Senate passes resolution in support of bike program

By MEGHANNE DOWNES
Assistant News Editor

Senators approved a three-resolution package that would enhance the bike program, establish a sexual assault awareness program and ban the rugby club.

The resolution to enhance the bike program was sponsored by Dave Brenner, Dillon Hall senior and sophomore class treasurer. The resolution said the program will provide students with refurbished low-cost bikes and ask for a donation of $10. The resolution said the program will begin next spring and students may rent a bike from a designated bike rack.

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By TERESA FRAILISH
Assistant News Editor

The house at 521 South St. Joseph Street looks much like any other Wednesday student house. In many ways, Notre Dame seniors Sally Wasmuth and Lauran Sturm, who live in num-

The residents of the Dismas House gather in prayer before their evening meal.
Inside Column

Family ties keep spirit alive

While I celebrate the success of the Notre Dame football team, I have another team to cheer on this year. Making strides this year is Scecina Memorial High School's football team, which just happened to be my alma mater.

Scecina, a small Catholic school in Indianapolis, was not expected to do much of anything this year. However, they have continued to surprise their competition. Beating much larger schools has made the small school from the city has made it to the semistate game. This Saturday Scecina takes on Southridge and it is only two victories away from a state championship.

No, I'm not one of those people obsessed with the "good of high school days" but having a sister who is currently a sophomore at Scecina has allowed me to keep a link alive. This link to my high school has drastically changed since I graduated, but it has maintained itself through my sister. This is especially true in regards to thefootball team since my sister Susan is a cheerleader, ensuring that I have to make it to at least one game. This is so I can both cheer on and be her.

Believe me if you ever had to see her struggle to do a push up after the team scores, then you would make fun of her too.

But as she strives to balance homework, cheerleading, choir, student government and what seems like a million other things it is fun for me to be able to share my experiences and wisdom (yes I am very wise) with my sister. Imparting knowledge about which teachers to avoid, especially the ones who charge you a dollar for having your shirt untucked, (remember this is a Catholic school with uniforms) and that a lunch should be packed every day, because hot lunches from the cafeteria can be a little shady (as in unidentifiable).

Being the older sister I've never had to deal with being associated or compared to a sibling, as I got to be the first to have the new experiences, but for my sister this has not been true. Especially annoying to her is when she is accidentally called by my name in class. It's not even like my sister and I look a lot alike, she's four inches taller than me, with dark hair and eyes, basically the complete opposite of me.

One time when we were eating dinner did while I attended Scecina was a success from both of us turned on me and my sister and her classmates experience the ups and downs of high school I can only hope that this weekend gives Scecina students, present and past, lasting memories.

Good luck Scecina Crusaders!

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Saint Mary's Editor

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SMC holds fair to promote study abroad opportunities

By KATE DOOLEY
News Writer

The Center for Women's Intercultural Studies will be hosting a study-abroad fair today to highlight expanded international programs and services on Saint Mary's campus.

The fair will feature information on both current and new abroad programs. Financial aid advisors and academic counselors will be available to show students that they can afford studying abroad and fit it in their schedule.

Saint Mary's college created CWIL in part to emphasize the importance of intercultural experiences for the students.

"President Marilou Elfred has made it clear that increasing the intercultural experience of the Saint Mary's students is an important part of our mission. Thanks to our faculty and CWIL, we are getting the opportunities to make going abroad more accessible to the students," said Elaine Meyer-Lee, director of International and Intercultural Learning.

Meyer-Lee's goals incorporate easier accessibility to financial aid funding and a wider variety of programs to help people get the true immersion experience that they desire.

The new programs begin in the spring of 2003 and applications for these will be available at the fair. The new programs include a Greek summer study tour, a one-credit Haiti spring break course and a Freemantle, Australia exchange program.

Organizations from HDSA-Butler and the Great Lakes College Association will have booths at the fair to give students information on programs that Saint Mary's does not have, in places such as Latin America and Scotland.

"We are making agreements with other programs in order to open more doors for Saint Mary's students to study abroad," Meyer-Lee said.

Current study abroad programs offered at Saint Mary's include Maynooth, Ireland; Seville, Spain; Djon, France; Innsbruck, Austria; Rome, Italy; a European Summer Study Tour and a Semester Around the World program. Students also do service projects abroad through the SURV center.

Many students at Saint Mary's have already benefited from the abroad experience.

"I think it is vital for everyone to have some kind of experience outside of Saint Mary's community," said Katie Sandford, who spent a year in Innsbruck, Austria. "In fact, part of a liberal arts education is being exposed to and aware of things that we do not see in our own community. My experience in Austria really opened my eyes."

Along with the study abroad fair, Meyer-Lee has also started a resource center for abroad program information outside her office on the Saint Mary's College library mezzanine.

"The center is filled with books, advice and information about going abroad," she said. "If you cannot attend the fair, but are interested in finding out more about the old or new programs, the resource center is the place to get information."

The fair will be held today from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Stapleton Lounge.

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ND chemistry professor earns national honor

By HELENA PAYNE
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Notre Dame chemistry professor Dennis Jacobs will be named the U.S. professor of the year for research and doctoral universities by two prominent educational organizations.

"It's a great honor and it's humbling to be thought of," Jacobs said in an interview.

The award, given by the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education (CASSE) and the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, will be presented today at the National Press Club in Washington, D.C.

Since 1988, Jacobs has taught in the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry. Prior to that, he was a professor at Stanford University and the University of California at Irvine.

At Notre Dame, Jacobs developed the Chemistry 331/314 sequence that incorporates cooperative learning with the typically lecture-based introductory chemistry course.

"Chemistry 113 is a much more active course where students use science to confront a problem," Jacobs said.

He also installs cooperative learning into other classes, which prompted senior Erin Carmichael to write one of the letters from Notre Dame to nominate Jacobs for the teaching award.

"He approaches teaching from a lot of different angles so whatever your learning style you can grasp the material," Carmichael said.

Jacobs' latest educational project is Chemistry 331, "Chemistry in Service of Society," where students use science to confront a community problem: lead poisoning.

"Students are building off of and expanding their academic expertise," Jacobs said.

The class, which works with the City of South Bend, Memorial Hospital, local company Greentree and the Center for Social Concerns, involves testing samples of dust, paint and soil collected from local homes.

Jacobs said he wants to continue challenging students to apply their classroom learning to the outside world.

Carmichael, who helped Jacobs form Chemistry 331, said Jacobs' commitment to students is why he deserves to be honored.

"Aside from being a wonderful professor, he really puts the students first," Carmichael said.

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Going to the USC game?

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The Notre Dame Club of LA provides several special events.

Notre Dame Pep Rally
Held on Friday at 7:30 p.m. in the Anaheim Marriott Ballroom. Admission is $5.

Bus Transportation to Game
Visit www.ndusc.com/Schedule.htm or call (626)795-6363 for details.

IrishFest ... Pregame Tailgate Party
The L.A. Club will be hosting a tailgate outside of the Coliseum before the game.

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her interest in the Dismas pro-
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gram. "I hung out for a while (and) I just enjoyed talking to different residents," said Wasmuth. "I kept (Dismas) in the back of my mind."

Sturm happened upon a Dismas flyer at the Center for Social Concerns and said the program seemed like it might be for her. "I thought it sounded really interesting," said Sturm. "I came and visited and sat at dinner and talked to Maria."

Students are a major factor in making Dismas a welcoming and supportive environment, said Kaczmarek. "Student residence really takes it from a halfway house into a supportive environment, said Kaczmarek. "It from a halfway house into


"I was ready to be out of the dorms but I was also ready to live with non-students."

Lauran Sturm
Dismas student participant

In addition to a unique living experience, Wasmuth also cited the opportunity to live with peo-

ple of diverse backgrounds as a key part of her decision to live at Dismas House. "I enjoy living here more because there's more to be learned on a day to day basis," said Wasmuth. "I was also ready to put myself in a different community than what I'd been used to."

Former offenders come to the house through a variety of paths and stay for anywhere between three months to one year, said Kaczmarek. "The average stay is six months. It gives (the former offenders) time to reconnect it gives them time to find a job," she said.

Many residents come to Dismas House through the state system while on parole, but all make a commitment to community living at the home. "You get to meet different people that have different goals and mind-

sets," said Jessie Snowden, one of the home's residents.

Learning from the diversity of backgrounds and experiences is a main part of the Dismas House opportunity, said the students. "It's different then being in a dorm because you're living with people who sometimes are struggling to find jobs," Sturm said. "Sally and I were both a little tired of the pettiness and sometimes the drama about things that really are not dra-

matic."

