New Sbarro opens today

By CALLIE WHELAN
News Writer

After numerous delays due to construction and logistics issues, the new Sbarro pizza restaurant will open for business today at 10 a.m. in the LaFortune base.

Construction on the new facility began in July of this past summer and was originally scheduled to be completed by Nov. 4.

"We had a delay with the pizza ovens," said Dave Premkowsky, director of food services at the University.

In addition to minor delays with equipment, space concerns prompted managers to make changes in the size of the counter and a reorganization of some equipment and facilities, according to Premkowsky.

Now that construction issues have been resolved, Sbarro employees have been rushing to prepare for opening day. With the Subway restaurant upstairs in LaFortune netting one of the highest sales of any Subway franchise in the country, officials expect that the new restaurant will also be very busy, according to Jim Labella, general manager of The Huddle and the new Sbarro.

"The ovens each make 14 pizzas every four minutes," he said. Sbarro employees have spent the last two days preparing the full menu in practice mode to prepare for today's opening. Some lucky students at LaFortune were even welcomed inside the new facility to taste sample pizzas.

The new pizza restaurant's menu boasts Italian favorites such as pan pizza, breadsticks, pasta and hero sandwiches.

Starting today, Sbarro will be open until 4 a.m. Thursday through Saturday nights, and until 2 a.m. during the rest of the week. These hours will offer students a near-by late night dining option for those customers who may be located far away on campus from the 24-hour Rucker's restaurant, managers said.

Managers also expect that the new restaurant will eventually offer students on-campus pizza delivery.

"Pizza delivery will begin in January when we have perfected the pizza recipes," Labella said.

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A Sbarro employee tosses pizza dough for practice in preparation for the restaurant's grand opening today.

SMC bars suspended officer from campus

By SARAH NESTOR
Saint Mary's Editor

Saint Mary's security officer Belinda Rathert remains on suspension but is now also prohibited from entering the campus.

Rathert, who was suspended Nov. 7, has been with the College for three years.

The security officer received a letter Tuesday from Debbie Kelly, Saint Mary's director of human resources, confirming the College's "suspension and notice of absolute prohibition from campus."

Rathert claims that Kelly suspended her because her college transcripts were missing from Rathert's personnel file. Rathert was originally told she had until Wednesday to turn in a copy of her transcripts along with two letters of accreditation from Indiana University Southeast, where Rathert says she graduated in 1989.

"How am I supposed to turn in my transcripts?" Rathert said. "I can't even visit my daughter (on campus)."

Rathert, whose daughter is a freshman at Saint Mary's, claims that Kelly imposed a suspending order because of an alleged incident in which Rathert made a threatening remark about the College.

"I thought we were having an intelligent conversation about workplace violence," said Rathert. "All she was talking about was that Saint Mary's does not have training for workplace violence."

According to Melanie Finger, a spokesperson for the College, "Ms. Rathert contacted Director of Human Resources Debbie Kelly and Ms. Rathert requested an extension of the deadline for information. Debbie Kelly did grant that extension."

Rathert said she contacted Kelly Tuesday to inform her that all communications would be conducted through her lawyer and that she would not be meeting with her lawyer until Friday.

Rathert said she would turn her transcripts over to her lawyer who would then contact Saint Mary's.

"I gave them a set of transcripts when they hired me," Rathert said. "They suspect me for vio-

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Students discuss parietals and housing

• Campus group gathers to share concerns

By MEGHANNE DOWNES
Assistant News Editor

Students gathered Wednesday evening to discuss the much-debated topic of parietals and weighed in with their feelings on the subject.

"We wanted to foster discussion and dialogue and make people realize there is a need for change," said sophomore Bill Finner, one of the discussion's organizers.

The discussion began with the question of why parietals exist at Notre Dame. Students said the University uses the parietal policy to maintain respect, safety, security and privacy within the residence halls.

"If we are worried about the safety and security of women, then there is a greater issue that we need to address," one student said.

Many said they have felt the glaring eyes of roommates and professors when they have entered a member of the opposite sex's hall. The false stigma that men are sexual predators creates strained gender relations on this campus, said Matthew Patzer, another of the organizers.

Many recounted incidents where a monitor would come into a dorm room and say something such as "inappropriate behavior."

Ava Preacher, assistant dean in the College of Arts and Letters, pointed out the ridiculousness of this when she said, "One foot on the floor or you are screwed."

Several said the University provides reasons for parietals that can easily be disproven.

"The reason for parietals my rectress gave me was that I could run down my hallway in my pajamas without feeling comfortable," said Patzer.

Women have been seen wearing their pajamas and walking to and from the shower in their tow-

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• New student group organizes conversation

By HELENA PAYNE
News Editor

A group of six Notre Dame students who unofficially call themselves "The Parietals Question" wants to start a dialogue about gender relations and the possibility of co-ed living on campus.

Made up of a mixture of male and female sophomores, The Parietals Question plans to facilitate discussions among students, faculty, rectors and administrators throughout the year.

"Something is missing here, and we think it's because we don't talk," said sophomore Marixa Patzer, one of the members in the group.

The Parietals Question emerged during a study session for an international relations test. The members started discussing about campus issues and decided to form a group.

Rather than be a group..."
Sharing the freshman experience

Hurting a tortellineck into my dufflebag, I realize that I do not even know what clothes to pack for the Nov. 8-9 freshman retreat that starts in 20 minutes. I have no idea what I should be expecting, what kind of activities I will be participating in, what kind of people will I soon meet. It is freshman orientation all over again.

The walk to the Coleman Morse Center is a blur as my mind contemplates all of the things that could go wrong. I enter room 114 to find a handful of girls already seated and settle into a comfortable couch, expecting to pass the time in isolated silence. Instead, I am instantly greeted by a flurry of conversations and welcoming handshakes.

After arriving at Sacred Heart Parish Center, the retreat leaders orchestrate an icebreaker, then progress to a discussion of the difficulties in transitioning from high school to Notre Dame. After listening to their talk, I join fellow freshmen in discussion of what we have just heard. I realize that my difficulties are not unique — each freshman explains some of the uncertainties they have faced since arriving on campus. I no longer feel alone.

The 25 freshmen and I spend the night in prayer, contemplation and a game of Maia, which I lose. Being Italian, I should have some advantage, but no. We dance, mingle, discuss and reflect. I find myself laughing more than once, as the Irish pull out a close one. The day ends with a comfortable couch, expecting to pass the night in prayer, contemplation and a game of Maia, which I lose. Being Italian, I should have some advantage, but no. We dance, mingle, discuss and reflect. I find myself laughing more than once, as the Irish pull out a close one. The day ends with a comfortable couch, expecting to pass the night without sleep or eating. Instead, we join our hands in unified prayer at Notre Dame. They listen, patiently, as I unburden myself, then do the same.

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STUDENT SENATE

Students report on campus water quality

By MEGHANNE DOWNES
Assistant News Editor

As Senate committees near completion of their projects, senators on Wednesday reported on the status of the water quality in residence halls.

In several dorms, smelly water pours out of faucets and showerheads, senators said at their weekly meeting.

At the recently renovated Pangborn Hall, odorous water continues to be a problem. Kate Schlaber, the dorm's senator, said the problem reached the point where hall residents do not use their sinks.

Maintenance flushed out the dorm's water system three times since the beginning of the year to rid the pipes of stagnant water, but the problem persists, said Schlaber.

When the water builds up in the pipe, due to infrequent use, an odor comes from the faucet.

Courtney Badgely, Farley senator, said, "The problem is hard water and they are doing what they can."

Notre Dame is located in a region with extremely hard water, according to maintenance officials. Although the maintenance department is investigating efforts to soften the water, the funds are not available to solve the problem, said Badgely.

The department is trying to acquire additional money.

