Regis Philbin visits campus
Phlin set to tape show "Regis and Kelly Live!" today
By SCOTT BRODFUEHRER

A Notre Dame alumus returns to campus Wednesday to tour his old dorm room, say a prayer at the grotto and walk around the lakes. But this wasn't your typical alumus. He had a team of cameramen following him everywhere he went because students caused him to turn around and say, "Hey, isn't that Regis?"

Television personality Regis Philbin arrived at the University Wednesday for today's groundbreaking ceremony of the Maryl P. DeBartolo Performing Arts Center. He also began preparations for this morning's edition of "Live! With Regis and Kelly." Philbin was scheduled to join the show via satellite and broadcast from Main Quad and the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center. He said he spent Wednesday touring campus and shooting segments for this morning's program.

"He went over to Zahm (Hall) and saw his old room and visited the people there. He went to the lake to find his duck, went to the grotto and went to the football field and introduced himself to someone and threw them a pass. He sang with the glee club and also went out to football practice," said Dennis Moore, director of public relations and information.

Zahm Hall rector Father Tom Bednar said he learned during the afternoon that Philbin wanted to visit his old dorm.

"When he came he wanted to know whether the old phone booth was still there. He said he made several phone calls there during the first weeks of school to his mother when he was homesick. "I didn't talk to him very long, but sent him upstairs where most of the hall was waiting for him," said Bednar.

Forty years later, the phone booth still stands in Zahm.

Upstairs, freshmen Victor Panos and Greg Salzler who reside in Philbin's old room 222, received instructions from Philbin's crew about what would happen in the next five minutes.

"His crew was outside and they shut the door. He knocked on the door, came in and introduced himself and said something like, "Hey, what's going on?" I used to live here," said Salzler. "He climbed up on my roommate's bed because he said he knew where he used to sleep and he hit his head on the ceiling board. He made a joke about it."

SMC discusses sexuality

By JILL MAXBAUER
News Writer

Saint Mary's will launch a new sexuality education program next week, beginning a series of lectures designed to explore issues of sexuality from a Catholic perspective. The series is titled "Understanding and Embracing Our Sexuality," and features monthly lectures that will run through April.

"We wondered how could we develop an all-inclusive series covering the topics of sexuality and how to have it as a yearly curriculum approach," said Linda Timm, vice president for student affairs.

Both Timm and Sister Rose Ann Schultz, vice president for mission, said the series provides students with a unique opportunity.

"It is truly an understanding of a new and exciting way to look at being a sexual being, which we all are. It will have a very holistic way of approaching this topic, where mind/body/and spirit are regarded as one," said Timm. Schultz continued, "We are sexual beings. But it is about more than just sex. As a Catholic institution, we want to bring this up. It is a part of life. This series is interactive and creative and we hope it will really engage the students in dialogue."

This is the first series of its kind to take place at Saint Mary's, which has struggled with intermittent and poorly-attended programming on sexuality. Visiting speakers have typically come twice a year to campus. This program is hoped to appear more visible and consistent.

"We want to appear consistent. The talks are every month... our hope is that it will continue dialogue," Schultz said.

The first lecture, entitled "Friendship and Life Choices," was held on Wednesday at 7 p.m. in Stapleton Lounge in LeMans Hall.

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Senate plans more student contact

By ERIN LaBUFFA
Associate News Editor

In its first meeting of the school year, the Student Senate brought up one concept repeatedly: increasing communication between the student government and students. Ryan explained any non-student who wishes to speak at a meeting must notify the student union secretary ahead of time. Ryan said he would consider methods of allowing anyone who comes to a meeting to address the senate.

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Two weeks ago I returned to campus to serve on my dorm's freshman orientation committee. While helping the first-year Howard girls set up their rooms, watched the ambitious ones exchange numbers with guys they may have never met before Twister at an orientation activity and assured the worriers that they would definitely pass. I felt I could not help feeling nostalgic and even enviable.

Freshmen possess this blissful innocence and childlike delight that I have lost at some point during the past four months since my freshman year ended. I remember how awe-struck I was as I drove up Notre Avenue and saw the Dome gleaming in the sunlight for the first time, how overcome with emotion I was as I cheered at my first football game and how impressed I was to meet friends who shared my values.

Those solely freshman experiences, too, we will most likely never relive. I remember cramming into a tiny, sweat-saturated dorm room and thinking it was the best party ever. Or scurrying through the quad filled with prospective boys with my roommate as we sat outside to "study." I fondly recall coming in right when paralyzed students had to rehash the night with my newfound best friends. Or unwinding after a long day in the classroom by singing Madonna at the top of our lungs.

All these activities seem absurd now but they were essential then because we were only freshmen. That's the beauty of freshman year. Even if you make mistakes it's alright, others disagreed.


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**INSIDE COLUMN**

Freshman innocence

Lauren Beck

**Viewpoint Editor**

**THIS WEEK AT NOTRE DAME AND SAINT MARY'S**

- **Thursday**
  - Movie: "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon"
  - Concert: "Kennedy's Kitchen featuring Celtic music artists, Moreau
  - (Elkhart) 7 p.m.

- **Friday**
  - Activities Night: Student activities fair, Angelo
  - Athletic Activity, 7 to 8 p.m.

- **Saturday**
  - Seminar: "Sojourner in the Promised Land: 40 Years Among the Mormons," Jan Shipp's, McKenna Hall, 9 a.m.

- **Sunday**
  - Music: Faculty recital, Moreau Little Theatre, 2:30 p.m.

**BEYOND CAMPUS**

Slur used in Libertarian fliers at Penn State

When I read it, I was dumbfounded," said Hana Amenra, Penn State Black Caucus president. "It's malicious, it's insensitive and it's very offensive.

Amenra said he went to report the flier to the Office of the Provost for Educational Equity, where he asked the university for three things: a public apology from Heicklen, an official statement of the university's stance regarding the flier and reconsideration of Heicklen's status as Professor Emeritus. Amenra called Heicklen to find out what he was doing and state that he was offended.

"I did get a phone call from the head of the Black Caucus to find out what I was doing, and was told that I better stop or there would be dire consequences," Heicklen said.

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

Race-based admissions questioned

Since 1972, University of Wisconsin-Madison has used race-based preferences in its admissions practices. This system, initially introduced to right past wrongs, has been used in recent years to increase campus diversity. Due to this practice, UW accepts some black and Hispanic students with lower grades and test scores over white and Asian students with higher grades and test scores. Last week, the U.S. Court of Appeals in Atlanta struck down the University of Georgia's practice of awarding students bonus points for skin color during admissions procedures.

"Racial diversity is not necessarily the hallmark of a diverse student body," the appeals court justices said, and added that the universities "did not even come close" to making the case that having students of a variety of different racial groups equals diversity. However, Multicultural Student Coalition member Sarah Weigler said racial diversity is important to making students comfortable on campus.

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA

Students create new businesses

The number of available workers has increased dramatically with the coming of fall 2001, and competition for jobs is fierce. This means there will be new faces scooping up half-eaten pickles at the movie theater, new smiles serving burgers and many disheartened faces of the unemployed seeking jobs within a system of campus-job bureaucracy. Students can be seen filling out job applications and loan forms until their fingers bleed. However, there are other options. Ryan Ewing, a Texas A&M University senior marketing major, and Josh Dayberry, a freshman computer engineering major, have found another method of earning extra cash — entrepreneurship. Ewing is the owner, operator, manager and janitor of Northgate Vintage, while Dayberry personally launched www.SKRBLIP.com this fall. Ewing's business is tucked away above Campus Photo on Northgate and specializes in vintage T-shirts.

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SMC searches for new HD

By NELLIE WILLIAMS
News Writer

Unable to find a new residence hall director for Holy Cross Hall, Dana North, director of residence life and housing, has served as the hall director for the first weeks of school. As hall director, she is currently living in Holy Cross.

"Other schools, much larger than us, are also having problems finding hall directors," said North. "It's not a life everyone is going to choose."

This is North's sixth year in her current position at the College. The lack of hall directors is not new to her.

Two years ago, Saint Mary's was down two hall directors when students moved in.

"There has been a national trend in the decline of residence a hall directors," North said. "It's an education field and people are finding other jobs. Ideally, hall directors have their masters degree and have had some experience working with residence life while in college.

"They need to know the basics, whether it is the lingo or how the building functions day in and day out," North said.

At Saint Mary's, the hall directors live in a part of the dorm they are advising.

"One thing students don't always realize is the admin-istrator lives on campus and is on call 24 hours a day," North said.

