any old time, but writer-director Richard Curtis, who wrote *Four Weddings and a Funeral* and *Notting Hill*, said "Christmas is the time when you sort of have a go at things romantic. ... It's the time when love is most likely to burst out both in its happy and sad forms, and people are most likely to say the unsayable."

Among Hollywood's other comfort-food movies for the holidays: *Dr. Seuss' The Cat in the Hat*, with Mike Myers; *Mona Lisa Smile*, starring Julia Roberts as a progressive art-

history teacher who inspires students at a close-minded women's college in the 1950s; Eddie Murphy's *The Haunted Mansion*, a family comedy based on Disney's theme-park attraction; the romantic comedy *Something's Gotta Give*, featuring Jack Nicholson and Diane Keaton in the story of a womanizer who loses his taste for sweet young things when he falls for someone in his own age bracket.

Also: a remake of *Cheaper by the Dozen*, with Steve Martin and Bonnie Hunt as a couple that missed a few Planned Parenthood sessions on their way to having 12 kids; Martin again as the villain in *Looney Tunes: Back in Action*, a live-action and cartoon combo that pairs Brendan Fraser with Bugs, Daffy and other Warner Bros. favorites; the huge-screen IMAX exclusive *The Young Black Stallion*, a prequel to the 1979 horse tale; and *Peter Pan*, a live-action adaptation of J.M. Barrie's story of young girl Wendy and her pal Peter, the boy who won't grow up, directed by P.J. Hogan (*My Best Friend's Wedding*).

Jason Isaacs, who plays the villainous Capt. Hook and Wendy's father, said people who know the story only from Disney's spry animated version will be surprised at the movie's dark depths.

The film also casts a boy, Jeremy Sumpter, as Peter, breaking with the old stage tradition of putting older women in the role.

"I remember having seen one of these horrible stage versions with slightly menopausal women dressed in green tights, slapping their thighs," Isaacs said. "As a young boy, I couldn't understand why this little girl Wendy fancied this 50-year-old woman."

The season's serious fare includes four heavy-duty 19th century tales: *Master and Commander: The Far Side of the World*, with Russell Crowe as a Napoleonic-era British ship's captain in a deadly high-seas duel; *The Missing*, Ron Howard's savage Western about redemption between a pioneer woman (Cate Blanchett) and her estranged father (Tommy Lee Jones); Nicole Kidman, Jude Law and Renee Zellweger in *Cold Mountain*, adapted from Charles Frazier's Civil War best seller; and Tom Cruise in *The Last Samurai*, about a disenfranchised American soldier who finds renewal amid culture-clash strife in Japan.

Also coming are *21 Grams*, starring Sean Penn, Naomi Watts and Benicio Del Toro in a sober drama of grief and mortality; Tim Burton's *Big Fish*, with Albert Finney and Ewan McGregor in a father-son reunion fantasy; *House of Sand and Fog*, the story of an ex-Iranian bigwig (Ben Kingsley) fighting for possession of a home with its former owner (Jennifer Connelly); and Michael Caine in *The Statement*, Norman Jewison's thriller about an aging Nazi collaborator running from assassins.



# Equestrian club places third in first competition

Special to The Observer

The Notre Dame and Saint Mary's Equestrian club completed its first semester competition placing third in a pair of IHSA Horse Shows this weekend at Taylor University. On Saturday, the Irish earned 25 points to trail first place Earlham University's 36 points and IUPUI, with 32 points.

Irish co-captain Liz Bell was high point rider, while Indiana's Julie Goodman took reserve high point rider honors. Each rider had won her respective jump and flat classes, and the winner was determined with a ride-off.

Others earning points for the Irish were Katie Baron, fourth, and Claire Freeman, sixth in open jump A. Kelsey Ostberg, second in open flat C and fourth in open jump B, Liz Bell, first in both intermediate jump A and open flat B, with Freeman second, Andrea Oliverio, second in novice jump B and fourth in novice flat B, Baron third in open flat A, Catherine Linn third in novice jump A and fifth in novice flat A, Kristin LaSota third in advanced walk trot canter and Kendall Anderson second in walk trot.

On Sunday, the club finished with 22 points behind Purdue

and runner-up IUPUI with 31 and 28 points respectively. Ostberg earned high point rider honors, edging Lucy Withers of IUPUI, who finished reserve high point rider. Osteberg, teammate Lauren Ball and Withers all participated in a ride-off as they finished in a three-way tie for the show.

Ostberg took first in open flat B and second in open jump B, while Ball took first in novice flat B and second in novice jump C. Oliverio also garnered a first in novice jump B and sixth in novice flat A, while Freeman took first in open flat C and fourth in open jump B. Baron finished third in both

open jump A, and open flat B. Linn placed fifth in novice jump A and Julia Burke took sixth in open flat A. Katy Ryan captured second in novice flat A and Marta Ascadi was sixth in advanced walk trot canter A. Lauren Croall brought home another first for the Irish in advanced walk trot canter C, with teammate Kristin LaSota finishing sixth. Kendall Anderson again contributed to the team total, with a fifth in walk trot.

The club will return to action in the spring.

## Women's Ice Hockey

The Irish suffered another tough loss this weekend as

they dropped a 6-1 contest Friday evening at Western Michigan.

The Broncos' Rhonda Sheahan proved again to be one of the best goalies in the conference as she shut down the Irish attack, which almost doubled Western Michigan in shots on goal. Saint Mary's Megan Mattia scored the only goal for the Irish late in the second period, assisted by Jaky Kehler and Lizzy Coghill.

The Irish will travel to Michigan State on Nov. 21 to face off with the Spartans, before returning home for a rematch with the Broncos at the Joyce Center the next day.

## Guillen named White Sox manager

Associated Press

CHICAGO — Ozzie Guillen was certain he was the right person to be the new manager of the Chicago White Sox, regardless of what his resume did or didn't say.

Two hours into his first interview, White Sox general manager Kenny Williams agreed.

"The passion, the commitment, the energy, the game knowledge, the aggressive attitude," Williams said Monday in introducing Guillen as manager of the team where he spent 13 years of his 16-year career.

"He bleeds White Sox baseball. There is no doubt in my mind that he is going to provide something here we desperately need. A jolt, if you will."

