



More criticism of Davie

Sports columnist Brian Churney calls for the resignation of head football coach Bob Davie in today's sports section.

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Movie reviews

Scene's movie critics offer their views of "Stigmate" and "Love Stinks." Also, check out last week's box office figures.

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FRESHMAN ELECTIONS

Two tickets remain for Monday's run-off

By NOREEN GILLESPIE
Saint Mary's Editor

The election isn't over yet for freshman candidates vying for class office.

Two tickets will square off in a run-off Monday, after securing the top percentages of votes on Wednesday in one of the most competitive freshman elections in recent history.

The Stephanie Pace-Allison Joseph ticket will face Jeannie Hackbush and Caroline Dixon after the two tickets eliminated nine others.

The Pace-Joseph ticket secured 23 percent of the vote, leading the Hackbush-Dixon ticket who trailed with 13 percent of the vote.

Fifty-seven percent of the

Class of 2003 voted, which is an unusually large turnout, according to elections commissioner Chrissie Renner.

"For a freshman election, that's very impressive," Renner said.

Part of the large turnout may be due to innovative campaigning techniques such as costumes and t-shirts.

"They did a phenomenal job of campaigning," Renner said. "It wasn't just my publicity, but their publicity as well. There were people actively campaigning by wearing t-shirts and passively campaigning through buttons as well."

The voting percentage is expected to remain high on Monday as well, and election officials are also expecting an increase in voters.

"There's always a larger percentage for a run-off," Renner said. "People start getting serious when it's down to two candidates. Also, voting on 11 tickets is overwhelming. People are more intense and concerned with who wins this now."

Freshman class board members were also elected Monday

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SMC freshmen elections

- ◆ Run-off vote between Pace-Joseph, Hackbush-Dixon
- ◆ Monday, 7-9 a.m., 11 a.m.-1 p.m., 5-7 p.m.
- ◆ Noble Family Dining Hall

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MEETING TIME



SHANNON BENNETT/The Observer

Student body vice president Michael Palumbo (right) leads last week's student senate meeting. On Wednesday, the senate approved a resolution calling for extended hours year-round at the Rolfs RecSports Recreation Center. Keough Hall senator Brian O'Donoghue reminded senators that the steps of the Main Building are traditionally off-limits to undergraduate students.

Grads create college Web page

◆ Site features college sports news, student message boards

By ERIN LaRUFFA
News Writer

A group of Notre Dame graduates, joined by a Michigan State graduate, recently created CampusMonster.com, a Web site designed for college sports fans and students across the country.

A private company located in Mishawaka, the site contains college sports news, such as team schedules and rosters, the AP/Top 25 poll, and articles about various football programs.

"[The idea for the site] came about about nine months ago," said Russell Ford, a vice president of CampusMonster.com and 1992 Michigan State University graduate. "No one had a site that focused on students."

Students are also able to

express their opinions on campus issues or college sports on the message board.

"We don't edit anything" unless someone's messages got out of hand, said Ford. "We want student input."

The site also offers important news stories from campuses around the country. A "Career Arena" will soon provide information about career and internship opportunities. There is also a "Featured School of the Month," which is currently Notre Dame.

Opening soon, the "Textbook Swap" will allow students to buy and sell used text books, Ford said. The site will also add classifieds for students to sell dormitory necessities such as lofts.

CampusMonster.com has an area for buying and selling game tickets.

"We've had a terrific response. People are really interested in tickets," Ford said.

Although its main focus is sporting events, the company has had requests for concert tickets. The company will gen-

erate revenue through advertising fees and commissions from textbook and ticket sales.

The company shares ownership with Internet Services Management Group, which provides accounting services for CampusMonster.com, and Jerome Bettis, a former Notre Dame football player who now plays for the Pittsburgh Steelers.

Notre Dame alumni Tracy Graham, Charles Stafford, Reggie Fleurima, Cliff Stroud, Katya Hernandez and Lee Walker also share part ownership in the company.

The site plans to include a section dedicated to news for women college students. Travel and entertainment are other areas into which Ford says CampusMonster.com will expand.

Ford realizes the importance of student input in order to continue providing the web site as a helpful resource.

"We want student input," Ford said, "in order to make the site a more valuable resource to students."

Koppel will speak in annual lecture series

By BOB KERR
News Writer

Tonight, the department of American studies and the program in Journalism, Ethics and Democracy welcomes Ted Koppel to the Hesburgh Library Auditorium to discuss contemporary concerns in journalism.

Koppel, the anchor and managing editor of "Nightline," will deliver the Red Smith Lecture in Journalism at 7:30 p.m.

Koppel joined ABC News in 1963 at the age of 23, and is now a member of the Broadcasting Hall of Fame. During his 36 years with ABC, he has received 30 Emmy Awards and 17 honorary

degrees. Koppel has anchored "Nightline" since its introduction in 1980.

According to American studies department chair Professor Robert Schmuhl, the "lecture series tries to bring people that uphold the standards that made Red Smith such a terrific journalist."

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Robert Schmuhl
chair, American studies

"In Ted Koppel's case, he's known not only as an excellent journalist, but also as a great writer," said Schmuhl.

The lecture series was established in 1983 to honor Walter "Red" Smith, a sportswriter and 1927 Notre Dame alumnus. Smith won a Pulitzer Prize in 1976 for distinguished criticism, and he was a columnist

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INSIDE COLUMN

Walking in their footsteps

Walking around the campus in the beauty of the early fall, I'm struck by how close I feel to my parents.

My dad was a Domer and my mom was a Belle. And it seems to me that in the fall, I can almost see them on campus. I can see my dad playing pickup basketball on the Stepan Courts. I can see my mom in The Observer's office, arguing with other editors. I can see them hurrying to class across the quads in the late summer air. If I could just turn quickly enough, I could catch a glimpse of my parents, 28 years younger.

Maybe it's the nostalgia in the air. Notre Dame seethes nostalgia in the fall, with football and alumni and the smell of barbecue and burning leaves.

Maybe it's because I'm a senior, and I'm full of nostalgia as well. Every time I do something, it's the last. It's my last first home football game. My last first Observer issue. My last move-in.

And maybe it's because I'm finally starting to make life decisions like an adult. Until now, it's all been prescribed. I knew I was going to college, I just didn't know where. I knew I was taking classes, I just didn't know which ones.

Now I'm making a completely free decision about what I'm going to be doing. My parents aren't paying, they aren't helping me decide, they aren't telling me what I need to do. As I fill out applications for grad and law school and I take the GREs and LSATs, I do so knowing that it's totally up to me what I do next. Maybe this is what makes me feel so close to my parents.

Once upon a time, my parents were 21-year-old college students. Once upon a time, they were facing the same decisions I am. They were deciding where to go after graduation and what to do next.

This makes me feel a little better about the fact that I don't have a clue where I'll be next year. If my parents survived the transition from college to adulthood, maybe I inherited that gene. Maybe I will eventually figure out what I want to do next. Maybe it'll even be before the deadline for making that decision.

I'm relieved to know that my parents faced the same decision. That as they hurried to class in O'Shaughnessy, they were thinking the same thoughts I'm thinking now. That their heads were full of the same decisions. That my dad would be attempting to do homework and stop midsentence to stare off into space and contemplate the future. That my mom would lie awake at night and try to plan it all out.

A lot of things have changed since 1972, the year my parents graduated. Notre Dame went co-ed the next semester. Buildings have been built, endowments have ballooned, administrations have changed.

But walking along the sun-lit quads, following my parents' footsteps, I know that the feeling of absolute freedom and utter terror I have when thinking about the future is not new. Walking down these same paths, my parents felt the same way.

And that is profoundly comforting.

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

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THIS WEEK ON CAMPUS

Thursday

- ◆ Open House for Students of Color: Carer Center, 4:30-6:30 p.m.
- ◆ Presentation for the People of East Timor: Center for Social Concerns, 7:30 p.m.

Friday

- ◆ Pep Rally: Joyce Center Arena, 6:30 p.m.
- ◆ Entrapment: Cushing Auditorium, 8 p.m. & 10:30 p.m.
- ◆ Strange Days: Annenberg Auditorium, 7 p.m. & 9:45 p.m.

Saturday

- ◆ Football: vs. Michigan State, WNDU- Ch. 16, 1:30 p.m.
- ◆ Mass: Stepan Center, 45 minutes after football game.
- ◆ Entrapment: Cushing Auditorium, 8 & 10:30 p.m.

Sunday

- ◆ Spanish Mass: Keenan-Stanford Chapel, 1:30 p.m.
- ◆ Mass: Basilica, 8 a.m., 10 a.m. & 11:45 a.m..



Laura Petelle

Assistant Managing Editor

OUTSIDE THE DOME

Jewish students at Brown U. unsatisfied

BROWN UNIVERSITY

Some Jewish students at Brown find services for the High Holy Days, which include Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish new year, and Yom Kippur, the Jewish day of atonement, inadequate for their religious needs.

As a result, these students seek other avenues for worship, either off campus at more traditional services, or at home where they can celebrate in more familiar surroundings.

"There is a big difference between a student congregation and a synagogue," said Rabbi Alan Flam, executive director of the Brown/RISD Hillel.

The High Holy days are currently in midstream — Rosh Hashanah took place last weekend, and Yom Kippur will begin at sundown on Sunday.

Brown offers two sets of Jewish services to the approximately 700 to

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Rabbi Alan Flam
director of the Brown/RISD Hillel

800 students who attend High Holy Day services, Flam said. These Jews are part of the 20 percent of Brown's campus who affiliate themselves with Judaism, Flam said.

Brown offers two sets of services, one for the Reform population, and another geared for Conservative Jews, Flam said. The Reform and Conservative movements comprise two main branches of the Jewish population, with Orthodoxy as the

third.

Although Brown does have weekly Orthodox services, Flam said, there are no Orthodox High Holy Day services due to the small number of Orthodox students.

"I attend the Conservative services, but I have friends who are unsatisfied with the Reform services," said sophomore Jennifer Mitnick. "They find that the services are not religious enough and too Reform."

"There are tunes that are different, but the basic service is adequate for my needs," she said.

Some students said they simply feel more comfortable in familiar surroundings.

"Judaism is very family-centered for me," said junior Elaine Farber. "If I have the opportunity to go home, I will — I am very close with my family."

Princeton student may donate egg

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY

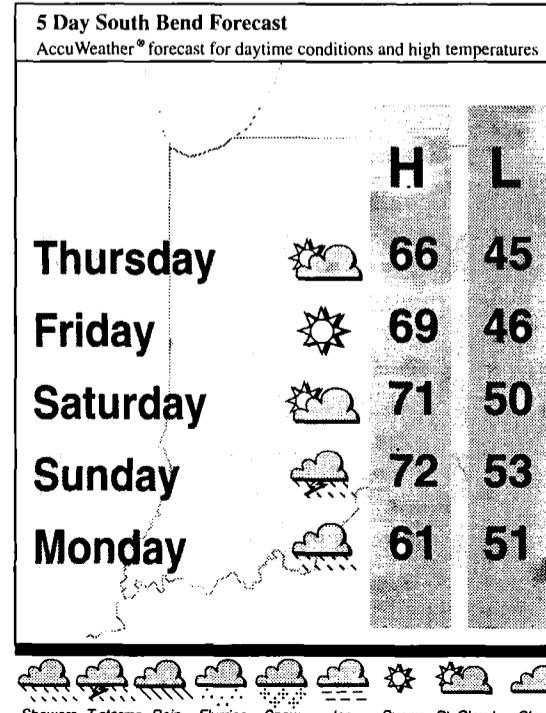
Approximately 40 Princeton students responded to a March advertisement by a family offering \$50,000 to egg donors, and at least one is a finalist for the donation, according to the family's lawyer. The ad asked for donors matching the qualifications of an SAT score above 1400 and a height of at least 5-foot-10. In addition to The Daily Princetonian, campus newspapers from Harvard, Yale and Stanford ran the ad. However, the number of applicants from Princeton exceeded the number of initial responses from all other schools. Of 10 finalists, "one woman from Princeton was on the final list, possibly two," said Darlene Pinkerton, the attorney for the family that placed the ad. University women responded at a higher rate than their peers at other schools because they were "not as inundated with ads from other agencies," she said. Because egg donation had not been as heavily advertised at Princeton, there was more initial interest, she speculated. "The response we got was incredible, far more than we ever hoped for," Pinkerton said.

Alfred U. study finds NCAA hazing

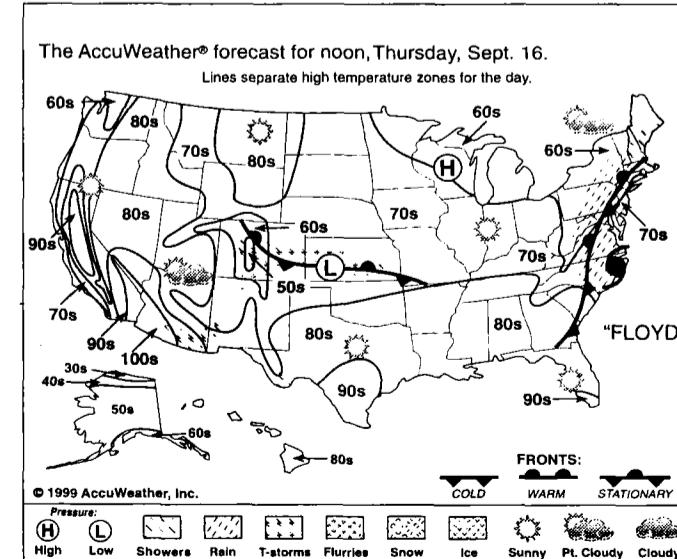
ALFRED UNIVERSITY

Alfred University made history on Monday, August 30, when the results of the National Initiation Rites and Athletics Survey were released. According to Alfred University President Edward Coll, the study is the first of its kind in the United States. With the full support of the NCAA, the survey was distributed to 10,000 student athletes and more than 4,000 coaches and administrators at NCAA schools throughout the United States. Approximately 23 percent of the students responded, said Norm Pollard, director of the counseling center. The results of the survey demonstrated that the problem of hazing in athletic teams is much larger than originally thought. The survey revealed that 80 percent of all college athletes have been engaged in some form of hazing, while only 12 percent actually reported feeling hazed. Pollard said that the results of the survey were "quite remarkable," and that many at the university didn't know the severity and scope of the problem. The results indicate that one in five university athletes has performed some type of illegal activity, including harassment of others and vandalism.

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Chicago	68	48	New York	70	49	Tampa	89	68
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BOARD OF GOVERNANCE

Lab hours change, BOG adds board

◆ Members also discuss financial aid, Walk for Life and Twilight Tailgate

By COURTNEY BOYLE
News Writer

Saint Mary's Board of Governance focused on several topics and projects at Wednesday night's meeting, including computer lab hours, financial aid and adding a fifth board to BOG to promote awareness and student diversity.

BOG discussed computer lab hours at last week's meeting, noting that the 24-hour lounge in the library is closed from 11:45 p.m. until 1 a.m. for cleaning. According to Technology Commissioner Kelly Dugan, the computer lab hours have changed.

The lab does not close for cleaning at night and will remain open 24 hours.

Representatives from the Financial Aid Office were also present at the meeting to discuss the drafting of a new funding bill in Congress.

They encouraged students to contact their home town Congressmen and state representatives to express that cutting the federal financial aid budget will affect Saint Mary's students.

Akmara Omarova discussed the establishment of a fifth board for BOG to promote awareness and student diversity on Saint Mary's campus.

"I'm really excited," she said. "It is really something I think this campus needs."

Kathleen Zimmer, a Hospice House representative discussed the Hospice Walk for Life.

"It's really rewarding to work at

the Hospice House because we take care of the families after the patients die, too," Zimmer said.

Final plans for tonight's Twilight Tailgate were also discussed. The event will be

from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. on the Cushwa Leighton Library green, with festivities including a picnic, music, an obstacle course and jousting.

"I'm really excited about /the new board./ It is really something I think this campus needs."

Akmara Omarova
Saint Mary's student

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Haywood named Getty Fellow, receives grant

By JESSICA DAUES
News Writer

Robert Haywood, an assistant professor of art, art history and design at Notre Dame was named a J. Paul Getty Postdoctoral Fellow in the History of Art and the Humanities for the 1999-2000 academic year.

The Getty Fellowship, which is one of the highest and most competitive awards given to junior faculty, is an international competition which supports postdoctoral research.

"Each fellow is awarded \$35,000 to pursue his or her research project which, according to the grant program, the Getty believes will make a 'significant contribution to art history and the humanities,'" Haywood said.

The Getty Fellowship will support the completion of Haywood's book, "Interventions: Art, Happenings and Cultural Politics (1958-1970)." The book focuses on newly discovered writings by two artists, Allan Kaprow and Claes Oldenburg.

"Both are among the most significant artists of the 1960s," said Haywood, "because they redefined the terms of art. Through my research and extensive interviews with both artists, I have been able to acquire total access to their papers."

"It was a slow and deliberate process of winning their confidence," he added.

Haywood's research draws on over 30 private and public archives from all over the world. In his book, he will analyze how avant-garde artists in the 1960s, specifically Kaprow and Oldenburg, increasingly began to use non-conventional "canvases," such as courtyards or swimming pools, to create a form of abstract art by incorporating performers and other structures into the scene.

