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Pasquerilla West RAs worried about job security

Dorm residents confused over reasons for AR's removal

By HELENA PAYNE News Editor

The six resident assistants of Pasquerilla West say they feel that their jobs are on the line after the dorm's rector asked former assistant rector Cynthia Phillips to

leave the residence hall.

Since several dorm residents have been outspoken on Phillips' behalf claiming there was no valid reason for PW rector Sister Sue Bruno's decision, RAs are questioning whether their support of the former AR would result in the termination of their hall staff positions.

"We are dedicated to our residents and we love our jobs as RAs," said senior RA Gretchen Graff.

She and fellow RAs Beth Fruzynski, Elizabeth Kuck, Arianne Obering, Kristy Robinson and Lisa Tzareff said they are trying to promote unity among the residents in their sections during this time of frustration.

"Absolutely, unequivocally, I do not want to lose any one of them," Bruno said.

Many dorm residents rallied together to support Phillips, a second-year law student, after formally learning last Thursday in a voice mail by Bruno that Phillips would not continue as a PW assistant rector.

In the voice mail, dorm resi-

dents said Bruno did not give any explanation.

During the weekend, some dorm residents protested the decision by hanging signs around the dorm. One read, "PW deserves the truth."

Dorm residents received a voice mail from the hall staff Wednesday saying they had to take down the signs, but Phillips said the RAs were pressured to send the message from Student Affairs.

RAs also said a high-ranking official in Student Affairs warned at least one member of the hall staff that she could lose her job if she commented on Phillips' removal.

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Bill Kirk, the assistant vice president for Student Affairs who is overseeing the situation, said he could not elaborate on personnel matters but added he did not put pressure on the RAs.

" I'm not in the habit of threatening people in that way and that's not something I would do," he said.

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Faculty considers reading day proposal

By SARAH NESTOR Saint Mary's Editor

In a push for campus approval for the reading day proposal Student Government President Kim Jensen and Vice President Elizabeth Jablonski-Diehl gave a presentation to Saint Mary's faculty assembly yesterday.

The reading day proposal, previously known as the study day proposal, has been a concern to student government since 1992. The purpose of the reading day proposal is to leave the Friday before exams week open, so students could study, work on projects or meet individually with professors.

According to Jensen and Jablonski-Diehl there have been several different proposals written, including last year's study day proposal, but none have been as comprehensive as the current reading day proposal.

'Kim and I can be really happy with what we have accomplished," Jablonski-Diehl said. "They [the faculty] had a lot of questions, but a big concern is in dropping Friday they lose a class day.

Jensen and Jablonski-Diehl presented each faculty member with a binder, which included their formal proposal, comparisons between Saint Mary's and 130 other institutions, a sample class schedule with the reading day included and data from last year's study day survey. Students will also have access to the binders, which will be placed at the front desk of every residence hall, in addition to being available in the library and the student government



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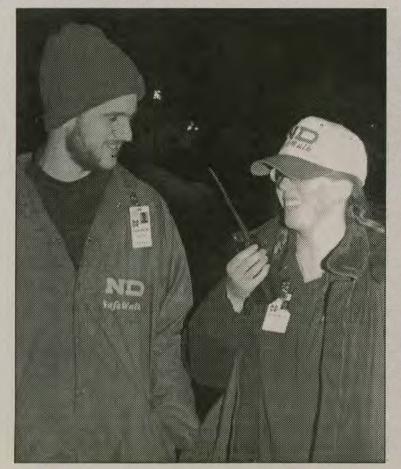
Kim Jensen, right, and Elizabeth Jablonski-Diehl, student body president and vice president present the reading day proposal to the faculty assembly.

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SafeWalk promotes campus safety and security



By JOE TROMBELLO News Writer

SafeWalk, Notre Dame's studentemployed nighttime escort service, remains a visible presence on campus, according to SafeWalk supervisor and Notre Dame security officer Cappy Gagnon. Although Gagnon said that most students perceive the Notre Dame campus to be safe, the SafeWalk service still receives calls from Notre Dame students and employees to escort them across campus. "We have a widespread feeling among students that this campus is 'safe'. Because of that, we get few calls for our assistance," Gagnon said. In addition to offering confidential walks to students and employees, the SafeWalk teams also patrol the campus and report any suspicious behavior to the Notre Dame Security/Police Department via radio. Over its history, SafeWalk has caught at least two burglaries and has requested medical attention for numerous ill students. Notre Dame Security/Police Department Assistant Director Charles Hurley said that the SafeWalk services allow security officers the freedom to concentrate on other tasks while SafeWalk

members are on patrol.

'[SafeWalk] frees our officers up to patrol the campus more - one of the benefits of SafeWalk to our department is keeping our officers free [to perform other tasks]," he said.

As students employed by the Security/Police Department, the

City sues Lafayette landlords

Lawsuit in response to student parties

By LAUREN BECK News Writer

A lawsuit between the City of South Bend and Taripp Development Corporation may prove costly for students living Lafayette Square Apartments.

Following repeated complaints of intoxication, consumption of alcohol by minors, loud noise, indecent exposure and trash and debris on the property, South Bend filed a lawsuit against Taripp Development Corp., which serves as the landlord for Lafayette. Specific concerns regarding a party on Sept. 6 were cited in the lawsuit, which was filed on Oct. 11.

The lawsuit stated Lafayette posed a risk to the health and safety of the community, and held Taripp Development Corp. responsible for permitting illegal activities on their property. Recent letters informed Lafayette residents that they could be evicted or forced to pay a share of the attorney fees if they could not control their gatherings. An Oct. 30 letter from Thomas Dixon, attorney for Taripp Development Corp., explained the lawsuit and its consequences to residents. "The lawsuit is the result of your 100 keg party at Lafayette Square Apartments the weekend of Sept. 6, 2002," the letter read. "In a nutshell, your parties have caused great concern from the leaders of this community. Quite simply, if you cannot control this problem, you will face eviction proceedings." Tracy Clark, vice president

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SafeWalk workers Seila Payne, right, and Thomas Feeney walk around LaFortune waiting for a call to escort someone.

members of SafeWalk often work about nine hours per week. Each team of two to four people responds to calls, patrols the campus, speaks with hall rectors and assistant rectors and walks through popular student hangouts like Reckers.

Safewalk teams often perform recruit walks, approaching groups of one or two females and offering to walk them back to their destination even though they have not formally requested an escort. In this way, SafeWalk both advertises its services and promotes a more secure campus, Gagnon said.

"The best advertising that we can do is walking around the campus," Gagnon said. "I think that people know that we are willing to do things at NDSP to help students. I can't believe there is a person on campus who is fearful and doesn't think that we would help," he said. Students working with SafeWalk

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INSIDE COLUMN

Where the ugly things are

We're all familiar with the disturbing torso that stares at pedestrians as they walk by O'Shaughnessy Hall and that sinister rocking chair just a few feet away that for one reason or another gives me the creeps. I'm surprised these two

"works of art" have not as of yet been publicly desecrated by an angry mob.

All in all, this collection of metallic monstrosities is confined to the lawn in front of the art building.

A giant iron birdhouse stands as a sentry keeping watch over South Quad's misfits. But, the chair and torso have been plotting a coup for years to invade the campus with their hideous minions. They have finally struck. While the birdhouse edifice was distracted exhibiting its sleek living conditions to a prospective winged tenant, the two mischievous sprites have sprung out onto the campus. The invasion has begun.

Just in time for Halloween, three other grisly sculptures have snuck onto the hallowed grounds of Notre Dame. Howard Hall, the Kroc Institute and poor Riley, who already hosts the original two goblins, have all been coerced to shackle more creatures to the ground and keep them from wreaking havoc on the campus. All three are merely a few steel pillions welded together resembling the skeletons of the construction projects currently taking place on campus.

To counteract the repulsive look of their steel girders, one group of Howard residents has already taken the initiative to cover up their edifice and shield it from the public view. With the help of a white bed sheet, a black marker and duck tape they turned the goblin into a friendly ghost.

Judging from the reactions of pedestrians passing by the new art work I can tell they aren't being well received. Freshman Jerry Beres commented that the cement pad used to support the structure in front of Howard would serve better as a patio to barbecue on. Several students I talked to were eager to share with me their dissatisfaction with the new art work.

Modern Art, as it's termed, does not belong on the quads of Notre Dame. It should be gracing the halls of the Snite or in the shadows of ultramodern buildings. The gothic buildings on Notre Dame's campus lack the ability to present this art form. Both the art and building style clash strongly in comparison with each other. Perhaps if they were all huddled around the art building, I would never have written this article.

Only under the watchful eye of the only modern art on campus that looks decent, the "Birdhouse Mosaic" as I've named it, can they be kept at bay. Yet, because the beasts are expanding their territory I felt it was my duty as a Notre Dame student to decry the flaws of this new project that may ruin the beauty of our campus. These wild things if not watched closely will multiply and may very well choke the life out of our gothic architecture and traditional grounds that have become a staple of this University.

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- ◆ Flu shots: Offered to ND students, retirees and their spouses, faculty and staff, valid ND ID and short sleeves required, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., located at the Hesburgh Library Concourse and the Dooley Room in the LaFortune Student Center.
- ◆ Lecture: "Suffer the Little Children? The Psychological Impact of Political Violence" with Ed Cairns 7 p.m. in the Auditorium of the Hesburgh Center.

WHAT'S HAPPENING @ SMC

- Young Executives Club 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the North Wedge Room of the Dining Hall.
- Pre-Law Lecture: 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the Welsh Parlor of the Hagger College Center.
- Self-Discovery Series: "Camping in the Bewilderness"
 9 p.m. Regina Hall-North Lounge.

WHAT'S GOING DOWN

Hit and run reported

NDSP responded to a hit and run accident in the C01 parking lot Monday. There were no injuries reported.

Car vandalism occurs in lot

A student reported vandalism to her vehicle while parked in the D6 lot between 10 p.m on October 31 and 9 p.m. on November 2. There are no suspects.

Lost wallet returned to owner

A wallet belonging to a student was found at an off-campus location on Tuesday and turned in to NDSP for safekeeping. The wallet has been released to the owner.

Vandalism reported by employee

A University employee reported vandalism to her vehicle while parked outside the Hesburgh Center on Tuesday. There are no suspects.

Theft at South Dining Hall

A student reported the theft of his jacket and keys from the dining hall on Tuesday between 1:30 p.m. and 2 p.m. There are no suspects.

Complied from NDSP Crime Blotter

WHAT'S COOKING

North Dining Hall

Today Lunch: Spaghettini, spinach tortellini, tri-color rotini, pepperoni pizza, cheese pizza, vegatable pizza, pretzel sticks, chicken in the pot, Texas chili, tomato soup, broccoli potato leak soup, meatloaf, scalloped corn casserole and fried potato triangles.

Today Dinner: Spaghettini, spinach

South Dining Hall

Today Lunch: Spaghettini puttanesca, southwestern pasta sauce, basil-garlic linguine, Hawaiian pizza, pretzel sticks, cheese & vegetable pie, winter-blend vegetables, beef chop suey, cajun-baked pollack, roast top round and baked sweet potatoes.

Today Dinner: Spaghettini puttanesca, Southwestern pasta sauce, Basil-Garlic Linguine, Hawaiian Pizza, Potato Pancakes, Hot Chunky, Applesauce, Stuffed Green Peppers, Tuna Casserole, Roast Turkey Breast, Bread Stuffing, Baked Sweet Potatoes, Sauteed Chicken Breast, Steakhouse and Fries.

Saint Mary's Dining Hall

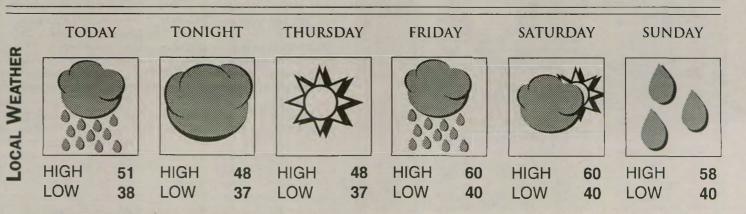
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Today Dinner: Cheese pizza, pepper-

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Notre Dame researcher solves hardest mathematical problem

By JUSTIN KRIVICKAS Assistant News Editor

Christopher Monico, a postdoctoral researcher has solved arguably the hardest math problem in history. The com-

putation involved the most difficult elliptic curve discrete logarithm (ECDLP)ever solved and Monico had the help of 10,308 computers to acquire the right answer.

The Toronto security firm Certicom presented the math problem. Called the "ECCp-109 Challenge," the company encouraged researchers to test the security of ECDLP by offering a \$10,000 prize for the solution.

To tackle this problem, Monico wrote a computer program to perform the complex calculations. Being a computer science minor as an undergraduate, he was familiar with computer programming and devised an application that could do the advanced

calculations. It took Monico a few weeks to write the program and changes to it developed over a four month peri-

Anyone with access to the Internet could visit Monico's Web site dedicated to the ECCp-109 problem and help him with the

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Christopher Monico Notre Dame post-doctoral researcher

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cal operations and transmit this information back to Monico's serv-"This is the only feasible

way to solve this problem,' said Monico.

Recently, this type of approach has used the computers of hundreds of thousands of volunteers all over the world with the Internet to look for extra-terrestrial radio signals and to find more effective drugs to fight the AIDS virus. These projects are so large, and require so much computing power to solve, that they would be impossible

for any one computer or person to solve in a reasonable amount of time.

Monico highlighted the complexity of the project by stating on his website, "We computed about 36,507,222,000,000,000 points total. If I tried this myself, I would have needed about 4,000 to 5,000 PCs working 24-7 on this project alone, for one year."

The only major problems that plagued Monico's efforts included power outages that shut down his server.

The solution took 549 days to compute and involved 247 teams from around the world.

By the time the project was completed, Monico had replied to over 1,500 e-mails concerning his work and computer program. The project's Web site can be accessed at http://www.nd.edu/~cmonico/e ccp109/. It has been viewed more than 235,000 times since the project's inception.

Monico has already spearheaded the next effort to solve another complex problem by writing the code for the next endeavor. Others involved in Monico's first project are heading a new campaign that involves a somewhat simpler problem than the one they just solved.

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Intercultural Studies offers new perspectives

By EMILY FORD News Writer

The Intercultural Studies program at Saint Mary's has been offering new cultural perspectives to students, and the College has approved a general educacourse called tion an Introduction to Intercultural Studies.

According to Vincente Berdaves, Intercultural Studies coordinator and associate professor of com-

munication at Saint Mary's, the introductory course offers students valuable information that is often not found in their majors.

"The proposal was forwarded by the C [Intercultural

Studies] steering committee and the Curriculum Committee of the College felt the course merits being included in the general education requirements in terms of enabling students to develop a breadth of knowledge beyond exposure to the content areas of their majors," Berdayes said.

Saint Mary's currently offers a student-designed major and minor in Intercultural Studies. The 15-hour minor, which was founded in 1999, explores the "theme of intercultural contact and inter-group dynamics," according to the program's Web site. It exposes students to how different social and cultural

groups come into contact, historically and contemporarily and the results of that contact. Students enrolled in the minor must select courses that examine the intercultural dynamics in the United States and in global contexts.

The courses in the Intercultural Studies program incorporate a myriad of disciplines, including English literature, sociology and business. Since the offering is so diverse, the program's mission statement ensures that

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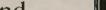
> Although there has been an increased demand for Intercultural Studies courses, according to Berdayes, there are no formal plans to expand the program into a major.

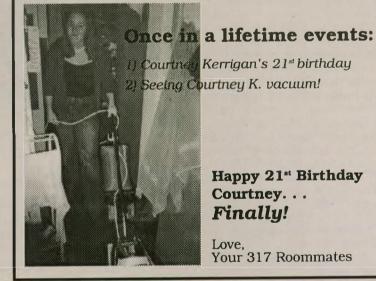
> "So far, there have only been informal discussions about this possibility," said Berdayes.



