Non-Catholic students say they benefit from keeping their faith at a Catholic university

By ERIN LARUFFA
News Writer

When Apana Fakhir visited college campuses as a high school senior, she decided Notre Dame needed her most.

Fakhir, a practicing Muslim, thought she could add a new perspective to the predominately Catholic student body.

"Understand there are people who do not think like you do," Fakhir said. "I'm glad I was here to educate other people."

Fakhir is one of the University's 1,218 non-Catholic undergraduates. Between 70 and 80 percent of Notre Dame applicants are Catholics, according to admissions counselor Moira Schrader. If all things are equal, Schrader said, a Catholic student usually will be admitted before a non-Catholic.

Because so many students are Catholic, Fakhir must often explain the Muslim customs. Many students come from areas where there are few Muslims, Fakhir said, so their lack of understanding comes from a lack of education.

"I've faced a lot of ignorance here," she said. Her headscarf, she explains, is not a fashion statement, but a practice she has abided by since age 6. According to Muslim doctrine, Fakhir must cover her head in public. She is also prohibited from wearing tight or short clothing.

Instead of going to the Basilica on Sundays, she worships at a South Bend mosque on Fridays and prays five times a day in her McGlinn dorm room.

Fakhir also finds ways to fit her religion into the Catholic community. Most in the dining hall, she said, is "not lawful." Although Food Services offers to make certain meals available for her, she often prepares food in her room sent from her parents in Ohio.

Notre Dame's religious atmosphere also helps non-Catholic students learn about a new religion.

In a social psychology class discussion, freshman Anne Liddy, a Lutheran, noticed

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Campus celebrates, recognizes American veterans

By ALISON HEINZ
News Writer

Two F-16s piloted by service veterans flew over Stonehenge as the last few strains of the National Anthem floated through the air, marking the opening of the tri-military Veteran's Day Retreat Ceremony Wednesday evening.

Tim Hoerner, Democratic representative of Indiana's 3rd District, the district in which the University is located, and Father Theodore Hesburgh, University president emeritus, addressed the crowd. The audience was comprised of members of the South Bend community, veterans, students and the cadets and midshipmen of Notre Dame's ROTC program.

"Freedom is never free," Hoerner said. He then read the famous letter sent to Lydia Bixby of Boston from Abraham Lincoln after he learned she lost five sons on the battlefield. The letter served as a major source of inspiration for the movie "Saving Private Ryan."

Before introducing Hesburgh, Roemer said, "Remember that we've had thousands of 'Private Ryans' we must not forget."

During his brief remarks Hesburgh praised the members of ROTC both past and present.

"You are part of a long tradition, a tradition written in stone on the other side of this monument," Hesburgh said in reference to Stonehenge, which bears a Latin inscription meaning "we are for peace, we are for our country."

Hesburgh praised the 50th Notre Dame men and women who have died, making the ultimate sacrifice, to uphold their belief in God, Country and Notre Dame.

"These men and women, the products of Notre Dame ROTC, went out with courage and died with courage," Hesburgh said.

Many students weathered the first cold wind this week to pay tribute to America's war veterans.

"I came out for it because my dad is a Lieutenant Colonel in the United States Army Reserve and all of my great-uncles served in World War II, and I think it's a nice tribute," said junior Dominic Caruso.
Groovy activism

Despite the many ideological differences between people on this campus, most of us agree to disagree with the conditions of many U.S. factories in foreign countries, affecting the known as sweatshops. While our objections might have different roots behind them, we would all like to see safer, more humane treatment of sweatshop workers. It's only logical to therefore question the role of our University with regards to the production of Notre Dame clothing and other products. Activists rightfully protested Notre Dame's role and called for a boycott. Now the administration is partaking in a monitoring agreement with the Fair Labor Association, with monitoring by — guess — PricewaterhouseCoopers. You can imagine how much this steamed many activists, who do not trust corporations in the first place.

Maybe the malcontents have a point — why should Notre Dame employ an accounting firm with experience and expertise? We must not forget that they are still a corporation, so they can't possibly be very nice. I believe the solution, one that will involve really nice guys with business know-how.

Dustin Ferrell
Assistant Viewpoint Editor

This Week in Notre Dame/Saint Mary's History

Student Union ticket office robbed
November 15, 1972

A robbery cost the Student Union over $200 in cash. A $1500 check was also taken, but it was cancelled. There were no suspects. The money was taken from a desk during office hours and the door was not locked. Jim Schneid of the Student Union said that they had narrowed the time of theft to a 15-20 minute period between 3 and 4 p.m.

Students to pay $1,400 for food fight
November 12, 1987

A damage bill of $1400 was given to the Hall Presidents' Council by University Food Services to cover expenses for a food fight in which 800 Notre Dame students participated. The bill was to cover the cost of broken dishes, wasted food and paying employees to clean up. No matter how the bill was divided it all came from the student body, said student body vice president Laurie Brink.

Outside the Dome

Three homemade bombs explode at MSU

Hate slurs found at Dartmouth

The Hanover Police and Safety and Security are investigating a string of anti-Semitic slurs repeatedly discovered on a student’s door in Topliff residence hall over the past two weeks. At 10:30 a.m. Wednesday morning, a Topliff resident discovered the slur “Jews Suck” on Gussow’s board. The economics major has been missing since October, he was anxious about what he was going to do that some­thing. School officials confirmed Wednesday that the second floor of Philips near the courtyard, said the bombs were "very loud, like gunshots.

Phelps resident Ashley Dehr said the idea that the bombs were placed in the courtyard, where many students often play football, concerns her. “It doesn’t make us feel safe, ” Dehr said. "It makes us have to be more careful.

Wills said yesterday’s discovery is not connected to prior incidents at Philips. On Oct. 21, a female student at Phelps was assaulted when a man entered her unlocked residence hall room.

Hate slurs found at Dartmouth

Yale student disappears

When Braden senior Gregory Norris died, his mother and father, on Parents’ Weekend in mid-October, he was anxious about what he was going to do when he graduated. He was uneasy about his future. His father suggested he travel or perhaps join the Peace Corps to help collect his thoughts about how he wants to spend the rest of his life. “His time at Yale slipped by a lot quicker than he thought it would,” his father, Jerry Norris, said in his home in Omaha, Neb. Perhaps Norris has taken his father’s advice to heart. The economics major has been missing since October, he was anxious about what he was going to do when he graduated. He was uneasy about his future. His father suggested he travel or perhaps join the Peace Corps to help collect his thoughts about how he wants to spend the rest of his life. "His time at Yale slipped by a lot quicker than he thought it would," his father, Jerry Norris, said in his home in Omaha, Neb. Perhaps Norris has taken his father’s advice to heart. The economics major has been missing since October, he was anxious about what he was going to do when he graduated. He was uneasy about his future. His father suggested he travel or perhaps join the Peace Corps to help collect his thoughts about how he wants to spend the rest of his life.

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The AccuWeather forecast for Sunday, November 12, 1987: Overcast skies with a high of 60°F and a low of 38°F.

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By MOLLY MCVOY

It was Thursday morning and Marilyn Shelton was getting ready for chemistry lab with professor Toni Barstis. Shelton was going to learn about pig pit and test the acidity of all kinds of household products.

Shelton, however, is not a chemistry major. She’s not even a student at Saint Mary’s. She is a seventh- and eighth-grade teacher who brings 18 pre-teens from St. Adelbert’s with her to the lab.

The middle-schoolers participate in CoSTEP, a science outreach program at Saint Mary’s. “The kids have learned things that they would never be exposed to at our school,” Shelton said. “It’s things they need to know.”

The college received a $1 million grant from the Lilly Endowment for the College Preparatory Program, which includes “Science Power Labs.” Three of these power labs are in session at the College this semester.

Nancy Nekvavil, a Saint Mary’s physiology professor, teaches a lab for home-schooled students and one for students from Navarre, a public grade school in South Bend.

The labs — developed mainly for at-risk students without access to extensive science equipment — are taught jointly by a professor and Saint Mary’s biology and chemistry students. The labs, held weekly, have taught students everything from how a frog’s heart beats to how many calories are in a peanut.

“Because they’re so excited about everything, it helps us realize why we’re doing science,” said junior Christine Blinn, a teaching assistant.

“It gives them the chance to do things they don’t normally do, like performing hands-on experiments with common, everyday things they can relate to,” she said.

The grant comes from Ely Lilly, an Indiana-based drug company. Ely Lilly had a substantial profit from the sale of Prozac and used it to help Indiana students.

“The company’s three goals in forming the endowment were to get Indiana residents in college, keep them in college and keep them in Indiana after graduation.

The students from St. Adelbert’s are seventh and eighth graders who come on Thursday mornings to learn chemistry, see the College and even enjoy dining hall lunches.

“We don’t have this much science equipment at school,” Elizabeth Andrisky, a St. Adelbert’s student said. “We don’t really get to do science that’s this hands-on very often.”

The goal of these labs is not only to give students the scientific background that will be necessary once they get to high school, but also to get them excited about college in general.

“The idea is to get them here, get them some lab experience and get them to want to go to college,” Barstis said.

The labs are working, according to those involved. The teachers have seen an improvement in the students’ scientific language, writing and ability to use scientific instruments.

“It’s certainly interesting and neat to hear them begin to speak more scientifically,” Nekvavil said. “It’s amazing how far they’ve come,” agreed junior Emily Koesch, a teaching assistant.

“William In St. Adelbert’s student said to me, Why do our experiments get easier every week? I told him that they were under­ standing it so much better,” she said.

“They love it. They have so much fun.”

The labs are not the only facet of this endowment. As part of the outreach, the Saint Mary’s community hopes to get as many students and teachers involved as possible.

During the summer, Saint Mary’s hosts the Saint Mary’s Science Teacher Institute. One- and two-week sessions are held to introduce elementary school teachers to new scientific curricula and experiments they can use in their classroom.

Deborah McCarthey, Joseph Bellina and Doris Wyatt, professors from the College, ran the sessions this summer. The ele­ mentary school teachers performed college-level experiments as well as experiments they could use in their classrooms. At the end of the sessions, each teacher received a kit of materials and texts valued at $300.

“We wanted to do was to make the teachers be in the exact position their stu­ dents would be in both to cre­ ate empathy for them and an understanding of what this inquiry-based science is,” McCarthey said.

The Eureka Science Academy is also held at the College during the summer as part of this program. Fourth through sixth graders attend a three-week day camp where the students go on nature walks, learn about the local wildlife and explore their community.

Sixty students participated in the program and came to six Saturday follow-up sessions during the school year.

The goal of this program is to improve their reading, writing and thinking skills, espe­ cially in science, Barstis said.

The Ely Lilly endowment will last for three years, and power labs, the teacher’s academy and Eureka will continue as well. The College is already receiving requests for the upcoming sessions. Everyone involved is excited to be a part of the outreach.

“By exposing them, especially through mentoring, se­ vening the professors and the TAs that You could do this,” Barstis said.

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By MOLLY MCVOY

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A two-week service-learning opportunity in Mexico: May 17 – 31, 2000
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that most of the students were not personally affected by divorce, likely because of their Catholic upbringing. Her classmates seemed reluctant to discuss the effect of divorce on children, Liddy said.

Her roommate Maureen Doyle, also a Lutheran, found students were more apt to evaluate an argument in class based on Catholic teaching. "Most people just assume everyone here is Catholic," Doyle said.

Fakhir sees strengths in learning from a Catholic perspective.

"A lot of people use God and the Bible... as a topic of conversation [in their classes]," Fakhir said. "I think it's a positive aspect."

Discussing God would be "taboo" at a public university, she added. "That discussion helps students to evaluate who they are.

Despite practicing a religion different than most here, Notre Dame has not altered Doyle's Protestant faith.

"Notre Dame has such a good moral standing," Doyle said. "I knew I could come here and still practice my faith. I like going just to worship in church."

Doyle and Liddy attend Catholic Mass now, though neither participates in communion. Both notice the importance placed on the Eucharist in Mass.

"Equal importance seems to be placed on everything [in a Lutheran service]... it is not focused on the communion," Liddy said.

Liddy's mother had reservations about her daughter attending a Catholic university. "My mom was a little bit worried," said Liddy. She explained that her mother was concerned about the Church's positions on topics such as abortion, birth control and homosexuality, which vary from the Lutheran stance.

Keeping her faith, she said, has helped her to educate students about her religion's beliefs.

"Islam is the way I want to remain Muslim," said Ayana Fakhir, McElhin senior.

"It was an opportunity to become stronger in my own faith," she said about attending Notre Dame. "Islam is my life. I wanted to remain Muslim."

Notre Dame's Catholic atmosphere potentially could have weakened her dedication to Islam. Now, she has to work harder to remain "steadfast," she said.

Ramadan Ameen, a senior theology and engineering major, converted from Islam to Catholicism in high school.

"Faith helps [students] to evaluate an argument in class based on good moral principles," Doyle said. During his junior year, Ameen took a theology class about miracles, which covered the Catholic approach to the topic. He said, however, that he wanted to learn about other religions' perspectives of the course's themes.

The exploration of other religions challenges Catholics and helps them to define themselves in their own religion, said Ameen, an engineering and theology major.

However, he said there is not enough religious discussion in most engineering classes. "Notre Dame's job is to produce good Catholic citizens for America," said Ameen.

"Here, there's a lot of support for the Catholic lifestyle," Ameen said. "Also said students must seek out religious experiences, but added that at many other universities such opportunities are not available.

The concepts of charity, love and are also important to Ameen's religious life. He said he believes doing community service is actually doing work for God.

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Compromise plan rejected

Belfast

Northern Ireland's major British Protestant parry, narrowly voted Thursday against a compromise plan designed to make the Good Friday peace accord work. The Ulster Unionist vote 14-13 was made under a severe setback at a critical moment for Ulster Unionist leader David Trimble, who has spent days trying to revive plans. The movement's confrontation with the IRA was not resolved by the latter's leader as was expected by American diplomat George Mitchell, hanged on a consultative but noncommittal statement offered by the Irish Republican Army. According to Ulster Unionist sources, the out-laid group's statement emphasized commit- ment to its 1997 cease-fire — but made no overt promise to disarm — and may signal the beginning of a new phase in the Ulster Unionist's long-running talks.

