Mullins faces allegations of stalking two

By CHRISTINE KRALY
Assistant News Editor

Roger Mullins, former University associate vice president for human resources, will go on trial next month for allegedly stalking two former female law students. He resigned July 1, after working for the department since 1980.

"I know how this situation damages my ability to carry out my responsibilities, and it's why I think it best that I resign," he said in his letter of resignation to Father William Beauchamp, University executive vice president.

Mullins is being charged with two counts of stalking, each punishable by up to three years in prison.

He was scheduled for trial July 27, but his defense attorney asked for a continuance, according to John Maciejko, a St. Joseph County Prosecutor working on the case. The trial is now set for Sept. 21 at the St. Joseph Superior Court.

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Poorman takes on the top Student Affairs job

By TIM LOGAN
News Editor

Father Mark Poorman took the reins of the Office of Student Affairs on July 1, bringing a new face and a fresh enthusiasm to the high-profile job which deals with campus life and student concerns.

Poorman, who succeeds Patricia O'Hara — vice president for Student Affairs for nine years and now dean of the Law School — has been teaching theology and living in Notre Dame residence halls since 1980. He hopes this experience will prepare him well for the past he now holds.

"I've been close to the mission of Student Affairs for a long time doing a lot of different things," said Poorman, who has taught, served as a rector and worked in Campus Ministry during his time at Notre Dame.

"I feel really privileged to be able to serve in this capacity."

The new vice president's boss, University president Father Edward Malloy, cited Poorman's diversity of experiences at Notre Dame as a strong point.

"Father Poorman has demonstrated his administrative acumen in a succession of key roles while deftly balancing these responsibilities with his academic pursuits," Malloy said when announcing the appointment in April. Poorman will have to balance even more responsibilities in his new role.

As vice president for Student Affairs, Poorman will be responsible for Campus Ministry, student residences, residence life, multicultural and international student affairs, student activities, Notre Dame Security/Police, the University

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Students criticize new system

Traditionally known for its rowdiness and party atmosphere, senior football ticket distribution Monday night was calm and uneventful.

The students' single-file procession, ending when the last tickets were handed out at 9:30 a.m., was the result of a new system. The administration closed the door this year on the annual ritual of 

Students' sing into the Joyce Center for tickets, citing concerns with safety, litter and alcohol consumption.

"Although I thought the way the system was implemented was ridiculous — especially with it being the first day of class. The distribution itself went pretty well," senior Melissa Hugg said.

In past years, students formed lines as early as noon on the day before ticket sales began. The first group in line had the honor of unofficially kicking off the year's season.

"Under this system, (the first person in line) doesn't get any reward for his hard work," said senior Nate Medland. "That's part of the fun. The earlier you get there, the better seats you get. You lose some of the tradition with this system."

Mishak Murphy, student body president, said student government tried to retain tradition, despite facing problems due to this season's early season home opener. The first home game is Saturday against Kansas. Typically, the first home game is at least one week later.

"Our proposal tried to keep the camping-out tradition

See Also

"Another tradition dies"

Seniors receive their lottery tickets through the new ticket distribution system Monday night in Notre Dame Stadium.

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The Observer editorial policy

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The Observer publishes stories about local events and issues that affect students and staff members of both institutions, as well. As an Associated Press newspaper, The Observer prints wire stories and graphics to inform readers of national and world news and sports.

Story ideas primarily are generated by reporters who focus on specific beats or who regularly cover council meetings and other events. Student editors also come from advertisements in The Observer and on campus posters, as well as from Notre Dame's Office of Public Relations, Saint Mary's Department of Marketing and Communications, the Notre Dame Athletic Department, and the Office of Marketing and Communications.

Important are also tips from members of the Notre Dame and Saint Mary's community who call, write or e-mail The Observer staff regarding upcoming events or interesting features. Groups should pass along pertinent information to department editors at least one week before a planned event.

Members of clubs or dorms sponsoring events are encouraged to complete an "0f Interest" or "Sports Briefs" form, available at The Observer office and at Haggag College Center.

The complete system is voluntary and inspired by a lack of respect for the lack of respect for this historical custom is demonstrated by all parties. The entire bottry process for ticket distribution was confusing, unclear, and very poorly planned. There simply isn't enough time to communicate the details or to answer the resulting questions students had. How had it been arranged at Notre Dame the night before the summer explaining the new system? Oh wait, that would require both effort and some sense.

When my friends and I arrived around 11 p.m., we were greeted with insults and sarcasm from the stadium ushers as we rudely slummed the gate in our faces. We then had to beg for information that they were reluctant to give. Excuse ME, sir, so sorry to make you do your job.

We were NOT told that in order to purchase tickets for specific events, we were required to purchase minute tickets together. It was NOT published in The Observer that your campaign was a marketing scheme and, contrary to their smile remarks, we were NOT the only ones who didn't understand. The summary crowd yelling at us was just as clueless, as was the rest of the stadium staff. To say that that didn't kill what the other was doing is an understatement of the year.

If the whole point of the event was to ensure fairness, then this one failed miserably because the order in which we bought our tickets the morning following depended on when we got our lottery tickets. Besides, there was no reason to stay home when they announced the "magic number."

The details were never effectively communicated, but the fundamental problem was that there were too many details. When an event that is supposed to be fun becomes too organized and controlled, that is the end of the fun.

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Wednesday

Fresh/soph ticket camp out: Line opens at 10 a.m., lottery numbers distributed at 1:15 p.m.
Bob Davie live: The coach will broadcast his weekly TV show from Duman's Clubhouse on 29228 US31 South Bend, at 7:30 p.m.

Thursday

Dillon pep rally: Music, entertainment and Tony Rice, 6 p.m., outside Dillon.
JACG concert: Mark Longwell will perform at 7:30 p.m. Call 1-800-522-9376 for tickets.

Friday

Stadium Tours: Noon to 3 p.m. from Leslie Gate.
Pep Rally: Joyce: Center opens to students at 5 p.m. at public 5:45.
Snite Movie: "Easy Rider" will play at 7:30 in Annenberg Auditorium.

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This Week on Campus

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Saint Mary’s renovates and improves campus technology

By NOREEN GILLESPIE  
Vice Mary’s Fellow

Students attending classes in the newly-renovated Cushwa-Leighton and Madleven classrooms walked into 21st-century education not by crossing the books, but by logging on.

Taking the next step in a continuous push to improve campus technology, summer renovations to 10 classrooms included new equipment to better facilitate education.

“This is a significant change in the computing environment,” Joel Cooper, director of information technology, said. “This demonstrates an increased commitment to technology at Saint Mary’s.”

New classrooms feature several technological improvements, including classrooms where a computer is available for every student. Wired classrooms are also available with amplification devices, video equipment and a computing platform.

“This is something the faculty is jumping on,” Cooper said. “Because they have been calling for this to happen, those classrooms are heavily booked for the semester.”

Also new to several courses for the fall semester will be web-based course information, which allows students to access information about specific courses using the internet.

Technology resources are available in Cushwa-Leighton Library, where 24-hour computer clusters have opened in the basement after three months of renovations.

The lab features new Macintosh and personal computers that are not used for class purposes.

Addressing the problem of class use in the Le Mans computer lab, the library computer cluster is assigned strictly for student use 24 hours a day.

“We ran into the problem that students would often be told to leave the Le Mans lab because of classes,” Cooper said. “We now have facilities for both instructional and student use.”

The improvements correlate with a college-wide commitment to integrate technology into the curriculum, Cooper said.

“The cluster allows for both traditional and current methods of scholarship,” he said. “This is very exciting because it represents a commitment to technology at the turn of the millennium.”

Mary’s have visited the library to see the new facility.

“We did notice that over the weekend there were numerous visitors to the facility,” said Sister Betty Hollenhorst, director of Cushwa-Leighton Library.