Under the Fellowship, Haywood will also contribute to the coming exhibition at Columbia University's Wallach Art Gallery, an exhibition said to dramatically change how avant-garde art has been understood since World War II.

Haywood is believed to be the sole junior art historian to receive all of the three major art history awards available to young scholars in the U.S. In addition to the Getty Fellowship, Haywood received a fellowship at the Center for Advanced Study in the Visual Arts at the National Gallery of Art and a Smithsonian Fellowship at the Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden.

Haywood is organizing a symposium "Critique of the Museum in Contemporary Art," which will focus on contemporary artists who have challenged traditions and conventional artistic production and exhibiton display. The symposium will take place Sept. 24, from 2 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. in Room 101, DeBartolo Hall.

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Wallis: Peacemaking is about taking action

By KRISTEN ALLEN
News Writer

Peacemaking, having more to do with action than just theory, means stepping into situations of conflict and trying to resolve the situation, said Jim Wallis, founding editor of *Sojourners* magazine, in his Wednesday lecture entitled "Can a Christian do Enough to Oppose Genocide Worldwide Remaining Nonviolent?"

Wallis discussed situations like Kosovo and the NATO airstrikes.

"It used to be that civilians were protected and soldiers died," he said. "Now it is completely reversed."

Wallis said that aerial troops are flying higher to avoid being shot down, but this means they are not as accurate when they drop bombs, occasionally hitting uninvolved areas.

The need for some sort of "global policeman" is obvious but who and how is still unknown, he added.

"It is my conviction that pacifists fall into the temptation of not taking seriously the questions that violence purports to

answer," he said.

"If nonviolence is going to have a persuasive power in the future of this nation's foreign policy or, more importantly, the international community, it will come from taking the questions that violence answers in its way as seriously as those who chose

that option and answering them in a different way instead of acting like the questions do not exist."

"Peace requires the pursuit of truth, and that truth is not always easy to find."

Jim Wallis
Sojourners magazine editor

that truth is not always easy to find," he said.

Wallis is currently involved in the Call to Renewal movement, a national federation of churches and faith-based organizations working to overcome poverty and revitalize American politics.

His lecture was the first of the John Howard Yoder Dialogues on Nonviolence, Religion and Peace. The series will look at the strengths as well as the difficulties and weaknesses of nonviolence.

It is sponsored by the Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies to commemorate John Yoder, who founded the Kroc Institute and was a professor of theology at Notre Dame.

Koppel

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for the New York Times at the time of his death in 1982.

Schmuhl expects Koppel to address the recent developments in electronic journalism.

"New information technology raises questions that all of us need to confront," Schmuhl said.

The lecture is free and open to the public.

Run-off

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night, electing 13 positions from a field of 15 candidates. Megan Cavanaugh, Maria Conticelli, Torie Cox, Sarah DeRaedt, Andrea Fox, Karen Higley, Lauren Hofer, Becky Lindemann, Candi McElgott, Nicole Prezioso, Jenna Sousley, Emily Wick, and Brooke Wilkins were elected to positions on the board.

Voting hours Monday will be from 7 a.m. - 9 a.m., 11 a.m. - 1 p.m., and 5 p.m. - 7 p.m. outside the Noble Family Dining Hall.

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Alumnus, wife receive Exemplar award

Special to The Observer

A 1957 Notre Dame alumnus, Daniel Kelly, and his wife, Rosemary, will be the first recipients of the Notre Dame Alumni Association's Family Exemplar Award. The Kellys will be honored at a dinner at the Morris Inn Friday and during half-time of the Notre Dame-Michigan State football game Saturday.

The Family Exemplar Award is intended for individuals, couples or families, at least one of whose members is a Notre Dame graduate, who have had an impact on society, the Church or the culture in the area of family values.

The Kellys were selected as the inaugural recipients of the new award for founding Rose Hill Center, a long-term care facility in suburban Detroit for people with mental illnesses. They were motivated to start the center in 1992 after being unable to find care for their son, John, who was diagnosed in 1986 with paranoid schizophrenia.

Rose Hill emphasizes active treatment and rehabilitation, rather than just maintenance, for patients. Dan and Rosemary serve as chair and vice chair, respectively, of the center, which is supported through donations from individuals, corporations and foundations. Rose Hill has helped more than 260 people with serious mental illnesses achieve and maintain psychiatric stability, meaningful activity and a certain level of independent living through an aggressive program of work and social interaction, behavioral therapy and

proper medication.

Monthly family support meetings help to educate family members about mental illness and its effect on family relationships. Fifty one patients receive ongoing residential treatment, and transitional living in on-campus townhouse apartments is available for 24 others.

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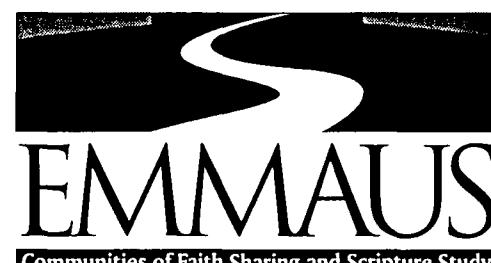
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WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Fugitive drug prosecutor kills himself

MEXICO CITY

Days before he was to be arraigned on U.S. charges of laundering \$9.9 million in suspected drug payoffs, Mexico's former top drug prosecutor was found dead in his New Jersey apartment Wednesday of an apparent drug overdose. His lawyer said it was suicide. Mario Ruiz Massieu, 48, had been under house arrest in New Jersey since 1996 while battling extradition to Mexico, where he was accused of covering up the 1994 murder of his brother, ruling party leader Jose Francisco. Ruiz Massieu also was charged in Houston last month with laundering millions while he was assistant attorney general. He was to have been arraigned in Houston on Friday. Justice Department spokesman John Russell said in Washington that Ruiz Massieu was found by Palisades Park, N.J., police in his apartment, with death due to an apparent overdose of antidepressants.

UNICEF: AIDS will create 13 million African orphans

LUSAKA, Zambia

AIDS, not war, has turned Africa into a "killing field" and will wipe out enough adults to create 13 million orphans in the next 18 months, the United Nations children's agency said Wednesday. Such cataclysmic statements at the 11th international AIDS in Africa conference were aimed at prodding African governments — which spend more on defense than on health — to act against the scourge of the continent. Africa is home to two-thirds of the world's 31 million HIV-infected people. Last year, AIDS killed 2 million Africans, outstripping deaths from armed conflicts on the continent 10-1, said the children's fund, called UNICEF. In 15 years, AIDS has killed 11 million Africans, more than 80 percent of the world's AIDS deaths.

Russia will abandon Mir

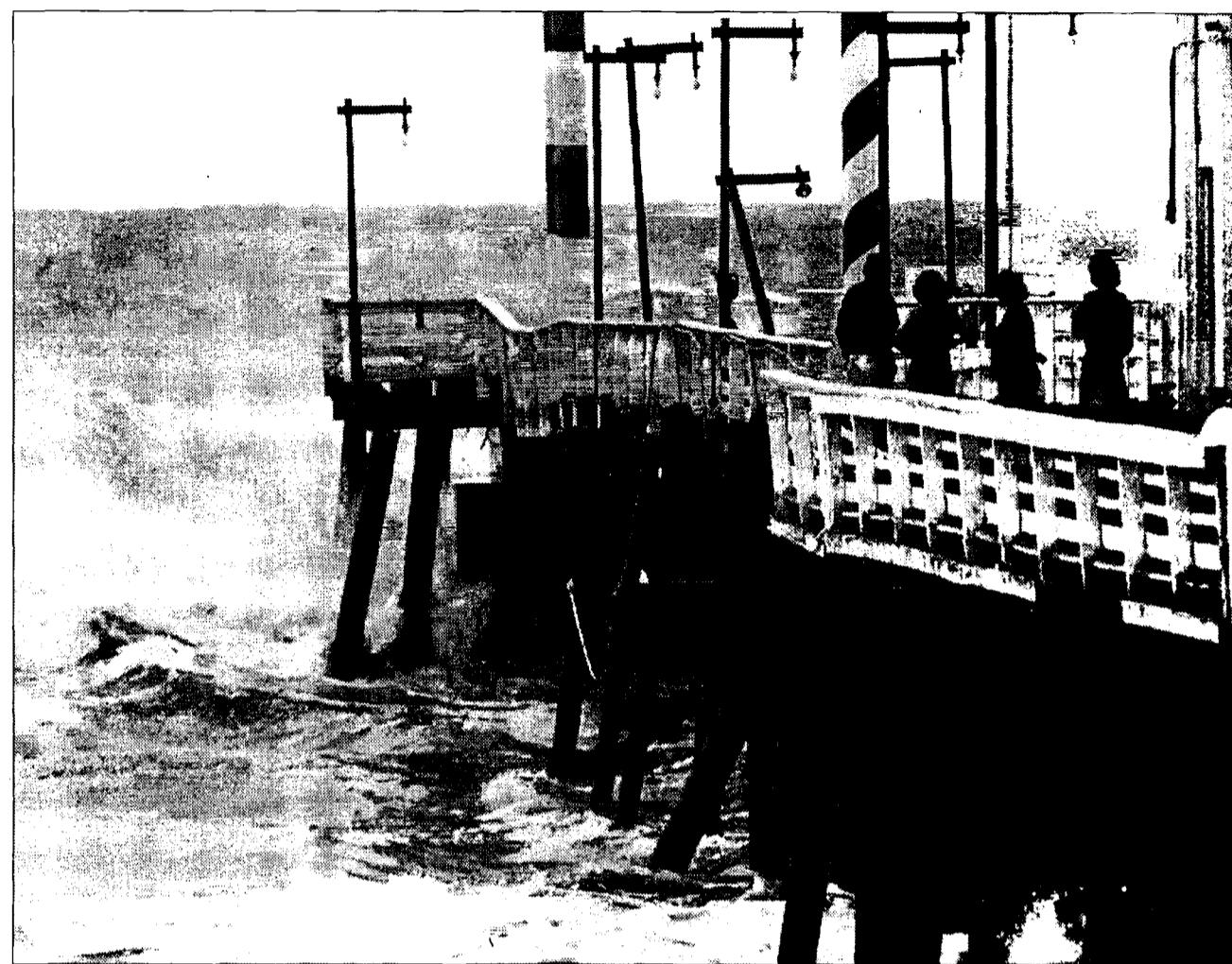
MOSCOW

The Mir space station will be discarded next year as planned and Russia will switch to contributing to international projects in space exploration, a top space official said Wednesday. Russia can no longer afford maintaining Mir. The space station's last full-time crew left in August, and the station will be visited only briefly by another team next year in order to prepare the 140-ton Mir for its final descent to Earth. Most of the station will burn up as it reenters the atmosphere, and some remnants will fall into the Pacific Ocean.

Market Watch: 9/15

DOW JONES	AMEX:	Up 1201
-108.91	797.48	Same 538
Nasdaq:	608.47	Down 1772
NYSE	615.13	
	-10.58	
S&P 500:	1317.97	
	-18.32	
VOLUME LEADERS	Composite Volume:	789,738,000
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ORACLE CORP	ORCL	-6.05	-2.7475	42.69
MICROSOFT	MSFT	-2.57	-2.4425	92.62
INTEL CORP	INTC	-3.28	-2.8125	83.00
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BORDEAUX SCIENTIFIC	BBS	-23.54	-8.325	27.00
GEM INSTRUMENT	GIC	-6.00	-3.3200	47.27
AT&T CORP	T	-7.05	-6.5675	44.50
MOTOROLA INC	MOT	-7.05	-6.5675	86.62



AFP Photo

Storm watchers look at the wake of Hurricane Floyd from a pier in Daytona Beach, Fla. The storm hit near Daytona before moving up the coast, prompting authorities to urge more than 2.6 million people to leave their homes, the largest peacetime evacuation in U.S. history.

Floyd continues to batter coast

Associated Press

MYRTLE BEACH, S.C.

The leading edge of Hurricane Floyd knocked out power, flooded streets with drenching rain and spun off tornadoes Wednesday night as the Carolinas braced for a direct hit from the storm.

Its howling winds reduced to a still-dangerous 115 mph, Floyd moved north toward the mostly evacuated area between Myrtle Beach and Wilmington, N.C., after delivering only a glancing blow to Florida and Georgia earlier in the day.

Altogether, authorities have urged more than 2.6 million people along the southern Atlantic coast to

clear out of Floyd's path, the biggest peacetime evacuation in U.S. history.

At 8 p.m. EDT, Floyd was 150 miles south-southwest of Wilmington. The storm's center was moving north at 17 mph and was expected to roll ashore before daybreak Thursday.

By nightfall Wednesday, hurricane-strength gusts of 79 mph were buffeting Charleston, S.C., and more than 100,000 people in the area lost power. Several tornadoes struck near Wilmington, destroying one home and damaging seven.

Earlier, in northern and central Florida, Floyd snapped power lines, smashed piers into driftwood and knocked out electricity to 300,000 people. About 350 miles off the

coast, the Coast Guard rescued eight people whose tugboat sank in 30-foot seas churned up by the hurricane.

But Floyd made a northward turn that spared Florida and Georgia the catastrophic damage many had feared. NASA's Kennedy Space Center and its four shuttles were largely unscathed.

The Carolinas, however, lay directly in the storm's path.

"I know that Florida and Georgia at this point feel like they've dodged a real bullet," said North Carolina's public safety secretary, Richard Moore. "This thing is not going to miss us."

Myrtle Beach, a usually bustling resort, was a virtu-

al ghost town as people fled or stayed indoors, and highways were jammed around Wilmington. In both Carolinas, many hurricane-hardened people who rode out earlier storms left this time.

Terry Hurley, checking into a Wilmington shelter with his wife and two children, said his family stayed home for Hurricanes Fran and Bertha in 1996, but not for Floyd.

"They talk like this one is going to be pretty mean," he said. "It's got everybody shook up."

Myrtle Beach authorities imposed a 3 p.m. curfew and turned off the water supply. The hospital sent its patients inland but kept a doctor and three nurses on emergency duty.

Russia

Defense chief warns of more fighting

Associated Press

MAKHACHKALA

Government forces claimed success against Islamic rebels in southern Russia on Wednesday, but the defense minister warned that Russia could soon face a new offensive from the breakaway region of Chechnya.

Defense Minister Igor Sergeyev said that "several thousand" Islamic militants were grouped on Chechnya's border with Dagestan, where Russian

troops have been battling rebels since early August, the Interfax news agency reported.

The Russian military is "completely ready" for such an offensive, Sergeyev was quoted as saying.

For now, Russian forces have freed Dagestan of the militants, Sergeyev told Prime Minister Vladimir Putin on Wednesday night.

However, he said that Russian forces were continuing to pursue the Islamic militants and destroy them, the Interfax

news agency reported.

A d i l g i r e y Magomedtagirov, the Dagestani interior minister, said Russian security forces were "cleaning up" the last five villages in western Dagestan that they had reclaimed from rebels and had the few militants remaining in Dagestan surrounded.

The militants are fighting

for an independent Islamic state in southern Russia.

They had been dug into the western villages since invading from neighboring Chechnya on Sept. 5.

Russian television broadcasts from the villages showed shattered homes, shops and public buildings, some of them littered with the dead from both sides.

In Moscow, meanwhile, Russian lawmakers urged President Boris Yeltsin to tighten border security.

Some Russian officials said the rebels in Dagestan have been receiving help from fundamentalist groups abroad. A draft resolution adopted by the lower house of parliament called for sealing off foreign supply routes.

Program allows web-based classes

◆ Course Info provides access to classnotes, assignment boards

By KAREN FINK
News Writer

Course Info 2.0, a program that allows Saint Mary's College to have web-based classes, utilizes technology to permit enrolled students and faculty to access classnotes and other course information from around the world.

"Course Info makes it possible to remove busy time from class and allow sacred time for instruction," said Dan Mandell, Information Technology faculty support specialist. "The program distributes information and assignments quickly for students."

Course Info contains a variety of helpful features, including assignment boards, group projects, a discussion board for the continuation of class discussions and a virtual chat room for students to help one another.

According to Mandell, the Course Info gateway page has received over 35,000 hits since the beginning of the school year.

Associate professor of business administration and eco-

nomics Bill Shannon supports the use of web-based classes.

"They benefit the students as they move on to the business world," said Shannon.

In his principles of marketing class, Shannon's students work with Course Info frequently. During each class, two students will take notes and then post them on the web-site for other students to review. In addition, each student will interview a person in the professional world and write a memo to post on the web.

"The promise of web-based classes is excellent. It makes learning more interesting and pertinent.

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associate business professor

said Shannon.

Julie Storme, associate professor of modern languages, also uses Course Info for her classes. The program provides more time for her students to write in class rather than go over work.

"Course Info makes the work more integrated and shifts from teachers always providing information to students searching for the information. Plus, it makes students who are computer-reluctant use computers," said Storme.

One of Storme's French Composition students, Carrie Ottsen, said Course Info is useful in deciding on a class because it allows students to look into the course and see if they want to enroll in the course or drop it.

Ottsen points out one disadvantage with Course Info 2.0.

"The program can be annoying if the professor uses a different system," said Ottsen. She suggests that freshmen should take an orientation course on how to use both PCs and Macintosh computers with the system.

