



Get in line
Scary movies raked in the top box office sales this week. *Sixth Sense* lead the pack, with other horror flicks following.
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MAY THE BEST MAN WIN



JOE STARK/The Observer
C. J. Murray, Jose Gonzalez and Joe Schwartz grill Wednesday during the Flanner Cup. Men from Knott and Siegfried Halls will participate in events such as a quarter-dog eating contest and arm wrestling match, among others, in pursuit of the coveted cup.

Sweatshop task force visits site

By MAGGY TINUCCI
News Writer

Five members of Notre Dame's Anti-sweatshop Task Force visited El Salvador this summer in an effort to gain first-hand knowledge about sweatshops.

"We went to get a better handle on the conditions in the factories. It's important for members of the Task Force to see this. We don't want to be naive," said Bill Hoyer, associate vice president and counsel for the University and task force chair.

The group who went to El Salvador included administrators, staff members, and students.

"The diversity of the group gave different perspectives to the issues," Hoyer said. "It was an eye-opening experience."

The groups toured apparel factories, interviewed factory workers and discussed factory monitoring concepts with Catholic Church, labor and human rights activists in order to get a better picture of the "model factory," according to Hoyer.

University president Father Edward Malloy created the Anti-sweatshop Task Force in March to advise him on further measures the University should take to identify and rectify any abuses of workers'

rights at factories that produce Notre Dame-licensed products.

One responsibility of the task force was to set up a monitoring system for Notre Dame's licenses, in order to "put some teeth" into the code of conduct, according to Maria Cannalis, president of the Graduate Student Union.

Since March, PricewaterhouseCoopers has served as the sole monitor for the University.

The trip allowed inclusion of human rights activists and church officials in the monitoring system.

"We went down there with the idea of implementing a monitoring system where human rights workers would come in before and after PricewaterhouseCoopers," Cannalis said. "Now we think they should go together to assimilate what is going on in a better way. They have to see things in the same light. There is a great deal of skepticism between factory owners and human rights workers. Because of this, we are encouraging a parallel audit. This would allow for the most credibility."

After the journey, Task Force leaders started to consider widening the range of groups involved in their efforts.

"From the experience of the trip, we want to explore

whether there is a way to include non-governmental organizations (NGOs) into our group as a possible recommendation to Father Malloy," Hoyer said.

The group did not tour any factory where Notre Dame apparel is made and were barred entry from the free-trade zone in San Salvador, where the main abuses occur, according to Cannalis. They did visit three factories outside of the zone, two of which were owned by the mother of a Notre Dame graduate and spoke with members of a model monitoring panel set up to address workers' concerns at the Mandarin apparel factory, located in the free-trade zone.

"I didn't see any abuses in the factories, but they were not representative by any stretch of the imagination," said Cannalis. "Still, it's nice to know some are upright."

PricewaterhouseCoopers monitors factories all over the world for a range of companies, including Disney, Hoyer said.

"Basically, they are measuring the factory against our code of conduct," he said.

Specifically, they look at the age of workers to determine whether child labor is being utilized, how many hours per

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STUDENT SENATE

Members attack ticket system

By FINN PRESSLY
Assistant News Editor

Last week's ticket distribution system drew heavy criticism from dorm representatives at Wednesday night's Student Senate meeting.

"The paper made it seem not that good," student body vice president Michael Palumbo said about The Observer's Aug. 25's report on the new system.

He then opened the floor to comments from senators, many of whom voiced negative opinions.

"I thought it was a disaster," Farley senator Christine Veliky said. "Anyone I knew was like, 'Let's go get our tickets and leave.' I don't know of anyone who stayed there more than half an hour. It seemed like a waste of

time for the people who planned it."

Pasquerilla West senator Audra Hagan expressed concern for the first-year students who didn't have the benefit of past experience with the system.

"The freshmen in my dorm were scared to death," Hagan said. "They were like, 'I have to go through all of this to get tickets?'"

The seating system in Notre Dame Stadium drew criticism, as well.

"Why are the grad students in the middle of all the students?" Walsh senator Kate McCarthy asked. "They don't have the same young, enthusiastic attitude."

Graduate students originally sat in the lower corner of the student section. They requested a change in position, however, because they were often

the unwitting recipients of halftime mementos sailing from the senior section, according to Joe Cassidy, director of Student Activities.

Knott senator Ed Foy showed his support for the distribution system.

"I liked how it worked," Foy said. "It was better than having to wake up at four in the morning and take a headfirst dive at two closed doors and stand there for four hours."

Palumbo added that in addition to the early morning "mad dash," problems with alcohol abuse led to a change in the system.

"The drinking got out of hand," he said. "This year, we were able to control the situation."

An informal survey of the senate conducted by

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SECURITY

Man exposes self to ND student jogging on Ivy

Observer Staff Report

An unidentified male allegedly exposed himself to a female Notre Dame student who was jogging along Ivy Road around 6 p.m. Wednesday,

Notre Dame Security/Police reported.

The Suspect
Last seen shortly before 6 p.m. Wednesday.
◆ Caucasian
◆ 35 years old
◆ heavysset build
◆ receding hairline

The male occupant made an obscene comment to the student, according to the report. She then

glanced toward the vehicle and saw that the canvas door was missing. The man's pants were pulled down and he was exposing himself.

The student described the suspect as a Caucasian male with combed-back hair and a receding hairline. He was approximately 35 years old and very heavysset. The vehicle is a mid-1990s model.

Security searched for the suspect but had not found the man as of press time. Security/Police said anyone who observes a vehicle or person resembling the descriptions should try to get a license plate number and contact Security at 631-5555.

In a separate case last week, an unidentified male exposed himself to a female student jogging around Saint Mary's Lake between Fatima Retreat Center and Carroll Hall. That suspect is described as a Caucasian male in his late 20s with blond hair and a stocky build.

INSIDE COLUMN

I'll watch my westerns in peace

If you're a liberal activist, stop whatever it is you're doing. Turn off the Indigo Girls CD and pay attention.

For the past two years, Big Brother has diverted your attention with non-discrimination clauses, sty-rofoam and advertising rights. But now that the chain link fences are gone and the renovations complete, you can witness the horrific murals of imperialistic oppression adorning the walls of the main building.

Dustin Ferrell

*Assistant
Viewpoint
Editor*

That's right, underneath the Golden Dome (which could be melted down and sold to feed the needy), there are several paintings depicting Christopher Columbus among the Native Americans. The paintings fail to depict Columbus in a negative light, and even show him getting along with several of the natives. Perhaps the time has come to direct teach-ins, rallies and Phil Donahue appearances towards the issue.

Many of you did not even realize these paintings existed until now, but they've been around for many years. And when they were painted, attitudes towards Native Americans, as well as other attitudes of Western culture, were much different.

Unfortunately, we live in an age of historical bias, one in which history professors call Abraham Lincoln racist and any talk of western civilization comes loaded with revisionist buzzwords.

Therefore it was only a matter of time before somebody somewhere got offended, and he would of course cry out for justice, and we would have another mini-crisis on hand. But to tell you the truth, I actually admire the artwork. I have a real soft spot for nineteenth century artwork, regardless of its historical validity or lack thereof. I can look past the prejudices of the artist and take into account the mindset of our forebearers without creating a huge issue in the process.

Incidentally, this thick-skinned attitude also allows me to watch spaghetti westerns and old cartoons painlessly. Hopefully, such reasoning will prevail on campus, instead of being mislabeled as apathy by the more "progressive-minded." If this were Stanford, the paintings would have already been replaced by the Indigenous Transgendered Marxist Painting of the Month. Luckily, our administration looks past such nonsense, and carries on despite the protests of most students, including those who believe Notre Dame is a "laughing-stock" among Catholic universities. Folks, Notre Dame is the premier Catholic university. If you want to see a poor excuse for a Catholic university, visit Georgetown.

But I digress. The majority of my ranting is directed towards the general idea that our campus, as well as our society, still holds relics of an impure past that we're all so eager to come to terms with. In order to do so, many find it necessary to rewrite history and discredit the "bad guys" like Columbus. Others try to rid Catholicism of masculine language and replace it with a generic unisex substitute, as if this achieved any substantive objective. And the list goes on, as futile attempts to correct the past render us oversensitive and guilt-ridden.

As for me, I'll take these lessons into account, as any responsible student of history. But I won't burden my conscience with that I cannot change. I'll just get back to watching my historically inaccurate Clint Eastwood westerns in peace.

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OUTSIDE THE DOME

MIT students discuss accidental death

MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

Residents and tutors of East Campus gathered Tuesday to discuss the death of Richard Guy '99, who died early in the day as the result of a drug overdose.

"It's hard but they're handling it quite well," said East Campus Housemaster Jed Buchwald of EC residents.

Buchwald said deans, housemasters and mental health professionals were on hand to listen to the students' concerns.

"Things have gone about as well as can be hoped for right now," Buchwald said.

A student of East Campus found Guy unconscious on the fifth floor of East Campus' east parallel Tuesday morning around 1 a.m.

"Things have gone about as well as can be hoped for right now."

Jed Buchwald
East Campus housemaster

Guy was pronounced dead at the scene.

Guy, a resident of Mission Viejo, Calif., was entering his junior year as a physics major.

The Cambridge Medical Examiner's office confirmed Tuesday that Guy died from asphyxiation as a result of nitrous oxide intoxication. Guy had a plastic bag over his head to inhale the nitrous.

Guy's death is being investigated

by Campus Police. The death is currently presumed to be an accident.

The Associated Press reported Tuesday night that the Middlesex County district attorney's office said the case was not being treated as a homicide.

During a meeting Tuesday afternoon, housemasters and East Campus residents decided to move some of their in-house rush events to the halls of the dormitory in an effort to avoid media attention.

"The consensus was that we felt that Dick Guy would have wanted us to go on as much as we would have," said East Campus president Jennifer Frank '00. "We're going to tone down our events slightly and keep them within the dorm, but otherwise things will go on as planned."

Secret service arrests wrong student

UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE

A reception welcoming the University of Louisville's new Porter Scholars — a society for academically talented black students — was disrupted last week when United States Secret Service Agents and Louisville Police interrupted their first meeting to arrest a confederating suspect. The only problem was the person who was arrested wasn't the suspect. The incident began when Secret Service Agents and Louisville Police were serving an arrest warrant in the vicinity of Crittenton Drive and Eastern Parkway, U of L Police Lt. Tom Fitzgerald said. "When they came to the residence, two individuals fled and a footchase ensued," Fitzgerald said. "Ultimately one of the two suspects that they were chasing was apprehended outside the [Student Activities Center]." Fitzgerald said at that time U of L's Department of Public Safety was contacted, and assisted the Secret Service and LPD in the search for the second suspect. "One of our parking officers saw an individual fitting the description [of the suspect] — he [the suspect] then took off running into the SAC," Fitzgerald said.

Rutgers inks contract with TAs

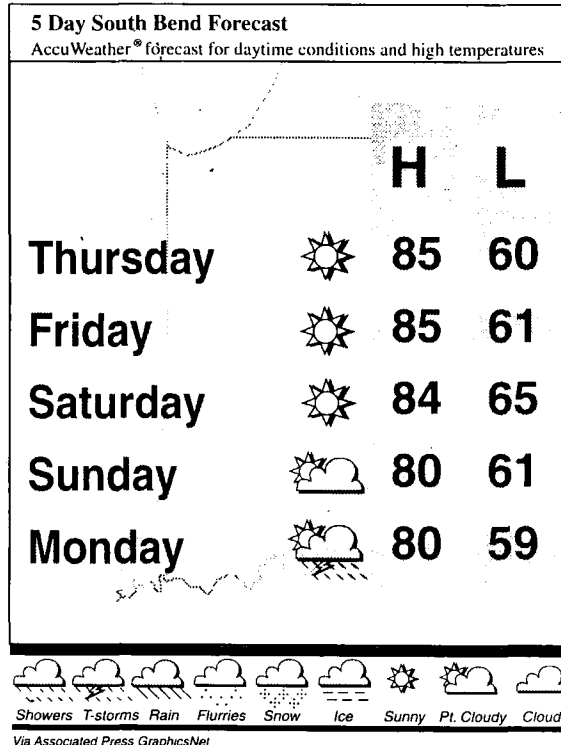
RUTGERS UNIVERSITY

The teaching and graduate assistants will return to classes this morning knowing their contracts will be secure for another four years. After months of negotiations, the administration and the Association of American University Professors agreed upon a contract, which will be valid until June 30, 2003. The negotiation process went much smoother than in recent years, when professors were engaged in a two-year contract dispute. The current contract expired on June 30, 1999. Representatives on both sides of the table attributed the speedier process to the new mutual benefit negotiation process. "The parties did not come to the negotiation table with preset positions," John Wolf, executive director of University Labor Relations, said. "Instead they identify problems and concerns that they may have and together try to create options that might solve the problems and by being very creative and very open and listening." In order to begin the process of negotiation, both sides underwent training with faculty from New York's Cornell University.

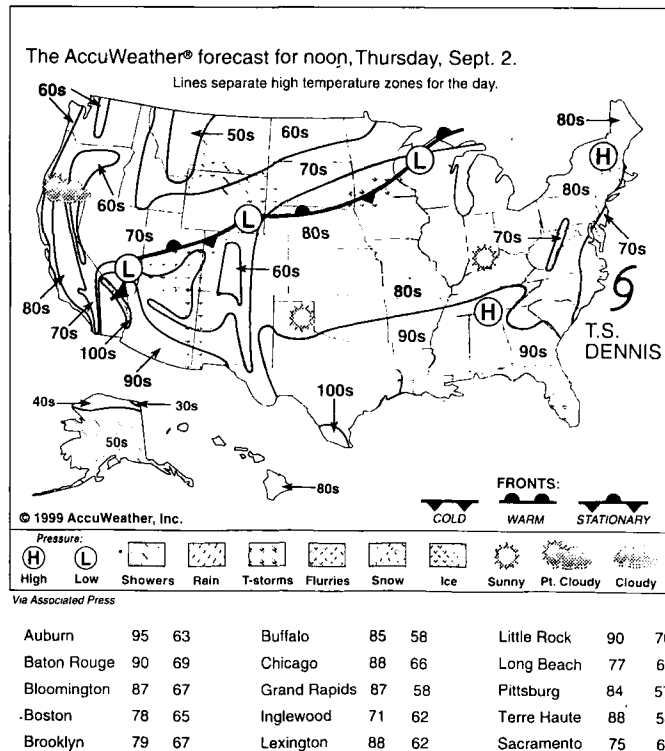
THIS WEEK ON CAMPUS

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
◆ 1999 Business Career	◆ 1999 Business Career	◆ Men's Soccer:	◆ CSC Van Training:
Forum: throughout COBA building, 6-8:30 p.m.	Forum: throughout COBA building, 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m.	vs. Boston College, Alumni Field, 7:30 p.m.	Center for Social Concerns, 6:30 p.m.
◆ Senior Pre-Game BBQ:	◆ Women's Soccer:	◆ Football: at Michigan,	◆ Women's Soccer:
in front of Senior Bar, 5-7 p.m.	vs. North Carolina, Alumni Field, 7:30 p.m.	WSBT-Ch. 22, 2:30 p.m.	vs. Duke, Alumni field, 1:00 p.m.
◆ Cruel Intentions: Cushing Auditorium, 10:30 p.m.	◆ Cruel Intentions: Cushing Auditorium, 8 & 10:30 p.m.	◆ Cruel Intentions: Cushing Auditorium, 8 & 10:30 p.m.	

LOCAL WEATHER



NATIONAL WEATHER



Brazilian Archbishop dies after long, distinguished career

By NOREEN GILLESPIE
Saint Mary's Editor

Archbishop Dom Helder Camara of Brazil died Friday after a heart attack.

He was Saint Mary's commencement speaker for the Class of 1987 and an honorary degree recipient from both Notre Dame and Saint Mary's.



Camara

Camara died at his home in Recife after being hospitalized with a urinary infection 10 days prior to his death.

Camara, who served as Archbishop of Olinda and Recife, spoke against social inequality and human rights abuses in Brazil's impoverished Northeast. He was the recipient of the Martin Luther King Jr. Award in

1970, the Niwano Peace Prize in 1983 and was nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize four times.

Camara's visit to Saint Mary's in 1987 symbolized the College's effort to emphasize a commitment to social justice, said Keith Egan, professor of religious studies.

"He was quite serious about his visit here and gracious in accepting the invitation," Egan said.

In Camara's citation for an honorary degree in humanities, Dorothy Feigl, then acting vice president and dean of faculty at the College, read that Camara had "profoundly moved the world community through his charismatic presence. His prolific writings and addresses encourage a new understanding of gospel liberation based on the non-violence of Christ."

Camara's address focused on the importance of higher education and the responsibility to use that higher education for service.

"Your country has the biggest

responsibility in the modern world," Camara said to the graduates, urging universities and the young to study justice education and peace.

Camara was praised by Pope John Paul IV and Pope John Paul II for his lifestyle. From his ministry in the Northeastern part of Brazil, the archbishop lived and worked alongside the poor.

Camara campaigned for construction of low-income cooperative housing, literacy campaigns, self-help programs and just wages in factories. His life was a symbol of bravery, Egan said.

"His simple life was very prophetic," Egan said. "To be in his presence, you knew you were in the presence of a man who took the gospel very seriously. He wanted us all to be Matthew 25 Christians — to find Christ in those who are imprisoned, naked and hungry."

Jerry McElroy, professor of business administration and economics and Camara's host at Saint Mary's, witnessed his sim-

ple lifestyle when he came to campus.

