Locked Out

Off-campus senior Tom Weiler is dismayed Monday at having to spend another day with dirty clothes. Many University and College offices, including St. Michael’s Laundry, were closed for Labor Day.

Activist will speak on military school

By JESSICA DANES

New Winos

Father Roy Borgois will speak out against the School of the Americas, a training camp for Latin American military officers sponsored by the U.S. government, at 7 p.m. today in the Hesburgh Library Auditorium.

As critic of U.S. policy in Central America for years, Borgois founded the School of the Americas Watch, an organization that collects information on School activities and calls for its closing.

"We think students should come hear Father Roy talk because their tax dollars are paying Latin American soldiers to oppress and murder their own people," said Sheila McCarthy, a member of Notre Dame’s chapter of Pax Christi, which joins the Center for Social Concerns to sponsor the event.

Borgois has spent a total of four years in federal prison for various nonviolent protests against the School of America’s activities. His most recent six month sentence ended last September.

Borgois entered the Maryknoll Missionary Order in 1972 after serving in Vietnam. He worked with three American nuns who were murdered in 1980 in El Salvador. The U.N. charged five Salvadoran military officers with the crime; three had attended the School.

"Father Roy knows the three nuns killed, and it stimulated him to look deeper into the atrocities in Latin America," said Elizabeth Moriarty, another member of Pax Christi.

"He researched another incident, the murders of six Jesuits priests, their maid and her daughter, and found the murderers were graduates of the School of the Americas," Moriarty said.

Established in 1946 in Panama to battle the Cold War, the School of America’s moved to Fort Benning, Georgia, in 1984. Its 60,000 graduates have earned themselves a reputation for brutality and human rights abuses.

Notable alumni include Manuel Noriega, a former Panamanian dictator currently serving 40 years in prison for drug trafficking, Roberto D’Aubuisson, a Salvadoran death-squad leader widely thought to have ordered the death of Archbishop Oscar Romero, and three of five Salvadoran military officers U.S. investigators found guilty of the 1980 murders of three American nuns and one lay social worker.

When the Pentagon admitted in 1996 that the School had used manuals on the use of fear, torture, and truth serum, its confession added to an already growing movement against the School.

Rep. Joseph Kennedy recently introduced a bill to close the training camp.

The founder of the School of the Americas Watch, Father Roy Borgois, will present "School of the Americas: School of Assassins" at 7 p.m. today in the Hesburgh Library auditorium.

Borgois also will speak Wednesday at 7 p.m. at Saint Mary’s Little Theater in Moreau Center for the Arts.

Kareem leads civil engineering

By KATE STEER

News Writer

Led for four years by interim chairman, the department of civil engineering and geological sciences named Abasan Kareem its permanent chairman.

A member of Notre Dame’s faculty since 1990, Kareem is recognized as a leading researcher in probabilistic structural dynamics, fluid-structure interactions, structural safety and the mitigation of natural hazards, specifically wind, waves and earthquakes.

Kareem said he hopes those qualifications will help him develop a long-term vision for the department.

"One of my goals is getting us excited about the work we do here, and also reshaping the undergraduate curriculum and helping to better prepare our students for future job markets."

While filling his duties as chairman, Kareem will continue to serve as chief editor and associate editor for major international journals. He also will retain his positions on the editorial boards of five other journals which report wind, wave and earthquake issues.

Kareem has served as director for several national and international conferences and technical committees. He is the immediate past president of the American Association for Wind Engineering, which deals with wind-related hazards like hurricanes and tornadoes.

In 1984, Kareem received the Presidential Young Investigator Award from the National Science Foundation. He also received the 1997 Engineering Award from the National Hurricane Conference in honor of his contributions to the development of safer, more hurricane-resistant construction.

Recently he was named Distinguished Alumni of Colorado State University for his service to the field of engineering through education, publication, leadership and service.

Kareem received his doctoral degree from Colorado State University in 1978. He earned his master’s degree through a joint program between Leiden Institute of Technology and University of Hawaii in 1975.

Kareem’s bachelor’s degree was awarded with distinction from the West Pakistan University of Engineering and Technology in 1968.
Inside Column

Dreams make loss harder to bear

If the month before Dec. 25 was not full of anticipation, Christmas morning may not invoke an overwhelming sense of loss after actually opening gifts. If young adults did not work 18 years hoping to get into their college of choice, rejection should not be as hard to take.

Anticipation. Expectation. Hope. Dreams. Perhaps these are the reasons behind the sadness felt by the Notre Dame family after Saturday’s loss to Michigan.

Sure, each year Notre Dame begins a season with the hopes of winning a national championship; however, this year more hype is added due to elements of tradition. 1966 ... 1977 ... 1988 ... every Notre Dame fan knew what logically followed those years. Wasn’t our destiny to be playing Jan. 1 for the national title?

Or what about the third year of Davie’s coaching era? Holtz. Leahy. Devine. Who says history doesn’t repeat itself?

As I returned from the Michigan game last November, I found there was some sense of depression. The weekend before had been a triumph for us. However, my feelings of loss that Sunday did not compare to the sadness I felt this year.

Last year, I had not anticipated braging to my friends back home. This year on New Year’s I would relish in the immense joy that comes with going to the school that just won the national championship.

Last year, I had not dreamt of redemption for 1993. This year we would regain our dignity in the Sugar Bowl game with the East Carolina College with an undefeated season on the line.

Last year, I had not foreseen the day I would tell my mother about my road trip to New Orleans. This year I would attend the National Championship Sugar Bowl game to cheer on the Irish.

In my mind, there was no doubt: Inevitably, we would lose. No I wasn’t, when the polls came out in 2000.

At our field goal late in the fourth quarter which gave us a 3-point advantage, my fantasy seemed infallible. However, I was quickly brought back to reality when Michigan scored again.

I stood hard by, and yet I knew fate was on our side. We were going to win. The Irish indeed down the field as the clock wound down, and I anxiously awaited the unprecedented celebration that would occur that night.

And then, out of nowhere, the clock ran out. Michigan players and fans rushed the field, and I sat dazed wondering what happens in destiny. What happens to tradition. What happens to fate.

Of course there is always next year. Isn’t there always a next time? Maybe I should not have dreamt about winning. I do know that the anticipation for 1999 no doubt made Saturday’s loss a much harder burden to bear.

However, it’s hard to say whether I learned anything from this experience. All I know is I’m already looking forward to next season ... ’96, ’97, ’98, ’00.

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

Quotes of the Week

"There’s been many other bars with worse situations and worse fights than ours. Compared to those bars, we’re the boy scouts."

Leon Townsend
Irish Connection owner

"the current status of SafeBide is that it’s not running and it’s under a reconstructive effort."

Tim Lyden
Student Union transportation coordinator

"It’s important for members of the Task Force to see this. We don’t want to be naive."

Billee Hoye
Sweathop Task Force chairman on the group’s trip to El Salvador

"I thought it was a disaster."

Christine Velkey
Farley senator on football ticket distribution

Outside the Dome

IU fraternity faces charges of sexual assault

Laura Rompf
Copy Editor

INDIANA UNIVERSITY

Traay Guthrie battled nine years to hear the news she received this summer.

After a series of legal delays and contradictory rulings by lower courts, the Indiana Supreme Court decided she would tell her story to a jury.

The unanimous July 12 decision allows Guthrie to go forward with her lawsuit against the IU chapter of Delta Tau Delta, and may bring changes and set legal precedents that affect [local] Delta’s members, fraternity members nationwide and any private property owners.

Guthrie is a 18-year-old freshman who was sexually assaulted by Joseph Motz during a Homecoming party at the fraternity Oct. 14, 1990. She was known then as Tracy Johnson; she has since married.

In her first public interview about the sexual assault and lawsuit, Guthrie said late Wednesday evening her goal with the litigation is and has always been to seek justice and a public apology for the actions of Motz and the fraternity.

She fled suit after being dissatis­fied with the plea bargain Motz received; he pleaded guilty to sexual battery and served a year of house arrest.

"It was extremely frustrating," Guthrie said. "We had a taped confession. I had practiced in the witness box and the day before the trial he gets this plea bargain. He just had to sit at home; he didn’t have to sacrifice anything."

She said the entire process left her feeling powerless.

"I just wanted control over something," she said. "I would never pursue this for money. Initially, all I wanted was an apology and for the members to stand up and be responsible men. If there is any financial gain it will go to a rape crisis fund."

Guthrie added that she has noth­ing against the greek system. She was in Zeta Tau Alpha, and her husband was in Pi Kappa Alpha while they attended IU.

Student clubs seek corporate funds

GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY

An initiative to provide Georgetown University clubs with corporate funding is on the verge of administrative approval, according to GUSA President Ron Palmese. The program, organized by Palmese and fellow GUSA members Benny Adler and Peter Corsell, would enable corporations to make tax-deductible donations to student organizations, making it much more likely that a corporation would invest in the university. "Things look very promising," said Palmese. The proposal calls for the creation of the Georgetown Funding Commission, which would provide students with greater fiscal autonomy and the chance to solicit much needed financial support, according to Corsell. The proposed bylaws of the GFC have been reviewed by Dean of Students James A. Domhauer and Director of Student Programs Mary Kay Schneider, Palmese said. According to Schneider, the GFC has enormous potential. "(The program) is a challenging one, but if the students are diligent, they can accomplish much," she said. At present, the majority of student organized revenue funding only from the university’s annual budget.

Gay boy scout gets justice

HUTGERS UNIVERSITY

Nine years after he was expelled from the Boy Scouts of America for being gay, Rutgers University alumnus James Dale said he feels like justice has been served.

On August 4, the State Supreme Court unani­mously ruled the Boy Scouts’ ban on gays is illegal according to the New Jersey’s anti-discrimination law. The court, which upheld an earlier 1998 appellate court decision, said because the Boy Scouts organization is a place of public accommodation, it falls under the state’s anti-discrimination law. The law states that a person cannot be denied accommodations, advan­ tages, facilities and privileges due to sexual orienta­tion. The Boy Scouts argued that their decision to expel Dale should be protected under the First Amendment, but the court said to recognize the Boy Scouts’ First Amendment claim would be "tantamount to tolerating the exclusion of an individual solely because of his status as a homosexual — an act of discrim­ination unprotected by the First Amendment."