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Internet commerce may be taxed

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Before a federal panel can decide whether Congress should permit state sales taxes on Internet commerce, it must determine whether there's any practical way to do that.

"We've got to figure out if there is a workable solution," said Gov. Mike Leavitt, R-Utah. "We're not presupposing what should be done."

The Advisory Commission on Electronic Commerce, while sharply divided on the cyberspace tax question, voted unanimously Wednesday to invite submission of detailed proposals on whether the multiple state systems can be modified to collect sales taxes from out-of-state Internet, catalog or telephone sales.

The 19-member panel of congressionally appointed business and government representatives is to consider those plans at its December meeting in San Francisco. Its final recommendation on tax policy for the Internet is due to Congress by April.

Leavitt's proposal requires that the tax plans focus on simplifying the current system, imposing no new taxes, protecting taxpayer privacy and acknowledging states' rights, among other concerns.

"We have to figure out if we can make sales taxes work for the 21st century," Leavitt said.

State and local officials told the commission Wednesday that without sales tax collec-

tions on Internet transactions, services ranging from schools to fire protection will eventually suffer.

"Local government and state government cannot operate on an empty tank," said Randy Johnson, Republican chairman of the Hennepin County, Minn., Board.

If Internet sales reach \$100 billion by 2003, an estimated \$4 billion in sales tax would go uncollected because no system exists to do so, said Harley Duncan, director of the Federation of Tax Administrators.

Opponents, however, say a new tax would slow Internet commerce. They say the economic boom has left the 50 states with a combined \$36 billion surplus in 1998.

"It's not a problem now and I don't believe it's going to be a problem in the future," said Dean Andal, a commission member and Republican chairman of the California Board of Equalization. "If you look at state tax revenues now, it's boom time."

Sales taxes are the single largest source of revenue for most states and local governments, amounting to \$147 billion in 1997. But under a 1992 U.S. Supreme Court decision known as Quill, a state cannot collect taxes from companies

operating outside its boundaries unless the company has some physical presence in that state, such as a store or warehouse.

Although that case involved mail-order sales, it has been interpreted to apply also to Internet transactions. Whether that decision should stand is perhaps the question facing the commission and ultimately Congress.

Abolishing the Quill standards, say supporters, would protect state revenues and ensure that traditional "brick and mortar" merchants and Internet companies face the same tax-compliance costs. It also would force creation of a simpler collection system — perhaps even a single national tax rate, or at least one per state.

Congress, however, has defeated multiple attempts to override the Quill ruling. Apart from worries about the cost of taxing Internet sales, some say it would invade privacy as well.

"It is simply too complex," said Jim Eads, a partner at the Ernst & Young accounting firm.

The panel also voted Wednesday to support the Clinton administration's position that international trade tariffs should not be permitted on electronic transactions.

Report examines online stalking laws

Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif.

Federal and state laws should be strengthened to help curb the growing problem of online stalking, a U.S. Justice Department report recommends.

Two-thirds of states have no laws on the books that explicitly cover stalking on the Internet or through other electronic communications means, the report found. And federal law ought to be amended to make it easier to track down "cyberstalkers," it said.

"As more and more Americans are going online — particularly our children — it is critical that they are protected from online stalking," said Vice President Al Gore, who requested the report in February and was to release it in California on Thursday.

"Cyberspace should be a place for learning and exploration, not a place for fear," he said in remarks prepared for a meeting in San Diego with victims of online stalking and their family members.

The report surveyed steps that law enforcement, online industries, victims groups and others are taking to crack down on cyberstalking, and explored whether existing laws are adequate to combat a problem it contends is on the rise.

Internet service providers,

which link users to e-mail and the World Wide Web, report a growing number of complaints about harassing and threatening behavior online, it said. The head of the sex crimes unit in the Manhattan District Attorney's Office reported that about 20 percent of the unit's cases involve cyberstalking.

It cited several chilling examples.

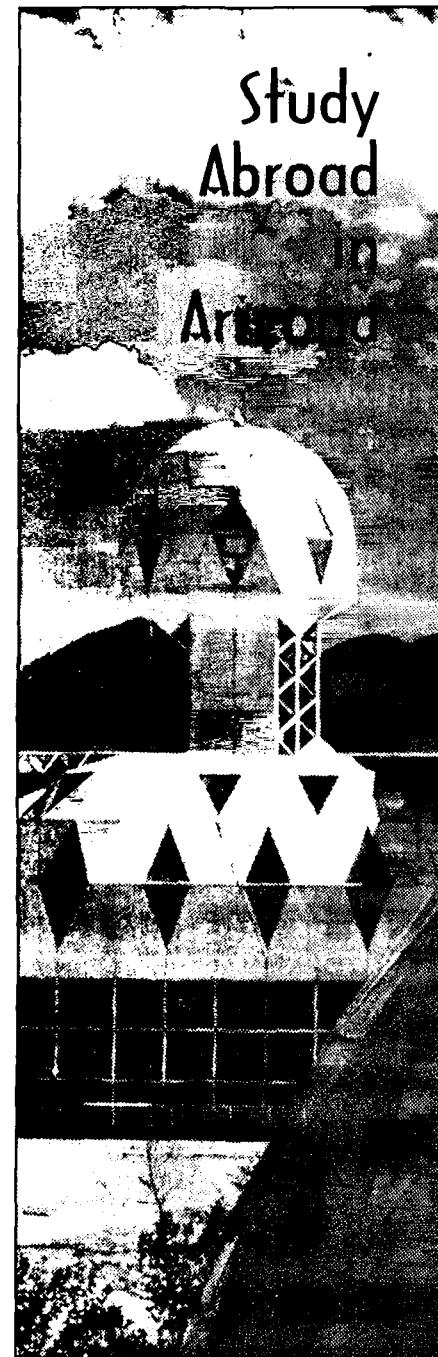
In one case, a Los Angeles security guard terrorized a woman who rejected his romantic advances by posting online messages that she fantasized about being raped, and listed her phone number and address.

On at least six occasions, sometimes in the middle of the night, men knocked on her door saying they wanted to rape her.

A San Diego man sent more than 100 e-mail messages to five female students at the University of San Diego and the University of California, San Diego last year. They included death threats, graphic sexual descriptions and references to the women's daily activities, prosecutors said.

Federal law enforcement officials have reported many cases in which pedophiles have made advances to children through online chat rooms and later made contact with the children, the report said.

Technology allows some stalkers to harass victims anonymously, it said.



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Eight dead in church shooting

Associated Press

FORT WORTH, Texas A man shouting obscenities and mocking religion walked into a church service for teenagers Wednesday night, pulled a gun and opened fire, fatally shooting seven before he shot and killed himself in a church pew.

"He hits the door real hard to make his presence known and he just immediately started firing," said Dax Hughes, the church's college minister.

The man, using a large-caliber handgun, fatally shot three adults and three teenagers in the church, and wounded at least eight more before he killed himself, said Lieutenant David Ellis of the Fort Worth Police Department. The eighth person died in the hospital.

Seven more were taken to the

hospital with shooting injuries, several in extremely critical condition, Ellis said.

Police said they did not have a motive for the shooting. The man appeared to be in his 20s or 30s, police said, but they did not know his identity.

Just after the 7 p.m. shooting at Wedgewood Baptist Church, a pipe bomb exploded on a balcony inside the sanctuary, but police did not know of any injuries.

A bomb squad was inspecting several suspicious packages

found at the church, Ellis said.

Police feared the gunman may have wired himself with explosives, so the local bomb squad and the Federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms sent in a robot to search his body for explosives.

Authorities have not been able to remove the other bodies from the church because of the possibility of bombs.

About 150 young people were inside the sanctuary after the annual "See You at the Pole" gathering at local schools, where students affirm their faith and concern for the problems of society by holding prayer time around their school's flagpole.

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9,000 held back due to test error

Associated Press

NEW YORK Nearly 9,000 public school children in New York City were sent to summer school this year or held back a grade because of a scoring error by a testing company.

CTB/McGraw-Hill, a Monterey, California-based company that has tested millions of students across the nation in its 72 years, notified the Board of Education about the mistake this week. Nine other school jurisdictions were affected as well, but the company refused to name them.

Schools chancellor Rudy

Crew called for an independent audit of the testing company, which received more than \$2 million from the school board in 1998, and demanded company officials attend a board meeting Wednesday to explain how the error occurred.

"I want to sincerely apologize to everyone affected," company president David Taggart told the board.

Student test scores were incorrectly lowered because of a mathematical error, said CTB/McGraw-Hill spokesman Steven Weiss. He said scores would rise "modestly upward" with the use of new calibrations. A total of 8,668 students who actually passed

the tests were marked as having failed.

The mistake also lowered the overall evaluation of school performance.

The explanation did little to mollify angry school officials, parents and student advocacy groups as the board scrambled to identify the students.

"I can't tell you how angry I am," board president William Thompson told Taggart. "Why would I use your company after this?"

The tests, given last spring to 300,000 students in grades three, five, six and seven, weighed heavily in determining that 35,000 students needed to attend summer school.

Handyman deemed hero in shootings

Associated Press

the lobby with her children when the shooting began.

Trinh's 72-year-old mother, Mot Trinh, had been treated at West Anaheim Medical Center in June for an undisclosed illness.

She was taken to Anaheim Memorial West Hospital early Tuesday and died about five hours later.

After her death, police Lieutenant Steven Walker said Trinh drove a few blocks to West Anaheim Medical Center, opened fire and killed the three people.

"I'm here to say God bless the man that did save our lives for trying to shut the doors so it wouldn't come out to the lobby."

Debbie Cooper
witness

Neither police nor hospital officials would speculate why Trinh was angry at the hospital.

Police identified the other victims as Marlene Mustaffa, 60, of Buena Park, a nurse's assistant, and Vincent Rosetti, 51, of Seal Beach, who ran the pharmacy.

Robertson, who was director of environmental services and responsible for the hospital's housekeeping duties, had been with the hospital 10 years.

He was married and had three children.

Hospital spokeswoman Debra Culver said crisis intervention counseling was being offered to both patients and hospital staffers.

"They were all wonderful individuals," she said of those who died. "I knew them and I, too, am feeling the loss."

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Judge delays Branch Davidians wrongful death lawsuit

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WACO, Texas

A judge on Wednesday delayed the trial of a wrongful death lawsuit brought by surviving Branch Davidians against the government, saying more time is needed for federal officials to produce the evidence he demanded.

U.S. District Judge Walter Smith, who has battled the Justice Department over the scope of his demand, acknowledged that the department intends to comply with his order to turn over documents and evidence related to the 1993 Waco siege and its fiery end.

"However, the physical transfer of control of all of this evidence will take longer than originally anticipated by the

court," Smith wrote. "Therefore, the current trial setting of October 18, 1999, will be impossible to maintain."

Smith has yet to set a new court date. He said the government's request for a fall 2000 date was "unrealistic" and he will not postpone the trial for a year.

On Sept. 2, Smith ordered the government to surrender all evidence by October 1 or face a contempt of court citation.

"We believe the judge appropriately recognized that gathering all these materials would take longer than October 1," said Justice Department spokesman Myron Marlin.

A lawyer for the plaintiffs, Jim Brannon of Houston, called Smith's decision "wonderful news."

"That allows us more time to

dig for the evidence we need," Brannon said. And, with congressional and independent inquiries under way in Washington, "we can possibly take advantage of some of that now."

Smith's order comes a day after the Justice Department announced it had removed from the case the entire federal prosecutor's office for West Texas, including the prosecutor who first raised concerns about a cover-up at Waco. The department said he and his colleagues are potential witnesses in the independent inquiry into the government siege.

On February 28, 1993, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms agents raided the rural home of Branch Davidian leader David Koresh and his followers. Four agents

and six cult members died in a gun battle after the Davidians were tipped to the impending raid. Following a 51-day siege, Koresh and nearly 80 others died after a fire consumed the compound.

Surviving Davidians and the relatives of the dead later sued, challenging the government's conclusion that the cult members started the fire and that they shot first during the raid. The lawsuits were consolidated into one case that was to open in Waco federal court next month.

In recent weeks, the FBI has acknowledged for the first time that its agents used potentially incendiary devices at Waco. The move came after an independent filmmaker and others led their own inquiries into the devices.

In delaying the case, Smith

apparently took into account the far-reaching nature of his August 9 order demanding that all federal agencies turn over any Waco-related documents or items to his court.

That order prompted a skirmish with Justice officials, who contended Smith was overstepping his authority and that the request would "impose an unwarranted and substantial burden on the federal government."

In Wednesday's order, Smith also warned the plaintiffs that although he is moving the evidence to a central location, they "will not be granted blanket access to these materials without making proper discovery requests."

Brannon said he has yet to gain access to evidence held by the Texas Rangers or items in possession of other agencies.

Watchdog group finds contamination

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Federal reports collected by a watchdog group indicate a southern Ohio defense plant handled a more dangerous, undiluted type of plutonium-laced uranium than the government has previously acknowledged.

Documents gathered by the Uranium Enrichment Project include an Energy Department report describing plutonium contamination at an unused building in the Portsmouth Gaseous Diffusion Plant complex at Piketon, Ohio.

Another described spent nuclear fuel going directly from a federal storage facility in Idaho to the Portsmouth Plant. Spent nuclear fuel would have a higher plutonium level than material that arrived at Piketon from its sister facility in Paducah, Kentucky, since some purification would have been done in Kentucky.

Mary Byrd Davis, the Uranium Enrichment Project researcher who has been gathering data about the Piketon plant, said the reports were among stacks of unclassified

material available for public inspection at DOE facilities.

The documents' existence was first reported Wednesday by The Columbus Dispatch.

The Energy Department was in the midst of a comprehensive study of how the nation's nuclear arsenal was handled during the Cold War years. One of that study's goals is to determine which plants handled spent nuclear fuel, in what quantities, and with what amount of plutonium contamination.

Last month, the government said the Paducah plant handled about 100,000 tons of plutonium-laced uranium.

A congressional hearing into the Paducah contamination and the safety of that plant's workers had been scheduled for Thursday, but the expectation of severe rains from Hurricane Floyd led House leaders to cancel all legislative business until further notice. A Commerce Committee spokesman said the hearing had not been rescheduled.

Ohio State Representative Ted Strickland said he had been hoping to use the hearing to question DOE officials about the Piketon plant in his district.

"I think whatever we hear about Paducah could be relevant to Portsmouth because the problems were similar in nature," he said.

Strickland's questions are the same ones DOE is trying to answer nationwide: What material was there, is it still there, and if not, where did it go?

The Energy Department said it believes Piketon handled only small quantities of undiluted spent nuclear fuel, but at this point officials cannot say exactly what those quantities were, according to spokesman Jeff Sherwood.

Paducah so far has been the focus of attention by both DOE and Congress.



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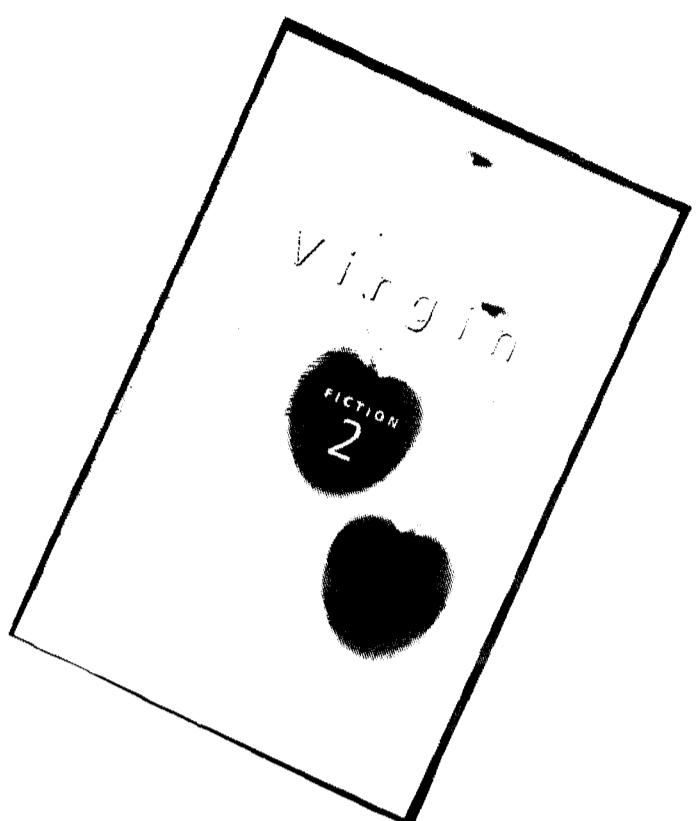
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Power plant pollution prompts intervention

Associated Press

ALBANY, N.Y.

New York's attorney general threatened Wednesday to sue coal-fired power plants in the Midwest and South if they don't stop spewing pollution that causes acid rain and smog in the Northeast.

"Air pollution simply knows no boundaries," Eliot Spitzer said.

The lawsuits would be the first by a state attorney general against private companies in another state over pollution, Spitzer spokesman Darren Dopp said.

Surrounded by images of belching smokestacks and acid-rain devastated forests, Spitzer said he would seek "enormous" damages from 17 plants in Indiana, Kentucky, Ohio, Virginia and West Virginia if they do not reach an agreement with the state in two months.

