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The Observer / David Murphy National renowned feminist Serrin Foster defends the traditional feminist view that supports the pro-life movement.

Foster denounces pro-choice women

By AMY SCHMIDT News Writer

Envisioning a "better world where no woman will be drawn to abortion," Serrin Foster, executive director of Feminists for Life of America, espoused the proactive ideals of early feminism in her speech "The Feminist Case Against Abortion" last night.

According to Foster, all early feminists opposed abortion, and supported the doctrine of natural, inalienable rights for all people. Feminists for Life works to eliminate the root problems that cause women to see abortion as the only alternative to a crisis pregnancy, she said.

Foster also said that an important shift in the women's movement took place between the time of the early feminists and the 1960s paradigm of feminism. She added that the current concept of feminism, which includes the pro-choice movement, would "sicken and horrify" early feminists such as Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Susan B. Anthony.

She also addressed the shift that has taken place from resistance to patriarchy to the idea of supreme matriarchy.

"1960s feminists have replaced [patriarchy] with a perverted sort of matriarchy," said Foster. There is an idea that we're more important than this child.'

She also said that this shift promised a world of

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The tales of a world traveler

SMC student participates in unique programs By ANN KEARNS Saint Mary's Assistant Editor

Laura Grendahl has recently returned from the experience of a lifetime. After spending her junior year completing both the Semester Around the World and the Washington, D.C., programs, this Saint Mary's senior spent part of her summer in Bosnia.

Grendahl became interested in participating in the Semester Around the World program during freshman orientation. "The more I heard about it, the more I wanted to go," she recalls. So, she made it happen.

A group of 30 Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students left in late August 1995, for Tokyo. From there, they traveled to Taiwan, Hong Kong, China, Malaysia, and Indonesia. Although the group spent only a few days at each location, Grendahl felt it was long enough to get a feel for the culture.

When you are around a totally different culture, you just notice things immediately. There is plenty to learn by going for a few days," she said.

After this stay in southeast Asia, the group settled in Cochin, India, to

Photo courtesy of Laura Gren

Laura Grendahl (center, with sunglasses) and fellow students participating in the Semester Around the World program gather for a group photo in Asia.

begin their studies. They attended Sacred Heart College, a university run by the Carmelite Fathers.

Grendahl said that the school tried to make the Americans feel at home. But, because the Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students arrived later in the school year, it was difficult for them to become integrated with the native students.

Each day, Grendahl attended classes from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. with a short break for lunch. Typical classrooms had a picnic-style table

and bench for each student and one fan. She took five classes: government, religion, economics, English, and the arts.

Grendahl was most struck by the segregation by gender. Male and female students were expected to use different staircases and different sides of the classroom. Grendahl and the group chose not to comply with this custom; instead they continued to mix together as they had been used to in the past.

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Nouwen loss touches NI Iallill

By DAVID FREDDOSO News Writer

Today, the Notre Dame family mourns the death of Father Henri Nouwen, a theologian and psychologist who dedicated his life to those who were viewed by mainstream society as outcasts. Nouwen died of a heart attack on Sept. 21 in his native Hilversum, Netherlands. He passed away while visiting family members before reaching St. Petersburg, Russia, where he was to film a documentary.

His close friend of 30 years, Father

Donald McNeill, director of the Center for Social Concerns, described Nouwen as a priest who was deeply in love with Jesus Christ, and whose greatest desire was to see Christ brought to the hearts of those around him

McNeill also said that Nouwen was also constantly concerned about society at large and the current world. "The nuclear problem bothered him, the welfare situation bothered him, the fact that Europe was not living out their faith like they should bothered him," said McNeill.

McNeill also described Nouwen as

a broad-minded and open-hearted writer. "He was a deeply Christian writer, and he wrote as a priest," McNeill related. "His writing was passionate, deeply rooted in faith, and continually open to new ideas."

Nouwen began to write in the late 1960's when he was teaching in the psychology department at Notre Dame. "He had this passion that came through his writings," said McNeill. "His readers will always say 'He's speaking to me!'"

By the end of his life, Nouwen had

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SAINT MARY'S ELECTION **Beatty, Kowalski win SMC freshmen election**

Saint Mary's Freshmen Class **Election Results**



By CAROLINE BLUM Saint Mary's Editor

It could be the start of a new era. Fifty-four percent of the freshmen class hit the polls to vote for their future class leaders Tuesday, rendering a decision that for the first time strayed from Saint Mary's College history of abstentions, violations, and run-offs.

Freshmen Beth Beatty and Joan Kowalski will assume the positions of president and vice president respectively, after receiving 58.8 percent of the votes.

'We are really happy," Beatty commented with excitement. "We worked hard campaigning door to door. We couldn't have done it without our friends."

Beatty and Kowalski, whose campaign plans include improving relations with Notre Dame and increasing class unity, will meet with the freshmen adviser this week to determine their first steps.

"We want to get the word out that

we're ready to work for the class," Beatty said.

The Kim Martin (president) and Nancy Midden (vice-president) ticket placed second with 38.2 percent of the vote.

Following the tradition of freshman elections, the Beatty ticket invited Martin and Midden to join their freshmen class board as a consolation prize.

"I am excited about working with [Beatty and Kowalski] as board members," Martin explained. "And there are always three more years.'

As for the election itself, Martin admitted she was disappointed, although she was glad that the Beatty ticket won.

Martin and Midden will accompany seven other freshmen on the board, who won their own races Tuesday, competing for the 13 open board spots.

Molly O'Leary received the largest vote with 79 percent; Beth Mayer and Vera Nackovic both won 78 percent, while Janet Horvath

earned 76 percent. Marie Batz and Bellemarie Gonzalez-Estevez tied with 75 percent each and Nicole Staab emerged with 72 percent of

the vote. "I'm looking forward to this opportunity and the challenges I'll encounter this year," O'Leary said. "I'm looking forward to the friendships I'll make with the people on the board and with the rest of the freshman class.

Election Commissioner Emily Miller was impressed with the class' 54.1 percent voter turnout. "I am pleased with the turnout," Miller said, "especially since there will not be a run-off. It's tough for freshmen; they have only been here for four weeks. And for over half of them to go out and vote - that shows that they are really enthusiastic.

With the additions of Martin and Midden, 9 of the 13 spots on the board have been filled. Beatty and Kowalski will decide if they want to fill the four remaining spots.

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Respecting what has been lost

Last week, the memories of POWs and MIAs were commemorated. The event lead me to ponder the role of the military in the USA. Growing up as military brat, my views are a bit skewed. Nevertheless, the topic is often addressed both on and off campus.



On campus, students have often questioned the role of any military

forces on a Catholic campus. However, all universities, especially schools such as Notre Dame, have a responsibility to help mold the officers of the armed forces. Receiving the education which emphasizes service to community and understanding of self helps to influence the decisions of those in power in a positive manner.

Associate Viewpoint

Editor

In the nation as a whole, the military has been grossly misunderstood over the years. Those people who have blindly sought peace have often overlooked one of the primary objectives of all branches of the armed services: To promote and protect peace.

Movies and other media have perpetuated images of soldiers who are gun-toting killing freaks who go postal more often than mail workers. Military ethics are constantly being questioned, and the common joke that "military intelligence" is an oxymoron is almost as pathetic as "Why did the chicken cross the road?'

Military spending is one of the first things to be cut in the budget because politicians, such as President Clinton, fail to realize the importance of the military as a civilian as well as service body. The military-industrial complex does exist outside of text books. Towns near military bases feed on the defense contracts, business of military families, and civilian base jobs created by military presence.

Perhaps not everyone who enters the military does it for the altruistic reason of serving the nation, but the mere fact that they may be called upon to give their lives for their country deserves respect. The process of becoming a soldier is demanding, not only in physical conditioning but in mental conditioning. Failing to appreciate the people who dedicate their lives daily to the safety of the nation shows a lack of respect for those who preceded them in protecting the nation.

Neglect of the visible military spills over into the lack of appreciation for those troops who are not seen. POWs and MIAs are people who have dedicated their lives to an ideal. By participating in a war, they have supported a cause bigger than themselves. No matter what war they fought in, they deserve the respect of the nation.

Today think about your own lives. If your father served in Vietnam or if one of your relatives fought in the Gulf War, consider what would have happened if that person had died, been captured, or if you had to live with not knowing whether that soldier was alive or dead. Would you be alive? Would you be at Notre Dame or Saint Mary's? What would your life be like? Now, think of the families who actually live with the pain. Thank God for the lives of your own family. Thank God for people like those POWs and MIAs. Pray that peace comes so that the military will only have to protect the peace, not give their lives to secure it.

Welcome back to Earth: astronaut will be woozy, wobbly

SPACE CENTER, Houston

Astronaut Shannon Lucid can expect to feel weak, woozy, wobbly, fatigued and much heavier than her 150 pounds when she encounters Earth's gravity for the first time in six months.

