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## ND students prepare for hurricane



Louisiana National Guard members walk on Canal Street near **Bourbon Street on Sunday in New Orleans.** 

Gulf Coast prepares for storm's landfall today

By JENN METZ

Just three years after Hurricane Katrina struck New Orleans, students from the area are anticipating the outcome of Hurricane Gustav, and remembering the last time a hurricane headed for their homes.

Senior Paul Cordes sat in Reckers Sunday afternoon, angled toward the television, in almost the same position he was in the night before Hurricane Katrina struck the Gulf coast of the United States in 2005, destroying thousands of homes in her

He, along with other Notre Dame students who claim Louisiana as their home state, remember anticipating that storm on the eve of Hurricane Gustav.

Gustav was downgraded to a Category 3 storm Sunday, according to the meteorologists at the National Weather Service, a classification it is expected to keep when it is forecast to make landfall today.

Cordes, a native of New Orleans, has lived in his home for 21 out of his 22 years. During Katrina, his

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## New SMC alcohol policy outlined

By LIZ HARTER Saint Mary's Editor

As Saint Mary's students came back to campus last week they were met with a new alcohol policy outlined in the College's Code of Student Conduct that was distributed by Slandah Dieujuste, the director of residence life and iudicial affairs. The policy, introduced on Aug. 21, has been mentioned in many of the mandatory section meetings resident assistants (RAs) held with their residents throughout the week.

While the alcohol policy did not change drastically, according to Dieujuste, it was rewritten by a small group of administrators and students to "provide students with as much information about the community values and the conduct

The policy now places a limit on the amount of alcohol students who are over 21 can have in their rooms at one time. It also outlines Medical Amnestv and Samaritan" policies and allows students who are 21 to possess alcohol in their rooms even if their roommate is not

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## Student Government plans for eventful year

Improving town-gown relations, increasing political interest among Reish, Schmidt's initiatives

By JENN METZ

News Editor

Sitting in the Student Government office on the second floor of LaFortune, student body president Bob Reish held up a sheet of paper with a long list of

"Hopefully some of these will actually work, and I think the majority of them will, so we're really excited," he said.

Reish, along with student body vice president Grant Schmidt,

explained some of those ideas to The Observer, detailing their agenda for the 2008-2009 academic vear.

The pair, elected in the spring, have separated their responsibilities, each tackling individual projects that together will focus primarily in engaging the student body as a whole in student government and in the goings-on of the University, keeping in tune with one of their campaign platforms: bridging the gap.

"Our efforts are in gear to ensure that student opinions are not stifled ... to make sure that the student voice heard, Schmidt said.

Their initiatives for this year

include making a more politically-active campus, getting more freshmen involved in student government and improving community relations with South

Reish

Reish and Schmidt have been working with a number of groups on campus, they said, to set up a mock election, to take place tentatively in October.

"We want to make sure we at least provide a channel for Notre Dame students to be able to discuss what's going on, to be able to debate, to be able to stand behind their own stance that they've developed, to be able to learn from other students,

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# Holy Cross deacons

By JOHN-PAUL WITT News Writer

Three seminarians were ordained as deacons Sunday in the chapel of Moreau Seminary.

Aaron Michka, Vincent Kuna and Dr. Charles McCoy were ordained by Bishop John D'Arcy of the Diocese of Ft. Wayne-South Bend.

As the new deacons were ordained, Bishop D'Arcy presented them with a book of the Gospels, instructing each to "Believe what you read, teach what you believe, and practice what you teach."

Bishop D'Arcy instructed the new deacons that the key to being a good minister is "overcoming self-centeredness,'

because the work of a minister is "not about me, it's about the word we preach," he said.
The responsibilities of a dea-

con include witnessing marriages, performing funeral rites, performing baptisms, and reading the Gospel in Mass, according to Bishop D'Arcy. But unlike priests, deacons cannot celebrate a Mass, hear confessions, or give last rites.

Prior to their ordination Sunday, the three professed vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience in the Congregation of Holy Cross in Sacred Heart Basilica Saturday.

This ceremony made the men full members of the congregation, since they pledged them-

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## Bishop ordains three | ND student starts waterski club

SAO approves new RecSports club, members to practice in Michigan

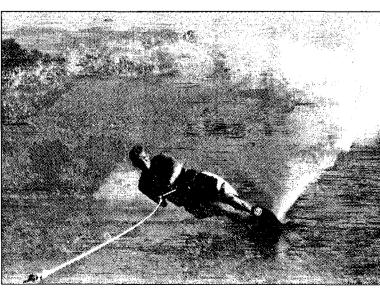
By KAITLYNN RIELY Assistant News Editor

Junior Adam Carlson knows that when people think Notre Dame, they don't usually think waterskiing. But he's hoping the newly-formed waterski club can change that.

Waterskiing was approved as an official student group by the Student Activities Office (SAO) in August and now it is a club under RecSports, said Carlson, the group's founder.

But there won't be any waterskiing on Notre Dame's campus, he said.

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Fifth-year senior Steven Fuetz, pictured above, is the team captain of the newly established Waterskiing club.

#### Inside Column

## Day partying

In three full years of higher education I have learned quite a bit. I try to pass on as much of that information as is possible. From the philosophy of Socrates to how to properly smuggle food from the dining halls, I know all of these will help me in the future. One

week into my senior campaign I think I have discovered one of the more

important

**Dan Murphy** 

Sports Editor

nuggets of wisdom of my career the art of the day party. Day partying is the often underused tool of euphoria that consists of a group of people who gather in

a large outdoor area to drink, eat, and play any lawn game you deem appropriate. Wikipedia and dictionary.com have yet to post any definitions of day partying so that one is my own and open to improvements.

With football games, assignments, and South Bend winters looming in the not so distant future I urge all of you to take advantage while you can. I can say from personal experience, there is nothing

else on earth that is quite like a day party done right.

For most of my college life 1 would anxiously await the sunset before cracking a beer (O'Douls before I was of legal age of course). But we all must learn to open our minds and think outside the box of usual social events. We are not vampires, there's no reason to hide from the great outdoors. Don't let the drinking conventions of past generations hold you back.

I realize for some of you, hopefully not too many, it might be nerve-racking deciding what to do when you can clearly see and hear members of the opposite sex in a social situation. It certainly was for me. Here are a few suggestions for activities to hold you up without the crutch of pounding Journey music and dark, smoke-filled

Beer Pong and other conventional drinking games get a little more exciting when played in the great outdoors, but make sure to keep a few extra water cups nearby because twigs and dirt in your beer will put a damper on your day.

A Bean Bag set is also a staple of the day party experience. Bags, also commonly referred to as Cornhole, is a fun game for all to play and allows each player to consume at their own pace. A set is easy to put together with a trip to Lowe's or Home Depot. I would suggest going all out and giving your set a nice paint job. This provides for a solid conversation piece for after you ask your new friend where they are from, what dorm they live in, and what they are studving.

Other more extravagant items that I would highly suggest include a volleyball net, kiddy pool, bocce set or slip-and-slide.

But with music, beer, and sunshine anything else you can dream up is just icing on the cake. Go out there and party it up.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

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#### QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT CLASS ARE YOU LOOKING FORWARD TO MOST THIS YEAR?



Joy Feeney junior Welsh Fam

"Obviously Chorale because we are the coolest people on campus. Pow!"



**Daniel Lewis** sophomore Keenan

"Chinese, because Asian people are awesome."



Jordan Matulis freshman

**Howard** 

"Psychology, because I think the teacher is hilarious."



**Kirsten Milliard** 

freshman Breen Phillips

"Biology, because that's what I want to major in and hopefully the classes here will be better here than at my high school.'



**Ariella Phillips** 

freshman *McGlinn* 

"My freshman seminar because I like the professor.'



Leprechaun Juan Muldoon does pushups over the crowd at the women's volleyball match vs. Nevada on Friday to celebrate winning a set.

#### **O**FFBEAT

Man finds dead shark in Lake Michigan

TRAVERSE CITY, Mich. - There's no telling what might turn up in Lake Michigan.

Rich Fasi of Traverse City says he found a dead 2-foot shark in the water while fishing on West Grand Traverse Bay on Wednesday.

juvenile blacktip shark, said Mark Tonello, a fisheries biologist from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

Tonello said someone might have caught the shark off the Atlantic Coast and kept it on ice while bringing it to northern Michigan.

Another possibility is that the dead shark was dumped by someone who had kept it as a pet, Tonello said.

Museum wont remove "blasphemous" art

ROME — An Italian nuseum Thursday defied Pope Benedict and refused to remove a modern art sculpture portraying a crucified green frog holding a beer mug and an egg that the Vatican had condemned as blasphemous.

The board of the Museion museum in the northern city of Bolzano decided by a majority vote that the frog was a work of art and would stay in place for the remainder of an exhibition.

The wooden sculpture by the late German artist Martin Kippenberger depicts a irog about i meter 30 cm (4 feet) high nailed to brown cross and holding a beer mug in one outstretched hand and an egg in another.

Information from the Associated Press.

#### IN BRIEF

Notre Dame Activities Night will take place Tuesday, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Joyce Center. The event is for students interested in joining one or more clubs and organizations and is sponsored by the Student Activities Office and Rec Sports.

The Student Activities Office is hosting Rock the Quad Wednesday at 9 p.m. Rock Band and Wii Sports will be provided for students on South Quad. Free food will also be provided.

The film "The Visitor" will be shown in Browning Cinema in the Debartolo Performing Arts Center on Thursday at 6:30 and 9:30 p.m.. The film, directed by actor and filmmaker Tom McCarthy, stars Richard Jenkins and highlights his life-changing chance encounter in New York City.

The Notre Dame Glee Club will host a Kickoff Concert in Leighton Concert Hall in the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center at 8 p.m. on Friday. There is a \$5 general admission.

The first pep rally of the football season will be held in the Joyce Center on Friday from 6 to 7 p.m. Students are required to have ID to be admitted and may begin entering at 5:15 p.m. The general public may enter with tickets at 5:45 through Gate

To submit information to be included in this section of Observer, e-mail detailed information about an event to obsnews@nd.edu.

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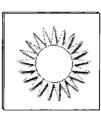
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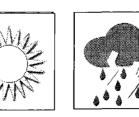
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## Saint Mary's opens new year with mass

By SARAH MAYER News Writer

Father John Pearson, of Campus Mary's Ministry, discussed the hidden beauty found in everything at the Saint Mary's opening mass Sunday.

Before mass, Rosanne, who lives in the Saint Mary's Convent, said there was not enough room for all the Holy Cross sisters that wanted to attend in the church but they were watching through closed circuit tel-

"They are praying for you on a regular basis," she said. Pearson presided over the

Mass.

He started his homily with a prayer from Saint Augustine. The prayer highlighted the beauty that is all around us, which was the theme for the

With the great weather outside, "it's easy to say when we see all the beauty we see today that it is a glorious Earth, but when the wind is howling and the branches are frozen, that is when we have to see God's beauty," Pearson

He said that when the beauty changes, God does not change, and pointed out the beauty found in every person in the students' lives.

'Think of all the security workers and dining hall staff. When asked about Saint Mary's College they would say, we're beautiful because we reflect the Lord," he said.

He said beauty can also be in things students might find unpleasant.

'Think of your roommate, your RA, or the grass cutter who cuts the grass at 6 a.m. and you just wish he would wait till 8 a.m. They're beautiful because they are trying to do God's work," he said.

Pearson explained that the beauty he was talking about was present because of the students' search for God's will.

"As a Saint Mary's community we are all trying to find our own way. We are a group of people finding out what God wants us to do," he said. "Even if we have trouble finding that out, who is to say we are not beautiful?"

He reminded the students present of the importance of the Holy Cross family and the Cross education. Referring back the founder Basil Moreau, Pearson stressed the need to educate the heart just as much as the

'Whether we succeed or fail," Pearson said, "we have no right to say we are beat, because God created us and our God is beautiful.'

At the end of Mass, College president Carol Ann Mooney spoke about the concept of community.

"Our Catholic school is part of the Holy Cross family. This benefits society because take our education and put forth it in all of our efforts, and there for, society is better," she said.

As a gesture of unity, Mooney gave lighted candles to eight members of different academic and administrative departments on campus and a representative from each of the four classes. The students received the candles with the message "receive light and alter you, as Jesus promised.'

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## ND students 'disabled' for day

Architecture students experience what it's like to be disabled first hand

By BECKY HOGAN News Writer

Last Friday fourth-year architecture students had the opportunity to walk in a disabled person's shoes - or, in some cases, crutch and wheel around Notre Dame's campus as part of a day-long event sponsored by University Disability Services and the School of Architecture to help students understand the importance of designing with all people in mind, according to a University press release.

The 47 architecture students experienced three different physical handicaps - some had to be on crutches for part of the day, others were confined to wheelchairs, and others walked around with blindfolds simulating individuals who were physically handicapped or blind. Additionally, some students had the task of leading others around campus, according to senior Tereza Schiable.

Architecture students in their fourth year are required to focus on regulation codes and accessibility in their designs, she said.

"Empowerment, inclusion and independence are things that we should strive for in our designs,' she said. "We should make people who are handicap feel like they could get around in any building that we designed."

Students followed their normal class schedules in the morning, navigated Notre Dame Stadium in the afternoon and attended a lecture presented by Jack Catlin and Gigi McCabe-Miele of LCM Architects on designing in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, according to a University press release.

According to Schaible, this was the first year that the School of Architecture, in conjunction with the Office of the University Architect, has teamed up with Disability Services to host such an

The day's experiences offered different perspectives on the challenges of being a disabled student on campus, she said.

"There were a lot of things I had never really noticed before. It was really hard to get up the ramp of LaFortune [Student Center] in a wheelchair," she said. "It made us more aware of how a small thing such as the steepness of a ramp can really affect people with disabilities.

Senior Brian Droste said his experiences on crutches and in a wheelchair presented challenges to getting around campus that he had not noticed before.

"One thing I was most surprised by was that none of the sidewalks of campus are completely flat. You were constantly having to correct yourself in a wheelchair," he said.

Droste said he was surprised how difficult it was to climb ramps in a wheelchair.

He added that he was disappointed in how the handicap ramp of LaFortune is used.

The garbage that gets taken out [of LaFortune] is taken down the ramp. The ramp is stained with garbage juice and smells terrible," Droste said. "The humiliation of rolling across garbage juice was really eyeopening and frustrating."

Schaible also said she noticed how disorienting being in the dining hall was when she was blind-

"It was really overwhelming because you could hear people all around you," she said.

While some buildings on campus presented challenges, others were more accessible, Droste

Notre Dame Stadium was one such area that made it easy for people with physical handicaps to get around, he said.

"Surprisingly, it was easy to get

around the stadium. The handicap section has an excellent view, although there is no handicap seating for wheelchairs in the student section," he said.

Schaible explained that the day's events were an eye-opening experience for architecture students because it stressed the importance of universal design.

"It was an important experience for us because we have to learn how to design with all people in mind...Designs have to be accessible to everyone without just adding a handicap ramp last minute, so that you are not separating or disrespecting people," she said.

Additionally, Droste said the event made him realize how the smallest details can affect how disabled people enter buildings and get around campus on a daily basis.

"I learned how every little detail makes a huge differencean inch or two can really make someone's life a lot easier whether it's the width of a door to a bathroom or wheeling up to computer and not being able to fit under the desk," Droste said. "These are things people take for granted. We have to think about how to incorporate everybody to get into a building without having to go in the back way.'

The day's events will impact the work he does in the future, Droste said.

"I have a newfound respect for people who deal with [disabilities]. It was a really positive experience for us to draw on in our designs or in policy," he said.

Last Friday will also have an impact on Schiable's outlook, she

"Most of us really enjoyed learning from the experience. It is something that will stay with me for a while," Schaible said.

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Schmidt said.

