Finnigan's bust nets some students $100 fines

By ANNE MARIE MATTINGLY
News Editor

Several students cited in the Oct. 13 raid of Finnigan's Irish Pub received a $100 fine shortly after returning from Thanksgiving break, according to students who were in the bar when it was raided by the Indiana State Police.

The students reported that they and their parents received letters from the Office of Residence Life stating that the fines would be charged directly to their student accounts.

"The University expects that all its students will act responsibly in their off-campus social conduct so as to reflect favorably upon themselves and the University community," read letters received by two students from director of Residence Life Jeff Shoup.

"Conduct which results in your arrest is clearly below the standard of off-campus conduct the University expects of its students.

"As a result of your involvement in this situation, a ($100) fine will be assessed to your student account."

One student who was received a letter felt that charging student accounts was an inappropriate way to collect the fine.

"If they want to hold students responsible, make the students pay it."

I know I did something wrong," she said. "My parents were really angry because they had to pay for my mistake, and that just perpetuates this irresponsible." Shoup said that both the parent and students names appear on student accounts bills. Students may also pay fines by cash or check in the Residence Life office.

Shoup said that fines are one means used by his office to sanction students found to have violated rules. Other possible punishments could include community service or an alcohol assessment.

"There's a range of sanctions ... for violations that range from a verbal warning to a permanent dismissal," he said.

In choosing which sanction to enforce, the Office looks at past cases involving similar situation and possible punishments could include community service or an alcohol assessment.

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Residence Life letter

ND ResLife hands out punishment to minors cited in Oct. 13 bar raid

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**Outside the Dome**

University of Washington TAs to strike Monday

Despite potential effects of the strike, President Richard McCormick said that the university would not officially recognize GSEAC without legislation that defines TAs as employees and enables them to engage in collective bargaining with the Board of Regents.

There are three main reasons for not moving forward without a legislative framework, McCormick said. Most significantly, it is illegal for the university to enter into a collective bargaining agreement without the benefit of a law, McCormick said. Secondly, a legal framework would be a mutual benefit for both entities, he added. He also said that there are 33 unions representing different factions of University employees, which are set up through legislation.

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**TufTs University**

Students seize campus building

Twenty-five Tufts University students barricaded themselves inside a key campus administrative building Tuesday, vowing to stay until the university's president resigns and reopens a non-discrimination policy. As of early Wednesday morning, 16 protesters were occupying Bendetson Hall, which is in the center of campus, despite threats of arrest from police. The students came prepared with enough food and water to last through the week. They entered the building around 9 a.m., according to witnesses, and gave Tufts staff a type-written note explaining the reasons for the sit-in.They also gave displaced staff members a batch of home-made cookies. Their letter demands that university president John DiBiagio clarify and strengthen the school's nondiscrimination policy. The takeover is the latest episode in a year-long debate over whether a bisexual student was unfairly denied a leadership role in the Tufts Christian Fellowship (TCF).

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**University of California**

Netanyahu calls off speech

Former Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu canceled his speaking engagement at a Berkeley theater Tuesday night after a crowd of angry anti-Israel protesters stormed the theater gates. Netanyahu was scheduled to address audiences at the Berkeley Community Theatre as part of a speaker series, but the Berkeley Police Department advised him to cancel the event because of the hundreds of protesters. The crowd, while non-violent, put pressure on him as ticket-holders began to line up outside of a square-shaped barricade designed to keep those without tickets at bay. "If you have tickets, go to hell," screamed some of the protesters as community members lined up to enter the theater. Hostilities climaxed when event officials began escorting ticket-holders — one at a time — through the barricaded area and into the theater. Fifteen to 20 people were already inside the theater when Barbara Lubin, director of the Middle East Children’s Alliance, and two other women single-handedly broke the barricade.

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The familiar music, the little model trees, the sudden camera shot to the porch, and then to the inside of an unopened door. A jump back into the 60's. A jump back into my childhood.

It's a beautiful day in the neighborhood. A beautiful day in the neighborhood. Would you be mine? Would you be mine? I have always wanted to have a neighbor, just like you to come to me and live in the neighborhood. So, let's make the most of this beautiful day, since we are here we might as well say. Would you be mine, could you be mine? Would you be mine? I have always wanted to have a neighbor. Hello Neighbor."

Hello, Mr. Rogers. I was back to the routine. I guess Mr. Rogers never left. He also knew that my habits, remained untouched by the outside world since I had left him some 15 years ago.

I watched him walk to the closet, exchange his jacket for a button down sweater. I watched him take his tennis shoes out and walk to the bench. I watched him tie up his loafers, exchange shoes and tie up the sneakers. In spite of my absence, the show had hardly changed.

First, the jacket change, next the little talk on the bench, and then, the feeding of the fish. The memories continued. The timeless conversation between Mr. Rogers and the chimed bell voice of Lady Elaine Fairchild. King Friday. Mr. McFeeley. The Trolley. The Land of Make Believe. The Crayola Crayon Factory, and how I knew it was about to be over. And, almost instinctively, a min. part of my brain turned on that obviously had not been used in quite a while.

"It's a such a good feeling to know you're alive it's such a happy feeling, growing inside, and when you know that tomorrow you're going to make a snap today. It's such a good feeling, a very good feeling. And you're going to have the day that magically turned into a big television that would lead adventures to unknown territories! I remember my favorite part Picture Picture took us as— the Crayola Crayon factory. I loved to watch the little crayons get labeled and packaged. How fun! But, as soon as it had begun, he was putting away the toy tree and castle and walking past the fish through the door into the living room. I knew it was about to be over. And, almost instinc­tively, a min. part of my brain turned on that obviously had not been used in quite a while.

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"We'll be picketing all over campus." Meade said.

"There's no reason why the administration can't recognize us," Meade said. "It's the right thing to do. We've made our choice and we're asking McCormick in honor that choice. One thousand TAs want collective bargaining."

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**THE OBSERVER • INSIDE**

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Priests discuss chaplains in military

By TIM LOGAN
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One Wednesday evening almost 10 years ago, Father Bill Dorwart went for a walk along the flight deck of the aircraft carrier where he served.

It was a calm and peaceful evening, eerily so, and the usually talkative aircraft mechanics moved silently among their planes, which sat on the runway, engines off, wings folded.

As the orange sun set down into the Persian Gulf that evening, Dorwart watched three young sailors fasten a bomb to the wing of one of those quiet planes. Before morning came, that bomb would be dropped on Iraq in one of the first sorties of the Gulf War. Dorwart knew this, and he said a prayer.

Dorwart served as a chaplain in the U.S. Navy from 1985 until 1991. Wednesday evening, Dorwart watched Gulf War. Dorwart knew this, and he said a prayer.

Dorwart, who had served in the Navy before entering the priesthood, said that he had wrestled with moral questions as a Catholic chaplain during the war. He is personally a pacifist, but said that the call to care for the men fighting, and struggling with the ramifications of that fighting, overrode any anti-war sentiments which had once led him else-

"I think it's important to tend to the hearts of these people who will have a lot of responsibility," Doyle told the audience, a mix of Pax Christi members, ROTC students, seminarians and others at the Center for Social Concerns.

"People who are good people, made in the image and likeness of God."

Doyle also discussed the role of a chaplain in the ROTC program. He meets individually with Notre Dame freshmen who are training to be officers, to discuss who they are in the program and what they hope to gain. He and the other three ROTC ministers also make themselves available to students who have questions about their faith and the military, and who seek guidance.

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ROTC chaplain

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University president Father Edward Malloy appointed Misiewicz to the position 2 1/2 years ago.

"All three professors had already received tenure when appointed ombudsperson, and also have large families. As a tenure faculty, "Unlike any other, we are much more secure in our positions," he said.

"It's healthier for us to ask some tough questions. And we are more firmly rooted here."

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Ombudsperson acts as adviser at ND

By MARIEL MOREY
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Notre Dame can seem pristine and magical when first stepping on campus. But the administrative policies deter some members of the Notre Dame family — faculty, staff and students who are facing discrimination. From sexual orientation to gender and race discrimination, University Ombudsperson Kevin Misiewicz hears the complaints.

As an ombudsperson, "I help the person with clarifying their situation and getting a better grasp of their options," said Misiewicz, who is also an associate professor of accountancy.

When faculty, students or staff have a question about their options, they can go to Misiewicz. However, this non-paid administrative position gives him no authority in administrative change. He likes to refer to himself as a facilitator usually helping people see their options.

The ombudsperson position was established six years ago when the University was revising its stance with homosexual rights.

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Businesses and corporations usually have an ombudsperson, but they generally have more authority to intervene in situations than Misiewicz has at Notre Dame, he said.