Banner doesn't fly with NAACP

Columbia

The NAACP stood firm in its plan to boycott South Carolina until the Confederate battle flag is removed from the Statehouse dome, snubbing the governor who offered to fight for a law. Martin Luther King Jr. holiday if the bribery boycott was called off. The boycott will begin with the new year and "will be aug­mented by other action as necessary," the NAACP said in a written statement. At least 80 groups have canceled conventions and meetings in the state since the boycott was announced. South Carolina is the only state to fly the Confederate flag above its Capitol. Its opponents maintain the banner is a symbol of racism and slavery. Supporters say it preserves Southern heritage. Democratic Gov. Jim Hodges proposed the holiday-boycott swap Wednesday during an Equal Opportunity Day banquet.

Afgan men protest U.N.

Islamabad, Pakistan

Scores of Afghan men raged against the United Nations and the United States Thursday in a second day of protests against pending economic sanctions, officials said. Hearded men shouted slogans in the capital of Iberia province Thursday, condemning U.N. sanctions, which will go into effect Sunday unless the Taliban religious army turns over suspected terrorist Osama bin Laden to stand trial on terrorism charges. Demanding's were also held in the western town of Farah and U.N. staff in the eastern town of Khost have been advised to brace for similar demonstrations on Friday, U.N. spokesman Fred Eckhardt said in New York. On Wednesday, thousands of men burned U.S. flags and threw stones and bricks at U.N. offices in southern Kundahar, the Taliban headquarters. No one was injured, said Stephanie Busker, a U.N. spokeswoman in neighboring Pakistan.

Car bomb kills eight, injures 45

Bogota

Reviving memories of a bloody era when drug lords sowed terror to avoid extradition to the United States, a car bomb ripped through a Bogota commercial dis­ trict Thursday, killing at least eight people and injur­ ing 45. The shrapnel-packed bomb, placed in a red Mazda sedan and believed detonated by remote control, destroyed a two-story house and a restaurant on a wide avenue and blew out the windows of banks, stores and apartment build­ ings near a quarter mile away.

It was the Colombian cap­i­tal's worst blast since the wave of terror by the Medellin cocaine cartel in the late 1980s and early 1990s aimed at stopping the extradition of its mem­ bers to the United States. The campaign only ended with the cartel's 1993 demise.

The new attack came a day after the Supreme Court approved the second handover in a week of a major alleged drug traffick­ er to the United States — and Colombians feared it was a blunt warning to the government not to go ahead with more than three dozen planned extraditions.

"You get the feeling the wolf is raising its ears again," said Miguel Maia, a former head of the state security agency. Maia headed the agency in 1989, when a bomb placed by traffickers leveled its head­ quarters, killing 80 employ­ ees in the single most dev­ astating attack of the era.

Colombia is the world's No. 1 cocaine exporter and a growing heroin supplier. U.S. officials have pres­ sured authorities here to extradite drug kingpins for trial in U.S. courtrooms, where they face much stiffer sentences than in Colombia.

This violent country's leaders have traditionally been loath to do so and there has not been an extradition for nine years. But President Andres Pastrana pledged to resign handovers after his election last year, hoping for U.S. support in confronting the illegal drug trade and leftist rebels.

Pastrana responded to Thursday's bombing defi­antly, signing dozens hours later that would extradite two in the United States a Colombian and a Venezuelan accused of being major drug traffick­ ers.

Italy

Apartment collapses, traps families

Associated Press

FOGGIA

A six-story apartment building came crashing down upon 24 sleeping households in southern Italy on Thursday, trapping them in a 15-foot-high heap of concrete and dust. Only one family escaped intact, fleeing with seconds to spare after a frantic attempt to save their neighbors.

Waked by the sound of the building shaking itself to pieces, the family of five ran apartment to apartment, ringing doorbells and pounding on doors. The effort nearly cost them their lives, said building superin­ tendent Luigi Lapoleta, who ran from the building with the family at the last minute.

"I took a step back, think­ ing I could see someone stick their head out the window," Lapoleta said. "Instead, I saw the entire building crumble."

By nightfall, authorities had accounted for only 17 survivors out of the 70 to 75 people believed to be inside. The latest, a young man, was pulled out more than nine hours after the last sur­ vivor had been found. After a day of seeing only covered bodies on gurneys go by, the dusty search crews stopped digging to applaud the res­ cue, shouting, "He's alive!"

Searchers recovered 13 corpses, wheeling them out under green sheets with bro­ ken limbs dangling.

Paramilitary police Capt. Antonio Di Spazio said he feared about 50 people had been killed.

Many may have died on the site, trying to escape. Authorities suspect a structural failure brought down the 30-year-old build­ ing. Some residents said workers had been remov­ ing a garage underneath, Di Spazio said that would be investigated.

In Rome, politicians urged Parliament to push through a proposed law that would make buildings subject to periodic inspection.

"It is absurd that cars must undergo periodic checks while buildings don't," said Cristina Matranza, a lawmaker for the opposition Forza Italia party.

Emergency crews evacu­ ated an adjoining building in the neighborhood, a cluster of tidy, well-kept apartment blocks in the city of 150,000. Awakened in the night by the crash and then by screams, neighbors packed balconies to watch the day­ long rescue effort.

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South Bend-bound plane crashes

Associated Press

CHICAGO

A small plane carrying three passengers crashed into Lake Michigan immediately after takeoff Thursday, aviation officials said.

Divers were searching the submerged plane for survivors late Thursday. It crashed upon departure from Chicago's Meigs Field, a single-runway airport near Chicago's Loop.

The King Air 200 twin-engine turbo prop went into the water at about 8:30 p.m., a Coast Guard petty officer said. Chicago Aviation Department spokeswoman Monique Bond said the plane had three passengers on board.

Chicago firefighters, police and Coast Guard workers were on a rescue and recovery mission, Bond said. The plane was submerged in about 22 feet of water about 100 yards off shore, said Chicago Fire Department spokesman Bill Norris.

"It was just a loud splash of some kind," Joseph Zannelli, witness

"I thought it was a car crash."

"It was just a loud splash of some kind," Joseph Zannelli, who was near the airport at the time, told WGN-TV. "I didn't know what happened."

Bond said she did not know who owns the plane or where it was destined. Meigs shut down for the night as rescue crews swarmed the area and helicopters hovered overhead. The airport normally closes at 10 p.m.

Conditions were fine at the time of takeoff, Bond said. She said she did not know what could have caused the crash.

Meigs Field sits on the lakefront near the Adler Planetarium, Field Museum and Shedd Aquarium.

West: Dante's women vary in poetry

By KYLIE ANDREWS

West

Although the four major women in Dante and Montale's poetry are often grouped into two categories, the lines aren't as distinct as they seem, said Rebecca West, professor of Italian literature at the University of Chicago.

West spoke of the differences and similarities among the women in the poetry of Dante and Montale in her Thursday lecture, "The Other Woman" in Dante's and Montale's "Poetic Literature."

Montale (1896-1981), an influential modern Italian poet publishing for much of the 20th century, received the Nobel Prize in 1975.

"The feminine poetic beloved is typically read as one of a pair — the one who loves and the woman loved," West said.

The beloved is seen in the poetry of Dante and Montale as transcendent, existing on a higher plain. Because of this absence from everyday life, the poet is forced to create her presence in poetry.

"It takes the loss of her earthly presence to grip her greater meaning," West said. In Dante, the transcendent woman was Beatrice; in Montale, it was a woman referred to as Citra.

This image created by the poets is complicated by other, more earthly feminine forms. A look at these four women, for Dante a woman named Petra and for Montale a woman named Volpe, helps create a deeper understanding of the feminine symbolic in the poet's writings, said West.

The two types of women are usually placed in contrast, with Beatrice and Citra presented as salvational, West said. Volpe and Petra are usually seen as earthly and terrestrial, the opposite of the transcendent pair in error and sin.

Although marked as opposites, the four women, in fact, share many attributes and played a significant role in the development of the poets' work.

"Petra is not as far from Beatrice as first might seem to be the case," West said of the pair's relationship. "There begins a process of blurring the oppositions."

Petra is marked by harsh style and energy, and is used by Dante to express his interest in mortality. She also has cosmic and mythical associations, on a higher than stylistic level, that portray her as a precursor to Beatrice.

"She should not be seen as an excuse for stylistic expression," added West. The earthly women, then, are preparations for the transcendent women, she said.

The four women are all feminine figures of great power, who the poets depend upon in their search for their authentic self and their push to discover the potential and limits of poetry in understanding experience.

"The way the poetic figures work is as a presence of absolute difference, both gender difference and a difference in terms of a cosmically charged quality," West said.

Considered a leader in the field of Italian contemporary literature, West has published "Eugenio Montale, Poet on the Edge" (1981) and "Montale, Profeta del Postmodernismo" (1998).

She is also the co-editor of "Women's Voices in Italian Literature" (1989).

West's lecture was the last lecture in a series of three sponsored by the Notre Dame Devere Program in Dante Studies titled "Dante and Modern Italian Poetry."
By KATE STEER

Memories are created to serve many purposes, good and bad, said Nove Stern in a lecture Thursday. Memories glorify, tear down, unify and separate, she said.

Stern, who hails from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, visited Notre Dame to speak about the image of Chile under the Pinochet regime.

"Memories are a process. They are the bridges that people build with the past," Stern said.

This process, which started in 1973 when the Pinochet regime came into power and continued until he stepped down in 1998, has resulted in many conflicting concepts of the period.

Stern pointed to three divisions of this time period, which each represent different ways of thinking about the past.

"Between 1973 and 1983, in the 10 years following the military coup, emblematic memories were tried out and pushed into public domain," he said. Memory as subaltern is the main concept that represents those 10 years.

The next period, from 1983 to 1998 is characterized by a memory free-for-all. During this time, it is unclear what memories were adopted.

"The period between 1983 and 1998 is a time of the final makings of memory as impedance," Stern said. When people look back now, these are the memories that exist.

"When people reflect on the years under Pinochet, or on any period, they focus on memory knots," Stern said. These are symbolically charged people and places that shake us out of our unthinking flow of daily life.

Memory, Stern said, is like a box. A closed box represents times when there is a deliberate attempt to deny or memory to embody certain ideals or emotions.

"From 1978 to 1983, there is a closed box mentality," he said. "Memory is an institutionalization of a long-term future for the regime."

When the box is open, he said, there is an ability to deal with the true memories. The release of truth in the case of Chile caused the revelation of the dictatorship.

"The struggle over memory created a profound impasse — breach between cultural and military memory," Stern said. This conflict makes reconciling with the past very difficult for the people of Chile.

"How many of these crises of memory can the culture withstand while making their democratic transition?" he asked.

The nature of memory and the different ways of viewing the past have created a paradox in Chilean culture, he said. The people create an ordinary, tranquil, amnesia-ridden culture where the truth and tumult of the past are denied. A few weeks later there is a massive convulsion of the people in reaction to factual memory, he added.

"Methodologically, it's the human performance, the reactions that give us our picture of Pinochet's Chile," Stern said.

Stern's lecture, "The Memory Box of Pinochet's Chile: Truth Strategies and the Age of Politicide, 1973-1998," was sponsored by the Kellogg Institute.

By NELLIE WILLIAMS

As a small women's liberal arts college, Saint Mary's College offers the advantage of strong alumni relations and athletic success.

"Memorial networking is very valuable," said director of Alumni Relations Beth Henry. "Although we don't have a percent, we know a good number of our students give a job through an alumnus."

On Monday, a business department panel discussion with three Saint Mary's students gave advice to current students planning to pursue business careers.

"I believe that the alumnas took a genuine interest in the concerns of the attending students and provided us with useful advice," said student Shara Jackson, who helped organize the panel. "The alumnas did an excellent job of providing interested students with insight as to what they encountered upon graduating and entering the work force as well as things they encountered upon starting out in their field."

The alumnas spoke about the importance of good communication, persistence and responsibility.

"When entering the work force, speakers advised students to set priorities and to stay involved with activities outside of work," said Joanne Serafoss, an associate, Crowe Chizek and Company LLP. "Ambition plays a big part in it. Don't stress for the job you want, stress for the job you should want."

"You have to have ambition and persistence. No one is going to hand it to you," said Cathlynn Howe, who works for IL Lilly and Company.

"I would say in order to be successful, you need to first realize what success means to you," said Erin Emig, who works with AIDS Ministries. "You have to have ambition and persistence. No one is going to hand it to you."

Cathlynn Howe said that it is very important to contact as many people as possible when investigating a certain job.

"Try to get interviews and try and contact alumnas," said Howe, who works for IL Lilly and Company. Thursday, the Counseling & Career Development Center and the student government board, co-sponsored a Showcase of Careers with representatives from large organizations, some of whom were alumnae.

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Technology Services Group is a small consulting firm located in Chicago. This is its first year recruiting at Saint Mary's.

"I am really excited to be back," said member of the firm Wolfert. "Our company sees the benefits of working with a small college."

The interaction with alumnae gave students one goal: look for a comfortable start-up base, but also companies of alumnae looking for qualified candidates.

"It's extremely important because students feel comfortable with alumnae and alumnas are familiar with Saint Mary's and can give the information about their experiences to students planning to pursue business careers."

"When you're dealing with alumnae, you feel a lot more comfortable."

"Since I'm a junior, I'm just trying to get an idea of what I want to do," said Casey Myers. "I talk to contact alumnae in the future."

"We have returned the enthusiasm that some other colleges lack," said Lauck.

Many students, as well, feel that alumnae interactions are helpful. Junior Lauren Legg said she's pretty sure to have alumnae interactions.

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**Wedding trial key to church future**

**United Methodist Church charges minister for marrying gay couple**

By KEVIN O'HANLON
Associated Press Writer

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — As the Rev. Jimmy Creech prepares to be tried a second time by the United Methodist Church for performing a gay marriage, many feel the future of the nation's second-largest Protestant denomination hangs in the balance.

"It is not about me. It's about institutionalized bigotry and the church using its institutional power to enforce discrimination and persecution of gay and lesbian people," Creech said.

"The trial is an act of violence against gay and lesbian people." A jury of 13 minutes will decide Creech's fate after a second day trial set to begin Wednesday in Grand Island.

Creech and his supporters say that if the church does not become more open to gays and lesbians, millions of its 2.9 million members could leave, possibly forming a new denomination.

"It's almost inconceivable that someone is going to be gone," said Rev. Gregory Holl, a Methodist minister in Illinois who is serving a suspension for performing a same-sex ceremony.