Dell Murray, manager of maintenance and projects, suggested students run the water for long periods of times so that the water will cycle and the smell will flush out, said Badgely.

In an effort to be environmentally conscious, the maintenance department will be installing environmentally safe showerheads in all of the dorms. A lever is located on the showerhead that controls water usage while still maintaining water temperature.

Sarah Bates, Pasquerilla West senator, provided examples such as shaving or conditioning hair for why the special showerheads are beneficial.

In other Senate news:
- Courtney Kohout, chairperson of the committee on diversity, presented a revised version of the sexual awareness poster. Though the Senate opted to make further revisions, it decided that posters would be placed in residence hall bathrooms and outside resident assistants' rooms. This year's poster is a continuation of the previous Senate's efforts to raise awareness of sexual assaults.
- Senators voted on their Senate T-shirt. It will be gray and have the slogan "Saving the school one resolution at a time" printed on it.
- Danielle LeDesmas, judicial council president, informed Senate of the scheduled dates for the 2003 - 2004 elections. The election for student union president will be Feb. 10 and the run-off will be Feb. 13.
- The class officer election will be Feb. 24, with the run-off election on Feb. 27. Dorm senators must be elected by March 1.

An information meeting will be held on Dec. 5 for all prospective presidential candidates.

- Paul Graham, representative from Progressive Student Alliance, talked to Senate about PSA's efforts to increase awareness of workers' rights on campus. He submitted a letter addressed to Senate seeking their approval before PSA submits it to Father Edward Malloy, the University's president, and Father Tim Scully, executive vice president, and said that as leaders, this was the best opportunity to take a stand on the issue.

"It's our role, as students, to get the workers in the table with the University. We are not being anti-administration or anti-Catholic," said Graham.

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Merritt presents Last Lecture

By JIM GAFEEF
News Writer

Traveling well and being aware of subtle differences in foreign cultures was the emphasis of Martha Merritt's talk Wednesday in McGlinn Hall's 24-hour lounge. Her speech was the first in this year's Last Lecture series, an effort to promote faculty-student interaction sponsored by student government.

Merritt is a political science professor whose informal teaching style and dynamic speaking has attracted a following of students, as well as the invitation to lecture to students in an informal setting. Her speech, titled "Wanderlust! An Appeal for International Travel with Passion and Engagement," contained several travel tips for the student audience.

Merritt's own international travel experience began when, at 24 years old, she quit her job as a secretary with a New York-based magazine for the opportunity to travel to Moscow. Her travels also brought her to Estonia and China. But rather than giving a summary of her travels, Merritt shared anecdotal stories about her trips that illustrated her way of traveling well and demonstrated a "silent cultural understanding" that adds to the experience of any international vacation.

One of the ways to travel well Merritt discussed was to avoid "power travel," a way of vacationing whose driving force is merely to say that you've been to a particular place. Choosing destinations based on how exciting they will seem to others is a habit to avoid, Merritt said. Another situation to avoid is what Merritt coined "being traveled." She told the story of a friend whose career requires monthly travels to a city, and who, as a result, has lost her sense of excitement in international travel. "You're traveling alone," she said Merritt relayed a story of how traveling alone in China allowed her the opportunity to befriended a family and experience their hospitality.

Finally, Merritt stressed the importance of recording her adventures abroad in a journal. It was through her journal, she said, that she was able to recapture the experience of traveling around the world much more powerfully than a photograph could. "The problem with having a camera," she said, "is that "everything becomes a petri dish" of thinking dominates a vacation, then many sights may be overlooked. Merritt said she hoped her talk would inspire a "deep and abiding wanderlust" in her students.

Merritt also stressed the importance of adequate preparation for traveling abroad. One way to do this is by reading travel guides, she said. But travel guides can also have a downside. Having your nose in a travel guide while visiting famous sights may take away from the actual experience of visiting them, said Merritt.

Another great way to get the sense of a foreign land is to travel alone, said Merritt, who traveled throughout the Chinese countryside alone. Although it's fun to travel in groups, "you'll have more cultural insight when you're traveling alone," she said. Merritt relayed a story of how traveling alone in China allowed her the opportunity to experience their hospitality.

Students demonstrate against military school

By MATT BRAMANTI
News Writer

As part of a national protest this weekend, student activists from Notre Dame and Saint Mary's will travel to Fort Benning, Ga. to demonstrate against the School of the Americas, a U.S.-backed military training school they believe contributes to international human rights abuses.

Over 50 Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students will join an estimated 10,000 marchers to protest at the Western Hemisphere Institute for Security Cooperation located at Fort Benning.

"We are responsible for training the military's some of the worst dictators the world has known," said Michael Poffenberger, one of the trip's organizers. "We are responsible for training the military of some of the worst dictators the world has known," said Poffenberger.

The protest is organized by SOA Watch, a national group dedicated to closing down the military training school. The group was established in 1999 following the killings of eight civilians in El Salvador, including six Jesuit priests, by SOA graduates. The organization advocates civil disobedience as a means of raising public awareness.

Poffenberger stressed the importance of the Christian spirit of the movement, adding that this year's vigil has additional relevance due to the possibility of an American-led war in Iraq. "This vigil is a statement that we do not advocate self-interest at the expense of human life," said Poffenberger. "(It) is contrary to the culture of life that Catholics are called to defend."

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Jour noil finds alleged bin Laden tape

A journalist with an Arab TV station that broadcast the resolution, clearing the way for a United Nations resolution calling for weapons inspectors to be allowed back into Iraq after a four-year absence.

Iraq President Saddam Hussein addresses members of the Revolutionary Command Council in Baghdad on Wednesday. Iraq decided to accept the United Nations' resolution calling for weapons inspectors to be allowed back into Iraq after a four-year absence.

U.S. bishops approve policy regarding sexual abuse

U.S. bishops have voted to give themselves more power and backtracked from their earlier promises, said the plan creates a cumbersome procedure that overlooks "the spiritual and pastoral needs of the survivors.

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etal hours, when students of the o p p o site sex are
allowed in the residence halls, members say they
want to promote an envi­
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more male-female rela­
tionships.

Both Patzer and fellow
member Bill Rinner said
they did not re a liz e  the
negative side to single-sex
dorms and parietals when
they decided to come to the
University.

"Frankly, I  feel isolated
from half the University," Patzer said.
The two added that after
talking to other students,
they notice a spirit of cyni­
cism among many students
who believe they have little
power to challenge long­
standing policies on cam ­
pus. But Rinner said stu ­
dents should not be daunt­
ded by institutional conven­
tions.

"That doesn't mean that
we shouldn't at least be
titled to hope for
change," he said.

Currently, all 27 of the
Notre Dame residence
halls are single-sex dorms.
Parietal hours, when stu­
dents of the opposite sex
are permitted in the dorm
rooms, are 9 a.m. to mid­
night Sunday through
Thursday. In some resi­
dence halls, parietals are
extended to 12:30 a.m. on
Sundays due to later dorm
Masses. On Fridays and
Saturdays, parietals are 9
a.m. to 2 a.m.

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rathert said she attended
Purdue University from 1974 to
1976, leaving to attend the
Indiana State Police Academy. Rathert contends that she gradu­
ated from Indiana University
Southeast in 1989, when she
returned to college and earned
her degree.

"Debbie [Kelly] could have han­
dled this so much better. They
could have just asked me for my
transcripts," Rathert said.

Kelly said that not all positions
require college degrees or tran­
scripts, but would not comment
on whether or not Rathert's posi­
tion requires a college degree.

"The situation will probably be
resolved by the end of this week
or the beginning of next week."

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Grubman admits falsification

♦ Analyst said he invented stock story

Associated Press

NEW YORK

Jack Grubman, a star Wall Street analyst during the heyday for technology stocks, said Wednesday that he made up a story about how he used his ratings of AT&T stock to help his boss win a powerful struggle at Citigroup Inc.

