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ND ranked 18th in the country

U.S. News and World report named Harvard, Princeton, Yale Universities at top of list

By ELLYN MICHALAK
News Writer

Notre Dame moved up one spot to No. 18 on this year's U.S. News and World Report's ranking of the nation's best colleges.

The report put Harvard, Princeton, and Yale in the top three spots on the list, and placed Notre Dame in a three-way tie with Emory University and Vanderbilt University.

The 2009 list marks the second consecutive year that the University has moved up one number in the annual ranking.

In 2007 Notre Dame held the No. 19 spot alongside Vanderbilt, and in 2006 the University was ranked 20th in the country.

University administrators do not believe anything different was done this year to cause the rise in ranking.

"When you're already a well established university and well recognized, you're not going to change in any dramatic way based on rankings," assistant provost and chief of admissions Dan Saracino said. "All it is is an affirmation for what most

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AMERICA'S BEST COLLEGES 2009

RANK	SCORE
1. Harvard University	100
2. Princeton University	99
3. Yale University	98
4. Massachusetts Institute of Technology	94
4. Stanford University	94
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18. Emory University	79
18. University of Notre Dame	79
18. Vanderbilt University	79

info from U.S. News and World Report
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Students recognize labor rights

Anniversary examines local workers' status

By KAITLYNN RIELY
Assistant News Editor

The scene at Fieldhouse Mall Tuesday afternoon felt alternately like the city of London's Speaker's Corner and a church revival. Students, professors, campus employees and area residents gathered to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and to criticize the status of workers' rights at Notre Dame and in South Bend and the nation at large.

The Universal Declaration of Human Rights was adopted and proclaimed by the General Assembly of the United Nations in 1948. The professors who spoke called the audience's attention specifically to the declaration's Article 23, which stipulates that "everyone has the right to work, to free choice of employment, to just and favorable conditions of work and to protection of work." The document also enumerates "equal pay for equal work," "just and favorable remuneration" that provides an "existence worthy of human dignity," and advocates the "right to form and to join trade unions."

"The idea for this event ... is to create an awareness of labor issues and put them in the context of the situation on campus," said senior Nick Krafft, one of the organizers of the event.

The point, he said, is not to

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SMC Dance Marathon receives award

Children's Miracle Network 2008 Dance Marathon Leadership Conference honors College



SMC Dance Marathon executives pose at the Children's Miracle Network Dance Marathon leadership conference 2008.

Photo courtesy of Taryn Pabst

By MANDI STIRONI
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This past summer, Saint Mary's College Dance Marathon received the "Incentive Award" from Children's Miracle Network at the Children's Miracle Network 2008 Dance Marathon Leadership Conference held in Orlando in July.

The Incentive Award is the highest national award which can be given to a Dance Marathon, according to a College press release.

"The Incentive Award is to recognize exceptional Dance Marathons that have

broken the mold," said Zac Johnson, national director of Dance Marathon in the press release. "Saint Mary's College students have set the bar very high for campuses just starting the program. These young women re-imagined what can be accomplished in such a short time and serve as an example to other campuses."

SMC-DM, a 12-hour marathon during which participants stay on their feet to raise money for Riley Hospital for Children in Indianapolis, was first held at Saint Mary's in

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Clubs attract new members at event

More than 4,000 ND students visited SAO sponsored activities night

By DAVIS RHORER JR.
News Writer

Hoping to find new members and interested freshmen, more than 250 clubs and organizations set up tables at the Notre Dame activities night sponsored by the Student Activities Office (SAO) Tuesday night.

"The clubs were great and out in full force," said SAO director of activities night, Mary Kate Havlik. "We were very successful."

Havlik said while SAO provides the outlet for clubs and organizations to recruit new students by hosting the event, the ambition of individual organizations in getting peo-

ple to come out to the event is what caused more than 4,000 students to attend.

The large number of students is part of the reason many clubs experienced a rise in interest when compared with previous years.

"We had double the number of new recruits," said Gabby Montero, a member of the Management Club of Notre Dame.

Montero said many freshman and sophomores unsure about their majors find opportunities to experience business related events and activities in the club even though the club is smaller in size.

The Center for Social Concerns (CSC) also saw an

increase in the number of students who signed up as interested.

"We are always very busy," said Rosie McDowell, the director of student outreach for the CSC. "Our students are really good ambassadors."

She said the "energy and enthusiasm for service" among the freshman class is more of a reason the CSC saw a higher turnout rather than any amount of advertisement for the organization or the night.

Junior Tessa Riester, a member of the service club Circle K, agreed that advertising did not play much of a

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Mentor program receives nat'l grant

By SARAH MAYER
News Writer

Saint Mary's College was one of two independent Indiana higher education institutions to receive grants from JPMorgan Chase Foundation as part of the "Overcoming Barriers and Challenges to Education in Indiana" initiative over the summer.

The College requested \$6,500 and was granted \$7,000 to pilot Peer/Team (PT) Mentoring, a mentoring program for College freshmen and local high school students who are from low-income, underrepresented and under served minority back-

grounds.

