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By MOLLY McVOY

In a time of moral uncertainty, America needs to restore the faith and values that have been eroded by school shootings, the breakdown of families, and the influence of the entertainment industry on American culture. "I believe that our best hope for rekindling the American spirit and renewing our common values is to have faith again," said Lieberman. "Not just in our hearts but in our communities. Not just in our places of worship but in our public spaces of conversation. And not just in our separate beliefs, but in our common commitment to common purposes as Americans.

Limits exist as to what government can do to strengthen the moral fabric of this country and it is not designed to dictate behavior, but to influence it. As the American political process is a self-perpetuating factor, said Democratic Vice Presidential candidate Joe Lieberman said. However, Lieberman said that religion was an influence on values and moral behavior and that is why religion was mentioned in the major documents written by the Founders.

Lieberman said that he feared that while Americans have not abandoned their faith individually, they have abandoned the desire to articulate it in the public sphere. This has resulted in what he referred to as the "values vacuum." People and more private people shrunk from drawing bright lines and making moral judgments, which are critical to the functioning of a free society," said Lieberman. The line between church and state is an important one and has always been critical for us to draw, but in recent years I fear that we have gone far beyond what the Framers ever imagined in separating the two.

Popular culture would benefit from Americans returning to articulating their faith in public, said Lieberman. By

**Student groups protest democratic position**

By ANNE MARIE MATITTINGLY

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abortion and capital punishment, Tuesday. Among the groups represented were Right to Life, the Progressive Student Alliance (PSA) and the United Muslim Association.

"We wanted to make sure the South Bend community knew that his record on faith and values was not going to reflect what he was going to say, especially about abortion," said Sandy Reimer, co-president of Notre Dame's Right to Life group. "We knew that he wasn't going to address that issue.

Lieberman did not speak directly on abortion during the course of his speech, despite calls from the balcony demanding that he address the topic.

"What about abortion?" asked seminary candidate Steve Sanchez, who said that Lieberman's voting record supported a "culture of abuse."

**Board postpones mission statement revision till spring**

By MOLLY McVOY

The date for Board of Trustees approval of Saint Mary's mission statement was postponed back from the board's November meeting to their meeting in April, according to several members of the mission council.

A draft of the new mission statement - which was originally scheduled to be presented to the board at their fall meeting - has been postponed in order to get further input from members of the College community.

This comes after several faculty members were concerned with the process of changing the statement and the present draft that was presented at a faculty assembly meeting early in October. "We want to get all the feedback we can and begin to redo the revisions," said Jerome McElroy, a faculty member and member of the mission council.

At a special meeting called by the faculty assembly before break, the faculty passed a resolution in support of the College's present mission statement, according to Jeffrey Breese, the chair of faculty assembly.

"We passed a resolution that basically voiced support for the current mission statement," Breese said. "If there is a process for change or discussion the faculty wants more of a say."

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INSIDE COLUMN

Judge wisely

With all of the political rhetoric passed out these days, it is sometimes hard to find the reality behind the avalanche of exaggerations, half-truths, and "little white lies." Myths abound in the world of politics, the worst of which is the brazenly perceived scope of power bestowed upon the president.

As explained in a round table discussion Monday night featuring Donald Keen and Richard Garnett of the Law School, the power of the president to nominate Supreme Court justices is limited by a number of factors. First, not all justices vote in ways that reflect the ideology of their nominator. According to Koeppers, David Souter has become an outspoken liberal voice on the court although being nominated by a conservative George W. Bush. President Harry Truman once called one of his nominations the "biggest damned fool mistake of my life." With lifetime appointments, justices are free to vote however they choose with no fear of executive branch retaliation.

Secondly, the number of nominations allotted to the president is limited to the number of positions which remain to be filled. Although certain retire­ment age, justices are reluctant to resign unless they know that a member of a similar ideological party will be assuming their replacement.

Finally, justices are (to quote Garnett), more "righteous" than political, philosophical or moral leaders of the country. They interpret the law, its constitutionality and rule accordingly discounted their own personal convictions. They role, while stemming from presidential partisan­ship, is the result of direct political action.

My argument is that to vote for a candidate based upon who he or she might nominate to the Supreme Court is not an effective way to challenge judicial power. A candidate must come in the form of Constitutional amendments. What counts is an action in the political and moral philosophy of the candidates, which laws they intend to enforce and the proposals they plan to submit to congress.

History shows that democratic candidates have a better record of upholding civil rights legislation, maintaining programs for the middle and lower classes and budgeting monies toward the funding of social programs. These people help to help peo­ple, children, families, men, women and senior citizens, groups who do in fact share in the prosperity of America. Social Security, Medicare, Head Start, AFDC (Aid for Families with Dependent Children), a program cut by the Republican "Contract with America" Democratoc programs that have faced Republican opposition.

In contrast, the Republican agenda has focused almost exclusively on lowering taxes, whether an "across the board tax cut" as suggested by George W. Bush, or one that simply favors the upper class concerns. "If we cut taxes, economic growth will result in the trajectory of the late 1980s and early 1990s," said U.S. Senator Bob Graham and previously the Great Depression. Further evidence that this phi­losophy is not right for America comes from Federal Reserve Board Chairman Alan Greenspan, whose wisdom many credit for the current eco­nomic boom, who has said that any tax cut would only have a negative effect on the economy.

These acts of a president, budgeting and enforc­ing government programs are within the scope of presidential powers. They are the issues that should be focused on in the coming election, not predictions of what might and might not be done to contrary Supreme Court decision.

On Tuesday, Nov. 7, try to avoid the rhetoric, personal attacks and exaggerations from both candidates and focus on their political. The power of the presidency is limited, but that power does leave America affected. Vice President Al Gore is an experienced leader, who despite personal flaws has the ability to guide America through right next to the heart. Larger pumps are either implanted in the abdomen or connected by tubes rather than be

BAYLOR UNIVERSITY

Director removal arises from e-mail

With William Dembski's removal from his duties as director Thursday, the Michael Polanyi Center's future at Baylor University is even more unclear. Dembski was e-mail confirmed with the theme emphasized in the external committee's report, which stated that he and the Center would work in a collegial manner with other members of the Baylor faculty. "Any faculty mem­ber who posts intolerant remarks should be held accountable for those statements," he said. Michael Polanyi Center's commitment to becoming a top research institute. "It was really great Ohio State was able to do the implantation. The rea­son is because in the past two to three years, the university has put a tremendous commitment behind developing a world-class heart institu­tion," Goldstein said.

OUTSIDE THE DOME

Ohio State works to perfect artificial heart

COLUMBUS

The Ohio State University Medical Center's commitment to research has lead to many achievements over the years. One of the achievements has been developing a heart pump device called the AB-180.

Dr. Andrew Goldstein, a cardiac surgeon and a former space shuttle engineer, who came to OSU two years ago, has been involved with the design, development and use of the AB-180 for about 10 years. According to Goldstein, the AB-180 is a transplanted heart pump that uses an electrically driven propeller to circulate blood from the heart through the body.

The AB-180 is different from other heart pumps because of the fact that a propeller is used to continuously move blood forward instead of in a pulsat­ing manner. The device is much smaller than the pumps now being used. The AB-180 is about the size of a hockey puck. The size makes it easier to implant, because it can be placed in the chest right next to the heart. Larger pumps are either implanted in the abdomen or connected by tubes rather than be

UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA

Male rape goes unreported

The stigma of male rape is often the biggest reason the crime can go unreported. "I have received e-mails, four or five, from men after they have graduated telling me that this (rape) happens, and while they were students at UF," said Maggie Gerard, coordinator of the Victim Advocate program. The men were so embar­rassed that they did not feel they could come forward while they were still at the University of Florida. The men did not want anything done about it because you have to be afraid of having it on record, Gerard said. Ann Tyenel, a psychol­ogist from the Center for Sexual/Absence Abuse Recovery and Education at UF, said male rape on the UF campus is often not reported. Nationally, rape occurs 1.2 times per 1,000 men aged 20 to 24, according to National Crime Victimization Survey conducted by the U.S. Department of Justice in 1998. That age range is the group with the largest percentage of male rapes per 1,000 people. Comparatively, women, aged 20 to 24, are raped eight times per 1,000 people. The highest age range is 16 to 18 years. One of the achievements has been developing a heart pump device called the AB-180.