Grubman said the story, sent to him by e-mail from another analyst, was just baseless boasting on his part. "I invented a story in an effort to influence my professional importance and make an impression on a colleague and friend," he said in a statement.

Grubman, who worked at Citigroup's Salomon Smith Barney brokerage, is among analysts under investigation and is named in shareholder lawsuits over alleged manipulation of stock ratings. He resigned in August but insists he never issued a biased rating.

He was responding to a Wall Street Journal story that disclosed the e-mail, in which Grubman said Citigroup chief executive Sanford Weill pushed him to review his rating of AT&T stock in a power struggle from AT&T CEO Michael Armstrong, a Citigroup board member, in a bid to oust a boardroom rival.

Weill also denied the account in a memo sent to employees and made public by the company. "I have said before, and will say again, I never talked with any analyst what he or she had to write and I never would," he said. "Nor would I ever attempt to manipulate a board member's vote. Any such suggestion that I did is just wrong."

Weill said the New York state investigators who first uncovered the e-mail had already been told the story was made up, and he expressed anger that it had been leaked.

In the late 1990s, Grubman became one of Wall Street's most powerful analysts. His advice was sought and closely followed by both top executives making billion-dollar deals and small investors who staked their savings.

When technology stocks collapsed and many high-flying companies such as Global Crossing and WorldCom fell in bankruptcy or scandal, he and other leading analysts were accused of touting weak stocks to lure business to their companies.

In a filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission on Wednesday, Citigroup said Grubman and its Salomon Smith Barney unit have been named in some 62 class-action complaints.

New York State Attorney General Elliot Spitzer, who has been probing conflicts of interest at Wall Street firms involved in researching and trading stocks, uncovered the e-mail from Grubman, according to the Journal.

Spitzer is interested in what role Weill had in Salomon's AT&T rating, including an upgrade by Grubman right before the telehone giant was planning a massive stock sale to finance its wireless unit.

Last month, Citi said it was separating its stock research from its investment banking operation, which is in line with an industrywide restructuring being drawn up by federal and state regulators.

In the e-mail memo, Grubman said Weill was seeking Armstrong's support to "nuke" Citi's then co-chairman John Reed, the Journal said, citing people who have reviewed it. Reed retired in April 2000 after two years of clashing with Weill following the $37 billion merger of Reed's Citibank and Weill's Travelers Group.

In his statement Wednesday, Grubman said, "I have said a number of inappropriate, even silly things in a few private e-mails that have been made public over the last few months. The contents of these particular e-mails, while personally embarrassing, are completely baseless.

Greenspan: Economy in 'soft patch'

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan said Wednesday the economy has hit a "soft patch" as corporate accounting scandals and a possible war with Iraq have shaken consumer and business confidence.

Greenspan made the case to Congress that the Fed would not hesitate to cut interest rates further if necessary to boost a wobbly economy. But he also indicated that the central bank believes the most likely economic outcome is a return to stronger growth next year.

If the economy does rebound, Greenspan said, the Fed is ready to quickly reverse course and begin raising interest rates to make sure that the extraordinarily low interest rates of the past year do not drive stock prices higher.

The central bank last week reduced its target for overnight bank loans by a half-point to 1.25 percent, the lowest level since July 1961. It was the Fed's first rate move since last December. Commercial banks responded by pushing their prime lending rate down by a half-point to 4.25 percent, the lowest point since May 1959 for this benchmark for millions of business and consumer loans.

Greenspan explained Wednesday that the central bank felt the need to respond aggressively to a variety of factors depressing growth, ranging from the fallout from the corporate accounting scandals and the big drop in stock prices to rising worries about a possible war with Iraq.

"Over the last few months, these forces have taken their toll on activity and evidence has accumulated that the economy has hit a soft patch," Greenspan said.

Wall Street took Greenspan's comments in stride, with investors focusing their attention on the news that Iraq has agreed to a U.N. resolution calling for weapons inspections.
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NYU student found dead in his dorm

By LISA FLEISHER

Washington Square News

Justin Ulrich, a Tisch School of the Arts senior and a leader in campus politics, was found dead in his Alumni residence hall room Sunday evening, after telling friends the night before that he was not feeling well.

Though the cause and time of death are still under investigation, the police report stated that Ulrich, 23, possibly died of an accidental prescription drug overdose.

Sources close to the investigation and friends of Ulrich confirmed that he had been taking prescription anti-depressants since shortly after Sept. 11, 2001. Prior to his death, he had also taken Benadryl to fight an allergy or rash, friends said.

At 6:45 p.m. on Sunday, Ulrich’s roommate and resident assistant found him unconscious and not breathing on his bed. The exact time of death is uncertain.

Alumni residents had not notified about what happened until Monday morning, after Ulrich’s father had been contacted, university spokesman John Beckman said.

Ulrich had just moved down the hall to a new room in Alumni and had not met his new roommate.

Ulrich, a film and television major, served as the Tisch undergraduate senator on the Student Senators Council, and recently became the College Republicans’ publicity director. He was also involved in local Republican political campaigns.

A man carrying around a backpack containing a machete, a .40-caliber handgun and ammunition was shot and killed at the University of Akron Tuesday.

Thomas Tremko, Jr., a former University of Akron junior, holstered himself up in a bathroom stall after a struggle with the police left them with nothing but his backpack. Tremko, armed with a .45-caliber handgun, stayed inside the stall for 10 hours before being forced out by tear gas.

It was the first time anyone had ever been shot on campus, said Bruce Vernyi, University of Akron senior public relations representative.

"It was just a difficult situation entirely (then anything in the past)," he said.

Dan FitzPatrick, Kent State University assistant police chief, said this could happen anywhere.

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Gaza strip

Israeli Army storms Gaza City

Associated Press

GAZA CITY

Israeli forces backed by 30 tanks and three helicopters stormed into central Gaza City early Thursday — the deepest incursion into the city in more than two years, Palestinian security officials and witnesses said.

In the second major incursion by Israeli troops in as many days, the army raided the two-story home of Yosef Meqdiad, an officer in the Palestinian preventive security service, to arrest him and three of his brothers, according to a 21-year-old relative, Majida Meqdiad.

The operation began about 2 a.m. and ended less than two hours later. Soldiers fired machine guns as they penetrated just over a mile into the city from the south, witnesses said.

The army declined immediate comment.

The incursion marked the farthest penetration by Israeli forces into the city since renewed fighting erupted between Palestinians and Israelis in the fall of 2000, witnesses said.

It came hours after Yasser Arafat warned Wednesday against any attempt to send him into exile, while Israeli Cabinet ministers repeated calls to drive Arafat, as demanded by the country that the Canadian foreign affairs minister will raise the issue with Secretary of State Colin Powell during a visit on Thursday.

Powell's visit is to discuss a possible military strike against Iraq. But Canadian Foreign Affairs Minister Bill Graham plans to raise the cases of the two Canadians, one involving a man jailed in Maine after crossing the border to buy cheaper American gas.

The other involves a dual Canadian-Syrian citizen deported from New York's John F. Kennedy International Airport after U.S. officials reportedly accused him of links to al-Qaeda. Graham has protested that the man should have been deported to Canada.

The Israeli invasion of Nablus was triggered by a Sunday shooting at an Israeli communal farm in which five people, including two small boys, were killed by a gunman from the Al Aqsa Martyrs' Brigade, a militia linked to Arafat's Fatah group. The attacker managed to flee the scene.

Israeli officials identified the gunman as Sirhan Sirhan, a 19-year-old from the Tulkarem area, who withdrew that claim.

Arafat denounced the Nablus raid as a "new war crime." Prime Minister Ariel Sharon has said the order for the community's farm had been given to expel Arafat, as demanded by the country that the American government of having terrorist links.

