EPA: St. Joe River pollutes Lake Michigan

By MOLLY MOWY
St. Mary's Editor

A study by the Environmental Protection Agency will report that the St. Joseph River is contributing pollutants to Lake Michigan later this year, officials from the EPA said this week.

The study Lake Michigan Mass Balance, founded in 1994, discovered two toxins that are particularly prevalent in the river. High levels of atrazine and trans-nonachlor compounds were found in the water.

"St. Joe is one of the two major contributors of atrazine," said Glenn Warren, the technical lead for the project. Atrazine is the most common herbicide used in the United States for corn and sorghum production. It is known to disrupt the endocrine system in humans and is currently being linked into a cancer-causing agent. In one study, the level of atrazine in the river was found at chronic toxic levels. At these levels, prolonged exposure to water from the river would effect human health.

"At atrazine levels, we see a widely used herbicide," said Christopher Dunlap, an analytical chemistry professor at Saint Mary's. "The fact that it is showing up in our rivers is scary.

Trans-nonachlor compounds were used primarily as insecticides in the middle part of this century, but have since been eliminated from commercial use. Chlor dane compounds, as trans-nonachlor compounds are also known, ran disrupt the functioning of the endocrine system and cause vision and digestive problems. The study found that the St. Joseph River and the Grand River were the two biggest contributors of trans-nonachlor compounds.

In addition to the above compounds, the study also looked into mercury deposits and PCBs, components of rubber and plastic products, in an effort to determine where they are entering the lake. The data that is collected and analyzed will be used to better understand how to reduce these toxins.

"If we want to reduce the toxic contaminants entering the lake, we need to know where the main sources are,'" Warren said. "We need to know if they're coming from the air or if the rivers are the main source. We also need to know what rivers are the main source."

The study found low levels of both mercury and PCBs in the St. Joseph River. The reasons for higher levels of the atrazine and chlordane compounds are not completely understood. It is likely that the popularity of corn farming in the area contributes the levels of atrazine. The type of soil in the area may also be a factor.

Bush, Gore invited to speak at N.D.

By MAUREEN SMITHE
Assistant News Editor

Continuing a tradition initiated by Father Theodore Hesburgh in 1953, Notre Dame president Edward Malloy invited Democratic presidential nominee Al Gore and Republican presidential nominee George W. Bush to campus, offering the University as a forum for speeches and presentations. However, because of constantly changing schedules, both candidates have yet to accept or decline the invitation.

Malloy believes the University is an ideal place for both to present their opinions. "It is a place where they can address a certain part of the electorate," Malloy said. "The chances are high that both will come to the campus."

Malloy commented that if both candidates agreed to come, they would not have a debate, but rather the event would be in a forum setting. "There are certain campuses that have already submitted applications to be sites of presidential debates. All that would happen here is one candidate at a time would give a presentation," he said.

Depending on how and where their visits would be presented, Malloy said the speeches might be closed off to the general public to give as many Notre Dame stu-

New hall directors excited for jobs

By BECKY REGALADO
News Writer

Students will encounter many new faces while walking around the Saint Mary's campus -- two of which belong to the new hall directors.

Early Guerra, Regina hall director, and Christine Arzt, McCandless hall director, introduced themselves to the campus this week. Both directors, both Guerra and Arzt, will be responsible for maintaining order and safety within their dorm. Also, hall directors at Saint Mary's have the job of supervising the resident advisors (RA's), desk workers and night assistants.

"If there is ever any problems in the hall, people come to me," Guerra said of her job. Guerra grew up in Utica, N.Y., and attended Le Moyne College in Syracuse. After graduating last year, she decided to come to Saint Mary's because it was so similar to the college she attended. While Saint Mary's is similar to her undergraduate environment, she is looking forward to the challenges her new job will bring.

"I want Regina Hall to have a very fun and safe year and for the students in the hall to grow as much as they can, not only intellectually but socially," Guerra said.

When asked about her objectives for this year, Arzt said, "One of my top priorities is to work with the RA's in the building and make them a phenomenal staff."

Arzt traveled a lot growing up. She spent her first two years of high school in Turkey and the last two in Germany. She recently graduated from Saint Mary's in May of 2000. Arzt is excited to be working at the same school she attended.

"It's just a place I absolutely love and adore, being here makes me so happy," Christine Arzt, McCandless hall director.

Guerra made the move to Indiana by herself and is looking to build strong relationships with the students through her job. "If people are looking for a friend, come this way," she said.

CHRISTINE REGALADO/The Observer

Carl Guerra is excited about her new job as Regina hall director. "I want ... for the students in the hall to grow as much as they can, not only intellectually but socially," she said.
INSIDE COLUMN

Great group of guys

A guy has to be pretty lucky to have roommates like mine. Bill, Joe and Mike know me, and they know that I tend to take things far too seriously sometimes. Thankfully, I live with the three of them, people who make life easier in O'Neill Hall a madhouse of diversion and zaniness. Their antics keep me constantly guessing, but in the process, I'm finding that each day I not only have friends to share a room or eat dinner with, but also an instructor from whom I can learn what life is all about.

For one thing, it's about being on one's own in each other's needs. I remember the time when Bill threatened a punch-over-the-phone. I can't tell you how good it made me feel to watch Joe bounce around the room, reveling in the belief that a dead roommate would guarantee his getting straight A's. Mind you, we had recently viewed the movie "Dead Man on Campus." But I'd say that's about as much as such a rule ever exists at Nourse Hall. Anyway, leave it to Joe to turn my crisis into his quest for academice excellence.

And how did Mike factor into that situation? I swear to God, I don't remember. Speaking of Mike, he's a daily lesson in survival of the fittest. His hobbies include lifting weights and lifting weights. But I'm pretty certain that he penciled in classes between workout sessions.

True, he never has homework, but Mike spends plenty of time devising solutions to our most pressing concerns. When the room feels like an icebox, for instance, Mike thinks it's too easy to turn off the air conditioning. Instead, he advises throwing on about four layers of clothing and wrapping up in a blanket or two. And here's a tip from Mike: Don't throw away those old T-shirts; cut off their sleeves and use them for headbands.

Ah, but perhaps no two roommates are as stylish as Joe and Bill. Joe's a "New Age, playa" chic. He's the one who will approach a random female in the dining hall and say something like, "If you were a flower, I'd buy a dozen of you." "When I tell the truth, I lie," Joe admits. As a result, Joe tells girls all the time that he's good-looking and smart. Bill, on the other hand, has his own style. He sports a black goatee and polo shirt look, but don't mistake him for some prep. Bill is the epitome of staying out late and sleeping in the next morning. When it comes to the small things — and in some cases, even the important stuff — Bill has introduced me to the "forget" method. If I can't get my French homework done, I don't see it, forget it.

In all seriousness, though, I'm grateful for the opportunity to live with this bunch of quirky guys. They're a complement to my earnestness and cynicism. And even though they drove me crazy from time to time, I can't imagine staying sane without them.

Jason McFarley

THIS WEEK ON CAMPUS

Wednesday

Meeting: Faculty Senate, 7 p.m., Room 202, McKenna Hall
Lecture: "Gaudalupe: Prophet of a New Humanity," Virgil Elizondo, 7 p.m., Little Theater/Mooreau Center, St. Mary's

Thursday

Seminar: "Latin America Area Studies Program Internship and Summer Research Experience 2000," 5:30 p.m., Room C-103, Hesburgh Center for International Studies.

Friday

Pop Rally 7 p.m., Joyce Center.
Movie: "Tootsie," 8 and 10:30 p.m., DeBaratto 101

Saturday

Game: Notre Dame vs. Nebraska, 1:30 p.m.
Mass: Basilica immediately following football game.

Mass: Stepan Center, 25 minutes after football game.

OUTSIDE THE DOME

Cornell students petition to get Labor Day off

ITHACA, N.Y.

The pavement in front of Ives Hall Monday read "Respect Labor," as members of the Cornell Organization for Labor Action passed out fliers and encouraged students to write their names to the chalk petition. "Students were showing their support for having the day off for Labor day and showing respect for labor," said Elizabeth Chiniminti, president of COLA. "I think it's hypocritical because they teach us to respect labor, yet the day that is designated to respect labor we don't respect," said IRL student Tanvee Mehra.

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Along with photographs of the chalk petition, COLA has collected 400 signatures on a written petition to present to IRL Dean Edward Lawler later this week. The organization will ask if Lawler can grant IRL students and faculty a holiday for Labor Day and for his support in requesting that the Faculty Senate modify the University calendar, dismissing all classes on the national holiday, said COLA member David Unger.

