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## Regis Community Says Goodbye to a Beloved Friend

Rev. Vincent J. O'Flaherty, S.J., 72, rector of the Regis Jesuit Community from 1984-1991 and project director for Regis University's Romero House for the past two years, died in his sleep Thursday, October 13, 1994. Services were held at St. Ignatius Loyola Catholic Church on Monday, October 18, 1994 at 10:00 a.m.

Fr. O'Flaherty was the first director of Regis University's Romero House project, a community service program which places five Regis students in a house in Northwest Denver where they do volunteer work while finishing their degree requirements.

Fr. O'Flaherty was born in Kansas City, Missouri on September 18, 1922 and he graduated from Rockhurst High School and Rockhurst College. After a three year tour of duty as a naval officer in World War II, Fr. O'Flaherty entered the Society of Jesus (Jesuits) at

Florissant, Missouri in September 1947. He was ordained to the priesthood in St. Mary's, Kansas in June 1957.

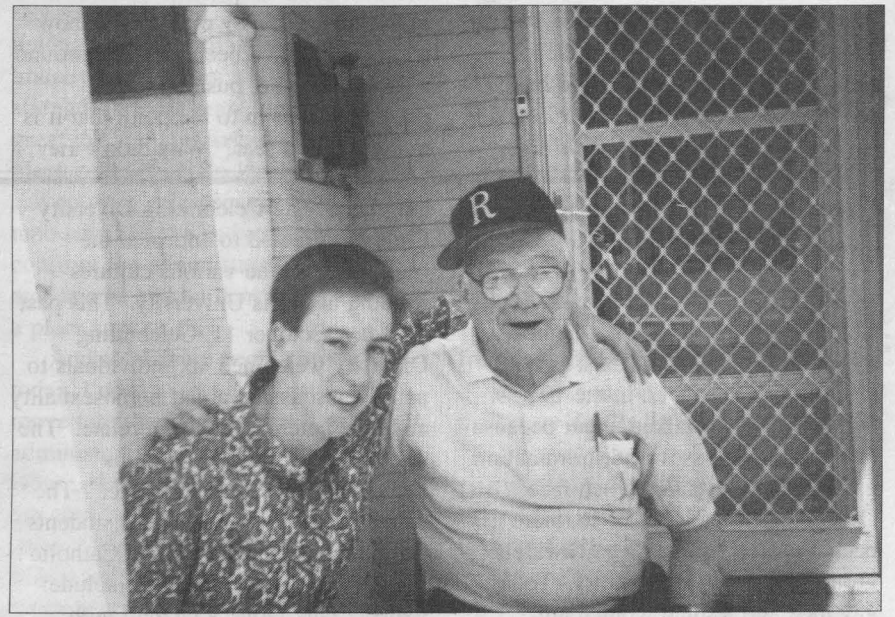
Fr. O'Flaherty earned his Licentiate (masters) in Sacred Theology from St. Louis University and his doctorate in Sacred Theology from Catholic University of America.

He came to Denver in 1984 to serve as Rector of the Regis Jesuit Community, which included Jesuits from both Regis Jesuit High School and Regis University.

During his 37 years as a Jesuit priest, Fr. O'Flaherty served as Novice Director and as Tertian Director for the Missouri Province of the Society of Jesus.

Fr. Vince will be sadly missed by all of the Regis Community.

*Editor's note: Thanks to the Office of Public Affairs for their help.*



Heather Mieklejohn

Lenny Carruthers and Father Vince sit and talk on the porch of Romero House. See page 3 for reflections on Father Vince.

## The Panel that Almost Wasn't

by Amy Everitt  
Editor-in-Chief

The Coming Out Day panel was a success, but it almost didn't happen. The Celebrating Diversity Group, who sponsored the event, decided one week before National Coming Out Day, that they would put on a panel about homosexuality and how heterosexuals can relate.

The next day, the Celebrating Diversity Group put together packets to give to the faculty, asking for their support. The packets included a memo explaining Coming Out Day events, a schedule of events, a flyer, and a teacher's pledge. The teacher's pledge asked the professors to require their classes to attend, encourage the classes to attend, or be present themselves. The group received twelve responses, with three professors

requiring their classes to attend, and the other nine strongly encouraged their classes to attend. The Celebrating Diversity Group started receiving responses from teachers by 12:30 p.m. that same day.

The members of the Celebrating Diversity Group began the Campus Life approval process the day after the decision to sponsor the panel was made. This, however, was not the ten days in advance that is required by Campus Life for all events. Jim McCormick, Director of Campus Life, asked the group if they would postpone the event a week.

There were several reasons McCormick asked for the extra time. First of all was the ten day approval process. He wanted to make sure that all the bases were covered.

Second, McCormick wanted the opportunity to make other offices aware of this event. "If this was a State University it would be different, but because we are a Jesuit University, we needed more time with this kind of issue," says McCormick.

Third, most of the Office of Campus Life, the Executive Cabinet and other "key leaders" on campus had already made plans to attend the Billy Joel concert, and couldn't be at the

panel to support the Celebrating Diversity Group. "We were very concerned with attendance from the student body as well," states McCormick.

The Jesuits and the Office of Campus Ministry also had other arrangements for that evening. The Jesuits were having a big dinner that evening and couldn't be at the panel. This was not to say that the office didn't support the Celebrating Diversity Group. Acting Director of Campus Ministry, Ken Phillips, helped the group find a priest to represent the Catholic community (since all of the Jesuits were at the dinner).

The biggest problem with moving the Coming Out Day panel back a week, was that then it wouldn't have been on National Coming Out Day. "The group knew it was a National holiday, and should have planned for it sooner," says McCormick. It was suggested that the group advertise on National Coming Out Day, and then have the panel a week later. The group felt very strongly that the panel be held on Coming Out Day. They felt it was their responsibility to have this panel because it was something that the student body feels very strongly about. "The group's integrity was on the line. After the cancellation of Carl Upchurch, the group felt as though they needed to do this so as not to make the campus lose faith in them," says Desiree Sanchez, Director of Minority and Cultural Affairs.

The panel did finally occur, and it was a huge success. There were between 150 and 200 students in attendance. The panel was video-taped, and anyone interested in seeing it should contact the Celebrating Diversity Group.

## Rock the Vote

by Stephanie Marie King  
Staff Reporter

On Wednesday, October 12th, from 11:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. in the Student Center, the Election Commission of the City and County of Denver registered voters from Regis.

The voter registration booth was sponsored by the Regis chapters of College Democrats and College Republicans. President of College Democrats, Nandini Stocker explains, "It is part of a national voter registration drive that the College Democrats of America, a national organization, is undertaking this year."