Those countries are Iran, Iraq, Libya, Sudan and Syria.

Libya, Sudan and Syria. Canada even issued a travel advisory warning people born in those countries to avoid trips south of the border.

The Americans responded by promising Canadians equal treatment but saying U.S. security overrode any Canadian concerns about unfair treatment.

Graham rescinded the travel advisory last week, but foreign affairs spokesman Rodney Moore said the "high-profile consular cases" would be discussed with Powell.

Michel Jalbert, a 32-year-old French-speaking Quebec resident living near Maine, was arrested Oct. 11 while doing what people in Pohobegamook, Quebec, routinely do — driving a few yards into America to buy gas.

The gas station is less than a mile from a U.S. border post on a road primarily used for logging in northern Maine. Residents routinely buy gas without first registering with U.S. authorities.

When Jalbert stopped for gas, he had a hunting rifle in his vehicle that attracted the attention of a U.S. policeman. A background check found a 13-year-old criminal conviction for vandalism and possessing stolen property, making him inadmissible for entry into the United States.

Jalbert faces felony charges of illegally entering the country and illegal possession of a firearm.

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FRANCE

Immigrants threaten to commit suicide

Associated Press

Desperate refugees occupying a church in this northern French port threatened suicide Wednesday if police try to forcibly evict them, the latest episode in a struggle between authorities and illegal immigrants hoping to sneak into Britain.

About 90 immigrants, mostly Iraqi Kurds and Afghans, say they have nowhere else to go since a nearby Red Cross shelter was closed to new arrivals last week. They were given temporary refuge over the weekend at Calais' Saint-Pierre-Saint-Paul church, which officials say is unsuitable for housing people.

On Tuesday, officials gave them an ultimatum: Leave the building or face forcible removal within 24 hours.

The church has one working toilet and one sink. Many of the refugees are sick, and authorities say they will have to demand responsibilities in the church to prevent them from committing suicide.

"We want to go to Britain or to die," one man told reporters of the suicide threat. "On Wednesday, they threatened to kill themselves if police use force, said Joel Loeuilleux, the Calais president of the Human Rights League.

One refugee also told reporters of the suicide threat. "We need to stay in Calais and get into England," he said. "We need to stay in Calais and get into England.

Police surrounding the church prevented more refugees from entering, but they allowed volunteers to bring food, such as cheese and water.
Interview with a cuddly celebrity

There is no fundamental difference between man and the higher animals in their mental faculties.

Charles Darwin

naturalist
Coming to America

Hello. I suppose I should start by introducing myself. My name is Peter Wicks and I'd like to welcome you to this, my first column. I am, as you probably have already gaussed from my accent, English.

And before I say anything else, I want to say that I'm not really going to be here. I've been entranced by the beauty of your campus, challenged by your academic rigor and, for a while, awed by your presence. (Go Irish, by the way.) But more than anything else I'm just really pleased to have made it through customs. The United States is not an easy country to which to gain access.

This summer the London Embassy reached me a plethora of forms with the assurance that were they returned correctly completed, I would be sent a visa in exchange. Filling out the forms proved difficult. Some of them referred me to other forms, some of which didn't exist.

I was asked by the authorities to provide assurance that in the course of my studies I hadn't acquired practical knowledge of the manufacture of explosives. I was also required to guarantee that while an undergraduate at Oxford I hadn't knowingly been involved in a war, either as a combatant or as a victim. I dutifully assured the Consul that while I could not have been involved in such activity, I came to study at Cambridge, at Oxford such behavior was considered quite beyond the pale.

After several days of filling out forms, I decided to phone the Embassy to explain that I was intended to come to the U.S. to study Aristotle and Aquinas, but had inadvertently been sent a set of forms designed to doer someone to someone defecting from the KGB. With infinite patience, the phone operator assured me that was was entirely possible that every form be completed.

Several weeks into the process I came to the conclusion that illegal immigrants probably just really hate paperwork. Nevertheless, I resolved to persevere. I'd spent a good part of the past month in Ireland and the U.S. government need be overly concerned.

The I-94W asks each visitor a series of questions. The questions included whether the tourist has a serious communicable disease, whether he is or plans to be involved in the trafficking and sale of illegal drugs, whether he was a Nazi or has been otherwise involved in the perpetration of genocide and whether he is carrying fruit.

The form betrayed not the slightest hint of awareness that smuggling a contraband pear through customs — while no doubt a serious infraction — belongs on an entirely different list of misdemeanors than participating in the Holocaust. Equally troubling is the false premise upon which the whole process is based: that drug traffickers and former Nazis will instantly confess to their crimes if I, the U.S. government, somehow decide that the following exchange may be observed frequently at Customs.

"I see here that you were an SS Einzelgruppen commander during the Second World War. Was this a problem?" I thought to myself.

Furthermore, it seems to me that a dissident dumb enough to tick the "Yes" box next to the question, "Are you plotting to overthrow the U.S. government?" is probably not a dissident about whom the U.S. government need be overly concerned.

Despite my evident fruitlessness, the customs officer decided to give me a hard time because he could. Throughout our conversation I expected him to tell me that he'd only let me into the U.S. if I'd only let him into the country if I agreed to eat a cockroach. My papers he regarded with a frown.

Then he said something that I really, really didn't want to hear. "This is wrong. You can only use this form to enter in New York or Philadelphia. You'll have to fly back and come in via one of those other ports of entry." The solution to the problem was to fly back to England, then to New York, before finally returning to this airport where I was standing.

We stared at each other in silence while I mentally calculated the cost of flying back to England, thence to New York, before finally returning to this airport where I was standing.

I spent the full minute prior to being threatened with a grin and said, "Hi! I just kidding with you." I was about let forth an uncouth barrage of words, insinuating in no uncertain terms that my interrogator had an entirely intimate relationship with his mother and was in this and many other cases a little bit of a prick. I have never, for the last I saw him, seen Banque's ghost, the apparition of a latex glove floating before my eyes.

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By C. SPENCER BEGGS

Scene Editor

Huge Afro’s, gigantic medallions and righteous defiance of “The Man.” It might sound like your average 70’s, but there’s actually a reason that the modern conception of the ‘70s always involves pimps, hos and gratuitous sexuality: blaxploitation movies.

Blaxploitation, a film genre meant to reflect black culture, began emerging in the early ‘70s after black directors had finally been allowed to direct larger Hollywood films. Blaxploitation movies began by taking inspiration from old gangster films and pulp detective novels.

One of the first movies in the genre, Ossie Davis’ “Cotton Comes to Harlem,” tells the story of two black homicide detectives working in the Harlem ghetto. Though the novel that the movie is based on reads like a serious detective thriller, Davis chose to add a comedic element that was meant to pay homage to a vibrant and ignored culture in the predominantly black inner city.

“Sweet Sweetback’s Baadassss Song,” tells a quiet different story. When Sweet Sweetback, a swinging pimp, witnesses the assault of black civil rights activist, he becomes enraged and goes on a vigilante crusade and becomes a sort of militant black power superhero. Though neither movie could be called box office successes, they did generate enough revenue to quench Hollywood’s interest in marketing films that appealed to a black demographic.

It was 1971’s “Shaft” that put blaxploitation on the map. Taking the gritty detective motif of “Cotton Comes to Harlem” and the black power message of “Sweet Sweetback,” “Shaft” created one of the genre’s most memorable characters: “the baddest mother of them all” detective John Shaft. And a genre was born.

Blaxploitation movies are all about extremes. They typically feature central characters who have enormous physical appeal to the opposite sex and sometimes to their own as well. Male protagonists are often pimps or street hustlers. Women, on a contrasting note, are most often portrayed as socially conscious working-class sisters fighting not only against oppressive white society, but also to step black culture from self-destructing with drugs and excess.

