Student loan default hits all-time low

By CHRIS DESBARRES

The Federal Student Loan default rate dropped to an all-time low of 8.8 percent in 1997, according to Secretary of Education Richard W. Riley. The figure marked the seventh straight year of decline in the rate, which reached its peak of 22.4 percent in 1990. The 1997 figures are the most recent reflection of the government's effort in collecting on student loans.

Riley cited the strong economy, rising wages, increased productivity and low unemployment as reasons for the low default rate. He also praised universities for "pioneering new ways to help students understand and meet their obligations."
The federal government provided $34.1 billion in loans in 1997. The amount of loaned money has more than tripled since 1990 when the government offered $11.7 billion in 1990. Even with the low default rate, however, some institutions are still burdened by excessive defaults. "This year," Riley said, "42 schools are faced with less than 10 percent loan eligibility." The schools that may possibly be affected are schools where the default rate has been over 25 percent for three consecutive years or a one-year default rate of over 40 percent.

The government collected more than $2.2 billion in 1999 on previously defaulted debts. "We don't give up when a student defaults. We work very hard with them to help them re-enter repayment and meet their obligations," said Riley. "In 1994 students who are graduating more than expected the third consecutive year, Notre Dame's default rate was at 1.8 percent, coming in below 2 percent. Saint Mary's stood at 3.1 percent. It's a commendable title of the committee, not it's mission."
Vox Populi

Indeed

When the United States Senate commences deliberation, we may have to expect flagrant displays of destructive partriarkism, materialistic greed and sloppy rhetoric, but at least we can expect them to do something. I wish the same could be said for our own local sen-...
Prof: Catholicism, sociology can interact

By MAUREEN SMITHE

Although the differences between sociology and Catholicism are obvious, they can still interact positively, according to Boston College professor Alan Wolfe.

"Both Catholicism and sociology have experienced similar fates in recent times," Wolfe said in a lecture Wednesday.

"Catholicism was not a sociologist's religion of choice," Wolfe said, citing the non-Catholic sociologists Max Faber and Martin Luther. Wolfe said that the two can find a common ground by learning from each other's positive qualities.

Under the influence of theology, "empirical social science might come to appreciate the virtue of humility," he said. "Social science would learn from the pluralism in American religion greater respect for the pluralism in their field."

Wolfe commented on sociology in America.

"Nearly all great founders of American sociology were Protestants," he said. "I believe, most grew up with fathers who were Protestant ministers.

Religious differences are just one distinction between individuals involved in the two fields, he said. While the Catholic wants everyone to follow the same belief, "the sociologist immediately wants to characterize people into..."

distinct groups," said Wolfe. "Both sociologists and Catholics change themselves, each in their own way, when they both Americanize themselves," he said.

With European immigrants moving to America, Church traditions were incorporated into American city life, Wolfe said.

"Both sociology and Catholicism were an urban phenomenon," he said.

Wolfe also discussed the importance of tradition for both Catholicism and sociology.

"We are much more likely to witness interactions between some Catholic traditions and some sociological traditions," he said. "There is no Catholic tradition which sociological can be contrasted," he said.

In theory, a religious tradition as secure in its faith as Catholicism should have nothing to do with an academic tradition, such as sociology," he said.

However, the two fields do mix at most universities and differ in every institution. "Hence, Notre Dame's sociology department has more in common with University of Michigan's than with my own institution, Boston College," he said. "Boston College's sociology department is related more closely to the one at Brandeis University, a primarily Jewish university, than it is to its Catholic counterpart, according to Wolfe. "Geography is a much more powerful determinant in America than religion," Wolfe said.

Wolfe also discussed the importance of tradition as secure in its faith as Catholicism should have nothing to do with an academic tradition, such as sociology," he said.

The lecture was sponsored by the Erasmus Institute.

SMC addresses parking, diversity

By COURTNEY BOYLE

The Saint Mary's parking problem was addressed at Wednesday night's Board of Governance meeting, with a proposal ready for Linda Timm, vice president of student affairs.

The proposal, outlined by off-campus commissioner Beth Beauty, suggests that students be allowed to park in the Le Mans lot from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. to help alleviate parking problems. Currently, the lot sits unused during these hours. In past years, students have been allowed to park in the Le Mans lot from 5:30 p.m. until 7 p.m. "It [the lack of parking spaces] is a problem because there is overflow everywhere, there are no parking spots anywhere," said Beauty.

Beth Beauty
off-campus commissioner

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"I felt so ashamed for loving someone so out of control," Marshall said. "I felt lost. My best friend convinced me to call for help. I tried to continue on with my life."

Although Marshall moved into a new home, her ex-boyfriend found her again. "I said I was seeing someone else — he said he'd kill him [her current boyfriend]. He followed me everywhere. I became suicidal and felt so alone and scared," she said. Marshall started attending therapy and reading the Bible. She moved in with her best friend and reported everything.

"I still have the nightmares," Marshall says. "I know it is not my own fault. I am still very cautious. I will never give up."

Another woman, Marie Hayden, sympathized with the struggle for survival. Married at the age of 19, Hayden's husband was verbally and emotionally abusive. "He would grab my shirt and press me against the wall," said Hayden. She became suicidal and went into therapy, but the abuse continued.

"I was called slut, whore. [But] I was determined; I wanted the marriage to work out," said Hayden.

When Hayden realized she would not be able to leave this man, she became pregnant. However, even while pregnant, her husband would slap her. After her daughter was born, Hayden became depressed, was hospitalized and then returned to her husband. A year ago, she left him.

"It's a struggle to regain my self-esteem and my hope for the future," Hayden says. Deborah Chapman never thought about domestic violence as a child.

"I always thought my life would be the dream of getting married and living happily ever after," said Chapman, another domestic violence survivor.

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itself on." When asked about the nature of the success, Pilawski explained, "It's the students, and we also work hard to try make our students aware of their responsibilities as borrowers. Before every student leaves, we conduct a student loan exit interview to try to say that this is very important and here's what to expect."

"It's no secret that Notre Dame is an expensive institution, but, Pilawski said, "The Trustees have done a wonderful job of making financial aid

at the gym yesterday," said Northup. Northup does feel, however, that being a woman in Congress is sometimes an advantage because it makes her unique. When a female perspective is wanted on an issue, Northup feels the odds are in her favor because she is one of only 19.

"And when they want a conservative viewpoint, the odds are really in my favor — about one in three," said Northup. Although female representation in politics is increasing, Northup does not think that the numbers are as high as they could be. Northup feels that the electorate is ready and willing to elect women, so she ques-
Study shows underage smoking law unenforced

WASHINGTON
A 1992 law aimed at ending sales of cigarettes and other tobacco products to minors through rigorous state-level checking has not been adequately enforced, a private analysis says. The Department of Health and Human Services said Wednesday that the report is based on old data. Before the law took effect, 60 to 90 percent of minors were able to purchase tobacco. After a year, the national average had fallen to 40 percent, and it's expected to be close to 20 percent this year, said Mark Weber, an HHS spokesman. But the study argues that most states and U.S. territories have neglected to investigate properly if their own laws prohibiting the sale of tobacco to minors are followed and in prosecute when the laws are broken.