When Williams fired Jerry Manuel on Sept. 29 in the wake of the White Sox's colossal meltdown, he was certain he wanted a manager with experience. Someone who'd been to the postseason, maybe even the World Series.

Former Toronto manager Cito Gaston was believed to be an early favorite, and Williams said he talked to Tom Kelly and Jim Leyland to see if either had interest in getting back into baseball.

But then came Guillen. He just retired in 2000, and his only experience was as a coach, the last two years as third base



GETTY IMAGES

After being named the new manager of the Chicago White Sox, Ozzie Guillen sits with his wife during a news conference.

coach for the World Series champion Florida Marlins.

Williams set aside four hours for their interview, never thinking he would need more.

"By the time that second hour hit," Williams said, "I was convinced he was the guy."

Though Williams' mind was already made up, he brought Guillen back for a second interview. He offered him the job Sunday night, and Guillen signed a two-year contract with an option for a third year Monday.

"It's an honor for me," Guillen said. "It took me a little while to get back and wear this uniform.

Hopefully it'll be the last uniform I ever wear."

Guillen's passion for the White Sox is undeniable. The former All-Star shortstop never stopped smiling Monday. And when he walked out the door to catch a plane back to Florida, he was still wearing his new White Sox cap.

But his honesty impressed Williams, too. Thirty seconds after he walked in the door, Guillen told Williams he wasn't going to try to impress him or tell Williams what he thought the GM wanted to hear.

He was going to be Guillen, take it or leave it.

## Raiders continue to struggle with losses

Associated Press

ALAMEDA, Calif. — Rod Woodson jokingly offered up the idea of hanging a suggestion box outside Oakland's practice facility for anybody who thinks they can solve the mess the Raiders are in.

The team's other Woodson, four-time Pro Bowl cornerback Charles Woodson, is at the center of the turmoil — the off-field stuff anyway. Twice in five days he publicly criticized second-year coach Bill Callahan, saying Callahan is stubborn and has lost control of his team, and that the Raiders are falling apart.

On Monday, Callahan called the comments "inappropriate and inaccurate."

"As long as he comes here to 1220 Harbor Bay, he'll find the team," Rod Woodson said in a nearly empty Raiders locker room. "I'm pretty sure you can't lose 53 guys. We're not playing hide-and-seek here. You never quit playing, because you play for each other."

He claims "there is no internal grumbling," but apparently changed his stance upon learning Callahan and Charles Woodson haven't spoken in a month.

If Oakland hasn't imploded already, the team seems on the brink of major disaster only eight games removed from its Super Bowl loss to Tampa Bay. Callahan insists he isn't worried about his job security and that he still has all faith in his coaching philosophy and the strength of his staff.

Things became significantly worse Sunday when the Raiders lost 23-13 at Detroit, losing their backup-turned-starting quarterback in the process. Marques Tuiasosopo partially tore a ligament his left knee while filling in for injured 2002 MVP Rich Gannon, and the Raiders will likely turn to third-stringer Rick Mirer this week to face the New York Jets. They were beat up enough already.

"I mean, we lost one game now to the Detroit Lions, who coach says was an outstanding football team," Rod Woodson said. "So, I guess the Jets are going to be — whoooo — they might be going to the Super Bowl."

The Raiders have reached record lows. They are all but out of the playoff race after a 2-6 start, their worst start since beginning 1-6-1 in 1964. They appear to be losing faith in each other and their coaches.

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	team	record	points
1	USC (65)	22-0	1,626
2	Hawaii	24-1	1,550
3	Florida	24-1	1,503
4	Pepperdine	19-2	1,421
5	Kansas State	22-3	1,289
6	UCLA	19-4	1,263
7	Georgia Tech	23-1	1,238
8	Stanford	17-6	1,173
9	California	19-3	1,169
10	Nebraska	20-3	996
11	Washington	15-7	964
12	NOTRE DAME	19-2	831
13	Northern Iowa	20-4	715
14	Santa Clara	16-8	713
15	Colorado State	20-4	634
16	Penn State	20-4	608
17	Loyola Marymount	22-4	605
18	San Diego	17-6	457
19	UC Santa Barbara	15-6	446
20	Minnesota	17-7	443
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22	Wisconsin	17-6	282
23	Louisville	15-4	247
24	Cincinnati	23-2	130
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	team	record	points
1	Oklahoma	9-0	2.24
2	USC	8-1	7.02
3	Florida State	8-1	9.52
4	Miami (Fla.)	7-1	10.25
5	Ohio State	8-1	11.47
6	Virginia Tech	7-1	12.47
7	LSU	8-1	14.92
8	Michigan	8-2	20.79
9	TCU	8-0	24.75
10	Georgia	7-2	25.15
11	Iowa	7-2	25.60
12	Texas	7-2	30.59
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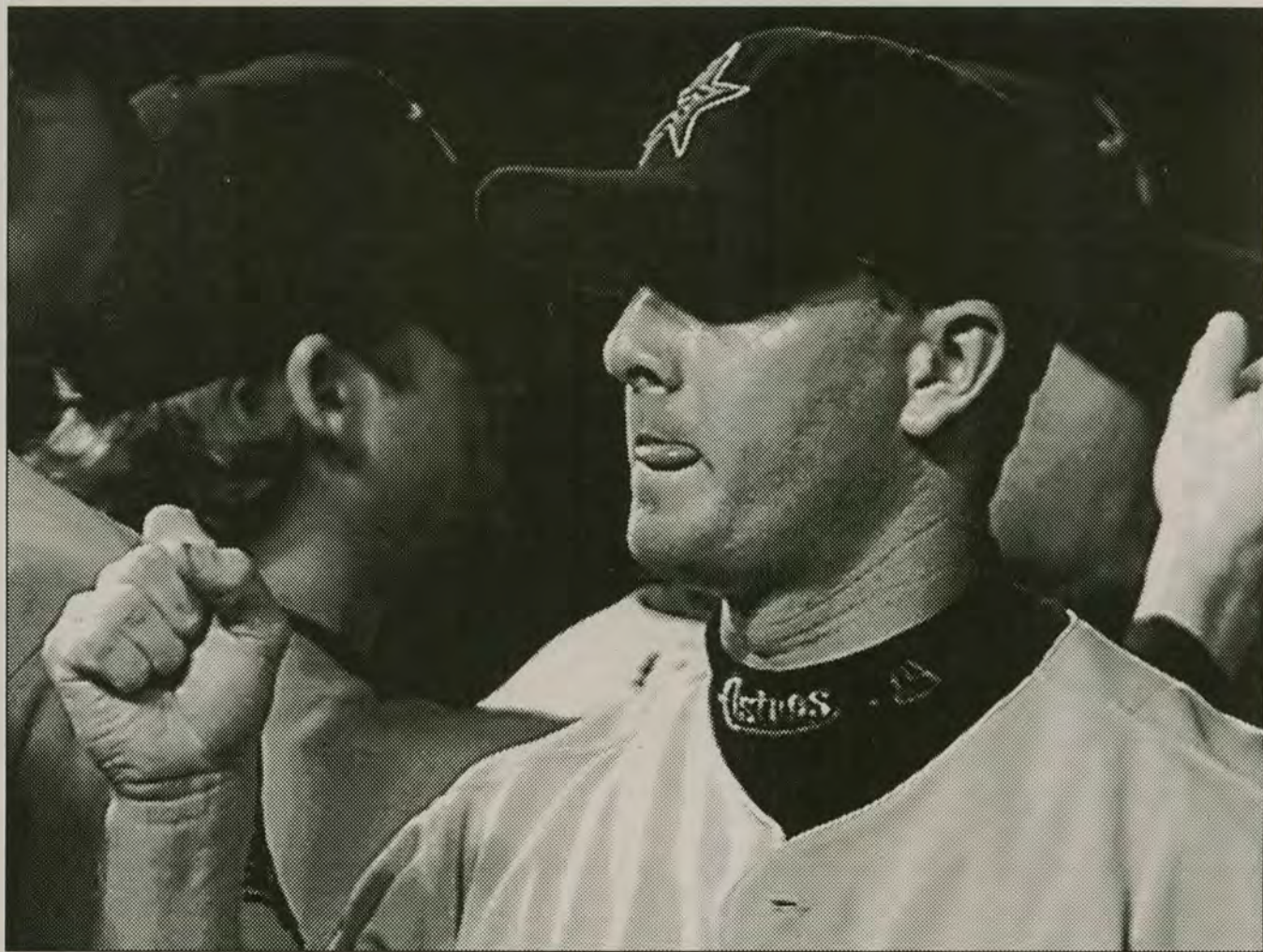
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Iowa at PURDUE (7-2)  
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West Virginia at BOSTON COLLEGE (5-4)  
FLORIDA STATE (8-1) at Clemson  
Arizona State at STANFORD (3-4)  
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MICHIGAN (8-2)  
USC (8-1)  
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## MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL



Billy Wagner was traded from the Houston Astros Monday to the Philadelphia Phillies for pitcher Brandon Duckworth and two minor leaguers.

## Wagner traded to Philadelphia Phillies

PHILADELPHIA — Billy Wagner questioned Houston ownership's commitment to winning. He won't have those problems with the Philadelphia Phillies.

The All-Star closer was traded Monday from the cost-cutting Astros to the Phillies for right-hander Brandon Duckworth and minor league right-handers Taylor Buchholz and Ezequiel Astacio.

Wagner, a three-time All-Star, goes from one of baseball's best bullpens to among its worst. The Phillies converted just 33 saves in 51 opportunities as Jose Mesa and Mike

Williams both faltered.

"I'm excited about coming to Philadelphia because they obviously have made a commitment to winning a championship," Wagner said.

Wagner had criticized Astros owner Drayton McLane for not making a move to get another quality starting pitcher for the 2003 season and expected more of the same for next season.

"It's going to be a tape job," Wagner said after the season finale. "It's not like we're going out there and getting any marquee pitchers."

Wagner didn't back off

his comments after the trade.

"My comments to Drayton were truthful. They were about winning, not about him being a bad owner," Wagner said.

Whatever the case, the Phillies are thrilled to have him. General manager Ed Wade said getting a closer was the team's top priority in the offseason.

"Billy Wagner was at the top of our list," Wade said.

Phillies manager Larry Bowa compared Wagner to Atlanta's John Smoltz and Los Angeles' Eric Gagne.

"He's a dominant closer," Bowa said. "There's a big void we filled real quick."

Wagner was 1-4 with a 1.78 ERA last season and had 44 saves in 47 chances, making a career-high 78 appearances. Mesa converted 24 of 28 saves for the Phillies and had seven losses and a 6.52 ERA. Williams, an All-Star with Pittsburgh, was 0-4 with a 6.38 ERA and three saves in five chances after being acquired by the Phillies in July.

The Phillies are moving into a new ballpark in April, and the trade for Wagner has generated a lot of excitement among fans that can translate into increased ticket sales.

## IN BRIEF

### Mattingly to become Yankees hitting coach

NEW YORK — Don Mattingly is returning to the New York Yankees.

A six-time All-Star who was the team's captain from 1991 until his retirement in 1995, Mattingly was persuaded by owner George Steinbrenner to become the team's hitting coach.

While no announcement was made Monday, his hiring was disclosed by a baseball official with knowledge of the team's decision. A news conference was expected Tuesday.

When Mattingly was at Yankee Stadium on Oct. 15 to throw out the ceremonial first pitch before Game 6 of the AL championship series, he wasn't sure whether he wanted to return to a full-time role with the team.

He replaces Rick Down, who was fired last week after New York hit just .140 with runners in scoring

position during its six-game loss to Florida in the World Series.

### Dislocated shoulder injury to keep Bashir out a couple of weeks

INDIANAPOLIS — Indianapolis safety Idrees Bashir is expected to miss Sunday's game at Jacksonville and is likely to be out longer with a dislocated right shoulder.

Colts coach Tony Dungy said Bashir will miss "a couple weeks at least" with the injury. He hurt the shoulder while trying to tackle Miami running back Ricky Williams during Sunday's 23-17 victory.

Bashir has started 37 of 40 games throughout his career. He was replaced Sunday by Jason Doering and Dungy said the Colts would use one of their cornerbacks at safety in practice this week. Dungy gave the Colts an extra off day Monday after their seventh win in eight games.

