**Lightbulb causes fire in Lyons**

By TIM LOGAN

A small fire caused by a light bulb prompted an evacuation of Lyons Hall Tuesday evening.

No one was hurt by the fire. It caused minimal damage, mostly to the clothes in the closet where it started.

The fire was reported at 7:35 p.m. after some towels in a first-floor room's closet caught fire from the heat of a light bulb directly overhead. It spread through the closet and may have caused damage in the room above.

Fire personnel arrived at the scene within a few minutes and put out the flames shortly thereafter. The hall was evacuated until 8:25 p.m. while firemen investigated the scene and cleaned up.

Hall staff discovered the blaze when they noticed smoke in the hallway outside the room.

The alarms did not go off right away, according to Lyons r e c e i v e r S i s l e r .

The smoke was not heavy. It was there for what seemed like a few seconds and was not a fire, she said.

"We went into the room and you could taste it," she said.

Born officials pulled the fire alarm when smoke detectors did not sound.

**BOG sponsors gift giving service project**

By COURTNEY BOYLE

Miracle on the Avenue, also known as Operation Christmas Child, is well on its way to helping underprivileged children in poverty-stricken countries.

Volunteers are asked to fill a shoebox with hygiene items, toys, school supplies and $5 for shipping. These boxes will then be shipped to 10 countries such as Bosnia, Kosovo, Honduras and Nicaragua.

"Operation Christmas Child raises shoeboxes full of gifts for children of other countries who are needing more," said Kimberly Pitsch, head of the project. "It reaches out to a larger range of children in the world, not just in the United States."

Pitsch learned of the project through Marge Kalkstine, who started Operation Christmas Child in Grand Rapids. She launched the project in her high school.

"It started it my senior year as a way to bring service into my town. I just wanted to bring the awareness of underprivileged children. This is a way for people everywhere to get involved and recognizing needs throughout the world," said Pitsch.

Pitsch also got Jacqueline Lautzenheiser involved in this project. "I think it's ironic that twice in the week we've had two fires and the alarm hasn't gone off!" said Mary-Claire Jarvis, sophomore.

**New software system aids in academic advising**

By LIZ ZANONI

Notre Dame is finalizing new software that will enable faculty and students to have access to information on degree requirements for graduation, said Charles Hurley, the University's assistant registrar.

The new software is designed to make professors experts on the requirements within their departments so they can better assist students with advice. This will be especially useful for Notre Dame's diverse undergraduate program which often experiences quick changes and expansions in required classes, Hurley said.

The Web version of the degree-audit program will enable students to have access to their personal academic records. Students who are thinking about changes in their major can easily compare which credits will count toward completing new requirements.

"It will be flexible enough for computing requirements as strict as in the College of Science and Liberal for ones in the College of Arts and Letters," Hurley said.

Faculty will be able to use Notre Dame's new degree-audit system to compute grade point averages and degree requirements "within split seconds," Hurley said. The program's ability to grab information and data off the mainframe will be five times faster than the current software.

Professors can then use this information to advise students on registering for courses.

"The software will free up the advisor so that they can help students out not just with course requirements, but with information on overall education and life," Hurley said.

Where computing grade point averages, researching academic history and finding appropriate courses can take up the majority of meeting time with students, advisors will now have the freedom to advise students on career possibilities and graduate work.

The current system requires students who want to receive reports charting their progress toward meeting degree requirements to go, in person, to the registrar's office and request the writer's report. Many universities such as Notre Dame are abandoning these more outdated and inconvenient ways of finding and distributing information, Hurley said.

He said that creating the new program involved the partnership between Notre Dame and Software Research Northwest (SRN), a software manufacturing company who has had a long history of working with Notre Dame software programs. The partnership between SRN and Notre Dame has created a way to reveal an abundance of detailed information on a single Web screen without making the program excessively complicated.

Hurley pointed out that the new software will still demand communication with advisors and faculty about degree requirements.

"The software is meant to help with advising, not replace it," he said. The deans will make final decision over who has fulfilled the proper requirements for graduation.

"No computer program will tell a dean what the curriculum is and who graduates," Hurley added.

The "self serve" degree audit program is currently being tested by faculty members and should be available for student access through Irish Link sometime next year.
Spring break scams

It is that time of year when many students will return home to ask their parents a burning question: "Can you help me out with spring break?"

When my roommates and I asked our parents this question last year, a response we heard echoed across the Midwest: "Not this year, the budget crisis has forced us to cut travel spending大幅地增减..."

This year the budget crisis has forced us to cut travel spending大幅地增减..." The surprising low prices gave way to one of the biggest nickel-and-dime scams I have ever fallen into. Deposits, "meal plans" and "perk" packages put a slow suction on student bank accounts well before the idea of March break was even a mere number away from where that trip was coming from: our own wallets.

However, as the winter snow drifts piled, the thought of the beaches and open-air bars acted as a salve to our financial wounds. Finally, the big day arrived. Students poured into Chicago's O'Hare airport by the hundreds for our 2 a.m. check-in Sunday morning.

A flight delay and a few hours later, there was another flight delay. Finally, we boarded our charter plane approximately 10 hours late. Traveling to Mexico City was expensive, but at least we would be there in time to shower, change clothes and hit the bars, right?

Studentsenthal's plane, they decided to put the luggage for their trip to Jamaica on our plane to Mexico and vice versa. It was comically surreal to see my friends' luggage with Jamaica tags come in on the luggage rack. Additionally, the water was shrinking them. Additionally, the stress of the week came to an end back at campus..." the sinister words of the author and not necessarily the assistant viewpoint editor.

This Week in South Bend

Wednesday
- **Country dance lessons:** North Liberty Community Building; 7 to 8 p.m.
- **Concert:** Jim Gill; Main Library Auditorium; 6:30 p.m.

Thursday
- **Theatre:** Meet Me in St. Louis; Round Barn Theatre; Nappanee; 2 & 8 p.m.
- **Museum:** Nickel Fine Arts; 100 Center; 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Friday
- **Comedy:** The Amazing Jonathan; The Funny Bone Club; 8 & 10:15 p.m.
- **Theatre:** The Odd Couple; John Glenn High school; 7:30 p.m.

Saturday
- **Arts and crafts show:** Cook Energy Information Center; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- **Thanksgiving stories and crafts:** Borders; 4230 Grape Road; 4-30 p.m.

GAINSVILLE, Fla.

A telephone conference with State University System Chancellor Adam Herbert on Monday failed to allay all of student body president Brent Gordon's concerns with Gov. Jeb Bush's One Florida initiative.

"This plan that he's proposing should work, but it probably won't work," Gordon said. "Even if it's the best plan in the world, if students don't understand it, we're going to fight it."

Students Monday night planned a hastily organized campaign to do just that at a meeting of the SUS Board of Regents in Jacksonville this Friday. Also on Monday night, UF Student Government, the Hispanic Student Association and the Black Student Unions were arranging a letter-writing campaign and a trip to protest as the best plan in the world, if students do not understand it, we're going to fight it."

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Regents meet to vote on One Florida. The plan would bar race- and gender-based preferences in state university admissions policies.

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Moore and others plan a three-pronged attack on One Florida between now and Friday. First, SG and other student organizations will mass e-mail a letter to more than thousand students urging them to call or fax members of the Board of Regents with a request to table the measure until student input can be heard.

