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Saint Mary's adds new faces to Board of Trustees

By MOLLY McVOY
Saint Mary's Editor

The Saint Mary's Board of Trustees has a new makeup this year, thanks to the addition of three new members.

Sister Barbara Spears, Shirley Lewis and C.C. Nessinger are all new to the board. Deborah Schwiebert starts her first elected term this year, after two years as an appointed member of the board and alumnae board president.

"We see [Schwiebert] bringing her knowledge of Saint Mary's as a former student and her strong background in business," Bill Schmuhl, chairman of the board, said.

The changeover in the board comes as a result of three long-time board members' retirement. Phillip Faccenda, Joseph

Tuohy, and Darwin Wiekamp left the board this year.

Schwiebert is the manager of Deere.com, the on-line marketing site for Deere & Company. She is also a member of the Friends of the People of Haiti, the Holocaust Remembrance Committee and the Rock Island County Bar Auxiliary.

"The board is very diverse this year, and that is exciting," Schwiebert said. "We have women, men, religious, unmarried and married people. We are diverse in terms of religion and ethnic background as well."

Lewis and Spears are totally new to the Board of Trustees.

Spears holds degrees from Howard University, Trinity College and Xavier University. She won the Martin Luther King Award and served as president of the National Black Sisters Conference. She is a

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Bill Schmuhl
chairman of the board

member of the National Catholic Education Association and the National Association of Female Executives.

"Two of our new board members have strong backgrounds in education," Schmuhl said. "We hope to take advantage of their experience in education."

Lewis was the first woman president at Paine College and served as assistant general secretary of the Black College Fund of the General Board of Higher Education. She gradu-

ated from the University of California at Berkley, and received her Ph.D. in education from Stanford University.

Nessinger replaces Schwiebert as president of the alumnae board and appointed trustee.

"[Nessinger] will bring the voice of the alumni to the board," Schwiebert said. "I also hope to bring my personal voice as an alumnae."

Nessinger graduated from Saint Mary's in 1956 and now primarily does volunteer work at the Mayo Clinic in Arizona.

"I'm really looking forward to sitting on the Board of Trustees," Nessinger said. "This is going to be a really busy time for Saint Mary's."

Nessinger and her husband, a former member of the Saint Mary's Board of Trustees, are from Chicago.

"My goal as alumnae presi-

dent is to create a more active alumnae," Nessinger said. "Especially with this Master Plan starting, the alumnae have to be active and involved."

As a part of the Master Plan, the college has been drawing on alumnae support, financial in particular. The College is still raising funds for many parts of the Master Plan, and Nessinger believes alumnae will prove an important resource for the College.

"The alumnae are really the best financial basis the College has," she said.

Schmuhl agrees that the Master Plan will top the list of priorities for the board this year.

"Our focus is really going to be on the Master Plan implementation, which will primarily

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MASS AT THE JACC



PETE RICHARDSON/The Observer

Members of the Notre Dame and Saint Mary's communities, as well as parishioners from the diocese as a whole, pack the Joyce Center for Mass held in conjunction with this weekend's Eucharistic Congress. See page 3 for details.

ICONN faces another round of headaches

By MAUREEN SMITHE
Assistant News Editor

A once popular Notre Dame hangout faces further complications following summer problems with alcohol and violence.

Converted to an alcohol-free dance club, Irish Connection (popularly known as ICONN), 525 N. Hill St., spent much of this summer clashing with law enforcement officials and the court system in a battle that may eventually close the business' doors forever.

A raid on the club in November of 1998 uncovered 95 underage Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students. Then, last September, the city of South Bend forced the bar to surrender its liquor license.

This June, amidst neighbors' complaints of litter and drunken arguments in the streets, another blow came to the club when 18-year-old Carl McFadden was shot and killed as he drove near Crescent and Hill streets.

"For many years, it was a place where people fought inside and out. People were found with drugs and weapons," said Ann-Carol Nash, assistant city attorney for South Bend. "We were babysitting that piece of property every weekend night."

Despite a court order on July 28 that mandated the club's nightly closing by midnight, club owners and the city attorney's office struck a deal this month allowing the club to remain open until 1:15 a.m.

"They have to have security at each entrance and in the parking lot. They have to check people for weapons and dangerous bottles. The club also has to clean up and down Hill Street by 7:30 a.m. everyday," Nash said. "Any indication that they're not doing that would be a reason to bring them back to court and hold them in contempt."

Club owner Leon Townsend fears the court order will hurt his business.

"We cater to the teenage crowd because there's no other place for young people to go. Most of them don't start going out until 10 [p.m.]," Townsend said.

Officials at Notre Dame see the actions taken by the city as a step in the right direction. Off-campus student housing is within walking distance of ICONN.

"ICONN in the past year really wasn't a big hangout spot for students," said Bill Kirk, vice president of student affairs. "If there is a place that has a criminal problem, there is a danger

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INSIDE COLUMN

Cruising in Spree-ville

In the small town where I was raised, the sign of popularity in middle school was ownership of a Spree — a small scooter which resembles a motorcycle but can only reach speeds of 30 to 35 miles per hour. Besides a big trampoline, from the time I hit sixth grade, there was nothing I begged for more.



Laura Rompf

Each of my best friends, Alissa and Nicole, had one and were able to take "Spree trips" together. The only thing worse than being Spree-less was the fact that I was not even allowed to ride on the back of my friends' scooters. I was strictly forbidden from even sitting on one, so even when Alissa or Nicole would invite me on a Spree trip, I couldn't go.

Assistant News Editor

One day I decided to take my chances and accompany Nicole to Jason Mitchell's house on the back of her Elite, the even fancier Spree that the really popular clique members owned. It was around four in the afternoon; my mom was upstairs in her room, and my brothers were playing catch in the front yard.

Nicole started her Spree in the driveway and rolled down the hill in front of my house. I walked beside her and we went up another hill until we were completely out of sight from my house.

"The coast is clear," I said as I jumped on the back. Nicole revved the engine and we took off — at the ever so exciting speed of 15 miles per hour. "Whoo hoo!" I thought to myself. "I am cool now. Jason is going to think I am so popular. Look at me, I'm riding a Spree!"

On the other side of the grass median on Lynnway Drive, I saw a car that resembled my father's. "No way," I thought. "That can't be Dad. It's way too early for him to be home from work."

As the car got closer I realized it was my father, and in my adolescent mind, I knew there was only one thing I could do: I quickly did a dive roll off the Spree onto the blacktop without even informing Nicole. She nearly lost control of the Spree, looked back and wondered what I was doing.

I made eye contact with my father for a brief moment as I lay on the street, scraped knees and all. Busted. I knew it, I was busted. If I had been smarter, I would have realized that staying on the Spree and simply ducking behind Nicole would have been far less noticeable than making some James Bond/Jackie Chan-esque dive into midair.

I told Nicole to continue her journey to Jason's, but I had to go home and face my father and mother, who dad had surely informed by now. I figured I would be yelled at and then grounded for eternity.

I walked in the house and up to my parents' room. My mom just shook her head. "We're disappointed in you, that's all. You knew the rules." No punishment, just the "disappointed" line.

I haven't been on a Spree since that day. I'm not sure if Nicole ever told Jason what happened, but I was really embarrassed when I saw him the next day in social studies class.

I spent the rest of my middle school years trying to forget the incident and attempting to survive on Lynnway Drive, right in the heart of Spree-Ville.

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

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THIS WEEK ON CAMPUS

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
◆ Seminar: "The Republic of Order;" Ivan Jaksic; Room C-103 of Hesburgh Library; 12:30 p.m.	◆ Activities Night: Information on campus clubs and organizations at Saint Mary's; Angela Athletic Facility; 7 p.m.	◆ Lecture: "Vulnerability of International Migrants: A Social Construction;" Jorge Bustamante of Notre Dame sociology department and the Kellogg Institute; Room C-103 of Hesburgh Library; 4:15 p.m.	◆ Booksigning: Author Nicholas Sparks; first floor of Hammes Bookstore; 11 a.m. to noon.
◆ Student Activities Night: Information on Notre Dame clubs; Joyce Center; 7 to 9 p.m.			◆ Pep rally: Football pep rally; Joyce Center arena; Gate 9 opens at 5:50 p.m. for students.

OUTSIDE THE DOME

Compiled from U-Wire reports

Word pending on Texas A&M gay discrimination policy

AUSTIN, Texas — Texas A&M University officials have yet to reinstate a policy that would have barred discrimination based on sexual orientation, seven days after an initial statement was yanked off their Web site by A&M officials.

"... the matter will be reconsidered at such time as when all the concerned parties have reached an understanding as to what the intent of the proposed change is."

Lane Stephenson
Texas A&M University spokesman

A&M officials said the revision was originally made Wednesday, Aug. 16, after years of pressure from students and faculty. Administrators pulled the revision within 24 hours of its posting.

Stephenson said he does not know when a revised statement will be released, but that staff members of the office of the dean of student life at A&M are working on rewording the policy for clarity.

Lane Stephenson, A&M spokesman, said the statement was removed because student groups misinterpreted the revision, and that its addition was intended to be a change in wording only, rather than a change in A&M policies toward homosexuals.

"It was not intended to represent any shift in the university's policies or position."

Both the University of Texas and Texas Tech University, which along with A&M comprise the three largest state schools in Texas, have policies barring discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation.

PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY

Campus paper vies with national press

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. — Management at The Daily Collegian, long accustomed to running the only free-of-charge daily newspaper on campus, said this week that Pennsylvania State University's Newspaper Readership Program hurts the student-run publication by forcing it to compete with professionals. The publisher of the USA Today, Tom Curley, is scheduled to join Penn State President Graham Spanier this morning at the HUB-Robeson Center to promote a newly beefed-up version of the program. The two-year-old readership program officially broke out of the dorms for the first time this week. Penn State now provides national and local newspapers every day to thousands of students who live off campus in State College and at 19 other Penn State campuses. Students at University Park can pick up copies of The New York Times, USA Today and the Centre Daily Times at 27 new vending machines simply by swiping their ID cards. Penn State buys the papers at a discounted rate using tuition money.

DILLARD UNIVERSITY

Bush vows funds for minority students

NEW ORLEANS, La. — Republican presidential nominee George W. Bush proposed improvements to higher education at a forum on Thursday at Dillard University in New Orleans. Bush addressed Dillard students, community leaders and educators to announce his proposals to improve higher education in the United States. The Texas governor vowed to dedicate \$600 million in funding to minority institutions of higher education. "Whether you are Republican or Democrat, we share the understanding that education is the gateway to success in America," Bush said. Dillard University president Michael Lomax said the campus extended invitations to nominees to participate in a forum at the university. "During this election year, we have invited all of the major candidates to come to Dillard," Lomax said. "We are delighted that Gov. Bush is the first to accept that invitation." The university invited Bush to share his public policy program concerning minority schools of higher education, Lomax said.

LOCAL WEATHER

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NATIONAL WEATHER

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Eucharistic Congress celebrates Jubilee year

By MOLLY McVOY
Saint Mary's News Editor

The Notre Dame and Saint Mary's communities joined the larger community of the Fort Wayne diocese for a Eucharistic Congress on Saturday.

The event was part of the diocesan celebration of the Jubilee. Mass was held in the Joyce Athletic and Convocation Center for the entire diocese along with speakers and events for both campuses.

"What was great about it was that it was an assembly of students, faculty and staff," said Michelle Nagle, Saint Mary's student body vice president. "It was a great way to join with the Sisters of the Holy Cross, too."

Nagle was a member of the committee that planned the events at Saint Mary's to coincide with the event. The activities became focused on rededicating

the College to Mary and joining Notre Dame students and the greater community of Fort Wayne in celebrating the Eucharist. Events on Saint Mary's campus included a blessing of all the residence halls and a prayer service rededicating the College to Mary.

Saint Mary's students then joined the rest of the diocese in mass at the Joyce Center.

"We [Saint Mary's students] were, by far, the most well-represented of any part of the community," Nagle said. "The most important part of this has been the fact that we were a very visible part of a larger community."

Aside from hosting mass for the diocese, Notre Dame also hosted many events in conjunction with the congress. The University hosted Rosary at the Grotto, Stations of the Cross and tours of the Snite Museum.

The all-diocesan mass was celebrated by the bishops of the Fort Wayne-South Bend diocese.

Merger brings Broadwing to ND

By NATE PHILLIPS
News Writer

As they packed into the Joyce Center to sign up for phone plans, many Notre Dame students may have noticed a change in the corporate sponsorship of their souvenir T-shirts.

The new logo for BroadWing Inc. replaced the usual Cincinnati Bell Long Distance insignia, representing a shift in communication services at the University.

"I saw that the logo was different on the back of the shirts," said sophomore Christian Suarez. "I wasn't quite sure what that meant."

The change signals a new name and identity for the merged Cincinnati Bell Inc. and the Texas-based IXC Communications Inc.

The young company's president and CEO, Richard

"Broadwing has in its lineage a heritage of customer service excellence."

Richard Ellenberger
CEO, Broadwing

Ellenberger, unveiled BroadWing last November.

Ellenberger released a statement after the merger was complete, expressing his enthusiasm and excitement concerning the future of BroadWing.

"With communications mergers seemingly a daily occurrence ... customers are telling us that the landscape is littered with broken promises and uninspired thinking when it comes to enabling them to think ahead of their own customers needs."

"BroadWing will be different. With the strong pedigree

of Cincinnati Bell as one of the nation's best managed, most reliable, innovative and customer-focused communications companies, BroadWing has in its lineage a heritage of customer service excellence and relationship building," Ellenberger said.

The long-distance rates for the new BroadWing will stay the same as with Cincinnati Bell. For students, the rate currently holds at 9.9 cents a minute.

Officials said the company will continue to uphold its policy of providing reliable long-distance coverage for the 48 continental states.

Students have also found that campus voice mail services have been upgraded, and now feature individualized mailboxes.

"I appreciate the personalized mail system," said sophomore Matt Wilkerson. "It's nice that I can keep my messages private."

SMC prof assists observation team for Mexican elections

By SARAH RYKOWSKI
News Writer

Marc Belanger has long had an interest in international and comparative politics. This summer, the Saint Mary's assistant political science professor had the opportunity to follow the Mexican presidential election first-hand.

"We were there to observe," Belanger said. "We weren't there in any way to tell people what to do. We were there to support the process."

Belanger traveled with a delegation of students, missionaries, academics and other professionals to witness the landmark election. The delegation was put together by the San Francisco-based human rights watchdog organization Global Exchange in connection with a Mexican human rights organization called "Alianza Civica," or Civic Alliance.

"The Civic Alliance invited people to come to discourage the PRI (Institutional Revolutionary

Party) from fraud," Belanger said.

The July 2 Mexican presidential election was the first in 71 years in which the ruling party, the PRI was in significant danger of losing to the conservative National Action Party (PAN), which in the past has been the only party to pose any sort of challenge to the PRI. The two candidates included Vicente Fox of PAN, himself a former Coca-Cola executive, and Francisco Labastida, the handpicked successor to the current president, Ernesto Zedio.