Dungy was uncertain whether kick returner Brad Pyatt would play against the Jaguars. Pyatt was injured on a punt return early in the first quarter Sunday when Miami's Tommy Hendricks made a helmet-to-helmet tackle.

Pyatt laid on the ground for several minutes as doctors immobilized him and he left the field on a stretcher. Dungy said it was a chest injury and Pyatt believed he could play this week.

"That was a very scary situation," Dungy said. "You feel like he got a concussion or some type of neck injury, but when we went out there, he was saying 'My chest, my chest.'"

The Colts also lost wide receiver Brandon Stokley during the game on Sunday with a concussion. Dungy said the team would conduct neurological tests before clearing him to practice this week and did not rule him out of the Jacksonville game.

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**MEN'S INTERHALL FOOTBALL**

# Morrissey able to overcome Zahm 20-7 in quarterfinal

By KEVIN O'NEILL  
Sports Writer

If the true indicator of the heart of a team is how they respond to adversity, third seeded Morrissey certainly showed themselves to be in possession of heart as mounting an impressive comeback to defeat a valiant Zahm team 20-7 and move one step closer to the Stadium.

Tailback Nick Klein ran 13 times for 75 yards and a touchdown and quarterback Marty Mooney threw for one touchdown and ran for another to lead the comeback.

Zahm took advantage of a few strategic wrinkles to build the early lead. Defensively, the Rabid Bats came out in a 4-3 scheme instead of their customary 5-2 to "switch it up" according to captain Mike Maimone. The early results were favorable as the Rabid Bat defense stopped the Manorites on their first possession.

From there, the Rabid Bats used some misdirection in both the running and passing game to spring back-to-back plays of over 25 yards. That set up a great individual effort from wide receiver Mike Russell who defeated double coverage to come down with quarterback Mitch Knapke's pass to make the score 7-0 in favor of Zahm after the extra point.

The 76-yard drive represented the first time all season the Manorite defense had been scored upon as the result of a long drive, but the Morrissey offense was right there to pick its defense up with a 65-yard scoring drive that was all achieved in the running game. Nick Klein completed the drive on which he had five carries for 55 yards with a 25-yard jaunt around and through the left side of the Zahm defense.

Following the two-point conver-

sion the Manorites suddenly led 8-7 and had forced Zahm to switch back to their customary defense.

"We had to switch back to the 5-2 to try and stop the run," Maimone said.

When the Morrissey defense came back on the field, they made it clear that they had settled down, forcing an immediate three and out by allowing just one first down while forcing two turnovers over the remainder of the game.

"We got our assignments down and played like we had played all year and tried to get some turnovers," linebacker Brian Dinsmore said.

With the defense back to its dominating ways, the Morrissey offense was able to mount another scoring drive before the half. With Zahm in the 5-2 to stop Klein, Mooney dropped back, and recognizing that Zahm was in tight man coverage, took off up the left sideline. Mooney had one man to beat as he crossed the Zahm 25, and beat him with an impressive juke to make his run a 60-yard, momentum changing touchdown.

"I thought the turning point was Mooney's run," Morrissey captain Aaron Ronsheim said. "It was huge to get that score right before the half."

Following a Dinsmore interception that positioned the ball at the Zahm 24, the Manorites scored the game-icing 11-yard touchdown on a tipped pass that fell into the arms of Ronsheim.

Despite the loss, Zahm had a lot to be proud of after starting the season 0-2.

"I'm satisfied overall," Maimone said. "I'm proud of our team. We started the year 0-2 and could have folded, but we came back strong and made the playoffs. I think we played them pretty even overall today."

The Manorites advance to take

on Siegfried, the team that ended their season in the first round of the playoffs last year. Dismore knows

the Manorites will need to come out ready to play to beat the Ramblers. "That's a big motivator," he said.

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rushing plays behind Kevin McCarthy and Ben Butwin, was one dimensional and admittedly so.

"We're going to run the ball every play, and there's nothing [Sorin] can do about it," a Dillon coach said to Sorin's defense during the fourth quarter.

The persistence of Dillon's running game proved the difference as they used brute force to wear down Sorin and eventually find holes in its defense.

Dan Block anchored Dillon's defensive line with linebacker Robert McBride putting pressure on the quarterback. The extremely vocal Dillon sideline also was a 12th man on defense that caused false starts on Sorin's offense.

Dillon realizes that teams will be gunning for them throughout the playoffs, but they feel ready to face Keenan next Sunday.

"Being a number one seed is like having a bull's-eye on your back, but we'll be more prepared against Keenan next week," Arseniadis said.

## Keenan 10, Knott 7

Skill, composure and a last minute field goal proved to be the right ingredients for a Keenan victory.

After a sluggish first half, the Keenan Knights were able to maintain their poise and upset the Knott Juggernauts 10-7.

Knott began the first half energetically, as it seized control of the game by maintaining possession of the ball and by stopping Keenan's offense by only allowing one first down.

Knott's dominance eventually turned fruitful during the second quarter, as Knott scored the first touchdown of the

game. Running back Joe McCarthy ran for 18 yards and dove into the end zone to make the score 7-0.

Despite Keenan giving up the touchdown, its offense remained stagnant as Knight quarterback and team captain Patrick Downey immediately threw an interception to Alex Fergus and allowed Knott to run the clock to end the first half.

"We had no life in us during the first half," Downey said.

Fortunately for Keenan, the offense made a complete turnaround to begin the second half. After dictating play for most of the third quarter, Keenan found the end zone as Downey handed the ball to Reed Langton to tie the score 7-7.

After allowing the touchdown and struggling defensively during the third quarter, Knott's defense managed to recover an early fourth quarter fumble. But Knott could not capitalize and was forced punt and allow Keenan to decide the final outcome.

With 28 seconds remaining in the game, Keenan kicker Andrew Warner kicked a 25-yard field goal to end the game and make the score 10-7.

Warner was a surprise, as Keenan struggled all year in punting. He was a late replacement on the Keenan roster and proved to be a critical asset as Keenan moves on to the second round of the playoffs.

After leading by a touchdown for most of the game, the loss was a true disappointment for Knott.

"Everything went our way in the first half," Knott captain Drew Donovan said. "The loss was heartbreaking ... we left everything out on the field."