Second, Moore said students should call their local regent to oppose the plan. Finally, Moore said two buses of students would travel to Jacksonville on Friday morning to protest at the University of North Florida board meeting.

Moore said student riders the bus would spend Thursday night at the Institute of Hispanic Culture on University Avenue making signs and posters.

Stanford fights illegal use of name

In another example of the Internet's relentless ability to revolutionize everything in its path, Stanford University officials are now fighting a difficult battle against increasing illegal uses of the Stanford name on the Web. While the law still protects trademark ownership in cyberspace, it is the ease of infringement on the Internet that forces trademark owners to be more vigilant, University General Counsel Michael Roster said.

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SMC implements new software

By NICOLE HADDAD
New Writer

Imagine your life in one purple box in the basement of Le Mans Hall.

That’s where it will be once Saint Mary’s implements Banner 2000, a computer managing system that contains all the administrative information at Saint Mary’s College. This includes student information, alumni development, financial aid and human resources.

“We used to write our own system, using different software in each department,” said Joel Cooper, director of Information Technology. “The Banner system supports all of the business functions for the College.”

According to Lorraine Kitchener of the registrar’s office, “Banner 2000 has revolutionized administrative computing at Saint Mary’s. The primary benefit is combining the separate databases in the different administrative areas into one integrated database.”

Cooper said the new system represents a shift from old methods of organizing data.

“We are moving from older methods to a state-of-the-art way of operating the College, and that’s pretty exciting,” Cooper said. “It isn’t just the it, it’s many areas of the campus cooperating to get the done. A very significant change. A state-of-the-art information system built on top of a state-of-the-art network.”

Cooper explained that the College has been researching a new information system for some time.

“When I came three years ago, it was a good time to look at the commercial information system,” Cooper said. “We spent two years looking at state-of-the-art college and university systems.” Cooper said. “After forming a committee with permission from the Administrative Council, the committee narrowed down our possibilities of what works and what doesn’t.”

Cooper said the College sought a system that would be more office to office and the students, faculty and administration.

All information is stored in an integrated representative computer system where data are only stored once.

“This gives us the opportunity to look at the way we do business,” Cooper said. “Implementing this system is critical to Saint Mary’s future success. Being able to administer the College in an efficient manner as well as improving business processes are all things that will help Saint Mary’s better serve all her constituencies and will help Saint Mary’s be a top-of-the-line institution.”

The company that owns and sells Banner, called SCT, did more than simply sell the system to the College.

“They formed a partnership, looking at the College as a potential recruiting site. Banner will also allow the College to provide Web access to the information through a secure Web browser.

“I believe this bold move to network (class Rabiner 2000) on the part of the College and the students will serve to put Saint Mary’s on the cutting edge of the future in administrative computing, especially in the Pacific region. Lawrence also discussed the definition of culture and its varying subcategories, such as world culture and state culture.

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After defining culture, Lawson challenged the more specific nature of the term.

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Lecturer discusses sources of disputes

By MIKE DELAROSA
New Writer

Cultural and civilizational differences will replace political and ideological ones as a source of conflict in the coming century, said Stephanie Lawson, a professor of international relations at the University of East Anglia.

Lawson discussed the consequences of cultural factors compared to a more global culture in her lecture “A New Age for World Politics?”

They particularly emphasized the culture of the many Asian Pacific countries under the influence of Western, democratic culture.

“Due to the fact that democracy is generally based on ideas of the west, they do not translate well into Asian countries,” Lawson said. “She offered Taiwan, South Korea, the Philippines and Japan as countries who have adopted democracy despite their cultural and societal tendencies.”

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Group questions ind. teachers’ credentials

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS A conservative Washington, D.C., group has given Indiana a failing grade for its efforts to boost what it calls quality teaching in public classrooms.

The Thomas B. Fordham Foundation also says Indiana’s teacher preparation system is a disgrace, and dumped the state under average among the countries around the world at a below average score. The report titled, “A Quest for Better Teachers: Grading the States,” grades the education systems based on the group’s own particular ideal. The states are to be included in the research to determine the type of education systems that produced a genuine and useful teacher. The states are to be grouped in subcategories, such as world culture and state culture.

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GOP and Clinton debate budget

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Republicans pressed the White House on Tuesday to accept a small across-the-board cut in federal spending as the two sides edged to the brink of a near-$400 billion budget deal.

President Clinton vetoed a 1 percent reduction in agency budgets two weeks ago, and Democrats have accused the GOP of pursuing mindless, excessive cuts ever since.

The hunt for about $6.5 billion in fiscal 2000 savings loomed as the major remaining hurdle to a budget pact that would all but finish Congress’ work for the year.

“The savings are aimed at letting Republicans claim they honored their pledge not to spend Social Security surplus — a contention rejected by Democrats and the Congressional Budget Office. Another possible problem was a demand by Sen. Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., to let coal mines continue stripping mountaintops and dumping the waste into valleys and streams.

The administration was threatening to veto such a measure on environmental grounds, but offered temporary relief as a compromise. Byrd has proposed letting the practice continue for two years nationwide, according to the documents obtained by The Associated Press, prompting protests from environmental groups.

The emerging budget deal would combine five spending bills financing seven Cabinet departments, dozens of agencies and the budgets for the District of Columbia and for-er-ners overseas.

“Our negotiators did as good a job as possible,” said House Majority Whip Tom DeLay, R-Texas.

Dick Gephardt
House Minority Leader

“I don’t think most members have figured out how they’re going to vote on it.”

President Clinton said he was eager for political cover, and House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., pursued such a cut in a telephone talk with Clinton, who is in Turkey.

“I talked to the president last night, he didn’t reject it,” Hastert said.

But Tuesday’s bargaining session ended after White House budget chief Jack Lew refused to accept an across-the-board cut, GOP negotiators said.

Aides said a frustrated Hastert would try reaching Clinton once again, and votes on a compromise package were not expected until Thursday.

To keep agencies open while talks continue, Republicans planned Wednesday to push through the sixth short-term spending bill since the Oct. 1 start of fiscal 2000. This one would run through Nov. 24.

Democrats, impatient with the pace, argued that the bill was being used to delay the budget deal. The White House said it was needed to meet the government’s obligations.

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Christine Kraly contributed to this report.

CLARIFICATION

On Nov. 16, 1999, The Observer printed an article titled “Students for Clean Plates to protest dining hall” stating that Students for Clean Plates is a University group. Students for Clean Plates is not an official group. It is a coalition of students funded by the World Hunger Coalition, Students for Environmental Action and the Women’s Running Club.

Fire

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World News Briefs

Baptists expel churches with homosexual leaders

MACON, Ga.

Georgia’s Southern Baptists voted overwhelmingly Tuesday to expel two churches that let homosexuals serve as leaders and allowed a gay wedding. The outburst of Oakhurst Baptist of Decatur and Virginia Highland Baptist of Atlanta marked the first time in the 177-year history of the Georgia Baptist Convention that it has taken such action. The convention changed its constitu-

tion last year to exclude congregations that “affirm, approve or endorse homosexual behavior.” It’s a heartbreakimg thing to be put in a situation where you have to make a deci-
sion like this,” said the Rev. Gerald Harris, president of the Georgia Baptist Convention. “We just decided to draw the line.”

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Rain, cold torment earthquake survivors

**Associated Press**

DUZCE

Incessant rain swept through quake-stricken northwestern Turkey on Tuesday, adding new misery to people living without shelter in the freezing cold.