"Mexico has been run by the same political party since the '20s," Belanger said.

Mexican politics are rife with corruption, according to Belanger.

He said that in the past, a non-PRI candidate could appear to win the election with a clear majority of the vote as national polls shut down for the night, but in the morning, the PRI candidate would have won. Global Exchange reports that free lunches, vitamins, and farm

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assistant professor of
political science

equipment have been used to "buy" votes from rural farmers, and punishment was threatened for those who did not vote for the PRI ticket.

In 1996, however, the Federal Electoral Institute (IFE) was created as an independent body in charge of carrying out elections, to separate the parties from the government and to keep either party from corrupting the election.

"We were all accredited by the IFE to be electoral observers," Belanger said. "We wanted to avoid US/Mexico problems. We were just foreigners coming in and working with Mexicans who

were trying to democratize the country."

Belanger and his group were in Mexico from June 25 to July 5. They spent 3 days in Mexico City being briefed by the Civic Alliance, the IFE, the United Nations and both political parties.

The group then split into smaller units to travel to various regions of the country. Belanger's small group went to Guerrero, a poor area on the Mexican coast which has been targeted by Global Exchange. Its rural location, poor citizens, and violence make it ripe for efforts by the government to buy votes.

Belanger said he noticed some irregularities in the election process while he remained in the area.

"There were trucks handing out fertilizer, and the timing seemed off," Belanger said.

"Women were offered farm devices and handed over their voting credentials in exchange," he added. The voting credential exchange, Belanger said, was a symbol of the fact that the

women had agreed to vote for the PRI, since they had accepted the government's gift of the farm equipment.

But Belanger noted that, for the most part, party officials did not overstep their official boundaries, and citizens were able to use new ballot boxes and polling places with curtains for privacy.

"A lot of the stuff that would affect people's votes occurred beforehand," Belanger said. "The actual process worked pretty well. The IFE had control of the voting process."

When all the votes were counted, the irregularities didn't matter. "The ruling party lost the presidential election for the first time since its beginning," Belanger said.

Fox won the election with 44 percent of the popular vote and by a margin of seven to eight percent.

The victory may have also been due to the support of Zedio, who allowed for the first time a primary vote last fall to select the PRI candidate. Zedio then agreed to abide by the July 2 election results.

"After the election Zedio was viewed by the people as an important part of this," Belanger said. "He created the primary and honored the result. He allowed for the transition from one party to another."

As for the notion that the PAN will now seek to turn the Mexican political system in its favor and use corruption to keep itself in the presidency, Belanger disagrees.

"I think that Fox is not interested in taking over like the PRI did," Belanger said. "His party does not have a majority in [the Mexican] congress. He is going to want to compromise."

There is also a third party in the Mexican system that will supposedly keep the other two in line. The PRD currently has the mayoral seat of Mexico City.

According to Belanger, Fox's first concern will be to help the state become less partisan and federalize the system that under the PRI was more dependent on the central PRI-run government.

"There will continue to be a need," Belanger said. "Whether the international organization will see it that way or the natives, [I don't know.] Right now, it was a huge difference that the IFE controlled the result. Now people can believe [the election process] will be fair."

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ND swimmer guards olympic trials

By KATE NAGENGAST
News Writer

The employees of the Indiana University Natatorium in Indianapolis had their moment to shine this August as lifeguards at the U.S. Olympic trials. Among these watchful guards was Austin Anderson, a junior at Notre Dame and a member of the men's swimming team.

"I work at the Natatorium, so it was just another event for us," said Anderson. "But it was a big deal for the Natatorium. It's a pretty big facility."

While the Natatorium's lifeguards are often assigned to oversee various swim meets held there, the trials were a more prominent event. The facility was closed from August 4 through 17, with the trials

occurring August 9 to 16.

"This would probably be the highlight of my lifeguarding career," said Anderson, though he has made at least seven rescues in his four years as a lifeguard.

Although it seems unlikely that the nation's best swimmers would need to be rescued, even athletes who make the chlorinated waters their second home are at risk. According to an Associated Press report, several of the swimmers have asthma, or push themselves too hard during workouts, making it difficult for them to breathe. Between events there may be as many as 60 swimmers in the pool vying for position or diving into the water dangerously close to other competitors.

"I'm sure people see the life-

guards and say it's pointless," said Anderson. "But if something happened and there were no lifeguards around, what would they say then?"

The lifeguards worked in 20-minute shifts, rotating positions around the pool and taking breaks to keep them focused.

"It isn't as strenuous as normal lifeguarding because you don't really expect anyone to need rescuing," said Anderson.

Although Anderson watched these Olympic trials holding a red flotation device and wearing a shirt that reads "guard," he is contemplating being in the water for the 2004 trials.

"I'll graduate in two years so I'll have a decision to make," Anderson said. "But, I'll be in the real world without time to train 20 hours per week."

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for students."

"It makes everybody in the community safer. I don't want a Notre Dame or Saint Mary's student hurt when passing by

the place," Nash said.

Nash said she doesn't foresee Irish Connection's problems spreading to other local bars.

"There is always a possibility of this happening to other establishments if there are problems, complications or concerns, but we always give a warning," she said.

Trustees

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have to focus on fund raising," he said. "We've already started building some parts of the plan, and if we're going to do anymore on the Master Plan, we're going to have to pay for it."

Both Schmuhl and Schwiebert agree that in order to find donors for the Master

Plan, Saint Mary's administrators must promote the College and find individuals who believe in its mission.

"We want to make certain that we're telling the Saint Mary's story and bringing in new donors," Schwiebert said.

The College is also beginning a strategic plan for many of the departments and, according to Schmuhl, support and implementation of the College's strategic planning will also be a focus of the board this year.

RUSSIA

Fire forces evacuation of tower

Associated Press

MOSCOW
Fire spread relentlessly through the Ostankino television tower, the world's second-tallest freestanding structure, and blazed into the early morning Monday as hopes faded for four people believed trapped in an elevator hundreds of feet above the ground.

The fire, which began Sunday afternoon, cut almost all televi-

sion service in Moscow.

More than 12 hours after the blaze broke out in the upper reaches of the 1,771-foot futuristic tower, flames and smoke had spread down to about 380 feet above the base. Firefighters were unable to work above that level because of searing heat and heavy smoke, the ITAR-Tass news agency reported.

No deaths or injuries were reported. But fire department

spokesman Nikolai Sarychev said Sunday night that three firefighters and an elevator operator were believed to be trapped in a lift that was stuck at about 860 feet — far higher than the level where work reportedly was stopped on Monday.

The ITAR-Tass news agency also reported that several government workers at the tower had not been heard from since the fire started.

ATHLETIC TRAINING & SPORTS MEDICINE

There will be a meeting for any Notre Dame Freshmen students interested in the student athletic training program. The meeting will be held on Monday, September 4, at 7:30 p.m. in the Stadium Athletic Training Center.
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WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

British troop release talks begin:

Efforts to win the release of 11 captive British soldiers in Sierra Leone have begun in cooperation with the government of the West African country. The troops disappeared in an area occupied by a small and ruthless renegade faction of fighters known as the West Side Boys, British spokesman Capt. John Price said.

Raid fails to capture terrorist:

A raid on an Islamic militant hide-out in the West Bank village ended Sunday with three Israeli soldiers dead. Abu Hamoud, known as the leader of the militant Hamas group's military wing, was wounded and fled the shoot-out into Nabulus. The raid comes a month after Israeli and Palestinian negotiators broke new ground at the Camp David summit and just before President Clinton returns to the region to push for more advances.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

UN Peace Summit tackles conflicts:

More than 1,000 religious leaders gather today at the United Nations for the Millennium World Peace Summit to discuss solutions to conflicts. Participants say they hope the summit will result in resolutions on peace, poverty and the environment, as well as the formation of a permanent council of religious leaders to advise the United Nations on preventing and settling disputes.

Marines ground U.S. aircraft:

The Marine Corps announced Sunday the temporary grounding of all 11 of its MV-22 Osprey tilt-rotor aircraft, the hybrid airplane-helicopter that has been under increased scrutiny since one crashed during a training exercise in April, killing all 19 Marines aboard. The Osprey's problem is likely to draw the most public attention, in part because of recollections of the April crash — the worst Marine helicopter loss in more than a decade.

Cheney yet to specify on drug plan:

Details of Republican presidential candidate George W. Bush's plan to provide seniors with a prescription drug benefit will come "in the not-too-distant future," vice presidential running mate Dick Cheney promised Sunday. It won't be soon enough for Democratic presidential rival Al Gore, who is gearing up for a week of campaigning focused on the lack of detail from Bush on the issue. Gore's campaign even called on Health and Human Services Secretary Donna Shalala to criticize Bush for not yet fleshing out his promise to "make prescription drugs available and affordable for every senior who needs them."

INDIA



AFP Photo

Homeless civilians seek refuge outside the ruins. Rescue operations led by the Indian military attempt to aid victims of the flood that killed more than 100 people in the last three days.

Floods continue to ravage towns

Associated Press

HYDERABAD

Monsoon rains washed away homes, roads and villages in eastern India during the past week, leaving hundreds of thousands of people to drink contaminated flood water and eat snails and tadpoles to survive. At least 150 people died, bringing the death toll to more than 300 since the monsoon season began last month.

Millions of people in three eastern states were left homeless by the rains, which had been typical of India's July-September

monsoon season until recent days, when they became extremely heavy. In southeastern Andhra Pradesh state, meteorologists recorded 10 inches of rain — the highest amount in more than five decades.

In addition to the 150 people who died in Andhra Pradesh, at least a half-million were uprooted from their homes. State officials hurried to try and feed nearly 100,000 people who were crammed into government shelters.

Hundreds of wailing people sat on the wet floors of schools and community halls Sunday in Hyderabad, the state capi-

tal. They received drinking water and packets of food, but many expressed despair.

"We came out of our flooded house with nothing but the clothes we had on that night," said Sunkamma, a 45-year-old woman from Virasatnagar. Sunkamma lost everything, including her most prized possession — a black-and-white television set.

"We have nothing left," she said.

The rain washed away thousands of homes and roads, damaged public property and private crops and ripped open 1,600

irrigation tanks. Power was cut off in some areas.

State Chief Minister Chandra Babu Naidu described the floods as "one of the worst calamities to befall this state" and asked the federal government for a \$66 million aid package. The overall damage to the state was estimated at \$164 million.

Elsewhere, tens of thousands of people in north-eastern Assam state remained stuck Sunday in government camps with little or no access to food, medicine or clean drinking water. The floods have killed 100 people there and affected millions.

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Massacres prelude Clinton's visit

Associated Press

BOGOTA

Gunmen killed at least 17 people in two separate massacres Sunday, one of which officials attributed to right-wing paramilitary militias.

The killings come three days before President Clinton is to visit Colombia to discuss U.S. anti-narcotics aid to the drug-producing nation.

In one attack, gunmen seized, interrogated and then executed 10 residents of two poor neighborhoods in the Caribbean coastal town of Cienaga, Magdalena State police

told the Associated Press. Police were investigating whether the attack was carried out by paramilitary militias or rival left-wing guerrillas. Both groups are active in the region.

Meanwhile, suspected rightist gunmen raided two barrios along a nine-mile stretch of highway outside the Pacific port of Buenaventura, killing seven people and leaving their bodies along the road. The killers painted nearby buildings with the initials AUC, the Spanish initials for the paramilitary umbrella group calling itself the United Self-defense Forces

of Colombia.

During his one-day stop in Colombia on Wednesday, Clinton will meet President Andres Pastrana to discuss a \$1.3 billion U.S. anti-narcotics aid package for Colombia and its Andean neighbors recently approved in Washington.

The aid is being provided despite objections by international human rights organizations. The groups have urged Clinton to withhold U.S. assistance until Pastrana takes firmer action to curb the paramilitary forces, which have ties to the country's military.

High winds kick in, fan wildfire flames

Associated Press

HELENA, Mont. Firefighters were on their guard Sunday as 30 mph wind gusts threatened to worsen wildfires that have turned hundreds of thousands of acres of forest to ash.

Wind already was blamed for whipping up a firestorm in South Dakota's mountainous Black Hills. The fire had swept across more than 62,000 acres by Sunday, and Forest Service officials said they feared it could remain explosive.

More than ten thousand people were still fighting 23 major fires in Montana that had charred some 670,000 acres. Officials there and in Wyoming said the fire lines were quiet Sunday, but they weren't letting down their guard.

"I have a feeling that we'll discover that some of the fires have increased dramatically," said E.Lynn Burkett of the National Interagency Fire Center in Boise, Idaho. "There's so many elements out there working against us steep canyons, winds that make fires run."

Another blaze was sparked by a motorcycle accident late Sunday near the Northeast corner of Yellowstone National Park and had quickly spread to 3,000 acres within a few hours, officials said.

More than 100 homes between the fire's advancing edge and the town of Red Lodge were evacuated, but the blaze was spreading through the upper limbs of trees and

moving too fast to bring in firefighters, officials said. Instead, five air tankers were attacking the flames from the sky.

"It's just moving too fast for us to be doing any good on the ground," said Jeff Gildhaus, fire information officer.

In Idaho, where more than 709,000 acres of forest and range land was burning, Gov. Dirk Kempthorne signed a proclamation Sunday extending a 30-day state of emergency for another month to keep government aid and

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Jeff Gildhaus
Fire information officer

resources flowing to the fire lines.

The reports from the fire lines, as well as the weather reports, tell us that we have at least several more weeks of work before we can hope to get the upper hand on most of these fires," Kempthorne said.

High winds pushed a brush fire in the heart of the Black Hills National Forest, northwest of Custer, S.D., exploded from 30,000 acres on Saturday to an estimated 90,000 on Sunday.

Firefighters were forced off that fire's north side Saturday because the wind created firestorm conditions. Three outbuildings and a tractor were destroyed in the sparsely settled region and two homes were damaged, officials reported.

The few people in the region were urged to evacuate an area of 300 square miles, forest officials said.

Fire lines along the eastern side of the blazewere strengthened due to a local cold front.

Gore aims for family man image

Associated Press

DUBUQUE, Iowa

When Al and Tipper Gore stepped off the hotel elevator and found a string quartet playing for her 52nd birthday, it was the latest of many family moments to be captured on the campaign trail.



Gore

To a large extent, Gore's family has hit the road to help in the vice president's pursuit of the White House and, to an extraordinary degree, the vice president is focusing on his family as he defines his image apart from the Clinton administration.

"This campaign is all about America's families," said spokesman Chris Lehane.

Gore's family has long played an important role in his campaign for the presidency, but the profile has gotten higher since the Democratic National Convention in Los Angeles. Gore has missed no occasion to dwell lovingly on the role family plays in his life.