"The other side has been with us, and these are two great — you have to give." Creech first wrote the ire of church officials in 1997 when he performed a union ceremony for a lesbian couple in his Omaha conference. In a case that drew international attention and pledged the United Methodists into a debate over church doctrine, Creech was tried and acquitted by a church jury on o b e y i n g church rules. Creech was not reappointed to his pulpit and is on a voluntary leave of absence. He lives in North Carolina, but he still is a member of the Nebraska clergy and is answerable to Nebraska Bishop Joel Martinez.

Creech's second trial stems from a "union ceremony" he performed for two gay men in Chapel Hill, N.C., earlier this year. But there is a difference this time.

At the time of Creech's first trial in Kearney, the church's ban on performing same-sex ceremonies was listed in the denomination's Social Principles, which are printed in the Book of Discipline.

There was debate over whether the social principles carried the weight of church law, like the Book of Discipline.

The church's Judicial Council, which interprets the Book of Discipline, ruled that the Constitution, has since ruled that the Social Principles carry the weight of law. Directly Creech believes it is wrong to deny rights to gays and lesbians, the Social Principles state: "We affirm the sanctity of the marriage covenant that is affirmed in love, mutual support, personal commitment and sharing between a man and a woman. Ceremonies that celebrate homosexual unions shall not be conducted by our ministers and shall not be conducted in our churches."

Other denominations have struggled with the issue of homosexual practice. Earlier this year, for example, leaders of the 2.6-million-member Presbyterian Church rejected a measure that could have led to the ordination of non-celibate gays and lesbians.

Creech said he will defend himself this time around.

"I believe that this whole process is not legitimate, and I do not intend to cooperate fully with the process of the trial," he said.

If convicted, Creech faces a wide range of possible punishments, including dismissal from the United Methodist clergy.

The issue is expected to be considered by the church's General Conference, which is to meet next year in Cleveland. The conference includes clergy and lay delegates from across the nation, and is not bound to sets church policy.

"It's going to be a very critical General Conference," said Rev. Kathryn Johnson, of the Methodist Federation for Social Action in Washington D.C. Creech said if convicted, Creech faces a wide range of possible punishments, including dismissal from the United Methodist clergy.

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**Baptists cut funds to U. of Richmond**

**Move comes after school passes anti­-discrimination policy**

By THOMAS SHEERAN
Associated Press Writer

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — Virginia Baptists will end contributions to the University of Richmond because of what one leader calls "tacit approval" of homosexuality. At its annual meeting this week, the Baptist General Association of Virginia approved a "new relationship" with the private university. The group on Thursday voted to lift the right to appoint a university trustee.

The move comes after the university's new anti-discrimination policy, which bans discrimination against homosexuals.

The ban lends "tacit" approval in homosexuality, said Reginald McDonough, executive director of the Baptist association.

Young takes reigns of U.S. church council

By THOMAS SHEERAN
Associated Press Writer

CLEVELAND — Former Atlanta Mayor Andrew Young is the top leadership job of the National Council of Churches at a time when the organization is struggling with budget and staff cuts.

Young, who also served as the U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, will serve as president of a group representing 35 denominations with more than 50,000 members.

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WASHINGTON

An agreement reached by White House and negotiators on $11 billion in Medicare payment increases for health care providers includes provisions that would also impact the pocketbooks of some beneficiaries.

As hospital outpatient departments get extra money from Medicare under the deal, for example, there would be a new limit on the out-of-pocket costs that beneficiaries must pay for outpatient tests or surgery.

"For people who have big bills it could be an important change," said Patricia Smith, a lobbyist for the AARP, the nation's largest organization of older adults.

Medicare hospital outpatient copayments currently vary, often exceeding the standard 20 percent that beneficiaries pay for most other services. That disparity was already scheduled to be fixed, with the government gradually paying more over the next few decades.

Under a tentative agreement reached Wednesday by lawmakers, outpatient copayments also would immediately be limited to the same amount as the deductible for inpatient hospital care, $776 in 2000. Details are still being worked out, but lawmakers have discussed a July 1 date for the change to take effect.

Another part of the overall Medicare deal would lift annual caps on Medicare's rehabilitative therapy coverage.

The annual caps — a combined $1,500 for physical and speech therapy and a separate $1,500 for occupational therapy — took effect this year and have created financial hardship for some elderly and disabled patients whose needs quickly exceeded the limits.

Under the agreement, the caps would be lifted for two years while a study of patient needs is conducted.

Other changes with a direct impact on beneficiaries include extended coverage of anti-rejection drugs used after organ transplants and increased payments for Pap smears to ensure that women covered by Medicare have access to the latest technology.

Still, the bulk of the $11 billion that would be distributed over five years under the deal reached Wednesday would go to health care providers without directly affecting beneficiaries' wallets.

The agreement comes after months of heavy lobbying by groups, who argued that cuts imposed by Congress in 1997 to help balance the federal budget have put too big a squeeze on the fees they get to care for the elderly and disabled.

"With this legislation, we help insure that America's seniors receive high quality health care they deserve by restoring needed funding to hospitals, nursing homes and other health care providers," said the Senate Finance Committee chairman, Republican William Roth of Delaware.

The cash relief package is the only action Congress plans to take this year on Medicare, although both Democrats and Republicans want more dramatic changes, such as adding new prescription drug benefits for senior citizens.

Officials agree on Medicare increase

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NOVEMBER EVENTS!
Group works with farmers to become ‘Partners in Progress’

U-Wire
FARGO, N.D.
It started as a challenge to his neighbors over a cup of coffee eight years ago. Sitting around a table at a morning prayer group, Levon Nelson told his friends they needed to do something to help struggling farmers.

"There were four or five farm families in our area that were looking at going out of business and I said, 'We've got to help them. What do we do?" " Nelson said.

The challenge in 1991 soon became Partners in Progress, a nonprofit group of farmers who volunteer their time and often their own cash to help other farmers stay afloat.

"We've had an amazing amount of success," said Nelson, a full-time Mayville farmer who also works at two area banks. "I think it has a lot to do with the fact that the people who provide most of the help understand the tremendous need others have at a certain time in their life.

Since its inception, he says, Partners in Progress has helped more than 240 farmers in North Dakota, South Dakota and Minnesota turn their operations around, saving several dozen from foreclosure.

Like state agricultural mediation services, Partners in Progress works with farmers to help them better manage their farms. Those who can afford to pay for the services are expected to do so.

But Partners in Progress goes far beyond what a farmer would get from mediation services. Its roots in the spiritual beliefs of its founders, the group seeks out farmers who can afford to help those in desperate need of financial assistance.

"What's really miraculous is that all that money farmers have loaned, they've not lost a penny," Levon Nelson farmer

In eight years, other farmers—often total strangers—have loaned their own money or co-signed for loans totaling more than $2.8 million. "They're putting themselves on the line often for total strangers," Nelson said. "They're putting up money they've earmarked toward retirement and other things. "What's really miraculous is that of all that money farmers have loaned, they've not lost a penny," he added. "Not one farmer has missed a payment."

What the non-denominational group expects in return is simple. "When you get back on your feet, you're expected to make your own contribution," he said. "As proof that this type of thing works, the people who receive the help are very anxious once they're on their feet to offer help themselves."

Three years ago, four different farmers came together through the program to help Arnie Woodbury, who farms near Wyndmere. "I was overextended," he said, "too much in debt, couldn't pay my bills."

He met with Nelson, who recognized that Woodbury had potential to be a profitable producer but needed help turning his finances around.

"We make the money available to the ones we think can be turned around," Nelson said. "We're not going to throw good money after bad."

The organization found two farmers to co-sign bank loans that Woodbury couldn't get on his own because of his debt load. "One guy I sold a bull through 20 years ago came forward and co-signed a loan," he said.

Two others loaned their own money directly to Woodbury at low or no interest.

The program, Woodbury said, gave him the chance he needed.

Woodbury continues to pay the loans back and has joined Partners in Progress as the president of the board of directors, doing his part to help others.
**Thrasher, a Republican, has inmates a choice,** the Supreme Court ruled to consider the constitutionality of California’s gas chamber a few years ago, it dropped the issue. The court is scheduled to hear arguments in February.

Florida lawmakers, who have an almost religious devotion to the state’s electric chair, may try to protect “Old Sparky” from a U.S. Supreme Court review by giving condemned inmates the option of death by lethal injection.

Ghoulish images of executions in Florida’s electric chair have led the nation’s high court to consider whether the state’s method of execution is cruel and unusual punishment. The court is scheduled to hear arguments in February.

Florida House Speaker John Thrasher, a Republican, has told the state’s death row inmates a choice, the Supreme Court has ruled to consider the constitutionality of California’s gas chamber a few years ago, it dropped the issue. The court is scheduled to hear arguments in February.

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**Old Sparky** under seige

**WASHINGTON**

Controversial new rules changing the way scarce organs are allocated for transplant will take effect by January under an agreement reached by the Clinton administration and members of Congress who originally hoped to delay the changes.

The rules issued by the Department of Health and Human Services would force the United Network for Organ Sharing, which runs the transplant system, to send organs to the sickest patients first, no matter where they live.

The current system is based largely on geography and supported by many transplant centers whose lucrative programs depend on locally donated organs.

The network and its allies have strenuously fought the changes since they were first proposed nearly two years ago. But now the network plans to go along with the new rules — and propose a new way to distribute donated livers by early next year.

"We’re prepared to honor the time frames and the provisions of the regulation," network spokesman Joel Newman said Thursday.

Without congressional action, the new rules would take effect next week. Under the agreement struck late Wednesday, they will take effect after 21 days of public comment and another 21 days for HHS to review those comments.

The clock will begin once the spending law is enacted, possibly as soon as next week, meaning the regulation would take effect near the end of December or in early January.

The agreement was struck late Wednesday after HHS Secretary Donna Shalala came to Capitol Hill to personally press the case and make clear that she would not budge. She was backed in the negotiations by Sen. Allen Specter, R-Pa., who represents transplant programs in Pittsburgh that are likely to benefit from the new rules.

But the key, participants said, was Rep. John Porter, R-Ill., who chairs the Appropriations subcommittee that governs HHS. Porter now supports the HHS plan after vigorously opposing it last year. He changed his mind after Illinois got into a nasty dispute with Wisconsin, Minnesota and the Dakotas: Illinois state officials and transplant centers to change their position and support the HHS rule, and Porter followed suit.

Rep. David Obey, the top Democrat on the Appropriations Committee, also was backing the wishes of his home state of Wisconsin in trying to stop the regulation. He said Porter’s switch made that impossible.

"The White House wasn’t going to give, Shalala wasn’t going to give, so we lost," Obey said Thursday.

Originally, the regulations were supposed to take effect last year, but Congress delayed them twice. Last month, HHS hoped to address some of the concerns by issuing revisions making it clear that organs would not be wasted by being shipped coast-to-coast or futilely transplanting them into dying patients.

However, the new version still gives the HHS secretary ultimate power to approve or veto any allocation scheme, and it still requires an overruling by the high court.

But the fight isn’t really over. Legislation pending in the House could strip HHS of most of its authority to oversee the transplant network, and if it became law, it could quash the new rules.

Shalala has said she would recommend changes. Also, Illinois has tried to stop the HHS regulations in court in a case that could be revived. South Carolina has threatened a lawsuit as well.

Associated Press
College bookstores sue Varsitybooks.com

By RACHEL OSTERMAN

HANOVER, N.H.

In another lawsuit against Internet retailers, the National Association of College Stores is suing Varsitybooks.com, accusing the online bookstore of false and misleading advertising concerning textbook discounts.

The association, which represents about 3,000 stores around the country, including the Dartmouth Bookstore and Wheelock Books, is claiming that while Varsitybooks.com advertises textbooks at up to 40 percent off of "suggested list prices," only a small percentage of their books come at that price.

According to the association, in the textbook industry, where publishers sell their books to college stores and offer only a suggested student price, there is no such thing as a universal retail price. Instead, college stores sell textbooks at a markup price of their choosing.

The case, which is being filed in a federal court in Washington D.C., should be settled before this January, the next major book-buying season.

"I think that (the association) has an excellent chance because students are being misled regarding the number and percentage of books that come at the discount," said attorney Roed Freeman. "In this case, the false and deceptive claims reach every single college student in the country by being on the Internet."

Schools that bar ROTC keep aid

By MIKE WERESCHAGIN

MINNEAPOLIS

A recent change in a federal budget provision allows colleges and universities to bar ROTC units and military recruiters from their campuses without fear of losing federal student aid.

But officials say it is unlikely the University of Minnesota will act on the change and remove military staff or programs from campus.

The military recruitment provision was tucked onto the U.S. Department of Defense fiscal-2000 budget late October. It nullifies the most controversial part of the Solomon Amendment of 1996.

The amendment required federal agencies to cut all funding to colleges and universities that bar military recruiting from their campuses.

Under the new provision, federal student aid is no longer at risk.

Federal research grant money, however, can still be refused to colleges that violate the federal policy.

Rep. Barney Frank, D-Mass., added the language to the spending bill because he said ratification of the Solomon Amendment as it stood was a mistake.

"Punishing students for a university's policy is completely unfair," Frank said. "In most cases, they have very little say in how their college deals with military recruiting."

A spokesman for retired Congressman Gerald B.H. Solomon said the amendment author was pleased the correction was made last month.

He added that the original budget stipulation was never intended to punish students for a college's actions.

Entire FAFSA available on Internet

By TINA HONG

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va.

A Department of Education plan is encouraging more college students to apply for financial aid online by enabling students to send in their entire Free Application for Federal Student Aid form electronically.

Tony Starks, Federal Student Aid representative from the Department of Education, said that although the online FAFSA form has been available for four years, this is the first year electronic signatures could be used to fill out the application completely online.

The new Electronic Access Code can be used by applicants as a personal identification number acting as a signature.

University Financial Aid Director Yvonne Hubbard said that previously even online applicants "still had to print out a signature page, sign it and send it out."

Hubbard said the University's Office of Financial Aid advocates online financial aid applications for a variety of reasons.

"The key here is that the one-line financial aid applications make it very fast," she said. "The paper FAFSA took four to six to eight weeks to process because the information was keyed in.

"Sometimes the information was written in incorrectly. Online, it is incredibly accurate and edits can be made right there," she added.

"This is all part of making financial aid easier to apply for. This is a response by the Department of Education to expectations of today's students," she said.