"Right now we're just seeing how the dean reacts to today's actions," Chiniminti said. "We're hoping that he'll be receptive to his students' requests, and that we'll be able to work out a plan together.

"We would certainly consider a change, and we would be interested in hearing what the students have in mind," Lawler said last week.

Henry Duffin, vice president of Cornell University relations, explained that the New York state dictates a certain number of class days; if Cornell takes Labor Day off, another day of classes must be added.

GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

Strike leaves students stranded

WASHINGTON D.C.

The backlog of orders resulting from a strike at Vorticon Communications has left many students and Foggy Bottom residents without phones for the beginning of the school year. Verizon, the nation's largest telecommunications employer, settled a strike last week by more than 86,000 employees that lasted 18 days. In 12 local states and the District of Columbia, the company is a conglomerate of three communications companies — Bell Atlantic, Nynex and GTE — that merged this year. Residents of the newly created Scholars' Village, a row of George Washington University-owned townhouses on 22nd Street, have not had phone or Internet service since the beginning of the year. Service takes longer in townhouses because they require more wiring to complete voice and data connectivity, officials said.

The Community Living and Learning Center, which handles on-campus housing, distributed cell phones to students living in the Scholars' Village to alleviate communication problems.

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO

Student activism led to dismissal

BOULDER, Colo.

A passing grade is a failing grade. Four equals five, sometimes. The grade on your official transcript isn't your real grade. The surreal, contradictory reasoning of officials who dismissed first-year student Shana Dodson from the University of Colorado Medical School last June would have made Kafka proud, according to Dodson's account, Dodson, a 23-year-old who lives in Arvada, was dismissed by the medical school in Denver on June 14 on academic grounds. However, she claims the real reason for her dismissal was that she sought to stimulate discussion about the school's controversial "dog labs," exercises in which first-year students vivisect and kill scores of dogs each year to learn basic principles of human physiology. While Dodson admits her grades could have been better, she says her performance suffered partly because she was being intimidated and prosecuted by a student-run honor council, which accused and ultimately convicted her of unethical behavior in connection with her activities surrounding the dog labs.

LOCAL WEATHER

5 Day South Bend Forecast

The AccuWeather forecast for noon, Tuesday, Sept. 5

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Bush unveils new prescription plan

Associated Press

ALLEN'TOWN, Pa. — George W. Bush outlined a $138 billion prescription drug plan Tuesday that he said would offer senior citizens much better coverage than Medicare's competing Medicare expansion.

The Bush plan would give Medicare a stronger voice in bargaining with drug companies and would give patients a choice of prescription plans through a private-sector managed-care delivery system.

The Bush plan also would allow current seniors to receive drug coverage under either Medicare or their private plans.

Bush said he wanted to provide the alternatives that Gore's plan would not.

Bush said he would propose the plan to Congress next week.

### Water Quality Data

The table below lists the EPA's regulated and unregulated contaminants detected in the University's drinking water during 1999. All of the contaminants are below allowable levels.

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Arafat to prevent statehood: Yasser Arafat must bring real gains from meetings with President Clinton in New York if he wants to delay a Sept. 13 deadline for statehood, said senior Palestinian official Selim Zanoun. The body needs at least two promisses before it will put off declaration of a state, said Zanoun. First, Israel would have to promise to hand over West Bank territory, and second, the United States and Israel would have to agree to allow the Palestinians to set up their state by the end of this year.

China warns Taiwaneese leader: China heaped new criticism on Taiwan's leader Tuesday and warned that his refusal to bow to Beijing's demands could lead to open conflict. After more than 100 days in office, Chen Shui-bian has moved further toward formal independence for Taiwan and away from Beijing's goal of unification, said Zhang Yong, spokesman for the Central Office for Taiwan Affairs.

U.S. postpones missile defense: The Pentagon will probably postpone the next test of its national missile defense so that officials can more fully analyze the last test's failure, officials said Tuesday. The expected delay until January is not directly linked to President Clinton's decision last week to abandon a 2005 target date for deploying a national missile defense, Air Force Lt. Col. Rick Lehner said.

Haiti may face sanctions: The Clinton administration vowed to impose economic sanctions against Haiti unless it strengthens democratic procedures before presidential and legislative elections set for November 26. The warning was issued by Luis Laurel, U.S. ambassador to the Organization of American States.

Bush speaks at fundraiser: Republican candidates lined up speaking gigs and organizers put finishing touches on preparations for Wednesday's scheduled visit by GOP presidential nominee George W. Bush. It will cost those attending a private fundraiser Wednesday afternoon $1,000 per person for a chance to listen to Bush and see him up close. The money will go to the Republican National Committee. It was somewhat unreported that Bush would visit Indiana only two months before the Nov. 7 election, since many Republicans believe he already has the state won.

Putin refuses to sign peace treaty

North Korea halts talks at U.N.
Club gives SMC athletes a chance to give back

By SARAH RYKOWSKI
Saint Mary's News Editor

Soon Saint Mary's campus will be ringing with the sounds of little bells—members of the new Belle Ringers kids' choir, formed to support Bellies athletic programs. The program was the brainchild of athletic director Lynn Kachmarik, assistant athletic director Gretchen Hildebrandt and new head and assistant basketball coaches Suzanne Smith and Sherry Donnelly.

"We've been trying to get a couple of ideas as to how to get the community involved," Kachmarik said. "They brainstormed and came up with the idea." The Belle Ringers program is offered for area K-8 students, giving them an opportunity to get to know Saint Mary's, its athletes and become familiar with the different programs offered at the College. Participants receive a T-shirt to wear to the games, chances to meet the athletes and get autographs, and opportunities to attend clinics run by Saint Mary's coaches and athletes. They also get to participate at the games. Students in kindergarten through fourth grade can work as water assistants or towel assistants at the games. Those in grades 5-8 can help shag balls or be bat boys or girls.

"Since this is a Division III program, they can get great exposure," Kachmarik said. "It's our great for our students, because it's another way for our students to get involved in the community." Games coming up that members of the club can participate in include a home soccer at 5 p.m. on Sept. 12 against Kalamazoo volleyball the same night at 6:30 p.m., volleyball against Hope on Sept. 16 at 4: p.m., and soccer against Manchester at 5 p.m. on Sept. 20.

"Our goal is to be the best women's athletic program in the country," Kachmarik said. "We're building to be a strong program. This program will give the kids something to strive for academically." While the Belle Ringers program is part of a large effort on the part of Saint Mary's to promote the local community and boost Saint Mary's pride in athletics.

"Everyone is not going to be a Division I athlete," Kachmarik said. "In Division I, the win-lose intensity is higher. The role of Saint Mary's can be different. This can open people's eyes, tell them 'There's a place for me.'"

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Castro visits United States, U.N.

Associated Press

NEW YORK

With much security but little fanfare, Cuban President Fidel Castro arrived in the United States on Tuesday for the first time in five years for this week's U.N. Millennium Summit. Castro was seen arriving in a black limousine at the Cuban Mission in midtown Manhattan shortly after 1 p.m. where he is to stay during the three-day summit.

Cuban officials said Castro immediately went into a meeting with Malaysian Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad. He then went to China's U.N. mission nearby for a meeting with Chinese President Jiang Zemin. No details of either meeting were immediately available.

Castro's arrival had not been announced and there were no protesters stationed nearby. But elsewhere in Manhattan, a prominent Cuban-American exile, Jose Basulto, met with FBI officials to file a report on the 1996 showdown of two unarmed civilian airplanes belonging to Basulto's Miami-based Brothers to the Rescue organization.

Basulto was in a separate aircraft that wasn't hit by Cuban MiGs in the shootout, but four people on board the two aircraft were killed.

"Our purpose is to file a report that lets the authorities know the perpetrator of the crime is now here in the city of New York," said Basulto's attorney, Robert Villasante. He said there wasn't anything preventing U.S. authorities from detaining and interrogating Castro and then determining that the Cuban leader doesn't enjoy diplomatic immunity.

Castro arrived in the United States three months after winning a major victory over his political enemies in this country with the return of 6-year-old Elian Gonzalez to Cuba.

"A dictator who oppresses people is someone who should be ostracized by the United States." - Rudolph Giuliani, Mayor, New York City.

Millennium Summit begins today at U.N.

Leaders hope to forge peace and end poverty

Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS Secretary-General Koofi Annan on Tuesday urged the leaders, generals and presidents descending on New York for the U.N. Millennium Summit to use the unprecedented meeting to forge peace and end poverty in the 21st century.

But some heads of state are expected to use the three days of speeches, discussions and meetings after beginning Wednesday to push their own agendas - including those that are critical of the United States.