Last March, North began a search for a new hall director for Holy Cross because

last year's hall director, Laura Sobieck, moved to Le Mans Hall to serve as hall director. Several people expressed interest in the job but all declined job offers from North.

"It was not a good fit for them," she said.

North is currently interviewing two applicants this week and may soon hire a new hall director. She admits she will miss living in Holy Cross when she hires a new director and moves out.

"There is a certain energy level created with living and seeing the students everyday," Dana North, director of residence life and housing said.

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Recycle the Observer.

Coming home retreat offers readjustment

By MEGHANNE DOWNES
News Writer

Adjusting to a new environment is difficult for freshmen and transfer students but readjusting to a familiar environment can be even more difficult for students who have studied abroad.

To assist those readjusting to American collegiate culture, the International Study Program Office at Notre Dame, in conjunction with Campus Ministry, is attempting to counteract this period of readjustment and uneasiness by sponsoring "2001 Coming Home Retreat."

"The retreat is a part of the services that we feel we can offer to students, and it was developed as a result of the comments and requests that we received from students," said assistant director of the international study program Carmen Nanni, who is spearheading the organization of the retreat.

Students who have come back from studying abroad said the retreat is certainly needed.

"It was different studying abroad sophomore year because I did not solidify myself at Notre Dame in the same manner as my classmates," said Notre Dame junior Molly Herbe. "I think that sophomore year is the year where students define themselves; such as their college, major and friends."

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it and said “These ceilings aren't as high as they used to be.”

Philbin told the freshmen to enjoy their time at Notre Dame and moved on to his next desti-
 nation.

Admissions tour guides who were on a special tour of the University including the 14th floor of the Hesburgh Library, the log cabin and Rudy Hall ran into Philbin in the football

locker room.

“We were going in to look at the football

locker room. He was in there with his film crew looking at footage. We heard about

the locker room and we were all try-
ing to pre-
tend that we
don't notice
him, but really no one was pay-
ing attention to the locker

room.

Philbin also spoke to football

players in the locker room.

“He told us to go out there and hit [Nebraska] hard.”

Grant Irons

football captain

and include the clips

Philbin taped Wednesday.

The groundbreaking ceremony will

be held Monday through

Friday at 10:45 a.m. at the con-

struction site on DeBartolo

Quad.

The Marie DeBartolo Performing Arts Center will

contain a studio theater named after Philbin, a 900-seat con-

cert hall, a 350-seat main stage
theater, a 200-seat cinema the-

ater and a 100-seat organ and

coronas hall. The 123,000-
square-foot building will cost in

excess of $50 million and will be underwritten by a $33 million gift by the late DeBartolo and a

$2.75 million gift by Philbin.

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Victory March and any other

music requested by the produc-
er.

“We're really excited, this

opportunity doesn't come

around very often. We feel

privileged and think it’s

impressive that [Philbin] thinks

that highly of us. I expect over

75 percent of the band will

show up to play,” said said

drum major Tamaree Parks.

After “Live!” ends, Philbin

will join other benefactors of the

performing arts center at

10 a.m. for Mass at the

Coleman-Morse Center chapel

presided by University

President Father Edward

Malloy.

In addition to Philbin, major other

University donors will also be

present at the ground

breaking ceremony.

Ed DeBartolo Jr.

and Denise

DeBartolo

Nork: the children of donor Edward

DeBartolo and his wife Marie,

after whom the building is

named will be present along

with Art and Patty Decio and

Patty’s father, Larry

Crouch.

She's European, enjoys long

romantic walks on south

quad and heavy metal hair

bands. She seeks a birthday

kiss from any man who can

handle her. She's Dianella.

Know her. Love her.

“Got news? 631-5323.”

That got shot down at the lasCGLC meeting of last year. We're hoping to get that through this year,” LaPrata said.

In other senate news:

• The position of off-campus

senator is vacant. The elec-

tion for a new senator will be

held Monday through

Wednesday via e-mail in a

process similar to the one

followed by students studying abroad. The two highest

vote getters from the primary will be the proposal.

• There will be an outdoor

Nebraska game watch

Saturday evening, according to Jonathan Jorissen, chief of

staff. Jorissen announced

that the event will be begin

at 6:15 p.m. and will be held

near Stioneheg.

• Saint Mary’s representa-

tive Erin Casey announced that Barbara O’Toole, a

lawyer with the American

Civil Liberties Union, will be

holding a forum on Sept.

19 at 9 p.m. in Carol

Auditorium. O’Toole will be

addressing academic free-
dom in light of the Vagina

Monologue’s controversy at

the College last year. Saint

Mary’s will be canceling 3

p.m. classes on that day,

according to Casey.

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THEY ANSWERED THE CALL

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Answer the Call
**World News Briefs**

Britain, France OK Concorde flights: The supersonic Concorde got its wings back Wednesday — just over a year after a deadly crash with French and British officials Monday evening for the aircraft for flight once safety modifications are made. The announcement came 13 months and 11 days after an Air France Concorde crashed the Lineament. The accident killed 12 passengers and four people on the ground.

Mother Teresa had exorcism: Mother Teresa had an exorcism performed on her by a Roman Catholic cardinal in 1996. The Pope has recommended that the shrine be closed to the public.

**National News Briefs**

Sailors honored for USS Cole work: Many of the sailors who fought to save their wounded shipmates and prevented the USS Cole from sinking during the chaotic aftermath of a terrorist bombing were honored Wednesday for their bravery. In addition, the entire crew received a combat action ribbon for exceptional heroism.

Bishops start anti-abortion ads: An anti-abortion advertising campaign sponsored by the nation's Roman Catholic bishops has started in Philadelphia, and is already drawing criticism from abortion rights activists. The $500,000 campaign, targeted at this city and southern New Jersey, began Tuesday and includes two radio ads, plus 500 posters that will go up in commuter trains and buses.

**Indiana News Briefs**

Kidnapper to appear in court: A man accused of holding nine bank employees hostage with a sawed-off shotgun was charged Wednesday with kidnapping and nine counts of confinement. David Allen Potchen, 39, of Lowell, Indiana, is scheduled to appear Thursday in Lake County Superior Court in Crown Point. Police say that Potchen entered the Centrander Bank branch, pointed the shotgun at the in the air and ordered employees to close the blinds to the bank. He then told the employees to pull the alarms. Relatives of the bank employee called his actions "despicable." The two-day state visit, the public challenge on migration policy by the end of the year.

Bush welcomes Fox to White House

**PERU**

Homicide charges filed on Fujimori

Peru's attorney general filed homicide charges against disgraced ex-President Alberto Fujimori Wednesday, linking him to two killings massacres by paramilitary death squads in the early 1990s, a statement said. Fujimori is in exile in Japan and Peru hopes that the charges will prompt the Asian nation to extradite him to Peru. Prosecutors allege that the now-exiled Fujimori "co-authored" the killings and "knew in detail the operations" of the death squad known as the Collina group, the attorney general's office statement said. The Collina group is accused of hundreds of massacres in 1991 during a series of operations that included the kidnapping and murder of nine students and a professor at the University of Lima. The group is also suspected of the killing of former intelligence agent Mariela Barreto, whose dismembered and decapitated body was found in March 1997, the attorney general's office statement said.

Congress paved the way for the charges Aug. 27 by lifting the constitutional immunity of Fujimori, who has been in his parents' native Japan since November when his 10-year rule collapsed in a growing corruption scandal. The government and forced disappearance charges, which Peruvian officials say constitute crimes against humanity, are the most serious to date against Fujimori.

**Market Watch September 5**

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**WASHINGTON**

**Mexican President Vicente Fox, the first state visitor of the Bush administration, challenged the United States on Wednesday to strike an agreement on immigration by year's end. President Bush said "there is no more important relationship" than with Mexico but did not embrace Fox's ambitious deadline.

The public challenge shocked U.S. officials who have been trying to lower expectations for a deal on the complex and politically risky issue. Even some Mexican officials said they had no notice that Fox would push for quick action.

The two-day state visit, a rare joint session, one-on-one Oval Office session, joint Cabinet meeting and state dinner — along with the military band struck up a "Casa Blanca" and "We understand that our two nations must work together in a spirit of respect and common purpose to seize opportunities and tackle challenges on the issues that affect the lives of our citizens, including immigration, the environment, drugs, crime, corruption and education."

That included just a glancing reference to the issue of the death squad, the Mexican relations: What should be done with the millions of so illegal Mexican immigrants who want legal status in America, and millions more in Mexico who want to cross the 2,000-mile border? The president wants an undetermined number of illegal immigrants to become legal.