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Interviews November 16th
The recent death of my friend, Father Robert Griffin, coupled with such tragic and sudden incidents like the crashes of Egyptair 990 and the Mexican Airmex flight, have made this November's Thanksgiving season an introspective one. What must it be like for those who lost entire families in those accidents? What would they say to their lost ones if they had one more chance to speak to them?

I regret that I have not spoken to Father Griffin for years. I can only wonder what I might have said had I seen him during my visits this past football season. I can barely speculate about what we said when last we spoke years ago. I had a few opportunities in the past few years, but did not venture across the quad to greet him when our paths crossed. Now that "Griff" is gone forever, I will never be able to share a story with him about my dog, Potamus, or tell him of my experiences with President Clinton. Griff, for me, will always be a perspective few are privileged to witness. Yet I would trade it in an instant. I recall that I had failed to guard against the event and was ready to contemplate the event and was ready to have not spoken to Griff at least one day in late summer. That spring I had almost gone into a diabetic coma and had lost her eyesight, but she made a strong recovery. During her recovery, I went to visit her, held her hand and spoke to her. Although she was blind, she knew who I was, and by mid-summer was out in the yard with her garden. She told me that the doctor could not find her problem because she had "brown sugar."

I was filled with thinking that she would survive — maybe until the year 2000. I daydreamed about how they would have to change her headline which had a 19 inscribed next to my grandfather’s inscription which read 1953. However, in the early afternoon on Aug. 4, 1979, as my mother and I were hanging new wallpaper in our kitchen, the call came that my grandmother "had gone to join the angels."

Despite all of my prior preparation, I was not prepared. Grandma, forgive me for passing your cemetery all those times and not stopping to pay my respects. Last Tuesday, I watched the final episode of MTV’s Real World in Hawaii. In their "Real World," the participants in the house were able to say their goodbyes for as long as they wanted. They culminated the last few days together with events both public and private. And while their parting may have been painful, they were able to bring closure to their relationships. They were making the most of their last time together.

Last night I watched "Saving Private Ryan." The scenes when a soldier died and his buddy pulled "the letter" to be sent home seemed to give some closure to the dead soldier. However, the scene when the medic is dying in the hands of his comrades haunted me. Just prior to his death, the medic keeps calling, "Mommy, Mommy, Mommy." I wonder if he too had let his last time with his mother slip by.

For me, it has been an interesting few weeks. I have been with the president on two occasions and Vice President Gore last Monday. I am peeping first-hand through a hole in the cloth of history — a perspective few are privileged enough to witness. Yet I would trade it for my life 20 years ago when Father Griff offered advice, Grandma Ciccone baked bread and canned peppers and Kevin Walsh sent me an outrageous irreverent Christmas card.

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Unjust sentence tests legal system

Now that the Middle East is back at the top of the news, we can see in the case of Jonathan Pollard, the Navy intelligence researcher who pled guilty last fall to passing secret warren to Israel and was sentenced to life in prison. The standard view was that Pollard was a "traitor" who did grave damage to the security of the United States, that he got off lightly and should have been shot, and that the government against him was fair. The reality is different.

While I wrote part of Pollard's brief in the Court of Appeals, I do not want to rehearse the case. Let alone legal arguments, you may not hear about in the media.

Pollard and his crime are re-readable. But never before has an American citizen been convicted of a life sentence for spying for an allied nation; the usual sentences range from two to eight years. In 1992, the Court of Appeals, by 2-1 in a case in which Pollard's move to withdraw his guilty plea "could not be said," concluded the court, "that justice completely miscarried." Judge Weinberger, in dissent, called the sentencing "a fundamental miscarriage of justice." We can mention here only one point.

In the plea agreement, the government made three promises to Pollard, including an implicit promise that he would not get a life sentence.

"The government," Judge Williams said, "compelled in spirit with Pollard's promises; with the third, it compelled in neither. But in the most important agreement, the only reference to state-ments is in the government which he move to the sentencing judge in camera, i.e., off the record, was that "[t]he promises concerning [Pollard's] cooperation with the government after his arrest may have to be made to the Court in camera." Instead, the Government submitted in camera a 46-page classified menu by Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger which focused not on Pollard's "cooperation" but on the claim that Pollard did great damage to the United States. Weinberger's view was he was induced for perjury on Iran-Contra and pardoned by President Bush, echoed in the Senate 1999, that the sentencing judge himself made a "final and official request" that Weinberger submit that secret menu.

Pollard's lawyers were not told that the judge requested that menu, and the secret, censored version of it although both of his attorneys had full secret clearance, were these attorneys have no absolute right to see such sensitive material. But only the plea agreement in-camera admission was to information favorable to Pollard with respect to his charges.

Would Pollard have signed the plea agreement if the government had said that it would present in the court in camera, no information on Pollard's "cooperation," but only information about the damage Pollard did to national security, allegations which Pollard would have had no chance to rebut because he would not be allowed to see them in full? Pollard is an unworthy character who betrayed his country's trust. But if they can blinds-ide a Pollard, they can do it to any of us.

Weinberger also submitted an unclassified statement which said it was difficult to convince a "greater harm to national seurity," than that done by Pollard and that his punishment "should reflect the magnitude of the treason committed, and the needs of national security."

While Weinberger's statement, said Judge Williams, "did not expressly endorse a life sentence (it) implied an appeal for the maximum. Weinberger's refer-ence to treason took the point further. Whereas treason carries the death penalty and involves aiding the nation's enemies, Pollard was charged with espionage, carrying a massive risk of life imprisonment and encompassing aid even to friendly nations."

The emphasis in the case through the signing of the agreement corresponded to the government's explicit claim that the information Pollard conveyed "would be used to the advantage of the government."

While the agreement was signed, the government shifted its emphasis from Israeli benefit to damage to the United States. It was a ball and switch. It was not illegal. But it is cause for concern because government officials have waged a media campaign to keep Pollard in prison on that basis, that his spying did great damage to the United States, an offense for which he was not explicitly indicted and against many of the government which he move to have no real chance to defend himself.

A Washington Post editorial last January asked, "Can a man be found to piece some of the secret and provide the pub-lic with a better means of judging whether fairness was achieved in this case? (Pollard) is in the position of having his fate determined in part by material in which he had no access and proceedings of which he was not a part."

The test of a legal system is not how it treats the best among us, but how it deals with the worst. Pollard's punishment is beyond the usual. He is kept in prison through leaked and unreliable media assertions that go beyond the charge on which he was explicitly indicted. This is a case of permanent imprisonment for undisclosed reasons of state security. The 20th century has seen too many examples of this practice. It should not be import-ed into the law of the United States.

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Follow your heart, reclaim your purity

In Father Jim Liles' Campus Ministry column on Nov. 11, he wrote about chastity and seemed to imply that young people who have chosen virginity and proclaim it. I am proud to read Father Liles who virginity is not the only valuable possession young people can lose through immature dating relationships. Purity is just as difficult and not more diffi-cult, to commit to than virility. It can be called "chastity," "holy," or "pure." We should say what base you got to you. You can no longer even do this sort of crude talk. I am not one of the students who has a relationship is about that area which occurs by virginity but not purity. I'm willing to bet that many of us have participated in it. And they willing to bet I'm not the only one who regrets it. "We will not say more with our bodies than we mean with our hearts." It sounds like a good enough prescription. Perhaps it could be a bit better with the reminder that we don't always know what we mean with our hearts. I was once in a relationship at the time, the point was Working. He was my first boyfriend and he seemed to adore me and everything was very near. Was it love? Not even close. It was two immature teenagers who wanted a relationship for the sake of a relationship. So we went out for five months and did things that we thought a "relationship" entailed — things which I could not, even with a coach, come to terms with or even be with. Frankly, I am disadvantaged in my relationship with anyone, I am not sure they are still not in love with me.

I don't think I have seen your ex for almost a year and a half. I don't think I could look him in the eye. I know this story sounds familiar to too many of my fellow students. Clearly the most painful thing about it is that this situation has gone unaddressed for so many times. Virginity is in fact a mainstream. We have not talked about it relatively often and are encour-aged to pursue it and reclaim it. But what about purity? I urge my fellow students to pursue and reclaim that too. I won't draw a line. I think there is a particular amount of physical activity in a relationship is OK, and this amount is right. I think we all know in our hearts if you feel like you might be doing something wrong. If you may regret it far more than you think. Sheila Payne

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Ahmad misinterprets Pakistan presentation

Under the heading, "Taliban's abuse of women's rights is not peace!" columnist Nakasha Ahmad (The Observer, Nov. 11, 1999) gave a wrong problem of what I had said in my presentation on Oct. 28 at the Helsingc Center concerning the coup in Pakistan.

Ahmad attributed that I am supporting the policies of Taliban in Afghan-istan vis-a-vis the women population of that country. To put the record straight, while expressing my view on the Taliban rule in Afghanistan I had said that, "we tend to overlook in the situation in Afghanistan while undermining the fact that since 1995 till the present, more than 90 percent of Afghanistan which is under the control of Taliban is peaceful."

I was trying to prove the fact that, unlike the days when the Soviet troops had occu-pied Afghanistan and in the post-Soviet withdrawal period when inflghting among warring Afghan factions had played havoc by killing millions of Afghans, one can see peace and stability in that country.

Whether the peace is the "peace of the government," a "genuine" was not dis- cussed by me. To be precise, I was simply narrating the fact that Afghanistan of today is more peaceful than it was couple of years ago.

Similarly, I did not discuss the issue of the violation of human rights or the rights of women by the ruling Taliban. Moreover, in my presentation I had made it clear that I don't support the policies of Taliban, particu-larly those implemented by them against religious minorities and women.

I am surprised that Nakasha Ahmad mis-read and mis-understood what I had written in her column that, "Mr. Ahmad exhibits a rather disregard for the rights of women that I find, quite frankly dangerous." It is strange that she didn't ask me a question or make a comment before she wrote her column. If we follow the norms of intellectual honesty, then she should have at least sought clarifi-cations from me instead of writing a column which is totally untrue and devoid of basic honesty.

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Everyone uses restrooms. But not everybody has the pleasure of using nice restrooms. Yes, not all bathrooms are nice.

The male perspective: Best and worst of restrooms at Notre Dame and Saint Mary's

There is one sure-fire way to revive a lagging conversation on this campus, at least among men.


"Hmmm," you say. Scene Writer

"Hmmm, what ever could it be?"

Ah, that is the question, say I, and the answer is simple. Restrooms.

From the youngest of freshmen, to the most ancient member of the administration, there is a common thread that weaves between us all, and it all lands squarely in the toilet.

I know, I realize, that many are reading this and thinking, "Oh that is just gross. This is just beyond words reading. What is Gagnon going to think about this?"

And maybe you're right. Maybe you're wrong. But maybe you're wrong.

You see, the restroom is something so much larger than it initially seems. The restroom holds the mirror up to the world of using nice restrooms.

The Best at Saint Mary's

You are over at Saint Mary's, you're a man, and you need to go real bad. Partner, you are largely out of luck, but maybe you're right. But maybe you're wrong.

Hurley Hall: I tell you what, if you're out walking in South Quad, and nature calls you to powder your nose, the vastly emptied Hurley Hall is not a bad choice to take advantage of. Windows that open up to a courtyard, one can hear the birds chirping away. Marble stalls. Plenty of privacy. It is old-fashioned in many ways, yes, but I tell you what: Classy comes together with Privacy to make Clarity, and though I don't know what that means precisely, it is probably really good.

The Worst at Saint Mary's

You are over at Saint Mary's, you're a man, and you need to go real bad. Partner, you are largely out of luck, but maybe you're right. But maybe you're wrong.

Holy Cross Hall Lobby: As long as Saint Mary's is in the focus, attention should be turned to one of the worst bathrooms in North America. It is actually less a bathroom than it is a toilet sauna box. When one opens the door to this toilet sauna box, located in the lobby of Holy Cross Hall, the hot breath of Hell rushes out and smacks you in the eyes.

You expect to see large men in towels seated inside, but realize they must have melted. A pipe inside the tiny box is apparently the source of hot water to the entire campus, and much of northern Indiana. A vastly unpleasant experience, this bathroom. It's worth the walk to Moreau.

Honorable Mentions

The Eck Visitor's Center: The hypochondriac special -- so full of sensors that if you manage to open the door with your foot on your way out, you haven't had to touch a single thing that wasn't yours in the first place.

LaFortune: The hypochondriac special -- so full of sensors that if you manage to open the door with your foot on your way out, you haven't had to touch a single thing that wasn't yours in the first place.

Dishonorable Mentions

The Hesburgh Library Tower: Incessantly seek of candied urine, toilets flash like rocket launch, and not exactly spacious.

The South Dining Hall Basement: Lord, the unnatural stench of the place.

St. Mary's Dining Hall: Baseament: Gack! Baseament, Holy Cross Hall: Bathroom designed, according to outside source, in such a manner that every noise created in bathroom is not only audible, but amplified in hallway outside of restroom.

Alumnae/Seaward: Reasons too abundant and obvious.

Restrooms are not just about relief, the
Wash those hands. Especially if handling food. Sinks are a common inclusion in restroom technology.

The female perspective: American p.p culture and the women's lavatory

Did you ever notice those checklists on the back of restroom doors? Filled with some manager's dutiful check marks at hourly intervals, you'd think it was some efficiency boost for that restaurant, shopping mall, whatever. They were usually:

- Paper towel. Yep. It's on the floor. You know it. Those check marks, those initials ... they make the bathroom what it is.

- Notre Dame doesn't play those reider games. The women's bathrooms are always clean. In the same way moving to the country lulls you out of lock-the-car-door mode, Notre Dame breaks you of checking for toilet paper before you choose your stall. It's there. Really.

- Not only are there paper towel dispensers, there's usually a roll hanging out in the sink for the lazy and/or nose-disabled. And right next to it is a hand dryer, so you can customize which resource you want to squander. Best of all, we don't need to rely on the check marks of strangers to boost our confidence; it also fonts this reviewer to focus on what really matters ...

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LPGA

Pak puts way to one-stroke lead

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the game but it wasn't

enough.

Pak remembers what it was like to have everyone watch-

her every move. "I was perfect.

Still had a few flaws, but it was

more than enough," she said.