In the first year, he worked with the faculty, staff and students in their individual cases. A third of these cases dealt with serious experiences with discrimination, he said. Some people feel frustrated because of their disabilities. Others did not think they were being treated fairly because of their race, gender or sexual orientation.

Most of his cases come from staff members because students and faculty use other outlets.

"Students are more comfortable going to their rector," he said. "If you live in a dorm, you'll go to the resident director. If you live off campus, you tend to go to the Office of Residence Life."

Misiewicz has received a positive reaction from the administration.

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Adoption

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"Everything went as expected," Traxler said. "It just seemed like the right choice.

Traxler and her husband started looking into local adoption agencies 16 years ago, but were unhappy with the long 3- to 5-year wait that accompanies adopting in this country. She also would have needed to take a mandatory six months of from work, forcing her to quit her job.

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Yemeni justice system questioned:

Suspects in the bombing of the USS Cole likely will not go on trial for four weeks, and when they do, attention will focus on Yemen's justice system - a system branded anything but just. The State Department, in its most recent review of Yemeni justice, described security forces torturing suspects to extract confessions, defendants denied lawyers and judges swayed by bribes or government pressure.

Japan firm to pay for war brutality:

A construction company agreed to pay $4.6 million to American veterans who served in World War II. The settlement follows a court decision to unseal hundreds of documents that hundreds of Chinese died from beatings and torture has served as a potent symbol of Japanese militarism. The court decision followed a lawsuit brought by a group of veterans who served in the Pacific during World War II.

Customers seek FDA needle ban:

Consumer advocates petitioned the government Wednesday to ban four types of needles and other medical equipment whose sharp tips can accidentally stick health workers, possibly spreading deadly infections. The Food and Drug Administration has approved numerous safer alternatives to needles, syringes and other "sharps." Yet more dangerous versions continue to be sold. The Service Employees International Union and the consumer group Public Citizen said.

Indiana News Briefs

INDIANA NEWS BRIEFS

Klan, extremist groups seem small:

Law enforcement authorities watch about 25 Indiana groups with links to white supremacy, but say those groups typically are small and disorganized. One group under scrutiny, the American Knights of the Ku Klux Klan based in Butler, has few members despite being one of the most active KKK groups in the country and organizing dozens of rallies in several states, Lt. Steven King of the Indiana State Police said Wednesday during a hate crimes conference organized the Indiana Civil Rights Commission.

Brazil

Deported Herbert returns home

The unfamiliar faces smile at him on the subway. Total strangers flash him the thumbs-up sign and wish him good luck. People have opened their doors and hearts to me in a way I could never have expected," he said.

But the 22-year-old also never saw the Brazil he barely recalls, the warmth of his family, the strength of his community. He never asked for his naturalization. Herbert was applying for U.S. citizenship when he was arrested in 1997 for selling 7.5 ounces of marijuana to an undercover police officer near Cleveland.

He and his family were prepared to win Nov. 7 and "sort of prepared, if it didn't go the right way, to deal with that," Gore said.

Gore unexpectedly dropped by the Oval Office to see President Clinton - a chat that White House press secretary Jake Sturgell described as "informal and private." Gore and Lieberman met with transition director Roy Neel, campaign chairman William Daley, vice presidential chief of staff Charles Burton, Labor Secretary Alexis Herman, Kathleen McGinty, former head of the Council on Environmental Quality in the Clinton White House, and Leon Panetta, Gore's national security adviser.

Democratic presidential candidate Vice President Al Gore walks with his running mate Senator Joe Lieberman Wednesday at the White House.

Gore puts odds on chance of victory

The interview, taped Tuesday night at his vice presidential residence at the Naval Observatory, kicked off a full-court press of media appearances on Wednesday. Gore gave a second interview to NBC for its nightly news and went on camera with anchors at ABC, CBS and CNN.

He said he is "realistic" about the odds of victory, but "not expecting to have neither outcome - that takes some getting used to." Explaining his motives, the 16-year member of Congress and eight-year vice president told NBC, "I'm really in love with our democracy. That sounds corny, I know."
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could not discuss the violations, citing student confidentiality.
Shoup did confirm that students guilty of violations are asked to suggest an appropriate sanction. The Office of Residence Life considers those suggestions, but may or may not implement them. “We certainly consider whatever they write, but there is certainly a wide range of responses when you make that request,” he said.

Students who commit the same offense may receive a different sanction based on the circumstances surrounding the violation. Shoup said. All six cited students contacted by The Observer reported receiving the $100 fine.

The office does not handle the cases of student-athletes differently from those of non-athletes, said Shoup, and suspending athletes from competition is not an option among the sanctions available to Residence Life. However, Residence Life may choose to place a student on probation, a punishment that forbids students from representing the University in any capacity, including varsity athletics.

So far none of the Irish athletes cited at Finnigan have been banned from competition.

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eighth graders to campus for a daylong seminar on life and leadership values. The office is also planning the Blessing Unto Others Christian rock concert, whose proceeds will benefit a Chilean orphanage.

O’Donoghue closed by thanking the senate and urging them to continue their efforts. “I believe in you and your abilities. I believe in all that we are and all that we can be,” O’Donoghue said.

“Thank for all you have done. Thank you for all that you have yet to do.”

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BOARD OF GOVERNANCE

Planners focus on SMC future

By AMY GREENE
News Writer

Members of the Saint Mary’s Strategic Planning Committee met with the Board of Governance (BOG) Wednesday evening. Committee member Mary Jo Regan-Kubinski informed BOG that the Planning Committee was formed in response to a request from President Marilou Eldred.

“President Eldred wanted people to take a close look at where Saint Mary’s should be in five years,” Kubinski said.

According to Kubinski, the committee reviewed several past documents to develop a plan incorporating all the issues and concerns from the documents. Specific areas the committee will be addressing include curriculum, student life, diversity, technology, marketing and communication. These areas each have boards and committee members.

Other areas of focus without specific committees include Catholic characteristics, facilities, enrollment, management and human resources. These areas each have a specific person that addresses concerns and contributes towards the issues.

The Planning Committee members are interested in input from the student community, especially, according to Kubinski. This is unique to Saint Mary’s because most institutions do not allow students to sit on committees.

“The faculty and staff received questionnaires and I encourage the students to visit the Web site to become informed about the plan and give input and suggestions,” Kubinski added.

The Web site is accessible at www.saintmarys.edu/~epetiti.

A first draft of the plan is to be completed in January.

In other BOG news:

• BOG touched on the Study Day proposal. Surveys questioning the faculty’s opinions regarding Study Days will be distributed to the faculty. The proposal will be further discussed next semester.

• BOG donated $200 to the Keenan Revue Scholarship Fund. A mentalist and the winner of the “College Entertainer of the Year” award will be performing in Carroll Auditorium Thursday at 7 p.m. McCandless Hall’s Winter Ball is Friday and the Sophomore Formal will be held on Saturday.

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**Ballots head to Tallahassee**

**Associated Press**

MIAMI

It will be a convoy full of chad.

Elections workers in Miami-Dade and Palm Beach counties plunged back into their boxes Wednesday, preparing 1.1 million ballots for a 400-plus mile trip to the state capital.

**Workers will load more than 160 silver metal cases stuffed with 462,000 Palm Beach ballots into a rented Ryder truck on Thursday. The truck will take off sometime after 7:30 a.m. for the eight hour drive to Tallahassee.**

Two unmarked Palm Beach County sheriff’s cars — one leading the truck, the other following — will provide an escort.

Republicans will likely tag along on the historic haul. The mini-caravan was scheduled to leave Miami early Friday morning, arriving in Tallahassee before the 5 p.m. deadline set by Sauds.

"I think the ballots are going to be like the O.J. Bronco ride," mused Dennis Newman, a Democratic lawyer in Palm Beach County.

It was quiet inside the government center Wednesday, nothing like last week's noisy scene when Republican supporters yelled from outside. The canvassing board later had stopped counting.

At different tables, workers opened white envelopes, counted the ballots and stuffed them into fresh white envelopes, scrapping precinct numbers on them in red.

Occasionally, someone would raise their hand to ask a question unheard behind the wall and glass window separating the public from the voting machines.

"Don't tell me I'm disingenuous," yelled Democratic Al Gore believers who had already been run through machines several times. Every time they are moved more chad falls off."

"Our No. 1 concern is to make sure the ballots do not become altered in any way," Bush spokesman Jim Wilkinson said. "They have already been run through machines several times. Every time they are moved more chad falls off."

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**Cheney says heart checkup went well**

**Associated Press**

WASHINGTON

One week after his fourth heart attack, Republican vice presidential candidate Dick Cheney had a checkup Wednesday and said doctors found him recovering well.