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## MEN'S INTERHALL FOOTBALL

# Ramblers defeat Dawgs on late TD

By ANNIE BRUSKY  
Sports Writer

The game went down to the wire, but, in the end, it was Siegfried's well-rounded attack that pulled through with a 10-6 victory over Alumni.

After taking the lead midway through the first half, Siegfried gave up a touchdown and had to overcome not only a strong defensive effort by Alumni but also frustrating calls in order to score again late in the game.

"We did really well. It was just as we planned," Siegfried quarterback Bill Bingle said. "Mental mistakes hurt us a bit but we came through."

John Nowak put Siegfried on the board with an 18-yard field goal and the Ramblers went into halftime ahead 3-0. Early in the second half, Siegfried looked to punt from their own 15-yard line.

After the snap, punter Eric Cherney saw Alumni's defensive line fast approaching and, knowing his punt would be blocked, unsuccessfully attempted to throw the ball for a first down. Alumni gained possession deep in Ramblers territory and was able to capitalize on the opportunity by giving the ball to running back Alex Roodhouse.

Roodhouse made several good runs, ultimately breaking into the end zone for a touchdown. Alumni's first extra point attempt was wide, but it was called back after Siegfried was penalized for roughing the kicker. On the second try, a botched snap forced Alumni to look for the two-point conver-

sion, but Siegfried's good coverage kept the score 6-3. Siegfried worked its way down the field thanks to clutch plays by Bingle and several of his receivers.

"We know we have a potent offense. We really used all of our weapons today," Bingle said after six different receivers made receptions in the game.

Bingle connected with receiver Jon Kaup on fourth-and-four to keep the Ramblers' hopes alive.

A clipping penalty pushed them back, but Kaup and sophomore Marques Bolden made some big receptions to overcome the deficit and move the Ramblers to just within the 10-yard line. On first-and-goal Bingle scrambled to the right until Mike Wahl got open and the two connected for the winning touchdown.

"It was awesome. Bill made a great play," Wahl said. "He's the best quarterback in the league."

Alumni, unfortunately, goes home empty-handed and disappointed.

"I think it took us too long to get things going. When we finally did get our offense going we ran out of time," Alumni senior Chris Seponski said. "Siegfried is a good team; their quarterback and receivers do a good job."

With a number of seniors on the team, Alumni was not ready for their season to end.

"We went to the championship last year so we wanted to put in more of a fight this year," Seponski said. "We have the talent; things just didn't go our way."

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## SMC SOCCER

# Belles try to end slump

By DAN TAPETILLO  
Sports Writer

Saint Mary's continued its slump with a 1-0 loss to Albion College Saturday.

"We are in a bit of a slump right now, and the stats do not necessarily prove how well we have done this season," said Saint Mary midfielder Katie Nobel.

Saint Mary's now stands at a 9-5-3. The Belles now are in fifth place in the MIAA standings after being ranked second earlier this season. The Belles have only one won of their last four games, against Hope College.

Despite the Belles solid defense that consists of Shannon Culbertson, Stephanie Artnak, Carrie Orr and goalie Laura Heline, Albion still managed to score early in the first half.

"It was a highly physical game," Saint Mary's forward Carolyn Logan said.

Orr continued to play stellar defense and Heline played a fabulous game added Logan.

However, Saint Mary's does not intend for this loss to affect them during its next game against Olivet this afternoon.

"We are hoping to get another win," Katie Noble said. "We already beat this team 4-0 earlier this season."

The team is more focused upon Calvin that is Saint Mary's final game of the regular season. Calvin gave Saint Mary's difficulties earlier in the season with a 2-2 overtime tie. Noble is depending upon the team to its composure and to end the season on a high note after the two-week slump.

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# B-ball

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more points than most of last year. I think we're headed in the right direction."

Notre Dame came out slow and fell behind for most of the first ten minutes of the game. The Irish made only 1-of-9 of its first nine shots during the five initial minutes of the half.

But after getting into the flow of the game, Notre Dame found its shooting touch, making 11 of the next 14 shots to take its first lead of the game, on a pair of Le'Tania Severe free throws, 18-17 with 11:59 left in the first half.

The Irish continued to shoot well for the remainder of the half and led 45-35 at intermission. The team shot 51.6 percent in the half.

Notre Dame shot even better in the second half (53.6 percent) and slowly added to its lead. Northwest Sports cut the lead to 11 with six minutes to play, but the Irish quickly pushed it back up to 20 by the end of the game.

Monday's game was the first chance for Notre Dame's three freshmen to see their first collegiate action. Crystal Irwin played 12 minutes, had six points, three rebounds and fouled out. Susie Powers missed all three of her shots and grabbed three rebounds in 14 minutes, while Breona Gray made her only shot in nine minutes of play.

"I thought Crystal did a good job out there," McGraw said. "She scored, she defended pretty well and I was pleased with how she played tonight. Susie did some good things and Breona is going to be very good defender for us."

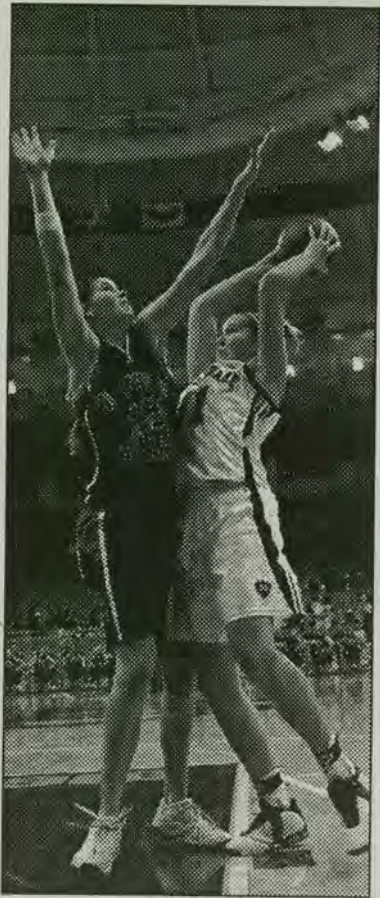
The key for the Irish was the play of Duffy and LaVere and McGraw was impressed with the duo's play.

"I was really pleased with Courtney's play in the post," McGraw said. "I thought she played extremely well. I thought Megan played a very good floor game."