The decision is an important one for the struggle to end unfair treatment of groups of people, Dale said.

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Group addresses image concerns

Body image, esteem focus of new support group

By KAREN SCHAFF
News Writer

In an attempt to address concerns about students' body images and issues with food, Saint Mary's Counseling and Career Development Center will introduce a support group for females struggling with these issues.

"Eating disorders are usually surrounded with much shame and guilt," said Kristina Pendley, personal counselor and director of the new body image program at Saint Mary's College.

The group is designed to help women deal with self-esteem and understand their emotions.

"It is designed for girls who don't have a good handle on emotions and what they feel," Pendley said. "It will help girls understand why they do what they do."

The program hopes to enlist four to eight students in each group. The groups are completely confidential, based upon the cooperation of the group.

The idea is based upon the "AIC system," Pendley said, referring to the creed of activism in what brought upon the problem, having a belief system, and knowing the consequences of actions.

The group will focus not just on the body, but nutrition, modern culture and a realistic outlook on life, Pendley said. To enter the group, participants can make an appointment with Pendley by calling 284-4565. The appointment will help evaluate conditions and place people in groups of women with similar problems.

The program has been attempted previously, but because of a lack of interest it was dropped.

Pendley urges women who have an interest in the group, or know someone who is in need of help, to make an appointment.

"It has been brought to attention that body image is very important among women of all ages and race," Pendley said.

Many women are very unhappy with how they look or how they perceive themselves, she added. This is when women resort to eating disorders.

Studies estimate nearly 5 million Americans suffer from eating disorders, two to three percent of them are college age.

Women with eating disorders tend to suffer from cardiac problems, studies show, including low blood pressure, fatigue and dizziness. Eating disorders can eventually cause osteoporosis and infertility.

SAT includes social factors in scores

U.Wise

CHARLOTTESVILLE, N.C. To help colleges and universities with the sticky admissions process, the Educational Testing Service company behind the SAT, may soon label high-scoring students who have overcome adverse backgrounds as "strivers."

The system still is in the research stages, but anti-affirmative action activists fear the acceptance of a model which takes into account a student's race.

Using survey questions at the beginning of the test, the system would consider factors in determining a student's environment.

Issues such as parents' education level, family income amount, attendance of city schools, speaking English as a second language and having economically disadvantaged classmates all would be factors surveyed on the SATs.

Students who scored at least 200 points higher than the average student with a comparably disadvantaged background would merit the title "striver" on their scores.

University of Virginia assistant dean of students Glenn Chang said the SATs have been criticized in the past for racial bias, and now it sounds as though they are trying to equalize.

Chang said she was unsure exactly how the University would handle the new information.

"My guess is that we would not take on this program unless it was proven widely successful by other schools," she said.

Karen Holt, Office of Minority Programs director, said it was unlikely that the system would have much influence on University admissions.

"We have a holistic process that takes so much into account during the application process that it probably won't affect us much," Holt said.

She said the tool would be more helpful for colleges and universities "that don't have the staff or the time to do what we do here."

Many selective colleges already take into consideration the background of the applicants, but this new system would provide profiles of students on a scale never before seen."

Joyce Smith, executive director, National Association of College Admissions Officers

"Can you imagine having a database of 1 million students annually?" Smith said. "From a perspective of having rich data, it's kind of exciting."

As an admissions officer, she said she would be more interested in acquiring socioeconomic information from the tool rather than information on race.

"We may get a more meaningful profile that we may use instead of our intuition or our gut," she added.

Black Student Alliance Co-President Fabienne Nivazac said the tool may be beneficial, but that it could cause problems if race was one of the factors considered in the new survey.

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Pfizer challenges federal recommendation

Associated Press
WASHINGTON
Pharmaceutical giant Pfizer Inc. is trying to convince doctors the best drug for children's ear infections is not the cheap, proven antibiotic the government recommends, but a company's own pricey product.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said in January that amoxicillin should be doctors' first choice for treating ear infections, which account for 25 million visits to doctors' offices each year.

The CDC ranked Pfizer's competing Zithromax among other antibiotics that "lack good evidence" for effectiveness against ear infections.

But the consumer advocacy group Public Citizen uncovered a schedule for Pfizer teleconferences targeted at doctors nationwide "to counter the CDC guidelines."

"We urge you to inform the nation's pediatrics... of this campaign so they can stand behind what we recommend," said Candice Johnson, Children's Hospital in Denver. In that study, Augmentin, which combines the antibiotics amoxicillin and clavulanate, wiped out children's ear infections 83 percent of the time, while Zithromax only worked in 49 percent.

"I've been involved in studies of this sort for about twenty years and this is the lowest rate I've ever seen for an antibiotic," Johnson said.

Steele countered that when the study tested one of the most common types of bacteria that causes ear infections, the differences between the two drugs were too small to be significant.

Praising the CDC for providing guidance, Johnson said, "It's been a very confusing thing for the average doctor and practice to know what drug to use."

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New York

Two 11-year-old children dancing behind a fence during a New York City street parade Monday were killed when they were hit by the float behind them, a police official and friends said.

The two children, who were dancing behind a float attached to a truck that stopped suddenly, were the driver of the next float, a police official said.

Israel bans torture during interrogations

JERUSALEM

Setting a landmark in Israel's decades-old conflict between democracy and security, a report on Tuesday recommended that all suspected terrorists be released from jail without trial.

The report was welcomed by human rights groups but condemned by security officials.

Man serving life sentence may be innocent

SANTA ANA, Calif.

A man who has served 19 years in prison for murder might win a new trial because two witnesses who identified him at his trial now say they picked the wrong man, the Orange County Regional Justice Department said.

Turkey questions contractor

ISTANBUL

Police detained a fugitive contractor Monday whose allegedly substandard buildings collapsed in Turkey's earthquake, compounding the disaster. Veli Gocer in Istanbul was tracked down at a relative's house where he had gone into hiding after the Aug. 17 quake, private NTV television said.

Clinton denounces GOP tax cut plan

WASHINGTON

President Clinton will try today to use a new elementary school in which a truck hit two children on Monday to denounce the Republican tax cut plan.

Clinton will address parents and students at Coleman Place Elementary School. Clinton said he would not accept the tax cut.

Soldiers killed, volunteers mobilize

WASHINGTON

Several thousand volunteers mobilized in the wake of a weekend attack on a Russian military post in Dagestan.

Volunteers hold machine guns as they assemble at Makhachkala Monday. Dagestan forces called for a general mobilization of the population to defend the republic. Muslim militants have battled Russian troops since Aug. 7.
Settlement nearing in Detroit teacher strike

Associated Press

DETROIT

Amid hints that a settlement could be close, striking teachers brought their message to the streets with an upbeat singing saying "No contract, no work" as they marched in the city's Labor Day parade.

Negotiations between teachers and the school board resumed Monday, with district officials voicing optimism about reaching a deal on Labor Day. "Both sides have indicated that both sides would like to have a settlement," district spokesman Stan Childress said Monday.

"I do know that all of the issues that had been on the table were embroiled in the final settlement package," he said.

John Elliott, the president of the Detroit Federation of Teachers, said the Detroit Free Press he was confident an agreement could be reached this week. He said the union and the school district had reached agreement on substantial issues, but that stumbling blocks of an economic nature remained.

Teachers in the 172,800-student district will be asked to extend their contract last week, sparking their own Rogers teachers' recommendations for an extension and the last Tuesday's scheduled start of classes.

Issues have included class sizes, discipline policies proposed by the administration. Some teachers marching in the parade predicted a settlement wasn't close. "It's going to be far inadquate," teacher Steve Cohn said of any possible offer.

Teacher Phyllis Harris, a member of the union's executive board, said teachers can't decide how to vote on a proposed contract until they actually see it.

"We've got to get the package first," said Harris, who wasn't among the rally's speakers. "They haven't brought us anything back yet.

The previous contract between the school system and the 9,200 teachers represented by the union expired June 30, and an extension ran out Aug. 30.

The teachers had been unhappy with proposals for a longer school day, merit pay and other reforms proposed by the troubled district's new chief executive, David Adamany.

Adamany took the place of the superintendent after the Legislature voted in March to replace Detroit's elected mayor.

There has been speculation that the teachers could face increasing pressure this week to head back to the classroom based on a 1994 no-strike law that fines teachers one day's pay for each day on strike.

State House Speaker Chuck Engler and Senate Majority Leader Dan DeGraw have said they will call back legislators this week if necessary to explore action to end the strike.

"I'm moving to invoke fines for the illegal strike of the teachers," said state Sen. David Jayy.

Jayy wants Detroit teachers to lose a day's pay for every day they strike. "I'm asking Detroit teachers to lose a day's pay for every day they're on strike." Jayy said.

As the walkout continues, the city's schoolchildren are facing for the first time, the possibility of tranquilizers. Mark DeMarco, 9, likes the extended summer playtime but said he wants to go back to school. His grandmother, Leatha Jones, 49, said she hopes a settlement comes soon, but she supports the teachers.

"Really, the class sizes should be smaller. Maybe the kids could learn a little more," Jones said.

School security raises concern

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

As America's children head back to school, security-con­scious school administrators are also having to think about students' rights.

Bloody tragedies, especially last April's incident when two students at Columbine High School in Littleton, Colo., gunned down a dozen classmates and a teacher before killing themselves, left an indelible mark.

As a result, police officers, metal detectors, student ID cards and surveillance cam­eras are part of life in schools across the nation. So are routine backpack searches, increased use of drug tests, stricter dress codes and less tolerance for schoolyard taunts or threats.

All of this was predicated by the troubled district's new chief executive, David Adamany.

The school district just would not acknowledge that the First Amendment applies to students, said Diana Philip, an ACLU legal director in Dallas. "We had to take them to court before an agreement could be reached."

Ray Vasvari, the Ohio ACLU's legal director, said there are two "invasions of student rights" that were challenged successfully. In one, a 17-year-old was suspended from classes for a personal Website entitled "Slow High School Sucks." In another, a Youngstown-area high school sought to administer drug tests for senior students participating in extracurricular activities.