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REGISTRATION

WHEN: Thursday, August 26, 7:30am
WHERE: Cushwa-Leighton Library

All classes begin Monday, August 30. Questions, call 1-6100.
Mullins

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"The case is proceeding as any criminal case normally proceeds," said Maciejczyk, who could not comment on any of the case's evidence because the case is pending.

According to a Mishawaka Police Department report, a man had been stalking the women from Sept. 1, 1998, to March 17, 1999, the South Bend Tribune reported.

On March 11, a man was seen in the hallway of the women's apartment building and then left when one of the women left her apartment with her boyfriend around 10 p.m. The man was waiting outside her building when the woman returned.

During a separate incident, the man knocked on the door of the women’s apartment on March 17, according to the report. When a victim’s boyfriend answered the door, the man said he was looking for building 451. He then looked around the boyfriend into the apartment.

The report also said that prior to each incident, a neighbor had seen the man under the building’s stairs.

Mullins turned himself in to authorities in April after his lawyer, Bill Stanley, had learned of the charges. Stanley declined comment due to the pending nature of the case.

"I tell you now that these charges are false and I am confident that I will prevail in this matter," Mullins also said in his resignation letter.

Roger Mullins
former associate vice president for Human Resources

"Notre Dame has been very good to me," Mullins said in the letter. "I am grateful for the opportunity to have been part of the University, and I wish it and you all the best in the months and years ahead."

Several factors will determine the outcome of the criminal case, said Maciejczyk. "Mullins’ punishment, if any, could depend on numerous details, such as victims’ statements and Mullins’ level of education.

He has no prior convictions. If convicted, Mullins could avoid jail time because he has no criminal history.

Indiana law defines stalking as a pattern of conduct that would cause a reasonable person to feel intimidated, frightened or threatened.

Material from the South Bend Tribune was used in this article.

THE WOMEN'S ACCOUNTING TO TOMMY JEANS

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THIS IS WHERE IT GETS GOOD
Roller coaster accidents cause two deaths

HURRICANE, Va. — A New York man died in an accident on a roller coaster in which riders stand through several loops that turn them upside-down, one of two kink incidents in as many days, the other one in California. Timothy Fun, 20, was killed Monday night on the 50-mph Sh jako wave ride at the 400-acre Paramount King’s Dominion theme park. Officials at the park, located 20 miles north of Richmond, released few details about the incident. Park spokesman Betty Mann confirmed the fatality, which happened about 8:40 p.m., and said an investigation was underway. A disabled 12-year-old boy died Sunday after plunging from the Drop Zone ride at Paramount’s Great America Theme Park in Santa Clarita.

Burglar sues homeowner

JONESVILLE, Mich. — A man who broke into a house is suing the homeowner, saying he was responsible for the heat he took when he returned to the home the next day. Casey Vanhorn, 21, said he used a broken window to enter the house on Aug. 25, and said he was told he had to pay for the damage. The burglar is seeking at least $25,000 in damages. Although Fzdlin said he had not been able to contact the homeowner, Vanhorn said the only way to get the damage paid is to sue him. He said he was told by the homeowner’s insurance company that the insurance company would not pay for the damage.

Car kills bicyclist, carries body 13 miles

ANAHEIM, Calif. — A bicycle was struck and killed by a car moving so fast that its driver didn’t know what happened, and his body was apparently carried on the car for 13 miles. A damaged car believed to have been involved in the accident was found nearby, and police were seeking the owner, who also may have been involved in an earlier accident that injured another bicyclist. John Lee, 18, of Orange, Calif., was struck late Sunday while riding his bicycle home from work. He had just greeted friends who were walking nearby when a small car ran into him, said Sgt. Joe Vargas. “The accident happened so quickly that nobody saw what kind of vehicle it was,” Vargas said. “They locked around and ran the crumpled bike and a person, but not the victim,” he said. Lifen’s body was found early Monday along a highway about 13 miles away.

Residents of Sakarya attempt to save clothing from their home, destroyed in the massive earthquake that hit Turkey on Aug. 17. The current death toll is 18,000 with 42,000 injured, said the Ankara crisis center.

Earthquake death toll increases

Prime Minister Bulent Ecevit, whose government has been under fire for its slow response to the crisis, acknowledged Monday that there were delays in the rescue efforts. But he said past government had some responsibility for allowing the shaky construction that contributed to the high death toll. He insisted some of the delays were unavoidable due to severe damage to телефон lines and roads from the 7.4-magnitude quake that struck before dawn on Aug. 17.

While the death toll from last week’s quake soared to nearly 12,000 people, there were no reports of casualties or damage from Tuesday’s much weaker trembler. The 4.2-magnitude quake was centered near Haymana, 40 miles south of Ankara, the capital. A 4.4-magnitude aftershock followed.

Federal Reserve raises interest rates

The Federal Reserve raised borrowing costs for millions of Americans for the second time this summer on Tuesday, boosting rates to control against inflation, and warning that rates will stay high for a "considerable time.

 IBT Images

While Wall Street, after the roller-coaster ride, remained calm, the fed’s actions were not justifiable. The banks were more optimistic, saying that "inflationary pressures are not justified." The market euphoria is not justified," said Sung Won Sohn, chief economist at Wells Fargo in Minneapolis. "This is not the end of the Fed rate hikes.

But many private economists said they were still looking for a third tightening move later this year because of their view the economy is still growing more rapidly than the Fed considers safe.

The Fed left its policy directive, instead of signaling future moves, as neutral. But analysis said this meant little since it had also moved to neutral after its last meeting on June 30, a change that did not stop it from raising rates the time around.

"The market has misjudged the Fed’s determination to fight inflation," said David Jones, chief economist at Aubrey L. Lanset & Co. in New York. In its announcement, the Fed said it was increasing its target for the federal funds rate, the interest that banks charge on overnight loans, by a quarter point to 5.25 percent. The rate had been boosted — by the same amount — for the first time in two years on June 30.

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associate elected president Father William
president for Finance. Both have served as

Business

counseling and drug education.

One of the things on which Poorman hopes to focus is the

physical plant operations and a num-

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increasing diversity is another challenge Poorman hopes to take on in his new

We have a ways to go on this campus with regard to diversity," said Poorman. "Both statistically ... and in program-

He complimented the Office of Multicultural Student Affairs on their efforts at educating the student population on diversity but acknowledged that such education works best in the day-

to-day living of students.

"I'm really excited about this diversity education program because it works peer to peer, student to student," he said. "It has as one of its major focuses to involve the majority popula-

tion and that's really where some of the attention has to be focused.

"One of the highest priorities I have is residentiality. I want to keep this a residential, Catholic community, which is something very close to my heart."

Mark Poorman
vice president for Student Affairs

Lyphout, Malpass appointed to University officers group

Special to The Observer

Father Mark Poorman is not the only newly
appointed officer of the University.

At their April meeting, the Board of Trustees
elected James Lyphout to vice president for
Business Operations and Scott Malpass to vice
president for Finance. Both have served as
associate vice presidents since 1996 and will contin-
ue to work with University executive vice

president Father William Beauchamp, Notre
Dame's chief financial officer.

Both will join the 13-member officer's group
which meets regularly to discuss issues of
major significance to the University. Neither

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By JOSHUA BOURGEOIS

With the emergence of many online bookstores aimed at college students, the Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore has joined efflidel.com in providing students with a convenient method of acquiring their books that the Hammes feels will rival offerings from the competition.

Serving more than 800 colleges and universities, efflidel.com is the first and largest online college bookstore. Ian O’Connor, director of Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore, said that “working with efflidel.com gives the bookstore national recognition while maintaining its identity.”