The two stressed the importance of this year being an election year that will culminate in historic results, regardless of what

The University, through a letter signed by Reish and University president Father John Jenkins. will formally invite Senator Barack Obama and Senator John McCain to campus, a formality that has been in place since 1952, Reish said.

"This is on behalf of the entire University - This will be one big venue, Notre Dame as a whole, he said.

"I think the clarification that we make," Schmidt said, "is that it's not a rally, it's not a campaign event. We're not being partisan in any way, we're not being biased. We're trying to inform the student body of [the candidates'] policies, of their stances, and of their beliefs.

Possible topics of discussion during the candidates' potential visit to campus might include issues particularly affecting the state of Indiana, college students or family values, Schmidt said.

"They will educate, as opposed

to campaign," he said.

Another Reish-Schmidt initiative is the student census, a student government survey to be conduced once a semester covering a variety of topics in relation to student life, including academics, athletics and social concerns, Reish said. "So many times, I think student

government does things because we think they're good for the student body. We're elected representatives and [these changes] will be a direct result of student voice. And I think that is what our overall dream would be," Reish said.

The one area the census will not cover is the inner workings of student government itself, they said.

"As far as student government, we have a clear vision, but it's kind of behind the scenes," Reish said. "I don't think students are necessarily going to see those changes, but I think it's going to bring about an improvement for the student body in the future. We might not see the direct benefits."

The pair said they will focus other efforts on improving student life, including working to initiate using Domer Dollars off campus, an issue explored last spring, as well as launching a free DVD rental system, predicted to begin sometime in September.

In order to increase the freshmen involvement in student government, Reish and Schmidt are introducing a new program: the Freshman Leadership Experience

"This is a whole new venue; it's never been done before at Notre Dame," Reish said.

The FLEX program will be separate from the freshmen class council, immersing between 25 and 30 students in student government, "essentially doubling the amount of people getting involved with student government," he said.

"You're only here four years. If you can plant the seed earlier, hopefully four years from now there'll be more leaders around campus," he said.

In order to connect with other student governments, Reish and Schmidt are working to establish a Midwest council, comprised of colleges and universities at a comparable academic level with Notre Dame, like Northwestern and the University of Chicago.

Other events to begin this year will include the Last Lecture series, something that received a in South Bend that some students huge response when the pair was running for election, Reish said. The series, which according to the pair was a Notre Dame program

in 2002, will feature professors on campus giving what would be their "last lecture." A book by the same name by Carnegie Mellon University computer science professor Randy Pausch, who delivered his last lecture in September 2007, has become a national phe-

The pair are working on what they call The Big Event - a campus-wide community service day.

Schmidt said he is concerned with increasing community relations. He said this year's off-campus fair and Transpo tour of South Bend were successes

"There are some opportunities don't know about. It's important when you go to a University to at least know you're surrounding area, and people know about

South Bend as much as the city would like," he said.

Their efforts regarding this year's forum on sustainable energy will materialize after the event on Sept. 24, they said.

Plans for a "What's the deal?" question series are also in effect, which will explain some of the little-known but important facts about why things are the way they are at the University, Reish said.

Reish and Schmidt said they hope to make their office more student-friendly. "I think sometimes student government is seen as a stiff organization and we're trying to make sure it's welcoming in here," Reish said. "We're normal kids.

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## **Policy**

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21, as long as the underage roommate is not consuming the alcohol. The person who is 21 must be present if there is an open container of alcohol in the room, like a beer can or bottle, that cannot be recapped, and students under 21 who do not reside in the room may not be present if anyone is drinking.

Before this year it was illegal to have alcohol in a room in which a student who is under

The values listed in the Code of Student Conduct are values that we have always held as a community but never spelled out in writing," Dieujuste said. "The difference [between our old alcohol policy and the new one] is that it is now being spelled out more explicitly.

She said the biggest changes to the policy are the Medical Amnesty and Samaritan" policies which were put in writing because the College's primary concern is safety and the committee who put the new policy together wanted to "make it clear to students that we would never want them to jeopardize their safety for fear of getting in trouble," she said.

The Medical Amnesty policy allows students to seek assistance during an alcohol or other drug-related emergency without facing disciplinary action for possessing or using the alcohol or drugs as long as the student contacts the police, College security or a member of the residence life staff for

According to the Code of Student Conduct, the student receiving medical assistance would then be required to meet with a member of the counseling staff for an assessment within five College business days and as long as the student complies with all directives from the counseling staff she will not face disciplinary actions for the alcohol or drug violations.

The Good Samaritan policy is similar, though it has to do with providing safety for students who may seek medical help for an intoxicated student.

It states that "as members of [the Saint Mary's] community, students have a responsibility to each other," and states that a student will not face disciplinary action for possession or use of alcohol or drugs if she remains with the individual until medical assistance arrives. To qualify for this policy the student must contact the police, College security or a member of the residence life staff and schedule an appointment with Dieujuste.

Many students think these new policies are helpful and give a more safety conscious atmosphere to campus.

Senior Jessica Sobczyk said she thinks these policies will provide students with more of an incentive to help their friends if there is a potential medical emergency. She said she thinks students weren't going to their RAs or other authority figures during possible medical emergencies because they were afraid of getting in trouble.

"They seem like good policies that could help keep students safe," she said.

While Sobczyk thinks the Medical Amnesty and Good Samaritan polices are good, she has a problem with the second half of the new alcohol policy - the limit on the amount of alcohol a student can possess in their room.

The College has always had a "subjective limit" on the amount of alcohol a student can personally possess though it was never a defined amount," Dieujuste said. This year though, the subjective limit is now specific. Students may possess either one 12pack of beer, one half-gallon of wine or one pint of hard liquor. Hard liquor was never outlawed on Saint Mary's campus even though it was banned from Notre Dame in 2002.

This limit was placed on students because the committee that rewrote the policy

believed it made sense to be more explicit about what amount of alcohol is considered personal use. Dieuiuste said.

"We understand that a student's room is her home and we trust our of-aged students,' she said. "[But] it made sense to allow of-aged students to consume alcohol in their room while reminding them of their responsibilities.

Sobczyk, who is 21, thinks this limit is too strict and makes it seem like the administration doesn't trust students. over 21.

"While I understand their desire to limit the chance that a resident's room becomes a full service bar, I believe they took the regulations too far, she said. "By the time she's 21 a student should be mature and responsible enough to be able to decide how much alcohol she would like to keep in her room. I'm sick of feeling like I'm doing something illegal when, if I lived in my own house, I'd be perfectly within my rights."

Senior and 22-year-old Jessi Porter agreed with Sobczyk's argument saying she has taken a lot of issue with the new poli-

"I think that if you are over 21 you should be able to decide on your own what is a reasonable amount of alcohol to consume and have readily on hand in their room," she

Dieujuste said while there is a limit on the amount of alcohol a student can keep in their room the RAs and staff will not be going into student rooms to check if students have above that amount nor will they be inspecting students' bags as they enter a building.

"I see this more coming into play when we have to confront a room where a roommate is over 21 and there is a concerning amount of alcohol present in the room," she said. "While, as a 21-year-old, she may have alcohol, that amount must be within limit.

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"That was one of the first things [RecSports] told me." Carlson said. "'You know this isn't going to be on Saint Mary's or Saint Joe's lake."

Instead, Carlson and his club mates will practice at Indian Lake in Michigan, which is close to Dowagiac, Mich., where Carlson is from.

Carlson spoke to The Observer on his cell phone Sunday as he stood on a sandbar in Indian Lake. Carlson and some of his friends from Notre Dame had gone away to Carlson's home for the weekend, and were about to go tubing and later waterskiing, Carlson said.

"I've been waterskiing my entire life, so I've always been interested in it," he

Carlson's parents are avid waterskiers, and his first time "skiing" was when he was two years old, when he sat on a platform board that carried him behind the boat.

"I don't even remember my first time waterskiing, because I've been doing it for so long," he said.

When he came to Notre Dame, Carlson noticed the University did not have a waterski team, a void that Carlson decided he wanted to fill. The several-monthlong SAO club recognition process began November, Carlson said, and ended with his club being approved in August.

Through word of mouth, the group's Facebook page and through the RecSports Web site, Carlson said he's contacted by several people interested in waterskiing.

Fifth-year senior Steven Feutz, the club's captain, has 18 years of experience as a waterskier, he said. His dad, a competitive waterskier, first took him skiing at age 6, he said.

"It's a family thing," Feutz

said. "This morning, I was actually at home skiing with my dad and my brother.

As captain, Feutz said he'll be coaching the other members of the team who have less experience.

"It's a little bit hard to learn," Feutz said. "Just like any sport, you pick it up reasonably fast, but then you spend the whole rest of your life trying to get better.

The waterski club will start its season next Saturday, Carlson said, with a tournament in Ohio, at a lake about three hours away from Notre Dame.

Carlson has never competed in a waterski tournament before, but he's been to several of his brother's tournaments. On Saturday, he and other members of the Notre Dame water ski team will be competing in three events a slalom competition, in which the skiers maneuver around buoys, a trick portion, where the skier has twenty seconds to do as many tricks as possible and a jump over a platform.

Without seeing the competition, Feutz couldn't predict how the new Notre Dame team would do this weekend.

"I imagine this will be, more than anyone else, a learning experience for everyone," he said.

It's too early to tell whether Notre Dame will gain recognition for its water skiing, Feutz said.

"Florida is the waterski capital of the country, but Purdue is one of the top 10 water ski schools in the country, so if we keep developing it, we can certainly generate interest and improve our ranking," he said.

The team will compete in at least one more tournament this year, Carlson said. The water ski club will hold a meeting for all interested skiers at 7 p.m. Wednesday in room 306 of LaFortune.

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## **Seminary**

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selves to live as unmarried men in community with other members of the congregation, which is found in the United States as well as "in service to others in Latin America, Africa, Asia and across the world," according to remarks made Sunday by Father Peter Rocca.

The three had all been Notre Dame students prior to entering the seminary.

Dr. McCoy completed a PhD in mathematics in 2000 from Notre Dame. Kuna graduated with a Bachelor's of Business Administration from Notre Dame in 1999, and Michka graduated in 2004 from the Old College undergraduate seminary at Notre Dame.

The ordination comes after seminary studies of four years for Michka and six years for Dr. McCoy and Kuna, in which the candidates studied philosophy and theology, completing a Masters in Divinity degree at Notre Dame, according to Father Pete McCormick, the assistant director of vocations for the Indiana province of the Congregation of Holy Cross and rector of Keough Hall.

In addition to classroom work, the three men completed "pastoral" or service assignments, ranging from working in a parish to working with troubled kids in a juvenile justice center.

'These men completed several years of study of philosophy and theology as well as ministry assignments that helped each one determine where best to use their individual gifts in preparation for being ordained," Fr. McCormick said.

The men will serve as "transitory," or temporary, deacons, charged with "proclaiming the Gospel and performing works of charity with the help of God,' Bishop D'Arcy said.

"They will be recognized as men who came not to be served, but to serve," Bishop D'Arcy said, "They have consecrated themselves to God forever.'

Generally, deacons ordained at Notre Dame can serve as assistant rectors in dorms, work in Holy Cross parishes around the world or work in Campus Ministry at a Holy Cross university, depending on the individual skills of the new deacon.

For the next year, Kuna and Dr. McCoy will serve in parishes in the United States while Michka will be assigned to Monterrey, Mexico. All three are to be ordained as priests in April 2009.

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#### INTERNATIONAL NEWS

#### Report: U.S. troops fired at first

KABUL, Afghanistan — An Afghan army commander said that U.S. and Afghan troops were fired on first from a village where a government investigative commission says scores of civilians were killed, according to a report released Sunday.

The chief of staff for the army's Herat corps told the head of the government's investigative commission that shots were fired early Aug. 22 from Azizabad at U.S. and Afghan troops. The troops had gone to the village on a raid.

But the report, released by the office of President Hamid Karzai, did not specify who fired the shots.

"When the ANA (Afghan army) and coalition troops got close to the village, firing started after the ANA unit stopped, and the coalition forces conducted the operation in the village," the report said.

#### Russia to aid separatist regions

MOSCOW — Russia's president said Sunday his country will give military aid to the two separatist regions at the center of the war with Georgia — signaling Moscow has no intention of backing down in the face of Western pressure.

Dmitry Medvedev also warned that American domination of world affairs is unacceptable, though he insisted that Russia did not want hostile relations with the United States and other Western

Medvedev's decision Tuesday to recognize the Georgian breakaway provinces South Ossetia and Abkhazia as independent drew condemnation from the West. Though no other countries have followed Russia's lead, Medvedev reaffirmed the decision on Sunday.

#### **NATIONAL NEWS**

#### Quarantine ends at two hospitals

EAST ST. LOUIS, III. — One of two Missouri hospital emergency rooms reopened Sunday, a day after being shut down under quarantine when eight people sickened by a dangerous chemical's release sought treatment.

Price McCarty, an FBI spokesman in Springfield, Ill., said the chemical release Saturday at the Ro-Corp. plant caused no deaths, countering a statement earlier Sunday by an East St. Louis' city official that two people had died.

The chemical, which authorities said was likely the highly toxic material nitroaniline, was released when a barrel was dropped at the Ro-Corp. plant.

The eight people sickened — identified by the FBI as mostly Ro-Corp. workers — remained hospitalized Sunday.

#### Michigan mayor offers plea deal

DETROIT — Lawyers for Detroit Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick have proposed a deal in which he would plead guilty to two felonies, make restitution and serve five years' probation in exchange for avoiding jail time, a newspaper reported Sunday.

The Detroit Free Press quoted "a source familiar with all aspects of the negotiations" as saying Kilpatrick's legal team also said he would give up his law license, not run for office for two years and do 300 hours of community service.

#### LOCAL NEWS

#### Daniels' travel up during campaign

FORT WAYNE, Ind. — Gov. Mitch Daniels logged about 85 percent as many flights in state aircraft in the first seven months of this election year as he did all of last year, a newspaper study found.

Daniels used state aircraft — primarily two state police airplanes and a Department of Transportation helicopter — 52 times in the first seven months of this year, compared with 61 flights during 2007, a review of state records by The Journal Gazette found.

## Gulf Coast waits for storm landfall

Katrina devastation on the minds of residents, government three years later

Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — With a historic evacuation of 1.9 million people from the Louisiana coast complete, gun-toting police and National Guardsmen stood watch as rain started to fall on this city's empty streets Sunday night — and even presidential politics took a back seat as the nation waited to see if Hurricane Gustav would be another Katrina.

The storm was set to crash ashore midday Monday with frightful force, testing the three years of planning and rebuilding that followed Katrina's devastating blow to the Gulf Coast.

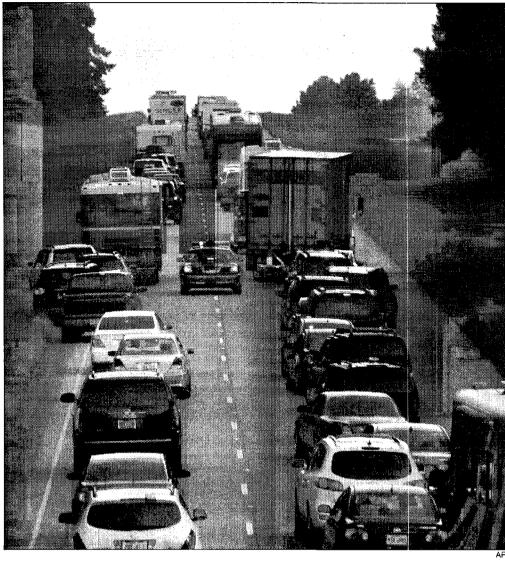
Painfully aware of the failings that led to that horrific suffering and more than 1,600 deaths, this time officials moved beyond merely insisting tourists and residents leave south Louisiana. They threatened arrest, loaded thousands onto buses and warned that anyone who remained behind would not be rescued.