"In the wake of increasing violence, courts seem to have the more deferential attitude to school districts' gen­eral concern for student safety and security," said Cynthia Prettyman, general counsel for the ACLU's Ohio branch.

"Students have rights and I'm sure the ACLU will stay on top of this, but any legal challenge will face a hard hurdle."

Still, some students have won.

In Allen, Texas, senior Jennifer Rocca is back in school after having last spring's suspension and drug testing expunged from her record.

She and nine other stu­dents were black ar­ranged to class to mourn the Columbine victims and to protest new rules imposed in their school as a result. Jennifer, an honors student, was suspended after ignor­ing an order to remove the armband.

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Ray Vasvari, the Ohio ACLU's legal director, said that barred a Jewish boy from wearing his Star of David pendant after the ACLU sued on his behalf.

School officials had consid­ered it a gun symbol.

School security raises concern

Do students surrender rights?

The nation's Fourth Amendment, which protects against unreasonable searches and seizures, applies in public schools, but school officials get more leeway than police. And school searches of lockers and backpacks, even the use of metal detectors, are much easier to justify when the target is illegal drugs or weapons.

School officials require individualized suspicion," in certain cir­cumstances, barring school officials from searching all students in a room just because one of them may have stolen some money or snuggled in a pack of cigarettes.

What about drug tests? The law is still evolving on this issue. The Supreme Court ruled in 1995 that student athletes could be subject to random drug tests because the athletic programs are voluntary and student athletes are role models. The Supreme Court has ruled that student athletes are role models. The Supreme Court has ruled that student athletes are role models. The Supreme Court has ruled that student athletes are role models. The Supreme Court has ruled that student athletes are role models.

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RUSSIA
Soldiers kill three Serbs after fire

Associated Press

In the bloodiest incident of the three-month peacekeeping mission in Kosovo, Russian soldiers on Monday killed three Serbs who fled on them after refusing to stop shooting into Albanians wounded in a gunbattle.

In Belgrade, meanwhile, a senior Russian diplomat accused NATO of trying to undercut Yugoslav sovereignty over Kosovo and warned that Moscow will oppose any Western plans for the Kosovo Liberation Army that fall short of completely disbanding it.

Deputy Foreign Minister Aleksandar Avdeyev did not elaborate. However, NATO sources, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the alliance has tentatively agreed to transform the KLA into a "Kosovo Corps" after the Sept. 19 deadline for the former guerrillas to hand over all their weapons and "demonstrations."

According to Capt. Larry Kuminovsky, spokesman for U.S. troops at Gnjilane, Russian soldiers rushed to a road near Banlgaj early Monday after hearing gunfire. At the scene, they found three armed Serb men beating a wounded ethnic Albanian man. Two other Albanians, one critically wounded and one dead, were found in a nearby car.

The Russians ordered the Serbs to stop. Instead, the Serbs shot at the Russians, who returned fire, killing all three. There were no Russian casualties.

The incident in the American sector of Kosovo was under investigation. Two cars, both splattered with blood and full of bullet holes, were found at the scene. About half a mile from the checkpoint.

Residents of Blagaj told reporters the three men were from the village. NATO said the Russians acted properly under regulations allowing the 40,000 NATO-led peacekeepers to use deadly force to defend themselves.

Ethnic Albanians say Russian troops have favor the Serbs, fellow Slavs who share the same Orthodox tradition. They say Russian mercenaries fought with Serbs during the 18-month crackdown against ethnic Albanians, during which an estimated 10,000 people were killed.

Despite the allegations, U.S. and NATO commanders have said Moscow's troops have been evicted since arriving in Kosovo on June 12 along with American and other NATO soldiers to enforce a peace agreement that ended the crackdown following the 78-day NATO bombing campaign. NATO Secretary General Javier Solana, who arrived here for a brief visit, said the Russian action Monday is "only a proof that the Russians behave" in accordance with regulations.

It was the deadliest incident so far involving peacekeepers and Kosovo civilians. On July 3, British paratroopers in Pristina fired on a car loaded of ethnic Albanian rebels celebrating Kosovo's independence, killing two and wounding two others. The British said the ethnic Albanians were threatening Serbs in a building under British protection.

There was no comment from the Yugoslav government on Monday's shooting deaths.

During a Russian delegation's visit to Belgrade, Avdeyev accused NATO of helping Kosovo move toward independence from Yugoslavia.

"While proclaiming to preserve the country's sovereignty, INATSE Kosovo Protection Force is unfortunately, with the aid of some Western countries, in fact recommending and helping realize proposals which lead to the illegal secession of Kosovo," Avdeyev said.

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Cisneros will attempt to destroy credibility of ex-lover

Associated Press
WASHINGTON
In a trial with tapes, money and a half-examination of former Housing Secretary Henry Cisneros will try to demolish the prosecution's case by attacking the credibility of the key witness against him — his ex-lover.

Jury selection begins Tuesday, more than a year after Cisneros was charged in an 18-count indictment that contains content he quarreled with one-time paramour Linda Jones — while under consideration for a post in the Clinton Cabinet — to conceal the scope of his more than $250,000 in payments to her. Jones filed a complaint in April 1990.

Jones, who ran afoul of the independent counsel prosecuting Cisneros, is the government's star witness, albeit one whose credibility came under sustained attack from Cisneros' high-dollar legal team. She angered the jury by testifying against her ex-lover in a bid to regain a reduction in her 3 1/2-year prison sentence.

In a preview of their likely trial tactics, Cisneros' lawyers waged an all-out assault on Jones' credibility during a pre-trial hearing. They elicited admissions that she lied numerous times to the FBI and Internal Revenue Service agents investigating Cisneros, as well as to the independent counsel's office, a Texas court and even her own lawyers.

Eight-eighthape recordings that Jones secretly made of her phone conversations with Cisneros in their relationship soured are at the heart of Independent Counsel David Barrett's case. Cisneros' lawyers labored mightily during a 13-day pretrial hearing in July to quash their use, saying many tapes bore signs of heavy editing.

"Tapes, as we all know, are very powerful evidence," Cisneros' lawyer Bud Reynolds said at the conclusion of the hearing. "Tapes that are altered are powerless mislead­ing."

U.S. District Judge Stanley Sporkin rejected the defense's argument. Of the 26 tapes that prosecutors want to play for jurors, Sporkin is allowing 22 in their entirety and portions of others.

Cisneros "has presented no direct evidence that the voice on the tapes is not his, nor that those statements attributed to him are inaccurate," Sporkin said of the tapes, recorded between April 1990 and December 1993.

While the recordings' admi­ssibility at trial constituted a vic­tory for Barrett's team, a for­mer federal prosecutor cautioned that tapes can some­times backfire on the prosecu­tion.

"Any time a prosecutor gets evidence that's admirable, it's helpful," said Washington lawyer Joseph Diniemva, himself a former independent counsel and one-time U.S. attorney.

Metzenbaum: Author should die

Associated Press
WASHINGTON
Howard Metzenbaum, a bro­cious lister of his days in the Senate, has reacted to a new book by trying to banish it from the U.S. marketplace.

Author, he says, deserves the death penalty.

Without even reading the book, Metzenbaum took the underlying position against the memoir of Al J. Gould, a planner of the deadly kidnapping of athletes at the 1972 Olympics in Munich.

"I sure don't want him to profit by means of this evil and killing of people," said Metzenbaum, who ought to be incarcer­ated.

He actually ought to pay with his own life, after being tried by a jury or a court.

Al J. Gould's memoir,

"Palestinians from Jerusalem to Munich," was pub­lished earlier this year in France, renewing the heartbeat of a family that has been grieving since September 1972.

"I just couldn't believe he was free all these years," Dorothy Berger, the mother of David, said from her Cleveland home.

"It's so unfair to me. We've lived with this for 27 years," she said.

The company that bought the U.S. copyright rights to the book is now having the 600-page book translated has amassed a file about 2 inches thick full of protest from Ohio.

"We have decided not to respond to the book, including phone calls which are quite dis­turbing — screaming," said the president and publish­er, Richard Seaver.

It's a book that doesn't exist, and simply passed out and drowned. We are now going to look into the other side of the story we've only published about 1/3 of the content.

Seaver described the Munich chapter of the book as an explanation, not a boast.

"Believe me, he's so contrived about that," the publisher said.

When the book came out in France, The Associated Press described its account of Munich as a plan to use surreal characters and the deaths blamed on Germans who betrayed a pledge to let the Palestinians leave.

Homeless deaths baffles authorities

RAPID CITY, S.D.
When the first few bodies turned up in the gurgling trout stream that runs through a park in this city on the edge of the Black Hills, the deaths drew little attention.

Police investigated, but all the evidence indicated that the homeless men had spent their days and nights drinking along Rapid Creek and simply passed out and drowned.

As more men died, how­ever, law officers became suspicious. The deaths now total eight in 16 months, three this year. In typical years, only about one homeless person turns up drowned along the creek.

"There's just too many of them to say it's coinci­dence. But it could be," Police Chief Tom Hennies said.

Authorities have no wit­nesses who saw any of them go into the creek. There are no bullet holes, stab wounds or evidence of other injuries. Police don't know where most of the men entered the stream.

Who investigates know that six of the eight were Indians, and all but one had been drinking heavily just before they died. Most had blood alcohol levels of about 0.25 percent, or more than 2 1/2 times the 0.1 percent level at which dri­vers are presumed to be drunk.

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**HABIT**

**Gunman wounded in assassination attempt**

Associated Press

**PORT- AU-PRINCE**

A gunman opened fire on a Haitian political party leader in what the politician said Monday was an attempt to assassinate him.

Saunier Pierre Etienne, secretary of the Struggling People's Organization, said a man stepped onto the road as Etienne was driving away from the Port-au-Prince airport with his family Sunday afternoon. The gunman aimed a pistol at Etienne from about 12 feet and fired, hitting the hood of the car, Etienne said. Etienne was armed and fired back, wounding the man "in the lower part of his body," he said. The gunman then fled with another man who was standing by the side of the road.

"This is the last in a long series of attempts to intimidate our party," Etienne said, calling the gunman "a professional hit-man."