Cheney underwent blood tests and an electrocardiogram that doctors at George Washington University Hospital described as routine.

The doctors said "everything's going very well," Cheney later told reporters.

But the hospital refused to reveal the actual test results or say when Cheney will have additional exams important in measuring how well his damaged heart functions.

Cheney, 59, had a mild heart attack on Nov. 22. One of his heart arteries was 90 percent blocked, so doctors implanted a wire scaffolding-like device called a stent to prop open the artery walls.

"You're being disingenuous," Lloyd Roosevelt, a gastroenterologist, said of Wednesday's cholesterol results.

"I don't operate that way. I look forward to several more years." Like many stent recipients, Cheney last week was prescribed a monthlong course of a potent medicine called Plavix to keep blood from clotting around the device. But Plavix can cause bleeding, and in very rare cases can cause a potentially fatal anemia.

"We must be closely watching, something doctors presumably checked during Cheney's checkup, although they would not say."

"We're watching," Miami-Dade election supervisor David Leahy watched the exchange before declaring simply: "I'm going to lunch."

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Panel urges lift of Cuban embargo

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

The United States should ease the Cuban embargo to help the island's transition to a post-Castro era and reduce chances of U.S. military intervention, a panel on foreign relations recommended Wednesday.

The task force urged that the United States eliminate travel restrictions to Cuba, allow regular commercial military-to-military contacts and developing military-to-military travel restrictions to help Cubans because the Cuban government owns all the hotels.

"Allowing unrestricted travel to Cuba by U.S. citizens under existing conditions in Cuba would reverse a vote it took in September," said task force member Peter Rodman, a former State Department official and veteran of the Nixon and Ford administrations.

"We're calling for a transition to more frequent contacts between the Cuban and American people," Rodman said.

Clinton and other administration officials have urged expanded contacts between Americans and Cubans. A month later, President Clinton adopted many of its recommendations in announcing his "people-to-people" policy, which relaxed travel restrictions.

Some of the new recommendations may be more difficult to implement because they require legislation, not just executive orders.

To lift the travel ban, for example, Congress would have to reverse a vote it took in September. As part of a compromise containing restrictions on sales of food and medicine to Cuba, the Cuban embargo was prohibited U.S. financing of sales and converted into law existing travel restrictions to Cuba.

The new report aims to build on the earlier one, seeking ways to promote peaceful democratic change.

The report said President Fidel Castro's government will not survive him, and "many Cubans, including many who hold official positions, understand that a transition to a democratic and free-market Cuba is inevitable."

"But the change could erupt, however, if Castro should die or become incapacitated. Fighting examples and thousands of Cubans could attempt to flee, which could prompt demands for U.S. intervention.

"We believe the United States should now adopt a series of measures that may reduce the chances of U.S. military involvement in Cuba's transition go away, and by doing so, make Cuba's peaceful transition to democracy more likely," the report said.

Some of its two dozen recommendations were questioned in dissenting opinions by task force members Susan Kaufman Percelle, vice president of the New York-based Americas Society, said lifting the tourism ban would do little to help Cubans because the Cuban government owns all the hotels.

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ISRAEL

Plot leads to spying charges for 7 Arabs

Associated Press

JERUSALEM

Seven Israeli Arabs were charged Wednesday with spying for a Lebanese guerrilla group and plotting the abduction of Israeli soldiers or civilians into Lebanon. They also conspired to murder Israeli Arabs suspected of collaborating with the Israeli authorities and to plant bombs at roadside hitchhiking stations used by soldiers, the Haifa District Court was told.

It was the first time Israeli Arabs have been accused of collaborating with Lebanon's Hezbollah, which led an 18-year guerrilla war that led to the withdrawal of the Israeli army from south Lebanon in May.

The defendants have not submitted pleas, but their lawyer said his clients insist they did not harm the security of the state. Police say the accused have admitted to the charges.

In Beirut, Hezbollah denied the allegations in the Israeli indictment. "This accusation is completely devoid of any truth," Hezbollah said in a press release.

The defendants, all from the Galilee village of Abu-Snan, were recruited by Hezbollah in the days after the Israeli withdrawal, when Israeli Arabs had emotional reunions on the border with relatives from the Palestinian refugee camps in Lebanon, the indictment said.

It said the seven were issued Lebanese cellular phones. Apart from the spying, none of the plans was carried out, but the group was very close to kidnapping a soldier, Galilee district police chief Lt. Col. Yehuda Salomon told army radio.

"This was a very dangerous cell and if it had not been uncovered the consequences would have been very grave," he said.

Four other residents of Abu-Snan were under investigation, the court was told. Hezbollah, an Iranian-backed fundamentalist Muslim group has pledged to continue fighting against Israel as long as it still holds the Chebaa Farms, which is an area in the eastern sector of the border.

ENGLAND

Cell therapy proves promising

Associated Press

LONDON

Preliminary research offers hope that transplanting fetal cells into the brains of people with Huntington's disease might one day help them walk, talk and reason normally.

Although drugs can partly alleviate some symptoms of Huntington's, such as psychosis and involuntary movements of the face and body, there is no treatment. The disease is a progressive genetic disorder of the central nervous system caused by degeneration of nerve cells in the brain.

Hundreds of thousands of people around the world suffer from it. Symptoms usually appear between ages 35 and 40 and the disease is fatal within 10 to 15 years.

But French researchers have provided the first evidence that when healthy cells from the part of the brain damaged in Huntington's are extracted from a fetus and injected into the brains of people with the illness, the grafts can survive and induce measurable improvements.

The study, led by Dr. Olle Lindvall of the French Institute of Health and Medical Research, was published Wednesday in the Wei site of The Lancet medical journal.

"Although the findings by Peschanski and colleagues are promising, the clinical usefulness of cell replacement therapy for Huntington's disease remains unclear," said Dr. Olle Lindvall, a neuroscience professor at Lund University in Sweden.

The findings are very preliminary because the transplants were tested on only five patients. Three improved, one showed initial improvement then declined and the fifth continued to deteriorate throughout the study, Peschanski said.

In addition, the five had only been followed for a year. "The ability of the graft to maintain a stable condition over a long time will be essential for its therapeutic value," Lindvall said in a critique published by The Lancet.

In the study, the researchers used undeveloped brain tissue from aborted fetuses aged between 7 and 9 weeks. After tracking the patients for two years, the scientists injected the cells into first the right side of the brain, then into the left side a year later.

They all got drugs to suppress their immune system so that their bodies were less likely to reject the transplants.

One year after the second transplant, the patients were given a battery of psychiatric and other brain tests and the results were compared with those of 22 other Huntington's patients who had not received the transplants.

Brain scans showed increased activity in three of the five who had had the cell grafts. Other tests indicated speech and articulation improved and that evidence of dementia was less pronounced.

Meanwhile, all three were able to ride a bicycle, one played indoor games and took children to school, while another was able to mow his lawn and a third to swim and play the guitar.

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WEST BANK

Officials decide to drop Bethlehem Christmas plans

Associated Press

BETHLEHEM

Bethlehem’s city fathers have called off ambitious plans for Christmas 2000, saying a time of Palestinian-Israeli conflict is no time for merrymaking.

The town of Jesus’ birth will be dark and deserted this Christmas — without festive street lights, craft fairs and choirs in Manger Square.

In the past two months, seven Palestinians from the Bethlehem area have been killed in rock-throwing clashes and gun battles with Israeli soldiers.

For most of that time, Israeli travel restrictions have kept tourists and other non-Palestinians out of biblical Bethlehem and other Palestinian towns. These were tightened 10 days ago, to bar all traffic into and out of Palestinian towns.

“In view of the very bad situation we are living in, it doesn’t make sense that we celebrate Christmas while there are still closures, and so many people have been killed,” said Tony Marcos, a spokesman for the municipality.

“Celebrations for Christmas have been canceled,” he said. Festive street lights still hanging from last year’s celebrations, when thousands of visitors crowded Manger Square, will remain until. Musical concerts have been called off and the Christmas craft fair will not go ahead as planned.

There is even debate over whether the giant Christmas tree, usually brought in from Norway as the centerpiece of Manger Square, will be decorated or bare. One suggestion has been to hang pictures of more than 200 Palestinians killed in the branch-es of the Christmas tree.

“The travel restrictions have battered Bethlehem’s economy, which depends heavily on tourism,” said Tony Marcos, a municipal spokesman.

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Racism in the United States

This January, Kathleen Maza Weigert, who has been a fixture and inspiration at Notre Dame for many years through the Center for Social Concerns and other avenues, leaves to become the Director for the Center for Social Concerns and Georgetown University. It would be impossible for Notre Dame and its individual communities here to replace the debt owed to Professor Weigert, but it is important to try.