The 7.2-magnitude quake hit Friday, killing at least 494 people, topping at least 145 buildings, and leaving thousands of people homeless. The earth shattered violently yet again Tuesday evening, when an aftershock rocked the city of Bolu and the surrounding areas.

"Once it gets in your clothes, your bones, you never get it out."

Nubiye Cakmak
deforeign earthquake victim

**Editor's note:** Figures on the number of deaths, injured or displaced people may fluctuate because of new reports from different sources.

Measuring 4.8 in magnitude, Tuesday night's temblor was the strongest of a dozen aftershocks during the day in the area. Bolu is 35 miles west of Kaynasli, the town hardest hit of Kaynasli, the town hardest hit by Friday's earthquake.

The latest aftershock collapsed some already damaged buildings in Bolu, but there were no reports of injuries.

Policemen warned people through loudspeakers not to seek shelter in their damaged homes from the driving rain. About 5,000 residents blocked the main east-west highway to protest the government's relief efforts in the town.

"Nobody cares about Bolu," said Sunger, who lost his house in Friday's quake. "We're living in makeshift tents covered with nylon sheets."

President Clinton toured a temporary encampment on Tuesday to see firsthand how thousands of homeless survivors of a devastating earthquake in August are making do. About 17,000 people died in that quake.

Clinton, who is in Turkey as part of a 10-day European tour, promised continued U.S. money and supplies for rebuilding.

"We in the United States will do everything we can until your lives have returned to normal," Clinton said after a rain-drenched tour of the tent city of Dogusluk.

In Duzce, Nubiye Cakmak said she had already treated several flu cases.

"I think it is unfair ... for us to characterize it," he said.

Although the phrase heard on the recorder was characterized as a prayer, that doesn't necessarily mean it was related to the cause of the plunge.

Arabic speakers commonly make references to God in everyday statements.

**Turkish earthquake: Disaster at home**

**Associated Press**

NEWPORT, R.I.

Officials prepared Tuesday to turn over the investigation of the crash of EgyptAir Flight 990 to the FBI — indicating suspicions of a criminal act — but delayed the move at Egypt's request.

The development came amid indications someone in the cockpit made a religious utterance just before the jet went into its fatal plunge — and that a relief co-pilot may have taken over before the crash. The Associated Press learned.

Jim Hall, chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board, said in Washington that additional Egyptian experts were joining the investigation.

"Given this further development, it is only prudent for the NTSB to fully evaluate this information prior to any final decision on whether the responsibility for this investigation should transfer to the Federal Bureau of Investigation," Hall said.

The timing of the prayer — before the jet's autopilot was disengaged and the plane dived from 33,000 feet — raised suspicions that Flight 990 was deliberately brought down.

The words apparently came from someone in the co-pilot's seat, but not necessarily the co-pilot.

A source close to the investigation told AP that Egyptian airline officials tentatively identified the person in the co-pilot's seat as the relief co-pilot. Gamal El Batouty, 59.

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Fed raises interest rates by one quarter to 5.5 percent

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

The Federal Reserve pushed borrowing costs higher for millions of Americans for the third time this year on Tuesday, boosting a key short-term interest rate by a quarter-point to 5.5 percent.

The central bank said its actions should "markedly diminish the risk of inflation going forward," damping hopes on Wall Street that there would be no more rate increases for a while. Investors sent stock prices soaring on the news.

But private economists warned that the language in the Fed's announcement clearly left open the possibility of further increases if the economy does not slow to a more sustainable pace.

"The Fed continues to be on inflation alert, driven by a strong economy and a tight labor market," said Allen Sinai, chief economist at Primark Global Economics in New York. "The door is still open for more rate hikes, just not before early February."

In a one-page announcement issued after its closed-door deliberations, the central bank said, "Although cost pressures appear generally contained, risks to sustainable growth persist."

For that reason, the central bank said it was boosting its federal funds rate, the interest that banks charge each other on overnight loans, to 5.5 percent.

That action triggered announcements from commercial banks that they were increasing their prime lending rate, the benchmark for millions of business and consumer loans, to 8.5 percent from 8.25 percent.

The Fed also increased its largely symbolic discount rate, the interest it charges to make direct loans to banks, by a quarter point to 5 percent.

It marked the third time this year the central bank has increased the federal funds rate as it has tried to engineer a soft landing, slowing the economy enough to keep inflation pressures in check while not endangering the 8 1/2-year economic expansion, already the longest in peacetime history.

The Fed raised the funds rate to 5 percent on June 30, the first rate increase in two years, and boosted it by another quarter-point on Aug. 24.

In its statement, the central bank said it was moving its policy directive, which is intended to signal future interest rate moves, back to neutral. The directive had been switched to a bias toward raising rates at the last meeting in October.

Wall Street started the day strongly on the optimistic forecast for lower inflation pressures and the switch to a neutral bias.

The Dow Jones industrial average finished the day up 171.58 points at 10,923.33, its highest close since Sept. 13.

Private economists agreed with Wall Street that the Fed was sending a strong signal that it is finished raising interest rates for this year, in part because of the view that the central bank did not want to boost rates at its Dec. 21 meeting because of a desire not to have the economy growing too rapidly.

The Fed said the pool of available workers has dwindled as "the expansion of nonfarm employment continues, while not being sufficient to accommodate all the employment that would have been consistent with a more rapid rise in the rate of productivity growth and lower rising wage demands, especially if the recent spurt in productivity is sustained in the future."

So far, businesses have been able to cover higher labor costs through increases in productivity, more output per hour of work.

Nixon heirs demand millions

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Thousands of dollars for President Nixon's handwritten self-critiques. Several hundred thousand for his "I have never been a quitter" resignation speech. Millions more for his secret tape recordings. Add it all up, and you have a total that lawyers representing the former president's estate say it's worth nothing.

That's according to a post-trial brief filed in federal court Tuesday by the estate of Richard Nixon. The estate says it wants to obtain a windfall from the taxpayer and the government should pay nothing.

"The court should put an end to this attempt by the Nixon estate to obtain a windfall from the taxpayers," the government said in its post-trial brief.

To underscore the material's historical value, Morton4en replciid a roll of Nixon making his resigna­

tion speech. The tear-yed president's words to the nation on Aug. 8, 1974, became the screech in the courtroom: "I have never been a quitter. To leave office before my term is complete is abhorrent to every instinct in my body." Therefore I shall resign.

The presidency is 'ineffective' at noon, the briefs said.

The estate says it's worth millions. hut in the government's eyes it is nothing. "No, [Nixon] would not have sold those conversations, but he sure could have," the brief states.

R. Stan Mortonson

Nixon's estate lawyer

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Inspiration is a rare and fleeting idea.

One moment it seizes your brain and drives you to do so much more than you ever dreamed that you could do. The next moment it leaves you in an exhausted heap crumpled over the intended project with a furrowed brow and immense confusion.

It is a frustration and a tease. We need it to make our lives complete. We rarely see it and yet it is all around us. The most innovative comment from a comrade can turn itself into an entirely different way of looking at a perplexing problem. An early morning nature walk can provide the isolation and clarity needed to break a block in your thinking.

Imagine how many of the world's greatest technological advancements would come about without some blinding flash of inspiration somewhere along the line. Do you think that anyone would come about without some unanswered questions. Every science and art has a limitless area that has yet to be explored. In mathematics, you may be interested in the theory of chaos. In biology, you may be interested in curative research. Economics and government have ever-evolving theories of government.