"I had a dinner at my house with a number of people who spoke Portuguese," McElroy said. "He hardly ate anything, just answered questions. He was somewhere midway between earth and heaven somehow."

Camara entered the seminary at age 14 and was ordained at 22. He began work in the slums of Rio de Janeiro, where he later became auxiliary bishop in 1952. He soon organized the National Conference of Brazilian Bishops under the guidance of Giovanni Battista Montini.

He frequently urged his colleagues to live the gospel as well, urging fellow bishops to drop titles such as "excellency" and "eminence" and, at the Second Vatican Council, to exchange golden crosses for wooden ones.

Taking the archbishop position in Recife in 1964, he stored the traditional gilded throne and replaced it with a wooden chair. He also opted not to live in the palatial residence, but in a

small, sparse room behind a church.

He was an audible voice against military dictatorship from 1964-1985 and several attempts were made on his life. He was also banned from speaking with Brazil's media.

Responding to such derogatory names as "the Red Bishop" and "Fidel Castro in a cossack," Camara claimed that, "When I fed the poor, they called me a saint. When I asked, 'Why are they poor?' they called me a communist."

Camara retired in 1985, but continued to speak about industrialized nations in the Third World for the rest of his life.

Yet the message of his life does not end with his death, according to Egan.

"We keep alive the memory of his visit at Saint Mary's," he said. "He was a little man with a big message: to live the gospel for the sake of the poor. Saint Mary's invitation expressed a desire to bring that example to campus."

SECURITY

Local man charged with theft

Observer Staff Report

Lorenzo Jackson, 42, of South Bend, awaited arraignment Wednesday on charges of criminal trespassing and burglary, a Class C felony, for allegedly stealing a bike from outside Carroll Hall Tuesday, police said.

Jackson, who was removed from campus Aug. 28 for loitering at McGlinn Hall, was arrested at approximately 10 a.m. Tuesday at Angela Blvd. and Pokagon St., assistant director of police Chuck Hurley said.

Jackson was not connected to thefts at Morrissey Hall, Hurley said, as was stated by a St. Joseph County Jail spokesman in Wednesday's Observer.

Charged in connection with those crimes was Markus Cannady, 40, of the 2200 block of Kenwood Ave., South Bend. Arrested at Lincolnway near Diamond Ave. at approximately 10 a.m. Tuesday, Cannady also awaited arraignment Wednesday for criminal trespassing and burglary, police said.

Cannady was cited in 1987 and arrested in 1994 for trespassing at Notre Dame, Hurley said.



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Senate

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Cassidy showed that, given a choice, students would prefer a form of stadium camping out to receiving assigned

tickets in the mail. If students were to receive tickets by mail, however, the majority of them would prefer general admission tickets by section, rather than assigned seats.

The senators showed the most support for the idea of camping out for general admission tickets.

Sweatshop

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utilized, how many hours per week workers are required to work, how the wages are calculated and the factory's compliance with legal and environmental stipulations.

PricewaterhouseCoopers also looks at the health and safety situations in the factories to see if there are medically trained staffers, fire escapes and extinguishers and whether the factory offers protection against job-related injury.

Also included on the checklist is how the employees are disciplined and whether they are offered any sort of recourse and documentation against unfair discipline.

The last factory the group visited was not flustered by its presence.

"The director said that everyone wants to come through the factory," Cannalis said. "They are getting used to the monitoring system."

Notre Dame has 200 apparel licensees, each with about 12 factories.

Notre Dame has revised their code with the factories to include monitoring.

"We can walk into the factories at any time we want," Cannalis said. "They won't be happy but it's in their best public interest to let us in."

"There is both random and risk-assessment monitoring. With 2,400 factories, we need to determine where the risk is the greatest," Hoye said.

The monitors engage in a two-day examination of the factory, interviewing

25 randomly selected employees.

"Our trip showed us there is an essential need for monitoring," Cannalis said. "The factories are not going to regulate themselves to the extent they need to be. There needs to be parallel monitoring to ensure it is all enforced."

The group to El Salvador included Hoye; Dennis Moore, director of Public Relations and Information; Jim Paladino, associate director of the Center for Social Concerns; Cannalis; and Lee Tavis, professor of finance. Father Robert Pelton, director emeritus of Notre Dame's Institute for Pastoral and Social Ministry and an expert in Latin American Church affairs accompanied the group and helped to organize its itinerary.

In other Task Force news:

♦ Carol Kaesebier, University vice president and general counsel, whose work on the sweatshop issue predates the Task Force, was elected co-chair of the University Task Force of the Fair Labor Association (FLA), a national organization which originated in the White House as the Clinton administration's effort to address the sweatshop issue.

The FLA is in its formative stages and Kaesebier's election will give her a prominent voice in advocating the views of universities to the FLA's industry and government members.

♦ Notre Dame and PricewaterhouseCoopers representatives are engaged in Notre Dame's first audit of a manufacturing facility, a Champion Products factory.

THE KEOUGH INSTITUTE FOR IRISH STUDIES

PRESENTS A LECTURE

JOSEPH M'MINN

University of Ulster
Belfast, Northern Ireland

Pastoral Properties: Swift and Gardens

Tuesday, September 7, 1999

7:15 p.m.

100-104 McKenna Hall

Joseph McMinn is professor of Anglo-Irish studies and head of English at the University of Ulster, Jordanstown, outside Belfast, in Northern Ireland. He has published widely on eighteenth-century Irish studies, including *Swift's Irish Pamphlets*, *Swift: A Literary Life* and *Jonathan's Travels: Swift and Ireland*. He has also written extensively on the contemporary Irish novelist, John Banville, including *The Supreme Fictions of John Banville*. He is presently researching the influence of pictorial art on writers.

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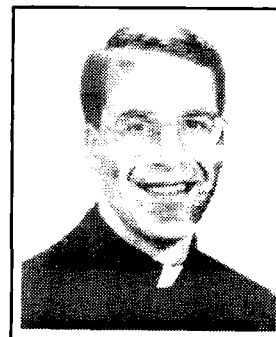


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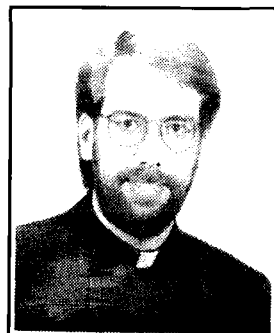
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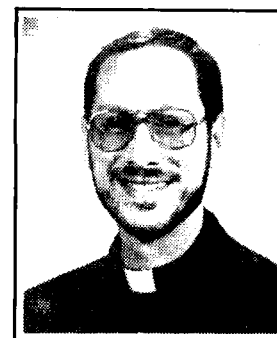
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WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Killer bees hospitalize beekeeper

LONG BEACH, Calif.

An 83-year-old beekeeper who did not realize his hives were apparently taken over by Africanized "killer bees" was attacked while mowing his lawn and in critical condition Wednesday. Virgil Foster was stung 50 times Tuesday and was not breathing when paramedics arrived. He went into cardiac arrest as they worked on him. Health department officials estimate Foster's three hives, originally set up for more timid European bees, held about 1 million Africanized honeybees. They also built a hive in a tree. Africanized bees are not more venomous than other varieties, but they are more aggressive and attack in large numbers. They appear very similar to European bees, although killer bees have a shorter wingspan. If the bees are conclusively found to be Africanized, it would be their first recorded attack on a person in the county. Authorities destroyed the swarm after the attack.

Man gets 21-year sentence for shooting cat

MILWAUKEE

A man who shot his cat to death because it hissed at him was sentenced to 21 years in prison. Louis Wesela, 48, was convicted in May of being a felon in possession of a gun. The judge cited Wesela's 26-year criminal record when he sentenced him Tuesday. He killed the cat in January after an argument with his wife, whom he accused of having an affair. According to testimony, Wesela first threatened her with the gun, firing a shot into the ceiling. Later the same day, he became upset with the cat because it hissed at him and shot the pet as it hid under a bed. Among his past crimes, said assistant U.S. attorney Paul Kanter: armed robbery, beating a man with a tire iron, hitting an undercover agent with a bottle during a drug-related robbery, hitting two people in a car wash and damaging a public works vehicle with a hammer.

Gadhafi celebrates 30th anniversary of coup

TRIPOLI, Libya

The Libyan capital was a sparkling sea of flags, lights and victory arches Wednesday and huge white birthday candles decorated one downtown square, all to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the coup that brought Moammar Gadhafi to power. Gadhafi, then 27, came to power in a military coup on Sept. 1, 1969. The coup occurred while the last Libyan king, Idris, was in Turkey for medical treatment. The king died in exile in Egypt in 1983. Wednesday's festivities were the first such commemoration since international sanctions were suspended in April after Libya handed over two suspects in the bombing of Pan Am Flight 103.

NOVA SCOTIA



AFP Photo

Relatives Flight 111 victims embrace following the unveiling of the monument to the 229 passengers aboard the Swissair flight. More than 600 relatives visited the monument yesterday, one day short of the one year anniversary of the disaster.

Families mourn victims of crash

Associated Press

PEGGY'S COVE

Families of those who perished last year on Swissair Flight 111, which crashed off the coast of this tiny fishing village, dedicated a monument Wednesday to the victims and those who helped recover their remains.

During a solemn dedication ceremony on a remote bluff overlooking St. Margaret's Bay, more than

800 family members joined 200 volunteers and military officials who had recovered human remains.

Just a day short of the one-year anniversary, the families silently disembarked from a caravan of buses near the monument and crowded together on boulders, forming a silhouetted line against the cloudless sky and the sparkling sea.

Their sheer numbers were a startling reminder of the scope of the air dis-

aster — which killed all of the 229 people aboard the plane.

During the ceremony, Peggy Coburn, whose husband Richard had been on the New York-Geneva flight, thanked the villagers and military officials who, she said, had "helped and cared" after the crash.

"If I ever need strength or comfort, all I will need to do is remember you, and I will gain strength and I will be comforted,"

said Coburn, who lives in New York.

Some wept as Royal Canadian Mounted Police Inspector Andy Arsenault sang a ballad, called "Roses on the Rocks," which had been written for the occasion. The mourners laid flowers on the rocks surrounding the monument.

The monument, which was designed with input from the families and the villagers, consists of two halves of a 6-foot tall granite stone.

Palestine, Israel approach agreement

Associated Press

JERUSALEM

Working hard to overcome 11th-hour snags, Israelis and Palestinians approached agreement Wednesday on a land-for-security deal that set a one-year deadline for ending decades of hostility.

After a stormy day, marked both by shouted ultimatums and shouts of optimism, talks closed in the evening with differences over a promised Israeli release of Palestinian prisoners still unresolved.

Each side said the ball

was in the other's court, and it was not clear if they would meet again early Thursday ahead of Secretary of State Madeleine Albright's arrival in Egypt to attend a signing ceremony.

"There is a desire to have peace," Albright told reporters as she flew to Morocco on Wednesday. "There is a sense we have to move on. And what I want to do is to play a fruitful role."

On the main issue dividing them, negotiators said they had whittled down their differences to just 30 prisoners: Israel was ready

to release 370 prisoners; the Palestinians insisted on 400.

Two items that had vexed Prime Minister Ehud Barak's pledge to revive Wye were resolved: a timetable for an Israeli withdrawal from 13 percent more of the West Bank and a deadline for a final status agreement.

The new deadline for a permanent Palestinian-Israeli accord would be a year after the re-launch of Wye — meaning September 2000 if all goes well this week.

At the talks through the day Wednesday, tempers

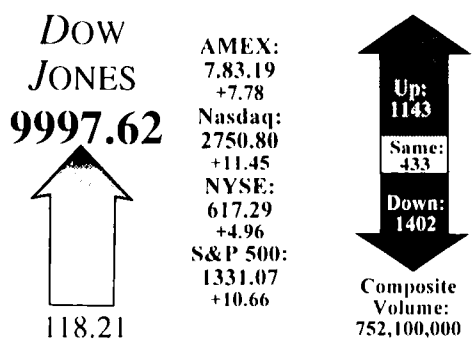
were frayed — the negotiators had pulled an all-nighter from Tuesday evening. Shouting could occasionally be heard in the corridors. Repeated calls were made to Egyptian leaders, who have acted as mediators.

Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat cut short his visit to return to the region to direct his negotiators.

Talks ended in the evening, when the Israeli Cabinet held a session that lasted until midnight.

After the Cabinet meeting, Barak spokesman David Ziso said Israel was "still waiting for answers."

Market Watch: 9/1



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Task force plans to educate on sweatshops

By MAGGY TINUCCI
News Writer

A summer of planning and learning by Notre Dame's Task Force on Anti-sweatshop Initiatives led to a fall of implementing what they learned through conferences and work in the field.



Hoye

A University symposium on fair labor issues will be offered to the campus community this fall. Notre Dame also will play a significant role in a major conference on the living wage to be held at the University of Wisconsin-Madison in November.

The fall symposium, available to students as a one-credit course, is directed by Todd Whitmore, associate professor of theology. The class will provide an opportunity for in-depth discussion on several sweatshop issues.

"It will give us a chance to look at the issues the task force discusses in an academic sense," said Bill Hoyer, associate vice president and counsel and task force chairman. "It will give emphasis to the particular issues."

Thomas Swartz, professor of economics, and Whitmore — both task force members — participated in a planning session this summer at University of Wisconsin-Madison for a November conference to discuss living wages for apparel factory workers.

The conference goal is to determine a system to calculate living wage levels for workers in different countries.

"The question is whether there is a way to calculate a living wage in each country," said Hoyer.

At the conference, task force members will discuss monitoring of apparel factories, and Whitmore will present Catholic social teaching on the wage issue as part of a panel on the politics and legitimacy of the living wage.

"The conference is a start

and will draw people together and promote discussion," said Maria Cannalis, president of the Graduate Student Union and participant in the task force's summer trip to El Salvador.

One responsibility of the University's task force is to investigate the idea of a living wage in countries which manufacture apparel.

"That is difficult because you must take into account the different traditions and cultures in each country, different standards of living and different ways of calculating the wage," said Cannalis.

"It requires a projection of morality on each socio-economic system. What's right for some isn't right for others," she said.

A major issue is determining whether a wage should support one, two or a family.

"Our system of two breadwinners isn't the case elsewhere," he said. "Is it right to impose our system on others?"

The symposium will also include several days of workshops, different from the formal conference. Notre Dame will present the topic of monitoring factories.

"How do you effectively determine if a factory is treating its workers well?" is the question which will be addressed, according to Lee Tavis, Smith professor of finance.

Presenters at the semester-long lecture series will include various task force members as well as David Schilling of the Interfaith Center for Corporate Responsibility, Michael Posner of the Lawyer's Committee on Human Rights, Randy Rankin of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, Christine Firer Hinze, Marquette University faculty member and author of "Making a Good Living: Rethinking the Family Wage in the Twentieth Century" and former St. John's University assistant soccer coach James Keady, who resigned his position over sweatshop-related issues.

Sessions will be held on six Mondays beginning Sept. 13 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the auditorium of the Hesburgh Center for International Studies.

MIAA heavily aids recruiting effort

By MOLLY MCVOY
Assistant Sports Editor

To incoming freshmen athletes and Saint Mary's coaching staff the recruiting possibilities due to joining the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association are substantial.

The current freshman class is an impressive group of athletes, according to Jini Cook, assistant athletic director.

"The freshmen coming in will make an immediate impact," Cook said. "They will push our teams into the limelight of the conference."

Even as a provisional member, Saint Mary's recruiting increased in all sports. During their two-year temporary membership in the MIAA, the ability to bring in quality athletes improved.

"Our recruitment of quality student-athletes has risen 30 percent over the past two

years," Cook said.

Admission into the conference offers many benefits to Saint Mary's athletics. A stable schedule and the opportunity for post-season play are just some of the advantages to being a member of the MIAA.

The golf, soccer, swimming and basketball teams have all seen a substantial increase in the number of first-year players on the roster. Of the 60 athletes competing in Saint Mary's sports this fall, one-third are freshmen.

Even teams that had no increase in the number of new players this season saw an improvement in their quality, explained Cook.

"I think it helps to be part of a conference," golf coach Theresa Pekarek said. "If we have a good team, people want to be a part of us, but being in a conference does help."

Recruiting highly-touted athletes is not the only factor which is important to Saint

Mary's athletics.

With the admission into a solid academic and athletic conference, the College also is looking for an increase in academically-strong athletes as well.

"Now that we're a permanent member, we'll improve not only athletically, but also academically," Cook said. "It's an honor to play with other athletes who have tough academics like Saint Mary's."

Saint Mary's athletes have already proven that they belong in a strong academic conference like the MIAA. Last year, the Belles had 29 MIAA scholar-athletes, mainly due to Saint Mary's emphasis on academic performance when recruiting an athlete.

"We look for athletes with a strong GPA and strong athletic skills," she explained. "Because we can't pay them, we look for athletes who still love the sport and want to compete because they do love it."

Grad wins Ms. Wheelchair crown

By LAURA ROMPF
News Writer

Dawn Parkot, a 1995 alumna of the University of Notre Dame and a current graduate student has been named Ms. Wheelchair New Jersey 1999.

"I'm extremely excited and gratified being crowned Ms. Wheelchair New Jersey," said Parkot.

Parkot, diagnosed with cerebral palsy at birth, is also legally blind and uses a special device to help her relay her words.

"[Winning the pageant] serves

to prove that someone who has a severe speech disability can still be a spokesperson and an activist for the disabled community," Parkot said.

The Ms. Wheelchair program seeks to find the most accomplished and articulate spokesperson, a person who can break down barriers and increase awareness for millions of individuals with disabilities.