"The woman I love, the mother of our four children, the grandmother of our grandson, my wife of 30 years, Tipper," is a standard introduction. He misses no opportunity to publicly declare her the love of his life, and aides say voters will see much more focus on "an adoring and caring family."

For any who miss the point, Gore underscored it with the

lingering kiss he planted on his wife after he bounded up the convention stage to accept the Democratic nomination.

Daughter Karena Gore Schiff said "the kiss" didn't surprise her because her parents are affectionate in private. "That's just the way they are," she said.

Putting his family ties on display also signals to voters that there would be no sex scandals in a Gore White House, and the campaign plans to miss no opportunities to make that point.

Mrs. Gore will be along for her husband's campaign swing this week. Advisers also say the Gores, and running mate Joseph Lieberman and his wife, Hadassah, will campaign as a group "more than you've seen in past elections."

The image will be a devoted family scene.

But Gore's family serves as more than a simple prop to help portray him as a trustworthy family man. Some members have crucial behind-the-scenes roles, particularly Tipper Gore.

"She is without a doubt his top adviser and closest friend," said Lehane. "The entire family plays a significant role in campaign decisions."

For instance, Gore met all day with top aides in Nashville, Tenn., as he pondered the selection of a running mate, but broke off deliberations to wait for his wife. Within a couple of hours of her arrival, the decision was made.

When the campaign went through a rough spell last year, she was among those urging it be uprooted and moved to Tennessee, and that Gore

return to a "town meeting" campaign format that served him well when he was in Congress.

She isn't alone. Schiff, a Columbia Law School graduate and new mother, has taken on the high-profile and full-time job of motivating younger voters. She also had the task of humanizing Gore at the Democratic convention, describing him in her speech as a doting father and grandfather.

Another daughter, Kristin, introduced her mother to the gathering.

For those who doubt their roles, aides note that Mrs. Gore introduced her husband to the convention while Schiff nominated her father — both high-profile convention speaking slots.

The two are also something of a campaign tag team.

When Mrs. Gore became ill and canceled a campaign appearance last week, Schiff filled in.

Brother-in-law Frank Hunger, a close family friend, is present for virtually every important decision and is a constant traveling companion.

When questions arose about whether the country was ready for a Jewish running mate, Hunger spoke up in his soft Southern drawl to suggest that maybe the country ought to be ready.

There is at least some limit to Gore's focus on the family, however.

While there have been some photographs of 1-year-old grandson Wyatt, the family is leery about putting the toddler on display.

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PHILIPPINES

Muslim rebels free one hostage, hold 18

Associated Press

JOLO
Muslim rebels freed a South African man on Monday, leaving six foreigners and 12 Filipinos still in guerrilla hands on a remote Philippine island.

"I'm over the moon" with happiness, said South African Callie Strydom, who had been held captive since April. "It's a different world out here."

Strydom's wife, Monique, was freed Sunday by the Abu Sayyaf rebels, along with three French women and a German man, after Libya agreed to pay \$1 million for each, negotiators said.

South African Ambassador Lindiwe Mabuza immediately telephoned her country's president with tears of happiness in her eyes.

"I'm ecstatic," she said. "It's fantastic."

The hostages were to be flown later Monday to Tripoli to meet with Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi. Libya has long-standing ties to Muslim rebels in the mostly Catholic Philippines.

Libyan Ambassador Saleem Adam dismissed allegations that his country was trying to improve its international image by bankrolling the ransom. "This is a humanitarian mission, he said. "It has no other motivation."

Strydom was released despite a rebel demand earlier Monday that negotiators bring them two guerrillas arrested at a bank last week carrying bags of cash before they release more hostages held on remote Jolo island. Negotiators said they were unable to locate the two

arrested guerrillas, who were freed on bail Saturday.

The cash is believed to be part of the estimated \$5.5 million in ransom paid to the rebels for the previous release of nine Malaysians and a German.

Most of the foreign hostages were kidnapped April 23 from Malaysia's Sipadan diving resort. The Abu Sayyaf also seized three French television journalists last month who were covering the hostage crisis, and a dozen Filipino Christian evangelists who visited the rebels' camp to pray for the captives.

The rebels have insisted on freeing the hostages in batches to avert any military attack.

However, chief government negotiator Robert Aventura said a "global agreement" has been reached for the release of all the hostages within two weeks.

Freedom was bittersweet for the hostages released Sunday, most of whom wore simple rubber sandals and carried their meager possessions in rice sacks when they met their ambassadors after stepping off helicopters in the port city of Zamboanga, not far from Jolo.

"We're not happy because there are people left behind," said French-Lebanese citizen Marie Moarbes. "It's not finished yet for us."

The others freed were Sonia Wendling of France, South African Monique Strydom, German Werner Wallert, and Maryse Burgot, a French jour-

nalist.

"My son is still there. You don't expect me to be happy," Wallert said.

The mood was much more upbeat later on a Philippine air force cargo plane that ferried the released hostages to the Philippine city of Cebu, where they spent Sunday night.

They clinked cans of soda and wolfed down cheeseburgers and pizza, their first meal since leaving the rebel camp some six hours earlier. But mostly they talked on and on about their experiences to diplomats and relatives on board the plane.

The former hostages and their ambassadors ignored the plane's uncomfortable seats and its occasional bumps and dips as they celebrated. Moarbes clutched a teddy bear given to her by her father as the two talked animatedly for the entire one-hour flight.

The Abu Sayyaf, the smaller of two Muslim rebel groups in the southern Philippines, says it is fighting for an independent Islamic state. The government insists the organization is a group of bandits practicing kidnapping and piracy.

The rebels have been holding the hostages for months in a jungle on Jolo, 580 miles south of Manila. Still in captivity are one French, one German and two Finns kidnapped from the Malaysian resort, two French journalists, and the 12 Filipino evangelists.

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Marie Moarbes
French-Lebanese citizen

ENGLAND

Di's memory lives on in eyes of nation

Associated Press

LONDON

Princess Diana's survivors have moved on. Three years after her death, Prince Charles has brought Camilla Parker Bowles out of the shadows, and Diana's sons are on the brink of adulthood. They all remember her in private.



Diana

But many of the millions of people who had never met Diana, yet grieved her loss, still pay their respects in public ways.

They visit Kensington Palace and pose for snapshots at the ornate gates where a mourning heaped flowers after the princess died in a car wreck Aug. 31, 1997, in Paris.

They still arrive by the busload at Althorp House, the Spencer family estate where Diana's brother, Earl Spencer, assembled an exhibition in her memory.

In its third year, the exhibition has had little press attention, "yet the visitors are still coming," said Althorp spokeswoman Shelley-Anne Claircourt. "It's really remarkable that the numbers are still so high."

The opening day gathering this year, as in previous years, included some of Diana's most devoted admirers.

Dale Kramer, 47, from Ohio, told The Sunday Express that he had saved his earnings as a restaurant table cleaner so he could be at Althorp on what would have been Diana's 39th birthday, July 1.

"She was my inspiration," Kramer said. "I look at her picture when I drive and I

look at her picture when I eat."

Kramer said he had been at Kensington Gardens in London the day before for the inauguration of a new playground built in Diana's memory. The event received news coverage, but mostly because the royal family did not turn up.

Buckingham Palace said family members had previous public engagements. Prince William, 18, and Prince Harry, 16, had declined their invitation, "a very private and personal decision they made for themselves," the palace said.

Prince Charles and his sons have made clear they do not want to perpetuate public grieving.

Two days after the first anniversary, William and Harry appealed to the public to let their mother and her memory rest in peace. "Constant reminders of her death can create nothing but pain to those she left behind," they said.

Nor does the family want to condone a "Diana industry," making money off her memory.

The river of books, videos and magazine stories may have abated, but there is still no shortage of reading material for the fans.

The latest book, "Diana, Her Last Love" by Elizabeth Snell, and an accompanying TV documentary contended that Diana was in love with a Pakistani heart surgeon when she died and that her yacht trip with Dodi Fayed was a fling to make the doctor jealous.

A couple of tabloids picked up on the story, but it caused no sensation. Britain's tabloids have faced up to the need for new faces to sell newspapers, with entertainers Victoria "Posh Spice" Beckham, Elizabeth Hurley and Catherine Zeta Jones decorating the front pages in steady rotation.

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Dale Kramer
Princess Diana admirer

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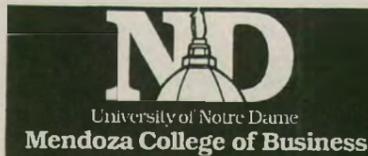
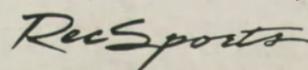
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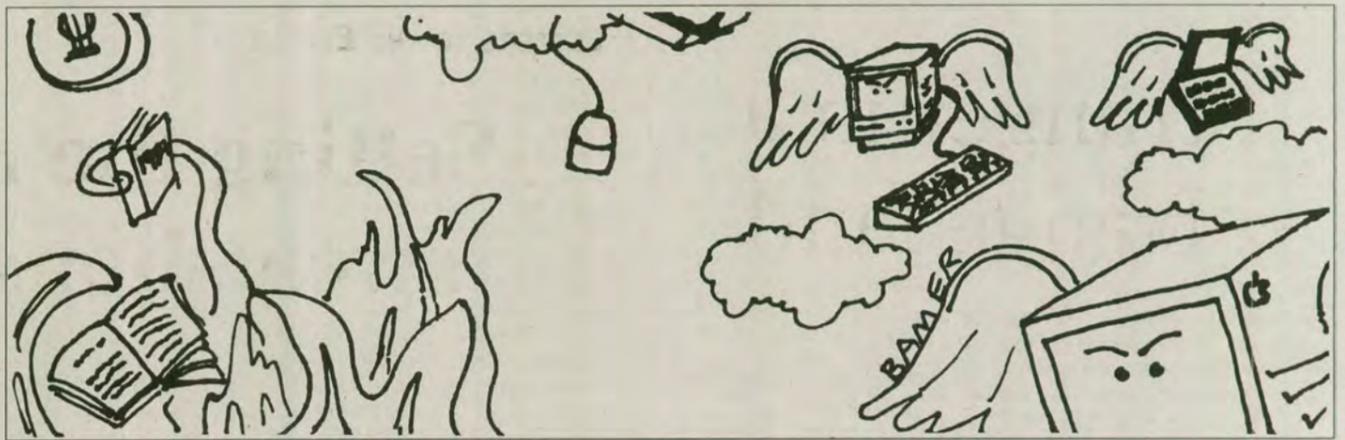
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Glimpsing the future of e-media

CAMBRIDGE, Mass.

Looking back from the year 2010, it is easy for us to look at the publishing industry revolution of the last decade and say that it was all inevitable and obvious. While some trends were clear at the time, no one in 2000 could have foreseen all of the surprising innovations we have just witnessed.

Kris Schnee

The Tech

Just as a flawless factory-made diamond sells for less than a certified "natural" one, we've learned that no recording can capture the excitement of a live music concert. The Napster debacle of the late 1990s seemed like the doom of the recording industry, but it only forced big-name bands to go back to doing what audiences loved best: playing for them in person, unedited and imperfect. It meant your favorite singers showing up at your town and actually needing your ticket money, not hiding in a recording studio somewhere. MP3s are here to stay despite the death of the original Napster site, especially abroad — it's estimated that 90 percent of the music sold in the New Chinese Republic is pirated. But bricks-and-mortar disc stores still exist, and still provide some cash to the music industry. It may be irrational to shop there when you can get the same songs for free on the Net, but when has rationality ever stopped anyone?

No one saw in 2000 how laughably irrelevant most of the "electronic book" concepts then on the market were. At the time, there were several competing standards for electronic publishing, all of them poor. On the hardware side, there were "readers" with most of the functionality of an ordinary book, only heavier and much more expensive. In software, Stephen King had just released his first online-only book, "Riding the Bullet," only to find that it was pirated within hours, while Microsoft experimented with "ClearType," a system meant to make people enjoy staring at their monitors for hours to read books. The fact was that few people wanted to use a computer to read if they could just as well

use paper. Nor was there much economic incentive for the public to switch to e-book readers, since publishers kept all the extra profit they made from not having to give their customers a physical product.

The e-publishing market more or less stagnated until the technology improved, making the MetaBook possible. The MetaBook was ingenious because it was an imitation of the wood-pulp books everyone was already comfortable with — only with a spine full of electronics and slick e-ink pages capable of rearranging their own text and then keeping it without using more electricity. They were expensive, but you only needed one, and the sacrifices made by the pioneers of e-publishing had created a small but respectable distribution system for electronic book files (EBFs) which rapidly grew once MetaBooks appeared. The development of non-transferable book licenses helped protect authors and publishers from Web pirates, but no security may ever be enough; thus the strange present situation in which you can use your high-tech MetaBook to read many old books, but fairly few new ones.

In the last century, there were "vanity presses" which would publish practically any book if the author would pay for the service; their customers were people who had books not good enough to earn a profit for a publishing house. By the 1990s vanity presses had evolved to take advantage of the Web; sites like FatBrain and ExLibris offered to publish any person's no-frills book for free, profiting only from an Amazon listing and copies bought by the author for his friends. (These "pulp," since they are also available as EBFs, make up much of the selection of texts for MetaBooks.)

Recently we've seen a surprising extension of the "vanity press" movement — with the widespread construction of fiber-optic Net connections (already slightly obsolete), the world is now also deluged with amateur television programs. Formerly limited in number by FCC control of broadcasting frequencies, television programs can now be made available to the world from anyone with a camera or a good computer graphics program.

Technology has unleashed the vast, diverse, and frequently pornographic creativity of the American people. Where "public television" used to mean an unkillable government TV bureaucracy, it now means millions of individual citizens in amateur show business, plus one unkillable government TV bureaucracy.

One major advantage of e-publishing combined with increasing computer power is the ease of translation. Early attempts at an online "universal translator" like Babelfish were barely serviceable for text-to-text language translation, but now books (and even audio, to an extent) can be transcribed by an ordinary desktop computer in minutes. The Massachusetts Institute of Technology Media Lab recently debuted a real-time voice-to-voice translator; we can only hope that it will soon take fewer than four strong men to carry.