Israel to release second wave of Palestinian prisoners

JERUSALEM
Israeli and Palestinian negotiators have agreed on the release of more Palestinians jailed for anti-Israeli acts, negotiators said Thursday, overcomeing an obstacle that had hindered the revived peace talks. The prisoner release, the second mandated under a September agreement, was to have taken place Oct. 8. It was postponed when the sides could not agree on a list of prisoners. The prisoners are now scheduled for release on Friday. Palestinians had insisted on including prisoners jailed for killing Israelis, something Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak refused to do. They also accused Barak of stacking his proposed list with prisoners already due for imminent release. It was not clear Wednesday what the compromise was.

Severe cold freezes rescue team mission to South Pole

WELLINGTON, New Zealand
An American team planning a South Pole flight to rescue a physician with breast cancer symptoms delayed its departure Thursday as temperatures there plunged to nearly 70 below zero. Rescuers had been hoping that the onset of the polar summer would quickly warm the coldest place on earth, allowing them to evacuate Jerri Nielsen, 42, who reportedly has been treating herself with chemotherapy since a daring airdrop of medical supplies in July. But the crews of two Air National Guard Hercules LC-130 cargo planes, who arrived Wednesday at McMurdo base on Antarctica's coast to wait for temperatures to rise enough for them to safely fly to the pole.

U.S. leads massive drug bust

Associated Press
BOGOTA
A leader of the once-powerful Medellin cartel was among 30 people arrested Wednesday and slated for extradition to the United States in what authorities described as the biggest blow to Colombian drug trafficking since 1995. In a separate, unrelated operation, U.S. drug officials in Puerto Rico announced the arrests of 1,290 lower-level trafficking suspects in 15 countries and the seizure of more than two dozen drug-running boats in a two-week operation, mostly in the Caribbean.

The United States Drug Enforcement Agency, the CIA and Colombian officials worked together to orchestrate "Operation Millenium," a huge drug trafficking bust including arrests in 15 countries. Pictured are a few of the 30 people arrested in Colombia.

Senate rejects landmark nuclear ban

Associated Press
WASHINGTON
The Senate rejected a landmark treaty to ban nuclear testing Wednesday, handing President Clinton a humiliating foreign policy defeat. The vote was 48 to 51, far short of the 67 votes — or two-thirds of the Senate — needed for ratification. As expected, the final vote closely followed party lines, with only four Republicans voting for it and Sen. Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., voting present. The showdown followed a bruising partisan battle. Democrats vowed to make the rejection a prime 2000 campaign issue, claiming polls show most Americans favor such a ban — first proposed by President Dwight Eisenhower in 1958. Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., called the pact "fatally flawed." The clock ran out after three days of debate and futile negotiations for a postponement among Senate Democrats, the White House and Republican Senate leaders. Republicans who voted for the treaty were Sens. John Chafee of Rhode Island, James Jeffords of Vermont, Gordon Smith of Oregon and Arlen Specter of Pennsylvania.

"With this vote tonight, the world becomes a more dangerous place," declared Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich. Specter pointed to the military coup in Pakistan as one more reason why treaty is important. "The events of the past 24 hours in Pakistan show the unsuitability of having Pakistan test," he said. America's top European allies — Britain, France and Germany — had called on the Senate late last week not to reject the pact. And China earlier this week said U.S. ratification would lead other countries to follow suit.
Stocks slide for second straight day, Dow ends down 184

Associated Press

NEW YORK

Stocks fell sharply for a second straight session Wednesday as Taiwan's disappointing earnings reports hampered technology shares and plunging bond prices dragged the broader market lower. The Dow Jones industrial average fell 184.90 to close at 10,232.16, extending its drop of 231.12 on Tuesday. The Dow is down 2.5 percent so far this week. Broader stock indicators also closed sharply lower. The Standard & Poor's 500 fell 27.49 to 1,285.55, and the Nasdaq composite index dropped 71.16 to 2,601.27.

Intel, often considered a bellwether stock for the technology sector, tumbled 4 9/16 to 72 1/8. The company, the world's largest manufacturer of semiconductor producers, reported late Tuesday it earned 55 cents a share in the third-quarter, 2 cents below analysts' forecasts. The results surprised investors who have come to expect Intel to meet or surpass Wall Street forecasts. Other technology leaders also fell, including Microsoft, which fell 1 1/2 to close at 91 1/16. Dealers said Intel's report fostered nervousness about other chip makers, which may face production troubles in the coming months as Taiwan, a major producer of semiconductor parts, rebuilds from a recent earthquake. The Philadelphia Stock Exchange semiconductor index fell 2.5 percent.

Intel also deflated some optimism about corporate profits in general. The companies that comprise the S&P 500 are expected to post average profit growth of more than 19 percent in the third quarter, according to First Call/Thomson Financial. But with expectations high, analysts warn that any companies that miss analysts' forecasts are in line for harsh punishment from investors. In recent quarters, however, even companies that have met or exceeded estimates have faltered if their profit reports contained any hint of trouble. So on Wednesday, trendy retailer Abercrombie & Fitch fell 6 3/16 to close at 51 5/16 after saying sales rose at a slower pace than at rival American Eagle Outfitters. Investors brushed off the news that Abercrombie's earnings will meet expectations.

Stephen Shobin, technical analyst at Lehman Brothers, warned that unless investors can shake lingering nervousness about rising interest rates, earnings may be unable to drive stocks much higher. "Wall Street is expecting phenomenal earnings, and that might already be priced into the market," he said. "Right now, investors seem willing to ignore the good news and embrace the bad."

The bond market provided a major dose of bad news. Prices dropped sharply, pushing the yield on the 30-year Treasury bond from 6.22 percent late Tuesday to 6.27 percent, the highest level since August. The yield briefly touched 6.29 percent, the highest since Oct. 1997. At that level, the bond market can lure investors away from stocks by offering fixed, guaranteed returns. Bond prices have been falling as investors worry that rising commodity prices are setting a stage for inflation to escalate. Later this week, government reports on retail sales, producer prices and industrial production are expected to offer the latest signs of whether the buoyant economy is reaching inflationary levels.

Analysts also said improving global growth prospects are drawing foreign investors away from U.S. equities.
India on watch after Pakistan's military coup

ISLAMABAD
Pakistan's new military leader came under pressure to restore democracy Wednesday after his troops swept away the elected government, raising fears around the world at the prospect of army rule in a nuclear-armed nation. Pakistan's nuclear rival, India, put its troops on alert and watched warily for the next step by Gen. Pervez Musharraf, a man Indians blame for months of bloody fighting this summer in disputed Kashmir.

Musharraf, head of Pakistan's army, gave no hint about his plans Wednesday, maintaining silence after announcing before dawn that his troops had ousted Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif.

