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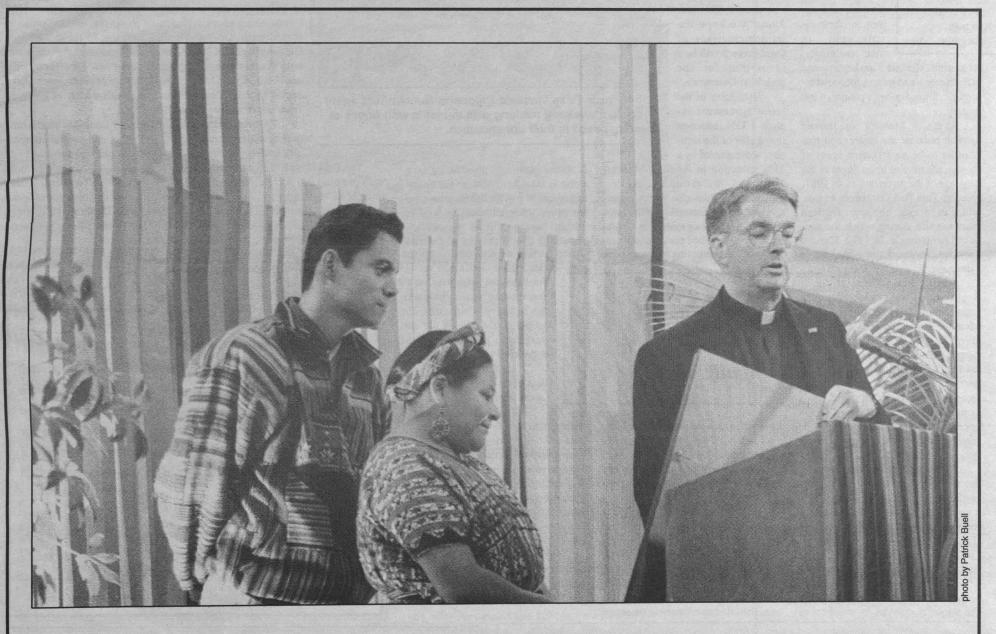
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## Nobel Laureate Visits

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## Rigoberta Menchú Tum Inspired by Tragic Life

Last weekend, Regis had the honor of hosting 1992 Nobel Peace Prize recipient Rigoberta Menchú Tum as part of the PeaceJam youth intervention conference. On Thursday, September 26, Menchú Tum addressed a group of over a hundred members of the Regis community, including faculty, students, staff, and alumni, in the Coors Life Directions Center.

Menchú Tum is a Kiche Mayan Indian from Guatemala. During her childhood, death squads tortured and killed her brother,

By Elizabeth Walsh Assistant Editor mother, and father for their involvement in their community.

As a result, Menchú Tum became one of the foremost advocates for social reform for the indigenous people of her country.

At age 20, Menchu Tum learned Spanish because she understood that in order to be an effective agent of change, she needed to be fluent in the language of the government. In 1981, Menchú Tum fled Guatemala to take refuge in Mexico. She spent fourteen years in exile, during which she continued her struggle. In 1992, Menchú Tum was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize.

During her address at Regis, which was translated from Spanish to English, Menchú Tum talked extensively about the recently signed Guatemalan peace accords. The accords, the first portion of which was signed recently in Mexico City, are designed to bring peace be-

tween the guerilla factions and the government of this war torn Central American country.

Menchú Tum outlined several of the most important issues that were confronted by the peace accords. The accords mandate the creation of a commission to investigate and document the actions of the military in Guatamala during the last 36 years. Menchú Tum stressed the importance of acknowledging the crimes that have been committed and bringing to end the impunity enjoyed by members of the military

Menchú Tum said that the accords, if implemented as designed, would also infuse the population with a respect for the "multicultural, multiethuic, multilingual" populace of Guatemala. This would, in turn, support the rights of the indigenous peoples there.

Said Menchú Tum, "we hope the implementations of these accords will be a revolution for the people of Guatemala."

Highlights of the latest agreement include a 33% reduction in the size of the military, accompanied by a

33% reduction in funding. Menchú Tum noted, "we wished for 50%."

Menchú Tum also spoke extensively about the corruption of the military and the judicial system in Guatemala. She described the difficulty encountered in attempting to secure some



Nobel Peace Prize Laureate Rigoberta Menchu Tum spent PeaceJam weekend working with students with hopes of creating peace in their communities.

it. As she explained, prosecuting such a case is almost suicidal, so her Foundation had to pay for life insurance for the prosecuting attorney, as well as secure passage out of the country should he live to the end of the trial. After finding an attorney to try the

case, the Foundation recognized that the judge who would hear the case was working with the military. Currently, the people of Guatemala are still working to get this case tried in the civil courts.

As Menchú Tum said, "justice is expensive. It is not for the poor."

Menchú Tum used such examples to convey to the Regis crowd that although outright warfare may have ended in Guatemala, peace is far from a reality.

She said, "we have too many clandestine cemeteries" in Guatemala, which are home to millions who were "disappeared, assassinated . . . millions of victims." Guatamalans should not forget, said Menchú Tum. It is important not to forget, but to have the broadness to build for the future. "We have to learn to live as a family again."

## Youth Unite at PeaceJam

By Mario Eason Special to the Highlander

On Saturday, September 28, 1996, youth from as far as California and as close as North Denver converged this weekend at Regis University for the third PeaceJam Youth Conference. The second of a series of four PeaceJam Youth Conference hosted by Regis University.

Students listened to Nobel Peace Laureate Rigoberta Menchú Tum share words of wisdom and inspiration while describing the plight and strife of the indigenous people of Guatemala. Following Menchú Tum's talk, youth engaged in dialogue about peaceful and nonviolent solutions to problems in their own communities. This dialogue was initiated by Regis students who had hours of training for the conference and acted as mentors.

Over the course of the weekend, youth, teachers, and community leaders participated in several service projects around metro Denver. Menchú Tum was found at the Peace Garden (located at 38th Avenue and Shoshone) shoveling soil with PeaceJammers. Patricia Barela Rivera, Director of Citizen Advocacy & Outreach for the Office of the Governor, presented Menchú Tum and PeaceJam with a letter of gratitude from Governor Roy Romer.

The weekend also featured speaker Eddie Montour, community activist from Pueblo, Colorado, and several community leaders who devoted their time to give workshops.

The PeaceJam Foundation is an dynamic international educational outreach program that apprentices youth with Nobel Peace Prize Recipients. There are eight Nobel Peace Prize Recipients committed to teaching youth about peace and nonviolence including, Nelson Mandela, Archbishop Desmond Tutu, Aung San Suu Kyi, Rigoberta Menchú Tum, Oscar Arias Sanchez, Betty Williams, Mariead Corrigan Maguire, and The Dalai Lama.

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The two-day intensive conference ended on Sunday with closing remarks from Rigoberta Menchú Tum and PeaceJam founders Ivan Suvanjieff and Dawn Engle.

## ~ To everyone who participated in PeaceJam ~

Thank you to everyone at Regis University for participating in the recent PeaceJam Youth Conference. Your strong efforts and dedication only make the PeaceJam Foundation stronger. And through the dialogues initiated at past and future PeaceJam Youth Conferences, we are sure, from them will spring the hope and foundation for a greater, more peaceful tomorrow. Understand that all of you, especially the PeaceJam Mentors, planted the seeds in the youth that will carry back to their communities ideas, hope and inspiration.