"We were very excited to hear JPMorgan Chase extended this grant to Saint Mary's College and our office to launch this pilot mentoring program," said the Saint Mary's director of multicultural affairs, Larisa Olin Ortiz who will facilitate the program.

While the money was granted to Saint Mary's during summer break, Ortiz has been discussing plans for the grant for the past year with Ed Ackerley, the director of business and foundations relations.

"Our hope is that this mentoring program will help students develop positive relationship

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INSIDE COLUMN

Reckers cut the cheese

Upon returning to Notre Dame, there were several specific things I was looking forward to. Football season, quarter dogs, and, yes, even The Observer, were reasons that when the calendar turned to August, all I could do is count down until it was time to come back to South Bend.

Sam Werner

Sports
Production
Editor

But one of, if not the most anticipated aspects of my glorious return was the simple pleasure of sitting down at Reckers at 2 a.m. on a Friday or Saturday night, and digging in to a heaping portion of French fries with a helping of nacho cheese on the side for dipping purposes.

So you can imagine my surprise when I ambled into Reckers on Friday night after a festive night of revelry and declared my order of "large cheese fries" to the cashier, only to hear, "Sorry, we don't have nacho cheese anymore."

I thought I must have been mistaken, perhaps the cheese machine was broken, or they were simply out of stock tonight. Nope. No more cheese fries. Ever.

No cheese fries? One of the mainstays of my freshman year of college just thrown out the window, cast aside without second thought? Cheese fries not only satisfied my late-night weekend cravings, but also got me through some very, very late nights in The Observer office.

I wish I could have been present at the meeting when the decision was handed down to take my beloved cheese fries off the menu. I would love to hear the University's rationale for this one. I'm all for eating healthy and promoting a good diet, but spinach vegetable wraps don't quite do it for me at 3 in the morning. At that point, I want something that lets me feel my arteries hardening.

It's not just the cheese, or just the fries, which make Reckers cheese fries so special. It's the way the two flavors intermingle on your palette to create a satisfaction that hits a spot other snacks just can't.

A large part of Reckers' appeal is the fact that it's open 24 hours, and cheese fries are the ultimate 24-hour food. Let's be honest, do cheese fries ever sound appealing before midnight? Not really. It's nine o'clock right now, and even though I'm writing this ode to the cheese fry, I don't really feel a strong desire to actually eat any. Talk to me in 4 or 5 hours though, and I'll undoubtedly be craving some.

It's not too late for Reckers to rectify this problem. I know for a fact that there are numerous other sources of nacho cheese on this campus. Transport some of that over and just keep a supply on hand. They could even just take what's left over from the dining halls after dinner.

Please, Reckers, don't do this to us. It's just not fair.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer. Contact Sam Werner at swerner@nd.edu

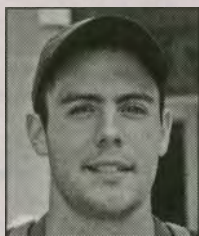
CORRECTIONS

In the Sept. 1 edition of The Observer the name of Sister Rose Anne Schultz was misspelled and her title of Vice President for Mission at Saint Mary's was not stated due to a reporting error.

In the Sept. 2 edition of The Observer the name of Saint Mary's Director of Student Involvement Patrick Daniel's name was misspelled due to a reporting error.

The Observer regrets these errors.

QUESTION OF THE DAY: WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT THE DILLON PEP RALLY CANCELLATION?



Joey Leary

senior
off-campus

"I think Notre Dame has lost its sense of humor and it's tragic."



Ann Kelley

senior
Cavanaugh

"Indifferent."



Nick LaPlante

sophomore
Keough

"It got cancelled?"



Meghan Johnson

senior
off-campus

"I've never been to it."



John Callahan

senior
off-campus

"Now climbing Mt. Everest can take priority in my life once again."



JESSICA LEE/The Observer

Ellen Gunn, a South Bend resident and office worker in Siegfried Hall sang "This Little Light of Mine" on the Fieldhouse Mall for Labor Awareness Issues.

OFFBEAT

Cat survives 70-mile trip on car's tire

GILBERT, Ariz. — A cat survived a 2 1/2-hour trip on a spare tire under her owner's truck. Gil Smith recently drove from his Gilbert home 70 miles away for a business meeting in Kearny. When he got out of the truck, he heard a cat in distress and realized it was his.

Smith said the cat, Bella, was hysterical, shaky and tired, but was smart enough to know not to jump off the tire as the truck was moving.

Smith and his wife have adopted three indoor

cats, three goats and three chickens. But Smith said Bella, an outdoor cat the couple adopted years ago, has a special place in his wife's heart.

Smith said he canceled his meeting with a state Department of Economic Security official who had driven 50 miles to get to Kearny so he could get Bella home.

It was either that, or, he jokes, get a divorce.

Man accused of offering sandwich as a bribe

IOWA CITY, Iowa — Iowa City police said a

man who was driving drunk tried to bribe a police officer — with a sandwich. Police said a 25-year-old man was charged with drunken driving early Sunday morning after an officer saw him driving with his headlights off and pulled him over.

Police said the man was riding with a police officer in a squad car when he offered the officer free sub sandwiches if he could go home.