Tuesday's lightning coup — sparked by Sharif's attempt to fire Musharraf — capped months of growing army resentment against the premier for backing away from the fight over Kashmir. President Clinton pressured Sharif into convincing Islamic fighters to pull back, reportedly outraging and humiliating army leaders.

Washington, Secretary of State Madeleine Albright warned the coup created a "level of uncertainty" in South Asia. She said U.S. officials had been in contact with Pakistan's military leaders, trying to persuade them to restore democratic government.

"A military takeover of this kind ... does make it difficult to continue business as usual," she said.

India and Pakistan, which conducted tit-for-tat nuclear tests last year, have fought three wars in 52 years, two of them over Kashmir.

Pentagon spokesman Kenneth Bacon played down U.S. alarm about his coup, saying in Washington that the coup had not changed the situation since control of the weapons program had always been in the hands of the military.

Officials from both countries dismissed fears of a Pakistani attack on India. But India said it would keep troops on high alert until the situation in Pakistan stabilized.

While Sharif remained under arrest Wednesday, Musharraf met Wednesday with Pakistani President Rafiq Tarar.

Musharraf's troops moved swiftly in Pakistan's main cities only an hour after Sharif announced the general's dismissal. The soldiers seized government buildings and airports and shut down state-run TV and radio for several hours.

Many Pakistanis danced in the streets, praising the army for getting rid of an elected leader who had become increasingly despised for his heavy-handed rule and economic mismanagement.

The general urged calm and promised "very soon" to announce his plans for Pakistan's future. He did not elaborate.

Aside from setting up a provisional government, Musharraf could call elections — a move required within three months under the constitution — or try to rule himself. From around the world came demands he hand power back to a democratic government.

U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan urged the army to restore civilian rule quickly, and the International Monetary Fund said it was cutting off aid to Pakistan until democracy returned.

In another sign of growing isolation, the Commonwealth — a grouping of former British colonies — said it might suspend Pakistan's membership. A move taken in 1995 against Nigeria. European Union officials also said he might postpone a new trade deal with Pakistan for the time being.
**Calendar of Events**

**Freshman Retreat #25 (Nov. 5-6) Sign-Up**
Continuing through Nov. 1, 112 Hesburgh Library, 112 Badin Hall.
Targeted Dorms: Alumni, Breen-Phillips, Dillon, Howard, Keough, Lyons, McGlinn, Pasquerilla West, and Sorin

**Africentric Spirituality: Freshman Intro Reception**
Thursday, October 28, 7:00-8:00 pm, Pecker's Hospitality Room

**Folk Choir concert for Missions**
Also Featuring the Notre Dame Handbell Choir
Saturday, October 30, 7:30 pm, Basilica of the Sacred Heart

**Africentric Spirituality Student Retreat:**
Sophomore Intro
Sunday, October 31, Linderwood

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**Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Weekend Presiders**
at Sacred Heart Basilica
Saturday, October 16 Mass
30 min. after the game
Rev. James Lies, C.S.C.
Sunday, October 17 Mass
8:00 a.m.
Rev. Nicholas R. Ayo, C.S.C.
10:00 a.m.
Rev. James Lies, C.S.C.
11:45 a.m.
Rev. Thomas P. Doyle, C.S.C.
STEPAN CENTER
Saturday, October 16 Mass
45 min. after the game
Rev. Gary S. Chamberland, C.S.C.

**Scripture Readings**
1st Reading  Isaiah 45:1, 4-6
2nd Reading  1 Thessalonians 1:1-15b
Gospel  Matthew 22: 15-21

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**CAMPUS MINISTRY**

**Love Is the Word for Fall Break**

It’s amazing to me that, with all the nuances contained in the English language, our society is so painfully one-dimensional when it comes to a word underlying so much of who we are. The word is “love.”

Think about the words you have in your own backpack, and then think about how they help you express who you are, where you are, and what you’re feeling. Let’s say you’re experiencing a tough day. You can say you’re “in a funk,” “having the blues,” “things are shady,” “I’m having a bad hair day!” or “I’m a stressball!” The list could go on....

Now let’s think about “love.” You can love your cat back at home, you can love your Dad’s ’64 Chevy, you can love the Indigo Girls and love shooting hoops. You can love your roommates. You can love your significant other. You can love your parents. Same verb. Infinitely different shades of meaning.

Of course, in our culture, we can sometimes comprehend these nuances. We understand the difference between loving a Blizzard at Dairy Queen and loving a grandmother.

But in human relations, there are many subtle layers to loving. Love can manifest itself in many ways - through friendship, through gentility, through mentoring. Love can also manifest itself through sacrifice, through selfless giving. C. S. Lewis named four loves: companionship, friendship, romance, and the last and greatest, Christian love. And he felt so strongly about the uniqueness of this kind of love that he renamed it: caritas.

What’s equally perplexing (and yet wonderful as well) is that, with all the strands of emotion and experience that make up the fabric of our world, sometimes there are several different facets of love working at the same time. The life-long friend who is a teacher. The person who used to be a roommate, but has now become a confidante. The priest who still says mass, but has now become a spiritual companion.

Perhaps there is a hidden wisdom in having just one word for this great mystery, because it forces our hand to define what is constantly at play in our lives.

So here’s a thought for fall break: After seven arduous weeks of doing, of jumping through the hoops of other folks’ academic agendas, how about a walk around a lake (or a few city blocks), and taking a look at what defines our being: those things we call “loving relationships.” No matter who they might be, from parents to high-school friends to HTHs to the posse we hang out with at Senior Bar.

And perhaps, after a few miles and some deep thinking, our journey back to Notre Dame on October 24th will be taken with a richer, deeper perspective.

Steven C. Warner
Office of Campus Ministry
Congress invests donors’ money

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Members of Congress seeking to boost their campaign funds are investing on Wall Street to cash in on the economic boom.

Most make modest returns on conservative investments, but a handful can boast six-figure profits. And at least one lost the gamble: Former economic-turndown congressman Tom Campbell, R-Calif., lost a show.

His spokesman, Suhail Khan. His election Commission any gains or losses — even those just on paper — from investments that range from Treasury notes to high-tech stocks.

Rep. Peter Deutsch, D-Fla., said before he grew leery of the market and pulled most of his money out this year, his campaign had money in such well-known companies as Microsoft, Coca-Cola, General Electric and Cisco Systems. He made $184,531 last year.

"It would be sort of a disservice to your contributors not to figure out what is the maximum way to use the contributions," Deutsch said. "It allows you spend more time working for your constituents."

Deutsch even called one of his campaign's money managers, Meyer Berman, as a witness last year at a congressional hearing on trading rules. His campaign's funds on a roller-coaster ride.

Deutsch's campaign lost $80,126 invested with Berman last year, but more than made up for it with other investments. Berman was responsible for most of Deutsch's $25,732 gain for the first half of 1999, when his campaign treasury had $1.7 million.