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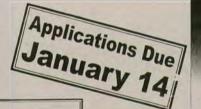
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Jensen and Jablonski-Diehl

were invited back to the Dec. 4

faculty assembly meeting, to

address faculty concerns and

present more information on

the 130 institutions used for

comparison. Until then Jensen

and Jablonski-Diehl ask that

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of Real Estate Management, the managing agent for the Lafayette complex, was out of town this week and unavailable for comment.

Dixon's letter said the party violated the residents' lease because students attending the party broke the City's noise, trash and public indecency laws. The party exposed residents to potential eviction and fines from the City ranging from \$50 to \$2,5000.

Clark and Captain Wanda Shock of the South Bend Police Department met with Lafayette residents two days before their party at the beginning of the school year to advise them of policies regarding gatherings. They said they were worried about a pending lawsuit with the City as a result of trouble the previous year and wanted to make clear that they would not tolerate similar problems from current residents.

But some Lafayette residents said they are confused about the situation because the landlords have given them contradictory information.

Senior Reid Platt said police told residents at the meeting they were not allowed to use the parking lot or front yards for parties. He and other resi-dents complied and opted instead to hold their gatherings inside and in their backyards.

But after the party, Platt said Real Estate Management told residents they and police had been mistaken and parties were not permitted in any outdoor areas, including backyards.

"They didn't know what was going on initially, and they are getting mad at us for breaking the rules, but they should have known what to tell us to do in the first place," said Platt.

Real Estate Management and the police held another meeting with residents after the City announced they were filsuit. Senior Albert ing Gembara said Clark established new rules for residents at the meeting.

'They were random rules, such as we are not allowed over 15 people in apartment at one time because that constitutes a party. Backyard parties no longer allowed either,' Gembara said.

The Oct. 30 letter from Dixon issued an ultimatum to students.

'There will be no more outdoor parties at Lafayette Square," it read. "If you have parties inside your apartments, any violation of any law by you or any guest will get you evicted. If a minor gets drunk ... or if you or your guests decide to relieve themselves outdoors, you will face eviction proceedings."

students and faculty who face long walks at late hours.

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SafeWalk

said they like the interaction with fellow students and enjoy helping to make people feel more secure.

"I have a chance to go out and meet people and do a good service," said Josh Towns, an Alumni Hall resident. "It is a good feeling that we have that [those who request escort walks] are really appreciative of the walks.

According to Student Coordinator Jon Frecceri, applications for SafeWalk employees have grown this year. Frecceri also said that the extra benefit to security is an essential component of SafeWalk.

"[SafeWalk] is a safety measure; it can't hurt to have an extra set of eyes. It is great knowing that we are an addition to the NDSP," he said

Although she does not know that any of her residents have used the SafeWalk service this year, Lyons Hall Rectress Sister Susan Dunn said that many of the Lyons members have called SafeWalk in the past to receive walks after late classes, appointments or on-campus events. She said that the SafeWalk service helps to promote a sense of safety and security for

'Although the University is a hospitable and safe environment, I think in this day and age you can never be too cautious, so a service like SafeWalk is a wonderful addition to security," she said. "Anyone can feel free to call, particularly if there is a late night class or

appointment." SafeWalk was formed over 10 years ago in response to increasing safety concerns. While earning three degrees at Notre Dame, Dennis Lynch worked in the SafeWalk program for 10 years. Former employee R.G. Starman now works as a Secret Service Agent for President Bush. According to Hurley, this year is no different with regard to the quality of its employees.

"We are blessed to have some outstanding people as student employees," he said

SafeWalk currently employees about 25 students and offers its services daily from 8:30 p.m. to 2:30 a.m. Students and faculty requesting a SafeWalk can call the Notre Dame Security/Police Department at 631-1555. Security officers will provide escorts outside this time.

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Proposal

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support and convincing faculty that a reading day is as important as a class day," Jablonski-Diehl said

The study day survey conducted last year

posal. Other results from the

survey found that 1,071 assign-

ments were given the week prior to finals [Fall 2001] to the

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found that 89 percent of students, out of 763 surveyed, were in favor of a reading day at the end of the semester. Although Jensen estimates that 95 percent of the student body supports the reading day pro-

"The strength of the proposal is that is does not go into effect until the 2003-2004 school year, as a pilot program."

Kim Jensen

student body president

professors and students express their concerns and together discuss

at the end of the year."

proposal. "I think we shocked a lot of people today with how prepared we were, Jensen said. 'We feel

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really good about it."

The reading proposal was already unanimously approved by the Student Academic Council and the Board of Governance, and will be presented to the Academic Standards Committee this month.

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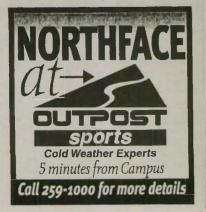
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Jury finds Ryder guilty of grand theft, vandalism

Associated Press

BEVERLY HILLS, Ca.

A jury on Wednesday found Winona Ryder guilty of stealing more than \$5,500 worth of merchandise during a shoplifting spree at a Saks Fifth Avenue last year, but the actress will likely avoid jail.

The prosecutor said she would not try to put the 31year-old, two-time Academy Award nominee behind bars, saying she would seek probation, community service and restitution at Ryder's sentencing on Dec. 6. The charges could have carried up to three years in prison.

Ryder showed no emotion after the jury, which included former movie studio chief Peter Guber, convicted her of felony grand theft and vandalism, the latter charge for cutting sensor tags off merchandise, and acquitted her of burglary

The actress withheld comment afterward.

Thanks for asking," she said. "I just can't talk right now.'

Los Angeles County District Attorney Steve Cooley said in a statement he hoped the court "addresses the problems of the defendant that may have led her to engage in the criminal conduct.'

Cooley did not identify the problems, and there was no testimony about any adversities with which the actress may be dealing. Ryder has said she has been treated for depression and exhaustion.

Defense attorney Mark Geragos said he will ask for a new trial.

The court bailiff said jurors did not wish to speak to news media until the sentencing.

Deputy District Attorney Ann Rundle said outside court that she found Ryder to be "very nice" and that prison was never considered.

'This was never about her character, only her conduct,' Rundle said. "We were simply asking for Miss Ryder to take responsibility for her conduct."

The count on which she was acquitted required a specific intent to go into the store to steal. District attorney's spokeswoman Sandi Gibbons said jurors often believe burglary is a crime of breaking and entering, but it does not require those circumstances.

Ryder was arrested Dec. 12, 2001, as she left the Beverly Hills Saks, her arms laden with packages. The jury was shown videotapes of her wandering through the store's boutiques and taking a large amount of clothes into dressing rooms.

The tapes did not show Ryder cutting off sensor tags with scissors, but a security guard testified she looked through door slats and witnessed the vandalism.

Security staff testified that after being caught, Ryder

claimed a director had told her to shoplift to prepare for a movie role.

At the start of her shopping trip, she paid more than \$3,000 for a jacket and two blouses. The defense claimed Ryder believed the store would keep her account "open" and charge her later. But there was no evidence of an account.

Ryder's arrest drew international attention. Media interest grew when Ryder appeared on "Saturday Night Live" and MTV joking about her case. During her preliminary hearing, Ryder was jostled by a crush of TV cameras and suffered an arm injury

Efforts to settle the case failed, but just before the trial the district attorney's office agreed to dismiss a drug charge against Ryder after a doctor said he had given her two pills found in her possession when she was arrested.

The 12-member jury included several people with Hollywood connections, including Guber, head of Mandalay Entertainment and previously head of Sony Entertainment Pictures, where three successful Ryder films were made.

Ryder's films include "Beetlejuice," "Heathers," "Mermaids," "Little Women," "The Age of Innocence," "Edward Scissorhands," "Bram Stoker's Dracula," "Reality Bites, "Girl, Interrupted" and "Mr. Deeds.



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Winona Ryder reacts as the verdict is read in the Beverly Hills Municipal courtroom. The jury acquitted the actress of the burglary charge but found her guilty of grand theft and vandalism stemming from her arrest in a Saks Fifth Avenue store.

Sniper suspects charged with murder of FBI analyst

Associated Press

FAIRFAX, Va.

Sniper suspect John Allen Muhammad and 17-year-old John Lee Malvo were charged Wednesday in the Oct. 14 slaying of an FBI analyst in Fairfax County, police said.

The two men have been accused of shooting 17 people, killing 12 and wounding five in Alabama, Louisiana, Maryland, Virginia and Washington, D.C.

Police said in a statement that the two were each charged with capital murder and using a firearm in the commission of a felony in the shooting of Linda Franklin in the parking deck of a Home Depot store

Muhammad was indicted by a grand

jury; Malvo was charged in a juvenile court petition, authorities said.

The announcement leaves Washington, D.C., as the only jurisdiction with a confirmed sniper shooting that has not filed charges.

State and federal prosecutors have yet to say which jurisdiction will try the pair first, a decision that may hinge on where a death sentence can be obtained with the most ease.

Attorney General John Ashcroft said the decision on which jurisdiction will conduct the first trial will be made after a "fact-driven analysis" of where prosecutors have the best evidence and the best law to permit the death penalty to apply if the suspects are convicted.

"I think it's well-understood on my part that I believe appropriate penalties for

the kinds of atrocities that have been committed to include the ultimate sanction of the death penalty," Ashcroft told reporters Wednesday.

Fairfax County prosecutor Robert F. Horan Jr. wouldn't discuss specific evidence in the case. He rejected the idea that prosecutors have been bickering over who will try the snipers first. He called it "absolute nonsense." "It's the duty of each of us to pursue

homicide charges," Horan said.

He said he will respect Ashcroft's decision about who prosecutes first, but if the attorney general defers to the states, Virginia should go first because it has a strong death penalty statute.

"We have death penalty statue that has stood the test of time," Horan said.

Horan said that if the case is sent to

Virginia, he'll meet with the prosecutors in Prince William and Spotsylvania counties, where fatal sniper shootings also took place, to decide who will prosecute first based on the best evidence.

Investigations are pending into several other shootings, including one in Arizona.

Federal prosecutors earlier filed charges against Muhammad under weapons and extortion laws that could bring the death penalty. Federal charges have also apparently been brought against Malvo, but authorities will not say so because he is a juvenile.

Montgomery County, Md., State's Attorney Douglas Gansler, who filed six murder charges against the two suspects, said the ultimate decision rests with the federal government, which has the men in custody.

WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

U.S. presents revised Iraq draft to U.N.: The United States took a final revision of its Iraq resolution to the Security Council on Wednesday in hopes of winning approval after eight weeks of tumultuous negotiations with wary allies concerned it could trigger a new war against Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein. The draft has changed significantly since it was first introduced last month, but U.S. officials said the bottom line remains the same: tough new weapons inspections coupled with a threat of "serious consequences" if Iraq fails to comply. While the revised draft offers major concessions to critics, it still frees the Bush administration to take military action against Iraq without a second resolution. In an attempt to meet French and Russian concerns, the new U.S. draft gives Saddam "a final opportunity" to comply with U.N. inspectors, holds out the possibility of lifting sanctions against Iraq, and adds a reaffirmation of Iraq's sovereignty.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Mentally ill man ready for execution:

James Colburn believed his execution was God's will, despite pleas from capital punishment opponents that he be spared because of his mental illness. "This is what the Lord wanted," Colburn said last week from death row, where he was sent for the 1994 slaying of a woman he tried to rape at his home. "If the Lord wanted me to live, they would have given me a life sentence." Colburn, 42, was to be put to death Wednesday night, one day after the U.S. Supreme Court refused to halt his execution. His lawyers had argued that Colburn, a paranoid schizophrenic, was unable to assist in his own defense.

Yale announces end to early decision:

Yale University is taking some of the stress out of elite college admissions by ending its binding early decision admissions program. Instead, students will be able to apply early but won't be made to attend if they get in.

Gephardt passes on House leader post: Missouri Rep. Dick Gephardt intends to announce Thursday that he is stepping down as House Democratic leader after eight years, senior aides said, one day after his party suffered historic losses in midterm elections. The expected announcement would clear the way for a succession struggle between Reps. Nancy Pelosi of California and Martin Frost of Texas, who rank second and third in the party leadership.

Supreme Court hears asbestos claims:

The Supreme Court was asked Wednesday to limit asbestos lawsuits in a case that will determine if the fear of getting cancer is enough to entitle employees to damage awards. Congress also is being urged to protect companies from asbestos suits which could cost businesses \$200 billion. There are more than 600,000 asbestos-related lawsuits before courts today and many more are expected to be filed.

Dismissal

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Both Kirk and Bruno refused to comment on the reasons behind Phillips' removal, saying the situation was a "personnel matter" and the University does not typically comment on such matters.

Yet Phillips said the fact that Bruno and Student Affairs are referring to the issue as a private personnel matter is what is most disturbing. Phillips, who said she did not plan to file a lawsuit contesting the decision, claimed her removal resulted from a personality conflict.

"Calling it a 'privacy issue' is a misleading attempt to make it look like there is a legitimate reason that I am being forced to leave," Phillips said.

She added, "It makes it look I did something embarrassing or immoral."

Under the terms of her agreement with the University, Phillips will still receive her AR benefits of free room and board and reduced tuition for the rest of the academic year.

The confusion surrounding Phillips' circumstance has left many dorm residents questioning the motivation behind Bruno's action.

"As residents, we feel like we have the right to know what's been going on," said senior Jenny Theis.

Phillip's removal also alarmed several ARs in other dorms. Roughly 20 ARs sent a letter to representatives of Student Affairs on Oct. 14 supporting Phillips and questioning the reasons behind her removal. The ARs said they had not received a letter in response.

"I think that we all deserve to have the support of each other," said Lisa Jarmicki, a third-year law student in Walsh Hall and one of the ARs who signed a letter to Student Affairs. "I feel like as an AR my job could be in jeopardy and I don't know how."

"Although I have no doubt that would not happen to me because of my relationship with my rector, as a general policy, I think it is a matter of concern," added Stanford AR Kyle Forsyth.

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Universities to end'Harry Pobinding early decisionthreatens

Associated Press

NEW HAVEN, Conn. Two collegiate powerhouses, Yale and Stanford, have decided to take some of the stress out of the admissions process by ending their binding early decision programs.

Starting next fall, students will be able to apply early but won't be forced to attend if they get in.

The presidents of both universities hope their switch to nonbinding "early action" policies will prompt other top colleges to end their binding early decision programs, which have been criticized for putting too much pressure on high school students.

"This new policy offers those who have set their hearts on attending Stanford the opportunity to apply early in their senior year, without the additional pressure of having to commit before they are ready," President John Hennessy said in a statement Wednesday.

Binding early decision policies are especially difficult for students who need financial aid, because they cannot weigh aid offers from competing schools.

Yale and Stanford's new policies, however, won't allow

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The Observer.

early applicants to apply for other nonbinding programs unlike Harvard, which does. Harvard also does not require students who apply early to attend if they are accepted.

Yale President Richard Levin acknowledged that the change may cost the Ivy League school up to 20 percent of its top applicants.

"Our final thinking was that it would be unfortunate, but the value of making the change outweighs the concern," Levin said. "Early decision programs help colleges more than applicants."

Early decision started at most elite colleges in the late 1990s to allow top students to win admission to their first choice without having to go through the longer admissions process. Students apply in the fall, instead of in the spring.

It's not clear what effect the changes at Yale and Stanford will have on other top colleges.

Brown, which reluctantly started offering early decision last year, is considering whether to alter its policy, university admissions officials have said.

Princeton has no plans to change its binding early admissions program, spokeswoman Lauren Robinson-Brown said. 'Harry Potter' author threatens lawsuit

Associated Press

MOSCOW

From the jagged, jumbled lettering of the title to the picture of a youngster flying through the air framed by pillars, the book looks fantastically familiar. But the figure on the front isn't Harry Potter — it's Tanya Grotter, heroine of a Russian series that has the boy wizard's backers crying plagiarism.

