Keeping an eye on IDs

Cards serve important purposes in students' daily lives on campus

By SCOTT BRODUFEHR

Every time a student swipes an ID card on campus, whether to gain access to a dorm or eat at a dining hall, a computer on campus records the date, time and location along with the identification of the person whose card was swiped. The information is stored on various computer systems, including one to store information about dining hall access, usage of Flex points or Domer Dollars and access to gyms or other activities. Another system stores information about Domer Dollars and access to gyms or other activities. The quality of the station has improved greatly, according to Frick.

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STUDENT SENATE

Resolutions will address social space

By LAURA ROMPF

Assistant News Editor

The Student Senate passed resolutions Wednesday night to ensure all students have access to 24-hour space in their dorms. The resolutions also state a uniform policy must be posted in the 24-hour space so rules are consistent from dorm to dorm.

"All residence halls have designated space for 24-hour use, but some dorms do not have adequate facilities and some 24-hour space is shut down when the security monitor leaves," said Lewis Hall senator Lucilane Reali. "This conflicts with a statement in Dulac which says all residence halls should have 24-hour space."

"What we're moving for here is uniformity," said Zahm Hall senator Ryan Becker. "We have met with Bill Kirk and Jeff Shoup [of Residence Life] and they agree the rules should be uniform. We want to improve communication with the students." Sorin Hall senator Kevin Bermuth said because some monitors have worked for several years, they are not aware of policy changes and thus rules vary from dorm to dorm.

"We feel it's a problem," Bermuth said. "We think girls' dorms should have different rules from guys dorms and vice versa. There should not be any discrepancies."

Becker said the resolutions aim to accom-

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WVFI makes official switch to global broadcasting

By MIKE CONNOLLY

News Writer

For 20 years, WVFI has existed only within the Notre Dame bubble. But on Oct. 11, after two years of negotiation with Student Activities, the "Voice of the Fighting Irish" began global Internet broadcasts and, for the first time, reached the entire Notre Dame nation.

"It's not simply a student community or an alumni community; it is an international community," Adam Frick, WVFI station manager, said at a press conference Wednesday, officially announcing the station's switch to global broadcasting. "To truly be the "Voice of the Fighting Irish," we had to be international.

People with access to the Internet and Real Player installed on their computer can listen to WVFI by logging on to wvfi.nd.edu.

Global Internet broadcasts for its campus radio station puts Notre Dame on the same level as most of the top 25 schools in the country, according to Nicole Detore, promotions director. She said all of the top 25 schools in the country, with the exception of MIT, have globally-broadcast student radio stations.

The large number of college Internet radio stations was an important factor in convincing the University to allow WVFI to broadcast globally, Frick said. "It just seemed glaringly obvious that Internet radio was not just a fad," Frick said.

According to Tina Durski, WVFI's Contract with the University, however, prohibited WVFI from broadcasting globally. After just three weeks of global broadcasting, the signal was restricted to campus Internet connections only.

Frick said the University was concerned that student disk jockeys did not conduct themselves professionally enough to merit global broadcasting. The station worked hard to gain the trust of the administration and earn the right to broadcast globally, Frick said.

"It was a matter of proving to the Notre Dame administration that we were a responsible group," he said.

The switch to global broadcasting has greatly improved staff morale, according to assistant station manager Danny Goodwin. "When we weren't global and we were just feeding to campus, the morale was down," Goodwin said. "Now that we are global, everyone is up beat and everyone is happy for the shows."

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INSIDE COLUMN

Be an informed voter

Recently, I spotted a tabloid magazine with a huge picture of George W. Bush and the headline: “Too Drunk to Fly.” Initially I laughed, but I had at least researched enough about Bush before allowing “The Globe” to influence my opinion of him.

However, many people will look at that picture and faintly recall that they once heard from somebody they talked to about their neighbor who saw on the news that the anchor said a newspaper reporter wrote that Bush might have allegedly dribbled in drugs.

To this person, that headline might be enough for them to classify Bush as a drug addict unfit for the Oval Office. However, even if Bush Nader didn’t know about issues outside of the drug policy, it would be a more effective statement if that person knew enough about Nader to make it.

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There are similarities situations with Gore as well. Sadly, few people form opinions about the candidates on small bits of news like this. Even worse, a small percentage of people know anything about candidates outside of the Democratic and Republican parties. There are still people who can’t identify Ralph Nader or Pat Buchanan, although Buchanan once had notoriety among Republicans.

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If one believes that Bush is unintelligent, it is necessary to be able to point out examples of how he is uninformed on the issues and the relevant people involved in the issues. If one thinks Nader doesn’t know about issues outside of the environment and campaign finance corruption, it would be a more effective statement if that person knew about enough Nader to make it.

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LOCAL WEATHER

5 Day South Bend Forecast

The Accuweather forecast for the next 5 days in South Bend.

NATIONAL WEATHER

The Accuweather forecast for noon, Thursday, Nov. 2.

WASHINGrON UNIVERSITY

College will publish sex offenders

A small provision buried deep within technical amendments to Department of Education regulations is causing big controversy on university campuses. The provision would require colleges and universities to inform their students about local sex offender registries. The trouble with such a provision lies in the constitutionality of the clause. Despite such difficulties, Washington University administrators plan to comply with the policy. The issues being raised in the controversy over this legislation are similar to those that came up when the first Megan’s Laws were passed around the country. Megan’s Laws were first passed after the 1994 rape and murder of 7-year-old Megan Kanka in New Jersey. She was killed by a neighbor who was a paroled sex offender. Eventually, all 50 states passed some sort of legislation requiring sex offenders to register when they moved into a new county and allowed citizens access to the lists of registered sex offenders through their local police departments. How much information is available to citizens depends on the city or county keeping the records.

W A S H I N G T O N  U N I V E R S I T Y  O F N E W  M E X I C O

Web site promotes votes for Nader

Supporters of Green Party presidential candidate Ralph Nader are divided over a fast spreading volunteer movement that encourages voters to vote for Nader with voters in other states. Nadertrader.org is a Web site that serves as a clearinghouse for the last-minute campaign. The movement is the result of growing fears that Nader’s candidacy could cost Democratic presidential candidate Al Gore votes in key states. “We’ve all heard it, ‘A vote for Nader is a vote for Bush,’ ” states an introductory paragraph about the site. “Wouldn’t it be great if you could both vote for Nader and vote against George W. Bush? Now you can become a Nader Trader.” The Green Party needs 5 percent of the votes in the Nov. 7 election to qualify for federal campaign funding in the 2004 elections. The Web site encourages voters in states where polls show a close race between Gore and Republican presidential candidate George W. Bush to vote for Gore, while encouraging would-be Gore voters in states where Bush will be the obvious victor to vote for Nader.

TEXAS A&M cancels off-campus bonfire

College Station, Texas

Almost one year after the 1999 Aggie Bonfire collapse, members of Keep The Fire Burning (KTFB) have canceled their plans for an off-campus bonfire. Amid concerns that KTFB’s leadership role, Texas A&M University Student Body President Forrest Lane is encouraging students to focus their energy and time on planning for a successful 2002 KTFB Bonfire.

Lane said that he knows some students are still campaigning for changes in the parameters set forth by A&M President Dr. Ray Bowen for Bonfire 2002, but he said their efforts are "a waste of time and energy."

"I don’t understand advocating something that won’t be changed," Lane said. "The parameters will not be changed."

KTFB board members have spoken out against Lane, accusing him of pursuing personal interests and those of the administration, instead of those of the students. When asked about refusing to represent KTFB, Lane said, "Our doors have been open the whole time." He denied accusations of representing administrators’ opinions. However, concerning an off-campus bonfire, Lane said he did not see enough concern from students to advocate KTFB’s position this semester; he said he could not address KTFB’s concerns when he felt so many students were adamantly opposed to an off-campus bonfire. Student senators did a constituency study, which reflected a negative opinion of off-campus bonfire among students. Regardless, he said, KTFB has not actively tried to work with student government to reach a compromise.

Lane said the urgency lies not in battling over Bowen’s parameters, but rather in planning for Bonfire 2002.

OUTSIDE THE DOME

College station, Texas

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NEWS ANALYSIS

Gore campaign focuses on Bush's inexperience

* Some say former presidents faced similar shortcoming *

By TARA MAHNESMITH

With much at stake in one of the closest presidential races the country has seen in nearly 40 years, the Gore campaign is using this time to convince voters that a Bush victory would not have the level of experience it takes to lead the country.

According to the CNN/USA Today Gallup Poll, Bush has 47 percent of the vote, while Gore has 44.

With only five days remaining, campaign strategists are hard at work trying to persuade undecided voters in swing states to vote for their candidate.

Gore's campaign is using this last week to focus voters on Bush's lack of experience.

"It's valid. Bush doesn't have much experience. But I trust him. The people he chooses to work for him are smart people," said former Clinton administration White House aide Ryan Duffy, College Republicans vice president.

"I don't know if it's really going to hurt Bush in the election. Twenty years ago, people made the same charges against Reagan and George Bush's lack of experience, but I think it's better to have someone who knows something about these issues, but I think it's better to have someone who knows something about these issues, but Bill Clinton did okay," said Michael Francis, assistant provost of Campus International Development and professor of government. But he suggested a difference between Clinton and George W. Bush. "Clinton is more intelligent, whereas Bush may require excellent advisors. Bush will rely on people's confidence in both his experience and his character to get him through such charges. Ryan Duffy, vice president of College Republicans, said "It's valid. Bush doesn't have as much experience. But I trust him. The people he chooses to work for him are smart people."

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But President of the United States is the most important, complicated, demanding job in the world. And when you look at the relative experience of these two candidates and how they've handled what their record is, how they handle the experience, I just think that Al Gore is so much more ready to be a great president," Lieberman said Tuesday on the Larry King Live show.

The Gore campaign's argument is valid, and the ability of Bush is unquestionable, said Jeff Stuffings, President of College Democrats. "Does it matter that Bush lacks experience? Absolutely," he said. However, Stuffings questions the affect this tactic will have on voters.

"It probably won't make much of a difference in the election," he said. "But every vote counts. Whatever he can get with this final campaign, it's worth it."
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have a signature, but the problems with the signature outweighed the benefits." Durski said.

Students who lose their ID cards are expected to report the loss immediately so the card can be disabled. According to Durski, the authentication system for the cards online and the first two digits of the machine reads from a card indicate the card's number (01 being the first card issued to the student).

If the student's first card had been canceled, the machine would only accept cards where the first digits were 02, which prevents anyone from using the first card to gain unauthorized access to dorms or use of flex points.

According to Durski, no student has reported losing a card and then having Dormer Dollars or Flex points withdrawn from the card.

"We're very fortunate. We've not really had a problem with fraud," Durski said. If fraud did occur, Notre Dame's Debt Agreement states that a student would not be responsible for any loss that occurred after they reported the card lost.

If a student reports a lost card within two days of discovering that it was lost, and a thief had already occurred, the student would only be responsible for the first $50 that was lost. If the student does not report the card lost, they may lose up to $500.

The fee for obtaining a new card is $30, which is more than the cost of materials to print a new card.

"The fee has been around for a long time and is used as a deterrent (from losing your card). When you print one card, it costs less than including the cost of purchasing and maintaining the equipment to make cards," Durski said.