He accused the plants of failing to upgrade equipment that cleans smokestack emissions when they made other big investments in their facilities,

a requirement under the federal Clean Air Act. It is supposed that the plants refused to make adjustments because of the expense. The plants produce a third of the emissions that come from their regions, he said.

A spokesman for American Electric Power Co. — which owns 11 of the 17 plants on Spitzer's list — said AEP hasn't expanded plant capacity so it hasn't been required to make pollution equipment upgrades.

"What AEP has done at our facilities meets the definition of maintenance," said AEP spokesman Pat Hemlepp. "We're required to provide a reliable source of electricity for customers."

Other industry representatives said they were confident that they would prevail in court against any New York lawsuits.

David Flannery, a spokesman for the Midwest Ozone Group, a coalition of coal and power companies, said much of the pollution in the Northeast is generated there, not carried by wind.

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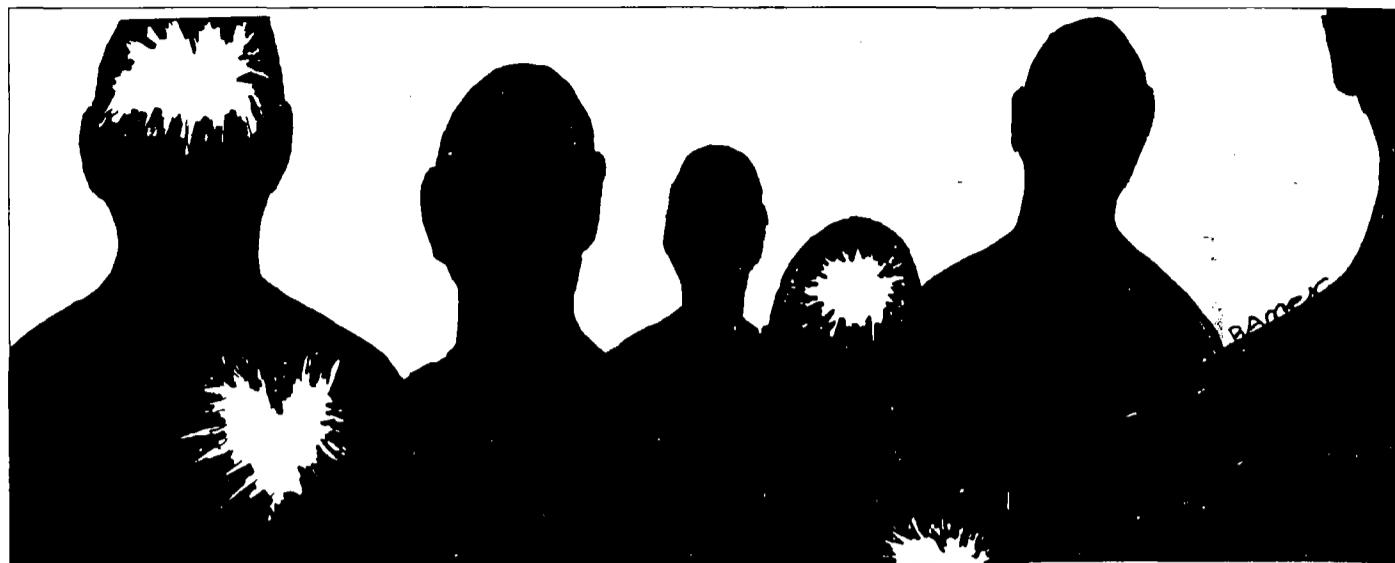
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You have to love what you know

"If you want to know something, you have to love it" — one of the first things uttered from Professor Andrew Weigert as I sat and decided whether or not I wanted to bother with trying to get into this "environment related Sociology course." As our learning community discussed this idea, it really began to resonate with my experience here at Notre Dame and in my journey through life. "To know" and "to love," what incredible concepts with the ability to empower not only individuals but also communities. "Could you know something and not love it, or perhaps love something without knowing it?" As these words echoed from Professor Weigert, I came to realize they cannot. Knowing and loving is a reciprocal process that challenges us every day in our journey for truth, justice and a sense of being present in the world. None of my experiences have proved this to me more than my service learning experiences through the Center for Social Concerns. Let me share.

During my freshmen year, I was immersed in the migrant worker community of Immokalee, Fla., through the Migrant Experiences Seminar, where I came to know and love a part of my family history and current reality of farm-workers in America. It was a journey where the knowledge you obtain makes you aware of the injustices and stress experienced by a migrant worker. Through this experience the love that grew was one not only for a community but the responsibility to take into consideration their hardship and question our actions as consumers, voters and Christians in the world. The process of knowledge and love is not exactly warm and fuzzy. That is the awe of this process, because your emotions and mind are called to come to a recognition of your position and effect in regards to other communities. The love is the compassion I dis-

covered and the knowledge is the reality of migrant farmworker enduring life ethic and challenges.

This theme continues in my many journeys of service learning. The leadership and community organizing issues in the barrio of San Diego are nurtured by the process of knowing and loving. Communities need to work side by side, collectively and patiently, to defend and promote their communities that they love by sharing and taking in knowledge of the diverse and often discouraging barriers to be found in local government. By doing this, you begin the stage of building a community that fosters dialogue, cooperation and a commitment to endure in one another's struggles. The best example of this was when the council representative from the Barrio Logan district moved into the community to learn and explore ways to assist in reconstruction and progress.

My encounter with the third world through the means of providing a technical and educational service to Haitians presented this concept in a completely different way. Our work in Haiti showed the reality of the wide gap of the conditions of our two countries and emphasized that service is not just a "handing out." Our efforts to provide safe and reliable water sources was part of a realization that the aid they have been given in the past has been a disservice. It was a case of caring and love without the knowledge and sensitivity to the Haitian social and cultural reality. That week, both the community from Notre Dame and the Haitians endured in a process of knowing and loving; in many instances, we met failure. However, it was a step in a relationship that can be nurtured between the "educated" students from Notre Dame and the country of Haiti in years to come.

Funded through a Kellogg Institute research grant, my recent work with small Christian communities (SCCs) in Bolivia really draws on the essence of these concepts of knowledge and love. It is best shown in the way Henri Nouwen illustrates gospel Luke 24, the

road to Emmaus: the process of walking, listening, communicating and finally communion with individuals and events you encounter in life. SCCs live this everyday with one another and recognize it is a cyclical process that spills knowledge and love not only of the scripture but also of their vocations to serve God in their everyday lives.

Knowing and loving is a gift the Notre Dame community offers us in our four years here. There is a never-ceasing process to this process and it applies to everyone one of us in any path we choose to take after we leave this community. It is a call to community activists, bankers, academics, business professionals, clergy, lawyers, doctors, scientists ... the list goes on and on. I have been blessed to practice this concept through my many experiences and witness it through individuals at the CSC; faculty such as Dr. Silliman and Father Pelton and the names do not cease. Each has a passion for his work that unfolds knowledge and love. Professor Weigert introduced a consciousness that awareness enlightens our lives and helps us on our journey of embracing the agapic nature of our world and society.

And, by the way, I am taking Professor Weigert's course, and undergoing the next process of discovering the reciprocal process of "to know" and "to love."

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SCOTT ADAMS

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"To see some of our best-educated boys spending the afternoon knocking each other down, while thousands cheer them on, hardly gives a picture of a peace-loving nation."

Lyndon Baines Johnson
President of the United States

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Sprinkler excess makes sense only for mosquitos

I like water. It cools my body, looks cool in photographs, and makes a woman's T-shirt that much more pleasing to look at. Water also keeps the grass green, but during my short time here at ND, it has also begged to raise the question, does it also keep the sidewalks that ruddy shade of gray?

Every evening, as the sun sets for another night of rest, the sprinklers turn on in a synchronous form that the ND marching band would be proud of. Powerful streams of water jettison from the sprinkler below, creating a picturesque scene worthy of a Rembrandt, or a Chinese fire drill if you find any unlucky person within ten feet of a sprinkler, running and ducking for cover. These sprinklers spray their watery goods for who-knows-how-long, drenching everything within its 360 degree radius. By the time the sprinklers are finished Notre Dame looks more like Water World than an internationally recognized Catholic University with a football team that needs to buy new watches.

The point is that everyone likes green grass: Just look at how many people risked fine and ostracism to illegally water their lawns during the East Coast's worst draught in recorded history. However, how much water is enough to use on

grass before it becomes excessive? After all, the soil can only absorb that much water before it becomes an overflowing sponge. The only things that seem to benefit from the over- and mis-use of water are female mosquitoes. I can just imagine they have with the hundreds of pools of still water to breed, who could possibly infect you with yellow fever (and we're not talking about "Asian Image") or the dreaded St. Louis Encephalitis of INTENSE PAIN.

I'd probably have better luck finding out how much water is enough by asking the squirrels with those funky brown tails than any landscaping administrator. No one seems to know why the sprinklers are as inefficient as they are. I guess we'll never know; the case of Notre Dame's overactive sprinklers and their muddy brown sidewalk side-kicks will go down as one of the great mysteries in the annals of Time, along with "Who shot J.R." and "how the Rock is able to lift his eyebrow so high." Oh well, I suppose I am content enough to know at least the mosquitoes are happy.

David Woo
Freshman
Siegfried Hall
September 15, 1999

Noble idea suffers lopsided logic

This is in response to the report in yesterday's Observer on Victor DeNobles talk about the tobacco industry, and its effort to hide facts from the public that would have affected the industry. Such revelations have been in the news for sometime, making the tobacco industry a pariah enterprise.

There are also million dollar law suits aimed at the tobacco industry, which the tobacco industry has sheepishly agreed to settle. What DeNoble says may be true, and one is tempted to accept his portrayal of a lab with crazy, or in this case, evil scientists working against humanity, but there is a flip side to the whole issue.

I may be playing the devils advocate here, but there are some points to be made and raised in this regard:

•The tobacco industry, like any other business, is there to make money, of course, but not over people's lives. Their primary function is to be in business, attract new customers, and fight competition. As part of R & D, most industries are engaging in "experiments," or activities that might be construed as being against public interest.

For quite some time, cigarette packs have carried a stern warning about its injurious effects.

It has not been conclusively proved in all cases that resultant illness and deaths were caused by tobacco.

•There are many other industries,

like liquor and gun, which are responsible for a great number of deaths and illnesses (there are 16,000 deaths by drunk driving every year!). It was after the recent spate of school killings that public and media attention has focussed on gun control in earnest, but the industry is adept at dodging the bullet.

Blaming the tobacco industry for such death and illnesses is like blaming the liquor industry for drunk driving deaths. But there are no warning labels on beer cans or bottles. Binge drinking has caused many deaths on campuses recently. Kids experiment with smoking as they do with many other things as part of adolescent bravado. Cigarette ads are as innocent — or as provocative — as ads for liquor. No one forces old bags to smoke themselves to death.

My point is, people who smoke and continue smoking, despite the warning labels and the vigorous anti-smoking campaign, have only themselves to blame for illness or death.

If tobacco vigilantes pay a little more attention to the gun and liquor industry, many more lives could be saved.

Norman Sattar
Graduate student
Government
September 15, 1999

Football more important than academics

I am writing this letter in response to Kyle Smith's letter to the Observer in yesterday's paper. The idea that Mr. Smith would like to get rid of the football team is one of the most unbelievable letters I have ever read in the Observer. Where is your sense of tradition, Mr. Smith? Where is your love for the school that has such a great relationship with its football team? Had it not been for football, there are many wonderful people and individuals who would have probably not gone to this school. Mr. Smith must be some sort of highly philosophical person and probably is backwards in many things he does. I am even willing to say he is probably from Kentucky and probably a Lyle Lovett

fan for that matter. Well, in closing, I am proud of our football team and even though they have not done that good this year, I am still going to support them and cheer for them like I have in the past. If Mr. Smith doesn't want to then he can just go and meditate under a tree or something and think about what this school and football team mean to him.

Drew Brennan
Senior
Off campus
September 15, 1999



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"ELITE" IVY-LEAGUE SCHOOL.

Removing the football program, and making all scholarships academic is the silliest idea I have ever heard. The last thing we need here are more super-intelligent people who don't know a lick about Notre Dame football and the traditions that surround it. Hey, wasn't Knute Rockne that professor who made the physics department so storied and renowned around the country? And wasn't George Gipp a famous English major from ol' ND, who went on to become a Nobel Laureate? NO! Who comes here for physics or English, or an education in general? NOT THIS GUY! If football were a major, I'd graduate Summa Cum Laude (What is a Nobel Laureate anyway?)

Now correcting the problems on our football team is a separate task, but we can begin by forcing all those students who know nothing about Notre Dame football (and hence, know nothing about everything that is Notre Dame) to a different school that welcomes those who value their education. This is probably an unrealistic goal, but something that is attainable is for every student wishing to purchase football season tickets should be forced to take a test on the history of Notre Dame football; all those who pass get season football tickets, all those who fail get season science bowl tickets.

Now I could have misread the article

and our hero who seemed concerned about our educational ranking may very well have been making an attempt to be sarcastic. If this is the case, he should be shunned all the same, since the sarcastic effort was very, very poor. Whatever the case, Notre Dame football is not going anywhere ... ooh, except maybe out of the NCAA altogether. Yeah, how about that?

All those people who love Notre Dame football more than a Notre Dame education (and possibly more than life itself) should lobby to get 10 college teams (including powerhouses like Florida State, Penn State, Ohio State, Nebraska, etc.) to separate themselves from the educational realms of there school and from the NCAA entirely. We could form our own league, and just follow the teams around like "roadies." That way we won't be subject to NCAA infractions, horrible Big-Ten officiating, or worst of all, education. Oh, how sweet it would be!

But that's still a few years away ... back to reality. Rid the school of all those people who know nothing of Notre Dame football — they may know the square root of 4761, but I bet they don't know who the four horsemen were.

Thank you and good night!
(Note: The grammar in this article may have been compromised for a lack of enthusiasm in education.)

Chris Mudd
Junior
Dillon Hall
September 15, 1999

MOVIE REVIEW

'Love Stinks' — So does the movie

By JOEY LENISKI
Scene Movie Critic

Watching a new release in an empty movie theater is an ominous sign that the film is an unmitigated disaster — it says that your \$6 would have been better spent watching "Star Wars: Episode One" for the seventh time this summer.

An even more dismal scenario is watching a new release in a dark theater with only a lone couple who, after deliberation, chose rather conspicuously to sit way in the back where the theater managers could not afford to put any lights.

It says that this movie appeals only to the rather pathetic couple who, desperate for variety in their relationship, rationalize that \$12 is not too much to invest for an evening of sucking-face to a soundtrack filled with mindless dialogue and horrible one-liners.

The experience gained to write this review was the latter, and with every creaking armrest and slurping sound from the back of theater, movie critic hell approached faster and faster.

Now that the mood has been established, "Love Stinks."

"Love Stinks" is a story ripped straight from the script pages of an Aaron Spelling throw-away.

Seth Winnick (French Stewart) waits anxiously in tux and tails to marry heavenly Chelsea (Bridgette Wilson), but best-friend Larry (Bill Bellamy) drags him into a airplane bathroom to remind him how rocky the love-boat trip has been. The rest of the movie is told in flashback narrative, complete with a Bill Bellamy voice-over, which gives the movie some semblance of a plot to follow and hopefully resolve.

The story is familiar: Boy meets girl, boy likes girl, girl turns psycho and

dresses like the King to please boy's wildest sexual fantasy, boy finds he cannot commit to an Elvis Impersonator and so on. The movie winds around this same basic tenant several times, each revolution gaining less steam but more viable humor.

A perverse blend of comic mishap and sexual domination, "Love Stinks" fails on virtually every level. The movie is written and directed by Jeff Franklin, famed producer of TGIF fare such as "Full House" and "Hangin' With Mr. Cooper."

Unfortunately for Franklin, boob-tube triumph does not necessarily translate into celluloid success. Years of television training left its mark on the film, a point painfully obvious to the viewing audience which came expecting more.

The players never get the chance to move around or have fun in this fictional world. They remain blissfully confined in claustrophobia, framed like talking heads in painted boxes.

The characters in the film meander hopelessly through a sitcom-style plot which Jerry, George, Elaine and Kramer probably would have undermined in the span of 20 minutes. That would have at least been fun to watch.

Instead we are force-fed overplayed drama, tricked into believing the genuineness of the main players, and barraged constantly with witless sarcasm and physical humor. None of it amounts to more than five minutes worth of entertainment from a "Seinfeld" episode.

Given such a hapless predicament, it would seem natural to alleviate the actors from the blame for this film tragedy. That would be kind considering the amount of damage poor acting reaps on the advertising campaign alone. Aside from their dismal and often



Photo courtesy of Independent Artists

Bridgette Wilson, Tyra Banks, Bill Bellamy and French Stewart star in the no-win comedy, "Love Stinks."

annoying performances, the actors' names themselves fail to scream "box-office phenomenon" — a sitcom regular, a low-budget movie queen, an MTV VJ, a supermodel with little prior acting experience and a few former Playmates for eye-candy alone. They could have stirred more audience enthusiasm from a human corpse (given that the corpse was a male, of course).

And much to the disappointment of the flocking pubescent male audience, the rather "top-heavy" investments that the producers cast as the female leads neither flaunt nor feign much convincing sexuality. Most of it shakes out of Tyra Banks' loose-fitting dress-top while she shimmies during the opening

wedding celebration.