As guests arrived for Wednesday night's dinner, about a dozen protesters demonstrated against Bush's immigration policy on the sidewalk outside the White House's front gate. Their signs carried slogans that included "Don't reward lawbreakers" and "Hey Bush, they won't vote for you."

Bush's trip to Mexico in February raised hopes in both countries that an agreement could come quickly, but the leaders have sounded more cautious in recent weeks as congressional conservatives raised objections.
Breastfeeding pushed on new moms

**New moms in the maternity ward at Boston Medical Center are forced to breast feed**

Associated Press

**BOSTON**

In the maternity ward at Boston Medical Center, pacifiers are contraband. The babies are in their mothers arms, not the nursery. And the posters lining the walls extol the virtues of breast-feeding rather than infant formula.

The environment won BMC a Baby Friendly designation, granted by the United Nations and the World Health Organization to hospitals that meet their breast-feeding standards. Only 32 U.S. hospitals have it, compared to a national average of 64 percent.

"Like it take village to support a child, it takes a hospital to support a breast-feeder." 

Dr. Barbara Philipp

Boston Medical Center

Breast milk, and infant formula and calendars advertising infant formula could be found throughout the maternity unit.

Knowing the health benefits of breast-feeding, Philipp launched a crusade.

"Breast-feeding really happens or doesn't happen in the first week or two weeks," Philipp said, meaning new mothers have to get the message before they leave the hospital.

Philipp persuaded BMC to discard long-established policies, such as separating newborns from their mothers and imposing feeding schedules, and to create a special breast-feeding unit.

In an article in the September issue of the journal Pediatrics, Philipp and co-authors credit those changes for a large increase in the number of mothers leaving BMC with healthy breast-feeding habits.

"They're persistent," Lewis-Thompson, who delivered her first son, Devon, at BMC on Sunday, said she hadn't considered breast-feeding until the hospital staff talked to her. "They're very persistent." Lewis-Thompson, 20, said with a laugh, "I felt really didn't have a choice." 

Earning the Baby Friendly designation requires that hospitals teach new mothers how to breast-feed; feed newborns only breast milk unless there is a medical reason not to; allow mothers and infants to remain together 24 hours a day; and that pacifiers be avoided.

For many hospitals, though, the big obstacle has been another requirement: that they give free formula samples to reduce the use, said Cynthia Turner-Maffei, national coordinator of the Baby-Friendly USA initiative, which was started in 1991.

"When formula is free, it's so plentiful on the unit that it's the first thing you think of to solve a problem," Turner-Maffei said.

Philipp says BMC, an inner city hospital that delivers about 1,800 babies a year, initially balked at giving up the free formula until it determined it needed only about $20,000 worth.

Experts say the formula culture remains ingrained in American hospitals, and that change will be difficult.

According to the Baby-Friendly USA initiative, at least 33 percent of hospitals fail to meet the designation's requirements.

"This hospital in Boston did really a very nice turnaround toward becoming supportive after delivery."
Hitchcock calls for cultural discussion

By LETY VERDUZCO
News Writer

One of the foremost experts in white culture spoke at Haagar Parke about appreciating white culture without using a white supremacy point of view. Jeff Hitchcock, co-founder of the Center for the Study of White American Culture, encouraged whites to realize they have their own distinct culture and appreciate their culture.

This appreciation will lead to better racial relations.

"It's not my intent to exclude people of color but this program is directed toward whites."

Jeff Hitchcock
author

Hitchcock said he never thought himself an expert on racial concerns until he realized that he was living the multicultural lifestyle.

Hitchcock has been married for 19 years to a black feminist socialist and is the father of two biracial children. With this background, Hitchcock, along with his wife, decided to start the Center for the Study of White American Culture for the purpose of improving race relations in America.

"It is not my intent to exclude people of color," Hitchcock said, "but this program is directed towards whites."

He said there are two traditional approaches to discussing whiteness: the white supremacy approach and the approach of not discussing race relations at all, what he called being "colorblind."

Hitchcock said his third approach allows people to talk about white culture and race without being racist or ignoring white culture. Hitchcock encouraged the group to realize that white people are also a specific group of specific cultural and that once that is realized, plans can be set into motion. Other cultural groups have been able to join one another because they have realized their own culture and can relate. Hitchcock wants white people to realize that they too have their own culture and that they are not the norm.

"Since white culture is the dominant culture, we often hear the positive view about white culture," Hitchcock said.

"We must develop multicultural values." Jeff Hitchcock
author

Hitchcock said: "I give a more critical view, and often times it is hard for people [white people] to hear what I have presented."

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Happy 18th Birthday, Dan!

Aim your goals high & have a few kicks along the way!

Love,
Mom, Dad, & Brother

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Lumen magazine gets started

By KEVIN SUHANIC
News Writer

Now, cutting-edge campus research has a cutting-edge presentation online.

During the summer, Notre Dame launched Lumen, a journal detailing research done on campus. It features articles on topics ranging from biochemistry to education.

"Lumen will provide a rich, dynamic view of Notre Dame's extensive research endeavors," said James Merz, Lumen creator, in a released statement.

As a Web-based publication, Lumen can be easily read by alumni, students, and anyone interested in research at Notre Dame without incurring the high costs of printing and mailing.

The first issue has articles ranging from defeating drug-resistant bacteria to an in-depth study of American education issues.

"Lumen contains articles about the realm of academic disciplines, including a study by the assistant professor of marketing, Elizabeth Moore, on the effect advertising has on children.

There is also a featured story concerning John Adams, a member of Notre Dame's Center for Tropical Disease Research and Training, and his groundbreaking advances in identifying malaria parasites.

Lumen is not topical unlike many print journals, but rather in keeping with the themes of Notre Dame - research, scholarship and creativity.

"Lumen is planned for early fall. To read Lumen visit http://lumen.nd.edu."

Small surplus threatens farmers

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

The shrinking surplus has clouded prospects for passage of legislation this year that would provide tens of billions of dollars annually for crop subsidies and other farm programs.

"It's in serious trouble," said Sen. Kent Conrad, chairman of the Senate Budget Committee. The North Dakota Democrat wanted Congress to pass a bill this year to replace programs that expire in 2002.

Rep. Larry Combest, chairman of the House Agriculture Committee, said he still hopes to begin House debate next week on legislation approved by his panel in June. The Texas Republican acknowledged that the revised budget projections will make it more difficult to move the bill.

The House committee's senior Democrat, Charles Stenholm of Texas, said the farm bill is dead for the year.

The legislation would spend $165 billion over the next 10 years, including $73.5 billion of the surplus that was expected in the congressional budget agreement reached in the spring.

The nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office projected in August that Social Security surplus payments would be drained by $5 billion in the fiscal year ending Sept. 30 and that lawmakers were within $2 billion of siphoning Social Security funds next year.

Over the next 10 years, the CBO is forecasting a $3.4 trillion surplus, including Social Security, down from $5.6 trillion in its May forecast.

Farm-state lawmakers worry that the smaller forecast will force agricultural programs to compete with other spending priorities of Congress and the White House, including education and defense, to avoid being seen as using Social Security funds.

The chairman of the House Budget Committee, Iowa Republican Jim Nussle, says there still should be plenty of money to go around.

The Senate is unlikely to move a bill of its own before next year, said Indiana Sen. Richard Lugar, senior Republican on the Senate Agriculture Committee.

"It doesn't seem to me to be there," Lugar said of the $168 billion needed for the House bill. "I'm not sure it was ever going to be there."

To Lugar, the tighter budget could be a good thing if it lowers farm spending, which he believes has stimulated excess production and distorted markets. "It may bring more of a sense of reason to what should be done," he said.

Agriculture Secretary Ann Veneman would not discuss whether the House should delay or move forward with its bill.

"We're still trying to get it done," said John Feehery, a spokesman for House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill. "A lot of decisions haven't been made yet. This is one of them."

The legislation has been criticized by a major farm group, the National Corn Growers Association, which thinks the spending favors other crops.

Environmentalists say it puts too much money into subsidizing crop production and not enough into conservation programs.

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Bishops sponsor anti-abortion ad campaign

**Associated Press**

PHILADELPHIA

An anti-abortion advertising campaign sponsored by the nation’s Roman Catholic Bishops has started in Philadelphia, and is already drawing criticism from abortion rights advocates.

The $500,000 campaign, targeted at this city and southern New Jersey, began Tuesday and includes two radio ads, plus 500 posters that will go up in commuter trains and buses.

“We’re trying to speak to people who consider themselves pro-choice but who would be willing to think again about their views,” said Cathy Cleaver, spokeswoman for the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

“What the campaign is doing is bringing these facts to people who have been misinformed.”