The shooting occurred one day after a grenade exploded in front of Haiti's Chamber of Commerce headquarters, damaging the building's facade but causing no injuries.

Gunmen have fired weapons several times in front of the house of Sen. Yvon Chery, a member of the Struggling People's Organization. And in March, party member Sen. Jean Yvon Toussaint was killed in front of his house.

The Struggling People's Organization held a majority in Parliament until President Rene Preval dissolved the body in January.

Several of the party's lawmakers fled Haiti at the end of April following death threats and a shooting attack on the home of one of them.

**United Kingdom**

**Mitchell struggles for accord in Northern Ireland**

Associated Press

BELFAST, Northern Ireland (Cautiously) he had no "magic wand," the American architect of last year's Northern Ireland peace accord launched a diplomatic mission Monday to salvage the unraveling agreement.

Former U.S. Sen. George Mitchell, who met delegations from Northern Ireland's four major parties, said the province's rival British Protestant and Irish Catholic political leaders "must seize this opportunity or condemn their land to perpetual instability."

Mitchell oversaw 22 months of often agonizing negotiations that produced the Good Friday accord of 1998. At its heart, the agreement called for the speedy establishment of a four-party Cabinet composed equally of Protestants and Catholics.

But the main Protestant party, the Ulster Unionists, has refused to accept members of the IRA-linked Sinn Fein as government colleagues until the Irish Republican Army agrees to disarm. The accord specified disarmament should be completed by next May, but the IRA has refused to start.

Mitchell said he hoped to sell a compromise formula within weeks that would allow the Cabinet to be formed and the IRA - as well as other outlawed groups with too little support to factor in the Cabinet's make-up - to start destroying its tons of hidden weaponry.

Mitchell emphasized he had no "magic wand that will wave away these problems" and that the real power rested with those who would form the 12-member Cabinet: the Ulster Unionists, Sinn Fein, the moderate Catholics of the Social Democratic and Labor Party, and the hard-line Protestants of the Democratic Unionists.

"Each of them sought public office and the power that comes with it. With that power comes responsibility," Mitchell said. "At this time and place, that means having the courage and wisdom to find a way to overcome the obstacles in implementation of the agreement."

The Democratic Unionists, entitled to two Cabinet posts like Sinn Fein, totally reject the accord. The party's leader, the Rev. Ian Paisley, met Mitchell but said afterward he would shun Mitchell's efforts "to give the kiss of life to this wreathed and dirty deal."

An opinion poll published Monday in the Belfast Telegraph newspaper suggested that majorities of Protestants and Catholics alike would support a compromise.

**MEXICO**

**Resort towns brace for storm**

Associated Press

MEXICO CITY

Motorists lined up half a mile outside gas stations, and residents and tourists packed supermarkets in the Mexican resort town of Cabo San Lucas on Monday as Tropical Storm Greg became Hurricane Greg and closed in on land.

Greg's winds strengthened Monday to 75 mph over the Pacific Ocean, and the center of the storm was projected to pass just west of Cabo San Lucas, a town on the southernmost tip of the Baja California peninsula that is popular with American sports fishermen.

At 5:15 p.m. EDT, the center of the hurricane was 145 miles southeast of Cabo San Lucas and drifting north-west. Forecasters expected it to pick up speed later Monday. Tropical storms with extended 115 miles from the center.

Authorities declared a hurricane watch for the southern part of the peninsula, and the ports of Cabo San Lucas and San Jose del Cabo closed to all traffic, port captain Andres Alberto Ordaz told the government news agency Notimex.

Nearly 300 automobiles, gas station lines stretched up to half a mile outside gas stations, were filled with both residents and tourists stocking up on emergency supplies, Notimex said.

Municipal and authorities declared a red alert, meaning all emergency workers were on call, said city official Antonio Alvarez Aroseo.

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Mario Suarez

Right to Life

A friend from home became preg-

nant her freshman year of college. She

didn't want to have a baby. She

hadn't been the worst possible thing
to happen to her, so she decided
to do her own abortion. She started to

sear her a lot for a while. I talked to

her, though I don't think she wanted
to talk about it. She is still in therapy

today.

A friend's mom from home had two

abortion. Her husband left her

and she had a problem with drinking.
My friend would tell me how much

to do to hurt her baby. Her mom

scheduled an abortion for her. She

miscarried the day before her

appointment. She told me that she

feels as if she killed her child. She's

still in therapy today.

A friend's mom from an hospital

and they killed her. She had to lose

her reproductive organs. She's not out

of therapy yet, but the physical effects

are lasting.

Two years ago, a college student in

my home state had a baby. She had
told anyone she was pregnant, and

what college student is ready to be a

mom? She and her boyfriend strug-
gled the baby. They were charged

with second-degree murder. I heard

someone say that the charge should

have been practicing medicine with-

out a license. They weren't kidding.

I have, frequently, gotten the notion

that people in the Right to Life

movement are perceived as insen-

tive people. Or do we want to turn our

morality upon others with out

consideration of how it may affect

their life. I do not feel this is a

right thing.

For one, abortion is as much an issue

of morality as any sort of freedom.

Abortion is the removal of the status

of "person" from the unborn, and, in

the case of partial birth abortion,

even the partially unborn.

Removing the "person" status is not a

new concept. It was the basis of slav-

ery. They weren't persons, but prop-

erty. Last century, can anyone

remember the exploits of Hitler? He

sought to remove the weak, the poor,

the handicapped, the unproductive

from society along with the Jews,

Blacks, and religious. We now do

with ones that is simply to be poor, handi-
capped, or weak, but before they are

born. We look back now and ask,

"How could such things happen?"

but, we only need to look around

today.

Women are being exploited by abor-

tion. In the stories I have mentioned,

we have examples where society

would have frowned upon someone

for having a baby. Political and social

leaders have an interest in keeping
to people from increasing the population

in poverty-stricken areas. There is

often an intent of preventing suffering

by ending the potential to suffer, but,

at the same time, the potential to live

is lost. In addition, in most cases, abortion

leaves at least one dead, and

one wounded. 

For these reasons, I find myself

believing to try to be an active mem-

ber in the Right to Life movement. I

am not an eloquent writer, a greater

thinker, or an extreme sort of guy. I

just do not want to be a part of like

this, where there is a viable option to

end the life of one's child. I do not

want to be a part of the suffering that

abortion has caused, but I am.

The ND RTL club wants to help fight

abortion, but not through standing on

a soap box and denouncing all non-

pro-life heathens to hell. We

realize and try to com-

prend the immense suf-

fering and difficul-

ties that may be and

are suffered by moth-

ers. Because of this,

club activities are de-

veloped around

service, prayer, and

education. The circum-

stances around abor-

tion are often

what is so hard.

No one should turn to

abortion because

they believe it is

their only choice.

Last year, we had Olivia Gans

visit us. She came in and speak

on post-abortion syn-

drome. Dr. Joel Brind

discussed abortion

and breast cancer. This year,

continuing past services, we will

send volunteers to the Women's Life

Center, a crisis pregnancy center, and

donate money to support their clients. We

will have a baby shower for a

teen mother at Hannah's House in

Mishawaka, home to pregnant

teens/new mothers.

This year, we wanted to expand our

club activities. The Feminists for Life

Pregnancy Resources Forum, this

month, will explore university policies

on pregnant students and look into

what help exists for students who are

pregnant. A couple of excellent speak-

ers will be coming. There is Dawn

Kohler, who founded a pro-choice

march and then learned her parents

tried to abort her, and Barbara

Burlingham Brown, who does crisis

pregnancy and adoption work for St.

Joseph County's Safe Places.

On our wish-list of things to do, we

would like to be doing some sort of

babysitting for the Center and, more

importantly, hostly.

ND RTL also has many other pro-

life service opportunities. From visit-

ing to St. Joseph County's Safe Places,

to visiting prisons, and participating in

the Logan Center dances. There are

educational opportunities in the

annual March for Life, debate work-

shops, Cemetery of the Innocents, and

the Evangelium Vitae study group. In

addition, many prayer ventures are

sponsored by ND RTL, such as rosary

stations of the Cross, Litany for Life,

and Mass.

But to do all these things, commit-

ment is needed. It is easy to get

called up in being a student, a parent, or a profession-

al. But every day 4,400 unborn babies do die,

many of their moth-

ers become scarred.

People will look

back and ask how could we let this happen?

That's something to be a part of what changes this.

Another friend from college had never

having her first child in January. She

already has her first family video and

baby. She knows that this is what it's like

to be a baby girl, and saw her

heart brusing. It's sort of a club activity

place where it looks

like she's sucking her

thumb.

Tomorrow, she could walk

into a clinic and have a "doctor"

terminate her pregnancy. Maybe

her fiancé would be with her

when she lost her job or is scared she

may. She might have just decided she's not

ready for her life to change. Let us

make sure that she always has some

one to turn to, some other avenue.

The baby will still have little fingers

and little toes. And yes, the baby

might have some bad habits, but if we

allow her, she might grow out of

it.

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Science and Government major and a

member of Right to Life.

The views expressed in this column

are those of the author and not neces-

sarily those of The Observer.

Scott Adams

Quote of the Day

"It takes two to speak the truth - one to speak, and another to hear".

Henry David Thoreau
It's possible to both hate and love this school. This column is dedicated to everyone who has left or wanted to leave Notre Dame because they were offending him or her. Jeneenle Williams was in PAS last year, loved ND, but now is at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and feels free. This place ran people over, there was a gay student who committed suicide due to the homophobic climate.

But let's talk about love. What are progressive and/or simply non-conservative students to do if they love Notre Dame? What about those of us progressive who love the Church? There are some humble ideas for a radical agenda and a just future.

I'm Mennonite, not Catholic, but it's the same God. According to many theologians, God is on the side of the poor and oppressed. You can read it in the teachings of the Old Testament prophets or in that of Jesus. Or you can simply feel it in your heart. It makes sense that if God is love, then God would not stand for the injustices of our world.

However, too many theologians and priests fall short in their stance. Many will emphasize the “preference for the poor” and ignore the other forms of oppression. Simply put, I doubt the “love” in the faith of anyone who says God cares about the poor but doesn’t give squat for women, people of color, or queers. How could God’s love be conditional?

