"Enthusiastic" Welsh junior succumbs to pneumonia

By ANNE MARIE MATTINGLY
News Editor

Notre Dame junior and Welsh Family Hall resident Adrienne Piennette, rector of Welsh, said Clary was 20. "She was a very enthusiastic person who worked very hard at her studies," said Piennette. "For a person who had such a heavy course load, she did her best to be active in the hall." Clary, from Tyler, Texas, was a mechanical engineering major and active participant in interhall basketball, said Piennette. She was re-diagnosed with leukemia the Monday before this school year began, after successfully beating the disease in high school. "It was a shock for everyone," said Piennette. "She was doing really well, so she said.

Clary had been in regular contact with friends in Welsh nearly daily until she contracted pneumonia late last week, said Piennette. While hoping for a bone marrow transplant, Clary remained committed to returning to Notre Dame. "She really wanted to get back here," said Piennette, who explained that Clary had not returned to school this semester because of her illness. "She was a very determined young woman." Piennette indicated that the women of Welsh will feel a "shock and presence." "She's a presence that's needed in the hall and has been since school started, especially in the junior class," she said. Counseling services have been made available to friends of Clary, and Piennette hopes to hold a memorial mass later in the year for her family and friends. She is survived by her parents and two sisters.

Leukemia left engineering major prone to illness

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Members discuss The Observer

By LAURA ROMPF
Assistant News Editor

The Observer could lose its independence at the end of this month, the Student Senate learned Wednesday night.

The Ad Hoc Internal Review Committee for The Observer was formed to investigate the relationship between The Observer and the University and render a decision on actions to take within the next few weeks.

"University control over The Observer would significantly damage the journalistic credibility and day-to-day operation of The Observer," said Mike Connolly, Editor in Chief of The Observer. "As an independent publication, The Observer can, to the best of its ability cover without bias the pressures, challenges and day-to-day operations of The Observer."

Connolly said he was primarily coming to the senate to inform and ask them to inform the students within their dorms of the current situation. Connolly said if The Observer goes under University control, several of its employees would be forced to quit their jobs.

Under the current policy, jobs at The Observer are parallel to off-campus jobs and do not interfere with a student's financial aid from the University or the government. However, if The Observer goes under University control, Observer jobs would be similar to any other University job, and thus hinder a student's ability to receive scholarships.

At its Wednesday meeting, the Student Senate discussed the University's options regarding the independent status of The Observer. The paper may be placed under University control later this year.

From other venues.

"Observer staff members who invest hours of their free time at the paper for their own enjoyment or journalistic education would be forced to stop working at The Observer," Connolly said. See THE OBSERVER/page 4

Zelazny, Week to lead SMC Class of 2004

By NICOLE CLEARY
News Writer

Zoe Zelazny and Madonna Week will lead Saint Mary's freshmen into 2001 as the new class officers. After gaining an 8.8 percent lead over their opponents, Abby Van Veer and Megan Olive, Zelazny and Week won with 53.6 percent of the vote.

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Only 44 percent of Saint Mary's freshmen voted, and Tuesday's "Meet The Candidates" did not attract a large audience.

Election commissioner, Stephanie Pace said that "Meet" did very well but "We did not get the turnout we had expected." With the campaign pressure finally off, Zelazny and Week said they are ready to start working. At last night's initial Freshman Council meeting, Zelazny said, "It was such an honor to be elected." "Now we'll be doing everything we can to have a great year," said Week.

Zelazny and Week have big plans for their fellow classmates. The duo working on organizing more class-wide events like dances and masses and hope to establish a freshman brothers program with Notre Dame during their term.

Looking back over the past few weeks, both Zelazny and Week felt the elections went really well. One of the key components to their success, Zelazny said, was "getting out and introducing us to everybody." Week agreed that the campaign was exciting and said she especially enjoyed meeting her freshman sisters who "were all very friendly."
Teaching qualifications

My mother teaches second grade. When most people hear that, they ask me if I want to become a teacher, too. My typical response is an emphatic “Never!” One of my friends recently mentioned that his mother is also a teacher, but like me, my friend has no intention of following in his mom’s footsteps. “Especially since I’m going to Notre Dame,” my friend added. “My parents are now putting money into me to get a good education here. Maybe if I were going to a state school back home it would be okay for me to become a teacher.”

I agreed. Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s students are among the best and brightest in the country. Maybe it’s okay for us to volunteer to work with little kids. But spend our entire careers teaching them reading, writing and arithmetic? No way. Let people with lower SAT scores teach our future generations the skills for entering the workforce. My mom has worked tirelessly for a positive influence she had on not only their careers teaching them reading, writing and arithmetic. My mom, for instance, has worked tirelessly with students who struggled in learning skills most of us take for granted. My mom has comforted the tears of countless 7- and 8-year-olds. She has covered the tuition of a student entering on another floor. The network actually extends beyond the building, out to the street. I drove by the building on a stormy holiday and saw a student re-entering on another floor. The network card for accessing the local area network with its lawsuit against the company would be willing to turn the Notre Dame domain name over to the university on Dec. 7. The delay is unnecessary, he said, to allow a suitably transition period for Powered. Powered officials said that the company had been planning to change the name since early May. “The name notHarvard no longer fit our business really well,” said Mark Gonzalez, acting president of marketing for the company. “It was originally a code name that we used that stuck.”

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The views expressed in the Inside Column are not necessarily those of The Observer.
ND soccer games kick off to Latin-American rhythms

By LIZ ZANONI

News Writer

Although over a month has passed since the Notre Dame women's soccer team returned home from its 18-day pre-season excursion in Brazil, players are reminded of the South American culture every time they step onto Alumni Field to defend their home turf.

As warm-up begins, players glance to the packed benches on the opposite side of the field, aware that the South Americans have played nonstop for the full 90 minute games at the men's and women's matches.

"It's part of the game," said Notre Dame computer science and engineering professor Ramzi Bualuan.

Bualuan, along with a few devout musicians, for two years have played nonstop for the full 90 minute games at the men's and women's soccer matches. The drums beat turn Notre Dame soccer games into a culturally unique experience by creating Latin beats from the Irish sideline.

In South America and Europe, soccer thrives on sounds from an impassioned crowd. For diehard fans in countries where thousands pack stadiums to view their national sport, the intensity of a soccer game proves that a match can be just as much fun for the fans as it is for the players.

This rhythmic tradition from abroad has transferred to South Bend thanks to former men's coach the late Mike Berticelli and then assistant coach, Chris Apple, who approached Bualuan two years ago seeking for a way to inject more excitement into the soccer matches.

Bualuan, who was managing a band now called San de Aqui, a salsa group playing Cuban, Puerto-Rican and Caribbean music, was aware that traditional Brazilian beats could animate and energize a soccer game. The Brazilians utilize a variety of percussion instruments including congas, timbales, snare drums, guiras, cowbells and shakers.

"It's something about the beat of the drums. They say it's why the Brazilians have such a beautiful rhythm to their game," said Apple. "When the drums start beating, excitement fills the air."

Ed Wolf, a 1993 Notre Dame graduate from South Bend who had the original idea for the Afro-Latin band, participates along side Bualuan and others to produce the rhythms at the games.

According to Wolf, the lead drummer watches for a change of action by the players on the field and then calls to the other drummers to either speed up or slow down their beat.

"Each instrument has its own role within the band," said Wolf who enjoys the organization and flow of the drummers in tune with each other. "The cheer has to be continuous, like the game is continuous."

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Senior forward Moetis Eriksson said that the sounds from the percussion help set the pace for the players on the field. "It helps you get into the rhythm and flow of the game," said Eriksson.

Loyal Irish soccer fan Nick Pacelli enjoys the atmosphere the percussion adds to the game. "It makes the soccer game more of a cultural event, rather than just a sporting event," said Pacelli.

Despite the wide spread popularity of Bualuan, Wolf and the other percussionists, they were forced to put down their instruments last season when the Big East Conference banned all noisemakers due to an incident at another university where the crowd was taunting the players from behind their bench. At the next Big East meeting Apple pushed for a reconsideration of the issue and, the committee realizing it had taken extreme measures, revised the rule.

"Our percussion band is in the spirit of the game," said Apple.

Wolf agrees that fans must know their limits.

There must be a happy balance between the great amount of enthusiasm expressed in the crowd and a healthy respect for what the game is about," said Wolf.

"I think it can be hard for Americans to understand the culture of soccer," said Irish defender Nancy Mikacenic whose Croatian roots have allowed her to witness first hand the differences in attitudes at soccer matches abroad.

Mikacenic and her team members agree that playing in Brazil last August was something different than what they would have experienced traveling around the U.S.

"Over the years soccer is developing a following that is slowly carving it's own niche in American culture," said Apple.
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said "The high standards of The Observer would be com­promised by the potential loss of numerous critical staff members from all facets of the newspaper.

However, Connolly said University control of The Observer would have an even more adverse effect on the credibility of the paper.

"Even more critical that the loss of valued staff members would be the loss of the credibility among the student body. The Observer was founded in 1966 in response to the students need for an independent voice separate from the University-controlled media which was seen as merely a voice of the administration," he said.