In the last decade, candidates have gradually become more bullish about investing campaign contributions in stocks, said University of Virginia political scientist Larry Sabato.

While lawmakers must disclose their personal investments annually, allowing voters to consider possible conflicts of interest, they aren't required to detail where campaign dollars are invested.

House and Senate members must report to the Federal Election Commission any gains or losses — even those just on paper — from investments that range from Treasury notes to high-tech stocks.

Rogier Tonee, executive producer

The CIA agreed to cooperate on the movie in 1997 after reviewing the script, Harlow said. It apparently helped that one of the producers, Robert Cort, had been a CIA analyst in the 1970s. Berenger and other cast members were given a limited tour of CIA headquarters, including a look at the agency's operations center and counter-terrorism center, and met with Tenet.

Scenes were filmed at the headquarters in 1998. The CIA helped by providing advice on details. The result, Harlow said, is a film that is "closer to the truth than what we do most of the things you see about us in Hollywood."

"The CIA's objectives were clear," said Roger Towne, the film's executive producer, who also was the film's executive producer. "They hoped to see a human face put on the agency and we had just the story to do it."
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**RUSSIA**

Chечен rebels endure bombing

Associated Press

While Russian forces pounded Chечен rebel positions around the capital of Grozny on Wednesday, hundreds of volunteers gathered in the city to head off to battle and arms themselves.

The heavy presence of seasoned fighters — in Grozny, Chechen President Aslan Maskhadov's claim that Chechnya is determined to prevail against the larger and better-equipped Russian army — "will come here to have peace talks with us. It will all end in peace talks."

Maskhadov predicted in an interview published with the Russian newspaper Vremya.

"It will all end in peace talks, but thousands of soldiers will die first."

Aslan Maskhadov
Chechen president

Russian forces apparently have control of the flat and open northern third of the republic, and are venturing into the central and southern sectors where the terrain makes them more vulnerable to guerrilla attacks.

In the 1994-96 Chechnya war, Russia suffered devastating losses in street fighting in Grozny and the army has not ventured into the capital in this campaign. Russia launched heavy air strikes on Grozny in September, but in recent days the city has been spared.

ARTILLERY shelling to soften up rebel positions in the hills and mountains of southern Chechnya before sending in troops. The Russians moved into Chechnya to establish a security zone to prevent Chechen militants from invading other regions in southern Russia, following two incursions by Chechnya-based Islamic militants into neighboring Dagestan. The militants are also suspected in a series of bombings in Russia that killed some 300 people.

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"Everyone has a militia, weapons and thugs."

Loay Abdo
Gun control campaigner

Associated Press

NABLUS

Palestine targets illegal weapons

**West Bank**

Yasser Arafat has taken reluctant steps to restore order, sending in troop reinforcements and ordering more than a dozen arms dealers arrested.

Responding to growing public frustration with lawlessness, Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat has taken reluctant steps to restore order, sending in troop reinforcements and ordering more than a dozen arms dealers arrested.

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Jay Caponigro

Playing poker in the lunchroom, my dad boasted. "Yeah, I told you Randy would never cut it — he was here one week and left whining about his swollen hands. He's just not like my old man. He made it only thirty years with me and left the dock for a job at a paper mill." I kept my cards and nodded. Loading trucks was my dad's work. Not what he liked, but he needed hard and he expected his "runners" to work harder. Some days he worked three jobs, working 24 hours at a time. I wish he'd put his six children through Catholic schools. But now I was working with him. I had just gotten accepted into Notre Dame, and knew it now was my responsibility to pay my way. My dad's contribution "was to get me in" to work on the docks. Given my dad's integrity, I knew he'd work harder than anyone he'd worked with — no favoritism here — if he busted on Tic's kid, he'd bust on his own. He had a reputation to keep up.

He also loaned me because I was underage, and not in the union. My dad was a Teamster, as were most of the men on the dock. And as a casual worker, I was, in effect, a scab. Under those conditions, most men would have hated the union more than they hated my dad. "As a Billy's kid," it was railed until I figured out the job, and proved I could keep up. But the integrity toward the union puzzled me. My father received health and pension benefits from the union. His wages were better than at non-union companies, and, in fact, that's why he had saved his and others' jobs in the past when the company tried to get rid of the contract. So why the antipathy? I learned on the docks, and I've learned out of it: the problem of organizing, whether on the job or in the community, is not organizing the workers, but it puts you at the table where the decisions are made. But if you're not careful, it could end up driving a wedge between you.

That's the attitude I perceived from my following workers and my dad. "The union as corrupt as the company," they'd complain, and in part, they were right. But they weren't ready to give it up — without it, they'd have no protection and they knew it. They were cautious when the federal government stepped in to address the questionable links to the mob, as well as the use of their pension funds. Their excitement began to grow as new leadership emerged and began to make the union more viable, and more accessible. New leadership changed the name, but this time the union has turned a curve. Growth is projected and workers are confident. But will labor escape the pitfalls of the past?

Work is more than income. In the first chapter of the book shared in the Jewish and Christian tradition, the human person is lifted up as the most sacred part of creation. Created in God's image and likeness, we are called to be in relationship with God as co-creators through our labor.

Throughout The Book of Confessions, the Presbyterian tradition teaches that work binds us in family and community. The Methodist Book of Resolutions teaches that "society should provide employment under safe and decent conditions so that the dignity of workers can be elevated and their creativity exercised."

In the Catholic tradition, Pope John Paul II's Encyclical On the Hundredth Anniversary of l'Humanum omnium outlines how the Church's Social Thought has been a voice for A llae, for the poor who have seen jobs disappear from the inner cities of America, or those middle-aged white men who have lost their jobs to corporate downsizing. For a More Just and Humane World I'll show this article to my father. I can see him reading it aloud, laughing about the sacredness of loading freight onto trucks at 2 a.m. But I'm not the desperate families depend- ing on labor in sweatshops, the workers who have seen jobs disappear from the inner cities of America, or those middle-aged white men who have lost their jobs to corporate downsizing. For a More Just and Humane World I'll show this article to my father. I can see him reading it aloud, laughing about the sacredness of loading freight onto trucks at 2 a.m. But I'm not the desperate families depend- ing on labor in sweatshops, the workers who have seen jobs disappear from the inner cities of America, or those middle-aged white men who have lost their jobs to corporate downsizing. For a More Just and Humane World I'll show this article to my father. I can see him reading it aloud, laughing about the sacredness of loading freight onto trucks at 2 a.m. But I'm not the desperate families depend- ing on labor in sweatshops, the workers who have seen jobs disappear from the inner cities of America, or those middle-aged white men who have lost their jobs to corporate downsizing. For a More Just and Humane World I'll show this article to my father. I can see him reading it aloud, laughing about the sacredness of loading freight onto trucks at 2 a.m. But I'm not the desperate families depend- ing on labor in sweatshops, the workers who have seen jobs disappear from the inner cities of America, or those middle-aged white men who have lost their jobs to corporate downsizing.