The officer declined.

Information compiled from the Associated Press.

IN BRIEF

The colloquium: "Making Scientific Datasets Universally Acceptable" will take place today from 4 to 5 p.m. in the Nieuwland Hall of Science.

Saint Mary's Twilight Tailgate will take place tonight starting at 4:30. Dinner will be served until 7 and the movie "Made of Honor" featuring Patrick Dempsey will be shown at 9 p.m. on Library Green. Caramel apples, popcorn and cotton candy will be available during the movie.

The Student Activities Office will host "Rock the Quad" tonight at 9 on South Quad, featuring Wii Sports and Rock Band. Free food will be provided.

A screening of Tom McCarthy's 2008 film "The Visitor" will take place at 9:30 p.m. on Thursday at the Browning Cinema in the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center. Tickets are available in the box office.

The first pep rally of the season is Friday from 6 to 7 p.m. in the Joyce Center Arena.

The Notre Dame Glee Club will have a "Kickoff Concert" at 8 p.m. Friday at the Leighton Concert Hall in the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center. Tickets are \$5 for general admission. The event is sponsored by the Department of Music.

Michael Novak will be speaking regarding his book "Business As A Calling" on Sept. 11 at 7 p.m. in the DeBartolo Auditorium room 101.

To submit information to be included in this section of The Observer, e-mail detailed information about an event to

LOCAL WEATHER	TODAY		TONIGHT		THURSDAY		FRIDAY		GAME DAY		SUNDAY	
	HIGH	LOW	HIGH	LOW	HIGH	LOW	HIGH	LOW	HIGH	LOW	HIGH	LOW
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COR

Council approves new positions

Unanimous decisions appointed new academic delegate, SUB art director

By John Tierney
News Writer

The Council of Representatives (COR) approved the appointment of senior Joe Venturini as Academic Delegate and of senior Laura Zuzolo as SUB Art Director in unanimous decisions at their meeting Tuesday.

Venturini, a Program of Liberal Studies and Arts and Letters Pre Professional major, formerly of Morrissey Manor, will serve as a student liaison to the Faculty Senate and will sit on the Academic Council, student body president Bob Reish said.

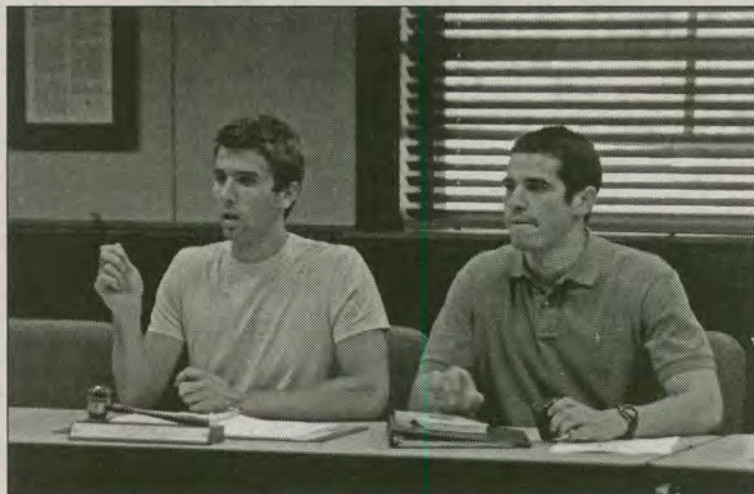
Venturini was not aware of his new position's responsibilities until Reish approached him about becoming the academic delegate, but is eager to assume a new challenge.

"I love Notre Dame and I want to give a little back," he said.

Zuzolo, who was nominated at the COR meeting by SUB Manager Pat Gartland, is a Graphics Design major from Walsh Hall. She previously worked as a graphic designer for SUB during the 2007-2008 school year and continued her work with SUB over the summer, working with the Director of Publicity while serving as a summer residence hall manager.

"Her past leadership and design experience will aid the organization greatly, and her philosophies of hard work and fun exemplify the central mission of SUB," Gartland wrote in his letter addressed to COR, nominating Zuzolo for the position.

Zuzolo said that responsibilities as art director would include



NICK SIMONSON/The Observer

Student body president Bob Reish, left, and Vice president Grant Schimdt, right, discuss council appointments at Tuesday's meeting.

overseeing the design of posters and advertisements for SUB.

Following the confirmation of Venturini and Zuzolo, Reish began a closed-door portion of the meeting during which COR discussed funding issues that remained confidential upon the reopening of the meeting.

After the meeting was reopened to the public, Reish discussed changing the procedure for discussing COR Collaboration Fund Appeals. He encouraged members to think about whether or not "we should set higher standards if [an appeal to the fund] is over a certain amount."

Reish also suggested requiring that a representative from a club attend the COR meeting, but said he would not allow the representative to remain in the meeting during financial deliberations.

The representative would, however, be available to answer

questions "about the planning process," Reish said.

Reish did not delve into further specifics about financial matters after reopening the meeting. "We can't go into too much detail with The Observer here," he said.