Parkot is currently trying to accomplish this goal at Notre Dame as she urges every student to interact with the disabled.

"Be the same to a disabled person as you would be to any-

one else," Parkot said.

Candidates in the competition are judged on their academic, vocational and personal accomplishments, their communication skills and their ability to serve as an advocate for persons with disabilities.

Parkot made the Dean's List as a Notre Dame student and graduated cum laude with a degree in mathematics. She was the first student with multiple disabilities at the University.

"Being an undergrad was great. The reception in the dorm was fantastic and excellent. I loved dorm life," Parkot said.

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Dean Roche takes leave of absence

By MIKE ROMANCHEK
News Writer

Associate dean Chris Fox will replace Mark Roche, dean of the College of Arts and Letters, who is taking a one-year leave of absence to complete a book he started before joining the Notre Dame administration two years ago.

"Although I enjoy my work as dean, I do not want to relinquish my scholarly interests or leave a partially completed book unattended for five years," Roche said.

The leave of absence comes after just two years in his position, but Roche's decision is not a surprise.

"During the search process and in my acceptance letter to the provost, I made it clear that I wished to continue as a scholar," Roche said in a memo to the Arts

and Letters faculty last year. "For the past two years I have sacrificed virtually all research time to set priorities, address complex issues, introduce initiatives and institutionalize new practices."

Fox was formerly the associate dean for the College of Arts and Letters faculty and research.

"I am acting dean but that's not to be interpreted as a passive dean," said Fox. "I don't plan to tread water. I want to move us forward."

Fox plans to continue improvements for the College of Arts and Letters, which has more students but less funding than any of University's other colleges. Improvements include a strengthened commitment to the Core program and requiring all freshman seminars to be taught by regular faculty.

"Grad students, adjuncts and part-timers have, in a lot of ways, contributed well to the educational mission of the University. But I think, all things considered, students deserve full-time faculty in these courses," Fox said. "It's something all students deserve, we

need to treat the students well."

Following his year as acting dean, Fox also will take a leave of absence to continue research on unfinished projects, including a book on Jonathan Swift for the Cambridge Press.

Roche emphasized the importance of faculty research.

"Many liberal arts colleges have a tradition whereby faculty rotate into and out of administrative positions and continue as scholars even as they serve in these positions. Many large research universities have professional administrators, who must abandon their research because their jobs are so complex and demanding," Roche said. "Notre Dame is somewhere between the two, and that has led me to adopt this unconventional strategy of a mid-term leave."

"I have complete confidence that he will continue leading the College in the directions it has taken during my first two years," Roche said of Fox.

Fox's former position will be filled by Julia Douthwaite, who has been a professor of French at Notre Dame since 1991.



Roche

Former dean and alum dies, leaving legacy

By KRISTEN FITZPATRICK
News Writer

John Malone, professor of marketing since 1952 and a founding director of the Masters of Business Administration program, died Sunday after a series of strokes.

Malone, 78, died at St. Joseph's Regional Medical Center.

"John was always upbeat and in good humor," said Edward Trubac, assistant dean of the College of Business Administration. "He was a bright individual who was enjoyable to be around. Even when he became ill, he retained his character."

Malone will be remembered for his efforts and contributions to the University.

"His legacy will be continued through the growth of the MBA program," Trubac says.

Mass for Malone was celebrated Wednesday at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart. He is survived by Ellen, his wife of 53 years, his brother James, five daughters and one son.

Malone graduated from Notre Dame in 1942 with a bachelor's degree in finance. He went on to earn his master's of business administration degree from Harvard University in 1946 and earned his doctorate in marketing from the University of Chicago in 1963.

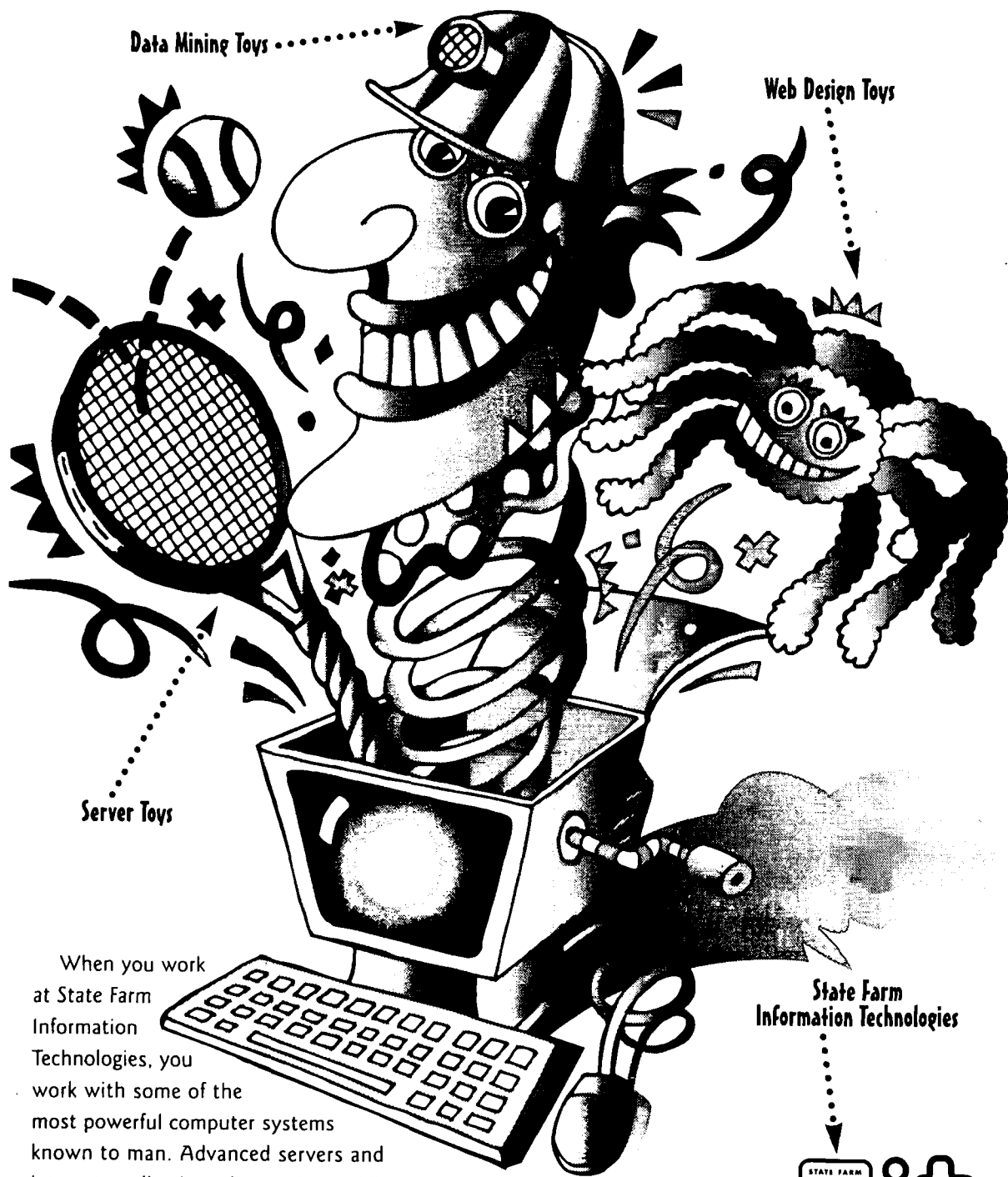
Malone worked in the private sector and taught at the University of Toledo before he was called back to Notre Dame as an assistant professor of marketing in 1952. He later became associate professor in 1956 and was made full professor in 1965.

Malone did not limit his career specifically to teaching. He conducted research in industrial marketing and also filled a variety of administrative positions at Notre Dame. He served as chair of the marketing department in 1954, assistant dean of the business college in 1962, and associate dean and director of the MBA program in 1967.

Along with his many responsibilities in the College of Business, Malone helped to establish Notre Dame's London MBA program for third-semester students. He also helped develop the University's Supervisory Development Program, a 15-week continuing education course for management personnel of companies and organizations in the South Bend area.

He also founded the Michiana Chapter of the American Marketing Association as well as the National Association of Business Economists.

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Dining hall rules, meal plans shift

By ALISA SCHMITT
News Writer

The Noble Family Dining Hall will include new meal plans and new hours this year.

The Carte Blanche plan allows for unlimited access into the dining hall and \$10 in "Munch Money" per semester. The new plan also offers Option 14, a meal program for students who may not eat as often in the dining hall.

"Option 14 is a good change, because I don't eat scheduled meals, so it makes things a little easier," said freshman Courtney Knobloch.

Option 14 allows for 14 meals per week and \$100 in "Munch Money," which can be used at The Crossings — Haggar College Center's snack bar — and at the dining hall. When students use the credit at the dining hall, they receive 25 percent off the normal selling price.

"Students wanted alternatives. One meal [plan] didn't work for everyone," Kevin Kirwan, director of dining services, said. "Option 14 gives the students a little more flexibility."

The former food plan, which is still available, consisted of 19 meals per week and \$10 in "Munch Money."

A new sandwich bar unit was installed at The Crossings, making it similar to a Subway or Blimpie's restaurant. A hot food unit was also put in to offer homestyle-cooking to "Evening Express."

Although the dining hall is closed on weekdays from 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., its weekend hours are extended. It now will open at 4:30 p.m. and close at 7 p.m.

Entrees in the dining hall will be available until 7 p.m. during the week. Evening Express hours were extended from 8:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

The new changes are aimed to give the students more options and a little more buying power, Kirwan said.

Along with new additions come new rules. Students are now required to leave their backpacks on racks in the lobby before entering the dining hall. The purpose of this, Kirwan said, is to cut back on students "packing out" food from the dining hall.

"I can see if they had the room in there, but right now it makes things inconvenient to have bags lying all over the floor," sophomore Amanda Spica said about the new backpack rule.

The new rule changes were made by administrators and Food Services. Students now must enter and exit from the front of the dining hall because the back doors are newly equipped with alarms and can be used only as emergency exits.

INDONESIA

Pro-Indonesian men, East Timorese clash

Associated Press

DILI
Armed with homemade guns, rifles and machetes, hundreds of pro-Indonesia militiamen clashed with rock-throwing independence supporters Wednesday outside U.N. headquarters in East Timor. One teen-ager was stabbed and bludgeoned to death.

The violence came on the same day ballots from a historic referendum on the territory's future were being counted.

The militiamen, some wearing red-and-white headbands in Indonesia's national colors, shot and mutilated a 19-year-old at the gates of the U.N. compound, killing him.

At least three others were injured in the militiamen's biggest show of force yet, and the violence raised fears that the former Portuguese colony could slide back into lawlessness.

U.S. and U.N. officials strongly criticized Indonesia's slow response to the violence.

Indonesian riot police, meanwhile, secured the museum building in Dili, where ballot counting started

Wednesday. The U.N.-sponsored ballot on Monday had asked the mostly Roman Catholic East Timorese whether they wanted to become independent or remain part of mostly Muslim Indonesia as an autonomous region.

Pro-independence activists say the large voter turnout on Monday — 98.6 percent — means a landslide victory for independence. The results of the ballot are expected next week.

East Timor has been a province of Indonesia since being invaded in 1975. After decades of human rights abuses and international condemnation, Jakarta reversed policy in January and announced East Timor would be given the right of self-determination.

In recent weeks, leaders of several militias fighting for continued Indonesian rule vowed not to recognize a defeat in the polls and said they would demand their own enclave. The United Nations last week flatly rejected the concept.

Some of these vigilantes erected roadblocks Wednesday throughout western East Timor, trying to carve out a zone of control. Foreign observers accuse hard-line factions within Indonesia's armed forces of arming and directing the mili-

tias.

Wednesday's violence erupted after hundreds of vigilantes gathered at a funeral for a militiaman in Dili. At the rally, militia leader Eurico Guterres called for "eternal peace and stability in East Timor."

But a few hours later, dozens of paramilitaries gathered to protest in front of the headquarters of the United Nations, which they claim rigged the elections. When confronted by rock-throwing independence supporters, the vigilantes opened fire.


A taxi carrying journalists to the scene was fired on and militiamen smashed its rear window.

Dark smoke billowed from a raging fire in a nearby shack they had set ablaze.

Militiamen tripped and surrounded one independence activist, shooting at him as he fell to the ground. They then struck him with rifles and slashed him with machetes, killing him.

A local nurse identified him as 19-year-old Jorge Francisco Bonaparte.

The attackers then hurled rocks at journalists, sending some fleeing into the U.N. compound, where about 150 people sought safety.



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State releases deadliest drunk driver

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LA GRANGE, Ky.

The man convicted in the nation's deadliest drunken driving accident — a fiery, head-on collision that killed 27 people on a church bus — was released from prison Wednesday after 9 1/2 years and is free to get another driver's license.

Larry Mahoney, 46, was driven away in the back seat of a car, carrying his belongings in two brown paper bags. He said nothing.

"It is my impression that he wants to blend back into society," said state police Lt. Henry "Sonny" Cease, who investigated the 1988 crash that led Kentucky to tighten its standards for school buses. "I think he's done the time that was dealt to him and it's time to move on."

Mahoney, his blood-alcohol level three times the legal limit, was driving his pickup truck the wrong way on an interstate when he smashed into a bus carrying 67 people home from

a church outing to an amusement park. The bus' gas tank ruptured, and flames engulfed the front section.

The former chemical plant worker was convicted of manslaughter and sentenced to 16 years in prison but got time off for good behavior and taking courses.

After the wreck, Kentucky changed its specifications for school buses, requiring them to have flame-retardant seats, fuel tank cages, push-out windows, left-side emergency exits and escape hatches in the roof. Federal law had already required fuel tank cages on buses manufactured after 1977.

Ford, which made the bus, also settled a lawsuit with 65 of the families, reportedly for at least \$36 million.

After Mahoney was turned down for parole in 1997, he chose to serve out his sentence and left prison with no restrictions or reporting requirements. He can even get a driver's license if he decides to do so.

Kentucky law does not prohibit convicted felons from dri-

ving, even those convicted of causing a drunken driving-related death. Driving records are expunged after five years of no incidents, so Mahoney can apply for a learner's permit and take the exam if he chooses to do so.

State Rep. Rob Wilkey, who unsuccessfully sponsored legislation last year to increase penalties for drunken driving, said that after someone serves his sentence, he should be able to make a living, and driving is almost a necessity to hold down a job.

"In light of his release, that is an issue we in the General Assembly ought to look at," he added.

Mahoney is believed to be staying with his parents, who live in his former hometown of Worthville not far from the crash, which took place outside Carrollton.

"Larry Mahoney, no matter what he is labeled, should be grateful he can go back to some sort of a normal life," said Carolyn Nunnallee, whose ten-year-old daughter Patty was the youngest victim to die.

Detroit teacher strike continues in district

Associated Press

DETROIT

Rodericus Rayford's children should have been in school Wednesday.

Instead, nine of his nieces, nephews, children and neighbors sat on his front porch as a teacher strike kept kids out of class and parents struggling to find ways to keep them occupied.

Though Rayford, 33, said he supports teachers and their demands for small-

er class sizes, more supplies and increased pay, he said he hopes they get back to work soon.

"Otherwise I'll get some signs for the kids, and we'll all go picket out there with them saying, 'We want to go back,'" Rayford said, laughing.

Detroit's Belle Isle Zoo is offering free admission to all Detroit school kids for the duration of the strike.

People's Community Services had closed down its summer programs a week ago, but associate director Lynne Thompson said all of the centers are now open again to accommodate the children.

"Our centers are up and running with full staff, and we will be open for the duration of the strike," she said.

The union, which represents about 9,200 classroom teachers, voted Monday to reject a ten-day contract extension recommended by a reform school board appoint-

ed last spring by Mayor Dennis Archer.

The teachers went on strike Tuesday on what should have been the first day of classes in the 172,000-student district.

The teachers' main sticking points are a longer school year and school year, the administration's proposals that would tie merit pay to school performance and a requirement

that after a certain number of sick days, teachers must provide a doctor's note to qualify for additional sick days, said union president John Elliott.

He said he hadn't heard any complaints

from parents about the strike, the fourth by Detroit teachers since 1982.

"Most parents are not excited yet," Elliott said Wednesday. "Usually the parents just make whatever adjustments they need to make."

But school volunteer Angela Banks, 27, who has three children in the Detroit school system, said she doesn't support the strike or the teachers.

"They shouldn't be asking for more money until they can prove they're teaching our kids," she said.

Banks, who rode bikes with her kids Wednesday to pass the time, said she might run into problems if teachers don't return to the classroom before she goes back to her own job next week.

"I had planned on going back to school so this is putting a hold on my plans," said Tinene Myers, whose 7-year-old daughter is handicapped.

"They shouldn't be asking for more money until they can prove they're teaching our kids."

Angela Banks
school volunteer, mother

Puerto Ricans object to Navy establishment

Associated Press

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico
About 300 university students invaded a library and protested outside a Reserve Officers Training Corps building Wednesday in a protest against the U.S. military.

"Go to hell, Navy!" the students at the University of Puerto Rico shouted. They pounded drums and waved banners calling for the military to abandon its controversial training ground on the outlying Caribbean island of Vieques.

Others called for the United States to stop army recruiting efforts at colleges. They also demanded the United States free 16 Puerto Rican nationalists jailed some 20 years ago for sedition in connection with more than 130 bombing attacks on the U.S. mainland. Six people were killed in those bombings.

Students urged support for former professor Jose Solis Jordan, who was sentenced in July to 51 months in

prison for bombing a U.S. Army recruiting center in Chicago.