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plish two objectives. "Overall we want to clarify the policies. The number one thing we want to address is there has to be 24-hour access in each dorm. Also general conduct rules and the rules in Diera," said Becker.

He also said communication with students is a main concern.

Some halls have "two feet on the ground" and "lights on at all times" rules and because these are not clearly defined in DuLac or elsewhere, students are left confused.

Becker said ultimately rectors will have the final say, but the resolutions will aim to have similar policies from dorm to dorm.

"If the rectors want to make rules, that's fine," Becker said. "It's their dorm and they can manage it how they see fit. But it's our goal to work with Student Affairs, Residence Life and the rectors to have uniform rules.

Student body president Brian Donoghue informed senators that a similar resolution had been brought to the floor in the Campus Life Council (CLC) last year, but did not pass because it was a three-quarters majority vote for passage.

"You should not pass this resolution," O'Donoghue said. "I think it would be wise to work through the system and try to get your ideas across. If you pass the resolution and it goes to CLC and voted down, then it's dead. We do not know what that body will do with it, and I'd rather see something on another avenue."

Reali said she was in CLC last year when the resolution was debated. "CLC felt there was not adequate research last year," she said. "It was before CLC conducted a survey of rectors and before student senate surveyed students. We have continued that research this year. I hope this will help the resolution pass CLC."

O'Donoghue said the main voices against the resolution last year were the six rectors on the CLC, but senators felt passing the resolution would be a way to work with the rectors, rather than go behind their back.

"I don't think we should circumvent the rectors," said Stanford Hall senator Curt Roberts. "We shouldn't go behind their back and try to work the system. I think we definitely need their support."

"By passing this resolution, we are respectfully submit­ting our ideas to them," said St. Edward's senator Seth Whelzel. "If we go behind their back, it might make them mad and work against us, rather than with us."

Becker and other senators said if the resolution did not pass through CLC, they would pursue other routes to solve the 24-hour space problem.

"We need to speak up on these issues because we are the voice of the students," Becker said. "If it doesn't pass, we will find another way."

"If they turn it down, we'll pursue other avenues. We need to show rectors that we are serious about this issue and want their support," said Fisher Hall senator Dan Baraban.

The senate unanimously passed both resolutions which will move to the CLC and then to Residence Life for final approval.
Army reservists march for Peru cop: Army troopers pursued an elusive renegade officer in Peru's southern Andes for a third day Wednesday, as some 150 unarmed army reservists marched to the area to join the rebel leader's protest. Lt. Col. Ollantia Humala started out on a mine Sunday to start the uprising, challenging President Alberto Fujimori's authority and renewing the imprisonment of his ex-spy chief, Vladimiro Montesinos. Montesinos has been in hiding since last week from a failed asylum bid in Panama.

Gas dump price protests threatened: Fuel protesters warned the government Wednesday that they are planning to prevent political gridlock from swift action is taken to tackle prices at the pump. David Hanley, a farmer and chairman of the People's Fuel Lobby, said as many as 25,000 trucks would converge on London for a Nov. 14 rally if the government does not announce in a pre-budget report next week that it will be cutting the fuel tax.

One missing after train wreck: Authorities searched for clues Wednesday to the cause of a fiery freight train collision that left crumpled and charred cars sprawled across the snowy landscape. Three crew members were hurt in Tuesday's crash and another was missing and presumed dead in the wreckage, where flames still lingered Wednesday. "It doesn't look good right now," Coconino County Sheriff Joe Richards said. One Burlington Northern-Santa Fe train rear-ended another that had stopped on the tracks about 10 miles west of Flagstaff.

Confessing to slaying: A convicted child molester who in 1994 led police to a girl's body called his life Wednesday. He claimed he found the body while chasing a runaway dog who has confessed to her slaying, police said. Charles Daugherty, 29, was arrested Tuesday on a preliminary charge of murder. Daugherty, who was being held in the Marion County Lockup, is expected to be formally charged in a couple days.

Associated Press

New York

Yugoslavia's new democratic government joined the United Nations on Wednesday, opening a new chapter in Belgrade's relations with the international community after eight years of U.N. ostracism under former strongman Slobodan Milosevic.

By acclamation and with a loud round of applause, the 189-member General Assembly overwhelmingly approved Yugoslavia's application for U.N. membership and hailed Belgrade's democratic transition and the newly elected president, Vojislav Kostunica. After General Assembly President Harri Holkeri proclaimed the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia a U.N. member, the Yugoslav delegation was led to its seats in the General Assembly hall where a "Yugoslavia" nameplate was placed in front of them. "With legitimate pride, the Yugoslav people are going to take their rightful place in the concert of nations," French Ambassador Jean-David Levitte told the assembly, speaking on behalf of the European Union.

"Also this evening, an important step will be taken toward reconciliation, stability and peace in a region that has been so much tested by war," Levitte said. Under Milosevic, Yugoslavia had refused to comply with the General Assembly's 1992 demand that it apply for U.N. admission as a new country following the breakup of the Yugoslav socialist republic in the early 1990s. Milosevic had argued that his government was the legitimate successor state and didn't need to apply. As a result, Yugoslavia was barred from speaking or voting in the General Assembly.

But last Friday, a month after ousting Milosevic in elections, Kostunica requested the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia be admitted. His application moved quickly through the U.N. bureaucracy, with the Security Council recommending Tuesday that the General Assembly approve it. All four former Yugoslav republics -- Bosnia, Croatia, Macedonia and Slovenia, which are now independent states and U.N. members, co-sponsored the assembly resolution, which was adopted without a vote.

Taiwanese policemen wearing masks stand guard over coffins kept in a hangar at Chiang Kai-shek International Airport Wednesday. Officers were awaiting identifications by the families of the 77 people killed.

Associated Press

Taipei

Families of Singapore Airlines crash victims flew to Taiwan to retrieve their loved ones' bodies Wednesday as officials worked to figure out what caused the plane to burst into flames during takeoff, killing seven people -- at least 23 of them Americans.

Survivors have said they felt Flight SQ006 hit something as the plane barreled down the runway. But as emergency workers pulled bodies from the charred, blue-and-tan wreckage Wednesday, early speculation also pointed to wind as a possible factor in the Boeing 747-400's accident: At the time of takeoff, the airport was being lashed by the swirling gusts and torrential rains of an approaching typhoon.

Some relatives of those who died have blamed the pilot, Captain C.K. Fong. On Wednesday, one woman pounded the counter at a Singapore Airlines ticket counter in Taipei and shouted at the company's employees, "How could you take it so easy?" But the airline -- which had not had a major accident in 28 years of operation -- defended Fong's decision.

"Conditions were well within safe operational limits," company spokesman Rick Clements told reporters in Singapore. He noted that a flight by Taiwan's China Airlines took off just 15 minutes before Singapore Airlines' takeoff.

Taiwanese aviation officials Billy Chang said Tuesday night's visibility levels of 1.650-1.980 feet at Chiang Kai-shek International Airport exceeded the minimum requirement of 660 feet needed for takeoff. Measuring wind gusts at 74 knots indicated, but the gusty winds were not excessive, he said.

In general, control towers in Taiwan monitor wind speed and direction, visibility, air traffic and other factors before authorizing takeoffs, especially during storms such as typhoons.
SMC may add more technology

Some members worry about means to fund improvements

By KATIE MILLER
News Writer

Technology Task Force co-chair Julie Storme met with Saint Mary's Board of Governance (BOG) Wednesday to discuss the strategic process of the College's developing curriculum.

A long-term plan being developed by the task force includes evaluation of information technology, student development in technological knowledge, marketing and diversity.

Storme discussed the integration of increased technology in the curriculum, addressing the question of whether or not Saint Mary's had an obligation to make sure its graduates have "technical fluency."

"How can we make this happen? We would like to reconfigure curriculum, new and old. We need to set goals to move towards," said Storme.

Storme introduced a variety of ideas that could increase technology in student life. "We need technology available across the board. We could have a technology portfolio or a learning contract," said Storme.

Besides the discussion of technology education, the issue of financial availability for improvements was raised as well. "When you are talking about technology, money is an issue. We need to be concerned that there is a level playing field. If there is a set standard, information technology with a better background in technology would have an edge to those who didn't. There should be a way for students to make accomplishments no matter their initial level," said student trustee Molly Kahn.

Storme encouraged BOG to consider the long-term task force and to encourage all students to respond. "If you haven't heard from other student groups, contact them — if you are the squeaky wheel, it will happen," said Storme.

Teresa Lorenz from the Student Environmental Action Coalition asked BOG for their support in implementing plastic and glass recycling in Saint Mary's. Lorenz used the College's mission statement to support the environmental coalition's concerns.

"Saint Mary's promotes a life of religious sensibility and social responsibility. We feel that a religiously sensitive school should prioritize basic and fundamental Christian values, such as a commitment to protecting God's creation. A school that promotes social responsibility should include an awareness for environmental responsibility," said Lorenz.

Lorenz offered a four-step solution. First, the school would contract an off-campus recycling pickup service. Second, marked recycling bins would be placed accessible on campus. Third, students would need to be educated on proper disposal. Lastly, the Marinis, responsible for providing dining food services to the College, including plastic products needs to cooperate as well.

According to Lorenz, Saint Mary's roughly throws away 2,722 lbs. of glass and 12,081 lbs. of plastic a year. In addition to this, use of plastic in the task force, Saint Mary's is on the rise. Twenty twenty-five bottle machines have been placed in all buildings. At the new Dalloway's and in Madeleva, there is an increased use of plastic bottles without a place to recycle them," said Lorenz.

BOG gave their support to Lorenz and the student environmental action coalition, but suggested that Lorenz also present the concerns to the administration.

"We're here for you as the board, and for what funding necessary: the door is open," said student body president, Crissie Remer. "We don't see why it is their (environmental) responsibility. It should be looked at through the eyes of the college. It's a huge responsibility. Your go to the administration, we are many years away. I give (the students) great credit for bringing this up, it needs integration in the college policy," said Kahn.

In other news:

• Fall day on campus is Sunday, Nov. 5. Six hundred and fifty people are expected to attend.
• Student body president and vice-president elections will take place the first week of February. Informational meetings will be held after Thanksgiving.
• Student body president Cris pen Remer and student body vice-president Michelle Nagle met with Keith Dennis, vice-president for finance and administration, regarding concerns about Dalloway's and munny mosh. Remer has received a great deal of student concerns in response to these issues.
• Akamara Omaravua, president of the student diversity board, has submitted a proposal to residence life for additional handicapped access.
• Operation Christmas Child boxes are due November 13-18.

NEWS BRIEF

Train service suspended: The Northern Indiana Transportation District (NICTD), owner and operator of the South Shore railroad line, announced that a building project will temporarily suspend train service between South Bend and Miller, Ind.

The suspension of service will begin at 3 a.m. Friday and last until 2 a.m. Monday. It will affect all service between the South Bend and Miller stations, and no alternate form of transportation will be provided east of Miller. Train service will continue as usual between Miller and Chicago.

Service is being suspended due to the replacement of the right of way bridge over the Bethlehem Street entrance at Burns Harbor, Ind., from Friday through Sunday.
The University of Notre Dame has received a $200,000 grant from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation of Battle Creek, Mich., to support the recruitment and training of teachers for K-12 schools through the Alliance for Catholic Education (ACE).