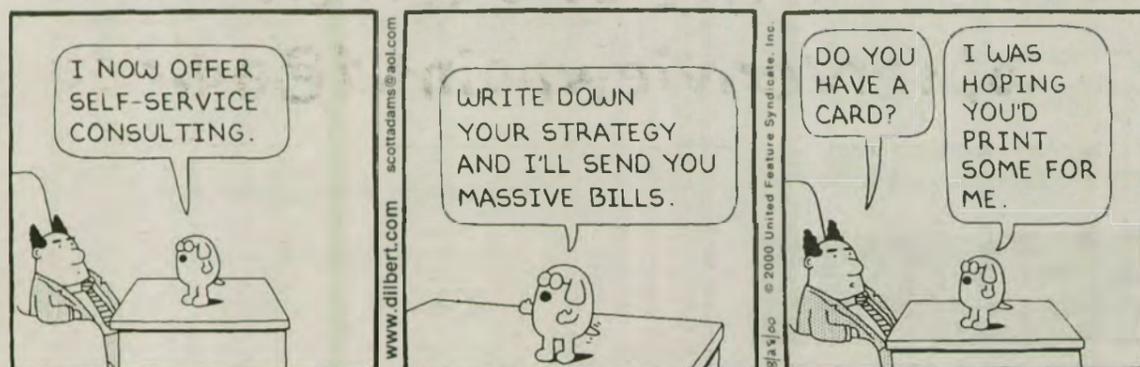
There are a few worries about the power of the new media, though. It's rumored that certain countries with state-run media, having switched completely to electronic formats, now have employees whose job it is to go back and "correct" the records of history. Some also claim that with the deluge of customized, ultra-specialized media, publishing is now even more ruthless than in the past — it may be easy to get your ideas published, but how do you get attention except by being extreme or violent? And what happens when each person screens out all media not in line with his or her own ideology, and does the same for the children? This is a world where next-door neighbors can find it impossible to relate to one another. What do we do about it?

Remember to save this issue of The Tech, by the way. As of next week, Sept. 1, 2010, we begin publishing exclusively in electronic format.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"The basic fact of today is the tremendous pace of change in human life."

Jawaharlal Nehru
Former Indian Prime Minister

Stranger in a strange land

As I sit here at my computer, I once again enjoy the excitement and anticipation that I experienced at the beginning of my freshman year. Beside me lay two suitcases. Clothes, shoes and a year's supply of socks spill out of them, covering most of my bedroom floor. I have tucked my passport, Traveler's Cheques and "Lets Go" travel book neatly into my carry-on bag. Earlier tonight, my extended family gathered at my house for a late summer barbecue to say farewell and good luck to me. My aunt and grandfather told me that they had already planned a trip to visit me at school. Tomorrow I board a plane at JFK International Airport bound for Austria.



Joanna
Mikulski

In contrast to beginning of last year, a great amount of anxiety tempers my enthusiasm for the start of the school year. Tomorrow, I depart not only from my family and childhood home, but also from the culture that defines my personality, my beliefs and my actions. I am American and with me, I carry the ideals, the values and the faults of American society. My whole person evidences my attachment to American society. The labels inside my jeans and T-shirts bear the names of stores in American malls. I speak with the idioms and accents of an inhabitant of the East Coast. I enjoy American music and hum the tunes of songs by Dave Matthews Band and Billy Joel.

I fear that with my first step onto Austrian soil, I will find this American nature that I now pride and cherish cumbersome, annoying and out of place. For the first time, I will be a foreigner.

And yet at the same time, I relish the opportunity to look at the world from another perspective. I know and yet do not comprehend that I take the rhythms and patterns of my life for granted. I believe that the culture "shock" that I will experience can only serve to open my mind and to free my line of thought from the path (or, perhaps put more aptly, the rut) that it now follows. I wait anxiously for the chance to drink in the beauty of the art in Vienna, Florence and France with my eyes. I await my first sight of the snow-capped Alps. I imagine a conversation with a native Austrian that could forever change my image of myself. And I wonder if a new, different person will return to the United States next June.

Over the next year, I will share my time abroad in Salzburg and Innsbruck with 23 other students. Each of the participants of the Innsbruck group possesses different goals for his or her time in Austria. The level of proficiency in German also varies within the group, which, I believe, will also lead the students to have unique encounters with Austria and to form distinct perspectives on their new surroundings. Therefore, I hope to utilize this column not only as an outlet for my own thoughts and commentary, but also as a journal of our experiences as a group. Hopefully my articles throughout the year will give students considering a study abroad program a sense of what they would encounter during the year or semester away from campus.

And so, as I enjoy my last night in familiar surroundings, I look forward to tomorrow. On a side (and ironic) note, I almost hit a native German speaker, a tourist in my town, with my bicycle today. As I rode behind her and three friends, I yelled, "Passing left!" I expected her to move, but instead she stepped in front of me. I had to swerve off the path to avoid her and narrowly missed an ill-positioned flower pot that could have sent me tumbling from my seat. Annoyed, I wanted to rebuke her for not observing proper road etiquette and moving aside. I then realized that the conversation between the four of them was in German. I rode past without comment. In two days, I will occupy her place.

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Joanna Mikulski is a student at Notre Dame. She will be studying abroad in Austria this semester.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

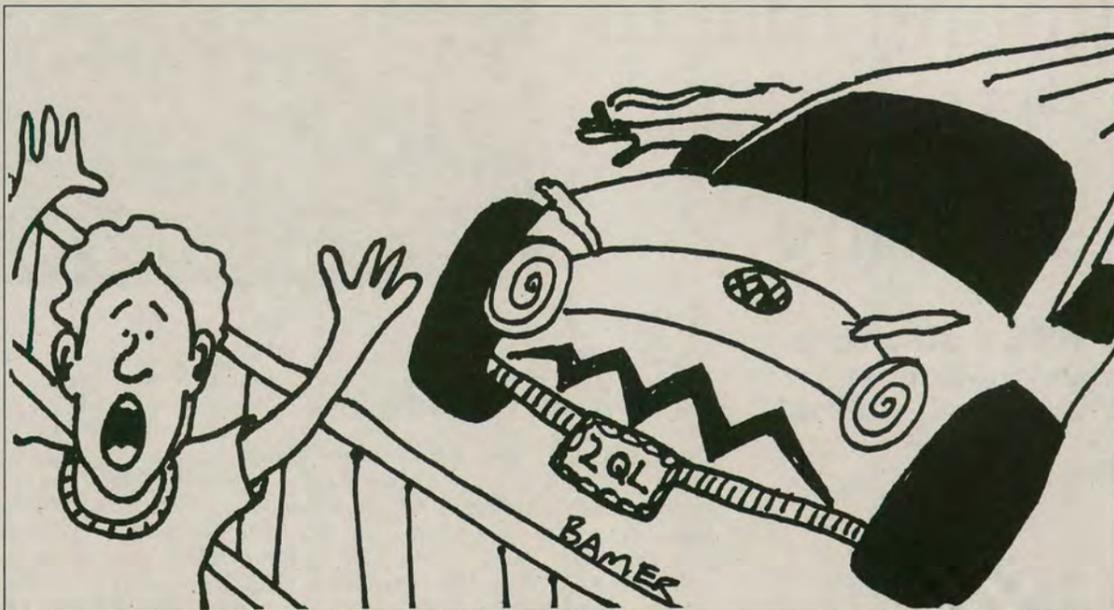
Setting the record on sweatshops straight

A quote from Aaron Kreider of the Progressive Student Alliance in the Saturday, Aug. 19, edition of the Observer implied that his organization put the sweatshop issue "on the (campus) agenda." The facts are that the University's Licensing and Marketing Committee and, subsequently, the Trustees' Social Values and Responsibilities Committee discussed the logo and sweatshop issue months before it was raised by any campus group and months before it was a national news story. That is why Notre Dame was the first American college or university with a code of conduct for its

licensees — a code of conduct that preceded any campus discussion of sweatshop issues.

The PSA continues to be a welcome contributor to the dialogue about how the University most effectively leverages its licensing program to prevent workplace abuses, but it is important to remember the correct local history of this dialogue.

Richard W. Conklin
Associate Vice President
University Relations
August 25, 2000



Curb dangerous driving

With the resumption of classes, we again see an increase in morning traffic on Bulla Road. If you have ever driven along Bulla Road at 8 a.m. in the morning, you know what I am talking about. Please resist the temptation to gun it the last half mile to the campus after you escape the gravel mess on Bulla Road.

For those that do not know it, ECDC (a child care center) is on the corner of Bulla Road and the edge of campus. Parents have in the past taken their small children to childcare by bike and will probably continue to do so while the weather remains nice. A small child lives in Wilson Commons across from ECDC. Student and staff pedestrian and bike traffic comes in from Campus View. Last of all, we graduate students in Fischer Graduate Residences have to navigate the corners of Bulla, Leahy and

Wilson Roads.

A new crosswalk has been painted across Bulla Road. (Thank you Officer Hurley.) However, we still have to go West, particularly across Leahy and Wilson, where campus drivers hang a left and a quick right, presumably to avoid the lights on Juniper Ave. When drivers are doing this at 25 miles an hour, it leaves pedestrians less than three seconds to figure out what the drivers are doing along this 150 feet of road. On a Monday morning with no coffee, that is a short three seconds. Please drive safely, our health insurance is not that good.

Jim Hogan
Graduate Student
Fischer Graduate Residences
August 27, 2000

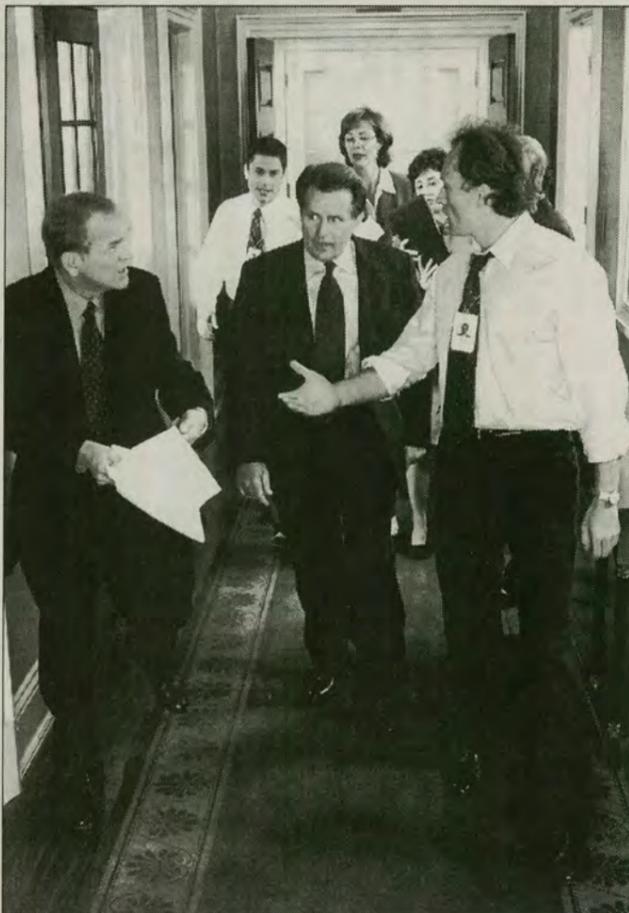
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2000 EMMY AWARDS



AFP Photos

The cast of "The West Wing" (right) picked up four creative arts category Emmys Saturday to lead all dramas. The cast of "The Sopranos" was expected to challenge "The West Wing" for television supremacy but walked away without an award at the first awards banquet. The remaining 27 Emmys will be distributed Sept. 10.



Round one to "The West Wing"

◆ NBC drama wins four pre-Emmys, "Sopranos" shutout

By LYNN ELBER
AP Television Writer

PASADENA, Calif. NBC's White House drama "The West Wing" captured four Emmy awards in creative arts categories

on Saturday, giving the series ammunition for its showdown against the mob drama "The Sopranos" at the main ceremony next month. Bruce Willis, Jean Smart, Beah Richards and James Whitmore received acting trophies for guest appearances on comedy and drama series. Powered by "West Wing," which heads into its second season in the fall, NBC captured a leading

14 awards, followed by HBO with 12. ABC and Fox each received 9 trophies, while CBS received 5. "The West Wing" and "The Sopranos" each received 18 Emmy nominations last month, but the HBO show failed to pick up any creative arts trophies. The series will compete head-to-head in a half-dozen categories Sept. 10, when 27 Emmys for acting, directing and writing will be presented.

Selected Emmy creative arts winners

- ◆ Art Direction for a Multicamera Series
"Love & Money: Pilot," CBS
- ◆ Art Direction for a Single-Camera Series
"The West Wing: Pilot," NBC
- ◆ Art Direction for a Miniseries, Movie or a Special
"Introducing Dorothy Dandridge," HBO
- ◆ Art Direction for a Variety or Music Program
"The 42nd Annual Grammy Awards," CBS
- ◆ Casting for a Comedy Series
"Freaks and Geeks," NBC
- ◆ Casting for a Drama Series
"The West Wing," NBC
- ◆ Casting for a Miniseries, Movie or a Special
"RKO 281," HBO
- ◆ Cinematography for a Multicamera Series (two winners)
"Spin City: Goodbye" ABC "Sports Night: Cut Man," AMC
- ◆ Cinematography for a Single Camera Series
"The West Wing," NBC
- ◆ Cinematography for a Miniseries, Movie or a Special
"Introducing Dorothy Dandridge," HBO
- ◆ Commercial
"The Morning After," Nike
- ◆ Costumes for a Series
"Providence: Syd in Wonderland," NBC
- ◆ Costumes for a Miniseries, Movie or Special
"Introducing Dorothy Dandridge," HBO
- ◆ Costumes for a Variety or Music Program
"Cher: Live in Concert - from MGM Grand in Las Vegas," HBO
- ◆ Single-Camera Picture Editing for a Series
"ER: All in the Family," NBC
- ◆ Multicamera Feature Editing for a Series
"Frasier: Something Borrowed, Something Blue," NBC
- ◆ Main Title Theme Music
"The West Wing," NBC
- ◆ Guest Actor in a Comedy Series
Bruce Willis, "Friends," NBC
- ◆ Guest Actor in a Drama Series
James Whitmore, "The Practice," ABC
- ◆ Guest Actress in a Comedy Series
Jean Smart, "Frasier," NBC
- ◆ Guest Actress in a Drama Series
Beah Richards, "The Practice," NBC
- ◆ Animated Program (One Hour or Less)
"The Simpsons," FOX
- ◆ Animated Program (More than One Hour)
"Walking With Dinosaurs," Discovery
- ◆ Sound Editing for a Series
"Third Watch: Welcome to Camelot," NBC
- ◆ Sound Editing for a Miniseries, Movie or Special
"The Hunley," TNT
- ◆ Casting for a Drama Series
"The West Wing," NBC
- ◆ Sound Mixing for a Comedy Series or Special
"Alley McBeal: Car Wash," Fox
- ◆ Sound Mixing for a Drama Series
"The X-Files: First Person Shooter," Fox
- ◆ Special Visual Effects for a Series
"The X-Files: First Person Shooter," Fox
- ◆ Special Visual Effects for a Miniseries, Movie or Special
"Walking with Dinosaurs," Discovery

WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Wayans' wife wants divorce: The wife of entertainer Damon Wayans filed for divorce to end the couple's 16-year marriage.

The Superior Court petition filed Thursday by Lisa Wayans cited irreconcilable differences as the reason for the split and said the couple have lived apart since May 21. She lives in the couple's Beverly Hills home, and he lives in Santa Monica.

She is seeking spousal support and joint custody of their four children: Damon Jr., 16, Michael, 15, Cara Mia, 13, and Kyla, 9.