The Irish play a second and final exhibition game Sunday at 1 p.m. against Team Concept at the Joyce Center.

**Notes:**

♦ Junior Teresa Borton did not



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Notre Dame forward Courtney LaVere attempts to get a shot off Monday night.

*"I think we're headed in the right direction.."*

**Muffet McGraw**  
Irish coach

play Monday because of off-season heel surgery. She is expected to miss the month of November, but should be back by the first week of December.

♦ Senior Jeneka Joyce also did not play and will not practice for another 10 days due to an injury.

♦ With 11:44 left in the game, senior Monique

Hernandez went down in a collision and injured her foot. McGraw said Hernandez will have x-rays tomorrow.

♦ The Irish improved to 19-1 in exhibitions games since the 1993-94 season.

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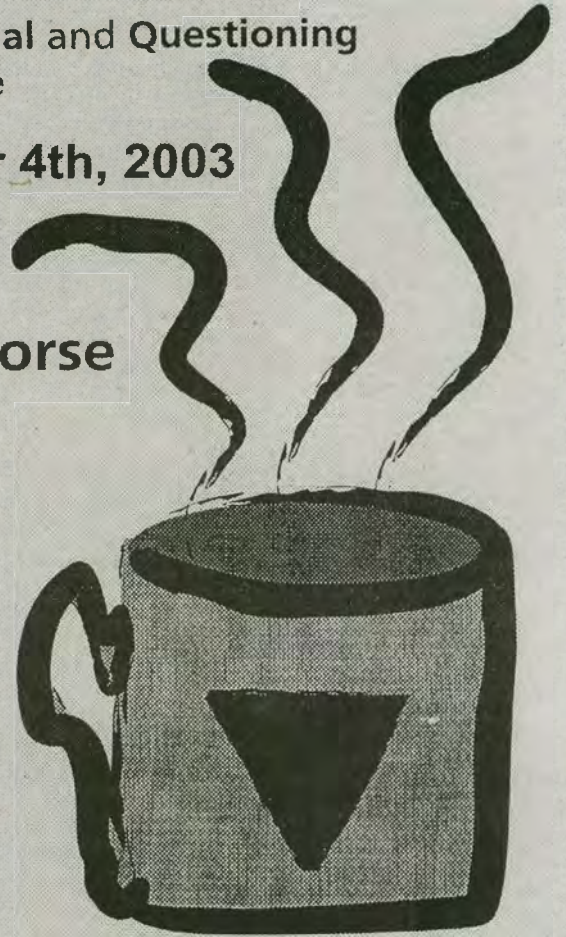
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# Football

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haven't lost faith in the man Alumni Association Executive Director Chuck Lennon calls the captain that sails the ship on the "Sea of Green."

"How could you not believe in a man like that? He's been driving us the whole time, and I put this loss completely on myself," Irish quarterback Brady Quinn said.

With the Irish at 2-6, even winning four straight games would not put them in a bowl game since Notre Dame doesn't accept bowl bids from the lower-tier bowls.

Therefore, all this team has

left is to play for something that has become very common on the mouths of coaches and players once this season went south — pride. That's the message the fifth-year seniors, who only have four games left in an Irish uniform, are trying to pass on to the younger team members with hopes of turning this sinking ship around quickly.

"For me, and this being my fifth year and my last year, it's pride," Notre Dame cornerback Jason Beckstrom said. "The way I try and go about it, and the things I try and tell the younger guys, is that this is a metaphor for life — that's what football is. Despite the fact that we're now 2-6, you can't give up."

"In life, you're going to get

curveballs, you're going to be down, the odds are going to stack against you, but you've got to keep going."

While the players try to help the coaching staff and Willingham keep the morale up the locker room, ultimately, it comes down to the head man himself.

"That is always one of the most difficult jobs of any coach, when things aren't going well to keep a team moving forward, to keep them positive," Willingham said. "We will find ways to do that. I can't tell you exactly what they are today. There are still things this football team can accomplish."

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# FOOTBALL

## Seminoles quick start sets the tone

By MATT LOZAR  
Associate Sports Editor

On their first offensive play of the 2002 Notre Dame-Florida State contest, the Irish went over the top of the Seminole defense and scored a touchdown on a 65-yard bomb from then quarterback Carlyle Holiday to graduated wide receiver Arnaz Battle.

This year, the Seminoles came right back and gave the Irish a little of their own medicine.

Florida State quarterback Chris Rix ran a play-action fake on the first play of the game, and wide receiver Craponso Thorpe beat Vontez Duff in a one-on-one situation for a 38-yard completion.

That pass set the tone for a long day for the secondary.

"We had seen them do that before, and I don't know if we thought they were going to do it so much, but that's no excuse for the plays that they were able to make," Notre Dame cornerback Jason Beckstrom said.

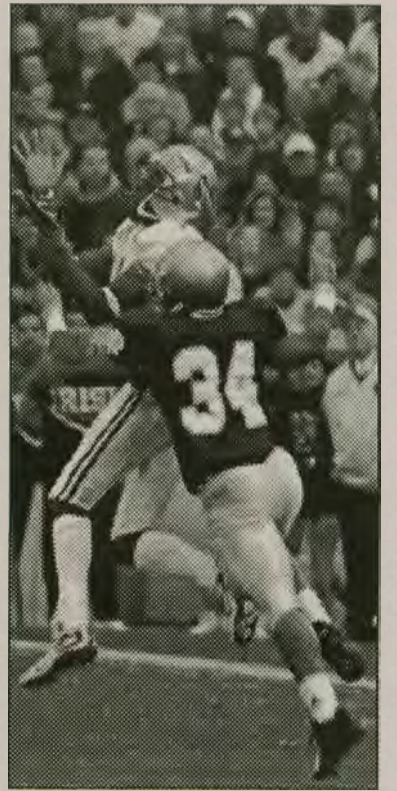
Rix finished the game with 327 yards on only 17 completions, and Thorpe had seven catches for 217 yards and two touchdowns.

The Irish came into this game knowing the Seminoles would test them downfield, but the Seminoles' speed became too much for the Notre Dame secondary.