On behalf of the PeaceJam Foundation staff and the Board of Advisors; Nelson Mandela, Aung San Suu Kyi, Rigoberta Menchú Tum, Desmond Tutu, Mariead Corrigan Maguire, Betty Williams, Oscar Arias Sanchez and the Dalai Lama, thank you for the successful weekend for we all know that each role was and is integral to the continued success of PeaceJam.

### "We have to learn to live as a family again."

form of justice in matters involving misconduct of the military. Specifically, she talked about a October, 1995 Xaman Massacre allegedly committed by members of the Guatemalan military.

Menchú Tum Foundation helped move a case from a military tribunal (where military officers would "try" fellow military officers in a "court") to a civil court. First the Foundation had to change the Constitution to move the case, then find an attorney to prosecute

### What's your idea of world peace?

By Katie Baumann Highlander Staff



"World peace is for everyone to have momentary clarity on the individual level and universal happiness on the general level."

~ Tennille Lewis and Susie Osborn



"World peace is a nice ideal, but it will never be real, due to the fact that certain assumptions must be made about human nature." ~Patrick Kraus

## **ATTENTION SENIORS:**

Post graduation service opportunities

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El Polmar Foundation Internships

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Service Learning Partnerships - M.A. in International Service

So, what are you doing after graduation?

## First Town Hall Meeting Raises Diverse Concerns

By Elizabeth Walbrun Highlander Staff

Regis University hosted its first "Town Hall" meeting this past Monday, September 30. This event replaced the weekly senate/caucus meeting. Its purpose? To involve the entire student body in an open forum to discuss pertinent campus issues. Members of the Executive Cabinet were present to hear new goals and concerns in addition to providing an overview of continuing goals made at the all campus leadership retreat this past August.

The topics of discussion were drawn from a broad range of areas, to say the very least. The immediate goal of the executive cabinet seemed to be the construction of a new Regis chapel. Quick to follow was the need for all campus computer improvements. Security was also mentioned. The suggestion that an "ugly fence"

should be put around the campus to turn away unwanted visitors was quickly denied in the spirit of that "welcoming Jesuit tradition." However, plans to insert call boxes around campus were noted, as well as an improvement in the response time of our security guards. Pub renovation topped the list. Other goals of the all campus leadership retreat included ventilation in O'Connell Hall and an emphasis on academic issues.

When the students were given the opportunity to voice their concerns, the topics definitely broadened. The fact that the dorms have no access to the Internet was made very clear. Burntout light bulbs in the quad was a peeve of one student, while another questioned the need for the sprinklers to be on in the snow. Problems with advisors were noted by quite a few Regis students. Handicapped access was a dilemma for many, while others focussed on the immense need

for alcohol awareness on campus (the phrase "out-of-control freshmen" was coined here). A particularly vexed student voiced the concern that security appeals (i.e.parking tickets) should be available. She was supported by many. A call for more male singers in the Ramblers was heeded. This prompted the suggestion of a Regis Drama Club.

From there, the topic quickly changed to the fact that our quad is being overrun by squirrels. Other issues included the suggestion of a Mr. and Miss Regis pageant and the need for more formal dances. One student was upset by the fact that CU has an annual homecoming, complete with a king and queen, yet Regis was void of this privilege. He was quickly reminded that we do not have a football team.

At the first Town Hall meeting, a variety of views were illustrated, and no suggestion was put off as "unimportant."

Security Update

## How safe are we?

By Amy Everitt Special to the Highlander

Recently at the University of Northern Colorado, a disgruntled boyfriend took his ex-girl-friend and two other students hostage, and held them at bay throughout the day inside a UNC residence hall. Although this was an isolated and completely unpredictable event, what is to stop a gunman from entering one of the Regis residence halls?

According to Director of Security, Jack Isenhart, not much. Tragedies such as this could happen on any campus at any time, and no amount of security could have necessarily prevented it. This is not to say that the halls aren't a safe place to be, but, students need to be responsible for their own security.

So how can a student become more safety conscious? "Some things that students need to do," recommends Isenhart, "is to be more aware of their surroundings. If something looks suspicious, notify security. We'd rather be wrong than have to arrive at a tragedy."

Director of Residence Life, Diane Cooper agrees. "Regis is like an oasis in the middle of a city. Students need to remember that Denver is a major metropolitan city, and they need to take the same precautions as they would if they were living outside of Regis' campus."

Measures have been taken in the past few years to increase the security on campus. Each of the residence halls have 24 hour surveillance cameras at each entrance. There has also been an increase in staff. There are currently 10 full time security personnel and SASS (Student Security) is again up and supplied.

curity) is again up and running.

Although there have been technical advances, both Isenhart and Cooper have several recommendations for ways that students can protect themselves as well as the community. According to both Cooper and Isenhart, probably the most important thing is to not prop the doors. By propping the doors, the violator is endangering the entire community. It is also important to lock your doors, not loan out your keys, and if you loose a key, be sure to let someone know. It's your security at stake.

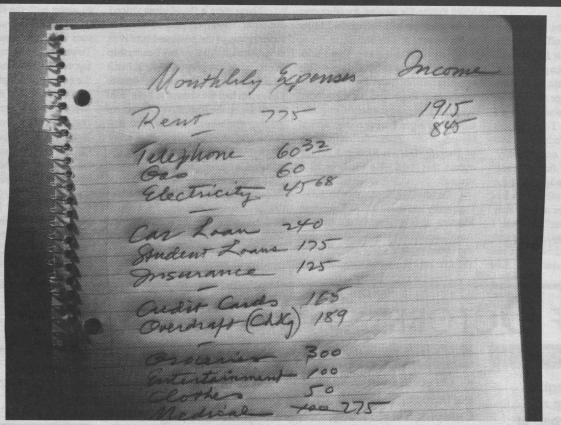
One other extra precaution you can take to prevent another UNC incident, is to let your R.A. or hall director know if there are potential situations with people you know. If you've just had a violent or hostile breakup and are afraid, let someone know, and extra security can be taken to keep you safe.

So, there are ways to protect you in the evenings, but the UNC gunman was in the halls at about 11:00 a.m. As most of you are aware, the halls are open until 8:00 at night during the week to provide the public access to the offices located in each of the residence halls. "If this is a big concern to students, I don't see why we can't have doors locked 24 hours a day," states Cooper. "I would be interested in hearing what students think about this idea. Are they willing to give up convenience for security?"

There are no major plans in the works for future security improvements, although there are some ideas being tossed around right now. Some of these include campus call boxes, so one never has to worry about finding a phone, parking lot surveillance cameras and card-key systems, so the entrances will be computerized.

If you are still concerned about your safety on campus, Cooper and Isenhart will be presenting a program called "UNC: Could it happen here?" on Monday, at 8:00 p.m. in the cafeteria.

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### CAMPUS UPDATES

## Less Than 4% Selected for Jesuit Honor Society

By Niloufar Salehi Guest Writer

Alpha Sigma Nu ( $_{A}\Sigma N$ ) is the honor society of the Jesuit colleges and universities in the United States. Thirteen seniors represent the Regis University chapter of  $_{A}\Sigma N$ .