Founded in 1993 by Rev. Timothy R. Scully, C.S.C., and Mr. Sean McGraw, C.S.C., ACE is part of Notre Dame's Institute for Educational Initiatives (IEI). ACE recruits, educates and supports committed teachers for under-staffed Catholic schools and provides college graduates with intensive teacher training and opportunities to build community and grow personally and spiritually.

The Kellogg grant will allow the ACE program to develop new avenues to hire full-time faculty for Notre Dame's Master of Education program, and to build a faculty with the knowledge, skills and dispositions needed to serve as moral and ethical educational leaders. The grant also will fund an additional University-based supervisor to observe every ACE teacher each semester and maintain close contact with new teachers through correspondence and reviews of classroom videos submitted each semester. In addition, the grant will allow the University to attract visiting faculty of national repute, an expert in educational technology and additional Notre Dame faculty who will teach individual courses in their areas of expertise.

"This award will provide immediate and significant funding to help ACE deal with the challenges of expansion," said Rev. Edward A. Malloy, C.S.C., Notre Dame president. "The program has struck a chord across the nation with schools that are searching for teachers who exhibit dedication, passion and leadership, and ACE continues to attract an unusually high number of such students-teachers. So the program's success extends in two directions, benefiting both the students and the schools. I am confident ACE will only grow stronger as time goes by."

Established in 1997, IEI conducts research on schools and the educational process to improve American educational policy and practice. A major focus of its research is the education of students from disadvantaged backgrounds. It offers graduate and undergraduate level courses in the sociology, economics and history of education, educational psychology and education policy.

The Kellogg Foundation was established in 1930 "to help people help themselves through the practical application of knowledge and resources to improve their quality of life and that of future generations." Its programming activities center around the common vision of a world in which each person has a sense of worth, accepts responsibility for self, family, community and societal well-being; and has the capacity to be productive and to help create nurturing families, responsive institutions and healthy communities.

To achieve the greatest impact, the Foundation targets its grants toward specific areas. These include: health, food systems and rural development; youth and education; and philanthropy and voluntarism.

When related to these areas, funding also is provided for leadership, information systems and technology, efforts to capitalize on diversity, and social and economic community development programs.

Grants are concentrated in the United States, Latin America and the Caribbean, and the southern African countries of Botswana, Lesotho, Mozambique, South Africa, Swaziland and Zimbabwe.

Lecture puts ‘human face’ on death penalty

By MYRA McGRIFF

During Wednesday’s lecture entitled “The Human Face of the Death Penalty,” speaker John Krull, executive director of Indiana Civil Liberties Union (ICLU) urged people to focus on the “front of life” rather than enforcing the death penalty.

“It is a complex problem but if we start young nurturing human life in all situations we can combat the problem,” said Krull.

The problem the death penalty poses for Krull and the ICLU falls on the expendability of life. They see putting people to death as underscoring the human condition. The more we assist and participate in the killing of other individuals the more devalued life becomes.

To expand on his point further, Krull recalled the attitude of a prison guard assisting in an execution. "He said it was just a job and that he hoped it was over with soon because he had a school penn to take his son to in the morning," said Krull.

The attitude that death as an injustice to all involved makes Krull and other opposing activists push forth the idea of respecting life instead of destroying it.

Kru ll discusses how many of the people put to death for crimes have spent their lives being ignored or were placed in violent situations. Ultimately this reasoning suggests that the situations criminals existed in led them to their respective demises. "They did not get there by themselves — that’s the responsibility we have to take to combat the death penalty."

We have to nurture life," said Krull.

Activists want to combat the problem of apathy toward other lives by making Krull’s presentation strike a chord across the nation.

Within the discussion for change Krull outlined progress made in opening a political dialogue. Krull mentioned change outside Illinois call for a moratorium on the death penalty.

"In an election year, having a candidate bring up the death penalty for discussion is a huge progress," said Krull.

Members of the audience expressed confusion on how to effectively see change. In response Krull gave credit to the power of numbers. "As students discovered at Northwestern opened up the door for the death penalty discussion throughout the country," said Krull.

Kru ll encourages participation to free a wronged convicted man from death row supports Krull’s proposition to take an invested interest in the lives of others. Krull believes that as we become more involved, visible change is likely to occur.

Along the same lines, Krull does not fantasize about the reality of the situation. Krull sees the death penalty as a large topic with many sides. "It is going to be a long struggle, taking at least the next decade to overturn the issues if not longer," said Krull.
### STUDENT UNION BOARD

**Movie: Rules of Engagement and The Perfect Storm**
- **11/2**  Thursday  101 & 155 DeBartolo  1030PM  Tickets: $2
- **11/3**  Friday  101 & 155 DeBartolo  0800PM & 1030PM
- **11/4**  Saturday  101 & 155 DeBartolo  0800PM & 1030PM

**Acousticafe**
- **11/2**  Thursday  LaFortune Huddle  0900PM-1200AM

**Guster**
- **11/3**  Friday  Stepan Center  0700PM  Tickets: $12

**Free Laundry Day**
- **11/5**  Sunday  Badin & LaFortune  1000AM-0800PM

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**ND Symphony Orchestra Fall Concert**
- **11/2**  Thursday  Washington Hall  0800PM

**First Friday**
- **11/3**  Friday  Intercultural Center in La Fun  1200-0130PM

**"Ghost Dog: Way of Samurai"**
- **11/3**  Friday & Saturday  Snite  0730PM & 0930PM

**Volleyball vs. Boston College**
- **11/4**  Friday  JACC  0700PM

**Walsh Wild Weekend**
- **11/4**  Saturday  Lyons Hall  1100AM

**Mara Fox Run**
- **11/4**  Saturday  Lyons Hall  1100AM

**Volleyball vs. North Carolina**
- **11/4**  Saturday  JACC  0700PM

**Flipside Ice Skating**
- **11/4**  Saturday  JACC  0800-1100PM

**In-Hall Dances**
- **11/4**  Saturday  Walsh (formal), Lyons (formal), Welsh, Badin, Dillon, Howard, Cavanaugh

**Spanish Mass**
- **11/5**  Sunday  Chapel of Holy Cross  0130PM

**Orlando Consort**
- **11/5**  Sunday  Arrenbog Auditorium  0200PM

**Volleyball vs. North Carolina**
- **11/5**  Sunday  JACC

**FREE FLU SHOTS**
- **11/7-11/10**  Tuesday-Thursday  LaFortune Dooley Room  0900-0400PM
Lieberman challenges Hollywood

Associated Press

BOCA RATON, Fla. — Vice presidential candidate Joseph Lieberman (D-Conn.) renewed the possibility of sanctions against the entertainment industry Wednesday, saying it has not done enough to stop marketing adult material to children since the practice was exposed.

Lieberman wrote to more than 50 entertainment executives, saying he and Democratic presidential candidate Al Gore are holding to their position that movie executives, video game makers and music companies must adopt appropriate safeguards within six months or face the possibility of regulation.

The Connecticut senator released the letter without comment while campaigning in Florida.

Questions have persisted about how seriously Gore and Lieberman would challenge Hollywood, one of his party's most important sources of cash. Both have attended Hollywood fund-raisers during the campaign and critics have accused them of softening their position on regulation of the industry while collecting money from it.

"Republicans branded them hypocritical, an assertion that sorely responds to Lieberman's letter.

"By day, Al Gore and Joe Lieberman promise to get tough with Hollywood, but by night they privately assure their Hollywood friends not to worry," said Dan Bartlett, a spokesman for Republican presidential candidate George W. Bush.

The letter reaffirmed the Democrats' promise, if elected Tuesday, to see that the marketing of adult-rated products to youth is controlled, through federal action if needed.

"Our challenge still stands today, as does our deadline," Lieberman wrote.

Gore and Lieberman, a longtime critic of excessive entertain ment industry conduct, first issued their challenge in conjunction with the release of a Federal Trade Commission report Sept. 10 accusing entertainment companies of targeting adult material to underage audiences.

Industry executives argued they already had safeguards in place, but tried to mollify lawmakers by announcing some steps. For example, major movie houses said they would ask theater owners not to show ads for R-rated films during G-rated movies.

"The letter restates the position that Senator Lieberman took before, and our response is unchanged," said Hillary Rosenthal, president of the Recording Industry Association of America. Citing advisory labels, the association has said recording companies already give parents the tools they need to screen out explicit content.

Lieberman said some progress has been made in shielding children, especially by retailers and video game makers.

But he said the movie and music industries have neither adopted a uniform policy on marketing nor agreed to serious mechanisms to enforce their limited standards.

Inappropriate marketing to children "is a pervasive, industry-wide problem that will not be solved without an industry-wide solution," the letter said, sent to executives at Disney, Time Warner, Viacom and Sony, among many others.

Meanwhile, Lieberman, traveling by recreational vehicle, reported a hectic tour in Florida, a state also visited Wednesday by Gore and by Bush's running mate, Dick Cheney.

"The charge that Senator Lieberman misidenti fied the state he was in and the state governed by Bush when he spoke to about 4,000 people at Florida Atlantic University," he said, "He'd been in Hollywood, Calif., that morning when he meant Hollywood, Fla., and referred to Gov. Bush's education record in Florida, when he meant Texas. "I'm in too many places today," he said when someone corrected him.

"Florida favors 25 electoral votes Tuesday. Polls are a jumble in a state once considered easy for the 'blue dog' because his brother, Jeb, is governor." Lieberman surprised his mother on her 86th birthday as she addressed about 650 senior citizens in Coconut Creek. "Mamma, I love you Happy Birthday," he told her.

Later, in Little Rock, Ark., he encouraged supporters to the polls. "Now there's only so much we can do honestly," he said. "It ultimately comes down to all of you who are members of our family, who are members of the army that we want to mobilize."

Clinton responds to Firestone tire recall

WASHINGTON

Responding to the furor over the Firestone tire recall, President Clinton on Wednesday signed a bill that requires automakers and suppliers to quickly notify the government about potential safety defects. A citizens' group, Public Citizen, had claimed the bill is like a shiny new car with problems hidden under the hood.

"The act responds directly to some of the key shortcomings in identifying the recent Firestone tire problem," Clinton said, referring to the tires that lose their tread and have been linked to more than 100 deaths.

While Bridgestone/Firestone Inc. has recalled 6.5 million tires because of concerns about tire separation, congressional hearings have disclosed that the issue did not come to light for some time after the manufact urer had indication of a problem.

"Some of the deaths and injuries associated with these tires have been prevent ed if automobile manufacturers and their suppliers had been required to provide the government with more timely information," said the president.

The bill, The Transportation Recall Enhancement, Accountability, and Маthematical Truth Act, was intro duced Sept. 13 and passed Congress in less than a month.

"The signing of this bill today just goes to show that what can be accomplished when the American people demand it," said Henry Waxman, author of the legislation.

Rep. Billy Tauzin, whose committee held hearings on the Firestone recall, called the bill the most important auto safety legislation in 30 years. "There is no doubt in my mind that it will save lives and prevent future tragedies," he said.

But the advocacy group, Public Citizen, said the law is flawed, because it doesn't go far enough in eliminating criminal penalties and repeals a requirement that car manufacturers evaluate data on their vehicles to determine whether a recall is needed.

"The bottom line is that if you walk around this law and kick its tires, you'll find that it has flashy fenders and shiny paint, but is plagued with engine troubles," said Joan Claybrook, president of P ublic Citizen.

Under the bill, automobile officials could face up to 15 years in prison for hiding information on defects that lead to deaths or serious injury. Maximum fines for companies will range from $925,000 to $15 million.