In a taste of what may come, North Korea denounced the United States as a "rogue state" Tuesday, claiming the government was responsible for allegedly ordering the strip search of members of the delegation as they switched planes in Germany. The incident prompted Pyongyang to drop off the summit trip by its No. 2 leader, who had been scheduled to meet South Korean President Kim Dae-jong.

North Korea's U.N. Ambassador Li Hyong Chol warned that the humiliating security check could prove "quite expensive" for U.S.-North Korean relations, even though the State Department quickly said it deeply regretted the incident.

Washington is also expected to come under fire from Cuban President Fidel Castro, who came to New York on Tuesday for the first time in five years. He is expected to speak out against American domination of the United Nations in its five minutes on the podium Wednesday.

FOREIGN Minister Felipe Perez Roque told a press conference in Havana last week that Cuba would lambast "the growing tendency of a small and powerful group of countries" to violate the U.N. Charter and to intervene militarily in member countries without outside Security Council approval - a reference to the U.S.-led NATO bombing of Yugoslavia.

The United States also can expect to get an earful from more friendly countries.

Russian Prime Minister Vladimir Putin, and Chinese President Jiang Zemin are likely to use the gathering to continue rallying international support against U.S. national missile defense plans.

President Clinton's announcement last week that he would leave it to the next administration to decide whether and when to deploy the system will certainly be welcomed by many leaders who have criticized the U.S. plans as a threat to 30 years of arms control treaties.

Jiang, however, will have his own controversial to deal with as members of the Falun Gong spiritual movement stage continuous demonstrations against the Chinese leader for Beijing's crackdown on dissent.

About 400 Falun Gong members, some of them wearing T-shirts that read "Stop persecuting Falun Gong," held their meditation exercises as they paraded outside the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, where Clinton was due to host a breakfast meeting with American media executives.

"We are really American patriots to try to do something to help us," protestor Gail Rachlin said.

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Gore promises ‘rainy-day’ surplus savings for future

COLUMBUS, Ohio

Al Gore pledged Tuesday "not to overshoot the mark" in budgeting the expected federal surplus, promising to set $300 billion in reserve in case today's good politics aren't realized tomorrow.

The vice president, campaigning at an Ohio glow factory that is now a high-tech firm, cast his agenda as forward-looking and began to lay the groundwork for what he hopes will be a head-turning economic address Wednesday in Cleveland.

Gore will spell out 10 goals to be reached in his administration, including cutting the poverty rate and increasing the nation's savings and homeownership rates, aides said. Running mate Joseph Lieberman's goals also will be set for increasing college attendance and paying off the national debt.

"I'm not asking anyone to support me on the basis of the economy we have. I'm asking for your support on the basis of the better, fairer, stronger economy that we're going to create together," Gore said.

In the Cleveland speech, aides said, the Democrat presidential nominee will show his commitment to fiscal responsibility by proposing a "surplus reserve fund" that would mean, if elected, he would budget according to conservative surplus projections and set aside anything extra.

Such a "rainy day fund," as one adviser called it, could reach $300 billion over the next decade — the difference between the White House Office of Management and Budget's forecast of $1.9 trillion, excluding Social Security, and the Congressional Budget Office's projection of $2.2 trillion.

Gore, en route to Cleveland, told reporters he is focused on debt reduction partly in order to maintain stock market confidence.

"In this day and time, when productively gains are at historic highs, we've got a lot better uses for America's capital than tying it up in sterile government paper," he added.

The vice president planned Wednesday to release a voluminous budget document resembling, on one aide described it, the doorstop-sized budget the administration releases every year.

Republican rival George W. Bush was bolting his economic pitch, too, planning to cast his tax-cut plan in Pennsylvania on Wednesday.

The Bush campaign also was buying a full-page ad in USA Today on Wednesday, with six Nobel Prize winners and 294 economists endorsing Bush's economic plan. The ad was running in editions of the newspaper distributed in key markets: St. Louis; Cincinnati; Cleveland; Columbus, Ohio; Philadelphia; Pittsburgh; Los Angeles and all of Florida.

"Al Gore busts the budget, spends the surplus on bigger government and complicates the tax code by forcing people to hire accountants and lawyers to figure out if they are the lucky ones to fit into his targeted tax relief," Bush spokesman Dan Bartlett said.

But White House economic policy chairman Gene Sperling, a freelance adviser to Gore, said the vice president's plan would ensure the country doesn't go back to deficits and "painful spending cuts" of the 1980s.

"The idea is not to allocate the entire surplus under the prudent view that there are unanticipated events in the future and you should have an extra reserve that, if everything goes right, will go toward extra debt reduction," Sperling said.

The political point of Gore's economic pitch to make Bush look fiscally reckless for proposing tax cuts for the wealthy that compound the surplus."

"I'm asking for your support on the basis of the better, fairer, stronger economy that we're going to create together," Gore said.

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Federal judge forbids
drug test requirement

Associated Press

DETROIT

A federal judge on Tuesday extended a temporary restraining order forbidding the state from requiring drug testing for welfare recipients. The state last October began requiring welfare applicants in a handful of Michigan communities to provide urine samples for drug screening before they could be considered for benefits.

Under the rules of the state's pilot program, the drug test results wouldn't affect access to food stamps and police wouldn't be notified, but applicants who tested positive for drugs would be sent to treatment and could gradually lose benefits if they failed to go.

U.S. District Judge Victoria Roberts granted the original restraining order in November after a group of welfare recipients and the American Civil Liberties Union of Michigan argued that the testing is unconstitutional.

The ACLU has said the requirement is an "unreasonable search" in violation of the Fourth Amendment.

"In this instance, there is no indication of a concrete danger to public safety which demands departure from the Fourth Amendment's main rule and normal requirement of individualized suspicion..." Roberts said Tuesday.

The Family Independence Agency, which administers welfare in Michigan, will review the decision and decide how to proceed by the end of the week, spokeswoman Karen Smith said.

The drug testing program does not apply to Medicaid, disability, emergency or other state assistance programs.

Montana reopens land to public

HELENA, Mont.

Millions of acres that had been closed in Montana because of wildfires were reopened to hikers and other outdoors enthusiasts Tuesday, but the fire threat in the West was still far from over.

Twenty-five large fires still burned on 645,079 acres in Montana alone Tuesday, but rain and falling temperatures across the Northern Rockies had reduced the risk of those fires spreading, officials said.

Nearly 20 million acres of public, state and private land had been closed in Montana, about one-fifth of the state.

For Mark Bisom, it meant what normally would have been a long weekend outdoor outing had been reduced to a lunchtime mountain-biking break in the Helena National Forest on Tuesday.

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Protesting death as punishment

Little did I know that this summer, while working and studying at Notre Dame, I would have an eye-opening experience that motivated me by any other in my life. One night I sat down to watch the evening news, and the reality of this story gripped me.

On May 13, 1981, Bobby Lambert was murdered in a Safeway grocery store parking lot. There were eight crime scene witnesses who claimed to have seen the assailant that night. Only one of those eyewitnesses, Bernadine Skillern, identified a man named Gary Graham as the assailant. The crime happened at night, nearly 20 years ago, and Ms. Skillern was 30 to 40 feet away and only saw the man she believed to be Gary Graham for two or three seconds.

Mr. Graham claimed to be innocent, stating that he was miles away from the murder scene with up to four other people when it happened. There were no fingerprints and no other evidence whatsoever that linked Gary Graham to the murder except the testimony of Ms. Skillern. Mr. Graham maintained his innocence until he uttered his last words, “You’re murdering me tonight.”

Mr. Graham was executed in Texas this summer by lethal injection. I was shocked. How could this be allowed? What if he was innocent?

Experts believe that at least 23 people who have been executed were indeed innocent. How can the U.S. tolerate the executions of innocent people? More importantly, how many is too many? One? Ten? One hundred? I have always been opposed to capital punishment, but I had no idea how capricious and arbitrary it is. I have never had a friend or family member murdered, so I can’t even begin to fathom that kind of pain. But I do know that if I am ever murdered, I would not want my murderer executed.

I began to do research and the information I found was unbelievable. I realized that I fell into the majority of people that are seriously misinformed about the death penalty. Let me familiarize you with some of the most common misconceptions that America harbors about capital punishment.

First, most people believe that death row inmates that are actually executed must have committed the most heinous and brutal crimes. In fact, most of the inmates that are killed are frequently the poorest and often have histories of child abuse and emotional trauma. Ninety-nine percent of death row inmates are poor. They can’t afford Johnny Cochran. They have to settle for minimal and often lack wise defense. These lawyers can be extremely careless, too. If we read reports of lawyers showing up to court, drunk or sleeping through long periods of capital trials.