But critics say the opposite is true. They claim “The Second Look Project” is inaccurate and attempts to influence future U.S. Supreme Court appointments.

Cory Richards, senior vice president of the Allan Guttmacher Institute, a non-profit reproductive-health research center that endorses abortion rights, said the ads are “subtly misleading.”

Each of the radio spots use a female narrator. One begins with the sound of a fetal heartbeat. She asks, “Hear that?!”

The announcer then says that it’s the heartbeat of a “child in the womb at six months.”

She goes on to say his chances of survival are better than 50 percent, but the mother could decide to have an abortion. The ad also says that “13,000 babies” are aborted legally each year in the fifth month of pregnancy because “the Supreme Court says you can choose to have an abortion for any reason at any time right up through the ninth month.”

The heart stops, and the announcer then says, “We simply ask the question: Have we gone too far?”

Abortion rights advocates said the ads exaggerate the frequency of second- and third-trimester abortions, and ignore that the Supreme Court has allowed states to ban abortion after a fetus can survive outside the womb, except when the abortion is necessary to save the woman’s life or health.

According to the Henry Kaiser Foundation, a reproductive health care research organization that endorses abortion rights, 1 percent of legal abortions occur at 21 weeks or later, while 88 percent are performed in the first 12 weeks.

Richards suspects the bishops will watch to see how the campaign resonates, then take it to the national level in an attempt to influence future Supreme Court appointments.

“The implication is that if you want to change things, change the Supreme Court,” he said.

Tobacco suit fires on

**Associated Press**

WASHINGTON

A Justice Department lawyer said Wednesday the government is moving forward with its tobacco lawsuit even as Democrats accuse the Bush administration of trying to kill the case.

“The case is proceeding and it is proceeding well,” said Stuart Schiffler, the acting assistant attorney general in charge of the civil division.

But Sen. Richard Durbin, D-Ill., says he and other lawmakers have been trying to get an official confirmation of that from Attorney General John Ashcroft, to no avail.

“He has had seven months to review this case,” said Durbin, who called a hearing in the Senate Judiciary Committee to question Justice Department officials on the case. “Yet despite repeated congressional inquiries, including more than a few from me, the administration’s official position remains that it is still reviewing the case.”

Democrats say they fear President Bush’s administration will drop or settle the government’s lawsuit against the tobacco companies, which was filed by the Clinton administration in 1999.

Justice lawyers sought to recover the $20 billion the government estimates is spent each year treating smoking-related illnesses, but a federal judge is only allowing the government to pursue a racketeering case to recoup billions of dollars allegedly extorted through fraud.

Ashcroft was invited to the Senate hearing but did not attend.

Durbin was highly critical of the Justice Department, saying, “The Department of Justice’s management of this case seems unprofessional at best. At worst, they are killing this lawsuit and don’t have the courage to say so.”

Schiffer denied Justice is trying to kill the case, and said he wouldn’t be moving forward with it if he didn’t think the case was strong. “I don’t do unprofessional and I don’t do incompetent,” he said.

Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, agreed, “I see no indication of mismanagement here,” he said.

Phillip Morris Cos. Inc., the nation’s largest cigarette manufacturer, hasn’t lowered its defenses. “We were really disappointed that this administration has decided to pursue the purely political lawsuit that was filed in the previous administration,” said spokeswoman Peggy Roberts.

“We continue to believe it is all about politics, it has no legal merit and that it really ought to be dropped altogether,” Roberts said.

The Justice Department has budgeted $1.8 million for the tobacco litigation team, but has not sought more money for legal work. That was the same level of funding the Clinton administration requested, but it sought help from other agencies to cover the legal costs.

Schiffer said he expects costs for 2002 to run somewhere in the $44 million range, but no decision has been made on how to get the extra money.

Experts disagreed on whether the government should continue the lawsuit. Connecticut Attorney General Richard Blumenthal, one of the state attorneys general who spearheaded their tobacco lawsuit, urged lawmakers to force the Justice Department to continue litigation.

“The message is compelling: the Department of Justice will not tolerate law-breaking companies that promote drug addiction and disease,” Blumenthal said.

But Jonathan Turley, a George Washington University law professor, said a lawsuit was the wrong way to go about it. “It is my view that the federal lawsuit is an inappropriate means to achieve a worthy goal,” he said.

An independent analyst said it doesn’t matter either way.

“I do not believe that the DOJ’s tobacco claim represents a significant legal threat to the industry,” said David Adelstein, Morgan Stanley’s senior U.S. tobacco equity analyst. “I believe that the lawsuit will ultimately be dismissed or otherwise settled at little financial cost to the defendants.”

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SOUTH AFRICA

More walkouts threaten racism talks

Associated Press

DURBAN

Under threat of a devastating European walkout, the World Conference Against Racism held a closed-door meeting Wednesday to try to find compromise language on the Israel-Palestinian conflict and reparations for slavery.

France warned that it and the European Union could follow the United States and Israel by walking out on the U.N. meeting, which was meant to highlight discrimination around the world, but has been marred by discord over efforts to condemn Israel for "racist policies."

"If comparisons between Zionism and racism remain, the question of France's and the EU's continued delegations' departure would be posed immediately," French Prime Minister Lionel Jospin told a Cabinet meeting, according to spokesman Jean-Jack Queyranne. "France and the European Union would see its departure from this conference, which would mark a failure."

An EU deadline on the issue set for Wednesday night was reached without a compromise, said Koen Vervaeke, spokesman for Belgian Foreign Minister Louis Michel. He said a special drafting committee had finished its work Wednesday night without an accord.

Vervaeke said the EU had given South Africa its position and would now wait to see what kind of text they come up with. It wasn't immediately clear if that would occur during Thursday's session.

Earlier in the week, a special plenary session was suddenly put back on the table this week. African-American groups have been excluded from conference documents.

"The racism conference is in danger of completely breaking down."

Raymond Johansen
Norwegian foreign minister

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Norway had tried unsuccessfully earlier in the week to broker a deal between the United States, Israel and the Arab states.

Representatives from the 15 EU countries said they would act as a bloc along with 13 nations that are candidates for EU membership.

In the original draft text, Israel is the only nation singled out for condemnation. Among the sticking points were references to the "racist practice of Zionism," and description of the movement to establish and maintain a Jewish state as an ideology "based on racial superiority."

African nations that have reportedly promised to drop demands for reparations suddenly put them back on the table this week. African-American groups have lobbied hard for reparations to be included in conference documents.

The EU on Wednesday was in talks with African delegations to discuss a mechanism for reparations for the trans-Atlantic slave trade.

"For the moment...it's hard to be optimistic," Gama said. "I think (all sides) will have to make concessions before the end of the conference or there will be no conference."

The conference's draft document calls for "an explicit apology by the former colonial powers," and requires "substantial national and international efforts to be made for reparations" to Africans, African descendants and indigenous peoples.

Ivy Coast's Justice minister, Simon Oulai, said his delegation was not interested in being paid reparations, but believed Western nations should forgive the huge debt owed by African nations to international financial institutions.

"What is necessary is that the slave trade be recognized as a crime against humanity and recognition that Africa suffered a lot from the trans-Atlantic slave trade," Oulai said. "What is important is to create a partnership between those who have suffered and those who profited from the slave trade to cooperate better."

The conference's final declaration and program of action is not legally binding, but representatives of many governments to carry it out. If a country is opposed to specific language, they can still sign the documents while rejecting specific paragraphs.
The First Amendment is a good thing. As I was lazing about channel-surfing and mining my own business, a video by Rage Against the Machine loudly interrupted my torpor. The video contained scenes of the group performing outside the New York Stock Exchange. One of them bore a Soviet Union symbol on his T-shirt. Occasionally questions like, “How many live in poverty?” would flash across the screen with the corresponding answer, “one billion.” Where they got their figures, it’s hard to say. I suppose one billion is a nice round number. “Sounds about right.” I can hear them say in the editing room “Let’s put it in there.”

Their display of histrionics was a demonstration against — you guessed it — wealth. Apparently, there’s about one’s dreadlocks, screaming incomprehensible lyrics, gnashing one’s teeth and soiling someone else’s property in an effective way of letting us know that Rage Against the Machine stands for the people. I wonder how much money they make off their angst-disguised-as-music, anyway?

What these kids need is an overlord in one of Stalin’s old prison camps. Former inmate Solzhenitsyn would probably put them there himself. After all, if you’re in love with the theory that put communists in power, why not experience the means that keep them there? Yes, Soviet prisons would do very nicely indeed.