In a Mennonite class I learned that the Bible says nothing about loving committed same-sex relationships. After struggling with the issue, I cannot see why God would stand in the way of people in love. Mennonites are as homophobic as Catholics, but my professor and many others saw the possibility for a God of love. From what I’ve read, experienced, and felt deep in my soul I believe that God is on the side of women’s struggles, queer liberation and racial and economic equality. How about a theology of liberation that includes everyone?

When I wrote God, I dreamt a radical shift in our individual and world priorities that will serve as a taste of God’s justice and kingdom to come. I’ve experienced God sitting in at Le Mans clapping with drums pounding as we asked WHIV didn’t President Eisenhower sign the legislation creating the Peace Student Alliance? I’ve seen God on the streets of Vancouver in the torc, how people carried demanding freedom for death-row prisoner Mumia Abu-Jamal. God crossed the line with thousands of people as we tired to shut down the School of America.

Everyone at Notre Dame who cares about social justice needs to recognize the ties that connect all forms of activism. None of us will be free until we learn to free each other. We need to give of ourselves. Support as many progressive causes and groups that you can. Show solidarity and do everything out of love.

Many people on campus might think that the Progressive Student Alliance (PSA) is a gay rights group. It’s true, but we’re so much more. We obviously have made many mistakes and we could really use another dozen committed members because we’re overworked like you wouldn’t believe. We’re a queer rights group because there are gay, lesbian and bisexual students who are persecuted on campus and an administration that is clinging to discriminating. PSA is a peace group, we organized against the U.S. bombing of Iraq. We’re pro-labor and are calling for an end to the production of ND apparel in sweatshops.

All too often I’ve seen progressives who work on one issue and narrowly define their activism. Perhaps most ND students don’t understand PSA because we’re different. Maybe it seems like PSA is always doing things which do not fit the image that you have of this place. We face quite a few challenges and some of them are on campus and some of them are off campus. We need to talk about the issues, find solutions and work on whichever one can cause the most trouble.

But you’ll see things differently if you realize that our vision of justice is all comprehensive. If we have the resources to tackle the entire puzzle, we’ll do it.

It’s not easy being a progressive activist at Notre Dame. We get citations from security, our clubs put us on probation, our campus is closed off. We face anonymous harassment (voice mail, graffiti, etc.), are ridiculed weekly in The Observer for daring to question authority, and we’re often alone. But we’re still as it. We love this place, know it can change, and we want it to be a reflection of God’s justice.

As Mario Savio speaking to thousands of students during the 1964 Free Speech Movement at UC Berkeley once exclaimed, “There’s a time when the operation of the machine becomes so odious, makes you so sick at heart, that you can’t take part; you can’t even tactily take part. And you’ve got to put your bodies upon the goads and upon the wheels, upon all the apparatus and you’ve got to make it stop. And you’ve got to indicate to the people who run it, to the people who own it, that unless you’re free, the machine will be preserved for work.”

Aaron Kreider is a graduate student and a member of the Progressive Student Alliance. The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Face reality ND

Brian Kesler, you’re a big fat baby. I would expect the ‘Sports Editor’ to offer some game analysis, but instead you peddle a nice little divine tribue against the officials! Grow up and talk football. You’re viewing the world through green-tinted glasses. Close calls broke both ways and ND has no one to blame but themselves for the celebration and late hit calls.

Truth hurts: ND came close this time, but they’d better bring a flawless game if they want to beat Michigan in the Big House.

John Stanley
Washington, D.C.
September 6, 1999

Taking away the helping hand

Saturday was a tough day to be an Irish fan, as the Borrners were down 26-22 by the half at Michigan Wolverines. Although it was painful for me to watch as the final seconds ticked away, I’m almost a little glad that Michigan won.

Before I think I’ve gone nutty, let me explain. Had the Irish won, it almost went without saying that their momentum would have propelled them down to an undefeated season and a national title, following the eleven-year patterns in 1966, ’72, and ’88. But a cacophonous echo would have been heard from the direction of Ann Arbor: thousands of University of Michigan fans whining that it was unfair and dirty that Notre Dame had an extra game the week before. In fact, on ESPN’s “College Game Day” show, which was broadcast live from Ann Arbor, an unidentified Michigan fan held up a sign which read “Notre Dame: The DIRHEST school in college football!”

I personally hope that that particular fan is studying to be a proctologist, because if I ever meet him, I’ll give him those glasses as to what I’ll do with that sign.

Mike Marchand
Junior, off-campus
September 6, 1999

Losing may have been best for the Irish

It has come to our attention that St. Joseph’s Hospital, owned by the Sisters of the Holy Cross, has plans to move from Central South Bend to Granger, Indiana, thereby depriving the area of a necessary institution for the well-being of its citizens. As engaged members of this community, not in the least way as students at a university run by the same Catholic order as the hospital, we have just cause to be concerned with this plan and its implications for our neighbors. Why is the hospital abandoning an area of great need, the depressed central city, for the greater comfort offered in Granger? The abandonment of the city’s poor by this Catholic hospital implies a serious flaw in its understanding of the social justice imperatives so beautifully and so often proclaimed by the Congregation of the Holy Cross and the University. We implore the Sisters to disclose their plans for the hospital and the process and factors that led to this decision. It is time for this issue to be brought into the open, so that the community directly affected can have a chance to voice their opinions before the opportunity vanishes.

Tom Ogoszailek
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Junior, Sufiod Hall
Seymour, Marion Hall
Notre Dame concert series begins

**CONCERT PREVIEW**

**The Lydian string quartet to perform at Washington Hall**

Special to The Observer

Since its formation in 1980, the Lydian string quartet has inspired critics around the world. The quartet’s interpretive mastery of such traditional repertoire as Haydn, Schubert, and Beethoven, and its special flair for contemporary music, has won the ensemble prizes at international competitions in Canada, France and England, and the prestigious Naumburg Award for Chamber Music. Lydian members include Daniel Steper, violin; Judith Eisenberg, viola; Mary Ruth Bay, viola; and Rhonda Rider, cello.

Essential to the spirit of the Lydian is the commissioning and recording of new works. Their project, “American Originals, 20th Century Classics of Today and Tomorrow,” defines and celebrates the rich repertoire of contemporary American classical music through the unique voice of the string quartet. Begun in 1995, the project continues into the 21st century with newly commissioned works.

The Lydian String Quartet has concertized extensively throughout the United States, at venues including the Lincoln Center, the Library of Congress and the Kennedy Center. Internationally, the quartet has performed in a series at Wigmore Hall, London, as well as in France, Italy, Germany, Switzerland, Russia and Armonia. With education as an integral part of the quartet’s mission, the Lydians conduct mini-residencies in communities and universities throughout the United States. Winners of a Chamber Music America/ASCAP Award for Adventurous Programming, the quartet has also received grants from the Meet the Composer/Rockefeller Foundation/AT&T Jazz Program in partnership with the National Endowment for the Arts, Chamber Music America, Naumburg Foundation, Carolin Importers, Brandeis University, Mazer Grant and the Aaron Copland Fund for Music.

During the summer months, the Lydians visit the Norfork Chamber Music Festival (Yale Summer School of Music and Art) and the Brandeis Summer Music Festival, where they run a three-week chamber music intensive, drawing music students and advanced amateurs from across the country.


The Lydian string quartet is on the faculty of Brandeis University and appears by arrangement with Aaron Concert Artists, a division of Trawick Artists Ltd., New York.

This concert features the local premiere of Notre Dame faculty-composer Ethan Ilmio’s String Quartet in Two Movements. The performance of the Ilmio Quartet was made possible by a generous grant from the Bohen Fund for Excellence in the Arts.

**Quink to perform at Hesburgh Library Auditorium**

Special to The Observer

Since Quink’s debut in the 1978 Holland Festival, this remarkable chamber ensemble has been invited to perform on prestigious concert series around the world. The five young singers, who are also experienced soloists, have developed a unique sound which allows them to illustrate with style and expressiveness the great variety of a cappella music. The ensemble includes Marjolein Koetsier, soprano; Mijn Rooodveldt, soprano; Corrie Pink, alto; Hary Van Bosse, tenor; and Kees-Jan de Koning, bass.

Quink’s repertoire varies widely and consists of a cappella music of the Renaissance and Baroque periods as well as works by Romantic composers. Since the spring of 1995, Quink combined forces with the Dutch instrumental Baroque ensemble The New Consort, thus covering a large part of the repertoire. They have performed in many countries around the world. A number of Dutch, German and American compositions have been dedicated especially to Quink.

Quink has recorded on the Daybreak and CRS labels, and released compact discs with Vanguard Classics (Vaughn Williams/Finzi and Otavo (Perrell; Buxtehude). Quink’s CDs on Telarc International include collections of Italian and English madrigals, an offering of Christmas carols, a CD of international folk songs, “Invisible Cities,” a collection of contemporary Dutch a cappella music and most recently, “Ain’t Misbehavin’,” on occasion of their 20th anniversary.

In 1983, Quink received its first international recognition when the group was named finalist in a major music competition in Europe. Since then, it has been invited to perform on important series at home and abroad. The ensemble is often heard on radio and has also been invited to appear on national and international TV.

Quink’s first United States tour in 1985 was so artistically successful that it often tours the U.S. twice a year. Tours have included residencies at Dartmouth and the University of Massachusetts at Amherst and concerts throughout the country. Quink was invited as special guest at the Iowa Choral Directors’ Convention and gave its New York debut at Merkin Hall in 1988. Since then, the ensemble has performed many recitals across the U.S., including several performances at the Clusters in New York, and concerts on both coasts, in the Midwest and in Alaska. They have also performed for Livent in Canada, and the group is regularly invited to internationally-acclaimed music festivals. In the spring of 1998, Quink appeared in festivals in Tel Aviv and Singapore. Future seasons include tours throughout Europe and the Far East.