COR voted to postpone the discussion of the Student Census until next week's meeting. The census, according to Reish, is a "survey to the entire student body" that will allow students to "rank student government projects," in an attempt to "bridge the gap."

Students will be able to respond to the survey online, at the dining halls, and at LaFortune Student Center. Sarah Rodts, who is responsible for community outreach in student government, will address COR about the survey next week.

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Alumni Association to present 4 awards

Special to The Observer

The University of Notre Dame Alumni Association will present four awards during ceremonies on campus this fall.

The Rev. John J. Cavanaugh, C.S.C., Award honoring distinguished public service will be presented tomorrow to Percy A. Pierre, a 1961 Notre Dame graduate, University Trustee and former Michigan State University vice president.

Pierre, who earned his master's degree from Notre Dame and doctorate from Johns Hopkins University, is recognized as the first African-American to earn a doctoral degree in electrical engineering.

In 1969, Pierre began a series of administrative posts in government and higher education. He was the principal architect of the national minority engineering effort after he co-chaired the 1973 National Academy of Engineering (NAE) Symposium. He also served as the program officer at the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation for minority engineering for which he developed and funded many organizations, including the National Consortium for Graduate Degrees for Minorities in Engineering and Science Inc. (GEM program), which was housed for 30 years at Notre Dame.

Pierre left academia in 1977 to become an assistant secretary for research, development and acquisition in the U.S. Department of the Army. He managed some \$10 billion annually for the research, development and production of weapons systems for the Gulf

War. He returned to academic service in 1983 as president of Prairie View A&M University and served as vice president of research and graduate studies at Michigan State from 1990 to 1995.

Currently a consultant and board member in the areas of management and education, Pierre also is director of CMS Energy Inc., the White House Fellows Foundation and Association, and TracLabs Inc.

Carolyn Manning, a 1987 Notre Dame graduate and founder of the Welcome to America project in Phoenix, will receive the Family Exemplar Award recognizing distinguished community service Sept. 4.

The Welcome to America project is a response of solidarity following the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, which claimed the life of Manning's brother-in-law. Acknowledging the connection the U.S. felt with those suffering throughout the world, she started the project as a way to reach out through a bridge of understanding between newly arriving refugees and her volunteer corps. Since 2001, Welcome to America has delivered furniture and household items totaling some \$500,000 to 500 refugee families.

Manning earned a master's degree in public administration from Seattle University in 1992 and, since 1987, has served her community as a crisis worker, case manager and manager. Her strong belief in the goodness of humanity has aided her determination to make every individual feel welcome in society.

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Rankings

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people already know. Rankings are nice though, because they're an objective third party indication that we're doing something right."

The University's 24.5 percent acceptance rate in 2007 aided in the denotation of Notre Dame as a tier one school.

Each year, the U.S. News and World Report surveys 1476 colleges nationwide and uses several categories to judge their overall academic quality, including assessment by administrators at peer institutions, retention of students, faculty resources, financial resources, student selectivity, alumni giving rate, and graduation rate.

According to Saracino, Notre Dame typically scores low on the peer assessment part of the report, which allows other schools' Provost, President and Chief of Admissions to judge the academic excellence of similar universities through a survey. This category allots for 25 percent of the school's total and reasons for the low scores are unclear, he said.

"I think that it's probably that they find it hard to believe that an institution that has a proud sports traditions can be equally excellent academically and overall," Saracino said. "Also the fact that we have a smaller graduate program. [The fact that] only 2,000 of 10,000 students are graduate students might be a reason. When you see a school like Stanford get recognized, you see that they have a large number of graduate students and an outstanding graduate program."

The report does not take into

account other aspects of academic quality such as endowment funds, academic profiling of students and bond ratings. Notre Dame is one of 12 Universities that has a AAA bond rating.

"[Having a AAA bond rating] says, from a business perspective, that Notre Dame is extremely well run and well positioned for the future," Saracino said.

He also said that the rankings do not affect the number or quality of applicants from year to year.

In fact, the 2008 admits hold an average SAT score of 1405 in critical reading/writing, a 20 point jump up from last year's average and the highest average score of any year, he said.

"While we recognize that the U.S. News survey serves a useful function for prospective students and their parents, we are on record for more than 15 years as having reservations about the methodology used in all of the various college and university rankings," university spokesman and assistant vice president Dennis Brown said. "That said, by any measure, we believe Notre Dame belongs in the top 20 of any survey of undergraduate institutions."

Despite the rankings, freshman Carli Fernandez said her decision was made based on several other factors.

"[Notre Dame] was the perfect size for me," she said. "When I visited campus the atmosphere seemed different than any other college ... the rankings didn't really matter to me. Even if Notre Dame wasn't in the top 20, I would have still wanted to come here."

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Labor

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make demands of the University, but to explain the work situation on campus and the ideals put forth by the "Human Rights" declaration.

"Hopefully this will create conditions for actual change on this campus," he said.

Krafft is a member of the Campus Labor Action Project (CLAP), but was not at the event in that capacity.