Wayans' movie credits include "Beverly Hills Cop," "Roxanne," "Mo' Money," "Colors" and "Blank Man."

He also appeared on "Saturday Night Live" and the TV comedy "In Living Color," which brother Keenen Ivory Wayans created.

Academy blocks Oscar sale: The folks who hand out Academy Awards want first crack at buying Judy Garland's honorary Oscar, which is now in the hands of a memorabilia dealer.

The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences, vigilant in protecting the Oscar, filed a lawsuit Thursday against Marcia Tysseling.

"The award is tarnished — and the incentive to achieve the academy's purpose is diminished — by distribution of the statuette through commercial efforts rather than in recognition of creative effort," the suit said.

The suit claims Tysseling isn't honoring a 1958 agreement signed by Garland that states the academy must first be given the chance to buy back the Oscar for \$10. The honorary Oscar was given to Garland in 1940.

Material girl battles Website: Madonna is fighting for the Internet domain name madonna.com.

The singer has lodged a complaint with the United Nations, asking its World Intellectual

Property Organization to order the handover of the site, owned by New Jersey entrepreneur Dan Parisi.

Anyone can register a domain name for a few dollars, which has led cybersquatters to file for famous names in order to make a fast buck — in some cases millions.

The WIPO system allows those who think they have the right to a domain to get it back without having to fight a costly legal battle.

Parisi previously used the Web site for pornographic material but has now removed it. He claims Madonna, whose full name is Madonna Ciccone, has no more right to the domain name than anyone else with the same name.

"We do not believe that because Ms. Ciccone named her act after the Virgin Mary that gives her the right to stop any other party from using the word 'madonna' as a title of their Web site," he said.

Madonna's publicist, Liz Rosenberg, said she thought the singer should fight for the domain name.

"She happens to be the most famous Madonna in the world, so I think she certainly has every right to try to protect a Web site called Madonna," she said.

Gleason statue to be unveiled: A larger-than-life statue of Jackie Gleason will grace the front of New York's Port Authority bus terminal.

"We're always looking for ways to bring TV icons back to the public," Rob Pellizzi, TV Land marketing vice president, told the New York Post in Thursday's editions. "This was really a great honor to literally put Ralph Kramden on a pedestal."

Gleason played Brooklyn bus driver Ralph Kramden in "The Honeymooners."

TV Land, the cable channel which airs the "The Honeymooners," commissioned the 8-foot-high, 1,000-pound sculpture which depicts Gleason in a bus driver's uniform and holding a lunchbox.

A Year of Shakespeare

Notre Dame Film, Television and Theatre announces 2000-01 schedule with four plays written or inspired by the Great Bard.

By MIKE CONNOLLY
Scene Writer

Students looking for a break from studying and reality can discover a dramatic journey into the world of Shakespeare this year at Washington Hall.

The Notre Dame Film, Television and Theatre (FTT) department will bring five performances to the stage this year. From the tragedy of "Oedipus Rex" to the light-hearted comedy "Good Night Desdemona (Good Morning Juliet)," novices and theatre connoisseurs alike will enjoy this year's offerings. Tom Barkes, professional specialist with the FTT encourages students to purchase a season subscription in order to enjoy the variety of styles.

"The best way to approach it is to get a season pass so you can see a lot of types of theatre," Barkes said. "The more you see, the better you understand."

The 2000-01 season has a distinct Shakespearean influence. Two of the plays, "As You Like It" and "The Winter's Tale" were written by Shakespeare while two other plays were influenced by the Great Bard.

"Good Night Desdemona (Good

Morning Juliet)" is modern tale that weaves together the Shakespearean tragedies "Othello" and "Romeo and Juliet" into a comedy. Kathy Koch plays Constance Ledbelly, a scholar who is transported into the worlds of "Romeo and Juliet" and "Othello" with hilarious consequences.

"We just finished the read-through and everyone was laughing," stage manager Sarah Ryan said. "It's a little bawdy but a lot of fun."

While "Desdemona" may not be well-known to most college students, both "Romeo and Juliet" and "Othello" are familiar. The new situation and settings within those plays makes "Desdemona" an interesting play.

"I think it is a good play for pretty much everyone," Ryan said about the comedy that will be performed in Washington Hall from Oct. 4-8. "Most people have read Romeo and Juliet so they are going to recognize a lot of things."

Audiences might also be familiar with some of the lines in "Love's Fire." Based on seven Shakespearean sonnets, modern American playwrights put Shakespeare's words into action on the stage. Seven different love sonnets each portray a different side of love from passion and beauty to jealousy and obsession. "Love's Fire" opens Nov. 15 and runs through Nov. 19.

"Desdemona," "Love's Fire" and "Oedipus Rex" will all be performed by students. Freshman psyche majors may want to check out "Oedipus Rex" to figure out why Sigmund Freud thinks

boys want to sleep with their mothers. In addition to the lessons in psychology, "Oedipus" also offers the audience one of the best examples of Greek tragedy. The proud and successful King Oedipus finds his downfall when he seeks the answers to his origin and his parents.

While both "Love's Fire" and "Desdemona" have been cast already, "Oedipus" won't be performed until the spring and won't be cast until January. See the FTT homepage at www.nd.edu/~cothweb for more information.

Although "Oedipus" is a classic example of a tragedy, Shakespeare's "The Winter Tale" is actually a comedy

with some tragic elements. The main character is seized with irrational jealousy and the play has many characteristics of a tragedy but ends on a happy and comedic note.

Barkes, however, cautions not to expect to be rolling in the aisles laughing at "The Winter's Tale."

"It's not a laugh-out-loud comedy," he said about the play that will run Feb. 21-24. "It's part comedy and part tragedy."

"The Winter's Tale" is one of two

plays that the Actors from the London Stage will perform for Notre Dame audiences this year. The group of five British actors will call Notre Dame their American home this year and perform two plays in Washington Hall. In addition to "The Winter's Tale," the Actors from the London Stage will kick off the 2000 season in Washington Hall with "As You Like It" on Sept. 14-16.

These talented professionals will bring Shakespeare's comedy to the stage with just five people playing nearly 30 roles. Despite the frequent costume changes and dialogue by one actor playing many characters, the plays are not overly complicated according to Barkes.

"The whole mission of the Actors from the London Stage is to be good storytellers," he said. "If nothing else, people will have a really good understanding of what is going on."

One actor playing many characters presents an interesting dilemma at one point in "As You Like It" when one actor must wrestle himself.

Juniors and seniors can save almost 50 percent off the

single ticket price by purchasing a season subscription. For just \$28.75, upperclassmen get tickets to all five performances. Freshmen and sophomores can also purchase a season subscription for \$33.50. Contact Barkes for more information on subscription plans.

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Things to do this week

Week of 8/28 - 9/3

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
~ Monday Night Football Game Watch. LaFortune Main Lobby, 8 p.m.	~ Notre Dame Activities Night JACC, 7-9 p.m.	~ Saint Mary's Activities Night Angela Athletic Facility, 7-9 p.m. ~ "Happy Gilmore" LaFortune Ballroom, 10 p.m.	~ "Gladiator," DeBartolo 101, 10:30 p.m. \$2 admission
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GOLF

Bad weather delays amateur title playoff

Associated Press

SPRINGFIELD, N.J.

It took all day for James Driscoll to make a couple of putts in his match with Jeff Quinney.

Because of that, the 100th U.S. Amateur had to wait another day to crown a champion.

Staging a comeback worthy of Tiger Woods, Driscoll won the final three holes of regulation to force a playoff with Quinney before a second threat of bad weather suspended play Sunday after 38 holes.

"I just wished we could have finished it tonight," Driscoll said. "Not because I might have had the momentum, but just to get it over with tonight would have been better."

Quinney, of Eugene, Ore., and Driscoll, of Brookline, Mass., were to resume the title match at the par-3, 193-yard 3rd hole on the Upper Course at Baltusrol Golf Club at 9 a.m. Monday. Both parred it twice Sunday.

Driscoll, whose putter had failed him repeatedly over the first 34 holes of the scheduled 36-hole championship match, made a sliding 8-footer for birdie at the 17th and then nailed a 5-footer for par at 18 to win the holes and send the match to extra holes.

The 22-year-old University of Virginia graduate said he never focused on all his near misses, knowing one more would give Quinney the championship.

"Part of me might have been thinking deep down that I was due to hole a putt, but as soon as you say that you're not going

to make the putt," Driscoll said. "You have to go through the same routine and hope it works out."

It did. "I just didn't finish the job," said Quinney, a 21-year-old who will be a senior at Arizona State. "You know I bogeyed 16 and 18, missed the fairways. I'm trying to keep my head high. I'm still in there. This is not over with."

Woods rallied from 2-down with three to play to be Steve Scott in the 1996 Amateur and rallied from 4-down with 10 to play to beat Trip Kuehne 2-up in 1994.

Going to 39 holes guaranteed Quinney and Driscoll will tie the U.S. Amateur record for the longest title match. Sam Urzetta beat Frank Stranahan in 39 holes in 1950.

Going extra holes was the last thing anyone expected after Quinney, who had staged impressive comeback wins in the third round and the quarter-finals, made a short 2-footer for par at the par-3 15th to go 3-up with three to play.

However, Driscoll, turned the tables on him much to the delight of his family and relatives who shouted "Way to go James" after every big shot.

"I never really thought I had blown it because the match was never over," Driscoll said. "But I was definitely disappointed."

A bad drive and chip cost Quinney No. 16, and Driscoll won the last two holes.

Driscoll actually hit two great shots at the par-5 17th, coming out of a bunker from 50 yards to about 8 feet and making the birdie. Quinney had already been conceded a par.

U.S. OPEN

Gambill eager to shine in tourney

Associated Press

NEW YORK

When Pete Sampras dubbed Jan-Michael Gambill the future of American men's tennis after a tough quarterfinal match at Wimbledon, it was a compliment that could be taken different ways.

For the 23-year-old Gambill, it could have been an honor or a burden. From Sampras' point of view, it could be read as a comment that the future may or may not be bright.

As the U.S. Open begins Monday, Gambill hopes he will show that he is ready to live up to the most optimistic interpretation of Sampras' remark and build on the confidence he gained at Wimbledon — his best Grand Slam effort so far.

"This is the biggest tournament for me, and I'm looking forward to having a great U.S. Open," Gambill said. "I'm steadily improving every tournament, and I'm ready to win some big matches."

Gambill leads a talented, if somewhat anonymous, group of young players trying to break through with their first Grand Slam title. Russia's Marat Safin, Spain's Juan Carlos Ferrero, Ecuador's Nicolas Lapentti, Switzerland's Roger Federer, and Germany's Tommy Haas and Nicolas Kiefer all are capable of beating players like Sampras and defending champion Andre Agassi on any given day.

Whether any of them can go on a tear and win seven matches over the next two weeks remains to be seen.

If the women's title chase appears to be limited to a

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professional tennis player

rather select few — Venus and Serena Williams, Martina Hingis, Lindsay Davenport and Monica Seles — the men's title this year seems much more up for grabs.

Neither Sampras nor Agassi have been dominant on hardcourts this summer, and at 29 and 30, respectively, they may be a bit more pressed to cope with the heat and humidity and day and night matches than their younger rivals.

For Gambill, a native of Spokane, Wash., the issue could come down to how well he maximizes his strengths and minimizes his weaknesses.

He reached the final at the ATP Tour event in Los Angeles at the end of July, but had to retire in the third set against Michael Chang after spraining an ankle.

He played two weeks later, losing to Kiefer in the quarterfinals at Washington, and fell to Carlos Moya in a tuneup last week.

"My serve pretty much drives my game," Gambill said. "I have to concentrate on doing the fundamentals — serving well, returning well. I'm play-

ing smarter tennis lately, not making the dumb mistakes I used to make. My dad has always been my coach, and we've been working hard to smooth things out."

Although Gambill was part of the American Davis Cup team that got blasted 5-0 on clay in Spain last month, he said the opportunity to work with captain John McEnroe improved his game.

"John helped me a lot on my volleying," Gambill said. "He told me to firm up right before I hit the ball. My volleying has been improving, and it's added a dimension to my game. I'm still not a serve-and-volley player, but I have more confidence now when I come in."

The hardcourts at the National Tennis Center are actually perfectly suited to a player like Gambill. They're quick enough to give him an advantage on his serve, but not so quick that they put a high premium on rushing the net. Agassi won here twice from the baseline. Patrick Rafter won twice by attacking the net, and Sampras won four times by doing everything.

If Gambill is going to join them as a champion, he'll have to emulate Sampras. He'll also have to get past some early trouble. Looming in the second round is Australian Mark Philippoussis, the hardest server in the game and a finalist here two years ago.

In the featured matches on the first day, Sampras, Hingis, and Arantxa Sanchez-Vicario play in the afternoon, and Agassi and Venus Williams play at night.

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NATIONAL LEAGUE

Klesko gives San Diego 2-1 edge over Milwaukee

◆ Brewer's Snyder remains winless since June

Associated Press

MILWAUKEE

Ryan Klesko's run-scoring single in the eighth inning lifted the San Diego Padres to a 2-1 victory over Milwaukee on Sunday.

After starter John Snyder held San Diego to just three hits in seven scoreless innings, the Padres rallied against reliever David Weathers (3-5) in the eighth.

Pinch-hitter John Mabry walked with one out and advanced to second on Eric Owens' single. Desi Relaford followed with an RBI single to left to tie the game at 1.

Valerio De Los Santos relieved Weathers and gave up Klesko's single to left, scoring Owens. After an intentional walk to Phil Nevin, Mike Darr bounced into an inning-ending double play.

Woody Williams (8-5) allowed one run and six hits in seven innings. He struck out four. Trevor Hoffman pitched a hitless ninth for his 35th save in 42 tries.

Milwaukee wasted a fine performance by Snyder, who has not won since June 22. Snyder retired the first 10 batters he faced and did not allow a hit until Nevin's single in the fourth.

Milwaukee took a 1-0 lead in the first. With two outs, Geoff Jenkins singled and scored on Richie Sexson's double to right-center.

Rockies 9, Pirates 2

Todd Helton homered and doubled to up his average to .394, and Brian Bohanon backed

his own effective pitching with a two-run double as Colorado finished a three-game sweep of Pittsburgh.

Bohanon (8-9) allowed four singles in his first complete game since Sept. 3 against the New York Mets, and had two hits as the Rockies outscored the Pirates 26-9 in the series.

Helton was 2-for-4 and had four hits in the final two games of the Rockies' first three-game road sweep since they started the 1998 season by sweeping Arizona, yet still raised his average only two points.

Helton, trying to become the first since Ted Williams in 1941 to bat .400, must bat about .430 over the Rockies' final 31 games to reach .400. He is hitting .432 (54-for-125) over his last 34 games.

Bohanon is doing even better than that over his last three starts, going 6-for-12 with two doubles, a homer and six RBIs. He had the Rockies' key hit Sunday, a two-run double in a go-ahead three-run second against Pirates starter Dan Serafini (1-3).