To me, that is inspiration. It ebbs and it flows. When it is here, I am at my most productive. When it goes away, I never feel a more frustrating low. But it is what makes my life worth living. Now, between graduate school and fiction writing, I know that I will not be making a lot of money soon. But at least I am happy with my life and sure in which direction that I want to go.

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Every one of these fields, indeed in every field at the University, has its points of inspiration. You have an excellent opportunity to study absolute any field that you wish at this great school and some of the best instructors to help you toward that inspiration. Almost all of the sophomores and John Locke's political theories have an an author.

Now I am working on a Master's of Liberal Arts, and I don't think that I would have been as happy as an engineer. Sure, inspiration will leave you dry at the most unusual times. But, as long as you stay around the people and places that you love and that stimulate you, it will be back. Then you can ride it until the next wave comes along.

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God gave us a sex drive for a reason

I would like to write in response to a letter to the editor in last week’s issue entitled "Follow your heart, retrain your purity." In the letter, the author wrote, "We don’t always know what we mean with our hearts. How can we be sure? I was MADLY in love with my girlfriend, and I would do ANYTHING for her. She is the highest of all normal existence at this horrible, godless universe, and I would do anything to make her happy. I can not even begin to explain the depth of my love for her, and we are not ‘mature’ teenagers who want a relationship for the sake of a relationship.

No one can define ‘perfect’ and ‘good’; they are both open to interpretation. One can go by what the parents say, but I do not feel that one needs to follow the path of the good book to be accepted by God. Who is to say that two people in love shouldn’t feel free to marry and want to each other? I used to feel that virginity was something

book to be a decent band that students are interested in seeing. I have another suggestion. For a reason.

The only explanation I have been able to come up with as to why SLU went out of their way to bring Cowboy Mouth to the students of Notre Dame is that an influential member of the band must have a family member in the band. Far from being an avid Third Eye Blind fan, I was able to refrain from writing a similar letter last year because I know that at least a good portion of my fellow students were excited to see the band. If it is truly impossible to book a decent band that students are interested in seeing, I have another suggestion. For a reason.

several reasons: 1) Dawson’s Creek is not for a reason.

We were given a sex drive for a reason. I don’t think that it is cruel and would give us any option to escape its influence. I am going to thank the author for her opinion, as I cannot handle the possible loss of my girlfriend. She has become extremely upset by this sort of issue. I long that all relationships are hard enough. This has just thrown me off the wrench in the gears.

Brady McGurah
Tinman
Coe Woods
Cleveland, Ohio
November 14, 1999

Core courses create ‘intellectuals’

Late in the summer of 1999, I drove to the post office in the afternoon to pick up the mail. That day yielded yet another letter from the University, a sight I had become accustomed to. This time it was from the school of Arts and Letters, my highly respected college. Little did I know I had been waiting for this letter all my life, for it would truly mark the end of my relationship with the Catholic University of America. I had received much of the same throughout the summer months. After an hour or two, I decided I should probably look at what I was going to throw away. I opened the letter and saw the Core. The previous spring I had DARTed in this class, and was required by my college. I had heard about it was that it was a lot of reading and writing, and I figured I could deal with that. I just figured the material was whatever the particular teacher chose to teach. However, what this letter told me was beyond my wildest dreams. It had finally happened — I was to become an intellectual.

I think the rest of the Core students would support me in their extreme and unashamed excitement at learning about this news. When I was a little kid, my mom told me about this elite group — the pre-Intellectuals. She said few were chosen to even attempt this grand honor. First, they must go through approximately nine months of rigorous testing organized by a committee of only the highest intellectuals the actual testing conducted by their family and friends. The task of the pre-Intellectual was a daunting one — they were to gather together articles, novels, memoirs, lectures, nude drawings, etc. and synthesize them into one. They were to figure out why the committee figured all these should be studied together. Furthermore, they were only given a few days for each source.

This was vital, however, for to an intellectual the meaning of "Frankenstein" and "The Autobiography of Malcolm X" were as clear as their relation to Drawing on the Right Side of the Brain. It was the pre-Intellectual’s progress was vigorously monitored by the instructors and reported regularly to the committee. There was a dissection of the professors, which often lasted hours due to the fact that instructors are made to bow to the committee upon entrance. Also, every meeting a report would be made of an uninitiated intellectual trying to learn the true age of the Intellectual. These people were required to attend a Shakespeare at the Movies lecture and were always quiet thereafter. Only the strongest survived.

I guaranteed my mom I’d be one of them.

To me, it could barely compare to my excitement the first day of class. I eagerly looked around the class at the other 15-17 faces in the discussion room. What an intimate and personal atmosphere, I thought to myself. This would prove great for intellectual discussion. I enjoyed just saying the word, even spelling it: I-N-T-E-L-L-I-G-E-N-T.

I dreamed of big gigs when I would be an Intellectual and people would be able to tell simply from the way I talked. My mom sure would be proud. I would be able to relate any piece of popular culture to another with ease. Holden Caulfield would be the literary soulmate of Hunter S. Thompson. Malcolm X would be the alter ego of Heinrich Zimmer, and Victor Frankenstein would be a Christ figure. No one would be able to stop me. As these things ran through my mind, I received the syllabus and was amazed. Everything was there. I could plan my whole semester of Core so as to get all my other work done to have plenty of time to read the books, attend the lectures, go to the screenings and attend a play. It was even better than I imagined. I could already feel myself becoming enlightened.

It is now November and, needless to say, Core has been an absolute treat. I don’t know what my life would be without it. I have never imagined I would be able to dig so deep into a book only reading portions of it. I have begun only reading portions of books in all my classes, and I find it a true art. My comprehension is through the roof, and I am pulling my grades. And it is not only over most of my teacher’s heads — I know this is not just not Intellectuals. As it is now, I think I’ve been getting good reports to the committee, and I honestly feel that I am ready to move on to the second semester of the Core program — the last step before the gold at the end of the rainbow.

Only a few of those who go to Notre Dame, those students of the Core program, truly experience the luck of the Irish and their reward: becoming an Intellectual.

Dustin Park
Coe Woods
November 16, 1999

By KRISTIN FITZPATRICK

Would industry do anything to squash an invention that could potentially ruin it? This is just one of the themes proposed by David Mamet in his play "The Water Engine," presented by the film, television and theatre (FTT) department this week.

The Water Engine

Set in the background of the 1930's Chicago World's Fair and the celebration of "The Century of Progress," the play presents the story of a young woman named Lang, played by senior Erin Luttderbach, who invents an engine that uses water for its fuel. The oil industry determines this and attempts to buy her plans for the engine.

When Lang refuses, the industrialists show their determination to stop her by trashing her laboratory and destroying her prototype.

Another challenge for the set designer and the costumer was that all the costume changes take place on stage and that the actors seldom leave the stage. Kevin Dreyer, who designed the set, had the challenge of making a nonspecific set that suggests a locale and also allows room for the actors to be on stage during the entirety of the production.

Dreyer also designed a set that would accommodate Bonifield's directing style for the play. Because the play was originally written as a radio show, a play or a combination of the two, said Bonifield. Bonifield chose the latter for the direction of her show, which was also the way the original Broadway production was run. She believes it allows the audience to use more of its imagination, but still retains enough action to hold its interest.