Among the many activities that A\(\Sigma\)N plans for this year is to recognize \(\Sigma\)N alumni who live in Colorado presently. "I'm really excited. We'll accomplish a great deal since we have a diverse group of people involved this year," said Denise Hosier, vice president of the student body and current \(\Sigma\)N member. Laura Konda, \(\A\Sigma\)N treasurer says, "I'm honored to have been chosen to \(\Sigma\)N. I'm looking forward to the challenge of continuing the traditions at Regis."

Alpha Sigma Nu, which began as an honor society for men, was founded at Marquette University in 1915 by John A. Danihy, S.J. Gamma Pi Epsilon, an honor society for women, was created in 1925. In 1973, the two organizations merged.

At Regis, the members of EN represent the Jesuit ideals of loyalty, service, and scholarship.

Seniors and juniors are selected every year based on their academic excellence (G.P.A. of 3.5 or better) as well as their involvement in the community. No more than four percent of each class may be selected for the honor society.

The new members are selected through a strict process that includes an application and a brief essay. The essays are scored by different faculty from Regis. The scores are then totaled and the applicant's extracurricular activities are evaluated. A final list is submitted for approval to the Dean of the College and then the President of the University.

## Flu Vaccine Recommended for Students

Courtesy Health Services

Getting a flu shot is an easy way to stay healthy this winter. Here are three reasons why it pays to get a flu shot.

#1 The flu is serious business. Influenza (commonly called the flu) is not just a runny nose or upset stomach. It is a serious illness that can lead to pneumonia. Many Americans die each year from pneumonia and other health problems caused by the flu. Far more people miss several days

of work or school because of the flu.

#2 The flu shot is safe and helps you protect others. Flu shots are safe and effective. You can't get the flu from a flu shot. And when you get a flu shot you help yourself and those around you. By avoiding the flu, you avoid giving it to roomates, friends, and family members.

#3 The flu can make you "blue." Even if you don't develop serious problems, the flu can make you feel bad for days. It can cause fever, chills, headache, cough, and sore muscles.

Flu shots will be available on the following dates and times in the lobby of the Student Center. Monday, October 7, 11:30a.m.-1:30 p.m., Tuesday, October 8, 11:30a.m.-1:30 p.m., Thursday, October 10, 11:30a.m.-1:30 p.m., 3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m., Tuesday, October 15, 11:30a.m.-1:30 p.m., and Thursday, October 17, 11:30a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Make an appointment in the Student Health Services clinic. The cost for the flu shot is \$7.50 (cash or check) or \$8.00 (VISA/Mastercard). For more information, call 458-3558.

## from the OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

Dear Rangers,

Hello and welcome to another week of school. To start off this article, I would like to say a few Presidential Hello's to a few people. Kate, Suzanne, Tiffany, Annette, Lisa, Mary and Natalie, so one huge hello to all of you. Well, last week was not a good one for your President. You see I lost my football game on Wednesday, lost my club soccer game on Saturday, Notre Dame lost their first football game, and the stupid Dodgers lost the National League West title to the Padres. Who are the Padres and are they still in the Major League? Oh well, I will get over it some day.

Last week boasted two successful events here on campus. The first

was Thursday Thrills, which was What Would You do for a Hundred Bucks? Well as many of you know, there were a lot of crazy stunts that took place. This was another great event that PAC hosted. I would like to congratulate Mike Piazza for putting together one of the most fun and successful Thrills in the history of Thrills.

The other huge event that took place at Regis was PeaceJam. This was the second time that PeaceJam was here at Regis and for the second time it was a great success. Congratulations on a great weekend to spread the peace throughout the community of Denver. Do not miss out on the events this week. Be there or be a square.

On Monday, September 30, Regis University had the first ever Town Hall Meeting at 6:00 p.m. in the Science Amphitheater. This event was open to the entire student body as well as the faculty and the administrators. The

Town Hall Meeting is designed so that the voices of Regis can be heard. By voicing concerns in this setting, various clubs and all of the student government is able to help students make changes.

There were a lot of ideas voiced that night. The first person asked about the progress of the goals and concerns established at All Campus Leadership Weekend. If you give me a week, I will let everyone know that answer because I have not had the chance to hear from everyone on the Executive Cabinet regarding that issue. Next, several students said that a better time for the Town Hall Meeting would help the attendance because a lot of people had class and could not make it. Next, a student asked how the library renovation is coming along, and what could be done to improve the shuttle service from Regis to the Library Annex. Next week the represnetative from the library will attend the Student Senate

to answer all questions. The rest of the time was spent discussing ideas on what to do around campus. These included a request for country music at a Thrills, a Miss/Mister Regis contest, and starting a drama club at Regis to go along with the famous Ramblers.

These were just a few of the issues that were brought up at the first Town Hall Meeting. The next meeting will be announced later and all of the concerns brought up this time will be answered. For the first Town Hall Meeting ever, I feel that it was a success and I cannot wait to have another. If you have any questions about this meeting please contact me or Denise Hosier (vice president of the student body) and we will answer them for you.

This is your President saying goodbye and reminding you that the next student senate is October 7, at 4:30 p.m., and is open to everyone. Have a great weekend and be safe.

The Highlander's Weekly Calendar

## OCTOBER 3-9

#### THURSDAY, OCT. 3

- Mass in the Regis Chapel at 12:10p.m.
- Come enjoy
- "Curandero," featuring Miguel Espinoza and Ty Burhoe in the O'Sullivan Arts Center at 7p.m. It's free!
- Fall Mountain Getaway at Highlands Camp/Estes Park, Oct. 3-5. Sign up in Campus Ministry.
- Karate with Kojasho's School of Karate in the LDC from 7-8p.m.
- Ugly Americans will play at the Fox Theater tonight.
- Moonpools and Caterpillars will play at the Bluebird at 9p.m., \$7.
- Seyril Schochen will lecture "The Gift of the Spirit," 9p.m., \$15. Call 546-3568 for more info.

ALL ON-CAMPUS EVENTS IN BOLD. TO ADD TO THE WEEKLY CALENDAR, CALL MELINDA AT X5391

#### FRIDAY, OCT. 4

- Mass in the Regis Chapel at 12:10p.m.
   Women's Volleyball at Chadron State, 7p.m.
- Women's Soccer at the University of Southern Colorado, 2p.m.
- Men's Soccer at Southern Colorado, 4p.m.
- Swing Night at El Jabel Shrine from 7-9p.m.
- Beck will play at the Mammoth Events Center with special guests Dirty Three, all ages, \$12.50.
- Weekend Workshop, Oct. 4-6: Right Livelihood and Caretaker Mind (part of the Buddhist eight-fold path). Participant will consider the Bodhisattva ideal of the householder and the Native American ideal of "Caretaker Mind" as models for Western practitioners. Call 546-3568 for more info.

#### SATURDAY, OCT. 5

- Everyone is invited to participate in the All Campus Service Day. Sign up in Loyola 12.
- Cleo Parker Robinson
   Dance Ensemble Fall
   Concert at 7:30p.m. in the
   Denver Auditorium Theater.
- Ringling Brothers and Barnum and Bailey-The Greatest Show on Earth, through the 14 at the Denver Coliseum, \$10.50 and up, Call 744-0199 for info
- Maceo Parker will play at the Fox Theater Oct. 5 and 6 with Robert Bradley's Blackwater Surprise for anyone over 21.
- Brethren Fast will play at Hermans, call 777-5840 for info.
- West Side Story is still playing through Sunday at the Temple Hoyne Buell Theater, \$14-\$50, call 893-4100 for info.