"The independence of The Observer is not just a concern of the General Board of The Observer but rather a concern for the whole community. A voice covering the government, with editorial policies set by the government cannot be unbiased..."

Christine Kraly, Assistant Managing Editor of The Observer, said The Observer must look out for its future and although this is a small step by the University now, it could just be the beginning.

"I don't think the University is going to start firing the Observer staff right now, but we have to look down the line. Who knows what this will mean for the future," she said. "We're not just looking out for us, we're looking out for what's going to happen in years to come. It is a risk we're taking, but we're taking it for them, not just for us."

Mark Leabey, chaplain for the student senate, questioned Connolly and Kraly on whether it was worth risking losing The Observer for the issue of independence.

"It seems the only time that the administration has had a problem with The Observer is when it published materials against Catholic teaching. Do you really believe this fight is worth fighting?" Leabey questioned.

Connolly responded by saying that students would have faith in The Observer if it were a puppet of the administration.

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**The Observer**

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By AMY GREENE

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WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Peru president fires chief spy: President Alberto Fujimori has dismissed Peru's chief spy, who has strong allies in the high command. But the armed forces remained ominously silent Wednesday — in sharp contrast to the swift, rock-solid support they expressed for Fujimori when he shut Congress in 1992 — and that silence worried many in this country with a history of coups.

Kosovo War crimes trial ends: A Serbian student was sentenced to 20 years in prison Wednesday for killing ethnic Albanians in the first trial for war crimes committed in Kosovo during the crackdown by Yugoslav forces last year. Milos Vukicevic, 21, was found guilty of killing Bishop Emerluzi, 27, ordering the killing of another ethnic Albanian and of raping an ethnic Albanian woman. He was also found guilty of illegal possession of arms.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Nevada Senate race tightens: Republican John Ensign's 20-point lead in Nevada's U.S. Senate race over Democratic John Deutch. The Pentagon, which only began files: the delay on a lack of access to the documents that it had access in 1998 to computer files that contained the secrets. The damage of classified information entered on or computer files that contained the secrets.

Pentagon had access to classified files: The Pentagon acknowledged Wednesday that it had access in 1998 to computer files that would have permitted the agency to assess the damage of classified information entered on computer files that contained the secrets.

INDIANA NEWS BRIEFS

Dogs kill census worker: The owners of a Brown County home where a pack of dogs attacked and killed a 71-year-old U.S. Census worker will be tried in Nashville on charges of criminal recklessness. A request by lawyers representing Wayne Newton and Joann Lavulles for change of venue to another county has been denied by Brown Circuit Judge Judith Stewart.

YUGOSLAVIA

Democratic Opposition Supporters of Serbia fill the street in front of the Yugoslav parliament building in Belgrade Wednesday. President Slobodan Milosevic appeared before the parliament opposition campaign rally before federal elections were held this weekend.

Thousands support Milosevic rival

Associated Press

BELGRADE

More than 150,000 people jammed the streets outside parliament Wednesday, opposing President Slobodan Milosevic and chanting, "He's finished," in an election rally for his top opponents that drew a pro-Milosevic gathering nearby.

Opposition candidate Vojislav Kostunica promised a "different Serbia" in an address to the crowd outside Belgrade's Federal Parliament building in a boisterous display of anti-Milosevic sentiment before presidential and parliamentary elections Sunday.

Many shouted, "He's finished," waving signs with the same slogan or pictures of Milosevic headed out the door. Others chanted, "Save Serbia from this madhouse. Kostunica," or jeered loudly at any mention of the president's name.

"There is a great chance and hope that after Sunday's elections, we will begin a new life in different Serbia," Kostunica told the joyful crowd, concluding his speech with: "May God help you to have enough courage to win freedom. For Serbia.

Milosevic labeled his opponents "rats and hyenas" while on a campaign tour earlier Wednesday in Montenegro, the smaller of Yugoslavia's two republics, where pro-Western leaders have urged residents to boycott what it considers an unfair vote.

In Belgrade, the president later addressed about 10,000 supporters in a sports hall across the Sava River while Kostunica prepared to speak. Although the size of the hall limited the crowd, the turnout for the candidates' rallies backed the message of recent polls.

Opinion surveys show Kostunica with a double-digit lead on Milosevic. There are fears, however, that Milosevic would not concede a loss and could try to stay in power by rigging the vote or imposing martial law.

At the sports hall, in a gathering complete with standing ovations and the orchestrated rhythm clapping, Milosevic said the opposition is "limited by the West" to spread terrorism and crime ... and destroy families through religious sects, spy groups and drug lords.

He vowed to fight the "evil" opposition "which wants to destroy the minds of our children and youth ... just like we fought the aggressors," during last year's NATO bombing that forced Milosevic to cede control of Kosovo to the United Nations.

ENGLAND

Explosion rocks MI6 headquarters

Associated Press

LONDON

Firefighters and witnesses said at least one possible explosion went off late Wednesday near the headquarters of the MI6 intelligence service in central London. Emergency officials reported no casualties.

The blast reportedly took place in the area of the MI6 building, close to Vauxhall Bridge, which crosses the Thames River not far from the Houses of Parliament.

The London Ambulance Service, which sent crews to the scene, said there had been no reports of any casualties 90 minutes after the reported blast. "I think an hour and a half later it is safe to assume there are none," a spokesman said.

A report overheard on the police radio said everyone in the building had been accounted for and that there were no injuries.

A London Fire Brigade spokesman said crews were called to the Vauxhall Cross area on the south bank of the River Thames at 9:25 p.m., and that the incident was believed to be an explosion.

Police, who said only that they were investigating two loud bangs, immediately closed off the area. The building looked intact from a distance of several hundred yards, but witness James Trutt, 42, said there was shattered glass on the river side of the building.

The MI6 headquarters, a big modern structure, was featured in the James Bond movie "The World is Not Enough" and in one scene was shown being blown up by a terrorist bomb.
STUDENT SENATE

Two proposals could result in campus changes

**Resolution may add faculty voice to Student Senate**

*By LAURA ROMPF, Assistant News Editor*

The Student Senate approved an amendment Wednesday night that will add a faculty senate member to its body. Faculty Senate will appoint one of its members to be the liaison with speaking, but not voting privileges.

“Why would we want to give them speaking privileges because it is our hope that we will then be given speaking privileges at Faculty Senate,” said Kathleen Bufalin, Farley senator.

The Student Senate will review and approve the nomination for the liaison that cannot serve more than two consecutive terms at a time. The liaison will attend the weekly meetings of the Student Senate.

Although the student liaison to Faculty Senate does not have speaking privileges, the senate decided to give the faculty member to its body speaking privileges. Many senators felt advice from a faculty member would be useful for senate decisions.

“It is important that we make informed decisions that will positively affect the University,” said Cavanaugh senator Kristen Caponi. “Why would we want to limit ourselves and the knowledge we can receive?”

Kevin Berthou, Sorin hall senator, pointed out that although the faculty member can speak, they still cannot vote.

“The key is to remember that they are a non-voting member. We still have the ultimate say. We will get another perspective but we’re not losing any control. They have no vote, but we still have their input,” he said.

Although the majority of senators agreed with Berthou and Cavanaugh, Farley senator Nikki McCord said the faculty member should not have speaking privileges.

“The Student Union Senate is designed for the students,” McCord said. “We as senators represent the voice of the student body. I believe that there should be a faculty member on the Student Union Senate, however their voice should be heard in the context of committee meetings.”

“I am eager to hear some of the suggestions that the faculty members have to offer. However, those opinions should be voiced through committee reports submitted by the student committee chairs. We should keep the Student Union Senate fully run by the students so that we can accurately represent the student body,” she said.

But overall students thought the faculty member should have speaking privileges, and voted to pass the amendment.

“It is important that we give them speaking privileges because what they do affects us and what we do may affect them.

“I feel they’ll only contribute when it’s helpful,” said Pangborn senator Kaitlyn Dudley.

In other senate news:

♦ The committee on gender issues is working on having sexual assault meetings in each dorm next year. Committee members met with Jeff Shoup of RedLife and are planning meetings that would be tailored separately for men and women.

♦ The committee on residence life met with Shoup and Bill Kirk to discuss issues about 24-hour space and food service. Because inequalities exist between dorms, the committee is working on compiling a list of what students can do in 24-hour space.

♦ The committee on University affairs met with Broadwing and is collecting information on long distance calling at the University.

♦ A joint academic affairs and University affairs subcommittee was formed to examine the House Code.

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*Refreshments will be served*
Belanger: Music part of Hispanic culture

By KATIE MILLER

Culture. Diversity. Tradition. Professor Marc Belanger used these elements to define the pluralistic culture of Latin American music during a lecture Wednesday afternoon. Belanger held the lecture at the request of students as part of a celebration of Hispanic heritage month.

"Leaving many issues aside, being Hispanic covers a very diverse group of people. I've learned a lot about diversity in music from discussions in my Latin American politics class," Belanger said.

Belanger used music from his personal collection to demonstrate the different influences found in Hispanic music.