"Love Stinks" begs the question: "Does love necessarily have to complement sexual fulfillment?" According to the script the answer is no, but only if the plot joins a possessive harlot with a career bachelor, neither who have any clue what actual love means. That is the extent to which this film presses your reasoning ability.

Do not go to this movie for advice on love. Go to make some seriously chapped-lips with your date in the back row for the duration. Interestingly enough, the tagline for this movie reads, "Sometimes the best sex in the world ... just isn't worth it." Neither is this film.

VIDEO PICK OF THE WEEK

Slater screams loudly as teenage Howard Stern

By CASEY McCLUSKEY
Scene Movie Critic

Every generation needs a voice — someone who is not afraid to say "Damn the man" and stand up for those who are afraid to stand up for themselves.

In "Pump Up the Volume," the students at Hubert Humphrey High find their voice in Happy Harry Hard-On

(Christian Slater), a radio pirate who says things that most students only wish they had the guts to say. Harry throws the question out to his listeners — How far will you go?

At first, most of Harry's listeners see Harry as a young Howard Stern whose programs consist primarily of sex talk with little else. And although the majority of the programs deal with very controversial subject matter, there is always a message for the students.

Harry sees how things are screwed up for the students and encourages them to stick with it and survive. He does not want the students to shut up and conform, like many adults and administrators do, but rather, he encourages students to be themselves and no matter how hard things

get, stick with it and survive.

As Harry's program becomes more and more popular, more and more students turn to Harry for guidance and help. Students send their deepest secrets and problems to the radio guru because unlike the guidance counselors at the school, Harry is not afraid to dive into certain taboos with both feet.

He uncovers the real problems that exist in the school because his dad is the school commissioner. Harry exposes all the dirty secrets of the school that administrators love to cover up, and begins to enrage those who cannot control him.

When a student in the high school commits suicide, the adults of the community look for a scapegoat. They find no better scapegoat than the student who is rocking the boat.

Many adults felt that their community of Paradise Hills, Ariz., was perfect until Harry came along and stirred up all of their problems.

The students know that these problems were there and that they always have been. Harry simply took them out from under the covers. He encouraged people to admit to these problems and try to fix them, rather than pretend they are not there and hope they will go away.

The students hear his message and begin to take things into their own hands. They refuse to remain confined to their little boxes and begin to develop voices of their own.

"Pump Up the Volume" was mostly popular for its key phrases and amazing soundtrack. The music is not the same bubble gum soundtrack one would find on most

other teen movies. Like the film, the soundtrack has an edge.

This is a movie to rent when feeling a little oppressed by those who are in control — when in need of inspiration to stand up to the man and question authority. It will empower anyone to stand up talk hard.



Photo courtesy of New Line Cinema
Christian Slater stars as Happy Harry Hard-On in "Pump Up the Volume."

MOVIE REVIEW

Religious terror bleeds into theaters

By MIKE McMORROW
Scene Movie Critic

For anyone who is wondering, a stigmata is an intensely religious experience in which a person undergoes the pain that Christ felt when he was being tortured, nailed to the cross and crucified.

A person who is a stigmata can undergo up to five different levels of stigmata, which increase in intensity each time. No one has ever reached all five levels, according to the new film "Stigmata."

The film also reports stigmata as having the experiences of possession mixed with the "manifestations of the pains of Christ."

"Stigmata" is not exactly a lesson in theology, which is all that really needs to be said.

Definitions and admissions aside, "Stigmata" stars Patricia Arquette as a 23-year old Pittsburgh hairdresser who one day innocently takes a bath and begins to undergo extraordinary convulsions.

She has the sensation and physical evidence of being whipped and having had nails drilled through her wrists, but

of course, there was no such action in the scene. Doctors and friends are bewildered, and soon a miracle-investigator from the Vatican (Gabriel Byrne) is called in to examine the possibility of a stigmata.

But there's a problem, as he soon realizes — she is a professed atheist.

According to the film, Catholic doctrine insists that all stigmatas are "deeply religious people." But the Gabriel Byrne character is not entirely satisfied, so he stays a while to see how

the situation pans out. Of course, she has another attack.

The plot is thicker than it seems with this crude summary. There are issues with lost gospels, corrupt Church authorities, excommunicated priests and messengers from God.

On the surface, a lot of this is fun in an admittedly trashy sort of way.

However, it is not entirely fair to accuse the film of being completely exploitative, as issues are raised about the possibility and nature of miracles, and they are treated slightly more thoughtfully than one might have guessed from the trailers. Don't be mis-



Photo courtesy of MGM

Gabriel Byrne (left) and Patricia Arquette star in last weekend's top box office film, "Stigmata."

taken, the film should by no means be a lesson in Catholic dogma, but that having been said, it provokes some thought concerning certain religious issues.

Initially, the main problem with "Stigmata" seemed to be tone, but it is not entirely accurate. There are moments of quiet respect and character development that come unexpected.

Certain scenes, however, including several of the stigmata sequences, rely far too heavily on visceral sensationalism, to the point where the religious feeling literally gets muddled in the noise. These scenes would have been more effective with variation in the way they play out.

There is a lot of nifty camera work and a lot of sound, but the sheer amount gets to be overbearing and ultimately sensational. The cliché "less is more" is certainly appropriate here.

Ultimately, though, the extremely marginal success of the film is, like so many movies, due to the performances. Gabriel Byrne has a nice blend of priestliness with humanity that creates for a basically believable character. Patricia Arquette does wonders with a character that could have been portrayed as anti-

religious-abrasive to no purpose. They have a nice connection that wisely, though just barely, stays platonic.

A lot of noise is going to be made about the appropriateness of such a film — Is it purely anti-Catholic? Or is it sensationalism used merely to get people into theaters?

Certainly it plays on anti-establishment themes that have been around longer than the movie industry itself. The idea of Vatican corruption is not original, and the movie plays on criticisms that have existed for a long time. It may have been more interesting to see the director and screenwriters try to say something slightly more original and less antagonistic to the Church. Movies, and stories in general, that involve Rome and the Vatican never seem to get away from the depressing but admittedly intriguing ideas of corruption pervading the Vatican. A departure would have been refreshing.

Being a good Notre Dame Catholic, it is easy to say truthfully that "Stigmata" is still fun and occasionally interesting, while certainly sensationalistic and trashy. It is hard to admit not enjoying it a little.



Photo courtesy of MGM

Patricia Arquette is possessed by uncertain spirits in "Stigmata."

Box Office



Patricia Arquette stars in "Stigmata" (reviewed above), this weekend's top pick at the box office. Taking in \$18.3 million, "Stigmata" edged "The Sixth Sense" out of the top spot which it has held for the previous five weeks.

Photo courtesy of MGM

Top Ten Weekend of Sept. 10-12

Movie Title	Weekend Sales	Total Sales
1. Stigmata	\$ 18.3 million	\$ 18.3 million
2. The Sixth Sense	\$ 16.5 million	\$ 197.7 million
3. Stir of Echoes	\$ 5.8 million	\$ 5.8 million
4. Runaway Bride	\$ 3.8 million	\$ 140.5 million
5. Bowfinger	\$ 3.6 million	\$ 60.4 million
6. The 13th Warrior	\$ 3.0 million	\$ 26.8 million
7. The Thomas Crown Affair	\$ 2.7 million	\$ 61.4 million
8. Mickey Blue Eyes	\$ 2.2 million	\$ 30.3 million
9. Chill Factor	\$ 1.9 million	\$ 9.6 million
10. The Blair Witch Project	\$ 1.6 million	\$ 136.3 million

Source: Associated Press

NFL

Manning, Bledsoe's paths differ from college to pros

Associated Press

FOXBORO, Mass. Drew Bledsoe and Peyton Manning took different paths to become the top picks in NFL drafts. Bledsoe spent two years in college, while Manning stayed the full four.

Both decisions appear to be the right ones.

Bledsoe, in his seventh season, is one of the NFL's best quarterbacks. Manning, in his second season, may not need much more time to be just as good.

"He was definitely more successful in his rookie season than I was. I think he had maybe the best rookie season of any quarterback ever," Bledsoe said Wednesday. "Peyton looks very

good. He progressed very quickly."

Manning's stock could increase even more if he can lead the Indianapolis Colts to a win on the road Sunday against Bledsoe and the New England Patriots.

Last season, Manning set NFL rookie records for completions, attempts, passing yards, touch-

down passes and consecutive games with at least one touchdown pass.

He started his second season impressively by throwing for 284 yards and two touchdowns in a 31-14 win over Buffalo last Sunday.

This would be Manning's third season if he had decided to leave Tennessee for the NFL

after his junior year. Bledsoe, who left Washington State after his sophomore season, was one of the people Manning talked to before making his decision.

"He was in an entirely different situation than I was in where he was coming back to a team that had a chance to win a national championship," Bledsoe said.

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AMERICAN LEAGUE

Erstad sends Royals to fourth-straight loss

Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. Darin Erstad homered in the ninth inning, leading Chuck Finley and the Anaheim Angels over the hard-luck Kansas City Royals 1-0 Wednesday night.

For the fourth straight game, the Royals lost in the last inning.

Finley (10-11) limited Kansas City to two singles for eight innings and struck out eight. Troy Percival gave up one hit in the ninth for his 30th save.

Reliever Lance Carter (0-1) made his major league debut in the ninth, retiring Ben Molina before giving up the solo shot to Erstad.

Kansas City starter Blake Stein matched Finley for eight innings, giving up six hits and striking out six.

On Tuesday, the Royals lost a doubleheader to Anaheim, giving up the go-ahead in the ninth inning in both games. On Monday, the Royals lost in 10 innings to Texas.

The Angels got a runner in every inning, but stranded 10 against Stein. He escaped from two-on, two-out jams in the second and eighth.

Royals center fielder saved two runs in the seventh. With two outs and a runner on first, Beltran raced back to the wall to catch Jim Edmonds' drive.

The Royals' best chance came in the fourth, but they ran themselves out of a threat.

Finley walked the bases loaded with one out. Rookie Mark Quinn, who had gotten four straight hits, flied out to left and Beltran was doubled off second.

Finley cruised through the first three innings, surrendering

only a two-out single to Quinn in the second. After the shaky fourth, he settled in again, retiring the next seven before Mike Sweeney singled in the seventh.

White Sox 3, Tigers 1

James Baldwin and Keith Foulke combined on a three-hitter to lead the Chicago White Sox over the Detroit Tigers.

Baldwin (10-12) held the Tigers hitless until Deivi Cruz singled with one out in the sixth inning.

Baldwin allowed three hits in 7 2-3 innings, and won for the sixth time in seven decisions. He struck out six and did not walk a batter, retiring 11 in a row in the early innings.

Brian Simmons hit an RBI single for the White Sox, who won for only the fourth time in the last 20 games.

Bidding for his first career shutout, Baldwin gave up a two-out home run to Gabe Kapler in the eighth. Kapler's drive hit the top of the left-center field wall and bounced over.

Cruz followed with a single and Baldwin was lifted after throwing 116 pitches. Foulke pitched 1 1-3 innings for his eighth save.

Brian Mochler (9-15) gave up three runs and 10 hits in seven innings.

Carlos Lee and Chris Singleton each singled in the White Sox second. Paul Konerko hit a ground ball to first baseman Tony Clark, who threw to Cruz covering at second.

But the shortstop bobbled the ball, and a run scored on Cruz's error. Singleton scored on Simmons' single.

Mike Caruso's grounder drove in Konerko in the fourth for a 3-0 lead.

Yankees 6, Blue Jays 4

Bernie Williams hit a go-ahead, two-run homer in the sixth inning as the New York Yankees rallied for the second straight night, beating the Toronto Blue Jays.

The Yankees, who began the day with a 3 1/2 game lead over Boston in the AL East, won their second straight after losing four in a row. New York heads to Cleveland for a four-game series with the AL Central-leading Indians.

Williams, who had one homer in 26 games before hitting a game-tying grand slam in the eighth inning Tuesday, broke a 4-4 tie in the sixth with his 24th homer. Williams' slam Tuesday helped the Yankees score nine runs in the final two innings to win 10-6.

Andy Pettitte (13-11) allowed four runs and eight hits in eight innings to improve to 3-0 against Toronto this season. Mariano Rivera pitched the ninth for his 41st save.

Rivera walked Bush leading off the ninth, the second time in his last three games he walked his first batter. Rivera had gone 81 appearances since July 9, 1998, without walking his first batter.

Rivera hasn't allowed a run in his last 20 appearances, a span of 22 1-3 innings.

The Blue Jays took a 4-1 lead in the fourth on Carlos Delgado's 44th homer, Jose Cruz's RBI double and a two-run double by Homer Bush.

The Yankees tied it in the fifth against Pat Hentgen (10-11) on Tino Martinez solo homer, his 25th, Rickey Ledee's RBI triple, and Joe Girardi's run-scoring single under the glove of shortstop Tony Batista.

Hentgen gave up six runs —

five earned — and seven hits in 5 2-3 innings.

Tony Fernandez's throwing error in the first led to New York's first run. After Derek Jeter reached second on the error, Paul O'Neill hit an RBI single.

Devil Rays 8, Mariners 4

Herbert Perry hit a tiebreaking solo home run in the seventh inning and the Tampa Bay Devil Rays snapped a five-game losing streak with a win over the Seattle Mariners.

Perry has four homers in his last 13 games after being activated from the 15-day disabled list. He added an RBI groundout in the eighth.

The Devil Rays, at 63-83, matched their victory total from last year's expansion season.

Ken Griffey Jr. and Alex Rodriguez both made an error for the Mariners. The duo also went 0-for-8 with three strikeouts as Seattle lost for the eighth time in 10 games.

Albie Lopez (3-2) worked a scoreless 1 1-3 innings.

Frankie Rodriguez (2-4) allowed Perry's sixth homer and a run-scoring double by Terrell Lowry in the seventh.

Seattle tied the game at 3-3 and chased Wilson Alvarez during a two-run seventh inning. Jay Buhner led off the inning with a solo homer and David Bell added a two-out RBI double.

Alvarez allowed two earned runs and seven hits in 6 2-3 innings. Mariners starter Ken Cloude gave up two earned and six hits in 3 1-3 innings.

Cloude replaced Paul Abbott, who missed his scheduled start because of a groin injury. Seattle starters had pitched into the sixth inning in 15 consecutive starts.

David Lamb, making just his third appearance since Aug. 13, had a run-scoring single in the fourth that put Tampa Bay 3-1. Another run scored in the second when Lamb hit into a double play with the bases loaded.

Dave Martinez, who went 3-for-5, had RBI singles in the first and eighth innings to extend his career-high RBI total to 57, but has just 11 since July 4.

Canseco stays in Tampa

Associated Press

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. Jose Canseco will remain with the Tampa Bay Devil Rays next year, and resume his chase for 500 home runs.

The Devil Rays on Wednesday picked up a \$3 million option on his contract for the 2000 season.

"When I'm in the lineup I think the numbers speak for themselves," the 35-year-old slugger said before facing the Seattle Mariners at Tropicana Field. "Hopefully I can stay healthy, hit 50 or 60 home runs and help the team win."

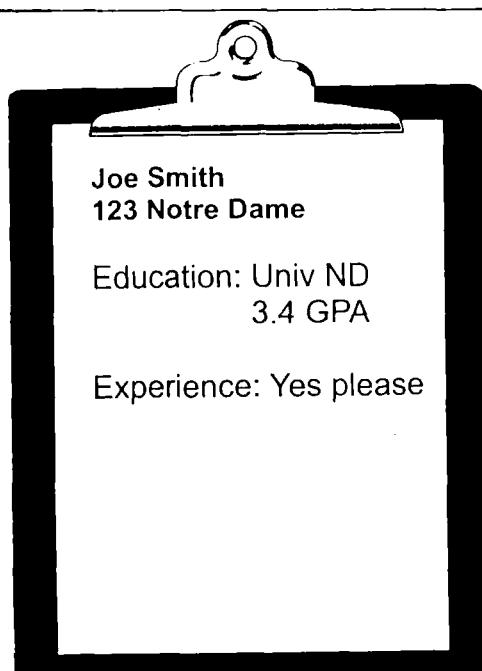
Canseco was having one of his better seasons before he was sidelined for six weeks after back surgery to repair a herniated disc.

He was leading the AL with 31 homers and had been selected as the league's starting designated hitter for the All-Star game when the injury knocked him out of the lineup from July 10 to Aug. 20.

Doctors originally projected Canseco would not return before Sept. 1, but his rehabilitation went better than expected. Devil Rays general manager Chuck LaMar cited the speedy recovery as one of the factors in the decision to bring him back for 2000.

"Jose has been everything we thought he would be and more. Before the back surgery, he was headed for one of his best offensive seasons ever," LaMar said.

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Schott sells Reds to partners for \$67 million

Associated Press

COOPERSTOWN, N.Y. Marge Schott's rocky 15-year reign as owner of the Cincinnati Reds ended Wednesday when baseball approved the \$67 million sale of the team to her limited partners.

On a day of big change, owners also voted to merge the administrative operations of the American and National leagues, and put off the sales of the Kansas City Royals and Oakland Athletics, citing the uncertain futures of baseball's small-market teams.