#### SUNDAY, OCT. 6

- Mass in the Regis Chapel at 11a.m. and 7:30p.m. Blessing of Animals in honor of St. Francis of Assisi
- Women's Soccer at home against NM Highlands University, 12 p.m.
- Men's Soccer at home against Metro State, 2 p.m.
- SunDaze in the Pub begins at 8p.m. Come experience a relaxed atmosphere with a friend or a book.
- Nada Surf will be at the Bluebird tonight, all ages.
- 7 Performing Arts Festival from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. in the Denver Performing Arts Complex.

### MONDAY, OCT. 7

- Mass in the Regis Chapel at 12:10p.m.
- Karate with Kojoaho's School of Karate in the

#### LDC from 7-8p.m.

 The Hunger will play at the Bluebird Theater tonight for \$8, all ages.

#### TUESDAY, OCT. 8

- Mass in the Regis Chapel at 12:10p.m.
- Career and Internship Information Fair from
   10:30 a.m. -1:30 p.m. in the Cafeteria and Faculty Lounge. For more info. call X3508.

#### WEDNESDAY, OCT. 9

- Mass in the Regis Chapel at 12:10 p.m.
- Writing Workshop
- "Creating Thesis Statement," Writing Center, 3 p.m.
- Women's Soccer at CCU at 4 p.m.
- Men's Soccer at CU-Colorado Springs, 3p.m.
- Wednesday Evening Club 7:00 p.m. "Come meet the Regis Athletes" Free food!

#### **POP QUIZ**

- You could get a behind-the-scenes look at the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum or the TV show, NBA Inside Stuff by:
  - (A) growing eight more inches of hair or eight inches taller.
  - (B) posing as a custodial worker.
  - (C) dialing 1 800 CALL ATT for collect calls.
- You could get your hands on \$10,000 by:
  - (A) moving to Texas and sucking up to an oil tycoon.
  - (B) holding one heck of a bake sale.
  - (C) dialing 1 800 CALL ATT for collect calls.

Hey, this is one quiz you might actually ace. Complete a collect call with 1800 CALL ATT, and you could instantly be one of twenty winners of a week-long, behind-the-scenes look at the *Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum* or the TV show, *NBA Inside Stuff*. Plus \$10,000. Or one of thousands of other great prizes. And prizes are awarded every hour. So pull an all-nighter—on the phone with your mom.



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# LBRARY

pansion project is under way next 10 days. and on schedule, with an anticipated according to Dean of Libraries An-

The March date is contingent upon the construction process being free of major problems that might slow down work. Should any difficulties arise, the library staff is pre-\_ pared to meet them.

The prepared-STOCKER ness of library person-Highlander nel extends to servicerelated problems as

states, "We are learning as we go. When we see a need, we'll do our all collections. I best to respond to it." For example, am proud of that.' at the start of the fall semester, students noted the lack of on-campus to the library's study space. In response, the library collections of designated some quiet study areas as over 200,000 well as group study space.

Scrimgeour believes that in the electronic reface of inconvenience, the visibility sources, and of progress on the project is auspi- some 1,800 curcious. "The construction really got rent journals, a dramatic when the windows were series of other incut. Now, students are able to see the terim services are transformation as it happens."

Scrimgeour notes that so far, no Online access to real construction problems have the library's colarisen. However, he is excited about lections is still some positive developments. As available through preparation begins for the addition the Colorado Alof a fourth level and new roof, he dis- liance of Recovered that level will offer a pris- search Libraries tine view of the Rocky Mountains. (CARL) system,

Several other aesthetic features which can be include a gas fireplace on the west reached from onend of the main level and stained glass windows honoring St. Jude on such as the comthe front facade of the newly reno- puter lab and resivated building.

While the campus awaits the conclusion of the library expansion

pus publications, and at the Regis periods. University web home page located at <http://www.regis.edu>.

as the Regis University Library An-ability. nex. Associate Vice President for recent permission has been obtained personnel at the Annex, 403-8360. from the City of Arvada for the place-

http://www.regis.edu

The Dayton Memorial Library ment of four signs directing students to the (DML) renovation and ex facility. These should be in place within the

A library van now serves as a shuttle to completion date of March 15, 1997 the Annex. The shuttle stop is in parking lot #3, immediately south of the Student Center with a sign designating the location. Scrimgeour notes that the shuttle is still experimental. Transportation adjustments will be made as patterns of need change.

The Annex building, approximately 3 miles northwest of campus, was acquired by the Library Campaign to keep DML's collections available during the renovation process.

Scrimgeour said, "We tried to put together the best possible package. We know it is inconvenient, but it is an interim service that still allows

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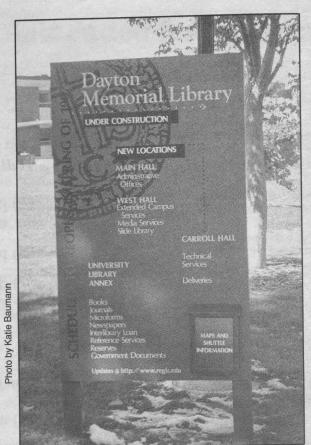
"We tried to put together the best possible package. We know it is inconvenient, but it is an interim service that still allows students access to all collections. I am proud of that."

> Andrew Scrimgeour Dean of Libraries

Books and journals not available through DML can be project, most library services remain borrowed from other libraries via Interlibrary available and accessible to the Regis Loans (ILL) through the Annex. It is advisable to submit the necessary ILL requests at In addition to the visible evileast 10 days in advance. Items put on redence, updates on construction serve are also available at the Annex, acprogress will appear in flyers, cam-quired at the Circulation Desk for 2-hour loan

During the renovation project, Media Services is also located in West Hall. DML's audio-visual collection includes VHS videos, The library's collections and 16-mm film, filmstrips, compact disks, vinyl public services have been relocated LP's and audio cassettes. Equipment may be to an industrial warehouse at 5891 borrowed from this office, but advance res-Nolan Street in Arvada, established ervation is strongly advised to ensure avail-

Additional questions and concerns about Public Affairs Paul Brocker reports interim services may be directed to library



3 informational signs such as this one have been placed direct community members to library services.

Unique Features of Renovated and EXPANDED DAYTON MEMORIAL LIBRARY

■ The accommodation of current and future computer and telecommunication technologies. Regis will be one of the first university libraries in the country to provide a modem port at every place that a student sits to work, whether carrel, table, or small group study room, to connect to RegisNet and the

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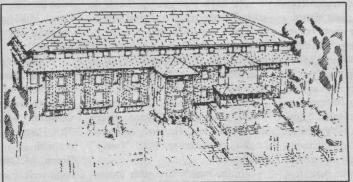


The Regis University Library Annex (above), is located at an industrial complex at 5891 Nolan St. in Arvada, approx. 3 miles from campus



Library in June before exterior construction began

The envisioned Dayton Memorial Library after renovation and expansion is complete in March, 1997.