According to O’Connor, the online bookstore has complemented the current bookstore instead of taking its business. “The online bookstores have not hurt the bookstore’s business,” said O’Connor. “However, students buying habits change every year. Some buy their books early while others wait. We’ll have to wait and see the numbers over a time span of two weeks,” said O’Connor. He also said that there have been many online orders placed with efflidel.com. “This site has a large availability of used books compared to others. The potential of acquiring used books is higher when buying from your own institution,” said O’Connor.

Another advantage of efflidel.com is that it allows students to purchase their books without standing in long lines. Students can purchase their books online and pick the books up at their own bookstore free of charge, or pay a low shipment cost to any destination.

One concern that may arise when purchasing books online is the problem of returning the books if a mistake is made or the book is unwanted. The refund and exchange policy at efflidel.com allows the student to return the book at the student’s local bookstore without having to pack and ship the unwanted books.

O’Connor is optimistic about the online bookstore and feels that “the probability for success is high.”

One emerging competitor for the efflidel.com online bookstore is VarsityBooks.com. The company began in August 1998, and its business has grown each semester, according to communications director Jodi Gershoni.

“VarsityBooks.com is a better way to buy books because the books are cheaper,” said Gershoni. “We guarantee that our books will be shipped to you in one to three business days at a flat rate of $4.95.”

Although VarsityBooks.com only sells new books, Gershoni said that they are able to pass large savings to the students because of the low overhead cost.

“Most students would rather have a new book than a used one. The focus of the company right now is on saving money for the purchase of new books,” Gershoni said.

According to Gershoni, the company’s refund policy is liberal and allows for any book for be returned within thirty days of being received. However, the student will have to pay for the packing and shipping of the returned books if VarsityBooks.com did not make a mistake in the shipment.

Gershoni attributes the success of VarsityBooks.com to the value of convenience and the savings on new books they pass to the students. Both efflidel.com and VarsityBooks.com give college students new options in purchasing their textbooks and saving them both time and money.

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Attention SENIORS interested in the Rhodes, Marshall, and Mitchell Scholarships

Professor Walter F. Pratt, Jr. will have a final meeting to inform you of deadline dates and the application process on Tuesday, August 31, 1999 7:00 p.m.

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If you are unable to attend this meeting, a sheet of information may be obtained in 102-B O’Shaughnessy Hall after the meeting date.

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Hammes Bookstore joins forces with online bookseller

O’Connor, the director of the Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore has joined efflidel.com in providing students with a convenient method of acquiring their books that the Hammes feels will rival offerings from the competition. Serving more than 800 colleges and universities, efflidel.com is the first and largest online college bookstore. Ian O’Connor, director of Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore, said that “working with efflidel.com gives the bookstore national recognition while maintaining its identity.”

According to O’Connor, the online bookstore has complemented the current bookstore instead of taking its business. “The online bookstores have not hurt the bookstore’s business,” said O’Connor. “However, students buying habits change every year. Some buy their books early while others wait. We’ll have to wait and see the numbers over a time span of two weeks,” said O’Connor. He also said that there have been many online orders placed with efflidel.com. “This site has a large availability of used books compared to others. The potential of acquiring used books is higher when buying from your own institution,” said O’Connor. Another advantage of efflidel.com is that it allows students to purchase their books without standing in long lines. Students can purchase their books online and pick the books up at their own bookstore free of charge, or pay a low shipment cost to any destination.

One concern that may arise when purchasing books online is the problem of returning the books if a mistake is made or the book is unwanted. The refund and exchange policy at efflidel.com allows the student to return the book at the student’s local bookstore without having to pack and ship the unwanted books.

O’Connor is optimistic about the online bookstore and feels that “the probability for success is high.”

One emerging competitor for the efflidel.com online bookstore is VarsityBooks.com. The company began in August 1998, and its business has grown each semester, according to communications director Jodi Gershoni.

“VarsityBooks.com is a better way to buy books because the books are cheaper,” said Gershoni. “We guarantee that our books will be shipped to you in one to three business days at a flat rate of $4.95.”

Although VarsityBooks.com only sells new books, Gershoni said that they are able to pass large savings to the students because of the low overhead cost.

“Most students would rather have a new book than a used one. The focus of the company right now is on saving money for the purchase of new books,” Gershoni said.

According to Gershoni, the company’s refund policy is liberal and allows for any book for be returned within thirty days of being received. However, the student will have to pay for the packing and shipping of the returned books if VarsityBooks.com did not make a mistake in the shipment.

Gershoni attributes the success of VarsityBooks.com to the value of convenience and the savings on new books they pass to the students. Both efflidel.com and VarsityBooks.com give college students new options in purchasing their textbooks and saving them both time and money.
ND, SMC welcome new Board of Trustees members

Special to The Observer

Five new members were recently appointed to the Saint Mary's Board of Trustees and two recent graduates were elected to seats on the Notre Dame board.

Senior Manuela Hernandez was appointed to the College's Board of Trustees as Saint Mary's Student Trustee. Hernandez, a psychology major, is currently vice president of the Saint Mary's Psi Chi chapter. She has earned the designations of Presidential Scholar and Distinguished Scholar and is a member of the National Honor Society.

She won the "Realizing Your Dreams" award, the Outstanding Hispanic Student award, the Tri Kappa award and the Dr. Benjamin Mays Educational Excellence Award. Hernandez was also appointed to the board in June.

Father David Tyson, president of the University of Portland since 1990, was appointed in June.

During his presidency, Tyson has doubled the University of Portland's endowment, built four new halls in five years, established five endowed chairs, earned national awards for teaching and advising and expanded the school by 26 acres. The implementation of Saint Mary's College Master Plan to expand the campus will dovetail with Tyson's three-year term of service on the Board of Trustees.

Tyson served as the vice president for student affairs at Notre Dame for six years, where he was a faculty member in OBIA and executive assistant to Father Hesburgh. He is also a professor in the Parochial School of Business Administration.

Susan Pichler, a Saint Mary's College alumnus, Class of '91, was appointed in June.

Pichler devoted several years of service to non-profit organizations' boards and as a Junior Great Books leader and librarian at inner-city schools. She is a member of the Board of Trustees and National Advisory Board for the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center.

Pichler graduated from Saint Mary's with a bachelor of arts in English. She then began teaching English at St. Joseph High School in South Bend and also taught at St. Thomas the Apostle High School, an inner-city Catholic all girls school, in Chicago.

Jeffery Trumper, president and chief executive of Trumper Communications, began his three-year term in June.

Trumper was a member of the Madeleva Society from 1994 until 1997, and has been a member of the Parents Council since 1994.

Carmen Murphy also began a three-year term on the board. Murphy, a lifelong resident of South Bend, has volunteered in several local organizations for 20 years.

Angela Smith, and Gregory Bujarski, both 1991 Notre Dame graduates, were elected to the three-year terms for young alumni on the Board.

Smith is a second-year master's degree candidate at Northwestern University's Kellogg Graduate School of Management. She received a bachelor's degree in accounting from Notre Dame.

She is a member of the College of Business Administration's advisory council and has served as a member of the board of directors of the Black Alumni of Notre Dame.

Butrus graduated with a degree in history, worked for former Alabama Senator Howell Heflin until 1995 and then returned to Notre Dame for law school, graduating in 1998. He is an attorney in the utility, legislative and regulatory section of the law firm of Balch & Bingham in Birmingham, Ala.

The Notre Dame Board of Trustees now numbers 54.

Tickets

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alive," Murphy said. "We are looking forward to good things with the freshman and sophomore classes and in the years to come.

Murphy's main concern was the short time they had to inform students, particularly seniors, about ticket distribution details.

"The one thing we recognized would be the hardest is the confusion," he said. "However, through the course of the night, people understood the process more."

Students complained that the system was too complicated to try to distribute tickets in the short time period before the distribution.

"The new system seems like a good idea," Murphy said. "If the students were going to have more time to think it through, they would have had more time to iron out the wrinkles. The core idea is innovative and the camp out is still there. If they weren't rushed into this, the camp out would be better than previous years."