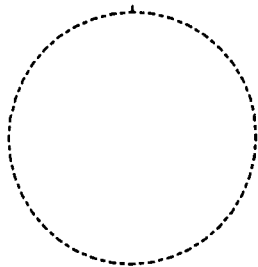
President Clinton has offered to free 11 of the 16 prisoners if they renounce violence and meet other conditions. Many in Puerto Rico have called the conditions — which would effectively bar them from meeting other pro-independence activists — humiliating.

On Sunday, thousands of demonstrators marched in the capital, San Juan, to demand Clinton give the prisoners an unconditional pardon. The prisoners, members of two guerrilla groups, have not responded to Clinton's offer.

Wednesday's student protest wound past an anti-military mural and through the library and ended at a ROTC building.

"They [the military] should leave our campus, leave our Vieques, and leave our country," shouted Carlos Ivan Vargas, a spokesman for the Puerto Rican Independence Party's youth branch.

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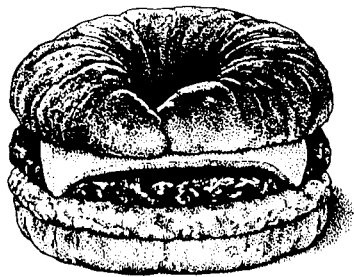


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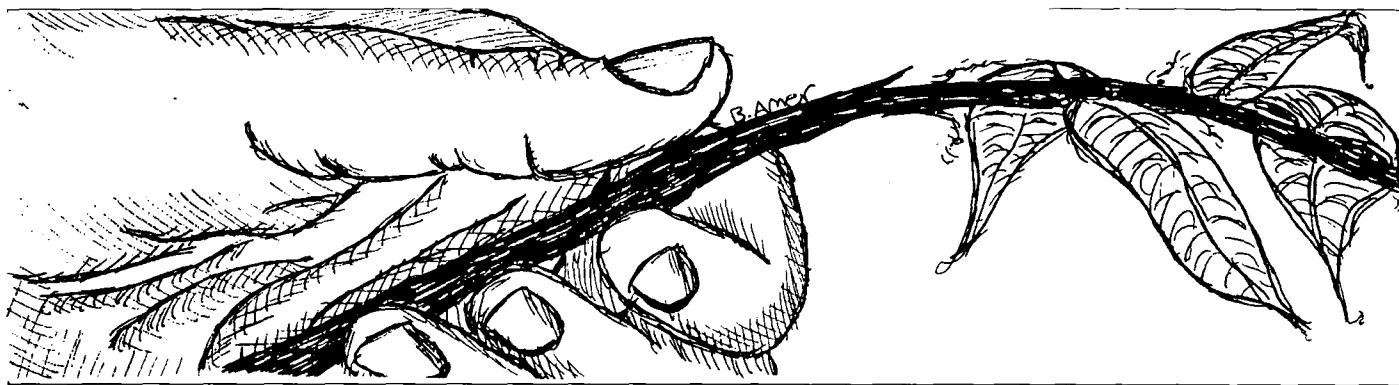
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Mission-Based Partnerships and Transformative Education

I am rewriting most of this after being with many of you Tuesday during Activities Night at the Joyce Center. What an energizing experience! Thanks and gracias to the Student Activities Office for sponsoring the event for hundreds with the support of Rec Sports, Center for Social Concerns, Club Coordination Council and many other partners from on and off campus. I especially enjoyed conversations with students exploring how their gifts and energy could be shared in areas of need in South Bend and beyond.

I am grateful to The Observer that the Center for Social Concerns will again have the opportunity for a bi-weekly column. I am confident that we will continue to provide quality explorations and discussions of issues, challenges, and controversies around the part of our mission statement which states "... calling us all to service and action for a more just and humane world." The column will be from the perspective of our CSC staff, students, faculty, alumni/ae and others who have participated in our mission over the years.

A brief word of introduction: I am Executive Director of the Center for Social Concerns, a member of the Department of Theology, a resident in McGlinn Hall, a Holy Cross priest and a Notre Dame grad of '58. I have had the privilege of teaching and developing programs related to experiential and service learning over the past three decades. Students, faculty and staff returning from these mission-based experiences continue to teach and challenge me.

My focus today is on Mission-Based Partnerships, how they are critical for our Center mission and the mission of Notre Dame and how partners off-campus can often challenge us to new viewpoints and experiences of transformative education which need to be shared upon return. The students' learning brings to life a specific part of the University's mission statement (Colloquy 2000) as a call to a "... disciplined sensibility to the poverty, injustice and oppression that burden the

lives of so many. The aim is to create a sense of human solidarity and concern for the common good that will bear fruit as learning becomes service to justice."

We at the Center and Notre Dame are enriched each year by the increasing number of participants living out this mission at Notre Dame, locally, nationally and globally. All of our multiple programs, courses and seminars would be impossible without many mission-based partners and partnerships off-campus. I want to explore with you on the importance of creative partnerships which enhance our ND/CSC Mission and the missions of other units on campus.

Below I will highlight two major program partnerships which enhance the ND/CSC mission. These seminars and courses are linked with the department of theology. Some are cross-listed. Two other mission-based partnerships will be summarized. Ads, posters and further columns with more comprehensive information will be shared in the weeks ahead.

Summer Service Projects/Programs: 234 students have recently returned from 8-10 weeks of national and international programs of service learning. It is a privilege to read their journals, papers and listen to their stories, like our CSC staff did yesterday morning, of how the partner sites were teachers. Alumni Club representatives are critical partners in most sites. These site partners and their communities of need challenged students' perspectives and concerns about poverty, injustice, oppression, solidarity, racism, child abuse, community organizing, etc. Current students are part of a 40-year tradition of summer service experiences which transformed students before them, including Monk Malloy, C.S.C. in the early '60s. We are pleased that 18 students could learn with international partner sites in 8 different countries at 12 sites this summer.

Social Concerns Seminars: Please request a copy of our recent brochure on "Interdisciplinary and Service Learning with ND Partners Across the World." I will indicate most of the seminar titles, approximate number of stu-

dents and sites below. Please imagine approximately 700 students linked with 70 partner sites last year:

Appalachia (300 students/15 sites); Cultural Diversity (12/1); Children and Poverty (24/2); Leadership Issues (12/1); Washington, D.C. (40/1); Church and Social Action: Urban Plunge (300/50); Holy Cross Mission (15/2); Border Issues (6/2); Mexico (12/1); Marcelo (Chile) (5/1); Haiti; (8/1); Civil Rights (8/many); L'Arche, Toronto (6/1); Migrant Experiences (12/1).

South Bend and Post Graduate Service Sites: USA and Global include approximately 60 partner sites/programs each year. In South Bend, community-based partnerships provide "citizenship" education for around 2,000 undergraduates in service learning, social action, community development, and faith-based programs. Around 190 graduating seniors continue their service and education with 40 different partner programs at even more sites. Many are with faith-based groups living out "a process of transforming Church and society in light of the Gospel" (Institute for Church Life of ND mission statement).

In conclusion, I challenge all of you to see and experience your fellow students as partners for positive change and called to explore new ways to bring about a more just and humane world. Please take the opportunity to talk with some of the students and alumni/ae who have been transformed by the encounters with people in the mission-based partnerships mentioned above. They would love to be asked! I hope all of us become more passionate mission-based partners for change rooted in Gospel values and acting on our transformative education. Peace!

"May you be blessed with passion and may you follow it all your life."

— Helen Prejean, CSJ

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Rev. Don
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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"As a Catholic, I thank God for the heretics. Heresy is only another word for freedom of thought."

Graham Greene
British Catholic author

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Being Catholic means being open

One of the difficulties of being Catholic, or being deeply religious in any faith, is that we are constantly confronted with differing beliefs and ideologies. If Notre Dame were a place where students could live out their daily lives without ever encountering arguments about abortion, birth control, the ordination of women, homosexuality, or any of the issues on which the Church takes a stand, then they would never have to look deeper into their own faith and think about what they really believe. The reality of the world is that these are issues which Notre Dame students will be forced to confront at one point or another in their lives. The University should be a place where students encounter and experience different views and where they can explore new ideas in a supportive Catholic environment that allows them to reinforce their own faith while trying to understand other perspectives.

Taking a gender studies course will not cause students to renounce Catholicism. It will, however, teach them how to negotiate between the beliefs they hold as Catholics (or Protestants, Jews or Muslims) and the beliefs they encounter in the "real world." We have so few role models for negotiating difference in a true Christian manner. Restricting open discussion that does not promote the views of the Church will only serve to make students fearful and wary of others. Allowing these issues free reign on campus gives students the chance to test their faith, and faith tested is faith strengthened.

Renee R. Trilling
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September 1, 1999

ND has duty to guide student choices

Katie Dodd, an editor for UVA student newspaper, criticizes Notre Dame for its policy banning advertisements contrary to Catholic teaching. She writes, "By banning advertisements for certain organizations, Notre Dame is attempting to steer students toward the choices the administration and the Church deem appropriate."

Dodd suggests that universities should not make up students' minds for them but allow them the opportunity to make up their own minds. Sounds nice. Yet, is it true that students should make up their own minds about every issue?

Dodd has written in earlier editorials that UVA should increase its programs for preventing sexual assault. She appears rightly concerned about the problems of rape on college campuses. If a pro-rape unofficial student organization wanted to advertise in the campus newspaper, perhaps Dodd would be inclined to reject the advertisement. The newspaper's advertisement policy states: "The Cavalier Daily reserves the right to refuse any advertisement." Some of course would defend the advertisement since it would lead to campus discussion and students have a right to make up their own minds about a controversial topic. This defense, however, would hardly respect the many peo-

ple who have suffered from sexual assault and have no need to discuss its pros and cons.

Perhaps these defenders of the rape-ads would write, "By banning advertisements for certain organizations, The Cavalier Daily is attempting to steer students toward the choices the newspaper and Katie Dodd deem appropriate." Of course the critics would be right. But so would the newspaper and Katie Dodd. Rape is wrong and the newspaper and Dodd want you to think so.

Every issue does not have a right to be debated in the forum of the university paper.

Rape and homosexual acts are certainly not equivalent.

Nevertheless, criticisms of ND's policy should avoid generic appeals to student's freedom of choice. Any university attempts to steer its students toward certain choices. Don't

steal. Don't rape. Get help when considering suicide. Notre Dame has the right and the duty to steer its students toward certain choices. They could not choose to do less.

Michael Dauphinais
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September 1, 1999



Wake up, you cowards and hypocrites!

I am writing this letter out of my own selfish desire for sleep. Tonight I went over to "Activities' Night" looking for some kind of good cause I could support and I found it before I even entered the building. Members of Notre Dame's own community were standing outside telling us all to wake up to our own attitudes on homosexuality.

So, I am completely awake and its two o'clock in the morning and hopefully, after I say this, I'll be able to sleep tonight. I have been so wrong. Every time I have laughed at a gay joke, poked fun at homosexuality or failed to raise my voice about the indecencies done to gays on this campus I have done Notre Dame and myself a great disservice. No "Spirit of Inclusion" statement can erase the fact that this campus sends out "No Gays Wanted" signals loud and clear. We see gays in a community by themselves and as trying to challenge what we stand for as Catholics.

The Church has declared that it accepts orientation as God-given but it cannot condone homosexual acts. Our community doesn't distinguish between identity and action; it shuts out the entire gay person. Gays here at Notre Dame aren't asking us to say that homosexual acts are OK or that gay marriages should take place in the Basilica. They want to be protected from hate; they want to have a club and put out ads so that they can assemble and support each other.

It's hard to believe that the only reason why this is even an issue is because we call ourselves Christian. Is protecting our reputation as a straight-laced Catholic institution worth hurting so many people? I believe that every single homosexual person on this campus has been hurt and made to feel like he or she is less than the rest of us simply because of sexual orientation. We have

persecuted our gay brothers and sisters because of something beyond their control and we have attempted to make them all ashamed of themselves for being who they are.

Believe it or not, gay students did not come here to embarrass us all with their "little problem." Painful as it may be, gay students aren't all that different from us heterosexuals. It is no secret that showing support or sticking up for our gay community is distasteful on this campus. The administration could pass or not pass a thousand different bills on the gay issue, but it won't change what's in our hearts and minds.

Every one of us was born with a gender, race and orientation. Every one of us needs love, respect and dignity. This issue transcends religion. We are all people and deserve to be treated with decency. In order to love and support our gay community, we do not have to condone homosexuality or change our views about the Church.

Frankly, it's our duty, not just as Christians, but as people to stand up for those who are being persecuted. If we do not, then we are cowards and hypocrites. Maybe we are shaming Notre Dame more than the homosexual community ever could because we are professing to be something we are not.

I know that as an individual here at Notre Dame I have hurt every member of the gay community by my own indifference and ignorance. I am to blame for their pain and exclusion because I have not prevented it. This letter may not change anything here but after all, it really is just a selfish gesture on my part. It's late and I may not be able to sleep tonight but I needed to relieve my guilty conscience.

Lauren Wilson
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September 1, 1999

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be less than 400 words.

Send them to
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Go ahead and vent.

Women find strong roles in fall films

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES

Susan Sarandon is a flaky mom on the road, while Jodie Foster gets to know the king.

Emily Watson pines in poverty, while Melanie Griffith goes loopy in the Deep South.

A suicidal Winona Ryder gets shipped to the asylum, while Angelina Jolie plays detective doppelganger for a paralyzed male cop.

The fall film season is at hand, and it promises an interesting crop of strong, eccentric female roles that range far beyond the Hollywood standard of women as "the girlfriend" or looking to land a man. But it's not necessarily a "to-die-for" season for women on screen.

Rather, it's a continuation of a gradual move toward more films that present women as real, full-blown people, as opposed to eye candy for male leads.

"Things have changed for the positive," said Diane Keaton, who directs and co-stars with Meg Ryan, Walter Matthau and Lisa Kudrow in "Hanging Up." "More women are out there in every aspect of filmmaking, and because of that there's more opportunities for female roles to be more complicated and more independently represented, meaning not attached to a male."

Others are skeptical. Films featuring exceptional women's roles remain a much tougher pitch, said Audrey Wells, who wrote the female buddy movie "The Truth About Cats and Dogs," starring Janeane Garofalo and Uma Thurman. Wells makes her directing debut this fall with "Guinevere," starring Sarah Polley as a young woman involved with an older man, played by Stephen Rea.

"I think it's definitely been proven that movies from a female perspective can be successful and ultimately very profitable," Wells said.

"It used to be if there were 10 pieces of the pie, men got all 10," Wells said. "Now, women get maybe two pieces of the pie, but they have to compete with each other over those two pieces. I think that pie allotment is a fixed thing."

The slate of roughly 150 films due out before year's end remains dominated by male leads. And men star in most of the likely blockbuster candidates.

Among this season's higher-profile movies: Pierce Brosnan back as James Bond in "The World Is Not Enough"; Arnold Schwarzenegger battling Satan in "End of Days"; Tom Hanks and Tim Allen lending their voices again to "Toy Story 2"; Robin Williams as "Jakob the Liar," bringing cheer to a Jewish ghetto with faked reports of Allied advances against the Nazis; Kevin Costner returning to the ballpark in "For Love of the Game"; Brad Pitt and Edward Norton trading blows in "The Fight Club"; Jim Carrey in "Man on the Moon," the life story of the late, bizarre comic Andy Kaufman; and Johnny Depp as

Ichabod Crane in "Sleepy Hollow."

But the major studio lineups promise a number of captivating roles for women. Among them:

◆ "Girl, Interrupted," starring Ryder as a suicidal young woman sent to a mental institution.

◆ "The Bone Collector," with Jolie as the investigative eyes and ears for bedridden cop Denzel Washington.

◆ "Anna and the King," with Foster as the "King and I" governess hired by the ruler of Siam to teach his 58 children.

◆ "Crazy in Alabama," where Griffith escapes an abusive husband and flees the South for Hollywood in the 1960s.

◆ "Anywhere But Here," starring Sarandon as an over-the-top mother who moves to Beverly Hills intent on foisting her vision of a better life on her teen-age daughter, played by Natalie Portman.

◆ "Angela's Ashes," the adaptation of Frank McCourt's Pulitzer Prize-winning memoir, starring Watson as the good-hearted but emotionally petrified mother of a brood of impoverished Irish children.

"She wasn't a particularly heroic person, but she had a very strong humanity," Watson said. "It's quite different from the other roles I've had where the women had fiery or very expressed emotions."

The English actress, who electrified audiences as cellist Jacqueline du Pre in last year's "Hilary and Jackie," said she had been working in films almost nonstop for four years "playing these fantastically interesting female roles."

"Whether that's luck, I don't know. I feel incredibly lucky to be making films, period. I haven't quite gotten over that yet."

Sarandon is no stranger to such roles. In "Thelma and Louise," she was half of the female road buddy team that went on a violent spree. In "Bull Durham," she played a "woman who had sexual appetites and wasn't punished for them," she said.

"It's certainly healthy if there are more complicated, interesting and less-clichéd parts out there for women," Sarandon said.

The noncliche category this fall includes Meryl Streep teaching violin to East Harlem youths in "Music of the Heart"; Milla Jovovich as Joan of Arc in director Luc Besson's "The Messenger"; Ashley Judd playing a woman wrongly imprisoned for her husband's murder in "Double Jeopardy"; Patricia Arquette in the supernatural thriller "Stigmata," about a hairdresser who manifests the wounds of Christ; Laura Dern as a woman who helps defend an uncle accused of attempted murder in "Daddy and Them"; Elisabeth Shue as a simple-minded waif who saves lobsters from restaurants in "Molly."