Customer Jane Paunicka shopped at Chicago's vintage clothing stores and borrowed from the University's Casady Costume collection for the simple, yet complete outfits that allow fast costume changes. The changes must also be done rather inopportunely so that attention is not taken away from the action onstage. Paunicka decided to dress most of the actors with a base costume that could have items added or subtracted to suggest a change in character.

The lighting concept was designed by senior Patrick Caraher, who does a brilliant job of changing the mood of the story from the darkness of the Chicago streets to the cheer of the World's Fair. Caraher has emerged as one of the most experienced students in technical theater this season.

Overall, Bonifield is pleased with her work. Although she has done some directing in the past, she has never done a complete production on her own.

"I never realized how each little decision affects the whole show," said Bonifield. She is pleased by how smoothly the production went and how helpful everyone else was. She said she has surmounted the challenge presented before her and is eager to tackle more.

Bonifield anticipates that this show will touch the audience in some way. "I hope that the audience walks away from this with a sense of the many themes that are presented in this show, especially the theme that 'all people are connected'..."

Elaine Bonifield
director, "The Water Engine"
TV Analysis

How will Mulder and Scully evolve?

By MICHAEL VANEGAS

The end.

In many minds, the end is just around the corner, in the year 2000. In reality, the end of humanity as most people know it is not in the near future.

In Hollywood, though, the end is different. It is to some degree Hollywood executives want it to be.

And with the limited schizophrenia that is sure to be rampant come Dec. 31, Hollywood is laying claim to all stories it has to do with all things eschatological.

With the conclusion of the season opener of "The X-Files" airing this past Sunday night, it is clear that Mulder and Scully will be fighting the millennium madness come New Year's. Or is it?

The mantra of "The X-Files" has always been, since its creation six years ago, to doubt what is believed to be true. "Trust no one" was the motto by which Fox Mulder (David Duchovny) lived to make Fridays and Sundays a must for millions of television watchers out there, somewhere.

So despite the heavy mythological building from the two-part premiere, titled "The Sixth Extinction," in which the end of humanity was once again foreshadowed as a likely possibility for the series climax, one must question the value of the toasting images presented.

Is this a step toward some kind of millennium revelation? Or is it the first major hint that "The X-Files" is in its final season, which practically forces the show's creator, Chris Carter, to find some kind of spectacularly satisfying climax and resolution to put the show to rest for good.

Besides this quandary Carter puts viewers in, there are several other questions brought up by the information contained in the episodes.

In "The X-Files" a bedtime story an older Dana Scully (Gillian Anderson) is telling to her grandkids:

The first part of the series run has been marked by the voice-over work of the show's creators in a diary-like question- ing of the events that go on in the fictional sci-fi world.

Is there more than just an audience taken by the show's writers? Or it is a sign that in the end, Scully is the only one left standing? Does Mulder eventually die because of the X-Files? And if Scully is telling this story to her grandkids, are she Mulder's grandkids as well? And what kind of grandmother would tell her grandkids stories about death, destruction and conspiracy?

How do viewers know "The X-Files" isn't going to end with Mulder or Scully waking up from a dream, thinking, "Hey, that was weird?"

If anything, the show's premiere suggested that the imagination works in mysterious ways, viewers are able to peek into the vast mind of Mulder, learning he has a young boy often in his dreams — perhaps himself as a child. The episode also took viewers on a trip into an alternate universe in which Mulder chose "creature comforts" over the X-Files. This trip was entirely in Mulder's head.

For Scully, it was an episode of hallucinations, as science would label them, spiritual visits, as a spiritualist would. In the end, these visits from a primitive African native and a Navajo elder, Albert Huxeen (seen in an episode last season, propelled Scully into questioning her own mission and role in the X-Files.

Together, the imaginations of Mulder and Scully force viewers to wonder how much of the past six years has been "real" or simply imagined. For the sake of this television season, it's best to believe only visual fuzziness means something is not real. But who knows in Mulder-Scully world?

Is the cigarette-smoking man really Mulder's father? Or was that just a cheap, viewer-attracting allusion to the most famous parental revolution in sci-fi circles — Mr. Vader and his son, Luke? Note that this revolution came at a point in the episode where Mulder was beginning to enter his imagination phase.

But remember, cigarette-smoking man was also Agent Spender's dad. Perhaps he is everyone's dad. Of course, that would make Mulder and Scully brother and sister, which would totally deflate the series into the realm of The Hardy Boys or "Will and Grace." But it would answer the next question.

Are Mulder and Scully going to hook up? The show has been praised for its lack of willingness to throw the main characters into the love sack. Critics have called Mulder and Scully the sexiest couple never to have sex. Will this go on much longer?

In the second part of the premiere, where all goes back to "normal," Mulder tells Scully that despite all the craziness that he's witnessed and experienced, she is the one constant, his one true friend. Scully said to Mulder, ditto. But then, there was a sharing of lips at least on Scully's part. But the location on Mulder's face was cinematographically warped. Did they kiss mouth to mouth? Or is it mouth to eye?

Wherever it is, one senses these two to be soul mates. Perhaps they will never actually do the deed. But their love is evident, and this episode only made that clearer.

Is Mulder the savior? All signs say yes. But it seems there may be several "saviors" out there.

Until now, though, the Christ imagery has been limited. But with the vision of Mulder sprawled out on a lab table in a linocloth, with a crown on his head, it is clear Mulder was intended as some kind of Christ figure.

This, of course, makes one realize Mulder will die for the X-Files — something already hinted at by Scully's voice-over.

Can viewers count on human extinction within the show? As the episode's title suggests, some kind of extinction will occur. Past episodes, including the 1998 film, imply that aliens will destroy humanity. So if it does happen, how are Mulder and Scully involved? Will they stop it? Is this how Mulder will die, saving humanity? But where are the aliens?

Yeah, where are the aliens? The aliens were rampant in "The X-Files" movie, and then the first half of the season following the summer of 1998. Where did they go? Are they simply in hibernation, waiting to strike humanity when it expects it the least? Are they still running around in Arizona, reproducing inside the stomachs of human beings? Are they subtly mating with humans, producing a super-race of humans that will live beyond the coming "extinction?"

Or did they just all become visions of spacecraft? This seems to be the most common image on "The X-Files" this season. The final episode last season and the first this season were heavily into the codes found on various spacecraft. Mulder's imagination included making a spacecraft out of sand with the boy he visits in his dreams. But is it really a spacecraft? Or simply some kind of ancient piece of humanity that was simply rediscovered?

Really, there are too many questions to ask after "The Sixth Extinction" ended. And though "The X-Files" has been shrouded in mystery since its inception, hopefully, in what seems to be the last season of the series, there will be some more sweeps spectroscopically that will "shed light" on these mysteries. Until that happens, keep questioning the truth, trust no one and wait for whatever end may be coming.