Over all, seniors seemed disappointed with the system change. "This is a pathetic inadequacy," said senior Matt McCoyd.

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The Observer returns to Web improved after reconstruction

By LAURA ROMPE
New Writer

After a five-month reconstruction, The Observer's Web site, http://observer.nd.edu, is available online. The site includes news, sports, viewpoint commentary and some features, along with selected photographs and graphics available in the newspaper's daily print edition. It will launch each weekday before noon.

"Notre Dame and Saint Mary's are national institutions which now have a newspaper with a national face," said Observer editor in chief Michelle Krupa. "Many dedicated students devoted hundreds of hours to make this happen."

A team of students facilitated by Observer Web administrator Erik Kudin remodeled the site, last active in 1998. The back-end system was designed by Observer system administrator Mike Revers and consultant Marty Rose, a Notre Dame senior.

Designed by senior Ryan Mariotti, president of Video Design, the site will soon include special items like the Irish booster football section. "Visitors to The Observer online will be able to access all of the articles found in the print edition," Kudin said. "We will be adding new features to the site constantly because our goal is to be the central information source on campus."

The site will also keep up-to-date Domers and Belles outside The Observer's daily circulation.

"An online site is great for students and faculty, but it's especially beneficial to update alumni, parents, prospective students and student studying abroad about campus events," said managing editor M. Shannon Ryan.

"It's exciting to know that people all over the world now will be reading The Observer."

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Hurricane season hits the Atlantic

Associated Press

MIAMI - The 1999 hurricane season was in full swing Tuesday, with three tropical storms swirling in the Atlantic Ocean.

Tropical Storm Emily joined Dennis and Cindy, taking forecasters by surprise with her strength.

"I don't understand what's happening out there, but things are popping," said Jerry Jarrell, director of the National Hurricane Center in Miami.

The government of the Bahamas issued a tropical storm warning Tuesday for the Turks and Caicos Islands and for the southeastern Bahamas.

Tropical Storm Dennis could threaten the eastern United States as early as Friday. At 2 a.m. Wednesday, Dennis was centered about 75 miles north of the Caicos Islands.

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Maryland teen will plead guilty in racial murder

Associated Press

A Maryland teenager accused of killing and dismembering a acquaintance will plead guilty to murder in a Tel Aviv courtroom next week in a case that caused an international dispute over jurisdiction and outraged American prosecutors and members of Congress.

Samuel Sheinbein, 19, fled to Israel two years ago to escape Maryland murder charges in the death of Alfredo Tejelo, also 19. The killing also ruined Maryland Latinos, who accused prosecutors of negligence in allowing Sheinbein to escape.

Under terms of a plea agreement announced Tuesday by Maryland State's Attorney Douglas Gander, Israeli prosecutors and lawyers for Sheinbein will recommend a 24-year sentence for the teen, who would be eligible for parole after serving about 16 years — or two-thirds of his sentence. He could leave prison on weekend furloughs in four years.

Last month Sheinbein pleaded innocent in an Israeli court. Ido Baum, spokesman for Israel's Justice Ministry, confirmed the agreement but said he had requested the Americans withhold disclosure until Sept. 2, when Sheinbein is scheduled to enter his plea in court.

Eitan Maze, an attorney for Sheinbein, refused to comment other than to say that any developments in the case would be heard at the court appearance next week.

Sheinbein, who claims Israeli citizenship through his Israeli-born father, will serve his sentence in Israel. Tejelo's burned and dismembered body was found in an empty garage near Sheinbein's home in Aspen Hill, Md., on Sept. 18, 1997. Sheinbein fled to Israel several days later.

The killing, and afterward Sheinbein's flight to Israel, raised a furor among Maryland's numerous Hispanic organizations.

PALESTINE

Hamas invited to Gaza peace talks

Group says it will not change its position

Associated Press

GAZA CITY

The Palestinian Authority has invited radical Islamic groups to participate in unity talks in the West Bank on August 31, a Palestinian official said Tuesday.

Palestinian National Council chairman Salim Zaanoun said the anti-Israel groups Hamas and the Islamic Jihad had been invited, along with Fatah factions that have been in a rivalry with Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat.

"We have called a meeting in the West Bank to start a comprehensive national dialogue with all the factions and will form a committee to discuss the idea of national dialogue with Hamas and the Islamic Jihad," Zaanoun told the Palestinian news service, WAFA.

Both groups oppose the peace process with Israel and have taken responsibility for attacks that have killed scores of people. Hamas spokesman Mahmoud Zahar said he had not learned of the invitation yet.

He said the group would only agree to attend the talks if they did not deal with the peace process between Israel and the Palestinians that began with the 1993 Oslo agreement.

The Hamas position is clear that any dialogue linked to Oslo or aiming to support Oslo and its obligations is unacceptable, Zahar said. But Hamas would welcome efforts for true Palestinian unity "to achieve Palestinian national interests," he added.

Spokesmen for the much smaller Islamic Jihad were unavailable for comment.

Arafat has met in the past weeks with the two main Fatah factions that split with him over his signing of the Oslo accords in a bid to rally them behind him as he enters negotiations with Israel over a final peace deal.

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Missile testing moves to next step

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

The Pentagon on Tuesday decided to stop testing and move to the next phase of developing a missile interceptor after six failures were followed by two success tests. One senior official had recommended further testing.

The Army announced last week that it was ending tests on an experimental version of its $15.4 billion Theater High Altitude Area Defense, or THAAD, system, satisfied that it had resolved most of the problems that plagued the first six tests.

Instead of conducting another test of the prototype missile later this year, the Army's contractor, Lockheed Martin Corp., will begin engineering a more advanced version to be fielded by the Army in 2007.

The interceptor is an early version of a far more ambitious program designed to eventually protect the entire nation from incoming missiles.

The decision to move ahead was based on a review of the objections of Philip Coyle, director of operational test and evaluation for the Pentagon.

Coyle, commenting in the current issue of Defense News, a trade publication, said the two successful flight tests, carried out at the Army's White Sands Missile Range in New Mexico, differed from conditions of a real attack.

The flight test was "shaped and scripted" so the collision would occur in a relatively small area of the sky and the debris would not fall in areas where it might do damage, he said.

"We stand by what we have said in the past," said Cheryl Irwin, Pentagon spokesman.

It is expected to complement the shorter-range Patriot 3 missile, the latest version of the missile used against Iraqi Scud missiles in the 1991 Persian Gulf War. Army Maj. Gen. Peter Franklin, deputy director of the Ballistic Missile Defense Organization, said Friday that the main reason for moving ahead with THAAD after two successes instead of three is to focus on the missile interceptor that will actually be part of a real attack. After six failures in a row, the anti-missile record of its first success in June, followed by another Aug. 2, THAAD is not the centerpiece of the Defense Department's effort to provide missile protection abroad for U.S. and allied troops and their staging areas.

Coyle was out of town and his office said he was unavailable for comment on his statements, which came in response to written questions submitted by Defense Week.

But a Pentagon spokeswoman, Cheryl Irwin, said Tuesday that the Pentagon believes there is ample evidence to support moving ahead to the next phase without another test. "We stand by what we have said in the past," she said.

As to Coyle, she said, "That's his job. His job is to give his opinion." That doesn't mean, however, that his recommendation will always be followed, she said. Just last Friday, the Pentagon announced its decision to move ahead without further tests at this time and to draw an earlier self-imposed requirement that the THAAD system score three successful intercepts in fielding tests. After six failures in a row, the anti-missile record of its first success in June, followed by another Aug. 2, THAAD is not the centerpiece of the Defense Department's effort to provide missile protection abroad for U.S. and allied troops and their staging areas.

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We need to build new attitudes with new buildings

After watching the Blue-Gold game, my fiancé and I viewed some of the new buildings on campus. While in the College of Business Administration, I was asked if I was the building's junior.