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5 Day South Bend Forecast

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Thursday 72 42
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NATIONAL WEATHER

The AccuWeather forecast for noon, Wednesday, Oct. 25.
An excited crowd greeted vice presidential candidate Senator Joseph Lieberman Tuesday at his rally at the South Bend Airport. Lieberman spoke at the rally following his speech on Notre Dame's campus and discussed the environment, education, senior citizens and prosperity as campaign issues.
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allowing faith to influence values, Lieberman said that he and Democratic Presidential candidate Al Gore would fight to take the entertainment industry "full- fill the responsibilities that come with their rights." Specifically, Lieberman demanded that the entertainment industry "stop targeting adult-rated materials to kids."

Lieberman also talked about religion as a unifying factor despite differences among the beliefs of people of various religions. At one point in his address, a member of the audience yelled, "What about abortion?" when Lieberman was addressing the issue of morality. Lieberman is pro-choice. Lieberman responded to the audience member and said, "You've made your point. I respect that and I ask you to continue to speak as I intend to do when I came here."

He told the audience that he would address the issue of differences on issues like abortion in his speech.

For Lieberman, religion has been a unifying factor and has encountered individual differences. He said that he has been encouraged by people being willing to embrace religious differences and has encountered individ- uals from religious backgrounds other than his own who have embraced him.

"Instead of focusing on what seems different to overcome, we have embraced what is common to all," said Lieberman.

Lieberman acknowledged that it can be a challenge to overcome religious differences but it is in the best interest of Americans to do so.

"One thing I have learned from these relationships is that faith can and often does lead us to different personal conclusions about particular issues," said Lieberman. "Devout men and women can and do have disagreements over difficult moral questions. But we hope that our faith should help to remind us of our common origins, including, of course, the goodness and human imperfection that is in each of us. And it should help build the necessary good will so we can disagree without being divisive and so we can ultimately reach for common ground.

Lieberman cited specific examples to support the argument that America needs to come together in faith and work with the values and beliefs of the other. People of different faiths have come together to positively impact America on issues, said Lieberman.

"To make a difference, we must take our religious beliefs and values — our sense of justice, of right and wrong — into America's cultural and communal life," said Lieberman.

"And in communities across America, people of faith are working to repair some of the worst effects of our damaged moral and cultural life, and because of their good works and that of others, we have made real progress in reducing teen pregnancy, youth violence and drug abuse." Emphasizing that if elected, he and Gore could not "cure our America's moral ailments from Washington," but rather would "continue seeking laws and policies that are informed and expresses our best values."

Both he and Gore share a commitment to returning America to a more moral ground, said Lieberman.

"Vice President Gore and I share this commitment to a higher purpose," he said.

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staged dozens of attacks in Chechnya, killing
a member of Moscow's pro-Chechnya admin-
sistration, said. Five other Russian soldiers
died and 12 were wounded in a total of 33
rebell attacks on checkpoints and positions
over the past 24 hours, the official said.

Soldiers perish in Iran explosion:
At least eight soldiers were killed and about
a dozen injured. The former student in an unau-
nounced dump in northeastern Iran on Tuesday,
an exile Iranian opposition group said. The
dump near the city of Mashhad was set on
fire causing continuous explosions.

House investigates priest's death:
The House denounced "the assassination" of a
Minnesota-born priest and others who try to
join in an emergency coalition gov-
ernment, and the army
warned Tuesday that it was bracing
for extended clashes in Palestinian
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Peru

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"Friends, this is a time of em-
ergency, and in an emergency, broth-
ers walk together," Barak told Israel
radio as he appealed to all of the
Peruvians that he was in
installations Tuesday,
For Palestinians, Tuesday was a
holiday marking the ascension of the
Muslim Prophet Muhammad to heav-
ens from Jerusalem.

Rain-drenched streets and cold
weather helped dampen — but did
not extinguish — confrontations in
the West Bank, while clashes carried
uprooted an entire olive grove used
by Palestinian militants for cover
when firing on the Israelis.

A 17-year-old Palestinian boy was
dead of a bullet wound suf-
fed four days earlier, the Shaifa
hospital said. A Palestinian man was
fatally shot in the West Bank town of
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dead." Lieberman did not respond directly to Sanchez's question, stating instead that he would later address the ways in which people of different religious beliefs could work to find common moral ground.

"You made your point and I respect it," said Lieberman in response to Sanchez's repeated questions. "I ask only that you respect my right to continue to speak as I came here to do." Sanchez declined to comment Tuesday.

Reimer said that Sanchez was not affiliated with Right to Life, which sought to promote awareness of moral issues in modern America.

"We wish that would not have happened," she said, explaining that the group hoped to dispel popular beliefs that pro-life groups operate in a fanatical manner. "That's what the media wants and they'd concentrate on if they got it."

Instead, representatives of Right to Life stood in a line outside holding signs bearing statistics on Lieberman's voting record and handed out literature explaining that Lieberman had supported abortion in 66 of 67 votes during his 12 years in the Senate. The Senator's record includes five votes against banning the partial-birth abortion and others for tax-funded abortion on demand and against parental notification, according to National Right to Life.

"Lieberman is trying to secure the Catholic vote," said Right to Life member Sheila Payne. "We just want Catholics to know what they're getting into if they vote for him."

"As a Catholic university, we have to speak out against the partial-birth abortion," Laura Gianuzzi Right to Life member.

"As a Catholic university, we have to speak out against the partial-birth abortion," she said. "It's one of the great evils of our time and we have to do something about it."

The group was successful, said Reimer, who noted that the protest's primary goal was to promote awareness. "A lot of people were surprised because Lieberman has claimed to be pro-life," she said. "It changed some people's minds."

Also present were PSA members who chose to focus on the death penalty to emphasize the major parties' failure to address a number of moral issues in modern America.

"We're not protesting Lieberman. We're protesting the Democratic party and its policies," said PSA member Paul Graham. "We're focusing on the death penalty, how it's racist and how it's wrong."

PSA members carried signs comparing the prison population of 1970, which included 200,000 of the nation's 200 million citizens, to the 1999 numbers of 1.25 million and 275 million. Members also said that an African-American man who kills a white man is 11 times more likely to receive the death penalty than while man who murders a black man. Member Aaron Kreider noted that the Clinton administration has increased the number of crimes punishable by the death penalty from two to 60 and that the U.S. has one of the highest incarceration rates in the world.

The PSA has similar concerns about the Republican ticket.

The two-party system creates candidates to compromise and adopt less extreme positions to win the votes of critical swing voters and battleground states, explained PSA member Joe Smith.

"The focus on the issues has been eliminated because they're working so hard to win," he said. "It's actually ridiculous."

Kreider said that the protest succeeded in bringing the group's concerns to the attention of those attending the speech, though the presence of multiple groups with differing agendas resulted in a disjointed event.

"We wanted a cohesiveness of a message," said Kreider.

University President Edward Mallory welcomes Senator Joseph Lieberman to stage after introducing him to the crowded Washington Hall audience Tuesday.

"Ideally, the protesters would have been more focused. Still, Kreider said that the PSA succeeded in getting its message out because a number of lecture attendees were surprised and informed by the PSA's information.
Saint Mary’s performs mock presidential debate

By KATIE MILLER

Wednesday, October 25, 2000

Presidential candidates George W. Bush, Al Gore and Ralph Nader were represented in a debate sponsored by Student Academic Council and the Political Science Club Tuesday night in LeMans Hall’s Stapleton Lounge. Colleen McCarthy and Michelle Nagle spoke for the Democratic Party, Christina Phillips and Holly James the Republican Party, and Katie Poynier and Maureen Capillo the Green Party.

A panel of five professors, Marie Belanger, David Stefancic, Susan Vance, Patrick Pierce, and Marie Doyle, took turns asking the candidates questions which were responded to in a rotating order.

The first question was environmentally related. Bill Clinton is voting on Iraq, but George W. Bush wants to drill for oil. The Republicans responded first and the democrats countered the Republican statement.

We must protect the environment for generations to come. We must project our land from exploitation. Instead of taking our resources, we need to use what we already have,” said Nagle.

Chenery voted against drilling for oil in Wisconsin, his home state, said McCarthy.

According to Poynier and Capillo, the Green party does not see drilling in Alaska as a solution to the energy crisis. They emphasized the importance in working with what we have. The Republicans also rebutted.

The next question dealt with tax surplus.

“Under the Clinton/Gore administration, 22 million new jobs were created. We believe it is in the best interests to eliminate the national debt, promote economic growth, save Medicare and social security. We want to give tax cuts to working families and increase health insurance,” said Nagle and McCarthy.

“Both republicans and democrats will tell you that there will be a large tax surplus, there is no surplus. Our bridges, roads, hospitals, and schools need repairs. If there is a surplus, fix those,” said Poynier.