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Russian invasion of Chechnya as terrorism
scapegoat feeds cycle of needless violence

Recent events in Russia provide a perfect example of how regrettably Machiavellian the world has become. Devastated by a series of terrorist explosions in Moscow and Volgodonsk that killed more than 300 civilians, Russia has responded by finding someone to blame and calling for full retaliation against the scapegoat.

Over the past two weeks, the republic of Chechnya has been fighting with soldiers and rebels, both of which have killed an estimated 300 Chechen civilians, many of whom were civilians. In the former Soviet Union, restitution is no longer an option, but one innocent life for another.

Until this retributive attitude is corrected, the cycle of violence in Russia and elsewhere will not stop.

In response to these explosions and Volgodonsk bombings, the Russian government implemented Operation Whirlwind, arresting 1000 individuals and claiming to have identified the terrorists responsible.

In further response, late last week, Russia captured Nafis Khabbabeyev, who is believed to be responsible for directing the attacks. In a day and age in which every major nation has a special-forces unit, however, it was totally unnecessary for so many Chechens to suffer in order to catch one rebel.

Chechen rebels have gone beyond simply killing Chechens. After the first onslaught of bombings, about 130,000 refugees fled the region. These people will face a harsh winter in makeshift camps, reliant on the generosity of others to stay alive. Ironically, it is now the Russians who are offering aid to those they have forced to the streets. As refugee camps are set up, Chechens are forced to accept help from those who caused their homelessness. It was inevitable the air war would result in waves of Chechen refugees. The Russian government could not ignore them and call for them to stay home as their neighbors were killed by Kremlin bombs. An already strained Russian economy has now been burdened by the humanitarian care of these Chechen refugees.

Because the Kremlin chose revenge over peace and justice, they have insured many more will die until one side gives in. The events between Russia and Chechnya are simply another example of violence begetting violence.

Russian troops now occupy nearly half of Chechnya, and CNN reports that Muslim clerics in Chechnya are expected to call for a holy war. Tension is mounting, and communication skills on both sides have regressed to those of toddlers.

Russia and Chechnya are so far from considering peace that many events that usually occur between the two countries have been orchestrated to gain public support for the conflict. With missiles and bombs, Russia used the bombings in Moscow and Volgodonsk to promote anti-Chechen sentiments.

A video depicting the abuse of Russian soldiers by Chechen rebels surfaced recently, sealing the Russian people’s support of the bombings. The events taking place between Russia and Chechnya are hardly unique on a world scale, as the actions taken by both sides were conducted in a textbook fashion.

One countryombat, another, the bombed country fights back. Refugees flee, and the United Nations sends in peacekeeping forces because both countries are incapable of resolving the situation on their own. This conflict, like those occurring in East Timor and Kosovo, typifies global response to old ethnic grudges.

Neither side seems able to put the past behind them or resolve their difference once and for all. Instead, they turn to violence and further the chaos that already exists. Until it is realized that peace is its own greatest reward, this world will continue to suffer irreplaceable losses.

It is time nations stopped playing with their big guns and started to regain their communication skills.

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By CASEY McCLUSKEY
Scene Music Critic

Saturday Night Live has a history of exposing young comics to the world and giving many the break they need to make it in Hollywood. SNL's newest prodigy is Cleveland native Molly Shannon. The movie "Superstar" is based on Shannon's character Mary Katherine Gallagher, whom Shannon introduced to the world on SNL a few seasons ago.

Mary Katherine is a sixteen-year-old Catholic school girl who dreams of becoming a movie star. In the early eighties, when she was thirteen, she saw a photo of the ten-year-old Mary Katherine in a magazine. Ever since then, she has witnessed so many times in all of the movies she watches. When prayer does not seem to work to get this first kiss, Mary Katherine decides it is time to take things into her own hands. To get that first Hollywood-style kiss, Mary Katherine believes she must get a little Hollywood style of her own and become a superstar.

Mary Katherine learns how to be a superstar by watching every movie she can. She re-wrinds in her after-school job as the video store. She often believes that she can jump-start the independent movie craze, which many SNL characters have made their own movies have in the past. This movie does include some of the same jokes from SNL, such as Mary Katherine's nervous habit of smelling her armpits and falling into everything around her, because she has nowhere else to go. She is just pretending that he is high all the time, because she is too scared to tell him the truth.

The film's humor will relieve stress. It is also great for fall break, because of the broad audience appeal the movie has. "Superstar" is a movie that you can go see with your family when you are home. You can go see it on a date or with a bunch of friends from high school. It has something for everyone. And though "Superstar" is not on the same level as SNL's most successful adaptation, "Wayne's World," it is definitely a success for Saturday Night Live.

VIDEO PICK OF THE WEEK

McMullen brotherhood entertains everyone

By JOE LARSON
Scene Music Critic

Ever wonder what a movie about your family would look like — a movie about you and your brothers or sisters about what's going on in your life? The movie wouldn't have any special effects or explosions, just real stuff that has happened in your life.

"The Brothers McMullen"

The movie is recommended to anyone in any mood. It is a funny and touching movie about how people have come to know and love her. But it does go a bit over the top with these gags, and adds new things to laugh at.

The film is the perfect time to go see this film. It is only an 90 minutes, and is a great study break during midterms. It takes very little brain power to watch the film (although keep an eye on the all of the cars in the background of the movie — something strange is going on there), and the McMullen brotherhood entertains everyone.

THE BROTHERS McMLENN

Director: Edward Burns
Starring: Edward Burns, Mike McGlone, Jack Maltzach, Shari Albert and Mark McKinney

"Superstar" out of five shamrocks

Director: Bruce McCallum
Starring: Molly Shannon, Will Ferrell, Elaine Hendrix, Harland Williams and Mark McKinney

Molly Shannon (right) stars as Mary Katherine Gallagher in "Superstar," the big-screen version of the Saturday Night Live skit.
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Harrison Ford and Kristen Scott Thomas star as lovers who meet when their cheating spouses are killed in a plane crash.

"Random Hearts"

Director: Sydney Pollack
Starring: Harrison Ford, Kristen Scott Thomas, Charles Dutton and Bonnie Hunt

Box Office

"Double Jeopardy?" More like triple jeopardy: The thriller edged out new film "Random hearts" to take the top spot at the box office for the third straight week. The other new film at the box office, "Superstar," came in at the No. 5 spot, with a solid $8.9 million.

Top Ten Weekend of Oct. 8-10

1. Double Jeopardy $13.5 million $65.8 million
2. Random Hearts $13.0 million $13.6 million
3. Three Kings $12.0 million $32.7 million
4. American Beauty $9.5 million $31.1 million
5. Superstar $8.9 million $8.9 million
6. The Sixth Sense $6.1 million $242.7 million
7. Blue Streak $5.7 million $55.2 million
8. Drive Me Crazy $4.0 million $11.8 million
9. The Adventures of Elmo in Grouchland $2.3 million $62 million
10. For Love of the Game $2.1 million $31.5 million

Source: Yahoo!