Blacks are depicted as oppressed but unified as bumbling, racist, murderous and destructive. Often times, part of the conflict in blaxploitation movies arises from the jarring contrasts between the white culture on the one hand and the black culture on the other.

“Shaft” and the black power message it exemplified had a beneficial effect on race relations. It became negative for the black community. It became negative because people didn’t want to see black people as that anymore. It became negative because people didn’t want to see black movies as being so out there that they always saw on the movie screen. They didn’t want to enter into the black community and discover for themselves the value of black community.”

Johnson believes that no matter how politicized these stereotypes were, they served to force both black and white cultures to examine how they perceived each other.

“Some people have used the stereotypes in blaxploitation movies to impart a negative effect on the black community. It’s those people who continue to be closed to the black community. It became negative because people didn’t want to see black people as other than what they saw on the movie screen. They didn’t want to enter into the black community and discover for themselves the value of black community.”

Blaxploitation aficionado sophomore Dan “Muppet” Ballantine disagrees.

“Blaxploitation isn’t a venue for cross-cultural discussion. It’s not anything that can promote discussion. It’s Hollywood. If you’re basing socio-political ideas on Hollywood, you’ve got problems of your own,” Ballantine said.

Johnson suggests that the value of the blaxploitation genre may be in part lost or seem absurd to a younger generation that has lived in a world where cross-cultural dialogue is much more common.

“I think with the resurrection of these movies, the current generation sees them as being so out there because they don’t see the black community as that anymore. There is a
Shift in consciousness in the 21st century intellectually because there’s a crossover in popular culture,” Johnson said. Ballantine half-heartedly agreed.

“The over-the-top lack of quality in acting, dialogue and every aspect of film is amazing and beautiful at the same time.”

While the blaxploitation genre fizzled out for the most part by the late ’80s, a slow but steady stream of movies continued to be produced all the way through the next decade and a half. Suddenly in the mid ’90s, there seemed to be a resurgence of interest in the genre. Movies such as “New Jack City,” and “Dead Presidents” and Quentin Tarantino’s “Pulp Fiction” all owe debts of interest in blaxploitation.

This marked the end to the real “exploitation” of black people. While blaxploitation contributed to its downfall. The mere name “blaxploitation” is viewed by some as derogatory. The movies nevertheless enabled African Americans to progress from the traditional roles of comic relief to starring in a number of modern cultural aesthetics like R&B videos.

“Pootie Tang” was a dismal failure at the box office; audiences and critics alike were aghast and puzzled by what seemed to be a completely disjointed train wreck of movie. But perhaps, its failure indicates a shift in social consciousness for the better. White blaxploitation is fast becoming a passe genre fit only for nostalgic comedy, maybe that means that the blueprint that blaxploitation took for granted are becoming more obscure.

“You guys are living this reality, professors have only learned about it,” Johnson said.

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Blaxploitation is more than just a genre of movies. It is a part of a whole movement that shifted how America viewed African-Americans in cinema. In the ’70s, over 200 movies would be made that fall under this genre were made. Some of the more notable films include Pootie Tang, starring Richard Roundtree in 1971, “Superfly,” starring Antonio Fargas in 1972 and “Foxy Brown,” starring Pam Grier in 1974.

Although the term blaxploitation is viewed by some as derogatory, the movies nevertheless enabled African Americans to progress from the traditional roles of comic relief to starring in prominent roles in movies in which the entire cast was black. Some people might not understand where the term came from and what it means. It was coined by the people who describe the movies because they predominately portrayed African Americans as cold-hearted heroes, gangsters, drug dealers, pimps and thugs. However, during the ’70s, African Americans were being depicted by the media as revolutionaries and militants due largely to the violent race riots and the Black Panther movement. So, in light of the social strife, black people were in desperate need of heroes and this is ultimately what blaxploitation provided.

In 1971, blaxploitation was born from the movie “Shaft.” Viewers had come to expect the large, submissive, always singing Mammy: large, submissive and always singing. The term “blaxploitation” has been a subject of debate for 30 years. Originally, it was coined by the black press to talk about the roles that black actors took in the films. It was not meant to mean that black people exploited each other in Hollywood executives when making the movie. However, Richard Roundtree in particular harbors animosity toward the term and refuses to discuss the subject.

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African-Americans have come a long way in the past century, especially in the media and film. From being portrayed as animalistic, violent and overly sexual, subversive creatures to eventually the roles of blaxploitation roles that allowed African Americans to play the hero and heroine. We have progressed and people like Morgan Freeman, Denzel Washington, Angela Bassett and Halle Berry are household names.

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Dallas point guard Steve Nash looks for an open teammate as the Mavericks remain undefeated with a 103-99 win over the Cavaliers.

The difference in the game was Harris. The backup shooting guard scored 12 of his 15 points in the final 12 minutes to break open a game in which neither team led by more than seven points in the first three quarters.

Harris hit a layup and a jumper in a 6-2 run to push a three-point lead entering the fourth to 70-63. The Spurs pulled within four points twice down the stretch, the last time on a dunk by Malik Rose with 7:44 to play.

Kenyon Martin banked in a shot after muscling Duncan out of the way to ignite a 1-2-2 put that put the game away.

The Nets limited the Spurs to 13 baskets in the second half, holding them to 37 percent shooting from the field. Duncan and Jackson combined to shoot 15-for-33 from the field, but Robinson, Tony Parker and Bruce Bowen — the other starters — were 8-for-29.

Keith Van Horn made a baby hook to end the 13-0 run, but Boston’s lead grew bigger when McCarty made a 3-pointer and Baker hit two free throws to make it 77-69. After Todd McCallion made a layup, Shandon Williams added a 3-pointer to give Boston an 80-69 lead with 8:10 left.

Nets 91, Spurs 82
Ludovic Harris broke open a close game by hitting his first three shots of the fourth quarter to lead New Jersey to a 91-82 victory over San Antonio Wednesday.

Richard Jefferson added a career-high 27 points and Jason Kidd had 18 as the Nets remained perfect at home, winning their fifth straight.

Tim Duncan had 21 points, Stephen Jackson added a season-high 20 and David Robinson had 14 rebounds for the Spurs.
Jim Thome, Tom Glavine and David Bell on Tuesday, most contract offers to free agents possibly at next month's winter meetings. Other teams are moving cautiously.

Most of the work being done at the general managers' meetings is setting the stage for the next two months. Teams have started preliminary trade talks — finding out which opposing players are available and which of their own players are coveted. Agents and teams have also expressed interest in each other to hold more significant trade talks — finding out what we talk about doesn't lead to anything," Diamondbacks GM Joe Garagiola Jr. said. "This one just happened to work out."

The Mets might be willing to take on Neagle as long as the Rockies take back one of New York's undesirable players: Jeremy Burnitz, Rey Ordonez or Roger Cedeno. Even the usually free-spend ing Yankees are looking to slash payroll. GM Brian Cashman is under orders to save money and is looking to deal Raul Mondesi, Rondell White and Sterling Hitchcock.

"I have a lot of ideas floating around," Cashman said. "I'm just waiting for responses."

"It will be a slower-developing market, which is what we anticipated coming out here," Mets general manager Steve Phillips said. "Teams have contracts they would like to trade to change their configuration." Arizona and Colorado have talked about swapping outfielder Larry Walker and third baseman Matt Williams.

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Mets' manager

So far, the Phillies have been the most aggressive team this offseason. They offered Thome a reported five-year, $75 million contract, Glavine about $30 million for three years and a three-year contract to Bell.

But the Indians are still hopeful they can keep Thome, the top hitter on the market despite offering the slugger a four-year package believed to be worth between $40 and $48 million.