"Forces from the past 400 to 500 years shape Latin music," he said.

Belanger opened the discussion with a Spanish piece from the 14th Century entitled, 'He Who Serves the Virgin Well.'

"At this point in history, Spain has not been to the New World, but it is already multicultural. Christians, Jews and Muslims populated Spain at this time. It was a very cosmopolitan place," said Belanger.

Spain's conquest of America brought disease and brutal conquest to the indigenous people, according to Belanger.

"Yet there was more than just the bloody aspect, this began with the Virgin of Guadalupe," he said. Belanger demonstrated this with a piece from the 15th century that was written by an Aztec composer in praise of the Virgin Mary.

While the Spanish were conquering the indigenous people both militarily and culturally, slave traders were also bringing Africans to the Americas. This added to Latin-American culture, Belanger said.

"You can hear [an African] presence in the music," said Belanger, who played a 17th Century Mexican song that combines a classic chorus with an African beat.

Belanger also played music of the 1950s by Ruben Gonzales, a Cuban composer.

"Personally, I feel that Cuban music is the most influential of all Latin American music. Life is faster; the music speeds up," Belanger said.

Author to question evolution

By KATIE McVOY

School at Michigan State, answering the same question: "Should evolution be taught in public schools?"

Thursday night Pennock will visit Saint Mary's to take a stab at answering the the same question. Should evolution be taught in public schools?

Pennock, an associate professor of biology at Saint Mary's, believes Pennock's teaching and issues of bioethics are both important issues.

The lecture will be sponsored by the Notre Dame/Saint Mary's chapter of the Sigma Xi Research Society, presented in conjunction with the Saint Mary's departments of biology and philosophy, and the dean of faculty. The Saint Mary's departments sponsoring the event believe it presents an excellent opportunity for students.

"I'm absolutely delighted [Pennock] is coming here," Platt said. "This is an opportunity for students to be exposed to one of the frontline thinkers in this area."

Pennock is the recipient of the Templeton Prize for Exemplary Paper in Theology and Natural Sciences and a National Endowment for the Humanities/National Science Foundation fellowship on Science, Ethical and Social Challenges of Contemporary Genetic Technology award winner.

Pennock will come to Saint Mary's after being named a national Distinguished Lecturer for 2000-2002 by the Sigma Xi Society. Both of his lectures are open to all students and faculty of the Notre Dame and Saint Mary's community.

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Student Union Happenings

This week:

Today: Men's Tennis Tournament (All Day)
Women's Volleyball 7pm
AcoustiCafe 9pm LaFortune Huddle
Movies: Road Trip 101 DeBartolo 10:30pm
The Wizard of Oz (with Pink Floyd's Dark Side of the Moon Soundtrack)
155 DeBartolo 10:30pm

Friday: ND Cross Country meet vs. National Catholic 4:15pm
ISSA presents American Culture Through Music Dance Party: Alumni Senior Club 5-7pm
Hayride/Campfire w/ Flipside 7:30 pm
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Sunday: Men's Soccer vs. Connecticut 1pm
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French TV journalists escape Muslim rebels

Associated Press

Free after 2 1/2 months in captivity, two French journalists smiled as they told a news conference Wednesday how they evaded their Muslim rebel captors in the darkness and then hid overnight in the jungles of a remote island in the southern Philippines.

The tale of Jean-Jacques Le Garrec and Roland Madura and how they came to flag down a military truck and be rescued was the first word from any of the 19 hostages held by Abu Sayyaf rebels. The rebels have been on the run with the captives since Saturday, when the Philippine government launched a massive military assault on Jolo Island. The other 17 people are still believed to be held.

The two men, of France-2 television, described how they took advantage of darkness Tuesday night to bolt from the rebel group as it was rushing to cross a road.

"We hid for some minutes, and after that we ran on the road," Le Garrec said. "We spent the night hiding in the jungle in case they would be looking around for us."

At dawn, he said, they flagged down a military truck on the road and were taken to a military camp. Philippine officials had initially said that the military rescued the two hostages after a clash with the rebels.

Both of the former hostages smiled and appeared well as they spoke to reporters at the presidential palace in Manila, where they were flown from Jolo. Abu Sayyaf had taken them hostage after the pair came to Jolo to interview other hostages.

"It's been 2 1/2 long months for us, but we feel very good," Le Garrec said.

The separatist Abu Sayyaf have kidnapped scores of people since March. Most have been released, with Libya and Malaysia reportedly paying more than $15 million for 19 foreigners. After five months of negotiations, President Joseph Estrada decided to attack the rebels last weekend, a decision that has been widely supported by Filipinos.

Reversing earlier comments, Estrada said Wednesday he would order a halt to the assault on Jolo if the other hostages are freed.

Estrada also said an American hostage, Jeffrey Schilling, had been spotted and that troops hoped to rescue him later Wednesday.

The rebels also are holding three Malaysians, a Filipino kidnapped from a Malaysian diving resort in April, and 12 Filipino Christian evangelists.

The rebels had earlier threatened to attack southern cities and behead Schilling, of Oakland, Calif., to retaliate for the military assault.

Schilling, who converted to Islam in 1994, visited an Abu Sayyaf camp with his wife on Aug. 28 and was reportedly abducted because of an argument over religion with the rebels. His wife was not seized.

Early Wednesday, a bomb exploded on a passenger ferry shortly after it arrived at nearby Zamboanga city, killing at least one person and injuring six others, two critically, officials said. The military said it suspects Muslim rebels were responsible.

Military officials said the bomber apparently posed as a porter and boarded the ferry after it docked at Zamboanga. The man was killed in the explosion, Col. Jovemar Narciso said.

Seven rebels have been killed and 20 captured in the five days of fighting, while six government troops were wounded, military officials said.

They said the rebels were laying land mines as they fled. One group in a speedboat was stopped as it attempted to flee from Jolo, they said.
Clinton Whitewater probe ends

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Prosecutors concluded Wednesday there is "insufficient" evidence that President Clinton or his wife committed a crime in the Whitewater affair, bringing the six-year investigation to an anticlimactic end four months before the president leaves office.

Presidential aides breathed a sigh of relief that Independent Counsel Robert Ray's businesslike statement contained no harsh language that could cause trouble in Hillary Rodham Clinton's campaign to win a Senate seat from New York.

Ray's six-page statement dispelled a cloud that bedeviled the Clintons since the 1992 election campaign and that made Clinton the most investigated president since Richard M. Nixon, who resigned rather than confront impeachment andreef.

"I'm just glad that this is final over," Mrs. Clinton said. "We also need to spend much more money. The president who ran through the White House Rose Garden with Italian Prime Minister Giuliano Amato.

Ray has one major piece of unfinished business in the record $52 million independent counsel investigation — a decision whether to indict the president after he leaves office for his conduct in the Monica Lewinsky scandal. A grand jury was impaneled in July in Washington but has not heard a decision.

It was the same independent counsel office under Ray's predecessor, Kenneth Starr, that first opened the Lewinsky scandal onto the front pages and spurred Clinton's impeachment and Senate trial, where he was acquitted.

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Study: Minimum wage can't pay rent

Associated Press

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Clinton: blacks should back Gore

WASHINGTON
Declaring that his presidency "set the table for America's feast," President Clinton made an all-out pitch Wednesday for Black voters to turn out for Al Gore.

During an address to the Church of God in Christ's annual bishops conference, Clinton cast Gore and Democratic running mate Joseph Lieberman as "good servants," most likely to guide the country as he would.

Clinton also made a pitch for Gore later in the day at the Congressional Hispanic Caucus' annual dinner. Gore, himself, raced back from campaigning in California to address the audience, which scaled patiently for three hours to hear him speak for about five minutes.

If elected, Gore said he would defend affirmative action, advocate a fair immigration status for long-term migrant workers and consider Mexico a strategic partner, "not just our neighbor."

"This election is not a reward for past performance," Gore said. "It is about the better, fairer, more prosperous America we can build together."

In halting Spanish, Clinton said, "I'll make no siembra no levanta," a Mexican proverb that translates, "He who does not sow does not harvest." He specifically cited the "unbelievable fight" with Congress that has left many of Hispanic nominees he submitted for the federal bench hopelessly delayed, and suggested that Latino voters express their frustration at the ballot box.

"If you want an end to this kind of delay and denial, it would really help if you had Al Gore and Joe Lieberman and senators like Hillary," Clinton said. "Think of what we have done together, which would not have been possible without you.

While Clinton spoke, the NAACP unveiled a $9 million effort to turn out black voters, through issues ads and grassroots mobilization in 12 states targeted as battleground states for the presidential race or congressional contests.

The NAACP said it has registered 21,000 new voters and has mobilized volunteers to sign up more.

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It snuck up on us like a cat through the night. It was reinforced through print, computers, television and all other mediums put together. Once the words dropped from one person's lips they run like wildfire through the eyes and ears of the local population, consuming us in a wraith of ribbons, satin, lace and taffeta. We were getting married.