Along with shared diversity, the Dismas program helps people learn about themselves and break down traditional barriers, said the students. "You have to able to not look at the definition of a criminal or an offender as somebody that's different from yourself," said Wasmuth. "You really do get a better sense of your self," Sturm said. When their time at Dismas House ends, Wasmuth and Sturm said they will carry the lessons they have learned into their experiences after graduation.

"You take with you skills on how to see people at eye level and see people for what they have to say and what they have to teach you," said Wasmuth. Both students intend to continue to make service a part of their lives after they leave Notre Dame.

"I want to do Teach for America or some type of teaching opportunity," said Sturm, who eventually plans on earning a law degree.

Wasmuth said she intends to spend at least the next summer working in New York City with the service program Kids Corporation. "I'm also thinking about going abroad, possibly to Africa," said Wasmuth.

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SMC creates rape prevention program

By JAMIE BELCHER
News Writer

Saint Mary's is bringing a program to campus to help with rape prevention. Rape Aggression Defense (RAD) training has been successful at other colleges and is expected to come to the Saint Mary's campus in the spring.

"It's a good idea because the mentality of a lot of women here is that they don't think they are going to get raped here," said junior Lynda Szanyi, who added it is unfortunate many women do not already know how to protect themselves against an attacker.

But junior Mandy Alexander is one Saint Mary's student who will never fall into that category. Already with 10 years experience of karate under her belt, Alexander thinks the program will be beneficial for women who are not in the position that she is in. "I think it's a good idea for these people that don't have any defense training," said Alexander.

The cost to bring the program to campus next semester is approximately $1,200 and the instructors will come from Notre Dame Security Police.

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Bush challenges NATO to stand firm toward Iraq

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

An al-Qaida operative, Hamid Binalshibh, told interrogators that Moussaoui met with contacts in the United States — but the two men were not confident that Moussaoui could keep a secret, said officials speaking on the condition of anonymity.

Moussaoui, acting as his own lawyer, and a defense team appointed by the judge have asked that Binalshibh be a defense witness. The request is complicated in Moussaoui's case because the government may not want enemy combatants like Binalshibh to reveal sensitive information in courtrooms.

Legal experts said Binalshibh's report-
ed statements posed a threat to the prosecution's stated goal of executing Moussaoui if he's convicted. The experts were less certain about the effect on the guilt or innocence phase without more details about possible Moussaoui knowledge of the Sept. 11 plot. Moussaoui has admitted his loyalty to al-Qaida but has denied a role in the hijackings.

David Bruck, a Columbia, S.C., lawyer who heads a death penalty project for federal public defenders, said the federal death penalty law requires the government to prove a defendant's knowledge or intent to kill — and that victims died as a result of his actions.

President Bush addresses the Prague Atlantic Student Summit Wednesday while attending the two-day NATO summit. Bush urged NATO members to stand firm against Saddam Hussein if the Iraqi leader denies the presence of weapons of mass destruction.

The Bush administration has quietly contacted 50 countries, including Canada, Britain and Germany, to solicit contributions of troops and war material in the event Bush decides to use force, a senior administration official said Wednesday.

Saddam has until Dec. 8 to give the United Nations an accounting of his weapons of mass destruction, or the Iraq had a "short time" to come clean.

White House communications director Dan Bartlett refused to be pinned down on whether the United States intends to use any Dec. 8 Iraq declaration it deems deceitful as automatic grounds for war.

"It's a huge hypothetical," Bartlett said. "We'll wait and see.

NATO Secretary-General Lord Robertson predicted, "There will be total unity of the heads of state and governments on support for the U.N. Security Council resolution."

Prisoner says 20th hijacker only played backup role in attacks

Associated Press

A day before the formal NATO vote, Bush endorsed plans to usher seven former communist nations into the fold — Bulgaria, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia. And he set his call for greater expansion.

"We strongly support the membership of NATO, whether it be the future," the president said.

As leaders gathered in the medieval city of cathedral spires, Bush used the centerpiece address of his five-day European trip to press them to "take up global responsibilities or choose to live in isolation from the challenges of our time."

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Robert Battista, a 1961 graduate of Notre Dame, has been confirmed as chairman of the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB).

Nominated for the position by President Bush on Oct. 4, Battista was confirmed by the U.S. Senate last week. His term extends until Dec. 16, 2007.

"Battista is a renowned employment lawyer of the highest skill, experience and integrity," Robert Hunter, a former member of the NLRB and current director of labor policy for the Mackinac Center for Public Policy, wrote in an editorial. "We can expect to see great advancement in employee protections under his mature and balanced leadership. The president could not have made a wiser choice in appointing Battista."

The NLRB is an independent federal agency created to investigate and remedy unfair labor practices by employers and unions. It was created by Congress in 1935 to administer the National Labor Relations Act, the primary law governing relations between unions and employers in the private sector. The NLRB implements the national labor policy of assuring free choice and encouraging collective bargaining as a means of maintaining industrial peace.

A graduate of the University of Michigan Law School, Battista has practiced with the Detroit law firm Butzel Long since 1965. From 1985 to 1992, he was manager of the firm's Labor and Employment Law Group. He is a member of the Michigan advisory committee of the American Arbitration Association, a fellow of the College of Labor and Employment Lawyers, and a member of the Michigan Employment Relations Commission's advisory committee.

Staley, senator from Sorin College, said reviewers of the records would not know how to correctly interpret them. Jesse Norman, senator from O'Neill Hall, referred to the Attendance Policy Amendment and said it was each committee chair's discretion to mark an absence and these records should be made public.

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**IN BRIEF**

Oct. housing construction plunges

Housing construction lost momentum in October, plunging by 11.4 percent, the biggest drop since 1994. But even with the sharp decline — which came after the level of housing construction shot up to a 16-year high in September — the number of housing units for which builders broke ground in October was still considered to be in the healthy zone.

Builders began work on 1.6 million housing units, at a seasonally adjusted annual rate, representing a 11.4 percent decline in October from the previous month, the Commerce Department reported Wednesday. While October’s housing activity level was weaker than analysts were expecting, economists predicted September’s red-hot pace could not be sustained. Housing construction jumped by 11 percent in September to a rate of 1.81 million units. the highest level since 1992.

EchoStar, NBC settle legal problems

EchoStar Communications Corp. and NBC have settled litigation over whether the satellite television company can broadcast local NBC channels from one city to another. Details of the settlement, which was announced Wednesday, were not disclosed.

This is the second such move by the satellite TV company following a lengthy court battle. EchoStar settled with CBS in April. An EchoStar spokesman declined to comment on litigation with CNN and Fox.

The networks sued EchoStar in 1998 in Miami over the broadcast of distant network channels and accused EchoStar of copyright infringement.

They have argued that EchoStar should broadcast programming only from affiliates in each customer’s viewing area. EchoStar contends that barring viewers from receiving distant network channels violates free-speech rights.

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**United union yields concessions**

**Machinists for United Airlines approve cutbacks**

**Associated Press**

The union representing 37,500 United Airlines machinists Tuesday agreed Wednesday to $1.5 billion in wage and benefit concessions, giving United an important boost in its bid to stave off bankruptcy.

The machinists were the only employee group not to have committed a share of $5.8 billion in labor cutbacks over 5 1/2 years — the centerpiece of United’s financial recovery plan.

The financially ailing carrier hopes the cuts are steep enough to persuade the government to grant a $1.8 billion loan guarantee. United says it needs to avoid filing for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection before year’s end.

The machinists, baggage handlers, reservations employees and other workers represented by the IAM will vote Nov. 27 on the agreement.

Union leaders said they agreed to the cutbacks to help prevent a bankruptcy filing.

"Too many airlines have been forced into bankruptcy, never to return," said Randy Canale, president of IAM District 141, one of two districts involved in the agreement. "This is not the end of our problems, but we still believe our greatest days lie before us.

It remains highly uncertain whether United’s austerity plan will be enough to convince the Air Transportation Stabilization Board. United’s airline is back on course toward profitability, justifying a hefty loan guarantee.

Despite the unprecedented labor concessions and reductions, some analysts say the actions won’t solve the problem of declining airline revenues and are too little, too late to prevent United from having to take its restructuring plan into bankruptcy court.

But investors are increasingly hopeful, sending United’s stock soaring in after-hours trading following the late-afternoon announcement. After closing down 23 cents at $3.10 in regular trading on the New York Stock Exchange, shares in parent company UAL Corp. sold 22 percent higher in post-session activity, gaining 70 cents.

"This agreement offers further compelling evidence of United’s ability to transform itself through collaboration among all work groups," said Glenn Triton, who took over in September as United’s chairman and CEO. "The fact that all six union groups have reached tentative agreements is evidence of a new attitude and commitment which can translate into a competitive advantage for United Airlines."