She can also figure on being anemic and having a depressed immune system.

Doctors have no idea what else to expect or how long it will take her to recuperate — when the shuttle Atlantis brings home America's space-endurance champion on Thursday.

Space travelers generally overcome most of the side effects within weeks or months. But only one other woman, a Russian, has come close to spending this much time in orbit. All the other long-term space fliers have been men.

Will the 53-year-old Lucid have a higher risk of developing osteoporosis because of all the bone lost during her 188 days of weightlessness? What about cancer from space radiation? Could her life be shortened?

'That's the sort of thing that 10, 20

years from now maybe we'll have an answer to," said Dr. Roger Billica, chief of medical operations at Johnson Space Center. "In the meantime, it is a concern, not because we think that we're putting them in increased risk but because we want to make sure that we're not."

Lucid began the final leg of her long-awaited journey home when Atlantis undocked from the Russian space station Mir on Monday night. She had been living on the orbiting complex since March.

"Do svidaniya," Lucid called out to the three men left behind on Mir — goodbye in Russian — as Atlantis slipped into the blackness of space.

Vatican vows: no Polish Pope spy

The Vatican cast doubt Tuesday on reports that a Polish agent spied on Pope Paul VI during the late 1960s and 1970s. In its first response to reports in Polish and German newspapers, the atican challenged an account of a July. 13, 1970 meeting between the pope and German Chancellor Willy Brandt. The Vatican called the account,

found in the files of the East German secret service and attributed to the spy, a "faked reconstruction of the talks." The statement by Vatican spokesman Joaquin Navarro-Valls said the report did not coincide with an account of the meeting in the Vatican archives. Navarro said the alleged spy report contained already publicized information on the meeting but left out discussions recorded in the Vatican archives.

Kiddie kiss leads to sexual scandal

LEXINGTON, N.C.

These days, a kiss isn't just a kiss - not even in the first grade. A 6-year-old boy who kissed a girl on the cheek was suspended last week on the grounds of sexual harassment. Jackie Prevette said the school overreacted to an innocent peck on the cheek by banishing her son, Johnathan, to a room apart from his classmates. Johnathan said that the girl asked him to kiss her and that he was expressing friendship, according to his mother. "Can't you just imagine children skipping down the hall holding hands? Isn't that Norman Rockwell America?" Prevette said. District spokeswoman Jane Martin said the policy is clear: "A 6-year-old kissing another 6-year-old is inappropriate behavior. Unwelcome is unwelcome at any age.

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Her replacement on Mir, NASA astronaut John Blaha, was moved by the sight of the departing shuttle, which will return in January to pick him up.

'Wow, it's a sight that I'll never forget,'' he said.

Astronauts and cosmonauts can lose up to 25 percent of their strength while in orbit because in zero gravity there's little need to use the muscles. They also lose bone, for reasons that aren't entirely clear.

Often, they feel lightheaded upon return to Earth when the blood shifts back into the lower body. And they feel heavy because they are unaccustomed to the pull of grav-

Black movie channel to start, at price

NEW YORK

The first movie channel devoted to films made by and starring blacks is headed for cable, with a lineup ranging from classics such as "To Sir With Love" to the recent "Pulp Fiction." The new channel will be called BET Movies/STARZ!3 and will be a premium service, meaning subscribers will have to pay extra to receive it. "What we're doing is something that's unique. We're branding movies that appeal to an audience that has demonstrated a tremendous amount of interest in viewing film entertainment," said Robert Johnson, chairman and chief executive of BET Holdings, owner of Black Entertainment Television. BET's main partner in the project is Encore Media Corp., which provides movies via cable and satellite. Encore is controlled by Tele-Communications Inc., the nation's largest cable operator. Other investors in the venture are actor Denzel Washington and the company that publishes Ebony and Jet magazines.

Millionaire Du Pont dubbed psycho

MEDIA, Pa.

Chemical heir John E. du Pont, who claims to be Jesus, the Dalai Lama and the last of the Romanovs, was pronounced a psychotic Tuesday and ruled incompetent to stand trial in the slaying of an Olympic wrestler. Common Pleas Judge Patricia Jenkins ordered du Pont committed to a mental hospital, where he will be examined every three months. He can eventually be brought to trial if doctors conclude he can help with his own defense and understand the murder charges he faces in the Jan. 26 shooting of Dave Schultz. "I think that was the right result on the basis of the evidence, factual and medical," said Thomas Bergstrom, a defense lawyer. "We should see results within three to four months." Defense attorneys said they never had a cogent conversation with him.

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Freeman Scholarship opens door for staff

New scholarship fund established to further education By LAURA PETELLE News Writer

Sandra Krizmanich, a Notre Dame employee with two children in college, can now afford to send herself to college thanks to the Fred E. Freeman Scholarship, newly offered to University staff members wishing to obtain their college degree or receive certification in a trade program.

Freeman began working for the University in 1940 in the student health center, and served in several positions before retiring in 1987. At the time of his retirement, Freeman worked in human resources. Before his death in 1994, he left the University a bequest for the establishment of a scholarship fund to provide tuition reimbursement to Notre Dame staff members. The scholarship is the first to be offered exclusively to staff members wishing to obtain a degree or certification.

This is the first year the scholarship has been awarded, and the field of hopefuls was fairly competitive. Candidates must be staff members, and must have worked full-time at the University for a minimum of three years. Members of the faculty and the administration are not eligible. Each applicant is evaluated on the basis of his or her current post-secondary education, years of service, a supervisory recommendation, and an essay. Consideration is also given to the candidate's field of study and its applicability to present and future employment by the university.

The amount of the award

depends on where the student will be attending school and the number of credit hours being taken. The maximum award is \$1000 per semester per student, and the student must complete all courses with a C or better to retain the scholarship. Courses must be taken during non-work hours and no more than nine credit hours may be taken each semester.

This year's recipients are taking courses at the following area colleges: Indiana University at South Bend (IUSB), Bethel College, and Ivy Tech State College. Course awards range from \$62.65 per credit hour to \$215 per credit hour or more, depending on the program.

Sandra Krizmanich, an administrative assistant at the Joan B. Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, received one of the awards this year. She earned her associate's degree two years ago, and is now working for her Degree of General Studies at IUSB, taking one course at a time. She has two children in college and doubts that completing her degree would be financially feasible without this award. She did not know Freeman, but is very grateful for this opportunity.'

There were four recipients this year: Krizmanich, Thang (Victor) Hoang, Annette Roberson, and Arlene Spitz. The recipients represent a range of ages and educational goals.

Sarah Misener, manager of training and development at the Department of Human Resources, said: "I think [this scholarship] is great. I know it's not the be-all end-all [sic] because it doesn't allow everyone to participate, but it's a nice start."

HALL PRESIDENTS COUNCIL HPC promotes campus unity

Council makes pitch for students to wear The Shirt Observer Staff Report

With the countdown to Saturday's football game against Ohio State dwindling, the Hall Presidents Council's co-chairs made a pitch for all students to wear The Shirt at the game.

Deborah Hellmuth, one of the council's co-chairs, said the idea to wear The Shirt was suggested to her by an unnamed Morrissey Hall resident.

"The Shirt representation didn't go off that well (at the first home game against Purdue)," Hellmuth told the council members at their meeting last night. "It can be a really big thing. A lot of upperclassmen have seen the impact of The Shirt."

Adding to the anticipation of the weekend, student government is hosting a pep rally Thursday evening at Fieldhouse Mall.

Slated to begin at 7 p.m., the rally will include performances by several campus bands and appearances by Sara Walsh, an Olympic fencer and Notre Dame student; Thomas Krug, former Irish quarterback and current student coach; Chris Petrucelli, coach of the women's soccer team; Troop ND; the Band of the Fighting



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Members of the Hall Presidents Council listen attentively as co-chairs Mike Tobin and Deborah Hellmuth address the group.

Irish; the cheerleading squads; and Lou Holtz.

Student Union Board will host a rave in the LaFortune Ballroom at 9:30 p.m., immediately after the pep rally.

The rave will last until 1:30 a.m.

The council also repeated an announcement of Hall Spirit Day, which takes place today at Alumni-Senior Bar. The activities include a competition to determine which dorm can get the most residents to visit Senior Bar while wearing dorm clothing.

Other activities at Senior Bar this week include a 1980s luncheon sponsored by Student Union Board on Thursday and an appearance by Stomper Bob on Friday.

WVFI-AM will broadcast from Senior Bar at the luncheon on Thursday.

Hellmuth also offered a note of caution to those who plan to enjoy the weekend's festivities, reminding them of the death of Mara Fox that occurred during the weekend of the Florida State game in 1993.