Not any time soon, mind you, but when the flour of its first logon to the Modern Bride Web site, the gleam in all of our eyes could not for the life of us be dulled. We all wanted to get married right then... well, not actually married per se, but more we all wanted to plan a wedding of our own, to have all the attention focused on us in our long ball gowns and diamond rings, hair done in pin curls and honeymoon in Bermuda. It was set. We dreamily set our sights on a last minute lipstick touch up, tutti the train, open the doors and ... ahhhh, wedding... may I marry you?

Me? Married? There's a thought that never crossed my mind. It's been a while since I committed the sin of being married. It was a great day, a long time ago. It's not that I've never thought about getting married, but right now I'm 21. I have always thought that being married by 24 or 25 would be ideal. What I didn't realize, however, is that the age of 24, by my present state is oh my god, that's only three years away. I don't even have a boyfriend. I don't even have any prospects. Now, realistically, the young women and even young men for that matter, in my same predicament, could set themselves on a quest for a partner and make this a whole ordeal, because really, in my mind it is becoming an ordeal, but do I have the time? Frankly, no. At the moment I have tests to study for and errands to run, neither of which force me to compromise my intelligence or emotional capacity, and both of which are a hell of a lot easier than marriage.

But imagine, as I described before, five or six 20-something girls sitting around in jeans and sweats, faces glued to the computer screen, not furthering their education in anyway except to learn the many intricacies of certain matrimonial Internet sites and possibly the psychology behind creating ideal wedding situations in one's head based solely on a whole lot of hope. It is a far cry from the boyfriend-socked ponytail days of yore when girls really did marry Bobby the football captain a week after high school graduation. Nowadays marriages seem to come much later in life and even by the two's and three's. According to the National Center for Policy Analysis (NCAP), 14 million Americans between the ages of 25 and 34 have never been married. And in 1998, 56 percent of U.S. adults were married. A pretty high percentage, right? Not really, considering that it is down 12 percentage points since 1978. It has got to be an unconscious, undiscovered section in the female brain that at some point or another clicks on to weddings, then maybe shuts off after awhile and possibly if ever kicks back on at a later date. I'm pretty sure that this self-indulging wedding talk proves only to satisfy one's ego. Face it, your wedding is a day devoted to you. All eyes on you. Bridesmaids' colors, access colors, what dishes to serve, the script used on the invitations, Flowers, the church — it is all up to you. You, as the bride, the mother of this child called a wedding, get to choose every aspect, with some help of course, from mothers, friends and the husband-to-be. But in essence, you, as the bride, get to play God. Power unto me! you may exclaim in a booming voice as the first picture book of wedding cakes is set in front of you. According to TheKnot.com, 80 percent of Americans consider marriage part of the "good life." And this piece of the "good life" pie will cost only cost you about $19,000 — a mere pittance compared to the fair tale weddings of celebrities we are bombarded with on television. So not only can thoughts of weddings consume every atom of our beings, but they can also physically consume every aspect of our wallets. Maybe it is because I am neither married nor engaged, but I cannot fathom spending what for me right now is a year's worth of education on a huge one-day party. This is not to say that I wouldn't do it, just can't see myself doing it right now. Maybe that's because I only have $43.67 in my checking account.

A wedding represents a lot in America's culture: love, friendship, family and a really big party. And there are worse things to which our thoughts could be devoted. The best part about fantasizing about our future weddings, though, is that it is always a happy story, despite what realistic outside factors there may actually be. The pressure seems to be on now, that my friends and I are officially out of our teenage years, to find that man (or woman), zip up that long white dress, pin a veil to our heads and march ourselves down the aisle. But as the group Green Day once sang, "You can't go forcin' somethin' if it's just not right." And marriage is not for everyone. Personally, I enjoy the thought of being married and having a wedding, but not right now.

Although I have heard of a new web site that will coordinate my entire wedding entirely online as long as I put down a date and my husband-to-be's name. The hunt is on.

Molly Strzelecki is a new columnist to The Observer.
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VIEWPOINT

The 2000 presidential election is one of the most important in American history. Why? Never in recent memory have we held the golden opportunity to extend our nation's prosperity to virtually all of its citizens. Because the following election grows we have during the Clinton administration, too many people remain on the outside looking in. Middle-class wages have stagnated for nearly 30 years, too many working families must fight to stay above the poverty level and the income gap between the rich and the poor is at an all-time high. This November we will be faced with a critical decision. Do we use our prosperity to extend a helping hand to those who need help the most? Or do we return to our old ways of comfortining the comfortable? If we do, the American people won't fix the roof while the sun is still shining and use our prosperity to benefit America's middle-class and working poor, then you will be in favor of the tax plan proposed by Vice President Al Gore.

Let us take a look at both the Gore and Bush tax plans. Governor Bush proposes spending $4.6 trillion of the budget surplus over the next 10 years and returning $432 billion of the federal surplus on tax cuts over the next 10 years. He claims, in fact, that he has a plan that is going to cut the rates on everybody in America, a plan that is conservative and a plan that is compassionately.

"Let's just say we compassionately aim the Governor's plan correctly. Because Bush's tax plan is an across-the-board cut, the wealthy enjoy the greatest gains. The plan is a blessing for the very rich. A small number of affluent people will receive more than half of the benefits. The wealthiest 10 percent of taxpayers will receive 62 percent of the tax cut. By contrast, the bottom fourth of taxpayers will receive only 14 percent of the benefits, with the lowest 20 percent of families receiving an average of only $43 a year. I guess it is no surprise to learn that the wealthy and the wealthy donors have been flowing into the Bush campaign at record levels this election.

And think for a second about the millions of people whose income is so low that they do not pay taxes. Picture a family of four that does not have to pay taxes because their income is under $25,000. We bet that they already have nothing for them! Instead of a broad sweeping tax cut, Vice President Gore has proposed $500 billion in tax cuts over the next 10 years targeted to low and middle-income families — especially those with school-aged children and elderly parents. The big winner under the Gore tax plan is a family making $35,000 a year that has a child in day care (a tax credit of up to $2,160), a sick mother in a nursing home (a $3,000 credit), and a retirement savings plan (federal match of up to $2,000). Gore seeks to expand the earned income tax credit, the child care tax credit and the college opportunity tax cut, while reducing the marriage penalty and the inheritance tax for the families that need the most help. I think it is clear which candidate is truly pro-family.

In addition, Gore proposes setting aside nearly half the projected budget surplus to keep Social Security solvent. Finally, Gore has paid off the national debt. He has proposed $432 billion of the budget surplus to go to setting up Medicare and providing seniors with a prescription drug benefit. Finally, in case the problem was not clear enough, Gore wants to set aside $300 billion for helping Medicare with until the year 2010. Gore's plan is simply more prudent.

In the coming election we must choose whether to move forward or fall back. We must choose between nouveaux riches and Bush administrations, which straitified the distribution of wealth in the U.S. and saddled our generation with an enormous national debt. Or do we take the appropriate steps not to squander our golden opportunity to ensure that every American shares in our prosperity. Fortunately, the two tax plans presented before us in this election, the Gore plan is the one that makes sure the most help goes to the people that need it most.

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Correction:
The MPS columns that appeared in Viewpoint on Sept. 20 was written by Jim Outlaw, Director of Multicultural Student Programs and Services, not Kevin Huie. The Viewpoint staff regrets the error.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

If you want Reform, vote Reform

Some people who like Pat Buchanan and like the things he stands for say that they do not want to vote for him because it will be a vote for Gore. They have been frightened by the Republican party which says that even though Bush may not fulfill all their demands he is preferable to the other choice. Here is something for you to consider: Indiana will in all probability according to all previous polls be a Gore state. It is so solidly in Bush's camp that Gore will not campaign here very forcefully and Bush will not use his time or money when he is already assured of the outcome. In a scenario like this I propose that a vote for Buchanan will not seriously damage Bush's winning the state. But it can accomplish much. If Pat gets 5 or 10 percent of the vote it will send a message to the Republican leadership that there are some who do not agree with their plans for America — that there are issues that need to be raised.

When 60 percent or more do not favor China getting special treatment and getting into the WTO are the Democrats going to stand up and say, will the Democrats to oppose China this special favor? When the majority of Americans do not favor our involvement in foreign civil wars why on all the major figures for it?

We need a separate independent voice from the Democratic-Republican monopoly. We need some leverage to be heard. If Pat gets 5 percent of the vote, this will establish him on the ballot and make him a force to be reckoned with in the future. Please vote your conscience. Vote for principle. Don't be scared off the the old song Buchanan's stand on the issues and consider voting for Pat Buchanan for the White House. The choice is simple. Will Americans pick a candidate from the Republican side of the ticket like George W. Bush who believes that he can raise so much money and be able to spend their own money than the government? Or will Americans pick a candidate like Al Gore who believes that bureaucrats in Washington can manage their money better than they can? I don't see how it's much of a choice.

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Candidates wrong in attacking Hollywood

In this election year, in which no issue has galvanized the nation and its politicians, Hollywood has suddenly emerged as the surrogate political whipping boy for both presidential campaigns. Over the past two weeks, both Republicans and Democrats have raised against the sex, violence and profanity in America's music, videos and film industries. To be more exact, ever since Vice-President Al Gore chose Senator Joseph Lieberman as his running mate in mid-August, the culture of Hollywood has been brought back into the political spotlight. As a senator for more than a decade, Mr. Lieberman has made a repeated target of the entertainment industry. In his book released earlier this year, "In Praise of Public Life," Lieberman says "that much of our culture has become toxic, that our standards of decency and civility are being significantly eroded" by Hollywood's values.