United’s 8,800 pilots already have ratified $2.2 billion in cutbacks, and its flight attendants are voting on a tentative agreement for $412 million in wage reductions, with results to be announced next week. Salaried and management employees will contribute another $1.3 billion in labor savings, with United’s top executives expected to provide the rest.

United is losing more than $7 million a day and has said it is preparing for the possibility of a bankruptcy filing if it doesn’t receive the loan guarantee, although it has pledged to keep flying its normal daily schedule regardless.

The airline faces a $175 million debt payment on Dec. 2 that poses a stiff test of its dwindling cash reserves, and is working to arrange bankruptcy financing.

Scotty Ford, president of the machinists’ District 141-M, said the unions had to act.

"United Airlines is struggling to overcome the combined effects of 9-11 and an unrelenting worldwide travel recession," Ford said. "We tried to balance United’s urgent need to avoid bankruptcy with our members’ needs for job security and proper compensation for the vital services they provide United Airlines."

Details of the changes to pay and vacation accrual were being posted on union Web sites.

Boeing announces 5,000 more job cuts

**Associated Press**

Boeing Co. expects to eliminate 5,000 more jobs next year in addition to the nearly 30,000 cuts the company made since the 2001 terrorist attacks, the company said Wednesday. It said cuts in all four sections of the attack in Paris and Saudi Arabia.

By the end of 2003, the Renton, Wash.-based commercial planes division expects to have a work force of 68,000, from its current 62,000, spokesman Bill Cogswell said. The first layoff notices will go out on Friday, and take effect on Jan. 24, he said.

"We believe the employment reductions will impact all of our areas, all of our employees, nonsalaried members and executives across the board," Cogswell said.

For the Machinists union, which lost thousands of workers in the past year and then failed to win stronger job security guarantees, the prospect of more losses hits hard.

"We’ve been cut pretty bare bones," said union president Mark Blondin. "We kind of assumed this was leveling out right now."

The company has spent the last few weeks trying to determine how many people it will need in the coming year to match employment with production levels, Cogswell said. The company expects to deliver between 275 and 285 jets in 2003, down from the 380 expected for this year.
Los Alamos property missing

ASSOCIATED PRESS

A memo released by whistleblowers at Los Alamos National Laboratory says nearly $1.3 million worth of lab-owned items disappeared or were unaccounted for in the lab's computers. The Albuquerque Journal reported Sunday that internal lab documents indicated nearly $3 million worth of lab-owned items disappeared or were reported missing between 1999 and 2001. The newspaper cited a March report from the lab's Office of Security Inquiries.

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The April 10 memo from Thomas M. Palmieri, the lab's chief financial officer, cited "disturbing negative trends regarding Laboratory management of Government property." He said missing property from the budget year 2001 inventory statement was 2.4 percent, nearly triple that of the previous year — and lost or stolen property totaled $333,000.

"We are still trying to account for those items," the memo said.

"Neither the Lab or DOE, can accept $1.3 million in unaccounted property. We must do a better job protecting and accounting for the Government property that we manage for DOE," the memo said.

The memo said corrective action plans were to be developed.

"Our intent is that property management at this institution be a non-issue a year from now," the memo said.

Inventories attached to two of the memos listed missing property including computers, cellular telephones, cameras and capers, as well as more technical equipment.

Steve Aftergood, who coordinates Government Secrecy for the Federation of American Scientists, said any information left on those computers would be useless or incomprehensible to the average user. But it's a different matter if the computers fell into the hands of foreign intelligence personnel, Aftergood said.

If nothing else, Aftergood said, the situation "illuminates a serious flaw in the security procedures at the lab — and if this particular incident did not pose a threat, it suggests that a future incident could well do so, unless the defects are corrected."

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HUNTSVILLE, Texas

A 66-year-old convicted killer was executed in Texas since the end of the death penalty era, and he was the oldest inmate Texas has put to death — as he bitterly professed his innocence on the gurney before the drugs stopped him mid-sentence.

William Wesley Chappell angrily insisted he should have had additional DNA tests on evidence and suggested others were responsible for the fatal shoot­ings of three people in a revenge spree.

"My request to you is to get yourself in church and pray to God he for­gives you because you are mur­dering me," Chappell said. He also denied molesting a 3-year­old child that authorities said he convicted of indecency with a child for molesting his 3-year­old daughter.

A year before the killings, Chappell was convicted of indecency with a child for molesting his 3-year­old daughter.

"It's over and done with," Chappell said after watching Chappell die. "There's no more chance of appeals. There's no more change of anything. There's no change of anything getting thrown out on a technicali­ty, which happened to us before.

In Missouri, William R. Jones was executed earlier this week in killing Stanley Albert, a man he met at a Kansas City park frequented by gay men. Prosecutors said Jones plotted the killing after dating Albert and deciding he wanted his Camarо killed. Jones shot Albert five times and dumped the body near a nature center. The defense contested Jones shot Albert in self-defense after the man made unwanted sexual advances.

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"There's no way they can assure us those computers didn't have classified informa­tion on them," said Stockton, who was a special assistant to Energy Secretary Bill Richardson and now New Mexico's governor-elect — in the Clinton administration.

The inventory of missing items also included two print­ing devices whose custody was listed as "what happened to us before."

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WASHINGTON

The 107th Congress began fading into the history books Wednesday, its legacy including a colossal agency to gird the nation against terrorism, new curbs on corporate behavior and campaign spending, and deep tax cuts. Even as they addressed some high-profile issues, lawmakers left others languishing.

National energy policy, for example. Both parties concluded there was no public clamor for the politically painful tax increases or spending cuts that would likely be needed.

Republicans ran the House during the 107th's two-year session, while Democrats controlled the Senate since June 2001. That lay the groundwork for gridlock — especially during the run-up to the Nov. 5 congressional elections. Each party blamed the other for obstruction, but leaders agreed more could have been accomplished.

"There's no use trying to fix blame, but the fact of the matter is a lot of important things that needed to be done were not done," Senate Minority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., said Wednesday.

The Senate adjourned Wednesday. The House seemed likely to hold a final session Friday with a skeleton crew voicing approval of legislation, including a bill creating a Homeland Security Department.

It was the last Congress for 99-year-old Sen. Strom Thurmond, R-S.C., and Democrats let him end his record 47-year Senate career by gaveling the chamber into adjournment.

"It's over," he said after banging the gavel to a standing ovation from aides and a handful of colleagues.

Rep. James Traficant, D-Ohio, left his serenely, expelled in July for taking bribes and kickbacks.

That Congress was born just weeks after George W. Bush won the disputed, prolonged 2000 election against Al Gore. Things grew only more topsy-turvy.

A robust economy grew feeble. Record federal surpluses faded into shortfalls. A country born just 47 years ago was staggering by the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001. And as lawmakers left Washington this week, the nation was poised for war with Iraq.

Terror hit lawmakers directly. The Capitol was evacuated the day Washington and New York were attacked. A month later, anthrax was found in letters mailed to the office of Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D. That forced shutdowns of the congressional office complex, disrupted lawmakers' work and produced a sense of vulnerability that still pervades on Capitol Hill.

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"We're certainly in a different place because of 9/11," Daschle said Wednesday.

The response by lawmakers to the terrorist attacks was perhaps their defining activity. Within days, Congress chambered a $40 billion package for developing anti-terrorism and rebuilding New York City and Pentagon. As partisan riffs were ignored.

Lawmakers also approved the use of force by Bush against terrorists, new federal powers for spying and investigating terrorism at home, and billions in loans and grants for financially ailing airlines.

Even as partisan rancor increased this year, a fresh $28.9 billion anti-terror package was enacted, plus a record $355 billion defense measure, billions creating federal terrorism insurance and anti-bioterrorism programs, and a resolution backing military action by Bush against Iraq.

The homeland security agency was also established. But a budget fight between Bush and Congress — including some Republicans — left most spending bills unfinished, freezing in limbo tens of billions extra the president wanted for anti-terrorism, schools and his other priorities.

Clearly, lawmakers will revisit those bills early next year.

The 107th Congress with Republicans narrowly controlling the House and Senate — the latter by Vice President Dick Cheney's tie-breaking vote in a 50-50 chamber. Even so, Bush was in command and by May Congress shipped him his top campaign priority: a $1.35 trillion, 10-year tax cut.

But the arm-twisting cost Vermont Sen. James Jeffords to bolt the GOP and tilt Senate control to Democrats. They will relinquish that in the new Congress, thanks to election losses this month.

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- How good is this team? Eight or nine of their starters should be in NFL GameDay next year. The 'Canes may have the toughest schedule in football, with games against Florida, Tennessee, Virginia Tech and the Florida State Seminoles. About the only quality teams not on their schedule are in the NFL.