The details of professor Weigert’s contributions programs from peace studies to Catholic social tradition are so intricate and so important; I cannot rehash the litany of her achievements, but I thought I would mention an interesting personal story. I write this not to show off my favorite story, but simply to introduce the topic on which I would like to write in this column before her departure. She gave me some notes, but this statement of hers stands out: “I still find the issue of racism one of the most difficult to discuss, let alone to act for us as a nation and as a church.” Given professor Weigert’s efforts on the full range of issues while at Notre Dame, a brief attempt on my part here to say something on this topic is the least I can do.

Before any prescriptions for racism can be put forward, it is necessary to try to describe it accurately and to do that involves in large part the effort to take on the perspectives of minorities. In other words, it seems to me that any attempt of a white person to write on racism involves an act of impossible empathy. It is an act that requires both a certain kind of presumption and humility. The first reason why racism is so hard to address is that it is tremendously difficult to hold together presumption and humility well in a sustained way.

I say this as a person who does not think that empathy per se is necessarily deficient, but who does think that the historical and contemporary differences in the experiences of African-Americans are written into the fabric of American society (and this is the form of race relations that I will focus on here) are sufficiently vast that bridging the gap in any way requires sustained effort.

I have a copy of James Allen’s ‘‘Without Sanctuary: Lynching Photography in America,’’ to remind me of these experiential differences. The popular myth is that lynchings were activities carried out at night by hooded men too ashamed, really, to reveal who they were when committing such atrocious acts. However, the majority of lynchings were public events, often with children in attendance. Those lynched were burned, sometimes burned and burned on the beforehand. Photographers showed up and printed out postcards so that those attending could tell relatives.

“Without Sanctuary” is a collection of those postcards. Being postcards, the pictures (sometimes with the sender circled and smiling) and the notes on them were open for all who came across them to see. No shame. No shame at all.

The first reason why racism is so difficult to hold against the legacy of that legacy is in the continued provocation of fear. Once a pattern has been established, it does not take many instances of a man being dragged to death behind a truck to remind a group of persons that they are vulnerable. Our Thanksgiving day was laced with irony because we spotted a pick-up with a Confederate flag decal and about two feet of twine hanging from its rear bumper to a noise. The message was clear.

The legacy also continues in institutional practices such as profiling by police forces. In Florida, for instance, 80 percent of those persons stopped and searched are black or Hispanic, even though they constitute only 5 percent of all drivers.

I also know that there are no more instances of patterned injustice — the rape of Nanking, for example. It is important, however, not to think that something is less horrible just because it is frequent. On the contrary, frequency is one indication that the activity is normalized when, for instance, it can be catalogued on postcards. I take the vast reduction in the number of lynchings (some would say disappearance) of lynchings and the response to the dragging of James Byrd, Jr. to be the beginnings that such actions are no longer considered normative by most Americans. The task of impossible empathy is far from over. Subtle forms of racism are all the more difficult to identify.

At Notre Dame, for instance, do we (whites) assume if we see an African-American that he or she is an athlete? That he or she is not a student? That he or she belong on campus (our own form of profiling)? Do we identify (largely white) Notre Dame as ‘‘white’’? Do we identify (largely black) neighborhoods where some off-campus students live as ‘‘dangerous’’?

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

Todd David Whitmore is an assistant professor in the Center for Social Concerns and theology.

I realize that I’m black, but I like to be viewed as a person, and that’s everybody's wish.

Michael Jordan athlete
Will the real President-Elect please stand up?

Can you believe this mess? It’s a week after Thanksgiving and we: kind of have a new president but not really because Gore is suing everyone he sees including Mrs. Betty Friedheim of Saginaw, Mich. and her poodle, Tiger. We’re almost into December and we’re more than sure of what bowl the Fighting Irish are going to than which bozo I get to laugh at for the next four years. For those of you who have been living in Cabo for the past month, I’ll briefly summarize all the hoopla thus far.

It all started when the networks got together and decided to ruin the election. First, they called Florida for Gore, giving Mr. Robinson a sizeable lead and apparently causing all West Coast voters to stay home and play Yahtzee. Then, they all took Florida away from Gore, changing the whole dynamic of the election and causing Tim Russert to break his dry-erase board over his knees and weep openly. Dan Rather, as we all know, went completely insane. When all the pandemonium had exhausted the electoral college debate, Larry King had married and divorced six times and the networks had run out, the networks thought, “Hey, let’s give the election to Bush and see what happens!”

We all had to watch Republicans mosh. That’s what happened. After witnessing a few minutes of the mashing and the ensuing GOP rave, complete with glow sticks and education vouchers, I went to bed, like many of us, thinking Bush had won. When I woke up, I discovered that in the course of the night, the networks had given the election to Gore, Bush again, Gore again and finally, to Carson Daly, after which declaring the race too close to call and the #1 video of the week “Country Grammar” by Nelly. In a sad development, Dan Rather announced that the next president of the United States was a tabula.

So here we are, three weeks later. After all the recounts, hand recounts and three games of rock, paper, scissors (paper covers rock, Al), It appears that Bush has won, but with all these court battles, no one really seems satisfied with Decision 2000. In the midst of this, Florida seats Lieberman in heart attacks by a margin of 16 to 0. I’m sorry, after several hand recounts, Cheney’s lead is down to 10.

The longer this process has gone on, the messier it has become, causing the true results to be, probably forever, a mystery. Ballots were blown out, Floridian retirees are running loose in the streets, someone named Chad caused a load of trouble and in an ironic twist of fate, Bush bid several hundred Gore-Lieberman votes in Al Gore’s own锁定. Florida, previously known only as a producer of the results. We need a way to decide the presidency absolutely.

Democrats suggesting a spelling bee and the Republicans suggest­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­&n
**MOVIE REVIEW**

**Carrey’s ‘Grinch’ is fun holiday fare**

By GUENDER KEHOE  
**Scene Movie Critic**

The Grinch may have stolen Christmas, but Hollywood kid­napped Dr. Seuss.

For the last several years, producers tried to wrestle “Grinch” rights from the author’s widow, and director Ron Howard finally succeeded. He’s made a respectable holiday kids movie that breathes more with Hollywood’s stamp than with someone who was dedicated to Seuss’ wack-­out universe.

Not that this should come as any surprise, but fans of the story most likely wish for a lit­tle less Hollywood and a little more Seussian style. In the end, the filmmakers have probably done this classic the only way possible, and Jim Carrey’s presence makes the whole film click.

The screenwriters have invented the Grinch’s background, making him a childhood runt who was shunned by all his school­mates. Thus, Grinch has retreated from Whoville to his mountain cavern (which resembles Batman’s, only not as slick). While most people spend time losing weight off their hips, the Grinch dedicates his time losing weight off his heart. He wreaks havoc on Whoville because he wants to ruin their festive spirit with his own holiday cynicism. While everyone in Whoville fears the Grinch, Cindy Lou Who is the one little girl in town dealing with Seussian p.patchy. What are the holidays really about? Cindy Lou bravely searches for the warmth inside the cold­hearted Grinch and finds that Christmas is about the people and not the presents.

Rick Baker may be the only make­up designer who earns a seven­figure salary, and his Grinch design proves he’s worth the price. Even though Jim Carrey is smothered under make­up, his energy doesn’t miss a beat. The green latex fits Carrey like a glove and the actor has more lower­ey under a thick coating than most actors have with their regular skin.

As the Grinch, Carrey’s am­blems around with a pot­bellied and long fingers that fray out like worn Q­tips. Watching Grinch slide his hands is like watching Mr. Burns on acid. Even those viewers who don’t normally like Jim Carrey’s antics will see there’s no other way to act when living in Grinch’s skin.

Howard’s strength is solid story­telling, but he’s never had that distinct visual flair. The whims­i­cal world of Dr. Seuss is envi­sioned like Candyland where everything looks round and ed­i­ble. It stays true to the wacky world of Dr. Seuss but somehow Howard’s imagination feels forced. The director lacks a genuinely bizarre perspective.

It’s not that we need to see Tim Burton (“Beetlejuice”) tackle “The Grinch,” but he might have scurried up a few too many night­marish figures. Besides, Howard’s style is more anonymous and he right­eously gives credit to the author. There wouldn’t be much justice in seeing “The Grinch” under Burton’s direction because an author would have taken credit. Luckily, there are enough freaky images in “The Grinch” to make some kids wary of falling asleep. Howard realizes that “The Grinch” can’t be all fun and games: he’s got to give some real fright to complete his edge.