"We want to remind everyone to be careful," said Hellmuth, a Pasquerilla East senior. "We'd hate to see a repeat performance of what happened our freshman year."

Lunar eclipse to occur Thursday

Observer Staff Report

Given a clear sky and the fulfillment of astronomer's predictions, tomorrow night will provide a spectacular phenomenon for anyone with patience and upturned eyes.

Beginning at 8:12 p.m., the moon will be eclipsed by the shadow of the earth, giving a reddish glow to the moon visible from most of North America. The glowing effect results from a rare bending of the sun's rays through the earth's atmosphere.

The moon, estimated to rise at about 7 p.m. Eastern Standard Time (EST), will become noticeably eclipsed from 9:12 p.m. until 10:19 p.m. as the earth's shadow gradually overtakes it. At 10:19 p.m., a 70-minute phase will begin in which the earth will noticeably shade the moon, with the darkest moment occurring at 10:54 p.m. EST.

At 11:29 p.m., a bright edge will appear on the left side of the moon's face. This partial eclipse phase will continue until 12:36 a.m.

By 1:36 a.m. the moon will have returned to its normal state.







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Finance Club Career Night



The Observer / David Murphy Senior Mike Eger speaks with representatives of Mutual of Omaha Insurance at last night's career night sponsored by the Finance Club.

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equality and reduced poverty for women — a promise that has not been kept by the pro-choice movement in Foster's opinion.

This "betrayal of feminism," as Foster calls it, has led women to believe that abortion is a fundamental right of women rather than a forced choice.

'No woman wants to have an abortion. This means that it is a cruel hoax to call abortion a choice," said Foster. "It is not a free choice, it is a last resort."

In addition to calling for a renaissance of early feminist beliefs, Foster suggested a proactive stance regarding the prevention of abortion. She suggests that this campaign start with government funding for

programs that "encourage lifeaffirming choices.' 'We need an unbiased and honest tracking of life-planning skills, focused on shared

teenage pregnancy prevention

responsibility," said Foster. She also suggested that prolife and pro-choice women work together on the following issues:

• child support enforcement

• on-site day care

• maternity coverage in health care plans

• welfare reform

• economic empowerment for women in the workplace

• adoption as an alternative Foster encouraged college stu-

dents to work together to "right the wrong of abortion" by changing the conditions of women in society.

"We deserve a better way for our daughters, our sisters, and ourselves," she said.

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Nouwen

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written more than thirty books dealing with the subjects of prayer, suffering, and life and death. His last book to be published during his life, entitled "Can You Drink the Cup?" was released only a few weeks ago.

Nouwen's life story is that of a journey undertaken in order to discern the will of God. "He was always searching for a home, always searching for a community. In his writings, you can see that," said McNeill. "Two of his books were written in a Trappist monastery. He was seeing whether that was the place God wanted him to spend the rest of his life."

Nouwen went on to spend several years in South America, in

the belief that perhaps he was being called to spend his life there serving the poor. But after twenty years of searching, Nouwen chose to dedicate himself to the care of the mentally disabled.

Robert Jonas, a friend of Nouwen, spoke on National Public Radio's "All Things Considered" about his friend's decision to dedicate his life to service in the L'Arche community for the handicapped, which is located in Canada.

"Henri was a brilliant theologian, but he was always restless in academia," Jonas said. "He was always more at home living out of the heart of God rather than merely talking about it. So I and many of my friends were not surprised when he joined a worldwide network of communities for handicapped people, called L'Arche.'

During the last ten years of his life, Nouwen drew from his experience with the mentally disabled in his writings. One of his later books, entitled "Adam," tells the story of a mentally disabled boy whom he cared for during his service in L'Arche.

Adam could not speak, nor could he eat or walk without help. "Henri spent months waking him up, bathing him," said McNeill. "And in the eyes of the world it was time wasted, but in Henri's eyes it was God's brilliance and beauty coming out.'

Jonas summarized Nouwen's life of compassion and love, saying, "Henri Nouwen wanted everyone to know that each person, no matter how broken, handicapped, or unimportant in the world's eyes, is the beloved of God."

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Grendahl felt the studentteacher relationships went well because both sides were intent on compromise. "The teachers there were very cooperative,' she said. If a problem did arise, Dr. Cyriac Pullapilly, director of the Semester Around the World Program, acted as a mediator.

The group lived in a hotel and ate most of their meals together. These meals took place on the roof-top of the hotel overlooking the Arabian Sea. They consisted primarily of rice, naan (bread), and dal (lentils).

The Thomas J. White Center

The custom in India is to eat with your hands, but Grendahl and the group took advantage of the opportunity to use utensils.

Grendahl felt she was immersed in the culture, but only to a certain extent. "Living completely like them would have been very challenging and admirable, but I can't even

imagine it," she confessed.

Grendahl spent one weekend with her "home-stay sister." In this event, the participants were paired with another student from Sacred Heart with whom they spent the weekend. During this experience, she ate with her hands and showered with a bucket. In spite of the poverty-stricken conditions, the Indian hosts were very hospitable. "If I could think of one word to describe India, it would be love," said Grendahl. After coming home for

Christmas, Grendahl left for her second semester in Washington, D.C. During her stay, she took two seminar classes, participated in an independent research project, and had an internship at the White House Press Office, where she was responsible for answering journalists questions and releasing executive orders.

Because of her duties and the location of her office (50 feet from the oval office), she ran into President Clinton on several occasions, and met him during a meeting with other interns.

Seeing President Clinton at work, first-hand, gave Grendahl a new appreciation for his position. "He always needs to be concerned with public opinion, and he's always working," she said.

Despite her positive experiences in the nation's capital, Grendahl has decided not to make Washington, D.C. her home.

'One thing I learned in Washington," Grendahl said, "is that I don't want to go back and work there. I thought later in life maybe I would want a public office. I realized it's not for me. It's too die-hard and cutthroat.'

Returning from Washington D.C., Grendahl and her family planned a trip to Bosnia.

Most of her time in Bosnia was spent praying. Grendahl and her family attended Mass, confession, and prayed the rosary twice a day. She referred to the time spent there as "really hard-core."

Grendahl cherishes her week there because of the time she was able to spend with her family and the reflection time she was able to spend with herself.

When remembering the time she spent in Bosnia, she said, "It's what you do with it that counts."

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Mourning the loss of the ideologue candidate

This is, without a doubt, the dullest presidential election in recent memory. As the national media so eagerly and often reminds us, Bill Clinton holds a two to three touchdown lead over Bob Dole in most polls with just six weeks left until the votes are cast. But the mere fact that the presidential contest is



far from competitive is not what makes it so utterly boring; it's the candidates themselves who are putting even political junkies like me to sleep.

An election need not be close to be interesting. Senator Barry Goldwater prove that definitely in 1964: Goldwater was blown out of the water by LBJ but in the process he challenged political sensibilities and outlined a true ideological vision that helped give birth to the modern conservative movement. There have been other interesting big losers in presidential politics too. George McGovern, like Goldwater, was an ideologue who never got anywhere near the White House but whose campaign at least provided voters with a sharp contrast with the status quo. Despite being losers in the conventional sense, candidates such as these at least added some spice and energy to the electoral process and enriched the level political discourse. Both Goldwater and McGovern have left political legacies that scend those of more conventional vanquished candidates like Hubert Humphrey or Michael Dukakis. So in other words, if you're going to get crushed on election day at least go down with both guns blazing, making a stand in the belief that you are right and the

other guy is wrong. Of course, Bob Dole, that master of Senatorial protocol and political compromise, would never accept this perspective and seems determined to insure that he is remembered in political history as "The Republican Walter Mondale. Barring any indictments of the First Family out of Special Prosecutor Kenneth Starr's office or a Big Mac induced Clinton heart attack, Dole

must internally recognize that this election is lost. Hell, it was probably over

before it started: How could anyone seriously expect a plain talking, charismaless old back room wheeler dealer with a reputation for being mean spirited to compete with the finest political campaigner that this country has seen in generations? But be that as it may, Dole now has a rare opportunity to articulate a true vision and ideology without any political consequences; what's the worst that could happen-losing by 15 percent instead of 12 percent? The problem is that Bob Dole has no underlying vision or ideology to introduce into the larger political debate. He has the podium to himself with a nationwide audience, yet he has nothing to offer aside from some retreaded supply side policies never really believed in the first place. A low credibility 15 percent tax cut just isn't enough to buy this election. Bob Dole's natural habitat is deep within the Washington Beltway. Take him away from the Senate cloakroom and Georgetown cocktail parties and he



really has very little to say. He may well be the least charismatic man and worst campaigner to be nominated by either of the major parties since World War II.