Anjelica Huston directs and stars in "Agnes Browne," the story of an Irish widow raising seven children; Claire Danes lends voice to the Japanese animated hit "Princess Mononoke," about a girl raised by a wolf god who fights human encroachment in the forest; Kate Winslet appears in director Jane Campion's "Holy Smoke," playing a Hindu-smitten Australian who turns the tables on cult deprogrammer Harvey Keitel; Annette Bening is a cheating wife in "American Beauty," a caustic look at family values in suburbia.

Opportunities there to make compelling movies about women, said Patricia Rozema,



Photo courtesy of Paramount Pictures

Ashley Judd stars as a woman wronged by her husband and sent to prison in the fall film, "Double Jeopardy."

who directs the latest Jane Austen adaptation, "Mansfield Park." But those films are far less likely to win the marketing attention that male-oriented movies do, she said.

"I don't know that my work justifies \$30 million in promotion," Rozema said. "But I've always been able to make my movies. Women can get films made, there's no question."

In "Mansfield Park," Rozema said she imbued the mousy main character, a poor cousin played by Frances O'Connor sent to live among rich relations, with some forceful traits of Austen herself, making her a bold, freethinking, slyly humorous writer.

"What's needed is not just roles for strong women, but ones where women are allowed to be failures and fragile and twisted and complex," Rozema said. "And not some guy doing twisted chicks in a movie out of hate for women, but out of fascination and respect."

Sarandon said the mother in "Anywhere But Here" is far removed from the stereotyped parent trap Hollywood often falls into. Wearing tight pants and heavy eyeliner, her character is impractical, unrealistic and outright embarrassing to her daughter.

"It's time to come up with a lot of different types of mothers involving people other than teen-agers," Sarandon said. "The public is willing to buy them."

Ditto for daughters, said Kudrow, co-star to Ryan and Keaton in "Hanging Up." Kudrow plays a neglected youngest sister clamoring for attention.

While she's landed some juicy roles such as the lonely sister in "The Opposite of Sex" and the bride in "Analyze This," Kudrow said she's not sure there has been much across-the-board improvement in how women are presented in movies.

"I still read a lot of scripts where the part is the girl part, and her role in the movie is really just a reflection of the man she's with," Kudrow said. "Actresses are looking for those strong parts where it's not about her just trying to get a man."

In the heyday of the studio system, women often were presented as well-rounded characters.

Kudrow said. Somewhere along the way, though, Hollywood became "too afraid to write women as complete people," Kudrow said. "Don't give them any quirky traits because you might be accused of hating women."

Director Sydney Pollack said that trend has been reversing gradually as women take more active filmmaking roles.

"It's built up over a number of decades," said Pollack, who directs Harrison Ford and Kristin Scott Thomas as worlds-apart characters thrown together when their spouses die in a plane crash in "Random Hearts."

"Like anything else, it reaches a point where progress becomes logarithmic," Pollack said. "It's been coming since the '60s, really, but we're finally seeing some real fruit from the women's movement in movies."



Photo courtesy of Universal Pictures

Kevin Costner stars in his third baseball film, "For the Love of the Game," as a player in the twilight of his career.

MOVIE REVIEW

Unlucky 13 sours warrior film

By VAN GILES
Scene Movie Critic

Hollywood and the American movie-making business is certainly hurting for ideas with its remakes of such classic films as "Physco," "The Getaway" and "Sabrina." Though these films produce big box office bucks, they are fledgling attempts at recreating cinematic masterpieces.

John McTiernan, director of "Die Hard with a Vengeance," "The Thomas Crown Affair" and most recently "The 13th Warrior," obviously realized that a viking epic has not come out for some time. Especially with the success of "Braveheart."

McTiernan figured it was his duty to the movie-going public to resurrect big ships with wooden shields hanging off the sides, along with burly vikings with long swords, hairy faces and pig-tailed red hair. What were once adventurous tales of love and heroic battle have turned into cheap, drawn-out stories that can usually be summed up from the movie trailer.

"The 13th Warrior" stars Antonio Banderas ("The Mask of Zorro," "Evita" and "Desperado") as Ahmad Ibn Fahdhan, an Arab banished from his homeland who makes his way to a Norse camp. There, he is viewed as an outsider, subjected to jokes and harassment.

But when an unnamed menace disrupts a peaceful little town on the coast line, the scary witch/psychic explains that thirteen warriors must go to rescue the people and rid the land of this

great danger. But the catch is that the 13th man must not be a Norseman. Enter the Arab who is uneducated in the ways of the land and the monsters who inhabit it.

Professing that he is not a warrior but rather an educated poet, Ibn falls in with the gruff warriors with strange garb and even stranger eating and drinking habits. Along the way,

Ibn picks up their language and becomes accustomed to their "live fast and die with glory" attitude.

At this point audiences are in high hopes of a big scary monster that will turn anybody and everybody who attacks it into soup. But the truth is that the great evil is merely a neighboring

tribe of cannibals, numbering in the hundreds, who ride white horses and wear bear suits complete with heads, fangs and claws.

After being countlessly attacked by this huge and fearsome force of cavemen dressed up in spooky bear outfits fit for Halloween, Ibn and his Viking crew decide to take the offensive and go after this insurmountable army to hopefully get the upper hand. It is Ibn's logic in figuring out where they live that leads the remaining warriors to the mother of the opposing clan.

The ending reveals itself to be exactly what is expected. The film is a decent action-adventure flick filled with disguised monsters that turn other brave men into raw hamburger meat dosed in A-1 sauce. An epic it is not.

"The 13th Warrior"



out of five shanrocks

Director: John McTiernan

Starring: Antonio Banderas, Diane Venora and Omar Sharif



Photo courtesy of Buena Vista

Antonio Banderas stars as Ahmad Ibn Fahdhan in "The 13th Warrior," the new film based on Michael Crichton's "Eaters of the Dead."

Actress Diane Venora, who wowed with her ability in "Heat" and "Romeo and Juliet" is given a small part with not much room to explode as she usually does.

The film is very unbielvable even though Ahmad Ibn Fahdhan is based on a real historical figure who wrote detailed diaries of his run-ins with the Vikings and their villages. It seems odd that Banderas, one of the most popular

Latin actors around the world, would portray this particular part with his thick accent.

"The 13th Warrior" is based on the Michael Crichton novel "Eaters of the Dead." The setting is great, but that's about it. Some pity must go out to those people who choose to pay full price for this mindless tripe. It goes to show that every type of film does not need to be recreated every few years.



"The Sixth Sense" continued its box office dominance, coming in at the top spot of the weekend box office for the fourth straight week.

Photo courtesy of Buena Vista

VIDEO PICK OF THE WEEK

By MIKE VANEGAS
Scene Editor

Scary films, from "The Blair Witch Project" to "The Sixth Sense," have dominated theaters the past month or so. But there is one film, hailing way back from 1982, that can still make moviegoers tremble in their seats — "Poltergeist."

Set in a quaint suburban home, "Poltergeist" follows a family as they discover their house is haunted, and subsequently battle the ghostly forces to stay alive. With Steven Spielberg as writer, producer and, for all intents and purposes, director (Tobe Hooper is credited, but Spielberg used his power to control the project), the film pulled viewers in as it created the haunted house as more of a fun house.

Taking advantage of a loopy housewife (JoBeth Williams) and an innocent little girl named Carol Anne (Heather O'Rourke), the haunting spirits force the Freeling family to accept their existence and seek help from paranormal/supernatural experts. What follow are some of the freakiest scenes in any horror film.

Things start to go awry when a thunderstorm hits the house. With a toothless Robbie (Oliver Robins) as the yellowest chicken in history, the thunderstorm takes over his mind, enters it and destroys. Soon enough, the huge tree growing outside Robbie's bedroom window breaks through the window, becomes a man-tree and starts eating up dear little Robbie.

Other major frights include a swimming pool wrought with de-coffinated corpses come-to-life, a tornado centralized in Carol Anne's and Robbie's bedroom, an orange, pumpkin-like portal to an alternate universe emanating from Carol Anne's

closet and most frightening of all, a killer clown.

Indeed, the creepiest moment in the film was when the toy clown finally turned evil and attacked poor Robbie. Not created with a pleasant face to begin with, the clown was foreshadowed as an actor of evil early in the picture. It was merely when and how the clown would attack that made him an effective link to the success of the film's horrors.

Of course, it seems Robbie is the only victim in this tale of a poltergeist. That is until Carol Anne is kidnapped by the devious ghosts. Throwing her family into a chaotic stir that is only interrupted by its discovery that the alternate universe Carol Anne was taken to is located in the television set.

Calling upon the same parapsychologists/supernatural doctors that had visited previously, the family attempts to retrieve Carol Anne from televisionland.

With the addition of the heavy-winded and confusingly spooky Tangina (Zelda Rubinstein), the quest to save Carol Anne becomes a battle of trust between the scientifically-minded doctors and the intuition of Tangina.

Eventually, Carol Anne is saved by her mother via the pumpkin portal, both of them falling into a bathtub as if they came immediately out of the birth canal.

Unfortunately for the Freelings, saving Carol Anne angers the poltergeist further, leading to an exciting chase out of the neighborhood, as the Freeling house is swallowed up into oblivion.

"Poltergeist," as a horror flick, passes through its scenes with remarkable excitement and intense flurry. Never finding itself in an unsatisfying position, the film will indeed continue as one of the best horror flicks from the 1980s.

"Poltergeist"

Director: Tobe Hooper

Starring: Craig T. Nelson,

JoBeth Williams, Heather O'Rourke,

Oliver Robins and Zelda Rubinstein

Top Ten at the box office

Movie Title	Gross Sales
1. The Sixth Sense	\$ 20.0 million
2. The 13th Warrior	\$ 10.2 million
3. Runaway Bride	\$ 6.8 million
4. Bowfinger	\$ 6.5 million
5. Mickey Blue Eyes	\$ 5.4 million
6. The Thomas Crown Affair	\$ 4.6 million
7. In Too Deep	\$ 4.2 million
8. The Blair Witch Project	\$ 4.2 million
9. The Astronaut's Wife	\$ 4.0 million
10. The Muse	\$ 3.9 million

Source: Associated Press

NBA

Heart problems worry Bird

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS

The Indiana Pacers were aware that Larry Bird had an irregular heartbeat when they hired him as coach, and realize he might leave after next season.

"It's the end of his contract," Pacers president Donnie Walsh said today. "He hasn't come in and definitely told me that, but I've always known it was a three-year deal and at the end of it he was going to make up his mind whether he wanted to coach or not."

Bird was not available for comment today, and it was not clear if the possibility of his leaving coaching was tied to his heart condition.

The Boston Globe today reported that Bird said he had discussed quitting with Walsh, but Walsh told The Associated Press he never talked to Bird specifically about that.

"However, in dealing with Larry for the last two years, from the very beginning, he only committed to coach for three years," Walsh said.

When Bird joined the Pacers in 1997, he said he didn't expect to coach long. Walsh said it's possible Bird could move into the front office as general manager or even team president Walsh's job.

"We'll continue to talk about that," Walsh said. "But we really haven't sat down and had a definite discussion about this."

Bird's heart ailment was disclosed in an excerpt in this week's Sports Illustrated from his upcoming book, "Bird Watching: On Playing and Coaching the Game I Love."

He says he did not tell the Boston Celtics and team doctors that he felt irregular heartbeats during offseason workouts late in his NBA career.

"I always knew there was something wrong with my heart," Bird wrote.

The heart "episodes," as he called them, apparently didn't occur during the regular season.

He said he would feel sudden exhaustion and his heart would start "jumping around."

After retiring in 1992 and joining the Celtics'

front office, Bird felt the "episodes" more often. He finally told team physician Arnie Scheller and was diagnosed with atrial

Bird was put on medication and told to exercise, eat healthy and drink alcohol only in moderation. But his condition worsened in the spring of 1997, right before he became the Pacers' coach.

"I got a little scared because it didn't seem like it was going away," Bird wrote.

Walsh said today he was aware of Bird's heart ailment.

"When Larry and I were talking about the job originally, he told me he was seeing a doctor and he had an irregular heartbeat or something like that and that he had to watch his diet, what he drank, what he ate, and that he would have to take medicine.

"In effect, it was a matter of finding the level of the medicine in order to have his heart beat regularly. Once they found that, it seemed to me it was OK and he didn't have any more problems."

The disease is not life threatening and not as serious as ventricular fibrillation, which doctors believed caused the death of

former Celtics teammate Reggie Lewis. But on March 17, 1998, while coaching Indiana in a tight game against the Chicago Bulls, Bird almost passed out.

"I was standing on the sideline and hoping for a television timeout because I felt like I was gonna pass out," Bird wrote. "Finally, the ref whistled time. Whenever we have a timeout, they always put a chair on the court for me so I can sit down and talk to the guys."

This time I fell into that chair because I was going out."

At one point earlier, Pacers cardiologist King Yee used defibrillator paddles to jolt Bird's heart back to a normal rhythm. Yee told Bird to be more serious about his condition and medication.

"I guess Dr. Yee was trying to scare me," Bird wrote. "I'm not going to be stupid about this heart condition, but I'm not going to live my whole life in fear of this thing, either. If it goes, it goes."

"I always knew there was something wrong with my heart."

Larry Bird
Pacers' Head Coach

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Ripken returns to O's after stint on DL

Associated Press

BALTIMORE

Cal Ripken was activated from the disabled list Wednesday, eager to resume his quest to reach 400 homers and 3,000 career hits.

Ripken was at third base and batting seventh for the Baltimore Orioles against the Tampa Bay Devil Rays. It was his first game since July 31.

He had been sidelined with nerve irritation in his lower back. Ripken had 399 career homers and 2,968 hits when placed on the disabled list in August.

He has 31 games left to reach both milestones, although Orioles manager Ray Miller said he would probably rest Ripken on occasion down the stretch.

Ripken hit his 399th homer on July 25. Three games later, in the final home game before a lengthy road trip, he hit a liner off the top of the wall in left field that went for a double.

"I tried to hit a home run because I thought it would be great to do it here at home," he said.

"I was able to concentrate and put a good swing on the ball. But it seemed to take me out of my game a little bit, trying to swing hard and hit a home run every time. You can't hit a home run by swing-

ing for it."

Getting his 3,000th hit this season will be difficult, given that he has to average more than one hit per game. Ripken said there would be no special feeling in joining Tony Gwynn and Wade Boggs in reaching the milestone this year.

"If 3,000 hits happen, it happens. But it hasn't been a goal to do it in a certain period of time and it hasn't been a goal to do it in a certain year," he

said. "You just play, and things happen when they happen."

Ripken, who turned 39 last week, played in a record 2,632 straight games before voluntarily

ending the streak last September. He went on the disabled list for the first time in his career April 20 because of a bad back, missing three weeks, and returned to DL shortly after experiencing back pain Aug. 1.

In between he hit in 49 of 61 games, batting .352 with 15 homers and 43 RBIs.

Because the Orioles long ago dropped out of contention, Ripken doesn't have much to play for except personal goals.

"The true satisfaction out of the game of baseball is to win," he said. "It's a whole lot more fun playing on a winner and having a chance to go to the playoffs. It's been a frustrating season in that regard."

"The true satisfaction out of the game of baseball is to win."

Cal Ripken
Orioles third baseman

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NATIONAL LEAGUE BASEBALL

Ventura hits No.200 as NY tops Houston

Associated Press

HOUSTON Robin Ventura hit his 200th career homer and drove in four runs and Mike Piazza went 4-for-5 as the New York Mets beat the Houston Astros 9-5 Wednesday night.

Octavio Dotel (6-1) limited Houston to four runs and five hits in five innings. The rookie right-hander is 6-0 in 11 starts since losing his major league debut.

Ventura hit a two-run homer, his 29th, after Piazza doubled in the first inning. Ventura, who went 3-for-6, added an RBI single in the fifth and a run-scoring double in the sixth.

Piazza, who entered the game hitting .143 (2-for-14) on New York's road trip, had two doubles and two singles and scored twice.

The Mets remained 3 1/2 games behind first-place Atlanta in the NL East and moved four games in front of Cincinnati in the wild-card race.

Jeff Bagwell hit his 39th homer for Houston, which stayed 1 1/2 games in front of the second-place Reds in the NL Central.

The Mets chased Chris Holt (3-13) in the fifth. With the score tied at 3, John Olerud walked and moved to third on Piazza's double. Ventura singled to score Olerud and Shawon Dunston's RBI single gave New York a 5-3 lead.

Roger Cedeno greeted reliever Brian Williams with an RBI single to make it 6-3. Cedeno went 3-for-5 with two RBIs.

Holt allowed six runs and 10 hits in four-plus innings.

Olerud, who went 3-for-5 with a walk and three runs scored, doubled leading off the sixth and, after Piazza singled, scored on Ventura's double off the right-field wall for a 7-3 lead.

Houston cut the lead to 2-1 in the second when newly acquired Stan Javier scored on Paul Bako's groundout.

The Mets made it 3-1 in the third on Darryl Hamilton's RBI groundout.

Dotel held the Astros hitless until Bagwell led off the fourth with a drive into the center-field seats. One out later, Javier drove home Ken Caminiti, who

had doubled, with a single to tie it.

Javier, acquired from San Francisco on Tuesday because of a rash of injuries in the outfield, finished 1-for-2 with an RBI and a run scored.

Cardinals 9, Marlins 3

Mark McGwire jumped back into the home run race and Garrett Stephenson posted another strong outing as the St. Louis Cardinals beat the Florida Marlins 9-3 Wednesday night.