They unanimously approved the sale of a controlling interest in the Reds from Schott, who repeatedly has infuriated baseball with inflammatory statements about minorities and women, to Carl Lindner, who owns the Great American Insurance Co.

The deal, in which 36.7 percent of the Reds' shares change hands, values the franchise at \$181.8 million. George Strike and William Reik, two of the Reds' current limited partners, are helping fund Lindner's bid.

Schott couldn't be reached for comment and Lindner, who attended the meeting, referred comment to John Allen, the team's managing executive since Schott agreed in June 1996 to give up day-to-day control of the team.

"It's the end of a historic chapter in our organization," Allen said. "It's the start of the next chapter."

Owners also unanimously approved a resolution calling

on their lawyers to redraft the Major League Agreement, which governs baseball, to merge the AL and NL in all areas but on the field, where the leagues and divisions will remain unchanged for now.

NL president Len Coleman, concluding his job had become irrelevant, announced his resignation effective at the end of the World Series and will become a senior adviser to commissioner Bud Selig.

"The role of league president has become like a Studebaker — a good ride while it lasted," Coleman said.

AL president Gene Budig, who did not attend Selig's news conference, was offered the job of senior vice president under Selig in charge of educational and government affairs. There was no word if he would accept it.

"Baseball took a very historical step today that it had to do," Selig said.

Since the NL began in 1876 and the AL in 1900, each league ran its own affairs. But the commissioner's office, founded in 1920, has taken an increasing active role, especially since 1984, when Peter Ueberroth had the leagues move into the same building. Interleague play, which began in 1997, provided further impetus.

Under the change, umpires, scheduling and player discipline will switch to the commissioner's office, subject to collective bargaining with players and umpires.

"Frankly, the system was an anachronism," Selig said.

The owners voted 28-2 to table the \$122.4 million sale of the A's to a group headed by

Save Mart Foods chairman Bob Piccinini, and 29-1 to table the \$75 million sale of the Royals to a group headed by Miles Prentice.

Only Oakland and the Chicago Cubs voted against the motion to table to the A's sale. The Royals were the only vote against tabling their deal.

Piccinini's agreement to buy the team from Steve Schott and Ken Hofmann expires if it doesn't close by Monday, and his group seemed stunned.

"As far as I'm concerned, we're out of it," Piccinini said. "Unless the present owners put an extension on it, we're dead meat."

Prentice, a New York investor, agreed last Nov. 13 to buy the Royals for from a trust that acquired the franchise following the death of founder Ewing Kauffman in 1993. Since spring, management officials have said they were concerned his bid had too many people and not enough money.

"I was hopeful we would be approved," Prentice said. "We were not rejected. They did not turn us down. That's the important thing."

Selig said no action would be taken on the A's and Royals until after the owners' economic study committee, appointed last January, makes its report. He said the sales weren't approved because he wasn't convinced the deals would ensure the survival of the franchises in their cities for "a couple of generations."

However, baseball's economics are unlikely to change until after the 2001 season at the earliest, when the sport's labor agreement with players probably will expire. The economic study committee does not include the players' association, which is expected to reject its findings.

The proposed sale of the Montreal Expos from Claude Brochu's group to a group headed by New York art dealer Jeffrey Loria also wasn't

considered. The team and the commissioner's office agreed Friday not to put it to a vote.

Montreal's situation is tied to a new ballpark. Government officials have promised to back \$67 million in bonds with \$5.3 million in annual revenue from a tourism fund, but baseball says the financing must be completed before it will approve a sale.

"Everything has to be signed, sealed and delivered," Brochu said.

While a group in northern Virginia has been interested in buying the Expos, Selig has said his first choice is to keep the team in Montreal.

"This saga is looking like 'Gone with the Wind,' except we don't have Scarlett O'Hara or Rhett Butler to play in it," Selig said.

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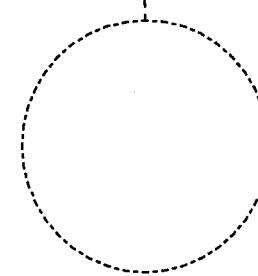
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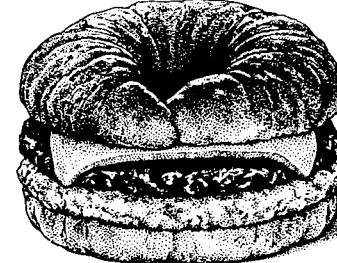


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Information Session for Holy Cross Mission In Coachella, California on January 3-10, 2000

Thursday, September 16, 7:30-8:00 pm
Coffee House-Center for Social Concerns

RCIA-Information Session for Sponsors

Sunday, September 19, 1:00 pm
Notre Dame Room- LaFortune

Emmaus Kick-Off

Monday, September 20, 6:00-7:30 pm
LaFortune Ballroom

Campus Bible Study

Tuesday, September 21, 7:00 pm
Badin Hall Chapel

Interfaith Christian Night Prayer

Wednesday, September 22, 10:00 pm
Walsh Hall Chapel

Graduate Student Bible Study Group

Wednesday, September 22, 8:00 pm
Wilson Commons

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Weekend Presiders at Sacred Heart Basilica

Saturday, September 18 Mass

30 min. after the game
Rev. Randall C. Rentner, C.S.C.

Sunday, September 19 Mass

8:00 a.m.
Rev. Edmund P. Joyce, C.S.C.
10:00 a.m.
Rev. E. William Beauchamp, C.S.C.
11:45 a.m.
Rev. Peter D. Rocca, C.S.C.

Vespers

Sunday, September 19

7:15 p.m.
Rev. Gary S. Chamberland, C.S.C.

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Saturday, September 18 Mass

45 min. after the game
Rev. Thomas P. Doyle, C.S.C.

Scripture Readings

1st Reading	Isaiah 55:6-9
2nd Reading	Philippians 1:20-24, 27
Gospel	Matthew 20:1-16

LIFE'S TOO SHORT NOT TO

Jim Lies, C.S.C.

Our lives are filled with all kinds of opportunities, some that we're aware of and about which we make good decisions. There are other opportunities that get away from us because we either didn't have enough information to make a good decision or we weren't even aware of the pivotal nature of the moment when it arrived, and it passed us by. More than at any other time in our lives, these college years are filled with opportunities to make choices and meet people that will deeply affect the persons that we will ultimately become. There is nothing sadder than to hear from a recent graduate: "If only I had..." This article is for you, that you might avoid the "If only"s beyond this place.

I think that we can all agree that the most important thing about life is relationships, relationships with our families, our friends, and most importantly with our God. The best of them can overcome the dreariest weather, and the worst of them can dampen even the sunniest day. It occurs to me that, in many ways, we come to know ourselves a good deal better when we interact with others in our world, and we come to know God and the stirrings of the Spirit in our lives when we take the time to attempt to articulate how we've experienced God in the circumstances of our lives. But oddly enough, as true as that may be, we don't often take that time. How often do we stop to consider how God has been present to us in our day? And how might we better be about the business of that reflection?

Many students within the Notre Dame community have expressed the need for a place where young women and men can come together to share their journey of faith, to gather socially, and to reflect on the things that matter in their lives. The Office of Campus Ministry has a program called "Emmaus" that attempts to facilitate just such gatherings. Emmaus is a program which intends to bring together students who want to enter into dialogue with others about faith and relationships, about God and about life. Like the travelers on the road to Emmaus who recognized Jesus in the stranger, we want the same for you. We want all who would join us to know the same joy and hope that those original travelers experienced in meeting Jesus along the road.

Our having been at Notre Dame won't mean much if we don't walk away from this place at the end of our tenure here with some significant relationships. And we believe that none of those relationships will amount to much on the long term if they are not rooted in the one and essential relationship with Jesus Christ. It is that which we should be about in these days. The danger, especially among the upper class students, is that we assume that we've met everyone we're going to meet here; that somehow, all the friendships that will mean anything to us on the long term have already been formed. You need only ask someone who has spent a semester overseas to know that an experience like that can seriously shake up your friendships. And still further, there are countless Notre Dame graduates who met their spouses in their last semester here. But it means taking some chances, and it means making friendship a priority among those many things that compete for your time.

Emmaus isn't the only way to get at this important task, but it is one of the ways. We would welcome any and all who are interested in gathering with others to share faith and Scripture to join Emmaus. There is an ongoing enrollment through the Badin Office of Campus Ministry, but the sooner you sign up, the sooner you'll be placed with five to seven others in a group. You also have the option of signing up as a group if you wish to deepen your relationships with already existing groups of friends, such as those with whom you spent time overseas, or those with whom you live in your section, etc.

This is no small matter. Our very happiness in life is wrapped up in our efforts to deepen in faith and in relationships. I know what you're thinking... "Hey, that's something I could get into... but I'm too busy just now." The next logical question is to ask yourself: "When won't you be busy?" It would be a great shame if throughout our lives we were just too busy to be about that which could have made us most happy. Know that Campus Ministry wants to help in any way it can to get at the most important questions of life. Please contact our offices to find out more about all that we do. And if you're interested in joining an Emmaus group, there will be a Emmaus Kick-Off, on Monday, September 20, 1999, in the LaFortune Ballroom from 6-7p.m. It will be an evening gathering for all who have been or wish to be a part of Emmaus.

CONSIDERATIONS



NFL

Young blasts 'Niners for lack of emotion

Associated Press

SANTA CLARA, Calif. Steve Young took his team to task Wednesday.

The San Francisco 49ers quarterback challenged teammates to play with more feeling. And in a direct jab at non-contributing rookies, Young said the club has to start getting more help from its younger players.

"We came off of the pre-season and I don't think we played with the passion we need to play with," Young said Wednesday as the team began preparations to play New Orleans on Sunday.

"There's got to be a battle, a passion for football," said Young, who struggled along with the rest of the 49ers in a season-opening 41-3 loss at Jacksonville.

"I'm not sure whether it was the lethargic start or the weather but the passion to play football week in, week out needs to be with us throughout the season, starting Sunday. I look at that as a major factor."

Coach Steve Mariucci said he didn't agree with Young at all.

"I didn't see it that way," Mariucci said. "I thought we were ready to play and I thought we were playing hard. We weren't necessarily playing well, especially on offense, but we certainly were playing hard. So I don't know what he's talking about."

Young acknowledged that he played as poorly as anyone in Sunday's debacle at Jacksonville, the 49ers' worst

regular-season loss since 1980, and he vowed to get better.

But he also said the team faces an uphill battle unless it gets additional production from newcomers. San Francisco's rookie crop has been particularly disappointing.

The 49ers made defensive tackle Reggie McGrew their first-round pick and defensive end Chike Okefor was their next selection, in the third round. General manager Bill Walsh said he expected both to contribute this season.

But McGrew and Okefor missed virtually all of training camp with injuries — Okefor hurt his back playing basketball and McGrew had a knee condition — and have done next to nothing on the field.

Indeed, San Francisco has hardly gotten any help from the draft in the last three years. Quarterback Jim Druckenmiller, a first-round pick in 1997, was a bust and shipped off to Miami in a pre-season trade and the jury is out on cornerback R.W. McQuarters, a first-rounder in 1998 who has yet to crack the starting lineup.

"Right now, we can't have enough young impact players," Young said. "We need young players to make an impact. There's not a question about that. The rest of us, we've always been able to carry the load and we'll continue to just carry it."

Young said it has been tough dealing with the lopsided loss but that the team now had to look forward to New Orleans.

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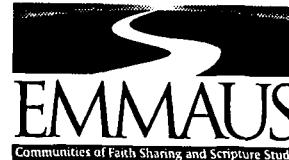


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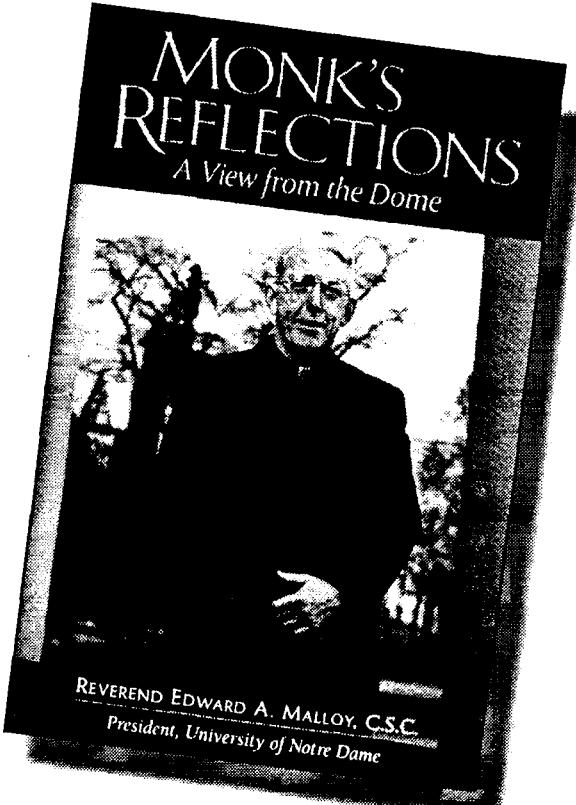
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9/16. Thursday Hesburgh Library Auditorium. 0800PM.

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NATIONAL LEAGUE

Cincinnati beats Chicago, stays within reach of N.Y.

Associated Press

CINCINNATI

Sammy Sosa remained stuck at 59 homers for the fifth straight game, but Greg Vaughn extended his late-season home run tear as the Cincinnati Reds beat the Chicago Cubs 5-4 Wednesday night.

The Reds remained 2 1/2 behind New York for the wild card after the Mets beat Colorado 10-5. Cincinnati opened the day four behind NL Central-leading Houston, which played Philadelphia in a later game.

Sosa, trying to become the first player to reach 60 homers a second time, went 2-for-4 and got an intentional walk that was loudly booed by a small crowd on hand hoping to see history.

Sosa, who hit 66 homers last season and finished second to Mark McGwire's 70, has not hit one in a span of 22 at-bats. It's his longest power slump since a five-game span from Aug. 5-8.

While Sosa disappointed the crowd, Vaughn pleased it with an RBI single as part of a four-run first inning and a solo homer off Jon Lieber (8-10) that made it 5-2 in the fifth.

Denny Neagle (7-5) won his fourth consecutive start, giving up two runs in six innings. Brett Tomko gave up Shane Andrews' solo homer, his first for the Cubs, that cut it to 5-3 in the eighth. Danny Graves pitched the ninth for his 24th save, allowing an RBI single to Sosa.

Vaughn has been a key figure in the Reds' late surge, hitting 10 homers in his last 46 at-bats while driving in 22 runs. He has 39 homers this season, nine against Chicago.

Earlier in the day, Marge Schott's rocky 15-year reign as owner of the Cincinnati Reds ended when baseball approved the \$67 million sale of the team to her limited partners.

The Reds strung together five consecutive hits in the first inning for a 4-0 lead. Vaughn singled home the first run, Eddie Taubensee had a two-run triple and Aaron Boone doubled.

Glenallen Hill homered off Neagle leading off the fourth, leaving him 11-for-28 career against the left-hander with six homers.

Sosa singled in the second, popped out in the fourth and was intentionally walked in the fifth, a move that was unpopular with the 21,794 fans and showed how much the Reds feared him.

Mark Grace's sacrifice fly cut it to 4-2 and left Bo Porter on second with one out. Reds manager Jack McKeon chose to walk Sosa, which meant that Hill represented the go-ahead run when

he came to bat with those impressive stats against Neagle. The left-hander prevented any second-guessing by pitching out of the threat.

Cubs manager Jim Riggleman and hitting coach Jeff Pentland were ejected in the second inning by home plate umpire Brian Gorman, who ruled that Lieber went around for the strikeout that ended the inning with the bases loaded.

Mets 10, Rockies 5

Darryl Hamilton's run-scoring triple broke a tie game in the eighth inning.

as the New York Mets continued their playoff push with a victory over the Colorado Rockies.

The Mets, who have won nine of their last 12 games, began the day two games behind the Atlanta Braves in the NL East and 2 1/2 games ahead of the Cincinnati Reds in the wild-card race.

Hamilton, traded from Colorado to New York at the July 31 trading deadline, had been 0-for-6 in the series before hitting a sinking line drive into right-center field off reliever Jerry Dipoto (4-5).

Right fielder Larry Walker's dive came up short, and the ball rolled 50 feet to the wall, allowing Robin Ventura to score easily from first.

Hamilton, who added an RBI single in a three-run ninth inning, scored on Benny Agbayani's sacrifice fly.

Mets reliever John Franco gave up two singles and a walk to load the bases in the Colorado eighth, but Armando Benitez came in and retired Dante Bichette on an easy ground ball to short. Benitez finished for his 21st save.

Agbayani hit a two-run homer — his first since June 25 — to give the Mets a 5-4 lead in the sixth, but the Rockies tied it in the seventh.

Kurt Abbott led off the inning with a double that grazed the left-field foul line. Mets manager Bobby Valentine came out to argue after shortstop Rey Ordonez insisted there was no white paint on the ball.

Replays showed that third-base umpire Tony Randazzo made the correct call, and the Rockies tied the game on Vinny Castilla's two-out single off Turk Wendell (5-4).

New York starter Orel Hershiser gave up four runs and six hits in six innings. He struggled early, walking four, but worked out of a bases-loaded jam in the second and retired the final seven hitters he faced.