But why limit the options? A jail cell in the People’s Republic of China would do just as well. The People’s Republic stands for the people so much it boasts one of the highest execution rates in the world. To not mention it forces its women to kill off their young because it can’t stand any more Chinese than it already has. Hey, whatever works — Stalin murdered 20 million comrades in order to collectivize farming.

Let’s not forget Vietnam, due south. Personally, my family fled the country after Mr. Minh seized our possessions in 1975. All my relatives soon followed suit, by boat, by foot, by plane, by whatever means they had, as long as they got out. The Sandinistas in Nicaragua also stood for the people. When the people showed signs of voting them out of power, they behaved very democratically by chopping off dissenters’ limbs. And then there is our neighbor Cuba, where young boys learn that “Communist Dictatorship” is not an oxymoron after all.

Good intentions underlie some economic theories. But good intentions are not enough. After all, the road to hell, etc.

The demonstrations in Genoa over the G8 summit last July are a good example of one great waste of time. Rage Against the Machine would have doodled out several thousand capitalist dollars to fly over if they had known about it beforehand. Out for war, helmeted protesters carrying shields led the fray. Flute-playing girls baring pesty white midriffs, boys brandishing a thousand piercings and waving Che Guevara flags and bandanna-wearing backpacking raptugs on summer break fell in behind. The very sight would have made Abbie Hoffman proud. Except these kids weren’t on a mission to levitate the Palazzo Ducale. The police ended the bottle-rock- and bomb-throwing mob for as long as they could. When anarchy butts heads with law and order, one side has to give — and it’s usually not the side wearing birks. Footage showed the injured with bloody noses moaning about fascist pig police, while reporters flocked around and scribbled madly about the injustices. Protesters crowded around their fallen and wailed as if they themselves were not to blame.

If he slaps cat gets scratched. It is a settled rule of law that pelting armed policemen with rocks the size of cabbages does not provoke them into linking arms and singing. “We are the world.” You’re underlying leftist, socialist, environmentalist or anti-globalist intentions might be beautiful or even downright gorgeous. But if you are out for war, you will get war — and all the ugly consequences it entails. Needless violence is a tragic thing and much more tragic is needless death. Parents of the young protestor shot as he stormed a police van will no doubt wonder what cause was served by his fight.

If the kids had only stayed in their dorms and read Hayek like dad said, none of this would have happened. Unfortunately, it happened, and it will happen again as long as we have free nations full of angry idealists more in love with theory than with fact, reading "Das Kapital" instead of "The Open Society and Its Enemies." Heck, forget Popper. They should have opened up a plain history textbook. But cold, hard facts won’t do for the idealist. It is the height of irony to know that such utopian worlds they dream of can only be initiated — and retained — by force.

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The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.
 Lies inhibit maturity, social adeptness

The Notre Dame administration lies to us. This should come as no surprise to anyone: Any organization with a public relations department worth its salt lies to its constituents routinely. It’s just a necessary evil meant to keep the masses happy. And I believe that as students we have come to expect these lies and even in some cases embrace them. Who among us can forget the warm, tingly feeling that we got the first time we heard such lies as “parietals are not enforced for the purpose of stopping sex,” or “we don’t lower our admissions standards for that”?

However, the warm tingle stops when lies are spread in order to influence our behavior. Case in point: certain dorms located by the campus anti-alcohol group Flipside, was placed in direct opposition to the traditionally alcohol-soaked dorm. Dorm-wide voice mail sends from rectors and rectresses urged students to go to on-campus events. Could this massive effort also have included rectors telling RAs to spread rumors about the event? If so, I wonder what the question of where the rectors got their marching papers from.

Am I alleging a conspiracy of lies, rumors and half-truths that lead all the way to the Dome? Not really. Then I’d be no better than them, stretching the truth and speculating without facts to back me up. However, when the administration presents a solid, unbreakable front that releases little or no information to the students, wild-eyed sophomores and even students themselves. We’re in college now. The peer pressure stuff is behind us. Mature adults should be able to handle this on their own, stretch the truth and speculate away.

While there is nothing wrong with this goal once you get beyond your initial feeling of creepiness, Flipside has the wrong idea when they bill it and sell it as a health benefit. flipstock fell short of its goal and the weekend was a triumph.

Lies have come to my attention that there were many other details surrounding the festivities that were not published due to the fact that it would have all been based on hearsay. Yet The Observer continued to print information, clearly in a biased manner, that led to an argument built upon a veritable house of cards. Telling lies to cover up for lack of journalistic integrity and the unavailability of facts.

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Either way, the plan backfired. For every one student who stayed in that night out of fear of being arrested, 20 students came home safe and sound and maybe looked at their RAs with a little less trust, and looked at their rectors and rectresses with a little less respect and looked at the whole administration with a little more awe after seeing the depths it would plumb in order to get students to bend to their will. Add that to the fact that Flipstock fell short of its goal and the weekend was a triumph for rally in the alley, alcohol and all.

But did Flipstock fall short of its goal? I know I’ll be contested on this one, so let me clarify. When kids came drunk to the concert, Flipstock fell short of its goal. When the concert was cut off and everyone headed from the conveniently located JACC straight to Turtle Creek, Flipstock fell short of its goal. When event organizers had to pull the hand SR71 early after the health department’s presence to“For the Damned” caused a spike for oral sex, Flipstock fell short of its goal to provide squeaky clean, sanitized-for-your-protection alcohol.

Infor students of crimes after gathering facts

The Observer’s reporting on the alleged rape incident in Keough Hall appalls me. I believe that it is important to inform students about crime committed on campus. I do not, however, think it is productive to provide vague and factless information about alleged crime. It is unfair to anyone involved in the alleged incident to report on allegations, especially using headlines that suggest definite information.

The article in today’s Observer did not provide the readers with any factual information about the incident that possibly took place last Friday evening. It did, however, state that the alleged incident took place in rooms 419 and 421 of Keough Hall. It seems as though the author of the article was doing everything he could to identify the men that allegedly were involved, without giving their names. Can we expect The Observer to report on the room numbers of every alleged incident on campus? I hope not. Such reporting would do nothing but spread rumors, cause confusion, raise fears and taint reputations, just as the last two articles on the incident last Friday have done.

Hopefully, this incident will be investigated and resolved to the satisfaction of everyone. As a woman, I think it is very important to address the issue of rape on campus, especially when past incidents have received less than adequate attention. The recent coverage of the alleged incident, however, seems to play on the fears and emotions of the reader as a means to cover up for lack of journalistic integrity and the unavailability of facts.

If a rape did occur the offender should be punished accordingly and the University should deal with the issue. Maybe, however, there was no rape. Maybe the allegations will prove to be false. Unfortunately, in that case, the damage has already been done.

Eight thousand students, faculty and staff members have already seen the headline “rape reported in Keough.” Keough 4A has never been linked to rape, section 4A has been associated with rape and rooms 419 and 421 (and the people who live in those rooms) have also been publicly linked to rape. Parents of Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s students are concerned. Nobody knows what really happened. People are confused, scared and skeptical.

Yesterday, I was told by one of the co-presidents of Keough Hall that it would be two weeks before any facts can be made known. Acting in a manner respectful to everyone he obviously was not prepared to relay, nor did have, any factual information that would benefit or inform the students of Notre Dame so he decided not to speak on the subject. I wish the Observer had the same decency.

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**Movie Review**

**Episode V: Attack of the Stoned**

By BILL FUSZ

Scene Movie Critic

Finally, Jay and Silent Bob have a movie of their own. In writer-director Kevin Smith’s “Jay and Silent Bob Strike Back,” the dynamic duo duet decide it’s time to leave the Quick Stop convenience store and venture to Hollywood, all in hopes of stopping a movie being made about their comic book, "Bluntman and Chronic." They first learn about the project from Brodie Bruce, Jason Lee’s slacker comic fan from Smith’s second film, "Malfeiss." The Internet buzz is good, they are told by Holden Caufield (Ben Affleck), the comic book artist from Smith’s third film, "Chasing Amy." Indeed, there are a couple actors from Smith’s previous films in this cross-country roadtrip, but that’s not even the half of it. Practically everyone who has ever been in a Smith movie reprises their role or, in some cases, roles (Affleck and Lee portray two previous characters).

As the movie continues, Jay (Jason Mewes) and Silent Bob (Smith himself) have typical road trip hijinks and run into wacky characters. At one point, Shannon Elizabeth and a gang of vinyl clad coeds trick them into stealing a monkey to cover their jewel heist. Monkey in tow, they get chased across the Southwest by a Federal Wildlife Marshall ("SNL"’s Will Ferrell), and encounter, among many others, a nun (Carrie Fisher) and a seasoned hillbilly (George Carlin).