McGwire ended a drought of 25 at-bats without a homer when he hit his 52nd of the season in the fifth inning off Ryan Dempster. He passed Lou Gehrig to become the career leader at first base with 494.

McGwire moved to three behind major league leader Sammy Sosa after a 459-foot drive off the scoreboard in left field for his first homer in eight games.

The drought was McGwire's longest since a 32 at-bat stretch from June 9-19. He has homered in 10 of 19 career games against Florida. His longest stretch this season without going deep is 40 at-bats.

Stephenson (5-0) pitched 6 1/3 innings, allowing one run and seven hits with four strikeouts and two walks. He is 3-0 with a 1.37 ERA since being recalled up from Triple-A Memphon Aug. 6.

Edgar Renteria and Craig Paquette also homered for the Cardinals, and Renteria extended his hitting streak to 12 games.

Three of Renteria's seven homers have come against the Marlins, who traded him last winter.

Ray Lankford also added four RBIs for the Cardinals.

Renteria left after twisting his left knee making a spectacular fielding play at shortstop to end the sixth.

Renteria ranged into the outfield to field Ramon Castro's grounder in the hole, then fired a strike to McGwire at first for the out.

Luis Castillo singled in the fifth to extend his hitting streak to 21 games, one shy of the Marlins record set by Renteria in 1996.

AMERICAN LEAGUE BASEBALL

Texas tops Detroit behind Helling

Associated Press

DETROIT

Juan Gonzalez, Luis Alicea and Gregg Zaun homered to help Rick Helling stretch his winning streak to six decisions as the Texas Rangers beat the Detroit Tigers 14-7 Wednesday night.

Dean Palmer, Tony Clark and Damion Easley homered for Detroit.

Helling (12-7) was in trouble early, falling behind 5-1 after three innings. But he allowed just two hits over the next four innings, retiring the Tigers in order in the fifth and sixth. Over his seven-plus innings, Helling allowed six runs and eight hits with one walk and seven strikeouts.

John Wetteland got the last five outs for his 37th save in 44 opportunities.

Helling, who was relieved by Tim Crabtree after Palmer's single leading off the eighth, hasn't lost since June 21 at Boston, going 6-0 with seven no-decisions over his last 13 starts.

Detroit starter Jeff Weaver (8-10) was tagged for six runs and nine hits with one walk and four strikeouts in six innings.

Tom Goodwin's triple broke a tie, driving in Royce Clayton for a 6-5 Texas lead in the sixth.

Palmer's 30th homer gave the Tigers a 1-0 lead in the first and Detroit went up 2-0 in the second when Easley, who had singled, scored on Karim Garcia's sacrifice fly.

Goodwin, who doubled, scored on Mark McLemore's RBI single to make it 2-1.

A two-run homer by Clark, followed by Easley's solo shot gave Detroit a 5-1 lead in their half of the third, but the

Rangers drew within one again with a three-run fourth.

Rafael Palmeiro had an RBI double while Zaun and Goodwin each had RBI singles in the Rangers' outburst. Gonzalez tied it at 5 in the fifth with his 31st homer, a solo shot off the facing of the second deck in left.

Alicea hit a solo homer off Doug Brocail and McLemore had an RBI single to make it 8-5 in the eighth.

The Rangers touched reliever Maseo Kida for six runs in the ninth, three on Zaun's first home run of the year.

Athletics 7, Yankees 1

Ben Grieve drove in four runs and Omar Olivares pitched a six-hitter as the Oakland Athletics beat Roger Clemens and the New York Yankees 7-1 Wednesday night.

Clemens (12-7) lost to Oakland for the second time this month, making the A's the only AL team he has a losing record against. Clemens is 13-14 in his career against Oakland.

Olivares (13-9) walked two and struck out six in his fourth complete game of the year. He improved to 5-0 since being traded from Anaheim to Oakland and beat the Yankees for the third time this year.

The A's scored all seven runs with two outs and remained two games behind Boston in the AL wild-card race. The Red Sox beat Kansas City 4-3.

Once again, Clemens failed to put together consecutive strong outings. The Yankees thought putting Joe Girardi behind the plate might help snap Clemens out of his season-long funk. It worked last Friday when Clemens pitched eight shutout

innings against Seattle and it worked for three innings Wednesday.

Clemens struck out four in the first three innings before running into trouble in the fourth when he issued a leadoff walk to Rich Becker. One out later, Jason Giambi blooped a single to center that fell just in front of Bernie Williams.

Olmedo Saenz then walked, loading the bases, and with two outs Grieve grounded a ball just inside the third-base line for a two-run double.

The A's added two more in the sixth. Giambi blooped another single to center and Saenz walked. They advanced on a groundout and scored on Grieve's single to center to make it 4-0. Grieve finished 3-for-4.

Randy Velarde added an RBI double in the seventh off Clemens, who allowed six hits and five runs in seven innings.

After going 0-for-9 with runners in scoring position in a 3-2 loss Tuesday night, the Yankees were hitless in eight chances Wednesday. They couldn't even score when Chili Davis hit his first triple since May 11, 1994, with one out in the second.

Davis hit a high fly to the wall in right field that Matt Stairs missed as he crashed into the fence. The ball rolled away and Stairs had trouble finding it as Davis lumbered into third. Davis had gone 2,216 at-bats without a triple, which was the longest active streak.

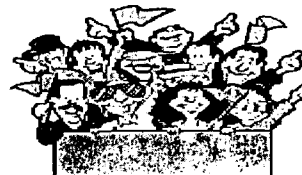
Olivares then struck out Ricky Ledee on three pitches and got Luis Sojo to ground out.

The Yankees only run came on Chuck Knoblauch's 15th homer with one out in the sixth inning — snapping a 13-inning scoreless streak.

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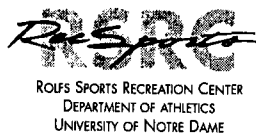


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AMERICAN LEAGUE

Lofton's return sparks Cleveland

Associated Press

CLEVELAND

Kenny Lofton returned to the Indians' lineup Wednesday night and made an immediate impact, sparking a six-run third inning that lifted Cleveland to a 8-1 victory over Anaheim.

Pitching before a record regular season crowd at Jacobs Field of 43,399, Dave Burba (12 7) gave up eight hits but just one run over eight innings. Burba, who struck out seven, including the side in the eighth, has suddenly become Cleveland's hottest pitcher, winning his last four starts.

The Angels have lost eight straight games and 10 of 11. Starter Jarrod Washburn (0-3) couldn't get an out in the third and was charged with all six runs in the inning.

Lofton, coming back from a right hamstring injury that kept him out of all but one game in August, finished 2-for-3 with a walk. His double to the wall in center drove home Einar Diaz to start the scoring.

Omar Vizquel followed with a single to right-center and Lofton scored when Roberto Alomar hit another single to the same spot.

Vizquel scored on a double when catcher Matt Walbeck's throw to third skipped into left field. Manny Ramirez then got his 136th RBI of the year with a triple to right. Angels outfielder Tim Salmon helped out Ramirez when he slipped on the warning track.

But the inning's most bizarre moment came next when Jim Thome hit a towering fly to center.

Center fielder Garret Anderson called for the ball but then broke toward right field, looking skyward. Salmon cut behind him and picked up the ball as Ramirez jogged home. Thome was credited with a double.

Thome and Richie Sexson added consecutive solo homers in the fifth. Sexson broke his bat but still hit the ball 395 feet.

Anaheim's run came in the sixth when Salmon doubled and later scored on Troy Glaus' ground-out.

Cleveland set its old attendance record at Jacobs Field on May 25, 1998, when 43,342 fans watched the Indians play Detroit.

Mariners 3, White Sox 2

Edgar Martinez and Jay Buhner hit consecutive home runs in the seventh inning Wednesday night to lead the Seattle Mariners to a 3-2 victory over Chicago and a four-game sweep of the

White Sox.

Seattle won for the seventh time in the last 10 games.

Rookie Gil Meche (5-4) who did not get any run support in his last two starts, gave up two runs and six hits and walked eight over 6-plus innings for his third win in his last five starts.

Jose Mesa pitched the ninth for his 31st save in 35 opportunities.

Mike Sirotka (8-12) allowed three runs and nine hits over seven innings, and fell to 1-4 since the All-Star break.

Carlos Lee's triple with two outs in the sixth drove in Chris Singleton, who had singled, and gave Chicago a 1-0 lead.

Martinez tied the game with a leadoff homer in the seventh, his 21st. Buhner followed with his 13th home run, also on a 3-2 pitch. It was the ninth time the Mariners have hit back-to-back home runs this season.

The White Sox hit into four double plays in the first six innings.

Red Sox 4, Royals 3

Kent Mercker pitched six innings of two-hit ball and new closer Rod Beck earned his first save for Boston on Wednesday night as the Red Sox beat the Kansas City Royals 4-3.

It was the sixth consecutive victory for the Red Sox — their longest winning streak of the season — and the sixth loss in a row for the Royals. Boston entered the night with a two-game lead in the AL wild-card race over Oakland, which played the New York Yankees later Tuesday night.

Mercker (1-0) struck out five and walked six, two of them as Kansas City loaded the bases with nobody out in the seventh. With the help of three walks and two errors, the Royals scored three runs in the inning to make it 4-3 before third baseman Wilton Veras made a game-saving catch on Mike Sweeney's hard line drive down the line.

Beck, who had seven saves with the Chicago Cubs before he was traded to Boston on Tuesday, arrived at Fenway Park about 20 minutes before the first pitch. The scoreboard video screen showed him shaking hands with his new teammates after he went out to the bullpen in the fourth inning; five innings later, he earned the first AL save of his career.

Jose Rosado (7-13) earned his fourth complete game but lost his fifth consecutive start. He allowed four runs on six hits and one walk, striking out five in eight innings.

NBA

Rockets to sign rookie Francis for \$9 million

Associated Press

HOUSTON

The Houston Rockets signed rookie guard Steve Francis to a contract Wednesday, five days after acquiring his rights from Vancouver in the largest trade in NBA history.

Francis, the second overall pick in the June draft, had refused to sign with the Grizzlies, setting in motion a three-team, 11-player trade. Houston made the deal under the presumption it would be able to get Francis under contract.

"I've been waiting for this opportunity to come for a long time," Francis told Houston television station KRIV. "I think I really worked hard to get myself into this position and no matter what the money."

Although terms were not disclosed, Francis is due a three-year contract worth about \$9 million under the rookie salary cap. The parameters of the deal would have been the same in Vancouver.

"Steve is a special player," Rockets coach Rudy Tomjanovich said. "I don't think you see a guy with his kind of talent come around often. We feel blessed to have the opportunity to bring him here and make him a big part of our future."

Francis joins a lineup of

Scottie Pippen, Hakeem Olajuwon and Charles Barkley, although Barkley hasn't resigned with Houston yet.

Earlier this week, Francis said that with those guys as his teammates he should lead the league in assists.

"If I don't ... something will be wrong," said Francis, Houston's projected starting point guard.

Along with Francis, Vancouver sent journeyman forward Tony Massenburg to Houston for forwards Othella Harrington and Antoine Carr and guards Michael Dickerson and Brent Price. The Rockets also gave the Grizzlies an undisclosed amount of cash plus a first-round draft pick over the next three years.

Orlando sent Don MacLean and a future first-round pick to Houston in exchange for the Grizzlies' Michael Smith, Lee Mayberry, Rodrick Rhodes and Makhtar Ndiaye. The Magic also dealt their 2002 second-round pick to Vancouver.

The 6-foot-3 Francis, a second-team All-American in his only season at Maryland, averaged 17 points, 4.5 rebounds and 4.5 assists while leading the Terrapins to a 26-5 record.

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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Strawberry returns to New York, again

Associated Press

NEW YORK

In what has become almost an annual ritual for the New York Yankees, Darryl Strawberry made his long-awaited return to the team Wednesday night.

Strawberry's teammates greeted the player who helped them win two World Series championships with hugs and laughter Wednesday as he returned to play at Yankee Stadium for the first time since last Sept. 27.

"This is the first time in my career that I've been a September callup," said Strawberry, who was brought up from Triple-A Columbus along with infielder Clay Bellinger and right-hander Dan Naulty on the day rosters expand.

"It feels really good to be back and see the guys and be part of what this is all about."

It has been a long 11 months for Strawberry, who missed last year's playoffs after learning he had colon cancer and whose return to the majors this year was delayed by a suspension for his no-contest plea to cocaine possession.

"When I look in the mirror, I look at the enemy," Strawberry said. "There is no one to blame for this but myself."

That is a refrain similar to one heard after previous bouts with drugs and alcohol over his stormy career. And there's no telling whether this time will be different.

"He's at a point in his life where he can't allow himself to be in a situation where anything like this can happen again," said Chili Davis, a childhood friend of Strawberry from Los Angeles. "He has to see problems early and say it's not going to happen and walk away. That's the point he's at in his life."

Strawberry's teammates, who have stood behind him since his arrest on cocaine and solicitation charges on April

14, welcomed him back once again after his latest trouble.

"You can't take one number of chances and have it apply everyone," said David Cone, who played with Strawberry for four seasons with the New York Mets.

"He's a very unique case. People will say he's had his chances. But I've seen Darryl do a lot of good with kids in the several years that he's been sober. You can argue both sides."

The immediate question for manager Joe Torre is where will Strawberry play and how many at-bats will he get. Strawberry was not in the lineup for Wednesday night's game against Oakland but is expected to start Thursday afternoon at designated hitter to give Davis a day off.

"It's not a big deal if I play or not," Strawberry said. "My role will be what Mr. Torre wants it to be. I'm just glad to have a chance."

With Strawberry out for five months, Ricky Ledee has solidified his spot as the left-handed left-fielder and Davis will get the bulk of the at-bats at designated hitter.

Strawberry will get a chance to show off his power as a pinch-hitter and a fill-in as Torre gives his regulars some time off to prepare for the postseason.

Strawberry, who hit .288 with four homers in 20 games for Columbus, will have to prove that he is worth a post on the postseason roster.

"He's one of those guys who gets the ball in the air and it doesn't come down," Torre said. "There are not very many people like that. He makes the other manager think before making a pitching change."

Strawberry's availability has been a recurring theme around the Yankees for the past five seasons. He joined the Yankees on Aug. 4, 1995, after spending four weeks in the minors following a 60-day drug suspension.

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA

For 22 umpires, baseball's final message to them Wednesday was: "Yer out!"

Effective Thursday, 22 of baseball's 68 umpires will lose their jobs, stemming from their union's failed attempt earlier this summer to try to force an early start to negotiations for a new labor contract.

The umpires' union couldn't prevent their terminations but reached an agreement with baseball Wednesday night that guarantees their full pay and benefits for the rest of the year and their right to try to win their jobs back in arbitration.

In addition, owners agreed that all umpires on staff as of Friday — there will be 71 of them — are entitled to a post-season bonus, an amount that totals \$1.42 million for 71 umpires.

In exchange, the umpires dropped their court fight and unfair labor practice charges against baseball.

"We think that it's a shame for baseball," said umpires union head Richie Phillips. "Baseball will suffer from the loss of these enormously talented people that the commissioner's office has arbitrarily determined to hurt."

Twenty-five umpires who were hired by baseball in July will become permanent starting Thursday. Many of them have been vacation fill-ins from the minor leagues.

"I guess they want to send a message that they don't care," Phillips said of baseball's owners. "They don't care about the quality of umpires. They don't care about all that experience not going on the field."

The 22 umpires will be out of work as of 6 a.m. EDT Thursday.

"The resignations will stand and the new umpires are permanent employees," said commissioner Bud Selig. "We are proud to have them on board."

American League umpire Mark Johnson had tears in his eyes as he walked out of the courtroom of U.S. District Judge J. Curtis Joyner, who had mediated the deal. It took 16 hours of talks between lawyers for baseball and the umpires' union to produce the agreement.

"I'm disappointed, but there's still light at the end of the tunnel," he said. "There are still other options and roads we can try to follow to try to work this out."

The arbitration process will take several months at a minimum, meaning there's no way the 22 will be back this year.

Union president Jerry Crawford said the umpires accepted the deal because it is "the best we can come up with."

"We still have the 22 guys' lives on the line," Crawford said. "It gives us a chance and fight another day."

Richie Garcia, one of the game's most respected umpires who also will lose his job, said the union did not consult with the rest of the affected umpires about the deal.

"Unfortunately, there wasn't any time. The lawyers come in, say this is what they've got. You have 15 minutes to decide," the AL umpire said.

Among those also losing their jobs are NL crew chiefs Frank Pulli and Terry Tata; the NL's Eric Gregg, known for his 300-pound-plus frame; and Joe

West, disliked by some players for his aggressive and sometimes combative attitude.

Baseball spokesman Rich Levin said the deal would cost owners an additional \$500,000 beyond what the umpires' labor contract called for. The union, however, must obtain a \$100,000 bond and refund that amount if it loses the arbitration.

On July 14, the union announced 57 umpires were quitting, effective Sept. 2. They said then they feared a lockout and wanted to spark an early start to negotiations for a labor contract to replace the one that expires Dec. 31.

But the plan collapsed when 27 umpires, mostly in the AL, either failed to resign or quickly rescinded their resignations. Baseball then hired 25 umpires from the minor leagues and accepted 22 resignations.

The union conceded that the 22 umpires, whose resignations were accepted by the American and National leagues last month, have umpired their final games this season. In management's view, their departures are permanent. In the union's view, they'll only be gone until an arbitrator orders them rehired with back pay.