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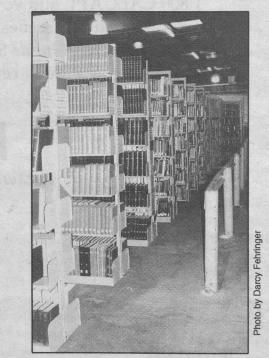
## Safety a Priority at Annex

In her September 19 letter to the editor, Regis student Cary Smith voiced concern over personal safety at the

library annex. She noted that "considering By Nandini the industrial/wooded area the library annex is nestled in, I feel that if you were to be attacked anywhere, this would be it." Further she asked, "Does the library have an escort available to walk people to their

car? Or shall we fend for ourselves if an attack happens?" Months prior to this letter, however, Dean of Libraries Andrew Scrimgeour and other library personnel had anticipated this need. On May 28, in coordination with Director of Campus Security Jack Isenhart, the library contracted the services of FirstWatch, a private security

Security officers were hired to staff the annex building and the surrounding parking lot during the last four hours of each day's service. The on-duty officer patrols the environs of the annex and is available on request through the circulation desk to escort patrons to their cars.



The Annex holds 100% of DML's some 200,000 print volumes, 1,800 journals, and electronic services.

## Overview of Dayton Memorial Library Renovation and Expansion Project

#### WHY IS IT NECESSARY?

The facility no longer met the study needs of students, the shelving requirement of the expanding collections, or the utilities essential for the increased role of information technolo-

■ The environment for study was lacking (including an inadequate number of study stations). Existing shelving was beyond functional capacity. Over 70,000 volumes were stored in an annex area and were not available for browsing. This number increases by 8,000 each year.

■ The building predates the massive impact of computer technology, and is otherwise incapable of housing adequate technological resources.

■ Special collections and archives were not housed in an attractive, climate controlled setting. Nor did the extensive William E. Becker, S.J. Slide Collection reside in a patron-convenient

■ The interior of the building was unattractive and a liability for student recruitment. The carpet was threadbare, and the furniture was worn. Both dated from 1966 when the original structure was erected. The lighting was either inadequate or harsh.

■ The heating and cooling systems functioned erratically and did not service the perimeter of the building during the winter and summer seasons.

■ Work space for staff was poorly designed, and there was insufficient office space for the present staff. ■ The lack of windows on the massive exterior walls rendered the building cold and uninviting from both the inside and the outside. The entrance was difficult to locate. Access for the handi-

■ The yellow-brown brick exterior was inconsistent with the red brick and stone facades of all the other campus buildings. A number of people, including the consulting architect, strongly advocated integrating the facade with the red hues of the other buildings.

#### Major Features of Project

The building will be completely renovated, a fourth floor added, and the lower level integrated into the security envelope of the library. The enlarged facility will provide central space for the collections and for their growth over the next 20 years.

The renovated building will provide central space for collections and all library operations, including media services. Collections currently in an annex area will be integrated into the browsable stacks. The biology and chemistry libraries will

■ Current and future computer and telecommunication technologies will be accommodated. All study stations will be wired for computer and media usage.

■ The shelving capacity will be enlarged from 131,000 volumes to 350,000 volumes.

ly stations will be provided to facilitate group collaboration and discussion.

■ A state of the art library instruction classroom will accommodate all bibliographic formats, from traditional print materials to computer-based resources (both in-house and remotely located).

#### MECHANICAL SYSTEMS AND SPACE ECONOMIZING STRATEGIES

Heating, cooling, and lighting systems will be corrected and upgraded. The elevator will be refurbished.

Square footage of the building will increase from 36,440 sq. ft. to 52,650 sq. ft.--a 44% increase.

■ The central staircase will be eliminated and the lateral stairwells will be opened to the public. The mezzanine will be filled in.

Overall, the library will become a more stately complement to Main Hall and a welcoming presence on the Boettcher

■ A pitched roof will cap the building. Large windows will be cut into the exterior walls. A clock will be constructed over a

■ The building will be updated to be handicapped-accessible. ■ The yellow-brown brick will be converted to red brick through an innovative staining process.

Keep up to date on the DML building project at the Regis home page

## Golf Team Swings For the Top

By Pat Smith Highlander Staff

The Regis golf team is already near the top of the Rocky Mountain Intercollegiate Golf Association (RMIGA) after a strong showing early in the season.

The Rangers opened the season on September 8, at Hillcrest Golf Course, in Durango, Colorado. Regis posted a score of 304, and earned a third place finish, five shots behind University of Southern Colorado. Leading Regis was senior Robert Quaratino, who fired an even par 71, tying for first place individual honors. Junior Jason Hartman followed on Quaratino's heels with a solid 72, giving him sole possession of third place.

Quaratino said of the tournament, "This is the best score for our team in the four years I have been here. It is encouraging to see the team get off to such a good start, knowing the season has just started and our team score can improve."

The tournaments consist of teams belonging to the RMIGA. The 12 schools represented include the majority of the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference (RMAC), including University of Southern Colorado, Adams

State College, Fort Lewis College, University of Colorado at Colorado Springs, Colorado Christian College, Colorado School of Mines, Fort Hays State University, and University of Nebraska at Kearney. Rounding out the league are Northern Colorado, Air Force Academy (junior varsity), and the University of Denver.

In each tournament the team takes five players who all post a score. However, the team total is taken by adding the top four out of the five scores. In the six tournaments in which Regis has competed this season, the team has consisted of seniors Robert "Tour" Quaratino and Pat "Jesper" Smith, juniors Will "Tarzan" Breen and Jason "Ace" Hartman, and newcomer sophomore P.J. "Pasty" McDaniel.

In the team's five other tournaments this season, it has consistently remained around the top, including a third place finish, two fourths, and a fifth. The highlight of the season came on September 16, in Alamosa at Cattails Golf Course, where the team posted a score of 300, finishing in first place by seven shots. Once again the team was led by the duo of Quaratino and Hartman who finished first and

second individually with scores of 72 and 73, respectively. Hartman had the highlight of the year, with a hole-inone on the par three 13th hole. With Breen's 77, Smith's 78, and McDaniel's 79, the team is performing well..

"It is really exciting to see the guys do so well, now this team knows what they are capable of doing," said Coach Mike Kramer. "Hopefully, this outcome will continue as the season rolls on."

On average, the team stands just five shots behind the league leading University of Southern Colorado. Leading the league individually is Quaratino with a stellar average of 72.8. Hartman is also among the leaders with an average of 75.8. While Breen, McDaniel, and Smith have done well, they are still looking, as Happy Gilmore says, for their ball to find its "home" in fewer attempts.

If the team can improve in the next two crucial tournaments, the NCAA Regional qualifier at the Air Force Academy this weekend and the RMAC championships the following week in Pueblo, the team has a chance to gain a berth to regionals and hang a banner in the Fieldhouse.

## Women's Soccer Defeats Metro 4-0

By Reagan Shaklee
Assistant Sports Editor

Midway through the season, the Lady Rangers are posting a 3-1 record in the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference and a 6-3 overall record. This halfway point marks a nine-day break for the women. According to Coach J. B. Belzer, "The break should help us gear up for the rest of the season, and give us time to re-emphasize our team goals."

The team continues to improve each game and is taking steps toward winning the RMAC championship and earning a berth in the Regional Tournament. This was evidenced Wednesday, September 25, in their game with conference rival Metro State College. With the loss, Metro's RMAC record fell to 2-1 while their overall record dropped to 4-5.