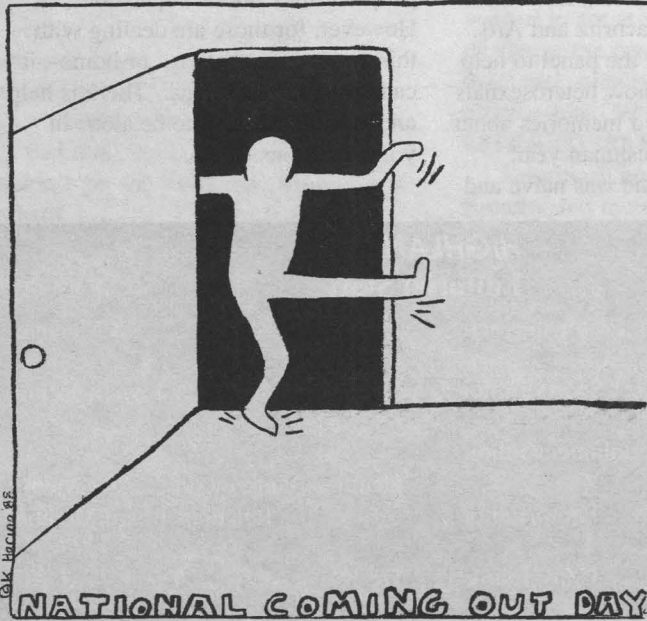
The College Republicans agree that more students should vote. Jen Jahnke, an active member of the Regis chapter comments, "Students who have a lot to say about the government and the status quo should at least back their words with action and register to vote."

The Election Commission registered 14 Democrats, 14 Republicans and 22 Unaffiliated voters while they were at Regis.

Both sponsoring groups have worked extensively in Colorado politics and work closely with their national headquarters. "We work closely with the Democratic National Committee as well as with our headquarters in Washington, D.C.," comments Stocker.

The two political groups encourage students to look for activities, speakers, and politically-oriented forums that they will coordinate on campus.

The College Democrats meet Tuesdays at 5:15 p.m. in Student Center 217, and the College Republicans meet Thursdays at 4:30 p.m. in West Hall Lounge.



# EDITORIALS

## Letters to the Editor

### Make Me Aware

To the Editor:

This is an open letter to the editor, as well as to those that are responsible for the Big Blue Awareness Machine in the Quad. What I am referring to is the blue automobile that has (had) the sign "Don't Let Alcohol Do This To You" on it. While I agree with the idea, I believe that the outcome could have had more of an impact. When I saw the car, my immediate reaction was, "a

little front end work and it would be a great car." I understand that this was not the intended response, but I could not help it. I was aware that it was Alcohol Awareness Week, but I had a

hard time making the connection between the car and the event. I kept thinking, why didn't they put a car in the Quad that Mommy and Daddy couldn't fix? Why didn't they show me a car with a broken windshield, a windshield that had been broken by a person's head, a windshield that still had hair from the person's head stuck in the cracks? Why didn't they show me a car that had been wrapped around a telephone pole, pushing the passenger door in to the point that it is in the driver's seat? Why didn't they

show me a car that someone had been hurt in?

Aside from having talks about social drinking, mocktails, and the Big Blue Awareness Machine, why weren't there handouts or posters letting me know just how many of my peers are alcoholics, or how many of them have been killed by alcohol poisoning and drunk driving? Better yet, why weren't there any stats about how many of my peers won't finish college because they either dropped out or are dead? What about the connections between "social drinking" and date rape, not to mention the affects that alcoholism has on families in general? Why is there a refusal to face reality? As it stands, I am no more aware than I was a week ago. I did not gain further awareness about alcohol related deaths. I was not enlightened as to how many rapes occur due to drunkenness. I was not exposed to the pain of a mother or

father dealing with the loss of their child when all that is left is a mangled bicycle or a car that has been ripped open by the jaws of life... or is it jaws of death?

By putting a car in the Quad, with as little damage as this one has, the only thing that was accomplished was a re-enforcement of most teenage beliefs of being invincible and immortal. They can point to the Big Blue Awareness Machine and say, "See, you really can get away with it. I bet this person walked away with hardly a scratch, let alone any community service."

Simply put, I think more could have been done to make the Regis community more **AWARE** of the dangers of drinking. Fear does make people aware, but it must be real fear, a fear that is felt.

Mike Ciletti

### Coming Out Day a Success by Mario Eason

At one time the subject was strictly taboo. Such talk would not be heard, tolerated, or allowed in most institutions. However, in the 1990's, homosexuality is talked about because of the growing cases of discrimination gay men and lesbian women face. Over the past ten years or so, there has been a massive surge of gay awareness groups educating the country. Today, gay men and lesbian women are recognized for their abilities, their strengths, heroism, compassion and community. Gays are beginning to be recognized as equals.

Regis University has come a

long way. The Celebrating Diversity Club was created to educate the campus about the various cultures residing at Regis University. This past Tuesday, October 11, Celebrating Diversity welcomed six individuals to panel a discussion about homosexuality and how heterosexuals can relate. The title of the evening was "Regis University: Building a Bridge." The panel consisted of four Regis students and a member of the Roman Catholic priesthood. These panelists include: Father Frank Gold, a chaplain with Mercy Hospital; Victoria Villasenor, a Regis freshman; David Zachritz, a Regis senior; Matt Arts, a Regis junior; and Angela O'Dorisio, a Regis junior. Dr. Kevin Maly served as moderator.

Father Frank Gold gave basic insight on the standing of the Roman Catholic church on homosexuality. Simply put, the view of the Catholic Church is: You can be gay, but you cannot act out being gay in a relationship.

David Zachritz, Matt Arts, and Victoria Villasenor represented the gay and bisexual community at Regis. They had a lot to say to the audience and they each had a story and a message.

Zachritz came out to his parents in an argument. Like many, his parents were not fully accepting, nor supportive at first. He had to deal with the taunting and discrimination of several ignorant students in the dorms as well. Zachritz was allowed to move out a semester early due to the harassment. His parents have changed their views, and eventually his parents had no choice as his sister came out as a lesbian the summer before last. David said, "If only my middle brother would come out, we would have to go on Oprah or something."

Arts also came out to his parents who gave him little support at first. Matt came out to Regis University at the Martin Luther King Celebration in 1993. This event catered to a huge crowd that was in much surprise over the announcement. Since the time Zachritz was a freshman, Regis has started to become more gay friendly and supportive.

Villasenor had a different story to share. She grew up with a gay parent and spent a lot of time with the gay and lesbian community. Her family support was much different from the parental support of Zachritz and Arts.