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**Attention Music Fans**

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By COREY HARTMANN / Staff Writer

Aaamva Yauhch has achieved fame and fortune with his group, the Beastie Boys for several years. He, however, has done much more. The Beastie Boys, largely under the direction of Yauch, have started an annual summer festival called the Tibetan Freedom Concert (TFC). Yauh, who converted to the Tibetan religion a couple years ago, wanted to raise awareness and money in order to help make Tibet a country free from Chinese oppression. The group's members have had San Francisco, New York and Washington, D.C. as home to TFC. This year, Yauch and the Beastie Boys decided to try something new. However, despite losing one large two in three day festival, they decided to have four concerts in one year, with the last concert at the 2009 Bleds. XS, Tokyo, Sydney, Amsterdam and the last concert at the host of TFC this summer.

The Chicago TFC was actually held in a huge room at the Auditorium. The concert included a lineup of new groups like Ad Hock, the Ruts, Blackbird, the Cult, Traci Chapman, Music Theater and included a lineup of old bands like the Ruts, Blackbird, the Cult, Traci Chapman, Music Theater and included a lineup of old bands like the Ruts, Blackbird, the Cult, Traci Chapman, Music Theater. Live, Eddie Vedder, Run DMC and the Beastie Boys. Night. Against the Machine. When RAGE took the stage, the drinks went flying and the crowd crowded around the stage, the drinks went flying and the crowd crowded around the stage. The band consisted of mostly obscure groups. The last concert at the 2009 Bleds was the most successful one in the history of the TFC. The audience was a sold-out crowd.

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“Vikings worry after lackluster preseason as fans wonder if team can compete this season.”

Associated Press

EISEN PRAIRIE, Minn. — A lackluster exhibition season and trouble on defense have left the Minnesota Vikings with a bounty of worries and nimbly resembling a Super Bowl favorite's swagger.

“I don’t think anybody’s where they want to be,” corner back Jimmy B minced said. “Throughout the whole team we’ve got to get better, not just any particular position.

“Everybody down to the water boys have got to do a better job,” he added.

The Vikings are thin at linebacker, where versatile lineman Bubba Smith has been a problem and the defensive line has turned over by turns. The snout, where versatile linebacker Ahmad Black is injured with a minor injury that’s kept him out of the lineup, has been as lackluster as the offense.

“Green said after the Vikings’ 10-0 loss, ‘I don’t think we have the offense we thought we had. Our receivers are not getting open. Our running game is not creating turnovers.”

Associated Press

OAKLAND, Calif. — Karim Garcia hit a tie-breaking home run in the seventh inning and Tony Clark homered in the top of the ninth to give Detroit a two-run cushion.

Todd Jones worked the ninth for his 24th save.

The Tigers tied it in the fifth on Polonia’s run-scoring triple and Clark’s sacrifice fly, his third RBI of the night.

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Man sues Orioles' mascot

Associated Press

Baltimore Orioles baseball player Manny Ramirez has filed a lawsuit against the team's mascot, a rabbit named "R.C. Day," claiming it caused him injuries during a game.

Vince Minervini of Kennesaw, N.J., alleges that Jeff Gardner, one of the performers who portrays the Baltimore Orioles mascot, struck him with his tail, pushed him into the stands and took his property without permission.

"Kind of reminds me of Junius Carter and the rabbit," Orioles owner Peter G. Angelos told The Baltimore Sun, referring to the former president's controversy with a bunny during a 1993 game. He declined further comment.

In his lawsuit, Minervini names two escorts, two policemen and an usher who he claims mishandled him and fabulously arrested him during a 1997 home game against the New York Mets. The Baltimore Orioles and the Maryland Baseball Authority also are named in the lawsuit.

Minervini is seeking $5 million in damages for each of the seven counts in the complaint. He does not specify what, if any, physical injuries he sustained.

His complaint, filed Friday in Baltimore Circuit Court, does not say whether he was booked on assault charges and a police officer was unavailable Labor Day.

Judie Wagner, the Orioles' director of community relations, said the organization had no comment on the matter. Neither Minervini nor his attorney U.S. Rep. Steve Israel could be reached for comment.

Gardner is the second Orioles mascot to be sued this season.

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American League

Ramirez knocks in five RBIs for Indians

Associated Press

Buck Ramirez homered and had a career-high five RBIs, and Roberto Alomar scored the tying run with a three-run triple in the 10th as the Indians defeated the Tigers 8-7.

Ramirez had three hits, including doubles, helping the Indians bounce back from a 3-0 deficit after they were held to a pair of singles through the first six innings.

Dave Burba (13-7) allowed three runs, five hits and four walks in seven innings to win his 10th straight decision.

Mike Jackson got three outs for his 35th save in 38 chances, but it wasn't easy.

After an RBI single by pinch-hitter Christian Dennis, Sherm Bracken got the out on a force and Braddoubles. What the Orioles got out was a run, as the Tribe had the bases loaded in the ninth.

Bob Sanderson gave up the tying run in the ninth and the fateful hit, as Mike Hargrove lined into a double play.

With the bases loaded, Ankirolis told The Baltimore Sun that all Borja hit a two-run single.

AL West

Twins 3, Devil Rays 7

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National League

Astros’ Lima is National League’s first 19-game winner

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA

Jose Lima became the National League’s first 19-game winner Monday night as pinch-hitter Russ Johnson hit a three-run homer in the sixth to give the Houston Astros a 6-5 comeback victory over the Philadelphia Phillies.

Johnson, pinch-hitting for Lima (19-7) with two on and three runs already in, hit a 1-1 pitch from Randy Wolf (5-7) that barely cleared the wall in left for a 6-4 lead.

Lima allowed three earned runs and eight hits in five innings. He struck out two and walked one as the Astros maintained a 2 1/2-game lead over Cincinnati atop the NL Central.

Billy Wagner pitched a perfect ninth for this 34th save in 37 chances.

The Phillies, battered by a major league-record 14 homers in the last two games against the Reds, have lost 37 chances.

With one out in the sixth, Kevin Millar had an RBI double off Dennis Springer in the sixth as Los Angeles Dodgers 8-6 Monday night.

Eric Karros’ 31st homer pulled the Dodgers to 3-2 in the third, but rookie Preston Wilson hit a 444-foot homer in the bottom half.

Pinch-hitter Jose Vizcaino hit a two-run single off Springer in the sixth as Los Angeles Dodgers closed to 6-4.

Kevin Millar had an RBI groundout in the bottom half. Mike Lowell, who was 3-for-5, hit an RBI single in the eighth off Mike Maddux.

Tigers 9 Athletics 7

Karin Garcia hit a tiebreaking home run in the seventh inning and Tony Clark homered and doubled twice to drive in four runs as the Detroit Tigers beat the Oakland Athletics 9-7 Monday night.

Luis Polonia went 4-for-5 with a pair of RBIs to help Detroit withstand five Oakland home runs, including two by Jason Giambi, and gain a split of the four-game series.

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The loss was Olivas’ first after winning five straight decisions since coming to Oakland from Anaheim in a July 29 trade. The A’s replied to 8-7 on solo home runs in the eighth by Ben Grieve and Olmedo Saenz, but Clark then homered in the top of the ninth to give Detroit a two-run cushion.

Todd Jones worked the ninth for his 24th save.

Oakland moved in front 5-3 when Giambi led off the third with his second homer and career-high 28th of the season. Siera followed with his 33rd homer.

The Tigers tied it in the fifth on Polonia’s run-scoring triple and Clark’s sacrifice fly.

Garcia put the Tigers back in front when he led off the seventh with his ninth homer, chasing Olivas. Damion Easley added an RBI single off reliever Chad Harville.

Olivas trailed 3-0 before getting the game’s first out. Polonia led off with a single, Brad Ausmus was hit by a pitch and Clark doubled them home.

Easley followed with an RBI single.

Oakland pulled to 3-2 in the first of the first, when Rich Becker singled and Giambi connected one out later for his 100th career homer.

The A’s evened the score at 3-all on Randy Velarde’s run-scoring single. Garcia saved a run with a strong throw from right field to home, getting Saenz trying to score.
NATIONAL LEAGUE

Cubs lose to Reds despite Sosa's 58th home run

Associated Press

CHICAGO — Sammy Sosa hit his major league-leading 58th home run but the Cincinnati Reds got a three-run homer from Jimn Zay and beat the Chicago Cubs 6-3 Monday.

Sosa pulled four home runs ahead of Mark McGwire with a long solo shot in the third off Juan Guzman 15-21 that landed on Waveland Avenue. Sosa, six games ahead of the pace of his 66-home season of a year ago, also walked and struck out twice. He needs 12 homers in his final 26 games to tie McGwire's record.

Cincinnati remained four games behind New York in the NL wild-card race. The Reds began the day 2 1/2 games behind Houston in the NL Central.

The Cubs, coming off a four-game winning streak in Philadelphia where they set a major league record with 14 over two games Saturday and Sunday, scored five times in the fifth, ripped by Young's shot to left-center against a 15 mph wind.

Cincinnati's big fifth began when center fielder Ernie Johnson lost Jason Varas's fly ball in the sun and it landed for a double. Guzman walked and, after a sacrifice, Barry Larkin hit a two-run double. Guzman and Young, who pitched four innings, allowed one run, one hit and three walks.

Kerry Wood allowed one earned run in six innings, allowing one hit, but the Reds piled up 12 hits and four runs in seven innings.

Danny Graves pitched the ninth for his 19th save in 26 chances.

The Reds' two-day power surge against the Phillies included nine home runs in a 2-3 victory Saturday. Their 15 homors over those three straight games led the NL record they established Friday through Sunday at Philadelphia. The major league record for most home runs in three straight games is 16 by Boston in 1971. The mark for four straight games is 18, shared by Boston (1977) and Oakland (1996).

They would have had another double Monday, but Greg Vaughn's long drive to left in the fourth was held up by the wind before Gleenallen Hill leaped into the Ivy to pull the ball down.

Cincinnati scored in the first on Young's two-out single. Mark Grace hit a sacrifice fly in the bottom half, and Johnson had an RBI grounder in the seventh.

Mets 3, Giants 0

Kenny Rogers pitched a four-hitter to win his 18th straight home decision, leading the New York Mets over the San Francisco Giants.

Rogers (4-0) struck out a season-high nine — one short of his career high — and walked one in his sixth career shutout, his first since Sept. 5, 1998, for Oakland against Tampa Bay. Rogers, who has two of the Mets' three complete games this season, allowed two hits each to Jeff Kent and F.P. Santangelo.