Also, it is painfully evident that capital punishment is racially biased. Not surprisingly, it is most frequently pursued in the southern states. (Louisiana, Georgia, Florida and Texas are known as the “Death Belt.”) And especially in these states, death row inmates are black people with white victims. In fact, that holds true for nearly three-quarters of the death row prisoners in Louisiana. White people with black victims are much more likely to receive a life sentence.

Also, we are sadly mistaken if we let the government telling us that administering death is “human.” I’ve read many reports of botched electrocutions that give detailed descriptions of charred skin and hair, flames shooting from the base of the spine and the temples and eyes being expelled from their sockets.

The horror of lethal injection is also kept shamanically secret. Those shots are administered. The first shot paralyzes the muscular arms. The second shot won’t reflect that the internal organs are actually going through armageddon and to the witnesses it looks “peaceful.”

People also tend to think that by executing criminals, we save the money of keeping them alive. In fact, it saves no money. Florida pays $51 million a year above what it would cost to punish all first degree murderers with life in prison without parole (according to the Palm Beach Post). The Legislature of the California Legislature stated last year that, “Elimination of the death penalty would result in a net savings to the state of at least several tens of millions of dollars annually.”

And according to the Dallas morning news, in Texas a death penalty case costs an average of $2.3 million, which is three times the cost of imprisoning someone in a single cell at the highest security level for 40 years. And perhaps most importantly, statistics prove that the existence of capital punishment does not deter crime in any way. Many proponents of the death penalty are quick to quote the “eye for an eye” verse in the Bible. But those same people are also unaware that the Bible condones death as an acceptable punishment for crimes like trespassing upon sacred ground, incest, homosexuality, prostitution and many more.

I certainly don’t condone murder, rape, child molestation or any of the other 187 crimes punishable by death. I believe that these men and women need to live the rest of their days in a secure environment in order to protect society. But by executing them, we accomplish nothing and we teach society that violence is an acceptable way of dealing with our problems. Moreover, we’re teaching our children that it is OK to react to violence with violence.

Is that what Jesus Christ would do? In the words of Sister Helen Prejean C.S.J. “The movement to abolish the death penalty needs the religious community to protest, because the heart of religion is about compassion, human rights, and the inherent dignity of each person made in the image of God.” God expects us to take action and make peace in the world and not simply pray that things get better.

I don’t believe that God thinks that certain human beings are more “despicable” than others. I don’t believe God likes to see us act in vengeance toward one another. And most importantly, I don’t believe that Jesus Christ would have wished death in payment for the man who nailed him to the cross.

“Father forgive them, for they know not what they do.”

Lauren Jilley, Senior, Saint Mary’s College

September 5, 2000

SCOTT ADAMS

QUOTE OF THE DAY

“So long as governments set the example of killing their enemies, private individuals will occasionally kill theirs.”

Elbert Hubbard

writer
Quizzing your knowledge on diversity

The following list of questions test your knowledge about diversity on campus. Answer true or false to the following questions:

1. Notre Dame is an ethnically diverse place.
2. All of the African-American male students on campus are athletes.
3. The minority students on campus are here because of affirmative action.
4. The Office of Admissions at Notre Dame fills questionnaires.
5. Most women come to Notre Dame to find their husband.
6. The black students at Notre Dame all sit together in the dining hall to separate themselves from the black students.
7. The white students at Notre Dame all sit together in the dining hall to separate themselves from the black students.
8. All Asian students are in the Asian-American Association.
9. If you speak Spanish, then you must be Hispanic.
10. If you can't speak Spanish, you must not be Hispanic.
11. Multicultural Student Programs and Services (formerly OMSA) is only for students of color.
12. There are only Filipino students in the Filipino-American Student Organization.
13. There are only Asian students in the Asian-American Association.
14. There are only black students in the NAACP.
15. All the white students on campus are rich.
16. All the women athletes with short hair are lesbians.
17. All the "ballers" are "players."
18. All white students are over victims of discrimination.
19. All the gay students are theater majors.
20. There is no racism at Notre Dame.

These are not trick questions. Question one is false. So is question two, number three and number four. All of these questions are false. So, if you answered "true" to any of these questions, you were wrong. If you have to make a note of it, please do so. Thank you.

The views expressed here are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer. This column was written by Kevin Haur, assistant director of Multicultural Student Programs and Services.

Keeping religion in politics

Faraz Haq's recent guest column, "Wrenching religion from politics," in the Tuesday, Sept. 5, 2000 edition of The Observer, reminds us that the framers of our Constitution wisely separated religious and political institutions. But the column's suggestions that the First Amendment's "Establishment Clause" has anything to say—let alone anything negative to say—about Senator Lieberman's recent expressions of religious belief miss the mark.

The First Amendment limits the conduct of governments, not the expression of individuals, even when those individuals seek elected office. It is political, not "religion," encompassers not just the activities of public officials and institutions but also the speech, activism, expression and commitment of private citizens, the claim that respect for the Constitution requires us to "respect the separation of religion and politics" is simply wrong.

We need social justice. Religion is what we do. It is the sum total of our efforts to achieve the common good. It is true, as the column suggests, that religious freedom is best served when religious institutions are autonomous and when the state is secular. That said, there is no way, nor is there any good reason, to "separate" religious faith from the important, and very human, civic project that is "politics." And there is certainly no reason to think that those who framed our Constitution thought otherwise.

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September 5, 2000

U.N. taking religious approach to peace

The United Nations is sponsoring a World Peace Conference this fall, the first of its kind in the 55 years of its existence: a summit involving religious leaders from around the globe. More than a hundred religious delegates have arrived in the United States to help the U.N. accomplish what it hasn't been able to since its inception in 1945—peace.

The U.N. has long been the guiding force behind peaceful solutions to... so, just kidding. The U.N. has long been an incompetent puppet organization that has looked out for the interests of the West while disregarding the needs of the "Third World." In the 55 years of its existence, it has proven its loyalty to the Western nations and its inability to maintain peace and order in the world by such events as the Vietnam War, the Gulf War and the recent bombing of Yugoslavia.

In addition, it has proven that it is a failure as a peacekeeping organization by its most recent debacle in Sierra Leone, a small west African province.

Last year, rebels belonging to the opposition disregarded the peace settlement that had been signed only a year before and took 500 U.N. peacekeeping soldiers hostage. However, since the region is no longer of any strategic or economic value to the West, the U.N. called for more troops to be sent from "Third World" countries. No call was made to the U.S. to send its troops, which are better trained and better equipped than the Third World soldiers. The result: well, let's just say there's no peace in Sierra Leone's near future.

But now the U.N. has finally realized its ineffectiveness in maintaining peace (or so it seems) and, for the first time, invited religious delegations from its member countries, hoping that they would be a little more successful. The U.N. has realized that it must look beyond economic, political and military ambitions of the West in order to prevent future wars of apocalyptic proportions.

This realization should have been obvious from the very beginning; political leaderships of different nations would always propagate policies and acts that would be most beneficial for their own countries. However, the question arises if the religious delegation will actually be any different from their political predecessors.

First of all, the historic event has already been surrounded in controversy. The U.N. has been widely condemned for not inviting the Dalai Lama, Tibet's exiled spiritual leader, to the summit. Apparently, the U.N., the self-proclaimed advocate of democracy and freedom, was initially reluctant to invite the Dalai Lama because of China's differences with the exiled Tibetan leadership. The U.N. feared that inviting him would signal recognition of his exiled government in India, which would not sit well with the Chinese leadership. However, counting enough pressure and criticism, the U.N. hastily sent out an invitation at the very last minute. The Dalai Lama, fortunately for the U.N., politely refused. He did not want the summit to suffer because of his presence.

Secondly, if political leaders could not agree on standard policies for peace because of their selfish ambitions for political, economic and military power, the religious leaders would be even more divisive, because the principles and theologies of different religions will counter each other. And religious texts, theologies and principles cannot be compromised, even for the noble cause of peace.

Perhaps some of the delegates are fundamentalist religious zealots who intend to convert all of the other delegates to another religion and to conform to their beliefs. Proselytizing and conversion have been the core of some religions, and it would be foolish to expect that the delegates of such religions would suspend their core beliefs for the duration of the summit. Religion is a far more dangerous thing than political or economic ambitions.

I believe that to attain peace in the world, spirituality (not religion) must play a huge role. Each individual, no matter what his or her economic and social position, should strive to be peaceful toward other fellow beings. Only then can we expect entire nations to get along with one another. The religious delegates at the summit must first dispose of any hostility and hatred toward members of other religions. They must first attempt to understand each other's religious beliefs before diving right into a discussion about peace.