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Facts and Figures on Poverty and America's Working Poor

The average after-tax income of the richest one percent of the population is projected to more than double between 1977 and 1999, rising 116% after adjusting for inflation. But the average after-tax income for households in the middle of the income scale is projected to increase only 8% over this 22-year period, an average real gain of less than one-half a percent per year, while the average of the poorest fifth of Americans is projected to fall.

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Boggs calls it quits after 18 seasons

Associated Press

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Rather than pack a bag and leave home again, Wade Boggs decided 3,010 career hits were enough.

The Tampa Bay Devil Rays didn’t offer the 41-year-old evaluator of young talent an outing in North Florida to play for them again next season, so he accepted a chance to move into the front office with duties as an advance scout and evaluator of young talent.

Saying he had been spoiled the last two seasons by being able to live year-round in the area where he grew up, Boggs consulted fellow 3,000-hit club members Robin Yount and George Brett, as well as some current players and friends, before turning to his dad, Win, for some fatherly advice.

“I asked him if I could catch Pete Rose,” the career hits leader with 4,256, he said: “Son, you’re not going to be able to play that long.”

Boggs, the only player to hit a home run for his 3,000th hit, said the conversation on a fishing outing in North Florida essentially sealed his decision.

He considered the possibility of playing a year or two with his fourth managerial team, but concluded the future was brighter as an assistant to Devil Rays general manager Chuck LaMar.

“This is all new. I know how to get a hit. I know how to catch a ground ball. I know how to throw a baseball. Those three areas, I’ve had to master since I was 14 months old,” Boggs said at a news conference at Tropicana Field. “At the age of 41, I’m starting something new, different and exciting.

Boggs played 18 seasons in the majors with the Devil Rays, Boston Red Sox and New York Yankees. He became the 23rd player to reach 3,000 hits on Aug. 7, homering off Cleveland’s Chris Haney just a half-hour’s ride from where he grew up playing Little League ball.

A month after reaching the plateau, the 12-time all-star and two-time gold glove winner had season-ending surgery to repair torn cartilage in his right knee.

The Devil Rays faced a deadline Wednesday to exercise a $1 million option on the contract he signed two years ago when he returned home to help Tampa Bay launch an expansion franchise.

He entered discussions with the team last month, thinking he still had a future as a player. But Tampa Bay Bay, wanting to exercise a $250,000 buyout, pushed for him to head in another direction, clearing the way for the team to upgrade at third base through a trade, free agency or younger players within the organization.

“You see so many players who try to hold on and try to stay in the game,” Boggs said. “For one reason or another, they were not as fortunate as I was to obtain a World Series ring or something along those lines to allow me to walk away.”

Boggs was selected to 12 consecutive All-Star games from 1985-96, the year he finally won a World Series championship with the Yankees. He also was the only player this century with seven straight 200-hit seasons, set an AL rookie record with a .398 average in 1982 and hit .300 better in 15 of his 18 big-league seasons.

He hit .301 with two homers and 29 RBIs in 1999, joining Ty Cobb, Lou Brock and Roberto Clemente — all Hall of Famers — as players who retired after hitting .300 in their final season.

“It wasn’t an easy decision because an athlete can always look in the mirror and say OK. I can still play. Deep down inside, probably I thought I still could,” Boggs said. “But why not go out on top. I’ve always said: ‘I’ll never embarrass myself in this game.’”

Asked to recall the biggest moment in his career, Boggs said there were two that he treasured equally.

“Riding the horse at Yankee Stadium,” he said, recalling the World Series celebration that was granted the team as a member of a team.

“And kneeling down and kissing home plate after I hit home run for the 3,000th hit.”

He joked that perhaps the happiest people about his decision to retire were his wife and kids.

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William Earns AL Manager of Year award

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Jimy Williams is a bit better at managing than he is at talking about what he does.

Williams was selected as the American League Manager of the Year award for leading the Boston Red Sox into the playoffs.

"It's a two-way conversation. I let my eyes evaluate what I see," Williams said Thursday after winning the American League Manager of the Year award for leading the Boston Red Sox into the playoffs.

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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Trade deal returns
Ashby to Phillies

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA
Andy Ashby sees returning to Philadelphia as an opportunity to take care of some unfinished business from earlier in the decade.

"The thing I look at most is to come back and try to redeem myself," said Ashby, acquired by the Phillies late Wednesday from San Diego for pitchers Carlton Loewer, Steve Montgomery and Adam Eaton. Ashby returns to the Philadelphia organization that signed him as a non-drafted free agent in 1986. He spent the last six-plus seasons with San Diego and posted a career-best 17 wins against nine losses in 1998 during the Padres' march to the World Series.

"When I left here in '93, I said I didn't have bad feelings toward Philadelphia," Ashby said. "I totally understand the business part of it. If you don't do your job, things are going to change. I didn't pitch well when I was here."

That's not completely true.
On June 15, 1991, just five days after his major league debut, Ashby became the first Phillie ever to strike out the side on nine pitches in a start against Cincinnati. He also became just the 11th pitcher in major league history to accomplish the feat.
Less than 24 hours before this trade, Ashby didn't know he would be coming back.

"I thought it was going to be another month or July before anything would take place," Ashby said. "Me and my wife were talking last night. Next thing I knew, it's 11:00, the phone rang and K.T. (San Diego General Manager Kevin Towers) said we have a deal done."

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Griffey wants to be closer to home

dana point, Calif.
The great Griffey chase goes on, at least to Anaheim and the winter meetings, and maybe beyond.

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HOLYFIELD-Lewis bout makes for hard sell

Associated Press

Go ahead, Leonos Lewis. Make boxing's day. Make Evander Holyfield say "fumble." Make Saturday night a fight to remember. Make everybody who wouldn't part with $49.95 regret the decision.

Because right now that's a lot of us. But this is not an easy sell at the moment, something the people behind Holyfield-Lewis II are finding out only too well.

"I don't smell much better," II are finding out only too well.

"If I were taking bribes from promoters bearing subpoenas turned up almost from the day he hung the line for his fights at least it's a start.

"It's been the least memorable fights ever, followed by some of the worst judging episodes ever, and then, by some of the least alliud you ever hear.

Holyfield blamed a virus and leg cramps — but only after his advisors ruled out "The dog ate my homework."

Ungenia Williams, the IBF judge who scored it 115-113 for Holyfield, was called by a New York state Senate committee investigating the bout. After a week of insisting she saw what she saw, Williams told the committee she was still stuck looking at the back of a ring side photographer too often — and that, after watching a replay, she would have scored it differently.

So naturally, you'd think Williams would want to go back and review the fights for the three-tree Champions as well, but none of them ever happened to him and let him win a game for us," Gilbride said. "I thought he responded beautifully.

"Kevin's always trying to push me to a limit, and he says there really is no limit," Stewart said. "You can keep getting better as the days and weeks go by. He wants me to understand that just because you have a good game or throw a few good passes, there's no reason for you to not keep doing it week in and week out." Stewart excelled in Chan Gailey's offense in 1997 in part because The Coach and his player had a close relationship.

Stewart and Gilbride interact differently, but Stewart said that doesn't mean he enjoys holding them accountable.

"I told him I thought it time to stop holding him and let him win a game for us," Gilbride said. "I thought he responded beautifully.

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SAN DIEGO
Where do multimillionaire entertainers go to live out their boyhood dreams of playing professional sports?

Apparently, San Diego.

In this city, professional athletes, such as basketball star Tim Duncan, who's real name is Perry Miller, agreed Thursday to a one-year contract with the San Diego Stingrays of the new International Basketball League.

Earlier this year, country music superstar Garth Brooks joined the San Diego Padres for spring training. It's not about the money, they say. It's about playing ball.

"If it brings publicity to San Diego and their professional leagues, that's good," said Miller, whose album, "Only God Can Judge Me," is currently one of the top sellers nationwide.

"I'm doing it because it's my dream to play in the NBA. This is going to help me get there," Miller, a 6-foot-4 guard, has twice been rejected by the NBA. He was with the Toronto Raptors in training camp, but was waived in October. He was cut by the Charlotte Hornets during preseason tryouts last season.

"The NBA wasn't ready for me as a person," Miller said. "Some people were fearful of my stature, the velocity of the money, they wondered, 'Is he going to show up?' Is he going to practice? It's like a line note above my name:

"What's he going to do?"

For Jim Sims, Stingrays president and CEO, the answer is simple:

"He's in San Diego so he can clean up the things he needs to do so he can make it in the NBA," said Sims, who describes Miller as a good shooter. "While he's here, he'll help the league. He'll help the Stingrays, he'll help the community and he'll help himself."

IHL contracts are for one year, with an option. The maximum salary is $100,000. Sims wouldn't disclose Miller's salary, but he said it would be near or at the maximum. However, the money will go to the IHL's college tuition program.

Miller, who has an endorsement deal with Converse, has also agreed to speak to speakers at all right IHL teams, he said.

The Stingrays drafted Miller in July and retained his signing rights. Coach Smoky Galbreath said Miller will probably play about half of the 64 games, allowing him to pursue NBA interests.

Miller's so serious about making the big leagues he's giving up and general manager, he says, "I'm trying to work just like everyone else," said Miller, who won his slayer uniform — batting suit and diamond-studded cap — the championship in Thursday's news conference, but proudly held up his No. 7 Stingrays jersey.

"This is my job now. It's my chance to prove to the world that I can play basketball and why I should be in the NBA."

One of his demands was the No. 7 jersey, in honor of his boyhood idol, the late NBA great "Pistol Pete" Maravich, who played for LSU. Miller grew up in New Orleans.

Miller will make his debut on Nov. 20, when he will guard Magic Johnson in a game against Johnson's All-Star team. The league, which starts its inaugural season Nov. 26, includes franchises in Las Vegas, Albuquerque, Cincinnati, Trenton, St. Louis, Richmond and Baltimore.

Miller, 29, said he always wanted to play basketball, but he got into "gangsta rap" after "losing my brother to the streets" and to support his family.

Miller built an empire that earned him a Forbes magazine ranking of the 10th wealthiest entertainer in 1999 — $56.5 million, a couple of million more than Brooks.

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NFL

Nolan comes under fire for Redskins’ poor defense

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Washington Redskins defensive coordinator Mike Nolan is asked the question so much it probably sounds like a broken record.

"How could the Redskins' defense, a potentially dominant unit featuring six former No. 1 draft choices, be ranked among the NFL's worst?"

"The perception is that when you pay guys a lot of money ... you try to get a return on what you pay for," Nolan said.

"But you have to play together, no matter what you pay somebody. It's my responsibility and the responsibility of the other coaches on defense for us to get them to play together. That's where we're failing short."

The Redskins (5-3) have been carried this season by one of the league's best offenses. But they're allowing 402.3 yards per game, nearly 50 yards more than anyone else team except the expansion Cleveland Browns, who are at 397. In Sunday's 34-17 loss to Buffalo, the Bills, who had been struggling offensively, amassed 413 yards.

The Redskins have yielded 3,218 yards. By continuing on that pace with eight games left, they would finish 257 yards behind the NFL record set by the Baltimore Colts in 1981.

Opposing runners are finding tracks in a Redskins starting defensive line composed entirely of first-rounders: Marcello Rivers, Kenard Lang, Dan Wilkinson and Dana Stubblefield.

Inconsistency is one problem. In the past month, the Redskins played poorly on defense in losses to Dallas and Buffalo, while putting forth solid efforts in victories over Arizona and Chicago.

"You can't play good one week and terrible the next," Lang said. "That just doesn't happen."

Nolan said the pass coverage, primarily on third downs, needs to improve. The Bills converted nine of 15 third-down opportunities, controlling the ball for 41 of 60 minutes.

"Against Buffalo, there was a lot of one, two and minus-yard run plays," Nolan said. "But then all of a sudden they'll complete a pass to the tight end down the middle and the ball's back alive. You get them in third down and the quarterback-back runs and gets a first down and keeps it alive. You kind of shut yourself in the foot when that happens."

Hall of Fame linebacker Sam Huff, the team's radio analyst, questions why middle linebacker Derek Smith is being pulled in third-down passing situations.

"Your best hitters and tacklers are linebackers, and Smith is out of the game," Huff said. "We're in an age of specialization, and he's standing on the sideline. You can't make tackles from there."

Criticism is nothing new for Nolan, son of former NFL coach Dick Nolan. He's heard tons of it since the season opener, when Dallas recovered from a 21-point, fourth-quarter deficit to beat the Redskins 41-33 in overtime.

Speculation that Nolan's job was in jeopardy intensified when the Redskins hired 72-year-old Bill Arnsparger four weeks ago. Nolan is hanging on with the help of coach Norv Turner, who reportedly has asked trigger-happy owner Dan Snyder several times not to fire Nolan.

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NCAA BASKETBALL

Iowa stuns UConn in Classic upset

Associated Press

NEW YORK

Iowa, with a new coach and almost a whole new team from last season, stunned top-ranked and defending national champion Connecticut 70-68 Thursday night in the opening round of the Coaches vs. Cancer Classic at Madison Square Garden.

The Hawkeyes looked like the veteran team, opening a 16-4 lead on the way to a 36-21 halftime advantage as the Huskies shot just 26 percent from the field. Iowa had twice as many turnovers (14) as field goals.

In the second half, Connecticut looked more like the team that returns three starters from the national champions, and even took the lead once.

But the Hawkeyes refused to fold.

Iowa will meet No. 13 Stanford in Friday night's championship game.

The Cardinal beat No. 10 Duke 80-75 in overtime Thursday night.

Jacob Jacob had 20 points for Iowa, Dean Oliver added 14 and Kyle Galloway had 11.

Khalid El-Amin, focus of a newspaper story earlier in the day about a possible NCAA violation involving a borrowed car, had 26 points for the Huskies, all but two in the second half.

Connecticut beat Iowa 78-68 in the second round of the NCAA tournament last year. The Huskies went on to win four more games and the national title, while Iowa didn't play again until Thursday night.

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Albert Mourning's 3-pointer with 7 minutes, 6 seconds to play gave Connecticut a 55-53 lead, but sophomore Kyle Galloway, who missed last season with a back injury, hit a 3 with 6:33 left and Iowa didn't trail again.

El-Amin scored on a drive with 57 seconds left to get the Huskies within 67-65, but Jacob hit one of two free throws with 32 seconds left. After two missed 3s by Connecticut, Ryan Luebsmann made two free throws with three seconds to go. Kevin Freeman's 3-pointer with .5 seconds left only made it closer.