- New Mexico can put the 2000 NCAA champs right back at the top. Which means almost as much to this Sooners team as beating their heated rival, the Nebraska Cornhuskers.

- With the Buffs defending their Big 12 crown using the wishbone? The flexbone! The full house! Only the coach controlling the playbook knows for sure.

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SPAIN

Winds hamper oil clean-up

Associated Press

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Winds reaching 60 mph and high waves hindered shoreline cleanup and seafood farmers scrambled to salvage the catch, muscles and clam harvest Wednesday, a day after the tanker Prestige and its cargo of fuel oil sank off Spain.

Yet the high winds, which pushed waves to 26 feet, helped break up a large oil slick off Portugal as Spanish authorities worried the storm was shoving a second fuel oil slick closer to the coast.

Seeking to ease fears of an Exxon Valdez-style catastrophe, Spain’s Interior Ministry said no fuel had spilled since the single-hulled vessel broke apart and sank about 150 miles off the Spanish coast Tuesday, six days after it raptured in a storm. Officials said they hoped the oil would solidify in the water and said officials don’t know whether we have passed the threshold of this crisis.

Jaume Matas
Spanish environmental minister

“The accident has hit us very hard,” said Francisco Gomez, a 41-year-old fisherman in the village of Cosme. “The consequences are going to last a long time, at least two years.”

Luis Ferreira, 42, was pessimistic and recalled that the people of Galicia have a long history of emigration, often to Latin America. “If the situation does not change we will have to pack our bags, just like our ancestors did.”

He accused the government of understating the amount of oil in the water and said officials don’t know the sea. “They only go there on vacation,” he said.

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Troops start to leave Afghanistan region

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SYDNEY
Australia will begin withdrawing its 150 commandos from Afghanistan this month, but defense officials have already drawn up plans for a possible deployment to Iraq.

Prime Minister John Howard said Wednesday.

Australia has not yet decided whether to send the troops, but Howard said commanders were readying contingency plans in a speech to a group of economists.

“Most will return to Australia before Christmas, allowing them to celebrate the holiday season with their families,” Howard said Wednesday.

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Chris Wodehous, a special forces officer in Afghanistan, said commanders were already drawing its operations shifts to reconstrucion and building institutions.

The prime minister said that Australian defense officials had already held contingency talks with their U.S. counterparts over a possible strike against Baghdad.

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It was four weeks ago that I met Danny J. Being homeless, he spent the time we shared over coffee at McDonald’s telling me about St. Mungo’s, the place he hoped to stay that night.

Even though he couldn’t say where the shelter was, a night shelter at St. Mungo’s cost $20, and he was walking the streets asking for change. He was shady, but I was humbled the next day to find a website on St. Mungo’s—London’s largest homeless agency. I resolved to visit the place that gives 1,200 people like DJ a place to sleep at night.

On Halloween night, I rode on one of the big red buses to the London neighborhood. I passed trick-or-treaters dressed as dead soccer players, ghosts and she-devils who asked me for candy and found the sign: “St. Mungo’s Central Office.”

The neighborhood street was quiet, but the work that takes place within is earthshaking.

St. Mungo’s leads London’s services for people who are homeless and vulnerable. Their 11 hostels offer food for the body and companionship for the soul. Forty-five supported-housing schemes support tenants who are expected to cook, clean and shop for themselves, while staff members visit regularly to help with practical matters. One hundred fifty-six residents with serious mental and physical health problems stay in locally-funded high-care homes. Resettlement and community support teams help people integrate into their own Data. Skills training, Employment and Placement Services teams provide the employment skills needed to reenter the labor force.

St. Mungo’s comforts the wounds of homelessness. However, more is needed to alter the factors that cause homelessness. The solution for many is what’s known as the Big Issue.

To some, the Big Issue is their means to a revitalized lifestyle. To others, the Big Issue is a source of current perspectives on politics, business trends and new films.

The Big Issue is a magazine that the homeless can sell for profit. They sign a professional code of conduct and form a sales pitch to become vendors. I first talked to a vendor when wandering home from a museum after an art history class. A clean-shaven man in a flannel shirt with a badge around his neck was standing on a street corner and holding out an issue. He appreciated the magazine, saying, “It puts a little money in my pocket.” He had bought each issue at 40 pence to be sold at £1.20 for a 65 percent commission.

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The Big Issue in London is similar to the Big Issue. One called StreetWise is based on South Michigan Avenue in Chicago. Graduates, who often note the lack of passionate faith after Notre Dame, can keep their souls engaged by putting their various skills to the test with StreetWise’s larger Volunteer Network.

Feed the homeless at a shelter like St. Mungo’s or teach them job skills with the Big Issue show two types of service. Direct service comforts the pains from social problems, with activities such as food drives for the hungry. Conversely, social action addresses the core causes of those problems, by educating disadvantaged children. For example, acting with these two feet of service is the mission of the CSC service-learning seminars, and both bring out the thrill of being alive.

With our Notre Dame background, we will have the great power to directly comfort people like DJ or to be philanthropic greats like Gordon Roddick. Recognize your divinity, for you are God’s answer to someone’s prayer. So, what will you do?

Andrew DeBerry
ND Going Global

Walk with two feet of service

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Service is the rent that you pay for room on this earth." — Shirley Chisholm

Shirley Chisholm
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Proposed ban on homosexual priests will create, not solve, problems for the Church

On Nov. 6, the Vatican press office released a statement acknowledging a new international document that is being considered that, if passed, will attempt to exclude homosexual men from becoming priests. In its current form, the document states that seminaries should screen men with "homosexual tendencies" from joining.

Response to the document has varied widely, but for one to think that the fact that the document is even being considered is an insult to many Catholics. Not only does it falsely place blame for the Church's scandal on homosexual priests, but banning homosexual priests from the priesthood will only serve to further alienate a population which has been repeatedly ostracized by the Catholic Church.

To begin, the idea of blaming the recent scandal on homosexual priests has little logical basis. Even though many of the children molested were boys, in-depth research has never found a link between homosexuality and pedophilia. Likewise, it has been shown that there is little correlation between an adult's sexual preference and the gender of his chosen victims. While pedophiles tend to choose victims of one gender, that chosen gender seems to be linked to many outside variables much more than any personal preference.

As with almost all things in life, sexuality does not affect the way one acts. This is especially true of most things relating to the priesthood. For one thing, all priests are required to live celibately. Whether their sexual relationship choices may have been of different genders, all priests — gay or straight — must give up those types of relationships as part of their vocation. How then does one theoretical sexual preference make any sort of difference?

Along a similar line, I have also heard that gay men should not be priests because an integral part of the priesthood is the sacrifice of a wife and children, something that a gay man wouldn't have anyway. This logic is also flawed, however, since it is true that based on Church doctrine gay men should not be engaging in homosexual activities, celibate gay relationships are considered acceptable. In fact, several Catholic groups, such as Dignity, encourage just such a relationship. Giving up this possibility is just as much of a sacrifice for a gay man as giving up the possibility of a wife for a straight man.

Besides, this reasoning also reduces the priesthood to a matter of sexual sacrifice; whereas I would think that being a good priest is a lot more about your personal relationship and calling with God than about what you have given up for it.

Secondly, the idea of banning gay priests is likely to backfire on many levels. In regards to the recent scandal, a ban on homosexuality will likely end any discussion and communication about any sexuality, a situation that is likely to breed the type of hostile environment that leads to the kind of abuse that the church is trying to prevent. Instead of allowing seminarians and priests to deal openly with their sexuality and to come to healthy terms with it, they will instead be forced right into the closet. Instead of having emotionally healthy priests who have dealt with their sexuality, we will have people who are suffering in silence and unable to appropriately cope with their stresses and feelings.

But it is not only the gay priests who will be suffering because of this document. The Catholic Church does not have the best track record with homosexual members as it is. And this would likely cause a large rethinking on the part of many gay Catholics. In recent times the Church has seemingly made progress towards respecting and welcoming gay members, especially on the more localized levels. This document would basically nullify all these recent accomplishments.

How could the Church continue to preach that we should love our homosexual brothers and sisters while at the same time discriminating against them?

The recent scandals have caused a lot of controversies in the Catholic Church and have brought out a number of issues that need to be dealt with. The Catholic Church was caught off-guard, and now it is looking for a way out. Instead of accepting the blame for what has happened, the Church is instead trying to place it on others. This "step forward" they are proposing is really just the opposite.