They must go to the summit with an open mind, realizing the fact that "Truth is one, paths are many" (an ancient Hindu phrase). Only then can the delegates come up with an effective solution for long-lasting peace. Let's hope, for the sake of humanity, that they are successful in this noble endeavor.

This column first appeared in the North Carolina State University newspaper, The Technician, on Sept. 1, 2000, and is reprinted here courtesy of U-WIRE.

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Aguilera suffers rough weekend: It was a weekend pop star Christina Aguilera would sooner forget.

First, she lost her voice, forcing her to cancel a scheduled appearance at the New York State Fair on Sunday night. Then souvenir-hunters stole golf clubs, pruners and a gym bag worth more than $1,000 from her tour bus.

Two Syracuse University students who had been partying with Aguilera's crew members on the bus while it was parked outside a hotel on campus were charged with larceny and burglary, police said.

None of the items belonged to Aguilera, whose hits include "Genie in a Bottle" and "I Turn to You." They will try to reach the fair concert for some time in the next two weeks.

Moore fights for horses' rights: Mary Tyler Moore is on a mission to protect the city's carriage horses, a popular tourist attraction.

The actress has teamed up with the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals to drum up support for proposed legislation she says would protect the horses.

"Forget your visions of romance and nostalgia," said ASPCA President Larry Hawk, who was joined Thursday by Moore on the steps of City Hall. "Current city law allows those animals to work and live in deplorable conditions."

Moore, who keeps nine horses of her own on a farm in upstate New York, said she hadn't ridden a city horse-drawn carriage since a scene she did years ago with Dudley Moore in the movie "Six Weeks."

"If I had known what these horses were going through, I would have balked. I would not have participated in that," she said.

Hawk and Moore said they were looking for someone to sponsor the proposed legislation which would restrict carriages to Central Park, set hours of departure to and from stable, and require blanketing of horses in freezing weather.

Ono discusses latest work: Yoko Ono says her latest work of art, a freight car hosed through with hundreds of holes and illuminated from inside was inspired by the deaths of 18 Mexicans in 1987 who perished in a sealed freight car trying to enter the United States illegally.

Ono titled it simply "Freight Train" and said she chose the rail car as a symbol of human suffering during the "millennium of violence" that just ended — but that she intended no specific reference to the Holocaust.

"Freight Train" is a reminder of the violence and pain which people all over the world are suffering and, I hope, an inspiration to resist it," Ono said during Thursday's unveiling.

The installation is displayed on a lot adjoining the former East German parliament building through Oct. 1. It will be moved to Houston next.

Ellen Degeneres, Heche Decide to Sell Home: Following a highly publicized breakup, Ellen DeGeneres and Anne Heche have decided to sell their $2.75 million home.

The pair purchased the 4,000-square-foot, farmhouse-style structure in 1998. It sits on 30 acres of property that includes working avocado and citrus orchards in Ojai, a coastal community north of Los Angeles.

The two still own a Hollywood Hills home, which they bought for $1.7 million in June 1999.

Heche, 31, and Degeneres, 42, announced their breakup Aug. 19. Heche was hospitalized just hours later after parking her car along a highway, wandering up to a home and making strange statements to the occupants.

Heche was treated at a hospital, but additional details were never made available.

Degeneres was the first openly gay lead on television with her ABC sitcom "Ellen."

Heche starred in the remake of "Psycho" as well as "Volcano," "Six Days, Seven Nights" and "Return to Paradise."
Surf the Web to laugh your homework away

Internet humor sites provide welcome distraction for stressed-out students

By MATT KILLEN
Sane Writer

While the long, boring days of winter are still far off, it’s never too early to have a few Web sites to browse on that rare occasion when the math is too difficult to finish, the paper is written, and there is some time to kill. So skip bored.com and just point that clicker at these hilarious Web sites.

Always a favorite, The Onion (www.onion.com) still manages to produce weekly news pieces that are both funny and, on occasion, ironically poignant. This newspaper parody, dubbed as “America’s finest news source,” has a refined and easy layout that’s not too crowded or difficult to navigate.

The Onion has become a master at parody, being able to take a common fact and produce a brilliant and witty piece about that fact. The top story on Aug. 10 was, “Dolphins kill au-opposable thumbs.”

The story played off the notion that some scientists believe that dolphins, having a larger brain capacity than humans, are smarter. The advent of opposable thumbs tends to make the ability to fashion and create objects a spell to doom for man’s domination.

Some other recent articles have been “Science: God Whipped! New Killer in Massive Vinegar/Baking-Soda Explosion” and “Troubled Robert Downey Jr. Placed Under 24-Hour Medical Supervision.” All the articles derive from consistently funny ideas and maintain their quality throughout the piece. The Onion also features a weekly section called “Ask Jeez.”

Some of the parodies are available for purchase as well. There is a collection of campaign stickers available for both parties. A surfer can mock the Democrats with stickers like “Al Gore: He gave us the Internet, he can take it away” or mock Republicans with “George Bush: Tough as nails and just as smart.” One of the most popular items available for sale, however, is its now-famous 1950’s era parody poster. “If you’re downloading mp3s, you’re downloading communism!”

The Modern Humorist’s “cover­age” of the political conventions was certainly more entertaining that the conventions themselves, offering a variety of parodies rip­ping on both Republicans and Democrats.

This Web site’s archives are not very well organized, however. The stories are listed by date, but this muddled and there is no clear order to the archives. It boils down to an arbitrary listing of former pieces piled together on one Web page.

If Ebert’s thumb doesn’t do justice as a movie reviewer, click over to Mr. Cranky (www.mrcranky.com). Mr. Cranky forgives the thumb and star systems for a range of bombs. One bomb club a movie as being “almost tolerable” while five bombs denote a movie “as good as a poke in the eye with a sharp stick.” Truly unbearable films receive a special dynamite bomb.

Like any other movie critic, Mr. Cranky offers weekly reviews of just-released films. As the name implies, however, his reviews are somewhat more negative-focused than the usual critic.

In his review of “X-Men,” which received a general­ly favorable two-bomb rating, he says, “First of all, everybody who lives in New York is already a mutant. I don’t see how a little genetic scrambling is going to affect anything. And as one person next to me noted, ‘Why is Captain Picard in a wheelchair?’ That one question sums up the whole movie.” He also describes the characters’ mutant powers, Halle Berry as Storm, apparently has the mutant ability where she “can change her costume into a bikini.”

The Mr. Cranky archives are easy-to-use and orga­nized by title and rating. This Web site offers new reviews every week, and typically manages to review all new releases for that week.

Another online movie review site, The Editing Room (www.ter.airdaily.com), is much smaller than Mr. Cranky and not nearly as consistently updated. This site offers an original perspective on film review. While The Onion does have a traditional five-star scale for movies, it reviews the movie by writing a hilarious parody script for it. All too often, the parody is worse than the movie itself.

The humor is mainly based on the characters in the movie stating outright what is really true. In the abridged script for “The Cell,” Jennifer Lopez’s char­acter says, “I care about children by my sweet voice and bouncy, non-threatening­ness.

The Editing Room is updating sporadically, however, and is certainly not in synch with the national release schedule of films. Still, the material is almost always funny, and, on rare occasion, true.

To vent frustration over a certain pro­fessor, why not write a witty and scathing complaint letter about him or her?

The Complaint Letter Generator (www.cs.ucr.edu/division/poikos/com­plaint) will ask the name and sex of an individual and randomly produce a let­ter.

The letters are combinations of phrases and make no real sense, but the right combination can be funny and, on rare occasion, true.

Choose from allparody.com and humor.about.com for even more humor­ous Internet sites. But be forewarned: many sites listed on these sites are sim­ply crude, laughownd and disappointing. To leave the unsure and unprepare above are all high­quality, hitting the delicate balance between funny and stupid nearly all the time.

These are safe sites that are almost guaranteed to pull a laugh from even the most bogged-down and stressed student.
**MLB**

Mets pull off last-minute win in the tenth with a homer

**Associated Press**

CINCINNATI—This time, the Mets won with a last-inning homer.

Todd Zeile's solo shot in the 10th inning gave New York a 3-2 victory Tuesday night over the Cincinnati Reds and snapped the Mets four-game losing streak.

After losing all three games over the weekend in St. Louis by one run in the 9th—two of them on homers by Jim Edmonds—the Mets survived another close call and turned the trend.

Turk Wendell (17-4) went to a 1-2 count to Ken Griffey Jr. in the bottom of the ninth and left the next pitch over the plate. Griffey hit it a long way but lost at the plate and ranered his head sideways, watching it hook foul before landing in the second deck in right field. Given the reappraisal, Wendell struck him out.