The Republicans disagreed with this.

“I believe families should be allowed to spend their money, we should allow families to receive tax cuts across the board,” said Phillips.

Next, the candidates debated the use of educational vouchers.

“The vouchers take money from public schools and give to private schools. Inner city schools suffer because education funding comes from local taxes. All children deserve a good education,” said Capillo.

The Republicans favor the voucher system.

“It will make public schools compete with private, if schools cannot use their money wisely, we can give the option to send children to other schools,” said Phillips and James.

The Democrats oppose the use of vouchers.

“Draining public schools of funding where its needed the most is not effective. We need to target schools that are failing. We need to invest in schools instead of giving up,” said Nagle and McCarthy.

Issues facing foreign policy were debated. Stepancic asked, “What is nation building, and should we be involved?”

“We have an obligation to other nations. We encourage democracy, foreign engagement and a prudent increase in military spending are crucial to promote world prosperity,” said Nagle and McCarthy.

“We should work with other nations to achieve this, it is not something the U.S. should dictate on its own,” said Poynier and Capillo.

The concluding question dealt with the ongoing welfare reform.

“With the first wave of welfare reform completed, how should the federal government take the next step, what should states be relied on for?” asked Poynier. The democrats want welfare to be inclusive.

The Green Party offered a different perspective into reducing the number of Americans on welfare.

The Republicans attributed the need for welfare to a lack of skills and the green party rebutted their statement.

With the conclusion of the panel questions, each party gave a final statement.

According to the green party, half of all the people don’t want to vote. The participation of the green party represents a third option when voting.

The Republicans expressed their interest in partisanship and accomplishing all of their goals.

Gore’s experience in the capital, belief in a women’s right to choose, campaign finance reform, and the balancing of the budget were reasons the democrats felt they deserved the vote.

The candidates then answered questions from the audience.

They dealt with issues surrounding gay marriages, effectiveness of voucher system, and the participation of Americans youth at the voting booth. The mock republican and democratic candidates both participated in the debate as part of the political science club.

The Green party representatives were from peacemakers. Participating students found the debates challenging, yet enjoyed the chance to inform their fellow students of the various parties platforms.

“It was really exciting and intimidating,” said James. “It was a heavy responsibility especially since some of the people here tonight were not very informed about the candidates.”

“We hope we made an impact,” said Phillips. “It’s hard because some people are very informed on some issues and not on others.”

Representatives from the green party shared their third option to voters.

“I feel safe in saying its happened,” said Phillips. “It’s not just a good idea, it is a good idea. Nader starts on the bottom level and works his way up, from the grass roots.”

The democrats want welfare to be inclusive.
Local candidates hold panel, discuss campaign issues

By MIKE CONNOLLY

Local candidates (L to R) Chris Chocola, John Broden, Michael Dvorak, James Ehhardt, Tony Zirkle, and Tim Roemer’s aide, Jed D’Ecorle sat at a panel discussion Tuesday to entertain questions about campaign issues.

+ Eldred questions candidates on women’s and education issues

By MIKE CONNOLLY

When College president Marilou Eldred asked local candidates how the government could promote women’s college and women’s education, she hoped they would receive an enthusiastic endorsement of women’s education. Instead the five candidates in Tuesday night’s political panel at St. Joseph’s Catholic Church in South Bend seemed surprised by the question and offered vague answers about the government’s role in educating women.

“I certainly believe women should be well educated and have every opportunity that man have,” said Mike Dvorak, the incumbent state representative from the 8th District.

Dvorak also said, however, that because both Notre Dame’s and Saint Mary’s colleges in Indiana (Saint Mary’s College and Saint Mary’s of the Woods in Terre Haute) are private institutions, the state government wouldn’t give extra programs or funding to the women’s colleges.

Eldred said she wasn’t looking for promises of funding but for public support for women’s college.

“I guess I would have hoped there would have been more enthusiastic support for college women because that is my passion,” she said. “It’s more a matter of a public statement about values of women’s college. We don’t need more programs, we just need our officials to speak out in favor of more education for women.”

Eldred was one of three members of the Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s communities involved with the panel discussion. Lou Nanni, the executive assistant to the president at Notre Dame, moderated the two-hour discussion while Notre Dame sociology professor Father Leonard Chorbot asked questions of the candidates along with Eldred and Fred Everet, who works in the office of family life for the diocese of South Bend/Fort Wayne.

James Ehhardt, a candidate for the state legislature’s 25th District, was the only other candidate to respond to Eldred’s question. He said that he talked about women’s colleges, the 1999 Notre Dame Law School graduate focused on improving high school education and encouraging more students to go to college.

“If we don’t educate our children in high school and give them the opportunity to gain the knowledge necessary for college, they won’t want to go to college,” the 25-year-old republican said.

“Kids shouldn’t just try to pass I-Step in a standardized testing program in Indiana) and graduate; they should try to learn as much as possible and try to get into the best colleges possible.”

The other three candidates, Tony Zirkle, running against Dvorak for his seat from the 8th District, John Broden, a state senate candidate from the 10th District and Chris Chocola, a House of Representatives candidate from the third district, declined to answer Eldred’s question.

Other education issues, however, did spark a discussion among the candidates. Republicans Chocola and Chorbot both supported school vouchers as a way to offer parents a choice in schools for their children.

“It’s not about rich people sending their children to private schools,” Chocola said. “They already do that. It’s their choice. We need to give everyone that choice.”

Dvorak, however, said that vouchers would only undermine the public school system.

He said that the voucher program was originally created as a “union bashing measure” and that the government shouldn’t “undermine the foundation of public education.”

Each of the five candidates praised the construction of Ivy Tech in South Bend to give vocational education to citizens that cannot attend college.

The candidates also agreed, however, that more work needed to be done to improve the lives of the people in their districts.

“Many people in this room have had the benefit of a college education but that isn’t for everyone,” Dvorak said. “Unskilled jobs are gone. We need to create job training programs to give everyone the skills they need.”

Chocola said keeping the economy strong will help all Americans. He disputed the idea that the gap is widening between rich and the poor and instead said both rich and the poor are gaining wealth at the same rate.

“Every single vote I have made in the legislature has been pro-life and every single vote I have made has been anti-death penalty,” Dvorak said.

House of Representatives candidate Chris Chocola said he supported the death penalty but wanted to ban abortion and euthanasia. State legislature candidate Mike Dvorak each said they opposed abortion, euthanasia and the death penalty.

While he supports the death penalty, Zirkle also said the current system is seriously flawed. He said that the death penalty is just because it is mandated in the bible, but also said that only when evidence is 100 percent certain should the state use capital punishment. He said there should be at least two or three eye witnesses and 72 judges who must vote unanimously for a man to be put to death. This would make capital punishment extremely rare.

Mike Dvorak
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Students to register by terminal, not phone this spring

By JASON McARLE
Assistant News Editor

A temporary registration center in the basement of the Hesburgh Library will replace the current Direct Access Registration by Telephone (DART) system as Notre Dame's primary means of class registration. University officials announced Tuesday. The shift will take effect this fall, as students register for spring semester classes from Nov. 8 to Dec. 4.

Those working closely on the project admit that the change comes largely in response to increased problems with DART in the past year. "It hasn't been a disastrous problem, but the phones have failed a number of times in the past two semesters," assistant registrar Don Steinke said of the registration system in place at the University since 1989.

Since last fall, the Office of the Registrar has seen a steady growth in the number of students frustrated with DART. In particular, students voiced concerns about being kicked off the system while registering and often being unable to access it altogether.

Steinke acknowledged that most of the system's problems were associated with periods of heavy use by students. He said the University has tried to "stream into his office. Many worries came from students studying abroad and from students worried about space in the registration center."

The registrar said students in study abroad programs will have their class registration taken care of through the Office of International Studies.

Other students who are away from campus on University business as well as disabled students who may not be able to access the registration center can contact the Office of the Registrar, Pace said.

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Features of the new system

In terms of how it will function, the registration center will operate much like DART, said Harold Pace, University registrar. The process will even use the same acronym — Direct Access Registration by Terminal — as its predecessor, he said.

The center will be located in Room G184 in the basement of the Hesburgh Library and will feature 35 workstations, or terminals, for students.

At each terminal is one of the various laptop computers donated by University alumni affiliated with IBM. In the Office of the Registrar is an additional six terminals that have been used by students in the past as an alternative to the telephone system.

According to Pace, students with a working knowledge of the previous system shouldn't experience problems in the registration center.