It was the 22nd consecutive season-opening victory for Iowa and the second time in four years the defending national champion lost its opener. Kentucky lost to Clemson to open the 1996-97 season.
NBA

Harrington scores 17 in fourth to put Pacers over Magic

INDIANAPOLIS

Reggie Miller scored 21 points and reserve Al Harrington had 17 of his career-high 19 points in the fourth quarter to lead the Indiana Pacers to a 116-101 victory over the Orlando Magic on Thursday night.

The Pacers' bench the open class game in the second half, shooting 67 percent (20 of 30) from the field. For the game, Indiana shot a season-high 57 percent from the field.

Barry Armstrong led Orlando with 22 points, while Indiana had six players finish in double figures. Jalen Rose and Travis Best contributed 17 apiece.

The game was tied 10 times and there were eight lead changes before Indiana moved ahead to stay 62-60 on a book shot by Orin Smith.

The Pacers led by as many as nine points in the third quarter and took their first double-digit lead as Orlando went nearly three minutes without scoring to start the fourth quarter.

A 3-pointer by Miller ignited a 14-3 run by Indiana to start the final period. Harrington had seven points in the run.

Orlando's only points came on a 3-pointer by Chucky Atkins with 9:16 to play.

With Harrington leading the way, the Pacers went on to lead 99-82 with 6:39 to play.

Orlando, which had won three straight, never got back into contention and trailed by as many as 21.

Seattle 109, Cleveland 103

Gary Payton had 27 points and nine assists and Vin Baker scored 24, leading the Seattle SuperSonics to a victory over the Cleveland Cavaliers.

Payton, who needed medical treatment for a tight back at halftime, scored 12 points in the third quarter and hit a key jumper in the final three minutes, as the Sonics held off a Cleveland rally.

Baker, able to push his way around inside against the smaller, or Cavs, added 13 rebounds and Horace Grant had 10.

Shawn Kemp led Cleveland with 22 points despite 8-for-23 shooting and Andrew DeClercq had a career-high 19 points.

The Cavs had won 27 straight games when scoring over 100 points, but couldn't catch the Sonics down the stretch because of some costly turnovers and poor shot selection.

Brent Barry had four 3-pointers and added 17 points for Seattle, which has won nine straight over Cleveland, including the last five at Gund Arena.

Trailing by 10 points, the Cavs pulled within 96-93 with 3:40 left when Danny Ferry grabbed a loose ball and dropped a 12-foot baseline jumper.

Barry's 3-pointer from the right side put the Sonics up by six before Bob Sura's 3 on Cleveland's next trip closed it to 99-96 with 2:58 remaining.

Payton made the biggest basket of the game with 2:37 left by knocking down a 17-footer near the foul line.

After Andre Miller's free throw made it 101-97, Grant hit a jumper with one second left on the 24-second clock and Barry made a foul shot when Kemp committed a technical foul.

Payton was late coming out to the floor for the second half after getting an electrical treatment for his back by Indianapolis' Dr. Leon Lederman. When Payton checked in, he scored six straight points in a 9-0 run as Seattle took control.

Barry's 3-pointer capped the spurt to give Seattle a 70-63 lead. After the Cavs closed within three, the Sonics won on an 11-0 run to push the lead to 83-67. The Sonics opened a 36-28 lead after one quarter, making 6-of-8 3-pointers in the period.

Cleveland's bench, just like it has in the first four games this season, brought the Cavs back. When rookie Trayvon Langdon made his second 3-pointer of the second quarter, Cleveland had tied it as at 48-48 with 4:50 left.

DeClercq, who finished with 16 points on 7-for-11 shooting in the first half, scored Cleveland's next five points as the Cavs took a 60-56 lead at the break.

Toronto 123, Detroit 106

(Forrest Hill Welch) Toronto's last four points and Vince Carter added 22 points and 11 rebounds as the Toronto Raptors won their fourth straight game over the Detroit Pistons.

Chris Christie and Carter were among seven Raptors in double figures. Kevin Willis (11 points, 13 rebounds) and Antonio Davis (10 points, 11 rebounds) also had double-doubles.

Grant Hill led Detroit with 25 points, but shot just 6-for-22. Jerry Stackhouse had 20 points.

The Pistons, who never led in the first half, closed with 9-0 from the field in the first half.

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NASCAR enjoys ride as ratings soar

Associated Press  

The moonshine-running Good 'Ol Boys could never have imagined this: a sport born in the backwoods of the South is now worth $2 billion in TV rights.

During the '90s, television ratings for NASCAR have risen while those for other sports have fallen. Sponsorship annually pays up to $12 million to teams that have their logos emblazoned on their cars. There have been no holdouts, lockouts or strikes to turn off its wildly enthusiastic fans.

TV income and will get a second year of its $2.64 billion, five-year deal with Fox, NBC and Turner Sports; ABC and ESPN; and NBC and TBS announced Thursday.

"This sport has taken gradual steps up and along the way there have been some big leaps and bounds. This is one of those," said Jeff Gordon, NASCAR's biggest star.

"But this is probably the biggest leap it's ever taken," he said. "It's next to be part of it. I'm enjoying the ride." NASCAR fans cross just about all demographic lines and include those who rooted for Richard Petty, the retired driver known simply as "The King," all the way down to the younger generation's idols such as Gordon and Tony Stewart.

Their interest has fueled a building boom in the sport that has added speeds to new speedways in Texas, Las Vegas and Southern California and expanded and refurbished old ones.

"NASCAR has shown explosive and huge growth on the upside. It's the success story of the '90s," said David Hill, president and CEO of Fox Sports.

Mike Helton, senior vice president and chief operating officer of NASCAR, said the flipside.

"TV agreement was made possible by the sport's longevity and durability. Helton said the sport, which was formed in 1948 by the late Bill France Sr., has outgrown its bucolic image.

"All that evolution has debunked that old redneck stereotype," he said. "I think we can stand pretty tall and feel good about the age range, economic level and the male-female balance that we have now. It all comes from exposure."

Bill Crewdale, media buyer for Western Initiative Media, agreed that the NASCAR audience has grown beyond its Southeastern roots in recent years. "It's started to catch on everywhere," he said.

The races are particularlyappealing for young men between ages 18 and 34, a group that is difficult to reach via television. The TV deal, which was announced in 2001 and runs for six years, calls for 28 NASCAR races during each year, with NBC getting the first four and Fox the last four.

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TENNIS

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Associated Press

VILLANOVA, Pa. - Venus Williams overcame a slow start to roll over 16-year-old qualifier Daniela Bedanova of the Czech Republic 6-4, 6-1 Thursday night to advance to the quarterfinals of the Advanta Championships.

Williams, seeded third, will meet unseeded Sandrine Testud of France on Friday.

After falling behind 4-2 in the first set, Williams swept the final four games, coming more to the net to force play, and capturing her service broken for the second time in the match. She broke back when Bedanova double-faulted, then wasted little time finishing off her hard-hitting but overmatched opponent.

"I just dropped my serve a couple of times," Williams said. "But I've been in that situation of being down a break before. I was able to keep my calm and take my time.

"She was definitely hitting hard. But I was definitely volleying better. After the U.S. Open I worked on my volley. I don't think I missed one tonight."

"It was a good match for my first time," Bedanova said. "I learned I can play with such a player like her."

"But I have to do a lot of improving — in everything. I have to move better to play in a baseline match like that."

Earlier, Nathalie Tauziat of France rallied from a 5-2, third-set deficit to beat Jennifer Capriati 6-4, 3-6, 7-5 in the second round. Tauziat, seeded fourth, meets local favorite Lisa Raymond of Wayne, Pa., in Sunday.

Testud beat seventh-seeded Dominique Van Roost of Belgium 6-4, 6-4.

Amy Frazier beat 17-year-old Belgian Justine Henin 7-5, 6-4 to keep alive a slim hope of making the WTA woman field for the upcoming Chase Championships in New York.

Frazier must now beat the top player in the world and No. 1 seed here, Martina Hingis, on Friday night to bump Arantxa Sanchez Vicario from the field.

Capriati's loss to Tauziat, after she seemed in command in the final set, officially eliminated her from contention for the Chase.

"At 5-2 on her serve, I had a really bad line call go against me," said Capriati, who beat Tauziat the previous five times they played. "From that point on, she didn't miss a ball."

"She played really well. It wasn't like I didn't have chances or was playing terrible. That's just the way tennis is. It has a snowball effect," Capriati said.

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Senators fall prey to Predator offense in 2-1 loss

Associated Press

KANATA, Ontario (AP) - The Ottawa Senators sent a strong message to Nashville Predators coaches on Wednesday night by winning the game, 2-1. The win marked the second straight game the Predators have lost, and they hung the Senators' three-game winning streak.

Wade Redden scored for Ottawa, which lost for just the second time in 10 games.

Mike Dunham made 31 saves for his fifth win of the season. Ron Tugnutt stopped 25 shots and led to Nashville for the first time in three career starts.

Redden opened the scoring 1 minute, 24 seconds into the game when he took a pass from Magnus Arvedson at the top of the left faceoff circle and beat Dunham with a low shot just inside the far post.

Nashville tied the game at 14:32 of the first on the power play when Tugnutt was called for hooking.

The Senators were caught changing lines when Predators defensemen Kimmo Timonen and Tom Kurki split the defense in the middle. Johnson beat Tugnutt to the glove side for his third goal of the season.

With less than four minutes remaining in the first period, Ville Peltonen picked up a long pass in the Ottawa zone and his wrist shot deflected off Varliev's leg past a screened Tugnutt.

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In the second period, Ville Peltonen scored his second goal of the game for his third of the season.

Morecha Sedgwick, who had only his third start of the year, made 17 saves as Philadelphia outdueled the Bruins 37-13, Carolina's lowest shutout total of the season.

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Irish look to net two wins against Hoyas, Wildcats

By MATT OLIVA
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame volleyball team has already secured a place in the Big East tournament, plays its last two regular-season games this weekend against Villanova and Georgetown.

With two wins, the Irish can claim first place in the Big East.

The Irish (16-6, 9-0) head into the weekend with a six-match winning streak, led by junior outside hitter Christi Girton, who was named Big East Player of the Week last week, after impressive match-ends against Illinois State and Syracuse.

Girton is the team leader in kills per game and digs per game, while second in hitting percentage.

On Saturday, the Irish face a Villanova team in search of its first conference win of the season.

The Wildcats (9-18, 0-9) have not beaten the Irish in six tries. Villanova is led by middle blocker Breen Eddinger, who averages 4.15 kills per game.

The Georgetown match figures to be the opposite for the Irish. Georgetown (23-3, 8-1) is only one loss behind the Irish in the conference standings.

This match is important for both sides. If both teams win their first matches this weekend, the Georgetown-Notre Dame contest will determine the Big East tournament's top seed and whether the Irish win the regular season conference title.

Last year, the Hoyas shared the regular season Big East title with Connecticut and made it to the championship match, where they lost to Notre Dame. The Irish hold a perfect 7-0 mark against Georgetown, including two victories last year. That record will be on the line Sunday afternoon, as will the Hoyas current nine-match winning streak.

Yulia Vyturina and Kieran Gill, players who led Georgetown a year ago, also lead this year's Hoyas, named the preseason Big East Player of the Year, is first on the team in kills per game with a 4.91 average. Gill was also a first team all-Big East selection in 1998.

"We are going into this weekend expecting to win both matches," said sophomore outside hitter Kristi Kreher. "We want to play with enthusiasm. Georgetown is probably the hardest competition for us this year and we have really worked in practice on shutting down their two outside hitters. Our focus has been on defense and our side of the court.

Kreher will contribute to the Irish defense with her average of 2.34 digs per game. She has also been an offensive force, averaging 3.06 kills per game on a .306 hitting average this year.

Two more players the Irish depend on reached milestones in their careers last week, Mary Leffera reached the 1,000-career-kill mark against Illinois State, becoming the 10th Irish player ever to do so.

Her co-captain, Denise Boylan, also totaled her 3,000th career assist against Syracuse. The junior setter has 3,025 assists and needs just 28 more to pass former Irish player Taryn Collins for second all-time.

The Big East tournament begins next Friday in Pittsburgh, where the top six teams compete for the title. Both Notre Dame and Georgetown will have first-round byes as the top two teams in the conference.

The winner of the championship receives an automatic bid to the NCAA tournament.

The 1999 Division I women's volleyball selection show will take place on Sunday, Nov. 28.
Irish goal of top NCAA spot rests on district meet

By KATHLEEN O'BRIEN
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Everything the Irish cross country squads have been working toward this season — a berth in the NCAA championship meet Nov. 15 — comes down to how well they run this weekend in the district meet.

The top two teams in each district receive automatic spots at nationals, while several at-large spots will be selected to round out the field, based on their performance Saturday and throughout the season.

The men should have no reason to worry about being left out of nationals, as they are ranked eighth in the nation.

"Our goal, honestly, is to be in the top three," said Irish men's head coach Joe Piane. "If you're first or you're third, the reward is exactly the same — going to the NCAA's."

Notre Dame's men's squad has beaten some of the top teams in the nation this year. The Irish captured the Big East Championship, took sixth in the Pre-National meet and won their own Adidas/Notre Dame Invitational.

However, two teams in Notre Dame's district are ranked ahead of the Irish. Wisconsin is sixth in the country, while Michigan is seventh.

"Basically, our main goal is just to qualify for nationals and somehow we can do that is just the main objective," said sophomore Luke Watson.

Junior Ryan Shay has paced the Irish all season long; his role should be no different this weekend.

"He can certainly be in the top five," Piane said. "He could be even higher than that."

"What we don't need is for one guy to win it," added Piane. "We need four to five guys to run well."

The added distance may help the Irish in composition. Both districts and nationals are run on a 10,000-meter course, while the regular season races were 8,000-meters.

"We've trained all year long for the 10,000," Piane said.

In the Pre-National meet, Shay finished just six seconds behind the victor and was closest on the leader at the end. Shay thought he might have won the race with a little more distance.

Watson finished third at the Big East Championships and has been a consistent second runner for Notre Dame.

"I just want to be top five to top 10," Watson said. "Obviously our performance at the Big East was pretty strong. We're confident, we're ready for districts."

 Fellow sophomore Marc Stroiswold has also performed well throughout the season.

Senior Ryan Maxwell brings experience to the field, as do his classmates John Dudley, Sean McManus and Mike Grieve.