While Tanya Grotter is an 11year-old girl and rides a magical double bass instead of a broomstick, she shares several attributes with her near-namesake: Like Potter, she is an orphan, wears glasses and has an unusual mark on her face — a mole on her nose. And like the Potter books, the Grotter series is full of fanciful magic words that set spells in motion.

The author of both Grotter books, Dmitry Yemets, said his work was "entirely independent.'" However, he also said it was meant in part as a parody of the Harry Potter series, but with roots in Russian culture and folklore.

"It's a sort of Russian answer to Harry Potter," said Yemets, a philologist by training and a specialist in Russian folklore. He said he sees his books as being in a "cultural competition" with the Harry Potter series, which has sold about 1.2 million copies in Russia.

Saying the resemblance goes far deeper than the cover, lawyers for Potter author J.K. Rowling, her Russian publisher and Warner Brothers have threatened to sue Eksmo, the publisher of "Tanya Grotter and the Magical Double Bass," unless it withdraws the book and promises not to print any more.

Eksmo's reaction: Go fly a Nimbus-2000.

"This baseless accusation of plagiarism is no reason for us to carry out their wishes," Eksmo spokesman Alexei Shekhov said. He said a letter from the Moscow office of the law firm LeBoeuf, Lamb, Green and MacRae demanding the withdrawal of the books was "stupid and impudent" and derided the threat as a result of "fear and panic."

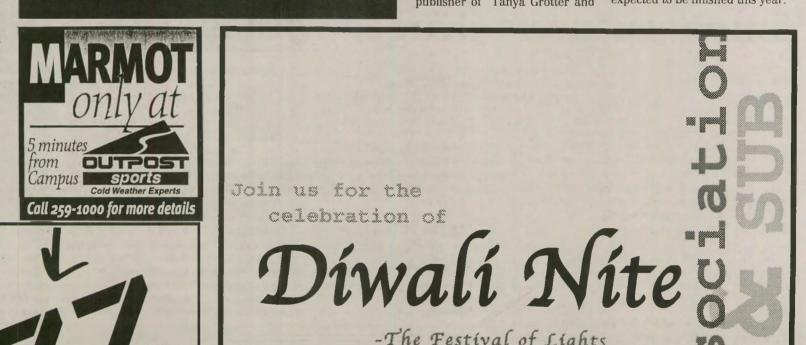
"It's fear of competition," said Shekhov, who said the first Grotter book has sold about 100,000 copies. The second, "Tanya Grotter and the Disappearing Floor," hit bookstores last week. Legal threats aside, Shekhov said the company plans to publish two more Grotter books this year.

Rowling herself was cleared of charges of plagiarism earlier this year after American author Nancy Stouffer said that Rowling had stolen ideas from her own children's books, including stories about a boy named Larry Potter.

Neil Blair, a lawyer and business manager at Rowling's literary agency in Britain, Christopher Little, confirmed in an e-mail that "a cease and desist letter alleging violation of intellectual property rights" was sent to Eksmo.

"I would suggest that anyone who compares the books (contents, sleeve etc.) will agree that the facts of this case speak for themselves," he said.

Rowling is at work on the real fifth installment, which is not expected to be finished this year.



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Ex-Enron CFO enters not guilty plea

Former Enron Corp. chief financial officer Andrew Fastow pleaded innocent Wednesday to a 78-count federal indictment charging him with masterminding complex financial schemes that enriched him and helped doom the energy trading powerhouse.

"Your honor, in answer to each of the charges, I am not guilty," Fastow said to U.S. Magistrate Judge Marcia Crone during a fiveminute hearing, where he was arraigned alongside a dozen other accused criminals who were handcuffed and wore orange jumpsuits. Fastow wore a gray suit.

Attorneys for Fastow and the U.S. Justice Department had no comment after the arraignment.

Fastow, ousted a year ago as Enron spiraled toward bankruptcy, was initially charged Oct. 2 and indicted on Halloween on various counts of fraud, money laundering, conspiracy, obstruction of justice and other charges. Fastow entered his plea Wednesday afternoon in federal court in Houston.

Subway's profits paying off

 On-campus
 Subway one of nation's most
 popular

By JIM GAFFEY News Writer

While walking through LaFortune, it's hard to miss herds of students in line at Subway. The on-campus franchise has been consistently ranked the busiest in the Indiana region, and during home football weekends has been among the top five (out of 14,311) franchises nationwide, according to Dave Prentkowski, director of Notre Dame Food Services.

The store handles approximately 1,000 orders every day. "It really can't get any busier," said Prentkowski.

The franchise is so busy, he said, that there is not enough room in LaFortune to bake all the needed bread on-site. About 100 dozen loaves are baked in the Food Services baking facility across Douglas Road and delivered to LaFortune every day.

Although the store is only a few months old, the thought of expanding it is not altogether out of the question. But Prentkowski wants to wait until Sbarro opens in LaFortune's basement and for Subway's novelty to wear off before considering creating more space for it.

Despite Subway's brisk sales, other LaFortune eateries are not suffering from a lack of customers. Subway does not, according to Prentkowski, have a drastic impact on the Burger King next door. While the line at Burger King may be shorter than it used to be, he contends that there is nevertheless the same number of people placing orders, and he estimates Subway has "no impact at all on



Sales of Subway sandwiches, especially on football weekends, have made Notre Dame's Subway one of the nation's busiest and most profitable. The eatery, located in the LaFortune Student Center, handles approximately 1,000 orders each day.

Starbucks."

But Subway's popularity has some students annoyed with long lines for food. During peak lunch and dinner hours, Subway's queue often extends to the main east-west aisle through LaFortune. "When I saw the line for Subway, I turned around," said Annamarie Bindenagel, a senior from Howard, about a recent trip to LaFortune. Subway's long lines provoke students to seek out other lunch and dinner options.

Jim Labella, general manager of Food Services at LaFortune, said that even when the line is backed up to LaFortune's main aisle the wait time is only seven to eight minutes to reach to the counter, and then roughly 60 to 90 seconds to get your sandwich. "The reason for [the fastmoving line] is that we are adequately staffed," said Labella. The Subway in LaFortune usually has six people on staff at all times, whereas a typical Subway may have only one or two employees working.

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GOP urges Bush for Pitt replacement

The Senate's top Republican urged President Bush on Wednesday to appoint someone who has "the confidence of the American people, the markets" to succeed Harvey Pitt, the embattled SEC chairman who resigned on Election Day.

The White House, relieved to see Pitt go, insisted his appointment last year was not a mistake despite his numerous missteps thought to have hurt investor confidence already eroded by corporate and accounting scandals.

Bush wants a Securities and Exchange Commission chairman who will "help crack down on corporate corruption that the president feels so strongly about and who also will continue Harvey Pitt's very successful record of taking action against corporate corruption," said White House spokesman Ari Fleischer.

Fed announces interest rate cut

Associated Press

WASHINGTON, D.C.

The Federal Reserve on Wednesday reduced a key interest rate by one-half of a percentage point as the central bank tries to keep America's stop-and-go recovery from stalling amid rising worries about a war with Iraq.

Commercial banks were expected to respond by moving a benchmark consumer rate to its lowest point since 1959.

The Fed moved the federal funds rate from its already low 1.75 percent, where it had stood for 11 months, to 1.25 percent, surprising many analysts who had forecast a quarter-point move. They believed the Fed would want to conserve its power to aid the economy, given the bank's aggressive cuts last year that left it with little room to lower rates.

But analysts said the Fed apparently has grown so concerned about the weakening economy that it decided on bold action. In recent weeks, economic reports have shown unemployment rising to 5.7 percent, the manufacturing sector stumbling further and consumer confidence hitting a nine-year low.

"The Fed wanted to inject an element of surprise in an effort to boost financial markets and in that way lower risks from a wobbly economy and a possible war with Iraq," said Sung Won Sohn, chief economist at Wells Fargo in Minneapolis.

Wall Street had climbed to its highest level in two months in anticipation of a Fed rate and finished Wednesday with the Dow Jones industrial average gaining 92.74 points to close at 8,771.01.

M&T Bank, a large regional bank

with branches in the Northeast, and AmSouth, a bank with 600 branches in the Southeast, were the first to cut first to respond by cutting their prime rates to 4.25 percent, the lowest level for this benchmark rate for millions of consumer and business loans since May 1959. Similar moves were expected by other commercial banks in the coming days.

The Fed also returned to a neutral policy stance — indicating that economic risks were equally balanced between inflation and weak growth. In August and September, the Fed's statement was weighted more toward economic weakness.

Some analysts said they believed this switch was meant to signal the half-point cut would be the only one this year. Other economists said they thought a further reduction could come at policy-makers' meeting either in December or January.

AFGHANISTAN

Afghanistan's governemnt will form national army

Associated Press

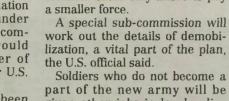
KABUL Afghanistan's government has plans to speed up the formation of a new national army under President Hamid Karzai's command — a move that would severely erode the power of regional warlords, a senior U.S. official said.

Authorities so far have been sluggish in building up the U.S.and French-trained force, which currently totals about 1,000 men a size now dwarfed by the huge militias of warlords who command private armies each numbering in the tens of thousands.

The U.S. official, speaking on condition of anonymity on Wednesday, said an Afghan government defense commission met for seven hours Tuesday with regional commanders and warlords before reaching an agreement he called "historic" and "a major step forward."

Karzai and a host of senior commanders, Cabinet ministers and powerful warlords - including İsmail Khan and Gen. Abdul Rashid Dostum - agreed the new army will number 70,000 men in two years time, the official said. Previous estimates have said the army would grow to double that size over five years.

Warlords would be able to offer up their own fighters for recruitment, but only those aged between 22 and 28. The bulk of the new force will be volunteers, while only a small number, perhaps 10,000 men, would join from warlord militias, the U.S. official said.



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A special sub-commission will work out the details of demobilization, a vital part of the plan,

strength should be drawn from

part of the new army will be given other jobs in local police forces, anti-narcotics squads or as border guards. Some would be

army and said two-thirds of its retired, while others would be trained in new vocations.

The plan aims to dismantle and disarm the private armies of each warlord. Weapons for the new army would be contributed from existing militia forces currently spread across the country.

But disarming fighters who've wielded weapons for decades won't be an easy task.

"If this plan is implemented, there will be no regional independent forces after two years," the official said. "It's a tough,

tough decision for them to enforce and implement. . . . It will not be easy.

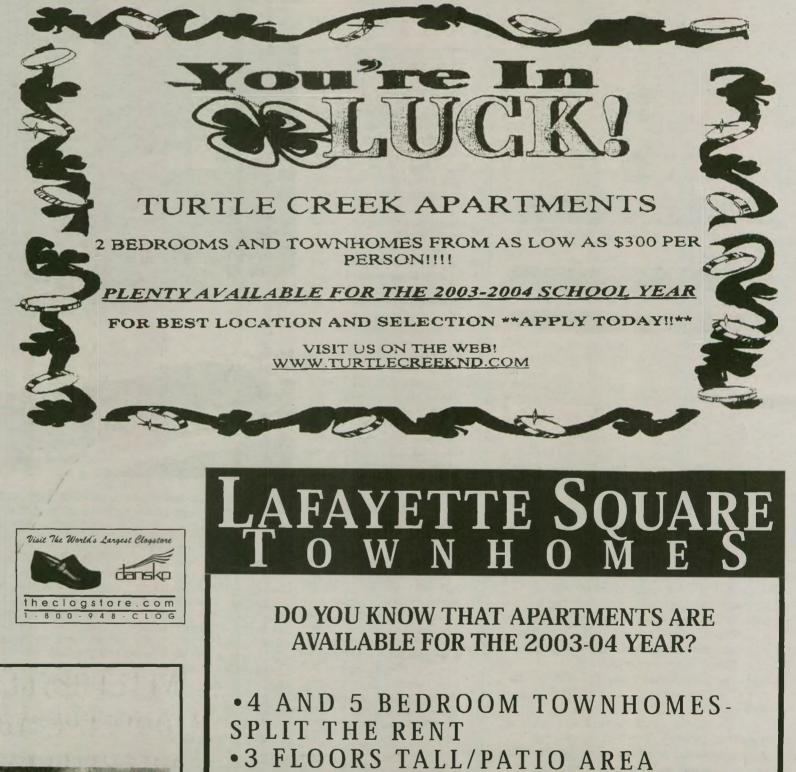
The new army has already experienced problems acquiring arms because the defense ministry has been reluctant to hand them out.

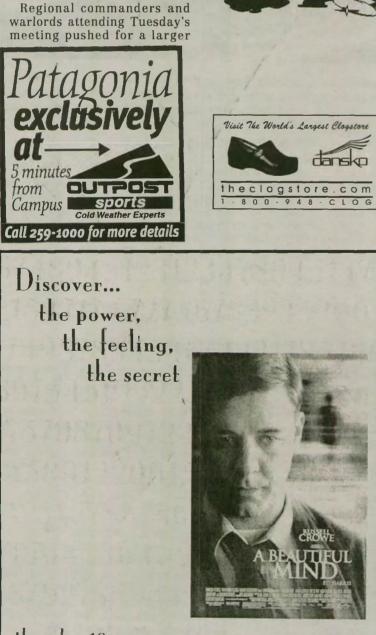
Many key defense posts, including that of Defense Minister Mohammed Fahim, are controlled by ethnic Tajiks, who swept into the capital, Kabul, last year and ousted the Taliban with the help of U.S. air power.

The U.S. official said Fahim may have been reluctant in the past but was now "enthusiastic." Most warlords saw the need to bring an end to the decades of war that have destroyed Afghanistan, the official said.

The warlords themselves will likely retain highly influential positions in government, the official said.

The new army will be under civilian command and Karzai will act as its commander and chief, the official said.





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7 charged in drugs-weapons plot

Associated Press

WASHINGTON U.S. officials announced charges Wednesday involving alleged plots

to sell drugs to finance weapons purchases for Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida organization and a Colombian paramilitary group.

The separate cases show the threat to national security from the "toxic combination of drugs and terrorism," Attorney General John Ashcroft said

One set of charges involves a plot by four people, two of them Houston-based, to trade \$25 million in cocaine and cash for a huge cache of weapons to be sent to the United Self-Defense Forces of Colombia, or AUC, as the 8,000member paramilitary group is known by its initials in Spanish.

U.S. authorities said the four suspects believed they were going to trade the money and cocaine for 9,000 AK-47s and other assault rifles; grenade launchers and nearly 300,000 grenades; 300 pistols; shoulder-fired anti-aircraft missiles and about 53 million rounds of ammunition.

In the second case, three people are charged with trying to sell heroin and hashish to buy four shoulder-fired Stinger anti-aircraft missiles for the al-Qaida terror network. An indictment says the al-Qaida link was provided by the suspects themselves.

Top U.S. law enforcement officials hailed the arrests in both cases as a serious blow against terrorism

"We have learned and we have demonstrated that drug traffickers and terrorists work out of the same jungle, they plan in the same cave, and they train in the same desert," said Asa Hutchinson, director of the Drug Enforcement Agency.

In the Houston case, called "Operation White Terror," undercover agents videotaped meetings in London, the Virgin Islands and Panama City at which the defendants allegedly discussed exchanging drugs and cash for weapons headed for the AUC, Ashcroft said.

The AUC is the umbrella group for right-wing paramilitaries blamed for most of Colombia's massacres and hundreds of assassinations. The State Department considers the AUC

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and the two main left-wing guerrilla armies it opposes to be terrorist organizations. The AUC's leader, Carlos Castano, already is charged in the United States with exporting tons of 17 cocaine into the United States and Europe.

According to an FBI affidavit,

undercover officers taped an April 28, 2002, meeting at a warehouse in St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands, in which one of the suspects and a self-described AUC weapons expert called "Raquel" allegedly inspected a cache of Russian-made weapons actually provided by the FBI.

Authorities also seized numerous e-mails involving the negotiations, including one from a top AUC commander saying his associates must have "a visual inspection of the whole farm" - believed to refer to the weapons - before terms could be settled.