As an African-American male, a B.B.A. and an alumnus of this University for almost 10 years, I felt extremely embarrassed and ashamed that my fiancé had witnessed such a sight in the College of Business.

Although new buildings are built, what are we doing to build new attitudes concerning racial sensitivity? It is my hope that my children will not be subjected to such treatment at our University. We are NIP!

Lionel M. Coleman, Jr.  
B.B.A. '90  
April 24, 1999

Minding the Gap between Rulers and Rule in Russia

One of the most distressing developments of the late 20th century has been Russia's decline from an unhealthy but functional superpower to an international backwater. The transformation this year, Vladimir Putin. The Duma cooperates with the merry-go-round of appointments that substitutes for governing Russia in part to ensure stability as elections approach, for the Duma in December 1999 until the president in the summer of 2000.

This summer was particularly important as a time to lay the groundwork for the first constitutionally-mandated transfer of executive power in Russia's tumultuous history. Instead, Yeltsin and "The Family" who back him are desperately seeking an alternative. Newspapers are full of accounts of backroom bargaining, including charges that the continuing interest in the Caucasus will be escalated or that Russia and Belarus will suddenly unite so that Yeltsin might extend his limit of two terms.

Meanwhile, most people hardly speak of the elections. Instead, I heard three words recently borrowed from English: boyfriend, girlfriend and killer. The latter is often used when referring to St. Petersburg, where the assassination of parliamentarian Galina Starovoitova in December 1996 was only the latest of a continuing series. In the other words, public relations among the unmasked — which have gone from virtually no displays of affection under communism to discreet nuzzling on park benches in 1993 and wholehearted groping on the massive escalators to the metro in 1999 — could be seen as a sign of social relaxation after too many decades of repression. But they also look like a desperate last hurrah, a reflection of life on the edge that has become the norm in Russia in this decade. Can elections perform a democratic function against this backdrop of social devastation? The presidential elections of 1996 featured Yeltsin eliminating candidates from the "democratic" camp, strategic silences on the part of the media, and lackluster public participation. At least elimination did not mean murder, media were distorted by their own chisme, and public participation was not enforced. But we should anticipate other, less savory demontrations of public "voice" in Russia precisely because elites have been successful in manipulating elections.

Passengers leaving the Moscow metro are not asked to forget their possessions. Somehow this summer appeared instead the warning on the London Underground — "mind the gap" looming beneath our feet.

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Falling upon a new semester

♦ Kicking major butt during 1999-2000

The grivel. The tawing of things. Status quo.

I guess you can call it whatever you want, but basically it is the return or beginning of something that can cause both pain and pleasure at the same time: the new school year.

Returning to this Notre Dame family is unlike any family reunion out there. Instead of huge feasts and joy down memory lane, we college students set out upon this new year really to make plenty of new memories with plenty of new people.

At least I hope.

By sharing these new experiments with our fellow Belles and Hommes, we are changing each other forever. It is important to realize just how important our daily attitudes are. There are several things to remember to ensure a great friendly atmosphere at Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s throughout 1999-2000.

First of all, once the beginning of the year diligence fades away—say, a week into the semester—you will see a drop in attendance in your classes. This means that it is your duty to take good notes that will help your absent friend during the next class session. Lifting a classroom copy good notes is one of the noblest actions a college student can take.

Also, when it comes to relations with the many powerful people around campus, remember that everyone has a bad side. Make sure to avoid the bad sides of persons such as your professors, rectors, superintendents, etc.

Even more important, try at all costs to live up to those same people, making your good sides their most familiar sides. Many of your classmates or dormmates may take you simply for a blustery, nosy, out-of-focus person. Well, that’s what you are.

But what you really must realize is that in addition to having a brown nose, you are also highly intelligent. For this is a student-out-student world out here in South Bend, and everyone is searching for that golden way to get ahead. Actually, it’s not so brutal. There are things called extracurricular activities that certainly can take anyone’s life out of the doldrums of academia. It is never too late—even for seniors—to get involved in that club you’ve always wanted to join. It is never too early either.

It is definitely never too late to allow complete devotion to an activity, up to the point where your academics wash away into oblivion, your health begins to crumble, and both Happenings come to recognize you as that guy or girl with a penchant for that one club.

There is one extracurricular activity that just about everyone takes part in: weekend “stuff-doing.” The stuff that people “do” is stuff that is sometimes frowned upon by some people in some sort of administrative type group.

Though it is not necessary to make life a bore by taking every suggestion as scripture, some caution must be used. Just as it is a bit abnormal to dedicate all of your time to other extracurricular activities, moderation is necessary when doing this sort of stuff.

But, hey, you all do whatever you want to do. We’re all adults here, and we all own our own decisions. So good luck this year, and kick butt.

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♦ Another first day of school at good ol’ ND

It all started on my first day of kindergarten.

My mother insisted on waking me up to the bus stop to make sure that I got on the school bus okay. She even went so far as to take my picture in front of the bus when it arrived and as I climbed up the steps.

As the bus started to pull away and I caught a final glimpse of my mom waving to me from the sidewalk, I was faced with the task of finding somewhere to sit. All I remember was that everyone was so much bigger than me. They were all talking and laughing like they had been best friends forever.

I was nervous and excited all at once. Where would I sit? Would I know anyone? Would anyone talk to me?

I don’t remember where I sat on the bus on that first day of kindergarten, but I do know that I arrived safely and the subsequent bus trips were sufficiently less traumatic.

I had to ride the bus to high school, for the first two years at least until I got my driver’s license and my own car. So, of course, there are pictures in our family photo albums of me dressed in my green plaid kilts and white Oxford shirt on my first day of high school. There are even pictures of me—still wearing that very fashionable Catholic school attire—posed in front of my car the first day that I drove myself to school.

There won’t be any pictures in our albums of me on the first day of my junior year here at Notre Dame, however. My mom wasn’t here yesterday morning to take a picture of me as I walked to class at DeBartolo.

Yesterday was still important to me even though I don’t include the typical fanfare that had accompanied all of my other first days.

First days of school are significant at any age, whether or not your mom is there to take your picture. They are exciting, scary and a little nerve-wracking.

First days also give you the chance to reflect on the past and anticipate the future. It is the perfect time to establish some personal goals for the upcoming year. This has become more evident to me since I have come to college. No matter what happened last year, this is a whole new start. You can do whatever you want as long as you set your mind to it.

There are so many decisions to make and opportunities to take advantage of. What should I major in? What clubs and volunteer activities should I participate in? All of this might even seem overwhelming at times, but if we neglect to think about the future, we might miss something meaningful. So don’t be afraid of the future. Rather, take time during these first days to contemplate it.

Hopefully you will enjoy your first days here at Notre Dame or Saint Mary’s whether you are a freshman, sophomore, junior or senior.

Whatever happens, just remember that there are many more days ahead and anything is possible. Good luck and have a great year!

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Bellevue Matt, the Diamondbacks' 23-year-old starting pitcher, relieved Dennis Weaver in the seventh to make his first appearance against Florida since he was traded July 9, pitched the ninth for his third save.

Three Arizona pitchers combined on a shutout.

"It's a weird feeling. It's almost like playing against your little brothers," Managi said.

The Diamondbacks scored three times in the seventh to make it 4-all. Todd Dunwoody's HBI on an 0-2 pitch allowed by Womack led off the inning. "We got three hits out of that," said Weaver, who was asked if he was pumped up in the final inning.

Fernandez made the start of the game for 36 minutes. Andrew Benes (9-11) went out and gave up four hits and two earned runs in seven innings. Alex Filmus went for three more. Fernandez allowed four runs and five hits in seven innings.

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WNBA
Sparks advance with 71-58 playoff victory
Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio - While fans weighed in on Internet sites, argued in sports bars and made their cases in letters to newspapers, Austin Mohrman quietly made points with Ohio State's coaches.