The women's squad is all but assured of running in the NCAA Championships, the women must finish in the top two at districts to earn the right to continue their season at the national level.

"Our goal is to finish in the top two in order to get an automatic bid to the NCAA's," women's head coach Tim Connelly said.

The Irish will have their hands full with the competition. Wisconsin is one of the best teams in the nation. Other teams which pose a threat include Michigan, Michigan State, Butler, Akron and Marquette.

"I think if you look at the teams in the race, Wisconsin is clearly the top team in the race," Connelly said. "And then there are three or four teams that can compete for the next spot."

I think realistically the teams we have to worry about are Michigan and Michigan State," added Connelly. "If we run as well as we did at the Big East, we have a good shot at finishing second."

Senior Allison Klemmer is in peak form and has picked up some of the slack on the team since All-American JoAnna Deeter went out with an injury. Klemmer placed fourth at the Big East Championships, a career best. If she places among the top four individuals in the region, she will receive an automatic spot in the national meet.

"She's been an All-American twice on the track," Connelly said. "And she's running better than ever."

Rookie Jennifer Handley has shined for the Irish this season, but may be missing from the lineup Saturday due because of injury.

"It's up in the air a little bit because of Jennifer," Connelly said about the lineup.

Seniors Patty Rice and Erin Toly will join Klemmer in the race for an NCAA berth, as well junior Chrissy Karanzas. The other spots have yet to be determined, but among the possible contenders are seniors Valerie Siqueira, Bridge O'Brien and Erin Olson, and senior Nicole LaSalle.

Saturday's race may be the end of the line for the 1999 Irish. or just a pit stop on the way to a national title.

Ryan Shay looks to lead the Irish in the district meet this weekend and secure an NCAA championship meet berth.
WOMEN'S SOCCER

By MIKE CONNOLLY

Notre Dame rested after bye, ready to take on Dayton

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Eleven years ago, Dayton beat Notre Dame, 5-0, in the worst defeat in Irish history, scoring more goals than any other Notre Dame opponent - ever.

This Sunday when the Flyers travel to Alumni field to take on the fifth-seeded Irish women's soccer team, they will find 1999's edition of the Irish vastly different than '88's team.

In 1988, Notre Dame was in its first season of soccer competition and did not boast a single All-conference player or any one with experience on any national teams.

1999's Irish, with seven All-Big East players and a wealth of international experience, is so different that the team doesn't even know about the trouncing they experienced at the hands of the Flyers in 1988.

The home-field advantage and an extra week of practice will give the Irish a step up on the Flyers.

Dayton advanced to the second round with a 3-2 victory over Evansville Wednesday night while Notre Dame had a week off thanks to a first round bye.

Both of these factors help the Irish, according to head coach Randy Waldrum.

"I think it's a huge advantage to have that week off," Waldrum said. "You can take a day or two to get away from it for a while. Because I think you are getting to the point in the season where kids are getting tired of each other and they need a little time off."

The Irish took Monday and Tuesday off before returning to practice on Wednesday. The chance to play at home and maintain a normal practice routine will also play a factor this weekend.

"For us here, I think the fan support is great - that's an extra player for you," Waldrum said. "I think playing at home gives you an advantage because you sleep in your own bed and the kids are used to the week, where on the road you are sleeping in a hotel bed and your regimen of getting up and getting around is different."

The Irish enter the NCAA Championships in good physical shape with no injuries to starters or major players. Only backup goalkeeper Sani Post, who has a broken hand, will not be able to play against the Flyers.

"I think we are in pretty good shape," Waldrum said. "I think this time of the season you get a few bumps and bruises here and there and we are trying to attend to those situations but overall I think we are OK."

Last weekend, the Irish shut down the nation's leading scorer, Seton Hall's Kelly Smith and its chief Big East rival, UConn, on route to winning its fifth Big East Championship. While Dayton is neither a big rival nor possesses a top player, Waldrum does not believe his team will have any trouble getting prepared for the Flyers.

"Looking back at the past, this team has not had any problem for preparing for each round," Waldrum said. "I think it is our job as coaches to make sure they are ready to play as well as they are capable."

The Flyers are lead offensively by Missy Gregg, who has tallied 23 goals this season.

She scored two goals in the team's win over the Purple Aces in the first round and picked up an assist for the Flyers on Wednesday.

The Irish are led by a talented group of seniors, offensively and defensively. Senior Jenny Streiffer leads the Irish in scoring as she closes in on becoming the second player in history to score 70 goals and 70 assists in a career.

Currently, she has 68 goals and 71 assists for 207 career points - an Irish record.

All-Big East defenders Kara Brown and Jen Grubb combine with goalkeeper Lakeysia Beene to lead a defense that has held opponents to less than one goal per game.

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Marathon races past Notre Dame in 105-81 victory

By KATHLEEN O'BRIEN Assistant Sports Editor

Notre Dame turned the ball over 17 times in the first half and Marathon's Darnell Hobbs lit up the scoreboard all night long as Notre Dame lost its second exhibition game 105-81 deep into the 12-point lead.

The Irish were 9-11, obviously, a great effort, and I think it was my fault because I set the tone," said first-year Irish head coach Matt Doherty. "I talked more about Ohio State than Marathon. I didn't prepare our guys mentally to play a game tonight.

The Irish discovered they needed more than sophomore Troy Murphy, to win as Marathon proved a much tougher opponent than the International Select All-Stars from the Irish defeated 94-79.

Notre Dame began to an early lead behind Murphy, who scored nine of the first eleven points for Notre Dame. Sophomore forward David Graves also played a role as the Irish were 24-12 with 12 minutes, 2 seconds to play in the first half.

However, it all went downhill from there for the Irish. Within 10 minutes, Marathon had turned the game around to claim a 13-point advantage which it never relinquished.

"I think we came into the game lackadaisical," Murphy said. "Our preparation wasn't the same as the first game. The 10-point lead was the worst thing that could have happened to us.

Once Marathon began to take control of the game, the Irish never recovered. "They started hitting shots and it's hard to keep up momentum," Doherty said. "It's hard to turn the switch on and off.

There was no room for the Irish to be complacent as Marathon shot 15 for 30 from behind the arc and only gave the ball up seven times in the first half.

Even more significant was the play of Hobbs, who played the entire game, tallying 39 points and adding 13 assists for Marathon. Hobbs' 39 points nearly dashed the single-game record in the ACC by a Notre Dame opponent. The record of 40 points was set in 1978 by Loes Moore of West Virginia.

"It's good preparation for us before Ohio State because Hobbs is a quick guard," Doherty said.

Hobbs marathoned the Marathon offense, doing everything necessary to secure the victory over Notre Dame. He shot 15 of 27 from the field, including seven of eight from downtown, only improving Marathon's already potent shooting.

"I give them credit," said senior guard Jimmy Dillion of the Irish. "They shot the lights out. There was nothing we could do. We've got to search ourselves.

"Doherty was surprised by Murphy's play. "I thought he came in and did a lot," Murphy said. "I'm an attention-getter. You hope don't need those to motivate the guys."

Murphy, a pre-season First Team All-Big East selection, did his part for the Irish, putting up 28 points. He dominated the boards for Notre Dame, bringing in 14 at the rate of 31 rebounds. However, Murphy didn't score during the Irish drought in the first half, going without a bucket during the final 12:02.

"One of our goals coming into the game was to have less than 15 turnovers," Murphy said. "And I think we had more than 15 in the first half.

The Irish came out more motivated in the final minutes of the second half, but it was too late to overcome a 28-point deficit.

"It's just pride," said Dillon. "It would've been real easy to lay down on them.

Freshman guard Matt Carroll, who contributed 12 points for the Irish, was disappointed with the Irish response to Marathon's play.

"I think we've just got to take care of the ball and play strong with it," Carroll said. "I guess it just goes to show when you face diversity, you've got to come up and face it and we didn't do that tonight. It's lucky it was tonight and not next Tuesday.

Four players were in double digits for both teams, as sophomore Graves and junior Al outfield Swanagan joined Murphy and Carroll with 16 and 11 points, respectively, for the Irish. Besides Hobbs with double digits for Marathon, David Harrission and Mark Davis put up 19 points, and William Traviss added 13 points.

The Irish will play their first regular-season game of the season tonight, taking on No. 6 Ohio State in the first round of the pre-season NIT.
Anthony Denman’s good nature off the field translates into enthusiasm and intensity on the field. Second leading tackler on the team. The junior from Rusk, Texas, is improving every week after switching from outside to inside linebacker in the spring. For more on the Irish ignitor, see page 5.
By BRIAN KESSLER
Sports Editor

Notre Dame and Pittsburgh square off in the final game at Pitt Stadium Saturday with the Irish looking to end their five-game skid on the road.

"[We have to] to go win a football game on the road," head coach Bob Davie said. "It is something we haven't been able to do. We have played five good teams, all five in tough situations, but the bottom line we have lost five straight games on the road."

The Panthers have lost four of their last five games and need to win out to be eligible for a bowl. And if that is not enough motivation, the Panthers are sure to be fired up for the last game in Pitt Stadium.

"I know they are going to be energized from it, their players, because you can't help it. They are going to have 300-some players at that game. They are setting up a lot of festivities surrounding the game. That helps you a little bit. It is going to be a big game for them," said Davie.

It will also be a big game for the injured Irish. Notre Dame is coming off a disappointing 38-14 loss at Tennessee.

"I think [it's important for us] to bounce back after a loss," Davie said. "This football team, I think, over the last couple of years has proven to be pretty resilient. It is a little bigger challenge right now because we have got some injuries, but to be able to bounce back from a loss, that is the great thing about sports, great thing about college football. You have an opportunity each and every week to go out there and get things rectified."

Davie, however, downplayed the long list of injured Irish players.

"Sometimes we all talk about the negatives a lot more than we talk about the positives," Davie said. "We got a lot of positives right now on this football team, got a lot of good players. The challenge is to go win a football game, get this thing back on track."

Tailback Julius Jones and flanker Joey Getherall have emerged as serious offensive threats for the Irish.

"We know they are going to be excited because there is a lot of tradition involved in playing the last game in Pitt Stadium," Julius Jones tailback

"We would have liked to have won that Tennessee game but that game is over ... this is the most important game now." Greg Mattison defensive coordinator

Grant Irons, shown here against Tennessee, may miss the Pittsburgh game with a leg injury.

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Pitt boasts dangerous receiving duo

By BILL HART
Associated Sport Editor

Emotions will be running high when the Irish take on the Panthers, but it won’t be soley because it will be the final home game for 19 Pittsburgh seniors.

The Panthers will play their final game at Pitt Stadium, home to the Pittsburgh football since 1925.

With over 400 games played over the span of 75 years, one can bet that the Panthers hope to end the stadium’s long history on a high note.

“I don’t know how significant that is for our football team,” coach Bob Davie said. “But I know (their players) are going to energize from it, when you have players like Ross Brown and Luther Braddy come back. It’s going to be a big game for them, so it will be a challenge because of that.”

Part of that challenge will be stopping the most productive receiving tandem in the Big East — junior Latef Grim and freshman Antonio Bryant. Grim leads the conference of 14 nationally in receiving yards with 83.2 receiving yards per game.

Against Virginia Tech earlier this year, his 215 receiving yards set a career high 12 catches for 188 yards.

Before the Panthers were routed 33-3 by Miami, the pair each recorded 100-yard receiving efforts in three straight games, against Boston College, Rutgers and Virginia Tech.

"Both of (their receivers) have great speed," Davie said about the pair. "Both of them run great routes and have good hands."

Like its receiving corps, the Panthers have relied on a quarterback tandem of David Priestly and John Turman for close to the entire season. Both signal-callers have played in all six games this season.

For as little playing time they get overall, each has compiled over 900 passing yards, with Priestly reaching the 1,000 yard plateau two weeks ago.

Fortunately for the Irish, however, the two players’ offensive styles vary little.

"The quarterbacks are both pretty similar players," Davie said. "One of them started early, while the second one started late. But they are very similar guys, both drop-back style quarterbacks and very accurate.”

fast facts

ABOUT PITT:
- Location: Pittsburgh, Penn.
- Enrollment: 31,776
- Colors: blue and gold
- Nickname: Panthers
- Conference: Big East
- Fight song: "Hail to Pitt!
- Mascot: the panther
- Saturday’s game will be the last game ever played in Pitt Stadium. The Irish enjoy a 21-6 record against the Panthers in Pitt Stadium.
- The last time Notre Dame returned a kick for a touchdown was against Pittsburgh in 1997.
- The Hurricanes (5-3, 3-0 Big East) played tough in losses, with David Priesty throwing for 407 yards last week against the Hokies. But Pitt’s offense shut down after Priesty injured his right shoulder while throwing an interception in the second quarter.
- "Really threw us off and really broke us with that interception," running back Nick Gonsalves said of the offense that has rushed for 60 yards in its last two games.
- "Any time you lose a player who is producing like David Priestley is," Pitt coach Walt Harris said. "You’re going to take a few steps back as a team.

"Each of Pitt’s three quarterbacks threw an interception, and Antonio Bryant, who had 216 yards receiving against Virginia Tech, was held to two catches for 20 yards. Latef Grim, the Big East receiving leader, had seven receptions for 82 yards and was the Panthers’ only productive offensive player.

"The defensive backs came in with the purpose of stopping those receivers," Miami cornerback Markene Grass said. "We made a pact to stop those receivers and we did. We know would win if we did.”

Pitt never made anything happen as John Turman replaced Priestley to go 10-for-22 for 101 yards and an interception. It was a bad day all around for the Turman family, his mother required medical treatment after being hit by a golf cart that shuttled Pitt personnel around the stadium.

Andy Gosland also kicked field goals of 38 yards on Miami’s first possession, one kept alive by Kelly’s 14-yard throw to Moss on third-and-9, and 26 yards in the fourth quarter. Kelly was 13-of-33 for 236 yards and a touchdown and was helped by running a game that generated 190 yards.

"We came in here with the idea to be patient and see what worked," coach Butch Davis said. "Our defense continued to create turnovers, and defense is what makes things happen on this team.”

James Jackson had 49 yards on 16 carries despite playing with a sore ankle and freshman Clinton Portis carried 20 times for 131 yards, including 37-yard touchdown.

"I thought the key to our passing game was the running game," Kelly said. "Once we got it started, we were able to have a passing game.”