Then again, I don't get the impression that anyone is terribly excited about Bill Clinton either. Sure, Clinton still "feels your pain" and "believes in a place called Hope" but even Democratic loyalist realize that this is a man who seems to hold no principle so sacred as the results of the latest Gallup pole. The problem is that the Democrats are so eager to retain control of the White House that they're happy to overlook Clinton's naked political opportunism, lack of convictions and willingness to sell the Democrats in Congress down the river whenever his own political gain requires it. The conventional wisdom regarding Clinton amongst his many marginal "things aren't so bad and I don't like the other guy" supporters is even more revealing. "Sure," many lukewarm

Clinton supporters admit, "he's a lecherous hillbilly with an underdeveloped sense of ethics, few core beliefs, artificial charm oozing out of every pore and a bitchy wife—but the economy's okay, we're not at war and he genuinely seems to care about people like me and our problems." Such is the mandate of the leader of the Free World.

The prospect of choosing between these two candidates has rather limited appeal to me. Barring some sort of political *deus ex machina* saving the day for Dole, the results are almost a foregone conclusion anyway. So I figure if I'm going to "waste" my vote I might as well waste it on someone whose got something to say. And no, I 'm not referring to everyone's favorite vertically challenged Texan billionaire when I say that. Me? I'm voting Libertarian this fall. But more on that in the weeks to come.

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VIEWPOINT

GOD 'N' LIFE Bridging the gap between 'us's'

"Don't hate us, 'cause you ain't us."

This motto on a T-shirt puzzled me, frankly. It just didn't make sense in a way

that I could grasp it. Sure, it sort of means, "Get to know us before you condemn us, " but the phrasing smacks the reader in the face, as if to force

Julie Ferraro

that person to think about it. And the more I think about it, the more it makes me comfortable

It strikes me as a bit "separatist" in some ways. The motto rightfully asks "don't hate us," yet in the same breath does not offer to build the bridge of unity and mutual understanding. "You ain't us" and we won't let you be one of "us," either, it declares. There is also an underlying sentiment that, just maybe, it's okay for "us"—those wearing the shirts—to hate those who are not a member of their particular group.

Which scares me. Being a part of a group or community is fine; a quick read-through of the Acts of the Apostles proves that communities can be a nurturing, stabilizing element

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in life. Never was it intended for one community to pit itself against another, though.

God never intended that there be rivalries between religious orders, as happened in centuries past. It was not meant that blacks should be opposed to whites, or vice versa.

The rich should not segregate the poor, based merely upon their material worth. Such prejudices have led to wars and enduring animosity.

Bosnia, for instance, or the African coun-tries where "ethnic cleansing" is taking place are good examples. Why would Catholics and Protestants war in Northern Ireland, when both profess faith in the love of Christ? Because the enemy "ain't us," for reason of culture, religion, politics, or what have you. With this mentality, will it ever stop?

Doubtful, since humans tend to be stubborn. We fight for our beliefs. When we become so close-minded that we see everyone else as "wrong" however, everything falls apart.

"Don't hate us" is a wise reminder that, because God loves each individual, we should despise no one, regardless of what differences or faults we perceive. By reaching out a willing hand to those who "ain't us," by keeping the lines of communication open even when the dialogue grows loud or angry, it may be possible to bring all the separate groups of "us" into a universal "we.'

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Efforts to override Clinton veto have paid off

Dear Editor:

I am offended by Matt Apple's column dealing with partial birth abortion. His column shows no signs that he made no inquiry into the facts of the issue. In fact, I wonder if he just decided to make it all up. Are his falsehoods just a part of "creative writing?"

The description of partial birth abortions is not an "emotionally manipulative" description. The description is quite clear in the bill and it was taken from the words of the abortionists themselves and adopted as legal language to be made part of the U.S. Code. It reads, "The term 'partial birth abortion' means an abortion in which the person performing the abortion partially vaginally delivers a living fetus before killing the fetus and completing the delivery." (H.R. 1833 Section 2, Paragraph b, subsection 1).

Clinton never said that he vetoed the legislation because of life of the mother and rape/incest exceptions. The life of the mother exception is a non-issue. It is in the bill! (Section 2, Paragraph a). And it was Dole who authored it! It was called, appropriately, "The Smith-Dole Amendment." And rape/incest was never an issue. Women who are raped do not wait until they are five months pregnant to abort! Apple wrote that "the Republican led Congress knew ahead of time

that Clinton was going to veto it." FALSE. Clinton said, in a letter to the Southern Baptist Convention, "Indeed, when I first heard a description of this procedure, I anticipated that I would support the bill."

The only explanation for his position on this issue is that he has been captured by the wealthy political interests of the pro-abortion movement. Apple himself said there is a lot at stake for an abortionist who performs a partial birth abortion—\$3,000 per partial birth abortion, to be exact.

Notre Dame Right To Life is proud to join the ranks of liberal Democrats like Patrick Moynihan and Richard Gephardt who supported the ban, and we believe that our efforts in support of the legislation are not in vain. In fact, we believe they have paid off as the House has already voted to override the veto. The Senate will vote Thursday.

> MAUREEN KRAMLICH President, Notre Dame Right to Life

In defense of an undergraduate's best friend

After vowing in my last column to resist miring myself in cliched and ready-made campus crusades, I find myself compelled by a cause so vital to the social fiber of this University that I had to take up my pen in defiance.

I am here in defense of every undergraduate's best friend. I will fight for the thing that is so dear to us Domers

Thomas Coyne

that it keeps us up at night (and asleep all day); the thing worth missing class for (whole weeks worth sometimes); your only true guide to the perverse world that is the Notre Dame social scene; your right hand man; your liquid lover; your steadfast source of sloppy fun and sexual deviance-BEER, GLO-**RIOUS BEER!**

Beware fellow imbibers-there are insidious forces at work on this campus. Lurking in the shadows of your social life, "The Man" awaits, patiently and purposely picking away at this campus' long-time tradition of exorbitant underage intoxication. The signs of this trend are subtle but unmistakable. The fact that Student Government and the administration have even addressed the notion of a dry campus should send shivers through your liver. Who can say where this budding temperance crusade might lead? Try to envision the apocalyptic future for Domers whose social scene had fallen victim to the enemies of alcoholsober students forced to rely on their own personality and charm when confronted with the opposite sex, 8 a.m. classes filled on Friday mornings, vomit free bathrooms, students graduating having never experienced the glory of a 56-hour buzz, Bridget's going bankrupt, the polar ice caps melting, Canada invading the U.S.-I can't go on. Be afraid my friends. Be very afraid. You might scoff at my prophecy of doom. While a dry Notre Dame may

sound as conceivable as a Student Affairs-sponsored orgy, I assure you that the day is coming. The signs of the end are all around us.

Recent developments that would have seemed altogether inconceivable on the Notre Dame campus I came to just four years ago have threatened the future of the drunken Domer tradition. A moment of silence for our late friend Liquid Lunch. Senior bar, a once integral element of the home football Friday afternoon, has replace beer with salads and sandwiches. My sincere thanks to the admin for looking out for my dietary well being, but if I want food I'll pack a lunch. I am 22. I have no Friday classes. Yet I cannot enjoy a beer with friends and alums at a common and convenient location on Friday afternoon. I'm telling you-the end is near.

The widespread crackdown on tailgaiting is perhaps the most ominous development in the fight for our right to drink. The Notre Dame tailgate is more than a party, it's an institution. It is the place where friends meet each other's families and alums get to interact with today's student body. Dorm tailgaters are a unique setting where freshmen get to have a beer with seniors and even the most introverted underclassmen get to be part of a racous party, yet they are becoming extinct thanks to a diligent DuLacian security force whose favorite football game offense is quickly becoming the "student spon-sored tailgate party." Before you know it Notre Dame football games are going to be just about football. Oh the horror! And where did all the RV's go? In a stroke of administrative genius, someone decided that allowing RV's to stay overnight in the parking lots encouraged drinking and assorted bacchanalian madness. They were absolutely right. But now instead of safe drinking, the University has told people bringing RV's to football games to come to the game no sooner than three hours before the start (contributing to the massive onslaught of automobiles that suffocates South Bend on Saturday mornings), park them so far from the stadium that they forgot what they even came for, and then leave the parking lot within three hours after the game, thereby unleashing hundreds of drunken drivers piloting house sized vehicles through the streets of South Bend.

Sometimes I wonder if it's the administration that's doing too much drinking.

Moving off-campus, the last alternative for students seeking uninhibited opportunities for inebriation, once brought an upperclassman a new level of alcoholic autonomy, but recent trends have seen the crackdown on alcohol extending beyond campus. The almighty SUDS force invaded Lafayette Townhomes just a few weeks ago, and the harmless gatherings at Campus View and College Park have been snuffed out by jittery landlords.