On Monday, he was declared the ninth-ranked Buckeyes' starting quarterback against Miami in Sunday's Kickoff Classic. Steve Bellisari dropped to No. 2 on the depth chart, ending Ohio State's most recent quarterback duel.

"It has not been torturous," Mohrman said. "I went out every day and did what I could. I tried to show the coaches. I didn't focus on the decision."

Bellisari said he doesn't consider the competition over and thinks the decision will be made on the field during games.

"Whoever is making plays, has good production, puts points on the board and wins games, that should be the starter," Bellisari said.

The job appears to be Mohrman's -- for as long as the Buckeyes offense flourishes.

"I cannot tell you right now in my mind who I think the best quarterback is, but we think the one who deserves to start in this first ballgame is Austin," coach John Cooper said Monday.

And when Bellisari would definitively play against the 12th-ranked Hurricanes, Cooper said, "I didn't say that. We've said we're going to start Austin in the ballgame and we're going to do everything we can to win the football game. If we start Austin and he played fantastic, played great — why take him out?"

That's a change from the 1996-97 seasons when Stanley Jackson and Joe Germaine were listed as No. 1 and 1A at quarterback, sharing playing time, but not a love for the uncomfortable position they were in.

Jackson started all but one game in those two seasons, but never received the full confidence of the coaching staff.

He was almost always replaced in the second quarter by Germaine, who usually played when a game hung in the balance.

"We're not going into this ballgame saying, 'Austin, you're going to play the first two series, then Steve you're going in,'" Cooper said.

"I can tell you there's probably a good chance that somewhere during the game Steve will go in."

The Buckeyes have jousted for the job since the first practice of the spring.

Neither has established much of a college track record.

Bellisari, a sophomore from Horsin Station, Fla., was 3-for-5 passing in one game last season, while Mohrman, a red-shirt sophomore from Mission Viejo, Calif., majored on his only attempt in the same game.

But Mohrman at least was a full-time quarterback for his two seasons at Ohio State and was able to learn from Germaine, who passed for 3,330 yards while leading the Buckeyes to an 11-1 record and a No. 2 spot in the final polls last season.

Bellisari played on special teams and at defensive back last season, sharing the award for top special team's player and finishing tied for 11th on the Buckeyes squad in tackles.

"Why did Mohrman get the nod over Bellisari?" Cooper repeated. "Well, he's had the nod. He's been our first-team quarterback. Normally, when we start out in the spring, security rules and he was of course a quarterback last year and started out a little ahead of Steve."

Several of the Ohio State players said they were happy to have the situation clarified.

"I am just relieved so people won't be like, 'Who's going to start? I'm glad to have that part over with,'" wide receiver Reggie Germany said.

Cooper said Mohrman also had the edge in the team's August workouts in preparations of meeting the Hurricanes.

"The main reason that we will start Austin in this ballgame is that we grade them every day in practice, we keep charts on completions, interceptions, total yardage and bad plays.

For whatever reason, Austin has graded out slightly ahead of Steve — particularly in the last couple of scrimmages we've had in the stadium."

Cooper said Sunday's game would determine if — or how long — Mohrman will stay on the field or Bellisari replaced him.

"A lot of it will be based on feel, a gut decision that you make going into the ballgame," he said.

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The Orioles went on to win 5-3 on Albert Belle's two-run homer in the 10th.

For Montgomery, who had an 0-2 count on May, it was blown save No. 6 this year. Altogether, the Royals' woeful relief corps has 28 losses and 28 blown saves in a year when they could be headed toward their first 100-loss season.

"I made a quality pitch. It just didn't work out that way," said Montgomery. "Guys in the dugout said it looked like he was just able to get his hat out and serve it to center. It was a bad break. It was a good break for us on Johnny's catch."

With one out and two on, left fielder Johnny Damon made a sensational catch of Charles Johnson's drive, leaping high on the wall and robbing him of extra bases.

"That was truly a great catch. I thought it was out for sure," said Baltimore manager Ray Miller.

Brady Anderson, who hit two solo homers for the Orioles, drew a two-out walk in the ninth from Montgomery.

"He's always been a tough closer," said Anderson. "I remember five years ago he was a closer who was going two innings to get a lot of his saves. He's been a very solid closer for many years. He's still a tough pitcher."

Royals manager Tony Muser isn't so sure.

"Monty's 37 years old. His stuff isn't what it used to be," Muser said. "Tonight I think he was a little antsy — trying to make perfect pitches."

The Orioles won for the sixth time in eight games and hand
ed the Royals their fifth straight loss.

Derek Wallace (0-1) relieved Montgomery starting the 10th and gave up a leadoff single to B.J. Surhoff before Belte hit his 29th home run — and No. 350 of his career — over the cen
ter-field fence.

Yanks win 10-7 in extra innings

Associated Press

ARLINGTON, Texas

Tino Martinez hit a three-run homer in the 11th as the New York Yankees kept up their dominance of the Texas Rangers with a 10-7 victory Tuesday night.

One day after the Yankees beat the Rangers 21-3 — the worst loss in Texas history — New York needed extra innings to beat Texas for the eighth time in 11 meetings this year.

Derek Jeter drew a one-out walk from reliever Corey Lee (0-1), who made his major league debut. Paul O'Neill fol
lowed with a single. One out later, Martinez hit a 3-2 pitch into the right-field stands for his 20th homer.

The Yankees, who have knocked the Rangers out of the playoffs two of the last three years, are 25-9 against Texas since the beginning of the 1996 division series.

Ramiro Mendoza (6-1) pitched two scoreless innings for the win. Mariano Rivera pitched the 11th for his 36th save. With two runners on and two outs, Rivera struck out Ivan Rodriguez, who went 0-for-6. Randy Greer went 3-for-5 with a two-run homer and two dou	les for Texas.

Trailing 7-6, the Rangers tied the game in the eighth inning on Lee Stevens' 20th homer with two outs. Yankees reliever Mike Stanton had 14 consecu
tive scoreless appearances before allowing the homer.

Chuck诺布达奇斯的13th homer, a three-run shot, gave the Yankees a 5-4 second
inning lead, then New York ras
ted to take a 7-6 advantage

Texas starter Mike Morgan allowed six runs and five hits in four-plus innings.

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Smith set to play catch-up ball in Cincinnati camp

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CINCINNATI

Now that he's got a seven-year deal worth as much as $56 million, Akili Smith has a lot of catching up to do.

The Cincinnati Bengals quarterback of the future planned to arrive at training camp today with less than three weeks left before the season opener.

Smith, the last unsigned member of the celebrated quarterback class of '99, agreed to a contract Monday evening. He intended to fly to Cincinnati, sign the deal and head to Georgetown, Ky., to start making up for lost time.

"It would have been nicer if it had been sooner," general manager Mike Brown said. "It's behind us now. We've just got to catch up as best we can."

Smith, chosen third overall behind quarterbacksm Tim Couch and Donovan McNabb, doesn't want to repeat the experience that Bengals quarterback David Klingler had in 1992.

Klingler, the No. 6 pick overall that season, didn't sign until one week before the season opener. The Bengals made him the starter 12 weeks into the season, but he got sacked 10 times by Pittsburgh in his debut and never played out.

Smith, who like Klingler is represented by agent Leigh Steinberg, has a few things in his favor. Unlike Klingler, he gut to work out with the Bengals before training camp started, so he's out as far behind.

"In the last couple of years, they've instituted these programs where he's spent a good deal of time in June and July in Cincinnati working out," Steinberg said. "So the point is, he's received more preparation time."

As they did with Klingler, the Bengals signed Smith as a backup in his first season, hoping he'd learn by watching Jeff Blake play. The question is whether he's far enough along to deserve the No. 2 job.