Movie Review

Jumbled 'Hearts' plot runs dumb

By JILLIAN DEPAUL
Scene Movie Critic

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National League Championship Series
Pierz, Jordan Braves to 2-0 edge in series with Mets

Association Price

All of a sudden, that injury to All-Star catcher Jay Joppy was the Loyce in New York Mets a lot more than the Atlantic Braves. Backup Eddie Perez reprised his role as the unlikely hero, reminding with Brian Jordan of hit two-run homers in the sixth inning and leading 800-327-6013 the Braves over the Mets 4-3 Wednesday for a 2-0 lead in the NL Championship Series.

Showing how they are, the Braves brought in John Smoltz for the first relief appearance of his major league career that began in 1988.

The Game 4 starter picked a perfect ninth for

Perez, who took over full time after Lopez was lost for the year to a knee problem in late July, had not homered at Turner Field this season unless connecting Tuesday night in a 4-2 victory in the opener.

With the smoke from the fireworks set off after Jordan's shot still drifting across the field, Perez launched a drive into the left- field. Met's manager Bobby Valentine, who had Turk Wendell warming up, threw his bat and kicked the air as Perez circled the bases. Up to that point, it had been a good day for New York. It had its own surprise star —Melvin Mora hit his first major league homer after replacing the ill Hernandez midgame — and Rogers had managed to stay out of trouble.

Millerwood, who pitched a one-hitter in the first half of the inning when Hernandez was forced to leave because of nausea and a light head.

In an unusual sight, Mora was throwing in the dugout to get loose before getting the call.

Mora homered in the fifth for a 2-0 lead. A late-season spark for the Mets, Mora had come a long way since starting the 1995 season playing in Taiwan.

The Mets' big hitters, however, did little. Mike Piazza, Olerud and Ventura combined to go 0-10, leaving 1-0-1 in 10 at the series.

The Braves got a runner on in every inning against Rogers, but many of them didn't last long on the bases.

Manager Gerald Williams hit a single in the second and was first round against Houston, gave up an RBI double in the eighth.

Of course, for the fourth straight game, the Mets in which most everything seemed to go right when it came to hit two-run homers in the sixth inning and leading 800-327-6013 the Braves over the Mets 4-3 Wednesday for a 2-0 lead in the NL Championship Series.

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Acousticafe.
10/14.  Thursday.  LaFortune Huddle.  0900PM-1200AM.

Congratulations in Order.
Ryon Allen.  September.  SUB Member of the Month.

Welcome Aboard!
Sara Branch.  Brand New Sophomore Literary Festival Chair.

Pumpkin Painting Party.
10/27.  Wednesday.  Feildhouse Mall.  (rain: LaFortune Ballroom).  0400PM-0600PM.

See www.nd.edu/~sub for this week’s performers.

Free pumpkins, snacks, and a campus band.

CLASS OF 2003

Designs for the class t-shirt due.
10/27.  Wednesday.  T-shirts will be $12.

CAMPUS WIDE/MISCELLANEOUS

FRIDAY NIGHT LIVE.
10/15.  Friday.  JACC.  0900PM-1200AM.

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Acousticafe this week:
The reunion of everyone's favorite band... THE METEORS

Pumpkin Painting
Parcells wants QB Mirer to play more aggressively

Associated Press

HEMPSTEAD, New York

Bill Parcells and quarterback Rick Mirer seemed to have different views Wednesday on what Mirer should be doing better.

Parcells, however, once again nominated Mirer as his starter when the Jets face the Colts Sunday at the Meadowlands.

"I'd like to see him be a little more aggressive," said Parcells in the wake of Mirer's performance in the loss against the Jaguars. Mirer's passes barely averaged 4 yards a throw as the Jets fell to 1-4.

"There were a couple of downfield opportunities he didn't use," said Parcells, who has been calling the plays.

Miler, though, was surprised at the comment; indeed, he indicated that wasn't the game plan.

"Our emphasis all week was to complete the balls," Mirer said. "Don't take undue chances. If he wants me to be aggressive, I'll be aggressive. But there's other things, too, that were there."

Miler completed half of his 38 attempts, was sacked four times, intercepted twice, including a game-ending desperation pass, and directed an offense that converted an inordinately poor number of third-down plays — three in 16 chances.

"There were a couple of opportunities to throw deep," Mirer said. "Not really, as far as touchdown shots. It's crazy to force it in there."

While Mirer has been gracious about the questions directed at him from his first day in New York, he seemed somewhat weary with the news media today. He said of the loss to the Jaguars: "We're stopped by a good defense and now we're a bunch of bums. I don't think that's fair."

A week earlier, Parcells and the fans had lauded Mirer for his aggressive play against the Broncos, for his ability to improvise on the run and for getting the Jets into the end zone.

This week, though, Parcells waited a day before publicly naming Mirer as his starter.

The coach, however, also went out of his way today to point out that the players around him committed so many mistakes that Mirer's performance suffered as well. Still, Parcells said that the quarterback should not have taken so many sacks.

"There were a couple of times last week when he put the ball away, maneuvered out of trouble and then took a sack," Parcells said. The coach pointed out that the Jaguars' quarterback, Mark Brunell, was also under pressure. "He did that six or seven times, but threw the ball away," Parcells said.
Detroit-Towns St Louis in 4-2 win

Associated Press

STEVE YZERMAN moved into a tie for eighth place on the NHL's career scoring list as the Detroit Red Wings beat the St. Louis Blues 4-2 Wednesday night.

Tariqov and Larry Murphy both had a goal and an assist for the Red Wings, who also got goals from Tomas Holmstrom and Nicklas Lidstrom and two assists from Vyacheslav Kozlov.

Pierre Turgeon scored his 400th career goal and Michel Handzus also scored for the Blues, who lost the game in a three-stop road trip after winning the first two.

Turgeon became the 53rd NHL player to reach 400 goals when he scored on a power-play shot 7:10 into the first period, and converted a short power-play shot from Johan Hedlund.

Murphy responded with a power-play goal 2:54 later when he skated in from the left side and fired in Kozlov's perfect pass through the slot. Holmstrom scored his third goal by pushing a loose puck into the net at 14:29 to give Detroit a 2-1 lead.

Chris Pronger kept a clear-cut attempt inside the Detroit line and passed ahead to Handzus, who got open behind the Red Wings defense and scored his third goal for a 2-1 tie 8:38 into the second period.

Detroit went back on top at 14:45, converting a 3-on-3 opportunity when Larimov and Larry Murphy had deserted their line and Pronger's shot hit the crossbar. Holmstrom gave the Red Wings a two-goal lead 10:48 later when he scored his first goal on a slap shot from between the circles.

Maple Leafs 3, Panthers 2

Yanic Perreault scored the winning goal on a power play late in the third period as the Toronto Maple Leafs beat the Florida Panthers 3-2 Wednesday night.