"The only thing they can offer him more of is money," Indians GM Mark Shapiro said. "If it comes down to that, we'll probably lose the player. I still feel Jim Thome is a player who valued more than that."

The cost-cutting Braves have only offered Glavine a one-year deal, worth about $9 million. That could force the two-time Cy Young award winner to leave Atlanta after 16 years. Glavine was 18-11 with a 2.96 ERA this season and has 242 career wins.

"The chance today of Tom Glavine leaving Atlanta is a very real possibility," said Gregg Clifton, Glavine's agent. "Six months ago that wasn't the case. But today, the chance that Tom Glavine will play with another team is a very viable possibility. It's not just smoke."

Cleveland awaits Thome's decision

Associated Press

Cleveland's general manager is nervously waiting to hear from free-agent first baseman Jim Thome, who is weighing contract offers from the Indians and Philadelphia Phillies.

Right now, silence is all that Shapiro is hearing.

"There's no protocol," Shapiro said from the GM meetings in Arizona. "We made a proposal and we have not heard back."

Thome, the top slugger in this year's free-agent market, received a reported five-year, $75 million offer from the free-spending Phillies on Tuesday — the first day teams could make money proposals.

Philadelphia's deal dwarfs the Indians' offering, a four-year package believed to be worth between $40 and $48 million.

While he waits to hear from Thome or his agent, Pat Rooney, Shapiro has been planning for life with and without Cleveland's career home-run leader.

"It's our responsibility," Shapiro said. "We have to prepare for both alternatives."

Shapiro said he has "no idea" about what might be included in Philadelphia's offer to Thome, who hit 52 homers last season for the Indians.

At Thome's request, the Indians made their offer to Thome on Oct. 31, days before the 31-year-old was wired and dined by the Phillies, who gave him a tour of their new stadium set to open in 2004.

Shapiro said Rooney promised to get back to him after he received the Phillies' offer.

Rooney did not immediately return a phone message seeking comment.

The Indians have until Dec. 7 to offer Thome salary arbitration. If he accepts, they can negotiate with him until Jan. 8. If he rejects it, the club would lose his rights until May 1.

Shapiro said the Indians have not set a deadline and plan to raise their offer to Thome when the time is right.

"We've left some room for creativity," Shapiro said. "In this market, we've left some room to be a drop-dead offer."

Since the beginning of last season, Thome has maintained that Cleveland is his first choice and that decision will not be based solely on money.

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NBA

Brown holds first practice

Associated Press

MEMPHIS, Tenn. Hubie Brown held his first practice with the Memphis Grizzlies and his edict was clear: Play hard all the time, or don't expect to play at all.

The 69-year-old coach was back at work as an NBA coach Wednesday for the first time in 15 years. He replaces Sidney Lowe, who resigned Tuesday after an 0-8 start left Memphis as the league's only winless team.

Brown gave up his TV broadcasting job to take over the Grizzlies because "it is the ultimate challenge."

He was drawn to Memphis by Jerry West, who became president of basketball operations last year.

West describes Brown, a former NBA coach of the year, as "one of the premier basketball minds in the business" and an outstanding teacher.

Looking for a new coach after Lowe's sudden departure, West's first call was to Brown.

"When Jerry West calls, you listen up. There's not going to be any blowing smoke," Brown said at a news conference, with West and Michael Heisley, the team's majority owner, sitting beside him.

Brown said the Grizzlies must develop better chemistry, tougher defense and a style of play.

"You give me any team with a grain of salt and they have a distinct style of play," he said. "I don't care what sport it is."

Brown, a former coach of the New York Knicks and Atlanta Hawks, said the Grizzlies need "two teams of five guys that will respect one another."

"They will be unselfish with one another, and they'll pay the price and give the effort," he said.

Brown also intends to respond to criticism that the Grizzlies are sluggish and unmotivated, particularly on defense.

"The defense must make a major transition," he said. "We know that the team ranks 29th in three or four critical defensive areas. Now that's not going to change over night. What has to happen is days of practice, days of drills, days of the staff working with people and getting the right people in the right places."

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NCAA Basketball

First all-female crew officiates mens game

Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. Three women refereed an NCAA game in what appears to be the first time an all-female crew officiated in mens college basketball during the regular season.

Mona Miller, Erica Bradley and Leigh Anne Webb were the officials for Martin Methodist's 82- 44 victory over Atlantic Christian in Pulaski on Tuesday night.

"I don't think it's a big deal. I think it's an example of three quality referees who happen to be female."

Steve Baker, NCAA president

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Manuto Bol makes the switch from basketball to hockey

Associated Press

Manute Bol has traded in his basketball sneakers and boxing trunks and now is in a shocking search for a pair of ice skates.

Seriously.

The 7-foot-7 former NBA shot-blocker agreed to terms Tuesday to play with the Indianapolis Ice of the Central Hockey League.

Bol is expected to be in uniform for an appearance with the Ice on Saturday night, but it is unlikely he will play in the game against the Amarillo Gorillas.

"We're in the business of selling tickets, the business of entertainment," Ice general manager Larry Linde said. "We're not going to do anything to jeopardize the integrity of the game or Manute. We're out there to have fun.

"We're not going to throw him out there if he's going to kill himself or someone else." Linde hasn't yet spoken to Bol, 40, and admitted that the deal is mainly to generate interest in his team.

By all accounts, Bol has never played the sport or ever laced up a pair of skates. At this point, equipment that would fit the Dinka tribesman has not been located.

"We're always looking for a unique angle," Linde said. "We like to expose our fans to people they might like to meet."

Born in Turalie, a remote village in southern Sudan, Bol now lives in Hartford, Conn., with his family.

Over the years he has spent most of his life's savings trying to bring peace to his war-torn homeland, where many of his relatives were leaders in the Sudanese Peoples Liberation Army, a rebel movement. At one point he became an important backer of the rebels, contributing an estimated $3.5 million.

"We commend the Ice for a unique and interesting manner of promoting ice hockey and a worthwhile cause," Cherwonak said.

Bol was a 1985 second-round draft pick of the Washington Bullets.

He played 11 seasons in the NBA with four teams, blocking more shots per minute than anyone in league history. He retired from in 1995 after averaging 4.2 rebounds per game and 2.6 points during his career.
Mackovic denies early reports, will not resign

Associated Press

TUCSON, Ariz. Arizona football coach John Mackovic, his voice choking with emotion Wednesday, admitted major mistakes in dealing with his players and assistant coaches.

However, Mackovic said he would not resign and pledged to do a better job in the future. An earlier report that Mackovic was going to step down turned out to be premature.

He has three years remaining on a contract that pays him $800,000 annually. Arizona is winless in the Pac-10 Conference at 0-6 for the first time in their 25 years in the league.

The Wildcats are 3-7 overall as they end their season Saturday at Washington State.

In 12 in the Pac-10 under Mackovic, who replaced Dick Tomey on Dec. 4, 2000, Tomey quit after 14 seasons.

Mackovic met with his players for 90 minutes Wednesday afternoon and allowed them to air their grievances with him. More than 40 players met with school president Pete Lilinksi on Tuesday night — without Mackovic's knowledge — to reportedly voice their concerns about their head coach.

At a news conference, Mackovic apologized for remarks he had made to some players, including one in which he told a player that he "was a disgrace to his family" by the way he had performed.

Mackovic said the comment came after Arizona's 31-10 loss Sept. 21 at Wisconsin and he had "allowed it to fester since then."

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. A recruiting scandal that landed Alabama's football program on probation could go before the NCAA again based on new information made public in court last week.

Tom Yeager, chairman of the infractions committee, said Wednesday the NCAA is evaluating claims revealed during a hearing in which a former high school coach pleaded guilty to accepting $150,000 to steer a prized recruit to Alabama. The plea directly implicated two former Alabama coaches.