Bohanon also singled following Butch Huskey's homer in the fourth, one of three solo shots by a team whose 128 homers are the second-fewest in the NL. Helton hit his 32nd in the fifth off rookie reliever Bronson Arroyo, and Jeffrey Hammonds followed with his 20th.

One day after manager Gene Lamont held a closed-door meeting to emphasize the Pirates can't give up the season, they lost their fourth in a row and 13th in 17 games. They will lose 90 games for the second time in three years even if they win 20 of their final 34 games.

Huskey, who also singled in the three-run second, and Ben

Petrick added sacrifice flies in the seventh against reliever Marc Wilkins. Petrick and Jeff Cirillo each had three of the Rockies' 16 hits.

Serafini allowed four runs and eight hits in 3 1-3 innings as a Pirates starter failed to pitch past the sixth inning for the 18th time in 24 games.

Astros 7, Expos 3

Tony Eusebio doubled twice and hit his seventh homer to extend his career-best hitting streak to 23 games and Scott Elarton pitched his second career complete game as the Houston Astros beat the Montreal Expos 7-3.

Elarton (15-4), who also pitched a complete game against Montreal on Aug. 6, allowed six hits, including Brian Schneider's two-run double in the sixth, and seven walks. He struck out six.

Moises Alou went 3-for-4 with his 25th homer off Trey Moore (1-4), a two-run shot down the left-field line as Houston scored four in the fourth.

Eusebio doubled following Alou's two-run homer to tie the Astros' team record by hitting safely in his 23rd consecutive game. He added an RBI double in the fifth and hit a solo homer in the eighth to make it 7-2.

The Astros won for the 10th time in their last 13 games.

Montreal has lost 14 of its last 17 games, including five of its last six. The Expos have lost 14 of their last 16 games at Olympic Stadium.

Jeff Bagwell got his 31st RBI in August on a run-scoring grounder in the first to tie the team record he already shared with Derek Bell for most RBIs in a month.

Roger Cedeno and Julio Lugo singled to lead off the game. Cedeno advanced to third and Lugo went to second on Trey Moore's balk and Cedeno scored on Bagwell's grounder to second.

Richard Hidalgo's pop to short right field was caught by second baseman Jose Vidro, who threw home, where Schneider easily tagged out Lugo trying to score from third for an inning-ending double play.

Alou was also thrown out at the plate by center fielder Milton Bradley to end the second.

Bagwell walked in the fourth and, one out later, Alou homered down the left-field line to put the Astros ahead 3-0.

Cedeno added a two-run single later in the inning as Houston

went out to a 5-0 lead.

After Elarton escaped a bases-loaded jam in the fifth by getting Jose Vidro to fly to left, Schneider doubled to drive in two and break up Elarton's shutout bid.

Milton Bradley had an RBI single in the ninth for Montreal

Marlins 7, Reds 6

Mike Lowell homered with one out in the bottom of the ninth inning as the Florida Marlins overcame five RBIs by Dante Bichette to beat the Cincinnati Reds.

The Reds, who had won three straight, blew a 6-3 lead in the eighth inning a stranded a season-high 14 runners.

Lowell hit his 18th homer on a 3-1 pitch from Danny Graves (10-5) as Florida snapped a three-game losing streak.

Dan Miceli (6-3) pitched a scoreless ninth for the win.

Florida tied the game with three runs in the eighth inning. Lowell and Derrek Lee singled, and pinch-hitter Mark Smith followed with an RBI double. The Marlins made it 6-5 when third baseman Chris Stynes bobbled Kevin Millar's grounder for an error. Luis Castillo's grounder deflected off Stynes' glove for a game-tying single.

It was just Castillo's 10th RBI of the year. He is trying to avoid the major league record for fewest RBIs in a season for a player with at least 450 at-bats. San Diego's Enzo Hernandez set the record with 12 in 1971.

Cincinnati shortstop Barry Larkin left the game after dislocating the middle finger on his left hand batting in the fifth inning. X-rays were negative and his status is day-to-day.

Bichette hit a three-run homer, sandwiched between a disputed ruling and a bench-clearing confrontation, which put Cincinnati ahead 5-3 in the seventh inning. Bichette also had an RBI single and a sacrifice fly.

Ryan Dempster took a 3-1 lead into the seventh, but came unraveled following a disputed call on an attempted forceout at second base.

Umpire Ian Lamplugh ruled shortstop Andy Fox pulled his foot off the base prematurely on Ken Griffey Jr.'s grounder, although replays showed otherwise.

After Marlins manager John Boles argued briefly, Sean Casey singled home a run and Bichette hit his 16th homer, his first in 110 at-bats, to put the Reds ahead 5-3.

On the next pitch, Dempster hit Michael Tucker in the back with a pitch, and both benches emptied when Tucker started toward the mound and shouted at Dempster. No punches were

thrown and no one was ejected.

Florida's Preston Wilson made the score 1-1 leading off the fourth with his 22nd homer. It was his first homer in 36 games and 140 at-bats.

The Marlins scored twice in the sixth to take a 3-1 lead. After Henry Rodriguez doubled and Wilson walked, Lee singled home a run and Mike Redmond hit a sacrifice fly.

Griffey Jr. made a circus catch in center in the second inning to rob Fox of a hit. Sprinting to his right, Griffey jumped and stretched horizontal to the ground to make the grab.

Mets 2, Diamondbacks 1

Mike Hampton tossed eight strong innings and Todd Zeile's seventh inning grounder drove in the winning run, as the New York Mets downed the Arizona Diamondbacks in a pitchers duel at Shea Stadium. Benny Agbayani homered for the Mets, who rebounded from a 5-1 loss on Saturday to take two-of-three in the series. New York is now one game behind Atlanta in the NL East, as the Braves lost to the Cardinals.

The Diamondbacks are three games behind San Francisco in the NL West, but fell 5 1/2 games behind the Mets for the wildcard spot.

Hampton (13-7) allowed just one run on three hits in eight innings, recording his fifth-straight victory. The lefthander missed his last start due to a fractured rib, but is 4-0 in his last six outings. Hampton struck out three and walked two batters.

With the game knotted at 1-1, the Mets took the lead for good in the seventh inning. Edgardo Alfonzo laced a leadoff single and wound up at third after a single by Mike Piazza and Robin Ventura's walk. Zeile then grounded out to shortstop, allowing Alfonzo to score to make it 2-1.

Byung Hyun Kim relieved Arizona starter Armando Reynoso and got the visitors out of trouble, but the damage had been done.

Armando Benitez closed out the win, fanning two, for his 35th save.

Reynoso (10-9) surrendered two earned runs on four hits in the tough-luck loss. The righthander struck out two and walked two, falling to 5-3 lifetime against his former team.

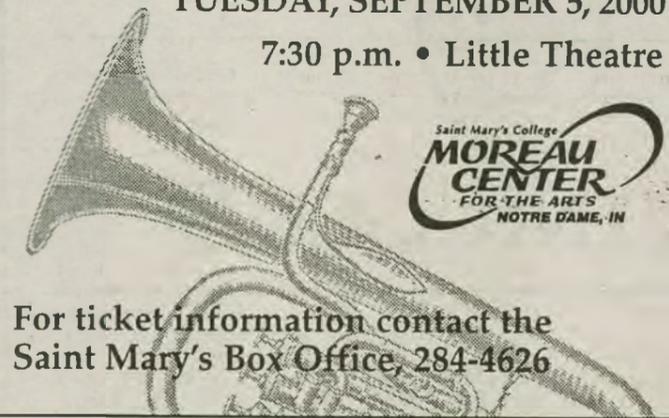
Reynoso and Hampton kept the bats quiet over the first three innings.

But Agbayani got things started in the fourth, slamming a Reynoso offering over the left field fence. The solo blast was Agbayani's 12th home run of the season.

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AMERICAN LEAGUE

Mora homers to give Orioles 3-2 edge over Devil Rays

◆ Baltimore's Spurgeon wins first start in majors

Associated Press

BALTIMORE

Jay Spurgeon allowed two runs in seven innings to win his first start in the majors, and Melvin Mora homered as the Baltimore Orioles defeated Tampa Bay 3-2 Sunday.

It was the sixth win in eight games for the Orioles, who took three of four from the last-place Devil Rays.

Mora hit a two-run homer in a three-run fifth inning that wiped out a 2-0 deficit. Mike Kinkade, obtained with Mora in the July 28 trade that sent Mike Bordick to the New York Mets, doubled in the go-ahead run.

Spurgeon (1-0) gave up eight hits, walked two and hit a batter in his third appearance since being called up from Triple-A Rochester on Aug. 14. The right-hander failed to retire the side in order but was aided by three double plays.

The only glaring flaw in Spurgeon's performance came in the second inning, when Aubrey Huff hit a two-run shot to dead center estimated at 443 feet.

Mike Trombley pitched a perfect eighth and rookie Ryan Kohlmeier got three outs for his seventh save in seven opportunities.

After stranding six runners in the first four innings, the Orioles broke through in the fifth against Ryan Rupe (5-5). Brady Anderson hit a leadoff single and Mora followed with his second AL homer. Rupe then got two outs before allowing successive doubles to Chris Richard and Kinkade.

Rupe was 5-0 in nine starts since being recalled from Triple-A Durham on July 8. He was seeking to break the club record for consecutive wins, but instead lost for the first time since May 2.

Rupe allowed three runs, eight hits and two walks in five innings. He was replaced by right-hander Tony Fiore, who pitched three scoreless innings in his major league debut.

Yankees 7, Athletics 5

Pinch-hitter Bernie Williams drove in the go-ahead run in a three-run eighth inning as the New York Yankees came from

behind to defeat the Oakland Athletics.

Jim Mecir (8-3) walked David Justice to start the eighth and Jose Canseco singled. After Jose Vizcaino came in to run for Canseco, Tino Martinez lifted a routine fly ball to center field. But Terrence Long struggled with the ball in the sun, then dropped it after trying to make a basket catch, loading the bases.

With one out, Luis Sojo hit a slow bouncer to third, which Eric Chavez picked up and threw past first baseman Mike Stanley. Sojo was credited with a single and an RBI, and the throwing error allowed a second run to score to tie it 5-5.

Scott Brosius was walked intentionally to set the stage for Williams, hitting for Clay Bellinger. Williams grounded into a force play, allowing Martinez to score the go-ahead run.

Justice added an RBI double in the ninth for New York.

Denny Neagle (4-4) won for the second time in three decisions. He allowed five runs on six hits and four walks in seven innings, striking out six.

Mariano Rivera recorded the final four outs for his 29th save in 34 opportunities.

Oakland starter Gil Heredia failed in his fifth attempt for his career-high 14th victory despite pitching 6 1-3 effective innings. He allowed three runs on six hits with two walks and two strikeouts.

Stanley gave the A's a 3-0 lead in the first with his 12th home run. After Randy Velarde doubled and Adam Piatt walked, Stanley hit an 1-0 pitch from Neagle into the left-field bleachers.

Sal Fasano hit his seventh homer of the year, a solo shot with one out in the second to put Oakland up 4-0.

The Yankees got a run back in the third. Luis Polonia walked,

stole second and continued to third when the throw went into center field. Derek Jeter followed with an RBI single.

In the fourth, New York drew within 4-3 on a run-scoring single by Jorge Posada and Bellinger's RBI double.

Piatt's fifth homer of the season in the fifth gave the A's a 5-3 edge.

White Sox 2, Mariners 1

Ray Durham hit a tiebreaking homer in the eighth inning and Chicago held Seattle to four hits for the second time this series as the White Sox beat the struggling Mariners.

The Mariners lost for the 12th time in 14 games, including a 4-1 defeat Friday night when they had four hits.

Durham, who was ejected in the ninth inning Saturday for arguing after being called out on strikes in an 11-5 loss, hit his 15th home run of the season into the right-field stands off Freddy Garcia (4-4) with one out in the eighth.

Sean Lowe came out of the bullpen for Chicago and started in place of James Baldwin, whose start was moved back to Tuesday night because of a tired arm. Lowe gave up one run, four hits and two walks in five innings.

Rookie Lorenzo Barcelo (2-1) pitched three perfect innings of relief for the win. Keith Foulke pitched the ninth for his 24th save in 29 opportunities. It was his second save in the series and his fourth save this season against Seattle.

The White Sox took a 1-0 lead when Paul Konerko led off the second with his 15th homer of the season.

The Mariners tied the score in

the fifth. Mike Cameron singled, stole second and came home on Mark McLemore's single.

In the fifth, Chicago loaded the bases on Herbert Perry's single, Chris Singleton's fielder's choice and walks to Jeff Abbott and Mark Johnson. But Garcia got Durham to ground out to end the inning.

In the sixth, Tony Graffanino was thrown out at the plate by shortstop Alex Rodriguez when he attempted to score from second on third baseman Carlos Guillen's error on Carlos Lee's ground ball.

Garcia allowed two runs and six hits in eight innings.

Twins 7, Tigers 6

Midre Cummings was as much a fan Sunday as he was the hero.

Cummings hit a game-winning RBI single in the 10th inning and Ron Coomer had three RBIs as the Minnesota Twins beat the Detroit Tigers in a seesaw game at the Metrodome filled with great plays and clutch hits.

"It was fun to watch and even more exciting to play in," Cummings said. "It was just a well-played ballgame."

Todd Jones (0-3), after blowing a one-run lead in the ninth, issued a pair of one-out walks in the 10th. Matt Lawton hit an infield single to load the bases before Denny Hocking struck out.

Cummings then lined a 2-2 pitch to left to give Minnesota its 30th come-from-behind victory and third win in four games.

"You're just trying to get a base hit there, which makes it that much easier," Cummings said.

"Midre's such a professional hitter," Lawton said. "He knows what to do there."

Lawton, batting leadoff for the

first time this year, went 3-for-6 with a homer for Minnesota.

"I like it," Lawton said. "I get a lot of at-bats."

Damion Easley hit a two-run homer and Bobby Higginson's sneaky slide highlighted a series of comebacks for Detroit, which lost for just the 10th time in 28 games. The Tigers were trying to move above .500 for the first time since Opening Day.

Hector Carrasco (4-3) struck out two in a perfect 10th inning for the win.

Trailing 6-5, Minnesota scored a run in the ninth off Jones to tie the game. Cummings singled with one out and moved to third on Ron Coomer's single. David Ortiz then hit a slow groundout to third, allowing Cummings to score.

Dean Palmer had tied the game in the eighth with an RBI double and Deivi Cruz put Detroit ahead 6-5 with a sacrifice fly.

The Tigers took 4-3 lead in the sixth on Higginson's unique slide at the plate. Higginson hit a one-out single and advanced to third on a wild pitch and a groundout. Matt Kinney then threw a pitch that got away from catcher Danny Ardoin for a passed ball.