But “Jay and Silent Bob” is much more than just a road trip comedy, and that’s due to Smith’s always clever and witty dialogue. The movie does not have the emotional range of “Chasing Amy” or the religious depth of “Dogma,” but it does have a string of funny one-liners and gags, one after another for almost two and a half hours.

For those who have not seen and loved Smith’s previous work, however, the film could be confusing and unfunny. In many ways, he’s constructed the ultimate cinephile film, packed with pop culture references. In terms of pop culture references, to tie you in and keep you laughing, even if you are not a die-hard Smith fan. “Jay and Silent Bob Strike Back” is witty, clever, and delivers on the type of humor Smith is known for. But it’s Smith’s hometown friend Mewes who seems to be having the most fun, enjoying his last turn as the weed-dealing Jay (a role he says he was hoping to play until he was 65).

The audience can just be thankful it got to enjoy the ride.

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**Video Pick of the Week**

Religion and morality crash in ‘Waves’

By JOHN DONELLY

Scene Movie Critic

Do people really believe that God will answer all our prayers? Do they know with absolute certainty that God will grant their petition—does anyone have that much faith? Is it true that if you ask we shall receive?”

Bess McNeill, the protagonist of 1996’s “Breaking the Waves,” believes. A guest at the wedding asks Jan’s friend from the rig to open a can, which he does by crushing the can in his hand. The old man breaks the glass in his bare hand, slicing his hand open.

Because of her absolute faith, most view Bess as a simpleton. Her best friend Dodo, widow of Bess’s dead brother, worries for her because Bess trusts too much religion. Jan’s father runs Bess’s tiny town. The people lead harsh lives, with their thoughts condemned to purify film. Bess thinks the injury is her fault. Stuck in bed all day, she lies bed-ridden and near death. Bess imagines herself as a woman in solitary confinement, one is reminded of a quote from author Flannery O’Conner: “What people don’t realize is how much religion costs. They think faith is a big electric blanket, when of course it is the weed-dealing Jay (a role he says he was hoping to play until he was 65). The audience can just be thankful it got to enjoy the ride.

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Movie Review

Film noir gets the Allen treatment

By JUDE SEYMOUR
Scene Movie Critic

Already having sealed his legacy as one of the Great American moviemakers, Woody Allen's 33rd film, "The Curse of the Jade Scorpion," picks up right where his last three films have left off: exploring Allen's peculiar pleasures.

After making a film about jazz ("Sweet and Lowdown") and a comic caper ("Small Time Crooks," "Jade Scorpion") follows as a homage to the 1940s detective film noire pictures. The movie unfolds as a love letter to all the pieces from that era, borrowing equally from classics like "Double Indemnity" to frighteningly corny B-movies. While this may seem to neglect audiences unfamiliar with such pictures, those moviemakers should still be entertained by Allen's penchant for good scriptwriting.

Allen plays C.W. Briggs, one of the top insurance investigators in 1940s New York. His years of experience cracking cases has evolved into a unique style, not unlike Edward G. Robinson's "Little man" approach in "Double Indemnity." The same, Robinson never had an efficiency expert after him. Helen Hunt ("Cast Away") plays Betty Ann Fitzgerald, whose small-time affair with Briggs's boss, Magruder (Dennis Haysbert), has given her a job and the opportunity to initiate the insurance office into a new line of handling cases. Briggs, who follows the "old way of doing things" naturally resists, both on account of being told to do his job and having those instructions come from a younger, more intelligent woman.

While Briggs and "Fitz" are stopping, a hypochondist at a birthday party discovers an apparently innocuous gag on the two, convincing them that they are in love with each other. The hypnotist, Volten (David Ogden Stiers), uses the love gag as a cover for his plans to steal multiple loads of diamonds, and needs Briggs's insider knowledge to be successful. He leaves both subjects in a state of hypnotic suspension, so that he can command them later on to steal diamonds for him. After the first robbery, Briggs promises to uncover the insurer who pulled the caper, completely unaware he is looking for himself. Having 60 years to reinterpret the classic detective story, Allen has not renounced from putting his own spin on a normally structured narrative. In the 1940s, Barbara Stanwyck and Joan Crawford molded into the American cinema consciousness the notion of the femme fatale—sexy and seemingly innocent ladies who schemed nefarious plans in hopes of deterring the detective.

In Allen's version, the audience is fed Laura Kensington (Charlize Theron in Allen's Advocate), who perfectly imitates the style of a 1940s sex bomb. Allen, however, is not a traditional detective hero; he is the updated version that combines the comic wordplay with a cynical mouth and one-liners. In a way, that helps justify his castings. People who complain that Allen, at 66, is too old to be anyone's love interest, have missed the humor in the situation.

Theron is certainly not seeing Allen's physique as sexy, but her part as pseudo-femme fatale necessitates that she is interested in only what is scandalous. Here is where Allen makes his joke: what is more scandalous than a curvy 20-something taking interest in an old half-wit insurance agent?

It is clear from watching "Jade Scorpion" that Allen must have digested hundreds of old detective movies before starting work on his Barbra Streisand and Joan Crawford melded into the American cinema consciousness the notion of the femme fatale—sexy and seemingly innocent ladies who schemed nefarious plans in hopes of deterring the detective.

One can only guess that screenwriter Brad Kaaya's excessive profundity is a misrepresentative approximation, but such writing completely negates any sort of character depth. The result is the dissipation of the humor in the situation. Allen is able to put out a movie a year, he seems wholly unconcerned if audiences are interested in seeing "The Curse of Jade Scorpion." The public that Allen has left behind seems to be interested in seeing "The Curse of Jade Scorpion," while fans of Allen and classic detective movies should still be entertained by Woody Allen's version that completely version that completely maintains the original play, destroys her character's underlying motives in a meaningless clamor of expletives. Allen's penchant for good scriptwriting should still be entertained by Woody Allen's version that completely maintains the original play, destroys her character's underlying motives in a meaningless clamor of expletives.

Disappointingly, the issue of race is never a driving force in the plot itself. Instead, Nelson changes gears from Spike Lee to David Fincher, forgetting race and delving into the hero's despair and hopelessness. Allen has taken this opportunity to turn all of that on its ear, poking fun at the hero's despair and hopelessness. Allen has taken this opportunity to turn all of that on its ear, poking fun at the hero's despair and hopelessness. Allen has taken this opportunity to turn all of that on its ear, poking fun at the hero's despair and hopelessness. Allen has taken this opportunity to turn all of that on its ear, poking fun at the hero's despair and hopelessness.

For a man his age, which is exciting and disturbing. Allen's 33rd film.

MOVIE REVIEW

Shakespeare runs circles around teenage '00

By MAROJO BIRD
Scene Movie Critic

The proliferation of remakes, remusings, reimaginings and recylings seems to testify to the lack of ingenuity within Hollywood. "0," a modern-day retelling of Shakespeare's timeless tragedy "Othello," is but the latest in a long line of cinematic attempts to instill culture in moviegoers by spoon-feeding sugar-coated literature.

Mekhi Phifer ("I Still Know What You Did Last Summer") headlines the title character, Diou "O" James, the only black student at an elite prep school in the southern U.S. As the point guard and off-the-court leader of the school's nationally ranked basketball team, O has won the hearts of the entire school, including the Dean's daughter, Desi (Julia Stiles, "Save the Last Dance"). And the fiery Coach Duke (Martin Sheen, TV's "The West Wing"). While O and Desi enjoy feisty romances, the narrative follows Josh Hartnett ("Pearl Harbor") as Coach Duke's introverted son, Henry. Their jealousy towards O unleashes a catastrophic string of events.

The cast ensemble performs fairly. Sheen is alternately within their respective characters, but stop short of metaphoric.

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US OPEN
Sampras defeats Agassi, advances to semis

NEW YORK
Full house. Marquee matchup. U.S. Open. And Pete Sampras played like a champ. Taking no prisoners, he stepped up in step with his remarkable resurgence, 6-7 (7), 7-6 (2), 7-6 (5) in a quarterfinal thriller Wednesday night. The magnificent match lived up to the sort of hype only New York can generate, with both players at the top of their game for 3 1/2 hours and the difference between them not more than a hair's breadth.

In the end Sampras' serve was more reliable, although his composure too cool. When Agassi hit a forehand into the net on match point, Sampras raised his arms in triumph. The two champions met at the net, a handshake and warm words to each other.

"I never felt it," Agassi told Sampras.

Sampras entered the Open with the No. 10 seeding, his lowest since winning the first 13 Grand Slam championships in 1990. Now he's two victories from his fifth title.