Brewers 10, Cardinals 8

Jose Valentin led off the 12th

inning with a home run Wednesday night to help the Milwaukee Brewers beat the St. Louis Cardinals 10-8.

Valentin, a late-inning replacement, hit his 10th homer of the season off Juan Acevedo (5-8). After a walk to Marquis Grissom, Mark Loretta doubled home another run.

The teams combined to use 14 pitchers — seven each. The Cardinals used 22 players, the Brewers 20.

Rookie Hector Ramirez (1-1) pitched three innings for his first career win.

The Cardinals built 6-1 lead and still led 6-3 in the eighth, as starter Kent Bottenfield seemed headed for his 18th win.

But the Brewers scored four in the eighth off Lance Painter. Alex Ochoa tripled and scored on a single by Brian Banks. Valentin singled and after a sacrifice bunt, Mark Loretta singled to tie the game.

With two outs, Jeremy Burnitz walked. After the count went to 2-2 on Kevin Barker, Painter left with a cramp in his left calf. Barker grounded the first pitch from Heathcliff Slocumb for a tiebreaking single.

The Cardinals tied it in their ninth on an RBI single by Craig Paquette, who has 37 RBIs in 38 games since being traded to St. Louis from the New York Mets on July 31.

Milwaukee retook the lead in the 10th when Marquis Grissom walked, was sacrificed to second, moved to third on a deep fly, and scored on a wild pitch from Ricky Bottalico.

St. Louis tied it again on an RBI single by Alberto Castillo.

The Cardinals scored three in the first, including solo homers by Edgar Renteria and Fernando Tatís, his 28th, off Bill Pulsipher.

Eduardo Perez scored the other run on a single, a wild pitch and error on the throw, and another wild pitch.

Giants 4, Marlins 3

Jeff Kent and J.T. Snow hit solo homers and Russ Ortiz got his 17th win as the San Francisco Giants, who have won 21 of 28, defeated the Florida Marlins.

Kent led off the fourth with a homer and Snow homered leading off the sixth. Doug Mirabelli added an RBI single and Bill Mueller had a sacrifice fly for the Giants, who have won 11 of their last 13 home games.

Ortiz (17-9) allowed three runs on five hits in seven innings. Robb Nen pitched the ninth for his 34th save in 43 opportunities this season.

Cliff Floyd hit a two-run homer in the fourth for the Marlins, who have lost eight straight road games. Ramon Castro added a solo homer in the seventh.

Dennis Springer (5-15) allowed four runs on nine hits in six innings for the Marlins. He is tied for second in the majors in losses — only Steve Trachsel of the Chicago Cubs has more, with 17.

Kent and Snow each hit his 20th homer. Along with Barry Bonds (31) and Ellis Burks (28), the Giants have four players with 20 homers in a season for the first time since Willie McCovey (39), Willie Mays (28), Bobby Bonds (22) and Dick Dietz (22) accomplished that feat in 1970.

Phillies 8, Astros 6

The Philadelphia Phillies stopped their 11-game losing streak and ended Houston's team-record 12-game winning string, beating the Astros on Doug Glanville's career-high five hits.

The Astros had their lead in the NL Central cut to three games by Cincinnati, which beat Chicago 5-4.

The Phillies won hours after announcing ace Curt Schilling would not pitch again this season because of shoulder problems. Philadelphia won for only the second time in 20 games.

Glanville opened the 10th with a single off Doug Henry (2-3) and stole second. After a one-out walk to Bobby Abreu, Mike Lieberthal hit an RBI double and Rico Brogna added an RBI single.

The Astros scored twice in the ninth off Wayne Gomes (5-5) to tie it at 6.

Ken Caminiti had an infield single that shortstop Desi Relaford threw away for a run, and Houston loaded the bases with no outs. Paul Bako grounded into a double play, scoring a run that made it 6-4.

Billy Brewer got two outs for his first save since 1994 with Kansas City.

Glanville homered, doubled and singled three times to finish 5-for-6. Pinch-hitter Alex Arias hit a tying triple in the eighth off reliever Jay Powell and Glanville and Lieberthal added run-scoring singles to make it 6-4.

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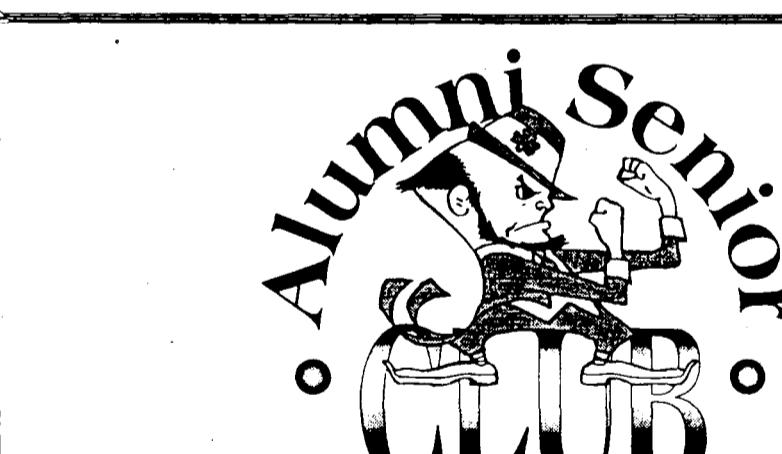
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Phillies' Schilling out for season

Associated Press

HOUSTON

Philadelphia ace Curt Schilling, scratched from his scheduled start Monday, will not pitch the rest of the season because of shoulder trouble.

"He's been battling shoulder problems all year and we just decided to shut him down for the season," Phillies spokesman Gene Dias said Wednesday.

Schilling declined comment before Wednesday's night game against Houston. The

Phillies had lost 11 straight games.

Schilling (15-6) leads the team in victories, complete games (8) and strikeouts (152). He pitched 180 1-3 innings this year.

His 3.54 ERA is the eighth-best in the league. He is second in the NL in complete games behind Arizona's Randy Johnson (11).

Schilling last pitched Sept. 8 against Houston at Philadelphia, allowing four runs and five hits in 5 1-3 innings. He was scheduled to start against the Astros on Monday.

NBA

Bird to step down after season

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS

Larry Bird said Wednesday he plans to step down as coach of the Indiana Pacers at the end of the 1999-2000 season when his three-year contract expires.

"Do I expect Larry to coach after next season? No," club president Donnie Walsh said of Bird's statement, adding that he hasn't sat down with Bird



Bird

since last season to discuss his future plans.

Speaking during a news conference to promote his book, "Bird Watching: On Playing and Coaching the Game I Love," Bird confirmed he had no plans to coach past the upcoming season.

"I said that to Donnie when I came in. Three years is enough for a coach in any one place. After the three years I told him I'd probably be done," Bird said in a satellite interview from Naples, Fla., with Indianapolis television station WTHR.

"It's been a great experience for me. It's not something I dreamed of doing," said Bird, named NBA coach of the year in his rookie season on the Indiana bench when the Pacers reached the seventh game of the Eastern Conference playoffs before losing to eventual champion Chicago.

The Pacers followed up by winning the Central Division championship last year, but were upset in the Eastern Conference finals by the New York Knicks.

"It's been an unbelievable experience for me. Now it's time to move on," Bird said.

"The bottom line is I'd like to see him continue with the franchise in some way," Walsh said. "I'm extremely pleased with everything he's done as a coach and if he doesn't want to coach, then I'd love to have him with us in another role."

"Larry and I have to sit down and discuss his desires. We haven't had any recent conversation about his future and I've told him that I'd like to have one when he gets back in town."

Bird is staying in his Florida home during the offseason and couldn't be reached for comment.

Attn: Correction from yesterday's edition

The correct schedule for this week's Notre Dame sporting events is as follows:

Cross Country-National Catholic Championships

Friday

JV Race-3:30pm
Women's Race-4:15pm
Men's Race-5:00pm
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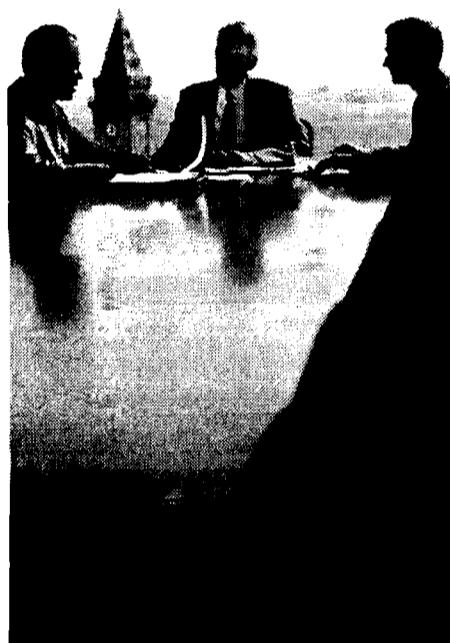
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Soccer

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box. Junior forward Monica Gonzalez headed the ball toward the net but Butler goalkeeper Tricia Czerniak stopped it.

Czerniak did not catch the ball, however, and freshman midfielder Nancy Mikacenic cleaned up the loose ball and shot the ball into the goal for her first career goal.

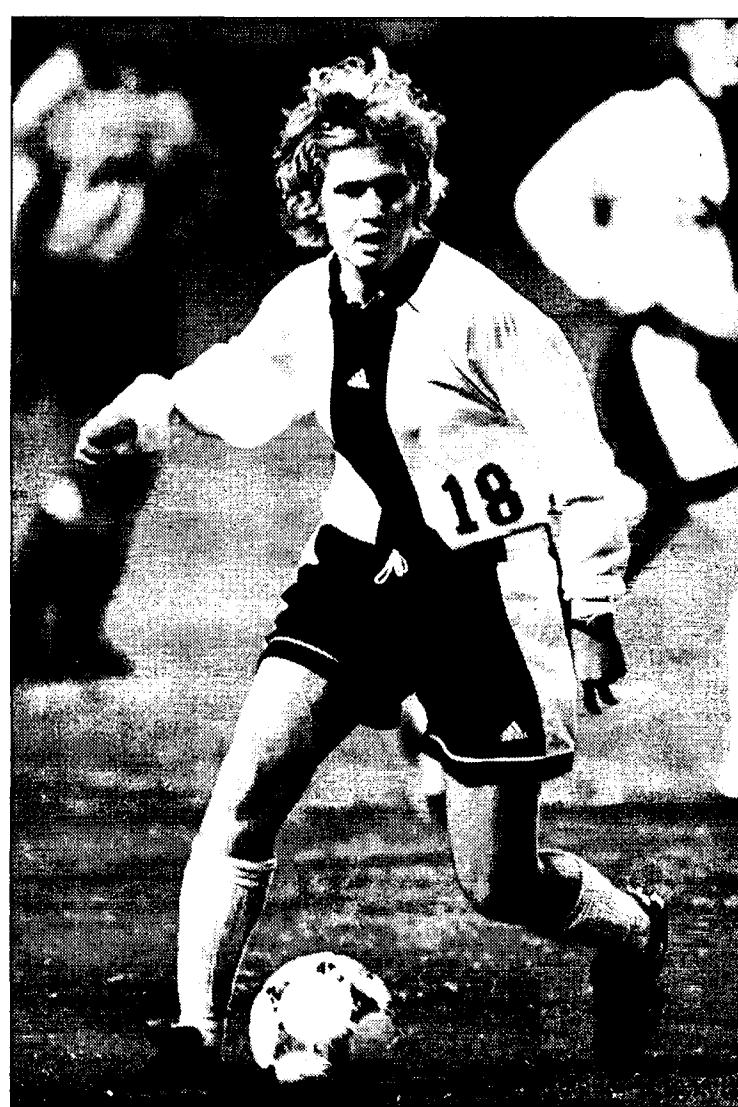
With 26:11 remaining in the first half, Gonzalez made a

great move on the Bulldog defender in the box to pass the ball to senior forward Jenny Heft. In a desperate attempt to stop Heft from firing point blank on the Czerniak, the defender fouled Heft.

Gonzalez took the ensuing penalty kick and beat Czerniak to her right for a 2-0 Irish lead.

Freshman Vanessa Pruzinsky earned the first point of her career in the second half when she fed Streiffer 40 yards from the Bulldog goal. Streiffer beat two Bulldog defenders before firing a blistering shot past Czerniak from 30 yards.

Introducing...



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Liz Zanoni saw action for the first time since 1997 after recovering from an injury that sidelined her all of 1998.

NFL

Browns to start Couch

Associated Press

BEREA, Ohio

The No. 1 wearing No. 2 will start at quarterback in Week 2 for the new Cleveland Browns.

Tim Couch, selected with the No. 1 overall pick in the NFL draft to be the Browns' quarterback of the future, will replace Ty Detmer as the starter Sunday when Cleveland, coming off an embarrassing opening loss to Pittsburgh, travels to Nashville to play the Tennessee Titans.

"I didn't know when this would happen, if it would be this year or not," Couch said Wednesday. "I'm grateful for the opportunity. Hopefully, I'll go out and do what I'm capable of doing, go out there and put some points up on the board."



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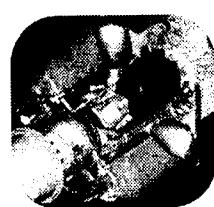
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Brian Churney

We watched Jarius limp off of the field against LSU, ending his season. But we won, so we forgave him.

We watched as they ran to the line wondering why the referees weren't stopping the clock during the Michigan game. We blamed the referees and forgave them.

We watched as the Irish tried to revolutionize football by playing with what seemed like two entire units at the end of the half against Purdue. But we were going to win that game. So we forgave them.

We waited for our inevitable celebration as Notre Dame lined up to punch in the winning score. We waited so long that the clock rained on our parade, running out and not allowing us to score that winning touchdown.

This time is different. This time we're not so willing to forgive.

Three halves in a row, the Notre Dame football team has run out of time. Our coach has nearly kissed away four games in three years because of his lack of time management. This is simply not acceptable.

The duties of a head coach during games on football Saturdays are many. He must motivate the team. He must make personnel decisions. He must make the crucial decisions throughout the game — calling time-outs, going for it on fourth down and managing the clock.

He should, if he's a good coach, also call the plays during the final minutes of a close game. He must coordinate his coaching staff, making sure his game plan is enacted. He must be able to talk intelligently and analytically to the press after the game. Finally, he must perform the intangibles, doing anything else that may come up to ensure a dignified victory for his team.

Routinely, Bob Davie fails one or more of these requirements. But last Saturday, he managed to fail at all of the above.

Consider his personnel decisions. Why continue to let Jim Sanson kick when other kickers exist? Maybe giving another kicker a shot in the game might result in a pleasant surprise. What's the worst they can do, miss a kick?

Consider his motivational techniques. Is it a coincidence that we've had a problem scoring in the second half ever since he arrived? We know how motivational he sounds during pep rallies. Should we expect any different in the locker room?

Consider his crucial decisions. A lot has been made over his clock management. But Davie's worst decision of the game was to punt the ball away with three minutes left on fourth-and-five. We hadn't stopped Purdue in three plays all game. If it weren't for Joe Tiller trying to out-bad-coach Davie, we never would have

gotten the ball back.

We never would have practiced our fake audibles.

Ever since he's come to Notre Dame, we've given Bob Davie every chance in the world to succeed. We've hailed him as the next great Notre Dame coach.

We've done his silly "Go Irish" cheer. We've scapegoated others for mistakes he's made (Can you say Jim Coletto?). We've even used a salute that Lou earned for Davie before he rightfully earned it, thus cheapening Lou's legacy.

We've even rewarded him with a contract extension despite a questionable success record.

The fact remains, though, that Davie has brought little good to the Notre Dame program. His failings span way beyond back-to-back, humiliating losses to USC and Michigan State.

Davie has embarrassed Notre Dame in a trial. He has spat upon Notre Dame history by questioning the mental stability of a legend of our past. He has inadvertently attempted to ruin our pep rallies by eliminating guest speakers and giving the same speech every week.

He's even showed little class on the sideline, often tossing down his water bottle rather than simply handing it back to the hard-working trainers.

We students deserve more from our head football coach. Our alumni and fans deserve more from our football coach. Most of all, our players, who work their rear ends off every day preparing for games only to have them thrown away by inept coaching, deserve better from our football coach.

So Coach Davie, if you do in fact believe this is the best student body in the country — as you say every pep rally — then choose one of the following two options.

Amend your ways and restore Notre Dame to its rightful place on top of the college football world. Or let the clock run out one more time.

Only this time, let it run out on your career at Notre Dame.

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

VOLLEYBALL

Saint Mary's falls to Lake Forest, 3-2

By KATIE McVOY
Sports Writer

After a successful weekend at the Ohio Northern Tournament this weekend, the Belles volleyball team dropped their game to Lake Forest College on Tuesday night, 3-2.

Although they have a strong team, Saint Mary's inconsistency Tuesday was the key element in the loss.

"Consistency would be our No. 1 goal to work on," senior Agnes Bill said. "We have a good team, but we let down a few times, and that's when they got ahead."

The Belles played hard through the fifth game. They led off the evening strongly, beating Lake Forest 15-9 in the first game. Lake Forest

bounced back to take momentum by winning the second game 15-2. Then Saint Mary's took the third game 15-8 to take a two games to one lead. Lake Forest tied the match in the fourth set with a 15-9 win to force a fifth and deciding game.