While the Senator has focused mainly on the film industry in his attacks, the Vice President's wife, Tipper Gore, has made the music industry the butt of her criticism. She was one of the leading advocates for warning labels on compact discs and tapes that were instituted in the late-1980s. Gore, too, has joined in the latest round of Hollywood criticism by focusing the Democratic presidential candidate Vice President Al Gore (center) and his wife Tipper (on his right) attend a Democratic National Committee fund-raiser at Radio City Music Hall in New York. 

Matt Caccamo

Scen e Movie Critic

up on a Federal Trade Commission report released on Sept. 11, which accused motion picture companies of intentionally marketing R-rating movies to kids as young as 12. Gore has promised "to do something about this" if elected this fall.

The problem here is that the Democratic Party is treating dangerous water. During this election cycle, the Democrats have raised more than $133.6 million dollars from individuals and companies related to the entertainment industry. It is no secret that President Clinton's most ardent supporters are in Hollywood. This slackers of hypocrisy, and the Republicans have not hesitated to point out.

Republican national chairman Jim Nicholson questioned the Vice President's commitment to regulating Hollywood last week after the Gore campaign launched a $6.5 million dollar attack on a one-two concert at Radio City Music Hall. "But with whom does he stand tonight: the parents whose young kids are having their minds polluted and their souls corrupted by Hollywood, or the powerful Hollywood elite who put the money in his pocket?"

That's a good question, but the Republicans aren't altogether innocent on this issue either. Their candidate, Governor George W. Bush, and his running mate, Richard Cheney, have also been critical of the entertainment industry. While not raising nearly as much money from Hollywood interests, they have taken their fair share: $8.6 million.

The Republicans, at times, seem to be going a step further than the Democrats with their criticism of the entertainment industry. As Cheney's wife, Lynda Cheney, expressed at a Congressional hearing last week, "There is a problem with the product they market, no matter how they market it."

While Republicans love to point to the Democrats' hypocrisy, they have some explaining to do themselves. For example, how do movies and music have more to do with violence in America than guns? That's an interesting question, one they most likely won't touch in this or any other election.

Without a doubt, the issue of Hollywood's involvement in America's "deteriorating moral fiber" will not be solved by this election-year's finger pointing. Blaming movies, music and videos games for the deeper problems in American society is a curiously cop-out that won't die after November.

The issue of Hollywood's decaying culture takes place in the context of a wider argument among mostly older Americans that you're on the right track. The problem is that this slanted, unrealistic view of the past has unfairly placed blame on Hollywood. When was the last time you heard someone blame the continuation of segregated segregation in the first half of this century on films with none-too-subtle racial undertones like Gone With the Wind? Or how about blaming gender inequality or blatantly sexist movies like the James Bond series, which treat women as mere sexual objects? The short answer is never. But, of course, there were no problems 50 or even 30 years ago. Likely story.

The solution to preventing young kids from seeing movies not meant for them is already in place. It's the self-administered MPAA ratings system, which too many people have given up on in recent years. The truth is that the film industry has been more than honest about rating itself. Rarely do you watch a movie and comment on its rating being too low. The problem with the ratings system lies at the dosedoms of America's movie theaters. As we all know, most movie theaters are lax in their enforcement of the rules banning the ratings. Most Americans can count on one hand the number of times they weren't allowed into a movie as children because it was rated R.

Politicians, election year or not, need to focus on this problem of enforcement to make sure that America's children don't see the wrong movies. While it might be politically expedient for Gore and Bush to criticize the artists in Hollywood, it makes much more sense to crack down on the business side of the entertainment industry. The government should closely monitor movie theaters' compliance with regulations set down decades ago. If a theater is caught letting kids into the next Quentin Tarantino film, they should be heavily fined; if this persists, they should be closed down. It's as simple as that.

Both political parties would benefit greatly from this approach because any effort to regulate or censor the film or music industry would set off First Amendment alarm bells in the American conscience. Censorship has never been a popular issue among American voters.

This, coupled with the vast amount of power and money wielded by Hollywood interests, should convince politicians of the need to find a new approach to this old debate.

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A ‘History’ lesson not to be missed

Forceful ‘American History X’ comments on racial hatred

It is an unexplained phenomenon that some of the worst movies become audience hits, and some of the most influential movies go unrecognized for years and sometimes forever.

“American History X,” a 1998 drama directed by Tony Kaye, contains messages that represent some of the most thought-out and progressive ideas about reversing racism. It made 6.7 million dollars, which left its production company, New Line Cinema, holding the bag on the 10 million dollar budget. Since moviegoers failed to embrace “American History X,” its availability on video and this article) will hopefully inspire someone to rent it and share the movie’s message with their friends.

“American History X” stars Edward Norton (I’ll call him Cameron Alexander) and Edward Furlong, who arc raised in a violent house that has fallen into the seedy underbelly of the city’s white power organization, lead by Cameron Alexander’s brother. Edward Norton (far left, far right) plays Derek Vinyard, a militant white-power supremacist sent to prison after committing a double homicide. Derek has become the inspiration and model for Cameron, and to save him from continuing the legacy of hate that Derek himself started. Derek must come in conflict with his old leader, his old friends and, most importantly, his old ideals, to rescue Darren from the Venice Beach white power group he helped create.

In prison, Derek at first resolves to adhere to his “white power” ideals. It is only after Derek finds himself at his lowest position in life that he decides to make changes.

Derek realizes in those crucial moments that his life has been represented so far by a web of lies that Cameron feeds him, mistruths in the sermons he preaches and lies that have spread into his household.

Derek is tired of everything: tired of feeling mad at the world, tired of being tall and hungry, tired of poor. And I say, until you take control of that, close the book.

It is up to the reformed Derek to get rid of all the hate he spread for years and to start anew. Derek’s part.

The rest of the movie alternates between Derek’s release from prison (and subsequent reinteg- ration into his family) and a series of flashbacks that explain Derek’s path to racism.

The movie addresses this fact in much the same way. “American Beauty” handled Kevin Spacey’s life refor- mation. Acting reformed does not just wipe the slate clean. It’s never too late to watch an inspiring movie; don’t let “American History X” go unheard.

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WOMEN’S INTERHALL GOLD LEAGUE

Wild women storm Bullfrogs on game’s final play

By B. MATT HARRIGAN, BRYAN KRON, AND KATIE HUGHES

Sports Report

Walsh 13, Badin 12

In a battle that came down to the final play of the game, the Wild Women of Walsh defeated the Badin Bulldogs 13-12 at Stepan Fields Tuesday night.

The beginning of the game was characterized by Badin’s strong rushing attack and a short passing game. The Bullfrogs’ drive was intercepted by Priscilla Clements, who tipped the ball back to Badin. Walsh went on to score on a ten-yard touchdown pass. But they took the ball back two plays later. Walsh went on to score on a ten-yard touchdown pass. Badin failed to complete the one-point conversion, however, and it would prove costly.

After a Walsh fumble and a two-yard loss, Badin took possession and built up the game thanks to a powerful rushing attack led by Kristen Kenny. Her 25-yard reverse run put the Wild Women of Walsh into a third down and they put it in the end zone. Walsh then converted for an extra point and took a 7-6 lead. Immediately after Badin took over, the Wild Women poured again, and another defensive gem made it the first of her three interceptions in the game. This big play followed a fumble by a Badin’s ninth yard Kenny TD scamper, and Walsh took a 13-6 lead into the half. It appeared as if Badin was down and out as both defenses were scoring in the second half. Walsh went on to score on a ten-yard touchdown pass. But they took the ball back two plays later. Walsh went on to score on a ten-yard touchdown pass. Badin failed to complete the one-point conversion, however, and it would prove costly.

After each team was forced to punt, quarterback Priscilla Clements connected with 56 yard pass to put the Bullfrogs near the Walsh goal line. The next play was punched in it on an option, but the conversion attempt, was thwarted by Angela Polsinelli, and Walsh was still able to retain the 13-12 lead. On the ensuing possession, Walsh was forced to punt, but they took the ball right back with a momentum-destroying 52-yard Mayorga. After another Walsh punt, Badin looked ready to pull-off another comeback. However, Karina Mayorga once again dashed the Bullfrogs’ plans with a save- ing interception as i t was expired. Badin was clearly dissapointed with the loss, but they knew that they played very well, and near left victories.

Overall, and we should have converted on the extra points, said Bullfrog quarterback Priscilla Clements, who threw for one touchdown and four interceptions. "They did great, we made too many big plays. I think our offense is ready to go for BP, and I hope our defense made a show out of it.

On the other side of the field, Walsh was very excited about the win. "We had a hard time at the start, but we picked it up in the middle and finished strong," said running back Kristen Kenny, who rushed for 67 yards and one touchdown.