The enforcement staff could either submit the matter or send it to the committee for further review, Yeager said in a telephone interview with The Associated Press. No decision has been made.

Yeager declined comment on whether additional penalties were possible against Alabama, which in February was hit with scholarship limitations, a two-year bowl ban and five years of probation.

Yeager said the staff would pass along only information that was substantially different from what the committee previously heard. But "it's not uncommon for the committee to receive reports about infractions it previously considered," he said.

"In some cases it's a lingering chain of events that can occur," Yeager said.

University counsel Stan Murphy referred a call to university spokesman Larry White, who declined comment. An NCAA investigator was in court last week in Memphis, Tenn., as former Freezevant High School coach Lynn Lang pleaded guilty to a federal racketeering charge and agreed to cooperate with investigators.

A former Lang assistant, Milton Kirk, previously pleaded guilty. With his plea, Lang agreed to the at least $100,000 in the government's contention that he took money from T. H. Young, a wealthy Memphis businessman and longtime Alabama booster, to steer defensive lineman Robert Means toward Alabama. Young is a longtime friend of Alabama athletic director Mal Moore.

Lang said he was referred to Young by Ivy Williams, a former Alabama assistant, and that he discussed the deal with Ronnie Cottrell, a former Alabama recruiting coordinator.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Fred Godwin also said in court that Williams suggested that Lang arrange for someone to take the place of Means during a college entrance test.

The disclosures appeared to be at odds with the government's previous decision in the Alabama case since the sanctioning body did not directly implicate the Alabama coaching staff in any major recruiting violations.

Alabama was not cited for lack of institutional control, a violation that could have brought more severe sanctions, possibly even the "death penalty," which shuts down a program for at least one season.

The NCAA cleared Williams of lying to an NCAA investigator about the scandal after initially accusing him of providing false information about the case. Williams has repeatedly denied any wrongdoing.

Cottrell, who also has denied wrongdoing, was accused of taking a home loan from Young. Young had arranged for the loan as a normal business transaction.

Williams and Cottrell are both out of coaching. Means transferred from Alabama to Memphis, where he played last year but was declared academically ineligible this season.

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Felipe Alou returns to manage the San Francisco Giants

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO
Felipe Alou never envisioned it would happen this way, finishing up his baseball career right back where it all started nearly a half-century ago.

Alou was hired Wednesday to manage the National League champion San Francisco Giants. "I'm going back home to where I started and, hopefully, I'm going to end it right there," Alou said.

The former manager of the Montreal Expos takes over for Dusty Baker and inherits a team that came within six outs of a World Series title.

The 67-year-old Alou, the bench coach for Detroit last season, agreed to a three-year contract and becomes the oldest manager in the majors. He was 691-717 in 10 seasons managing the Expos.

The popular Baker did not have his contract renewed by the Giants. Baker is talking with the Oakland Athletics about becoming their manager. Alou's son Moises plays for the Cubs.

That's one of the highlights of his playing days in San Francisco, along with a string of nine consecutive hits. "When I received the first notice that I might be the guy, or the club was interested in me, I was really shocked," he said. "I was working with a team in the Dominican Republic and was far from major league baseball."

It is the first time in nearly three decades that a manager takes over a pennant-winning team in the same organization. Alou was fired by the Expos during the 2001 season, and was with the Tigers this year.

He is a native of the Dominican Republic. The Giants had hoped to replace Baker, who is black, with another minority.

"We're obviously thrilled we're able to welcome Felipe back," general manager Brian Sabean said. "Everybody in baseball realizes what he's done in the game. It's thrilling because he's a Giant at heart."

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Alou insists he has plenty of energy despite his age, and plans to fulfill all three years of his contract. Eventually, he will become a special assistant with the club, Sabean said.

"He deals with an interesting, diverse group in Montreal and our clubhouse is one of the same," said Sabean, who interviewed Alou over two days in Florida. "I spoke of pedigree and blood lines, and it doesn't get any better than this. He's a guy who can and will make a difference."

"We were a few steps behind other clubs having been in the World Series," Aurilia said. "It's nice to know that they went out and got somebody who's well respected around baseball and has done a good job with his teams."

Alou has the challenge of dealing with Barry Bonds and other players operate at a very high level, a level not many people have operated at in the course of their lives. I respect the way they operate," Alou said. "Myself, I was a decent player, but I didn't operate at that level."

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Two Miami of Ohio coaches suspended

Associated Press

OXFORD, Ohio Two Miami University assistant football coaches were suspended Wednesday after one was charged with assaulting a fan and another acknowledged damaging a coaches' box at Marshall.

Coach Terry Hoeppner apologized Wednesday, saying things got out of control when fans rushed the field following Marshall's last-second, 36-34 win over its Mid-American Conference rival.

Hoeppner took two university police officers with him for extra protection on the field, anticipating a volatile situation.

"It's scary," said Hoeppner, who hadn't slept following the bus ride back from West Virginia. "I had more police protection around me last night, and that shouldn't be necessary. We've lost a little bit of our perspective."

Defensive coordinator Jon Wauford and linebackers coach Taver Johnson were suspended with pay while the southwest Ohio school investigates.

Wauford was led off the field in handcuffs and charged with battery, a misdemeanor, for allegedly shoving a fan who ran on the field after the game.

Johnson acknowledged damaging the visiting coaches' box, Hoeppner said.

The post-game problems were uncharacteristic for a school that prides itself as the "Cradle of Coaches."

"I don't want to prejudge our investigation of the facts. But I have to tell you, as president, to see one of my coaches led away in handcuffs was one of the most difficult things I've seen since I've been here," school president James Garland said in a phone interview.

"We justify our support of athletics because of the message that it sends about character," Garland said. "These events of yesterday suggest that we've fallen short of our goal."

Interim athletic director Steve Snyder said Miami will pay to repair the coaches' box.

A shelf and chairs were damaged, and holes were knocked in the wall, Snyder said.

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**MLB**

Texas Rangers Shortstop Alex Rodriguez won his first American League Gold Glove on Wednesday, a Rod, who already has the richest contract in baseball, received a $1,000,000 bonus for winning the coveted award.

Alex Rodriguez wins Golden Glove award

IN BRIEF

Faulk may play Monday

The All-Pro running back led St. Louis' victory over the Chargers with a sprained left ankle and strained tendons in his right foot, and was on crutches the next day. But he was feeling much better on Wednesday.

"Nobody heals like he does," coach Mike Martz said. "This will be something we’ll take to the very end."

Martz said Faulk, listed as questionable, probably wouldn’t practice at least until Saturday in preparation for Monday night’s game.

"We’ll be pessimistic at this point and say he won’t be ready," Martz said. "If he is ready, it’ll be a surprise, and that’s how we’ll prepare. He’s improved quite a bit, so we’ll see."

When they practice for the first time this game week on Thursday, rookie Lamar Gordon will be the starting tailback ahead of Trump Candidate, a first-round pick in 2000.

WNBA announces new team

A WNBA franchise will be based in San Antonio for the 2003 season, the league’s president announced Wednesday.

This team doesn’t yet have a name, and it has not been determined whether it will be a new franchise or one moved from existing WNBA cities.

WNBA president Val Ackerman was joined for the announcement at the NBC Center arena by WNBA players Lisa Leslie, Tamika Catchings and Edna Campbell. Also on hand was Houston Comets coach Van Chancellor.

"This is a great day for the WNBA and the city of San Antonio," Ackerman said.

The team will be operated by the NBA’s San Antonio Spurs. The WNBA and its teams are now collectively owned by the NBA, though the breaking 10-year winning streak of Texas’ Ivan Rodriguez and Darin Erstad replacing Seattle’s Mike Cameron in the outfield.

Mariners first baseman John Olerud, second baseman Bret Boone and outfielder Ichiro Suzuki all won AL Gold Gloves.