Ardoin got to the ball quickly and threw to Kinney covering the plate, well ahead of Higginson. But Higginson — in mid-slide — stopped his right foot short of Kinney's tag, popped up and sneaked his left foot onto the plate.

"It's not something that I've practiced before," Higginson said. "It's just something where your instincts take over."

Kinney thought he was out. "When he came in I got him on the right leg before he decided to jump over," Kinney said. "But, it doesn't matter now."

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NCAA FOOTBALL

Severe storms postpone Vick's run at Heisman

Associated Press

BLACKSBURG, Va.

Michael Vick's run at the Heisman Trophy will have to wait a week.

Sunday night's Georgia Tech-Virginia Tech game was postponed by game and school officials after severe thunderstorms and lightning rolled into the area just as the teams were lined up for the opening kickoff.

After waiting about an hour as thunder rumbled in, lightning bolts lit up the sky and heavy rain pelted Lane Stadium, Virginia Tech athletic director Jim Weaver announced the postponement at 9:08 p.m.

"There is another round of storms more severe than the first one, so the game is postponed," Weaver said. "We will talk about the possibility of rescheduling, of maybe playing the first weekend in December."

With the field soaked and puddles forming near the sidelines, Weaver said he did not want to risk injuries. Vick, the Hokies' sensational quarterback who led the team to the national title game in 1999, will now make his much anticipated sophomore debut Saturday against Akron.

Georgia Tech athletic director David Braine, Weaver, referee Dan Blum and game organizers met during the storm and decided against trying to play the game Sunday or Monday.

"Both teams play next Saturday and that field is not going to be playable," Weaver said.

While Weaver hopes to eventually play the game, Braine isn't so sure, especially about the December date. The Yellow Jackets play rival Georgia on Nov. 25.

"I don't think it's a good idea. Our reasons for playing a preseason game were because we had an inexperienced quarterback," Braine said. "He will have 11 games by then."

Braine said teams won't get the \$600,000 they were promised if the game isn't played, but added: "We didn't play this game for money anyway."

Weaver said the schools would have to petition the NCAA to play on a Friday because that is the night high schools play their games.

The decision whether or not to play could have national title implications. The Hokies were ranked No. 11 in the AP preseason poll, while the Yellow Jackets return 18 starters from last year's 8-4 squad. George Godsey, who steps in for the departed Joe Hamilton at quarterback, had his debut as the new starter delayed a week. The Yellow Jackets play Central Florida on Saturday.

In 1998, the UCLA at Miami game was postponed on Sept. 26 because of the threat of Hurricane Georges and rescheduled for Dec. 5. When the Bruins came to Miami they were 10-0 and bidding for a berth in the national title game at the Fiesta Bowl.

Miami won 49-45 and denied UCLA of a perfect regular season and probable matchup against Tennessee in the Bowl Championship Series' title game.

When the storm hit Sunday night, players, officials and photographers dashed off the field and headed for shelter. The Yellow Jackets stood under a tent and makeshift garage, the Hokies in a small tunnel. Both teams eventually ran across the field to the tunnel leading to the locker rooms.

By 9 p.m., and with the rain intensifying, most of the crowd of 55,000 had taken shelter.

"I was really looking forward to playing this game," Georgia Tech coach George O'Leary said. "We had been called off the field for lightning before, but we had always been called back."

Trojans trample Nittany Lions in season opener

♦ Southern Cal's McCullough rushes for career-high 128 yards

Associated Press

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J.

Sultan McCullough proved he's more than a track star playing football.

The sophomore tailback had a career-high 128 yards rushing as No. 15 Southern Cal beat No. 22 Penn State 29-5 Sunday in the Kickoff Classic. The Trojans, playing Penn State's style of smash-mouth football, outrushed the Nittany Lions 164 yards to 6, the lowest total for any Penn State team under Joe Paterno.

"People say I'm just a track star. They say, 'Oh, he's fast, but all he can do is run track,'" said McCullough, a sprinter on USC's track team. "I want to show everybody I can do it all."

McCullough, who emerged as the starter in training camp, had 413 yards last season and never carried more than 21 times before getting 29 carries against Penn State.

"I said we had three runners and one would establish himself as the tailback and Sultan took a big step," USC coach Paul Hackett said. "He's one of the fastest guys around, but he made some tough runs."

Quarterback Carson Palmer also showed some toughness. Palmer, playing his first game since breaking a collarbone in the third game last year, was 10-of-20 for 87 yards.

"He handled the football team the way I wanted him to," Hackett said. "He handled the offense the way the leader has to. That was more important than how much passing he did."

It was the worst season-opening loss for Penn State since a 44-6 defeat against Nebraska in the 1983 Kickoff Classic.

The loss spoiled a homecoming for Penn State's Rashard Casey. The senior quarterback, who grew up in nearby Hoboken, played his first game since being charged with assaulting an off-duty police officer in May.

Casey was 7-of-24 for 106 yards. He was replaced by Matt Senneca in the fourth quarter.

"This was a tough outing for him for a lot of reasons," said Paterno, who is starting his 35th season. "He had a tough preseason. Now that he has this out of his crawl, he can come home and have some fun."

Penn State came out tentative, and USC capitalized early. The Nittany

Lions committed two false start penalties in the first three plays, then made a crucial mistake on special teams.

Safety Frank Strong, a late scratch from the starting lineup, burst up the middle and easily blocked David Royer's punt, and Sandy Fletcher returned it 6 yards to give USC a 7-0 lead just 2:15 into the game.

"A lot of these kids haven't played a lot of football," Paterno said, trying to explain the early jitters.

Penn State, which lost nine starters on defense, including Courtney Brown and LaVar Arrington, didn't seem like it had an overhauled defense early in the game.

An interception by Bhawoh Jue gave the Nittany Lions possession at USC's 38, and a late hit out of bounds by Ryan Nielson on Casey set up Ryan Primanti's 37-yard field goal that cut it to 7-3 with 7:37 left in the first.

But the defense couldn't provide any more big plays, and Penn State's offense, which was expected to be the team's strength, actually surrendered more points in the first half than the defense.

Troy Polamalu intercepted a badly thrown pass by Casey and returned it 43 yards to give USC a 20-3 lead with 2:37 left in the second. David Newberry missed the extra point.

It was the first interception returned for a touchdown against Penn State since USC's Quincy Harrison did it in 1994.

USC, which has struggled in games played on the East Coast, didn't seem affected by the cross-country journey. The Trojans played Big East-type football and pounded it at Penn State before a Kickoff Classic-record crowd of 78,902.

A 10-play, 73-yard drive capped by a 2-yard run by Petros Papadakis made it 14-3 with 1:44 left in the first. The drive consisted of three passes and seven runs, including five carries for 41 yards by McCullough.

"His tough runs over and over set the tone," Hackett said.

In addition to allowing touchdowns on a punt block and an interception, Penn State's offense committed five false starts, and gained just 87 total yards in the first half.

"Their defense really didn't do anything to disrupt us. We disrupted ourselves by jumping offsides and not getting where we need to be at time, and not making the right calls," Casey said.

The 393 combined yards were the fewest in Kickoff Classic history.

Paterno remains seven victories shy of breaking Bear Bryant's Division I-A record of 323.

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Woods wins third-straight major at NEC Invitational

◆ Price, Leonard earn tie for second place

Associated Press

AKRON, Ohio — Tiger Woods only had to beat the darkness Sunday.

It was a close call, unlike anything else in the NEC Invitational. Racing the clock because of a storm delay that suspended the final round for nearly three hours, Woods took eight holes to get untracked and then cruised to another landslide victory, this time by 11 strokes.

He probably could have won this one in the dark. In a fitting conclusion, his 8-iron into the 18th green emerged from the darkness and dropped 2 feet from the hole. Fans saw a silhouette of the best player in the world walk down the fairway, and some flicked their lighters like they were at a rock concert.

Even in overwhelming victory, Woods can still put on a show.

He completed his romp over a world-class field with a 3-under 67 to finish at 21-under 259. It was his lowest 72-hole score as a professional, and it broke the Firestone record of 262 set 10 years ago by Jose Maria Olazabal.

A week after an emotionally draining playoff victory in the PGA Championship for his third straight major, Woods showed no letup in a game that appears to be without weakness. He now has set tournament records in his last four victories.

It also was the third time this year Woods has successfully defended a title, and he now has won three of the five World Golf Championship events. He earned \$1 million, giving him more

money in the last two years than everyone but Davis Love III on the career money list.

Phillip Price of Wales, playing his first tournament in the United States, got as close to Woods as anyone Sunday — five strokes. But he bogeyed three of the last four holes and finished with a 69 to slip into a tie for second with Justin Leonard, who had a 66. Both earned \$437,500 from the \$5 million purse.

Next up for Woods: A clinic at Firestone in the morning, followed by a trip to the California desert for his made-for-TV match-play event against Sergio Garcia, an exhibition that pays \$1.1 million to the winner.

Woods got in some practice Sunday — he put on a clinic, and made another tournament look like a mere exhibition.

Woods, who opened with rounds of 64 and 61, won for the fifth time in his last seven tournaments, and for the eighth time this year on the PGA Tour. The last player to win at least eight times in consecutive seasons was Byron Nelson, who won eight times in 1944 and a record 18 times in 1945.

Perhaps that's next on the horizon for Woods.

His 67 on soggy Firestone was his 35th consecutive round at par or better worldwide, dating to the first round of the Byron Nelson Classic in May.

Leonard, who hasn't won in over two years, was runner-up for the third time this year. One of those was at the Memorial, where he and Ernie Els finished five behind Woods.

Phil Mickelson and Hal Sutton each had a 70, while Jim Furyk had a 68 to tie for fourth, 12 strokes behind.

While Woods was never seriously challenged, neither did he

make a serious bid for the PGA Tour's 72-hole scoring record of 257, set by Mike Souchak in the 1955 Texas Open.

And just because it was another romp, Firestone wasn't devoid of excitement.

Stewart Cink got a hole-in-one on No. 12, a 4-iron from 213 yards, and Retief Goosen had an ace on No. 7 with a 3-iron from 230 yards.

The best shot of the day came from Els, whose 5-iron from 186 yards on the par-5 2nd caught a slope behind the flag and rolled back into the cup for a double eagle.

Otherwise, the NEC Invitational turned into a battle for second.

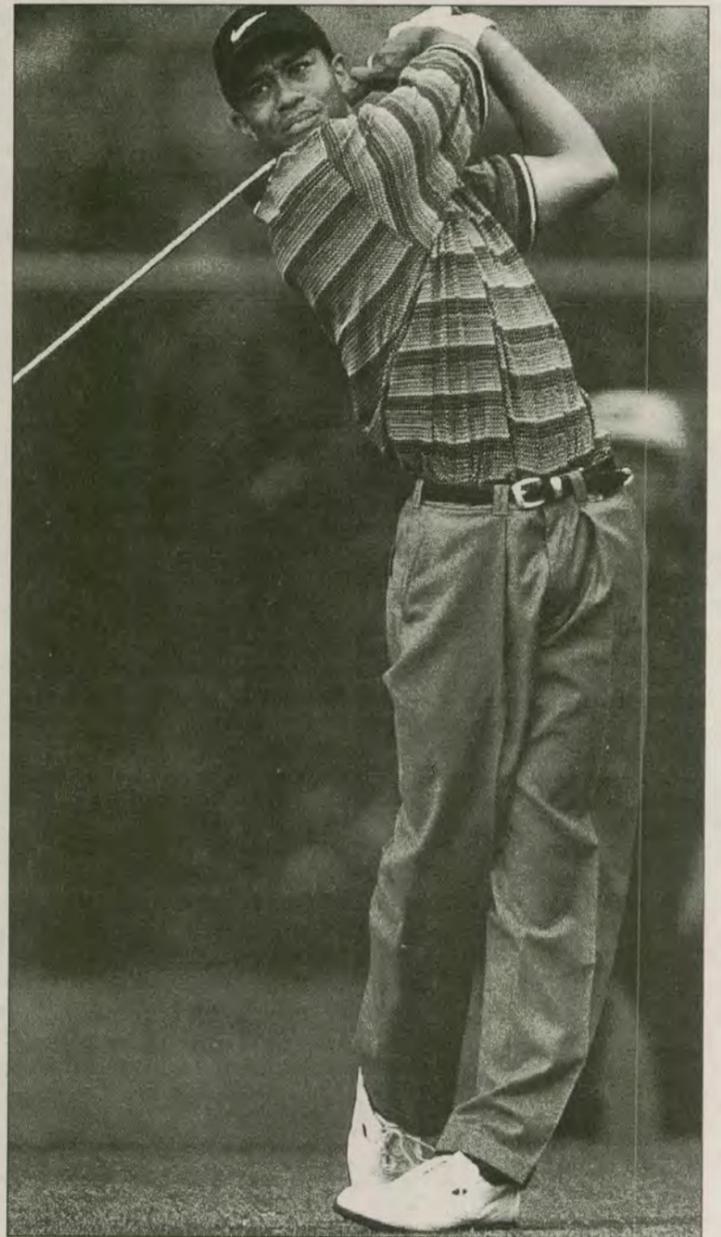
Sutton stared down Woods in a final-round duel at The Players Championship to win by a stroke, although there was a big difference Sunday — he started the day trailing by nine strokes, not ahead by one.

Still, Sutton made an aggressive start with birdies on three of his first five holes and two nifty par saves. Woods played conservatively, aiming at the middle of the greens and making all pars. He bogeyed the par-3 7th by chipping 10 feet by and missing the par putt, and suddenly his lead was down to five.

That's as close as it got.

Sutton bladed it out of wet sand on No. 8 and made the first of three straight bogeys. Woods finally went at a pin, made a 12-foot birdie and coasted from there.

Price left Firestone feeling just as satisfied as if he had won. The only reason the Welshman got into the World Golf Championship event is because the European tour changed its qualification from Ryder Cup members to the top 12 Europeans on its money list.



Tiger Woods earned \$1 million Sunday with an 11-stroke victory, earning his eighth PGA title this year. AFP Photo

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While the newcomers were indeed potent, there were members of the old guard to be heard from as well.

Senior Anne Makinen opened the scoring by converting a pretty feed from classmate Meotis Erikson, and then added two assists in her first game as the real focal point of the revamped offense.

"Anne is definitely our go-to player," Waldrum affirmed. "She's just so unselfish with the ball. I think some times we just need her to be a bit more selfish."

Undoubtedly, it's a period of adjustment for the Irish as many players are in transition.

While the freshmen prepare to move into starring roles, Waldrum feels compelled to give Makinen the lead.

It is his hope that the squad's veterans can aide the freshmen as they prepare to star on the biggest of stages.

"Certainly players like Anne and Meotis will ease the transition," Waldrum noted. "Anne is sometimes a player that I think we take for granted, but she means so much to the team in a lot

of ways."

While the Irish dominated the Titans in every facet of the game, including outshooting them by a total of 49-2, Waldrum was still not entirely pleased with his squad's performance.