"Looters will go directly to jail. You will not get a pass this time," Mayor Ray Nagin said. "You will not have a temporary stay in the city. You will go directly to the Big House."

Col. Mike Edmondson, state police commander, said he believed that 90 percent of the population had fled the Louisiana coast. The exodus of 1.9 million people is the largest evacuation in state history, and thousands more had left from Mississippi, Alabama and flood-prone southeast Texas.

Late Sunday, Gov. Bobby Jindal issued one last plea to the roughly 100,000 people still left on the coast: "If you've not evacuated, please do so. There are still a few hours left."

Louisiana and Mississippi temporarily changed traffic flow so all highway lanes led away from the coast, and cars were packed bumperto-bumper. Stores and restaurants shut down,



Evacuees line U.S. 55 in Mississippi Sunday on their way out of the path of Hurricane Gustav. The storm is set to hit shore midday today.

hotels closed and windows were boarded up. Some who planned to stay changed their mind at the last second, not willing to risk the worst.

"I was trying to get situated at home. I was trying to get things so it would be halfway safe," said 46-year-old painter Jerry Williams, who showed up at the city's Union Station to catch one of the last buses out of town. "You're torn. Do you leave it and worry about it, or do you stay and worry about living?"

Forecasters said Gustav was likely to grow stronger as it marched toward the coast with top sustained winds of around 115 mph.

At 8 p.m. EDT Sunday, the National Hurricane Center said Gustav was a Category 3 storm centered about 175 miles southeast of the mouth of the Mississippi River and moving northwest near 17

Against all warnings, some gambled and decided to face its wrath. On an otherwise deserted commercial block of downtown Lafayette, about 135 miles west of the city, Tim Schooler removed the awnings from his photography studio. He thought about evacuating Sunday before deciding he was better off riding out the storm at home with his wife, Nona.

"There's really no place to

go. All the hotels are booked up to Little Rock and beyond," he said. "We're just hoping for the best."

There were frightening comparisons between Gustav and Katrina, which flooded 80 percent of New Orleans when the storm surge overtook the levees. While Gustav isn't as large as Katrina, which was a massive Category 5 storm at roughly the same place in the Gulf, there was no doubt the storm posed a major threat to a partially rebuilt New Orleans and the floodprone coasts of Louisiana and southeast Texas. The storm has already killed at least 94 people on its path through the Caribbean.

#### **ELECTION 2008**

## Gustav alters GOP convention plans

Associated Press

ST. PAUL, Minn. — John McCain tore up the script for his Republican National Convention on Sunday, casting himself as above politics as Hurricane Gustav churned toward New Orleans. "We will act as Americans," not partisans, he declared.

"This is a time when we have to do away with our party politics, and we have to act as Americans," McCain added as fellow Republicans converged on their convention city to nominate him for the White House. Aides said Monday's program would be short and shorn of political rheto-

On the eve of his convention, McCain seemed determined to avoid the errors made by President Bush three years ago. "I have every expectation that we will not see the mistakes of Katrina repeated," he said.

Bush and Vice President Dick Cheney scrapped plans to address the convention Monday night, and McCain's aides chartered a jet to fly delegates back to their hurricanethreatened states along the Gulf Coast. Campaign manager Rick Davis said the first-night program was being cut from seven hours to two and one-half.

McCain said in an interview with NBC that it was possible he would make his acceptance speech not from

the convention podium but via satellite from the Gulf Coast region.

The formal business of the convention includes nominating McCain for president and Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin as his vice presidential running mate on Wednesday. McCain's acceptance speech, set for prime time Thursday evening, is among the most critical events of the campaign for his chances of winning the White House.

The hasty reordering of an event months in the planning was unprecedented, affecting not only the program on the podium but the accompanying fundraising, partying and other political activity that unfolds around the edges of a national political convention.

### Gustav

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area was spared most of the flooding, but others he knew were not as fortunate.

"I have a lot of friends, a lot of friends at this school even, who lost their entire houses, so I consider myself extremely lucky," he said.

"[Gustav] has a lot less of a surprise factor than Katrina," he said.

"Then again, there's always going to be surprises, because even Katrina wasn't a direct hit, so you never know what's going to happen," he said.

Cordes said he's not "that worried" about the storm.

"I just hope we get lucky again, that's all we can hope for. We've done

all we can. We've evacuated, boarded up, gotten our relatives out," he said.

People on campus were very "curious and very supportive" after Katrina, Cordes said.

"Everyone, all my professors, all my friends, everyone I would meet here was just so curious," he said.

The numerous amounts of service trips to the city that took place after the hurricane impressed Cordes, and that sense of volunteerism told

him something about his fellow Notre Dame students.

"It makes me know that they're not forgetting about New Orleans, that it's in their consciousness," he said.

Cordes' family evacuated this weekend to Calloway Gardens, Georgia. His younger brother is safe from the storm at the University of Florida. His grandparents are also safe.

Freshman Cameron Vitter hails from the same area as

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**Katlyn Patterson** 

junior

Cordes, and he was in New Orleans to experience the Katrina evacuation first hand.

During the storm, the flat portion of his roof blew off, and it rained inside the whole time, he said.

"Everything got destroyed," he said.

His family relocated to Atlanta for the school year.

"It was nice, they were really nice there. We went to a very good school. I have seven classmates from there who came here this year, and it's really nice to know them. And there are a few kids from back home in New Orleans who came here as well," Vitter said.

Vitter's thoughts on Gustav are centered around his brother, who is in the same place in school as Vitter was during Katrina. "My brother is three years behind me ... he's taking virtually the same classes as me, he's only been to school four days before it. I just couldn't help but see him in my position," he said.

Vitter echoed Cordes' in saying this time, Louisiana is more prepared.

"The governor, Bobby Jindal, started evacuating people a lot sooner. Everyone learned from Katrina. He's doing a really good job," Vitter, who has lived in New Orleans his whole life, said.

Vitter's family was in Virginia for his younger brother's golf tournament and are safe from the storm. His older brother evacuated to Florida and his older sister is at the University of Pennsylvania.

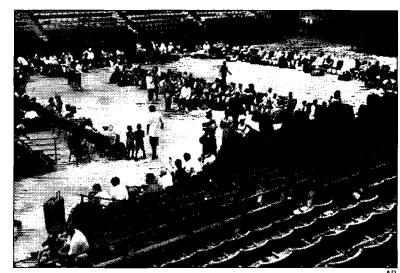
Vitter's residence hall — Alumni — prayed for the Gulf Coast at their Sunday Mass.

"It was nice to add that petition in — to pray for New Orleans. I'm just going to hope for the best," he said.

Sophomore Charlie Landry comes from the city of New Iberia in South-Central Louisiana, which is in the projection cone for Gustav. His city is about two hours from New Orleans and is also under a mandatory evacuation

His family is still debating what they will do. Since a strong surge would seriously threaten his city of 30,000 people, Landry said his family will probably go to Lafayette, Louisiana, where he has family.

Both of his parents, his two brothers, sister and grand-



Residents of Lake Charles, La. gather in the Lake Charles Civic Center Sunday to prepare for evacuation.

parents are at home.

"I was pretty worried when there were a couple of projections," he said. "I'm still a little nervous about it, you never know what could happen."

Junior Katlyn Patterson relocated from the New Orleans area to Ohio after Katrina. By the time the storm made landfall her senior year in high school, evacuation was a thing she was used to.

"It was weird, but normal because had evacuated before. Though, we thought we were going home soon," she said.

She went to school in Ohio for the first semester that year and then went back home to Louisiana to finish her senior year and graduate high school. Two days afterward, her family made the move to Ohio permanently.

"Honestly, my dad, he'd been through too many evacuations. He didn't want to do it anymore. And so they decided it was the time," she said.

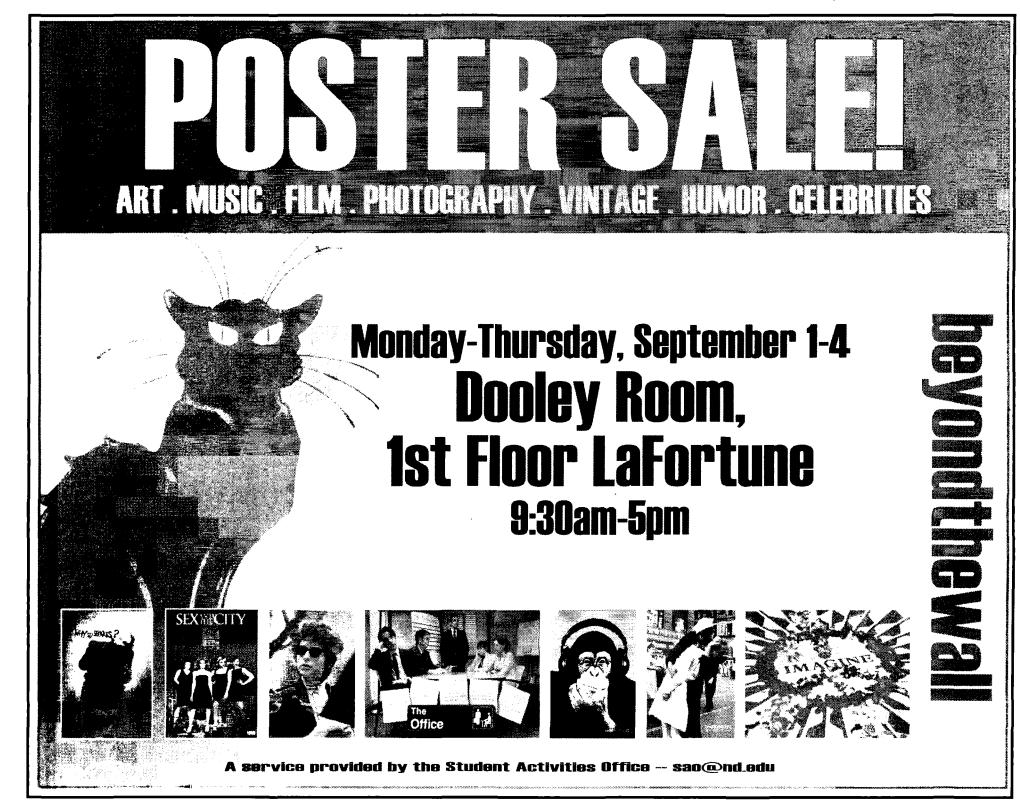
However, her friends are still in the city she grew up in.

"I'm scared for them," she said. "I know how it feels and it's just something you have to wait out. It's not something you can fully prepare for. And it's hard to know the emotions that they're feeling and not being able to do anything about it."

This time, Patterson is reliving the experience from afar.

"It just brings back all those memories from Katrina, and wondering when you're going to be able to come back, what you can bring, what will be safe at home, where you're going to go," she said.

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# BUSINESS

#### MARKET RECAP

Jones

#### Dow 11,543.55

Same: Down: Composite Volume: 1,958 3,288,323,820 1,167

AMEX	2,079.22	-7.55
NASDAQ	2,367.52	-44.12
NYSE	8,382.08	-84.04
S&P 500	1,282.83	-17.85
NIKKEI (Tokyo)	12,935.14	-137.73
FTSE 100 (London)	5,636.60	+35.40

COMPANY	%CHANGE	\$GAIN	PRICE
S&P DEP RECEIPTS (SPY)	-1.08	-1.40	128.79
FINANCIAL SEL SPDR (XLF	+0.14	+0.03	21.42
POWERSHARES (QQQQ)	-2.10	-0.99	46.12
FREDDIE MAC (FRE)	-14.58	-0.77	4.51

Treasuries									
10-YEAR NOTE	+0.47	+0.018	3.813						
13-WEEK BILL	-0.59	-0.010	1.69						
30-YEAR BOND	+0.52	+0.023	4.412						
5-YEAR NOTE	+0.62	+0.019	3.089						

Commodities							
LIGHT CRUDE (\$/bbl.)	-0.13	115.46					
GOLD (\$/Troy oz.)	-2.20	835.00					
PORK BELLIES (cents/lb.)	+2.75	92.95					

Exchange Rates						
YEN	108.4950					
EURO	0.6816					
CANADIAN DOLLAR	1.0630					
BRITISH POUND	0.5528					

#### IN BRIEF

#### Boeing union calls for strike

NEATAC, Wash. — Leaders of Boeing Co.'s Machinists union called Friday for a strike after rejecting the aerospace giant's "best and final" contract offer. They urged union members to reject the offer in a vote set for Wednesday.

The Chicago-based company hoped the proposal, which provides added pay and incentives to workers over three years, would help it avert a labor standoff. The talks come as Boeing tries to keep up with a backlog of plane orders and avoid more penalties caused by production delays of its next-generation passenger jet.

Tom Wroblewski, district president of International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers District Lodge 751, said the company's offer fell short in terms of job security, wages and medical coverage, among other

"We did not take lightly the fact we recommended a strike," he told a news conference. This is not just talking about 27,000 members. This is talking about 27,000 members and their

#### U.S. income down, spending slows

WASHINGTON — Personal incomes plunged in July while consumer spending slowed significantly as the impact of billions of dollars in government rebate checks began to wane.

The Commerce Department reported Friday that personal incomes fell by 0.7 percent in July, the biggest drop in nearly three years and a far larger decline than the 0.1 percent decrease analysts expected.

Consumer spending edged up a modest 0.2 percent, in line with expectations, but far below June's 0.6 percent rise. When the impact of rising prices was factored in, spending actually dropped by 0.4 percent in July, the weakest showing for inflation-adjusted spending in more than four years.

The July performance for incomes and spending reinforced worries that the economy, which posted better-than-expected growth in the spring because of the rebate checks, could stumble in coming months as their impact

## Gustav prompts rise in gas prices

Fuel cost up for first time in more than six weeks, oil prices still falling

**Associated Press** 

NEW YORK — Retail gas prices swung higher Friday - the first increase in 43 days — as analysts warned that a direct hit on U.S. energy infrastructure by Hurricane Gustav could send pump prices hurtling toward \$5 a gallon.

Meanwhile, oil prices ended the day slightly lower, falling for a second straight session. But prices fluctuated sharply as some traders feared supply disruptions and others bet the government will release supplies from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve if Gustav wreaks havoc in the Gulf of Mexico area home to a quarter of U.S. crude supplies and 40 percent of refining capacity.

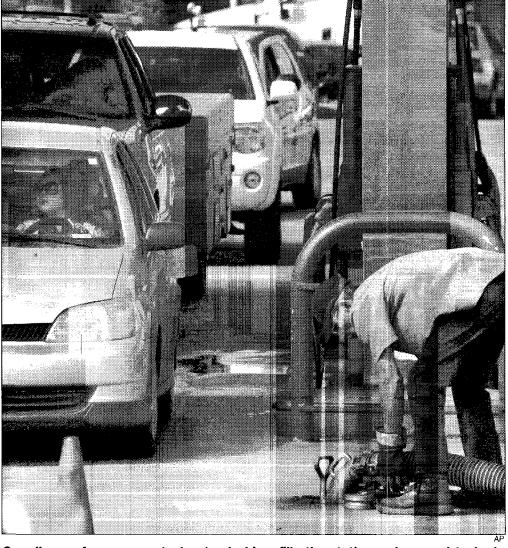
Gustav, which regained hurricane strength Friday, was spinning away from Jamaica on a course toward Gulf Coast states including Louisiana three years to the day since Hurricane Katrina slammed into the state and tore up oil rigs and refiner-

Fears of another monster storm have sent wholesale gasoline prices shooting up in the Gulf region, forcing filling stations to pass on the costs by raising pump prices ahead of Labor Day weekend.

A gallon of regular gasoline jumped about a penny overnight to a national average of \$3.669, according to auto club AAA, the Oil Price Information Service and Wright Express.