Some of Carrey’s stunts aren’t for anyone over the age of 10, but the pint­size characters keep his maddness in check.

Taylor Momsen plays Cindy Lou with a nice wide­eyed curiosity. She always lights when Grinch wants her to cry.

Max is the Grinch’s loyal dog and might be the one pet who smells better than his master. The tiny pet is in perfect balance with the energetic Carrey and he handles the presence of this crazy world with amazing calm. When Grinch gets too hyped up, a simple shot of Max puts everyone at ease.

*“How the Grinch Stole Christmas” is aimed at kids, but the story has enough strength to leave some of the older viewers a little teary­eyed. Who knows if the movie will ever hit TV and be squeezed between “It’s a Wonderful Life” and “A Christmas Story.” But movies come and go so rapidly that it’s the brief two hours that count. “The Grinch” will never outlast its literary inspiration but, regardless, you some snapshots and enjoy the holiday ride.*

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**MOVIE REVIEW**

**‘Bounce’ showcases its stars’ romantic chemistry**

By CASEY K. McCLUSKEY  
**Scene Movie Critic**

Are they or aren’t they? That is the ques­tion that has long surrounded director Don Leeion’s newest film, “Bounce,” because of its two leading actors. Everyone wants to know if there’s a deal between Gwyneth Paltrow and Ben Affleck. Are they together or have they broken up?

Because of all the rumors, “Bounce” has been a highly anticipated film. Although Affleck and Paltrow deny they are in a relationship, there is still a lot of chemistry between the two.

Affleck plays Buddy Amaral, an advertising executive who loves to close big deals. On one business trip, Buddy gets delayed at O’Hare Airport because of weather and relaxes in a bar with other passengers. Buddy meets Greg Janello (Tony Goldwyn, “Ghost”) and learns all about Buddy’s vulnerability and guilt.

While Buddy learns that he is on the last flight out and Greg’s flight has been bumped, Buddy gives Greg his plane ticket so he can come home to his kids. That last flight is ill fated, howev­er, and crashes, killing all the passengers aboard. Buddy is filled with so much guilt for not being on that flight that he stops going to work, giving him more time to think.

Buddy hits rock bottom and decides he has to get back on track. To accom­plish this he needs to make peace with himself about the crash. He decides to go check up on Greg’s wife and kids to make sure they are ok.

When Buddy meets Greg’s widow, Abby (Paltrow), the audience is able to see the chemistry between these two immediately, although the characters do try to get it right away. It is because of this chemistry that “Bounce” is so good. There is real depth in the acting because of how comfortable these two are with each other. They challenge each other to be real and are extremely successful.

Affleck is very impressive and convincing in this role, proving that he can actually act, something he is not always able to do (though he has not been this impassioned since “Dogma”). As Buddy, he is raw and full of emotion. The film depends on his charac­ter’s vulnerability and guilt, and Affleck portrays this well.

Paltrow also shines. Her part may be even more diffi­cult than Affleck’s because she has to play a double role. Abby, at the beginning of the film, is a very depen­dent woman who learns that her husband has died. But she also becomes a woman who is ready to move on with her life. These are two extremely different characters, but Paltrow makes both of them very believable.

Another impressive actor in the film is Johnny Galecki (“Dilbert”). He plays Buddy’s assistant and is also a recovering alcoholic. Although Buddy is his boss, Galecki’s character is not afraid of him. He is a great foil to Buddy and forces him to deal with things instead of running to face them.

“Bounce” is successful because it does not get overly sentimental. It is very real and very believable. And although things seem a bit rushed (director Miramax managed 25 minutes), it still works very well.
**MOVIE REVIEW**

*The 6th Day:* another cloned action flick

By ADAM WELTLER
Scene Movie Critic

Arnold Schwarzenegger's newest film, "The 6th Day," is not his best to date, but it's not his worst either. Let's face it, we're arguably looking at the world's greatest action star whose career has ranged from classic high mark

 Arnold Schwarzenegger stars in "The 6th Day." to action movies such as "Terminator 1 and 2." Soon to be 31, to the depths of crap-dom in "Last Action Hero" and "Jingle All the Way.

But Arnold's getting older and he's tackling more intelligent subject matter (about as intelligent as you can get from a Schwarzenegger flick), and his audience is either paying the price or reaping the bene-

The story line spells out almost all answers you would need: Cloning is bad and the natural process of life is good.

Sure, we're stuck with the dilemma of how cloning could provide us with medical benefits, but look, Arnold just shot someone and said something clever, what was I thinking about again? Never mind.

The movie uws us with explosions, special effects and lots of bright, shiny things while at the same time, trying to inject feelings and social issues that never quite hit home.

One could assume Arnold is reaching the time of his life when he's thinking his films should be more socially responsible, and it's kind of sad.

Other than the Bonsaiing plot, the movie has some unorthodox cinematography. The camera work is dis-

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**MOVIE REVIEW**

Stylish and intriguing, 'Unbreakable' ends with a bang

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This is a movie you have to see. Twice. "Unbreakable," M. Night Shyamalan's follow-up to his blockbuster, Oscar-nominated thriller, "The Sixth Sense," is simply the best suspense movie you will see all year, and at last until "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon" comes out, probably the single best film of the year. Don't let anyone tell you other.

As the previews so aptly show, Bruce Willis plays David Dunn, a stadium security guard in Philadelphia who is in a train accident that kills everyone aboard except himself. Not only is he alive, but he is remarkably unscathed. Upon hearing of the accident, a mysterious stranger and comic book art dealer, Elijah Price (Samuel L. Jackson, "Shaft") contacts Dunn, seeking to understand how it is that this miracle of survival occurred. Price is especially interested since he is affiliated with a maddeningly direct counter to the fortunes of Dunn; his hones have always brok-

The prime thrust of the movie. What Shyamalan accomplishes in the next hour and a half becomes the most fascinating and intriguing concept of real-life heroism ever presented on screen in a very long time. In a subtle way, Shyamalan examines what it means to be a hero in the modern world, playing with the conventions of comic books and comic book movies along the way and making "Superhero realism" may be the only way to describe it: the calculating look at what types of limitations a real superhero might have in the world today.

The direction and camera work, which help add such depth to the film, truly establish Shyamalan as a top-rank direc-

Villainy in this film has no grandeur; instead of a Lex Luther trying to take over the world, we are shown frat boys committing date rape and throwing bottles at pedestrians' heads, all shot through what looks like an omnipresent, omniscient security camera jarring and slightly out of sync with the film's material, the score serves to create a last-

As one might expect from vet-

The movie itself is not unlike Arnold's previous endeavors. He stumbles into trouble in a futuristic society and the bad guys hunt him down as he races to uncover the truth of what is happening to him (like in "Total Recall"). This movie doesn't quite reach that level unfortunately, and while the special effects are better and Arnold's acting ability has improved now (if he could just drop the accent). "The 6th Day" lacks panache for the characters and their struggles. To its credit, it's an entertaining two hours. But wait for the video.

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Games

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Leading 35-26 in the second quarter, Baron Davis froze Williams under the basket when he took a sharp pass from Wesley and converted it into a one-handed dunk.

On the next trip down the floor, Williams was again confused when Davis rebounded a P.J. Brown's miss and tossed it over Williams' head and through the hoop.

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Toronto mounted a mini-comeback in the third quarter, cutting the score to 68-58 on Marcus Camby's 3-pointer with 6:04 to go in the period.

But Charlotte answered with six straight points to retake control. Wesley hit a 16-foot jumper, Jamaal Magloire blocked Williams' shot at the other end and Wesley converted it to a layup.

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There were times when Ralph Friedgen wondered if he was destined to forever toil in obscurity as an assistant football coach. "I'd almost resigned myself to it. No one knew who I was," Friedgen said Wednesday after he was hired as head coach at Maryland. "You kind of wonder whether you're going to get this opportunity or not."

His patience was rewarded. Friedgen has the job of his dreams, ending a 29-year run as a second fiddle after signing a guaranteed six-year, $1.05 million contract at his alma mater.

"I waited all my life for this opportunity and I'm not going to let anybody down," said Friedgen, who immediately resigned as offensive coordinator at Peach Bowl-bound Georgia Tech.

"I'm taking over today and I'm not looking back. Full speed ahead. It's hard for me to leave, Alabama is my opportunity. I feel bad for those young men, but they've got to understand this is what I have to do." The 53-year-old coach takes over a long-suffering program that hasn't produced a winning record since 1995 or earned a bowl bid since 1990. He replaces Ron Vanderlinden, who was fired Nov. 19 after a 1-11 season.