O'Dorisio was on the panel to help with the question of how heterosexuals can relate. She shared memories about her experience her freshman year. O'Dorisio admitted she was naive and

did not know much about the gay community. However, she dealt with the confusion and frustration when her roommate came out. O'Dorisio also explained the problems she had with her parents who strongly suggested that she move out and get another roommate. However, she stuck it out and helped her roommate.

Later, Arts spoke of how he wanted to get his message across to the Regis community. His point being, "Do not look at any homosexual and think they are wrong or want to hit on you." This point was well taken at the discussion on Tuesday. Arts added that he did the panel to show support for those in the closet on campus now. Arts hopes that students feel they can ask him questions regarding homosexuality. Arts understands how hard it can be to come out at Regis. But, realize that others are in the closet and recently are coming out as well.

Many of the usual questions arose, as did new ones. Some of the issues addressed were whether or not homosexuality was a choice, Amendment 2 (which is no longer an issue according to the Supreme Court), the support on campus and bisexuality.

Victoria Villasenor did a great job addressing bisexuality. She expounded on the confusion and joy of her sexuality.

With much luck and support, we will be able to help all of our brothers and sisters come out and be themselves. It is not healthy to repress feelings and it could be harmful mentally and physically. Certain issues in life must be addressed and, for some people it may not be a question. However, for those are dealing with this confusion of hetero- or homo-, it can be quite a dilemma. There is help and you do not have to be alone in your questions.

### Open Mind Forum: RU College Democrats Premeditated Execution\*--An Analysis of the Death Penalty by Rajit Kabadi Vice-Pres. of College Democrats

Who has the right to take another human being's life? Is there any reason that can justify the killing of another human being? To me, it seems that the answer is overwhelmingly obvious--NO.

There are many reasons why the death penalty should be abolished as a form of criminal "justice."

For the most part, the concept of murder has been thought of as an inherently evil action. To kill a person, to take the precious gift of life away from anybody, is the worst possible thing that can be done to someone, and his/her family. There are those who subscribe to the idea that once a person has taken another life, he/she has forfeited his/her right to life. How can we, as human beings, possibly make the irrevocable decision to either let another person live or die? We were given life by a higher being, who alone has the right to make that most important decision. The old adage "an eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth," is exactly that--old. I would hope that the human race has evolved a little more since those outdated, barbarian attitudes.

The benefits of a death penalty are a misconception. Many proponents of the death penalty point to the deterrence factor and the great cost of keeping murderers alive in prison for life. When a person is in the height of violent rage, the last thing the enters his or her mind is, "Oh, I better not kill this person because of the death penalty." Usually, people who have these violent outbursts will come to the conclusion to either kill or not to kill based on their own morals, or lack thereof. As for the cost of life-terms for prisoners, it is a well-documented fact that the cost to keep a prisoner on "death row," plus the cost of the appeals process equals, or far-surpasses, the expenses of a life-term. Still, to even consider a human being's life in monetary terms is equally absurd. What kind of price tag can we place on the value of human life?

What must not be forgotten in today's society is respect for human life. We see death on TV and in the movies all too often. As a result, we tend to take a more impersonal attitude and perspective on death; it is something that only happens to other people, and it only happens to "bad" people. We incline to get desensitized to the effects of death on the people involved.

We also must not forget that if a person is executed, it is the end. If we later find out about his/her innocence, what are we supposed to do about the death of this innocent person? Are we to put the people responsible for his/her death (lawyers, jury, judge, executioner, voters, you?) on death row also?

\*Time, May 18, 1992, pg. 49

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## In Memory of Father Vince O'Flaherty, S.J.

### Notes from the Barrio

by David Card

"What's up Irish man?" I used to startle you with that every morning as I greeted you at breakfast. You used to ask me how anyone could have so much energy so early in the morning. You made me laugh the way you would jump as I entered; I can see you sitting there with your pajamas sticking out from under your winter coat--completely focused on whatever it was that you were eating. I had so much energy because I was so happy to see you. It really felt good when you would tell me over and over, "I'm so glad you're here."

I really don't know where to begin. I'm not sure where to end... and the middle is sort of fuzzy too. Vince, you had such a huge impact on my life. It's hard for me to believe that you are gone, and I'm going to miss you. I'm going to miss you walking through the door with a mouthful of sophistry and arms full of groceries. I'm going to miss your silly blue hat. And I'm going to miss the way you cheerfully wobbled while you inspired me to pray, work, and live for justice. It will be difficult not having your rosy countenance around here--one that would give Saint Nick a run for his money. But you truly had more gifts to bear.

Do you remember when we sat in your room in April? We were talking about the possibility of me becoming House Manager. You told me to reflect and pray on it and call you in a couple of weeks. If it's all right with you, I'd like to make that my prescription for daily life. When we found you Friday morning, you were praying, weren't you? That was your way--I'll miss that too.

I'm doing okay, but occasionally I hear you talking to me and I get so confused. I have never felt this kind of sadness before. After I said goodbye to you for the last time, I walked through our chapel. That's where you said that people had been praying like this as East became West, and West would soon become East again. I missed you when I walked through there. I was driving down 38th Avenue the day after I said goodbye to you, and I missed you. I sat up at 3:00 in the morning and looked at your car parked next to mine, and I missed you.

Marshall misses you too. He's taking it pretty hard. He said that you "went to sleep in Romero Home on Thursday night and woke up in the presence of God." it was so beautiful it hurt.

It was really hard for me to tell my dad...you know he was the one who introduced us. When I was sixteen, I never dreamed that I would have to tell my dad that "my friend died today." I couldn't get the words out, Vince, it was so hard.

If you were looking for a way to bring the "gang" together, this did it. I might have suggested a few other strategies, though. Every time I walk past your room, I look for you. You should be making a list on your computer, writing a letter, or taking a nap. You entered my life ten years ago, and you will never leave. Why did you have to go so soon...I really miss you.

Dear Vince:

It is almost 24 hours since I said my good-by to you as I stood over your body in your room at Romero House. I am writing this letter knowing that many will read it, but also knowing it is a way in which I will come to cope with your death. And so I have purposely chosen to sit in your room, listen to the music you like, and to write at the commuter that you used. How I miss you, friend.

There have been so many calls and visits by people who loved you. You would like to have seen the community, neighbors, coming into the street to comfort the students, to bring food to the house and to be in the place where you were so alive. For me, this has been a very humbling observation. You know that my concern, oft times it was probably a criticism, has been that Romero House should be more of an integrated member of the neighborhood. My concern was that the students were living at an off campus house and performing service in a community where they were as foreign to the community as the community was to them. I have learned, however, that this observation was grossly inaccurate. To see the way that people talk, not only of you, but the students and the changes they have brought to the community has dramatically shifted

my understanding of what is done in this place you loved so dearly. And it is your vision, Vince, that will continue to drive the work and enthusiasm of the students and me.