"As far as how everything works, the messages and instructions that you'll see on the computer screen are the same ones that you heard on the phone," Pace said.

Students will still be assigned DART appointment times and PINs. Pace said that information may be made available as early as today. He expects DART books with Spring 2001 class listings to be available by Friday.

"I understand that there were some complications with the phones, but I worry having to use the computers," said Mahon, a history major. "It's the easiest thing in the world to make it," said Melchor, a government sophomore. "You just have to do it," Pace said.

Steinke agreed. Pace promised some reservations about the new process very similar to the old system. In addition, no fewer than nine University staff member and three student workers will be present in the registration center to offer assistance.

Mahon, who said for past experiences with phone registration students have been positive, also has misgivings about the change. "It hasn't been a disastrous problem, but been unsuccessful maintaining a system that wouldn't be overloaded."

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Students in grades 6 through 12 attend the Dream Center after school to participate in arts and crafts, like those pictured above, while others receive help with homework. The Dream Center, founded by Notre Dame law student Felipe Moreno, also offers a weekend reading skills program.

SMC students spend break in Appalachia

By KATIE MILLER
News Writer

Some tanned and some relaxed, but 10 Saint Mary's students spent their full break in Appalachia in a service project sponsored by the SURV center.

The students traveled to Clintwood, Virginia, where they painted houses and mingled with Clintwood residents.

Everyday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., the students painted a house in the Clintwood community that was in need of repair. After painting, they would often help clean the house and speak with many of the residents.

"We met coal miners and a mountain singer," said Sister Linda Kors, director of volunteer service and the SURV center. According to Kors, the majority of Clintwood residents are somehow affected by coal mining.

While working, the students stayed in the Dorothy Baker house, which was located next to the church in Clintwood. Living and working together, students learned a lot about each other.

"Our group came together really well. As a group, we didn't know each other prior to the trip, but we bonded. We worked as a family," said Connor. "We spoke with a lot of people about the environment," said junior Shanna Connor. "Everyone was really friendly, we were immediately accepted," she said.

This is not time Saint Mary's students have served in the Appalachia program. According to Kors, in previous years, a Saint Mary's student from the area has acted as a tour guide for students.

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During his first year at Notre Dame law school, Felipe Moreno decided to do something to help other people.

"After a couple of months in law school, I realized that to continue strong in my studies, I was going to have to be driven by what has driven me my whole life — to serve others," said Moreno, now a third-year law student.

Moreno decided to create a recreational place for at-risk children and families in the South Bend area. His creation, called the Dream Center, is now open to the community.

The center will provide children in grades 6 through 12 a place to go after school to do arts and crafts or to get help with homework. There is also a weekly reading skills program for children, and adults can take classes in English computer skills and citizenship. All activities are free of charge.

Originally from Los Angeles, Moreno was the sixth of seven children and the first to graduate college. After graduating from Stanford, he returned home and wanted to help his community.

"I set up a community center and a medical clinic [before]," Moreno said. "I realized that a lot of the set-up process dealt with law, so I decided to go to law school."

Throughout his three years at Notre Dame, Moreno has gained the admiration and support of both his peers and faculty.

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The Dream Center is located on 3615 South Michigan St. next to Calvary Temple, which bought the facility. Notre Dame and Bethel College donated computers to the center.

Showing their support, O'Neill Hall designated the Center as their main service site this year. Anyone interested in volunteering at the Center may call 291-5230, extension 75.

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To study abroad is a difficult decision. If you are considering this option solely to procure a parent subsidy while you do your major, let me spare you the trip. Give me five minutes, I’ll give you the continent. First off, everything is beautiful. Everything is expensive and everything is old. As for European cities, they’re all born from the same general pattern. Each city has a river running through it. It usually bisects the town, but it doesn’t have to. In every town, you’ll have a church — a really big, really old, really impressive church. Go see it. It’s free. If there are several, go to the one that’s set on a major square. It’s the one closest to Tourist Information: that’s the red lower case “i” on the smudged crease of your pocket-size map. If you luck out. The tall thing will be the major square. It’s the one closest to Tourist Information; that’s the red lower case “i” on the smudged crease of your fold, pocket-size map.

After the church, go to the tall thing. Every city has one. Lots of times, you’ll look back. The tall thing will be the church, like in Zurich. Bonus. Other times, it’s just a tower — like in Bologna. The tall thing in town isn’t free, but you can count on it not having an elevator. Which calls to mind another hazardous by-product of the European adventure: unintended exercise. Now, a lot of times, once you get on top of the tall thing, you’ll notice an even taller thing. Don’t panic. They’ll let you climb that one too, usually for a proportionately steeper fare. First, take a picture of it. Then, climb the taller thing and take a picture of the original edifice. Your friends will think you did it on purpose. I think it’s called “perspective.”

If you go to Europe, hosts are key. They’re small and cheap, but also dirty. Hostels are like a sketchy, smelly microcosm of Freshman O. That is, an immeasurable sequence of contrived, perfunctory palaver in which neither person cares about the answer. Freshman year, it was an incessant drone of “What’s your major? Where are you from?”

Over the weekend, it’s a little more friendly. You see, every hostel has the same kid — one that is just a little too eager to make friends. He’s usually a recent college grad, clean-cut trying to look like he’s not. He always smiles. He is in every hostel in every town. Without fail, as I walk in the door, trying to dispel the broken English of the checkout person, he crashes in with an overly friendly handshake. “Hi, I’m... but all my friends call me Ace.”

First, I have that disease where the context of another person’s palm against mine momentarily impairs my hearing and memory. I have never, not once in 20 years, caught the name of a person as they introduce themselves. Second, the nickname is self-assigned. No friend would take the time to christen him “Ace” or “Stroker” because he has no friends. Regardless of your interest, out comes his hometown and alma mater. The town is one he lives an hour from and has visited once. The college is one you’re vaguely familiar with. You probably glanced at the brochure on the trip from the mailbox to the garbage, not that you could ever name the state it’s in. All the same, you give the trademark nod as he says it here. I mindlessly reciprocate with my “Cola.” Both are tags. Now, desk-leach will mention every person he has ever encountered with any association to my hometown or college. I will never understand this game. After I shoot down several names, he comes across one I think might recognize from an English or history class. “You know Jim O’Connell?” “Yeah, I know Jim O’Connell. We had history together.”

“Wow.”

“Yeah.”

“Small world, isn’t it.”

“Yeah.”

“Good.”

“Big drinker, that Jim.”

“Big drinker.”

“Yeah. Well, uh, a guy I used to hang around with back in the neighborhood got a full ride to play football there. I think he was your year, and it’s a pretty small school, you ever run into a um, uh, Mike Green?” “This is where it gets fun. You see, ‘cool guy’ doesn’t want to come off like he doesn’t know my popular and imaginary friend. So, he’ll repeat the name twice slowly, rubbing his chin between utterances. “Mike Green. Mike Green, uh... you know, I think I do know him.” Then he makes like a psychic friend and gets as vague as possible. “Yeah, Mike Green. Football player, right.”

“Yeah.”

“Big guy.”

“Pretty big.”

“Brown hair.”

“Blondie. Dirty blondie.”

“Yeah, I guess so.”


“He hasn’t played since he got hurt freshman year.”

“Oh. Yeah, right.”

“You know him?”

“Yeah. Well, know him to say hi to him. You know. We hung out in different circles. I was kind of a party-er. Never tell the guy that Mike Green doesn’t exist. Ruins the game. I guess what I’m saying is ‘Study abroad’ — it’s fun.”

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

“You cannot shake hands with a clenched fist.”

Indira Gandhi
Indian politician
Wednesday, October 25, 2000

Ready, ready, ready to run

Jeremy Jolin

Senior
St. Ignatius
Oct. 24, 2000

Learn to listen

I realize that there is an inherent danger in writing about such a touchy subject around my family, but that doesn't really bother me. What bothers me is how disgusted I am at the behavior of a single pro-lifer at the senator's speech yesterday morning. As cries of "what about abortion," "what about..." echoed through the speakers and the audience, I couldn't help but feel disgusted. The pro-lifer, a woman who had just spoken against abortion, Senator Lieberman, said, "I am against abortion. Senator Lieberman?" From the balcony, I couldn't help but feel embarrassed for the senator and the other Notre Dame runners who were there too. Wait in line, maybe, how can torture be fun? Perhaps I'm one of those people who is into the pain scene? I'm really not. I can't explain fully why it's such an incredible experience but I will attempt the task.