Perreault, who is centering the Lidsstrom line and passed ahead to Larimov's point shot with 5:37 remaining for his first goal of the season to break a 2-2 tie. Jonas Hoglund and Tomas Kaberle also scored for the Red Wings, who also got goals from Mats Sundin, deflected Danny Markov's point shot with 3:37 remaining for his first goal of the season to break a 2-2 tie. Jonas Hoglund and Tomas Kaberle also scored for the Red Wings. Ronnie Niklas Andersson, called up from St. John's of the AHL to fill Sundin's roster spot, assisted on Kaberle's goal.

Playing his first NHL game after being recalled from the NHL of the day earlier in the day, Ivan Novoseltsev opened the scoring with his first NHL goal on a second-period power play. Novoseltsev tied the game 2-2 early in the third period, also on the power play.

Novoseltsev's linemate Viktor Kozlov had two assists.

Sunday, October 14, 1999

Young meets with doctors about future

Associated Press

Steve Young, still not recovered from the latest of several concussions over the last three years, met with his neurologist Wednesday with his future in the NFL appearing increasingly uncertain.

"I think the symptoms are lasting a little bit longer than they should," coach Steve Mariucci said. "In previous concussions, he has recovered sooner. That is itself the concern."

Young, 38, a two-time NFL MVP and six-time passing efficiency leader who led the San Francisco 49ers to their fifth Super Bowl victory in 1994, underwent a day-long battery of tests at Stanford Medical Center on Tuesday when he arrived in the Bay Area to resume his preparation for the 1999 season.

"I think the symptoms are lasting a little bit longer than they should have been," Young said. "It is taking a little bit longer than I thought it would."

Mariucci acknowledged Young has been besieged with pleas to retire and perhaps his time has come.

"More people are suggesting the 'E' word to him," Mariucci said. "He doesn't like hearing it, but sooner or later he's going to need to admit to it, to himself or at least to say it and believe it that's right. He hasn't come to that just yet, but eventually that will occur."

Young, who turned 38 Monday, suffered his fourth concussion in three years Sept. 27 against Arizona. He was leveled by blitzing cornerback Aeneas Williams, and his head struck tackle Dave Fiore's knee before he slammed into the ground.

The force of the blow left him unconscious for several seconds.

Jeff Garcia has started two games in place of the injured Young, and will start again Sunday against Carolina.

Even if Young eventually receives medical advice from the docs to quit, "I don't know exactly which direction he's going to go," Young said. "He doesn't like hearing it, but he's going to go back to the 49ers and talk to his doctor."

Last week, Young conceded he was bothered by headaches and grogginess after trying to resume practice with the team.

The latest concussion now appears to be the most serious for Young, who endured two in 1996 and another in the 1997 season opener at Tampa Bay.

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Scottie Pippen. They didn't need
his attitude disrupting the team.
Pippen's attitude apparently
never has disrupted a team.
Mets and Sox
Wouldn't it be poetic justice to
see a New York Mets versus
Boston Red Sox World Series?
Game 6, down to the last out,
and "the greatest infield ever"
lets a ball roll through its legs,
thus erasing the name of Bill
Buckner from the minds of Red
Sox fans forever, and leaving
the rest of us to put up with the
irritating Boston fans. I guess
we'll excuse you from celebrat­
once every hundred years.
Miller saves all
And the Lord sent to this
Earth a savior to rid all peoples
of unhappiness and bring joy
to his people. The Lord named
him David Miller. Does anyone
honestly think that Jim Saxon
wants to kick against USC
again?
Spurrier? No way.
Talk about bad flashbacks.
Who's gotten the email claim­
ing that Steve Spurrier has
talked with Athletic Director
Wadsworth concerning taking
over the Irish coaching position
after this season? Does it strike
you as odd that the report
came out of Tallahassee?
Florida is located in Gainesville.
Florida State resides in
Tallahassee. Nice try though.
One phone call
Peter Warrick may be the first
Heisman trophy winner ever to
be interviewed by phone. They
still do allow one phone call in
prison, don't they?
What happened?
Does anyone know what hap­
pened to the Minnesota
Vikings? They lost players on
defense, but their offense is
basically in tact. They've gone
from scoring something like 40
points a game to losing to the
Bears. Maybe it's the presence
of Jeff George that prohibits
teams from winning.
From the desk of Doherty
Dear Ruth Riley,
Would you mind playing cen­
ter for our basketball team?
Sincerely, Coach Matt
Doherty.
As Kenny Mayne so aptly puts
it, she's tall.

Bad Bands
Finally, say a prayer that USC
is leaving its band at home. If I
have to hear that song one
more time, well, that's another
story.
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Belles
The Belles did just that. Before the third game, the Saint Mary's mascots were at the Irish pep rally last weekend, and raised spirits before the team took to the court yet again. The team responded well. "Our communication really picked up after the second game," Ozbolt said. "We got into a groove and played really well." The Belles took control of the court during the third game, led by Suzanne Martin, who had three ac ces for the match, the Belles beat Albion 15-6. "During the third and fourth game we really got back our basics," Shields said. "We served and passed very well."

They were much crisper after the Irish pep rally last weekend continued from page 28 games.

The Belles won the first point during the fourth game of the evening and never looked back. They scored five points before Albion scored its only point of the game. Saint Mary's then scored 10 consecutive points to win the game 15-5. In the final minutes of the game, Shields took out all of the senior players and set up the next year's Saint Mary's team. "Taking them out was a test," Shields said. I wanted to see what it would be like next year without them. The senior members of the Belles team could be proud of their performance tonight. Senior Agnes Bill ended her career in Angela Athletic Facility by leading the offense and defense with 24 digs and 15 kills. Helping Bill on offense were Martin, Freshman Emily Nihill and Ange Meyer. Martin had an impressive 6 ac ses for the game and served as the team's setter with 35 assists. Nihill joined Bill with 12 kills, and Meyer added 2 ac ses to the Belles' offensive attack.

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Volleyball

Bill sisters team up on and off volleyball court

By KATIE MCVoy
Sports Writer

Everyone has heard of the phrase "Like father, like son," but what about "Like sister, like sister?"

In a family where sibling rivalry never found a home, Agnes and Ann Bill found true friendship while being teammates.

Senior Agnes and freshman Ann are both players for the Saint Mary's volleyball team this year. Agnes is an outside hitter and Ann plays defense for the Belles this season. But they are more than teammates both on and off the Belles' volleyball court.

"We are best friends off the court," Ann said.

Growing up in Hamilton, Ohio, Agnes was a big influence on Ann.

Agnes began playing volleyball in fifth grade, and encouraged Ann to play during the summers at home.

"I think I was a big influence on Ann," Agnes said. "I encouraged her to work out with me during the summer, and it was just something fun we could do together."

Little sister Ann, agreed with Agnes's sentiment.

"She was definitely a big influence on me," Ann said.