When asked what going to the Cotton Bowl meant to her, Priscilla Clements said, "It made the interception to preserve the victory, Walsh DB Karen Mayorga. I hope I don’t drop it.’’

She didn’t, and the Wild Women proved that are ready to retake a spot among the interhall elite.

Off-Campus 12, Bren Phillips 6

On a warm and windy Tuesday night at Stepan Fields, the strong Off-Campus offense overpowered the weak Bren Phillips defense to secure a 12-6 victory.

For most of the first half, the Off-Campus offense kept the Bren Phillips defense on the field, executing on short running plays and taking advantage of Bren Phillips key DP defensive penalty.

Off-Campus scored first, midway through the first quarter, as quarterback Jami Stouffer found Nicole Benjamin for a ten-yard touchdown pass to put the Off-Campus ahead 7-0. The extra point conversion failed, but Off-Campus still held the lead.

Bren Phillips finally got the ball in the first half with some successful runs by quarterback Katie McFarland, but the momentum stopped when BP gave away three back-to-back fumbles with nine seconds left. However, the Bren Phillips defense showed out with a huge interception late in the game against Koppel, earning several Off-Campus defenders, returned the fumble for the BP touchdown, tying the score at six heading into halftime.

The second half saw more key plays by both teams on defense, as both offenses sputtered after halftime.

Bren Phillips defense forced the Bunsheens to punt. Stouffer was interupted by some help from BP’s Kelly Landers.

However, any momentum shift in BP’s favor was soon dashed, as Off-Campus’ Anna Benjamin returned McFarland’s next punt for a touchdown.

BP’s final drive failed to convert on a fourth down play, forcing a turnover on downs.

"We’re pretty happy with that for a first game, Off-Campus said coach Paul DiCampbell, "Off-Campus coach Paul DiCampbell saw room for improvement in his team’s sloppyy win.

"It was very pleased with our overall performance against, but we left the gate a fast touchdown behind our mouth," he said. "There is no doubt that we were happy to win, but we were simply disappointed in ourselves for our defensive performance to score a touchdown against us when our own defense had shut them down so well.

BP (0-1) will face Badin on Sunday at McClan Field, while the Off-Campus team (1-0-1) will also play Badin on Tuesday at Stepan.

Pasquerilla West 7, Farley 0

The Panthers were thwarted yet again, and couldn’t wait. Like kids on Christmas morning who can’t wait to open their new toys, PW broke out a new play right away to score the first and only touchdown in their game against Farley Tuesday night. Amanda Gullen made the touchdown, the first of many displays of speed and agility.

"Lots of our plays are directed toward Amanda," said PW coach Tim Panzkozki. Corner Erica Schulte surprised Farley’s offense with a mix of impressive intereceptions, and safety fill Houghton held Mobile to 0 points from Farley’s offense in the second half.

"I thought we played well, though we had a lapse at the end of the second quarter," captain Rebecca Glitz said. "Beth McKray and Lindsey Kosinski both had a good second half, and Jen Morgan had a great game.

In the last play of the game, PW’s Susie Carpenter collided with Farley’s offensive, ending the game with the rush of the red shirted first and squint to the first. Carpenter’s teammates left victorious, but unluckily she had broken her nose.

"Susie’s got the most heart on this team," Captain Rebecca Glitz said, "Eliza Conner and Manda Panda have her.

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Cowboys say Aikman will start against 49ers

Associated Press

IRVING, Texas Troy Aikman, who has missed two games after his ninth concussion, will be back in the starting lineup for Dallas against San Francisco.

Cowboys owner Jerry Jones said Wednesday night that, based on a post-practice evaluation of Aikman, the quarterback would indeed start Sunday's game.

"There is no reason at this time to delay him from competing," Jones said. "Our plans had been all along this week to evaluate Troy when he came into to start this week. He is ready to go."

Jones and coach Dave Campo both said Aikman was excited about getting the official word about starting again, but the quarterback had already told reporters earlier Wednesday that he had been cleared to play and expected to start.

"I feel like enough time has passed and I don't feel like I'm putting myself at risk," Aikman said before taking a majority of the snaps during the Cowboys' two-hour workout.

Right after practice, Campo said team officials were still in an evaluation mode and that Aikman's playing status had not been determined. Two hours later, in a hastily called news conference, it was.

Jones said Aikman was evaluated by team doctors after the practice in pads during the head of the day. The owner said everyone involved in the decision agreed that Aikman could return to game action.

"Certainly, he's ready to play and planned to play," Jones said. "We wanted to make sure it was in the best interest for him and the team."

Aikman didn't talk to reporters after practice, a session that wasn't attended by Jones.

Before practice, Aikman said he had met with team doctors, who told him he was clear to play.

"They say it's a decision I can make. I'm feeling good," Aikman said. "The idea is that I will be playing this week. I feel like I'm capable of doing that, and am looking forward to it."

Aikman has not played since being sacked for the fourth time in the first half of the opening 41-14 loss to Philadelphia on Sept. 3.

Randall Cunningham started at Arizona and Washington. Aikman practiced throughout last week but was held out again against the Redskins. The Cowboys won 27-21, with Cunningham throwing for 185 yards and two touchdowns.

"It was evaluated from a medical standpoint as far as what would be in the best interest for me long term. It wasn't about how I felt following those practices," Aikman said.

"I don't anticipate that happening," Aikman said. "It never has in the past, and I don't think that is the case now. If it is, I'll be the first one to say I shouldn't be playing. You can't play effectively if you're concerned about getting hit."

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Are you weary?
Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. Mt 11:28-9

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I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father, but by me. Jn 14:6

Are you lonely?
I will not leave you desolate; I will come to you... Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid. Jn 14:18,27
NBA

Ewing dealt to SuperSonics in four team mega-trade

Associated Press

Patrick Ewing’s 15-year career with the Knicks ended Wednesday night when New York sent him to Seattle in a four-team, 12-player trade also involving the Los Angeles Lakers and Phoenix Suns.

The Knicks sent Ewing to the SuperSonics and received Glen Rice from the Lakers and Latrell Sprewell from the Suns. Among the other major players moving were Horace Grant from Seattle to Los Angeles and Chris Dudley from New York to Phoenix.

Various trades involving Ewing and Rice have been in the works for the past month, including one involving Detroit that fell apart at the last moment in mid-August.

The Knicks, Lakers and Sonics then discussed a three-team deal, but the Knicks wouldn’t pull the trigger because they felt they weren’t getting enough in return.

Once the Suns entered the picture, the talks heated up again.

Rice, a free agent, received a one-year offer from the Chicago Bulls this week. But he waivered on signing it as his agent, David Falk, tried to broker another deal, and the Bulls finally pulled the offer off the table Wednesday.

Rice ended up with the Lakers as part of a sign-and-trade transaction in which he got a multiyear contract from the Lakers before being shipped immediately to New York.

Several other players were included in the trade to make it work under league salary cap guidelines. The Knicks got Vernon Maxwell, Vladimir Stepania and Lazaru Borrell from Seattle and Travis Knight from Los Angeles.

New York also got first-round draft rights in 2001 from the Lakers and Sonics, and two second-round picks in 2001 from Seattle.

The Lakers also get Greg Foster, Chuck Person and Emanuel Davis from Seattle. Phoenix gets the Knicks’ No. 1 pick in 2001.

“Getting Patrick accomplishes a big offseason goal of ours,” said Sonics general manager Wally Walker, adding that 12 trade scenarios were discussed between the Sonics, Knicks and Lakers.

“We got on the conference call with the league this afternoon and had no confidence that the deal would get done.”

The trade brings a close to Ewing’s career in New York, where he arrived as the No. 1 pick in the 1985 draft. He was expected to be the type of franchise player who could bring the Knicks their first championship since 1973, but it didn’t happen.

Ewing’s only appearance in the NBA Finals came in 1994 when the Knicks lost to Houston in seven games. The Knicks made it back to the finals in 1999, but Ewing was injured and did not play.

“Patrick is one of the hardest-working, most loyal players I have ever seen around.”

New York coach Jeff Van Gundy said.

“I have told him more than once that he is a champion even if he hasn’t won a championship. He practiced and played like a champion every day he was here. Seattle is fortunate to get a player of his talent and character.”

Jeff Van Gundy
Knicks coach

“It was important in doing so, however, that we had the ability to add value, and we believe we have done that.”

Ewing has a no-trade clause in his contract, but said he would waive it if he was traded to a team of his liking. He met with Walker in August when the first four-team trade was discussed.

“There were many times we thought the deal was completely dead, but it got resurrected and here we are,” Walker said. “We feel great about it. The trade is without risk given Patrick’s age and injury history. But he’s still one of the top half-dozen players in game.”

“If it doesn’t work out, we’ll have some cap flexibility next summer.”

With the Sonics, Ewing will take over the starting spot at center that was manned by Grant and Vin Baker.

The NBA champion Lakers, who were on the verge of losing Rice on the free-agent market and getting nothing in return, came out looking like the big winners. Grant fills their void at power forward, while Rick Fox will presumably replace Rice in the starting lineup.