The postseason money was a key issue for the umpires. Some management lawyers had argued that the 22 being terminated could be denied those bonuses.

Under their labor agreement, each umpire gets an annual \$20,000 postseason bonus, whether they work postseason games or not.

Wednesday's deal allows individual umpires to forgo the payment and give it to the union.

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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Hermanson pitches Expos to 8-1 win

Associated Press

PHOENIX

Dustin Hermanson came within two outs of his second career shutout Wednesday night as the Montreal Expos beat the Arizona Diamondbacks 8-1.

Hermanson (6-12), who lives in Phoenix, brought a five-hitter into the ninth inning before allowing Jay Bell's 32nd homer with one out. Luis Gonzalez followed with a double to After allowing Erubiel Durazo's double in the second inning, Hermanson retired 15 in a row before Gonzalez extended his hitting streak to 16 games with a one-out single in the seventh.

Geoff Blum and Wilton Guerrero hit home runs off Arizona starter Omar Daal (13-8), who gave up five runs on six hits in four innings, his shortest outing of the year.

The Expos took the last two of the three-game series to slice Arizona's lead over second-place San Francisco to 6 1/2 games. The Diamondbacks managed just one run against the Expos in the two losses.

Blum's leadoff homer in the second inning was just his sixth of the season but second in as

many nights. Guerrero, who also had a leadoff double in the first, led off the fourth with his first home run of the season.

Jose Vidro was 3-for-3 with three RBIs and two doubles. Rondell White had an RBI double and triple.

Montreal scored three in the first. Guerrero doubled and, after an out, Michael Barrett walked, then White doubled down the left field line to drive in a run. Chris Widger and Vidro followed with RBI singles.

Blum, whose homer against Randy Johnson was the deciding blow in Montreal's 2-1 victory Tuesday night, made it 4-0 with his solo shot into the Arizona bullpen in left field in the second. After the Expos scored single runs in the fourth and fifth, Vidro's two-run double off Darren Holmes with two outs in the sixth made it 8-0.

Arizona recalled right-handed pitcher Erik Sabel from Triple-A Tucson, and he allowed one hit and struck out three in 2 1-3 innings of relief. Vladimir Guerrero sat out his second consecutive game after fouling a ball off his left knee in the series opener on Monday night.

Resigning umpires speak out

Associated Press

BALTIMORE

Greg Kosc couldn't mask his emotions as he prepared for the final game of his 23-year career as a major league umpire.

As he accepted the lineup cards before Wednesday night's game between the Baltimore Orioles and Tampa Bay Devil Rays, Kosc had tears in his eyes.

"This is my last day," he told Orioles manager Ray Miller.

Kosc was one of 22 umpires whose resignations were accepted by major league baseball in the wake of the union's ill-fated attempt to try to force an early start to negotiations for a new labor contract.

Some of the 22 were working Wednesday night in Los Angeles, San Diego, St. Louis and San Francisco. Three of them — Terry Tata, Tom Hallion and Bill Hohn — worked the Dodgers' 5-4 loss to Milwaukee.

"We lost a game today, but I'm more sad about the departure of some old friends," Dodgers manager Davey Johnson said. "We're going to miss them. I was

hoping they'd resolve it somehow. It's a shame, they're going to be missed."

Frank Pulli, a 28-year veteran, was given the final ball after the Cardinals beat Florida 9-3 in St. Louis. Before the game, he pretended to eject Cardinals' third-base coach Rene Lachemann.

"We argue with these people, but you have to remember they're human beings with a family and a lot of time in the big leagues."

Ray Miller
Orioles Manager

"If he's one of the 22 worst umpires in this league, I'm a kamikaze pilot," Lachemann said. "It's a big mistake that they fired him."

Kosc called Wednesday's game at Camden Yards without incident. Afterward, he shook hands with Baltimore's Brady Anderson, Miller and Tampa Bay manager Larry Rothschild.

Kosc then spoke with Rothschild before walking off the field for the last time.

He will formally be out of a job at 6 a.m. EDT Thursday.

Kosc, 50, refused to talk to reporters. But in the parking lot, he said, "I don't know anything. I haven't heard a thing."

He planned to make a phone call from his hotel room, where the bad news awaited him.

Kosc received a business degree in business administration from the University of Texas-El Paso, where he competed in weightlifting and threw the shot put and hammer.

Kosc, a 255-pounder, still lifts weights and works out on a regular basis. Because baseball players usually pick a trait and then go the opposite way with a nickname, he's known among his peers is "Tiny."

"We argue with these people, but you have to remember they're human beings with a family and a lot of time in the big leagues," Miller said.

Ed Hickox was scheduled to work the game at home plate, but skipped the game to be in a U.S. District Court in Philadelphia, where lawyers for the umpires' union and baseball worked out the deal.



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Montgomery Theatre-LaFortune

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Friday-Saturday, September 3-4, Fatima
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1st Reading Ezekiel 33:7-9

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WELCOME... BACK!

Jim Lies, C.S.C.

This is "Considerations," Campus Ministry's weekly contribution to your required reading. We consider it an important opportunity for us to inform, engage, and even mildly entertain the wider university community. In addition to this weekly column, you will find on this page everything there is to know about the current events sponsored by the Office of Campus Ministry.

We are located in several areas on the campus and would encourage any or all of you to visit our offices any time, if for nothing else than an M&M fix now and then. We have offices in the Concourse of the Hesburgh Library, in the North end (entrance) of Badin Hall, in the LaFortune Student Center, and at the Fischer Graduate Residences Community Center. Stop by any time if you have any questions at all regarding our programs or services. Any of the offices will be happy to direct you to whomever may know most about that in which you're interested. If nothing else, stop by and pick through our voluminous literature on the many programs which we offer and to which you are welcome.

With this column we welcome to this community all new students and we welcome back our returning members as well. Notre Dame is only all that it can be when we are all here together. Those of us who live on campus year round welcome the return of all of you. There is an appropriateness to the hustle and bustle which happens when we are all gathered in this place. Oh, we might have appreciated the solitude for a while but it doesn't take long for one to realize that this university was built for a purpose (other than construction!). It is a gathering place for intellectual conversation, inquiry and discovery; for spiritual challenge, growth and development; and for service to the larger community for the building of the kingdom of God. Along with the academic component, we believe that Campus Ministry, the Center for Social Concerns and the residential nature of this university play an integral role in the Catholic education of the men and women of Notre Dame. They are all pieces in the larger puzzle which is Notre Dame, and which makes us unique among universities in this country.

The team in Campus Ministry would urge you to join with us, and with our colleagues at the Center for Social Concerns and with the Rectors and residence hall staffs, in our collective journey of faith. The opportunities for involvement are many. Campus Ministry programs are intended to engage all members of this community, students, faculty and staff alike; and it is our hope that all would feel welcome joining us. We have become convinced over time that the fullness of one's Notre Dame experience depends on one's willingness to enter into dialogue with the larger questions of faith and to give oneself in service to the larger community. We are here to help you do just that.

Know, again, of our welcome. If there is anything that we in Campus Ministry can do for you, please call us. And join us, if you will, in the building of the kingdom of God right here at Notre Dame.



Cheers

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ball, it is important for one to appear sophisticated and cool. It's hard to do so while cheering and yelling for one's team. How do you expect to impress the fans around you unless you stoically watch the game and occasionally grunt?

The senior section has obviously learned this lesson through years of disappointing seasons with the Irish. We seem to be smoothly making the transition between the rowdiness of undergraduate cheering and the more sophisticated alumni approach of sitting on your hands.

After all, the grunting man dressed in the Cubs uniform really was the only thing that merited any sort of applause.

Secondly, there's absolutely no need to show any signs of school solidarity by purchasing "The Shirt." Now, in the past, one could dismiss this frivolous purchase due to the strange colors in which "The Shirt" was being printed.

But now, due to a wonderfully designed shirt, it is apparent that the decision concerning whether or not to wear the shirt has little to do with how the shirt looks. Instead it's the concept of actually looking like other people.

The football games are opportune times to show off your keen sense of fashion. So please, put that silly shirt away and wear something original to the game like J. Crew or Abercrombie & Fitch.

It seems that this is a lesson learned in time as well. In fact, the upperclassmen have learned this lesson so well that my father watching the game at home, asked me why they cut the student section off at the 20-yard line this year. It

seems that the wave of blue symbolizing pride in your school tapered off after the 20.

Finally, if the game is out of reach like it was from the first quarter and beyond, feel free to go home. There's no reason to stay and cheer during a boring game.

The senior section has learned this alumni tradition as well. What was previously a struggle to fit people on the crowded bench became very comfortable, with all of the extra room provided by those early departures. What's more, to be polite so that those vertically challenged students behind them could see, some people just sat down. At least two lucky seniors missed Arnaz Battle's amazing run due to their politeness.

The point is this: At some point in the last few years of their time at Notre Dame, Domers, in general, seem to embrace the idea that they can no longer support their teams with the vigor that they did in the past.

We, as a student body, criticize our alumni section for their lack of noise and general lethargy during the games. At the same time, however, it seems that the attitude begins much earlier. It seems to be merely a continual decline in excitement peaking during the first year at Notre Dame.

OK, it was hot and the game did have an "exhibition-like" feel to it.

But it was still the first game of the year. If the newly initiated freshmen could stand the heat, despite the sun beating down on them the entire game, then the weathered veterans of Notre Dame games should have been able to stick it out.

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

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Sosa blasts 56th against Padres

Associated Press

SAN DIEGO

Sammy Sosa hit his major league-leading 56th homer Wednesday night, a solo shot in the fourth inning to straightaway center field off San Diego Padres left-hander Sterling Hitchcock.

The ball went an estimated 431 feet, hitting a television camera on a platform that juts out from the permanent wall.

Sosa had been 2-for-14 (.143) lifetime against Hitchcock, with no homers.

It was Sosa's second homer in as many nights and his

13th in 18 games. Sosa has 26 career homers against San Diego, the second most against any team. He has 30 against Colorado.

The homer gave the Cubs a 1-0 lead and allowed Sosa to stay four ahead of Mark McGwire, who hit his 52nd earlier Wednesday night.

NFL

Broncos pick Brian over Bubby

Associated Press

DENVER

In his first day on the job as the Denver Broncos' No. 1 quarterback, Brian Griese felt like a different person.

"The biggest difference for me was that I had to shave this morning," said Griese, who abandoned his usual facial stubble in anticipation of facing a phalanx of media. "I usually don't shave when I come to work."

"Actually, I feel a lot different, but I'm ready for the challenge."

The challenge is formidable. Not only does he take the reins of a two-time defending Super Bowl champion which is bidding for an unprecedented third straight title, but he never has started an NFL game.

"Well, there is a lot of pressure," he admitted Wednesday. "Everybody knows that. But as long as the pressure I put on myself is greater than all of these peripheral pressures, then I

think I will be fine. I'm hard on myself — probably a lot harder than you guys [media] will be on me."

In a stunning move on Monday, Broncos coach Mike Shanahan benched Bubby Brister, the heir apparent to John Elway, in favor of the 24-year-old Griese, a second-year pro who threw just three passes in his rookie season.

"I was surprised like most of you were," Griese said. "But I thought I was going to play this year at some point — not because Bubby was going to falter, but because it's a long season. Not a lot of guys can make it through the season without getting hurt."

"So I was preparing myself like I was going to play. Now it's a little bit sooner than I thought, but it's the same situation."

Brister, outplayed in four preseason games by Griese, complained that he was misled by Shanahan into thinking the job was his, and that he didn't expect to be fighting for his job during meaningless exhibition games.

Griese saw it differently. "When a player feels like he's not competing anymore, he's really not a player anymore," he said. "If you are out there and you are not competing, you are not going to be out there long. I understood that Bubby had the job, and I respected that. I had to compete just for myself and to keep myself sharp."

But Griese also came to Brister's defense.

"A lot of the things that happened this preseason were not his fault," Griese said. "There were a lot of people who let him down. But like I told Bubby, I don't want anything

to happen to him because we're going to need him this year. What he did last year is evidence that he can do the job."

"He told me he was going to support me. I know he's going to be a great help to me."

Asked if he felt ready for his new role, he said, "I think so. There are going to be some growing pains. But I expect to play well, I expect the team to win. And I expect us to take off from where we were last year."

"I just have to go out and play the way I've been playing. I don't have to do anything miraculous."

Griese's teammates, gearing up for Friday night's exhibition finale against San Francisco, were more concerned about the team's overall play than its quarterback controversy. The Broncos have had two straight poor performances in falling to 2-2 in the exhibition season.

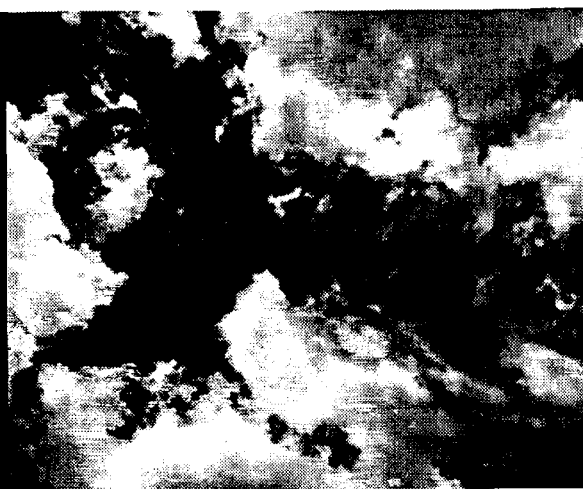
"It happened, Mike made his decision, now we have to move on," safety Tyrone Braxton said.

"You can't blame it all on Bubby. Defensively, we stunk it up and we put the offense in some bad situations. Whenever you lose games, you tend to put the blame on the quarterback. But defensively we have to look in the mirror and try to get better."

Fullback Howard Griffith said the offense was "just not executing. A lot of times people want to perceive this as a one-man game, but it doesn't happen that way. It takes 11 guys being on the same page."

Added center Tom Nalen: "Controversy? That's a media thing. I don't feel any controversy in the locker room. We're just trying to get better as a team."

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MEN'S SOCCER

Garcia, Notre Dame boot Northwestern, 1-0

By KATHLEEN O'BRIEN
Assistant Sports Editor

Freshman Rafael Garcia was ready for the challenge of his first college game, leading the Notre Dame men's soccer team to a 1-0 win over Northwestern to open the season.

Garcia, a rookie out of Palmdale, Calif., scored off a cross from senior Andrew Aris.

It was his only shot on goal in the game. Aris, from New Zealand, was the third-leading scorer last year with five goals and four assists.

Defense was the strong point for both sides, with two saves by Notre Dame goalkeeper Gerick Short and two by Northwestern goalkeeper Matt Keeler. The score ended a 67-minute drought for both teams, with neither team scoring another

goal after Garcia in the game. Notre Dame proved more tenacious in pushing the ball down the field, getting off eight shots on the goal to Northwestern's three.

The Irish won despite an inexperienced squad this season, returning only four starters from last year. They lost most of their team to graduation, and sophomore Shane Walton left to play for Notre Dame's football team.

Short, the lone captain of this year's squad, was granted a fifth year after a separated shoulder last season. He proved capable Wednesday by not letting a ball get past him against Northwestern. He had not played in a game since 1996.

The victory marked the sixth-straight win in season openers for Notre Dame. The team also surpassed the 300-win mark in the history of Notre Dame soc-

cer, earning win No. 301. Coach Mike Berticelli is in his 10th year at Notre Dame. He has led the team to three NCAA tournament appearances during his tenure, as well as three conference championships in the past six years.

The Irish open their home campaign and their quest for a Big East championship against Boston College on Saturday at 7:30 p.m.

Rockies' Leyland opting for retirement

Associated Press

DENVER

Colorado Rockies manager Jim Leyland, disappointed with the performance of his team, is considering retiring as a baseball manager, according to a Denver newspaper.

Leyland said after 35 years in professional baseball, he no longer is certain he has the fire in the belly necessary to lead a major league team.

Leyland told The Denver Post he has held recent, serious discussions with Rockies owner Jerry McMorris about stepping down as manager next month, after his first season on the job in Colorado.

"I'm seriously considering retiring from managing," Leyland said Wednesday, before a 9-8 loss to the Pittsburgh Pirates. He refused to discuss the situation after the game.

Less than 12 months after he signed a three-year, \$6 million contract with Colorado, many of his friends in the Rockies' organization now believe Leyland is leaning heavily toward retirement.

"It has nothing to do with having trouble communicating with the players. I love my player on this team. And, believe me, it has nothing to do with the ownership of this team. I love this ownership," Leyland said from

his clubhouse office, during an exclusive interview with The Denver Post.

"My problem is simply a case of whether I have all the ingredients necessary to do everything it takes to do this job anymore. I just don't know. It's something I'm tossing and turning about every night. I just don't know."

The Rockies, who had high hopes of competing for a playoff spot this year, are currently in last place of the NL West.

"It has been disappointing," said Leyland, who takes full responsibility for an under-achieving team.

"There comes a point in your life when you got to decide what you really want to do with your life," said Leyland, who admits to missing his family while traveling during the season.

He has also asked McMorris if it would be possible for him to remain with the organization in a reduced role, with less responsibility and constraints on his time.

Although the Detroit Tigers and Los Angeles Dodgers both recruited him before Leyland joined the Rockies a year ago, he insisted his departure would indicate the end of a managerial career whose highlights have included more than 1,000 major league victories and a World Series championship with Florida in 1997.

Hathaway's drive leads Belles

By KATIE McVOY
Sports Writer

Leading Saint Mary's golf team this year is returning sophomore Mary Claire Hathaway. Last season, Hathaway led the team with a 99.6 stroke average for the nine-round tournament. Hathaway hopes to continue to help lead the team and to become a more consistent player.