Photo courtesy of Fox
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Wizards coach Gar Heard threatened wholesale changes in his starting lineup because the backups had outscored the starters two games in a row. Instead, he stuck with the usual starting five of Strickland, Jawan Howard, Mitch Richmond, Michaelie Richard Hamilton, scored CLASSIFIEDS Washington’s reserves were on the bench seven utes into the game. usual starting five of LaFortune ond-quarter points from outsore the team’s starters continued to struggle. He was lead was WANTED A family with three children to take care of three pets. One seeks high sentimental value. Interests to Walker at 233-2308. The 76ers raced to a 21-3 Wizards coach Gar Heard Washington missed its first two free throws, then hit a 3- pointer to make the score 95- 87 with 2 1/2 minutes to go. Miami was never closer than five points the rest of the way. Alonzo Mourning scored 22 points for the Heat, but they fell shy of 100 points for only the third time Anderson was back to help the locker room and didn’t return. coach Chris Ford returned to Milwaukee for the first time since fired by the Bucks and replaced by George Karl last year. He was introduced to the Bradley Center crowd, for the first time in the Bucks to the playoffs last season for the first time in seven years. The lead changed hands 25 times and neither team was ahead by more than six points. Cassilett stole the ball from Eric Murdock and drove the length of the court for a basket and a foul, 90-87 and 73-advantage moments which Anderson was not a part of 12-2 run that put the Bucks up 86-75. Lamar Odom had 22 points and 10 rebounds for the Clippers, who were already without forward Elton Brand and forward Maurice Taylor because of a sprained ankle. Brian Skinner had 10 points and 17 rebounds for Los Angeles. Clippers, who were leading within 96-91 with 2:38 left, hit Milk.JPG-1914 when he fell short intentionally as the Bucks grabbed a pair of offensive rebounds to pull out the clock. Anderson was hurt by poor shooting Starters Tyrone Nesby and Troy Hudson were both one-of-six from the floor, and Odom was 3-for-7 from the free-throw line. Mavericks 114, Rockets 95 Michael Finley scored 28 points and reserve Cedric Ceballos had 15 as the Dallas Mavericks stopped Houston’s five-winning streak at 11 games.

Dirk Nowitzki, the victim of a flagrant foul that touched off a mid-court showing match in the second quarter, scored 16 points for Dallas and 10 points and assists for the Mavericks. Rockets rookie point guard Steve Francis was ejected after a technical foul by Nowitzki, who was attempting a layup, with 2:57 left in the third quarter and the Mavericks ahead 48-43.

Nowitzki fell to the ground, scrambled to his feet and was carried off the court. His team converged and began pushing the ball, trying to get the Mavericks in the middle of the Tony Dungy.

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Minnesota basketball faces trying times

**Monson denies Przybilla transfer**

Associated Press  

MINNEAPOLIS  

New Minnesota basketball coach Dan Monson says 7-foot-1 sophomore center Joel Przybilla isn't considering a transfer to another school and will return to practice Wednesday.

Przybilla is the Golden Gophers' top returning scorer and the only star in a program rocked by an academic fraud scandal that led to coach Clem Haskins' departure last summer.

Przybilla left Sunday's practice early to attend to what Monson called "personal issues" and wasn't at Williams Arena on Monday night for the Gophers' 64-69 exhibition victory over Oral Great of Russia.

His father, Doug, said his son's absence concerned a family problem. Athletic director Mark Blount said he was told by Monson that Przybilla was worn out and had asked for a day off.

That led to speculation that Przybilla was considering leaving the program, something Monson denied Tuesday.

"I've got to respect Joel, and he's asked this to be a personal issue," Monson said. "His situation is one that I respect and I hope that everybody else does. He's going to be at practice tomorrow at 3:30, like every other kid now, and he's said that everything is resolved."

A team spokesman said Przybilla would issue a statement before Wednesday's practice but wouldn't address the matter until then.

The Gophers open their season Saturday against Texas-Arlington.

The university has banned the team from postseason play this season, but that doesn't include the Big Ten tournament.

The NCAA is widely expected to add at least a year's probation when it issues its findings.

**More academic scandals emerge**

Associated Press  

MINNEAPOLIS

Recent interviews with several Minnesota men's basketball players have changed what investigators know about alleged misconduct, the Star Tribune reported Tuesday.

Jason Stanford, Antoine Brown and Miles Tarver were originally questioned before they and a fourth player were suspended from the Golden Gophers' opening game of the NCAA tournament in March in Seattle. The Gophers lost to Gonzaga.

An unidentified source with direct knowledge of the questions that investigators have been asking told the newspaper that some recent questions have focused on whether former coach Clem Haskins urged players not to tell "the whole truth" when they were first questioned eight months ago about alleged fraud.

Haskins resigned under pressure in June and took a $1.5 million contract buyout in the face of the allegations. He denied knowing about any wrongdoing, in a message left Tuesday at Haskins' home in Minnetonka wasn't returned.

Minnesota president Mark Yudof said last Friday that a draft of the investigative report, which he had read, could change because of "an important witness." He wouldn't elaborate except to say that the witness was not Alonzo Newby, a former academic adviser for basketball players who has been implicated in the investigation but has refused to be interviewed.

Broxsie is considered an important witness because he allegedly worked closely with Jan Gangelhoff, a former office manager in the academic counseling unit. She has said she completed about 400 pieces of course work for at least 20 players, including the four who were suspended, between 1993 and 1998.

She has shown reporters about 30 papers with Broxsie's name on them. Former Gangelhoff continued to work with Broxsie even after Newby, who allegedly coordinated the work, was told she wasn't supposed to.

**CBS, ABC vie for contract**

Associated Press

NEW YORK

After being left out of last week's NASCAR TV deal, CBS, ABC and ESPN are the front-runners for the NCAA men's basketball tournament.

Formal presentations will be made Wednesday and Thursday at the NCAA's Indianapolis headquarters, and an announcement could come by the end of the week. The new deal is expected to be worth about $400 million a year.

CBS, the incumbent, is in the fourth year of a seven-year, $1.7 billion broadcast deal that expires after 2002. However, the NCAA has elected to negotiate a new deal, which is to begin in 2003 and expected to include marketing rights.

The marketing rights to the tournament are held by Host Communications, and CBS and Host are expected to present the NCAA with a combined offer.

"The presentations will be on a broad range of topics. There is no timetable for when a decision will be made," NCAA spokesman Wally Bengtson said.

The NCAA ended CBS' exclusive negotiating period in August. The network has broadcast the event since 1982, when it acquired the tournament from NBC. It added the early rounds, which had been broadcast by ESPN, in 1990.

"We remain interested and feel the college basketball fan would be best served with an ESPN-ABC package," ESPN spokesman Mike Soltys said Monday.

ESPN has said theantage of having Disney broadcast the tournament is that viewers could watch all the games nationally. CBS, which declined to comment, doesn't show all the games nationally in the early rounds, but could team with a cable partner to do so.

CBS' primary competition may be ABC-ESPN, but Fox and its cable partners, Fox Sports Net and FX, remain interested even after landing a share of the NASCAR package. NBC, which has the NBA, is not interested in the NCAA tournament.

"The results of NASCAR makes CBS clearly the favorite to renew its contract," said former CBS sports president Neal Pilson, who runs a consulting firm. "They already have it and they lost NASCAR."

One of Pilson's clients is the Swiss marketing firm, ISL, which has positioned itself with Fox in the bidding process. ISL vice president Jim Wheeler said in August that his company would be prepared to offer the NCAA $4 billion for 10 years to secure the rights for TV, the Internet, licensing, marketing and sponsorship.
Pens beat Sabres, lose Jagr to injury

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH

Jaromir Jagr's season-long scoring streak ended with a groin injury, but the Pittsburgh Penguins scored three goals in a span of 3:04 in the second period to chase rookie goaltender Martin Biron.