The Knicks received six players and four draft picks for a 35-year-old center with bad knees and a surgically repaired wrist. But they no longer have a top caliber center and have a glut at small forward and shooting guard with Rice, Allan Houston, Latrell Sprewell and Maxwell.

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Favre: low times won't bring down Packers' high spirits

Associated Press

GREEN BAY, Wis.

These are the Green Bay Packers of old — and not the glory days, either.

Green Bay's sputtering offense is mired in its worst three-game slump since 1992 and is ranked 29th in the NFL.

The Packers won their first game on Sunday without scoring a touchdown, something they hadn't done in 35 years.

"Our running game is struggling. Our passing game is struggling," receiver Antonio Freeman said. "It makes you say, 'What is wrong with us?'"

For starters, Green Bay's best offensive lineman, Earl Dotson, might miss the rest of the season with a bad back and speedy wideout Corey Bradford is out with a broken leg until next month.

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Howard, Lyons clash for South Quad dominance

By LIZ HOFHIN, KATIE DEMENT, and CHRIS FEREDICO
Sports Writers

The battle for South Quad glory kicks off tomorrow night when the women of Lyons Hall take on Howard Hall at 9 p.m. outside the Stepan Center. Each team looks to avenge a loss suffered on Sunday. The Ducks of Howard Hall, defeated by the Lewis Chick's last weekend, enter the game with a mix of both upperclassmen and freshmen. Quarterback Jill Veselik and senior captain Jeanne Trelease both agree on the strategy for this week's game.

"We're going to mix it up a little bit this game," Trelease said. "We're trying a lot of new things on offense." Veselik, a junior and returning starter, said the team will focus mainly on improving their game and simply coming out to play hard. Contributing to the defensive effort will be senior Emily Hirg while on the offensive end, Howard will rely on Kay receiver Vanessa Nero, also a senior.

The women of Lyons Hall are rebounding from a 26-0 loss to Cavanaugh on Sunday. The team is young, consisting largely of freshmen, but will use its defeat last weekend to motivate them for tonight's matchup.

"We just didn't play (Sunday) the way we usually do in practice," said tailback Jelil Hobbs said, "but we're ready to change that."

Led by senior captains Jarki Bonaguro and Lisa Thomas, the Lyons squad hopes to display tonight all the hard work they've put in on the field. The competition, though, between these two South Quad halls is friendly.

"Lyons usually has a good team," Veselik said, "so it's always a fun game."

Welsh vs. Lewis

Fans should be prepared for a hard fought match-up Thursday at 9 p.m. when the Welsh Whirlwinds play the Lewis Chickens on Stepan Field.

When the ladies battled it out last year the score was 25-6 in favor of the Whirlwinds. The game was plagued with numerous interceptions and sloppy play on behalf of the Lewis offense.

Senior quarterback Katili Blik has been a leader on the offense for Welsh this season along with former sophomore player Jen Grub.

When the veteran Whirlwinds face the Chickens experience behind them can turn out to be an advantage over the young Lewis team.

The Whirlwinds just might be sending the Chickens straight to their coops if they keep up the strong defense that has so far been an obvious strength for them. Welsh and Lewis have an important game at stake:

Aggression and few mistakes are the key elements that will determine who comes out victorious Thursday.

Cavanaugh vs. Pangborn

The Chaos, meanwhile, are trying to build on their solid start and even improve last year's finish, when they made it to the semifinals in the playoffs.

"I just hope we do our best. We like to play everyone and move the ball around a lot," captain Amy Seridak said. "I just hope we do our best.

"We had some good plays in practice against our defense," said Hirg. "We hope to do as well in the game," she said.

Pangborn may enter the game with emotion on their side. They are trying to turn around a losing season last year, while averaging conservative losses to Cavanaugh the past two years.

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Women's Soccer

Belles drop close match

By SARAH RYKOWSKI
Sports Writer

It was a nightmarish ease of deja vu.
For the second time this season, the Belles lost a match in the final minutes to a team who was clearly outmatched and outplayed. The Manchester Spartans scored with three minutes left in regulation to defeat the Belles 1-0 Wednesday.

"I don't think there was anything we could have done about that goal," Wendy Irvin said. "We were on her and she just got lucky."

The game against the Spartans marked Irvin's first collegiate match. Irvin suffered a stress fracture early in the season, and only returned to the lineup and began practice last week. If the injury was affecting her play, it was not obvious during the game. Irvin finished the game with six shots on goal, most of them breakaways, and with two close kicks nearly getting past Manchester netminder Laurie Vellner. Vellner made 20 saves on 22 Saint Mary's shots in the first half alone.

Belles goalkeeper Tia Kapphahn tallied nine saves in the first half. Stats were unavailable for parts of the second half because of rain damage to the score book.

"I think we really picked it up in the second half," Irvin said. "I had a blast. It was so good to be back. It feels so great to finally be back."
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**MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL**

**Indians beat Red Sox, sweep doubleheader**

Associated Press

BOSTON

The Cleveland Indians are finding the best route to the playoffs might be through tough enemy territory. They beat Pedro Martinez, swept a day-night doubleheader over the Boston Red Sox, 2-1 and 5-4, and jumped a half-game ahead of Oakland in the AL wild-card race Wednesday.

Not even the sight of Martinez (17-6) on the Fenway Park mound stopped the Indians in the opener as Steve Woodard (2-3) pitched six shutdown innings. In the second game, they overcame a 3-0 deficit with the help of Omar Vizquel's steal of home.

When the day began, Oakland led Cleveland by a half-game. But the Athletics split a doubleheader in Baltimore to drop into second place.

The Red Sox, who have another doubleheader Thursday against the Indians, are reeling. They fell to fourth place.

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Women's Volleyball

Belles suffer tough loss

By ALICIA ORTIZ
Sports Writer

Jolie LeBeau did not celebrate her 21st birthday with a win Tuesday night. Instead, the day was overshadowed by a loss to Calvin College.

"We didn't play as a team," said middle hitter LeBeau. "It was not a good game at all."

The Belles lost three straight games to Calvin, with scores of 15-3, 15-2, 15-2.

"We only had seven points," said Coach Julie Schroeder-Bick, "with 900 square feet to serve, there is no reason not to get back in the game and focus."

Lost serves were not the only factor in the Belles loss. Silence on the court was definitely a concern.

"We were quiet on the court," said rightside hitter Denise Langole. "We were not quite together last night."

Focussing their practices on communication and defense, the Belles were prepared. Something was definitely missing in Holland Tuesday night.

"We have played the best teams in our conference, almost all in a row," said outside Angie Meyers. "Meyers herself had seven kills and seven digs last night."

After continuous losses, The Belles seem to have lost their optimism, but at this point there is no where to go but up.

"It was truly a loss, we did not show up to play," said senior Victoria Buteko, defensive specialist.

"Hopefully we can put this behind us and start fresh against Manchester," said outside Angie Meyers. "We have a good shot at a win," Meyers said. "It should be a good game."

Manchester is one of the two teams that Saint Mary's plays outside of the MIAA.

"We are hoping for a win," said LeBeau. "I know practice will get us ready."

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St. Mary's plays next at Manchester College Thursday night. The Spartans enter the match with a record of 1-13.
Thursday, September 21, 2000

SOFTBALL

Australia upsets heavily favored United States in 13

Associated Press

The U.S. softball team can no longer afford to worry about revenge. Lisa Fernandez gave up a two-run homer Thursday as Australia rallied in the bottom of the 13th inning to win 2-1 and send the United States to a shocking third consecutive loss.

Fernandez struck out 25 and gave up just two hits, but the Americans were unable to score until Christie Ambrosetti’s RBI single in the top of the 13th made it 1-0.

Fernandez retired the first two batters in the bottom half before Petra Edchome hit it over the left-field wall to send the Australian crowd into a frenzy.

While the Aussies dropped to the ground in exhaustion around home plate, the Americans retreated to the dugout, crying.

It was the third consecutive U.S. game that was scoreless into extra innings, and the third that ended with the defending Olympic champions in shock.

The three-game losing streak is a stunning turnaround for a team that had won 112 in a row heading to Sydney and hadn’t lost three straight in internationally sanctioned games since 1983.

The last U.S. loss, before this week, had been to Australia at the 1998 world championships.

The Americans’ only loss at the ’96 Olympics came when Australia’s Joanna Brown homered off Fernandez with two outs in the 10th to spoil her perfect game.

That was enough to make Thursday’s matchup the focus for both teams.

But the game became increasingly important when both teams lost to Japan — and then the Americans lost to China, which has yet to play Australia.

The top four in the eight-team tournament advance after the round-robin.

But the medal round is set up so that the third and fourth place teams would have to win an extra game to win the gold medal.

Having lost to the top three teams in the standings, the Americans — heavy favorites coming in — are likely headed for fourth.

GYMNASTICS

Nemov slips past Wei, takes home all-around gold

Associated Press

Russia’s Alexei Nemov is going to have a bright, shiny souvenir for his baby boy.

Blaine Wilson could not give the U.S. its first all-around medal since 1984.

Nemov, who became a father for the first time Sept. 2, on Wednesday won the all-around title that eluded him in Atlanta. He took the gold with 58.474 points.