The criminal penalties take effect immediately, but other aspects of the legislation are phased in. Within two years, government agencies must begin rollover testing of vehicles containing the auto industry fought for years, and upgrade 30-year-old test standards for tires. Within three years, all new vehicles will have indicators to warn of under-inflated tires.

The bill also provides for automakers to report any relevant safety recalls to other safety campaigns in foreign countries to the secretary of transportation within five years.

"Gives the secret service authority to do anything necessary to require automakers and their suppliers to submit information and analysis concerning possible safety defects in vehicles and equipment," said the president.
**NORTHERN IRELAND**

**Attacks undermine peace accord**

Associated Press  

**Belfast**

The Northern Ireland peace accord took a battering on several fronts Wednesday as Cabinet ministers denounced criminal and violent attacks raised tensions.

British troops, meanwhile, were deployed into hard-line Protestant parts of north Belfast to try to suppress renewed violence between the province's major pro-British gangs, the Ulster Defense Association and Ulster Volunteer Force. But after dark Wednesday, a Protestant man with ties to the Ulster Volunteer Force was killed and police said members of the Ulster Defense Association were suspected. Police said two gunmen burst into the man's north Belfast apartment and shot him in the head several times as his girlfriend looked on.

The outlawed groups are suspected of targeting each others' supporters since August in a feud driven by competing criminal rackets and personal animosities.

On Tuesday, an Ulster Volunteer Force gunman killed a 58-year-old former Ulster Volunteer Force commander Bertie Rice in front of his wife. Hours later, Ulster Volunteer Force gunmen burst into the home of high-ranking Ulster Defense member Tommy English, 41, fatally shooting him three times in the chest. The attackers also pistol-whipped his wife. The feud has claimed seven lives and forced more than 150 families from their homes.

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Last weekend, Trimble kept his hard-line Protestant critics at bay by promising he would respect Sinn Fein ministerial contacts with the Irish government until the IRA makes good on its promise to disarm. He canceled a scheduled Friday meeting between the Irish government and the IRA, saying the Irish government until the IRA makes good on its promise to disarm. The rising paramilitary activity added to tensions between the province's Protestant and Catholic communities.

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**ISRAEL**

**Intense West Bank gun battle kills 9**

Associated Press  

**Jerusalem**

Israel will hold off on retaliation against the Palestinians for the deaths of three Israeli soldiers, the government announced early Thursday. A Cabinet minister Shimon Peres met Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat, defusing an explosive situation at least temporarily.

Israel radio reported that the two sides would take agreed steps in the morning, and at midday, Arafat and Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak would address their people by radio and announce an end to all violence.

The soldiers were the first to die in combat since Oct. 1. Six Palestinians were also killed, as armed clashes intensified in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

"I will not allow David Trimble to play party politics with health and social services," said de Brun. "This is not a defiant gesture. This is a professional gesture."
Federal board supports graduate student unions

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Graduate students who work as researchers and teaching assistants in the nation's private universities have the same rights as other workers to form unions and negotiate working conditions, the National Labor Relations Board ruled Wednesday.

The unanimous ruling upholds a regional decision favoring the 1,500 New York University graduate assistants who voted to unionize this year. The board's decision who voted to unionize this year. The board's decision threatens the basic relationship between professor and student, and threatens academic freedom.

It does not apply to public universities, which have some two-dozen bargaining units nationwide, because of the primary labor law enforced by the university.

The board applies to the private sector. Public university workers fall under state laws, but there are 21 states with "right-to-work" laws that allow workers to hold jobs without joining unions or paying dues.

John Sweeney, president of the AFL-CIO, said the NLRB decision "undercuts what the graduate workers have known all along: their long hours spent grading papers, teaching classes and holding office hours is real work, done by real employees of the university."

He said in a statement 30,000 graduate teachers already have joined unions. "We are going to be seeing a lot of union activism at other private universities because of this decision," said Patrick McCreery, 33, a graduate student in American Studies. "I'm going to do a partner in this relationship, as opposed to someone who is simply told what to do."

McCreery said the ruling will put students in a better position to negotiate pay and other benefits. Most students in arts and sciences earn about $15,000 a year, but the university's own estimates say a student needs at least $17,000 to live in New York City.

"University response was sharp. They have shown a serious lack of understanding of graduate education," said John Beckman, NYU's spokesman. "These graduate assistants are first and foremost students. They are admitted as students, not recruited as employees."

Yale University, another private university, has already decided whether it would take actions that would "avail ourselves of the court system." Sheldon Steinbach, general counsel of the American Council on Education, which filed documents supporting the university, said many institutions fear that the NLRB decision could lay the groundwork for a reversal of a 1981 Supreme Court decision that precluded faculty in general from collective bargaining at private institutions.

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Watching Lieberman campaign

On Tuesday, I was one of the 600 people inside Fawcett Washington Hall for the speech of Senator Joseph Lieberman. It was a wonderful experience, though filled with some conflicting thoughts.

The first time I set foot in Washington Hall, all the way back in my freshman year—1992, when the venerable building was a mere 81 years old (but middle age for a Notre Dame edifice). It was hot. We filled our insides with some kind of paperwork. Not long after, I remember paying the $2.50 going rate to watch a movie in Washington Hall. It was "Come Blow Your Horn" (I think). Whatever it was called, it featured Tony Bill in one of his first roles. Tony later produced "The Sting" and became quite prominent in Hollywood. The big deal for us ND freshmen was that we were in a Notre Dame grad ("ND Boys Make Good in Tinseltown"). I sat in the balcony, great theater.

About the only other thing I remember about Washington Hall was the legend that the ghost of George Gipp roamed the building. Why would The Gipper have been in Washington Hall when LaFortune, across the way, housed Notre Dame's pool teams in those days? Just inst, guess.

Anyway, I was very pleased to see that Senator Lieberman was on campus. During my time around ND I had enjoyed several political figures. I saw Bobby Kennedy at Stepan Center and George Wallace in the old fieldhouse. I'm kind of a political junkie, so I enjoy being present whenever a national figure is speaking. I saw Ross Perot in Olympia, Washington when he was really hot and had not yet showed he was also a little daffy.

I was visiting in Washington, D.C., in the early '90s, when then Vice President Gore returned from a tumultuous trip to South America, and I got to watch his motorcade pass by while sitting on the steps of the Washington Memorial. I almost took my adolescent mind off the 150 degree temperature.

Unfortunately, I could not be merely a spectator for the Lieberman talk since I was wearing my security hat (I don't really have a security hat, this is just a metaphor, but you get the idea). Lieberman delivered a wonderful talk. He did just the right amount of bucking up to Notre Dame. Tasteful and appropriate. He joked that he was going to return to his alma mater and inform the president of Yale that they should aspire to be the "Notre Dame of the East." He also related a terrific Father Hesburgh anecdote and even tipped his hat to student body president Brian O'Donnogue. The only tense moment in the speech occurred when a young man, seated ten feet from me, yelled out something like "What about abortion?" The young man repeated his question. At this point, Senator Lieberman replied that he would later address this question or something to that effect. I was now forced to put on my security hat (I don't really have a security hat, well you get the idea). I quietly spoke to the young man. I told him he had made his point and asked if he would respect the rights of the others in the audience. He said he was bothered by the abortion issue and the Gore-Lieberman stand on it, but he assured me that he would not disrupt the talk. He was true to his word. Throughout Lieberman's talk, I also found myself a little uncomfortable with inconsistencies between the rhetoric and the political positions staked out by the candidate. Lieberman spoke about the "value of human life" in some context, but I was reaching for my security hat when he said it — while checking my "Washington Hall neighbor" — because he was clearly not talking about his party's position with regard to partial-birth abortion.

Fortunately, my new friend sighed and walked disgruntled, but he suffered in silence. Lieberman also spoke about "meritocratic" social programs, but he was clearly not talking about his party's position on affirmative action. He talked about the Ten Commandments and specifically mentioned the one about adultery, but he didn't mention any famous names from his party. He talked about the corrupting influence of some of our mass media, but while he said there is much that should be done, he seemed to indicate that nothing would be done, "because that will be counterproductive." Lieberman made a great point that persons who take their religion seriously seem to be the only individuals who can be the subject of public scorn and prejudice. He pointed out that a media group he spoke with brought up "the Inquisition" when he spoke in defense of religion in our lives. Lieberman in his wonderful talk ridiculed faith-based political leaders.

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Cappy Gagnon

Thursday, November 2, 2000

"In America any boy may become President and I suppose it's just one of the risks he takes."

Adai Stevenson
politician
Making a wise choice for America

Gore gives help to those who need it most

Bush offers best opportunity for America’s future

After eight years of unprecedented prosperity in America, it’s time to extend help to the least fortunate and empower our hard-working Americans, whereas George W. Bush will return to the trickle-down economic practices of comforting the comfortable.

Let’s just think for a second what will happen if Bush is elected: School loans and grants will be cut so that we can lower the current costs for the rich. The minimum wage will remain stagnant under the false premise that it hurts the people it’s meant to help. People will be thrown off welfare without notice because they need to get a job. The earned income credit will be slashed, and the top 1 percent of income earners will receive one thousand times more tax relief than the bottom 20 percent.

We will continue to not mind that prison inmates have healthcare coverage while 43 million hard-working Americans do not. 200,000 preschoolers will be shut out of Head Start. 400,000 deserving students will lose their college loans. Millions of seniors will face doubling and tripling Medicare premiums. Handguns will be more common on our streets than police officers and welfare pensions will be raided. Democracy will continue to be limited only to those who can afford to contribute bundles of thousands of dollars a year to politicians. We will have dirtier air and water, and our wetlands and forests will be auctioned off to the highest bidder in return for short-term profit.

Vice President Al Gore is going to help the Americans who need help the most. He is going to protect Social Security and Medicare so that our seniors do not end up sick and in poverty. He is going to strengthen sub-standard schools instead of shutting them down. He is going to bring us closer together. He will provide prescription drugs to our nation’s seniors and pass a patients’ bill of rights so that HMOs cannot deny coverage in the name of increased profits. The Gore tax plan is going to be more beneficial to our economy.

When Al Gore says “middle income,” he does not mean someone making over $200,000 a year. Families making between $20,000 and $60,000 a year will receive more tax relief than Vice President Gore than from Governor Bush. Meanwhile 64 percent of Bush’s $1.3 trillion tax cut will go to the top 1 percent of income earners. Finally, Gore has pledged to pay down the national debt, so that when a child is born in this country she or he does not already have $20,000 of national debt in his or her name.

In addition, Al Gore is going to make sure that the U.S. military not only protects our economic interests abroad, but our humanitarian interests as well. He will make sure that handguns are kept out of the hands of criminals and that corporate interests will not lay waste to our environment. Gore will pass McCain-Fioreld, thus restoring legitimacy to our democracy. There is no chance that Bush will ever do any such thing.

We have a golden opportunity in this country to, in the words of State Senator Bill Bradley, “fix the roof while the sun is still shining.” We have an open chance to make sure that all Americans share in our prosperity. Millions of hard-working Americans have no access to affordable higher education or housing. If we truly wish to be inclusive, we must extend a helping hand to those who need help the most. If Bush is elected, we will move backward to the days of big budget deficits, big government, stagnant wages for middle income earners and greater disparity between the rich and poor. As John McCain has said, America’s system of government is wrong to deny students this opportunity for every man and woman a chance to live with dignity and hope. I hope you will join me in this great cause.