The four were charged in Houston with conspiracy to distribute cocaine and conspiracy to provide material support and resources to a foreign terrorist organization. The charges could carry up to life in prison, Ashcroft said.

Two suspects were identified as Uwe Jensen, 66, and Carlos Ali Romero Varela, 43, both of Houston. There was less detail on two others: Carlos Lopez and an individual identified only as Commandant Emilio.

Jensen was arrested Tuesday in Houston. In a federal court appearance Wednesday, he described himself as Danish but a U.S. citizen and was told he would

be held until at least a Friday hearing. The three others were arrested Tuesday in San Jose, Costa Rica, after traveling there to finalize the deal with U.S. undercover agents. They face extradition to the United States.

In the San Diego case, Ashcroft released an indictment against two Pakistanis and one U.S. citizen originally from India who have been held since Sept. 20 in Hong Kong. They allegedly sought to sell

600 kilograms of heroin and five metric tons of hashish in the San Diego area and use the money to buy Stinger missiles.

The three suspects in custody in Hong Kong were identified as Syed Mustajab Shah and Muhammed Abid Afridi, both of Pakistan, and Ilyas Ali of Minneapolis.

They appeared in a Hong Kong court on Tuesday to fight extradition to the United States. Hong Kong, a former British colony now under Chinese rule, has an extradition treaty with the United States.

During a visit to Asia last month, Ashcroft praised Hong Kong for helping cut off terrorist financing and met with local officials about finding new ways to cooperate in the anti-terror war. He repeated that praise for China on Wednesday.

'They did cooperate with us at a very effective level, and for which we are grateful," Ashcroft said.

Jewish League calls for probe

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES Relatives and legal representatives of Jewish Defense League leader Irv Rubin called for a full investigation of how he was injured in federal custody on bomb plot charges. Authorities say he hurt himself in a suicide attempt.

We want to see the videotapes from inside the jail," Rubin's wife, Shelley, said in a statement Wednesday.

Rubin, 57, was in critical condition at County-USC Medical Center after undergoing a second surgery Tuesday, according to his family. The operation included wiring shut his broken jaw.

Rubin's attorneys said Monday that their client was brain-dead after surgery, but Shelley Rubin said later that brain activity was detected.

Rubin was injured Monday morning hours before he was to appear in U.S. District Court on charges that he and co-defendant Earl Krugel had plotted to bomb a mosque and the office of an Arab American congressman.

Federal officials said Rubin slashed his neck with a prison-issued razor blade and tumbled 18-feet over a railing at the federal Metropolitan Detention Center.

The trial is scheduled to begin Jan. 21. U.S. marshal's spokesman Bill Woolsey said it remained to be seen if Rubin would be mentally fit to stand trial.

"I can't comment on that. I think it's up to God," Woolsey said.

FBI spokeswoman Laura Bosley said interviews with witnesses - including officers and inmates - left no doubt about the cause of Rubin's injuries.

"Without specifying too much, it is still a pending matter, there is nothing to indicate that Mr. Rubin suffered from anything other than self-inflicted wounds," Bosley said.

Shelley Rubin and lawyers representing her husband plan a press conference Thursday to issue their appeal for a full investigation.

"My Irv is a fighter and he will survive this," Shelley Rubin said in the statement.





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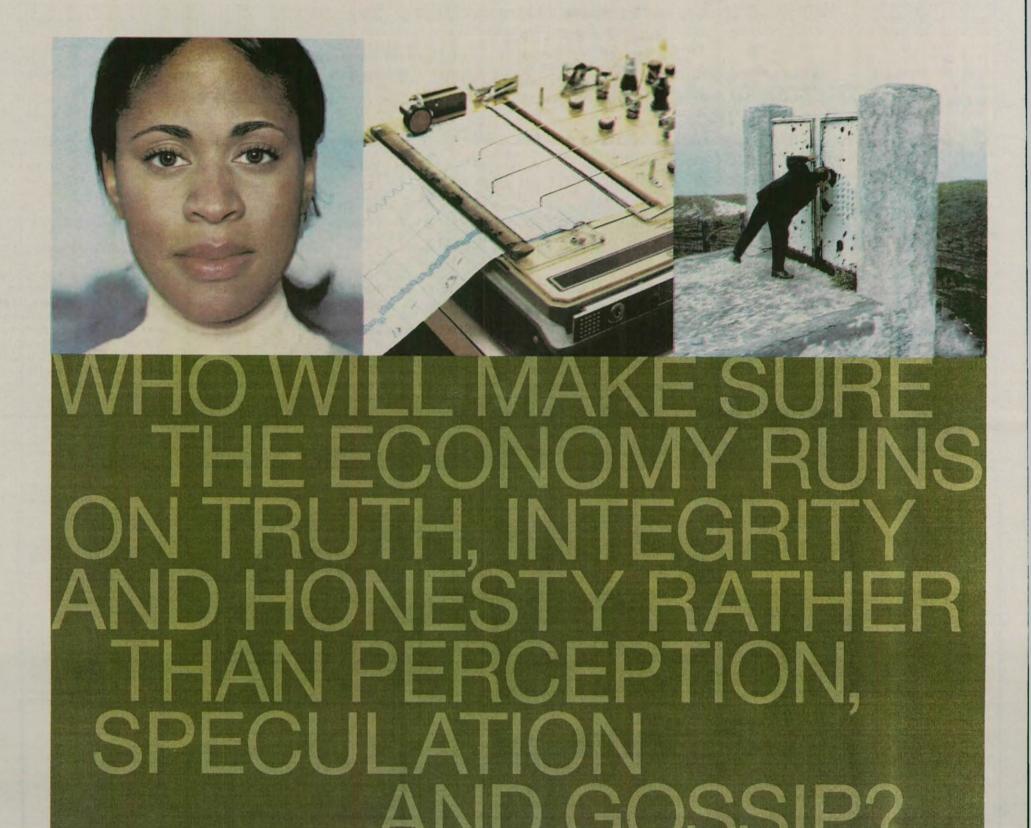
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FRANCE

Fire on train in France leaves five Americans dead

Associated Press

NANCY A fire on an overnight train in eastern France filled a sleeping car with deadly smoke Wednesday, killing 12 people including five Americans from the same family — and driving pan-

icked passengers to smash windows and jump to safety. The train, like others in Europe,

had no smoke detectors even though cigarette smoking is allowed in designated cars. Fatal rail accidents are rare in France, where trains are known for speed, safety and efficiency. Accidents, however, are not

unknown in Europe: A highspeed train derailed in Germany in 1998, killing 101 people.

Wednesday's blaze, which also injured nine people, was initially blamed on an electrical short-circuit. But the French rail authority SNCF said that was premature and the cause was under investigation. The owner of the sleeping car, German national railroad Deutsche Bahn, said the fire apparently started in the compartment of a train attendant. Smoke was blamed for the deaths.

The fire began shortly after 2 a.m. as the train with 150 passengers passed through the city of Nancy on its way to Munich, Germany, according to SNCF. The train had left Paris three hours earlier.

An accountant from North Branford, Conn. and four members of his family were killed. Salvatore Michael Amore, 43, and his family were returning from a one-day visit to Paris when they were killed, said Anna Maria Amore, his sister-in-law. Also killed were Amore's wife, Jeanne, 43; daughter Emily Jeanne, 12; son Michael Bernhardt, 8; and mother, Susanne, 72.

Three German men, a Russian man and woman, a Hungarian man and a Greek woman were also killed.

Authorities in Meurthe-et-Moselle prefecture said one American was among the nine people injured. All but one was treated at a hospital and released.

A train worker alerted authorities at about 2:15 a.m. when he spotted smoke pouring from a car as the train passed the Nancy station. Flames shot 9 feet into the air, and thick black smoke billowed out of the car's windows.

Survivors told of panic inside the train as screaming passengers escaped by breaking through the car's windows and climbing out once the train had stopped.

French survivor Marc Giraud said smoke filled his compartment after the door was opened. He grabbed an emergency ladder, smashed the window of the compartment and those inside crawled out.

SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS WEEK NOVEMBER 10 - 15, 2002 > Are you or someone you know a victim/survivor of sexual assault or rape?

> Do you wonder how rape is perceived in our culture?

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> Are you concerned about rape and how men and women can stop it?

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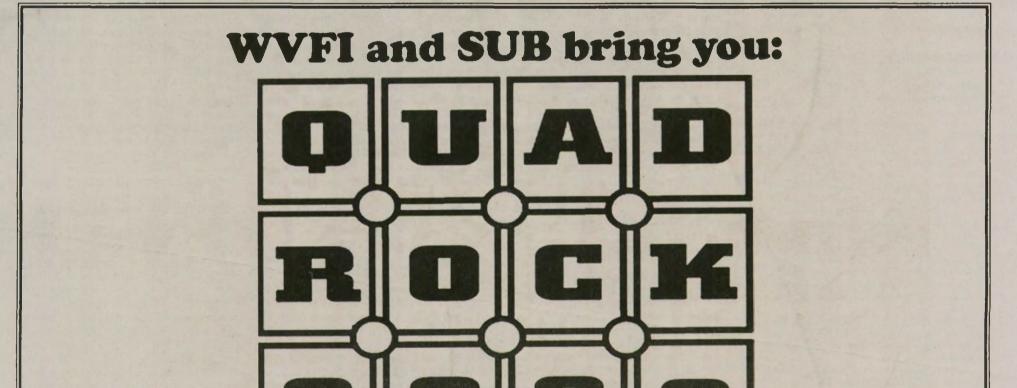
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<u>Wednesday</u>: GTC Dramatic Dialogues presentation of "What's Goin' On?" by Joel Gori at 7:30pm in Haggar 117

<u>Thursday</u>: Presentation by Patrick Drury focused on how men can help victims of sexual assault at 7:30pm in the Siegfried Hall Chapel Lounge. A survivor will also tell her story. <u>Friday</u>: Mass to commemorate those people affected by sexual assault at 5pm in the Dillon Hall Chapel.

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Students must join fight to make Notre Dame an ethical employer

that most of the staff on this campus

working conditions out of fear of diffi-

culties, reprimands or even pink slips.

are afraid to speak up about their

The rules and regulations set up by the administration can be changed. As members of the Notre Dame family, students, alumni and faculty can impact policies and procedures of the University's admin-

Paul Graham

Another Perspective

Workers should be free to organize without threats or fears of actions by their employer that may endanger their pay, their benefits or their job. A statement of neutrality is a guarantee that the school will not hire

union busters, will not try to hinder an election process and will give workers more freedom to make the decision on whether or not they feel the need for a union. This statement is essential to give workers the freedom (a freedom they feel does not exist) to organize, to voice their concern about their rights and to try to change how daily operations are conducted

If the workers do choose to form a union, then the University should make this process as simple as possible. If Notre Dame made a statement of voluntary recognition, workers would be able to bypass lengthy and timely National Labor Relations Board proceedings. If over 50 percent of the workers in a department on campus signed card checks, then the school would agree to recognize the workers of that department as a union. A statement of voluntary recognition by the University would prove Notre Dame's respect for the rights of workers and their decision to form a union.

There is no question that many of the working conditions on this campus are deplorable. If the University wishes to maintain its status as a moral university, then the administration needs to make a statement of neutrality, allow voluntary recognition, stop viewing labor as a commodity to be controlled and allow the workers to collectively bargain. As seen in the past, the University will not easily surrender such statements. These statements will only come from intense pressure from the

student body, faculty and alumni. Students can create change on the Notre Dame campus, but it will happen only if students work together to put pressure on the Administration to respect workers on this campus

Students need to show solidarity with the workers on campus. We need to talk to the workers, listen to their stories and hear about their families and their troubles. We need to prove to the employees of this University that students will always stand with them. It is our responsibility as members of this community to work with the staff of the school, discover their needs and help them accomplish what they may not be able to accomplish otherwise. Workers on this campus have tried to organize many times in the past, but each time their jobs were threatened or they were fired Therefore, students need to help get the workers to the bargaining table and start working for a statement of neutrality and a statement of voluntary recognition.

At universities across the country, it is the students who are leading the way for social justice in anti-sweatshop campaigns, campus worker campaigns, global justice campaigns and others that transform how campuses are organized and operated. Students here have the power to influence the Administration. We need to organize our power and work in coalition with others to demand from the administration a promise that they will recognize workers' rights at this Catholic university.

istration. If organized, the power and influence that we possess has the potential to be

able to support campus labor by orga-

University respect workers' rights and

Students have always played a vital

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role in struggles for workers' rights.

instances where struggles were suc-

cessful because of the action of youth

In 2001, Harvard students played a

crucial role in the "Living Wage" cam-

paign, which had hundreds of Harvard

students in support of the campaign

and almost 50 students occupying the

main building — all for a living wage for workers. Their struggle would not

have been successful if were not for

the students and their active partici-

ers helped pressure New Era Cap to

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developed the Worker Rights Consortium (WRC), which currently has a membership of 108 universities and colleges.

Students at Notre Dame worked to convince the University to join the WRC and offer fair trade coffee at every venue on campus.

Students now should pressure the administration to make these statements of neutrality and of voluntary recognition. Workers have told me

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"'Poor but happy' is not a phrase invented by a poor person."

> **Mason Cooley U.S.** aphorist

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Pasquerilla West residents question dismissal of Assistant Rector Cynthia Phillips

Dorm administration must be held accountable

In response to the sudden dismissal of the Pasquerilla West assistant rector, Cynthia Phillips, we feel that some things need to be addressed. Having lived in Pasquerilla West for over three years, we feel that we have no voice in issues relating to the dorm that we call home, if we can even call it that.

Our Assistant Rector was dismissed, and the only information we received was a hollow message stating: "Good evening women of PW. As some of you may already know, Cynthia Phillips will be leaving the hall and her position as Assistant Rector in the next several days. The hall staff appreciates Cynthia's service to the hall and to Notre Dame."

This is all that we know. Our RAs remain silent on the matter, for fear of losing their positions. When the residents are afraid to speak the truth, what kind of community atmosphere is being fostered?

We are all sad that Cynthia is leaving. She was a refreshing presence in the dorm, committed to the well-being and the success of community life. However, this event is just one more in a recurring pattern. Policies and occurrences within the dorm remain unexplained, and there is no evidence of inquiry from the administration. Where is the accountability?

We have yet to have a treasurer who has seen a current budget or has knowledge of funds available for dorm events. The treasurer is not even permitted access to the dorm checkbook. This year, the residents have had to pay for interhall sports out of their own pockets, despite the

annual \$45 hall tax, and again without an explanation as to why. We are not treated as mature college students who are capable of implementing new ideas and bettering life within our home.

There is an air of apathy in this dorm, because ideas are simply shoved aside. You cannot get anything done when you are talking to someone who refuses to listen and is rarely available for any discussion. We are tired of living in a dorm where our voices fall on deaf ears

It is time for a change.

Jenny Theis **Tiffany** Festi seniors Pasquerilla West Nov. 6 Forced dismissal contradicts University's spirit

Something is not right in Pasquerilla West. Upon our return from fall break, we found that our assistant rector, Cynthia Phillips, was being forced to leave our dorm suddenly and without explanation. Our first knowledge of her situation came to us in the form of an e-mail from our hall president, which stated that Cynthia would "no longer be continuing her ministry as assistant rectress." Today, one week later, we are left without an AR and with confusion

regarding the method of her removal. Countless questions remain unanswered, and many dorm residents are afraid they may stay that

The only official information we have received came in the form of an abbreviated voice mail from our rectress, Sister Sue Bruno, which stated simply that Cynthia would be leaving the dorm and that all wish her well. We were surprised at Cynthia's silence during the ordeal, especially since we are used to her enthusiastic presence in the dorm. Later,

we found out that she had been issued a gag order by her superiors forbidding her to release a statement without first passing it through Sr. Sue and the Assistant Vice President for Residence Life and Student Affairs, Bill Kirk. When we finally got a chance to speak with Cynthia, after she had moved out, we heard her side of the story. We learned that Cynthia has not been "fired" or "dismissed" from her position, but that she does have to leave Pasquerilla West. She is now living in graduate housing and is no longer our assistant rectress, but she continues to receive her salary and benefits. While some might consider the "free paycheck" situation ideal, Cynthia wanted desperately to be allowed to stay in Pasquerilla West and continue her

duties. Cynthia Phillips was forced to leave her position unfairly.