That's the first increase since prices peaked at an average \$4.114 a gallon on July 17, an all-time high.

Jeff Rubin, chief economist at investment bank CIBC World Markets, said that record could be shattered if Gustav seriously disrupts offshore energy production.



Cars line up for gas as a tanker truck driver fills the station underground tanks in Troutdale, Ore., Friday. Hurricane Gustav could send prices up to \$5 per gallon.

In 2005, pump prices jumped from slightly more than \$2 a gallon to above \$3 after Katrina and Hurricane Rita destroyed more than 100 oil platforms and damaged several refineries.

'The price consequences could be even worse this time," Rubin said in a report, noting that oil and gasoline inventories are lower than when Katrina and Rita hit. "Any replays of the 2005 storm season could see gasoline prices soar to \$5 per gallon.'

Gustav was moving northwest of Jamaica toward the Cayman Islands after triggering floods and killing 59 people in Haiti and eight more in the Dominican Republic.

Light, sweet crude for October delivery fell 13 cents to settle \$115.46 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange, after earlier rising as high as \$118.76. On Thursday, prices fell \$2.56 at \$115.59 a barrel, the first time this week it closed lower.

Analysts attributed the volatility to doubts over whether Gustav will affect offshore energy production, as well as speculation that the Energy Department will tap the Petroleum Strategic Reserve should the storm threatens supplies.

"Until this hurricane hits, the trend has to be higher toward the \$120 level," said Jonathan Kornafel, Asia director for brokerage Hudson Capital Energy in Singapore. "If this turns out to be a nonevent, the market could really come roaring back down.

As Gustav advanced, oil companies were pulling employees off installations. Royal Dutch Shell PLC

has evacuated nearly 670

## Bush hopeful about state of economy

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Bush said Saturday that Americans may have cause this Labor Day weekend to start worrying less about the nation's - and their families' — economic health.

There have been some recent signs that our economy is beginning to improve," Bush said in his weekly radio address.

Among the positive signs that Bush referenced was a report Thursday that the overall economy, as measured by the gross domestic product, rose by 3.3 percent in the April-June quarter. This surprised analysts and was a significant rebound from growth of just 0.9 percent in the first quarter of the year. Most credit was given to the \$93 billion in economic stimulus payments the federal government has sent to households since May.

However, other economic news this

week showed that right after that second quarter, in July, consumer spending slowed to a crawl and personal incomes plunged.

With few stimulus payments still to go out, some economists worry consumer spending will continue to falter. Since it accounts for two-thirds of economic activity, that could send economic growth tumbling again in the second half of the year, particularly given rising unemployment, a continuing credit crisis and the deepest housing slump in decades.

Democrats, including presidential nominee Barack Obama, are calling for the government to pass a second stimulus package to guard against

But Bush has resisted, expressing concern about the impact on the budget deficit and insisting the rebate payments will continue to support the economy in coming months.

He praised the impact of the current

stimulus package in language that suggested he remains opposed to another.

'The economic stimulus package that I signed earlier this year is having its intended effect," the president said. "Many Americans who received tax rebates are spending them. Businesses are taking advantage of tax incentives to purchase new equipment this year. And there are signs that the stimulus package will continue to have a beneficial impact on the economy in the second half of the year.'

Still, despite his optimistic outlook, Bush took care to express sympathy with those grappling daily with pocketbook worries.

"There are families across our country struggling to make ends meet," he said. "There is an understandable concern about the high price of gas and food. And many Americans are worried about the health of our housing and job markets. I share these concerns about our economy.

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## Welcome to the elite

Congratulations to all the freshmen beginning their first year at Notre Dame, and welcome back everyone else. You probably haven't given it much thought

yet, but just by being here, most of you — 95 per-cent of you, by the Notre Dame

Campbell

Darryl

Speak Up, Please

Department of News and Information's reckoninghave taken the first steps toward getting something the majority of Americans (75.5 percent of them, give or take one tenth of one percent) don't have: a college degree. Let that sink in for a moment. Fewer than one in every four Americans over the age of 18 have a college degree, according to the Census Bureau's 2006 American Community Survey.

Of course, exactly what that degree does for you is a bit vaguer. The Census Bureau, naturally, has a statistical answer. It sets the value of a bachelor's degree quite literally: about \$2 million over the course of a lifetime, which, you might tell whoever pays your tuition, is not a bad return on investment. Plenty of articles and web sites describe what a bachelor's degree gets you in economic terms as well, if a little more subtly ("a secure future that comes with a steady profession that can ride out any economic rollercoaster," or "more prestigious employment and greater job satisfaction"). Others can only resort to the sort of empty, meaningless language of second-rate pitchmen or motivational speakers, saying that a degree "teaches you to solve more of life's problems" or lets you "tap into your potential and challenges you to perform at your peak.

Explaining the worth of a degree in these terms isn't particularly satisfying. Truthfully, I think it borders on insulting; surely all you future degreeholders didn't decide to come here based on a dollar amount or a bit of marketing jargon. How else to summarize the college experience, then? Is it the sum of classes taken, papers written, languages learned and groups joined, or does that make it seem like mere skills-building and vocational training — everything that a liberal arts education claims not to be (and what does it mean if we don't, for example, perfectly remember how to solve differential equations or the causes of the French Revolution)? Is it something more intangible and immeasurable, like promoting abstract and complex thought or Socratic selfreflection? Or is it just supposed to provoke a deep-seated sense of restlessness and world-weariness? There probably isn't a good answer to this dilemma, and even if there was, it wouldn't fit in a Viewpoint column (personally, I think it's the third option, particularly for degree holders in the humanities). At the very least,

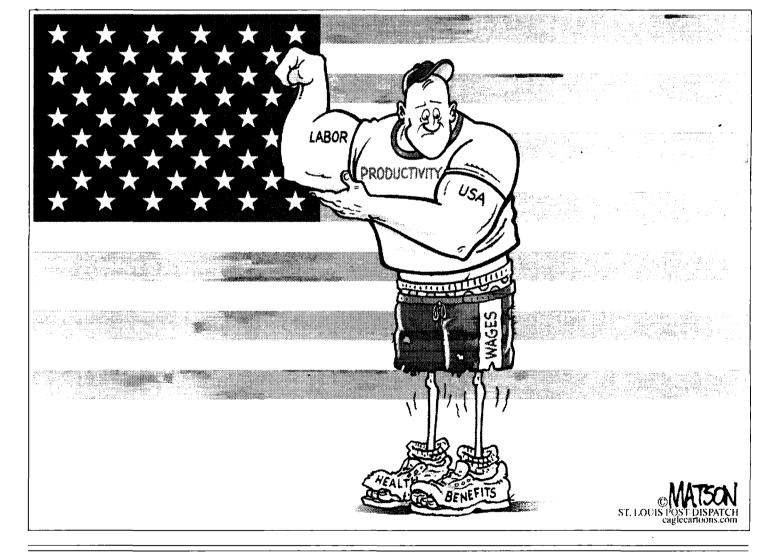
however, it is worth asking what we're doing here, and exactly what it means – if it means anything at all — to join the degree-holding minority of the population.

Finally, there is the matter of everyone else. Some combination of ability, hard work, preparation, circumstances and luck got each of you here and will get the vast majority of you through to getting that diploma. And once you get it you'll be a part of an exclusive club of degree holders — an elite, if you like. But I'd also be willing to bet that many of you go on to jobs where, for whatever reason, you probably won't work with people outside of this elite, at least not as peers or equals. Amid all the beginning-of-theyear talk about the Notre Dame bubble, it's easy to forget that it can go on for a lot longer than the four or so years that you're here. You could probably go through life thinking that getting a degree, especially one from Notre Dame, also confers a monopoly on thoughtfulness, curiosity or intelligence. But if that's all you've taken away from college, then you might wonder if, in fact, you have really learned anything.

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> James Allen author

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#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

# Campus construction ugly and inconvenient

I would like to express my frustration with the overwhelming amount of construction going on around campus this fall. After a long, relaxing summer, I came back to what is comparable to downtown Baghdad right in front of my own dorm, not to mention the travesties being constructed by the main entrance. Scaffolding on the Basilica when the students and their families come back? Great timing.

I have tried to contact the University architect on numerous occasions, but he either screens my calls or I am referred to someone else. Sir, under your direction, this beautiful university has been transformed into a severely obtuse conglomerate of construction equipment and questionable contractors. Edifices like Jordan Hall of Science, Duncan Hall and the Gug look like giant scabs on the face of Our Lady. There are not nearly enough cemented walkways for student accessibility and the amount of unnecessary trees that are planted every year is staggering. I suggest that you start working towards making us proud of our campus; you are starting to make Stepan Center look brilliant.

Rusty Marsh sophomore Siegfried Hall Aug. 28

# Price changes irresponisible

Upon returning to campus, I was disappointed to learn that printing on computer lab and dorm printers is now priced at 10 cents per page instead of 10 cents per sheet as it has been in the past. As a result, double-sided printouts cost 20 cents instead of 10 and there is no financial incentive to save paper and print on both sides of a page. With the University's emphasis on sustainability this year, it is disappointing to see the incentive removed for this environmentally friendly practice.

Brian Wysocki sophomore Keenan Hall Aug. 30

#### **U-WIRE**

# Offshore oil drilling fails to tap into basic logic

Ever seen that bumper sticker that reads "Fourthirds of Americans don't understand fractions?" Well it may be a joke, but it's no laughing matter that a recent survey shows three-fourths of Americans support increased offshore drilling.

They're wrong and the entire U.S. economy and foreign relations — not just the polar bears — will pay for it if they don't wise up.

wise up.

It seems simple, right? We don't have enough oil right now,

so we just get some more. In the Atlantic, the Artic, the Amazon, wherever, it doesn't matter. But the fact is that we won't be able to extract any crude oil for another 10 years. We'll have to run the legislation through a gauntlet of vetoing Democrats, build the oil rigs, the refineries and the pipelines and even after all of that, experts indicate that the amount of oil extracted will likely be minimal.

But everyone already knows that. So why the 75

percent support rate? Because pro-drillers, including John McCain and the governor of the great state of South Carolina, have extolled the "psychological factor" of building our own plants, citing that since the oil market is based largely on speculation, the mere threat of drilling our own oil will drive prices down.

True, speculation does affect prices, but are they really insinuating that OPEC — the people who actually control the world's oil supply — don't know that it will take 10 years for the first drop of oil? And furthermore, that OPEC doesn't understand that it will still control the majority of U.S. oil when the decade is up? Ludicrous.

Barack Obama stated recently that his energy policy, which promises nearly 100 percent independence from foreign oil, will take no more than ten years to complete. But even that promise is fading quickly. As the race between Obama and McCain tightens, Obama has began pandering to that stubborn three-fourths by reversing his position, allowing limited offshore drilling along with his initial plans.

Worse yet, he has suggested releasing 70,000 barrels from the Strategic Oil Reserve. Not only has this tactic been denounced by experts as fruitless in reducing prices, it is worrisome to all those concerned with homeland security and has neocons Sean Hannity and Rush Limbaugh ranting about how it'll be impossible conquer Europe if American tanks don't have gas in their engines. This is especially sad since Obama had denounced the gimmicky gas-tax holiday.

Unless these three-fourths wise up soon, there won't even be an alternative energy policy to endorse. Then it'll be too late to change opinions, and that is something that our wallets, cars, children and yes, even the polar bears, will never let us forget.

This editorial first appeared in the Aug. 28 edition of The Daily Gamecock, the daily paper at the University of South Carolina.

The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

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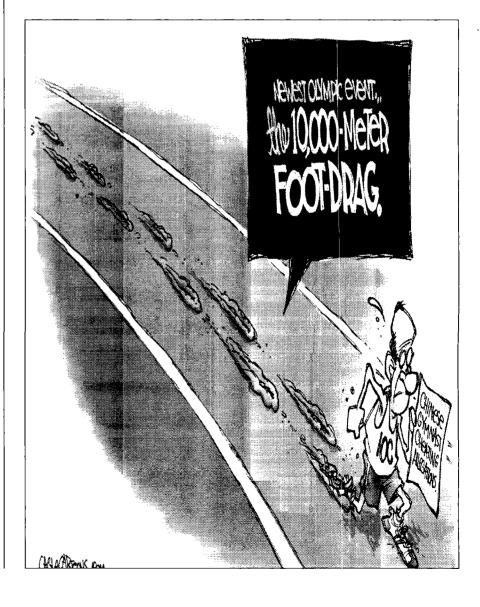
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# SCENE SCENE



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By SZYMON RYZNER Scene Writer

Reefer madness! Interested in a comedyaction-buddy-flick centered Hollywood's favorite illegal substance? Well, then it might be worth your while to take a ride on the "Pineapple Express." Viewers are treated to another R-rated comedy from popular producer Judd Apatow and starring Seth Rogen ("Knocked Up") and "Spider-Man" alum James Franco.

Combining the appeal of previous Apatow works such as "The 40 Year Old Virgin" and "Superbad," the new filmmaking fraternity has created an action flick with the most unlikely, passive-aggressive 'pot" smokers available. There is little doubt that "Pineapple Express" is intended for those watching it to be high, but nevertheless the film manages to entertain with its many gags and "giggle weed" refer-

If anything, the marketing for this film was extremely well put-together. Even the trailer is worthy of mention, as it built up a significant buzz surrounding the film. The trailer was supported by M.I.A.'s memorable single "Paper Planes," effec-

tively turning the song into a popular mainstream hit. Another slick move by Rogen and Franco was the use of a large bag of fake "bammy" and the smoking of a fake "bomber" onstage at the MTV Music Awards. The gag made for a classic moment that had to have at least a few FCC censors sweating nervously at the thought.

'Pineapple Express" revolves around Dale Denton (Rogen), an "airhead" who works as a process server. Denton witness-

Directed by: David Gordon Green

Written by: Seth Rogen & Evan

Goldberg

Pineapple Express

Starring: Seth Rogen & James Franco

es a murder and is forced to seek safety at the only place he can think of, the apartment of his cannabis-selling amigo, Saul Silver (Franco). Car chases, fistfights, gun slinging, and the selling of "naughty cigarettes" to high school students all ensue and surprisingly work together well.

Not all the jokes are successful, but the characters are played convincingly and the material seems endless. A key encounter between Dale and his underage girlfriend's parents is priceless, as are the reactions of Saul to the circumstances in which the duo find themselves.

Both the comedic and action aspects are given respectable onscreen time, and the array of characters only adds to the enjoyment.

One standout is Danny McBride's portrayal of Red, the middleman in the drug world and an intermediary between the dealer and the drug lord. It's a role that has to be seen to be understood, but McBride truly makes a name for himself in

this "stoner" epic. Seth Rogen plays the typical Seth Rogen character, the lovable hero with a good heart.

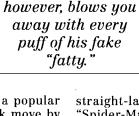
James Franco, however, blows you away with every puff of his fake "fatty." Franco plays an especially convincing "tea head," even after repeatedly playing a

straight-laced millionaire's son in the Spider-Man" franchise. He plays the character as though he has lived Hollywood's idea of the perpetual "toker;" in retrospect, perhaps he has. Craig Robinson (Darryl on TV's "The Office") also delivers as a hilarious henchman sent to kill the pair by the drug lord. The immaturity of the entire group of characters does wonders, truly forming a great ensemble.

"Pineapple Express" is an entertaining mix of humor and action. With its memo-

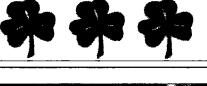
recently successful comedy titans allows it.

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James Franco,

rable characters and humorous action sequences, viewers are led to believe that perhaps a marijuana action film really can exist - if so, "Pineapple Express" is it. Although the film is a blend of multiple, seemingly incompatible genres, you can expect to see "Pineapple Express 2" as soon as the production cycle of these





Seth Rogen, left, and James Franco star in "Pineapple Express." The actionstoner hybrid film also features Craig Robinson of NBC's "The Office."