A study printed in the Observer on September 19 is just a taste of things to come. Entitled "Alcohol and the American College" (and may the two never part), the Harvard study addressed the problem of binge drinking on college campuses. After learning that binge is not some obscure mixed drink, I was interested to find that Notre Dame students are truly national leaders as our level of drunkenness made the average college in the study seem like an elementary school.

The study closed with a foreboding, "Can we accomplish our mission and fulfill our students' goals if we tolerate behavior that compromises the quality of students' educational and social lives? If that question leads to a com-mitment to act vigorously...against campus alcohol abuse, multiple approaches tailored to conditions on each campus will certainly be needed." I fear what a "tailored" approach might entail. If the admin wants to get drinking under control, the heavyhanded method is not the answer. Students are always going to drink. One must be realistic and address the issue by looking at exactly why we drink as much as we do. Two reasons: 1) we have nothing else to do, and 2) drinking is the only way to break down the walls of sexual segregation that Notre Dame has so kindly constructed for us. Simply put, we're bored and we're horny. How does one remedy this? First, social alternatives would be neededand I'm not talking about bowling and movies. It is not easy for underclassmen to get off campus and, unlike many student unions on other campusthere is no comfortable es, meeting/social area on ND's campus where one would want to spend a Friday night (hanging out in LaFortune is like hanging out in McDonald's with



a big TV). So rather than do something more constructive and less abusive to our bodies, we sit in our rooms and drink. Then we go out and drink some more, and the next thing you know, it's

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binge city.

As far as the opposite sex goes, it is no wonder that we've developed less than healthy drinking habits. The University puts every student in a fraternity-like living atmosphere where sober interaction between the sexes is minimal. If the admin wants us to behave and drink like mature adults, residence life needs to stop treating us like children.

The day I thought would never come, the issue I though would never rear its ugly head is here. Don't be blind to it. It is your apathy that they are banking on, those powers that would force you to live through a school year in South Bend without the aid of inebriation. A dry Notre Dame-I can barely get my pen to write the words. The times they are a-changing, and it's almost last call. So drink up. This one's on me.

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ACCENT ASKS...

If you had your own talk show, what would the topic of your first show be?



"The pros and cons of a women's college."

> Angela Ginex Junior, McCandless

"Meet your fake I.D.!"

Megan Taylor Senior, Off-Campus







Sean Campbell Sophomore, Flanner

"Sexy political figures."

Patti Meagher Freshman, Holy Cross

reflection of human nature and the values that accompany such. They are a platform for the emotionally unstable. They are an information source for the masses. They are entertainment. They

By NORA MEANY

Saint Mary's Accent Editor

are talk shows. It is an educated assumption that nearly everyone in the Notre Dame community has seen a talk show. (Those who argue against this hypothesis are obviously lying to make themselves look better.) No doubt, many in the public sector watch them regularly. However, this is no small feat since the world of talk shows is virtually impossible to escape. They litter the morning and afternoon programming of the networks with their syndicated saccharine chatfests. But in the opinion of Michael C. Thelen, a Sophomore from Morrissey, this is a great thing.

They are a part of American culture. They are a

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'Talk shows are like life," he argues pensively. "There are those that talk, those that listen and the freaks up on the stage." Not unlike the spontaneity of day to day living, talk shows are an ever-changing establishment. To some, they serve as a metaphor for the trials and tribulations of life's experiences. Ricki Lake and her predecessors are the Gurus of conversation to many, and serve to be forerunners in such a new medium of communication. As a service to the unsuspecting TV watcher, here is an easy-to-follow map of the South Bend syndication.

9 am on Fox: "Live with Regis & Kathie Lee" Premise: Jovial Regis and perky Kathie Lee interview celebrities as they shamelessly plug their new projects. Plus, not a day goes by without at least one mention of Kathie Lee's spawn, Cassidy and Cody.

Average Topic: Interviews of popular television stars, B movie actors and musicians that could not get booked on MTV.

Audience Control? The audience went wild on Monday when Regis put on some pantyhose and talked about getting a pedicure, but maybe they were iust excited about an Early Bird Dinner they were getting after. Usually pretty tame.

Fun Fact: For a twentieth reminder, Regis went to Notre Dame.

Comments: Not a bad way to start your day.

10 am on ABC: "Caryl & Marilyn: Real Friends'

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Premise: Two defunct stand-up comedians, who also friends, get their own show. What a wacky ide

Average Topic: Eclectic topics, such as child sta Miss Teen U.S.A and television memorabilia (all one show!). Plus, plenty of bantering between the t real friends.

Audience Control? Was there an audience?

Fun Facts: The title does not lie. They (allegedly) real friends.

Comments: With friends like these, who needs e mies?

10 am on NBC: "Leeza"

Premise: Leeza walks around with a mike serves as an "liasion" between the audience and guests.

Average Topic: Actors and specialty topics.

Audience Control? Surprisingly, yes. Fun Fact: Everybody knows that Leeza used to be Entertainment Tonight!

Comments: "I liked her poise and controlled tem when dealing with controversial topics," said The "You can't go wrong with Leeza!"

11 am on NBC: "Maury Povich"

Premise: Maury intervenes between the audie and the guests in a cumbersome fashion.

Average Topic: Basically, doing all of the topics Montel and Sally-Jessy did last week. Lots of e sationalism.

Audience Control? Sometimes. But Maury does have the inside edge like some of his colleagues. Fun Fact: Just call him Mr. Connie Chung

Comments: Julie Fitzpatrick, a Junior from LeM stated it best when she said, "Maury is such a dra hate everything he does." Sadly, he doesn't even a cool name.

11 am on FOX: "Montel Williams"

Premise: Montel alternates between conducting down interviews with his guests and allowing audience questions.

Average Topic: Montel has seemingly picked him up out of the talk show gutter and has given his s a new definition of class. Monday's show, on he overdoses in middle class America, actually stru



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aryl and Marilyn, Rosie, Ricki, Montel, and Maury: these are just a few of the hottest daytime celebrities who join students and other really bored people with a lot of time on their hands in an "educational" look at what the "real world" is like. With the exception of the "Oprah Winfrey Show", most talk shows sensationalize tragedies and revere those of the human race lacking in class and/or morals. It seems that talk shows have taken over television and some of these shows are fun, but have talk shows gone too



"Transvestite ex-con makeovers."

> Julia Gillespie and Erica Bernhardt Freshmen, Knott



The Observer/Kim Michalik and Dave Murphy

For example, on a recent "Maury Povich Show", the guest, a young mother, talked about how she left her sons in care of a convicted child molester (her father) because he had only molested girls and she thought the boys would be safe.

As if that topic wasn't entertaining enough, Maury Povich also hosted the show where "Jason, an 18-year old from a small town in Ohio, stated that he was in love with Calvin. Calvin was having an affair with Jamie, Jason's twin sister. Jamie was attracted to Scott, who had sex with Calvin and Tiffanie. Tiffanie had sex with everyone except Jamie." (say what????)

The popularity of talk shows is a given. The noise during the day in any dorm room is that of an audience's raucous involvement in a new twist to an already corny "My cat is a petiphliac and show.

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Audience Control? YES! Nobody stirred or talked out of turn. It was almost like he was a former Commander in the United States Military.

Fun Fact: Hey, he is a former Commander in the United States Military! He graduated from the United States Naval Academy

Comments: Skip class for him if the topic is good.

3 p.m. on ABC: "Jerry Springer"

Premise: Jerry plucks the most outlandish people from trailer parks all over the U.S. and features them neon his show

Average Topic: Two classics are "My Wife Weighs Over 900 Pounds" and "I Still Live in My Car!". The beauty of this is that it is not a joke. No one can make up stuff like this.

Audience Control: Everyone in the audience is probably ashamed enough to stay quiet on an average day. But get a rowdy day, and watch the swears (and chairs) fly!

Fun Fact: Jerry Springer held relatively high political office until he wrote a check to a prostitute. This per just goes to prove that he holds a bond of common en. sense with most of his other guests.

Comments: His show is exploitative and the guests are crass, but Jerry Springer's eloquent "Final

hce Thoughts" makes watching enjoyable. Trash, but in a good way. hat

3 p.m. on CBS: "The Rosie O'Donnell Show" Premise: Like a Late Show, but during the day.

Average Topic: Interviews with both stars and avernot age people.

Audience Control? Yes! She appeases them with much interaction. ins.

g! I Fun Fact: She was on Gimmie A Break with Nell Carter and Joey "Woah" Lawrence at the beginning of lave her career

Comments: A nice, entertaining daytime treat. She's fun and witty, and does not shy away from insulting herself on air. Not your average talk show, but a refreshing change.