First of all, I wasn't the only one to throw down some cash to run 26.2 miles through the streets of Chicago and I mean all the streets of Chicago — the east side, the west side (the North side, the South side, Chinatown, little Italy and on and on). Aside from myself and my dad, 33,168 other people signed up to run 26.2 miles through the streets of Chicago. Every state and 80 something foreign countries were represented. It just happened to be the biggest marathon in North America, quite possibly the entire world; I don't know, but there were a lot of running shoes lined up at 7:30 a.m. on Oct. 22 in this "millennium" year.

But I digress, to run a "fun" marathon you've got to be prepared. First of all, you must arrive early, at least an hour and a half just to stretch. When you need time to put Vaseline all over your body, and when I say all over your body, I do not exaggerate, it is all over your body, and place that you miss is targeted to become a minor laceration or burn area. You will bleed; you will hurt, it will hurt. Stretch and warm up; this is wise, but unless you are really out there to sprint your way to the end of the 26.2 miles, you may not want to jog around before the race begins. Keep in mind, you will have 26.2 miles to get out all the stiffness and kinks in your body that you had before the race — you will also have those 26.2 miles to bring in new stiffness and kinks.

So you've got to go stretch and vaselined. Are you planning on taking a while to complete the 26.2 miles, more than three hours? Then you also may want to consider a water bottle and a walkman as well as over-the-counter pain relievers and caffeine boosters. As Clint Eastwood once said, "a man has got to know his limitations," and badly, this is never more true than when running 26.2 miles. Now, luckily, the day of the Chicago marathon was perfect weather-wise, and it is also the fastest course in North America because it is the relatively flattest course. You can't beat conditions such as these.

When the weather conditions are less than perfect, when the course is not flat, the pain and preparation time will increase exponentially. Chicago has a great marathon course but lots of people know this, lots of people. To ensure fluidity in the race, officials like to place people by the time it will take them to finish the race.

A problem develops, though, when the temperature is below 50 in the amount of racing time allowed. The Chicago marathon has to be completed in six hours or no medal. At least, it was a rule before the race began and other marathons will have their own cut-off times. The famous Boston marathon has a cut-off time of 4 hours and 30 minutes. When your finish time is going to put you in the back of thousands of people, it will take about 30 minutes to get to the start after the gun has gone off and you will have lost that half-hour of running time. And believe me, when running 26.2 miles, you can use all the time they allow. Yet, there is a solution for the inexperienced or slow runner. Make note of the all of the cut-off times for order, then go as far forward in the crowd of runners as you can. Hey, you never know exactly when you will finish, so if you can get to where the three-hour runners are located, more power to you.

Another important concept one must grasp is that of the pace. The gun has gone off, you're in the front of the pack, you're all excited but for good points sake, don't forget that this is 26.2 miles not 2 miles. It is catastrophic to speed out at the beginning like it's only going to take you two hours to finish. Instead of course, you plan on running 5-minute miles and never letting your heels touch the ground for all of the 26.2 miles. It is all just a matter of proper pre-race strategy; some decide to use a slower pace-plan than others.

So you're running and it's great, you feel great, it's great to be alive, every part of the race is lined by happy, cheering, wonderful people. But keep in mind, that by the 17th mile or so, running officials will cheat and make the remaining miles longer than is correct, also, the times of happy, cheering people will become annoying. You will think, what the heck do they have to be happy about anyways? Why don't they try running instead of just standing there? Oh no, I digress, a hamburger! What nerve, right in front of your face. And you will begin to change inside. But then, only 0.2 miles will lay ahead, which will be more than 0.2 miles because they cheat, but it's okay, play their little game.

You see the finish, you feel the only energy left inside you, the crowds are wild, you'll want to keep cool; go ahead, sprint it. Cross the finish line. More happy faces will greet you with a medal and a blanket. They offer you food; they even offer you beer. Wow, these are beautiful people; you want to jump up and down. You are the bomb. Except you won't be able to jump up and down, you may even have to hurl all over the ground. But it's all good; you know that for the next year, you'll be so sore that no one can make you do one bit of exercising or anything you don't want to do. I mean did they run a marathon? Maybe they should try running a marathon, and then they won't be bothering you with stupid assignments and things to do.

All in all, running a marathon is indescribable; a fait accompli, something that everyone who has trained can and should do. Remember that training is key. Unless you have years and years of experience, without training, you will die — slowly and painfully.

Now, I'm ready to listen to what other people did over fall break.

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Letter to the Editor

Jeremy Jolin
DVD audio, digital cameras entertain technology addicts

Are CDs just not doing it for you anymore? It is easy to find yourself constrasted by the 74 minutes on a DVD. While quality might be better than on that old Cyndi Lauper tape in the closet, it's still not good enough. Luckily, there's a new hope — DVD audio — that promises to blow away the good old CD in home-style.

DVD audio, currently being developed by a host of electronics giants like Pioneer and Panasonic, features seven times the capacity of typical music CD's. A single disc can hold volumes on some of the newer video game systems like Playstation 2 and Dreamcast, as well as the secrets behind everyday wonders like toilets and microwaves. However, a word of warning about www.howstuffworks.com. Due to extremely detailed descriptions of objects and sections on light sabers, this site has been rated L 'NO (For Nerds Only).

Waiting to buy Playstation 2 is definitely advantageous. The price has been driven up by a limited United States release. Sony will offer only half the amount of machines to the United States buying season, the console will surely have a Tickle-Me-Elmo hysteria surrounding it. But then again, why a Tickle-Me-Elmo? Also, there is a digital camera called the Camedia C-211 Zoom that plugs into your computer and sends wireless transmissions to friends doing stupid things at parties. You hardly need a super-clear, heart-thumping bass.

By MATT ORENCHUK
Scene Video Game Reviewer

The old saying goes that if it ain't broke, then don't fix it. Well, maybe the good people at Midway should have remembered that when they came out with "NFL Blitz 2001" for the Playstation.

It is not that "Blitz 2001" is a bad game. But the problem is that it doesn't improve on "Blitz 2000," and in some areas, "2001" is actually a worse game than the original.

Let's start by looking at what is really bad about "NFL Blitz 2001." The most impressive thing about a game when you play it for the first time is the graphics. This is an area where "Blitz 2001" fails miserably. The players look pixilated. The grass on the playing field is a patrid green color. The logos and names on jerseys aren't clear.

The gameplay is another area that doesn't improve from "NFL Blitz 2000." The Artificial Intelligence (AI) is one area that makes "NFL Blitz 2001" a much better game on Nintendo 64. The gameplay is much sharper, and the players and animatics are crispier.

This is not to say that "NFL Blitz 2001" isn't a solid football game on the Playstation. It is a great deal of fun to play, especially if you are competitive with your friends when it comes to video games — the kind of player who spends many a late night sitting around the TV, hoping for one last score to defeat the evil opponent.

The Artificial Intelligence (AI) is one area that makes "NFL Blitz 2001" a lot of fun to play. The AI allows for the weakest of players to take on the greatest player ever.

Basically, the AI will stay off if a game is closely contested. But if one player starts to pull ahead, then the AI kicks in, making it easier for the behind team to score, while making it harder for the winning team to score.

This makes "Blitz 2001" a fun game for everyone to enjoy. The Artificial Intelligence means that every game will probably go down to the fourth quarter, and that someone will have to make a big play to win. This is a staple of "Blitz 2001," and the reason why the game is so popular. "NFL Blitz 2001" is not a bad game, but the bottom line is this: if you don't own it, then you need to go pick it up. "Blitz 2001" is in the same must-have category as "Bud" and "Mario Cart." It is a fun game that brings out the competitive ness in everyone.

If you already own an earlier copy of "Blitz," then there is no need to go out and pick up this game. The only thing that this new version could possibly offer is an updated roster.
'NHL 2001' glitches will disappoint true hockey fans

By ADAM TURNER
Scene Video Game Reviewer

The start of the "NHL 2001" season is a time of action and excitement. Goalie Patrick Roy gets his skates sharpened up, ready to pass up Terry Sawchuk's record for wins by a goalie (447). Philadelphia's Brian Boucher prepares to fail from grace, because his time in the spotlight is about up.

Pittsburgh's Jaromir Jagr gets ready to prove once again why he is the greatest player in hockey, while the world continues to wonder why Washington's pithy Peter Bondra is still playing at all. San Jose's Bryan Marchment and New Jersey's Scott Stevens both get pitted up to be goons, because in all fairness, they are goons. But the most important thing for hockey fans is the release of Electronic Arts' "NHL 2001" for the Sony Playstation.