You may not have known that I am a strong believer in God's Grace. I have seen it in my own life as well as that of others. Something tells me, though, that now there will be another grace that enters my life and the lives of the people who have and will pass through the Romero House - yours. Your presence is clearly felt here, and, ironically as it seems, especially now that you have died. Some people are having a difficult time being in the house with so many who are finding strength in those tears together and great joy and gratitude that there is a place called Romero House where we can come to celebrate the Life of a man who had the endurance to confront the administrative obstacles, nay sayers, and burdens of developing a place such as this.

And so as more people arrive today, I need to leave this letter and move into the mode of the administrative assistant to the Romero House. I think perhaps you would call me your "donnet." But before I leave today, I'll place my hand on your pillow and say another prayer. It will not be a prayer for you, though. It will be a prayer for me that you will always remain with me, somehow, someday.

Peace Vince, Jaimie

Fr. Vince!

That's all that needs to be said. This man of many talents was so unselfish in his daily life.

Vincent J. O'Flaherty could have been a writer, a cook, a piano player, an English professor, a doctor, a dad, a husband, a grandfather, but no, he was our father. He was so much to everyone who met him and even more. He was a servant of Christ to the fullest. There are so many things that Vince could have been, but the greatest thing of all was he was a priest. He was my father.

In August of 1993, I moved into 3238 Vallejo St, Romero House. I didn't know then, but this would be the greatest project I was involved in at Regis University. There were all my new roommates: Jim, Patty, Chris, Alicia, Mylihn, and Fr. Vince. For this was my new home.

Fr. Vince was the director of Romero House and in a true sense was our father.

The Vince I knew could make soup from hell. There he was in the kitchen making up soup in about three pots and they were all filled to the top. That's OK because Vince still had about ten pounds of vegetables to put in and Ester Mills said they would all go in! He could make soup from water and rocks if he had wanted to.

This man of 72 years had the mind of a 21 year old college student. He did everything with us: parties, ice fishing, concerts, cooking, cleaning, shopping, and driving like a race car

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## SOUL FOOD: A Spiritual Journey

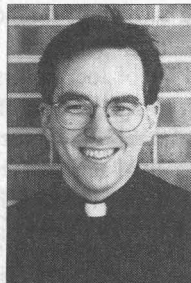
by Fr. John Vowells, S.J.

The subject of relationships is certainly taking a beating lately. If you watch the soaps and talk shows, you hear all these people spilling their guts about what's wrong with their lives. They talk about real problems and dysfunctions that get in the way and even sabotage the way we relate to others. When you listen to those people on TV, you can get depressed. You begin to wonder if anyone can enter into a healthy relationship these days.

One rather odd way that Jesus addressed this problem was by talking about divorce, which is the end of a relationship. In the gospel, Jesus very strongly prohibits divorce; it simply won't be tolerated. But he didn't make the pronouncement just to be difficult and make life harder for everyone. Jesus was no dummy; he had eyes. People back then had bad relationships, too. But Jesus wanted to get at something deeper. He wanted to challenge the people never to forget what should be the basis and support, not just for marriages, but for all relationships. **WE NEED SPECIAL PEOPLE IN OUR LIVES TO MAKE US WHOLE.**

Relationships have to be based on some kind of equality and mutuality. And in this day and age, that's difficult. Look at television. The problems of the characters on "Melrose Place" or "Beverly Hills 90210" are not that different from what real human beings experience everyday. When we commit ourselves to another as a friend or lover or spouse, we're not just taking someone along for a ride, someone we can just drop off when we're bored. Their lives make a claim on us, which can be scary because you never know what to expect.

When I worked at a parish in Oakland, California, I attended a 60th anniversary mass for an elderly couple.



After the liturgy, I asked them what was the secret of their long marriage, and the woman said, "Well, I need him, and he needs me, and so we figured out early on how not to drive each other crazy."

This couple spoke simply and beautifully about what it means to be in a true, healthy relationship, the type of relationship that Jesus in the Gospel wanted so much to protect. They knew that being in a relationship means **to give**, to respond to others in a meaningful way, not because you always want to, but because the other person needs you to. When you give, you stand by someone, continually offering compassion, forgiveness and love, even when they fail, even when they are not perfect. To give means investing time and effort, doing the hard work of maintaining a relationship and recommitting yourself every day.

But that's not all. Being in a relationship also means **to accept**, to receive the love and concern of someone with humility and grace. People are sometimes hardpressed to admit that they need others and more important, even to believe that they are worth someone's affection. Being open and vulnerable is not a sign of weakness, but a sign of trust and hope. When you accept, you give up controlling everything, of always being right, and instead, you stop and listen.

I loved talking to that couple because they taught me so much about living Jesus' message in the Gospel. And you know, I don't think what they had comes only with age. Wonderful relationships can happen to us! But you have to work at it.

Each day, let us be grateful to God for the special relationships we have been given. Let us remember those people whom we love and cherish. And let us pray for them and us, that we never forget how important they are in our lives.

# Entertainment & Features

## Lakeside Scream Street: A Howling Good Time

by "Nad" Stocker  
& Timothy H. Louie  
Entertainment Editor

Scream Street is in its 13th year running and the "Theater of Doom" is this year's theme. Last year's "tour" was definitely beaten by this year's crew. Some of the movies highlighted in this year's lineup are: Psycho, Aliens, and Poltergeist. The props and art that were in Scream Street are incredible. The talented actors work hard to scare the socks off you and they know what they are doing. I (Tim) was even told, "Hey Lou, why don't ya get out of here, you're scared!" One of the characters also had the nerve to tell us, "Get away from us you freak!" If you would have seen this guy, I'm telling you that I was not the freak. If you are brave enough to go, you will be tricked and treated to one hell of a scare.

All in all, the trek through the "Theater of Doom" takes thirty minutes, but for us, after an hour of screaming, falling (yeah, we mean you, Tim), and generally freaking out, we finally made it to the end. Each time we began to gather our wits, a new demon, monster, or freak of nature would spring from the darkness to get the adrenaline to flow once again. Through twists, turns and many craftily designed rooms of horror, the "Theater of Doom" always kept us on our toes (or for some of us, flat on our butts).