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Friedgen is the architect of a Georgia Tech attack that last year led the nation in total offense with a school-record 509 yards per game. Despite losing star quarterback Joe Hamilton, the Yellow Jackets went 9-2 this season and will be playing in a bowl for the fourth consecutive year.

Friedgen expects similar success at Maryland.

"I think the football experience should be fun, but fun to me is winning. Our goal is to be a Top 25 team, year in and year out," he said.

Maryland athletic director Debbie Yow contacted Friedgen's agent on the night she fired Vanderlinden. Over the next few days, several players asked her to pursue the coach whose offense rolled up 35 points against the Terrapins this month.

"They said, 'Could you interview the guy from Georgia Tech, the one who can fix our offense?"' Yow related, hammering home Friedgen's reputation as an anonymous coach.

She then interviewed the burly Friedgen as "the man who will turn around our program to national prominence."

Yow figured she couldn't find a coach with better credentials than Friedgen, who helped Georgia Tech claim a national championship and worked with Bobby Ross to get the San Diego Chargers into the Super Bowl.

"To me, that sets him apart," Yow said. The last time Maryland experienced a run of success was when Friedgen served under Ross as offensive coordinator and quarterback coach from 1982 to 1986. The Terrapins went 39-19-1 over that span, winning three Atlantic Coast Conference titles.

Since 1986, however, Maryland has finished over 500 in the ACC only twice, going 4-3 both times.

After his playing days were over, Friedgen started his coaching career in College Park as a graduate assistant under Jerry Claiborne.

Assistant jobs at The Citadel, William Mary and Murray State followed before he returned to Maryland, where he tutored future NFL quarterbacks Boomer Esaison, Frank Reich and Stan Gelbaugh during his five years there.

Friedgen left with Ross for Georgia Tech in 1987, and three years later the Yellow Jackets beat Nebraska in the Florida Citrus Bowl to claim a share of the national championship.

Over a long-suffering program that once one of the country's biggest programs in the country," said Friedgen.

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Tiger Woods seemed well on his way to resolving a dispute with PGA Tour commissioner Tim Finchem over marketing rights following a meeting Woods described as "very positive, very upbeat."

Woods, the No. 1 player in the world and largely responsible for an enormous boost in golf's popularity, stunned PGA Tour officials earlier this month when he said the tour was taking advantage of him with policies that controlled his rights.

He also said Finchem only talked to him when the commissioner wanted Woods to play in a particular tournament.

On Wednesday, Woods said "pretty much everything" had been resolved during a meeting with Finchem two days earlier in Los Angeles.

"It was very positive, very upbeat. There was no hostility at all," Woods said. "My relationship with Tim has definitely improved. He was very candid and so was I."

Woods first vented his frustrations to Golf World magazine in its Nov. 10 issue. Asked how serious the conflict was, Woods said, "Serious enough that if we don't make everyone aware of it now, it could escalate into a bigger situation."

Among his concerns are implied endorsements, where PGA Tour sponsors were able to use Woods' and other players' images in advertisements, rights fees, in which ABC Sports had to pay the tour $400,000 to televise Woods' exhibition match against David Duval last year. When Woods set up another made-for-TV match against Sergio Garcia this year, the fee was raised to $1.5 million.

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The ACC-Big Ten Challenge proved little challenge at all for No. 21 Virginia as the ball-hawking Cavaliers forced 23 turnovers and ran away from Purdue for a 98-79 victory.

Virginia, with a 4-0 record this season, got 24 points each for a 98-79 victory over then-No. 1 Purdue, throwing the ball away before pulling their final victory over halfcourt.

Virginia forced 12 turnovers and outscored the Boilermakers 28-7. That gave Virginia more than 13.

Joe Marshall led Virginia with 19 points and Rodney Holden added 17 for Dayton, but Steve Blake, who hadn't scored since the first half, hit a 3-pointer from the top of the key with 36 seconds left.

The Badgers jumped out to leads of 11-2 and 19-6. That gave Wisconsin a 78-62 lead.

The Terrapins settled down. The Badgers' victory seemed to take a 3-pointer that didn't go in.

The Terrapins led 8:12 before Michigan made a 15-4 run.

The Terps held the Badgers scoreless until 2:48 of the first half.

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Warner returns from finger injury

Associated Press

ST LOUIS It's official. Kurt Warner is back.

The MVP quarterback took snaps Wednesday for the first time in more than five weeks and reported no problems with the little finger on his throwing hand. He felt so good, in fact, that he joked after practice about seeking further surgery.

"I feel good, real good," Warner said.

Before his acid test, Warner said there were no worries. "I've been kind of hanging it around a little bit and checking it out to see how it feels," Warner said. "So I really wasn't worried at all.

"Actually, it was less painful than I thought it might be taking the snap.

Warner looked good, too, zipping passes all over the field.

"He didn't skip a beat," coach Mike Martz said. "He looked just like he did before he got injured. It's pretty amazing."

In fact, Martz said Warner returned with better mechanics.

"The more you play, some things start to deteriorate," Martz said. "I think the time has helped him. He's a little fresher and more compact; he's back to where he was in the beginning."

"I don't think there's no reason why he can't pick up right where he left off."

Warner was injured on an awkward snap from backup center Steve Everitt near the end of the half of a 54-34 loss at Kansas City. He wore a plastic protective piece on the finger during practice, but team doctors say he shouldn't have to wear that on game day.

He's anxious to make his return from a five-game absence against the Panthers, coming off an impressive 31-14 victory over the Jaguars.

Martz said. "They're eight-point favorites Sunday against the Panthers, coming off an impressive 31-14 victory over the Jaguars.

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Still, Warner undoubtedly will give the Rams a lift. He's 22-8 as a starter and has thrown for 300 or more yards in 17 of those starts.

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Warner returned during practice Wednesday in preparation for his return during the Panthers game Sunday.

"I feel confident that I can make all the throws today, and I did," Warner said. "I especially expect to do the things we've done last five games, we're going to lose to again.

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Palmer says rookie QB Wynn could start for Cleveland

Associated Press

BBREIA, Ohio

Spurgeon Wynn began the season as an anonymous rookie quarterback from Southwest Texas State lightning to make the Cleveland Browns.

On Sunday, he could get his first NFL start when the Browns visit the Jacksonville Jaguars.

Cleveland coach Chris Palmer wouldn't say Wednesday if he would start Wynn or stick with Doug Pederson, who's nursing bruised ribs.

"I'd like to reserve that until later on in the week," Palmer said.

"Jacksonville has a very complicated defense and something that creates problems for the quarterback whether you're Doug Pederson or Spurgeon Wynn, and you have to be able to go in there and figure it out."

Palmer's choice might be made easy if Pederson's ribs don't heal quickly.

Despite wearing a flak jacket, he was injured when he got hit by Ravens linebacker Ray Lewis during Sunday's 44-7 loss at Baltimore. Pederson was kept out of throwing drills during practice Wednesday and could be limited the rest of the week.

However, even if Pederson is healthy enough to play, Palmer might have other plans.

Palmer has said he would use the final three games this season to evaluate many of his young and seldom-used players to determine their futures with the Browns.

One of those players is Wynn, a sixth-round pick.

Wynn, who began the year trying to be the Browns' No. 3 QB behind Tim Couch and Ty Detmer, has played in six games this season, including a half in Baltimore.

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"That's one of the things that intrigues me about the guy," Palmer said. "He goes in and he's got ice in his veins. He's like. 'Where's the ball? OK, let's go.'"
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NCAA FOOTBALL

Wildcats preparing for Sooner showdown

Associated Press

MANHATTAN, Kan. - Oklahoma more than beat Kansas State.

With a 41-31 victory last month, the Sooners coasted on whether the Wildcats with their pillow-soft schedule even deserved a place among the college football elite.

"They beat us earlier in the year so we know what we need to do," said defensive back Jon McCraw. "Coach Bennett has a saying that people in football remember November. So that's what we're going to try to do."

"There's obviously that baring desire to get revenge... we know what's at stake." said quarterback Jonathan Bennett.

At the same time Oklahoma knocked Kansas State out of the national championship race since 1985. In the Wildcats' case, however, they beat No. 1 Nebraska and assumed the ranking they'll be out to protect Saturday night in Kansas City's Arrowhead Stadium.

At stake for Oklahoma is a ticket to the Orange Bowl to battle Florida State for the Sooners' first national championship since 1985. On the line for the Wildcats is a bid to a Fiesta Bowl bid and vindication that they are indeed a member of the game's elite.

"We've got some scores to settle with them from October," said running back Josh Scobey. "It's really good to get a second chance. We believe that we've got everything to gain and everything to lose. We feel like we have a lot riding on this ball game."