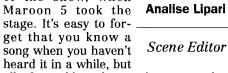


By ANALISE LIPARI Scene Editor

I recently had the chance to see a Maroon 5, Counting Crows and Augustana concert in Michigan with friends from Notre Dame. We sat on the lawn with ticklish blades of grass between our toes,

caught up about our summers and took in three fantastic hours of music.

What was funny about the concert, at least for me, was how many lyrics I knew during the final portion of the show, when Maroon 5 took the stage. It's easy to forget that you know a song when you haven't



all of a sudden, the words came rushing back to me. Not just the hits, either, but songs like "Tangled" that hadn't been released as singles.

It got me thinking — and Good Charlotte headlining the Show last Friday only reinforced my thoughts — about music I used

Which brings me to my question: what kind of music did you listen to in high school?

If you're like my hometown friends whose indie cred was ridiculous even then, you were probably discovering your love of Elliot Smith, the Strokes or Joy Division on vinyl. If you're like the athletes who sat at the next cafeteria table, you stuck with as much rap as you could find - some Jay-Z, some Lil' Jon, you name it. If you're

like the semi-goth girls I sat with during our dissection lab in Anatomy class, your tastes might have run towards Staind or Linkin Park, or maybe Marilyn Manson if you were feeling hardcore.

My music collection tended towards eclectic diversity — Garth Brooks and Echo and the Bunnymen still sit side by side in one of my iTunes playlists — but for a few glorious months in 2003, my main squeeze was undoubtedly Maroon 5.

To paraphrase the late, great Estelle Getty as "Golden Girls" matriarch Sophia Petrillo, picture it: your high school, 2003. Granted, you freshmen weren't actually in high school in 2003, but use your imagination. I was a junior with a driver's license and, luckily, an older sister who had the courtesy to graduate and give me her car. I spent my hours of driving toand-fro listening to my new copy of Maroon 5's "Songs About Jane." They sounded like this outrageous blend of raspy soul, angry rock and mysterious jazz. I was in deep music love, the kind of love I thought would last a lifetime.

I believe that, like a relationship, a person's affection for a band can go through a series of recognizable stages. First, infatuation: you can't stop listening to them, their melodies are aural perfection and their lyrics fit every situation you've ever experienced. Next, slight disillusionment: that experimental single they just released? Not that great. Then, the lead singer goes and marries some Hollywood starlet and names his first child Kumquat. You try to focus on the good parts of the relationship. Later, you settle into longterm commitment: you buy each subsequent album, even though their style has evolved. Then, you can't remember who you were before the day you first heard their sound. You're either bound for life, or you're burning your CDs and running for the hills.

Okay, I digress. But it seems to me that the bands we loved in high school tend to

follow this pattern rather, we do. Like that relationship with Johnny McQuarterback your sophomore year, your favorite high school band might not rank too highly on your iPod's play count right now.

Maybe it's maturity. You'd probably be a little weirded out if your neighbor's favorite band hasn't changed since the ninth

grade. More likely, we've just moved on to other things.

But there's nothing like going back to those bands you loved way back when. Like me, it might take a concert in Michigan to show you that their older music is still pretty darn good, and that the new stuff isn't half bad either. As of the concert, I still hadn't bought Maroon 5's latest CD. Now, maybe I will.

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To paraphrase the

late, great Estelle

Getty as "Golden

Girls" matriarch

Sophia Petrillo,

picture it: high

school, 2003.

Remember when you listened to bands like Linkin Park? With the right circumstances, high school music might make a comeback on your life playlist.

**MLB** 

## Brewers' Sabathia hurls controversial one-hitter

Werth and Phillies down Cubs; White Sox's Thome ties Mantle on career HR list in win over Red Sox

**Associated Press** 

PITTSBURGH — To the Milwaukee Brewers, CC Sabathia pitched a no-hitter. The official scorer disagreed.

The Brewers are going to try to change his mind.

Sabathia limited the Pirates to Andy LaRoche's infield single leading off the fifth inning, on a play Milwaukee manager Ned Yost argued was an error on the pitcher, and the Brewers beat Pittsburgh 7-0 Sunday for their eighth victory in nine games.

He accomplished a no-hitter and wasn't given what he deserved. That should have been a no-hitter," Yost said. "That's a stinking no-hitter we all got cheated from. I feel horrible for CC.

The Brewers said they plan to send a DVD of the play and send it to Major League Baseball, asking that the call be overturned. However, according to baseball's rulebook, only the official scorer may change a judgment scoring

If official scorer Bob Webb were to decide to change the call, it would be the first time in major league history a no-hitter was awarded retroactively.

LaRoche's softly hit grounder on a 2-2 pitch rolled about 45 feet between the plate and the mound before Sabathia picked it up barehanded, only to drop it. The ball may have been hit too softly for Sabathia to get LaRoche at first, even if he had made the play

Webb, a major league official scorer for 20 seasons, immediately ruled a hit, explaining he watched LaRoche out of the bat-

ter's box and the runner was twothirds of the way down the line as Sabathia was picking the ball up. Yost and several Brewers players disagreed --- strongly.

'That's a joke. That wasn't even close. Whoever the scorekeeper was absolutely denied major league baseball a nice no-hitter right there," Yost said. "They threw hit up on the board even before LaRoche hit the bag. That's a play CC makes easily, throws him out by 10 feet — to me it's a no-brainer.

"That's sad. It really is sad."

The Brewers' Ryan Braun said, "There's no question that's a nohitter.'

Despite the Brewers' protests, the play in question is often called a hit and fielders often get angry when they are called for errors on easier plays. The Associated Press polled eight writers from both cities who have reported on the majors for 10 years or more, and six would have called it a hit.

Webb wouldn't comment on Yost's remarks, but said the play did not meet the rule book criteria for an error.

'The way the ball came off the bat, it was spinning, and it went to the left of the mound with a lefthanded pitcher going to get it. It's a difficult play," Webb said. "The definition requires standard effort, and that would have taken more than an ordinary effort. The runner was well down the line.'

As it stands, Sabathia (9-0) pitched the majors' fourth one-hitter this season and couldn't have come much closer to a no-hitter, with no Pirates batter except for LaRoche threatening to get a hit during the team's 10th consecutive loss.

Also, Sabathia pitched with almost no pressure with a multiple-run lead in the seventh, eighth and ninth innings, which wouldn't have been the case if he had a nohitter going and every late-innings pitch would have been critical. And the Pirates players did not bat in those innings while thinking their team was being no-hit, a mindset that might have changed their approach at the plate.

Sabathia accepted the scoring call calmly, blaming himself for LaRoche getting on.

'The ball was still rolling and I probably should have picked it up with my glove. We probably wouldn't be having this conversation," Sabathia said. "I think if I pick it up with my glove, I get

Sabathia wouldn't speculate whether he would have gotten LaRoche if he had picked the ball up cleanly barehanded.

Cubs 5, Phillies 3

Jayson Werth hurt the Chicago Cubs again, and Jamie Moyer and the Philadelphia bullpen took over from there.

Werth hit another home run against the Cubs and Moyer got his 12th win, leading the Phillies to a victory that salvaged a split of their four-game series at Wrigley

"It speaks volumes for this Werth said after club." Philadelphia's second straight win against the team with the best record in the NL. "We've been playing good all year. ... I think especially to split the series here in Chicago, against the Cubs, at home, I think it says a lot.

Werth hit a two-run double in the first and a solo drive in the fifth for his 21st homer of the season. Werth, who went deep twice and drove in four runs in Philly's 5-2 win Saturday, is 11-for-21 with four homers and 10 RBIs against the Cubs this season.

In the four games at Wrigley Field, he was 7-for-13 with three homers and seven RBIs.

Chicago was without ace Carlos Zambrano, who was scratched to give him some time to rest his tired arm. He'll pitch again Tuesday against the Astros.

The Cubs left 10 runners on base and 19 total in the last two games of the series. They also managed 11 singles and no extrabase hits for the second straight

The missing offense left manager Lou Piniella a little testy Asked

Milwaukee pitcher CC Sabathia throws a pitch in the eighth inning of his complete game, one-hit shutout of the Pirates. fell 5? games back of Tampa Bay

"Why is it frustrating? Why should it be. Are we supposed to win every day? I don't think so."

How about the tendency to leave runners on?

"Listen if we could get guys in every time we got men on base, we'd be 162-0 and that's not going to happen," he said.

But then Piniella's voice rose in anger when asked if he was OK with his team's effort.

"What the hell am I supposed to be? Not OK?" he asked.

White Sox 4, Red Sox 2

Jim Thome knew how much the Chicago White Sox needed a win. He helped them get one with a memorable homer.

Thome hit a two-run shot in the first inning to match Mickey Mantle for 14th place with 536 career homers, and Chicago beat the Boston Red Sox on Sunday to end a three-game losing streak.

"To tie Mickey Mantle, you're speechless. What do you say?' Thome said. "It's really hard to talk about because when you throw Mickey Mantle's name around, that's probably one of the greatest home run hitters of all time.'

Chicago's skid helped Minnesota pull within a half-game of the AL Central-leading White Sox entering play Sunday. Boston, which led by 3? games in the wildif it was frustrating, Piniella said: card race before Sunday's games, in the Al. East.

Thome knew the White Sox needed to end their slide heading into a three-game series at Cleveland, and the players discussed the importance of Sunday's game before the victory.

"Any time you talk about it, the energy level is there from the start. I think we were ready to go, and it showed," Thome said. "This was probably maybe one of the bigger wins we've had all year."

To tie Mantle and win at the same time made the day more

"Every home run he hits is a milestone," Chicago manager Ozzie Guillen said. "But I think he's worried more about us winning than his milestones.

Gavin Floyd (15-6) went 6 2-3 innings to win his fifth straight decision. He allowed one run and seven hits against a team that outscored the White Sox 16-4 and outhit them 30-11 in the first two

Thome hit a two-out drive in the first and went 2-for-3 against Tim Wakefield (8-9) after entering just 6-for-49 with two homers against the knuckleballer in his career. Thome and Paul Konerko hit consecutive two-out doubles in the sixth to give Chicago a 3-1 lead.

"One guy hurt us, Jim Thome," oston's l Cevin Cash said he's had a pretty good career."



during the first inning of his team's 5-3 win over Chicago.

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Oh, you

#### NCAA Football AP Top 25

	team	points	previous
1	Georgia (22)	1,528	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
2	Ohio State (21)	1,506	2
3	USC (12)	1,420	3
4	Oklahoma (4)	1,444	4
5	Florida (6)	1,415	5
6	Missouri	1,266	. 6
7	LSU	1,135	7
8	West Virginia	1,116	8
9	Clemson	1,105	9
10	Auburn	968	10
11	Texas	966	11
12	Texas Tech	786	12
13	Wisconsin	771	13
14	Kansas	707	14
15	Arizona State	631	ໍ 15
16	Brigham Young	590	16
17	Virginia Tech	578	17
18	Tennessee	509	18
19	South Florida	496	19
20	Illinois	483	20
21	Oregon	366	21
22	Penn State	293	22
23	Wake Forest	227	23
24	Alabama	89	24
25	Pittsburgh	85	25
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## Women's NSCAA Soccer Rankings

	team	points	previous
1	USC	794	age. Parillan
2	North Carolina	738	3
3	UCLA	726	2
4	NOTRE DAME	688	5
5	Florida State	671	4
6	Portland	642	6
7	Virginia	597	6
8	Texas	562	8
9	Penn State	554	9
10	Stanford	539	10
11	West Virginia	437	12
12	Connecticut	422	11
13	Texas A&M	379	15
14	Tennessee	356	13
15	Boston College	342	14
16	Duke	335	16
17	California	303	17
18	Illinois	236	19
19	Georgia	208	18
20	Wake Forest	191	21
21	Santa Clara	175	22
22	Florida	151	20
23	Oklahoma State	147	23
24	San Diego	69	25
25	Purdue	26	24

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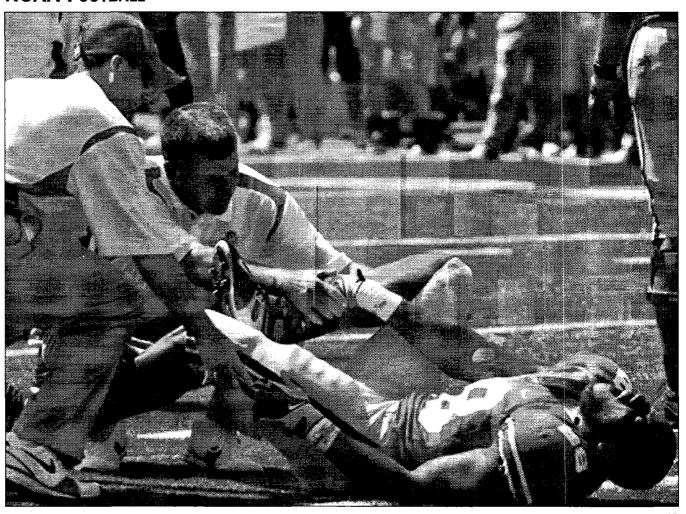
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2	Albion	0-2-0
3	Alma	0-2-0
4	Calvin	1-1-0
5	Hope	0-2-0
6	Kalamazoo	1-1-0
7	Olivet	0-2-0
8	SAINT MARY'S	0-2-0
9	Trine	0-2-0
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#### **NCAA FOOTBALL**



Ohio State running back Chris Wells reacts as trainers check on his injury during the third quarter of a college football game against Youngstown State Saturday in Columbus. Wells injured his right foot.

## Buckeyes waiting on "Beanie" Wells

Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio — The Beanie watch is on for the Buckeyes.

A day after Ohio State star Chris "Beanie" Wells fell back in a heap with an injured right foot, the second-ranked Buckeyes could do nothing but wait and hope that their Heisman Trophy contender would be quick to recover.

Wells went down early in the third quarter of a 43-0 victory Saturday against overmatched Youngstown State.

Ohio State spokeswoman Shelly Poe sent an e-mail to reporters Sunday, restating that Wells had no broken bones. "It's not likely that there will be any update until probably after some initial treatments and therapy," she wrote.

Coach Jim Tressel said Saturday team doctors told him the X-rays were negative and the injury was not turf toe.

Ohio State can probably get by without Wells on Saturday when the Buckeyes host Ohio. That's not the case the following week, when they visit No. 3 Southern California in a huge nonconference.

"You see one of the guys go down and you hope he's all right," linebacker James Laurinaitis said after the game. "Chris is a tough guy. I hope it's not serious. You hate to see a guy of his caliber laying on the ground."

Judging from how Wells writhed on the field in pain, the injury did not appear to be a minor one. A crowd of more than 105,000 thought so too. The Horseshoe was practically silent for several minutes while doctors and trainers attended to Wells near the goal line.

"I may have rolled it or planted wrong a play or two before," Wells said through Poe moments after the game. "Something just didn't feel right. Then I think I felt a pop. But the X-rays are OK, so we'll see how it feels in a day or

Wells, who has been hin-

dered by nagging injuries throughout his college career, fell to the ground in pain before he was even hit after taking a handoff at the Youngstown State 2. He fumbled the ball away before there was contact, then fell backward while medical personnel rushed to his side. Tressel even ran onto the field.

"As I handed the ball back, he didn't even grab the ball," quarterback Todd Boeckman said. "I didn't know what to expect, didn't know what he did. He went down and he was in some serious pain."

After he was helped off the field, Wells was put on a motorized cart and taken to the locker room.

#### IN BRIEF

# Dolphins sign Williams to 2-year extension DAVIE, Fla. — Ricky Williams is signed

DAVIÈ, Fla. — Ricky Williams is signed up for two more seasons in the NFL. The Miami Dolphins are hoping he plays out his contract this time.