If you are bringing a little brother/sister or even cousin take them into the

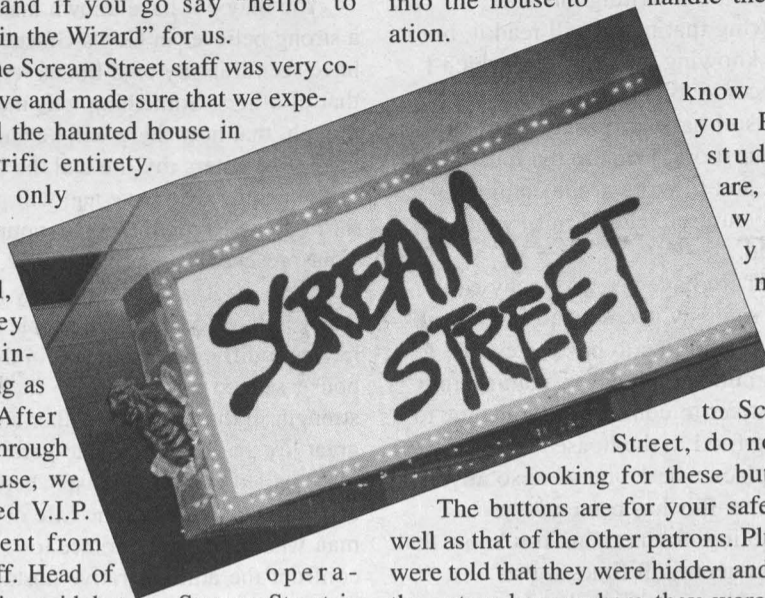
Enchanted Castle, a special experience for the youngsters located next to the "Theater of Doom." The Enchanted Castle is not meant to scare little children, but to teach them things and give them the haunted house experience. With its Fairy Tale motif, the Enchanted Castle is a real treat, and if you go say "hello" to "Smerlin the Wizard" for us.

The Scream Street staff was very cooperative and made sure that we experienced the haunted house in its horrific entirety.

Not only were they helpful, but they were interesting as well. After going through the house, we received V.I.P. treatment from the staff. Head of operations, Jim, said that Scream Street is the safest and scariest house in the city. "Most haunted houses in the city are mostly show. Ours on the other hand, is one that works extra hard to scare you. Let's face it, you are paying to get scared."

After going behind the scenes, we were shown not only how safe Scream Street is, but why. The Security Dispatcher sat in front of a map of the entire house. When we asked what the map was for, we were told that every room in the

house has a panic button that in turn leads to a light on the map. If something were to happen in the room, an actor presses the button, and the light corresponding to the room will light up on the map. The Security Dispatcher in front of the map dispatches a team that immediately goes into the house to handle the situation.



We know how you Register students are, so we warn you now. When you go to Scream Street, do not go looking for these buttons.

The buttons are for your safety as well as that of the other patrons. Plus we were told that they were hidden and only the actors know where they were. Another added safety feature is that paramedics are always stationed at the entrance of Scream Street. (Not that you would get a heart attack and need medical attention, or anything like that...)

Then we (the Highlander Staff) were told that everyone the entire Scream Street staff are volunteers. Over one hundred volunteers put in at least 1400 hours of service total. If you are interested in volunteering, go to Scream Street immediately or call 692-0011. The staff at

Scream Street will set you up as soon as you get there.

Jim then reminded us that all proceeds go to the March of Dimes for Birth Defects. Last year over 40,000 people came to Scream Street and over \$200,000 was raised for the March of Dimes. This year's goal is to raise over \$225,000.

We highly recommend going to Scream Street as soon as possible. When Tim gets really scared, he falls down and takes some people with him. Last year at Scream Street he fell eight times. Not only did he beat last year's record of falling down, but this time he also rolled down a couple of ramps. The defending champ in haunted houses will be a real hard act to follow. On a scary scale of 1 to 10, 10 being the highest, Tim and I give it a really frightening 10.

Admission to Scream Street is \$6, but if you bring in empty cardboard twelve pack of Pepsi, you will get a two for one admission. Scream Street is located in Lakeside Mall, by Gart Sports, on the back side of Lakeside.

*Entertainment Editor's Note: I wish Nad, Amy, and Jay best of luck on recovering from the injuries that I inflicted on them. I thank Dan, for helping me to stand up. I thank E.J. for announcing my name to all the demons and freaks of nature, so they could refer to me as Lou. And most importantly I would like to thank everyone at Scream Street for a most enjoyable time. And on a final note, Aaaaaahhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhh!!!!*

## Billy Joel Rocks McNichols Arena

by Tom Lastrom  
Entertainment Reporter

On October 11, Denver was the stop on Billy Joel's River of Dreams tour. It has been approximately four years since Joel visited the Mile High City, so the large crowd was in for a treat.

Joel didn't waste any time in playing his older music, which brought him the fame and fortune he enjoys today. Songs such as "Pressure" and "New York State of Mind" led off the two-hour performance. Among the classics that were played include: "Allentown," "My

Life," and "Only the Good Die Young."

His classics were not the only songs that Joel presented to the large audience. He played "River of Dreams" and "Good Night My Angel" from his latest CD. Also, he sang "We Didn't Start the Fire" and "I Go to Extremes." He finished the show by giving a wonderful rendition of "Piano Man."

If you are a fan of Joel's classics, this was the concert to see. Most of the songs he played were from his older recordings. He simply scratched the surface of his new material; he knows what he is famous for, and that's the older songs. Per-

sonally, I love his classic tunes. Not only were the songs a treat, but Joel gave the audience a taste of his humor. He thanked the audience for all the flowers that were thrown on stage in a female voice, and he shared a story that dated back to his high school days. There were two major drawbacks to the show. One was the only song he played off his CD *An Innocent Man* was "Innocent Man." The other was that he didn't warn the audience that it was the end of the show. These two drawbacks were very minor. Overall the show was awesome. I give the show four stars out of five possible.

## Return of the Mayfairs: A Book Review

by Amy Proctor  
Entertainment Reporter

Anne Rice fans rejoice!!! The goddess of horror has released the third book in the series of the Mayfair witches, and *The Taltos* may be the best so far. As you recall from *Lasher*, Rowan and Michael survived the battle with Lasher and Emaeth. *The Taltos* begins where *Lasher* ended--the Mayfairs have banded together to pull Rowan out of her stupor, and Mona Mayfair has become the heiress to the Mayfair legacy.

Those of you who haven't read the first two books are wondering what I'm talking about, and those of you who have read them are wondering what will happen! Well, I can't tell you what happens in the book, but I can tell you some interesting tidbits....

As you recall, the Talamasca was under suspicion in *Lasher*: doctors were killed, evidence disappeared, and Aaron Lightner was excommunicated, or was he? The subversion in the hallowed walls of the Motherhouse is revealed in *The Taltos*, and readers will be shocked to learn where the subversion started.

And what of Rowan and Michael? You recall that in the last book, Rowan left her new husband for dead and ran off

with Lasher, the spirit made flesh. Fans will enjoy finding out if the two star-crossed lovers can overcome their past history.