Gay Catholics are already leaving the Church because of feelings that they are unwelcome and not understood. Falsely blaming homosexuals for an unrelated scandal and banning them from taking an active part in the religion will only further these feelings and cause more dissension. This document does nothing to solve the current crisis, or even help them along; instead, it harms an already injured population and serves to skirt the Church's real responsibilities.

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Arbitrary sanctions on Iraq exist only to control oil

I am deeply disturbed and offended by Dan Lindley's Nov. 18 letter concerning sanctions on Iraq. All caused by sanctions don't make war.war. Saddam Hussein did not choose the sanctions; we have. There is a pattern here. Every time Iraq has gotten close to fulfilling the requirements of lifting the sanctions, the criteria has changed to make it impossible for Iraq to comply. The latest resolution goes even further by demanding total Iraqi compliance without making any provision for lifting the sanctions at all.

Let's be honest. The sanctions are being manipulated by the West, and the United States in particular, to control Iraq's oil supply and the economic power that goes with it. To claim that Saddam Hussein "chose" the sanctions is nothing more than a transparent attempt to place the United States on the moral high ground and avoid admitting that as a nation are complicit in the murder of half a million innocent children.

To hear a pope of Notre Dame make the claim is deeply disappointing. This is one of the best universities in the country. I think that we have a right to expect better from our professors.

I am a junior history major. I have had the benefit of taking classes here and abroad. I believe this is the most historical institution in the country. I am a little disappointed that we have not taken a more active role in the religion will only further these feelings and cause more dissension. This document does nothing to solve the current crisis, or even help them along; instead, it harms an already injured population and serves to skirt the Church's real responsibilities.

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Give the basketball team the support it deserves

As one of the few who actually went to the first two men's basketball games, I have been appalled by the abysmal student turnout. While I recognize that the early-season slate is not exactly filled with national title contenders, it is more than ridiculous that fewer than 500 students, of the more than 3,000 with tickets, managed to drag themselves away from their precious lab reports to cheer on their team.

If you're going to gather guys from my dorm to go to the games, I have encountered mostly whiny pleas from people who claim to have "too much work." This is quiteaffleflidated screwed up, and I assure you that the two hours of work you might gain at the game are not going to cause your GPA to plummet.

As anyone who looks at the pictures in the Joyce Center's display cases can see, there was a time not long ago when over half of Notre Dame's undergrads packed the Joyce Center and screamed for two hours, making it one of the toughest places in the country to play and allowing the Irish to pull off some stunning victories. The student ticket the administration allotted us sold out quicker than ever this year, but this means nothing unless we actually go to the games.

As anyone who's followed us under Coach Mike Brey or attended the last two games knows, we have a talented, explosive and young team that is not far from becoming an elite squad. It needs our support to help make the Joyce Center a tough place to play right away. So put down your books, gather your friends, realize life needs a little fun and go scream for the Irish for a couple of hours. If 8,000 can rightfully pack the student section to watch our outstanding football team crush Rutgers, then there is no reason why 3,000 shouldn't pack the Joyce Center for every basketball game.

We play at 9 p.m. Friday, leaving plenty of time for partying both before and after the game. Be there.

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"Frida," by Julie Taymor, is a beautifully unconventional depiction of the life of Mexican artist Frida Kahlo. The film, starring Salma Hayek, Alfred Molina, and Ashley Judd, captures Kahlo's complex and tumultuous life with grace and authenticity. Hayek and Molina deliver compelling performances, bringing Kahlo and Trotsky to life on screen. The film is visually striking, with a colorful palette that reflects Kahlo's artistic style. It explores themes of love, loss, and the power of art to heal. "Frida" is a cinematic journey that invites viewers to experience Kahlo's world through her eyes and her art.
Potter’s ‘Chamber’ captures everything but the soul

By JACK WATKINS
Scene Editor

Children, Harry Potter fans, and fantasy addicts will find much to love in "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets," but it might just not be worth it to anyone else.

Director Chris Columbus’s follow-up to last year’s hit "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer’s Stone" lacks the thrill and charm of the original, relying on the audience’s supposed familiarity with the series to keep movie goers interested. The result is an oddly soulless movie that drags for much of the first half before the inevitable strength of J.K. Rowling’s story picks up the film and carries it through an exciting and special-effects filled climax.

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‘8 Mile’ a crossover success for Eminem

By C. SPENCER BEGGS
Scene Editor

Unlike other TRL darlings’ jump from music to movies, Eminem’s first foray onto the silver screen is surprisingly strong. The multi-platinum selling rapper has ruled the radio waves and pulse’s life, Eminem has a certain formula. He’s got that look the rapper has mastered. But it might just not be worth it to anyone else.

Despite any labels that can be applied to the underlying philosophy of the film, "8 Mile" makes a provocative point that is too often overlooked and not understood by pundits. There is more than one underprivileged class in the United States. While politicians fight like jackals for the urban black vote promising to end the racist system that keeps it segregated, nobody champions white trailer trash. In a society that truly has come to believe that white men are the source of all societal ills, impoverished white families can only be seen as being in their situation by a failing of their own.

"8 Mile" is a thoughtful look at race and class differences in the country. And though Eminem paints a picture that many do not want to see, he’s got a point.

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Delk, Williams each score 21 to lead Celtics to victory

Associated Press

Tony Delk and Shannon Williams each scored 21 points to lead the Boston Celtics to a 96-79 victory Tuesday night at the New Jersey Nets on Wednesday night in a rematch of last season's Eastern Conference finals.

Delk went 6-for-7 from 3-point range, and Boston made 14 of 25 from the arc to snap a two-game losing streak. Paul Pierce had 18 points and 11 rebounds, and Antoine Walker added 16 points, but it was the first 21-point game of the season for neither of them Boston in scoring.

Jason Kidd scored 19 points and Dikembe Mutombo had 13 rebounds for the Nets, who scored just 14 points on 4-for-22 shooting while giving the game away in the third quarter.

Rodney Rogers, who played for Boston at the end of last year before leaving as a free agent, had 10 points and eight rebounds.

The teams did nothing to calm the building rivalry that flourished in last year's playoff series, when the Nets blistered at Boston's behavior after their 362-361 victory, 26-point collapse in Game 3.

Taunts directed toward Kidd's wife and son by the Celtics fans brought emotions to the boiling point before the Nets won in six games and advanced to the NBA Finals.

Wednesday's rematch lacked the importance or the drama of that series, as the Celtics took a double-digit lead with a pair of 11-0 runs in the third quarter and 18-0 in the fourth.

The Celtics led 44-39 early in the third before scoring 11 consecutive points, getting a dunk from Tony Battie, two 3-pointers from Pierce and one from Delk. Later in the third, Boston turned a 60-48 lead into a 22-point advantage in the second half, and the Nets never looked back. Williams was called for a technical foul — the fifth in the game — for hanging on the rim, and Kidd sank the free throw to make it 72-41 with 7.4 seconds left in the fourth.

New Jersey cut it to 14 in the fourth on Kenyon Martin's three-point play, but the Celtics would not reprise the Nets' unprecedented collapse in last year's playoffs.

San Antonio 95, La Lakers 88

Stephen Jackson made eight straight 3-pointers and scored a career-high 28 points as the San Antonio Spurs rallied for a 95-88 triumph over the stuttering Los Angeles Lakers.

Jackson missed his first 3-point attempt but made his next eight shots from beyond the arc. The third-year forward eclipsed his previous career high of 25 points set against Atlanta on March 26.

Jackson kept the Spurs (8-4) in the game for the first three quarters, and Tim Duncan stepped up when San Antonio needed it.

The Lakers held a 70-67 lead entering the fourth quarter, but Duncan, who had just six points through three periods, scored six of the Spurs' first eight points.

With Duncan and Jackson clicking, San Antonio opened the quarter with a 22-8 run and coasted thereafter. Jackson matched his career high with 28 points and added 10 rebounds.

Lakers superstar Kobe Bryant criticized his teammates following a lackluster loss to Dallas on Tuesday, but Paul Pierce, who scored 18 points in Boston's 142-132 rout of Dallas earlier in the week, turned over the Lakers.

Bryant scored 25 points but made just 8-of-25 shots.

Indiana 97, Toronto 95

Harrington scored 16 of his 22 points in the second half as the Indiana Pacers matched their best victory with a 97-95 overtime win.

Jackson made 18 points for the Pacers, who are 1-1 and still in the winless set in the 1969-70 ABA season.

Indiana has won eight straight since losing at home to the Pacers on Nov. 1, and have the NBA's second-best record behind the unbeaten Detroit Pistons.

Voshon Lenard had 22 points, and Alvin Williams 21 for the short-handed Raptors, who have lost three straight.

Harrington scored six straight points to give the Pacers an 85-85 lead with 5:04 remaining.