On Saturday, Sampras plays a fellow American in 3-seeded Marat Safin — for the third round in a row. It's a contest of last year's final, which Safin won in 15, against a slide into the slump from which he has just now emerged.

The president's box overflowed with family. VPs included Agassi's shy girlfriend, Steffi Graf, who perched from around the corner of a suite. Even a wave couldn't taint the occasion.

There hadn't been a show-down like it in 17 years. Sampras and Agassi have won a combined 20 major titles, the most respresented by any Grand Slam men's match since Roger Federer-Stanislas Wawrinka — holders of 22 titles — played in the 1996 Open quarterfinals.

Sampras ended a three-match losing streak in the rivalry and extended his edge over Agassi to 18-14, including 3-0 in the Open. But the victory didn't deter.

Both players dominated on their serve. Sampras served aces and erased three break points. Agassi hit 18 aces and erased six break points.

"You've got to do more than hold your serve, I guess," Agassi said. During one stretch of 22 games without a break, four of his serves were wide. VPs included Agassi's shy girlfriend, Steffi Graf, who perched from around the corner of a suite. Even a wave couldn't taint the occasion.

Again the rivals went to 6-6.

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Pete, tired, sweeping the final four points of the tiebreaker. When he yanked a volley out of reach, he screamed again and threw an uppercut as he walked to his chair.

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They pushed on to the first tiebreaker. Sampras held three games, Agassi saved them all with a forehand winner, a serve winner and a sublime folding pass shot.

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V. Williams, Capriati to meet in semifinals

Associated Press

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Venus Williams and Jennifer Capriati set up a U.S. Open semifinal showdown with victories that were neither nuanced nor particularly pretty.

Not a whole lot went right for Williams on Wednesday — the 43 unforced errors, the 48 percent of first serves that missed the mark, the eight double-faults.

Just enough did go the defending champion’s way, though, to add up to a 6-3, 6-4 victory over the seeded Serena. Williams didn’t limit hers, but wound up serving for the first set. She missed a few easy shots, too.

But, in general, a win is a win. "I'm hoping to be in the final — 8 o'clock sharp at the dance," said Clijsters, cheered on from courtside by boyfriend Lleyton Hewitt, who beat Tommy Haas in four sets earlier Wednesday to reach the quarterfinals.

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Rodriguez ends season early

**I-Rod opts for knee surgery**

Associated Press

ARLINGTON, Texas

For the second straight year, the Texas Rangers will be without catcher Ivan Rodriguez.

Rodriguez’s other option was rest and medication with hope that the patella tendon inflammation would subside.

"I feel that having the surgery now is the best way for me to prepare for the next six or seven years of my major league career," Rodriguez said. "I look forward to coming back strong next season."

Rodriguez finished the season with a .298 average, 25 home runs and 65 RBIs in 113 games. "It was strictly Pudge’s call based on information from the doctor," Rangers general manager Doug Melvin said. Rodriguez hasn’t played since he was scratched from the lineup Friday after Dr. Charles Moord said there was something he saw in the left knee from the earlier test. Another MRI revealed chronic patellar tendinitis — inflammation of the tendon that connects the kneecap to the leg.

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Melvin and owner Tom Hicks have put off talks on an offer Yashin the long-term deal that will open some eyes.

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There was some funky stuff that had to be done, but we were able to secure insurance for the length of the contract,” Melvin said. "We had to do a few things and Alexei and [agent] Mark Gandler [had] to do a few things, and we all agreed to do so.”

Yashin, who spent eight seasons with Ottawa, was happy to become part of the Islanders organization. "It is great, but at the same time there is a lot of responsibility," Yashin said. "I’m comfortable [with the contract]."

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**MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL**

Yashin signs for $87.5 million

**EAST MEADOW, N.Y.**

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Giambi streak hits 11, A's double up Orioles

Associated Press

OAKLAND, Calif. Jason Giambi extended his hitting streak to 11 games with a three-run home run as the Baltimore Orioles fell to the Oakland Athletics 12-6 for their fourth straight win.

Terreance Long added a solo home run and an RBI single and Cory Lidle (3-6) allowed two runs and six hits in seven innings.

Orioles, which began the day with a 9 1/2-game lead in the AL East card race, has won 10 of 11.

Baltimore has lost five straight and 13 of 15. Eliminated Monday from playoff contention, the Orioles are already assured of their fourth straight losing season.

Giambi was in the lineup as designated hitter for the A's after Sunday's 8-7 victory over the Angels with a left thumb hamstring. But he had walked three times Sunday against the Angels' pitching streak alive.

He extended the streak against two-run hitter Bob Calvino (3-5) in the fourth, the A's first lead of the game.

Giambi scored his brother, Joe, who singled in the fifth with a groundout. Giambi then homered, and the A's went on to score five runs in their last five at-bats.

Twins 12, Rangers 2

David Ortiz homered twice and Christian Guzman got four of Minnesota's 20 hits as the Twins trounced the Texas Rangers 12-2.

Guzman homered and tripled, Ortiz drove in three runs and Jacque Jones homered as the Twins tied their season high for hits.

Minnesota collected six more games of Cleveland in the AL Central.

The Rangers learned before the game that All-Star catcher Ivan Rodriguez will be out for the rest of the season with a knee injury that will require surgery next week.

Joe Mays (14-13) gave up two runs on six hits in seven games of division-leading Cleveland in the AL Central.

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NFL

League makes offer to officials

Associated Press

Paul Tagliabue said the NFL didn’t want to start the season without a contract, which would allow officials to walk off the field at any time.

Last week’s final exhibitions were worked with replacements, most from college or the Arena League, and there were no major gaffes. But the league clearly was concerned that once the games counted, small mistakes would be magnified.

“We hope the membership will consider it and respond favorably.”

Greg Aiello
NFL spokesman

morning, when the league put its new offer on the table. Over the long term, however, the two sides remain 50-55 percent apart.

The latest development leaves the NFL with two plans, one of which must be implemented by Thursday. One has a slate of regular officials scheduled for the 15 games on opening week; the other has crews of replacements, augmented by NFL supervisors, ready to get to the games.

Regardless of who works them, the replacement officials have been guaranteed four games at $2,000 per game.

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Brees named backup

Associated Press

SAN DIEGO

To no one’s surprise, Drew Brees will be the San Diego Chargers’ No. 2 quarterback behind Doug Flutie.

Brees, who led Purdue to the Rose Bowl last season, beat out former CFL star Dave Dickenson even though he missed the first 19 practices of training camp in a contract holdout.

“We just made that determination based on all the preseason stuff,” coach Mike Riley said Wednesday.

The Chargers, an NFL-worst 1-15 last season, open at home against the Washington Redskins on Sunday.

Brees was 42-of-71 for 481 yards and two touchdowns in three exhibition games. Dickenson played in only two of the four exhibition games, and was 20-of-38 for 219 yards and one TD.

He also threw an interception, San Diego’s only turnover.

“I guess it feels good to know my role now, officially,” Brees said, the first pick in the second round of April’s draft. “I think it’s no different from the preparation aspect. I’m still going to go prepare as if I have to go in there and play the whole game.”

Brees said he wasn’t surprised he got the backup job even though he missed so many practices.

“I just kind of had to get it going a little bit faster,” Brees said. “I couldn’t take my time and learn it bit by bit. There were times where I’d come out to practice and I was just in a fog — you know, ‘Wait, what was that again?’ I’d get certain plays mixed up with others.

“I think it’s pretty much come together, but we keep installing new things and you’ve always got to keep up to task.”

Dickenson spent the last four seasons with the Calgary Stampeders.

“I’m going to try to stay into it and be ready to go if I get the call,” Dickenson said. “Drew’s a good player and he played well in the preseason. I’m happy to make the team. I’ll just try to keep working to improve myself.”

Also Wednesday, the Chargers said defensive coordinator Joe Pascale had another back operation and that it’s doubtful he will be at Sunday’s game.

Former Stanford quarterback Todd Husak worked after practice, but the team didn’t say what the purpose was.

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Williams leads Cardinals in 2-0 win against Padres

Associated Press

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Woody Williams threw a perfect game for seven innings, then left with two outs in the seventh as the San Diego Padres defeated the St. Louis Cardinals 2-0 Wednesday night for a three-game sweep.

Williams didn't allow a runner until rookie D'Angelo Jimenez led off with a double in the seventh. Jimenez tried to stretch it into a double and was thrown out at first by center fielder Jim Edmonds.

Williams (12-9), traded by the Padres to the Cardinals on Aug. 2 for outfielder Ray Lankford, picked a career-high two-batter and faced the minimum 27 batters.

The right-hander struck out six and walked none in his second career shutout and eighth complete game.