Regis dominated the game from start to finish, shutting out the Roadrunners 4-0. Belzer said, "Senior leadership will be critical in achieving season goals." Senior leadership is what propelled the team Wednesday. The first goal of the game was scored as a Regis shot on goal was deflected by a Metro defender and went into the net. Senior Tatum Mahoney scored the second goal of the game off a well-placed corner kick from senior Keri Harada. Mahoney followed minutes later with a line shot up the middle assisted by senior Lisa Schneckloth. Towards the end of the second half, senior, Jenny O'Brien dished the ball to Shakira Anderson, who punched the ball in from eight yards out.

The seniors' leadership is carrying over to the rest of the team and giving them a sense of urgency to win, and help send the seniors away with the experience of winning the RMAC Championship, and perhaps a Regional Championship.

The team will play the University of Southern Colorado, Friday, October 4 at 2:00 p.m. in Pueblo. Sunday, October 6, at noon, the team will face New Mexico Highlands at Regis.

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## Volleyball Fairs Well on Road Trip

## Team Now Boasts Perfect 7-0 RMAC Record

By Jeff Duggan Highlander Staff

The women's volleyball team has done it again. This time, it was a three-win road trip that upped the team's overall record to 9-7, and 7-0 in Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference (RMAC) action.

The road trip, which started on Thursday and concluded on Saturday night, saw the women defeat New Mexico Highlands, University of Southern Colorado, and University of Colorado at Colorado Springs. With all three of the wins counting in the conference standings, the Rangers have now won 19 consecutive conference outings (between the Colorado Athletic Conference, and the RMAC) dating back to November 11 of 1994.

The trip started on Thursday, September 26, when Regis went to Las Vegas, New Mexico, and swept the Cowgirls in three games. Senior Katja Pauli had a strong match, with 16 kills and adding three block solos. The sophomore tandem of Shannon Nelson (nine kills and 12 digs) and Melinda Almazan (39 assists, 11 digs) put on a show as well, as the Rangers moved to the .500 mark overall and 5-0 in the conference.

Friday night action had the Rangers facing off against the Southern Colorado Thunderwolves in USC's Massari Arena. The match lasted five games, but the outcome was again in favor of Regis. The win brought Regis to 8-7 on the year.

Nelson had an unbelievable 22 kills and .383 hitting percentage to

lead the way. Junior Sarah Sharpe, who had 20 kills of her own, led the team in digs with 14 that night.

Assistant Volleyball Coach Rob Wortmann said that this win left the Rangers with a huge feeling of optimism.

"For our team to win this match in five was a real morale booster. We swung great and put the ball away when we had to." Wortmann said. "The win versus Highlands was good, and Katja had an outstanding night as both a blocker and an attacker."

Wortmann went on to credit both Sharpe and Nelson with extraordinary matches against USC.

The final match of the trip had Regis paired up against CU-Colorado Springs. The Rangers showed up ready to play and found only "fools gold" as they obliterated their conference foe 15-4, 15-3, and 15-9.

Each member of the triumphant Ranger squad contributed in the match, however this evening, it was freshman Nikki Van Reusen whose numbers stood out. Van Reusen, who led the team in digs with eight, ripped down 11 kills and added a service ace. The win gave Regis seven wins in its past eight matches, and improved its overall record to 9-7, 4-0 in the RMAC.

"I think we're right where we want and need to be at this point," said Wortmann. "There is a good amount of cohesiveness among this team. The recent growth of this team is great to see, and we're in a good spot right now."

## Men's Soccer Team Hits Halfway Point With Renewed Optimism

By Mike Creager Sports Editor

At the halfway point of the season the Regis men's soccer team finds themselves at the top of the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference (RMAC) standings. Strong defense coupled with a quick blistering offense has added up to a winning formula for the team.

During the first half of their conference schedule the Rangers have been undefeated. This has been a confidence builder for the rest of the season. As they approach the second half of the season they have the chance to achieve their goals of winning the conference title and receiving a bid to the Far West Region 10 Tournament. The young Rangers are working hard and are beginning to see results. According to coach Amy Machin-Ward' "Our team

is young and getting better everyday."

Last week they played two conference games where they defeated Colorado Christian College and tied University of Colorado at Colorado Springs. In the Colorado Christian game the Rangers showed CCU why they are ranked 8th in the Far West Region by defeating them 4-1 in a game which was never close. Building on the momentum they came back to play their first home game in two weeks on Sunday. The game was a tie with the University of Colorado Colorado Springs. The tie neither hurt nor helped the team.

The team still has ten games remaining which includes every conference team once more. The prospect for the remainder of the season looks bright. Currently the team stands (5-3-1 overall, 4-1-1 in the RMAC). The

schedule doesn't get any easier for the team as they travel down south to play the University of Southern Colorado on Friday, October 4. They return home to play the Metro State Roadrunners on Sunday. The game Sunday will be the second half of a double header which will follow the women's game.

The Sunday game will mark the 4th anniversary celebration of the team's tradition of hosting player parents at a game. Player parents will be arriving from "Denver to Denmark" to celebrate with the team and cheer them on to victory. As the team hits the home stretch of the season their effort will dictate future successes or failures. Machin-Ward says, "When you have a young team the key is to constantly improve, and if we keep improving then we can achieve our goals.

## SportsWorld UPDATE

By Jack Patterson Highlander Staff

The Avalanche will kick off their 1996-1997 campaign with a game at St. Louis. Keep in mind the Blues are without star Wayne Gretzky who was acquired by the New York Rangers in the offseason. The Blues lack offensive ability outside of Brett Hull, and should be beaten. Overall, the Avs ap-

pear to be as good, if not better than last year. Mark Denis the phenom goaltender has been sent to Chicoutimi of the Quebec Major Hockey League. This will most likely be the last year for Denis in his seasoning process. The back up will be Craig

Billington from the Florida Panthers. This 30 year-old veteran will play sparingly with Patrick Roy getting the majority of the starts.

The Cowboys finally showed the toughness that led them to the Super Bowl last year. The team will be helped by the return of Michael Irvin, as well as the bye week which will give the offense some time to fine tune their attack. With the stifling Dallas defense, the next five games should tell a lot about the future of the Cowboys and coach Barry Switzer.

There are three teams that appear in the elite of College Football.

Florida, Florida State, and Ohio State all appear to have legitimate chances of going undefeated. Arguably, Penn State, Arizona State, and Nebraska are on the next tier.

Look for Florida State to have trouble with Clemson this week. They may look past a solid Clemson team who has yet to play a good game this year. Their showdown with Miami is

up with almost every person in the line-up having over 20 HR's. The Denver area is lucky to have such splendid coverage of the games on ESPN and ESPN 2, NBC, and FOX. Last years playoff coverage was awful, and only featured the National League.

The Rockies deserve a pat on the back this week for their classy display in their finale on Sunday. The team

gave back to their adoring fans with a celebration that mirrored last years wildcard celebration. The team and the fans have a great relationship that will keep owner Jerry McMorris spending additional money to get some pitching help.

Finally for the idiot of the week, in a runaway

Roberto Alomar. No explanation needed. If this guy thinks \$50,000 can erase what he did and what he said, he is dead wrong. Just when you thought baseball was getting back to where it was, punks like this destroy the credibility of the players and the umpires. I'm glad Hockey season is

"The Cowboys finally showed the toughness that led them to the Super Bowl last year."

in two weeks. Miami has this weekend off. Local star Ryan Clement is the leader of the 4-0 Canes' who may just knock off Florida State whose offense has struggled this season.