"NHL 2001" provides tons of new features, like the inclusion of expansion teams Columbus Blue Jackets and Minnesota Wild (unfortunately, both are very bad). The game also features updated rosters, new team rankings, and the NHL challenge, which allows you to create your own player and then give him attribute points based on feats that you accomplish during the course of the hockey game.

This NHL challenge option allows you to imagine that you are playing alongside your favorite NHL player, or to have a team named entirely with expletives. Of course, if the latter is the case, the game won't say any names when you score a goal. It is disappointing, I know.

However, "NHL 2001" is a disappointment if you wanted a better game than "NHL 2000." The goalies are still stupid, scoring is even easier, the fights still look stupid, there are tons of glitches — and the list goes on and on.

The goalie reactions are sometimes absolutely ridiculous: hanging out way outside of the crease on odd-man rushes and sometimes jumping completely out of the way of the net.

This brings up the issue of scoring. It's ridiculous to think that Dallas can put ten goals on the board against New Jersey, but it happened. Now consider that it happened in 15 minutes! Every tip-in, every breakaway, every deflection found its way past Marty Brodeur. It's hard to believe that a good team like New Jersey can be that awful.

Then there are the fights. There has never been a fight in hockey like there is in this game. Players aren't supposed to stand an arm's length apart and swing at each other — it's not boxing, it's hockey.

They should be grabbing each other's jerseys and pummeling each other while trying to pull the other guy's jersey up over his head. That's a real fight, but all you get from "NHL 2001" is silly fisticuffs.

The glitches in "NHL 2000" are absolutely frustrating. Among the annoyances are the three-minute pause that sometimes happens when a player is sent to the penalty box and the inability of computer-controlled defensemen to keep the puck in the zone when it slides right past them.

The immovable defenseman glitch is the most annoying of all. For example, during one game with Dallas, the defensemen would line up at the blue line and not move at all. It was like Zubov and Sydor were on strike — no matter what, they stayed locked up right behind the blue line, even if they had the puck. This is almost as infuriating as the time that the game locked up when prompted to save, effectively erasing the entire season and sending the player to bed a bitter, bitter person.

If you already own "NHL 2000," and have a great desire to have NHL 2001, my advice is this: wait for the Playstation2 version to come out. You can check this out at www.easports.com.

This version looks unbelievable and will probably have less glitches. Unfortunately, Washington's Chris Simon is said to be included in this version, due to the fact that his band didn't go on tour last season.

If glitches don't make you very angry, and if you have a thirst to play with last season's rookies and revised teams like the Blue Jackets and the Wild, then "NHL 2001" for Playstation will be a decent purchase for you.
New York Mets return home to jump back in the series

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Back in their raucous den, with its ear-splitting music and jeers roaming overhead, the New York Mets were right at home — and right back in this Subway Series.

Bret Saberhagen, the young rookie pitcher for the Mets who was 10-13 against the Yankees last season, was 0-1 against them this year. But last night, Saberhagen toyed with the Yankees, striking out 14 batters and allowing just one hit in a 5-0 win.

The Mets' win, combined with the Milwaukee Brewers' 8-2 victory over the Chicago Cubs, put the Mets within two games of the NL East lead.

The Mets' win evoked a feeling of deja vu for fans, who last season watched the Mets lose three straight to the Yankees after having a 10-game winning streak.

But this time, the Mets were able to hold off the Yankees, who have won the last three Subway Series.

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Hall of fame pitcher to be released from hospital

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HOUSTON

Hall of Fame pitcher Nolan Ryan is expected to be released from a hospital later this week after experiencing tightness in his chest during a recent business trip to Florida.

The 53-year-old strikeout king underwent double coronary bypass surgery earlier in April. He was doing fine and sitting up in bed while doctors at St. Luke's Episcopal Hospital ran tests Tuesday. Ryan's son, Reid said:

"I was concerned because anytime you have somebody you love like your dad and he's had bypass surgery, you're fearful he's had a heart attack," said Reid Ryan, who drove from Austin to Houston on Monday. Confident his father was doing well, he said he returned home to Austin on Tuesday.

An EKG and an angiogram both came up negative as far as heart problems. Doctors said the elder Ryan has a muscular spasm in an artery that leads to his heart, Reid Ryan said:

"It cuts the blood off from getting into his heart. It's not doing it all the time, but randomly and when it does cause the tightness in his chest," Ryan said.

Nolan Ryan checked himself into the hospital at 1:30 a.m. Monday after returning home the day before from Florida, where he had started feeling the tightness in his chest.

Doctors are giving him different medicines and waiting 12-24 hours to see how his body reacts to them, Reid Ryan said:

"I'll be surprised if he's still there Thursday or Friday," he said.

Ryan, who had 5,714 career strikeouts and seven no-hitters, underwent emergency heart surgery on April 23 at the Heart Hospital of Austin. Tests then showed he had substantial blockage in a main coronary artery but did not have a heart attack.

Physicians who treated Ryan in April said they expected him to make a complete recovery, but noted he would have been in danger of a life-threatening heart attack if he had not immediately addressed his symptoms.

After the April operation, Ryan planned to cut back on travel and personal appearances but make few changes in business ventures, including a bank, a ranch and a major league baseball team in which he is part-owner.

Ryan, who lives in Austin outside Houston, spent 27 years in the majors, including nine with the Houston Astros (1980-88) and six with the Texas Rangers (1989-94). He also pitched for the New York Mets and California Angels.

Ryan, who won 324 games, was inducted into the Hall of Fame last year.

South Carolina freshman forward to miss seven games

Associated Press

COLUMBIA, S.C.

South Carolina freshman forward Rolando Howell will miss seven games by his had bypass surgery, any time you have somebody you love like your dad and he's had bypass surgery.

The 6-foot-9 Howell, who averaged 18 points, 11 rebounds and 5 blocks as a senior at Lower Richland High School last year, will play for the Gamecocks until Dec. 19, against North Carolina-Ashville. The final game of his suspension is the annual in-state matchup with Clemson at the Carolina Coliseum on Dec. 9.

"I am embarrassed by my poor decisions and I would like to apologize to all those involved," Howell said through the university Tuesday.

He faced six felony charges as he and two women falsified 12 credit orders totaling $4,385 and cashed them. Howell was accepted into the state's pretrial intervention program. He was cleared for practice once McGee learned prosecutors had signed off on letting him into the program.

Howell was arrested in September and suspended from all basketball activities.

He was reinstated by athletic director Mike McGee on Oct. 14, before the Gamecocks began fall practice.

Howell was accepted into the state's pretrial intervention program for first-time offenders last Friday. Howell and his accomplices, Mary Jones and Penny Moore, admitted guilt and agreed to make restitution.

Prosecutor Barney Giese said police and the Bi-Lo grocery store where the bogus checks were cashed agreed to let the three into the intervention program.

If they complete the program, the charges will be wiped from their records. If they do not, the cases will go to the Richland County grand jury.

"The legal process has been put into place and I believe Rolando has learned from his mistakes," McGee said. "This was obviously a poor decision on Rolando's part, and he seems ready to move on."

Howell has practiced with the team the past two weeks. His suspension also covers the Gamecocks' exhibition games on Nov. 4 and Nov. 11.

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Howell was expected to be an exciting addition to South Carolina's improving team.

The Gamecocks have had two straight losing seasons, but went 15-17 last year with one of the youngest teams in the Southeastern Conference.

Coach Eddie Fogler has said it will be up to Howell to determine how much playing time he gets. Any freshman, no matter how heralded, must learn the pace of the faster college game and do things a different, more disciplined way, Fogler said.

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After Bob Knight was fired from Indiana University in September, he said he would coach again. His comments at a September news conference indicated he has called a "pattern of unacceptable behavior" at the state university an "era.

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**NBA**

**Minnesota earns exhibition win**

*Associated Press*

**GREENSBORO, N.C.** Terrell Brandon scored 19 points and Kevin Garnett had 19 to lead the Minnesota Timberwolves to a 109-79 exhibition victory over the Charlotte Hornets on Tuesday night.

Chauncey Billups added 14 points and Sam Mitchell had 12 for Minnesota (3-4).

Jamil Mashburn led the Hornets (4-2) with 14 points, while P.J. Brown and Jamaal Magloire added 10 each.

The Hornets, already without forward Derrick Coleman for the entire preseason, also had starting guard David Wesley and backup center Olin Thorpe in street clothes on the bench. Wesley missed his second straight game because of a sprained ankle and Thorpe sat out with a sore foot.

Without Wesley on the floor, Charlotte looked slow early and quickly found itself in a big hole.