3 p.m. on NBC: "Ricki Lake"

ıself Premise: Ricki recently changed her format to give how roin the allusion of being more humane. Now she has a :k a new set, and she sits with the guests to show "emo-



at!" episode of "Rolanda" iese people? It isn't as hard idering these people get paid 1-expenses paid trip to the

tional support" in tense times. But, considering that her guests are of the lowest common social denominator, this really doesn't help much.

Averaged Topic: Ricki tackles such embarrassing topics such as broken engagements, estranged family relations and drug problems with little to no tact. For example, Monday's topic was "Cover Your Ears, You Don't Want to Know. Today I'll Tell You Why I Dumped You!!!!!" (in different colors, just for emphasis.) A future topic, which will interest most Notre Dame men, is "Why Did You Take My Number if You Knew You Would Never Call Me!". No Comment.

Audience Control? NO! The audience yells, cheers, boos and talks out of turn. Ricki has no control over them, as well as over her guests. After many censory dubs for swearing, Ricki has been known to exclaim, 'We're on television. What would your mother think of that?

Fun Fact: She is married and pregnant.

Comment: Exploitative. Base. Common. Ricki makes most watchers speechless, and also thankful for their mental stability. However, tune in just to hear teasers like, "After the commercial, we'll meet the man who told his girlfriend that he was only going. on a short vacation but actually moved away!'

4 p.m. on CBS: "Oprah Winfrey'

Premise: Oprah interviews guests and tackles tough topics with poise, grace and a little help from the audience.

Average Topic: She has done trashy. She has done hip. She has done Hollywood. She has done it all! Audience Control? YES! They don't even breathe

without her permission. Fun Facts: A perpetual philanthropist, she takes her staff to New York every year, and also helps to pay for staff weddings. "Her mother also lives in my city," says Megan Ferstenfeld, a Junior from Knott. And what city is that? Brookfield, Wisconsin.

Comments: A classic never dies. But is it possible to have too much control.

Final thoughts taken from Jerry Springer: With this extensive overview of some of the great syndication that South Bend has to offer, even the most televisionimpaired student can view with conviction. So, good luck, God bless and view with care.



ACCENT SPEAKS...

And still we watch ...

BY RACHEL TORRES Assistant Accent Editor

Talk shows. We all watch them. We all love them...but why? What is it that keeps us locked to the set throughout the day and between classes watching our Maury, Ricki, and Oprah? From the early (gasp!) early morning lighthearted banter of Regis and Kathie Lee to the serious yet amusing Oprah in the late afternoon, we just can't get enough. Why?

My guess would be that it is a form of escapism. Is it just me, or does it seem as though once we turn on the tube and enter into talk show TV land, we truly are on another planet? Like Bizarro world, perhaps? You know - that place where the evil Superman and the weirdo Lois Lane hang out? Random reference? Maybe, but just hear me out.

Most of the guests on these shows are weird. There's really no getting around it, folks...they're just plain weird! They amuse us, they amaze us, and they distract us. These hosts try to find the most obnoxious guests and shamelessly exploit just how stupid they really are, and we LOVE it.

Granted, some topics are far less cheesy than others. Some hosts, like Oprah and Montel try to stick to topics in which you need at least part of a brain to keep up. Heroin addiction is a serious thing, and that interview with JFK Jr. while he was still single was completely riveting...believe me, riveting. But, somehow these are not as fun to watch as the shows where the guests and audiences talk smack to each other, where chairs fly, tempers flare, and whole chunks of audio need to be cut to avoid airing the gracious use of obscenities. Do they prep these guests before they go on? Uh, no I don't think so. But that's OK because it's this very kind of uninhibited presentation that makes TV talk so watchable. Sometimes, it's hard to believe this stuff is real, but I've decided that even the best writers couldn't make it up.

Where else can we hear so much about the pathetic lives of others, but for talk shows? A HA! That's why we watch. I've stumbled onto something here. We are fascinated watching Ricki's barely-literate guest panel talk about Dante's cheating ways on his girlfriend, Michelle with Michelle's older brother, Tyrone, who moonlights as a cross-dressing stripper. How can we possibly feel so stressed about that anatomy test when poor Michelle is dealing with stress like this? We watch the weird people to make ourselves feel better.

Who can feel bad about being a few pounds overweight when Jerry Springer shows us the 900 pound woman? How can we complain about the spineless, clueless, and thoughtless men we know when Ricki's guests are so much worse? The cheating and viscous cold-hearted women who traipse across the stages are somehow comforting to us, too.

Another reason we watch? Pure comedy. This stuff is just so inherently funny, we can't stop watching. We don't have cable or the Comedy Channel, but we do have the basics and can really make the most of it. We love to make fun of the stupid girl who will take Steve back even after he slept with her mother and has escaped from prison.

More than the guests or the audiences being funny, the hosts themselves are a hoot. Jerry Springer ends every show with a three minute very prepared sch-piel called, "Springer's final thoughts." Jerry knows everything. Somehow, he pulls the whole hour of havoc into three minutes of clear perspective and everything can be right with the world. HA! Every time I see Donahue. (well, before his last show,) I picture Phil Hartman spoofing him on Saturday Night Live. And, Ricki Lake ... well ... need I say more? Also, we get filled in on all of the new trends of youth today. Being tucked away in old South Bend, we don't catch on to the cool stuff like the latest fashions, or the coolest phrases, or for heaven's sake the stinking Macarena. (No, really, Oprah...I REALLY haven't had enough yet.) We can hear Ricki Lake ask things like, "Where's the proof in the pudding?" I'll have to tuck that away for future use. One last thing I'd like to add about TV talk shows is that I really REALLY like the Rosie O'Donnell show. This is very funny. It's kind of like Dave Letterman meets davtime. And Rosie is funny in her own right. so we don't need to make fun of her to get a good laugh. It's on CBS at 3 in the afternoon-check it out.

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of guests including movie stars, politicians, musicians, and writers, and the discussions most often lead to hilarious, heated debates. Another political talk show seen by many as controversial, yet in the spotlight, is Rush Limbaugh's show. Rush is both watched on TV and listened to on the radio and has a huge following of loyal subjects.

An aspect of talk shows with which most people may not be familiar appears on the Internet. One can log in on-line and surf the net listening to or participating in the shows. A particularly interesting show found on-line is "Health Talk America". These folks discuss anything from plastic and reconstructive surgery to information on HIV, pediatrics, sleep disorders and anxiety. Basically, one can find anything one seeks.

Talk shows have become completely intertwined in the daily life of this country and are even becoming big in Europe. There is a wide variety of both trash and truth and all of it is seen as entertainment for some reason or another.

It seems that for many daytime talk shows, the trash content is what has gone too far but, that's up to the viewers out there. For the Donahue fans, don't forget he will be here tomorrow to speak in the Hesburgh Auditorium. Gee, does the excitement ever end?

So, it's OK to like talk shows. In fact, it can do us all some good. I'd prefer not to think of watching them as another way to procrastinate, but rather a way to laugh at others and feel better about ourselves.

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Purdue escapes investigation unscathed

By STEVE HERMAN Associated Press Writer

COLLEGE BASKETBALL.

INDIANAPOLIS The NCAA, unable to comment on specific investigations, hinted strongly on Tuesday that anonymous allegations against the Purdue men's basketball program never went beyond an initial inquiry.

An NCAA spokesman supported the university's assertion that it had not received official notification that would be required if the school were the target of a full investigation.

"I've seen some articles where Purdue indicated it had not received that letter, which is how we start an investigation, and I can confirm that's correct," said David Berst, the NCAA director of enforcement.

"All that means is there is no NCAA investigation. We don't call those (preliminary inquiries) investigations. We simply call that trying to collect information."

He would not say whether the NCAA had looked into the allegations short of a full investigation.

"I can confirm the institution has not received our letter," he said. "The reason I'm hedging is I can't provide new information under our procedures. I can only confirm what has already come out, and what Purdue said is accurate."

Over the weekend, CBS Sports reported that the Purdue men's basketball program was being investigated for unspecified reasons, but the university denied the report.

Èarlier, allegations were leveled in an anonymous letter sent to the NCAA and to news media. And last spring, after she was fired, former Purdue women's basketball coach Lin Dunn filed a grievance with the university, alleging violations of NCAA rules in the men's program.

"I receive anonymous and other allegations every day. We probably receive anywhere from 10-20 pieces of information regarding someone's concern of violations," Berst said. "We evaluate the informa-

tion to determine if it appears to be reliable and specific, and if there is some easy way to test the credibility of the information," he said of anonymous tips.

He said the NCAA may contact the school or individuals involved, but if a full investigation is warranted, the NCAA will send a "letter of preliminary inquiry" notifying them of the allegations.

The Fort Wayne Journal Gazette reported Sunday that Dunn said her grievance included an assertion that the women's program "was held to a higher standard of conduct in regard to reporting of and adhering to NCAA rules."

Dunn's team was sanctioned by the NCAA in 1995 for minor violations.