This decision, which was not based on any action of Cynthia's, has damaged her reputation as people speculate on the reason for her removal. For the record, Cynthia is not pregnant, she has never done drugs and she does not drink alcohol; anyone who knows her well realizes that her behavior is nothing less than exemplary

The University of Notre Dame has always purported that people can put aside differences and learn to get along; that's why we call ourselves the Notre Dame family. A computer randomly matches freshmen roommates, and they are expected to learn to live together. We can't help but wonder whether roommate switches are ever granted on the basis of one roommate "not liking" the other. If freshmen are expected to resolve their differences and live with a randomly selected person for a year, surely we can expect our rectress to maintain a professional relationship with her handpicked staff for one year. If it happened to Cynthia, who's next? This incident cannot be ignored; the University should be held accountable for similar situations in the future

Cynthia only wanted what was best for our dorm. Everything she did as assistant rectress was aimed at helping Pasquerilla West residents. As stated in Du Lac, "Residential life has a rich tradition at the University of Notre Dame. The University strives to provide opportunities for students to prepare themselves for constructive and responsible living in an environment which recognizes and values the needs of both the individual and the larger community." It is not fair to keep Notre Dame's hall staff in constant fear for their jobs when they are the very core of the sense of community at Notre Dame.

> Jennifer Belliveau **Madeleine Heck** freshmen Pasquerilla West Nov. 6

Work for and with the poor to improve their lives

social change in the United States to better ensure rights guaranteed by the **U.N.'s Universal Declaration of Human** Rights. These rights include: the right to jobs at a living wage and just conditions of work; the right to well-being of a person and his or her family, including food, clothing, housing, medical care and necessary social services; and the right to education. Here in the United States, the richest country in the world, we would expect to find that these rights of our citizens are being fulfilled. However, the fact is that there are close to 65 million Americans living in poverty These people in many cases are denied access to resources that are clearly available in our wealthy nation. For example, there are more abandoned houses in this country than there are homeless people, and the number of surplus luxury housing units in the United States is equal to the entire housing stock in Canada. Not only this, but the state of California

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As students at an institution that is committed to promoting social justice, many of us are involved in programs and service projects designed to help the poor and homeless. Notre Dame students are encouraged to work for poor people, but rarely do we have the opportunity to work with poor people.

However, the Progressive Students Alliance (PSA) invites students, faculty and members of the community to hear a speaker who is paving the way for poor people in America to secure their basic economic human rights. Cheri Honkala, the spokesperson for the Poor **People's Economic Human Rights** Campaign, will be speaking about this growing national movement by poor people at 6 p.m. today in 155 DeBartolo.

Honkala, who was once homeless herself, is an activist for equal economic human rights at the Kensington Welfare Rights Union in Philadelphia. This group is one of the many emerging poor people's groups working for

produces enough food to feed everyone in the world, yet Americans still go hungry. And in a country that values free enterprise, it is almost a crime that many people who have been brought up to understand the importance of working hard are only rewarded for their work by being exploited in the workplace.

These facts are evidence that changes are needed to help poor people - changes that we, as students and moreover as Americans, should be working to achieve.

The Kensington Welfare Rights Union teamed up with other groups led by the ranks of the poor in 1997 to form The **Poor People's Economic Human Rights** Campaign. The campaign has planned a bus tour called the New Freedom Bus Tour: Economic Human Rights for All, which will stop in 25 poor communities across the nation to document the face of poverty in each area.

The month-long tour, which begins Sunday, will conclude with a presenta-

tion of its findings to the United Nations on Human Rights Day, Dec. 10, and with a call to the United States to end human rights violations in this country. Members of the tour hope to engage poor people, students and others in their effort to learn about and fight against injustices to poor people.

In addition to hearing Honkala speak on Thursday, I also invite you to Chicago, the closest stop of the New Freedom Bus Tour, next Tuesday to learn about the campaign. I truly feel that, as students of this University that focuses on social issues, we are obligated to show our support of this movement to end poverty. I strongly encourage all students to come hear Honkala speak and to learn how you can take an active role in the campaign to end poverty in America.

> Kathy Peterson freshman Lewis Hall Nov. 5

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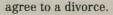
Stay home rather than go to 'Alabama'

By C. SPENCER BEGGS Scene Editor

After sitting through "Sweet Home Alabama," audiences will probably remember the words to Lynard Skynard's famous rock anthem of the same name better than the plot of this film

Melanie **Carmichael** (Reese Witherspoon) has it all; she's got friends, great she's the hottest fashion new designer in New York and her JFK Jr.-esque Mr. Right/son of the mayor has just proposed to her.

There's one snag: before she gets married, she has to get her estranged husband in her small Alabama hometown to



"Sweet Home Alabama"

Starring: Reese Witherspoon, Josh Lucas,

Director: Andy Tennant

Patrick Dempsey

Writer: Douglas J. Eboch

So, Melanie makes a clandestine trip back home and back down memory lane to the life she left behind eight years ago. Enter Melanie's Mr. Not-So-Right-Anymore-But-Still-Oh-So-Right redneck husband Jake (Josh Lucas) and the rest of her childhood cronies who don't take so kindly to Melanie's big city ways.

Hilarity ensues.

"Sweet Home Alabama" suffers from a severe case of lack-of-plot-itis. At first, the audience thinks that the movie will be about Melanie torturing her ex into signing the divorce papers, but he succumbs to her

dirty tactics in the first 10 minutes. Then, it seems that the movie will be about Melanie hiding her white trash roots from the mayor's wily spies. But

that too is cleared up rather quickly. And then, it seems that the movie will be about Melanie making nice with her soon to be mother-inlaw, but again the film just keeps on switching plotlines. This film is a run of

the mill "girl rediscovers her roots" films. And by the umpteenth reprise of Skynard's famous song that lends this movie a credible title, the audience should be more than a bit chagrined that they paid \$8 for a ticket to



Photo courtesy of Touchstone Pictures

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Melanie Carmichael (Reese Witherspoon) goes home to divorce her husband Jake Perry (Josh Lucas, right) for Andrew Hennings (Patrick Dempsey, left).

a romantic comedy that's not nearly as engaging a "Sex in the City" or as heartwarming as "Sleepless in Seattle.

The eerily waifish Witherspoon serves up a decent performance. As always she's cute, charming and looks somewhat like a Power Puff Girl on crystal meth. Bergen, who can deliver the uptight white woman act in her sleep at this point, adds a bit of star-powered oomph to a slightly lethargic cast.

One the philosophical side, there's one thing that's slightly disturbing about the way this movie plays out. If the sex roles had been reversed here and a man behaved as obnoxiously to everyone as Melanie does, he'd be considered the biggest dog in history. But somehow it's OK for Melanie to be a completely

ungrateful airhead. Somehow the fact that she's in love is supposed to ameliorate the fact that she is self-centered and has a total disregard for everyone else's time, feelings and dignity.

And the very fact that Mr. Perfect (Andrew Dempsey) gets walked all over in this film sends a disturbing message to the masculine half of those watching this film as date: Men who treat women with respect are chumps.

In the end, "Sweet Home Alabama" is just another cookie cutter romantic comedy that will be coming to a Cinemax channel near you soon. Very soon.

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Photo courtesy of Touchstone Pictures Melanie (Witherspoon) gets engaged to Andrew (Dempsey), son of the mayor (Candace Bergen).

MOVIE REVIEW

'Jackass' cuts the plot, goes for stunts

By SHAWN NEWBURG Scene Movie Critic

Abbott and Costello, The Three Stooges and Buster Keaton are all rolling over in their graves after the television show. Each stunt seems even funnier than the one preceding it. The

Director: Jeff Tremain

Knoxville

Johnny Knoxville

the pranksters were ever allowed to get away with doing on television. From eating yellow snow cones to getting beaten mercilessly by Butterbean, the heavyweight boxer, the stunts are a little more dangerous than ones from the funnier than the one preceding it. The best part of the movie is the sus-"Jackass: The Movie" pense of waiting for what insane thing the guys will do next. In comparison to the television Writer: Jeff Tremain, Spike Jonze, Johnny show, the level of ingenuity and Starring: Bam Margera, Chris Pontius, creativity of their stunts decreased. Rather than realdoing any ly clever pranks, which were hysterical in the television show, the Jackass crew pretty much sticks to a slapstick, kickin-the-groin type of humor. Although they do come up with really creative and funny ways of hurting themselves in order to make the audience laugh, they fail to pull any pranks more creative than butchering unsuspecting people's hair with hair clippers. The best pranks are, unfortunately, missing in this movie.



They are finally realizing that all that time they wasted on coming up with silly plots only took away from their time onscreen to perform their slapstick routines.

The men of the crew of Jackass, led by Johnny Knoxville, bril-

liant as they are with their comedy. finally cut away all that unnecessary extra stuff and get right to the heart of what every young male wants to see toilet humor and guys getting hit in the balls.

And the result? A pretty funny movie. Fans of the original Jackass television show, produced by MTV, will not be disappointed. Those who never got the humor of Jackass still will not.

Many of the stunts go beyond what

Photo courtesy of Columbia Pictures

Dave England, Ehren McGheney, Jason "Wee Man" Acuna, Bam Margera, Ryan Dunn, Steve-O, Chris Pontius, and Johnny Knoxville pull stunts in "Jackass."

Audiences either love the humor of "Jackass: The Movie" or hate it. Audiences who like circus clowns hitting each other with bats, love watching any sort of wrestling entertainment or just can't get enough of home videos of dads getting kicked in the junk by llamas, will love "Jackass: The Movie." Audiences that do not find slapstick humor funny should probably go watch "Punch-Drunk Love.

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THE ARBITER OF TASTE

'Punch-Drunk Love': a delightful knockout of a film

"Punch-Drunk Love" is an offbeat, unlikely knockout that sneaks up on you from behind and keeps you reeling for more.

Barry Egan (Adam Sandler) has

seven very loud and very unruly sisters, who have undoubtedly kept him unable to relate well to women. He is the owner of a small business, which produces unusual washroom appliances. Lena Leonard, (Emily Watson, "Red Dragon"), is the radiant woman

who has an

out to be.

unabashed desire

to be a part of his

The film is based on a true story

about a University of California civil

engineer who stumbled upon a lucra-

tive frequent-flyer promotion. By pur-

chasing 12,150 cups of Healthy

Choice pudding for just \$3,000, he

begins with Barry dialing the 800

accumulated millions of air miles. It

number on the back of Healthy Choice

dinner package in the early hours of

the morning to inquire about one of

their promotional deals, only to be

followed by the next scene wherein

piano on the side of the road for no

The rest should be left to be discov-

an unknown van drops off a small

ered in theaters. What makes this

film great is that it manages to be

unusual while still being engaging.

Writer and director Paul Thomas Anderson ("Magnolia," "Boogie

explained reason.



Anne Hamilton

Scene Movie Critic

reveals truth about people and life that is much needed and is, in a word, honest. Almost half the life after only seeing his picture and running time of the takes him on a romantic adventure three-hour toward self-affirmation. Their first "Magnolia," "Love" days spent together are what make exchanges falling up the basis of "Punch-Drunk Love," frozen frogs from and an interesting few days they turn the sky for randomly placed harmoni-

clicks.

ums, and promotional deals involving large amounts of pudding. The script involves mostly situational

Nights") is up to his old, and some of

his latest film. The story is quirky and

seemingly without

from scene to scene

without giving its

audience much

rhyme or reason

for why it moves the way it does,

until finally some-

thing in the viewer

This is not a typical film, but it

punch line or

moral. It flows

his new tricks in

absurdity, which has the capacity to leave audiences either gasping in disbelief or giggling

The directing is outstanding and Anderson captures his characters in a winning combination of cliches and. intimate portraits. The film's scope takes some of the footage to Hawaii, and there is a beautifully constructed scene composed entirely of silhouettes when Barry and Lena meet each other from across a hotel lobby. A great deal of the action takes place at night, and Anderson capitalizes on

this through is use of interesting angles and muted lighting. Anderson's strongest point in this film, however, is his ability to tolerate long stretches of silence without dialogue or score. "Punch-Drunk Love" is a rare film in that it does not bombard its audience with sound and picture in an effort to be entertaining. The acting is equally subtle. Sandler plays a character similar but not identical to those in previous films. Neither crazy nor sane, Barry Egan is a frustrated and at times comic character in a very serious world. He is obviously a misunderstood loner, and Sandler's experience with this type of character in other

roles shines through. Barry is, however, prone to outbreaks of crying or destruction, (he tears apart a restaurant's bathroom on his first date with Lena), and Sandler carries out this apparent absurdity with a high degree of grace. Barry's crazy outbreaks of anger or grief indicate an imbalance; however, as the story developed, I began to wonder whether his "imbalance" was not due simply to his having an over-sharpened sense of what is going on around him.

As he wanders through the wonder-land of "Punch-Drunk Love" he meets the larger-than-

life character, Lena. She is perhaps the most engaging and attractive character I have encountered in film a very long

time. I don't

attribute her suc-

He orchestrates a medley of bright colors again in "Love," and he and Anderson add interesting synesthetic "scenes" of music behind moving watercolor "paintings," which appear alone on the screen between scenes.

The original score, composed by Jon Brion, is also outstanding. It integrates music by The Beatles and a wonderfully desperate rendition of Shelly Duvall's "He Really Needs Me," which add to the playful mood of the film

The sum total of "Punch-Drunk Love" is that is overall a great film, not for any one of its qualities, but

because it is consistent in what it tries to accomplish by its humble plot and unusual characters. Not fitting into any

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Barry Egan (Adam Sandler), who has never been in love, gets acquainted with the mysterious harmonium player Lena Leonard (Emily Watson).

in their seats.



Photo courtesy of Columbia Pictures Adam Sandler plays the eccentric Barry Egan, traumatized by the abuse of his seven sisters.

Starring: Adam Sandler, Emily Watson, Philip Seymour Hoffman know whether to

"Punch-Drunk Love"

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Director: Paul Thomas Anderson

Writer: Paul Thomas Anderson

cess to Watson's ability or the writer's genius. I suppose it would have to be a marriage of both. Lena is wearing red, and this could symbolize the life she brings to Barry's frustrating existence. (It is also a strong contrast to the royal blue suit that Barry wears throughout the film as a symbol of his downtrodden state.)

The characters' honesty about themselves and their motivations are a refreshing delight, as Barry's coworkers randomly fall off chairs, crash machines into walls, and make other very human failings. One clear message of this film is centered in its honesty. These people clearly are not perfect, but because of their honesty, they don't have to be.

Cinematographer Robert Elswit, who worked with Anderson on both "Magnolia" and "Boogie Nights," continues to develop his style in this film.

one genera of film, "Love," like its name suggests, is a film a little bit

on the edge. It is on the edge of being defined as a comedy, a romance, a mystery or any kind of usual film. It defies the normal sentiments, which would demand from it a logic that, for its completeness, this film really should not have. "Punch-Drunk Love" is an edgy romantic comedy that doesn't stumble over sentiment or slapstick, and should be on everyone's list of films to see this year.

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Iverson scores 34 points in 76ers' 101-99 win over the Clippers

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA The Philadelphia 76ers had a pair of starters foul out in overtime, but they still had Allen Iverson.

Iverson scored six of his 34 points in the extra session as the 76ers held on for a 101-99 victory over the Los Angeles Clippers.