Just so you don't think that burying Lasher was the end of spiritual influence, I will tell you that Mona becomes pregnant, and her baby is growing at an astounding speed.

Unlike *Lasher*, *The Taltos* will only make sense to those people who have followed the series. Anne Rice has created a wonderful world of suspense, murder, and intrigue. I strongly encourage you to read all three of the novels about the Mayfair witches. You will find the stories fascinating, and because of Rice's attention to detail, you will also learn the history of New Orleans. Rice writes her prose like poetry, and her stories keep the reader entertained and begging for more! Join millions of fans, and read her work.

*Entertainment Editor's Note: I would like to give a big personal thank you to Mrs. Proctor. I meant to say thank you in person, but I have been very busy. Mrs. Proctor is by far one of the most dependable reporters on the Highlander Staff.*

*Book Reviews can be done on your free time, so if anyone is interested in doing that type of reporting, call Tim at the Highlander office.*

## Thursday Thrills: Gotta Beef?

by Jen Jahnke  
Staff Reporter  
PAC Correspondent

In case you are wondering what PAC is in charge of, here is a rundown of what we have done this semester. PAC is in charge of Thursday Thrills, the JFK lecture, the Heritage Square trip, Paintball Wars, and the Comedy Sports event. We have been very happy with the turnout at these events, but recently there have been some concerns about some local bands that people would like to hear and see.

I will be scheduling the spring semester of Thursday Thrills within the next month, and I would appreciate the help of the student body. I will be creating an evaluation/survey that I will hand out during lunch on November 4. I urge you to take the time to fill this out even if you haven't been to very many Thrills. If you are not going, then there must be a reason, and I want to know why.

There are a couple of things you should keep in mind when you fill this survey out:

1) Thoughtful suggestions and concerns will be given my full attention, statements such as "Thrills Sucks" will not.

2) We have a budget, therefore I cannot get bands such as Pearl Jam, U2, Stone Temple Pilots, and Garth Brooks here. You will need to talk to the people in charge of concerts for that.

If you would like to give me some suggestions before November 4, please bring it to the Campus Life Office, and leave it in my mailbox. Thanks.

# This week, everybody on campus will be talking about drinking.



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## SPORTS

## Regis Volleyball Triumphs Once Again

by Stuart Foster  
Sports Editor

The Regis University Rangers volleyball team began the second-half of their season with a crucial win over the Air Force Academy last Wednesday. The match was titled "the match of the year" by the athletic department, and indeed it was a match that proved to be thrilling. Both teams went into the match nationally ranked, Regis #3 and Air Force #11.

In the first game, Regis took care of business winning 15-10. In the second game, Regis became a little flat and lost 13-15. Head Coach Frank Lavrisha stated that the team should have been refreshed, but for some reason, they were out of it in the first couple of games. The Rangers hit a low when they lost the third game 3-15. At that moment in the game, many of the fans were beginning to wonder if the Rangers could pull through, as they were down two games to one.

At that point, Lavrisha told his team that it was time to take care of the ball and get rid of the careless errors. He also told them that they needed to go back onto the court, walk tall, and play like the team that they are.

Lavrisha's pep talk worked because the Rangers stormed back and won the fourth game 15-12. The fourth game

seemed to provide much of the anticipated action that was promoted for the game. The fifth game (Regis's 9th fifth game of the season) was a close game in which the defensive superiority of the Rangers began to show. Regis had a sensational finish, and won the game 15-13.

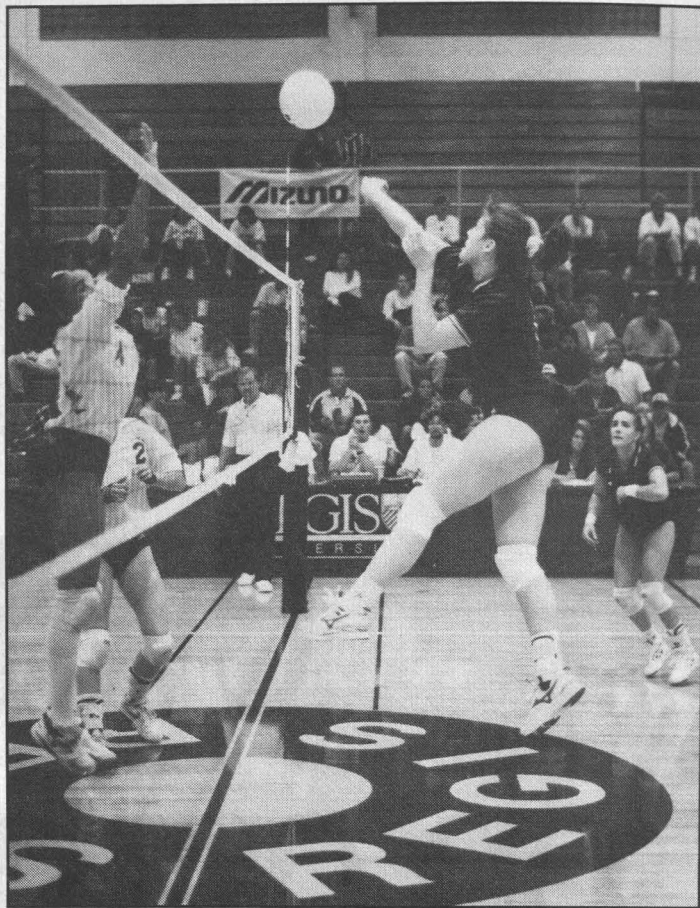
"The team would prefer not to have the five-game matches, but because we have been there so often, we are confident with closing-out matches," Lavrisha stated in a post-game interview. "For a flat match, the team still took care of business. Perhaps we were flat because of mid-terms coming up, or just because of the changing of the seasons." Lavrisha also thought that junior Amy Hill played defense well, along with the right-side attackers Julie Deagan and Steff Borgman. He was also very happy with the attendance, especially by faculty and staff.

Last Friday night, the Rangers traveled to the University of Denver, for another CAC match. The Rangers came out of the match with three solid wins over the Pioneers. In a post game interview with captain Renee St. Marie, she stated that in the first game the Rangers had a few errors that sort of made it into a game, but still won 15-8. In the second game, the team took control and put the Pioneers on the defensive because they were not getting their passes up to the

net for their setter. St. Marie also stated that the team served well in the second game. The score of the second game was 15-4.

In the third game, the Rangers took a quick 8-0 lead and then polished off the Pioneers with an almost errorless game. The play of the game was when St. Marie made an incredible save with a "pancake" dig off of the floor, and the Rangers went on to win the point. D.U. made a small comeback, scoring five points in a row. When the dust settled, Regis had won the third game easily 15-5.