Zeile's 14th homer off Scott Sullivan (12-4) cleared the wall in left-center and got the Mets up for an enthusiastic post-game celebration in the dugout.

Armando Benitez pitched the 13th of his save, one of 10 John Franco's team record from Thursday through Tuesday.

Rick Reed, who got the Mets' only win in their six previous games, allowed a 2-1 lead over to the bullpen in the seventh and watched it quickly slip away.

Rick White, who gave up Edmonds' 11th-inning homer in St. Louis on Sunday, relived with runner on second base and gave up Chris Stynes' two-out single that tied it.

Bill Piccetti, who filled in for Hidalgo, struck out the side in 7th.

Hidalgo's two-run single kept it close through seven innings by hitting a sacrifice fly in the fourth. Left fielder John Olerud's double gave the Mets a 2-0 lead in the seventh.

Mike Cameron hit a tiebreaking two-run Homer in the eighth and the Mets beat the Reds.

The Associated Press

Mariners 4, Blue Jays 3

Mike Cameron hit a tiebreaking sacrifice fly in the eighth inning and the Mariners beat the Toronto Blue Jays 4-3.

Mariners beat the Toronto Blue Jays for the fourth time in their last 22 games.

With the score 3-3, Edgar Martinez singled off Kevin Brown (9-14) loading off the right and John Olerud reached on an error. His grounder to second went off Mylon Merced's glove, and the infielder threw to first, where Carlos Delgado dropped the ball.

Jay Buhner advanced the runners with his first of the season bunt since July 10, 1998, and Cameron drove in Olerud with a sacrifice fly to right.

Arthur Rhodes (47-1) pitched 1-2-3 scoreless innings, and Kazuhiro Sasaki picked up a perfect ninth for his 32nd save.

Cleveland Indians rally past Blue Jays, 8-5

The Associated Press

Cleveland Indians rallied from a four-run deficit to beat the Toronto Blue Jays 8-5 Tuesday.

Cleveland rallied in the first and David Bell singled to lead off the fifth. Cleveland had a four-run lead in the first and Bell's single tied the game.

Chad Ogea (1-6) gave up a two-run single to Jim Thome in the fifth and Cleveland took a 2-0 lead.

Toronto scored in the first inning on an error by Mike Stottlemyre and an RBI grounder by Vinny Castilla.

Kevin Appier (12-11) made it two runs short of his shortest start of the year, lasting just 2-3 innings and allowing eight runs, nine hits and three walks. He was pulled after two and five hits—

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Hingis qualifies for semifinals with quick win over Seles

Associated Press

Martina Hingis sat in traffic for one agonizing hour yesterday afternoon getting to the United States Open. But when she finally took the wheel last night, she found herself halfway to the semifinals of the United States Open in an eye-blinking 14 minutes, joy riding on a superhighway nestled with Monica Seles's unforced errors.

Seles, a two-time United States Open winner, could only win a total of six points in the first six games. In the face of a precision-aiming expert like Hingis, Seles's book was as blank as her first-set score.

Yet the woman who has overcome more than just a one-set deficit recovered to give Hingis a challenge, if not better prospect, for the next round.

Hingis, who won the Open in 1997, needed 48 minutes for the second set before she forced Seles to strike a backhand wide that gave Hingis a 6-0, 7-5 victory and her fifth straight United States Open semifinal berth.

She will entertain a rematch with third-seeded Venus Williams, who rode a far bumpier path to their semifinal meeting, eventually undoing No. 8 Nathalie Tauziat, 6-4, 1-6, 6-1. Williams won her last match with Hingis, a quarterfinal at Wimbledon, en route to her first Grand Slam title in July.

But while Williams dunked to her 24th straight victory yesterday, committing 31 unforced errors, Hingis committing only 13 errors and revealed very little vulnerability.

If anything, Hingis even admitted that she was too good.

"When you focus that much in the first set, I was cruising through, everything was happening so fast, I almost got scared, like 'Please slow it down, somehow,'" Hingis said.

Seles, meanwhile, was just looking to stop time before it was too late.

"I really started off the match sluggishly," she said. "My balls were flying all over the place. Maybe I panicked a bit. Against Martina, you're not going to get any free points. I started making so many unforced errors and the set was gone probably in 10, 15 minutes."

"I thought: 'This is really bad. It could get worse. I could bag it in.'" But at least I kept fighting and made it a better second set." When Seles badly mis-hit an overhead shot long in the second set, book ing it off the racquet, the crowd grounded in sympathy and encouraged her to make another comeback. She started to attack Hingis, breaking her at 5-1, and then, when Hingis was serving for the match at 5-4, Seles battled to force six break points. On the final one, Seles was successful, sounding an alarm for her opponent.

"All of a sudden it was 5-all and you're like, 'I've got to take control of the match again,' whatever it was," Hingis said.

While Seles deports the Open for the fourth straight year in the quarterfinals, Hingis seems to arrive in the semifinals in top form. Yet she, too, has doubts, especially since she faces a powerful nemesis in Williams. If she gets past Williams for the 10th time in 16 meetings, as she did in last year's exhausting three-set semifinal, will she have enough left for either Serena Williams or Lindsay Davenport tonight's quarterfinal opponents.

"I felt like I was playing well so far," Hingis said. "It was kind of a little test. Is it enough against Monica, or will it be enough against Venus?"

It could be enough if Williams is as giving with her errors as she was yesterday in her quarterfinal. In one telling moment, leading by 4-0 in the third set, Williams had just allowed Tauziat to break her serve for the fifth time, following her 10th double fault with her 29th unforced error, delivering a backhand into the net.

But her biggest miss was yet to come.

With an irritated harumph, Williams plunked her 6-foot-1-inch frame into her folding chair, only the chair was not there. It was three inches behind her.

Williams sprawled onto the court, offering a snapshot of her game yesterday, a bit ungraceful and out of sync.

"I really missed," Williams said, at least able to poke fun of herself afterward. "I was just angry. I just couldn't see."

When necessary — no more so than in the final two games of the third set — Williams played well enough. Blasting her limits to smash overheads and reach backhand passing shots on the way to winning her 24th straight match this summer.

But her errors combined with her first-serve percentage of 52 did not seem to bode well for her semifinal rematch against Hingis.

"I don't think she is going to win if she plays like this," said Tauziat, known for being blunt since her tell-all book about the women's tennis tour caused a small stir this summer. "I think if she is to win the tournament, she needs to improve her level."

Even Williams agreed. "I guess I'll have to play a little bit better," she said. "I'll always play better when it comes to the big match."

Against the eighth-ranked Tauziat, Williams admitted she was less than inspired. She would roll her eyes petulantly after struggling with her first serve, and looked supremely uninterested during the second set. "I wasn't competing," she said.

In Williams's third-round victory, a gritty Meghann Shaughnessy was the one testing her. Yesterday, she fought herself and her own frustration, losing her first set in the tournament.

"I never got upset," Williams said. "I was trying hard not to stomp my feet, swing my racquet around. Some players show a lot of emotion, but usually I don't."

"That was maybe the main battle for me, why I didn't play well. I was too busy thinking about the points before, not focusing ahead. I don't feel I had my best performance. In the end, the win is on the record. I move forward."
**OLYMPICS**

**Injured Armstrong vows to race**

Associated Press

Two-time Tour de France champion Lance Armstrong broke his collarbone Saturday when he collided with a car last month but still plans to race at the Sydney Olympics. "He's going to lose some fitness from this," obviously worried, Dan Osipow, a spokesman for the U.S. Postal Service pro-cycling team, said Tuesday.

The injury, which caused Armstrong to drop out of two races in Europe next weekend and delay his return to training for another two days later, left him with a sore neck and a "little bit of a head rush," he said. "I can train on a limited basis but that is very painful."

"It also makes me nervous when you are out on the open road and it is difficult to turn my neck either way to look at traffic and be aware of what's around," Armstrong said. Armstrong, 28, is scheduled to compete in the Olympic road race on Sept. 27 and the individual time trial, where he was second last year, on Sept. 29.

"I just think when you're riding, you've got to be careful," Hackett said Tuesday. "Anytime we look forward to, I don't like byes.

"We've got to crank it up and go. I would have much rather played a game, we're an exciting team. The most exciting guy on Saturday with us is going to be me. We've got a lot of zip on this team."

The Trojans will have 13 days between their win over Penn State and their Saturday's game at the Los Angeles Coliseum against Colorado, a 28-24 loss to Colorado State in its first game of the season last weekend.

"Then, the Trojans take another week off before entertaining San Jose State on Sept. 23. I'm trying to get to the next UC Davis game, it's near Philadelphia against West Chester University," Hackett said with a sigh. "Hackett's son, Nathaniel, is a sophomore linebacker at UC Davis, and Hackett watched him play last Saturday in a 50-7 victory over New Mexico State.