Professors from Notre Dame and Indiana University South Bend, a labor group representative and Notre Dame workers spoke about the meaning of the document's 60th anniversary and the work conditions at Notre Dame. Ellen Gunn, a member of the custodial staff in Siegfried Hall, ended the event by leading the crowd of approximately 100 people in song.

Prudence Dorsey, who works for building services in the Hesburgh Center and in the Early Childhood Development Center, told the crowd she works 10-12 hours a day and took a loan from Notre Dame but is still one payment away from facing foreclosure on her house.

Dorsey admitted it was generous of Notre Dame to provide her with a loan so she could make her house payments but said she would not have needed the loan in the first place if she received a living wage.

"They talk about family, but they need to stop using that word," she said. "Because it's become nothing but a corporation."

Coleen Hoover, an administrative assistant for the University's Creative Writing Program, called for a worker's right to self-deter-

mination.

"We should be able to represent ourselves," she said.

At Notre Dame, Krafft said, "it's unclear how much of a voice workers really have." Krafft and senior Michael Angulo, a member of the Progressive Student Alliance, organized the event, which Angulo said was to be a "celebration of labor rights."

"Doing things like this is very important," he said.

Jackie Smith, a sociology professor and a faculty member for Notre Dame's Center for the Study of Social Movements and Social Change, said there are gaps between the ideals of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the realities on campus and across the United States.

"Rights are never granted by people in authority," Smith said. "Workers never get their rights respected unless they organize, build alliances and demand their rights be respected."

But workers may sometimes be afraid to protest their situation, for fear of being fired, said Paul Mishler, a history professor at Indiana University South Bend.

"What we are doing here to honor Labor Day, and to honor the rights of workers at Notre Dame and throughout the community, is to say that this document is universal," he said.

The rights enumerated in the declaration, said Notre Dame Law School professor Barbara Fick, "form the basis for ensuring dignity in the workplace."


Angulo said he thought the event went well.

"Anytime you can bring together Notre Dame and South Bend and talk about the issues of social justice, that is great," he said.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Japan readies to hold elections

TOKYO — A former foreign minister and ruling party stalwart emerged quickly Tuesday as the front-runner to replace Prime Minister Yasuo Fukuda, whose sudden resignation has thrown Japan's political scene into confusion and opened the door to early nationwide elections.

Fukuda, in office less than one year, said Monday he was stepping down because he was unable to break a deadlock with the emboldened Democratic Party of Japan over virtually all of his major policy objectives.

The opposition immediately derided Fukuda for quitting, and called for elections to test the ruling party's seemingly crumbling mandate with the voters.

Humanitarian aid flight crashes

KINSHASA, Congo — A humanitarian aid flight carrying 17 people crashed while trying to land during a storm in remote eastern Congo and all aboard were feared dead Tuesday, officials said.

U.N. helicopters found the crash site — about nine miles from the plane's destination near the Rwanda border — but rugged terrain and fog prevented peacekeepers from landing on Tuesday to learn the fate of those on board, officials said.

Air Serv International, the Warrenton, Va.-based aid group that runs the twice-weekly aid delivery between Kisangani and Bukavu, said helicopter surveys suggested everyone on board was killed.

"According to the information in our possession, there were no survivors," Amy Cathey, a manager for Air Serv in the regional capital, Goma, told Congo's U.N.-funded radio station.

NATIONAL NEWS

1 dead, 200 sick from E. coli outbreak

OKLAHOMA CITY — An E. coli outbreak linked to a restaurant in northeastern Oklahoma has sickened more than 200 people and killed at least one person, state health officials said Tuesday.

The Country Cottage restaurant in Locust Grove has been closed for more than a week, but an exact source of the contamination has not been pinpointed, said state epidemiologist Dr. Kristy Bradley.

"The complexity of this outbreak and the necessity to be extremely thorough in our investigation means we still have more questions than answers," she said.

The state is testing food preparation and serving surfaces at the restaurant and interviewing those who became ill, Bradley said.

Students protest school system

NORTHFIELD, Ill. — Hundreds of Chicago public school children are spending the first day of classes lined up outside a wealthy suburban school to protest district funding disparities.

The students rode buses Tuesday from Chicago's South Side to New Trier High School's campus in Northfield. Students are trying to enroll in more affluent schools to draw attention to problems in Chicago's system.

Many of the protesters are wearing orange T-shirts that read "Save Our Schools Now."

State Sen. James Meeks is organizing the boycott and says he expects the protest to run at least until Friday.

LOCAL NEWS

Man pleads guilty to 1979 murder

CROWN POINT — A Maine man pleaded guilty Tuesday in the 1979 torture slaying of an 8-year-old Gary boy.

David Bowen, 44, of Portland, Maine, pleaded guilty to the murder of Kenneth "Butch" Conrick as part of a plea agreement. Lake County prosecutors dropped a second charge of murder in the perpetration of child molesting in return for the guilty plea and agreed that the maximum sentence Bowen could receive is 50 years in prison.

The boy was reported missing on Oct. 15, 1979. His nude body was found 13 days later in a wooded area near his family's Gary home, authorities said.