Governor George W. Bush will use his ability to implement his effective plan of action to lead the United States through the beginning of the 21st Century. Governor Bush will help the next generation begin with educating children. He has outlined a plan to far surpass America’s school system to more effectively and adequately educate children and prepare them for adulthood. While Vice President Al Gore would strengthen global partnerships, Governor Bush will increase our presence in the world to make this nation great. If we truly wish to ensure a higher level of literacy at earlier ages. Not only will Governor Bush aid the children but also their parents and the society at large. Twenty-five percent of the national budget surplus will be returned to all citizens in the form of tax cuts. In the face of failure, President Gore would provide tax breaks to less than half of the nation. The remainder of the surplus will be put toward saving Social Security for future generations and paying down the national debt, as we have done in the past.

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Lindsey Horrath
College Democrats

OPEN DISCUSSION TO DISCOVER TRUTH

One cannot truly understand their own position until they understand the opposing position. This fact should be obvious in the case of both those who support and those who oppose stem cell research. Such a discussion has the potential for good will and open-mindedness.

So one would think that this prestigious university would allow opposing groups to have their views expressed. Unfortunatelypeople would laugh if the College Republicans were allowed to organize and the College Democrats weren’t. It would be one-sided and we would learn nothing about the political exchanges between the two groups may have helped students decide how they will vote. The problem is this: The University will only let one side of many issues be heard. Why is it that we have the Center for Social Concerns (CSC) on campus. It should be renamed the CSC, or Center for Certain Social Concerns. It is wrong to deny students the opportunity to explore their views on these issues without proper organization. The fact that Notre Dame students are being deprived of the opportunity to explore their views is truly disturbing. Go inside the prison.

I am not saying that the University’s beliefs are wrong, in fact I would say they are, but I believe the University should have to fund groups opposing to its views. It should also allow them to exist. If you have never been confronted with reasons in support of, say, the death penalty, how can you be convicted in your views?

Thus I think back to your classes. Where did you really learn the most, in the classes where students were forced to listen to a political model or in the classes where you could discuss various view points and point out strengths and weaknesses in another side? Usually you will learn when you can question, not when you are forced to deny students this opportunity. It is time to let thought run free, so students can discover their own truth. Unlike the University’s version of the truth is such as investing a portion of a person’s payroll tax into personal savings accounts for increased profit.

Additionally, health care reform will take place through modernization of Medicare, establishing wider coverage under health plans and providing greater prescription drug benefits. Vice President Gore would leave important health decisions in the hands of powerful bureaucrats. It is wrong to deny students this opportunity for every man and woman a chance to learn, to every family a chance to live with dignity and hope. I hope you will join me in this great cause.

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MOVIE REVIEW

‘Blair Witch 2:’ Book of stupidity

By JUDE SEYMOUR
Scene Movie Critic

In the recent political debates, both Al Gore and George W. Bush have assured potential voters that they seek to regulate the movie industry. While both candidates refuse to use the word “censorship,” their measures would set what is both seen and heard on the screen.

Hollywood and free speech advocates are staunchly opposed, claiming that any nudity or violence on screen is justified by the merits of each individual film. If George W. Bush or Al Gore go out to see “Blair Witch 2: Book of Shadows,” Hollywood just might be looking at government intervention.

“Blair Witch 2” is filled with unnecessary images. There is implied sex in many of the scenes, as characters either fantasize about their group mates or actually put these fantasies into action. There are many snippets of nudity, but not one of them strengthens a character’s dynamic or advance the plot. These flashes of nudity could have easily hit the editing floor.

As for the violence, it is equally superficial. One of the main successes of “The Blair Witch Project” was that it suggested so much terror without showing it. Violence happened to the characters, but usually off screen. The suggestion of what was lurking in the woods was scared the pants off of every viewer.

“Blair Witch 2” is littered with flashes of stabings, hangings, guttings, decapitations and other overly violent images. The third element that is also gratuitous is the drinking and drug-taking. Within the first twenty minutes, five people do not know each other are smoking marijuana and drinking Pete’s Wicked Ale in glistening, doughnut-dosed.

In scenes, involving any kind of debauchery are intertwined in a good plot, which helps soften the graphic images that the director intended to expose the audience to. “Blair Witch 2” has no such goodness in its plot. The movie lingers in its stupidity.

The five characters in the movie claim that they are sick of people capitalizing off the movie’s name. But this is exactly what the movie is doing. There is no connection to the first “Blair Witch” movie at all, except that each one of the characters in this movie are drawn to the Black Hills in Maryland because they “liked the movie.” In fact, there isn’t even a “book of shadows.”

The success of the first movie was based on the characters. Whether the audience loved or hated Heather, Mike and Josh, their reactions to all that was happening around them seemed believable. This was done through the “documentary feel,” or capturing the acting exclusively on film. Video has a reputation of being unpolished, and watching the characters deliver improvises scenes seemed more spontaneous, inviting and unhearthed.

Since “Blair Witch 2” was shot on film, that spontaneity is replaced with characters who are trying to act real, but sound like they are reading from a terrible script. The movie languishes in scene after scene of terrible dialogue, with a plot that accomplishes nothing.

Each character is a bad stereotype as well. Jeff (Jeffrey Donovan) is the townsie, obsessed with a quick buck. Kim (Kim Dickens) is a “goth chick” who is feminized with the occult and the movies, especially (to no one’s surprise) “The Blair Witch Project.” Erica (Erica Leerhsen) is a “good witch,” a person who uses spells to promote nature and good effects. Tristine (Tristine Skylar) and Stephen (Stephen Barker Turner) are co-writers of a book about the Blair Witch, and are touring the Black Hills to finish their research.

In the end, two of these characters are dead, and sufficient reasoning is not given for either one of their deaths, except with the understanding that “we all go a little crazy sometimes.”

The “Blair Witch Project” was a movie that could have survived without a sequel for a third installment, slashe’d 2001. Making a movie about the effects of the first movie would have been a better approach. Creating a sequel that muddles the power of the first movie is bad practice. It is unfortunate that the success of the first film, with its miniscule budget and its staggering box office profit, will be over­ looked by its much lesser (and much less thought out) sequel.

MOVIE REVIEW

‘Best in Show’ offers pure bred laughter

By MATT CACCAMO
Scene Movie Critic

Most people have never been to a dog show or even taken the time to watch one on television late at night. After seeing “Best in Show,” some may take a closer look at this odd “sport.”

Christopher Guest’s newest, surprisingly successful “mockumentary” is about a dog show and its quirky contestants. Following five different dogs and their owners from their hometowns to the Mayflower Kennel Club’s dog show in Philadelphia. Guest introduces us to people we would never know and a world we would never see.

Through each set of dog owners, Guest satirizes a certain element of American society, making the film much more than just a look at dog shows. Guest himself plays Harlan Pepper, the only single dog owner in the film who brings his bloodhound from the woods of North Carolina to the City of Brotherly Love. Probably the best character in the film, Pepper’s strong southern accent, and absurd obsession with nuts, pecans fun at back­woods America.

Guest uses Meg and Hamilton Swan (Parker Posey and Michael Hitchcock) to examine upper-class yuppie society. These two go out the fact that they first met in Starbucks across the street from each other. Throughout the film, they worry about their dog’s psychological health and the presence of witnesses having sex in compromising positions. They are caricatures of themselves, and the audience can’t help but feel sorry for their dog.

Then there is a guy couple (played by John Michael Higgins and Michael McKean) who treat their twin Shih Tuz like the children they wish they had. Higgins character, in particular, is hilarious, making sexual innuendoes out of every situation.

Finally, there is the uneven, faltering husband-wife team who bring their dog. With all the way from Florida for the big show. The wife, Cookie Fickie (Catherine O’Hara), is the type of woman who everyone seems to know. She’s been around the block a few times, and isn’t done at that. Her husband, Jerry (Eugene Levy), is the last person you would expect to find with her; he’s homely, awkward and has two left feet — literally.

By far the funniest character in the film is the dog-show announcer, Buck Laughlin (Fred Willard). A mix between Bob Uecker and Dennis Miller, Laughlin knows as much about the shows as does America. That’s why he’s funny. He says everything everyone in the audience is just dying to say.

The genius of this film is in Guest’s ability to take a seemingly uninteresting and potentially boring topic and make the audience care. As in his previous films (“This is Spinal Tap” and “Waiting for Guffman”), Guest creates laughs from everyday life. But that’s expected. What he does, quite unexpectedly, is create an air of suspense and intensity around the actual dog show competition. By the close of the film, which coincides with the final competition at the show, you find yourself trying to guess the winner and actually caring about who finishes in what place.

The acting is solid for the purpose it serves. Guest forces his actors to fake a documentary form of conversation. This may sound easier than it actually is. Much of the script was improvised, revealing an even more impressive job done by the ensemble cast.

The only flaw here is that you sometimes catch yourself wondering whether or not it’s supposed to be a fake documentary. Guest switches from documentary-style interview mode to a camera that is seemingly invisible to the characters and the audience.

Every once in a while a film come along and surprise critics and audiences alike. “Best in Show” is just that kind of film. Dog-show watcher or not, it is not to be missed.

“Best in Show” out of five shamrocks

Director: Christopher Guest
Starring: Christopher Guest, Parker Posey, Michael Hitchcock, Eugene Levy, Catherine O’Hara, Michael McKean and Fred Willard

“Best in Show” (1999)
MOVIE FEATURE

‘Annie Hall’ is Woody Allen at his best

"Annie Hall" was the film that thrust Woody Allen into the Oscar spotlight. It used dozens of innovative techniques ("thinking" subtil­ les, characters narrating to the camera, car­ toons, split screens, showing different per­iods, characters removing themselves from their own bodies), and Allen's witty dialogue made it the best picture of 1977.

"Annie Hall" is not hard to fol­ low, but its edits are made to take the story rapidly through different time periods. The film has five flashbacks (and then five succes­ sive flash forwards) showing not only Alvy Singer's (Woody Allen) relationship with Annie Hall (Diane Keaton), but also sneak peeks into his life growing up, his college years, and in such a way as to make them all fit. Alvy breaks up a heated make and in such a way as to make them all fit. Alvy breaks up a heated make and in such a way as to make them all fit.

The movie shows the couple's nervous beginnings at a tennis court and its somber ending at a health food restaurant on Sunset Strip. Alvy backs up to the image of his own life, having lived under­neath a roller coaster at Coney Island.

Since Alvy narrates in the pre­sent time, the movie does not hide the fact that Alvy and Annie's relationship is destined to end at some point, getting there is what makes the movie so interesting.

One of the main themes packed into this movie is Allen's charac­teristic misunderstanding of women. Alvy is a klutz in love, and the movie presents a number of his failures.

Alvy's relationship with Annie continues to thrive or fail based on his understanding of women. He does not understand Annie's "phases" or "moods," and if Annie is having a bad day, Alvy's cluelessness usually ends with "you must be having your period again."

Alvy is doomed to fall in this relationship not only because he doesn't understand women, but because of his own neurotic personality.

The movie spends much time developing Alvy's characteristics. He's obsessed with death, has a gigantic fear of commitment, is always nervous, is a hypochondriac, is always trying to get things to come out perfect in art, because it's always difficult in life.