"They're a very talented receiving corps, just as any other team has that we play all year," Beckstrom said. "Today we didn't get the job done; we didn't make the plays that we needed to make early on. I thought we got better as the game went on, but it helps to have that passion and that intensity early on in the game."

### Unusual start

Notre Dame offensive coordinator Bill Diedrick's play calling has been the subject of many conversations of Irish fans this season.



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**Notre Dame cornerback Vontez Duff covers a Seminole receiver Saturday.**

Diedrick scripts the first 10-15 plays of the game prior to kickoff. He bases those play selections on the opponents' defensive tendencies and how the opposition reacts to certain plays.

Against Florida State, Notre Dame came out and ran three straight pass plays to open up the game. Playing an extremely fast team like the Seminoles, one would think the Irish would want to establish a physical presence by running ball.

But that wasn't the case. "I don't know [about the first three plays being passes]," Notre Dame running back Julius Jones said. "You might have to ask the coaches on that. I just go out and run the plays they give us."

Quarterback Brady Quinn felt the coaches were just trying to "change things up."

### Irish still favored

Despite the 2-6 start to the season and being outscored by a combined 68 over the past two home games, the Irish come out as favorites for Saturday's contest. While the actual betting line varies at different casinos, Notre Dame is about an eight point favorite to beat Navy.

The Midshipmen are 6-3 this season and boast the top-ranked rushing offense in the NCAA.

However, Notre Dame has defeated Navy 39 consecutive times, which is an NCAA record.

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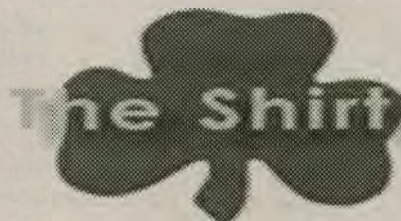
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first half after a 5-yard pass from Heath to put Badin ahead 20-0 at halftime.

The Shamrocks lacked substantial offensive drives for much of the first half, mostly due to several interceptions by Badin cornerback Laura Feeny and safety Laura Huarte.

McGlenn captain On-Kay Wong noted that much of the team seemed to have an off day.

"No one really had it all day," Wong said. "We needed one big play to spark a comeback, and we just didn't have that."

The Shamrocks started the second half with renewed intensity and two 10-yard runs by running back Raquel Ferrer. However, the Bullfrogs responded to their efforts with Betsy Schroeder blocking a pass intended for Ferrer.

"Their defense really stepped up and we couldn't really get a long drive together," Wong said of the second half.

With 10 minutes remaining in the second half, Carter caught another touchdown pass from Heath to guarantee the victory.

The Bullfrogs were also successful in their attempt for the extra two points, with Charlebois catching a pass from Heath.

Badin's defense maintained the 28-0 lead with a number of interceptions by Huarte and Feeny.

The Bullfrogs are set to meet Cavanaugh, who had a first round bye, this Sunday and anticipate a hard-fought battle.

"Everyone has to step up 100 percent for the Cavanaugh game," Carter said. "It's going to come down to individuals. It's definitely going to be the hardest game we've played all season."

## Welsh Family 19, Breen Phillips 0

Welsh Family emerged with a convincing first round victory, dominating both sides of the ball on route to a 19-0 shutout of fourth-seeded Breen-Phillips.

A first half touchdown from Melissa Sands to Jamie McEldowney, the first of two connections on the afternoon, set the tempo for what would be a one-sided game controlled by Welsh Family who had a 6-0 lead at the half.

Welsh Family came out fired up in the second half, as Sands

continued to pick apart the Breen-Phillips secondary with touchdown passes of 60 and 25 yards to McEldowney and Lauren Pierce.

Sands completed three second half passes for 90 yards, including the two touchdowns that proved to be too much for Breen-Phillips to overcome.

"Our receivers were awesome today," Sands said. "The conditions were bad, but we managed to put it together."

Welsh Family seemed to ignore the wet, slippery field, amassing over 130 yards against a very solid Breen-Phillips defense. Breen-Phillips had only lost one game this

year before Sunday's encounter with Welsh.

"Our offense was really working. We ran our routes like [Sands] wanted," McEldowney said. "It was a team effort."

The Welsh Family defense was impressive itself, looking overpowering as it shut out the Breen-Phillips offense. A Katie Powers second half interception virtually erased all hope of Breen-Phillips coming back from what was then a 13-0 Welsh lead.

Breen-Phillips looked anemic on offense, moving the ball inconsistently in the second half. The passing game couldn't get going, and they were forced into quarterback scrambles and draws to move the ball.

On its final drive, Breen-Phillips failed to complete a pass.

The win advanced Welsh to the semi-finals against Lewis, the top team in women's interhall in the regular season.

"We played really well," coach Brian Adams said. "Lewis is a great team, too. We'll have to figure them out this week at practice."

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**Jamie McEldowney  
Welsh Family  
wide receiver**

## SMC VOLLEYBALL

# Belles want to build on win

*Hope is first-round opponent for Belles in MIAA Tourney*

By JUSTIN SCHUVER  
Associate Sports Editor

The Belles wanted to come into the MIAA tournament on a good note, and they accomplished that goal with a four set victory over Albion Friday.

Saint Mary's (16-12, 5-9 in the MIAA), who wrapped up the sixth seed in the tournament, defeated Albion (10-21, 3-11) by the score of 30-28, 30-20, 24-30, 30-28. The Belles will visit third seed Hope (20-12, 11-3) in the first round of the tournament today.

"It was real important for us to get a win against Albion," coach Julie Schroeder-Biek said. "We really wanted to play Hope, and we were able to solidify our sixth seed with that win."

She added that setter Lauren Temple played an excellent game against Albion, running a potent offense that was able to keep the Britons' defense off-guard.

"As a team we just played really well," Schroeder-Biek said. "Lauren ran a great offense and really mixed it up. We need to work on getting our middles more involved in the flow, though, going into the tournament."

The Belles' defense also did a good job of handling Albion's talented outside hitter Krystle Weeks, holding her to only nine kills in the four-game match. Weeks came into the match averaging almost three kills a game.

For the Belles offensively, outside hitter Kristen Playko led the team with 19 kills. Libero Alison Shevik was the team-leader in digs with 19; five other players collected more than 10 digs in the match.