Bush grateful for minimal damage

President says Gustav's damage is much less than that of Hurricane Katrina

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Bush said Tuesday he was grateful that Hurricane Gustav was nowhere near as destructive as Hurricane Katrina. He used Gustav's glancing blow on U.S. energy infrastructure off the Gulf Coast to prod Congress to OK more domestic oil production.

"We are thankful that the damage in New Orleans and across the Gulf Coast was less than many had feared," Bush said in remarks prepared for delivery Tuesday via satellite to the Republican National Convention in St. Paul, Minn.

"I commend the governors of Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi and Texas for their sure-handed response and seamless coordination with the federal government," said Bush, who is traveling to Louisiana on Wednesday to survey damage. "I thank all of the wonderful volunteers who stepped forward to help their brothers and sisters in need."

The White House released excerpts of Bush's speech in advance Tuesday.

Earlier in the day, Bush said that while it's too early to assess damage to the nation's energy infrastructure from Gustav, Congress needs to lift the ban on drilling for oil and natural gas on the Outer Continental Shelf.

"When Congress comes back, they've got to understand that we need more domestic energy, not less," the president said. "One place to find it is offshore America — lands that have been taken off the books, so to speak, by congressional law — and now they need to give us a chance to find more oil and gas here at home."

"I know that the Congress has been on recess for a while, but this issue hasn't gone away," he said in a nudge to lawmakers who return from recess on Sept. 8.

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi said the administration's interest in drilling more domestically reflects demands from the oil industry. "America faces a choice: a continuation of the Bush-Cheney-McCain legacy of



The cabin of a fishing boat is partially sunken by tropical storm Gustav. President Bush said Tuesday the damage from the hurricane was less than was feared.

soaring prices and greater dependence on foreign oil or a comprehensive, bipartisan strategy that develops new and traditional sources of energy," she said.

Polls have shown, however, that as fuel prices have climbed, voters have grown more supportive of more domestic oil production. Pelosi recently signaled her willingness to consider opening up more coastal areas to oil and natural gas exploration. She said it would be a part of energy legislation that House Democrats intend to put forward in the coming weeks to address oil dependence and high gasoline prices.

Lawmakers will be able to consider opening portions of the Outer Continental Shelf for drilling, with appropriate safeguards and without "tax-

payer subsidies to Big Oil," said Pelosi, D-Calif.

Bush is keeping a hands-on profile in the aftermath of Hurricane Gustav, in contrast to the government's poor response to Hurricane Katrina three years ago. On Monday, he visited two emergency response centers in Texas just after the storm struck the Gulf Coast. Early Tuesday he was in the Roosevelt Room discussing the storm's impact on the oil industry with Vice President Dick Cheney and about 20 advisers, including the secretaries of Interior, Transportation and Energy.

Oil companies, rig and pipeline owners and refiners spread out across the region to look for damage from Monday's storm, and some already were putting equipment and people back in place

to resume operations. The full impact should be known in the next couple of days.

The price of oil, meanwhile, tumbled more than \$8 a barrel in electronic trading Tuesday on the New York Mercantile Exchange, suggesting traders were confident that the energy complex suffered only a glancing blow.

Gustav roared ashore early Monday and eight deaths were attributed to the storm in the U.S. after it killed at least 94 people across the Caribbean. It was downgraded to a tropical depression Tuesday, and mandatory evacuation orders were lifted for three Southeast Texas counties. Though New Orleans was largely spared, there still was damage, and anxious evacuees were told not to come home yet.

ELECTION 2008

GOP defends running mate choice

Associated Press

ST. PAUL — President Bush, relegated to a minor role at the Republican National Convention, praised John McCain Tuesday night as "ready to lead this nation," a courageous candidate who supported the war in Iraq despite risks to his campaign for the White House.

As Bush addressed the convention from the White House — his speech was to last less than eight minutes — Republicans in St. Paul defended McCain's vice presidential running mate, Sarah Palin. The governor of Alaska is "from a small town, with small town values, but that's not good enough for those folks who are attacking

her and her family," former Sen. Fred Thompson said in convention remarks released in advance.

He said McCain's decision to place her on the ticket "has the other side and their friends in the media in a state of panic." In the days since her selection, Palin has disclosed that her 17-year-old unmarried daughter is pregnant, and that a lawyer has been retained to represent her in an unfolding investigation in Alaska into the dismissal of a state employee.

"We need a president who doesn't think that the protection of the unborn or a newly born baby is above his pay grade," Thompson added.

Bush's remarks, also as prepared for

delivery Tuesday night, reprised national security themes that propelled him to reelection in 2004.

"We live in a dangerous world," he said, "And we need a president who understands the lessons of Sept. 11, 2001: that to protect America, we must stay on the offense, stop attacks before they happen and not wait to be hit again."

Bush's brief cameo was highly unusual for a two-term president addressing his own party's convention as he prepared to leave office. His aides suggested the sequence of events flowed naturally from his decision to travel to Louisiana on Wednesday to see the damage caused by Hurricane Gustav.

Dance

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April 2006. The event raised \$68,000 in its first two years combined. Last year, SMC-DM raised \$85,296.33 for Riley Hospital.