Jagr missed four games of the Penguins' first-round playoff upset of New Jersey last spring with the same injury. His status for Thursday's game at Tampa Bay was not immediately known.

Biron gave up 2.2 points per game scoring pace is the highest over the past three goals in 15 games, left

to the Penguins scored three goals with 33 points in 16 games, left

in the first period and made them hold up Tuesday night to beat Buffalo 3-2, 2-1 start and

Aubin stopped 19 of 21 shots as

The Penguins have won three of four since a 2-7-3 start and

The Penguins beat the Phoenix's power-play drought

the Coyotes slid the puck between Biron's
tender Dwayne Roloson.

to give them their first shorthanded goal with 5:54 left in the second period because he crashed

the Flames.

Rob Essema made 34 saves for the Coyotes to improve to 3-1-0-2 since the Flames do not have a goalie in the net before the puck
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MIAA AWARDS

Bill, Barger honored as first team All-MIAA

Special to The Observer

Agape Bill, a senior captain for the Belles volleyball team, was named to the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association’s first team for the 1999 season. Bill was named All-MIAA for the 1998 volleyball season as well as being named to the Association’s first team and player of the week’s honor roll for that season.

Saint Mary’s freshman Emily Nyhll received an honorable mention in volleyball. Rhonda Volkers, from Calvin College, was named most valuable player for the 1999 volleyball season.

Saint Mary’s junior Katy Barger pulled in first team honors for the women’s soccer team, and teammates Mary Campe, Rachel Egger and Heather Murth received couch’s honorable mentions.

This is the first season that the Belles’ soccer team has had a player named to the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association’s first team. Barger was a coaches’ honorable mention nominee last season.

Erin Killian, from Kalamazoo College, was named most valuable player for soccer in the MIAA.

Golfers Natalie Cook and Molly Lee received second team honors for the Belles. This is the first time in the golf team’s history that players from Saint Mary’s have received honors from the MIAA. Ellen Colesbrander, from Hope College, was named golf’s most valuable player for the 1999 season.

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recording a perfect 4-0 record on the month to get their season back to a respectable 3-3 record.

A week ago, at Tennessee, the Irish were matched up against a more talented team. In other words, an opponent that the Irish knew would be tough to beat. Then came Saturday against Pittsburgh. Granted, the Panthers were playing their final game at Pitt Stadium, so the emotions were on the side of the home team. But the Irish still felt they had they had enough firepower to combat the Panthers. They were wrong.

“I thought we took a step back against Pittsburgh,” Dave said. “We played hard enough to win? Probably. Not as passionate as we had to play in that environment to win. And that bothers me.”

More than a physical problem, Dave believes the lack of passion emanates above the shoulders.

“I think it (passion) is a mindset,” Dave said. “If their responsibility falls on all of us. But the bottom line is if it falls on the players to be emotionally ready to play.”

Was that (the lack of passion) the main reason we didn’t win?” he said. “I can’t say that. But I think we could have won the game if we were just a little bit smarter. Maybe we were like we were at the end of the USC game. I think the first step is to address it and I think we have.”

Instead of practicing on Monday night in the stadium, the Irish used the four-hour time block to watch both Pittsburgh and Boston College game footage. After the film session, they walked through the routine they had set up for Monday.

Though his players’ lack of passion concerned Dave, he also believes some responsibility lies on the coaching staff.

“The bottom line is your responsibility to have them ready to play and to be that lack of passion,” he said. “I don’t think we did a good job of that. That is something we are addressing on Monday. You hate to learn a lesson the hard way but this football team did.”

In order to be eligible for bowl considerations, the Irish must win their final two games against Boston College and Stanford.

Though the record may not be where he envisioned, Dave believes his team’s attitude will precipitate a strong finish of the Irish 1999 campaign.

“Right now the attitude of this football team is that we take it very seriously,” he said. “If we’re going to hurt, they’re a little bit embarrassed right now. But I think we’ll respond favorably to it.”

“I think in the end, when all this is said and done, that we’ll be better off maybe for having gone through this.”

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Football

Martinez wins second Cy Young

Associated Press

NEW YORK

Pedro Martinez pitched another shutout, winning the American League Cy Young Award in a unanimous vote. Now the question is whether he’ll be elected Most Valuable Player, too.

“It would mean a lot, probably more than this Cy Young alone,” Martinez said Tuesday after the Cy Young voting was announced. “I’ve already achieved that, so the MVP would be something different, especially to a pitcher.”

Martinez became only the fourth pitcher to win the AL Cy Young Award unanimously and, joined Gaylord Perry and Randy Johnson, who won his first NL Cy Young on Monday, as the only pitchers to win the honor in each league.

Martinez, 23-4 with a 2.07 ERA for the Boston Red Sox, received all 28 first-place votes for 140 points in balloting by the Baseball Writers’ Association of America.

Baltimore’s Mike Mussina was next, getting 16 second-place votes and six third for 54 points, followed by New York Yankees reliever Mariano Rivera with 27 points, and Cleveland pitcher Bartolo Colon with 14.

“I pretty much expected it,” Martinez said, expressing a view held by virtually everyone in the sport.

The only previous unanimous AL winners were Denny McLain (1968), Ron Guidry (1978) and Roger Clemens (1986 and 1988).

Two years ago, Martinez won the NL Cy Young Award for Montreal and gave to Hall of Famer Juan Marichal. Martinez is keeping this one.

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Penn State started out by pummeling then top five Arizona on the way to compiling a 9-0 record and a No. 2 national ranking. The Nittany Lions are now 9-2 after suffering two straight home losses to the Minnesota Gophers and the Michigan Wolverines, blowing leads in both games. Ohio State, one of the best teams in the country last year, has struggled since day one.

The Buckeyes now stand at 6-5 — their most recent defeat coming at home to the Illinois Fighting Illini by 26 points. Miami has fallen victim to its grueling schedule, struggling along just above .500 and dropping from the top 25 this week after getting pounded by the Hoyas of Virginia Tech. The aforementioned Arizona Wildcats, after that season opening loss to the Nittany Lions, really hasn’t been heard from since that sunny August afternoon. Their national title hopes have long since moved back to the busketball program.

Playing in some early season “classic” what’s causing these programs to lose, especially in November?

No, and I think Davie spoke for all the coaches involved when he said: “They’re motivated — I’m not trying to make a safety net for us. We fully expect to play our best game of the season this Saturday.” Obviously, there are many other factors involved in losses.

It is interesting, though, to see the progression of these five teams, particularly what has happened in the last two weeks.

Four of them — Notre Dame, Miami, Ohio State and Arizona — no longer crack the top 25, the first three all dropping out at some point in their last two games. Penn State has fallen from No. 2 and prime national title contender to No. 13 in 14 days.

“I think it was, just in this Pittsburgh football game, I sensed a little lack of passion by our team,” Davie said.

The coaches and players on all five of these teams would be the first ones to tell you that this is unacceptable and how, in the words of Davie, “We certainly have enough left to win games.”

Still, that is an awful long time to be here. I don’t even want to know how I’d feel waking up in my dorm room every day since last year, no matter how many times they served Neapolitan spaghetti in the dining hall.

The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

**Bill Shore** is the founder and executive director of Share Our Strength, a national nonprofit organization that has raised more than $582 million to support anti-hunger and anti-poverty efforts worldwide since its founding in 1984 and has mobilized tens of thousands of individuals to contribute their own talents to such efforts.