Although they have both been playing since the fifth grade, this year is the first year that Agnes and Ann have had the opportunity to play together as teammates. They are both finding that there are definite advantages to playing together.

"Our parents come to more games, for one thing," Agnes said. "More importantly, I think it's just fun. Playing with someone you grew up with at the competitive level is really great."

"It's something I've always wanted to do," Ann added. "Ever since we started practicing in the yard, I've looked forward to playing together."

Both Agnes and Ann both agree that playing volleyball has strengthened their friendship.

"No matter what your experience, doing it with the people you care about brings you closer," Agnes said. "Playing volleyball has really helped us relate."

Playing together has also motivated the Bill sisters to play their best. Competitive volleyball has always been a big part of both players' lives.

During their high school years both women played for their high school team as well as for club teams in the off season. Their friendship and their sisterhood have been major influences on their playing, especially now that they play on the same team.

"Agnes really motivates me to play well," Ann said. "She makes me want to play hard and give one hundred percent."

Agnes leaves a good example of a successful volleyball career for Ann when she graduates this year. She was named first team MIAA last season, as well as an MIAA player of the week and Saint Mary's most valuable player.

According to Agnes, teamwork is a huge part of the Bills' success this season.

"I want Ann to do well and she wants me to do well," Agnes added.

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**NFL**

**Kramer earns second start for Chargers**

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While the defense will eagerly continue to carry the load, the San Diego Chargers will give quarterback Erik Kramer his second straight start in their AFC West showdown with Seattle on Sunday.

Coach Mike Riley said he made the decision because Jim Harbaugh has fully healed from the two cracked ribs he suffered in the first quarter of a win against Kansas City on Oct. 3.

"Right now we've almost forced this situation and we've got to make the most of it this week," Riley said Wednesday.

The Chargers and Seahawks are tied for the division lead at 3-1 going into the game at Qualcomm Stadium.

The Chargers continue to be thankful they signed Kramer the night before training camp opened, two days after quarterback Dan Fouts was dismissed by the Chicago Bears.

"It's not this year that they did it much of a choice at quarter-back. When Ryan Leaf's situation got too burdensome, they put in Craig Beaudet, and the turnarounds continued.

While the defense again dominated a game, the Chargers' feeble offense showed some improvement behind Kramer in a 20-10 win at Detroit last Sunday. He didn't get any touches down passes, but the Chargers offense was dramatically improved in third-down conversions.

"I'm excited every chance I get," said Kramer, who missed the last half of 1996 with the Bears due to shoulder and knee surgeries. "I was hoping it would happen that way, so hopefully we can keep moving forward."

"I'm asked if he felt he deserved the start. "I think I have anything to apol­ogize for," he said. "I think we all played the game. I've basically come in and tried to do my stuff."

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American League Championship Series

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Yankees' Scott Brosius beats Red Sox catcher Jason Varitek to the plate in Wednesday's opening game of the American League Championship Series.

Associated Press

BRONX, New York
Bernie Williams' lead-off homer in the 10th inning lifted the defending World Series champion New York Yankees past the Boston Red Sox, 4-3, in Game 1 of the American League Championship Series.

Scott Brosius stroked three hits, including a homer, for New York, which has won 11 straight in the post-season.

Mariano Rivera (1-0) went two innings of one-hit relief to earn the win. Rod Beck (0-1) entered the game for the Red Sox in the bottom of the 10th and Williams wasted no time in pounding the game-winner. On an 0-1 pitch, Williams ripped a drive to dead center field that Darren Lewis could only watch, giving the Yankees the win.

The homer was the third of Williams' career in the ALCS, including a blast off Baltimore's Randy Myers in the bottom of the 11th inning in 1996 that also proved to be the game-winner. Boston has lost nine straight American League Championship Series games, dating back to 1988. Oakland swept the Red Sox in both 1988 and 1990.

Boston All-Star shortstop Nomar Garciaparra made two errors in the game, but also made a pair of spectacular leaping grabs to preserve at least three runs.

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Golf

Ratay leads Irish to third place finish at invitational

Sophomore Steve Ratay and the Notre Dame men's golf team continued their strong fall season by placing third Tuesday at the 19-team Xavier Provost Invitational.

It was held at the par-71, 6,808-yard Grizzly Tournament Course at the Golf Center at Kings Island.

Notre Dame — which opened the fall with first-place finishes at the Air Force Invitational and the Legends of Indiana Intercollegiate — failed to close the gap in Tuesday's third and final round, after sitting just four strokes off the lead following Monday's opening two rounds of play.

The team was disappointed with their inability to gain any ground on Tuesday, according to Ratay.

"I walked off the last green and most of the guys were looking half dead," he said. "We just couldn't believe that we couldn't make a comeback."

The Irish closed with a round of 295 in the play-five, count-four format, yielding an 872 total that trailed only Michigan and Marshall in the 19-team field.

Ratay — who served as Notre Dame's fifth man last spring and was one of only two Irish players to make the NCAA Tournament last season — finished one stroke back at 220, with juniors Alex Kent and Adam Anderson rounding out the strong team showing.

Notre Dame's impressive start represents the first time in the program's history that an Irish squad has finished among the top three in three straight intercollegiate tournaments.

"We're pretty optimistic," Ratay said. "A lot more than in the past. We've gotten off to a good start and we think that we can compete with anyone."

The strong start also provides a huge boost to Notre Dame's hopes for securing the program's first appearance in the NCAA Championship since 1966.

The Irish were in the running for NCAA bids during each of the past two seasons, but had to rally in the spring after sub-par fall performances.

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LION (July 23-Aug. 22). You have to take care of other people's problems. Work with the stars and you'll find it easier to stay in love than to leave it.

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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You'll be up to some new activities this year. You might be an unusual person if you follow a new path.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You have to let yourself go. It's time to take care of matters you've been thinking about. Let your creative side flourish. You'll meet many unusual people if you follow a new path.

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SMC drops first home match to Calvin 5-0

By SARAH RYKOWSKI
Sports Writer

The Saint Mary's soccer team dropped another game Wednesday to Calvin College. The 5-0 defeat was the Belles' first home loss for the 1999-2000 season.

"I thought we came out really flat to begin again," head coach Jason Milligan said. "Later on, in the second half of the first half, and in the second half, we played much better."

Again, the Belles had trouble finishing their scoring runs. Calvin held them to just seven total shots on goal. Freshman midfielder Heather Muth led the Belles with two scoring attempts, one on a breakaway that left her one-on-one with the Calvin goalie, but the shot went wide off the right post.

Laura Paulen, Mary Campe, Katy Barger and Erin McCabe also had shots. "We've been improving every game," Milligan said. "The pace of play is quicker with the better teams. I think they're getting some great experience."

The Belles had trouble getting the ball down the field, and they also seemed to struggle on defense more than usual. "The only part I think we were struggling with was communication," senior co-captain Rachel Egger said.

Saint Mary's goalie Brie Grashick had five saves for the game. Four of the Calvin goals occurred in the first half.

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