"We still have a long way to go," he said. "To have as many shots as we did, it's a bit disappointing that we didn't score more than we did. I also think we gave the ball away too many times.

We really need to work on ball control as a team."

After opening to rave reviews, Waldrum hopes his show can continue to satisfy the critics.

All season long,

he along with the freshmen will be confronted with one question: can this group of players replace that outstanding senior class of last year?

Waldrum thinks they can. "They're probably a more talented group athletically," he noted. "They have the tools, but they need experience. Only time will tell if they can do for us what last year's girls did."

Freshmen Amy Warner, who drew high praise in her first game was excited just to be on stage.

"It was great just to be out there at this level," she said. "It's a great team to be a part of."

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Randy Waldrum
Irish head coach

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but after reviewing the films from Friday's scrimmage Davie announced Saturday that he would refrain from making any final decisions until today or Tuesday.

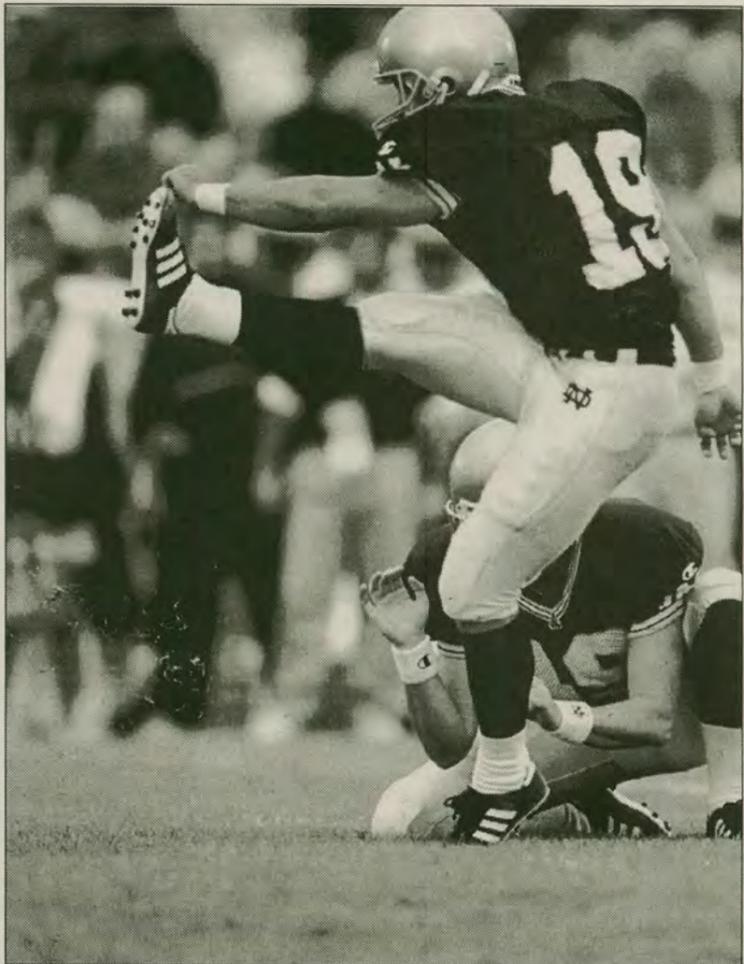
"It's close between Joey Hilbold and Nick Setta for the punting job," said Davie. "We're going to go this week on Monday and Tuesday to see but I think both those guys will end up punting for us at some point. It's really close."

Setta was quick to share credit with his teammates for his stellar scrimmage performance.

"The snaps were good, the holds were good, the line did a good job so it was a real positive day in all aspects," said Setta. "It's showing all the hard work we did over the summer."

That hard work has paid off for Setta, who, even if he does not start, has proven he is a valuable asset to the kicking team. No matter who Davie and his staff pick to open season, Setta knows the tight competition has and will benefit the group as a whole.

"We all help each other," said Setta. "We know we're all going for each other's job, but at the same time we're there to help each other. We do what's best for the team."



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With the loss of former Irish placekicker Jim Sanson to graduation, Davie must choose his replacement this week.

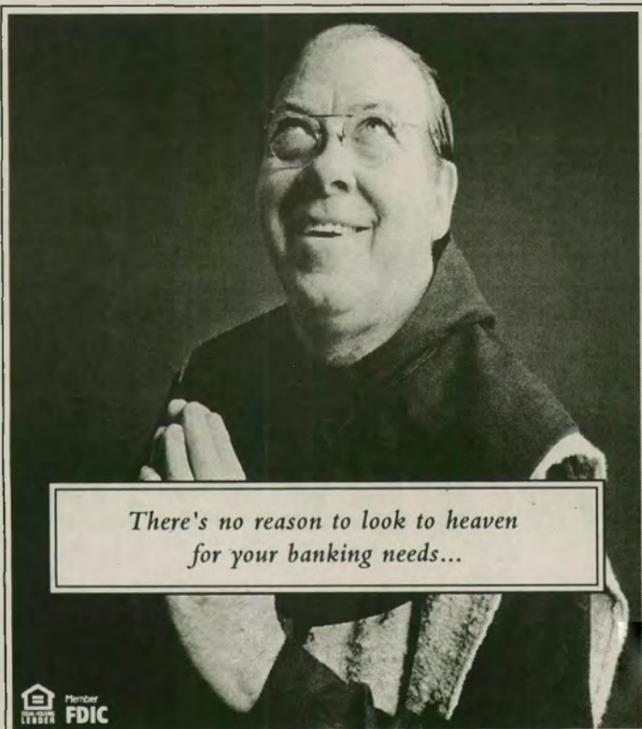
The pressure on the quartet of Miller, Hilbold, Setta and newcomer Matt McNew is apparent as the season opener lingers several days away.

After last season's series of hits and misses, they know there will be even more pressure for success. But Setta is not about to let the high expectations bother him.

"I think there's pressure on any position, it's just how you deal with it," said Setta. "I really just try to go out there and have fun. There's always going to be some amount of pressure, but if you're having fun, you don't feel it as much."

Fun for Setta would be earning a starting position against Texas A&M. Only time will tell.

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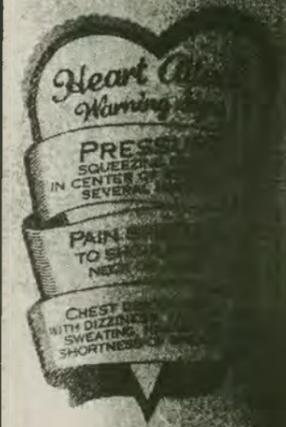
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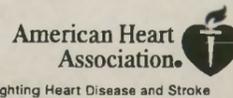
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History means little for Irish

I heard it way too many times this summer.

Being from Notre Dame and working as a producer at a sports talk radio station in Ann Arbor, MI, you can expect to hear just about everything from the supporters of the good old maize and blue.

"Nice season last year, Fox," chuckle, chuckle.

"We're glad you guys didn't join the Big Ten," snort, snort.

"Navy's getting pretty good, aren't they?" ha, ha.

Notre Dame's 5-7 football season last year didn't leave me with a whole lot to come back with. By the end of the summer, I, someone whose gridiron greatness stops at the crooked sideline of section football, even felt like I had something to prove.

Now just imagine what these last nine months have felt like to our classmates who put on the blue and gold every Saturday.

A losing season. No wins in November. 0-5 on the road. A coach being watched more closely than the final episode of "Survivor". An article in "Sports Illustrated" saying the Irish can't really compete any-

more. Not ranked in the Top 25 heading into this season.

But, none of that should matter now.

When I told one of my friends in Ann Arbor that the last time Notre Dame wasn't bowl eligible (1986), they came back to win the national title two years later, he told me history doesn't mean a whole lot in sports. He's right.

And that's a good thing for the Wolverines and others. Otherwise, the fact that Notre Dame boasts more national titles and Heisman winners than anyone else might hang a dark cloud over Michigan winning its first national title in 50 years.

No, all that matters are the players playing now.

At the end of last year, then sophomore wideout David Givens said, "When you're on a losing team for a year, you get tired of it — you're ready to win."

You're an offensive line that has ditched the annoying adjective "inexperienced" from last year and now returns four starters with something to prove.

You're a sophomore running back who the country hasn't seen a whole lot of yet but will once a long line of would-be tacklers come up clutching nothing but the space you used to occupy.

You're a defensive backfield featuring a senior corner who had to sit out last season and a senior free safety who rejoins the defensive backfield after handling just about every duty

but those of the kickers.

You're a place kicker who must inherit a recent legacy of more prayers than cheers whenever the field goal unit takes the field.

You're a senior tight end, one of the best in the country, the man who somehow saved us from defeat at the hands of some despised Trojans. Yet many feel you haven't been given an adequate chance to show you're full range of talents.

And you're one of the anchors of the defense, probably the nicest guy on campus, but a player who has been criticized for showing too much of that "niceness" on the field.

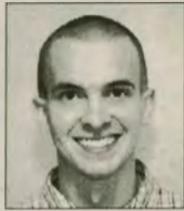
Givens said, "We've got the talent on our team [to win]. The other teams that we play don't have better athletes than we have."

The stage has been set for this 2000 Notre Dame football team, made up of many individuals united by a singular motive, to show the rest of the college football world what it already knows.

I'll concede that those out there who point to the difficulty of the early season games do have a point. Just look at it: Texas A&M at Notre Dame. Nebraska at Notre Dame. Purdue at Notre Dame.

I mean, that could be a pretty rough schedule. Especially when you're playing on the road.

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MEN'S SOCCER

Notre Dame rallies to 1-1 split at Showcase

By NOAH AMSTADTER
Sports Writer

Behind a strong offense led by three freshmen, the Notre Dame men's soccer team defeated Akron 4-3 on Sunday to finish with a 1-1 record at the IPFW Soccer Showcase in Fort Wayne, IN.

The Irish tallied their first goal as freshman Kevin Richards produced an unassisted goal just 1:45 into the game. Following a goal by Akron's Orjan Bjneso, the two teams went into halftime with the game tied 1-1. The deadlock in scoring was broken 8:14 into the second half as senior veteran Reggie McKnight found junior Matt Rosso to put the Irish up 2-1. Akron, however, rallied to take a 3-2 lead with 28 minutes remaining in the game.

Then, freshman Justin Detter took over. Detter scored unassisted in the 67th minute before finding classmate Devon Prescod to score the game-winner.

"I got spun through, then I saw what was ahead of me and decided that I'd take the guy on," said Detter. "I took him on, and then the keeper came out. I diced the keeper a little bit. I played it a little too far and thought I might have had a bad angle. But luckily I just shot and it went in. I was really excited after I scored. It was a really good feeling.

"On the last goal I was debating if I should shoot or not, and I saw Devon out of the corner of my eye flying down the left side," added

Detter. "So I passed it to him, he touched it around a guy and then put it away."

Equally important in the win was the play by sophomore goalie Cole Straub, who is competing with good friend Greg Tait for the starting position in goal. After each playing a half in the first exhibition game last Sunday versus Loyola, Tait played the entire game in Saturday's 2-0 loss to South Carolina and Straub did the same on Sunday. Straub finished Sunday's game with seven saves.

"Right now the coaches are still trying to make the final decision. Both Greg and I are just doing what we can," said Straub. "Anything that the coaches decide will be fine. Whoever is doing the best at the time will be starting, which is best for the team."

Senior McKnight stressed the importance of team unity and cooperation.

"We've always emphasized from the beginning of the season that our team is 26 players," he said. "Every goal is a result of all those players, particularly the ones on the field."

Sunday's win followed a 2-0 loss to South Carolina that served as a good learning experience for the team.

"The 2-0 score was very deceiving. We had all the good scoring opportunities, but we made some silly mistakes," said Detter. "As Coach [Chris Apple] said, we're just using it as a learning experience."

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Split decision
First-year head coach Chris Apple led his team to a 1-1 record at the IPFW Soccer Showcase over the weekend.



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WOMEN'S SOCCER

Notre Dame keeps in step with 6-0 routing of Detroit

◆ Freshmen Guertin, Scheller net goals for Irish

By KEVIN BERCHOU
Sports Writer

The cast of characters has changed dramatically, but the show still opened to rave reviews.

On the heels of last year's national runner-up finish, the Notre Dame women's soccer team, featuring a brand new, much younger corps of players, acted as if nothing had changed as it decimated the University of Detroit 6-0 Sunday.

Hurt by the loss of an outstanding senior class that included the likes of All-Americans LaKeysia Beene and Jenn Grubb, Irish head coach Randy Waldrum was skeptical as to whether or not his freshmen class could jump into the fray.

After watching his troops walk all over the Titans, Waldrum's fears have been eased.

Oddly enough it was group of freshmen that headed the onslaught.

Amanda Guertin and Randi Scheller, both playing in their first collegiate contests, netted goals as the Irish sank the Titans.

"I was very pleased with the way our freshmen played today," Waldrum said. "It was nice to see players like Amanda and Randi score in their first games. It's always good to get the win."



LIZ LANG/The Observer

Senior forward Meotis Erikson battles for possession of the ball in Notre Dame's season opener against the University of Detroit Sunday. The Irish outshot the Titans 49-2, finishing with a 6-0 victory.

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FOOTBALL

Setta kicks competition into high gear in scrimmage

By KERRY SMITH
Sports Editor

Every athlete wants to be competitive.

And Nick Setta is no exception.

Just as Irish head coach Bob Davie and his staff were coming to key decisions about the starting line-up for Saturday's season



Setta

opener against Texas A&M.

Setta decided to shake things up.

The sophomore reserve went on the offensive Friday with an impressive placekicking and punting performance during Notre Dame's afternoon scrimmage, blowing the special team's hierarchy wide open with less than a week before the season kicks off.

"You know, Nick Setta today really came to life. Joey Hilbold had some pressure and didn't kick it particularly well one time and Nick Setta came in and really had a great punt," said Davie

"We all help each other. We know we're all going for each other's job, but at the same time we're there to help each other. We do what's best for the team."

Nick Setta
Irish kicker

after Friday's scrimmage. "Nick Setta also kicked field goals today and was strong. We're going to just have to look at the tape and evaluate

it. Nick Setta had a fine day for punting and kicking. How much that will impact or dislodge David Miller and Joey Hilbold — that's something we'll have to sit down and discuss, but he was impressive today."

Last season, the Irish went a dismal 8-18 on field goal attempts, while missing five point-after attempts.

Those are figures Irish head coach Bob Davie doesn't want to see again, which makes picking his starters so crucial.

Miller has experience on his side — the junior saw action during the middle of

last year's campaign when he replaced the faltering Jim Sanson against USC, Navy and Tennessee before a hip flexor injury ended his season early. During Miller's short stint as the Irish placekicker, he converted on two of five field goal attempts and went 12-14 on point-after attempts.

Miller came back to spring drills with confidence, earning the No. 1 placekicking spot.

Sophomore punter Hilbold had all but secured his spot as the go-to player as well,

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