She has denied sending the anonymous letter to the NCAA. Purdue spokesman Jim Vruggink said that he was not aware of the allegations con-

tained in Dunn's grievance. Dunn said she had spoken with someone with Purdue about her "knowledge of allegations and concerns," but that no one from the athletic department had contacted her.

Vruggink said the school hired a law firm to investigate the allegations and found them to be untrue. He described the letter as a hoax.

An NCAA investigation that began in 1994 led to 11 secondary recruiting infractions and reprimands for Dunn and assistant coach MaChelle Joseph, who also was fired in March.

"It has been determined that the long-term future of our women's basketball program will be best served under new leadership," athletic director Morgan Burke said at that time.

In April, Purdue replaced Dunn with Nell Fortner, an assistant at Louisiana Tech from 1990-95 and an assistant at Stephen F. Austin for four years before that.

Hired in 1987, Dunn compiled a 206-68 record, including a 20-11 mark last season and a first-round loss to Notre Dame in the NCAA tournament. The Boilermakers made the NCAA tournament in seven of Dunn's nine seasons and won Big Ten titles in 1991, 1994 and 1995. The 1994 team reached the NCAA Final Four. Bowling Club - All interested in the Bowling Club, a general information meeting will be held on Monday, September 30 at 6 p.m. in the Montgomery Theater in Lafortune. If interested and unable to attend, call Jason at 4-1883 with questions.

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Rough ride for Cowboys' Smith Colts undefeated,

By DENNE H. FREEMAN Associated Press Writer

IRVING, Texas Emmitt Smith has bruised ribs, a sore neck, a sore knee, and a sore ankle.

He's averaging only 3.3 yards per carry, gained just 25 yards in his last game and is already 140 yards behind Washington's Terry Allen for the NFL rushing lead.

The NFL's four-time leading rusher and the once-fearsome Dallas Cowboys running game have hit the wall one-fourth of the way into the season.

Coach Barry Switzer has decided Smith needs to be rested during games until he gets back to full strength.

"Emmitt is not well and there is no question in my mind that he is not 100 percent," Switzer said on Tuesday. "It would probably help him to play Sherman Williams some."

This change in the running game will start Monday night at Philadelphia, when the 1-3 Cowboys try to refloat their sinking ship.

Smith admits he is plagued by nagging pains.

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"I still have things bothering me," Smith said. "I'm not used to being banged up this early in the season.

Smith said another problem with the Dallas running game is 'we're seeing a lot of eightman fronts, because teams feel our passing game is not as strong as it once was.'

Switzer added, "We have to run the football, and if we don't, we don't have a chance. Some teams pass the ball to set up the run. We run to set up the pass."

The passing game suffered another blow on Monday when starting wide receiver Kevin Williams was diagnosed with a broken foot. Already out have been Michael Irvin, suspended for the first five games, and tight end Jay Novacek (back).

Without his most reliable people, Troy Aikman has struggled and the Cowboys have scored only 64 points in four games, with 27 coming in the victory, over the Giants. Another 24 were in a Week 3 one-point home loss to Indianapolis in which Dallas blew an 18-point lead.

The Cowboys will be playing a

Philadelphia team still steaming from a 30-11 loss in the 1995 playoffs as Dallas began its march to the Super Bowl.

Eagles coach Ray Rhodes took acception to a Switzer's postgame remark that the Cowboys kicked the Eagles' rumps. Rhodes promised retribution somewhere down the line.

Switzer was reminded of that promise on Tuesday.

'That's just his demeanor, that's how he motivates his team," Switzer said. "I've been hearing payback since I was in junior high school."

Switzer said the game against the Eagles is "very important. It's a division game. We would have liked to go through our first five games at least 3-2, but now we'd like to be 2-3 before we take our break.'

Switzer said he doubted the Cowboys will try to sign another receiver before Monday night because of the bye next week and the return of Irvin for the sixth game of the season.

"I doubt if there is a receiver out there who could help us," Switzer said. "Besides, we get Mike back next week.

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By HANK LOWENKRON Associated Press Writer

INDIANAPOLIS Battered, bruised and undefeated, the Indianapolis Colts were jubiliant Tuesday over their upcoming bye week.

"This team needs it bigtime," coach Lindy Infante said Tuesday of the bye.

Infante is giving his players three days off this week and plans only light work the rest of the week before his injuryplagued team begins serious preparations for its next game on Oct. 6 at Buffalo.

"We're not even going to run today," he said before meeting briefly with the players and telling them to report back Friday morning for another meeting.

The Colts (4-0) have defeated Super Bowl champion Dallas and Miami in successive games despite having five or more starters sidelined with injuries in each game. The injury list grew longer during Monday's 10-6 victory over Miami when linebackers Stephen Grant and Quentin Coryatt both were lost on the same play in the first quarter.

Defensive linemen Tony McCoy, who has battled injuries all season without missing a start, doesn't believe the bye will result in any loss of momentum for the AFC East leaders.

"The type of leadership that we have on this team, I think the off week will not hurt us. We need to get people healed," McCoy said. "The bye week comes to us at a good time for us to step back, reevaluate what we've done the last four weeks, and check out the negative things.'

Infante agreed.

'We definitely need to be able to sit down and lick our wounds, and get well. If we had to go and play another game this Sunday, we would



be awfully thin, especially at linebacker. So this (the bye) comes at a very, very opportune time.'

The status of Grant, Coryatt and reserve linebacker Sammie Burroughs was uncertain because of injuries they sustained Monday. Meanwhile, he said he was optimistic that Marshall Faulk and Ellis Johnson would be able to play against the Bills. Faulk, the team's top offensive weapon the past two years, has missed the last two games with a dislocated toe. Johnson, who had two concussions during the preseason, was cleared to resume practice on Monday.

Infante says the number of injuries that have struck his team since training camp opened in mid-July is unprecedented in his 28-year coaching career.

"I've had teams where key guys have gone down from time to time, but I've never been around a place where we've had so many injuries, and they just seem to keep mounting up. At many places that would be something that would keep a team from winning, but here when guys go down, guys will step in and just keep going," Infante said.

Despite the injuries, the Colts head into the bye off their top performance of the season. Indianapolis held Miami, which was second in the league with a 156-yard average, to only 28 yards rushing on 15 carries.

The Dolphins were leading the league in rushing defense with a 43.3 average, but the Colts rushed for a season-high 171 yards on 32 carries.

"A lot of teams could have used all those injuries as an excuse over the last couple of weeks. This team has not done that," Infante said.

He also discounted the possibility the victory over Miami was tainted because the **Dolphins lost Dan Marino with** an ankle injury in the first quarter.

'Maybe they didn't have Marino, but we also didn't have five of our defensive starters," Infante said. "Them not having Marino didn't change their running game. When you hold a team that's running for 150 yards, or something like that, to 28 yards, Marino wouldn't have changed that."

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Clemens honored

By JIMMY GOLEN Associated Press Writer

BOSTON On the day when the Red Sox honored Roger Clemens for his second 20-strikeout performance, the three-time Cy Young Award winner said he may have pitched his last game for Boston.

"I'm going to go about my work as if I'm going to pitch Saturday. If the game is meaningless, then I have to sit back and listen to what I've been advised," Clemens said before Tuesday night's game against Baltimore. "I want to play four more years, and I need to think about that.

Clemens, who has spent his entire 13-year career with the Red Sox, is eligible to become a free agent at the end of the season. He has said he would like to stay in Boston, but the team has a policy against giving more than two guaranteed years to pitchers.

"It's got nothing to do with my age. I can pitch till I'm 45 with my work habits if I wanted to. I've got four reasons why I don't," he said, a reference to his kids. "I know what I can do. There's no reason to even discuss that."

Clemens, who made \$5.5 million this season, has said the only other place he would play is Houston, his hometown. He might also consider pitching for the Texas Rangers, where his idol Nolan Ryan finished his career.

"I've never been in this position. I've never had to worry about the uncertainty of not having a contract," he said.

Football

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Irish Notes:

The punt coverage unit is being bolstered in preparation for a tough OSU return gang. The starting linebacking corps of Berry, Tatum, Cobbins, and Minor will aid the special teams unit, as well as fullback Marc Edwards, now at 100 percent after playing through an injury against Texas. The Buckeyes returned a punt for a touchdown with eight men on the field earlier this season.

Expect more of the same against Ohio State from the Irish offense. The team has been working on running the ball between the tackles, and also will look for continued success with short screen passes and hitch patterns.

The offensive backfield can't seem to stay healthy for long.

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Golf

At the Butler tournament Tuesday, a second-round surge by Marquette University was enough to win the title for the Golden Eagles.

Wisconsin-Green Bay led after each of the first two rounds, but faltered with a final-round 321 to finish in a three-way tie for second place in the tournament, held at Eagle Creek Golf Course in Indianapolis.