The Dolphins signed Williams to a oneyear contract extension through the 2009-10 season Sunday, putting their faith in the controversial running back even though he's bailed on them in the past.

Williams won the NFL's rushing title in 2002 before flunking the league's substance abuse test five times, announcing an early retirement and torpedoing the Dolphins as they've missed the playoffs a franchise-record six straight seasons.

But his talent is why now four Miami coaching staffs have put their faith — and the team's future — on his legs. Williams has been perhaps the best player on the field during training camp, and the team has centered its offense around him in the preseason.

### Diamondbacks trade for Eckstein from Blue Jays

NEW YORK — Rushing to get back in a pennant race, Eckstein packed up Sunday and headed for Arizona after the NL West-leading Diamondbacks acquired him from Toronto for a minor league pitcher.

The 2006 World Series MVP with St. Louis, Eckstein batted .277 with a homer, 23 RBIs and a .354 on-base percentage in a part-time role for Toronto. Known for his all-out effort at 5-foot-7, he also helped the Angels win the 2002 World Series.

A shortstop for nearly his entire big league career, Eckstein will play second base in Arizona, potentially sharing time with Augie Ojeda.

The Diamondbacks had been looking for help at second since Gold Glove winner Orlando Hudson had season-ending wrist surgery on Aug. 10.

The fourth-place Blue Jays receive 23-year-old right-hander Chad Beck.

### Patriots cut perennial Pro-Bowler Lynch

FOXBOROUGH, Mass. — John Lynch, the nine-time Pro Bowl safety signed by New England two weeks ago, was released Sunday.

"It goes without saying but John is an all-time great safety, one of the league's classiest professionals and his elite play speaks for itself," coach Bill Belichick said of Lynch, who turns 37 on Sept. 25. "As has been the case in other situations, I would not rule anything out down the road."

During their decade-long run of success, the Patriots have regularly signed veterans and often released them, only to sign them again if needed. Belichick's comments indicate Lynch may be in that category. He has played 15 seasons, 11 in Tampa Bay and four in Denver.

"I have no regrets about my time thus far with the Patriots," Lynch said in a statement released by the club.

U.S. OPEN

## Federer rolls in U.S. Open



Four-time defending U.S. Open Champion Roger Federer returns a shot during his straight-set victory over Radek Stepanek Sunday in the Open's third round.

Associated Press

NEW YORK —As if trying to remind himself and everyone else where he's been and where he's quite certain he'll return, Roger Federer thrust his right fist overhead and pointed skyward with his index finger.

The universal gesture for No.

As Federer made that signal, the 1970s song "Still the One" by Orleans rang out through Arthur Ashe Stadium on Sunday, marking the end of the four-time defending champion's 6-3, 6-3, 6-2 victory over 28th-seeded Radek Stepanek in the U.S. Open's third round.

Actually, for the first time in a while, Federer is not No. 1 — in the seedings for the hard-court Grand Slam tournament or in the ATP rankings. Those honors belong to Rafael Nadal, who beat Federer in the lopsided French Open and epic Wimbledon finals and last week ended his record 237-week stay at the top.

Federer harbors no doubts that he can re-establish his ranking and his reputation among opponents, both built on the strength of 12 career major singles titles, two shy of Pete Sampras' record.

"That's the advantage I have. If I were to win a big tournament again, one of those Slams, whatever, right away I have the invincibility factor again, which is great for me," he said. "So that's what I'm working for. I was that close in Wimbledon, so I hope to go a step further and win it this time."

It's been a poor-by-his-standards — and, let's be clear, only by his lofty standards — season for Federer, whose 12 losses already are more than he absorbed in any entire year from 2004-07. His two titles, at minor events, are his fewest entering the U.S. Open since 2002.

On the other hand, Federer did reach the semifinals at the Australian Open before losing to eventual champion Novak Djokovic and was the runner-up at the other two major tournaments.

"I would love his bad year. ... The guy has the best four-year run ever, and we're all sitting here in shock that it's not the best five-year run ever. We have to use a little bit of perspective here as far as how good he's been," said Andy Roddick, the last man other than Federer to

win the U.S. Open, back in 2003, and his potential semifinal opponent this year.

"If you have to hear about anything every day, you start thinking about it a little bit, and maybe that's where he's at," added Roddick, who reached the fourth round by beating No. 31 Andreas Seppi 6-2, 7-5, 7-6 (4).

Roddick will play No. 11 Fernando Gonzalez or Jarkko Nieminen.

Federer's next opponent is No. 23 Igor Andreev of Russia, who beat No. 13 Fernando Verdasco of Spain in straight sets. In other men's third-round matches, No. 5 Nikolay Davydenko eliminated No. 26 Dmitry Tursunov, qualifier Gilles Muller fashioned a 6-7 (3), 3-6, 7-6 (5), 7-6 (6), 7-5 upset of No. 18 Nicolas Almagro, and Australian Open runner-up Jo-Wilfried Tsonga lost to No. 15 Tommy Robredo.

The women are a round ahead, and No. 2 Jelena Jankovic reached the quarterfinals by coming back to beat No. 21 Caroline Wozniacki 3-6, 6-2, 6-1. Jankovic is among five women with a shot at reaching No. 1 in the rankings.

"It's a goal," Jankovic said, "but I want to win a Grand Slam."

Another woman in the chase for No. 1 — and also without a major championship title — is Olympic gold medalist Elena Dementieva, who beat Li Na 6-4, 6-1 and now faces No. 15 Patty Schnyder.

Jankovic will meet No. 29 Sybille Bammer, who got past No. 12 Marion Bartoli 7-6 (3), 0-6, 6-4 in a match that lasted 3 hours, 5 minutes — believed to be the longest women's match, by time, in U.S. Open history.

"I didn't even really sweat," Bammer said. "I could have played longer."

Muller looked as though he could have, too, even though his match against Almagro stretched beyond four hours.

Muller never had come back from a two-set deficit in his career before doing so in the second round against Tommy Haas. Now he's done it twice in a row — despite winning a dozen fewer points than Almagro, 187-175, and making 25 more unforced errors. And Muller broke serve only once all match, in the final game.

Muller is the only man from Luxembourg to play in a Grand Slam tournament in the 40-year Open era — and now the first man or woman from the country to reach the fourth round.

"I'm the first one actually to do everything. I mean, that's not my goal — to be the best in Luxembourg," he said. This isn't his first moment in

This isn't his first moment in the spotlight at Flushing Meadows: Muller stunned Roddick in the first round in 2005. Since then, Only Federer has beaten Roddick at the U.S. Open, in the 2006 final and the 2007 quarterfinals.

Those are part of Federer's 30 consecutive victories in the hard-court major championship. The three wins this year have all come in straight sets, and Federer was truly tested only briefly by Stepanek.

**PGA** 

# Weir takes one-shot lead into final round

**Associated Press** 

NORTON, Mass. — Sunshine began to bake the greens, the wind kept players guessing and the birdie cheers kept right on coming Sunday in the Deutsche Bank Championship, the final one for Mike Weir.

His third birdie over the final five holes gave him a 4-under 67 and a one-shot lead

And it meant next to nothing

ing.
"I've got my hands full,"
Weir said after patching
together a good score despite

marginal shots.
First came a pair of 63s from Ben Crane and Camilo Villegas, the kind of score no one thought possible in such blustery conditions. Then came the steady surge of Sergio Garcia and Vijay Singh, and a late charge from Ernie Els and Jim Furyk to set the stage for the Labor

Day finish.

Expect everyone to work extra hard to win the Deutsche Bank Championship.

"One less than the guy who comes in second," Garcia said when asked what it would take to capture the second stop in the PGA Tour Playoffs for the FedEx Cup.

It starts with Weir, who hit only half of the fairways and half of the greens. He has been around the lead all week, but had to grind out a score to stay there, including a superb 7-iron to 3 feet on the 14th, chipping in for

birdie on the 15th and the final birdie on the 18th.

Weir was at 17-under 196, the 10th time the Canadian has had at least a share of the 54-hole lead on the PGA Tour. He has converted only of those chances into a victo-

ry.

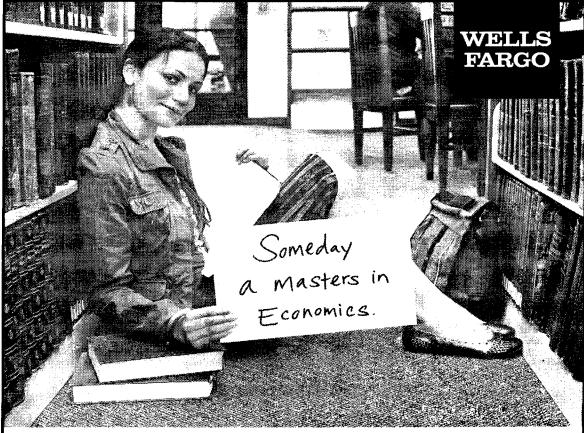
"There's great players on the leaderboard," Weir said.
"Some guys that are hungry to win for the first time, guys that haven't won many times, and I'm trying to do the same thing. I just want to keep playing my type of golf. Hopefully, I can hit it a little better and find a few more fairways."

Villegas ignored the swirling wind and took only 22 putts in his round of 63, which put him in the final group Monday with Weir, one shot behind and perhaps his best chance for his first PGA Tour victory.

Three shots behind were Garcia (68) and Singh (69), part of the playoff last week at The Barclays that Singh won to move atop the FedEx Cup standings.

And right behind them were Furyk, who birdied three of his last four holes for a 69; Els, who made eagle on the final hole after nearly holing a 5-iron and posting a 69; and Crane, whose 63 came much earlier in the day.

Ten players were separated by five shots going into the Labor Day finish, the kind of shootout the Deutsche Bank Championship always seems to produce.



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# Teams prepare to flee from Gustav's path

**Associated Press** 

As Tulane's football team embarked on an unexpected trip to Birmingham, Ala., with Hurricane Gustav on their minds, center Michael Parenton figured it couldn't be any worse than the last time the Green Wave left campus with a major storm threatening Louisiana's coast.

"We've been through it before and we made it," Parenton said, recalling the 2005 season, when Tulane played all its games on the road after Hurricane Katrina flooded most of New Orleans. "We'll be all right."

Across south Louisiana, college and pro teams spent the weekend packing up and leaving their regular training sites for safe havens away from the coast while, in many cases, trying to remain focused on the season ahead.

The New Orleans Saints, who like Tulane spent their entire 2005 regular season outside New Orleans, were in Indianapolis, where they intended to practice until Friday. The Saints tentatively scheduled a Saturday walkthrough back in New Orleans, hoping their Sept. 7 regularseason opener against Tampa Bay still can be played in the Louisiana Superdome.

The New Orleans Zephyrs, the Triple-A affiliate of the New York Mets, canceled their last two home games of the season on Sunday and Monday.

After canceling its game next Thursday at New Mexico State, Nicholls State's football team told players to evacuate and seek refuge with their families as Gustav threatened to unleash catastrophic damage in the low-lying town of Thibodaux, La., nearly 60 miles southwest of New Orleans, where the school's campus sits.

Louisiana-Lafayette and McNeese State football players also were told to ride out the storm with their families and stay in touch with coaches, who would give them instructions on when and where to regroup. McNeese spokesman Louis Bonnette said that if Gustav hits Lake Charles hard, as Rita did in 2005, the football team would join the schools' soccer, tennis, volleyball and cross country teams at Northwestern State in Natchitoches, La.

McNeese's football team has experience with setting up shop on another campus. After Rita left 6 feet of water in Cowboy Stadium, the squad spent several weeks at Southeastern and had some games canceled or rescheduled. Since the storm, Cowboy Stadium has had lights repaired and a new field installed.

The Southeastern Louisiana football team left campus in

Hammond on Sunday, bound for Oxford, Miss. University spokesman Matt Sullivan said the team had been invited to use practice fields and the weight room at Ole Miss while preparing for next weekend's game at Mississippi State.

A day after its season-opening victory over Appalachian State, LSU held meetings on its Baton Rouge campus, where head coach Les Miles told players to take Monday off and find a safe place to stay before reporting back for team meetings tentatively scheduled for Tuesday at 1 p.m.

"We'll kind of wait this thing out, hopefully come through OK and go from there," LSU spokesman Michael Bonnette said. "First and foremost, Coach Miles' concern is obviously safety for players, staff and their families."

While hurricane force wind may reach Baton Rouge and knock out municipal electricity, LSU's campus, including football facilities, have backup power. LSU's next scheduled game is at home this Saturday against Troy.

The NBA's Hornets, which spent two seasons in Oklahoma City after Hurricane Katrina, are supposed to open training camp in about a month. Their training headquarters are on the West Bank of the Mississippi River, deemed one of the more vulnerable spots on Louisiana's eastern coast to flooding when Gustav pushes water from the Gulf of Mexico

Because it's the NBA's offseason, players were out of town and front-office employees left town to be with friends and relatives. However, team spokesman Harold Kaufman, who was with family in Dallas, said majority owner George Shinn had contacted New Orleans Mayor Ray Nagin to let him know he was ready to help in the storm's aftermath.

Parenton, who is from Thibodaux, said he expected Tulane and other teams that were displaced by Katrina and Rita to handle the aftermath of Gustav with strength and leadership.

In 2005, Tulane spent the entire fall semester taking classes and training in Ruston, finishing 2-9.

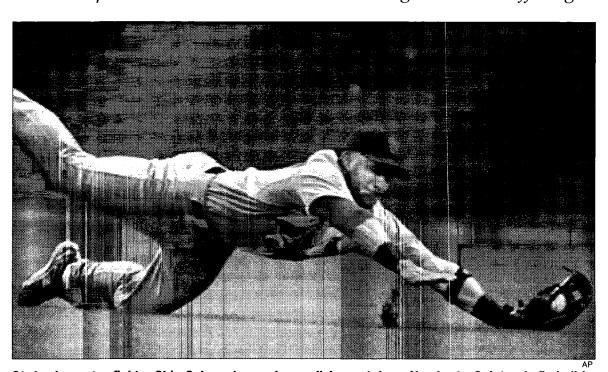
Yet Parenton, now a senior, never thought of it as a lost season.

"You hear all the horror stories from that year, but when you think about it, it was really something special we went through," Parenton said. "It wasn't anything we signed up for, but to be a member of that team, I'm proud of that and the way we hung together. I feel like this team can handle the exact same things and be successful."

MLB

# Astros rally against Cards

Padres nip Rockies in ninth thanks to Rodriguez's walk-off single



St. Louis center fielder Skip Schumaker makes a diving catch on Humberto Quintero's fly ball in Sunday's 8-5 win over Houston.

**Associated Press** 

HOUSTON — A three-run deficit doesn't scare a team that's playing its best baseball of the season.

That's why the Houston Astros didn't panic when they got behind by three in the first inning.

Ty Wigginton and Hunter Pence hit home runs during a six-run first inning and the Houston Astros held on for an 8-5 win over the St. Louis Cardinals on Saturday night.

"It was early in the game," Pence said of the three runs Brian Moehler gave up. "And you know Moehler's going to battle. He ended up pitching a great game for us. You know he's a gutsy guy and he's aggressive and going to give us a chance. We just had to get some runs for him."

Moehler (10-5) went six innings and allowed three runs and seven hits, striking out a season-high tying six. He improved to 4-0 in seven career starts against the Cardinals

"Moehler did a little bit of bending," manager Cecil Cooper said. "He did a great job of keeping us close."

In the third inning, the Cardinals got a double play on what appeared to be a missed call by second base umpire Marvin Hudson. Pence was on second with one out when Humberto Quintero hit a liner to center field, where Skip Schumaker dove for the ball.

Schumaker jumped up as if he'd made the catch and threw to shortstop Cesar Izturis to double up Pence. As Cooper argued the call with Hudson, replays clearly showed the ball bounced into Schumaker's glove.