China’s Yang Wei won the silver, finishing 0.113 points behind Nemov. Oleksandr Beresh of Ukraine took the bronze.

Five-time national champion Blaine Wilson finished sixth, continuing America’s all-around drought. The United States hasn’t won an all-around medal since Peter Vidmar’s silver in 1984.

Paul Hamm, who performed like a grizzled veteran for most of the team competition, finally showed the fittest of a 17-year-old. He fell off the high bar. His first event, and made a series of other small mistakes to finish 14th. Still, his finish was mighty impressive for a guy who’s only a senior in high school and bodies well for the future of U.S. gymnastics.

Watch him for one routine, and it’s easy to see why. He’s simply better than everyone else on the floor. His lowest score of the night was a 9.65 on the vault, better than some gymnasts’ highest scores.

While other gymnasts worry about how many flips they have in their routines, Nemov remembers that the name of this sport is “artistic gymnastics.”

He looks like a trapeze artist on the high bar, drawing oohs and aahs with his soaring flips. On one, he throws himself high above the bar and does a supemata, flipping his thighs in a move that looks more suited for Cirque du Soleil than the Olympics.

On the floor, his favorite exercise, he moves with power and purpose and makes it look effortless at the same time. When he does his faves — swinging his body around on his hands while he scissors-kicks his legs — he throws in a little turn on his shoulders that looks like something out an early ‘80s Michael Jackson video.

His only stumble of the night came on the vault, when he landed short and had to take a step forward to keep from falling on his face. Still, the judges gave him a 9.65, prompting one fan to yell, “Just give Nemov the gold now!”

After he finished his parallel bars, his last routine, Nemov appeared to be holding back tears as he waved to the cheering crowd. He hugged coach Leonid Arkin and then sat down to wait out Yang, who needed a 9.863 on the pommel horse to pass Nemov.

Wilson finished just 0.001 points from the bronze medal at last fall’s world championships, and he looked so good at the Olympic trials that U.S. coach Peter Kormann thought he might contend for a gold.

But the usually rock-solid gymnast has been out of sync since the games began. He faltered during the team competition, as the United States finished fifth. He looked more like his old, nasty self during the all-around, but he had just enough bobbles and wobbles to keep him off the medals podium.

Despite pitching 14 innings, Australia gave Michele Smith and the United States their third consecutive loss in Sydney 2-1. Because of the loss, the U.S. is likely headed for a fourth place finish.

Russia’s Alexei Nemov won the all-around title Wednesday with a score of 58.474. American Blaine Wilson took sixth place.
**Men's Tennis**

**Irish enter tournament with question marks**

By Rachel Biber

Full may be coming soon, but the hot competition that will surface during the Tom Fallon Invitational this weekend at Eck Tennis Center may cause an unsustainable rise in South Bend temperatures.

Ten teams are expected to bring their top players to compete with the Irish men's tennis team during the four-day battle, while seven of the ten squads are returning from shining in the 2000 NCAA Championships. The field is highlighted by the likes of 7th-ranked Texas and 11th-ranked Indiana.

Gone from the Notre Dame lineup is All-American Ryan Sachire, who played an integral role in the success of the team last season. Sachire, who was one of six elite players selected to join the 2000 USA Tennis Collegiate Team over the summer, wrapped up his career with the Irish ranked 11 in singles play, posting a 30-11 record during his senior year.

The battle to assume the Irish top position is a new experience for the squad who has been accustomed to the steady play of Sachire. But juniors Casey Smith and Aaron Talarico are not intimidated to mend the big hole left behind in the lineup by taking over as the number one singles player.

"Right now, I think 11th-ranked Talarico and Casey Smith have the top two spots so far," Bayliss said. "Aaron and Casey have played better than anyone else this season."

Senior Matt Daly was poised to take over Sachire's duties, but a shoulder injury has sidelined him for this weekend's play. Daly, who played in the number two singles position during most of the 1999-2000 season, faces shoulder surgery that could sideline him for more than just the fall competition.

Following Smith and Talarico in the 3, 4 and 5 singles spots will most likely be junior Javier Taborga and freshmen newcomers Luis Haddock and Matt Scott, while senior Andrew Laffin rounds out the squad in the sixth position.

"Javier Taborga, Luis Haddock, and Matt Scott will be three, four and five," Bayliss said. "I may alternate them a little bit. I'm not sure. Andrew Laffin has earned the number six spot, and Brian Farrell and Bryan Arken are the next two guys. At this point they are the top eight or so (following Smith and Talarico).

A do that is sure to hit the highlight reels this year is the doubles team of Taborga and Talarico who start the season ranked 9th in doubles after being knocked out of the NCAA Doubles Championships in the first round and finishing the 1999-2000 season with a 17-9 mark. Taborga and Talarico turned a lot of heads last season, racking up an 8-4 record against ranked opponents.

Probable starters at the number two doubles position for the Irish will be Smith and Haddock, followed by a pairing of either Scott, Farrell, Laffin, senior Ashok Raju, or junior James Mathame.

The upcoming competition is not going to be a time for Notre Dame to get rid of any rusty play, but they rather hope to fine-tune the skills they worked on after last season came to a close. The Irish did not spend their summer vacation relaxing, but worked on adjusting parts of their game that needed improvement.

"I am playing well, and Laffin looks very solid and is a more complete player," Bayliss noted. "Casey is volleying a lot more and coming to the net and he looks like an improved player. Brian Farrell looks very good and is hitting the ball great, as is Bryan Arken."

No team scores will be recorded during this weekend's invitational due to rules imposed by the NCAA. Without official announcements of the winners of dual matches, teams will be able to record only one playing date instead of four, giving more opportunity for more season play. However, all individual matches will be recorded and taken into account in the singles and doubles rankings.
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It’s official. Notre Dame has the best women’s soccer team in the country according to the latest National Soccer Coaches Association of America Poll.

The Irish received 295 points in the latest poll to place them 10 points ahead of second-place Clemson. "It’s certainly a special moment for Notre Dame soccer, but we hope that there are many more to come this season," head coach Randy Waldrum said in a prepared statement.

The Irish are ranked No. 1 after two straight victories against No. 14 Portland and No. 15 Washington this weekend. Last week, No. 2 Clemson knocked off former No. 1 North Carolina to open the top spot for Notre Dame.

Although Waldrum called the new ranking a "tremendous honor," the team does not talk about rankings, according to sophomore midfielder Ashley Dryer. "We try not to focus on it," she said. "We still have a lot of stuff we need to do."

Senior captain Anne Makinen said she cares little about the rankings. She did not even find out the Irish were ranked No. 1 until reached for comment Wednesday night. "We don’t really talk about rankings," she said. "I don’t personally follow rankings. They don’t matter in the end."

Waldrum said the No. 1 ranking is especially impressive considering how much the Irish lost from last year’s national-runner-up team. Notre Dame had to replace five starters from last year’s team — including the most prolific scorer in Irish history, Jenny Streifker.

The players deserve a lot of credit, because we’ve kind of smack up on some people who thought — justifiably so — that we might be down a little bit after graduating five starters," Waldrum said.

The lowered expectations from people outside the program only motivated the Irish even more, Dryer said. "Everybody did basically write us off but we knew we had good freshmen coming in and good returning players," Dryer said. "I think our team always thought we could do it."

"The Irish are also well aware of the dangers of being No. 1 and unbeaten."

Senior Meotis Erikson moved the ball during the Aug. 27 6-0 win over Florida State and San Francisco for the tournament title.

Junior Kristy Kreher led the Irish in the match against Florida State with 19 kills while Maribeth Bosbach added 13. Kreher led the tournament by being named the Most Valuable Player while senior Denise Boylan and Bosbach were also named to the all-tournament team. Sophomore Jamie Aldrete earned the BigEast defensive player of the week. The senior from Washington, D.C., helped the Irish post a pair of shutouts against Washington and Portland. This is the third week in a row that an Irish player has won BigEast defensive player of the week. Senior captain Kelly Lindsey was named BigEast defensive player of the week the previous two weeks.

The Irish are currently 8-1 as it faces the Irish end in the Golden Dome this weekend. Notre Dame will face No. 4 Colorado State and Wyoming this weekend in the Golden Dome Invitational.

Notre Dame is coming off a sweep of the Lady Seminole Classic in Tallahassee. Florida A&M, Florida State, and Sanford for the tournament title. Junior Kristy Kreher led the Irish in the match against Florida State with 19 kills while Maribeth Bosbach added 13. Kreher led the tournament by being named the Most Valuable Player while senior Denise Boylan and Bosbach were also named to the all-tournament team. Sophomore Jamie Aldrete earned the BigEast defensive player of the week for the weekend. "This is a huge weekend for us," said Aldrete. "It was definitely good for us to come out with three wins last weekend and we were able to get a bunch of people in."

Loyola Marymount is currently 2-3 as it faces the Irish for the second time. Notre Dame has the upper hand with a win in the 1994 Golden Dome Invitational (15-6, 15-4, 15-8). The Lions lost this year was in Duke in the Blimpie/Booster Invitational.

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