The Wildcats would love nothing more than to spoil Oklahoma's party.

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Masters Cup

Sampras slams Corretja after opening tourney with loss

Associated Press

LISBON, Portugal

With his game looking much sharper, Pete Sampras bounced back Wednesday to beat Alex Corretja 7-6, 7-5 and remain in contention for the Masters Cup title.

Sampras has won this season-ending tournament five times, a record he shares with Ivan Lendl.

After losing his opening match to Javier Herna­diz 7-5, 6-7 on Tuesday, Sampras needed a vic­

tory against Corretja to main­
tain his chances of claiming the record himself.

"Obviously I didn't have a good night's sleep, you're just tensing and turning, I was just kind of humiliated out there," Sampras said.

Against Corretja, Sampras looked like a champion again.

"I served and volleyed very well. I was just a different per­son, a different player," Sampras said.

Earlier, Yevgeny Kafelnikov rallied past Magnus Norman 6-4, 6-7, 6-1 in his opening match in this $3.7 million tournament for the world's top eight players.

Marat Safin took another step toward wrapping up the No. 1 spot for the year by beating Hewitt 6-4, 6-4. Safin is now 2-0 in the tournament, while Hewitt fell to 1-1.

The only way Safin can now fail to clinch No. 1 is if he loses every remaining match and Gustavo Kuerten wins the tournament.

Sampras finished No. 1 for the year an unprecedented six seasons in a row before Andre Agassi wound up No. 1 last year.

Sampras, a 20-year-old Russian, will be the youngest player to gain that distinction.

Against Hewitt, one of the best returners in the game, Safin lost his temper and hit a ball into the stands, getting penalized and dropping his serve in the eighth game of the second set. But he broke right back and served out the match with a booming ace.

Sampras, winner of a record 13 Grand Slam titles, is 1-1 in the round-robin portion of the event, while Corretja is 0-2.

Sampras will play Safin on Friday for a place in the semi­

nals. The only time Sampras failed to advance from the round-robin stage was in his debut appearance in 1990.

He lost a round-robin match every year he won the event.

The eight players are divided into two groups, with the top two from each group advancing to the semifinals.

After losing the U.S. Open final to Safin in early September, Sampras got mar­

ried and did not play another tournament until coming to Lisbon.

In his first match after taking a month off to recover from the Olympics, Kafelnikov was down a break every single game. He lost the 1998 semifinals before winning the title.

Sampras, the defending champi­
on, never dropped his serve in the match, although he had to save two set points in the opening set.

After saving two set points to hold serve for 6-6, Sampras romped to a 4-1 lead in the tiebreaker and won it when Corretja hit a forehand wide.

A textbook volley helped Sampras save one more break point in the 11th game of the second set. He finally broke Corretja to win the match with a forehand winner after a long rally from the baseline.

Kafelnikov was down a break in the second set when he began to come back from his comeback with a game at 4-4 on Norman's serve.

"From a situation where I was a set and break down, to come back and win the match, it was a very satisfying win," Kafelnikov said.

The Russian, who won the Olympic gold medal, started hit­
ing crisp passing shots to take charge.

"Right from the beginning, I felt like I was in total control of every single point," Kafelnikov said. "The problem was that I was missing a lot. I couldn't find the range on my ground strokes, especially on the fore­hand."

Kafelnikov broke serve at love for a 2-0 lead in the third and whipped another passing shot winner for another break and a 5-1 lead. He won 11 straight points at the start of the set.

Kafelnikov received treatment for cramps in his forearm during the changeover. But it didn't prevent him from serving out the match in the next game.

"I thought I had a good chance to win the match," Norman said. "I was just a cou­

ple of points away, perhaps just one point away. I was very dis­

appointed to lose the second set."
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American list in the nation, is still impressive. Through year.
The Irish still look to Murphy first for scoring, as evidenced by his 30 points against the Bearcats, but he has help this year.
The Irish know what to expect in big games this year, and that includes an expectation of victory. When the second half began to wear on Saturday and Cincinnati was still clinging to Notre Dame's jerseys, the Irish shook them off by turning up the heat on defense, allowing the Bearcats just one offensive rebound in the second stanza.
The Irish also made their shots from the field and the free throw line to lock up the win.
"We just buckled down defensively," Graves said. "We really concentrated on defensive boards and then turned our focus to our shots. It's really backbreaking when somebody can hit their shots.
Graves, sophomore guard Matt Carroll and transfer power forward Ryan Humphrey all averaged better than 14 points per game. Of course, it's easy to score when your team has scored more than 100 points twice and boasts the sixth-largest scoring margin in the nation.
All five starters, including senior point guard Martin Inglesby, have demonstrated their sweet touches behind the arc. No. 11 Notre Dame leads the country in 3-point shooting at 54.2 percent, thanks in large part to a school-record performance against Loyola Nov. 22.
"We have a lot of shooters on the team," Carroll said. "We usually have five guys on the court who can all shoot 3s."
Inglesby, who lost his starting position last year to the flamboyant but unpredictable Jimmy Dillon, had his talents questioned in the preseason, but so far, there's no reason for concern. Inglesby is near the top in assists with an average of more than eight per game, and near the bottom in turnovers with just three in three games. His efficiency han-
dling the ball translates into an assist-to-turnover ratio of 4.3, second-best in Division I. To think about how good that mark is, Dillon ranked third in the conference last year with a 1.96 ratio.
"We proved ourselves in one game," Carroll said. "We've still got a lot more games to prove ourselves in."
The bench is one unproven entity for the Irish. Super sub Harold Swanagan got bumped from the starting lineup with the addition of Humphrey, but can still fill in at the forward or center position. Besides Swanagan, however, none of the reserves have gotten significant playing time in the first few games.

Pac-10
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conference games that Oregon State chose to schedule. I'd call those three teams cupcakes but that would be an insult to the pastry. Scheduling those three teams is just pathetic. If you want to be a real football school, you have to schedule real opponents.
The Beavers don't have to stock their schedule with top 25 opponents. They just have to play opponents that at a very minimum might not be horrible this year. Rather than scheduling Eastern Washington, schedule Missouri. Missouri wasn't a good football team this year but at least the Tigers play in a real conference and had a chance to be good this year.
Scheduling 6-5 teams from the Big Sky conference does not help your bowl chances. It only pads your record with empty victories.
The Pac-10 schedule is no better. The only good team the Beavers played all year was Washington. And the Huskies beat the Beavers 33-30.
The rest of the Pac-10 teams on Oregon State's schedule were awful this year. USC was 5-7. Stanford was 5-6. Washington State was 4-7. California was 3-8. Arizona was 5-6.
Oregon State only played four teams with winning records and only three of those teams will be going to bowls this year. The Insight.com bowl will select a 6-5 team from the Big Sky conference like Eastern Washington.
UCLA went 6-5 and is headed to the Aloha Bowl. Washington is going to the Sun Bowl. Washington's only quality win came against Oregon and Oregon is probably one of the safest 9-2 teams in the country. They beat 5-6 Big West team Finlay Sons and finished 2-10 in non-confer-
ce action but the Beavers also lost to Wisconsin. Although the Badgers are headed to the Sun Bowl this year, they are probably the most disappointing team in college football north of Alabama.
Oregon went on to tag Washington with its only defeat but other than the Huskies, the Ducks didn't beat anyone. Oregon only beat two other bowl teams: 6-5 UCLA and 6-5 Arizona State.
Not very impressive at all. But Mr. Hansen, a 10-1 record is still a 10-1 record so maybe Oregon State deserves the Fiesta Bowl bid. So let's cut a deal. Oregon State gets to go to the Fiesta Bowl this year, if you promise to decline your automatic bid for your conference champion when your conference champion is horri-
ble like last year when Stanford went to the Rose Bowl with an 8-3 record. You don't think that is fair? Fine. Quit the BCS. The BCS is better off without stupid teams from the Pac-10.
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**ND Collegium Musicum Performance:**
- 12/1: SMCollege 8:00 PM

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**Carroll Christmas Tree Lighting:**
- 12/1: Farley, Sorin, Walsh, Siegfried, St. Ed's, O'Neill

**Dances:**
- 12/1: Farley, Sorin, Walsh, Siegfried, St. Ed's, O'Neill

**Madrigal dinner:**
- 12/1-12/3 Regina North Lounge, SMC 7:00 PM-2:00 AM & 7:00 PM on Sunday

**Flipside Chicago Trip:**
- 12/2: 11:00 AM-1:00 AM

**Asian Allure:**
- 12/2: Washington Hall 7:30 PM

**In-Hall Dances:**
- 12/2: Dillon, Howard, Knott, Morrissey, PW, Stanford Stud Vegas, Carroll Christmas Formal

**Michigan City Outlet Mall Bus Trip:**
- 12/3: Sunday Library Circle 9:45 AM-5:00 PM

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NCAA Men's Basketball

Doherty fails first big test at Carolina

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Associated Press

EAST LANSING, Mich. — North Carolina faced a dilemma that will challenge Michigan State's opponents all season.