"Another bye, man," USC linebacker Zeko Moreno said. "I'll tell you, I don't know who made up the schedule. You have all weeks, you want to play Saturday. I look forward to playing Colorado."

Flanker Marcell Almond also expressed frustration.

A lot of times between games, twice," he said. "But we get to watch everyone else when we're among the favorites, three days later."

The Pac-10 has had a very difficult time last season, and then its teams went 1-4 in bowl games. The Pac-10 teams have started this season 7-0 against non-conference opponents.

Associated Press

USC takes a rest after opening win

**China suspends athletes for drug use**

Associated Press

SYDNEY, Australia — China is cutting 40 athletes and officials from its team for the Sydney Olympics, including seven rowers who failed blood tests for the banned performance-enhancing drug EPO.

"I'm very pleased," International Olympic Committee president Juan Antonio Samaranch said Wednesday of the doping withdrawals. "I'm very happy. This is very good news. It shows the new system for detecting doping substances will work very well. The objective is to have clean games."

Sydney organizers said they were notified by the Chinese Olympic Committee of the withdrawals.

IOC medical director Patrick Schamasch received a letter from the Chinese rowing association confirming that seven rowers were being withdrawn from the Olympic team after they tested positive for EPO, or erythropoietin, during doping controls in China.

Schamasch said blood tests showed the athletes' EPO levels were above the allowable limit.

Last week, the IOC executive board approved the introduction of a combined blood and urine test for EPO at the Sydney Games. EPO, the drug of choice among endurance athletes, stimulates the production of oxygen-carrying red blood cells, and experts say it can improve performance by up to 15 percent.

Until now, no test had been able to detect the use of synthetic EPO. In Sydney, an athlete will be considered guilty of EPO use only if both the blood and urine tests are positive.

Schamasch said the Chinese rowers were dropped based only on blood testing.

China, tarnished by a series of doping scandals in swimming and other sports, has been carrying out sweeping drug tests to prevent the embarrassment of positive results during the Sydney Games. With Beijing bidding for the 2008 Olympics, China is particularly eager to be seen as cracking down.

"We are trusting the Chinese," Samaranch said. "We are fighting against doping. This is an example for many other countries. This is good news for the image of sport."

The reasons for the withdrawals of the 33 other Chinese team members was not clear.

"I would be surprised if all 40 were cut," IOC vice president Dick Pound said. "My guess is you'll find they were in some elimination tournament and didn't make it."

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Men's Golf
Kent tops Notre Dame golfers

Special to The Observer

Senior Alex Kent closed with a round of 70 to claim a three-stroke victory in the annual Notre Dame Men's Golf Campus Championship, following Sunday's final two rounds of play in the 72-hole tournament held for the first time at Warren Golf Course.

Kent headed into Sunday's action two strokes behind freshman leader Peter Rivas following the first 36 holes of play on Aug. 26-27, but Kent pulled even with Rivas despite carding a third-round 75 (Rivas shot 77).

Junior Steve Ratay actually claimed the third-round lead thanks to his 71 in Sunday morning's round while sophomore Brandon Lunke used a third-round 74 to join the logjam at second place, with senior Pat Schaffer lurking just two strokes off the lead heading into the final round.

Kent's closing-round 70 yielded an impressive 289 total and a three-stroke cushion on junior runner-up Kyle Thomason and didn't win a single Big Ten game. The Wildcats went 251-125 (668) during that time, winning four straight Ivy League titles (1989-92) and seven overall. They also lost four first-round NCAA tournament games by a total of just 15 points using their patient passing game that often led to backdoor layups.

The high point of his tenure as an assistant came at the 1996 NCAA tournament. Coughlin, who posted a 92-25 record in his four years as head coach at Princeton, was not available to The Observer for comment Tuesday. He said that a news conference has been scheduled for comment Tuesday.

Northwestern's rebuilding effort has been identified. Carmody, who posted a 5-25 last season, didn't win a single Big Ten game. Four players left the program.

Before becoming head coach, Carmody spent 14 years as an assistant to Hall of Fame coach Pete Carril. The Wildcats were 25-27 (668) in his four years as an assistant to Princeton. Coughlin, according to a source close to Carmody, who spoke on the condition he not be identified, said that a news conference has been scheduled for comment Tuesday.

Northwestern is hoping to return to the NCAA tournament after going undefeated in Ivy League play his first two seasons, and advanced to the second round in 1998. The Wildcats went to the NIT the past two years.

Carmody's best season was 1997-98, when the Tigers went 27-2 and were ranked as high as No. 8 during the regular season. It was the highest ranking for an Ivy League team in nearly 30 years, and the 27 victories set a school record.

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Rienzo joins Notre Dame lacrosse staff

Special to The Observer

Matt Rienzo, a standout defensive midfielder at Georgetown from 1994-97, has been named an assistant coach on the Notre Dame men's lacrosse staff. Rienzo, who will work primarily with the Notre Dame defensemen, replaces Will Heflin, who left in May to enter private business. Rienzo comes to Notre Dame after serving as the associate head coach and assistant mid fielder at the Catholic University of America after serving as the assistant coach at Georgetown.

"When we were very excited to add such an outstanding young coach to our staff," said the head coach. "Matt's experiences as a player and head coach have prepared him well for Notre Dame and coaching at the collegiate level."

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MEN'S LACROSSE

Tuesday, September 6, 2000

DETROIT

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NCAA BASKETBALL

Wolverines suspend Gaines

Associated Press

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Morning of Monday, in Taylor, about 25 miles from the Ann Arbor campus. The university declared to elaborate on the circumstances.

Police reports say the three were arrested early Monday on suspicion of disorderly intoxication. Police said Tuesday that the three stopped their car on U.S. 24 and, despite traffic, started wrestling outside the car.

All three were behind the car and, in the roadway, were engaged in a fight.

A breach test showed Gaines, the driver, had a .17 percent blood-alcohol level, police reports stated. By Michigan law, anything .10 or higher is considered drunken driving.

No one has been charged and Ellerbe said he expected a decision on charges Wednesday.

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Irish volleyball steps into rankings with weekend win

The Irish are looking to spike their opponents this weekend as they host the adidas Invitational. Top 25-ranked Nebraska, UCLA and Michigan State will all compete against Notre Dame.

The highlight of the Shamrock Invitational was a come-from-behind victory over then-No. 25 ranked BYU. The Irish lost the first two games (15-10, 15-13) but rallied back. They came back behind the play of BIG FAST Player of the Week and tournament MVP Denise Boylan, along with Shamrock all-tournament team honorees senior Christi Girton and junior Kristy Kreher to defeat the Cougars in five games. Notre Dame also scored victories over Fairfield and Crimson, both in three games, during the tournament. The Irish last appeared in the Top-25 of the USA Today/AVCA poll ranked 16th in the preseason of 1998. The ranking occurs as the Irish prepare to play host to one of the top 2000 volleyball tournaments in the nation this weekend. Third-ranked UCLA (3-0), No. 4 Nebraska (3-0) and No. 21 Michigan State (3-0) will join Notre Dame to make up the adidas Invitational tournament field. UCLA and Michigan State begin the action at 1:30 p.m. Friday, before the Irish take on Nebraska in "The Battle Before the War" the Notre Dame and Nebraska football teams will meet on Saturday at 4 p.m.

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Connecticutt, Pa., native. He
jected an offer to attend the U.S.
ilitary Academy in West Point
so he could chase down the seemingly impossible dream of suiting up for the blue and
or.
"Notre Dame was a magical
word for me," Lujack said. "I
had an opportunity to go to West
Point and many other schools,
and I never ever considered any
other possibility other than
Notre Dame, but I wasn't sure
that Notre Dame wanted me. Then
when Coach Leach offered me
the scholarship, I just jumped at
it because that was the culmina-
tion of dreams of a young kid.

Earning his chance
Even after making his way to
South Bend on scholarship, the
17-year-old kid had a long way
to go before becoming an All-
American or even making the
dress list for game day. Early in
his freshman year, however, luck
found Lujack.
"Where I first got the notice at
Notre Dame was playing
defense," Lujack said. "As a
freshman, I was called for a
defensive team down to play
against the varsity, and I hap-
pened to be one of the ones they
pointed out haphazardly.
where they didn't even know
my name. So I made a few tack-
les against the varsity, and the
next day, they asked my name to
raise my hand and get down and
scrimmage against the varsity.
So that's how I really got my
start there." Leach also used
Lujack to take on the varsity in
 scrimmages on offense, either as a quarterback or tailback.