It was named "Best New Marathon" during the 2006 Children's Miracle Network Dance Marathon Leadership Conference held in Cincinnati, an accolade which the SMC-DM received because it was nominated by someone at the College or a peer institution.

Colleges and universities cannot nominate themselves or another campus for the Incentive Award, though. Instead, both the local state hospital the marathon serves and Children's Miracle Network needed to nominate Saint Mary's, said senior Francesca Johnson, who founded and co-chaired SMC-DM with fellow senior Pauline Kistka from 2006-2008.

The College is sharing the award with the University of Florida, which has held Dance Marathons for 14 years and raises about \$400,000 a year, the press release said.

Winning the Incentive Award "means that Saint Mary's is now the national spokes model for Dance Marathon," Johnson said.

When Zac Johnson presented the award to Saint Mary's at the end of the conference, Johnson described it as "a phenome-



Photo courtesy of Pauline Kistka

SMC-DM executives hug after the 2008 event. The Marathon raised more than \$85,000 in its third year.

nal moment."

This year, Johnson and Kistka stepped down as co-presidents to take on their new positions of overall fundraising chair and overall community chair, respectively.

Senior Sarah Voss took over the presidency. Voss said she has created a new system of organization. The new system spreads the work it takes to put together SMC-DM over several more committees than it did in the past.

Kistka described it as a "ripple effect."

There is the cabinet which includes Voss, Johnson, and Kistka, along with Kelly Deranek, Overall Head of Public Relations, and Brittany Harrell, Overall Head of the Night of Committees, Voss said.

There will also be more room for younger committee members to work their way up, she said.

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Mentor

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with current students and provide the tools, information and a support system that will help them succeed," Ortiz said.

She said upperclassmen were chosen as mentors based on their experience mentoring others in the past. As far as choosing the freshman who will be mentored, she explained that other campus departments worked with the Office of Multicultural Affairs to find freshman that may find the program useful.

Ortiz hopes the program will allow the freshman and upperclassmen to make connections with each other.

"We hope the mentees will be able to build meaningful relationships that will facilitate their transition to college and into adulthood. Our hope is that the exchange that takes place is mutual," she said.

The program wants to make sure that the mentors instill

qualities such as empathy, commitment, authenticity and empowerment to the women they will be mentoring, Ortiz said. These qualities have proven to help overcome self-esteem and isolation issues in the people who are college-aged.

The program will also give freshman someone to lean on when things get overwhelming. "We hope the mentors will listen, understand, and affirm the knowledge and experience

of the first year students and are able to provide guidance to these young women as they navigate an unfamiliar environment," Ortiz said.

Program participants will engage in a variety of mentoring and personal development activities during the 2008-2009 academic year, including helping to put on the fourth Diverse Students' Leadership Conference, a three-day conference for the Michiana community that delves into minority and diversity issues.

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Clubs

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role in recruiting new members.

She said positive "word of mouth" and freshman being involved in similar high school organizations helped the group recruit heavily at the event.

Service clubs such like Circle K and the Center for Social Concerns typically receive large numbers of interested students, members

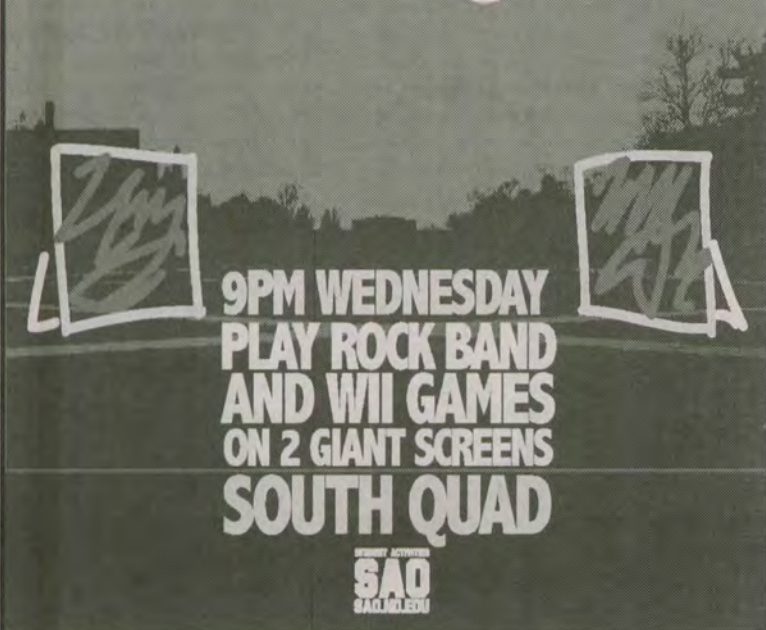
said, but politically motivated clubs also experienced a great deal of interest.

"We had twice as many new people," said senior Spencer Howard, co-president of the College Democrats of Notre Dame.

Junior Ed Yap, a member of the College Republicans said his group also experienced a higher turnout and many members want to actively campaign during this election year.