Minnesota scored the first five points of the game, and used a 11-2 run to quick pull away in the second quarter, even when their stars were on the floor.

The Timberwolves continued to pull away in the second half. Although Minnesota led by 15 at the half, it took a 1-0-102 lead. They couldn't hold on to the lead because Steve Francis committed two turnovers and three Pistons scored in the final two minutes.

Houston also had to rely on role players because Hakeem Olajuwon and Maurice Taylor didn't play because of injuries and Shandon Anderson did not attend the game because of an illness in his family.

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**Pistons 107, Rockets 103**

Maybe the Detroit Pistons will have some players to help Jerry Stackhouse shoulder the scoring.

Five Pistons scored in double figures as Detroit beat the Houston Rockets in an exhibition game. Stackhouse watched the game in a sweater and jeans because of a sore knee.

Claycik Atkins led Detroit with 17 points and four assists, while John Wallace, Ben Wallace and Billy Owens added 12 points each. Cedric Ceballos had 11.

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**Minnesota receives probation, loses five scholarships**

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**M N I N N E A P O L I S**

What was described as one of the worst cases of academic fraud in 20 years cost the Minnesota athletic department four years probation and five men's basketball scholarships. But the Golden Gophers escaped the death penalty.

Because Minnesota acted firmly to investigate itself and punish those involved in a widespread term-paper scam, the NCAA excused Tuesday it would not bar the university from postseason play. Such punishment would have cost the school hundreds of thousands of dollars in TV money and immeasurable recruiting chances.

Members of the NCAA's infractions committee said the scandal was among the most serious cases of academic fraud in 20 years.

"You have to determine whether you can control the institution of the university and whether it caught the attention of others," said committee chairman Jack Friedenthal, a law professor at George Washington University. "The University of Minnesota is and should be deeply ashamed of what happened."

"No one is going to go out and think they can violate these rules and think the penalties will not be severe," he said.

The committee added slightly to several of Minnesota's self-imposed punishments, adding to recruiting limits and ordering that all records of postseason tournaments during the misconduct from 1993-98 be erased.

"The last few days I've been really dreading and getting nervous... for the fact of having to face those players like I did last year and tell them that dream is gone," Monson said.

"I sighed with relief to see that the issue of lack of institutional control during Coach Haskins' reign was dealt with thoughtfully and seriously," Gangelhoff said. "As I stated months ago, this recognition by the NCAA would allow them to send a strong message to member institutions about their serious commitment to academics."

In addition to probation, Minnesota must take down banners and make no reference in school materials to the Gophers' participation in three NCAA tournaments, including the 1997 Final Four, and two National Invitation Tournaments, including its 1998 title.

The university had already reduced scholarships from 13 to 10 over the next two seasons, plus four scholarships to be spread among the three seasons beginning in 2001-02. The NCAA cut the scholarships by one more, to five.

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Dillon faces possibility of playing for Ireland national team

By KATHLEEN O'BRIEN
Associate Sports Editor

Jimmy Dillon, Notre Dame's starting point guard a year ago, may find himself changing from the red, white and blue of the United States to the orange, white and green stripes of Ireland in coming months.

Dillon, a 6-foot-2 player from Philadelphia, hopes to continue his basketball career by playing for the Ireland national team.

"The coach of the national team in Ireland is working on a citizenship for myself to get a dual citizenship," Dillon said.

"They look for your roots and follow your background to see if you have grandparents or great-grandparents who were born in Ireland. Hopefully they would grant me dual citizenship with the U.S. and Ireland."

If the Irish citizenship falls through, Dillon will either play in the International Basketball League, the U.S. Basketball League or in an overseas league. Although Dillon has other options to keep his playing days alive, trading in the stars and stripes during a stint overseas is his first choice.

"I'm holding off on signing anything else because it's definitely my No. 1 option," Dillon said. "I would get to travel around the world with them. It's different if you're playing in one European country. Going from continent to continent and country to country works out a lot better for me."

If things go in Dillon's favor, a decision will come down on his quest for dual citizenship sooner rather than later. His time frame to sign a contract for the upcoming season is growing short.

"The leagues don't start until December," Dillon said, "but they kind of want me over in Europe now for training purposes."

Former Irish coaches Bob MacKinnon and Matt Doherty have aided Dillon, who tied a school record by dishing off 214 assists last season, in his quest to stay on the hardwood. Although both men left Notre Dame behind this summer, Dillon's remained close to them, even going to North Carolina earlier this month to attend Midnight Madness.

"Coach (Doherty) and I still have a really good relationship," Dillon said. "It's easier for players when you graduate because you're not out there adjusting to coaching changes."

Right now, Dillon would welcome the adjustment to a new coach, since that would signal an extension of his days on the court.

"I'm getting kind of restless now," said Dillon, who's coaching and practicing in the Philadelphia area while his future hangs in the balance. "I'm ready to get going."
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and that's our goal," he said. "The future is becoming brighter as we go. We're in our eighth game of the season, but for our offense it's really like the fifth game. We think we're going to get better."

The key, according to Davie was forging an offensive identity.

"The biggest thing we've done is to hook into the system which requires some mobility at quarterback," Davie said, "and now I think we're getting better at what we do."

Much of Notre Dame's improved offensive success lies in Kevin Rogers' ability to tailor an offense for the different quarterbacks. LoVecchio, a drop-back passer with deceptive speed, has been allowed to not only make the throws from the pocket but to run the occasional option as well.

"We do spread it and we give you a lot of formations," Davie said. "And now I think we're getting better at executing."

Rogers has also learned to use a talented corps of running backs. Sophomore Julius Jones, and juniors Terrance Howard and Tony Fisher have all shown flashes of brilliance this season. Fisher, a talented pass catcher has been running more downfield routes — he caught long scoring passes against both Navy and West Virginia, while Howard has shown power running up the middle.

"We have a lot of options there [tailback]," said Davie. "We have to go with the hot hand, but right now Julius is still the starter."

Additionally, the Irish have excelled at taking care of the ball. By playing almost turnover-free football — they have yet to lose a fumble in seven games — the Irish have maximized their chances of a victory. By not giving away the ball, the Irish have avoided giving away games.

Davie also announced that Battle, who broke a bone in his wrist against Nebraska, would indeed miss the remainder of the season, as his cast will be on for another month.

"Arnaz is completely out of the mix for the year," Davie said. "This week Gary Godsey is our backup, but that could change. We'll get to the open date and then see where we are. Jared Clark (another true freshman) is also a consideration."

With the offense moving closer to matching the defense's quality of play, talk has turned to Notre Dame making a run at a spot in the Bowl Championship Series.

By winning out and finishing with a 9-2 record or by cracking the top 10 in the BCS poll, Notre Dame would qualify for a BCS berth. That spot, however, would only be guaranteed if TCU finishes sixth or higher in the same poll. In that case, BCS bylaws assure Notre Dame of receiving the second at-large spot. Should Texas Christian not crack the top six, a 9-2 Irish team would only be in the pool, and not assured of a berth.

With a strong special teams unit and a punishing defense already in place, an offensive surge has the Irish thinking of bowling come January. Rogers is no doubt devising new ways to strike.

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Irish finish regular season undefeated with Michigan win

By KEVIN BERCHOU
Sports Writer

In a fitting end to a near-perfect regular season, the top-ranked Notre Dame women's soccer team scored a 5-1 victory on the road over the Michigan Wolverines Tuesday to finish a season unbeaten (17-0-1) for the third time in school history.

Five different players scored for the Irish, who rebounded from their first setback of the season, a 0-0 tie at UConn on Saturday.

Inspired by the return of freshman Amy Warner, who had missed seven previous games due to injury, the Irish struck early, determined to put this one away early.

Senior forward Gonzalez, making her first start of the season, and co-captain Anne Makinen, who wasn’t even supposed to play with a slight knee injury, combined for the first score. Gonzalez took a pass from Makinen, then followed her own shot before knocking in the rebound in the game’s 17th minute to give Notre Dame a 1-0 lead.

The Irish extended their lead off a beautifully executed corner kick minutes before the half. Senior forward Mcotis Erikson sent an arching ball from the left corner allowing junior midfielder Mia Sarkesian to score off a header from six yards out to make the score 2-0.

With the game seemingly in hand, the much-heralded freshmen class took over. First-year player Randi Scheller came off the bench to score two goals in a 20-minute span in the second half, the first off a give-and-go feed from classmate Amanda Guertin.