Portis ran for 104 yards last week as Miami scored 25 second-half points to rally past West Virginia 28-20. The week before, Miami staged the biggest comeback in Big East history, recovering from a 25-point deficit to beat Boston College 31-29.

The Hurricanes played without freshman running back Jarrett Payton, who was in Chicago for the memorial service for his father, NFL career rushing leader Walter Payton, who died last week.

"We definitely missed Jarrett Payton, both as a player and a friend," Davie said. "We missed him and we dedicated this game to him.”

Kelly keyed the Hurricanes’ first touchdown drive, hitting Daniel Franks on a 43-yard completion, then finding Santana Moss for 19 yards on fourth-and-12 after basic devezled the field goal. Kelly scored four plays later to finish the 73-yard drive.

"I really thought we came here with a sense of urgency and consistency," Davis said. "You always come in here expecting a bareknuckles fist fight.”

The Hurricanes didn’t get one. Davis’ starting quarterback ultimately became a tuneup for next week’s game at Virginia Tech.

Davis also chose to kick a field goal again on fourth-and-1 from the Pitt 9 early in the fourth quarter and Kelly got the job to do it. Kelly hit Franks in the right rear corner of the end zone for a 17-3 lead that was far too much for Pitt’s stalled offense to make up.
1999 Fighting Irish

Schedule

Aug. 28 KANSAS W 48-13
Sept. 4 at Michigan L 29-22
Sept. 11 at Purdue L 35-20
Sept. 18 MICHIGAN STATE L 23-13
Oct. 2 Temple W 33-30
Oct. 9 ARIZONA STATE W 34-19
Oct. 16 USC W 25-24
Nov. 6 at Tennessee L 38-14
Nov. 13 at Pittsburg L 26-20
Nov. 20 BOSTON COLLEGE W 61-0
Nov. 27 at Stanford L 28-20

third season at Notre Dame
career record: 21-15
at Notre Dame: 21-14-0
to Pittsburgh: a 0-0

Bob Davie
head coach

John Laffey

Julius Jones soars over the Oklahoma defense. Jones is one of only two healthy tailbacks for the Irish this Saturday.

Jones, Fisher only two options

Observer Staff Report

After having to decide between four quality tailbacks all season, head coach Bob Davie is down to just two options heading into Pittsburgh. With Tony Driver suspended and Terrance Howard injured, only freshman Julius Jones and sophomore Tony Fisher remain on the Irish depth chart. Jones, however, is not completely healthy. He wore a knee brace in practice this week after spraining his knee against Tennessee.

Jones and Fisher should take advantage of their increased number of carries this week to establish themselves as the best two backs on the team for the rest of the year and next season.

1999 Volunteers

Schedule

Sept. 4 BOWLING GREEN L 30-10
Sept. 11 at Penn State L 20-17
Sept. 25 at South Carolina W 27-25
Oct. 2 TEMPLE W 55-24
Oct. 9 at Oklahoma W 21-17
Oct. 23 at Boston College L 20-16
Nov. 5 at Rutgers W 38-15
Nov. 12 VIRGINIA TECH W 25-17
Nov. 13 MIAMI L 13-3
Nov. 20 at Virginia Tech L 31-18
Nov. 27 at West Virginia L 24-17

third season at Pittsburgh
career record: 33-44
at Pittsburgh: 21-20
against Notre Dame: 0-1
Anthony Denman leads 'trill' 'backers

By TIM CASEY
Sports Writer

Anthony Denman woke early one fall morning during his freshman year in 1997. Looking outside his dorm room window, he noticed snow on the ground. Initially, Denman thought class was canceled and he could get some more rest. Then he realized he was in South Bend. It was quite the culture shock.

"The first day I saw some snow on the ground was my freshman year in September," Denman said. "And I had to go to class. In Texas if it gets 20 degrees you don't even go to school, even if it's not snowing. They don't ever cancel school here. I had to get used to that." Since that day, Denman has adjusted quite well to his new life up north.

Now a junior and the Irish's second leading tackler with 63 tackles on the season from his inside linebacker position, Denman has become one of the top defensive players on the team.

Denman joins Tyree Harrison, Ronnie Nicks and Rocky Boiman to form one of the more athletic quartet of linebackers the Irish have ever had. Denman, Nicks and Harrison are all natives of Texas, and Texan roots have played a major role in their friendships, both on and off the field.

In fact, Nicks hosted Denman on his official visit as a high school senior while Denman served as Harrison's host in 1996.

The linebackers have their own nickname for themselves. This year's trio has even given Roisman, who hails from Ohio, a nickname with the name.

"We ourselves the Trill 'backers,

Denman said. "Trill means true and real. It's a Texas thing. Tyree Harrison, Ronnie Nicks and myself assimilated Rocky Boiman into the Trill 'backers. We're going national with it."

Though they haven't caught the attention of a national audience just yet, the junior from Rusk, Texas, has proven to be an important part of an improving Irish defense.

In his freshman year, the 6-foot-2, 233-pound Denman played behind tri-captain Kory Minor at outside linebacker. This year, with the graduation of Bobbie Howard and Jimmy Friday from the starting positions, Denman was asked to switch positions.

"We call ourselves the Trill 'backers.

Anthony Denman

position: inside linebacker
year: junior
awards: defensive MVP of '99 Blue-Gold game, Texas all-state selection as senior in high school
notables: has second-most tackles for the Irish this season with 63, leads team with three fumble recoveries

It didn't take long for Denman to make an immediate impact.

The junior, in his first game at his new position, garnered defensive MVP honors at the Blue-Gold scrimmage in the spring. In that game Denman recorded six tackles and a sack and returned an interception 34 yards.

Denman said the change wasn't too difficult.

"It was kind of easy," he said. "At outside linebacker you take on the tight end, but inside I have to use my quickness to avoid blockers and make plays all over the field. It hasn't been too hard."

Besides his tackle total, Denman has also recorded three fumbles, including a 31-yard return for a touchdown against Kansas. The junior has forced two fumbles as well and added a sack for the 5-4 Irish.

Denman's play has not gone unnoticed.

"Since I've been here (1994) I would say he is probably the most explosive player we have had at that inside linebacker position," Davie said. "He and [Klionn] Tuaim (who played for the Irish from 1993-96), but he is probably a little bigger than Tuaim.

His teammates also have seen the impact Denman has on the Irish defense.

"For us he is irreplaceable because of the type of player he is," teammate and friend Greg Irons said. "He has done a great job through out this year with the intensity he provides and the enthusiasm he shows on the field.

His duties this year also include calling plays in the huddle. His combination of talent and personality has thrust Denman into a role as the leader of the defense.

"Any time you are a linebacker and you are in front of that huddle, you have to be a leader," defensive coordinator Greg Mattison said. "He's been the one who is communicating things to the other guys.

The influence of Minor has not gone unnoticed.

"They don't tell the players what to do but I just try to make plays and leave it there.

"But sometimes when we're getting driven upon, I tell the defense to turn it up a notch," Denman added. "You've got to get them going."

Besides being a leader on the Irish team, Denman believes he also has an obligation to be a leader at home as well. With two younger brothers, Charles and John, Denman knows his lifestyle has a major influence on their lives.

"I pride myself by living by example," Denman said. "I've got two younger brothers — I want to be a good example to them. I don't want them to see me doing something bad.

Since his days at Rusk High School, Denman has shown his talents at a multitude of positions. Besides linebacker, Denman played running back, quarterback, defensive line and fullback during his high school career. As a senior, Denman rushed for 1,250 yards and 12 touchdowns from his running back position while making 85 tackles on defense.

"It has been a bit of a transition," Davie said. "He came here as tailback out of high school. So he's gone from the backfield to outside linebacker to inside linebacker. But one thing you learn, good football players are good football players. They can play anywhere."

The Irish will need the talented Denman to continue to play well when they travel to Pittsburgh on Saturday. A week ago Denman recorded a team-high 13 tackles in the 38-14 loss to Tennessee.

In order to put itself in the best possible scenario for the postseason, the Irish need to win their final three games of the season. Denman believes his team has the right attitude to do just that.

"The attitude now is that we're going to beat Pitt, Boston College and Stanford," Denman said. "It's not even going to be close. We're going to blow them out. That's my attitude personally."

Though he now lives in South Bend, Denman will always be true to his home state. Even if his teammates give him a hard time.

"Texas has the best football ever, of any state," Denman said. "Even Florida or California, Texas is the best."

And if Denman's Rusk team ever played against his fellow Trill backers in high school?

"If we would have played them we would have beat both of their teams," Denman said. "Both Kilgore (Nick's school) and Sulphur Springs (Harrison's school)."
Around the Nation

Anthony Thomas, shown here in this year’s game against the Irish when he ran for 138 yards, leads the No. 16 Michigan Wolverines into State College, Penn., to battle the No. 6 Nittany Lions of Penn State this Saturday in a critical Big 10 battle.

No. 6 Penn State looks to get back to winning ways

Observer Staff Report

While No. 6 Penn State’s bid for a national title was dashed by Minnesota last Saturday, it must regain its focus. Since losing to the Michigan State Spartans on Oct. 9, the Wolverines have won close games over Illinois, Indiana and Northwestern to improve to 4-2 in the Big 10. While Michigan’s Rose Bowl bid is slim, it can still play the spoiler role in the conference.

The A-Train, Anthony Thomas, has scored more than 14 touchdowns for the Wolverines and is currently leading the nation in rushing. Quarterback in Kenny Kelly whose favorite target is receiver Terrell. The Wolverines defense is strong.

The Hurricanes feature an athletic backfield who could go 1-2 in next spring’s NFL draft, lead one of the nation’s top defenses. The Hokies look to prove they are a battle for the top of the Big 10.

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Other teams receiving votes: Purdue 100, Ohio State 85, Stanford 39, Oklahoma 34, Arkansas 31, Colorado State 23, Syracuse 20, Virginia 18, Louisville 17, Georgia Tech 14, Washington 14, LSU 10, Western Michigan 9, Tennessee 7, Texas 6, Miami 5, Boston College 5, Duke 5, Kansas State 5, Washington State 5, Marshall 5, Virginia 5, Arizona 4, Maryland 4, Florida State 4, Army 3, Arkansas 3, North Carolina 3, Duke 3, Notre Dame 3, Penn State 3, Michigan State 3, Southern Miss 3, Boston College 3, Oregon 3, Pitt 3, Utah 3, South Carolina 2, Florida International 2, Virginia 2, Georgia Tech 2, Kansas State 2, Temple 2, BYU 2, Arizona 1, Pitt 1, Texas 1, Utah 1, Texas A&M 1, Arizona 1, Oklahoma State 1, Indiana 1, Oregon State 1, Texas Tech 1, West Virginia 1, Rice 1, Boston College 1, Virginia 1, Georgia 1, TCU 1, Duke 1, Rice 1, Temple 1, Texas 1, Duke 1, Temple 1, Texas 1, Duke 1, Temple 1, Texas 1, Duke 1, Temple 1, Texas 1, Duke 1, Temple.
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I think Bob Davie summed it up best at this week’s news conference, commenting on the Tennessee game when he said, “We should have won that game, we would have played well enough to win.” It must have been tough for Davie because we have not played well enough to win, I guess. This is how I see the big picture. I want to figure out why we’ve been so inconsistent.

Some of the dobie Irish “fans” have said that Notre Dame needs to attend to two fundamental admissions policies that recruit must pass so that the Golden Dome can continue to be a penitentiary — or even worse, a state school. Sounds like a good trufuddick, academic respect for a winning football team with players more concerned with using college as training camp than as an opportunity to earn a degree. But then we’ve got to rid of all those college football books and posters that boast Notre Dame’s tradition and goals of excellence.

But is Notre Dame really lacking the ability to recruit some of the top players in the country? Only if Notre Dame’s two-straight top five classes is considered enough. If we can pull in players considered to be in the top five, why can’t the Irish develop into a team that’s anywhere near the top five? If you had to be a Notre Dame fan, you would do the thing that the Irish are in one game away from being at .500 and fighting to land a berth in the Insight.com bowl.

The Irish defense won Volunteer tailback Travis Henry In last week’s loss to Tennessee.

**IRISH INSIDER**

quarterbacks: David Feaster is very efficient, but Jarious Jackson is efficient, mobile and has a stronger arm. Priently is also hampered by a shoulder injury.

running back: Julius Jones in a bit banged up, but will play. Yuan Barlow and Nick Goings are powerful backs for Pitt.

receivers: Raki Nelson is still out for the Irish and the Panthers get the advantage with Latesh Grim and Antonio Bryant as early threats.

defensive line: Losing Jordan Black sets up the line after consistent improvement. The Pitt defensive back was exsposed against Tennessee in the nickel situations.

coaching: Walt Harris has taken a program that had fallen on hard times and turned it into a team with bowl potential every year. Bob Dave made some promises.

secondary: Romon Walker and Bob Davie lead a potent Pitt secondary. Notre Dame's one-man ground attack - which has been the case all season - will probably not play, returner. The last time the Irish returned a kick for a touchdown, was against the Panthers in Pitt Stadium.

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Overall, The Irish defense wraps up Volunteer tailback Travis Henry In last week’s loss to Tennessee.

**IRISH INSIDER**

The final game at Pitt Stadium is finally here, and the Panthers go to face the most overrated team in the nation. The only good thing about Notre Dame is Pittsburg head coach, Bob Davie.

Every year, we’re forced to see the Irish gracing the top 25, only to be forced out after a few losses in September and October. The first thing Irish fans will bring up is the strength of schedule. That’s great, but if you can’t beat the good teams, why do you play them year after year?

Until we were 21, we thought Notre Dame was the fifth service academy. All those tough contests against Army, Navy and Air Force must have forced Notre Dame Athletics Director Michael Weadon to change his policy for recruiting. The Irish had shown flashes of excellence this season, yet was held to just 46 yards last week to lead the team. A running game should resemble more than Jarious Jackson’s one-man ground attack — which has been the case this season. Pittsburgh probably won’t put the same pressure on defense that the Vols did. It might be a good idea if the Irish used that to their Irish. The Irish had a good performance.

Barlow and Nick Goings are powerful backs for Pitt.

Notre Dame simply showed every other team for a solid quarter of play. Is turning the talent into a solid team. The Irish are one of the nation’s best football teams of the year, Demond Gibson leads the Pitt receiving list.

Defensive backs: Anthony Weenser and Lamonett Bryant are playing some of their best football of the year. Demond Gibson leads the Pitt receiving list.

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