"Annie Hall" is a wonderful film, capturing not only Allen's well-written characters but also a host of techniques that only make the film more pleasurable. Alvy may be clueless about women, but he is admirable because he went to extreme lengths to get back his true love. Annie Hall may have moved on, but she took a lot of Alvy with her.

VIDEO PICK OF THE WEEK

War-time drama 'Belle' full of acting goodness

By CASEY K. McCLUSKEY

Video picks are meant to highlight movies that are usually overlooked because they did not get a lot of critical acclaim when they were released, but are still worth checking out. This week's video pick is 1990's "Memphis Belle," directed by Michael Caton-Jones.

"Belle" is about the crew of the Memphis Belle, a World War II bomber plane. The crew has successfully flown 24 bombing missions and has one more before they finish their flight, which is not sure how it will end.

As a theme that runs through­out Annie's movies, the story shows that if you are not in New York, you are best forgotten about. Alvy heals from his sad­ness by scripting a play about Annie Hall. In the play, Alvy walks away the stronger person, which is not how it really hap­pened. Allen deadpans to the camera, "You're always trying to get things to come out perfect in art, because it's always difficult in life."

"Memphis Belle" is a wonderful movie, starring some of the greatest war-time actors and in such a way as to make them all fit. Alvy breaks up a heated make and in such a way as to make them all fit.

The movie is named "Memphis Belle," it has much to show about who Alvy is, and is a bit flirty and a bit shallow, but she is always looking out for the possibilities. In her relationship with Alvy it becomes about stability and being on their last flight, but the focus is on what truly makes up the Memphis Belle: her crew.

This film is packed full of some great actors who never quite made it to the A-list in Hollywood. Nonetheless, they play characters subtle enough to not take over the spotlight from each other, which is exactly what is needed in a film about a tight knit crew.

"Memphis Belle"

Director: Michael Caton-Jones
Starring: Matthew Modine, Eric Stoltz, D.B. Sweeney, Billy Zane, Sean Astin and Harry Connick Jr.

"Memphis Belle" is available to rent on video.

Woody Allen and Diane Keaton star in the Oscar-winning film "Annie Hall," which Allen also wrote and directed.

Allen and Keaton star in the relationship drama, "Annie Hall."
BOSTON
Paul Pierce showed no ill effects from being benched last month, scoring 24 points Wednesday night — 20 in the first half — to lead the Boston Celtics to a 103-85 victory over the Detroit Pistons.

Antoine Walker had 33 points and 12 rebounds as the Celtics improved to 3-1 in season openers in the Rick Pitino era.

One night after scoring a career-high 44 points in Detroit's season-opening victory at Toronto, Jerry Stackhouse scored 20 but missed 7-of-21. The Pistons shot just 36 percent overall as they fell behind 13-3 less than five minutes into the game.

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Then Iverson and Hill took over.

Iverson tied it at 81 on a driving layup, and Hill's layup made it 83-81 with 6:44 remaining.

A free throw by Theo Ratliff, a fast-break layup by Iverson and a put-back by Hill completed a 9-0 run, giving the Pistons an 85-81 lead with 4:34 left.

Toronto, which missed eight straight shots during the run, didn't get closer than three points the rest of the way.

Philadelphia took its first lead, 47-45, on a three-point play by Nazr Mohammed with 3:14 left in the second quarter. Toni Kukoc grabbed a rebound, led a fastbreak and threw a no-look pass to Mohammed, who hit a two-footer before making a foul shot.

Kukoc then nailed a 3-pointer, and Snow scored on a driving layup to complete a 10-0 run, giving the Pistons a 52-45 lead.

Cavaliers 102, Kings 100
Lamond Murray scored all six of Cleveland's points in the second overtime before slipping the ball away from Doug Christie just before the final buzzer as the Cavaliers won their home opener over Sacramento.

Murray, who finished with 18 points, reached in and poked the ball away as Christie was about to go up for a potential game-tying shot.

André Miller had 17 points and eight assists for the Cavs before falling hard and bruising his right knee in the second overtime.

Clarence Weatherspoon, who came off a 29-point season-opening victory against the Knicks in New York, played his first game at the First Union Center since losing to Indiana in Game 6 of the Eastern Conference semifinals last spring.

After a loud pregame ceremony that included a fireworks display, the Storks fell behind 13-3 less than five minutes into the game.

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Philadelphia's Allen Iverson drives to the hoop in Wednesday's 104-98 loss to Toronto. Iverson scored 24 points in the losing effort.

Kings, whose offense was out of rhythm all night without point guard Jason Williams. The flashy point guard sat out the second game of his five-game suspension for failing to comply with the NBA's drug treatment plan.

Murray had missed his first five free-throw attempts this season before sinking two with 1:44 remaining to give the Cavs a 100-92 lead.

Weatherspoon then missed inside and liguas, playing with a passion he hadn't shown before being hurt, ripped a rebound away from two Kings players with 1:22 to play.

Sacramento got it back but Christie missed an off-balance shot with 29 seconds remaining. However, the Kings got another chance when Weatherspoon didn't pull the trigger with an open look with eight seconds left, causing a 24-seconds violation.

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NHL

Fleury's hat trick leads Rangers over Lightning

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Theoren Fleury scored three times, twice on power plays in New York's four-goal second period, as the Rangers beat the Tampa Bay Lightning 6-1 last night.

Fleury, who had a goal and an assist Sunday in a 5-1 win at Madison Square Garden, tied his second straight victory and first with New York.

Already has three goals in 1999-00.

It was his second straight victory after the Flyers pulled goaltender Brian Boucher, and it prevented Devils goaltender Chris Terreri from recording his first shutout since Feb. 4.

The right wing was demoted to the Rangers' fourth line last night.

The game was the first for Fleury since last Dec. 27 - a goal and an assist Sunday in a 5-1 win at Miami. Fleury made it 6-1 just 59 seconds later.

Fleury scored with a blast from the blue line at 3:14 of the third period, as the Rangers beat New Jersey.

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Garry Galley assisted.

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Bouchard added three goals and Brain Leetch added three assists to back Wade Flaherty's first shutout of the season as New York stretched its unbeaten streak to 3-0-1.

Providence goalie Manny Legace made 14 saves, preserved Philadelphia's four-game unbeaten streak by stopping Scott Gomez on a 3-on-1 break with about two minutes left in overtime.

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Terry Francona, fired on Seattle last season, replaced Bart LaForte as the team's manager.

"When all was said and done, experience, knowledge of the game, love of the game, and more importantly, managerial and coaching ability at Philadelphia, ruled the day," general manager Ed Wade said.

"He's going to be a good manager," Traylor said of Martin. "He needs to get a little stronger to play the four and he needs to take better shots at times.

"Coming out of college and being the man, it seems everything is falling for you. Here, you just have to play the way you know how to play basketball. He has to be aggressive, get into a running game with the bigger guys and score buckets."

Martin wasn't the only one who struggled shooting. The Nets shot 37 percent from the field.

The team's three big-name players - Martin, Stephan Marbury and Kendall Gill - combined go 8-8-8-3 from the field and 6-11-11 from the free throw line.

"We let it go away, it was anybody's game," Martin said. "We got a couple of bad breaks and let it get away from us. We can't do that." Scott was more annoyed with his team's effort than with their shooting.

**NBA**

**Martin adjusting to NBA game**

**Associated Press**

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. - The best thing Kenyon Martin can say about his NBA debut was that it was a learning experience.

The No. 1 pick in the NBA draft was a little out of control in his first regular-season game with the New Jersey Nets, and his shooting statistics showed it.

Martin missed his first seven shots and ended up hitting 4-of-16 shots and scoring 10 points in the Nets' 86-72 loss to the Cleveland Cavaliers on Tuesday night.

"I'm going to have to learn to calm me down," said Martin, who is still trying to get back into shape after breaking his leg last spring in the Conference USA tournament. "That's the thing with me. I'm so ready to play. We just have to put this one behind us and get ready for Friday.

What bothered rookie coach Byron Scott was Martin's shot selection. Of Martin's four baskets, only three were inside where he is expected to score. The majority of his shots were jumpers.

"I think right now he's relying on his jump shot way too much for his game to get going," Scott said Wednesday after practice. "We want to get him down in the post where we can use his quickness and leaping ability. That's something he has to take advantage of."

Robert Traylor, the rotund Cavaliers power forward, wasn't surprised Martin struggled a little. That happens to young players, he said.

"It's going to be a good learning experience."
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NFL
Houston, Jacksonville, Detroit get Super Bowls
Associated Press

ATLANTA
Jacksonville’s ship came in Wednesday.
With the help of some shipping companies that will bring in 10 cruise ships to help provide rooms, NFL owners voted to bring the Super Bowl to north Florida for the first time. Jacksonville beat out Miami, which has played host to eight Super Bowls, in a closely contested race for the 2005 game.
As expected, the owners gave the 2004 Super Bowl to Houston and the 2006 game to Detroit, rewarding both cities for building new stadiums. Neither had opposition.
That wasn’t the case for Jacksonville, which required four ballots to become one of the smallest metropolitan areas to land the biggest one-day event in American sports.
"This raises us to a first-tier city," said Wayne Weaver, owner of the Jaguars.
Jacksonville, with a metro population just over 1 million, earned its first Super Bowl even though the NFL had serious concerns about a lack of hotel space and airline flights. The city will dock at least 10 cruise ships near Alltel Stadium on the St. John’s River, adding about 8,000 rooms to its downtown hotel capacity. Sydney used a similar tactic during the Olympics.
"I think the membership bought into that," Weaver said. "We’re going to give them a different and unique experience." Also, three airlines agreed to triple flights to Jacksonville during the Super Bowl week, ensuring fans will be able to get in and out of the city.
"There was a sentiment for diversity, a change of scenery," said Art Modell, owner of Baltimore’s Ravens. "Miami will always be a part of the Super Bowl rotation. Jacksonville deserved it."

Miami broke a delegation that included former Dolphins coach Don Shula and ex-quarterback Dan Marino.
Oakland also bid for the 2005 game but was given little chance because of its feud with Raiders owner Al Davis. The California city, seeking its first Super Bowl, was eliminated on the second ballot.
Detroit’s delegation was led by Mayor Dennis Archer and racing team owner Roger Penske.
"Fortunately, a lot of the owners knew Roger Penske personally," Archer said. "That was a nice touch."
The Super Bowl culminated a whirlwind for Penske. One Monday, his racing team won its first CART championship since 1994.
"I told Mayor Archer that I like coming in here a winner," Penske said. "I guess today we’re both winners."

Houston was represented by Mayor Lee Brown and Bob McNair, owner of the Texans expansion team that will begin play in 2002.
As part of his $700 million entry fee, McNair was promised a Super Bowl as soon as possible. It will come at the end of the Texans’ second season at their new 69,500-seat retractable roof stadium, under construction next to the Astrodome.
Houston first played host to the Super Bowl in 1974 at Rice Stadium. The city split with the NFL in 1996 when the Oilers left for Tennessee, but Wednesday’s decision brought the reconciliation full circle.
"It shows the strength of the city and the resiliency of the community to go through such a downer and turn it around in such a short period of time," McNair said.
Detroit also is getting its second Super Bowl. The 1982 game was played at the suburban Pontiac Silverdome.
The 2006 Super Bowl will be held at a new downtown domed stadium, 65,000-seat Ford Field. The $315 million project is scheduled to open in 2002, during the Lions’ return to the city.
"This really speaks volumes about how the city is coming back," Archer said, adding that he hopes the NFL’s decision would convince Major League Baseball to award an All-Star game to Detroit.