San Francisco hit a sacrifice fly in the sixth, and Rickey Henderson had a two-run single in the seventh as the Mets won for the 10th time in 13 games.

New York began the day 2 1/2 games behind first-place Atlanta in the NL East and four games ahead of Cincinnati in the wild-card race.

San Francisco dropped 6 1/2 games behind idle Arizona, which leads the NL West. Rogers' home winning streak dates to June 26, 1997, and is the longest since Frank Viola won 19 straight at Minnesota in 1987-88. The streak spans three teams: the Yankees, Oakland and the Mets.

He pitched out of two minor jams. After a two-out double by Sania on the sixth, Rogers threw a called third strike past Bill Mueller.

In the seventh, Kent had a one-out infield single and Ellis Burks followed with a walk, but Rogers got T.J. Snow to fly out and Rich Aurilia on a liner to center.

Giants starter Livan Hernandez, 0-5 against the Mets this season, left before the third inning with tightness in his rib cage. He was replaced by Mark Gardner (4-10), who pitched four innings, allowing one run, one hit and three walks.

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**NFL**

**Browns get three from waiver wire**

Associated Press

BEREA, Ohio — The Cleveland Browns claimed three players off the waiver wire Monday, including 1997 first-round draft pick Jon Harris, a defensive end who played for Virginia in 1997.

The Browns also claimed tight end Randy Palmer and defensive back Omar Stewart from the Philadelphia Eagles on Sunday.

Harris was traded by the Eagles to the Dallas Cowboys last Thursday and the Packers waived him on Sunday. The Unions traded him for a 2-7 start to the Packers.


The 6-foot-7, 300-pound defensive back Omar was slow by an illness in his rookie season and lost 36 pounds. He came back last year to start four games and make 50 tackles.

"He is a big, tricky guy who does a good job of getting off blocks," Browns coach Chris Palmer said. "There are a lot of expectations when you are a No. 1 pick. Sometimes a change of scenery helps.

"Randy Palmer, a rookie from Texas A&M-Kingsville, "is a guy we looked at as a free agent, but the draft, the buckletook us to it," the coach said.

"He is very similar to the other tight ends we have (By Smith, Mark Camahell and Ryan Collins). It will be interesting to watch the competition there." Stunsifer, a seventh-round pick of the Dallas Cowboys in 1997, started 12 games last season.

"He is a good special teams player," Palmer said.

"The Browns are at defensive line with (11 players) and them at both running back (fourth) and offensive line (three), where we expect to add some players.

The Browns reduced their roster to 55 by waiving wide receiver Jermaine Ross.

"You need the second-line guy, and Ross was OK on special teams but not as good as the other guys we kept," Palmer said.

**Arizona makes its final roster public**

Associated Press

TEMPLE, Ariz. — The Arizona Cardinals claimed two wide receivers, a defensive tackle and a free agent in place of Patrick Sapp.

Michael Pittman moved ahead of Mario Bates as backup running back behind Adrian Murrell. Bates will remain the short-yardage running back and will return kickoffs. Pittman beat out rookie David Boston as the first-string punt returner.

Tobin also welcomed offensive left guard Chris Dishman and right guard Lester Holmes back to practice.

McWilliams, Matt Joyce will start at defensive left tackle and Zach Walz will be with linebacker Tony McCombs, who started 13 games last season.

Also released were offensive lineman Allen Degraffenreid and wide receivers Tony Hamler and Chad Carpenter.

Lester Holmes back to practice on Monday. Dishman had been out since early in the training camp after undergoing arthroscopic surgery on his right elbow. Holmes is recovering from facial lacerations sustained in a car accident that crushed the right arm of teammate Ernest Dye.

Joyce, who had been playing guard in Dishman’s absence, is expected to travel largely because Clemen, who missed virtually all of his rookie season last year with back surgery, has had trouble doing his job with a broken bone in his left wrist.

Bettis may not be healthy for opener

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — The Pittsburgh Steelers’ offense, as listless during the preseason as it was at the end of last season, may not have a completely healthy Jerome Bettis for Sunday’s season opener at Cleveland.

Bettis, limited to less than a full week of practice during training camp a left knee injury, was listed as questionable Wednesday to face the Browns at home.

"I've talked to Jerome about it. It's a repetition thing. He's rusty now and he's the first to admit it," Cowher said. "He isn't where he needs to be. But it's a 16-week season and it's important to keep that in perspective." Even if Bettis plays, backup running back Mikeothermal won't get many carries, but Amos Zereoue likely will get most of the carries Sunday night against the expansion Browns. Huntley was Bettis’ backup last year, but his fumbling caused Cowher to lose confidence in him late in the season.

Zereoue, a third-round draft pick from West Virginia, led the Steelers with 170 yards on 43 carries during the preseason.

"You can't expect Jerome, off preseason progress, to be in the top of his game," Cowher said. "It is going to take a couple of weeks and it would be foolish to expect it to be otherwise.

Bettis' absence clearly affected the Steelers’ offense during a 1-3 preseason that saw the starters go scoreless over three quarters in the final two games.

There is suspicion that new offensive coordinator Kevin Gilbride held back part of the offense for the Browns, especially many of the downfield passing plays, that have returned to the Steelers’ play book since former coordinator Ray Sherman departed.

But an intricate offense that was built around a quarterback and receivers to adjust on the fly and read defenses identified as new, always to be installed and perfected on the practice field, Cowher said.

Bettis will start at right end in place of Okame.

**MLB**

**Fernandez in recovery**

Associated Press

FLORIDA — Marlins right-handed pitcher Alex Fernandez cut short his comeback season Sunday preferring to strengthen his surgically repaired right shoulder for next season.

Fernandez, 30, missed the entire 1998 season while recovering from rotator cuff surgery performed Oct. 29, 1997, following the Marlin’s run to the World Series championship.

Fernandez finished this season on a high note Saturday, tossng allowing two hits and four runs in 2-innings of a 6-4 win over the San Diego Padres. Fernandez also hit his third home run of the season Saturday.

Fernandez is 1-34 ERA. In 24 starts, he pitched 141 innings, allowing 41 walks and striking out 14.

"I'm proud of my season," Fernandez said. "I am happy for the organization for supporting me through the injury. This will help me come back stronger for next year."

Fernandez was on a 100-pitch count all season. He had two separate stints on the disabled list, once with soreness in the shoulder and the other time because of a pulled groin.

He will remain with the team and not be placed on the DL. He missed one start in early August after getting a cortisone shot in his shoulder.

Fernandez and Mariners’ management mutually agreed to shut him down at this time.

"We have accomplished quite a bit in his comeback this year," said Mariners manager Lou Piniella. "He's had soreness after every start which translated to when the doctors tell us about this type of rehabilitation process. We didn't want to be ready to go for next year."

Fernandez is the Mariners place in the standings and being out of the playoff picture played a part in the decision.
**NHL**

Hextall announces hockey retirement

**Associated Press**

VOOHEES, N.J. Ron Hextall understood all too clearly. He is 35 years old, and it was time to move on. The goalie who helped send Philadelphia to the Stanley Cup Finals 12 years ago, when he was the league's best goalie, retired Monday and will become a scout for the Flyers.

"There's a million things in a bowl that I kind of grinded together and it all came out pointing to the fact that it was time to move on," Hextall said during a news conference at the Flyers' training camp.

"I just told them upstairs that I wanted to play this year. But you know with my body aging and all the other factors, most things pointed to the fact that it was time."

Hextall said he had been offered a deal to play with Calgary, but chose the job with the Flyers.

He cited ongoing hip problems and family concerns for not wanting to leave Philadelphia.

Hextall was released by the Flyers this summer after playing backup all season. He was not claimed in the expansion draft and his retirement was expected.

"I didn't want to be a guy who kind of hung on," he said.

General manager Bob Clarke credited Hextall with strong passing skills that paved the way for such outstanding goalies as Colorado's Patrick Roy and New Jersey's Martin Brodeur.

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**Football**

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With Getherall out, freshman Jon Jones is expected to fill in on spe.

The Irish returned to practice Monday, switching its focus from the Michigan loss to this week-end's showdown.

The Irish reviewed tapes of the Michigan game before taking to the practice field.

"I have tremendous respect for the Purdue football team, but we're much more concerned with the Irish right now than we are with the Boilermakers," head coach Bob Davie said. "I think we all see the potential of this football team, but we have to eliminate our mistakes."

And Davie's staff repeated emphasizing mistakes.

"We're a little bugged by the Irish," Davie said. "They've got a lot of talent and they failed to make a first down on the final play of the game.

"Our biggest problem is our lack of execution."

Santiago, the offensive coordinator Kevin Rogers said.

Davie, however, was still upbeat about Monday's practice and the team remained positive.

"I like the attitude of our team," Davie said. "Losing is hard, but the most important thing is how you bounce back from that and how you respond to that and I think this team will come back strong.

"We usually feel good about Monday practice," Davie added. "You don't practice that long; you don't practice in full pads. So the real test will be tomorrow."

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**Club Sports**

Water polo team falls

Special to The Observer

The men's water polo club dropped an opener Saturday to defending national champion and No. 1-ranked Michigan, 13-4.

On the strength of a four-goal burst, the Irish closed within 11-8 midway through the fourth quarter. The Wolverines rallied, however, to score and seal the victory.

The Irish B team fared much better, thrashing Michigan 8-4, 13-9.

This weekend, the club will travel to Knoxville, Tenn., to participate in the University of Tennessee's Hillbilly Classic.

**Major League Baseball**

Mussina returns to pitch

Associated Press

Mike Mussina is on the road to recovery from a bruised right shoulder and has been penciled in as the Baltimore Orioles' starting pitcher Sept. 14 against Oakland.

Mussina (15-7) hasn't pitched since Aug. 22, when he was hit on the shoulder by a line drive off the bat of Chicago's Brook Fordyce. He is still sporting an ugly bruise, but hasn't written off the possibility of returning this season.

"He threw yesterday lightly off the mound. I'm not saying he could start ... but perhaps he could be ready for that first game against Oakland," Orioles manager Ray Miller said Monday. "That's tentative."