Morris Peterson tied it for Toronto with two free throws with 1:41 left, but Jamaal Tinsley made one of two free throws to give Indiana the lead.

Williams later stole a pass from Tinsley with 19 seconds left, but Antonio Davis missed a short jumper with 4 seconds remaining. Ron Artest grabbed the rebound, was fouled and made two free throws to give Indiana a 97-94 lead with 2.8 seconds left.

The Pacers then intentionally fouled Peterson, who made his first throw before the Raptors committed a lane violation to seal the victory for the Pacers.

The Raptors, who dressed just nine players, signed guard Jermaine Jackson earlier in the day after being granted their second roster exemption this month by the NBA under a special hardship rule.

Vince Carter, sidelined with a strained left quad, demanded management's medical staff decided he needed it.

Detroit 79, Miami 68

Ben Wallace had 19 rebounds, a season-best 12 points and tied a franchise high with 10 blocks to lead the Detroit Pistons to a 79-68 victory over the Miami Heat on Wednesday night.

The triple-double was the second of Wallace's career, and he matched the record team block for blocks, which he shared with Edgar Jones.

Chucky Atkins scored a season-best 21 points in place of the injured Chauncey Billups, and Cliff Robinson added 13 for the Pistons.

Eddie Jones scored 15 points, while Vladimir Stepania added 12 points and 13 rebounds for Miami, which failed to reach 70 points for the second time in three games.

The Pistons led 37-34 after a slow-paced first half. Detroit's lead could have bigger, but the Pistons missed eight of 12 free throws in the half.

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Free agent Jim Thome talks with Chicago Cubs

CHICAGO

The Chicago Cubs treated free agent Jim Thome to lunch on Wednesday, hoping they can entice the first baseman to stick around for the next few years.

Thome, the most coveted slugger in this winter's free agent market, and his agent, Pat Rooney, met with general manager Jim Hendry at Wrigley Field. "It was a good visit," Hendry said. "I have known Jim a little bit before, and I know Pat Rooney real well. It was a pleasant lunch."

"I would say right now that you never say never, but we are very committed to making sure that Hee Seop Choi gets a chance to play," Hendry said. "Pat may get back to me on some things, but Jim has a lot of things on his plate and I think it was just a matter of him wanting to express to me that this is one of the places that he really wanted to think about."

Meanwhile, the Indians, who made Thome a four-year offer worth about $45 million on Oct. 31, are eager for Thome to get back to them. "We've been told we're going to get a last shot," Cleveland general manager Mark Shapiro said Wednesday. "We want to give them our last shot."

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Mike Tyson will face Clifford Etienne in the Pyramid arena on Feb. 22. Tyson fought Lennox Lewis in the same ring.

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Clarett hopes to return to OSU lineup against Michigan

COLUMBUS, Ohio
Maurice Clarett promised to be in Ohio State's lineup against No. 12 Michigan. Whether the freshman running back will actually play Saturday is unknown.

Clarett has been struggling to recover from a shoulder injury that has limited his play in the last three games for the No. 2 Buckeyes.

"I'm too smart to expect that he won't," Carr said.

Before being injured, Clarett vaulted into contention for the Heisman Trophy by piling up almost 1,000 yards rushing and 15 touchdowns in seven games.

After last week's overtime victory against Illinois, Clarett made it clear what he thought of the Michigan game.

"I wouldn't care if I was 20 percent. You're going to see Maurice Clarett on the field (against Michigan)," he said.

Clarett also missed a game early in the season after arthroscopic knee surgery. The freshman's shoulder injury is described as a "stinger." In games against Penn State and Minnesota, Clarett played, but ran to the sideline with his left arm dangling after taking a hit on his shoulder.

Clarett was not among the 15 or so Buckeyes who met with reporters Monday. Ohio State's practices this week are closed to reporters.

Coach Jim Tressel described Clarett's status this week as similar to last week when doctors and trainers said he could be available to play.

"I can't promise you that he will," Tressel said.

Tressel said he expected Clarett to play — just as he expected him to play at Illinois.

"The trainers say that his strength is much better than it was a week ago," Tressel said.

But, he added, the ultimate decision would come down to Ohio State's medical staff and Clarett himself.

After stringing together five consecutive games with more than 100 yards rushing, the shoulder injury has limited Clarett to 91 yards in the last four games.

With 1,071 yards this season, he needs 56 yards to break Hobert Smith's freshman rushing record.

Tressel believes Clarett will play because the Buckeyes will have plenty of time to recuperate before a bowl game.

"We've got six weeks," he said.

Clarett's status isn't a mystery to Michigan defensive tackle Shawn Lazarus.

"I think he's going to play," he said. "I think they want him to play. We'll just have to step up to that challenge."
Horse Racing

Harn pleads guilty in $3 million horse betting scam

Associated Press

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (AP) - A computer programmer admitted in court Wednesday he was the inside man for a series of betting scams on horses that culminated with a $3 million win from the Breeders’ Cup last month.

He also implicated his two co-defendants, who were his fraternity brothers in college.

Chris Harn, 29, of Newark, Del., told a federal judge he used his job at Autotote, which handles most of the nation’s racetrack and off-track betting, to manipulate bets during races.

In pleading guilty to fraud and money laundering conspiracies, Harn said he used one co-defendant’s Off Track Betting account to place a Pick Six bet on the Oct. 26 Breeders’ Cup “and later modified it so it would win.”

The wager — six bets costing a total of $1,152 — immediately drew the scrutiny of authorities because of its unusual nature. The $3 million was not paid, and an investigation was launched.

On a Pick Six wager, bettors try to select the winners in six consecutive races, but they usually choose different combinations to increase their chances of winning. The suspicious bet picked the same combination six times, selecting the winners in the first four races and every horse in the last two.

Because of a routine delay in reporting bets to the Arlington racetrack near Chicago, Harn was able to change the wager after the first four races to make sure the bet had the four winning horses, which included two long shots. That guaranteed winning tickets.

Now, all bettors who picked five of the six winners at the Breeders’ Cup stand to earn more money. The racing commission in Illinois will determine how to redistribute the winnings.

Also Wednesday, the National Thoroughbred Racing Association announced that a consulting firm headed by former New York Mayor Rudolph Giuliani had been hired to review the industry’s electronic wagering system.

“We have a great sport that is threatened by wrongdoing,” NTRA commissioner Tim Smith said. The NTRA has already introduced steps for improved security in electronic wagering at tracks nationwide.

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Faulk may return to St. Louis lineup this week

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ST. LOUIS

Marshall Faulk may return to the St. Louis Rams lineup this week after missing the Chicago game Monday night with ankle and foot injuries.

Coach Mike Martz, who called off practice on Wednesday, said he was hopeful that Faulk would play Sunday in Washington. Faulk has a sprained right ankle and a strained tendon on the bottom of his left foot.

"I would imagine he'll be ready, but we can't say that for sure until we see him practice and he has a chance to test it," Martz said. "To draw any conclusions about where he is would be pretty hard right now."

Team trainer Jim Anderson said Faulk likely would be listed as questionable, just as he was last week. But Anderson said Faulk probably would practice on Thursday.

"He's feeling pretty good today," Anderson said. "He's doing some stuff in practice tomorrow and we'll just kind of judge him day to day from there." 

Hokie Larmor Gordon, Faulk's backup, made his first career start against the Bears. Gordon carried five times for 45 yards and caught a 22-yard touchdown pass in the 21-16 victory. Quarterback Marc Bulger won't practice until Friday because of a sprained right index finger, but the team expects him to be the backup behind Kurt Warner on Sunday.

Washington Redskins

Danny Wuerffel will start Sunday for the Washington Redskins, the fourth quarterback change of the season by coach Steve Spurrier.

Trying to reverse a two-game losing streak as well as mounting criticism from within his own team, Spurrier said Wednesday that Wuerffel will have the opportunity to play the entire game against the St. Louis Rams.

"He's our quarterback, his game and away we go," said Spurrier, who cut short his post-practice remarks after several questions put him on the defensive.

Spurrier said he never seriously considered playing Wuerffel and rookie Patrick Ramsey for one half each, as he suggested Monday.

"We were just making conversation about the halves deal," Spurrier said.

Spurrier was noncommittal when asked if Wuerffel is now the regular starter.

"He's our quarterback. Let's just put it that way," the coach said.

The latest change comes after a 19-17 loss to the New York Giants, during which Shane Matthews completed 15 of 35 passes for just 113 yards. The Washington offense is ranked 26th in the NFL in total yards, passing yards and points.

Wuerffel will be making his second start, having lasted one series before injuring his shoulder Oct. 6 at Tennessee.