Which of the Spartans do you try to stop?

It's a difficult question to answer as the Tar Heels found out.

The Spartans (No. 2 ESPN/USA Today; No. 3 AP) used a balanced attack to beat No. 6 North Carolina 77-64 in an ACC/Big Ten Challenge game.

Jason Richardson led Michigan State (4-0) with 16 points, while Andre Hutson had 14 points and nine rebounds and Charlie Bell added 15 points.

Four others scored six or more points and a fifth, Mike Chappell, made a key 3-pointer midway through the second half.

Before the season began, Bell thought this team would be better offensively than the one that won last season's national championship.

Now he is sure of it.

"Last year, if you stopped Pete, we could be in trouble," said Bell, referring to Morris Peterson, who is playing for the Toronto Raptors. "Now, we just have so many weapons. If you try to stop one guy or one part of our game, you're going to be out of luck because so many guys can score."

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Knight hopes to return to coaching

INDIANAPOLIS — Bob Knight says he hasn't changed much since he was fired by Indiana University.

"We do, however, miss coaching and would love to return to the bench someday."

"That's what I've always done," Knight said. "This is the first time since the fall of 1962 that I haven't had a basketball team."

"Coaching, teaching, is a daily challenge, and I miss that," Knight told Indianapolis television station WISH in a report broadcast Wednesday.

"I want to have an opportunity to do it, but I want to have an opportunity to do it in the same kind of atmosphere that existed at Indiana the first 25 or 24 years I was at Indiana."

Knight described that atmosphere as one where people understood and cooperated with one another.

Knight was fired by Indiana in 1997 after 29 years at IU for violating a zero-tolerance policy established by the school.

"I'm not going to get in all that, but the last five or six years has been a totally different atmosphere than I experienced through the first 24 years I was there," he said.

Knight believes he can find that type of environment again, although he declined to say where he might go.

"I don't think it's a tough fit to find a situation where people want good academics, they want good basketball, they want a situation with basketball where they know there aren't going to be any problems with the NCAA," he said.

Although Knight felt his firing from Indiana hadn't changed him, he did say, "I think anytime you come through a critical situation, you're a little smarter, a little wiser."
**Threws and making sure assisted and six blocked shots. She holds the top two positions in the MIAA Leaders list for rebounds in a game, after Marietta. In the first tournament of the year tallying 18 against Johnson and Wales. She is ranked third overall in scoring in the MIAA, with 84 points in five games, averaging 16.8 points per game. Matha also holds third place in overall field goal shooting, making 27 of 44 attempts. She is second in rebounding, averaging 11 per game, and fourth in blocked shots, with 1.2 per game. She wants to be the best for every thing." team captain Anne Blair said. "I look up to her and I'm older than her. She is really positive and a hard worker. It's motivation for me. She makes me work harder."

Matha has, above all else, set an example for the team. Last year, she struggled to adjust to the collegiate basketball scene. She was tied for fifth in the MIAA final standings for steals, averaging 1.7 per game. A far cry from the Matha of this year who is all over the charts. "There are two things that Matha has improved," senior co-captain Julie Norman said of her teammate. "No. 1 is her confidence. Last year she was afraid to take shots. This year she has turned her play around. She has a great shot and she is a strong player who goes 100 percent all of the time. She muscles her way around out there, helping her to get points on the board. Matha is a leader by example."

Both Norman and Blair agree on the second aspect of Matha's sudden resurgence as a player. "Her work has paid off from the summer," Blair said. "She's been conditioning."

"Everybody stepped up their play, but you can tell that Matha worked really hard in the off-season," Norman said. "She's intense. Every game she comes and plays really hard. She has a strong desire to win and she plays with her heart."

As a forward, Matha works closely with Blair on the court. "I'm the other post," Blair said. "It's exciting to work with (Matha). I push her and she pushes me. It is nice to have that kind of teamwork on the court."

Teamwork is the name of the game this year for the Belles, and it is always on Matha's mind. "We've always been the underdog," Matha said. "No one believes in us but Saint Mary's. We are going to prove a lot of people wrong this year."
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**WOMEN'S BASKETBALL**

All-out effort earns recognition

Matha dedicated to basketball, student government, academics in busy schedule

By SARAH RKOWSKSI Sport Writer

She's one of the most visible faces on Saint Mary's campus. On the basketball court, student government meetings, or in the classroom, Kristen Matha gives it all.

"Every time she steps out on the court, she goes all out," head basketball coach Suzanne Smith said. "You can see that after two minutes. Ever since she decided to commit to basketball I have seen her give 100 percent to basketball. I don't think she gives less to anything she does.

This year on the basketball court Matha has made a difference in the Belles' play. After finishing a lackluster 1999 season with a 4-22 record, the basketball team is now 3-2 overall. Just two weeks into this season, the Belles are making their mark in the MIAA, with Matha leading the team. She was named the MVP at this past weekend's Turkey Shoot Classic.

"They don't give the MVP to the best player on the losing team," Matha said. "It's got to be a team effort. It's not a reflection of me. It's a reflection of our team."

Despite the rest of the team's skill, Matha has become a driving force behind the Belles. But life wasn't always so rosy for Matha. After playing volleyball and basketball her freshman year, Matha came into her second year at Saint Mary's unsure about her athletic future.

"I played three sports in high school and I was the president of my Key Club," Matha said. "In high school, you have the opportunity to be well-rounded. It helped me prepare for college but they are two different worlds."

Matha, who was elected sophomore class president at the end of her freshman year, elected not to come out for volleyball.

And near the beginning of the basketball season, she wasn't even sure if she still wanted to play. But she eventually decided that she could do both student government and athletics justice and came out for the team a second year.

"I made the right decision," Matha said with a smile. "That day was a reality check — how much basketball meant to me."

It makes one wonder how she balances everything.

"At times it's overwhelming," she said.

Kristen Matha, left, defends against a fellow Belle in practice. Matha has proved invaluable to the Saint Mary's basketball team and student government.

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**Pac-10 threats are empty**

OK, but news everybody: the BCS Championship Series is in trouble. All the controversy surrounding the selection process could mean that the BCS will not exist past 2006.

No, I am not talking about Florida State being ranked higher than Miami — a team that beat the Seminoles in the regular season. I am talking about a much more pressing concern.

The Pac-10 may not re-sign the BCS contract after it expires in 2006. Yes, the Pac-10, the conference that sent 8-3 Stanford to the Rose Bowl last year is upset with the BCS system.

In a Los Angeles Times article Wednesday, Pac-10 commissioner Tom Hansen said that if Oregon State were not chosen for the Fiesta Bowl, he would consider withdrawing the Pac-10 from the BCS.

"The Pac-10 may be better off going back to the Rose Bowl and forgetting the rest," Hansen said to the Los Angeles Times. "I wouldn't want to continually subject our teams to the anticipation of being selected and fairly considered when it just doesn't happen."

Hansen almost has a legitimate complaint this year. The Pac-10 has somehow managed to place three teams in the top 10 of the BCS.

Washington is ranked fourth and headed to the Rose Bowl as the Pac-10 champion. Oregon State is ranked sixth at 10-1 while Oregon is 10th with a 9-2 record.

Hansen is angry that Oregon State may not get a BCS bid despite being one of seven Div. 1-A teams with a 10-1 record.

But look a little closer and you will see that Oregon State beat a couple of cupcakes, a few Twinkies and a cream puff this year.

There are three reasons why Oregon State does not deserve a BCS bid this year: 6-5 Eastern Washington, 3-8 San Diego State and 6-7 New Mexico.

Those were the three non-

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**MEN'S BASKETBALL**

Irish find consistency, balance under Brey

By KATHLEEN O'BRIEN Assistant Sports Editor

Notre Dame's swap of Mike Brey for Matt Doherty as the men's basketball coach traded steadiness for pizzazz. It looks like the team is following suit, going for consistency and balance instead of star power through its first three games.

Last year, the Irish (3-0) soared up and down with their coach's emotional swings. All-American forward Troy Murphy was the one mainstay, but the rest of the lineup, while solid, was too inexperienced to bring its best game every night.

Murphy, a 6-foot-11 player on every preseason All-America list, found consistency this year. The biggest shift in the off-season, besides hiring the calmer Brey as head coach, has been the supporting cast turning into veterans.

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