"I've always had an interest in golf," Hathaway said. "Being on the golf team gave me the opportunity to develop my skills to compete at the college level."

Hathaway has golfed since her freshman year in high school and being a part of the Saint Mary's golf team has taken her interest to a new level.

Hathaway had the leading score for the Belles in three matches last year. She hopes to continue leading the team this season.

"My goals for this year are to continue to

lead the team to another successful season," Hathaway said.

In addition to increased leadership, Hathaway is also looking for more consistency in her play.

"From what her scores were this summer," coach Theresa Pekarek said, "she has become more consistent and will continue to work on her consistency throughout the season."

As a team player, Hathaway brings a high energy level.

"She has a lot of enthusiasm," Pekarek said. "She has a very positive attitude and she keeps the team attitude positive because of it."

Hathaway, a communications major, wants to incorporate golf in her career. She hopes to represent an athletic corporation as a spokesperson. She believes her experience at Saint Mary's will open up doors.

"I am open to opportunities that will come my way," Hathaway said. "As a result of my education at Saint Mary's."

Hathaway is looking forward to golf's second year as a varsity sport.

"We have a young team this year with great potential," she said. "I am very excited for the upcoming season."



Hathaway

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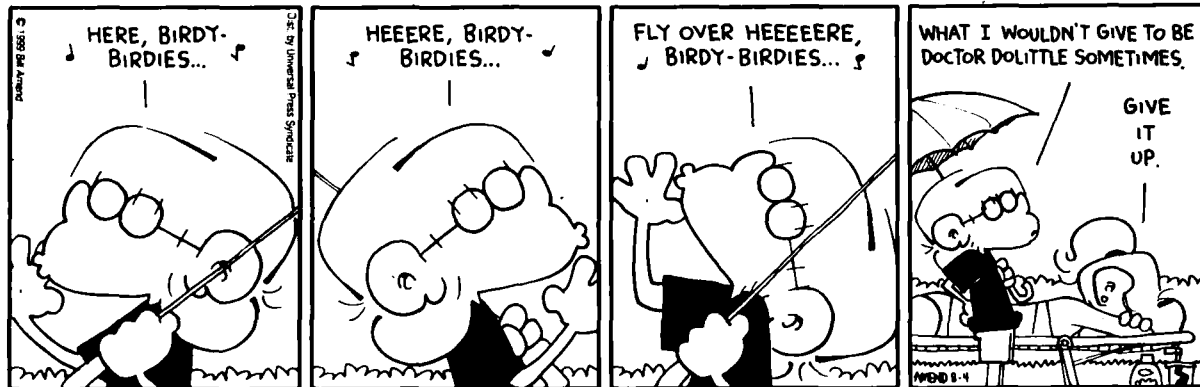
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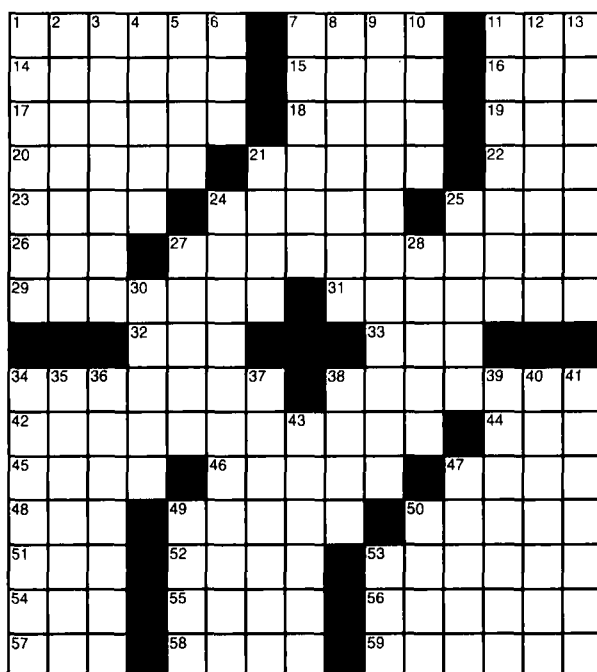
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 - 15 Ladies called her "the Fair"
 - 16 Old cagers' org.
 - 17 Like some thunderstorms
 - 18 Middle figure
 - 19 Ely of Tarzan fame
 - 20 Easel
 - 21 Toscanini's birthplace
 - 22 Life's blueprint
 - 23 Young 'uns
 - 24 Minstrel's offering
 - 25 In
 - 26 Airport abbr.
 - 27 It's taken during 42-Across
 - 29 Eyebrow darkeners
 - 31 Ex-orphan
 - 32 Land in l'ocean
 - 33 Literary monogram
 - 34 Passenger status
 - 38 Grows
 - 42 Marriage-day centerpiece
 - 44 Barely get, with "out"
 - 45 Architect Saarinen
 - 46 "With _____ in My Heart"
 - 47 Hump-shouldered beasts
 - 48 Laundry detergent brand
 - 49 Ruins 007's martini
 - 50 Non-Polynesian
 - 51 Tennis call
 - 52 Type size
 - 53 Detective sort
 - 54 Oahu-to-Maui dir.
 - 55 Furnace fodder
 - 56 Secret doctrine
 - 57 Scout leader, maybe
 - 58 Edgar Lee Masters's "_____ Rutledge"
 - 59 "Yours truly" and others

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- 1 Error
- 2 Film stock
- 3 Ben Cartwright, e.g.
- 4 Chorus cries
- 5 Unlikely candidate for prom king
- 6 Hydrocarbon suffix
- 7 Send back
- 8 Staying power?
- 9 Symbol of commitment
- 10 Seat of Jackson County, Tex.
- 11 Helmet
- 12 Electrical insulation material
- 13 Verve
- 21 Roller derby equipment
- 24 Reception, e.g.
- 25 Little wood
- 39 Ladies of Spain
- 40 Arthur Godfrey played it
- 41 Pocket change for 39-Down
- 43 It sometimes needs boosting
- 47 "Two-Faced Woman" star, 1941
- 49 Watchdog org.
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CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Jimmy Connors, Mark Harmon, Christa McAuliffe, Terry Bradshaw, Eric Dickerson, Olivier Grouillard

Happy Birthday: Staying centered and stable will be the key to reaching your goals for this year. Don't overload your plate; instead, work diligently at the things that are most important to you. The more you focus, the better you'll do. Detail will be important when it comes to objectives. Your numbers: 8, 23, 27, 31, 36, 43

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Control your emotions at work. You must not get involved in other people's private affairs. A new lover will come into your life if you join new clubs or mingle with individuals you meet at work. ○○○○

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You need to integrate something new into your life: new people, new interests or perhaps travel. You are reluctant to get into fitness, but should reconsider. ○○○

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Direct your efforts into making money. Put in extra hours at work. Business meetings will reveal valuable information. Call your mate so he or she doesn't feel neglected. ○○○

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You will have a greater interest in foreign cultures. Your thirst for knowledge will lead you in new directions. Join groups that can provide you with unusual information. ○○○

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Fevers, colds or flus will be a direct result of burning the candle at both ends. You must sit down and work out a budget you can live with. ○○○○

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You'll have problems with your partner if you let emotions stop you from sorting out your differences. Finish projects regardless of the setbacks. You will need discipline to achieve. ○○

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You will have rather unusual ideas for work-related projects. Express your objectives to superiors before you proceed. Changes will be beneficial. ○○○○

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Your creative talent may well be recognized by others. Don't be afraid to push your beliefs and attitudes. You will have the ability to capture the interest of others. ○○○

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Limitations are likely if you take on too much or overexert yourself. Don't take chances with your health. Skin, bones and teeth problems will prevail if you neglect them. ○○○

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Talk to a close friend regarding a personal matter. You have been confused lately and need to get an objective point of view. Try to be completely honest when describing the situation. ○○○

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Money-making investments will lead you in a direction that will help ease your worry and give you the freedom to do things you've always wanted to do. Don't waste time vacillating. ○○○○

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Unexpected good fortune is apparent. Express your professional demands and ask for the opportunity to have more responsibility. Your home will experience beneficial changes. ○○

Birthday Baby: You will always be willing to take control of any situation you face. You are strong, courageous and willing to tell it like it is. You have a lot to offer and will get a lot in return. (Need advice? Check out Eugenia's Web sites at astroadvice.com, eugenialast.com, astromate.com.)

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Men's Soccer

Saturday Sept. 4
7:30pm vs. Boston College

Tuesday Sept. 7
7:30pm vs. W. Michigan

Women's Soccer

Friday Sept. 3
7:30pm vs. North Carolina

Sunday Sept. 5
1:00pm vs. Duke

Alumni Field

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Last Call
Wednesday marked the last day for 22 of Major League Baseball's 68 umpires. Their actions stem from failed attempts by the union to form a new labor contract.
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VOLLEYBALL

Leffers leads Irish in opener against Valpo

◆ Senior captain tallies 10 kills in three-game win

By MATT OLIVA
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame volleyball team started off the 1999 season with a big win over Valparaiso.

The Irish (1-0) won in straight games 15-4, 15-5 and 15-2.

Leading the Irish in the victory over the Crusaders was 6-foot-4 senior captain Mary Leffers. The middle blocker had 10 kills in the match, while sophomores Kristy Kreher and Marcie Bombach had eight and seven kills, respectively, for the Irish. The team had a three-game total of 40 kills.

Junior setter captain Denise Boylan led all players with 27 sets in the match. Freshman defensive specialist Keara Coughlin contributed a match-high seven digs for the team.

Irish head coach Debbie Brown was pleased with her team's performance in the opening match. "We did not know what to expect from Valparaiso," Brown said. "We just tried to concentrate on our side of the net and I think we executed pretty well. This was a very good opener for us."

Notre Dame finished the

match with a three-game 36.1 percent attack, while holding the Crusaders to a mere 9 percent attack.

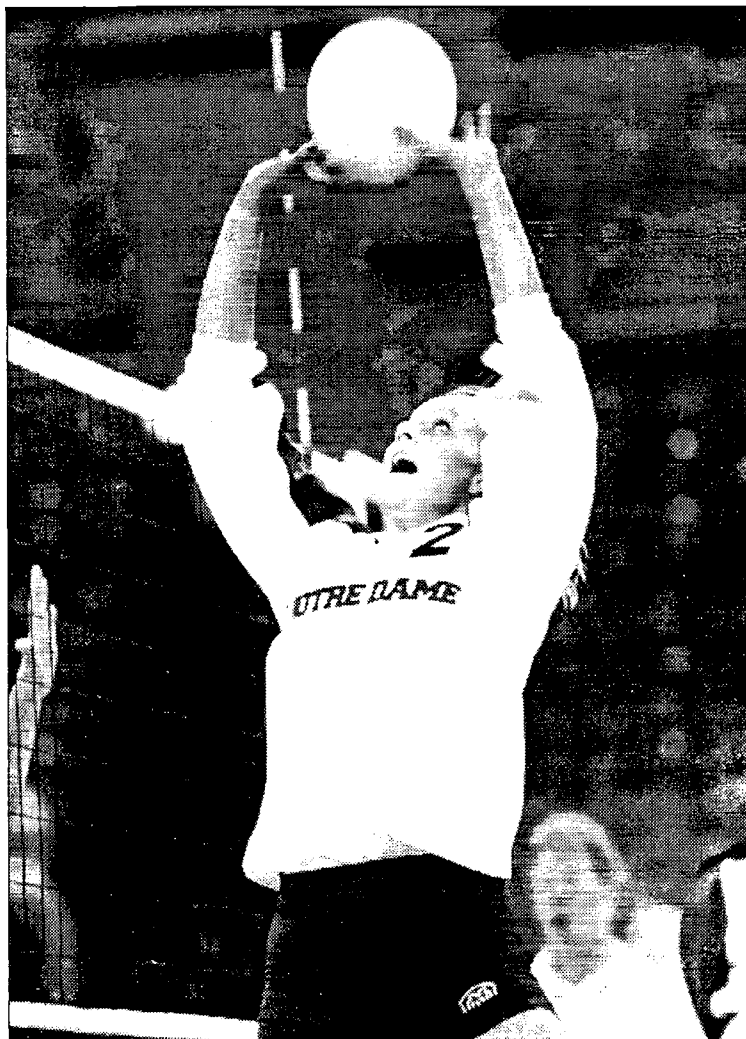
Contributing to the Irish domination over Valparaiso were nine serving aces, led by Coughlin's three aces.

Brown will look for her two captains to provide leadership and to make big plays for the Irish throughout the season. Leffers and Boylan are two of the five returning starters for this experienced Irish squad. The Irish will also try to fill the place of middle blocker Lindsey Treadwell who graduated last year and led the Irish in aces, digs and blocks.

The weekend tournament will prove to be big challenge for the Irish.

"Our team knows that we executed well today, we didn't struggle or stumble," Brown said. "Last weekend we made a few mental mistakes against the alumni, but there was an improvement in today's match. The teams coming in this weekend will be stronger so we will have to keep improving and take it to another level."

The Irish begin the Shamrock Invitational at 7 p.m. Friday night against Northwestern and will continue with a match Saturday at 7 p.m. against Pacific. They will wrap up the weekend Sunday afternoon with a 3 p.m. match against Louisville.



Junior Denise Boylan led the Irish with 27 of the team's 37 sets against the Crusaders Wednesday at the Joyce ACC.

Cheering 101: Lessons for the new class

Freshman year: it was a time when calling a date from the dogbook was acceptable, cramming 100 sweaty bodies in a room

Brian Churney

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while drinking cheap beer was fun, and you actually bragged to your

parents about meeting a football player.

It was a time when Bob Davie's infamous pep rally speech actually sounded genuine and original. Yes, those were the days.

Freshmen year wasn't all happiness and joy, though. Tough times were as plentiful as Ron Powlus overthrows. Many lessons needed to be learned in the classroom, in the residence halls and at football games. There were lessons: the songs, the cheers, the traditions.

But there were also the embarrassing lessons. Whether it be learning that third and 17, on the 25, when we're ahead by 28 points in the fourth quarter is not a key play. Learning that the chant of "Let's Go Irish" should not be performed during the alma mater, or learning that a one-point victory over Purdue does not warrant the charging of the field by the student section.

We upperclassmen have all had to learn from our mistakes. Like their predecessors, this freshman class has some invaluable lessons still to be learned.

So, take heed first-year students. These simple lessons could save you from future embarrassments.

In case any of these lessons confuse you, the upperclassmen, especially the seniors, can serve as a good example. These battle-trodden warriors have made the mistakes and have molded themselves into a perfect example of properly behaving spectators.

First of all, the loud cheering resonating from your section was uncalled for. Why would anyone cheer so loudly during the first game of the year? You should save those cheers until after the team has proven to you that they are a good team.

Plus, when watching foot-

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VOLLEYBALL

Belles drop season opener in three games

By KATIE McVOY
Sports Writer

The Belles dropped their season opener against Elmhurst College Wednesday night, 3-0.

Although they lost, head coach Randa Shields said the Belles played strong and have potential.

"They played outstanding," Shields said. "Especially for being the first game at home. That can make it a little more nervous."

During the first game, Elmhurst led off with the first point on the third volley. Saint Mary's answered immediately with a point of its own. Elmhurst increased the game tempo and scored three consecutive points against the Belles.

Saint Mary's came back with five points of their own; the last one coming on a strong hit by Jolie Le Beau.

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volleyball head coach

The control of the game then switched from Saint Mary's to Elmhurst and the game was tied at 7.

Following a round of volleys, LeBeau and Mary Rodovich tied the game at 10 by combining for a strong block. With the game tied at 14, Elmhurst controlled the action and won the game, 16-14.

Saint Mary's lost some of its energy and focus during the second game. They played most of the game on the defensive, trying to make up lost points.

Elmhurst once again led off with the first point and kept the lead the entire game. The Belles fell behind 8-3, but came back to score three points, before finally dropping the game 15-6.

Saint Mary's regained some control in the third game. Elmhurst scored the first point for the third time in the match. This time the Belles answered by scoring four points before Elmhurst scored again.

The game continued at a high pace with both teams looking strong. The game was tied at 7 following an Elmhurst kill. Saint Mary's scored its last point of the game on an ace by Suzanne Martin that tied the game at 12. Elmhurst won the game 15-12.

In the first and the third games, Saint Mary's showed that it can be competitive. Shields said she had confidence in the Belles after the

game. She felt that although they were inconsistent, the Belles played a good match.

"Sometimes we were a little shaky," Shields said. "But there were moments when we played at our best."

Some of those moments included 30 assists by Martin and 17 digs and 10 kills by Agnes Bill.

Jayne Ozbolt had a solid game with 14 digs and three aces. LeBeau led the Belles defense with seven blocks.

Before Saturday's match, there are some techniques that the Belles want to work on.

"Definitely tips," Shields said. "Also, the defense stands up and doesn't move forward as much as I'd like them to."

"We'd like to work on being more consistent," Martin said. "And playing to potential the whole game."

Saint Mary's plays at 10 a.m. Saturday at Benedictine University Quadrangle.

SPORTS AT A GLANCE



at Michigan
Saturday, 2:30 p.m.



vs. North Carolina
Friday, 7:30 p.m.



Cross Country
at Valparaiso Invitational
Sept. 11, 10 a.m.



Soccer
at Marian College
Saturday, 1 p.m.



Volleyball
vs. Northwestern
Friday, 7 p.m.



vs. Boston College
Saturday, 7:30 p.m.



Volleyball
at Benedictine
Saturday, 10 a.m.