"When you got a group of quarterbacks who, maybe there's not a lot of difference in how they play, to me you have to give them all a chance," Spurrier said. "Danny really has not had a chance this year."

Wuerffel is not the way we're always going to be. You'd like to have a set team and go play, but we're just not that set at some positions on offense.

In Spurrier's rookie season as an NFL coach, receivers have been happy with the pass-happy play-calling. Davis had just 59 receptions in 16 games this season before starting against Tennessee.

He was 8-for-14 for 82 yards with two interceptions and an abnormal rating of 34.5 on the season when he was hurt.

"I was frustrated and obviously would have liked things to go different," Wuerffel said. "Defensively, when you look at it, we're not so bad shape," Spurrier said. "It looks like now we're going to have to start scoring on defense and keep the teams from scoring on us."

The criticism is indicative of a team with a 4-6 record and tenuous playoff hopes.

"It always happens when you lose," Spurrier said. "And let me tell you, it's not the first criticisms I've ever had, nor the last."

"You want us to run three and punt every time? When we can run the ball effectively or throw it, we try to do both. I know you all know a lot more about it than I do, a lot of people do, that's right, we've got something going" — and that's when I got scared," Maddox said. "I realized I still wasn't moving my legs, and that was when the panic set in."

The easy part for Maddox came Wednesday. Three days after getting the scare of his life, he became a football player again. He redone an exercise his - huggede b s Steelers t e a m - m a t e s, tossed a football casually, attended the daily quarterbacks meeting and began plowing through a stack of 1,000 e-mails sent him by relieved and appreciative fans.

But he watched replays of the remarkable hit by Titans line­backer Keith Bulluck that caused him to lose consciousness and his head to twist into the Tennessee turf, his arms and legs instantly going numb.

He remembers none of it — his face mask being cut off, both teams praying for him, the ride in the ambulance — until wak­ing up in Nashville's Baptist Hospital and realizing he couldn't move anything.

"That's when it started bothering me a little bit," he said. "It's hard. You think about your kids, your wife ... I just thank God it worked out the way it worked out."

At one point on that Sunday night he doesn't fully remember but will never forget, Maddox was told Titans quarterback Steve McNair was there to see him — and Titans running back Eddie George came into the room instead.

"Then I knew I was really knocked out," Maddox said, smiling.
Golf

Woods annoyed at call to stand against sexism

Associated Press

Tiger Woods is becoming annoyed by the calls for him to skip next year's Masters because of the all-male membership at Augusta National Golf Club.

"It's frustrating because I'm the only player they are asking," Woods said Wednesday, two days after a New York Times editorial urged him to skip the Masters as a gesture against sexism.

They're asking me to give up an opportunity no one has ever had — winning the Masters three years in a row," said Woods, who was in Japan for this week's Dunlop Phoenix. No one has boycotted the Masters before, he added.

Woods has repeatedly said he thinks women should be allowed to join the club, but that he is an honorary member and doesn't have voting rights on membership.

Woods also said Wednesday he is getting tired of having to repeatedly address the issue.

A tournament without Mr. Woods "would send a powerful message that discrimination isn't good for the golf business," the New York Times editorial said.

Augusta National declined comment.

The Rev. Jesse Jackson, who says his Rainbow PUSH Coalition will organize protests at the Masters if a woman is not a member by April, called the Times editorial "unfair and inconsistent" for singling out Woods.

BOXING

Vargas sentenced for steroids

Associated Press

LAS VEGAS

Fernando Vargas went before Nevada boxing authorities Wednesday prepared to take his punishment for using steroids following his Sept. 14 knockout loss to Oscar De La Hoya.

Though the suspension was retroactive to the De La Hoya fight, it means Vargas cannot fight until June 15 and will miss a proposed April come-back fight that was to be televised on network TV.

"We like Mr. Vargas but we feel this is the right thing to do," commission Chairman Luther May said.

Vargas spent two hours in front of the commission, telling them he would take responsibility for the positive test, but that he never knowingly used steroids while preparing to meet De La Hoya for the 154-pound titles.

"I live and die to that ring. I don't want people to ever feel I needed something like this," Vargas said.

Commissioners appeared to believe the steroid use was inadvertent, but still voted 4-1 to penalize Vargas and send a message that steroids won't be tolerated. It was believed to be the first time a boxer has been suspended for steroid use, although Francois Botha was stripped of his IBF heavyweight title in 1995 for testing positive in Germany.

"I'm a man, I take full responsibility," Vargas said.

"The only thing is the layoff is definitely going to be hard." Vargas said he had hired a nutritionist in the weeks before the fight to help him lose weight and make the 154-pound limit, and took a number of different nutritional supplements and vitamins given to him without questioning them.

He said he had never felt or looked so good before a fight, but had attributed it to the fact he had trained hard and maintained good nutritional habits.

Vargas said he went to three different clinics to give a urine sample after being taken to the hospital after the fight, and was shocked when he got a phone call while vacationing in Hawaii two weeks later that he had tested positive.

"I obviously knew I was going to be tested for steroids," Vargas said. "I went out of my way after the hospital to look for a clinic."

Though Vargas and his attorney, Pat English, never came out and blamed the camp nutritionist for giving steroids, they made it clear the nutritionist had been fired and that any future employees would have their backgrounds scrutinized much more.

"I don't place blame on anyone except myself," Vargas said.

"At the end of the day I'm the captain of my ship," Vargas, who appeared well over the 154-pound weight class where he won two world championships, appeared in a suit and tie and brought his fiance and two young sons to the hearing in a cramped conference room.

Mike Tyson also showed up to watch the proceedings and offer moral support to his friend and fellow fighter.

"It was an innocent mistake. He's just naive," Tyson said afterward. "Hopefully he'll grow from this."

Vargas and English did not contest the steroid test result, and said they tracked it down to a liquid supplement called Decavar that Vargas was taking.

Someone in the training camp nutritionist for giving him the drug that cost sprinter Ben Johnson his gold medal and world record in the 100 meters at the 1988 Olympics. "I obviously knew I was going to be tested for steroids," Vargas said. "I went out of my way after the hospital to look for a clinic."

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Eye on Irish Opponents

BLACKSBURG, Va. — West Virginia’s Brian King intercepted Ryan Randall’s pass in the end zone with 12 seconds left as the Mountaineers defeated Virginia Tech (No. 12 ESPN/USA Today, No. 6 AP) 21-10 Wednesday night.

Associated Press

In Brief

Tarheeps improve record

North Carolina’s early season confidence builder meant a berth in the semifinals of the Preseason NCAA tournament.

Rashad McCants scored eight of his 18 points over the final 6:25 and North Carolina rallied for a 71-67 victory over Rutgers on Wednesday night to improve to 12-2 all-time in the game-tying field goal.

Before that, the Mountaineers (8-3, 5-1 Big East) stopped Virginia Tech (8-3-3) on three consecutive rushes from inside the 1 yard-line with under five minutes remaining, and bar-ley hung on.

West Virginia’s play-it-safe strategy following the defensive stop nearly backfired. After gaining only 2 yards on three straight rushes, Mark Fazzolari stepped out of the end zone for a safety and kick the field goal on the next play.

Randall’s first pass was low and incomplete, but King stepped in front of the next pass, sealing Tech’s third straight loss after an 8-0 start.

Like Pittsburgh and Syracuse before it, Virginia Tech had no trouble running the ball against a defense once ranked as the nation’s stingiest, getting 125 yards on 11 carries from Quincy Wilson and 263 yards rushing overall.

Wise’s big night included a 42-yard run for the Mountaineers’ final touch- down, a play on which he ran untouched through a huge hole.

In BRIEF

Virginia Tech (8-3, 3-3) lost its third in a row for the first time since 1992, allowing an average of 246 yards per game on the ground in the stretch.

Wilson, who set up West Virginia’s first touchdown with runs of 24 and 27 yards on consecutive plays, gave West Virginia a 21-10 lead with his big run, and then the Mountaineers held on against a sile rally.

Virginia Tech responded immediately to the touch-down, driving 69 yards in seven plays with Randall’s 6-yard touchdown pass to Keith Willis. Randall tried a 2-point conversion pass, but it was intercepted in the end zone.

NCAA Basketball

Rutgers at Notre Dame 5:30 p.m., NBC

NHL Hockey

Rutgers at Notre Dame 2002 season with a 2-3 run.

Tips include the purchase of the Buffalo Sabres.

Buffalo businessman Mark Hamister has been chosen by the NHL to pur-chase the financially troubled Buffalo Sabres.

"I am proud to have been selected by the parties to move forward to con-clude the purchase of the Buffalo Sabres," Hamister said Thursday.