Another game to watch this weekend is the Big 12 battle between Kansas State and Nebraska. The Wildcats are at home and with their defense are always primed for the upset. These two teams appear to be the only Big 12 teams who are going to contend for a National Championship.

The playoffs have begun in baseball, with the Indians looking hardly invincible. The Orioles boast a line-

### Regis Hosts Colorado Xplosion

Courtesy Regis Athletics

The Colorado Xplosion, Denver's new women's American Basketball League team, will play Athletes in Action at the Fieldhouse on October 12 at 7:00 p.m. This will be the first game for the Xplosion, featuring Edna Campbell, a former University of Texas All-American, and Shelley Sheetz, a former University of Colorado great.

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## **Editors Comment on Jackson v. North Battle**

#### North Is the Clear-Cut Winner

By Michael Creager

This past Friday evening I was privileged to see a debate between Jesse Jackson and Oliver North. For those of you who don't know, Jesse Jackson is the founder of the National Rainbow Coalition, and a former Democratic presidential candidate. Oliver North is a retired Marine Lt. Colonel who gained prominence during the Iran-Contra scandal that rocked the Reagan presidency. North is now a businessman and a radio talk show host. The focus of their debates centered on leadership issues for the 21st century, and the best plan to get us

From the outset, I was clearly more of a North fan than a Jackson fan, however I thought I would keep an open mind and listen to what both sides had to say. There is no doubt in my mind that from the two plans to renewing the American spirit presented, North's is the best.

North's remarks revolved around having a less intrusive government, which I agree with. The government in this country has grown way too big and the only way we can continue to function as a democracy is to shrink the size of government. This was the basis of North's statements. North also talked about taking power away from the federal government and giving it to the states so that they can decide for themselves how best to use it. Bureaucrats in Washington D.C. have no clue what the needs of people in Denver are, and therefore they should not decide how to spend Denver's money.

North also made numerous references to the U.S. Constitution

and gave credit to the founding fathers for the system of government they created. He complimented former president John Quincy Adams for his commitment to people since after serving four years as President, he was elected to the House of Representatives. He praised Adams for leading the fight to abolish slavery by always bringing the issue to the floor of the House even though he knew he faced stiff opposition. North said that Adams's

actions led to the eventual abolition of slavery. His remarks resembled a conservative theme which carried throughout the speech, and most of which I agreed with.

North began the debate by asking the audience how many thought the Constitution guaranteed them rights. To the surprise of me and the people I was with, he said the Constitution doesn't give us any rights, instead it merely protects us from being arrested for carrying out certain acts. North's remarks really hit home with me especially in regards to taxes, quotas, building a strong military, government, and the most important of all, bringing back moral values into our society.

He was also compassionate in his remarks about preserving the sanctity of life. He talked a bit about how inhumane partial birth abortions are, and said he hoped nobody would ever have to go through that. North also attacked the present leadership in the White House and said that we need to elect leaders who live by the same moral code as the rest of

North also said how he thought too much government was the enemy. Jackson responded by saying government is why blacks now have equal rights, and why women have the right to vote, and why people can legally immigrate into this country and be accepted.

The most important area where I agreed with North was when he talked about quotas. He mentioned how sometimes laws which were made to bring about equality of opportunity have deprived certain people their rights to jobs or education because of quotas. He told the audience that if people are being denied jobs and education because a certain amount of minorities must be hired, then that is defeating the purpose of having the quotas in the first place. No one could accuse of him of being a racist because he said he supports affirmative action in principle but thinks it needs to change with the times. He feels like it has helped minorities gain equal status in society however, he feels as though it discriminates.

### **Jackson's Views More Relevant**

By Darcy Fehringer

Before attending the Jackson vs. North debate on Friday, I knew very little about each man: Jackson was the leader of the Rainbow Coalition who had previously failed to gain nomination for the presidency; North was the man behind the Iran-Contra Affairs. However, after standing 6 feet from Jackson to shoot photos, Jackson's composure and stature quickly won my applause.

This affection grew more as Jackson spoke, and my applause became louder. He spoke strongly about the need for affirmative action to create a "tent for all humanity," under which everyone has equal opportunities and equal protection. He spoke strongly

about qualification, and stressed that we need

to offer everyone the opportunity to become qualified and utilize their skills. He drove the point home by sarcastically saying "Women must not have been qualified to vote before 1920," and "Blacks must not have been qualified to play baseball before 1947." He received loud cheers from the crowd for forceful statements about truths such as these: North received boos at some points. Jackson spoke about people who work hard every day--grooming lawns, cleaning floors, bagging groceries, building houses--yet they can't get the basic medical and health care they need. "They work every day," he repeated over and over, yet they aren't able to access

the things which wealthier Americans never think twice about. These people deserve the same opportunities as everyone, and they deserve to be able to gain benefits for their hard

Not only was Jackson's message better than North's, but he said it better. North fumbled and stuttered; Jackson was eloquent and collected. North said things that he probably didn't mean; i.e., when Jackson asked if

> he believed women and blacks should have certain rights, North said "No" several times; although he probably meant to say, "No, I don't think they shouldn't . . . that's not what it sounded like. North simply wasn't as quick on his feet. Jackson dominated the debate, getting both more actual speaking time and more substance into his speeches. Jackson had a positive outlook

and a very strong conviction about what should be. North wasn't even coherent at times.

Jackson got the first and the last word in the debate--I think that speaks for itself.

Good job of the week: The PeaceJam Foundation for their extensive efforts toward one of the best goals in the world: PEACE.



Jesse Jackson at the Auraria

## campus Friday, September 27.

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Guest Perspective: PeaceJam

### We Need to Go Beyond PeaceJam

Nicole Haas

With a message about the value of social obligation from the beautiful Guatemalan woman, Rigoberta Menchu Tum, reverberating in my mind: "I have never wanted to be a parasite on humanity--to live off of other people," I felt strange sitting in class Monday morning. My mind was a conglomeration of ideas and issues, and I reflected on the faces and the events of PeaceJam. I had been engulfed for three days in a dreamland, and a rude awakening came to me as I sat in class. Rather than feeling inspired and motivated by the weekend, I felt

a profound sense of futility. I realized that I am petrified by disconnection. There was far more ethnic diversity in the group of the students who attended the events of this weekend than typically seen on Regis' campus.

Puzzled by my feelings and unwilling to let my thoughts turn to something else, I questioned a few other Regis students regarding their experiences with PeaceJam, and their reactions were overwhelmingly positive. The actual concept of PeaceJam is wonderful: an international educational outreach program that unites high school students with recipients of the Nobel Peace Prize,

with interaction in the arena of social justice. The high school students not only learn about the situation of the particular laureate's country and peace efforts, but also conceptualize and implement their own programs for peace in their communities.

My distress centers around questions that I have as a college women at this primarily ethnically undiverse institution of learning. I realized that disconnection thrives right here on our campus. How many of us knew that world leader was on our campus all weekend long, or that she spoke to our community last Thursday? I applaud those who are aware of their surroundings. I applaud those who take the time to

put down their books, their beer, or their other distractions in order to become aware of things going on at Regis. I applaud those who educate themselves and others about pertinent social issues, and those who struggle to do something with their insights.