Though it was only an insurance goal, Amy Warner’s late tally may have been the game’s most important. Warner created a stir, checking in for the game’s final 20 minutes, her first action in a month, and then promptly announced her triumphant return by beating the defense down the right side before sending a low shot past the Wolverine keeper.

Warner’s return is crucial for the Irish, whose offensive attack missed her speed. Michigan’s Marie Spacarrotella beat sophomore goalkeeper Sani Post, who relieved starter Liz Wagner after 70 minutes, to break up the shutout. The goal prevented the Irish from tying a team record for goals allowed in a season (5), a mark set by the ’97 squad.

The win enabled the 2000 Irish women to grab a place in history alongside the ’94 and ’97 teams as the only squads to complete a season without a loss.

After dominating the Wolverines, the Irish head into postseason play on a high note. The return of Warner and the unexpected presence of Makinen in the lineup signal to weather the Hurricanes of Miami who blow into town Sunday for a Big East quarter-final showdown.

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Chad Riley scored on a leaping header to calm the Storm for a 1-0 win.

The game marked the first career start for sophomore goalkeeper Cole Straub, who had been awaiting his chance to play. "Cole's been playing better than Greg, so he's the one who started," said Irish head coach Chris Apple.

"Whoever's playing well, those are the guys who start," said Apple. "St. John's was a huge win, and every time you beat a really good team, there's always that tendency to have a dip in performance in your next game," said Apple.

Apple's words proved to be prophetic as the Irish fell 2-0 to a high-ranked Red Storm, Apple stresses how evenly matched the teams in the Big East are.

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The Irish next played Villanova on the night of Friday, Oct. 20. Showing the same talent that pushed them past St. John's, the Irish breezed past the Wildcats 2-0 behind two goals by forward Erich Braun. While Villanova may be ranked second-to-last in the conference, Apple stresses how evenly matched the teams in the Big East are.

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Although they didn’t pull an upset victory against the Albion Britons, the Belles of Saint Mary’s stayed closer than expected.

The Belles kept their deficit to one in the first half and ended the game 5-1, a far cry from the 7-0 shutout loss they suffered earlier in the season at the hands of the top-ranked B-Times.

"We took the win for granted," Britons head coach Lisa Roschek said. "Saint Mary’s played a lot harder than we thought they would. I was very impressed with how hard they played even until the end."

The Belles squad, which has been decimated by injury for most of the season, appreciated the return of veteran co-captain Jessica Klink, who played forward instead of her usual spot at sweeper, and garnered her first assist of the season.

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The Belles played without sophomore co-captain and leading scorer Heather Muth, but stepped up the defense and offense to dominate the top-ranked team at times.

"For teams to miss one of their top players usually means a loss of drive or spirit," Roschek said. "Saint Mary’s stepped up and played really well regardless."

The match was a contrast to the early season loss. In that game, the Britons outshot the Belles 26-1. On their own turf, the Britons again got off 26 shots, but the Belles made 16 saves against the Britons 8-2.

"We really started attacking at midfield. Artnak and Kirby led the Belles offensive mainstay and co-captain Klink finished with two shots. Freshmen Irvin, Katie Green, and Catherine Valen each made three. Briton goalie Annie Lerew was nervous at sweeper, and garnered her first assist of the season.

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The Belles, especially Artnak, were extremely physical, outfooling the Britons 8-2. Britons Stacey Supanich, Liz Hermiller, Lauran Gentry, Erica Williams, and Angela Anastasiou scored in Albion’s record-setting fifteenth win.

Briton goalie Annie Lerew finished with 10 saves and allowed one goal in her second win.

As Saint Mary’s looks forward to its last game of the season against Hope, it will carry positives with it from the loss.

"I was happy with our first touch today," Milligan said. "A lot of the things we’ve been working on continue to improve. Overall it the best performance this team’s had all year."

Freshman Wendy Irvin runs down the field as Saint Mary’s falls 5-1 to Albion after a close start.

Freshman Shannon Byrne turned in one of her top rounds of the season and senior captain Shane Smith continued her solid play while the Notre Dame women’s golf team settled in at 11, following first-round action Monday at the Central District Classic.

The tournament—originally scheduled for 36 holes on Monday, with a final round on Tuesday—includes several of the top teams from the Big Ten Conference, plus Kent State, Arkansas and Baylor.

Byrne posted a team-best 79 at the par-72, 6,113-yard River Wilderness Country Club, good for a share of 24th in the 55-player field. Byrne’s 81.00 season stroke average (third-best on the team) includes three sub-80 rounds in her last six rounds.

Smith—who’s 81.98 career stroke average is on pace to best the Irish record of 82.10, set by 1998 grad student Katie King—opened with an 80, for a share of 34th. Smith, who posted an 80-38 stroke average in 1999-2000, saw her 2000 fall average rise slightly to 79.40.

Junior Kristin McMurtie and sophomore Terri Taubl also counted to the team score in the play-five, count-four format while freshman Rebecca Rogers rounded out the Irish contingent, just one week after winning the Notre Dame Invitational with a three-round 225.

The Irish head into Tuesday’s action within range of several teams, including Illinois, Baylor and Wisconsin. Northwestern leads the event after an opening-round 300, followed closely by Ohio State, Michigan State, and Michigan.

OSU’s Ashley Lowery leads the individual competition, followed by Northwestern teammates Lauren Grebien and Elizabeth Burden.
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VOLLEYBALL

Michigan loss ends Irish winning streak on the road

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Sports Writer

The Notre Dame volleyball team ended its road winning streak with a loss to Michigan last Wednesday while edging Rutgers and Seton Hall at home to remain undefeated in the Big East.

No. 21 Notre Dame fell hard in the second and third games. With an 11-5 lead in game two, Notre Dame allowed Michigan to back into the game at 14-12 before the Wolverines scored four points to secure the win.

The Irish were again within the game at three at 14-11, but fell apart as Michigan took the game for the match.

"It was extremely disappointing," senior Jo Jameson said. "It was a big learning experience for us in that we need to finish a game. We stopped playing and they beat us. When we're up, we need to finish it instead of stopping before we reach fifteen."

Junior Kristy Kreher led the Irish with 13 kills, seven digs and six blocks while Jameson added eight kills and four blocks.

The Irish came back strong after the loss to the Wolverines as they toppled the Rutgers Scarlet Knights Friday 15-6, 15-10, 15-13. After victories in games one and two, Notre Dame got a little sloppy and the Scarlet Knights took the 7-1 lead before the Irish rallied for the win.

Kreher grabbed 14 kills, 15 digs and five blocks while senior Denise Boylan racked up 43 assists, 13 digs and three blocks.

With a win over the Seton Hall Pirates Sunday, the Irish advanced to 16-5 on the season and 6-0 in the conference. All 12 Notre Dame players not only saw court time in the match, but also marked at least one kill.

Senior Christon Girtin led the team with nine kills while Kreher added seven kills and three blocks.

The Irish defense combined for 11 blocks while holding the Pirates' offense to a .000 hitting percentage in the match.

"Everybody got to play and that was positive," Jameson said. "But we need to dominate the Big East and we could have done better."

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FOOTBALL

Davie promotes improved offense

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While the strength of the Notre Dame football team has been its defense all season long, head football coach Bob Davie was more eager to discuss his improved offense Sunday.

With a note direction-less offense finally establishing itself, the whispers of a possible BCS appearance are getting louder and louder. At 5-2 Notre Dame is rolling, gathering not much but momentum with every win as it approaches a home tilt with Air Force Saturday.

After opening the season 1-1, the Irish were forced to alter their style of play with the loss of starting quarterback Arnaz Battle. After his replacement, sophomore Gary Godsey, experienced mixed results, Davie handed the reins to true freshman Matt LoVecchio who is 3-0 as a starter and is now entrenched at the position.

In the loss to Michigan State, the offense struggled, with even its better stretches marred by bouts of inconsistency. But in wins over Navy and West Virginia, the Irish have improved by straying from an unsuccessful run, run, run game plan to let LoVecchio open things up a bit.

"I think we've finally established ourselves offensively," Davie said. "Losing Arnaz set us back a couple of weeks, but lately I think we've showed we can spread the field and open things up a bit."

Having to alter the offensive system to accommodate Godsey's abilities for both the Purdue and Michigan State games delayed the evolution of the offense.

"At that point to do what we had to do, set up back a little bit," said Davie. "We became something we weren't and that took two weeks of our evolution. We kind of went backwards."

In his weekly "state of the team address," Davie praised his offense's ability to metabolize phone.

"We're improving each week, but we still can't move up to eighth place, the finish necessary for making the eight-team postseason tournament."

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