Lake Forest pulled through in the fifth game, claiming victory with a 15-9 win.

Bill led the team with 14 kills and 15 digs. Jolie LeBeau and Mary Rodovich led the defense with five blocks each. Jayne Ozbolt and Angie Meyers played significant roles with 11 digs a piece and a total of six aces.

The Belles will work on their consistency for the next game. They hope to take the lead early and hold on to it.

"We want to go three games instead of five," Bill said.

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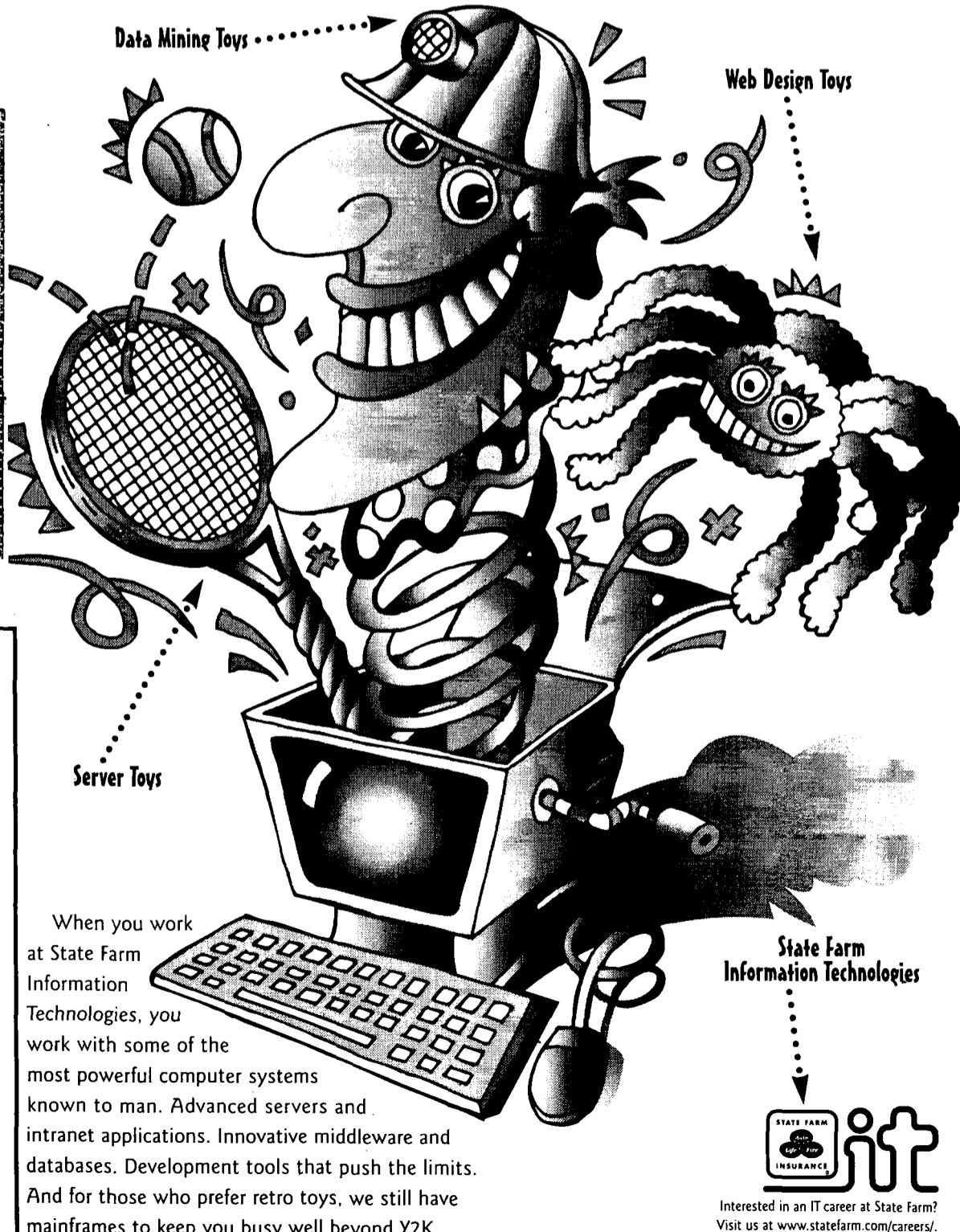
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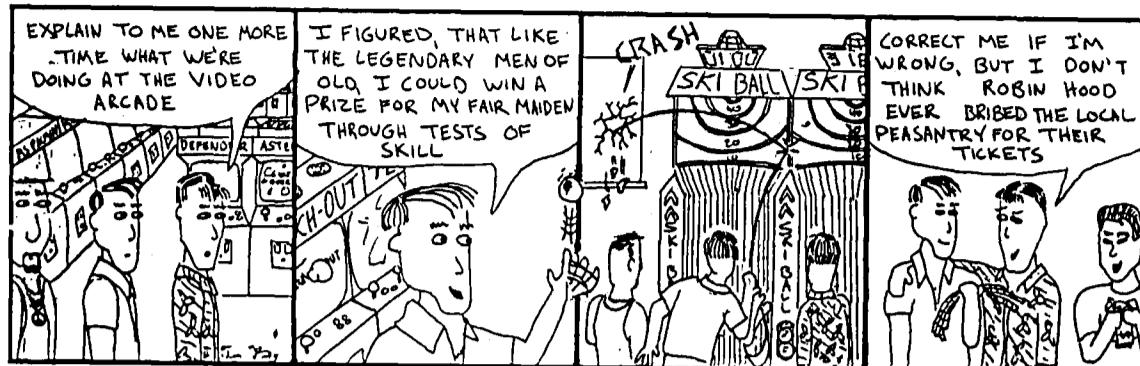
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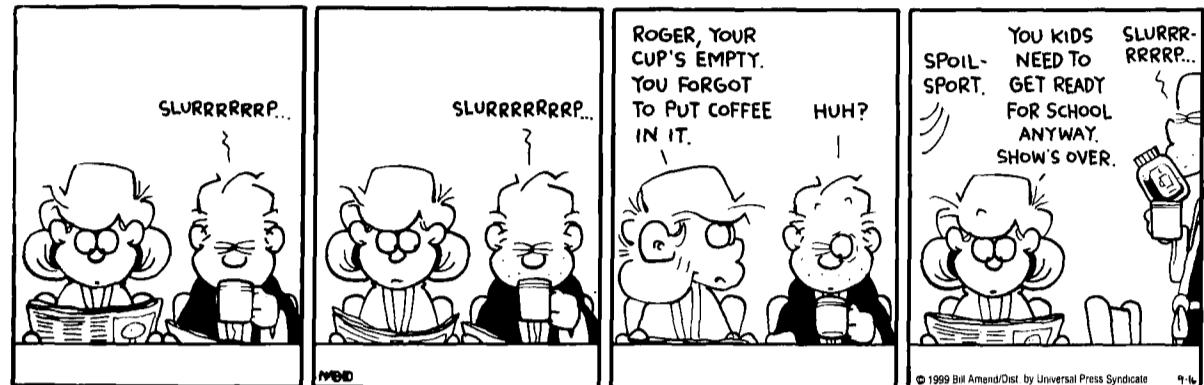
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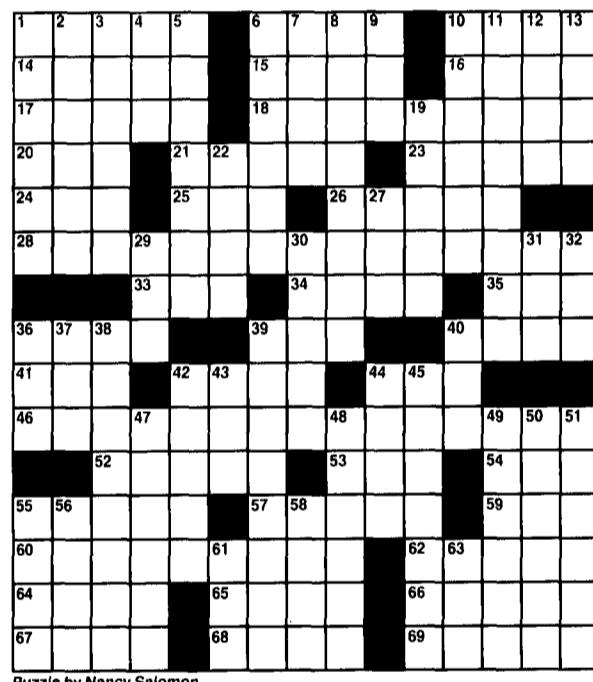
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- 29 "All systems go"
- 30 Guys
- 31 Wordsworth work
- 32 "Get going!"
- 36 Wet behind the ears
- 37 Kabibble



Puzzle by Nancy Salomon

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

ALPS	PETS	PANEL
MORT	IRAE	ADORE
BOOR	NAUT	SENSE
IT MARKS THE SPOT	SOPHIE	DOT
PIE	ERIN	WIG
SIT IN	ISON	SHOW
UNKNOWN QUANTITY	MOOG	AGUE
ONS	THEE	PRE
SAO	ROMANO	
SYMBOL	FORAKISS	
SNAIL	EAST	ECHO
MAPLE	AMIE	RHEA
UPSET	PEER	SEAR

38 Have a good day on the links
39 Can't wait to have
40 Word with whip or rip
42 Kind of acid
43 Snake charmer
44 Mother of Hera
45 The Big Apple
47 Lounging around
48 There may be a catch in it

49 Powerful combination
50 Look for again
51 With vigor
55 Ancient kingdom east of the Dead Sea

56 In that case
58 Invitation letters
61 Chicken king
63 Rock's Fighters

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CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: David Copperfield, Susan Rutan, Lauren Bacall, Peter Falk, B.B. King, Richard Marx

Happy Birthday: Your knowledge and insight will benefit you this year. You will be able to lead others into the future with your creative approach to all that you do. This is a year to push yourself to the limit in order to achieve the most. Fight for your rights as well as for your position. Your numbers: 3, 16, 24, 30, 42, 46

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Get ready to socialize, but not with colleagues or clients. Think twice before you decide to risk your position for love. Delays will occur if you have to travel today. Give yourself lots of time. **OOOO**

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Get out and shop for some new clothes. Don't be afraid to change your look. It's time to make physical changes that will improve your appeal and draw attention from individuals who interest you. **OOOO**

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Your partner will overreact to just about everything you do today. Stress will result if you let things escalate to an unbearable level. Honesty will be your best policy. **OOOO**

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You will have problems with relatives or friends if you have told them too much about your personal problems. Try to be honest with yourself and deal with the situation as quickly as possible. **OOOO**

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Do a little research. You may want to look at all your options regarding your career direction. You can make changes if you're willing to make a move. **OOOO**

BIRTHDAY BABY: You need to learn the value of a dollar. Your generosity may be your downfall. Your creative talent must be allowed to develop fully for you to reach the level of satisfaction you desire. You know how to attract attention. (Need advice? Check out Eugenia's Web sites at astroadvice.com, eugenialast.com, astromate.com.)

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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Your usual calm state will be threatened today. Try not to meddle in the affairs of those you love. You have plenty of your own problems right now, and it's time you dealt with them head-on. **OO**

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Problems with authority figures could leave you in a peculiar situation. Use your creative imagination to find ways of making extra cash. You need to find a positive outlet for your energy. **OOOO**

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You need to get out and join groups that will bring you in contact with interesting people. You are likely to build close relationships with individuals who believe in the same things as you do. **OOOO**

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Don't push your luck with your peers. If you need help, ask, but don't expect miracles. You may be forced to put in some overtime in order to meet your deadline and save your job. **OOOO**

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Plan a family outing that will bring you all closer together. You can teach youngsters by revealing your own experiences from days gone by. You need to avoid overspending. **OOOO**

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Spending on useless products will be upsetting and limit you financially. You can prosper, however, if you are willing to upgrade your living space by doing the work yourself. **OOOO**

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You can bet that, regardless of how you approach an emotional situation, your partner will take your words out of context. Be precise in your communication. **OOOO**

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Bye Bye Bird
Pacers coach Larry Bird announces that this year will be his last season in Indiana.
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The Saint Mary's volleyball team lost to Lake Forest last night.
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Thursday, September 16, 1999

Source: Chappell attempted to sell tickets

◆ Quarterback dismissed from team for allegedly offering free tickets for money

By TIM CASEY
Sports Writer

Backup quarterback Eric Chappell's recent dismissal from the football team was a punishment for attempting to sell complimentary tickets and accepting gifts, an anonymous source told The Observer Wednesday night.

Chappell reportedly offered two tickets for \$50 each for the Sept. 4 Notre Dame-Michigan game to the source and a 1998 Notre Dame graduate. The two tickets were never purchased from Chappell by the source and the graduate. However, they pre-

viously received free tickets from Chappell and other players, the source said.

The source also reported Chappell received gifts totaling \$5,000 from the graduate. The source claimed to have never given Chappell gifts.

Davie announced Chappell's dismissal at Tuesday's press conference and said it was an "internal discipline matter." Chappell, a third-string quarterback for the Irish, repeated Davie's comment Wednesday night.

When asked about the allegations, Chappell said, "They're false."

The source allegedly called the athletic department on



Chappell

Aug. 31 to report about the tickets. The source claimed to have met representatives from the athletic department the following day.

"I thought he shouldn't be charging for the tickets," the source said. "I thought the only way to rectify the situation was to go to the athletic department."

At the meeting, the source denied giving gifts to Chappell but mentioned that Chappell tried to sell them tickets.

Chappell's phone number allegedly appeared twice on the source's caller ID Sept. 6, but the source claimed not to have returned the calls. There has been no attempted contact between Chappell and the source since, the source said.

The source said to have met again with athletic department representatives at the Main Building on the night of Sept. 7. Athletic director Michael Wadsworth and head coach

Bob Davie were not present, the source said.

The source claimed to have had no further contact with the athletic department since Sept. 7.

At that meeting, representatives allegedly inquired about gifts Chappell supposedly received from the graduate. The source presented a list of gifts given to Chappell by the graduate.

The source allegedly witnessed the graduate give Chappell some of 12 or 13 gifts. The gifts were given over one and a half years — the most recent given this summer, the source said.

"He's clearly been using [the graduate] to buy him gifts," the source said.

Chappell reportedly kept the gifts in his Keough Hall dorm room.

The source said to have learned of Chappell's dismissal Wednesday morning from a

radio report.

Notre Dame's sports information department declined to elaborate on the allegations.

"The University does not comment on any disciplinary matters or anything involving Eric Chappell," sports information director John Heisler said.

Every uniformed player can offer four guests free access to each game. The players do not actually receive tickets but list guests to be admitted without charge into the games. The guests must show identification at the gate. The athletic department pays for the tickets.

There is no team policy about selling complimentary tickets, Heisler said, but it is an NCAA violation to sell them.

"I don't think there's a team policy because it's an NCAA rule," Heisler said. "That would supercede anything."

WOMEN'S SOCCER

Grubb's three points lead Notre Dame past Butler, 5-0

◆ Irish meet pregame goals in win over Vikings

By MIKE CONNOLLY
Associate Sports Editor

The Butler Bulldogs bloodied senior All-American Jen Grubb in the first half of Notre Dame's 5-0 win last night.

But Grubb got the last laugh when she scored her first goal of the season and added an assist in the second half.

Grubb was forced to switch jerseys in the first half when blood from her lip got on her sleeve. Grubb switched from her customary No. 6 to Anne Makinen's No. 8. Makinen was not in uniform last night because she was playing with the Finnish national team. When Grubb put on Makinen's jersey, she not only took her number but also Makinen's goal-scoring touch.

With the Irish leading 3-0, Grubb and Jen Streiffer lined up for a free kick from outside the penalty box. Streiffer faked a shot while Grubb followed closely behind and fired a shot past the goalkeeper.

Later in the second half, Grubb lofted a corner-kick high into the penalty box. Senior Iris Lancaster redirect-

ed the ball with her head into the net for her first goal of 1999. The assist gave Grubb four points on the year.

The near flawless performance by the Irish was exactly what the Irish were looking for heading into a tough two-game tournament in Texas. By the end of the game, most Irish starters were resting on the bench while their backups got experience.

"We probably couldn't ask for better," head coach Randy Waldrum said. "You hope going into the game you can get your starters off because you are playing a lot of games in just a few days."

The Irish set five goals going into the game and achieved all of them, according to Waldrum.

The Irish wanted to score five goals, win 80 percent of the head balls, score off two set plays, hold the Bulldogs to less than five shots and record a shutout.

"We starting setting goals before every game and this was the first time we have met all of our goals," Grubb said. "That is a good sign heading into this weekend."

The Irish opened the scoring when Kara Brown fired a corner kick into the center of the

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Meotis Erikson passes to a teammate in last night's 5-0 win by the Notre Dame women's soccer team over the Butler Bulldogs.

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vs. Michigan St.
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at Seton Hall
Friday, 3 p.m.



vs. Texas A&M
Houston, Texas
Friday, 4 p.m.



Volleyball
vs. Miami (Ohio)
Saturday, 7 p.m.



Volleyball
vs. Manchester College
Friday, 6:30 p.m.



Soccer
at Anderson College
Saturday, 1:30 p.m.