Iverson missed a shot at the end of regulation that would have given Philadelphia the win and watched as Eric Snow and Keith Van Horn fouled out 16 seconds apart in the overtime. But Iverson made 1-of-2 from the line to forge a 97-97 tie with 1:41 left. Todd MacCulloch added a free throw to break the deadlock 23 seconds later.

Los Angeles failed to score on its next possession and the Sixers looked stagnant when they got the ball, but Iverson bailed them out with a long jumper with 44 seconds to go.

Andre Miller sank two foul shots to cut the deficit to one 10 seconds later and Los Angeles' full-court pressure resulted in a turnover by Philadelphia. The Clippers isolated Elton Brand, who missed a short jumper in the lane, and Michael Olowokandi failed on a follow attempt.

Iverson added a free throw for the final margin. He made 12-of-15 at the line as Philadelphia converted 86 percent (30-of-35) of its foul shots.

New York 95, Sacramento 88

The fourth quarter belonged to the New York Knicks for the first time this season.

Lee Nailon scored 10 of his 20 points in the opening 5 1/2 minutes of the final period as the Knicks pulled away for their first victory of the season the struggling over Sacramento Kings.

New York squandered fourth-quarter leads in each of its first three games, losing to Detroit, Philadelphia and Boston. But Nailon, who signed as a free agent on Oct. 30, reversed the trend. He helped the Knicks extend a two-point lead to 86-77 with 6:37 to play.

Allan Houston added two baskets to make it 90-77, and New York was able to hold on for its 16th win in the last 17 meetings with Sacramento at Madison Square Garden.

the period.

Chris Webber led all scorers with 22 points and grabbed 11 rebounds while Peja Stojakovic added 19 and five for Sacramento, which concluded a four-game road trip with three straight losses.

Houston finished with 21 points and Charlie Ward and Shandon Anderson had 15 apiece for the Knicks.

Washington 107, Cleveland 100

After a one-year absence, Jerry Stackhouse is back as a primary scoring option.

Stackhouse scored a seasonhigh 35 points to lead the Washington Wizards to a victothe Cleveland over Cavaliers.

A year ago, Stackhouse averaged 21.4 points for the Detroit Pistons, who received significant contributions from at least five players on a nightly basis en route to a surprising 50-win season.

In 2000-01, Stackhouse averaged a career-best 29.8 points as the Pistons' go-to guy and showed an ability to carry an offense for long stretches.

Acquired in September for Richard Hamilton as part of a six-player deal, he has led his new team in scoring in every game. Against Cleveland, Stackhouse had three fewer points than Washington's other four starters combined.

Stackhouse scored 14 points in the first quarter, helping Washington to a 28-13 lead. He added eight in the second period, when the margin was trimmed to 46-43, then totaled 13 in the second half and made two free throws for a 97-75 advantage with 4:58 remaining

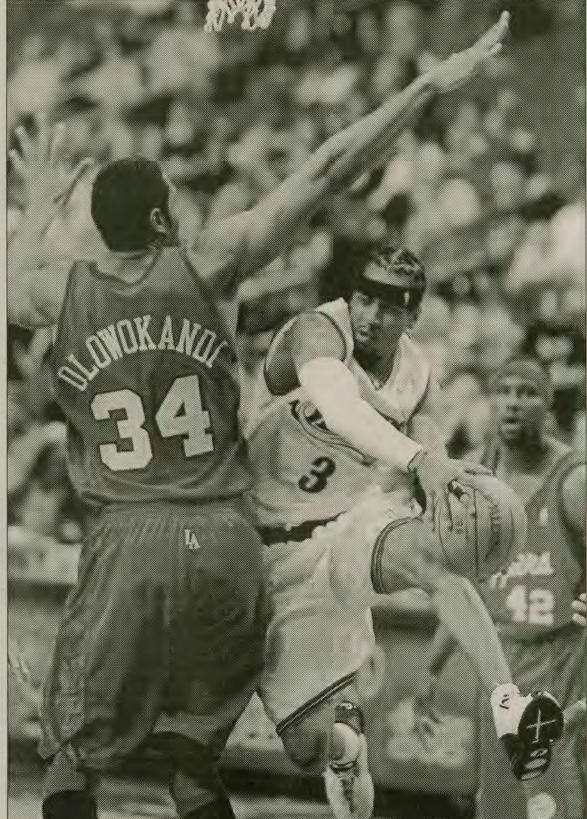
The Wizards put away the Cavs by starting the fourth quarter with a 12-2 run that made it 85-68 with 6:43 to play. Michael Jordan scored all of his six points during the burst, which he capped with a driving layup.

Ricky Davis scored 27 points for Cleveland, which fell to 1-3 on the road.

Dallas 106, Toronto 92

Dirk Nowitzki and Michael Finley combined for 50 points as the Dallas Mavericks defeated the Toronto Raptors for their best start since the 1995-96 season.

Nowitzki scored 28 points on 10-of-15 shooting and pulled down 13 rebounds while Finley was 3-of-3 from the arc and added 22 points.



Allen Iverson avoids the Clippers' defense during Philadelphia's 101-99 win over Los Angeles. Iverson scored 34 points for the 76ers.

Shawn Bradley made a strong contribution at center in place of injured starter Raef LaFrentz, scoring 14 points and pulling down 13 rebounds.

The Mavericks improved to 4-0 for the first time in seven years. In 1995-96, they fol67-66, on Voshon Lenard's 3pointer with 2:56 left in the third quarter. But Dallas answered quickly, restoring a five-point lead heading into the final period before pulling away with a 29-10 run.

Lenard led five Raptors in double figures with 20 points.

apiece.

Toronto was without Vince Carter and Antonio Davis for the second straight game. Last season's leading scorers are sidelined at least a week with injuries suffered in Saturday's loss to Houston.

The Raptors lost for just the

AFP Photo

The Kings made just one basket in a 10-minute stretch of the fourth quarter and were just 3-of-15 from the field in

lowed the 4-0 start by losing 22 of the next 26 games. Toronto took its first lead,

Lindsey Hunter chipped in 17 and Morris Peterson and Jerome Williams added 16 third time in their last 16 games without Carter in the lineup.

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COLLEGE BASEBALL

Texas placed on two-year probation for NCAA violation

Associated Press

AUSTIN, Texas College World Series champion Texas was put on two years' probation by the NCAA on Wednesday for illegal job benefits given to a former volunteer assistant coach.

The NCAA determined that assistant Richard Couch took a \$40,000-a year marketing job at a beer distributorship owned by former university regent Lowell Lebermann but never did any work. Instead, Couch spent all his time working on activities related to the baseball team, especially recruiting.

NCAA rules prohibit volunteer coaches from being on an athletic department's payroll or receiving preferential treatment in an outside job arranged by the department.

They are allowed to have jobs but must do the work they're paid for. By not working, Couch violated NCAA standards of honesty.

Although the NCAA's report attributed only one recruit who signed with Couch, it concluded that he gave Texas a competitive advantage by spending all of his time on baseball and dozens of recruiting trips.

It also said Texas failed to monitor whether Couch was going to his job, which was arranged with help from head coach Augie Garrido.

The Longhorns won their fifth national title and first in 13 years by beating South Carolina 12-6 at the College World Series in June. Couch left the team in October 2001 and was not with the Longhorns last season.

Tom Yeager, chairman of the NCAA Division I Committee on Infractions and chairman of the Colonial Athletic Association, said the violation was considered "major."

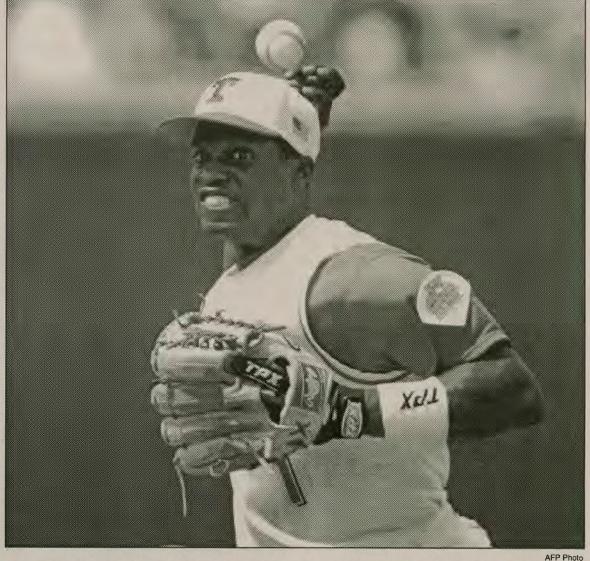
The NCAA accepted Texas' self-imposed penalty to prohibit Garrido from recruiting off campus until August 2003.

The team also will have one fewer scholarship for the 2003-04 school year, and only one assistant coach will be allowed to recruit off campus until next August.

The penalties do not keep Texas from playing in postseason championships.

Texas Athletic Director DeLoss Dodds said the school stands by Garrido and that UT officials believed the violation to be "secondary" in nature, which would have brought a lesser penalty.

"We felt it was a secondary violation and still do," Dodds said. "[But] we did violate a rule and we're big folks. This is a wakeup call for everybody to find out what their coaches are doing. We're going to make some corrections."



Texas Longhorns' second baseman Tim Moss loses the handle on the ball during the 2002 College World Series. The program was put on probation following an NCAA violation.

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NFL

Frustrated Stewart talks about demotion

The Observer SPORTS

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH

Kordell Stewart played the role of Michael Vick as the Pittsburgh Steelers began preparing for the Atlanta Falcons. He would much rather go back to being Kordell Stewart.

Relegated to the insignificant duties as scout team quarterback only a season after leading the Steelers to a 13-3 record and making the Pro Bowl, Stewart is clearly hurt and frustrated with his latest benching.

Speaking out for the first time since coach Bill Cowher yanked him for Tommy Maddox six weeks ago, Stewart said Wednesday he will be a starter again in the NFL, not just a guy who imitates another team's starter in practice.

But he wouldn't criticize Cowher's abrupt decision, saying doing so would only distract from how well Maddox and the division-leading Steelers are playing.

"I can't control what other people do," Stewart said. "I've proven myself time and time again, so to express myself and explain myself again, what would that benefit? ... If this is the direction they want to go, fine, so be it, but everybody else knows, and this organization knows, what I can do."

Stewart hasn't written off this season or his seven-year career with the Steelers, but realizes they won't keep him and his \$6.3 million salary after this season to be a backup.

So, even if they cut him or trade him, he said, "It's no sweat off my back, I'll be ready to move on."

Stewart also was benched in 1999 and 2000, but this demotion was the least expected because it came so early, and after so successful a season.

Maddox replaced Stewart in the fourth quarter Sept. 29 against Cleveland and rallied the Steelers to a 16-13 overtime victory, preventing an 0-3 start. With Maddox throwing at least

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two touchdown passes in all but one game since, the Steelers (5-3) have won five of six to open a comfortable lead in the AFC North.

With Maddox playing so well, Stewart knows he would be out of line to lobby to play again.

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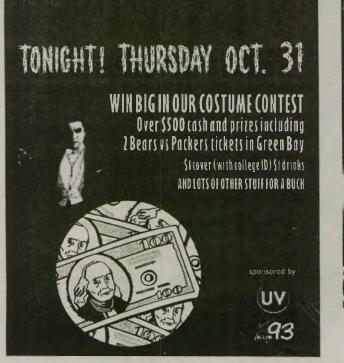


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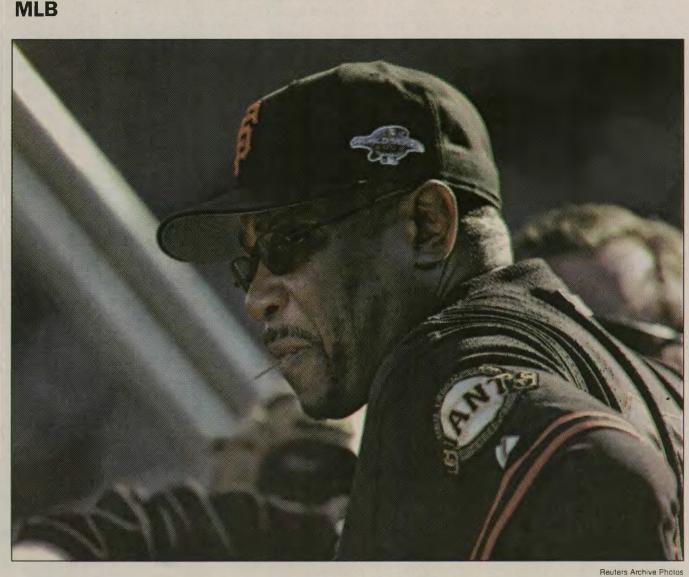
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Eye on Irish Opponents

Saturday N.C.Slate at MARYLAND PURDUE at Ohio State



Former San Francisco Glants manager Dusty Baker decided not to renew his contract with the ballclub. Baker becomes the first manager in almost three decades to leave his team after reaching the World Series.

Dusty Baker no longer with Giants

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO Manager Dusty Baker is leaving the San Francisco Giants less than two weeks after leading them to the World Series. General manager Brian Sabean made the announcement Wednesday, the day Baker's contract expired.

"It has become increasingly apparent that Dusty's interest in exploring opportunities elsewhere is paramount in his mind," Sabean said. "There remained non-compensation issues that he seemed reluctant to embrace."

Sabean said he recommended to owner Peter A three-time NL Manager of the Year, Baker has had differences with Magowan, mainly on who deserves the most credit for the franchise's recent success.

end.

Baker becomes the first manager in nearly three decades to leave a team right after guiding it to the World Series. Dick Williams led Oakland to the 1973 championship and then retired — he was hired by the California Angels during the 1974 season. The Chicago Cubs and

to express interest in Baker. Sabean said he will have

Seattle Mariners are likely

immediately.

At 53, Baker just completed his 10th year with the Giants. He led San Francisco to its first World Series since 1989 before losing in seven games to the Anaheim Angels.

But Baker apparently felt slighted because Magowan always pointed out everybody else's contributions when asked what he thought of Baker's role in the team's success.

Baker also became angry when Magowan said in spring training that this was the best team the Giants had fielded in his 10 years of ownership. Baker thought that put too much pressure on the players. is free to talk to other teams, and has expressed interest in the Cubs' vacancy. The Cubs were waiting until after Baker's contract had expired officially at midnight Wednesday — before contacting him.

Cubs general manager Jim Hendry hasn't interviewed anyone to replace the fired Bruce Kimm, and is in Arizona for the team's organizational meetings.

The Mariners identified four finalists for their job Tuesday and Baker was not on the list. But general manager Pat Gillick has said he has a "mystery candidate" to replace Lou Piniella, who left for



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IN BRIEF

Warner hopes to return

Kurt Warner starts throwing on Thursday, confident he'll have to miss only one more game because of a broken pinkie.

The St. Louis Rams' quarterback, who won his second MVP award last season, also agrees with his coach that he deserves his job back whenever he's healthy. Backup Marc Bulger has led the team to its only three victories; Warner was 0-4 before getting hurt.

"Marc's played tremendous, no question about it," Warner said Wednesday. "But I feel I've earned the right to call this my team and when I'm healthy I'm going to be back in there."

Warner could be back for the Nov. 18 Monday night game against the Chicago Bears, with Bulger starting at home against the Chargers. Coach Mike Martz quashed a potential quarterback controversy on Wednesday for the second time in three days.

"I've just never been part of the amnesia crowd, I guess," Martz said. "How in the world could you turn your back on a guy that's done so much?"

Three pins were removed from Warner's finger on Monday and he's spent the last two days strengthening the hand in a tub of rice, with grippers and putty of different consistencies. He plans to throw the ball every day starting Thursday to slowly build up strength.

James and Williams sidelined

Indianapolis Colts running backs

Edgerrin James and Ricky Williams will miss their second straight games after being ruled out of Sunday's contest at Philadelphia.

Colts coach Tony Dungy made the announcement Wednesday at the end of practice.

James had been playing on a surgically repaired left knee before partially tearing his right hamstring. Dungy said James also has rib cartilage damage. He had been listed as doubtful.