Saint Mary's now looks for-

ward to Hope, a team that defeated the Belles both times they met during the regular season. Despite her team's lack of success so far against the Flying Dutch, Schroeder-Biek has high hopes for her team's first round match.

"We've always had a real rivalry with Hope," she said. "We've played them real tough so far this year, even though we lost. They have weaknesses that I know we can take advantage of."

"This is a team we have a strong desire to beat."

The Belles are relishing their role as an underdog and spoiler in the postseason.

"We just want to keep tallying away the wins," Schroeder-Biek said. "We'd really like to go in there and mess up some higher seeds."

The match is scheduled for 7 p.m.

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FOOTBALL

# Staying the course

*Willingham still confident in direction of program*

By MATT LOZAR  
Associate Sports Editor

How appropriate that Notre Dame coach Tyrone Willingham made a reference to watercraft in his post-game conference against Florida State with Navy coming to South Bend Saturday.

"The first thing we have to do is get a win this next weekend," Willingham said. "We have to get our ship righted and pointed in the right direction."

Everything seems to be heading downhill rapidly for the Irish, and suddenly fans don't think Willingham seems like the man to turn around this program like he did last year. But that's not weakening his confidence in the master plan.

"I don't think it's any question this is one of the toughest spots I've ever been in," Willingham said. "But at the same time, I

know what our goal is; our goal is to clearly build this program to be a great team. I still believe that can happen. Sometimes, it's difficult to see. I think we are pointed in the right direction, and we will stay in that direction."

While at Stanford, Willingham's teams were very inconsistent from year to year. He started his head coaching career with the Cardinal in 1995 with back-to-back seven win seasons but followed those years with five and three win years.

However, Willingham led Stanford to the Rose Bowl in 1999 after that 3-8 season for the school's first trip to Pasadena, Calif. in 28 years. Then Stanford followed that year with a disappointing 5-6 campaign before Willingham's last year where the team went 9-3.

At Notre Dame, Willingham started last year with the most wins by a first year coach in Irish history but followed the pattern of his past head coaching career as the Irish are 2-6 this season.

But ask the players, and they

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Irish running back Ryan Grant is tackled Saturday afternoon during Notre Dame's 37-0 loss to Florida State.

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WOMEN'S INTERHALL FOOTBALL

# Welsh Fam beats B-P

By ANN LOUGHERY and BOBBY GRIFFIN  
Sports Writers

"Clockwork" was the word Badin captain Jenn Carter felt best described the Bullfrogs convincing 28-0 win over the McGlenn Shamrocks Sunday afternoon.

Beginning with the first offensive drive of the game, the Bullfrogs proved they deserve a life in the postseason. After a long sustained offensive drive from their own 15-yard line, the Bullfrogs scored their first touchdown of the game, courtesy of quarterback Steph Heath.

Before the end of the first quarter, the Bullfrogs scored another touchdown, this time via a 10-yard pass to receiver Megan Charlebois.

"Everything just clicked," Carter said of the early offensive drives.

Carter contributed a touchdown towards the end of the

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ND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

# LaVere and Duffy lead Irish in win

By JOE HETTLER  
Sports Editor

Only until she saw the final stats did sophomore point guard Megan Duffy realize just how many assists she had in Notre Dame's first exhibition game of the season — 13 to be exact. Duffy will take those and 14 points any game this season.

"I'll take those numbers any night, no matter who we're playing," Duffy said. "I didn't think I had that many assists but I'll take it. It's a good start, something to build on."

Fellow sophomore Courtney LaVere had 21 points on 10-of-14 shooting and grabbed seven rebounds, while junior forward Jacqueline Batteast added 18 points and 10 boards to lead the Irish to an 85-65 victory over Northwest Sports in an exhibition game Monday night.

"I thought we did a lot of good things offensively," Irish coach Muffet McGraw said. "I'm really encouraged by the things we did. I thought we ran the ball better and scored a lot

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Notre Dame point guard Megan Duffy drives to the basket Monday night. Duffy finished with 13 assists.

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MEN'S INTERHALL FOOTBALL

# Dillon uses run game to advance

By STEVE COYER and DAN TAPETILLO  
Sports Writers

The outcome between Sorin and Dillon was a question mark throughout the entire game until a thumbs up marked the end of the uncertainty.

After a fourth quarter touchdown by Dillon gave them a 7-0 lead and the victory, the referee gave a thumbs up to signal the made extra point and perhaps also relief for an anxious Dillon sideline.

Both teams played grind-it-out football all day with aggressive defense and mostly rushing plays. The game remained scoreless until the fourth quarter, when Dillon quarterback A.J. Cedeno rushed for a touchdown on second-and-goal.

Dillon had a costly penalty in the first quarter that brought back a 30-yard touchdown run. Another penalty canceled a

fourth quarter touchdown that would've sealed their victory.

"We need to address a few things on offense, and we can't keep making mistakes like we did today," Dillon captain J.T. Arseniadis said.

Sorin played with a 16-man squad but stayed in the game down to its last possession. Overall, they were pleased with the season, notwithstanding the small roster.

"We had a small team this year but managed to play hard, have fun and take the top seed into the last quarter," Sorin captain Collin O'Keefe said.

Sorin's ground attack initially was shut down by Dillon's physical defense its passing attack proved more effective. O'Keefe connected with his receivers on two separate 40-yard plays and was 6-of-9 passing for the game.

Dillon's offense which had 23

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SPORTS AT A GLANCE

SMC VOLLEYBALL

Saint Mary's at Hope

Tonight, 7 p.m.

The Belles look to upset the Flying Dutch in the MIAA Tournament.

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SMC SOCCER

Saint Mary's at Olivet

Today, 3 p.m.

Having won one of their last four, the Belles try to end their slump today.

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MEN'S INTERHALL

Siegfried 10, Knott 6

The Ramblers use a late touchdown to upset the Juggerknotts in the first round of the playoffs.

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MEN'S INTERHALL

Morrissey 20, Zahm 7

The Manorites continue their dominate play by defeating the Rabid Bats.

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BASEBALL

The Phillies try to shore up the back end of their bullpen by acquiring former Houston closer Billy Wagner.

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RECSPORTS

A number of Notre Dame and Saint Mary's athletes competed over the weekend in equestrian events.

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