"Tonight was taking care of busi-



Amy Hill blocks a fast ball from Airforce

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ness," said St. Marie. "We are ready for a second wind and ready to finish the season with a bang."

## GUEST FACULTY COACH DR. ALICE REICH FEELS THE EXCITEMENT OF REGIS VS. AIR FORCE

by Stuart Foster  
Sports Editor

Dr. Alice Reich's first response to the win over Air Force last Wednesday was,

"Oh, I loved it." Dr. Reich has been elected to be a guest coach of the women's volleyball team several times in her career here at Regis. She feels that it is great to be a guest coach because,

"We know them as students, but to see how great of athletes they are is amazing." She believes that it is truly lucky we have a women's team to represent Regis in such an exciting sport. On volleyball, Dr. Reich thinks that it is an incredible sport because it is fast and so up and down.

When the match began last Wednesday, Dr. Reich's first thought was that it was truly an honor to be with the team on the bench. "First the team was winning, then they were losing, and then they were winning again." She felt that because she was the guest coach she had a connection with the women in the quest to win the match. During the match, she also noted that several cadets were standing behind the team trying to show some type of intimidation factor. When she saw several Regis students sitting behind the cadets, the intimidation factor was reversed, and she felt great that the students had stood up for their team. Dr. Reich also felt great joy because the women had come from behind and won.

Dr. Reich commented on Head Coach Frank Lavrisha stating that he was a superior coach and individual. From Dr. Reich's point of view, Lavrisha knows what is important in life and in school.

During the middle of the game, stated Reich, Lavrisha's son came up to the bench and asked his daddy if he knew that dragonflies could fly 50 miles per hour. Instead of blowing up at his child, Lavrisha simply said that was great. Dr. Reich remarked, "Frank has his head on straight."

Overall, Dr. Reich felt like she had a great time as guest coach, and she cannot wait until she can do it again.

## WOMEN'S SOCCER:

### Loss to New Mexico "Frustrating"

by James Dougherty  
Sports Writer

At the end of the first half it looked pretty dismal for Regis. Up 1-0 at the beginning of the first half, New Mexico was successful in bringing two fast breaks up the field but was unsuccessful in scoring. Goalie Shakira Anderson stopped both of the fast breaks and blocked two other shots during the second half, keeping New Mexico scoreless.

However, Regis was having a hard time getting things started. Although RU was able to bring the ball through New Mexico territory on several fast breaks, they were rarely able to get off shots. Passes between players seemed to be of longer range and less control than usual, making Regis largely ineffective offensively.

Nevertheless, Regis persisted and in the last several minutes as Jenny O'Brien was able to run the ball up field twice to threaten New Mexico's lead. First, making a pass inside Jenny followed the ball and although her pass was incomplete, she was able to get off a shot. Fruitless in her first attempt, Jenny drove the ball up field one last time successfully completing a pass to Amy Giltner who nearly scored. Having been deflected from the goal post, the ball made it's way back to Jenny who again made the delivery. This time Amy 'headed' the ball into the goalie's hands. The crowd celebrated for a moment before realizing that Regis' attempt had been blocked.

Katie Crespo described the game as "frustrating" as indeed it was for the fans as well as the players. Due to losses by other teams, however, Regis is still in contention to qualify for the CAC provided that they win the rest of their five games.

## WHAT'S WRONG WITH REGIS SPORTS:

### Athletic Director or Head Coach, One or The Other- Not Both

by Stuart Foster  
Sports Editorial

*What's wrong with Regis sports? I'll tell you. Currently, we have an A.D./Head Coach in Tom Dedin. How can he do both jobs justice? I think that he is to busy worrying about baseball and what he can do for baseball than what he can do for the entire population of Regis student athletes. I'm not stating that Dedin is a bad guy or that he can't do one job or the other, I merely think that it would be nearly impossible in today's world to have him do both jobs at the same time.*

*Here on campus I have heard many a times that Dedin is not a good athletic director and that all he cares about is baseball. Well, no matter how well he does both of his jobs people will always think that he favors baseball just because he is the baseball coach. Many people already think that baseball, by far, has the best facility on campus. Well they do and now they are adding a second infield behind the softball field. How could one not look at that second field and say, "Gee, I wonder who came up with the idea to have a second infield, Dedin." I know from my experience at all campus leadership retreats, that many students wanted to put in a sand volleyball court. When they hear that the baseball team is getting a new infield, well congrats are in order for Dedin, he got something he needed for his baseball team. The guy cannot win in this situation.*

*Finally, there are no other A.D./Head Coaches left in the Colorado Athletic Conference. There are definitely no Division I schools left with a single person doing both jobs. There used to be other schools in our conference such as D.U. that had a assistant hockey coach also be the athletic director. The volleyball coach over at D.U. stated that it just did not work out. Now that D.U. has separate positions, they are caught up in computer age, linked to the rest of the campus and the A.D. does a job that everyone thinks is great. I know that Regis doesn't have the money maker that D.U. has in hockey, but it seems we could perhaps find the money somewhere to create two positions.*

*So in the end, I think that it is too hard for one person to be doing the job of two. Nothing against Dedin, but I think that he should choose one or the other.*

# SPORTS

## “Goal To Goal”

by Matt McDowell & Derek Scarth

How-dee-doo-dee sports fans, welcome to another edition of Goal to Goal. You may recognize some R.U. Soccer stallions around campus these days. We are finally back from our long road trip opening for the Rolling Stones. And boy can they swank. On behalf of the entire team, we would like to extend our sincere apology to all of our loving, caring, understanding, and by far the best professors this side of the Mississippi, for missing so many classes. Yes, the mighty Mississippi, the old Mississippi, the old man, deep river. (What you haven't seen *Vacation*?) To show our appreciation for all professors of R.U. soccer players, we cordially invite you for a cigar and lobster dinner at Athletic Director Tom Dedin's house this Sunday. No R.S.V.P. needed, he knows your coming.

About our trip to the Cactus State last week, Phoenix is nice this time of year. New Paragraph.