Williams, no relation to the Miami Dolphins running back of the same name, was expected to replaced James in the starting lineup last week but injured his hamstring in practice Friday and was placed on the Colts inactive list against Tennessee. He was listed as questionable.

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WOMENS TENNIS

Irish finish off season with Eck Classic this weekend

Special to The Observer

Notre Dame's womens tennis team will play host to the 15th-annual Eck Classic this weekend in the Eck Tennis Pavilion in the final event on the Irish fall schedule. Indiana, Louisville, Purdue and Syracuse round out the field for the tournament, which will run Friday-Sunday, getting underway at 9:00 a.m. each day. The Eck Classic will feature two 16player singles flights, as well as a 16-team doubles tournament.

Notre Dame, which has finished in the national top 25 in each of the last seven seasons, competed in three other tournaments this fall in preparation for the 2003 dual-match schedule, which gets underway Jan. 22 with a home match against Western Michigan.

Junior Alicia Salas has had a successful fall season in both singles and doubles. In singles action, the 86thranked player in the nation has posted a 7-4 mark, highlighted by a pair of victories over ranked players. Salas won four matches to advance to the final of the OSU/Prince Cup before falling in a match tiebreaker to Lisa D'Amelio of Eastern Michigan. In last month's Omni Hotels Midwest Championships, Salas reached the round of 16 before falling to the top seed, No. 23 Marine Piriou of Northwestern.

Salas paired with freshman Kristina Stastny in the first

ing the quarterfinals in the OSU/Prince Cup before losing to eventual champions, D'Amelio and Rebecca Hawkins. The following weekend, the Irish pair won four straight matches to win the B flight doubles championship in the prestigious adidas Invitational, defeating doubles teams from Duke, Tennessee and two from Northwestern. Stastny, who reached the round of 16 with senior captain Katie Cunha in the Midwest Championships, leads the Irish with a 7-2 doubles mark this fall.

two events of the fall, reach-

Freshman Lauren Connelly played with Salas in the Midwest Championships and the pair lost a tough 9-7 decision to the top-seeded team, 13th-ranked Karie Schlukebir and Linda Tran of Indiana, which will be in action this weekend. In the Prince Cup, Connelly and junior Emily Neighbours fell in the first round, but rebounded with three straight wins to capture the consolation title.

Connelly has had a strong first collegiate fall in singles, as well, defeating a pair of top-70 players. Connelly topped No. 52 Jessica Rush of Northwestern in straight sets in the opening round of the adidas Invitational and then defeated Ohio State's Erica Fisk, ranked 69th, in the first round of the Midwest Championships.

Classmate Kelly Nelson also has had a hot start to her collegiate career, leading the Irish this fall with eight singles victories.



Senior Katie Cunha hits a ball in last year's Big East Tournament. The Irish will end their fall season this weekend at home in the Eck Classic.

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On Saturday, Pauly will be in the starting lineup again.

Hilliard is still out with no

The Midshipmen will be play-

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Hilliard recorded seven tackles

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Football

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and tries his hardest to get as good as he can," Mattison said. "He never, ever complains about getting half the reps in practice and not many plays in games."

But Pauly was still looking for his chance to put those reps to use against an opponent. He got that opportunity two weeks ago when Hilliard took a hit against

Florida State and could not return to the field. Pauly stepped in

"He played well," defensive coordinator Kent Baer said. "For the first time out of the box, he played good. He got his feet wet."

Pauly didn't just step in because Hilliard was down. The Irish defense doesn't work that way. Pauly stepped in because he had earned the right to rotate. He had proven himself as a player that could step up. "You don't just get thrown in there because somebody goes down," Mattison said. "You have to earn the right. That's why it's so important that each kid know his role. The second unit guy has to get himself ready so he's earned the right. When his time comes, he's ready to play."

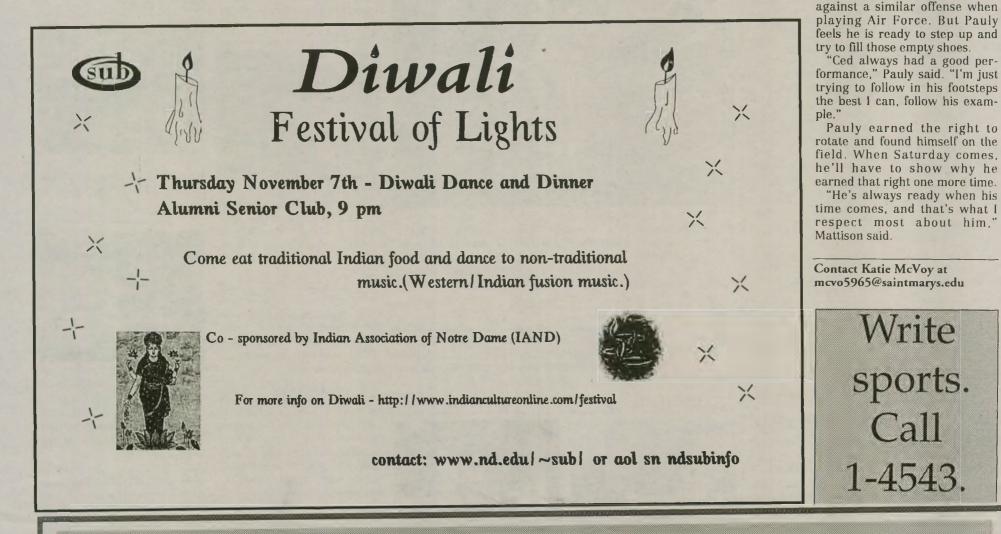
When it became clear that Hilliard would not be able to play against Boston College, Pauly's name started coming up more and more often. The junior was going to have to step up one

more time. It was an honor.

"It's definitely rewarding to get a start with that defense," Pauly said. "We have a tremendous defense, and to get the start is really something special."

Pauly turned in a solid performance for the Irish, but he and the coaches recognize that reps in practice aren't quite the same thing as reps on the field.

"It was his first start, his first time playing for a length of time," Mattison said. "But Pauly



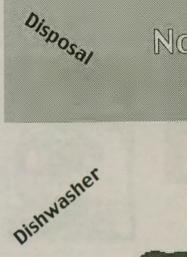
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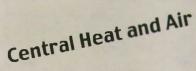


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Can the 'Canes repeat? Can the Sooners make it two out of the last three? Who will win the Heisman? How many polygons does a Butkus Award winner get? Where is Berkeley? The answers to these (No. No. Look to Texas. Thousands. Take I-80 west and follow the signs.) and other pressing questions can be found in this year's College Football Top 25 poll:

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So they went 1-10 last year. Big deal. Serious time spent in the Blue Chip Recruiting Mode has made this team into a rough bunch on 2002 Ducks rain on just about the gridiron. That combined with a new Power I formation adds an anyone's parade. unexpected threat for this turn-around team.

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MIAMI (FL)



How good is this team? Eight or nine of their starters should be in NFL GameDay" next year. The 'Canes may have the toughest schedule in football, with games against Florida, Tennessee, Virginia Tech and the Florida State Seminoles. About the only quality teams not on their schedule are in the NFL.

3 OKLAHOMA

New Hot Routes can put the 2000 NCAA champs right back at the top. Which means almost as much to this Sooner team as beating their heated rival, the Nebraska Cornhuskers.

4 COLORADO

Will the Buffs defend their Big 12 crown using the wishbone? The flexbone? The full house? Only the coach controlling the play-

11 WASHINGTON STATE **19** BOISE STATE

A strong passing offense makes them a team to beat. Explosive gameplay makes this perennial Pac 10 little brother into a legiti- are definitely on their way up. mate head-turner. WAZZU is ready to tangle with the big boys.

12 ALABAMA



The Crimson Tide has the polygons and offensive line to muscle anyone in college football. If that's not enough, new high-low tackling gives their

Blue Chip recruiting made the loss of their 2001 Heisman candidate easier to stomach. A new wishbone offense could help the

More control over the running game puts them at the top of their conference. But they must beat arch-rival Michigan for the Big 10 tough conference. Conference title first, which won't be easy, but definitely a possibility for the Buckeyes.

15 WASHINGTON

Unproven defense must come through for a Rose Bowl berth. Total Control Passing gives this Husky team a very potent attack.

16 LSU Tigers are looking to claw their

way to another SEC title. Louisiana State University's pass- and run-blocking is topnotch this year.

17 NEBRASKA



mauling and beat the Sooners

Say hello to the first "Houston Bowl" winner. Increased frame rates show that this year these boys

20 AUBURN



Old coach sacked in Career Mode. Tigers should improve drastically on both sides of the ball.

21 SOUTH CAROLINA



Lots of excitement building for 'Cocks this year. Volatile offense could be a threat with the addition of a full-house formation. Could make some noise this year, despite the fact that they are in a

22 MARSHALL

A weak schedule equals strong wins. Will Keith Jackson, in GameBreaker's booth, call them "rumbling" or "bumbling"?

23 TEXAS A&M

Several players converted to defense. Too bad they're in the country's toughest conference.

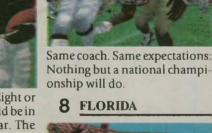
24 LOUISVILLE

Gamebreakers on both sides of the ball. Look for the Cardinals to go to their Wing T offense for big points. Look for them to top Conference USA.

25 PENN STATE



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FLORIDA STATE

New coach. Same expectations: Nothing but a national championship will do.

9 UCLA





defense the bite it needed.

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23 **TEXAS A&M**

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book knows for sure.

5 TENNESSEE

New high-low tackling might give the Volunteers their toughest defense in years.

6 TEXAS

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MENS BASKETBALL

Brey's mentor Wootten retires

By ANDREW SOUKUP Sports Writer

When Mike Brey received a phone call from legendary DeMatha High coach Morgan Wootten Tuesday night, the Irish head coach wasn't surprised to hear his longtime mentor say he was hanging up his whistle.

"I spoke to him a lot over the past two weeks, and I think he feels good about it," Brey said. "I think he was 90 percent of the way there this summer, and he finally made his decision in the past couple of weeks.

The 71-year-old Wootten, who announced his retirement from coaching after a 46-season career Wednesday, coached Brey in high school and gave him his first coaching job as an assistant at DeMatha in 1982. When Brey left DeMatha in 1987 to work at Duke, he kept in constant contact with Wootten.

"Certainly, he has meant a lot to me," Brey said. "I'm not in South Bend, Ind., if it wasn't for his impact on my life at a very young age and back through my early years of coaching. I was spoiled, having my first coaching job with him."

Wootten is only one of three prep coaches to be inducted into the Basketball Hall of Fame. He never had a losing season, compiled a 1,274-192 record and coached seven teams that were voted national champions.

Wootten turned down numerous college coaching jobs, choosing instead to stay at the high school level. Among the NBA players he coached in high school included Adrian Dantley, Kenny Carr, Danny Ferry, Sidney Lowe and Adrian Branch.

Since 1977, the coach also served as chairman of the McDonald's All-American Game selection committee, which features the top high school talent in the nation.

Brey and Wootten have kept in contact throughout the years. Wootten and his wife visited

Department of

Brey in South Bend last summer and Wootten watched Notre Dame's quadruple-overtime victory over Georgetown last winter.

"He's a legend, a Hall of Famer," Brey said. "When you think about him, you think about John]

Wooden and Dean Smith. That's his company."

Injured Irish A day after injuring his age and back through my ankle early in a scrimmage, Jordan

Center

Cornette hobbled around Irish basketball coach the hallways of the Joyce

Wednesday afternoon on crutch-

Brey remained optimistic that

Cornette would be able to play in

Notre Dame's exhibition

12. Formal presentation of the award will be in Oklahoma City, Okla., at the annual Jim Thorpe Awards

2003.

The Thorpe Award has been presented since 1986, based on the winner's performance on the field, athletic ability and character

Voted the 20th century's greatest athlete in a poll by ABC's Wide World of Sports, Jim Thorpe was a two-time All American running back and defensive, the winner of decathlon and pentathlon gold medals in the 1912 Olympics, and a standout in both professional football and baseball. He was the first president of what became the National Football League.

B-ball

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Jones insists he did nothing special, just worked hard in the offseason.

But when Brey compliment his raw athletic ability. In the absence of an established big man, the Irish have Jones, who

can slash to the basket or hit a short range jumper, pulling pressure away from Notre Dame's young big guys.

'We certainly don't want to take away from what his strengths are, guarding people and being an athletic presence," Brey said. "But now, for him to look for it a little more offensively, that's something he

guard for his work with Quinn, a guy who could potentially take "When you have that guy who can get everybody motivated, I know it's

very important. And I

value that role."

should do."

"He's a team guy, he's one of those kids you get spoiled coaching," Brey said.

"He wants

his team to

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away from

Jones.

Torrian Jones Irish guard

> do well, he wants his team to win. He's never looked at Chris Quinn as a guy who could take his minutes, even though he could. That's how secure he is and how much he's thought about the group."

> For Jones' part, he's just going to keep doing what he's doing --- talking in practice and working hard on the court.

After all, it's all part of helping the Irish win, no matter what it takes.

"You can get lazy in a game, and guys naturally take time off," Jones said. "But when you have that guy who can get everybody motivated, I know it's very important. And I value that role.'

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"If he's not ready Monday, I know what Jordan can do," Brey said. "He's a veteran, he'll do fine.' While Cornette sat out most of Tuesday's scrimmage, the Irish welcomed Jere Macura back to the practice court.

Fremantle, Australia

Monday.

"Certainly, he has meant

a lot to me. I'm not in

South Bend, Ind., if it

wasn't for his impact on

my life at a very young

early years of coaching."

Mike Brey

Macura missed Notre Dame's exhibition last Friday after Cornette fell on his knee, prompting Brey to compare the injury to one suffered last year when Harold Swanagan fell on Tom Timmermans.

Then, Timmermans had to miss two months. Brey was glad Macura is already back in the lineup

"I don't think he's 100 percent yet, he's not quite jumping, but he's moving," Brey said. "Having him back is always a good thing."

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looks at Jones, he sees a player that has finally developed basketball skills to

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Walton selected

as semifinalist

Award presented annually to the nation's best college Three finalists will be selected on Nov. 25. The winner will be announced on ESPN's College Football Awards Show, broadcast from DisneyWorld on Dec.

Jones' unselfishness and

acceptance of his supporting-

player role is what makes him

so well liked by Irish coaches.

Brey in particular praised the

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U-WIRE

No. 2 player in the country commits to Duke basketball

By PAUL DORAN The Duke Chronicle

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DURHAM, N.C. After one of the biggest recruiting battles in the Class of 2007, the No. 2 player in the country, Luol Deng, officially announced his verbal commitment to the Duke men's basketball team at a press conference Tuesday at his high school, Blair Academy (N.J.).

The 6-foot-8, 217 pound small forward chose the Blue Devils over Indiana, Virginia and Missouri. Deng is the second and final mem-

ber of the Class of 2007, joining Minn., native power forward Kris Humphries on the team next season.

Deng was not the only Blair standout announcing his decision Wednesday

Teammate Charlie Villanueva, also a consensus top-five recruit, announced he would spend his collegiate days at Illinois. The only school both were considering was Indiana.

"It was a very difficult decision," Deng said. "The schools we considered all treated us wonderfully. Charlie and I shared our experiences and ultimately needed to make the decisions we felt were best for each of us.'

Deng said that he talked with his family and made the decision over the weekend before informing the coaching staff Sunday night.

The announcement came on the heels of Deng's official visit to Duke - the Sudan native visited Durham Oct. 25 to 27, a weekend that gave him the chance to see the Blue-White Scrimmage in Cameron Indoor Stadium.

With Sports Illustrated cover boy LeBron James almost certainly making the jump from high school to the NBA, Deng, who has been placed in the second slot in his class by virtually every recruiting guru, is considered by many to be the best high school player avail-

"After visiting Duke I got the idea of what I wanted to do," Deng said. "My dad came over and my brother came down and I sat down with them a made the decision this weekend.