A news conference was scheduled for Thursday afternoon at Hamister’s office.

Hamister beat out Rochester businessman Todd Berman, president and founder of Chartwell Investments, a private equity group.

"No news like this gives us an extra boost," Sabres general manager Darcy Regier. "I think just the knowing: Number one, that the team is staying in Buffalo — that’s the most important thing for this community — and num-ber two, there’s going to be strong ownership."
Retreat Date: December 6-7

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The bishops present were somewhat spellbound as they listened to one expert after another, most of them members of the Notre Dame faculty. The opportunity to be exposed to these great teachers and scholars, which I suspect we take too often for granted, was a rare privilege for them. They experienced liturgies which moved them, and hospitality which overwhelmed them. For them, it was obvious that Notre Dame was still "the place where the Church does its thinking."
Montreal Expos will play part of season in Puerto Rico

The Montreal Expos will play 22 of their 81 home games in Puerto Rico next year, and the Oakland Athletics and Seattle Mariners will start the season with the major leagues' second opening in Japan.

Expos president Tony Tavares said that with the guaranteed income from the games in San Juan, his team will not have to conduct a "fire sale" of players such as Vladimir Guerrero and Bartolo Colon. Still, he did not reveal the Expos' planned payroll. As baseball owners ended their meeting Wednesday, commissioner Bud Selig also formed a committee to determine the long-term fate of the Expos, who were purchased from Jeffrey Loria earlier this year, and formed a marketing task force to examine how baseball attracts fans. He also said he will present ideas to owners in January on the All-Star game, which ended in a tie last July when the teams ran out of pitchers.

Baseball announced that the Expos would play three home­stands at Hiram Bithorn Stadium in San Juan without identifying specific opponents, but the hoped-for schedule was revealed by several base­ball officials who spoke who on the condition of anonymity.

Subject to negotiations with the players' association, the Expos would play a 10-game homestand in San Juan in April, with games against the New York Mets (April 11-14), Atlanta (April 15-17) and Cincinnati (April 18-20).

The second homestand would include the World Series champion Anaheim Angels (June 3-5) and Texas (June 6-8), and the last would have Florida (Sept. 5-7) and the Chicago Cubs (Sept. 9-11).

"It doesn't affect me where we play. It will be great to play in front of the people down there. They're great fans," said Frank Robinson.

Expos manager

"It doesn't affect me where we play. It will be great to play in front of the people down there. They're great fans."

Montreal's Bartolo Colon pitches in a previous game this season. Colon and the Expos will play 22 games in Puerto Rico.

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For Tancredi, the most difficult aspect of the adjustment from offense to defense was changing her mental approach to the game. "At forward, you are always in more of a rush to score right away. It's kind of a panic. On defense, it's a totally different mentality," said Tancredi. "You have to be smarter. You have to calm yourself down. You can't jump into things right away. There's more pressure. A lot more depends on you because you're the last line before the keeper." "I think the position change has really been good for her," added Waldrum. "At forward, she was so hard herself. Now that swagger and confidence in her abilities is really starting to show. With her superior size, speed, and skills, she can match up with anyone in the country. She gives us that intimidating, physical presence we need back there.

Since Tancredi's switch to defense, the Irish have won six of their last seven games and now find themselves in the Sweet 16 of the NCAA Tournament. While Coach Waldrum has been extremely impressed with the way his new defender has performed, he is even more pleased with Tancredi's demeanor and attitude. "She has that charisma that all the players look up to," said Waldrum. "She has a great sense of humor and a great wit about her. She's a real practical joker. I'd like to see her continue to develop her leadership qualities. I don't think she realizes how much the other players look up to her."
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BASEBALL

Irish sign another top class

By CHRIS FEDERICO

Sports Editor

After making its first appearance at the College World Series in 45 years last summer, the Irish baseball program used that momentum in signing another stellar recruiting class Saturday.

"We met certain needs by signing power pitching arms, power-hitting outfielders, an outstanding athlete who can play the outfield," Irish coach Paul Mainieri said.

The signees include righthanded pitchers Jeff Manship, Derik Olvey, Jess Stewart and Dan Kapel, utility player Chris Vassami, first baseman Mike Dury, infielder Chris Fournier, catcher Sean Gaston and centerfielder Danny Dressman.

Four of the signees — Mainieri, Olvey, Dury and Vassami — are ranked among the nation's top 100 high school players by either Baseball America's "Prospects Plus" or TeamOneBaseball.com.

"Notre Dame again has signed one of the top Glanzel nine high schools in the nation, and it's an incredibly balanced group, with speed, power, good arms and defense at several key areas," said Jeff Spelman, editor of TeamOneBaseball.com. "I'd certainly grade this class an A+.

The highlight of the Class of 2007 could be Manship. The San Antonio right-hander is rated the sixth best high school player in the nation, and the top player in Texas, by Perfect Game/Baseball America Prospects Plus. As a junior last spring at Reagan High School, Manship recorded a 9-1 record with a 0.66 ERA, 159 strikeouts, 19 walks and just 19 hits allowed in 74 innings. His nine wins included three no-hitters and one perfect game.

"Jeff Manship has an outstanding fastball and a devastating curveball," Mainieri said. "With his experience against top-level competition, he should make an immediate impact."

The signing of Texas native Mainieri could be quite a coup for the Irish, who lured the pitcher away from in-state powerhouse Texas and Rice, both teams that appeared in the College World Series in 2002 with the Irish. The signing is a testament to how far the Notre Dame program has come in recent years in the ranks of the college baseball elite.

"Notre Dame really turned the corner with making it to Omaha, and there is nothing they can't offer a recruit now," Spelman said.

WOMENS SOCCER

Tancredi shows a tough face on the field

By JOE LIGANDRO

Sports Writer

No one could ever accuse Melissa Tancredi of being shy. On the field, the starting fullback for the Notre Dame women's soccer team is that special type of player who can take over a game with her passion and swagger. Off the field, the twenty-year old native of Hamilton, Ontario, is a fun-loving, outgoing prosterk, always quick with a smile and a joke.

"I really don't see any point in taking everything so seriously all the time," said Tancredi. "I'm very sarcastic. It's just so much easier to face life that way. If anyone saw me on the field, I look like a mean person, but I'm a really big joker inside."

When asked to describe Tancredi's personality, teammate and fellow Canadian Candace Chapman responded with a laugh, "You mean cleanly? No, Melissa is great. She's one of my best friends here. She likes to have fun and joke around on and off the field. Before the games, she loves to do these one-on-one dances in the locker room that make everyone laugh.

"But Tancredi's teammates might laugh at her humorous antics, Notre Dame's opponents don't find her rough, physical style of play so funny. Just ask the Purdue Ballroomers.

One month ago, the Ballroomers easily defeated the Irish 3-1, but Notre Dame's toughest player was missing from the lineup while serving a suspension for having accumulated four yellow cards. In last Sunday's rematch in the second round of the NCAA Tournament, Tancredi returned to the lineup to lead the Irish to victory.

On the defense, she completely shut down Purdue's leading scorers Annette Kent and Jennie Moppert. The former forward did not forget how to contribute on offense either. With just under seven minutes left in the game, Tancredi's flying header off a corner kick from teammate AmandA Guertin put the finishing touches on a 3-1 victory for the Irish. After the incredible score, 'Canada', as she is affectionately called by her teammates and friends, strutted 'Shane Walton-style' in front of the fans and promptly put her hands on her hips before her teammates mobbed her. The raucous crowd roared with approval in appreciation of 'Canada's' posture.

"We're usually not the team to celebrate," said Tancredi. "I guess I'm a little different in that way. I'm just spontaneous because it goes the team going. I just love to have fun out there."

Tancredi's soccer career at Notre Dame has not always been all fun and games. Before her freshman year, she suffered a devastating knee injury that put her Irish career in serious jeopardy before it ever started. Even worse, tearing her ACL took a real toll on Tancredi mentally as she struggled to find her niche at Notre Dame.

"I tore my ACL a month before reporting into the preseason for Notre Dame. I'd never been hurt before. That was my first major injury," said Tancredi. "Coming into a new country, new team, and new school made it really tough. No one ever saw me because I was depressed. I just stayed in my room the whole time. I didn't want to talk to anyone. I wasn't doing well in school. I didn't want to have anything to do with soccer, but the strength coaches really helped me a lot. Getting into rehab really got me excited about soccer again. I started

NBA

Celtics top Nets 96-79

Tony Delk and Shandonm Williams each score 21 to lead Boston to a victory.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Expos will play home away from home

Montreal will play 22 of its 81 home games in Puerto Rico.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Clarett struggles to overcome injury

Maurice Clarett hopes to return to the OSU line-up against Michigan.

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