Two other starters with far less experience, Sidney Ponson and Jason Johnson, might skip the next two turns in the rotation after his next start," Miller said. "I'd like to give Ponson a pause. I'd like to do the same thing with Johnson after his next start."

"They're young and have high futures. It would be pretty silly to keep popping them out there every five days if it looks like they're wearing down."

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"I'm not sure I want to give them a day off," Miller said. "I think they'll bounce back."

"I lost it," Mussina said. "I think it's going to take a while."

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Senior captain Leffers leads Irish in teamwork

By MATT OLIVA

As the Notre Dame women's volleyball team begins another season, significant changes have taken place and senior captain Mary Leffers is a key part of the new Irish outlook.

The Irish are concentrating on being more team-oriented and setting specific short-term goals this year. The focus has switched from winning games and winning the conference title to executing well in practice and being more time-efficient.

During practice and off the court as well.

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"Everyone has to contribute for us to be successful," she added. If we are playing well then everyone catches on fire, but on the contrary if we have a sub-par performance it is hard to pick everyone up. It's all a team concept. If everyone is playing well we will do well, if we are playing bad, then we will do bad. We are going to win and lose as a team."

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U.S. OPEN

Serena Williams defeats Spaniard

Associated Press

NEW YORK  Serena Williams flexed her rippling muscles as she stepped up to serve the final game against Conchita Martinez, showing the weary Spaniard and everyone else the strength she had left.

Closing out her biggest win in a major tournament at the U.S. Open on Monday, Williams took a moment to peer at Martinez standing far behind the baseline, then promptly served her 12th ace far out of Martinez's reach for a 4-6, 6-2, 6-2 victory.

At 17, Williams had the energy to stay with Martinez through long rallies and three tough sets, to keep going after her no matter how hot and muggy the weather had become.

Jets roared incessantly, the wind blew but air through the stadium, and the sun burned through the clouds.

It was the kind of day that wears down players, distracts them, makes them light-headed, but Williams didn't let any of that bother her.

Williams, seeded No. 7, played sloppily at times, whacking through, backhand, missing too many easy shots. But she endured through a combination of persistence and talent and youthful vitality to reach her first quarterfinal in a major tournament.

Now another older champi-

on stands in Williams' way.

No. 4 Lindsay Davenport, who won the U.S. Open for the first time in 1995 when she was the same age Williams is today.

Williams isn't intimidated playing anyone — she's brut-

"Three sets today, a day and a half off, he'll be ready all right. I have no intention of making any further dreams come true for him."  
Andre Agassi  professional tennis player

en virtually all the top players — and she's not worried about Seles, whom she's beaten in both their matches.

"I love playing Monica," said Williams, who has served on a high level more than Williams. "But I never thought I'd be playing her again at the U.S. Open after such an interval."  

Seles looked impressed in reaching the quarters with a 6-4, 6-3, 6-3 victory over Jennifer Capriati.

"She's really hungry, she knows she's going to face a lot of hard and fast balls" that will be tough to keep up with.

"She covers more ground than I do," Seles said today or tomorrow," Seles said.  
From that point of view, she doesn't have the advantage.

That won't be the only hard-hitting match coming up.

No. 5 Mary Pierce, who has groundstrokes as crisp as any woman, will reached the quarters with a 6-3, 7-6 (8-6) victory over Sabine Appelmann and will next play the winner of the match between defending champion Lindsay Davenport and Jullie Hingis-Bulgars.

In men's play, No. 2 Andre Agassi rolled into the quarters with a 6-4, 6-4, 6-3 victory over Arnaud Clément; No. 3 Yevgeny Kafelnikov downed Andrei Medvedev 7-6 (7-5), 6-1, 6-0, and Frenchman Richard Gasquet ousted No. 10 Marcello Riso 6-2, 6-3, 6-7, 5-7.

"I felt good about the way I stayed focused from start to fin-

ish," Agassi said.  
"I was making everything he did win out there. I knew in the long run, I'd probably get the better of him."

"He's a real good backhand, a sneaky first serve," Agassi said. "He really played well, but I never would have guessed that he would have trouble getting those shots set up (against Rius).

Three sets today, a day and a half off, all in an easy right. I have no intention of making any further dreams come true for him."
MEN'S SOCCER

Irish to host Western Michigan

By KERRY SMITH
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame men's soccer team looks to keep its streak alive when it faces Western Michigan tonight. Strong performances in the season's first two games propelled the Irish to a 2-0-0 record going into their match up with the Broncos.

Key contributions by freshmen starters allayed some fears that inexperience might hurt the squad.

"We knew going in that we had a good group of freshmen and that they would have to play an important role on the team," head coach Mike Burticelli said. "We're very pleased with what the young players have done.

Freshmen forwards provided the Irish with the team's only two goals this season - just enough to edge out Northwestern and Boston College.

Rafael Garcia scored the game-winner in Notre Dame-Western Michigan meeting - Pogue helped hold the Irish to a 1-1 overtime tie.

"Gerick Short, Garcia, and Eastern Illinois.

In 1998 - the most recent season - just enough to edge out Northwestern and Boston College.

The two helped the Irish to a 2-0-0 record in its series with Michigan defense.

Western Michigan has an outstanding goalkeeper. I think one of the best in the country," Burticelli said. "Once we get behind the defense, it's not as if we're automatically going to score a goal."

In 1998 - the most recent Notre Dame-Western Michigan meeting - Pogue helped hold the Irish to a 1-1 overtime tie.

"The goalkeeper took a game that we should have won fairly easily and turned it into a situation where we got out with a tie," Burticelli said. "They come going to battle, fight for every position, and are backed by a quick and extremely talented goalkeeper," he added.

The Notre Dame team captured 47 kills on 406 hitting to go along with 1.08 digs per game and a team-best 1.38 blocks per game throughout the week.

Leffers was an unanimous selection to the seven-member Shamrock Invitational all-tournament team.

She also registered her 400th career kill in the team's only loss of the week to sixth-ranked Pacific.
Irish middle blockers Malinda Goralski (left) and Jo Jameyson go up strong to block an opponent's hit. The Irish are 3-1 on the season under head coach Debbie Brown.

Irish finish second in Shamrock Classic to Pacific

By MATT OLIVA
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The Irish volleyball team capped off a successful Shamrock Classic weekend with a three-game sweep of Louisville.

The wins placed Notre Dame 2-1 for the tournament, second behind Pacific, who went undefeated. Louisville finished third with a 1-2 record, and Northwestern went winless for the weekend for a last place finish.

"We did good things in all three games, especially against Pacific," head coach Debbie Brown said. "I think our team did a great job today. We competed well."

The Irish opened the tournament Friday with a 3-0 victory over the Northwestern Wildcats but were unable to defeat sixth-ranked Pacific on Saturday, losing 3-0.

Sunday's match against Louisville was much closer than the term "sweep" might indicate.

With the Irish leading 14-11 in the first game, Louisville charged back behind the jump serve of Sarah Drury to tie the game at 14. But the comeback was not enough, as senior Mary Lefferts and junior Christi Gorton guided the Irish to a 16-14 victory.

Game 2 was just as close, with the Irish eventually winning 15-13. After taking a 12-9 lead, Notre Dame surrendered five straight points.

But the Cardinals were unable to score again, and the Irish took a 2-0 lead.

In the third game, the Irish ran out to an impressive lead and never looked back.

With 10 kills and 9 digs, junior Jo Jameyson led the Irish to a 15-4 win.

Lefferts and sophomore Kristy Kreher each contributed 9 kills against Louisville, while Denise Reyland had a team high 33 assists on the day.

The Cardinal's Sonja Percan led all players with 20 kills in the match, while teammate Emily Robertson had a match high 34 assists.

"This was probably the toughest match for us," Brown said.

FOOTBALL

Injuries strike Irish, threaten weekend play

By BRIAN KESSLER
Sports Editor

The Irish will have some injury problems to deal with this week in practice as they prepare for Saturday's game at Purdue.

Quarterback Jarious Jackson injured his toe in the fourth quarter of last Saturday's Michigan game, but didn't notify coaches until after the game. He practiced lightly on Monday despite barely being able to walk on Sunday.

"I'm feeling a lot better now," Jackson said. "I'm able to walk, even though I'm limping. It's not throbbing and the swelling has gone down, so it feels better."

Backup quarterback Arnaz Battle will step in if Jackson can't play Saturday.

"Every week you have to go out there and get ready because you never know what is going to happen," he said.

"We run so many options and roll-outs, and there are a lot of teams that blitz. You never know what is going to happen.

"Jarious is a strong guy," Battle continued. "I don't think a toe will keep Jarious out of the game. Right now, I am looking at it like he will not be back but I am pretty sure he is. I am just trying to go out there and prepare myself and the team in a good week of practice."

Junior flanker Joey Getherall separated his right shoulder in the second half of last Saturday's game and isn't expected back until after the Sept. 25 open date.

"I'm disappointed for Joey, because Joey has really worked hard and he is bigger and stronger than he has ever been," Davie said. "Joey is a really good football player and he is a valuable member of the team."

Quarterback Jarious Jackson threw for 302 yards Saturday in the Irish loss to Michigan. He injured his toe in the game, and his playing status against Purdue is uncertain.

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With the Irish leading 14-11 in the first game, Louisville charged back behind the jump serve of Sarah Drury to tie the game at 14. But the comeback was not enough, as senior Mary Lefferts and junior Christi Gorton guided the Irish to a 16-14 victory.

Game 2 was just as close, with the Irish eventually winning 15-13. After taking a 12-9 lead, Notre Dame surrendered five straight points.

But the Cardinals were unable to score again, and the Irish took a 2-0 lead.

In the third game, the Irish ran out to an impressive lead and never looked back.

With 10 kills and 9 digs, junior Jo Jameyson led the Irish to a 15-4 win.

Lefferts and sophomore Kristy Kreher each contributed 9 kills against Louisville, while Denise Reyland had a team high 33 assists on the day.

The Cardinal's Sonja Percan led all players with 20 kills in the match, while teammate Emily Robertson had a match high 34 assists.

"This was probably the toughest match for us," Brown said.