Cooper was ejected from the game. It was his fifth ejection of the season.

"I was sitting in my seat and saw it," Cooper said. "I'm an old man and I saw it with my natural eyes. He blew it and he refused to get help. That's the thing that upset me. He said he saw it as no catch.

"That took a run off the board for us and probably at least a double away from a kid who's scratching for hits."

Schumaker admitted the ball hit the ground.

"I didn't really know what the deal was," he said. "I knew it short-hopped me and I popped up like I caught it. I knew it was a short-hop. I also knew it was a tough one. It was up to the umpire and it was a tough call for him to make."

Manager Tony La Russa was more concerned with the rough start by Braden Looper.

Looper (12-11) went 4 1-3 innings and allowed eight runs and 11 hits and three walks to take the loss.

"He was just up," La Russa said. "That's not his game or anybody's game and he got it up and got nailed.

Looper had no excuses.

"Basically, the guys put three runs on the board for me and if I did my job we would have had a good chance to win the game," he said. "Unfortunately, I didn't.

"I just had to make an adjustment and get the ball down. I kept trying to pound the strike zone and get ahead, and I was just missing a lot and falling behind. When you do that, they're going to make you pay."

The Astros won their fourth straight and improved to 20-9 in the month of August, third best in the National league behind Chicago and Milwaukee.

San Diego 2, Colorado 1

Jake Peavy feels like he's pitching as well as ever, even if he isn't piling up the wins for the San Diego Padres.

Peavy had a season-high 13 strikeouts in eight shutout innings before Trevor Hoffman blew the save in San Diego's victory over the Colorado Rockies on Sunday.

Luis Rodriguez singled in the winning run in the ninth as the Padres handed the Rockies a costly loss in their playoff chase.

"It's just been one of those years," said Peavy, the 2007 NL Cy Young Award winner. "I feel like I've thrown the ball fairly well. But, of course, the bottom line is 9-9. It's not fun to be a .500 pitcher in the win-loss column.

"But I can't control wins and losses. I can only control any of the other numbers and I think they are comparable to what I've done in all the good years I've had."

Peavy limited Colorado to five singles and walked two, throwing 114 pitches. He lowered his ERA to 2.69, second-best in the NL to San Francisco's Tim Lincecum (2.43).

"It's a big letdown when you think you are going to win, you're one out away from winning and you don't win," Peavy said. "For the team to come right back and score like that, it's huge."

Hoffman (3-6), the career leader with 551 saves, surrendered a pinch-hit RBI single to Chris Iannetta that tied it at 1. It was his fourth blown save of the year.

Rookie Will Venable led off the bottom half with a base hit against Taylor Buchholz (6-4) and advanced to third on Brian Giles' one-out single. Rodriguez followed with his winning hit.

"I was looking for that pitch," said Rodriguez, who also drove in Peavy with a two-out double in the fifth. "He doesn't want to throw me a good fastball."

Colorado, which has 24 games left this season, started the day six games back of Arizona in the lackluster NL West. The Diamondbacks hosted the Los Angeles Dodgers on Sunday night.

San Diego (53-83), with the second-worst record in the NL, swept Arizona in a three-game series before taking two of three from the Rockies.

"Every loss is difficult, but you run out of games and they have more meaning," Colorado manager Clint Hurdle said. "It's hard because your starting pitcher went out there and battled a guy with probably more electricity."

Jeff Francis kept the Rockies in the game with seven strong innings, allowing one run and six hits.

But Peavy was tough as he reached double digits in strikeouts for the 27th time in his career and third time this season.

"It was like I came off the field and I am going right back out again," Francis said. "(Peavy) was having 1-2-3 innings. He was fantastic."

Peavy, who retired 13 straight batters at one point, did not allow an earned run in a home start for the fifth time this season and has limited the opponent to two earned runs or less in 11 home starts.

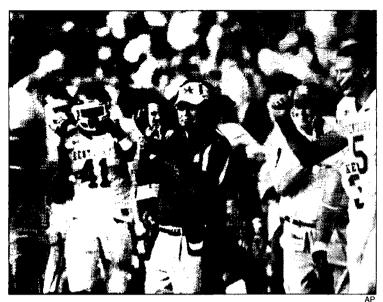
Colorado had a few scoring chances against Peavy, but went 0-for-4 with runners in scoring position. The best scoring opportunity came in the first when Scott Podsednik drew a leadoff walk and stole second with one out. But Peavy struck out Matt Holliday and Brad Hawpe.

Peavy's 13 Ks also tied the major league single-game high this season, done eight times previously.

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#### **NCAA FOOTBALL**

# Wildcats, Buffaloes down in-state rivals



UK coach Rich Brooks applauds one of his team's scores in the second half of the Wildcats' 27-2 win over Louisville.

#### Associated Press

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Rich Brooks knows Kentucky's young and inexperienced offense isn't going to scare anybody.

The way the Wildcats' defense played against Louisville, it might not have to.

Kentucky returned two Louisville fumbles for touchdowns and set up another score with an interception in the Wildcats' 27-2 victory Sunday in the Governor's Cup.

"We thought we had a good defense and we do," Brooks said. "Our defense took it upon themselves to score points. Our defense kept making play after play after play."

Kentucky forced five turnovers and stuffed Louisville's retooled offense, playing with the kind tenacity Brooks said the Wildcats would need early in the season while the offense found its footing.

Kentucky held Louisville, which averaged 416.5 yards per game a year ago, to just 205 yards and the Cardinals failed to score a touchdown for the first time since a shutout loss to Florida State in 2000.

"We were able to come out and execute everything we wanted to," Kentucky linebacker Micah Johnson said. "I was expecting us to have a great performance and we did. I just wasn't expecting all of those turnovers."

Neither were the Cardinals.

Louisville coach Steve Kragthorpe was hoping for a fresh start after a disappointing debut last season. Instead, the Cardinals appear to have plenty of work ahead if they want to climb back toward the top of the Big East.

Sunday, the Wildcats emphatically proved the Cardinals weren't even the best team in the state.

"You've got to take good care of the football," Kragthorpe said. "We just didn't do a good enough job on offense. Our defense gave us opportunities but we didn't take advantage."

While Louisville's defense showed significant improvement under new coordinator Ron English — holding the Wildcats to 210 yards — the offense looked overwhelmed at times

Hunter Cantwell, who spent the last three seasons as an understudy to former Louisville star Brian Brohm, turned it over four times in the fourth quarter as the Cardinals tried to rally. His first interception led to Tony Dixon's 7-yard touchdown run that put the Wildcats up 20-2, and Kentucky's Myron Pryor later pounced on Cantwell's fumble and rumbled 72 yards for a score to send the thirdlargest crowd in Cardinal Stadium history streaking to the

#### Colorado 38, Colorado State 17

Josh Smith bounced back from a rocky start with a 93yard kickoff return for a touchdown and Colorado beat Colorado State on Sunday night in what might have been their

last game at Invesco Field.

Many fans surely tuned in expecting to see Smith's nephew, Darrell Scott, the Buffaloes' highly-touted freshman tailback who was considered by several scouting services as the best back in the nation last year.

Scott gained 50 yards on a dozen carries and leaped over the pile for a 1-yard TD to cap the scoring in the closing minutes. But this night belonged to his uncle as the speedy sophomore racked up 189 total yards.

The game featured three touchdowns in a 26-second span of the second quarter, including back-to-back kickoff returns for touchdowns by Smith and CSU sophomore John Mosure.

Rams linebacker Jeff Horinek picked off Cody Hawkins' deflected pass at the Colorado 24 and, two plays later, Billy Farris, a senior making his starting debut, hit Dion Morton for a 31-yard touchdown strike that pulled the Rams to 14-7.

Smith, who fumbled away his first kickoff and watched his first punt sail over his head, returned the ensuing kickoff 93 yards untouched for the first score of his career. It was Colorado's first kickoff return for a TD since Jeremy Bloom's 88-yarder at Kansas State in 2003.

Not to be outdone, Mosure answered with a 90-yard TD return in which he broke two tackles around his 20-yard line and sidestepped desperation dive by kicker Jameson Davis as he plunged into the end zone to pull the Rams to 21-14.

That marked Colorado State's first kickoff return for a touchdown since Dexter Wynn did it against Wyoming in 2001.

#### **NCAA FOOTBALL**

## Georgia DT out for season

#### **Associated Press**

ATHENS, Ga. — Georgia defensive tackle Jeff Owens will have knee surgery and miss the rest of the season, making the senior the second starting lineman lost by the top-ranked Bulldogs in the past month.

Owens tore the anterior cruciate ligament in his right knee in Saturday's 45-21 win over Georgia Southern. Coach Mark Richt said Sunday that Owens will have season-ending surgery.

Georgia lost starting left tackle Trinton Sturdivant from its offensive line during preseason practice.

"At this rate we won't last very long," Richt said. "We can't afford much more there. I think we've got pretty good depth still at both spots if you're thinking about trying to finish out the season, but much more trouble there and we might really get thin."

Georgia senior Corvey Irvin will join junior Geno Atkins as the starting defensive tackles Saturday against Central Michigan.

Irvin had a sack and shared the team lead with six tackles, including two for losses, against Georgia Southern. Atkins had four stops.

"Corvey actually played an outstanding ballgame," Richt said. "He played the most snaps of the interior linemen and had the most production. Geno didn't play as many snaps but was probably as productive per play."

Irvin has never started for Georgia, but he played in 12 games last season after transferring from Georgia Military College.

Defensive tackle Kade Weston, expected to be the team's top backup, missed the opener with a sprained knee and is not expected to play next Saturday against Central Michigan.

Owens started every game last season.

Richt said Owens has been scheduled for reconstructive knee surgery on Sept. 9 and plans to return for his fifth year of eligibility in 2009. He played in all 13 games as a freshman and can have a medical redshirt year this season.

Richt said he has no doubt Owens, who already had been projected as a possible high pick in the 2009 NFL draft, will return next season.

"Oh yeah, I don't think there would be any question about that," Richt said. "He knows it could be a blessing in the long run if he rehabs well and gets maybe even in better condition than he was this year. So he's looking at the bright side right now."

Georgia will depend on sopho-

mores Brandon Wood and Ricardo Crawford and freshman DeAngelo Tyson for depth behind Irvin and Atkins.

Georgia's offensive line will receive a boost in depth with this week's return of starter Clint Boling, who was suspended by Richt for the opener.

After losing Sturdivant, Georgia had four new starters on its offensive line in the opener, including freshman guard Cordy Glenn.

Richt said Boling would move to the right side of the line and Josh Davis, who started at right tackle, will move back to left tackle, where he will compete with Kiante Tripp for a starting

"Offensively it will be good to have Clint back in the lineup," Richt said. "That will help."

Boling made 11 starts as a freshman last season, 10 at right guard and one at right tackle.

Richt said Boling, Glenn and Ben Harden will compete for the two starting jobs at right guard and right tackle.

The offensive line is still inexperienced, but the return of Boling gives the unit more depth than Georgia has at defensive tackle.

"We're hoping to go into this ballgame with eight or nine guys who could play," Richt said of the offensive line. "That's not bad."



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#### **SMC Soccer**

## Saint Mary's drops first 2 games

Lack of offense contributes to pair of losses to Hiram, Case Western

By ALEX BARKER Sports Writer

Poor second-half performances and an inability to score goals doomed Saint Mary's as it dropped both matches at the season-opening Case Western Reserve tournament this weekend in Cleveland, Ohio.

The Belles struggled to find their offense against host Case Western falling 4-1 on Saturday. Sunday's match against Hiram proved to be more of the same as the Belles once again failed to find their offensive rhythm in a 3-1

Against Case Western, Saint Mary's fell behind early but tied it up shortly after when senior forward Lauren Hinton connected with junior forward Micki Hedinger in the 15th minute for the Belles' first goal of the season. This success was short-lived, however, as Case Western would dominate the rest of the game putting two more goals in before halftime and adding a fourth shortly into the second half.

Senior Nicole Beier started at goalkeeper for the Belles, recording four saves, but was replaced at half-time by Junior Patty Duffy who finished with six saves.

In their second game, the Belles got out to a better start getting an early goal from freshman midfielder Taylor

Paton to take a 1-0 lead. Once again, however, the Belles could not maintain their momentum and Hiram scored an equalizer in the 30th

In the second half, the Belles could not find the net and gave up two late goals in the final seven minutes that sealed their

Duffy played all 90 minutes in goal for the Belles and recorded 10 saves.

Saint Mary's will look to get their first victory of the season as they take on Manchester College this Wednesday at North Manchester, Ind.

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#### **MLB**

## Mets bullpen holds on to four-run lead

MIAMI — A four-run cushion was sufficient Sunday for the New York Mets. Now they'll try to hang onto a lead in September.

The Mets' battered bullpen came through with three shutout innings to close out a 6-2 victory over the Florida Marlins, preserving New York's one-game lead over Philadelphia in the NL East.

Four weeks of the regular season remain, starting with a threegame series beginning Monday at Milwaukee, and the Mets are mindful of their collapse last September.

It has been a motivating factor the entire year," manager Jerry Manuel said.

Pedro Martinez pitched six innings for only his second victory since July 7, and the Mets homered three times against the fading Marlins. New York won

two of three games in the series, leaving third-place Florida seven

Last year New York went 5-12 down the stretch to squander a big lead in the East and miss the

playoffs.
"Until I see that last day when we've won the division, İ'm not going to be relaxed," Martinez said. "Hopefully things can be different. I don't think this team is giving you any hints of showing what happened last year. It's a different group.

The problem last year wasn't Martinez, who went 3-1 in September, and Sunday's performance suggested he's ready for another stretch run. The first two batters to face him scored, but those were the only runs he allowed.

Martinez (5-3) gave up seven hits but only one walk.

"Nothing special, just a quality outing," he said. "I had to battle a lot. I was a little sluggish but managed to use my experience."

Martinez won with a fastball that rarely exceeded the low 80s.

"Pedro was Pedro," Manuel said. "He didn't have his greatest stuff, but he pitched magnificent-

Back-to-back home runs in the third inning by Nick Evans and David Wright put the Mets ahead to stay. Carlos Beltran added his 21st homer.

Five relievers combined to close out the win. Aaron Heilman, who walked in the winning run Saturday, stranded two runners to end the seventh. Shortstop Jose Reyes made a diving catch of Jorge Cantu's liner with two on to end the game.

Scott Olsen (6-9) gave up six runs in 6 1-3 innings and fell to 0-5 in eight starts since July 19.

The defeat meant that for only the second time in Marlins history, they went an entire month without back-to-back victories. They were 11-17 in August.

"I think we have a run in us where we'll win five, six, seven in a row," manager Fredi Gonzalez said. "I still believe that."

Martinez earned his 214th career win despite a rough start. Hanley Ramirez reached on a single to begin the first inning, took second on a wild pitch and came home on a double by Luis Gonzalez. A groundout and sacrifice fly by Mike Jacobs put the Marlins ahead 2-0.

Martinez stranded two runners in the second and again in the third before settling down to retire the final eight batters he faced.

Beltran homered leading off the second. Rookie Evans, relishing his first pennant race, hit his first career home run to make the score 2-all.

Being my first year in the major leagues, you couldn't ask for a more exciting team and situation to be put in," he said. "I'm enjoying every day of it.

Two pitches later, Wright hit his 27th homer — the 27th allowed by Olsen.

'Oly threw pretty well," Jacobs said. "Unfortunately we didn't score enough runs. That's been out story the last month or so not scoring runs.'

New York added three runs in the seventh on RBI singles by Reyes and pinch hitter Ryan Church, and a sacrifice fly by

Then it was on to Milwaukee, where September awaits.

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### **Belles**

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digs and four aces of her own, with Kurczak contributing 29 kills. Sophomores Rose and Huelsmann finished the weekend with 62 and 37 digs, respectively.