Cincinnati earned runner-up status based on the scores of

The latest casualty is Jamie Spencer, who has yet to practice this week with an ankle sprain. If he can see any action tomorrow, he will most likely be available on Saturday. In his absence, Robert Farmer and Joey Goodspeed took snaps at fullback.

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Jim Sanson, fresh off his performance in Austin, has performed this week in practice. His holder, Hunter Smith, has the difference. noticed "(Sanson)'s come into his own this week. He's really killing the ball.'

Deke Cooper, according to Holtz, is being given a solid look to play quality minutes at strong safety. As off now, the starter is still Benny Guilbeaux.

The jury is still out on who will start against OSU at left guard, Jeremy Akers or Jerry Wisne. Both are taking snaps with the first unit, and the coaching staff expects both lineman to play on Saturday.

each team's fifth player, edging Dayton.

Notre Dame's final round score allowed the Irish to slip into fifth place, ahead of Northern Illinois, which had led Notre Dame by seven strokes before posting a finalround 325.

Rounding out the Irish scoring were Doug Diemer, who carded a 234, and Brad Hardin. who shot a 235.

Hardin shot a 73 in the second round, the top individual round score for the Irish. Hardin's 73 was bested by just eight other golfers in the tournament.

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THIS DAY: TV interviewer Bar-bara Walters, "Melrose Place" star Heather Locklear, actor Christopher

Reeve, Chicago Bull Scottie Pippen. ARIES (March 21-April 19): Financial security could be uppermost in your thoughts now. Let go of an emotionally unsatisfying relationship. In business, you can succeed where others have failed.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): If unhappy, do something about it. Starting a health and exercise program will introduce you to a whole new circle of friends. Be careful not to go overboard if dieting. GEMINI (May 21-June 20):

Emotions run high at home. Focus on vour financial assets and earning power. Do what is best for you, not your friends. The stock market can be an intimidating place for an amateur.

CANCER (June 21 July 22): Enjoy your turn in the limelight, but do not let the attention go to your head. Open your heart to your loved ones. Do everything you can to reassure a child who feels disliked.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Be will-ing to work overtime in order to get things accomplished. Travel and education are in on the agenda. You

will enjoy meeting new people at a

virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Take advantage of an opportunity to expand a business or further your education. Help those in need, but avoid neglecting your family or work obligations.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Give your home a fresh look. Apply a new coat of paint or wallpaper the bathroom or kitchen. Once you get the mess cleaned up, invite in the neighbors to show off the results.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): A good time to get better organized at work. Streamline your schedule by postponing nonessential meetings Chatty types who want to monopolize your time should be discouraged

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Women wield great influence today. Seek the cooperation and support. Participating in activities away from home could change your life. Be reassuring, not condescend-ing. Love is sublime.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Try to be more detached when making financial choices. Practicality is a must. Your partner may be reluctant to open up. Ask questions. Taking a small risk in business could lead to big returns. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):

Others are disposed to grant your requests. Joining a professional or political organization will work to your benefit. Your personal plans are subject to change.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Use inside information wisely. Mental telepathy gives you special rapport with someone. A person who tries to draw you out in conversation may have ulterior motives.

OF INTEREST

The St. Thomas More Society is sponsoring a lecture by Rev. James Stajkowski, MS, "The story of LaSalette," today at 12:15 p.m. in the Law School

auditorium. An African film by Dani Kouyate, "Keita," will be shown today at 7 p.m. in 102 DeBartolo. Admission is a \$1 donation. It is sponsored by the African Students' Association.

A post-graduate service and volunteer fair will be held today from 7 to 9 p.m. in Stepan Center. The fair will host 63 service groups from all over the country. Call Maureen Skurski at the CSC with questions.

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FOOTBALL

Orlando is no Mickey Mouse

By DAVE TREACY Associate Sports Editor

At the start of the 1996 season, many people wondered if it would be possible to stop Nebraska, winner of two straight National Championships. Arizona State provided an answer. The Irish face a similar question against Ohio State this Saturday.

Can anyone stop Orlando Pace?

The Buckeye offensive lineman, weighing in at a measly 330 pounds, is considered by most football people, including coach Lou Holtz, as "one of the best lineman in football. Not college football. Football period.

The junior has started at left tackle since day one at Ohio State, garnering All-America honors as a sophomore. The big man won the Lombardi Award last year, was second in the voting for the Outland Trophy, and took home the Big Ten's Offensive Lineman of the Year in 1995.

So far this year, Pace is performing up to par. In fact, he is



Courtesy of the Ohio The Irish defensive front seven will have to play well against the likes of 330 pound Offensive Tackle Orlando Pace for Notre Dame to win.



in the early season running as a favorite for the Heisman Trophy. The last offensive lineman to win the Heisman trophy was way back in 1949. Man by the name of Leon Hart. Played for a small Catholic school in the middle of nowhere.

Ohio State keeps statistics on the behemoth for "pancake blocks," or blocks where the defensive lineman ends up on his back, flattened by Pace. Through two games, the tackle has recorded 15 pancakes on the year.

Sort of makes you happy that you don't have to line up against him, eh?

Well, the same can't be said for the player Notre Dame hopes can be the answer to the Orlando Pace quandary.

Irish defensive tackle Melvin Dansby is looking forward to the test.

"He's like the best tackle in football," Dansby admitted. 'It's a great task to undertake. But I think it'll be a great match-up, and I'm up for the challenge.

"He mixes power with finesse. He's a passive blocker who tries to get position on you and then slam you. He's got great fundamentals and great speed.

A quick statistic: Dansby has never been pancaked; he also has no intention of it happening against Pace.

The right defensive tackle has spoken with fellow Irish lineman Reynaldo Wynn, the player who faced Pace in last season's loss in Columbus.

'(Reynaldo) was just telling me how good he was after the ball is snapped. He's not one of those guys who tries to knock you off the football or any-



Notre Dame defensive tackle Melvin "The Beast" Dansby will battle in the trenches with Ohio State Tackle Orlando Pace on Saturday.

thing."

"He doesn't come right off and try to knock you 15 yards into your own backfield. "He's one of those guys who will take you, stand you up, lock you out, slam you.

Interestingly enough, one player who did have some success against Pace last season was indeed Reynaldo Wynn. Wynn knocked him back consistently in last year's contest, although the Buckeyes eventually did hit their proverbial stride midway through the third quarter. But if Dansby is going to ask for advice, he's gone to the right man.

On the season, Dansby has also managed to impress. He

has put plenty of pressure on the three previous quarterbacks, and has often faced double-teams in the process. And

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by no means is his afraid of Orlando Pace. Not having played against Ohio State due to a neck injury last year, this contest means a chance for Dansby to contribute, unable to do so last

year. "I thought I could've helped last year," he remembered. "But this is my chance."

Orlando is rolling to Notre Dame Stadium. It's Melvin Dansby's job to make sure that it isn't a joyride.

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MEN'S GOLF **Big East Championships looming**

By BRAD PRENDERGAST News Editor

If consistency was what the men's golf team was seeking Monday and Tuesday at the Butler Fall Invitational, then the team struck gold. But without a round that set the team apart from the other schools, Notre Dame found itself with a fifth-place finish.

Notre Dame's three-round scores of 309-308-313 reflected a level of consistency that was mirrored by the team's individual totals. Freshman Todd Vernon paced the Irish with a 75-78-77, finishing just a stroke out of 10th place in the 96-player field. Brad Santis' scores were indicative of the team's trend. The junior's 78-78-78 left him four strokes back of Vernon, at 234. Brian Donohoe, one of the team's co-captains, said the Irish's scores weren't what they were looking for. "We were consistent, but not consistent in a good way,'

Donohoe said. "If the scores had been in the mid-70s or low 70s, we would have been much better off."

With the absence of Joel Hepler, the other co-captain, and Bryan Weeks, the team's No. 3 player, due to academic commitments, the Irish were looking to give the other players some experience as the team heads into the Big East championships this weekend.

Hepler and Weeks were completing academic obligations



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The Observer/Rachel Sederberg The Belles are hoping to improve their rough season start today at home against Anderson. The game kicks off at 4 p.m.

so that they would be able to leave campus Thursday to travel to the championships, to be held at the TPC Avenel course in Bethesda, Md.

"That held us back from a higher finish," Donohoe said. "We need to play better in the future."

Donohoe said he, too, planned to step his performance up when he heads to Bethesda. The senior brought up the rear of the Irish pack with a 238.

'It was more of a wake-up call, both for the team and for

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me," he said. "It's time for me to get refocused personally. I think we should be able to win (the Big East title), and I think someone could come out with the individual honors."

Notre Dame claimed the title last year in its first year in the conference.

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