"Who knows how fast he can pick it up?" coach Bruce Coslet said before the contract agreement was reached. "He's pretty bright. He's a couple of years older than a normal rookie, so he's pretty mature. And I think he probably has been working with the stuff we sent him, but that's not the same as being on the field time after time after time."

He wasn't on the field because Steinberg and the Bengals were at a philosophi-cal impasse.

Steinberg represented than Wilkinson and Ki-Jana Carter, who were No. 1 overall draft picks in the 1999s and got cut-up edge "voidable years" contracts from the Bengals with little trouble.

Steinberg wanted a deal for Smith that was comparable to what other top young quarterback backs got. Unhappy with how the Wilkinson and Carter deals turned out, the Bengals dug in this time.

The team initially pushed for a deal with incentives based heavily upon how well the Bengals perform. The two sides ended up at odds over what types of incentives would be included.

Steinberg flew to Cincinnati on Sunday and met for 16 hours over two days before getting a deal that includes a $10.8 million signing bonus and will pay up to $56 million if Smith reaches all of his performance goals along the way.

The deal contains one voidable year, meaning it will automatically shorten to six years if he's in for 35 percent of the plays in his first year or 45 percent any following year.

Smith's contract includes base salaries of $175,000; $250,000; $325,000; $350,000, $375,000, $400,000 and $450,000. Various escalators would push those numbers higher.

The first round of escalators kicks in when he passes for 1,601 yards, the second when he's in for 2,500 yards and appears in half of the plays.

The second round of escalators have Smith finishing in the top five in various passing categories, and the Bengals winning a playoff game - something the Bengals haven't done since the 1990 season.

"We gave here, they gave there," Brown said. "Anyway, it's all set."
Perrot memorial service held at Compaq Center

HOUSTON

For three seasons, Darcie Johnson has sat in Section 120 at the Compaq Center, seven rows up from the Houston Comets bench, cheering with friends Petra Davis and Lurie Self.

The trio showed up at Kim Perrot's memorial service in Houston on Monday to celebrate the point guard's life. The 32-year-old Perrot was buried in her hometown of Lafayette, La.

"We felt like we needed closure, too," said Johnson, dressed in a red, white and blue Comets shirt, with Perrot's No. 10 pinned on her chest.

The three were among 1,000 who poured into Houston's Second Baptist Church to relive special moments from the point guard's life.

The Houston Comets player died Thursday, six months after she was diagnosed with lung cancer that spread to her brain.

"I wouldn't be here today if she hadn't fought," joked a misty-eyed Comets coach Van Chancellor, who recalled for the 1,000 in attendance how he "miseducated" Perrot their first year together.

He met her just two years ago at a Houston high school gym, where he was holding tryouts for the new WNBA franchise.

What he saw, he didn't like.

"Too wild, too small and too everything," Chancellor said, laughing at how he underestimated the 5-foot-5 Perrot and continued to do so even though that first season ended with a WNBA championship.

Chancellor reassessed his mistakes after he received a letter from two fans.

"You coach, you are miscoaching Kim Perrot," the letter read.

"Point guards like her are hard to find and we are writing Lee Alexander to say that coaches like you are a dime a dozen."

Diagnosed with cancer last February, Perrot died in Houston on Thursday.

"Kim was special. Kim used her gifts to the fullest," said Leslie Alexander, owner of the Comets and the Houston Rockets. "She never gave up on her dreams."

Chancellor said he and Perrot both joked that their great skill was responsible for the success two-time MVP Cynthia Cooper enjoyed.

When Chancellor traced back, asking how he figured she was involved, Perrot quickly responded: "You call all the plays and I'm passing her all the basketballs."

"Blissing away tears," Chancellor softly remarked: "What a fun person. There will never be another Kim Perrot, in my mind."

Cooper, who was at Perrot's bedside when she died last week, said it was her best friend's generous spirit and love of people that left a mark on the world.

"The reason she touched so many lives is because Kim had a courageous heart," Cooper said.

Before and after her diagnosis, Perrot made more than 200 public appearances, often at schools, where she stressed the importance of working hard to achieve lifelong goals.

Hundreds of fans, many wearing the Comets' trademark red or carrying Comets memontos, filled pews.

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Jones leads Atlanta to 6-2 victory over Cincinnati

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ATLANTA

Chipper Jones was covered in grass and dirt stains. The left knee of his pants was shredded. In a way, he symbolized the grind shown by his entire team. Despite a rash of injuries, the Atlanta Braves have maintained their place atop the NL, beating the Cincinnati Reds 6-2 Monday night as Jones drove in three runs and Kevin Millwood pitched three-hit ball over seven innings.

"This is a lot of fun," said Jones, who hit his 33rd homer and had two of Atlanta's seven stolen bases. "It's nice to come to the ballpark in July, August, September and have it be like a playoff game. In a sense, all of these games are playoff games."

The Braves have survived despite losing four players to season-ending injuries and illness, not to mention assorted other maladies.

Sixteen-game winner Greg Maddux has a chipped bone in his pitching elbow, and reliever Rudy Seanez went on the DL after Monday's game when a bone scan revealed a stress fracture in his right elbow.

"No one in this clubhouse has complained or used that as an excuse," Millwood (14-7) said. "And we're not going to start now."

The Braves, doing anything to win, shook up Cincinnati by coming within one stolen base of the franchise record. Jones also scored on a wild pitch that rolled no more than 4 feet from the plate.

"Regardles of whose fault it is, it shouldn't happen that many times in a game," said Reds catcher Eddie Taubensee, who was so shell-shocked he lost track of all his steals. "It's not a good thing when a team steals six bags off you," he said, failing to account for the seventh one.

The NL's best home team, Atlanta improved its mark at Turner Field to 43-21 by cooling off the Big Road Machine. The Reds had won 33 of their previous 44 games away from home and still have the top road mark (28-18) in the majors.

Atlanta remained a half-game ahead of the Mets in the NL East, and Cincinnati stayed a half-game behind Houston in the Central standings.

Despite the pennant-race ramifications, the crowd of 31,016 was the smallest at Turner Field since June 1.

Atlanta scored two runs in the first, third and seventh — and Jones was at the center of all three innings.

After the Reds grabbed a 1-0 lead in their first at-bat, the Braves third baseman went the opposite way for his 33rd homer, a two-run drive off Brett Tomko (4-7) that landed in the first row of the left-field seats.

In the third, Jones doubled into the right-field corner to make it 3-1, then came home on Andrew Jones' RBI single.

Atlanta ran the Reds ragged in the seventh. Bret Boone led off with a double and stole third while Chipper Jones was taking ball four. Jones then stole second before Boone came home on Brian Jordan's sacrifice fly, his 100th hit of the season.

The Braves have won four of the last five games lately, when something happened to me, it's happened early. Then I seem to settle down and pitch a good ballgame," he retired 15 of the next 16 hitters, a streak that was broken up in the fourth when Jones bobbled a routine grounder by Barry Larkin and the play was actually scored a hit.

Michael Tucker had the other hit against Millwood, a sixth-inning single.

The Braves have won four straight from Cincinnati at Turner Field this season, limiting the Reds to six runs and 14 hits in those games. Atlanta is 20-4 vs. Cincinnati over the last three seasons.

"I can't understand it," Jones said. "And the Braves didn't do much to help in turnaround.

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Walbeck drives in game winner; Anaheim tops Detroit

ANAHEIM, Calif. — Matt Walbeck hit a one-out single in the eighth inning to drive in the go-ahead run Monday night as the Anaheim Angels beat the Detroit Tigers 6-5.

Garrett Anderson began the rally against Doug Brocail (4-4) with his fourth single of the game. Troy Glaus drew a one-out walk and Walbeck lined a single to right to drive in Anderson, who scored for the third time.

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The three errors — first mis­ cues of Borkowski’s career — were the most by a Detroit play­ er since John Doherty, another pitcher, committed three on July 23, 1993 against Kansas City.