Saint Mary's opens its MIAA conference schedule on

Tuesday, hosting Adrian College at 7 p.m. at the Angela Athletic Facility

"We only get one practice before our conference match on Tuesday," Schroeder-Biek said. "So, we are going to use it to really work on our connections with the attackers as well as tighten up our blocking game."

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### **Shamrock**

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"IPFW was a very strong and physical team," Brown said. "It was great to get the win, but we never really got into a good rhythm."

Highlighting the attack against the Mastodons were freshman outside hitter Kristen Dealy and junior outside hitter Serinity Phillips.

Dealy had 12 kills and 10 digs while Phillips led the Irish with 13 kills and 12 digs.

This was the first time under Brown that the Irish have played the Mastodons, and marks an all-time 22-7 record in season-openers.

Three of the freshmen, Dealy, libero/defensive specialist Frenchy Silva, and setter Beth Wildermuth, saw significant time in the match, helping the Irish comfortably sweep all three sets.

"The freshmen all played huge roles this weekend and did fantastic jobs," Brown said. "They were carrying a decent amount of the load."

The Irish then squeaked out a second victory 3-1 on Saturday against the Nevada Wolf Pack.

Sophomore Kellie Sciacca led the scoring for the Irish against the Wolf Pack, notching 14 kills and 10 blocks.

"Sciacca was unbelievable," Brown said. "They did not have a chance to stop her."

Sciacca played so well that Brown said they moved her into the front row in set four.

Also playing very well was Wildermuth, who had 11 digs and 17 assists.

"Beth is a really great competitor," Brown said. "She took control."

The Irish rolled in the first set on the back of strong play from Sciacca, Dealy, and junior outside hitter Megan Fesl.

Sciacca's dominance continued in the second set with five of her kills, with junior outside hitter Christina Kaelin ending the set with three of her 11 kills on the night.

Notre Dame built a comfortable 20-15 lead in the third set, but watched that advantage dissolve as the Wolf Pack ended up taking the set 25-23.

The Irish re-established con-

trol in the fourth and final set with a .381 hitting percentage and ended the game 25-18.

Irish hopes to sweep the weekend were spoiled by the Crusaders of Valparaiso who defeated the Irish 3-1. Despite the loss, Brown believes that the loss was their best match of the tournament.

"We played much better today," Brown said. "It was a completely different match. It was going down to the last serves."

Angie Porche of Valparaiso had an impressive 26 kills and 10 digs to pace the Crusaders to an undefeated 3-0 record on the year and sweep of the Shamrock Invitational.

Kaelin 's 13 kills and a .480 average led the Irish on offense, with Dealy adding 10 kills of her own.

Silva had 21 digs for the Irish and junior Jamel Nicholas had 27 assists and career high 7 kills.

Junior Tara Enzweiler had 8 blocks to Sciacca's 7.

The match was a back-andforth affair characterized by thirty-four ties and eleven lead changes.

The Irish earned a first set victory against the Crusaders, but that would be their last victorious set of the tournament.

The second set saw the Irish earn eight kills but also commit eight errors. Those mistakes were too much to overcome, as the Crusaders took set two 25-17

"We error-ed ourselves out of game two," Brown said. "But games three and four were very well played, and we had our opportunities."

The decisive set was the third, as it saw great efforts from both squads. The teams pushed the score to 28-28 until the Crusaders were finally able to score two points in a row to take the extended set.

The Irish were able to keep the fourth set close all the way to 21-21, but the Crusaders closed the game and the match out in the end 25-23.

The Irish will be back in action next weekend for three games in Idaho against Eastern Washington, Washington State, and Idaho at the Idaho Volleyball Classic.

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## Freshmen

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legiate event. Matuszak shot a 78 on Saturday and an 80 on Sunday on the par-72 course to finish as the low Division III player in the field. Her overall score of 158 resulted in a tie for 21st place among the rest of the field.

Other highlights included a second day 83 from freshman Christine Brown out of the No. 4 spot. Brown's 83 was matched by that of fellow freshman Kailey Jacob on the first day. Senior Perri Hamma

contributed on the first day as well with an 84. Sophomore Emily Gore also contributed with a solid 92 on Saturday.

With one tournament under their belt, the Belles look forward to Thursday's home match up with defending MIAA conference champion Olivet College.

"We are looking forward to our first conference match this Thursday," Hamilton said, "The ladies are anxious to show the country what they can do when healthy and firing on all cylinders."

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Senior defender Elise Weber, center, lunges for a loose ball against Loyola Marymount Friday in a 4-0 Irlsh win at Alumni field.

### **Shutout**

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Despite maintaining dominance in their own offensive half, the Irish struggled to put the ball away, as was evident of their first fluke of a goal. In the 16th minute of the first half, Michele Weissenhofer blasted a shot in the right channel that Bronco keeper Meagan McCray knocked down. But the force of Weissenhofer's rocket deflected the ball into Bronco's defender Dani Potts for a selfgoal against Santa Clara. The goal was just one of many offensive chances for the Irish.

"I thought we had some opportunities that we should have capitalized on and could have even broke the game open even more," Irish coach Randy Waldrum said.

Even though the scoreboard didn't reflect it as clearly, the Irish dominated offensively edging Santa Clara 21-5 in shots and 11-2 in shots on goal.

Despite struggling to put the ball in the net, the Irish dominated play in every aspect of the game. Anchoring the Irish win was a strong four-man, zone defense led by senior captain Carrie Dew. With a strong defense in front of her, goalkeeper Kelsey Lysander only had to make two saves.

But it's not just the defense's ability to shut down their opponents that makes them one of the Irish's greatest assets.

"The other thing that's so good about the backs, is we attack a lot with our backs," Waldrum said. "So Elise Weber and Julie Scheidler on the flanks really get up and down and add another dimension to our attack."

But Weber, and Scheidler aren't the only players capable of taking on that role. The Irish boast a deep and healthy roster with players able to step up and fill the shoes of veteran players like Dew and Kerri Hanks.

"The fact that we're deep, we're able to rotate a lot of players and you get kids, you know everybody expects Kerri Hanks to be great and she is, and Brittany Box and Michelle Weissenhofer and they are, but then you turn around and you have players life Erica lantorno who's been great for us so far this season, scored some big goals for us this season, and that's key," Waldrum

said.

And having a squad full of players capable of starting doesn't hurt when temperatures reach well into the 90s like they did Sunday. Waldrum points to the fitness of his team for their ability to withstand the heat and thinks it will carry over when they travel to Chapel Hill, N.C., Friday.

"The physical condition that we're in is I think getting better and better since pre-season," Waldrum said. "But I also think that we're deep enough that we can rotate a lot of players ... When you've almost got two teams that you're rotating in and out it helps keep you fresh."

#### Notes

◆ Hanks scored her sixth career hat trick against Loyola Marymount, tying Jenny Heft's school record.

◆ Hank was named the tournament's offensive MVP, Dew was named defensive MVP, and Lysander was named Most Valuable Goalkeeper.

◆ The tournament win marked Notre Dame's 12th tournament victory.

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## **Split**

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half, but neither team was able to find the back of the net. The second half saw similarly even play, but Akron's Steve Zakuani turned a close game into a comfortable Zips victory.

After a Kofi Sarkodie header put Akron up 1-0 in the 56th minute, Zakuani beat three Irish defenders in the 72nd minute before slipping the ball far post past Notre Dame keeper Andrew Quinn. Seven minutes later, Zakuani turned creator as his cross was deposited first-time by Anthony Ampaipitakwong.

"The second two goals were just moments of individual brilliance," Clark said. "I don't know where they got Zakuani from, but he's a special player.

"When we lost the first goal, we lost some discipline at the time. We all went at it individually instead of sticking as a team and that combined with [Zakuani's] brilliance sealed our fate."

Shut out on Friday night, the Irish didn't wait long to open the

scoring on Sunday. Junior Justin Morrow scored the team's first goal of the season and the fourth goal of his Notre Dame career when, in the 7th minute, he took a pass from sophomore Jeb Brovsky and fired into the upper corner of the net.

Half an hour later, sophomore Stephen Perry scored his first career goal when he ran onto a Michael Thomas through-ball and slipped it past Duke goalie Brendan Fitzgerald. In the second half, it became the Bright Dike show as the junior forward, tabbed a dark-horse Hermann Trophy candidate, notched his first career multi-goal game.

Dike's first goal came after passes from midfielders Matt Armstrong and Dave Donahue put Dike clear in on goal. Donahue was once again the distributor on the fourth and final goal as he laid a pass into the path of an onrushing Dike who made no mistake.

"After Morrow's goal, they decided to go three at the back, and that opened up a lot of space for us to slip balls through," Clark said. "To be honest, Dike could have had another three. The defense

opened up, and he came thundering through. He had a very good weekend."

At the other end of the field, Notre Dame senior goalie Andrew Quinn had a solid day making 5 saves including a Mike Grella penalty kick, but Grella converted on the rebound for the Blue Devils' only goal of the day.

After rotating his goalies throughout the spring and the preseason, Clark appears to have settled on Quinn over Phillip Tuttle as the team's number one keeper. Quinn played the full ninety minutes in both games this weekend and brought his career record with Notre Dame to 3-3-1.

"It was a very difficult choice because both keepers played exceptionally well in the spring and the preseason," Clark said in reference to his decision to make Quinn the number one goalie. "I think it's important that Andrew gets to feel at home there, and that was our thinking [starting him both games this weekendl."

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#### **BLACK DOG**







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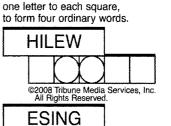
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ARIES (March 21-April 19): You may find yourself all wrapped up in a situation that you cannot change. Try not to let your emotions run away with you, causing a small issue to become something unmanageable. Don't get angry or lash out.

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SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Tie up loose ends in preparation for what's to come. Change is heading your way. Venture to get in touch with people out of your jurisdiction or geographical area. You'll be surprised by the response.

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# **Tournament trials**

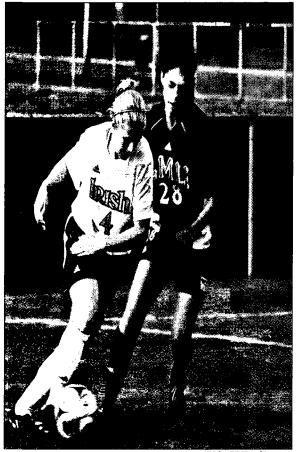
#### Pair of convincing wins highlight 12th tournament victory

By DEIRDRE KRASULA Sports Writer

She shifted the ball to her right foot and from 15 yards out Erica lantorno buried a goal in the top right corner of the net, taking with it the frustration of multiple missed opportunities. The sophomore's unassisted goal late in the first half widened No. 4 Notre Dame's lead to 2-0 in its victory over No. 21 Santa Clara Sunday. The shutout marked the second Irish win of the weekend having already beaten Loyola Marymount 4-0 in the first game of the Inn at St. Mary's Soccer Classic last Friday.

It looked like the Bronco's might follow up with another win after last year's 7-1 crushing of the Irish as Jenny LaPonte got the first shot of the game. But from that moment on the Irish dominated play.

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Sophomore Taylor Knaack dribbles past a defender in a 4-0 win over Loyola Marymount Friday.



Senior defender Jack Traynor dribbles the ball in a scoreless draw against Mexico last April.

Men bounce back after frustrating defeat to Akron with 4-1 win

By GREG ARGOBAST Sports Writer

Looking only at the scoreboard, it might seem that two different Notre Dame teams showed up this past weekend in the Adidas/IU Credit Union Classic.

No. 3 Notre Dame started the weekend losing 3-0 against No. 12 Akron before rebounding to defeat Duke 4-1 Sunday afternoon to leave the team's record at 1-1-0. Irish coach Bobby Clark, however, felt that the final score of both games didn't accurately

"We should have done better [against Akron], but we were in the game a lot more than the score suggested," Clark said. "Sunday was maybe a reversal because Duke was in the game a lot more than the score suggest-

In Friday night's game against the Zips, Notre Dame actually outshot Akron 8-6 in the first

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#### SMC VOLLEYBALL

## Belles off to ringing start, take three of four matches

By MICHAEL BLASCO

Saint Mary's (3-1, 0-0 MIAA) kicked off its season with a strong showing this weekend, going 3-1 at the Thomas More Invitational in Crestview Hills, Ky., hosted by Thomas More College. Belles senior Cathy Kurczak and junior Lorna

Slupczynski were named to the All-Tournament team. Head coach Julie Schroeder-Biek hopes the early success will translate to conference play.

"This was a very important [tournament]," Schroeder-Biek said. "Last year, we struggled at the beginning of the season, especially.'

In its Saturday opener, Saint Mary's defeated Spalding

University in four sets (25-23, 23-25, 26-24, 25-20), and dropped Earlham College in straight sets that evening (25-17, 25-14, 25-13). Kurczak (16 kills), senior Kaela Hellmann (24), and Slupczynski (21) led the Belles' offensive attack. Freshman Danie Brink had 38 assists for Saint Mary's while junior Liana Rohr chipped in 28 assists of her own. On the

defensive end, sophomore Meghann Rose led the Belles with 29 digs, and fellow sophomore Ellen Huelsmann had a double-digit dig effort with 15.

After taking consecutive matches on the first day of the tournament, Saint Mary's split its games on Sunday. The Belles suffered their first loss with a tough, five set contest against PSU-Behrend (25-22, 21-25,

25-21, 16-25, 13-15), but bounced back to dispose of Kenyon in straight sets (25-11, 25-20, 25-2). Hellmann, Slupczynski, and Kurczak had another strong day offensively. Hellmann wrapped up the weekend with 44 kills, 24 digs and eight service aces. Slupczynski added 40 kills, 26

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#### ND VOLLEYBALL

## Irish take 2 at the Shamrock

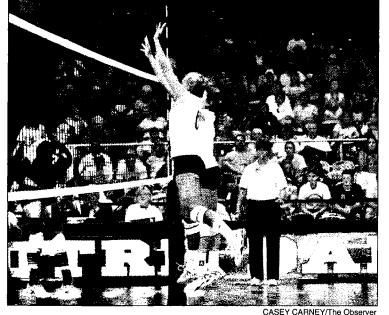
By JARED JEDICK Sports Writer

The Shamrock Invitational started off well for Notre Dame (2-1) with two solid wins against Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne (IPFW) and Nevada, before the inviting atmosphere disappeared in a hard-fought loss to Valparaiso.

The level of competition was very good this weekend," Irish coach Debbie Brown said. "We learned a lot and got better with each match. We were able to identify a lot of our strengths and weaknesses."

The Irish began the opening weekend on Friday with an impressive 3-0 win over the IPFW Mastodons.

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Junior Kim Kristoff, left, and sophomore Kellie Sciacca, right, block an attempted spike Sunday in a 3-1 loss to Valparaiso.

SMC Golf

## Three freshmen crack line up in Michigan

By MIKE GOTIMER Sports Writer

This past weekend, the Saint Mary's golf team competed in its first competition of the year at the Ferris State Bulldog Invitational at the Katke Golf Course in Big Rapids, Mich.

The Belles were one of 16 Division II and III teams entered in the tournament, finishing third amongst the Division III schools that competed in the invitational. The team finished with a combined score of 671 after two days of competition.

Entering their first tournament of the year, the team had a number of questions to answer. Because of injury con-

cerns, the team was forced to start three freshmen that had yet to play at Katke. Despite their inexperience, coach Mark Hamilton was pleased with the outcome.

"Considering that we played three freshmen in the starting line-up that had never seen the course, I was pleased with the outcome," Hamilton said. "We still have some work to do, but we're on the right track. Our goal was of being the low D-III in the field was not accomplished, but the two teams ahead of us played very

The Belles were led by freshman Natalie Matuszak, who was competing in her first col-

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