The NFL raised some concerns about Detroit’s ability to meet the requirement for 17,500 hotel rooms within an hour drive of the stadium. The city is counting on three casino hotels that have not been built.
NHL

Sinden resigns after 28-years as Bruins’ GM

> Bruins won 10 division titles and five conference titles under Sinden

Associated Press

BOSTON

Harry Sinden ended his 28-year stint as general manager of the Boston Bruins on Wednesday, just a week after replacing coach Pat Burns with Mike Keenan.

The team has lost three of four games under Keenan.

Sinden, 67, who will stay on as team president, has been a player and coach with the Bruins. In his nearly three decades as GM, the Bruins won 10 division and five conference titles, and had 26 winning seasons.

"The respect that he has earned from people throughout the hockey world ... is unparalleled," NHL commissioner Gary Bettman said.

Sinden picked Mike O'Connell, his assistant for the past six years, as his replacement.

"This is a promotion that has been coming for quite a while, but one for which the timing needed to be right," Sinden said in a statement. "I felt that now was that opportune time to make this organizational change. With the recent naming of Mike Keenan as our coach, they can work together to improve this hockey club."

The Bruins opened this season 3-0-1, then dropped four straight games on a West Coast trip, prompting Sinden to fire the popular Burns after three years. He returned to the volatile Keenan, who coached the New York Rangers to the 1994 Stanley Cup.

Sinden has earned a reputation as a tough negotiator holding down salaries for owner Jeremy Jacobs, who generally left the team decisions to Sinden. A call to Jacobs' office was referred to the team, and the team said they did not expect him to comment.

"Harry's notorious for these negotiations," goaltender Byron Daube said last year after a holdout that kept him out of the first 12 games. "We all know that he's a shrewd businessman."

Forward Anson Carter is holding out this season and has met similar inflexibility by Sinden.

"He's as competitive as a GM as we were as players," former Bruins forward Cam Neely said.

Sinden began as a player-coach in Kingston, Ontario, following a coaching stint in Minneapolis, where he became a player-coach in Oklahoma City and in 1965-66 led that club to the Central Hockey League championship.

He moved to Boston to assume the Bruins coaching position in 1966-67 and a year later led the team into the playoffs for the first time in eight seasons. In 1967-68, he coached the Bruins to their first Stanley Cup in 29 years.

Sinden left the Bruins for two years to enter private business, then returned to hockey in 1972, when he was asked to coach Team Canada in the series between NHL players and the Soviet Union. He returned to Boston that year to become the team's fifth general manager.

In 1983, he was inducted into the Hockey Hall of Fame.

New York Rangers general manager Glen Sather, a longtime friend, said Sinden is a man whose passion for hockey is so strong, it can be draining.

"He's one of those people who's consumed by the job, he loves it," he said. "In all the places we've gone together hunting and fishing, we always talk hockey. It's hockey. It's what we do."

"If you need advice on rules or really anything on hockey, Harry is a great person to talk to," Coach Pat Neely said. "In my opinion he is the premier general manager in all of hockey."

Sather said he did not know why Sinden gave up his GM duties.

"Pat O'Connell, 44, has been groomed for the job as Sinden's deputy. He played high school hockey in Massachusetts, played 15 years in the NHL and coached in the minor leagues.

Sinden said O'Connell already had been performing most of the tasks of a general manager the past couple of seasons.

O'Connell was not immediately available for comment. The team announced O'Connell promoted Jeff Gorton, 32, to assistant general manager.

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The Observer • Sports
L.A. hires Tracy as manager

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES

The Dodgers' new manager realizes many fans are probably wondering, "Jim who?"

Jim Tracy knows the same questions were asked about another unknown: Walter Alston, who was hired by the Brooklyn Dodgers in 1954. "I've been through that before," Tracy said Wednesday at a news conference called to introduce him as the team's new manager.

"I look forward to establishing myself here in a way that, hopefully when my time is through here, people will speak of me in the same vein as Walter Alston and Tommy Lasorda. Lasorda, the Dodgers' bench coach, signed a two-year contract to succeed Davey Johnson, who was fired Oct. 6 after two years. The Dodgers haven't made the playoffs since 1996, and haven't won a postseason game since winning the 1988 World Series.

"I'm very grateful I'm being given this opportunity I have no fear whatsoever taking on this situation."

Jim Tracy
Dodger's manager

Tracy is the 24th manager in the team's history, but only the sixth since the Dodgers moved from Brooklyn to Los Angeles after the 1957 season. He's the fourth since Lasorda retired midway through the 1996 season following a minor heart attack.

Alston managed the Dodgers for 23 years before retiring, and he was succeeded by Lasorda, the team's third-base coach, in 1977. Both are in the Hall of Fame.

Tracy, 44, joined the Dodgers two years ago as bench coach under Johnson. He held a similar position the previous four years under Montreal Expos manager Felipe Alou.

"Selecting him, I was 100 percent in favor of it," said Lasorda, now a senior vice president for the Dodgers. "I'm telling you, I completely endorse him. I like his style. I like his philosophy.

Lasorda was ready when Tracy's status as an unknown by the major league manager's experience was mentioned.

"That's what they said when Walter Alston got hired — Walter who? He did the job."

Tracy was chosen late Tuesday over Dodgers batting coach Rick Howie. Eleven candidates were interviewed, according to Dodgers chairman Bob Daly, including New York Yankees coaches Willie Randolph and Chris Chambliss, and former Los Angeles pitcher Orel Hershiser.

"His loyalty to Davey impressed me," Daly said. "What I liked about Jim is he didn't answer the questions the way he thought we wanted to hear them answered."

Tracy was fired from his past coaching jobs in the minor leagues, but said he still has the desire and ability to be an everyday player, and we look forward to having him back strong and healthy next year," said Syd Thrift, the Blue Jays’ vice president for baseball operations.

Tracy, who is joining outfielder Todd Greene, who was eligible for salary arbitration.

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Ripken signs one-year contract with Baltimore

NEW YORK

Rather than become a free agent, Cal Ripken agreed Wednesday to another $6.3 million, one-year contract with the Baltimore Orioles.

"Obviously, I am very pleased to have the contract completed," Ripken said.

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DuBose to resign after season

Associated Press

The sight of Alabama players sitting on the turf in despair after a humiliating homecoming loss was just too much for one of the proudest programs in college football.

Coach Mike DuBose will resign at the end of the season, bringing an end to four turbulent seasons. He survived a sexual harassment scandal to lead the Crimson Tide to a conference title last season, but this year, watched the team collapse.

He is also lost to Arkansas and Mississippi and fell.

Moore said Wednesday during a news conference.

NCAA FOOTBALL

"We're all pretty much stunned right now," quarterback Tyger Watts said. "We're going to stick together. Across the board, everyone would love nothing more than to win these last three and go to Atlanta for coach."

DuBose followed Gene Stallings as coach in 1997, five years after the Tide won its sixth national title. Bear Bryant led Alabama to five titles between 1958-82.

Moore said DuBose would be paid his salary and benefits through January 2002 and there would be "no lump sum payment."

DuBose, 47, a former Alabama player and longtime assistant coach, was under contract through Jan. 31, 2004. He is 24-20 in four seasons.

Moore said he will search for an experienced head coach to replace DuBose and do the job without college head coaching experience.

The athletic director said he would pick a successor without a search committee. He declined to identify any possible successors but said "you always have coaches in mind in these situations."

Moore said money would not be an issue, though DuBose's $525,000 annual Compensation package made him one of the lowest paid football coaches.

"We will do what we need to do to move forward this program, and take it to the level that is expected and demanded of it," Moore said.

He said DuBose would coach the team through a bowl game if it makes it that far.

Meyer to start at QB for No. 2 Virginia Tech

Associated Press

BLACKSBURG, Va. Michael Vick sat out No. 2 Virginia Tech's practice Wednesday, the deadline he set for expecting to start Saturday at No. 3 Miami.

"We're planning on David Meyer being our starting quarterback," coach Frank Beamer said. "I think Michael is getting better, but I don't know if there's enough time. He's still questionable and it is going to be a last-minute decision."

Vick is recuperating from a sprained right ankle suffered last week against Pittsburgh. Meyer, a fifth-year senior, rallied the Hokies to a 37-34 victory over Pitt.

"I'm better, but I'm still not able to do what I do," Vick said. "I haven't tried the new brace, but I want to get out there and test it."

Beamer has said all week that the Hokies have no choice but to plan as if Meyer will start as they prepare for their toughest game of the season, a Big East showdown likely to decide the conference title and knock the loser from the national championship race.

The Hokies have won five straight in the series. Vick, a leading Heisman Trophy contender, tried out a special orthotic brace that is molded to fit his foot and could be worn in a game.

Trainer Mike Goforth said Vick jogged in the brace on a mini trampoline, which put less stress on the injury than a harder surface.

"He's still improving day to day, but it's a long way from doing what he needs to do in a game," Goforth said. "We're going to have to see how he looks in warm-ups."

He has said he thought he needed to practice Wednesday to start.

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I have webbed toes. I'm no duck, but the second and third toes on my right foot are 1/2 attached and 3/4 attached on my left. Today, I will show my unique toes off to others, especially after someone has vowed a crowd with the ability to roll a tongue or pop both shoulders out of joint at the same time. Today, I can laugh at the exclamations of disgust, but that hasn't always been the case.

I remember being eight years old and standing with Maria Wool in front of Mrs. Lenahan's house. Maria looked down at my flip-flops and barked, "That's gross!" I didn't understand her disgust until she pointed at my feet and expressed her total revulsion. She proclaimed that I should never be allowed to go barefoot.

Mortified, I set out to never bear my feet in public again. From then on, I wore socks and sneakers all summer long. I would hide my toes under blankets at the beach and attempted to keep others from ever seeing those miserable digits.

I was humiliated by my human flaw and, at times, thought less of myself as a person because of them. No amount of success in school or praise for my efforts could ever completely overcome my shame. I was broken, incomplete, not quite right.

If that was my experience growing up with and coming to terms with something as insignificant as webbed toes, imagine what it must be to accept that one is gay. Think about how hard it must be to come to self-acceptance as a lesbian at a place like Notre Dame — where "gay" is used as a put down of anything not deemed worthy of merit or concern. Imagine what it is like to know that one of the deepest, most intimate parts of yourself, a constitutive aspect of your very person, is deemed sick and unacceptable by the people around you.

Several times in this last year at Notre Dame, a young man or woman has invited me in and shared the fact that he or she is homosexual. These are powerful moments. Some are just coming to an understanding of their sexuality, while others have been self-aware since high school. All are attempting to discover what this reality will mean for them, wrestling with the Church's teaching, with societal expectations and with the differing images of gay life in America. All deserve the respect and concern of this community.

Homosexuality and its sexual expression are issues of morality and faith. They are topics that need to be discussed openly and honestly in both religious circles and the public square. The church's teaching must be honestly taught and Catholics are called to study and understand this teaching in its entirety. As a church, we are called to present this teaching fairly and clearly so that no one is misled as to its premises or its expectations.