## Club Sports

**Ultimate club posts 5-2 record in Knoxville**

Special to The Observer

The Notre Dame ultimate club posted a strong 5-2 record at the Tennessee Invitational in Knoxville, Tenn.

In pool play, Nick Creten’s three high release forehand points led the club to a 1-3 victory over Emory. The second round was a high stress reel from start to finish as the Irish dropped an 11-10 overtime win to the Michigan Wolverines.

The Irish rebounded with victories over Middle Tennessee State and Knoxville College. Scott Frymoyer paced the Irish, scoring at least four points in each game Saturday. In Sunday’s quarterfinals, the Irish cruised past the Indiana Hoosiers, 13-5. In the semi, Notre Dame broke from a 10-10 tie with Georgia Tech, scoring three times to beat the Yellow Jackets 13-10. The championship was a rematch with Michigan, as the Wolverines again won a thriller 11-12.

Diana Mastej’s first place finish in Class 1 open fences at the Saint Mary’s of the Woods College Invitational was the brightest of many fine moments for the equestrian club this weekend. Mastej’s fifth place in open flat made her one of the rider-pleasers twice for the club. Megan Hallman captured third in intermediate flat and fourth in novice fences, while Elaine Hernandez took third and sixth, respectively, in novice fences and novice flat. Other Irish to place in the top six in their competition included Jackie Nesson, sixth intermediate flat; Suzy Weber, fifth intermediate flat, Claire Peterson, fifth novice flat, and Laura Anderson, third advanced walk/trot/canter.

Several members of the world tent kwondo club performed well in the seventh universal toe kwondo championships, hosted in South Bend. Michael McCabe earned gold medals in both board breaking and forms to lead the Irish.

Nicole Smith and Andrew Hilliman also garnered gold medals in forms, while Hilliman also brought home a novice flat medal in board breaking.

The sailing club participated in two events this past weekend. Official results are not yet compiled from the UC Santa Barbara North-South Inter-sectional where the experienced sailors raced but the younger members competed in the Buckeye Invitational at Ohio State. They gained valuable on-water racing experience as they finished 15th in the regatta. In the A Division, the freshman tandem of skipper David Norton and crew Chip Keller posted the best Irish finish with a third place.

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B-ball

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just under two minutes remain-
ing. Troy Murphy then made
two free throws to give the Irish
a four-point cushion, but two
turnovers in the final minute
allowed State to pull even.
Penn made two free throws
and then converted a three-
pointer. One play later, Murphy
did the same to tie the game at
57 with 18.4 sec-

onds remaining. The stage
was set for Graves
dramatic shot.
The Irish were able to
overcome their
two turnovers and
won, despite only four players
scoring.

Murphy finished with a game-
high 25 points and 12 rebounds. 
Ingelsby added 14 and
Swanagan had six.

Swing out of bounds, David
Wood's long-pointer tied it
64-all with 5:57 left. 

After missing a three-pointer and
layup in the final 2 minutes, 

SALT LAKE CITY

The swarming Utah defense
in midseason form and
center Nate Althoff looked
great for a guy who wasn't
supposed to win until
after Thanksgiving.

Althoff had 14 points and
Jeff Jehan scored 10 Tuesday
night in No. 16 Utah's 70-68
victory over Iowa State in the
first round of the
NIT.

Althoff, expected to be
out until late this month
as he recovers from
back surgery, was
wonderful in his
first two games.

"Nate played pretty well," said
Utah coach Rick Majerus, who
didn't let Althoff speak
with reporters afterward.

He was hurting. We weren't
sandbagging. He just knows
his way around the game.

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The Utes advanced to the
second round and on Friday
night will play the winner of
Wednesday's game between
Penn and No. 14
Kennesaw State.

The Indians started the
1999-00 season the same
way they ended the last one: with a
lopidated lead to Utah. The
Utes beat Arkansas State in the
first round of the NCAAs,
managing to play hard. Fortunately,
Ohio State didn't have its best
game, but those things are going to
happen. We're lucky to be mov-
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Men's Basketball

Graves' last-second shot upsets OSU

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Head coach Matt Doherty celebrated his first victory in exciting fashion Tuesday night with a 29-27 upset victory over Ohio State (No. 6 ESPN/USA Today, No. 4 AP) in the first round of the Preseason NIT.

With 10 seconds left, sophomore David Graves dribbled from the back court to the left wing, turned the ball and drained a 15-foot shot in the Schottenstein Center in Columbus, Ohio.

"I'm so happy. We drew it up that play where we fumbles the ball," Doherty said jokingly in a post-game interview. "David made the shot just like I called it in the huddle.

Graves, who finished with 18 points, didn't even see his game-winning shot go down. "I thought Coach would call a timeout. I thought we would try to get it in here, but Ohio State took that away," he told The Associated Press.

"When they throw me the ball, I looked at the clock and there was no time to pass. They were giving me my left hand, so I used Harold [Swanagan] as a shield and shot it. I never saw it go in because I was falling to the floor."

"It was a great feeling — 3-2, 1, then shoot it with 18,000 screaming fans and one of the best players in the country (Scoonie Penn) on you," Graves continued. "You dream of something like that when you're in your backcourt if it's 10 at night and you're under the lights."

Graves wound up under a pile of his teammates. "I didn't want to celebrate on the court," Doherty said, referring to the dog pile that followed Graves' buzzer-beater. "I wanted to wait until we got to the locker room, but they didn't listen. I can't wait to get in there and do some chest bumping."

Notre Dame grabbed the momentum from the opening tip, leading for the first 16 minutes of the contest. However, Ohio State guard Michael Redd scored four of his nine first-half points in the closing minutes of the half to give the Buckeyes a 27-24 lead at the intermission. A 9-0 run by the Buckeyes midway through the second half gave Ohio State a 41-33 lead, but the Irish scratched and clawed their way back into the game. Graves' third pointer of the night cut the Buckeye lead to 45-42 with seven minutes left.

Ohio State then stepped up its defense holding the nation's best backcourt at bay. Redd and first team AP All-American ScoonePenn were held to just seven points on 1-of-11 shooting in the final 20 minutes. "We didn't want Scoone Penn beating us and I didn't want Michael Redd beating us," Doherty told the AP. "We wanted to put the focus defensively on them."

The Irish eventually regained the lead with back-to-back three pointers by Martin Ingoldby with 2:24 remaining on the clock.

Ohio State's leading scorer, 6-foot-3 guard Brian Fenderson, scored seven points on 1-of-11 shooting and was held scoreless in the final two minutes. "I thought their outside game was off tonight," Doherty said. "I thought we were really playing well defensively."

Notre Dame forward David Graves led the Irish with 18 points, while Scoone Penn contributed 11 points and 10 rebounds. Senior forward Paul Juvik added 10 points, including the game-winning shot, and drained a 15-footer as time expired to seal the victory for the Irish.

Ohio State was led by guard Michael Redd with 14 points, but the Buckeyes were held scoreless in the final two minutes of the game. "Ohio State has played some good games," Doherty said. "They've got a good defense."

The Buckeyes never led in the second half and Notre Dame outscored the Buckeyes 26-14 in the final 20 minutes.

The second game of the Preseason NIT will be played against the winner of the Tennessee-Mississippi game. The Irish will be back in action Thursday night.

Women's Swimming

The Irish weren't the only college basketball team in action last night. Check out complete coverage of the Preseason NIT on page 18.

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