While speaking to ESPN's "Swamie", Chris Berman, over the weekend, we were asked to submit our ESPN Sports Center highlight. After hours of deliberation, we fantasized the following. Christie Brinkley, Kathy Ireland, Rachel Hunter, and a box of powdered donuts...Oh wait, wrong fantasy. OK, here's the right one. The score is 1-1 with just under 30 seconds to play (Regis vs. Brazil). Due to a shoulder separation,

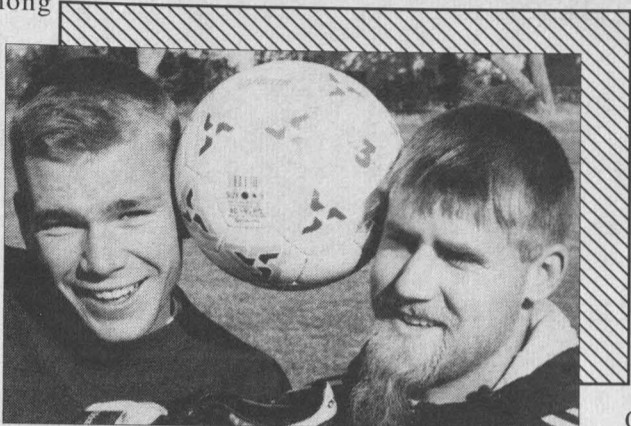
staring goalkeeper Derek Dilts was forced play in the field, leaving Sean "Meaty Train" Rich to make save after miraculous save. Dilts receives the ball deep in the defensive third. As the clouds roll in and the rain begins to pour, Dilts takes off down the sideline beating the Brazilian defenders with David Copperfield-like magic. He sees ESPN's Keith Olbermann on the sidelines yelling, "They're not gonna get him." After beating all 10 opposing-field players, he has his one-on-one, his mano a mano, a joust among

modern d a y knights, with the Brazilian g o a l - keeper, Claudio Pofanel. From 12 y a r d s out, Dilts flicks the ball up over his head and bicycles a shot into the upper v with Pele like charisma. The 75,000 sell out capacity crowd goes into wild ecstasy as the R.U. team wheels away Dilts in triumph, filming "I'm going to Disneyland" commercial after commercial. That's our Sports Center fantasy. GO BRONCOS!!

This week's EYE ON LONE RANGER profiles Billy "Goat" Childs. One of the most wonderful Cracker Jack surprises, tatoo and all, the team received this year has been the play of this sopho-

more vocal leader. Goat's contributions to this year's team include Rice Krispies treats before games, oranges at half time, and bedtime stories during road trips. His swank-like quickness in the infield is what keeps us from killing him as he insists on sleeping with the light on. Mike "Package" Parisi can vouch for that.

On behalf of the R.U. men's team, we would like to congratulate the R.U. women's soccer team for their success this year. Our sister sport is currently having the best season in their history, in part



because of their corner-kick arsenal, low-fat yogurt diet, and post-practice cinema outing. We all love *The Lion King*. Best of luck ladies, and GO B R O N - COS!!!!

Quote of the Week: Upon arriving at the Sky Harbor baggage claim in Phoenix, Tommy "Gun" Gilhooly was having a problem locating his bag, resulting in the following quote: "Swank! I can't find my bag. Is that mine? Is that mine? That one, is that mine? I said is that mine?..."

I'm Derek and I'm Matt  
And Thank You For Your Support

Note: Derek and Matt's fanclub is now accepting mail.

## HIGHLANDER Athlete of the Week

**NAME:** Carlos Prado  
**SPORT:** Men's Soccer  
**AGE:** 25  
**MAJOR:** International Business and Spanish  
**HOMETOWN:** Bogota, Columbia

**HOBBIES:** Listening to music, Party-ing

**FAVORITE CLASS:** Business Policies and Strategies

**FAVORITE PROF:** Roger Martin

**GREATEST STRENGTH:** Finishing

**GREATEST WEAKNESS:** Defense

**FAVORITE ASPECT OF SOCCER:** Scoring a goal

**FAVORITE TEAM TO PLAY AGAINST:** Ft. Lewis

**POST GRADUATE PLANS:** Work with a company either based in the U.S. or in South America as a consultant

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## Sports Extra:

# Intramurals, Intramurals, Intramurals...

by Emmett McCabe & Tim Louie

Here we are, winding down the first season of Volleyball Intramurals. The five week season has been full of impressive victories, upsets, and intense volleyball action. If you missed out on this season, be sure and be a part of the indoor season. Sign-ups are coming soon!

Here are the standings going into the playoffs:

- Flyin' Hawaiians-11/15
- Team Amy -10/15
- Green-n-Stinki-9/15
- The Killers -7/15

Tuesday 10/18 at 4:30 the Hawaiians will play Killers. Then at 5:30, Amy goes

up against Green-n-Stinki. 10/19 at 4:30 the title match begins. Stay tuned to next weeks issue for the naming of the four-man outdoor champs! Unfortunately teams Tracie, 5/15, and team Valene, 2/15, were eliminated. Thanks to both teams for their participation.

Softball!!! The Romero house came out victorious in four straight wins against team Jack Patterson. Taking two games at home and two games on the road. It was almost as if the other team was nonexistent. The M.V.P. votes are in, and this year's co-ed softball M.V.P. goes to Emmett McCabe. The Least valuable player goes to Dave Card, because he was the only one to strike out. Just Kidding Dave, we love you, and we really do mean it. Congratulations to the Romero house on such an impressive season.

## Football!!!!

There are some impressive teams out there this year. Here is just a run down. Team Stiff-N-Sore are undefeated. This team is led by the highest rated quarterback, Jim McCormick. McCormick has

thrown over 15 touchdowns this year. At least Denver has one good quarterback in the city. The Hilltop Hellraisers are also undefeated. There are really no big name stars on this team, but they are the most balanced team out there. Then there is Team Paolo in the race, led by the speedy Paolo, enough said. Without further delay here are the standings:

- Team Paolo: 3 Wins and 2 Losses
- Team Kevin Catron: 1 Win and 4 Losses
- Team Stiff-N-Sore: 4 Wins
- Team 4: 1 Win and 3 Losses
- Hilltop Hellraisers: 4 Wins
- The Grooviest Chicks: 2 Wins and 2 Losses
- Team Jacob Starkovich: 5 Losses
- Cherry Poppers: 2 Wins and 3 Losses
- Green Bud: 3 Wins and 1 Loss

Note: Standings are subject to change due to lack of specific information.

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driver. He was all over the road and the speed limit, well, sometimes I would just look down at my feet and pray. If you've been with Fr. Vince driving then you really knew that there was a God. After that I took over the driving. Oh, by the way, Fr. Vince and I got into a car accident last spring. I was driving. So much for his driving skill. God I loved him.

The many things that Fr. Vince did in his life are known by half of the English speaking world. Christmas time meant sending out 300 Christmas cards. Who do you know that sends out that many cards? Christmas of 1993 was a happy time at Romero House.

He was busy all the time. "When other people his age are thinking of retiring, Fr. Vince was starting up a new project called Romero House. This service, faith community life directed by Fr. Vince is what he lived for. What a great way to end your life here on earth working with young adults to serve others in need.

It's hard for all of us when a relative or a friend passes away, but this time it was our father.

Fr. Vince said a few weeks ago that Romero House was the greatest project he had done in his life time. I'm so lucky to start my life with a project like that.

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