But we must also remember that homosexuality is a deeply personal reality which affects people in our very midst. Homosexuals live and work at our University; they are our teachers and our classmates; they work in our offices and empty our trash. Made in the image and likeness of God, they struggle to live good lives, to excel at their work and to make the world a better place while striving to come to a more complete sense of who they are and where they stand in that world.

This coming Sunday, the Notre Dame community will again challenge itself to be a place where all are accepted and loved for who they are. At campus masses, prayer cards will be distributed that call us to a greater sense of community while celebrating the diversity in our midst. Take time in the days ahead to make an honest examination of conscience and assess your attitudes, your words and behaviors. Are you creating an environment of fear and derision, which can only foster self-hate and the disrespect of others? Commit yourself to acknowledging the goodness and worth of every person, gay or straight. Do not participate in degrading comments about others and commit yourself to CHALLENGING those who do.

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Scripture Readings for this Coming Sunday
1st Reading De 6: 2 - 6
2nd Reading Heb 7: 25 – 26
Gospel Mk 12: 28b – 34
Soccer

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lessons that I know were valuable for the team in the future," Milligan said. "If it was easy, everyone would do it."

And that is perhaps the quality that marked the Belles this year: determination.

"Most teams would give up," Milligan said. "One thing that I like best about this team was their character. We were able to finish off strong.

Our best games were at the end of the year. The improvement was incredibe."

The Belles went from a team easily intimidated by top league teams to one that was a formidable opponent. The Belles had trouble with communication, scoring, and defense. Even if the round-robin play didn't improve the Belles' season record, it easily illustrates their improvement.

After losing to top-ranked Albion 7-0 early in the season, the Belles fought all the way to a 5-1 loss, holding the eventual 2000 MIAA champions to 2-1 for the first half. Their final game of the season against Hope saw them improve from a previous 0-0 loss to a 4-3 loss in sudden-death overtime.

"Teams go through a rough patch," Muth said. "Unfortunately, ours was a long one. But we got through it. We finished strong and we have to go from here."

Muth sat out the final games after suffering injuries to her head and neck during fall break.

"It was heartbreaking to have to sit out and watch and not be able to play," Muth said. "But I was really impressed with the team and how they pulled together and played their hearts out to the end. When you step back from the situation you can see the heart of the team shine through."

The Belles squad was decimated with injuries this year. Saint Mary's began competition without Adrian Kirby and Irvin, who did not rejoin their teammates until the Manchester game, the fifth of the season. Muth played the entire season with a sore leg before ending it with more serious injuries. Junior co-captain Jessica Klink and sophomore transfer Alissa Brassuer left the Belles at nearly the same time. Brassuer for the season with a heel injury. Klink rejoined her teammates after fall break. Freshman Emily Erchick separated her shoulder and suffered a concussion to end her rookie season after fall break. Junior Kristen Priganc was out for several games midseason with a back injury.

"It's unfortunate that this season went the way it did because we have a really talented group on this team," Milligan said. "After a difficult experience like our team went through it can only get better. It definitely will."

Muth sees the round-robin play as an advantage, at least in terms of next season.

"I think that we know our competition real well now and the risks," Milligan said. "It's something that is hard to teach, but it is something we are getting close to. It takes practice. It takes repetition. We put a lot of time into it this year."

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Muth was held to only 15 goals this year, and ends with an overall 3-10-1 in the MIAA and stands at 3-13-1 overall. The 2000 squad spent much of the season working on their scoring.

"Scoring goals is about stepping up and making shots and taking risks," Milligan said. "It's something that is hard to teach, but it is something we are getting close to. It takes practice. It takes repetition. We put a lot of time into it this year."

Muth was also pleased with the versatility of his squad.

"Since we had so many injuries, many of the girls had to play positions that they weren't familiar with," Milligan said. "We improved our skills in every facet of the game."

Milligan is assisted in his coaching by second-year assistant coach Jared Hochstetler.

"I really appreciate the job that my assistant coach did and the support of my athletic staff," Milligan said. "One thing that [Hochstetler] does real well is that he stays after practice to work with particular players. He can teach certain things better than I can. He is gilled in different areas and we complement each other well."

Milligan hopes to be able to look back on this season as a learning experience, both for himself and for his players.

"This year was hard on everybody," Milligan said. "It was one of those years that you build and build and build and never really get to the top. But you know it is there. We did get the unity we were looking for by dealing with the injuries and the other stuff we had to go through."

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Fusaichi Pegasus favored to win

Associated Press

LOUISVILLE, Ky.  Fusaichi Pegasus is back at the scene of his greatest triumph, and this time he could be the star of a show with an international cast.

The Kentucky Derby winner was made the 8-5 early favorite Wednesday to win the $4.77 million Breeders’ Cup Classic on Saturday at Churchill Downs, although he has raced only once because of minor hoof problems since being upset in the Preakness on May 22.

It will be the last race for the 3-year-old colt, who will be retired to breeding under a deal valued at $60 million-$70 million.

Trainer Neil Drysdale said he is pleased with how Fusaichi Pegasus is coming up to the race, “but, on paper, this looks like a severe test. I’m always nervous about everything. If you have been around long enough, you know the improbable can happen. I don’t take anything for granted.”

Fusaichi Pegasus won the one-mile Jerome Handicap Sept. 23 at Belmont Park for his sixth victory in seven starts this year.

Five of Fusaichi Pegasus’ rivals in the 14-horse field also are 3-year-olds -- Albert the Great, Captain Steve, Tiznow, England-based Giant’s Causeway and Ireland-based Pine Dance. Two other contenders are 1999 Classic winner Cat Thief and Lemon Drop Kid.

All of these horses have won important stakes. The 1 1/4-mile Classic is one of eight Breeders’ Cup races, with total purse of $15.2 million.

While Giant’s Causeway, a winner of five Group I stakes in England this year and making his dirt-track debut, is a 5-1 co-second choice with Albert the Great, Tiznow and Lemon Drop Kid, foreign invaders are favored in two other races.

Petruska, winner of her last three starts in Ireland and England, is the 5-2 early choice to beat 13 rivals in the 1 3/8-mile Filly Mare Turf. Her chief rival could be Perfect Sting, winner of the Diana Handicap at Saratoga.

The 5-2 early pick in the 1 1/2-mile Turf is Montjeu, winner of 11 of 15 career starts, in England, Ireland, France and Japan, but a loser of his last two. Among 12 rivals are Kulanlissi, second in the Japan Cup and winner of the Dubai Champion in England in his last two starts, and Manadar, winner of the Woodford Reserve Turf Classic at Churchill Downs and the Manhattan Handicap at Belmont Park.

Ribotetta, a supplemental entry for $400,000, is the odd-on favorite to win the 1 1/8-mile Distaff for her seventh straight stakes victory. Also in the field of nine fillies and mares is Beautiful Pleasure, winner of the Distaff last year when she was champion older filly or mare.

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WOMEN'S TENNIS

Notre Dame closes out fall season at Colorado Invitational

By STEVE KEPPEL
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame women's tennis team heads into their final tournament of the fall season on Thursday looking to cap a very impressive run thus far. Coming off a successful tournament in Colorado where they dominated the competition, the Irish look to start putting the finishing touches on a signature season.

The Irish have played strong throughout their lineup all year. They are led by their core of experienced veterans including Michelle Dasso, Becky Varnum, Kim Guy, and Nina Vaughan. Besides the solid play of the upperclassmen, the surprise of the year has to be the talent among the group of freshmen on the team. With senior Michelle Dasso not competing in the Colorado Invitational, it gave some of the younger girls an opportunity to step up their game against tougher opponents. And that's exactly what they did.

"We did really well playing as a team," freshman Caylan Leslie said. "Since we are so close it helps us push each other to do that much better." Leslie, from Newport Beach, Calif., has been one of the most consistent players for the Irish this year. She entered college after being ranked as high as 11th in the USTA national top 18 last year and came into this season as the sixth highest ranked freshman in the nation. It has been a long road since the first practice in August and then the first match at the Maryland Invitational but Leslie has steadily improved each week earning herself one of the top spots in the Irish lineup.

"I was so nervous in the first match but with each tournament I get more confidence," Leslie said. "I really do not feel that there is that much pressure on me right now."

One of the most important reasons for her success so far, Leslie says, has been the support from her coach and most importantly her teammates.

"They have been really supportive and showed me how to be a good team member," Leslie said. "They have really showed me by example and have taught me to be patient." Leslie has been anything but patient in gathering wins in her first collegiate season. After three singles wins last tournament she hopes to play even better in the Midwest Regional Tournament in Ann Arbor, Mich. this weekend. This tournament will be the last for the Irish this fall and they hope to end it on a high note and begin to prepare for the spring season.

"I hope to do really well," Leslie said. "I would like to win a few rounds because I know the competition is really tough. I have been happy with the way I have played so far and I hope to improve. I just want to improve and take it from there."

The Irish will be sending their best girls to compete against top players from the Midwest and Big East. Dasso, Varnum, Vaughan, Lindsay Green, Guy, and Leslie will all be representing the Irish in singles play. Dasso and Varnum and Guy and Cunha will be competing in doubles as well. After this tournament the women will take some time off until January when they will take on Duke University.

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Freshman QB Clark thrust into backup role

Young Belles squad struggles throughout 2000 campaign

non-league games, which Milligan was not pleased with.

"The shift to the double round-robin made it so we had to play more physical teams more often," Milligan said. "We had girls separate shoulders, got concussions, and suffered leg injuries. We got beat on.

Saint Mary's was forced to adjust, and adjust quickly. Saint Mary's eight freshmen and one sophomore defender stepped into the gaps left by the graduation of four seniors and the loss of several other players who did not elect to return to the Belles this year.

"They got accustomed to it," Milligan said. "It was a big transition from the high-school game to the college game."

The freshmen did such a good job that Milligan is looking forward to next year.

"At the end of last year, I had to recruit a team," Milligan said. "We definitely have some spots to work on, but this year we're just going to fill in the gaps. The experience that the freshmen and sophomores will get will be helpful for next year's freshmen, because they will be able to say, 'I went through this.'"

"And indeed, it was the freshmen and sophomores who filled in the gaps for the Belles. Sophomore co-captain Heather Muth, the leading freshman scorer last year, finished with four goals and numerous assists. Two freshmen from Texas were scoring mainstays for the Belles. Midfielder Stephanie Artzak led the team with six goals, three from penalty kicks, and forward Wendy Irvin scored five goals after sitting out the first half of the season with a leg injury. Freshman defender Patricia Wheat also scored in the win against Adrian over fall break.

Milligan knew entering in this season that the freshmen he recruited would be a great asset to the team, but even he was surprised.

"When Wendy was coming here, she was a defender," Milligan said. "I was planning on putting her at defense.

When Irvin and her classmates arrived, however, Milligan discovered that several of them, including Irvin, had the ability to play and succeed at other positions. Katie Green, another Belles freshman, began the season at forward. After the Belles defensive corps were decimated by injury, Milligan moved her to defense and "I had to get used to playing defense," Clark said. "I was used to playing offense."

Clark began the year as the backup quarterback and intended to learn the playbook by watching and waiting. But sometimes, when asked to fill in, the Belles were able to win.

"We didn't think you'd get all the hard stuff in between," Clark said.

The Belles soon learned that just surviving this season would be difficult. The MIAA instituted a double-round robin system in place of previous years' competition. Instead of playing each league team once and then participating in a season-ending tournament, the Belles faced each league team twice, leaving less time to play