Williams, who gave up a single to pinch hitter Ben Davis in the first inning, walked out of a bases-loaded jam in the third. The second time this season the Padres have held him hitless, the left-handed hitter had just nine hits and one run in the three-game series.

Mark McGwire and rookie Albert Pujols homered for the Cardinals.

On Sunday night, the New York Yankees' Mike Mussina threw a complete game in his last start, winning 3-1 at Los Angeles on Friday.

On Monday night, Smith hit his 50th home run for the first time in his 14-year career. The 20-year-old pitcher was thrown out by starter Mike Mussina, who struck him out on a fly to center field.

The Cardinals had nine hits and scored four runs to lead the Cubs. They scored three runs in the first inning, walked him in the third and got him on a fly to center in the fifth. Craig Counsell matched his career-high for four hits and scored four runs to lead the Cardinals in the first inning, hitting a two-run home run off the sixth and Brian Jordan.

Ricky Henderson scored on a one-out single for his 1,000th hit as the Montreal Expos beat the San Diego Padres 7-2.

The Padres began the night with a slim lead.

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Diamondbacks 7, Giants 2

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Not only have they lost at night, they have frequently been crushed after the sun went down.

Davie’s three worst losses of his career have all come at night including last year’s 41-9 Fiesta Bowl loss.

Although he hasn’t had much success at night in the past, Davie doesn’t think the late start will make a huge difference in Saturday’s outcome.

"...in the end, I’ve been in a lot of big games at night and in the afternoon, and I don’t think it’s going to make a whole lot of difference," Davie said. "We’ve got a pretty mature football team that’s played some night games, and I don’t think that’s going to be much different in the end."

Getting ready for the game is a different concern for Davie, however. The usual pregame routine and meal schedule is changed when kickoff is pushed back to 7 p.m.

To simulate the mental preparation needed for a later game, Davie has held several later scrimmages.

"We tried to have a game plan for the scrimmage days just like a game day would be," he said.

Killing the time from waking up to kickoff will be one of the toughest things for both teams, according to Cornhuskers’ quarterback Eric Crouch.

"Obviously the day of the game you want to be thinking about the game as much as possible. I am used to playing at 12 or 12:30," he said.

"There is a lot of dead space in there. The best thing you can do is focus on Notre Dame and know your assignments," Irish players have similar plans for Saturday afternoon. Anthony Weaver plans to watch some college football while Harrison will call his father for some last minute advice.

But he is going to keep the call brief.

"I’ll definitely call home and talk to my dad a little," Harrison said. "But just for a little bit because it will get a little too deep. He’ll get too into it and he will get me all excited."

Overall, however, the Irish aren’t concerned about playing under the lights or under the sun.

"People forget that we played Rutgers at night too," Weaver said about Rutgers game played mostly after dark last year. The Irish won 40-17.

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Javin Hunter grabs a pass during practice earlier this fall. The Irish, who will open their season at night, have suffered their three worst losses under Davie during night games.
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threatening to suspend the match, Dasso rolled over Mejia, 6-1, 6-2. It was a monumental win for Dasso, who had gotten knocked out of the singles tournament in the first round all three previous years.

"After that first win, that took a lot of the pressure off," she said. "It was a great feeling to get a win. I was feeling the pressure a lot — and it was kinda hard not because of the history."

Dasso and Varnum also won their first-round doubles match the next day, and Dasso won her second-round singles match 5-7, 6-3, 6-0. But rain forced Dasso’s to play both her second-round singles and second-round doubles matches on the same day, something she felt was the reason why Dasso and Varnum lost to an Ohio State tandem they’d already beaten twice earlier in the season.

"Becky and I were much better than that," she said. "On that day we weren’t playing well, and I was pretty exhausted."

"Michelle had a tough, three-set singles match earlier in the day," Louderback said. "She played a lot of tennis. By the time we played that doubles, she played well, but she was physically worn out."

Dasso was playing all by herself. After knocking off Washington’s Kristina Krizanowski in a close 6-7(7-3), 7-6(7-1), 6-4 match, she faced Ohio State’s Kristy Dascoli for a spot in the semifinals. Dascoli and her teammate Monica Rincon ended Dasso and Varnum’s run the day before, but in their second meeting, Dasso edged Dascoli 6-3, 3-6, 7-5. In fact, at one point in the third set, Dascoli was just two points from winning the match.

"She just gutted those matches out," said Louderback. "She had a tough draw. She beat four in three sets a player from Washington who had beaten her earlier in the season. She played Dascoli, who was on a roll. She was down in both of them, and just didn’t give up."

Despite the tough matches, Dasso firmly believed she had the talent to win it all.

"Anything can happen on any given day," she said. "But it wasn’t Dasso’s day to make anything happen. In her semifinal matchup against the defending champion, Stanford’s Laura Granville, Dasso made several sloppy errors and couldn’t finish points as Granville won, 6-2, 6-3."

"Michelle played well in the match," said Louderback. "She just didn’t finish the points off."

"Granville doesn’t make any errors," Dasso said. "What it came down to is that I made a lot more unforced errors."

After the tournament, Dasso was named National Senior Player of the Year, but like most of the individual awards she earned, she merely dismissed the honor.
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Michelle Dasso makes semifinals at NCAA championships

Editor's note: After the most successful spring sports season in Notre Dame history, The Observer recap's what happened after the spring academic semester ended.

By ANDREW SOUKUP Associate Sports Editor

It was rather ironic that Michelle Dasso advanced as far as she did in the singles tournament at the 2001 NCAA Outdoor Tennis Championships. The team effort she said was responsible for Notre Dame's success ended in the Sweet Sixteen. Becky Varnum, the doubles partner she praised time and time again, was left watching her partner advance through the NCAA tournament after Varnum and Dasso lost in the second round of the doubles tournament.

And so Dasso — the staunchest supporter of the team-first mentality — found herself advancing through NCAA finals by herself.

But it wasn't easy. She had to play two matches in one day. Twice, she found herself trailing in the deciding third set. And as if her competition wasn't challenging enough, she found herself battling torrential downpours that suspended play.

Then again, Dasso's never been one to back down from a challenge. "She's tough on the court as we don't have much depth at that position," head coach Julie Louderback said. After the Belles had established a 13-11 lead, Albion again made an extended run surprising to take a 22-14 advantage. Saint Mary's failed to counter and dropped the game 30-19.

Looking to tie the match up in five, Saint Mary's again jumped out to a quick lead, taking a 10-4 lead. Albion recovered quickly. The Bulldogs went on a tear, winning 12 straight points, turning a six point deficit into a six point lead. Saint Mary's could muster little else after the decisive blow, eventually falling 30-18.

By MIKE MOONEY Sports Writer

The Saint Mary's volleyball team lost one of its few seniors to injury and its conference opener to Albion Wednesday night at Angela Athletic Facility. In the third game of Albion's four game win, senior middle blocker Jolie LeBeau landed on the foot of one Albion's players and wrenched her ankle.

"She's tough on the court as we don't have much depth at that position," head coach Julie Louderback said after the game. After LeBeau's injury, the Belles hit a hot streak to win their only game of the match. Trailing 27-23 when LeBeau went down, the Belles won eight of the last nine points to win the game 30-28. Freshman Angie Osinski delivered big serves and captain Angela Meyes coming through with timely kills, as the Belles won five straight points to take the game.

The game three win brought the Belles within one game of Albion before the Bulldogs won game four 30-18 to win the match.

In every game the Belles lost they jumped out to early leads only to allow the Bulldogs to make late runs to win. In the first game, they quickly jumped out to a 7-2 lead. After expanding the margin to 18-12, Albion began to show some life. They slowly and methodically trimmed the lead, getting back into the game. By winning nine of the last 12 points, Albion won the game 30-26.

Long rallies dominated game two.

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When the lights go out, the Irish nightmares begin.

Since Bob Davie became head coach in 1997, Notre Dame is only 1-6 in night games. With kickoff set for 7:07 p.m. Saturday in Lincoln, Neb. the Irish must change their nighttime fortune or face another long night.

But Irish players said they relish the chance to play at night, regardless of past success or failure.

"I think the night atmosphere is going to be great. I remember the Tennessee game in 1999 and the atmosphere was great," linebacker Tyree Harrison said. "Things went the way they went in the game but I wouldn't say they wouldn't go that way if it was a day game. I would say there is an extra bit of excitement just to play at night. It's like back in high school when everyone was a superstar."

The Irish have been far from superstars at night.

Michelle Dasso returns a serve during the Big East Championship in Coral Gables, Fla. last April. Dasso advanced to the semifinals in the NCAA singles tournament.