The Angels took a 1-0 lead in the first thanks to Borkowski’s first two errors. The 22-year-old right-hander muffed Trent Durrington’s leadoff grounder, and then threw wildly on a pick­ off attempt. Durrington later scored on Mo Vaughn’s infield out.

Jim Edmonds hit a run-scoring double in the fourth to extend Anaheim’s lead to 4-1. Detroit’s Karim Garcia hit a two-run homer in the sixth, but the Angels got a run in the bottom of the inning on an RBI single by Anderson.

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Freshman Joey Hildbold, pictured here during last Wednesday's practice, has impressed head coach Bob Davie with his performance during practice last week, which drills on coverage drills during practice last week. Hildbold, who started at safety on Saturday, has seen action in each of his first three seasons, will start at safety on Saturday.

Irish Notes:

• On the injury front, defensive lineman Lance Weary is doubtful for Saturday's game due to a sprained left knee. Linebacker Terrance LeGette sprained his right knee Aug. 10th and is out for the Kansas game.
• The thin cornerback position is the biggest area of concern on the Irish defense. With Brock Williams out for the year, teammates Mike Hance and Clifford Jefferson will join safeties Deke Cooper and A.J. Sanders in the defensive backfield.
• Freshman Joey Hildbold has the edge at starting position for Saturday. Senior Jim Sanson will once again assume the placekicking duties for the Irish.
• There are two honorary captains for the game. 1956 Heisman Trophy winner Paul Hornung will serve as Notre Dame's captain, while the "Kansas State" Gale Sayers, a Jayhawk alum, will be on the Kansas sidelines.
• Freshman tailback Julius Jones is likely to handle kickoff returns for the Irish alongside Joey Getherall. Davie said Jones reminds him of Greg Hill, whom he coached at Texas A&M and now plays for the St. Louis Rams. Jones is currently battling junior Terrance Howard for third string.
• Bobby Brown and Getherall are expected to start at split end, but senior Flaki Nelson and sophomores Javin Hunter and David Givens are expected to see playing time.
• Sophomores John Menegelli and Mike Gandy were the only returning offensive linemen who saw considerable playing time. Hildbold was more successful than Ron Powlus, there still was a question mark at quarterback entering the 1998 season.

Also, last year's season ended with three losses and a Gator Bowl appearance, their first appearance since 1976.

In the 11th game of 1998, with one loss and a chance at a BCS appearance, Davie was also involved in a quarterback controversy.

With three seconds left in a apparent win over LSU, Davie kept Jarious Jackson on the field, where he was injured while attempting to take a safety.

The following week, like in 1997, the team flew to a warm climate (USC), only to suffer another setback.

Davie is not letting the focus of the season blur. His concentration is on solely on Saturday's home opener against Kansas.

Although Kansas is in the underdog, Davie was quick to point out that the Jayhawks are an explosive club that can cause trouble for his team.

"It's really important to keep your eye on the target. You really don't know what you have yet, especially in college football," Davie said.

"The other night our players were watching Green Bay and Denver on Monday Night Football. We don't have the luxury of playing the exhibition games. Even high school teams scrimmage against each other. But that's what makes college football exciting."

Iron Notes:

"At first (last spring) when I moved to the position (defensive end), I wasn't comfortable at all, but coach Mattison and the rest of the coaching staff have done a great job in teaching fundamentals."

Grant Irons
defensive end

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the fundamentals and the footwork. I feel more comfortable." While Irons was originally reluctant to make the switch from linebacker to defensive end, he is now enjoying playing on the line.

"You can just attack, you can play on instinct," Irons said. "At linebacker you are always looking into the backfield at the tailback and the tight end. You always have to deal with assignments coming at you and cutting you, but at defensive end, it's just you and the tackle or you and the tight end. It makes it a one-on-one battle each play. My reads are cut down and I can focus on the tackle and the tight end.

Last season, Irons started the first five games at outside rush linebacker, before suffering a shoulder injury that sidelined him for three games. He came off the bench in the final four contests, but this season he is once again competing for a starting position. In addition, Notre Dame's switch from a 3-4 defense to a 4-3 defense will accommodate Irons' move to the line.

Irons, who stands 6-foot, 5-inches tall, has put on some weight in the off season and is up to 275 pounds, probably courtesy of the four to five peanut butter and jelly sandwiches he says he eats at night. He came to Notre Dame weighing just 218 pounds, but was up in 250 last year.

"I didn't think I'd get this big, but with the weight program here and just my appetite, I've grown a lot," Irons said. "I'm definitely more comfortable with the weight. My quickness has increased. Coach Mickey Marotti and the rest of the staff have done a great job in not only developing our size and speed, but our quickness as well."
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tive for 1998-99. "This is not some high school girls gym class. The move to the MIAA will make athletes appreciate this. Recruiting already is benefiting from conference membership.

"We have several strong freshmen coming in who will make an immediate impact in every sport," she said. Stronger and more effective recruiting efforts may improve team rankings within the MIAA.

As provisional members, vol­leyball and tennis finished third, golf fourth, soccer, soft­ball and track fifth; swimming sixth, cross country eighth and basketball ninth during the 1998-99 season.

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Saint Mary's officially joins MIAA conference

By NOREEN GILLESPIE
Saint Mary's Editor

Coming soon after Notre Dame's Big Ten decision, Saint Mary's campaign for permanent membership in the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association may have been overshadowed. But the spring decision by the MIAA President's Council to accept the College as a permanent member brings Saint Mary's into an academic and athletic spotlight.

The election ended Saint Mary's two-year provisional membership in the oldest college conference in the United States.

Other MIAA members include Adrian, Albion, Alma, Calvin, Hope, Kalamazoo and Olivet Colleges.

The decision provides Saint Mary's an advantage for recruiting and competition opportunities within the conference, according to acting athletic director Jim Cook.

"Coaches recruiting for their sports can offer a stable conference, a stable schedule and strong competition to incoming freshman athletes," Cook said.

Prospective students are also attracted to the strong academic reputations Saint Mary's and the MIAA offer.

With two academic All-American teams last year, Saint Mary's ranks near the top academically in the conference.

"We compete in the classroom and we compete on the field," Cook said. "Several MIAA colleges had academic All-American teams last year, as we did. Saint Mary's is definitely a positive addition because of that academic reputation.

The move to the MIAA conference also shows recruits and current students that athletics is a priority for Saint Mary's.

"We are serious about athletics," said Michelle Schricker, Saint Mary's MIAA representative.

ND hopes '99 is season of destiny

By TIM CASEY
Sports Writer

On paper, 1999 looks like a year of destiny for the Irish.

In the past three decades in years ending with the same double digits — 1966, 77, 88 — Notre Dame finished its season with a national title.

Former head coaches Ara Parseghian, Dan Devine and Lou Holtz won championships in their third seasons.

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In the off season, junior Grant Irons (#44) made the move from linebacker to defensive end. Irons worked closely with defensive end Lamont Bryant and strength and conditioning coach Mickey Marotti in order to make a smooth transition.

Irons adjusting to defensive move

By BRIAN KESSLER
Sports Editor

It took a long look in the mirror for Notre Dame's Grant Irons to realize where his future in football would lie.

"I looked at my father when he played in the NFL. He was a linebacker," said Irons, whose father Gerald played six seasons in the pros. "However, as time went on my body matured. When I looked in the mirror everything said defensive end."

With that glance in the mirror Irons' transition from linebacker to defensive line began.

"At first initially (last spring) when I moved to the position (DEFENSIVE LINE) I wasn't comfortable at all, but coach Mattison and the rest of the coaching staff have done a great job in teaching fundamentals," Irons said in yesterday's press conference.

"I was used to the middle position at linebacker where I'm in the two-point stance. Then when I went down (in the three-point stance) I wanted to pop up. I never really worked to stay down, but now that I've worked on the fundamentals and the