I dare you to find your pas and have the strength to pursue it. In the priceless words of Rigoberta Menchu Tum, "One person alone does not make social change." Beware of anyone who argues that there is not a drastic need for open discussion of issues such as those being addressed at PeaceJam. If you are not even aware, and if you do not take advantage of the opportunities around you, disconnection and inaction will be paralyzing.

Political Commentary

## Perot Should Speak

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By Kimber Tillemann-Dick Highlander Staff

Once every four years, we the people of the United States have the opportunity to observe a political spectacle that is as yet unmatched: the presidential debates. From the famed matches between Lincoln and Douglas, to my personal favorite, last election's vice-presidential squabble, we can learn much about the state of American society from observing the men (and women) who would be our leaders and the issues that they choose to discuss.

This year however, much of the attention that these honored rituals

are receiving hasn't been focused on the platforms that candidates plan to promote, or even how they look on television. The debates themselves have been surrounded by intense controversy.

With the emergence of Ross Perot's Reform party--a more centrist and substantial third party than has recently existed--those who organize the events were faced with the question of whether to include Mr. Perot in the debates. In 1992, Perot received the highest percentage of the vote for a third party candidate in history, save Theodore Roosevelt and the Bull Moose party in 1912. The National Debate Commission (NDC) has already ruled that this year the debates will be two person, two party affairs. Perot is suing for the right to join in, and the resulting rumpus has thrust the issue onto center stage in

Washington and elsewhere. Both sides have practical and political reasons to argue for Perot's inclusion or exclusion. Bob Dole and President Clinton are both trying to use the issue to their advantage--this is politics. Clinton and Dole know that Perot's votes will most likely come from Republicans who would otherwise vote for Dole. Consequently, Dole is adamantly opposed to Perot's participation while Clinton is quietly supporting the third candidate.

Dole and his supporters maintain that Perot has no chance of winning, thus he would be taking air time away from the legitimate

candidates. It's a nice thought, but it has at least one major flaw: the latest public opinion polls show Clinton leading by 15 points and climbing. If that trend continues, by the second debate, Dole could be so hopelessly behind that, according to his line of reasoning, the debates would only include Bill Clinton.

Money has a major influence on the controversy. There are people out there—about 6 percent of the voting, tax paying population—who agree with Perot's platform. From them, Perot's campaign has collected over thirty million dollars in contributions. That's a lot of money. Those

> people have a right to see their candidate nationally televised on something other than infomercials.

The big whammy, what makes this such a complex issue, is the fact that there are other third parties. The Green

party, the Libertarians, and who knows who else might insist on equal access too, should Perot win his law suit. That's fine (I like the Green Party), but debates like this aren't designed for more than two people. I recently watched a senate debate that included an ultraconservative Republican, a centrist Democrat and a vociferous Libertarian. The latter brought up some good points, but for the most part he just made noise. He kept harping on nonissues, almost talking to himself while the other two attempted to talk over him. He also made it difficult to focus on the differences between the other candidates, since he was trying to paint them both black. But in all honesty, nobody cared. If there had been more than three candidates, the format would have changed from annoying to chaotic.

Finally, the NDC is ignoring Amrican public opinion. Polls show that roughly 65 percent of Americans believe that Perot should be able to duke it out with Clinton and Dole. In my own, totally unscientific questioning of Regis students and faculty, I found that we basically agree with the rest of America (amazing, isn't it?). If the people want to listen to Perot, why should the government deny us that privilege?

## Career **Opportunity**

By Meggin C. Caylor Highlander Staff

On Tuesday, October 8, Career Services and Experiential Education are sponsoring a Career and Internship Information Fair. This is a great place to find out about companies, careers, and internships. Representatives from 48 different companies will be present as a resource tool for students. These representatives offer information which can be helpful to students of all ages at Regis.

Freshmen who attend will be able to develop an idea of the direction they should move in their classes depending on their interests. Sophomores and juniors can get an idea of the internship opportunities available in their fields of study. Seniors can become aware of the wide array of employment options and formulate an idea of what employers are looking for in a prospective employee. In particular, it may be helpful to collect business cards and ask about entry level positions at various companies. A benefit available to all students who attend is the process of networking which can open many doors when it comes time to find a job.

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Linda Helwig, Director of Career Services, says that there is no formal prepartion necessary to come to the Career and Internship Fair. It may be helpful for students to bring a resume in order to receive feedback, but this is not required or expected. The most important function of the fair is the ability for students to gather information. Above all, Helwig stressed that the fair is not an intimidating session.

The representatives know they are there to answer questions.

Some of the employers who will be at the Career and Internship Information Fair are: Aerotek, Aspen Mtn. Air, Colorado and Denver Bar Association, FBI, Federal Reserve Bank, Lutheran Medical Center, State Farm Insurance, Westword, and many more. Again, the fair will be held Tuesday, October 8, from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the cafeteria and faculty lounge.

## **Coming Out Week an Opportunity**

Victoria Vallesenor Guest Writer

October 11, 1996, is National Coming Out Day. This is a day that provides an opportunity for members of the gay, lesbian, and bisexual community to speak publicly about who they are and where they are at in their lives, and to work to disspell

sterotypes. It is also a time for people that have been "closeted" to come out to their families, friends, and even to themselves. Coming Out Day is a time to learn about and from each other. This is a good time to get advice on how to handle situations

that you may be in, such as being homosexual, having a homosexual roommate or family member.

The Multicultural Affairs Committee has organized the week of October 7 through 11 is Coming Out Week at Regis University. The following is a list of some of the events that will happen on campus during Coming Out Week.

Monday: Signing of "Hate Free Zone" contracts TUESDAY: Panel Discussion WEDNESDAY: Book display from local Gay and Lesbian

FRIDAY: Brown bag speaker on legislative issues

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for thier kind contribution to the plant sale. They are located at 5150 Garrison Street in Arvada 424-8573

ENTERTAINMENT

## nk Leotarded Man

By Jessica Baumann Highlander Staff

Would you dance in front of 150 people in a pink leotards for \$100? How about attempt to pee your pants? Some Regis students would, and did, at Thursday Thrills on September 27. The theme was "What would you do for \$100?," the pub was packed.

The bizzare acts ranged from eating cereal from one's chest cavity to drinking a milk shake made in a human blender.

Freshman John Muir, who let loose and stripped down to a leotard and tights while dancing. He and the second place winner were awarded \$100 for their crazy efforts.

## Thrills Awards \$100 to The Vengers Rage at Regis

Rajit Kabadi Staff Reporter

Although I am not a personal fan of ska-punk music, I must give the Vengers, who performed on October 1 in the cafeteria, an excellent recommendation. This type of music is so different than what is found on the socalled alternative radio stations. To dance to this music, you don't have to be attached at the hips with a member

of the opposite sex (anyone who has been to a club recently knows what I

Here is the deal--the opening act, the Cellmates, was great. The last act was great and everything that went in between was great. I was impressed with the guy who could skateboard and hand out flyers at the same time.

So here is the critique: The Vengers have found a great song--and the rest of their songs are variations of that same song. I do not want to diminish the musical talent of this group, because I felt their variations contained a greater talent than most of the bands we hear on our local radio stations. While many people feel that ska-punk is too weird, I am trying to tell you that this band will make it worth your while to judge it on it's own merits. It's not weird, I promise. The Vengers offer something different that you won't find on the radio.

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