The Blue Devils hope that Deng, who is known for his stingy defense, will be able to fill in the small forward role that will be vacated by senior Dahntay Jones at the end of the season. Last year at Blair, Deng

aver-"It was a very difficult aged 22 decision. The schools we points considered all treated us and 12 boards wonderfully." while

> **Luol Deng** No. 2 college recruit

> > state finals for his high school's class

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A world traveler, Deng's trek to Durham has taken him through three continents. He was born in Sudan before moving to Egypt and finally England. He then came to the United States to board at Blair despite the fact his parents stayed in London.

Head men's basketball coach Mike Krzyzewski and assistant coach Chris Collins made a visit to the United Kingdom to meet with Deng's parents earlier in the year.

Deng's announcement confirmed The Chronicle's report Tuesday that Deng would attend Duke.

Deng, however, will play one game in Durham before matriculating at Duke - Blair Academy is set to take on Bishop O'Connell in Cameron Jan. 11

"I enjoyed it, but I'm glad it's over," Villanueva said. "Luol and I can now focus on our final season at Blair and hopefully make it a year to remember



Duke coach Mike Krzyzewski received verbal committment from Luol Deng, the No. 2 player in the country.

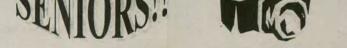
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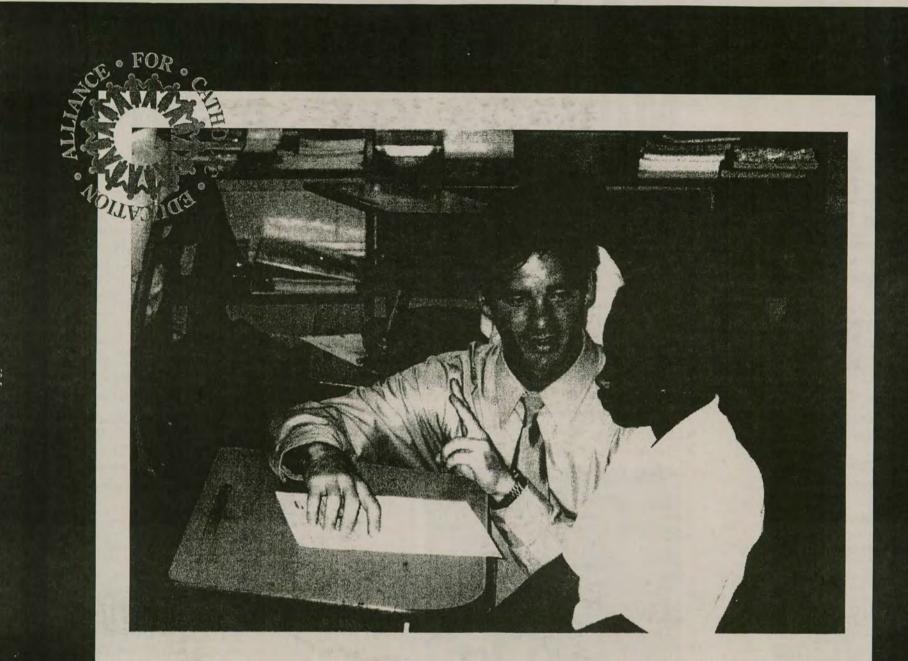
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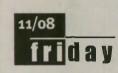
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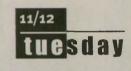
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Campus Bible Study 7:00 -8:00 p.m. 114 Coleman-Morse Center

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Weekly Spanish Mass 10:30 p.m. St. Edward's Hall



Interfaith Christian Night Prayer 10:00 -11:00 p.m.

CAMPUS MINISTRY Ministry with a Song

■ by Trevor Cickovski Graduate Student, Fischer Graduate Residences

The power of music to reach the inner depths of a person's soul and bring such joy truly cannot be underestimated. As humans, it has been a part of our lives for thousands of years. Many would agree that there is something inexplicable about how having it as an outlet to all of the hustle and bustle of the modern world can simply wash away our cares away and put us in a state of mind where we are temporarily taken out of our busy lifestyle and into a state of relaxation and peace.

Some of us have been given the wonderful gift of musical ability and the desire to share it with others. Personally that desire has been something I have possessed for as long as I can remember. When I first came to Notre Dame, I wanted badly to have music as a part of my life and to be able to bring people joy with any abilities that have graciously been bestowed upon me. However, I like most college students had a fear of committing to music groups on campus because of time constraints. I wanted to make sure to not forget the main reason that I was at college and paying such a high price to go, which was to achieve my engineering degree. What I was looking for was a group to whom music was not simply a weekly obligation, but something that was regarded as fun and joyful. A group that was laid-back with regard to having to miss practice once in a while because of other, more important

Sing unto the Lord a new song, and his praise in the congregation of saints.... Let them praise his name in the dance: let them sing praises unto him with the timbrel and the harp.

Psalm 149:1-3

commitments. A group that wanted nothing more than to share the inherent joy that is provided through music with others.

What I found during the first week of freshman year was the Celebration Choir, directed by Karen Schneider Kirner (also Handbell Choir director and assistant director of the Folk Choir). Not knowing a great deal about the choir at first, I was reluctant to audition. I also was skeptical - what if I was not good enough? I did not have a great deal of experience singing in high school, and I figured that in general people who auditioned for choirs at the University of Notre Dame probably had been singing throughout their entire lives.

What I would come to find was that the attitude taken by this group was completely different from what I would have imagined. The first thing I noticed at the audition was that Karen was deter-

mining my vocal range, but was doing it as if I had already made it into the group. This confused me at first, but when the audition was finally over I asked Karen when I would know if I made it. She told me that I already had. In fact, with this group once you audition you are automatically considered a part of the ministry. This fact is such a wonderful quality, and one of the best I believe, that the Celebration Choir has to offer. While attending the first practice, I could just feel the common ground and sense of togetherness among the group members though I had never met any of them it was like we were instantly friends. This common desire that we all possessed about bringing people joy through music, and our common love for the song and the instrument, was all the connection that we needed.

Over four years later as a computer science graduate student and still a member, I cannot express how much of a blessing being in this group has been. Although there is no pressure to attend every single rehearsal, I find myself even on busy Wednesday nights wanting to go to rehearsal and actually feeling something missing from weeks in which I do not attend. The many privileges that I have had while being in the group include singing at Interfaith Christian Night Prayer every week, dorm masses, Stepan mass after the football games, and various Basilica events. And off-campus, singing at places like Hope for Rescue Mission, Center for the Homeless, and the Juvenile Detention Center.

This year our choir is planning two very special events for the second semester - one on campus and one off. Our big on-campus event will be a joint concert with the Notre Dame Handbell Choir entitled "When In Our Music God Is Glorified" in the Basilica. The off-campus event will be "Reaching Out '03" - a tour to the eastern Michigan area around Detroit.

As a message to students, I would like to invite any of you music lovers out there who are reluctant to participate in campus music groups because of time constraints, to consider being a part of the ministry that the

Morrissey Hall Chapel

Graduate Student Christian Fellowship 8:00 p.m. Wilson Commons

Celebration Choir or other choirs on campus have to offer. It is a wonderful way to help others and to do something that you sincerely enjoy at the same time. Singers and instrumentalists are always welcome. If you have any questions regarding our group, please contact our director, Karen Schneider-Kirner at 1-9326. I hope to see some of you reading this at our rehearsals, that you may have some of the same great pleasures that I have had throughout my five years in the group.

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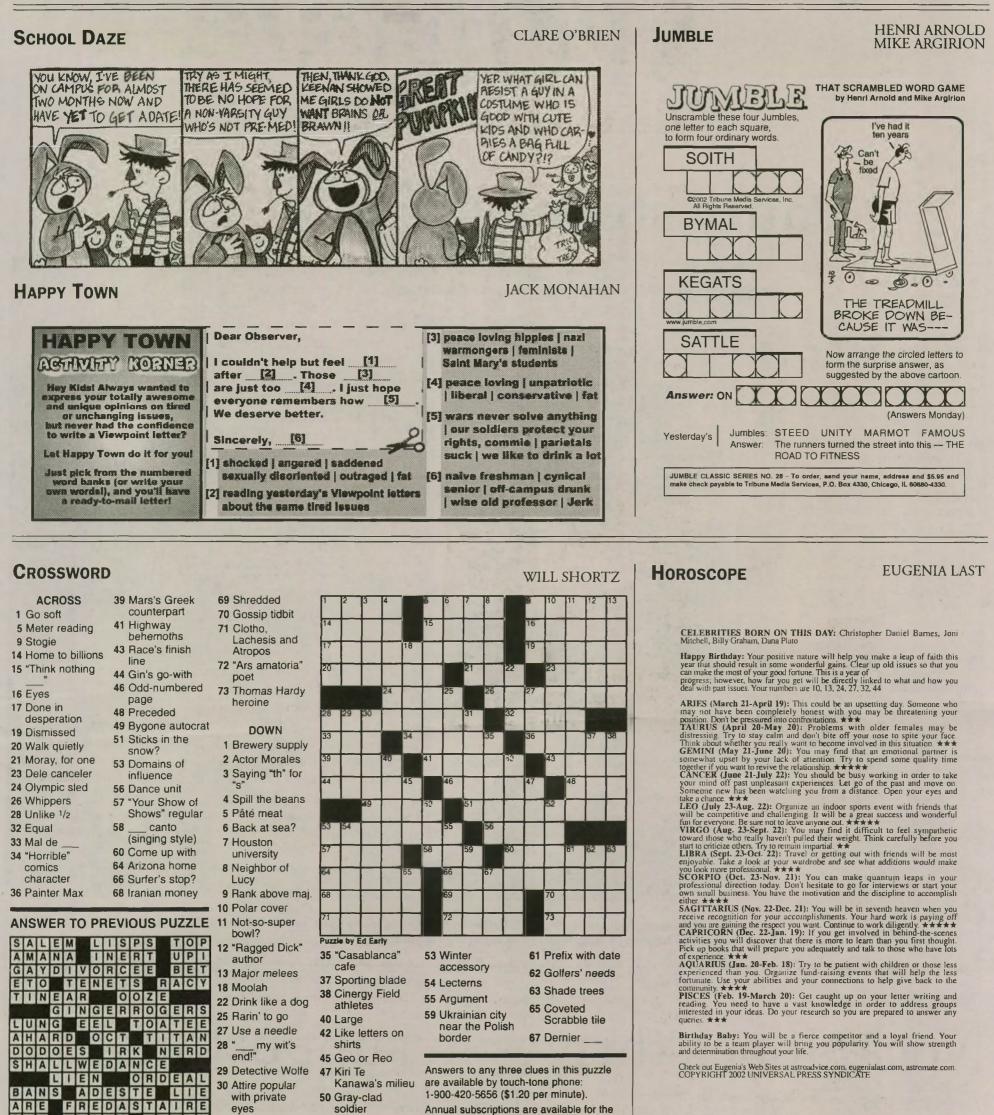
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FOOTBALL

Pauly steps into spotlight

By KATIE McVOY Associate Sports Editor

There is a right that you have to earn on the Notre Dame defense. When you take the field, you don't do it before you've earned that right.

It starts with the right to rotate.

Irish defensive tackle Greg Pauly earned that right early this season and proved it to the world last Saturday

"We always talk about you have to earn the right to rotate," defensive line coach Greg Mattison said. "Greg earned the right to rotate very early by his effort, his work ethic, by his technique, and so from day one Greg has really rotated."

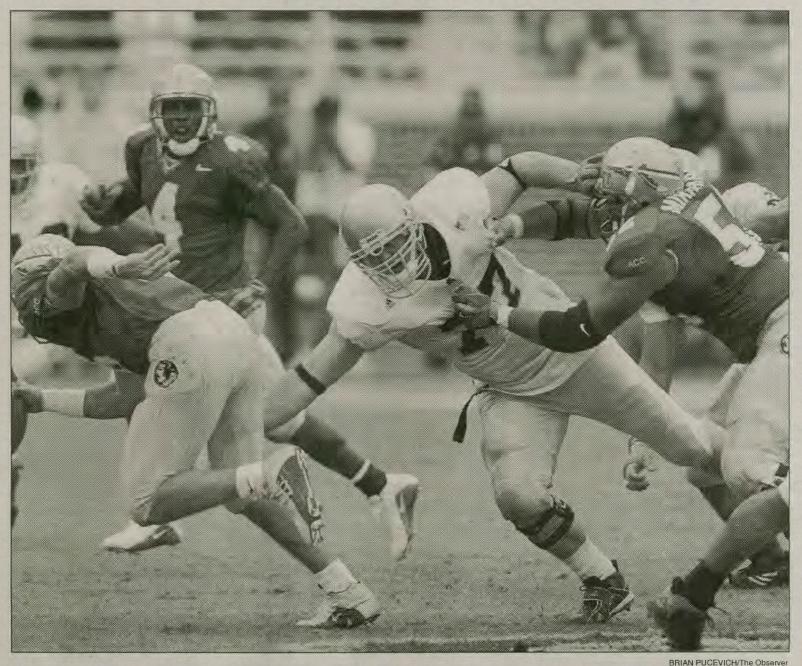
By the time summer camp was over, Pauly had begun to rotate in and out of plays with the starting nose guards. He and starters Darrell Campbell and Cedric Hilliard took the same number of reps in practice. But when game time came, Pauly generally found himself on the sidelines. That could be frustrat-

ing. "I always want to get in the game, and you always want to be out there and help out as much as you can," Pauly said.

The coaches never saw Pauly complain. He came to practice every day, took every rep that was offered him and then stood quietly on the sidelines while Campbell and Hilliard took the field

"The thing that I really, really respect in Greg Pauly is he's a guy who comes out every day and works as hard as he can

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Irish nose tackle Greg Pauly tries to sack Florida State's quarterback Chris Rix during Notre Dame's win over the Seminoles. Pauly stepped up following Cedric Hilliard's injury in the Florida State game.

MENS BASKETBALL Vocal Jones thrives in supporting role

By ANDREW SOUKUP Sports Writer

junior guard. "Even though he's bench during games and a spark not a captain in title, I want him on the court in practices.

most vocal guy," Brey said of the with providing a spark off the

up when they aren't having a good practice," Jones said. "The

main thing for me is to be vocal.

We lost three big leaders last

year, and just being able to step

in and be a vocal leader is a big

Jones' role on the court last

season was clearly defined. He

came off the bench to provide a

boost of energy, and his defensive

abilities were often counted on in

late-game situations.

thing."

"I see it as keeping guys' spirits

When the Irish struggled during the middle of the season, Brey moved Jones into the starting

called on to start a game or a half.

But it doesn't matter to Jones

At times in practice, Irish coach Mike Brey stops play to teach his proteges a lesson. But while the average coach might repeat his words to reinforce his point, Brey simply stops talking and walks away.

That's because before Brey turns his back, he often hears Torrian Jones repeating his words

"I think our guys are looking at him a lot just because he's our to act like a captain.

Strong words for a player who only averaged 15.5 minutes and 3.9 points a game last season and isn't expected to see those numbers rise dramatically this season. Yet at the beginning of the season, when Brey mentioned team leaders, he threw Jones' name into the mix along with Matt Carroll, Dan Miller and Chris Thomas.

It's a role Jones both acknowledges and accepts. He's content lineup to provide a boost of athleticism. The result - the Irish won six in a row

Jones' role this year is a little less clear, as is the number of minutes he might play. Notre Dame added depth around the perimeter by substituting Dan Miller for David Graves at small forward and adding a guard in Chris Quinn.

Yet he, and Brey, don't expect his minutes to get cut. In fact, Brey said Jones might even be

when he enters the game - he knows he's going to have an impact regardless.

"I like coming off the bench a lot," Jones said. "I know I'm just as influential in the game as any other guy, and sometimes you need to have a guy who can spark you again."

For the second straight summer, Jones' teammates called him the most improved player.

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