By Lujack's sophomore year, he'd garnered enough attention from the
coaching staff to serve as the back-up quarterback to
Angelo Bertelli, who won the
Heisman Trophy that year and
led the Irish to the 1943
National Championship. Lujack
subbed in for Bertelli, as well as
All-American running back
Creighton Miller, both of whom
are in the College Football
Hall of Fame. Lujack got his next big
break, to become the starting
quarterback, when Bertelli left
to fight in World War II.
One of the few-known feats
that year came through another
piece of good fortune.
"We played against the Iowa
Seahawks, and I went up against
an All-Pro end," Lujack said. "I
went up to knock the ball down
one-handed, and the ball actual-
ly stuck in my hand, so it was an
one-handed interception, and it
was written up as a great inter-
ception. But I went up to knock
it down and it just stuck.
Lujack earned renown as one
of the few Notre Dame students
ever to letter in four sports —
football, basketball, baseball and
track.
"The reason I was able to play
all four sports is I was in the ser-
vice, so I didn't have to go out
for spring practice," Lujack said.
"My first baseball game I got two
singles and a triple out of four
times up. In between the
innings, I won the high jump
and javelin in track, my
roommate, being a very comical
guy, said, 'if you get dressed real
quick, I know where there's a
swimming meet.'
Swimming never went down
in the record books as another
varsity letter for Lujack, but the
Davenport, Iowa resident did
enough during his four years at
Notre Dame to remain one of the
most-recognized names of Irish
football players ever today.

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of the tournament in Las
Vegas.
Tail feels the momentum from Las Vegas will carry
over into today's game.
"We're really trying to con-
centrate on our game right
now," said Tail. "We know
that if we come out there
focused, motivated and ready
to play that we can give
Bradley a really good game
and hopefully get the results
we want.
Winning today's game
could hold well for the Irish
in the long run, as at-large
bids for the NCAA tourna-
ment take into account a
team's record against region-
al opponents.
"They're in our region, so
it's very important that we
win, because when it comes
down to getting an at-large
bid for the NCAA tourna-
mament, it comes down to
how well you've done against
opponents in your region," said
senior Griffin Howard.
The Irish, playing without
last year's leading scorer as
sophomore Erich Braun is
injured, are concentrating on
improving their offensive
game. Behind a strong group
of freshmen, they have been
able to put the ball in the net
during the preseason and in
last Friday's 2-0 win over
New Mexico, but were shut
out versus UNLV. Senior tri-
captain Dustin Pridmore feels
that the offense will return
today.
"We feel really well coming
into Bradley," said Pridmore.
"I think our team is doing
really well. Each game we
keep getting better and bet-
ter. As a team, we should
continue to get better, and
hopefully, we can put some
more goals in the back of the
net. Overall we're playing
deliberately and we have a lot
of confidence."
Saint Mary’s hopes to improve intramurals

By KATIE MAVOY Assistant Sports Editor

Last year’s Midnight Madness kicked off the idea, but this week the fall intramural season kicked off for real. For the first time in Saint Mary’s history, athletic staff and students are working together to make the intramural program a success.

“Now with Midnight Madness, there is a reward for intramurals, a reason to keep it going,” Kachmarik said.

“We’ve never had a director of intramural and club sports before,” Kachmarik said. Now they do. With the arrival of Sports Information Director Suzanne Smith, Hildebrandt has taken on the new role of director of intramural and club sports. Along with student director Janelle Miller, Hildebrandt is working to make intramurals a real success.

Many colleges and universities use their intramural programs as a source of dorm unity, sorority unity or class unity. Saint Mary’s was missing that bond, according to Kachmarik.

“Previously, there was no tie to anything,” Kachmarik said. “Now, we’re talking about where we want to go and where we’re going to associate intramural sports with residence halls.”

“This year’s intramural program will be a collaboration between the athletic department, Residence Life and Student Activities. Kachmarik and Hildebrandt met with residence advisors and hall directors in search of support. “We’re taking it back to where the students live,” Kachmarik said.

“This year’s Midnight Madness, which will be held on March 28, will include the championship tournaments for winter sports and provide competition against classes. However, the All Sport Intramural Champ won’t be announced until the results are in from the fall intramurals. The residence hall with the most overall wins will be named All Sport Intramural Champ and the cup that goes with that title will be delivered to the hall.

In addition to student participation, Hildebrandt and Kachmarik are looking to get faculty and staff involved in intramurals. “I’d love to see a team from Lehman take on the English Department,” Kachmarik said. Teams may be composed of faculty and staff members with a hall affiliation, or the team may participate without an affiliation and not compete for All Sports Champ.

Off campus students are encouraged to participate as a member of the hall they lived in previously or the hall where they have friends living.

Women’s Soccer

Warner, Lindsey earn league titles

Freshman Amy Warner maneuvers towards the goal in Notre Dame’s opening win over Detroit. Warner was named rookie of the week for her hat trick against Providence, Sunday.

Two Notre Dame women’s soccer players have been honored by the Big East Conference, with freshman forward Amy Warner earning rookie of the week honors while senior defender Kelly Lindsey has been named the Big East defensive player of the week.

Warner erupted for a hat trick in Sunday’s 5-1 win over Providence, using her speed to get through the penalty box area to score Notre Dame’s first two goals before completing the hat trick for a 4-1 lead, on a half-volley off a cross from Anne Makinen.

Lindsey continues to lead the Notre Dame defense from her central fullback position, with the Irish last week allowing just two shots from both Tulsa (which fell to ND, 2-0) and Providence. The veteran member of an Irish defense that is replacing two graduated starters and a three-year starting goalkeeper, Lindsey has logged 73 career games (171 of them starts) and has helped Notre Dame post a 116-6 shot edge through three games in the 2000 season.

The speedy Warner is the first Notre Dame freshman to record a hat trick since Makinen in the 1997 Big East title win over Connecticut (6-1). Warner recorded the earliest date (Sept. 3) ever for a hat trick by a Notre Dame freshman.
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FOOTBALL
Irish football great led Notre Dame past Nebraska in '47

By KATHLEEN O'BRIEN
Assistant Sports Editor

The football played in the era of Johnny Lujack, Notre Dame's 1947 Heisman-winning quarterback, would be all but unrecognizable to many of today's college stars.

Passes were few and far between, advertising contracts with the likes of the like didn't exist, weight programs were a thing of the past, athletes commonly played both sides of the ball and Notre Dame didn't participate in bowl games.

Although Notre Dame already had a storied tradition as a top football school, its reputation came strictly from regular-season play. Many of the other top modern-day programs, such as Nebraska, were as yet unknown. The last time Notre Dame played a regular-season series with Nebraska, in 1947-48, the Cornhuskers were not the little-laden team that they are now.

"It wasn't at the time important, because Nebraska wasn't as well-known then as they are now," Lujack said. "They didn't have the really good teams that they have now."

Lujack engineered a 31-0 shutout victory over Nebraska in '47 and a 27-7 win over archrival Army, an 11-game winning streak that made us a good team," Lujack said.

Another big difference in foot-
ball of the '40s was the complexity of the game. Lujack completed 61 of 109 passes that season for 777 yards while also playing defensive back. Those stats seem less impressive by today's pass-crazy standards, but won him the Heisman in '47.

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Johnny Lujack 1947 Heisman-winning quarterback

Irish look to upset No. 21 Braves

By NOAH AMSTADTER
Sports Writer

The football team isn't the only squad on campus looking to upset a ranked opponent this week.

When the Notre Dame men's soccer team opens its home season tonight at Alumni Field, they will be taking on a Bradley team ranked 21st in the National Soccer Coaches Association of America/adidas Top 25 poll, rebounding Tuesday.

The Braves are 2-0 this sea-
son after claiming the Holiday Inn City Centre Classic championship last weekend in Peoria, Ill. Bradley opened the Classic with an exciting 3-2 victory over Western Illinois. In the 96th minute of that game, two-time All-American forward Gavin Glinston scored his second goal of the game to give the Braves the win.

Sunday's championship match saw the Braves crush the Huskies of Northern Illinois 5-0. Bradley was led by two goals by Bryan Namoff and four saves by senior goalkeeper Adam Gross. Gross holds the school record with 12 shutouts.

The Irish know that the game will be challenging, but they are confident in their ability to compete in a game confident after a strong 1-0-1 showing at the UNLV Film/Nestle Reebok Classic last weekend.

After shutting out opponents in both games, the Irish feel confident coming into the home opener.

"They're a very good team. They've opened up with a few wins to start their season," said assistant coach Mike Avery. "They're kind of an up and coming team in our region. We're excited about our home opener."

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