Olerud won his second Gold Glove, replacing Minnesota’s Doug Mientkiewicz at first base. Boone won his first in the AL, taking over from Roberto Alomar, a 10-time winner who was traded from Cleveland to the New York Mets following the 2001 season.

Fan attacks CFL player

Admitting he had too much to drink and yielded to peer pressure, a CFL fan says he deserved his on-field beating after he attacked a player during a game.

Jody Remple, a 22-year-old construction worker, left the stands during a CFL West semifinal Sunday between the Winnipeg Blue Bombers and B.C. Lions.

With seven seconds left and Winnipeg ahead 30-3, Remple ran on the field and jumped on Lions cornerback Eric Carter. He was promptly kicked and beaten by players.

"I was looking to tackle him down, I guess," Remple said in the Winnipeg Free Press on Wednesday. "But I was stunned, I didn’t see what I was thinking!"

Remple was fined $180 for causing a disturbance. He understood why he was punished.

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marked only the 10th time in the school’s history that a mens soccer player was named two-
time captain. "When I was voted captain again my junior year, it was definitely not something taken
for granted or taken lightly," Martin said. "It’s something that’s special every time you’re given something like that by
your teammates." A turning point for the Irish this season came in mid-
September, as the Irish bashed heads with national powerhouse
— and then-fifth-ranked — Furman at Alumni Field. The closely-matched game went into overtime and then
into a second overtime period when an Irish goal upset the Paladins and launched the Irish further into national promi-
nence.

Who scored the game-winning goal? Greg Martin.

"It was an important win for the team, that win gave us some confidence (to play in overtime games). That was really a team
goal, it wasn’t necessarily a goal I scored individually, but it was one that, because the guys kept knocking for 110 minutes, it
finally came."

Martin also scored two of his six goals so far this season in a key Big East game against then-No. 5 Connecticut, which the
Irish won 3-1.

With those six goals, Martin has 12 points on the season, which puts him in fourth place among the Big East teams.
Currently, the Irish are in the midst of their second consecu-
tive winning season, and after the Big East tournament is com-
pleted this weekend, will more than likely see their name in the
field of 48 teams of the NCAA Tournament — which is to be
taken into consideration when an Irish goal upset the Paladins and launched the Irish further into national promi-
nence.

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MENS LACROSSE

Irish seniors chosen
as 2003 captains

Special to The Observer

Seniors Eric Simon, John South and Travis Wells and junior Steve
Clagett have been selected as captains for the 2003 Notre Dame mens lacrosse season. Simon, a defender, became
a starter for the Irish in 2002 and has been one of the squad’s most improved players since his fresh-
man season. He earned starts in all nine contests he played and
missed four contests because of a broken hand.

After seeing action in just three games as a freshman, Simon
played in all 16 contests in 2001 during the Irish’s run to the
national lacrosse semifinals. As a junior, he scored one goal and
collected a personal-best 36 ground balls, the third highest
total on the team.

“It’s something that if it falls into place, so be it. I’ll accept the honor with a lot of pride,” Martin said. “More
than anything else, it’s a special way to lead your peers through a really special experience.”

And with Martin leading the Irish for a third straight season, one can only imagine the boundless — and perhaps his-
toric — potential for success on the 2003 Notre Dame mens soc-
cer team.

“He is a good leader of the players he represents,” Clark
said. “He works really hard to put the best face forward for his
team. I think in his senior year he will become a superb cap-

tain.”

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Notre Dame and Trey Brey and the recruit and the coach both come from Rockville, Md., and during the recruitment process, Brey and Israel were both very familiar with the popular spots in town. And at Our Lady of Good Counsel High School, Israel’s verbal commitment brought waves of congratulations from classmates also hoping to attend Notre Dame.

Unlike Falls, Israel grew up a big-time Duke fan. But as he started searching for colleges, he grew increasingly attracted to Notre Dame.

When Falls took an official visit to the campus last winter to watch the Irish play, he immediately felt a connection with the team. He also noticed that the student body shows is impressive.

Watching Chris Thomas’ success last season and hearing about Torin Francis’ potential contributions to the team, Israel ened the pair into thinking that they too can have a chance to play early. Falls could potentially come in as a shooting guard, while Israel had梦 coaches have pegged him as a potential replacement to in helping his protege find out what his draft potential would be like so he could make an informed decision. The communication between player and coach, Brey said, is essential toward filling holes in the program and improving a players’ chances of professional success in the event of an early departure.

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“Trey and Israel were both very impressed.”

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This season’s All-American wing, but other than that, there’s no other wings,” Falls said. “I have to come in thinking I can play. If I don’t, well be in trouble. I hope I can come in and fit in and get playing.”

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Mens Basketball

Brey remains open to all possibilities

By ANDREW SOUKUP
Sports Writer

Chris Thomas has repeated­ly and emphatically said that he won’t head to the NBA until he’s played four years at Notre Dame.

But Irish coach Mike Brey isn’t ignoring the possibility that last season’s national freshman of the year could depart a year or two early.

“I don’t think I can sit here and put my head in the sand and be naive about talented guys in the program,” Brey said. “Chris and I have talked about it a little. Now, in the November of his sophomore year, he wants to be a heck of a college player. But four to five months into the season, things can change.”

In many ways, Thomas’ situation is strikingly similar to that faced by Trey Murphy, who left Notre Dame two years ago and is now playing for the Golden State Warriors. Murphy strongly toyed with the notion of leaving after a first team All-American sophomore campaign, but stayed one more year—and earned another All-American award—before heading for the NBA.

In fact, Brey said part of the reason the Irish recruited Chris Quinn was so Notre Dame would have depth at point guard.

“I know when he thinks long term, he thinks about being an ND guy for a long time,” Brey said. “That’s one of his main manta to stay all four years. I’m not sure what that means, though, and that’s kind of his thinking and his family’s thinking.”

When Murphy was consider­ing leaving after his junior year, Brey was instrumental in helping his protege find out what his draft potential would be like so he could make an informed decision. The communication between player and coach, Brey said, is essential toward filling holes in the program and improving a players’ chances of professional success in the event of an early departure.

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“But I do know Chris’ mind­set is being a college player, and he wants to help this team before he takes on the next challenge.”

Brey thinks Thomas closely watches former high school foe and current Arizona guard Jason Gardner, who toyed with the idea of declaring early for the NBA draft before deciding to come back to college. And the Irish coach knows the success of players like Shane Battier, Juan Dixon and Mateen Cleaves, talented college prospects who stayed all four years and won a national championship, is running through Thomas’ head.

But one of the coolest aspects of the trip was hearing the student body shows is impressive.

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MENS BASKETBALL

Falls, Isreal sign letters-of-intent

By ANDREW SOUKUP
Sports Writer

Colin Falls knew Notre Dame was the place for him when the student section chanted his name at a basketball game last season. Omari Isreal trusted the word of his coach, who just happened to be an Irish legend, by picking Notre Dame.

Both players verbally committed to Notre Dame several months ago, but after formally signing their letters-of-intent Wednesday, the Irish already have next season’s freshman class in the fold days before the Irish play their first regular-season game of the 2002 season.

“It’s evident with the cycle of recruiting now and how early kids are making commitments that this seemed like this happened a year ago,” Irish coach Mike Brey said. “It’s kind of a formality with these guys, and certainly we’re very excited to have both of them join us.”

Brey expects the two players, both ranked in the top 20 nationally in their class of 2008, to contribute from the beginning.

Falls, who lives just outside of Chicago, played on the same AAU team with his rangy defensive skills and his ability to play on the perimeter. At 6-7, Isreal has many more connections to Notre Dame.

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Making history in the 2000 soccer season for the Irish, Martin was only one of three freshmen who played in each of Notre Dame’s 17 games that season. Then, heading into his second season with the team.