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NASDAQ	2,349.24	-18.28
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S&P 500	1,277.57	-5.26
NIKKEI (Tokyo)	12,609.47	0.00
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IN BRIEF

Pfizer runs ads for Lipitor again

TRENTON, N.J. — Television ads for the world's top-selling drug, cholesterol fighter Lipitor, are back, six months after Pfizer Inc. pulled them amid charges its use of a celebrity doctor endorser who's never practiced medicine misled the public.

This time, Pfizer is leaving out the celebrity.

In the new ads, the endorser is a talent agent from the San Francisco Bay area who tells viewers he started taking Pfizer's Lipitor after surviving a heart attack last year.

Manufacturing numbers fall in August

NEW YORK — For the nation's lumber companies, automakers, home builders and other manufacturers, the final half of 2008 may be as sluggish as the first.

Slow consumer spending and high gas prices have stalled manufacturing, and even some bright spots are expected to dim. Exports, which have propped up the sector, may slide as economies overseas slow. Meanwhile, construction spending is at a seven-year low that has spread from housing to nonresidential projects.

The Institute for Supply Management said Tuesday its reading for the nation's manufacturers fell to 49.9 in August from 50 in July, matching economists' expectations, according to Thomson/IFR. A reading below 50 signals contraction, while a reading above 50 signals growth.

Alcatel-Lucent names Camus as CEO

PARIS — Alcatel-Lucent on Tuesday named two executives from the aerospace and telecommunications industries as its new CEO and chairman, hoping to turn around the money-losing technology giant.

The world's largest manufacturer of fixed-line telecommunications gear appointed Ben Verwaayen, a former chief executive of BT Group, as its chief executive, and former EADS co-CEO Philippe Camus as its new chairman.

Oil prices fall after threat passes

Hurricane Gustav downgraded in severity; brings lowest fuel cost in five months

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Oil prices plunged to the lowest level in five months Tuesday, falling to within sight of \$100 a barrel on signs that Hurricane Gustav only grazed U.S. energy infrastructure in the Gulf of Mexico.

Light, sweet crude for October delivery fell \$5.75 to settle at \$109.71 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange, after earlier dropping as low as \$105.46. It was the lowest trading level since April 4, just before oil began an unprecedented march above \$147 per barrel.

Virtually all oil and natural gas production remained shut down in the Gulf of Mexico as energy companies began assessing damage to offshore platforms, rigs and pipelines, according to the U.S. Minerals Management Service. It was too soon to say when output might resume, though some oil companies were preparing to redeploy evacuated personnel as early as Wednesday.

Without serious damage, oil and natural gas facilities could start up again in a day or two, while coastal refineries could take two to four days to resume production, depending on their size. In 2005, Hurricanes Katrina and Rita knocked out the region's offshore energy infrastructure for several weeks.

"Unlike three years ago, it looks like they're going to get in there fairly quickly and get things ramped up again," said Jim Ritterbusch, president of energy consultancy Ritterbusch and Associates in Galena, Ill. "You don't have these platforms bobbing in the Gulf of Mexico like fishing corks. They're pretty much intact."

The drop in oil prices



Cars wait in line Tuesday for a gas station to reopen in the wake of Hurricane Gustav in Slidell, La.

weighed heavily on commodities across the board.

Natural gas futures fell 68.2 cents, or 8.5 percent, to settle at \$7.261 a gallon, their lowest closing price since late December.

On Friday, crude prices settled at \$115.46 a barrel as Gustav approached the Gulf Coast region, home to a quarter of U.S. crude production and 40 percent of refining capacity. But traders grew less jittery when Gustav weakened as it neared the offshore oil rigs and Louisiana refineries.

After the storm was downgraded to a tropical depression early Tuesday, oil market traders quickly turned their attention to slowing global economic growth, speculating that demand for crude will be

dampened even in rapidly expanding China and India.

"The magnitude of this pullback suggests the market is fully focused on demand destruction," Ritterbusch said. "The speculators, hedge funds and other investors are getting out of this market on a major scale."

Meanwhile, at the pump, a gallon regular gasoline fell less than half a penny to a new national average of \$3.684, according to auto club AAA, the Oil Price Information Service and Wright Express. That's more than 10 percent lower than the all-time record of \$4.114 a gallon set July 17.

Also weighing on oil Tuesday was a stronger

dollar versus the euro. A rising greenback encourages selling from investors who bought oil as a hedge against inflation.

However, crude prices could recover if the dollar weakens again or if oil-producing countries cut back on output to keep prices high, as some analysts have speculated.

The Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries is scheduled to meet Sept. 9 in Vienna and has indicated it may take action to defend the \$100 a barrel level.

Ahead of Gustav, about 2.4 million barrels of refining capacity was halted, roughly 15 percent of the U.S. total, according to figures from Platts, the energy information arm of McGraw-Hill Cos.

Google Inc. launches new Web browser

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Google Inc.'s new Web browser, called Chrome, does much of what a browser needs to do these days: It presents a sleek appearance, groups pages into easy-to-manage "tabs" and offers several ways for people to control their Internet privacy settings.

Yet my initial tests reveal that this "beta," or preliminary release, falls short of Google's goals, and is outdone in an important measure by the latest version of Microsoft Corp.'s Internet Explorer.

Chrome is a challenge to Microsoft's browser, used by about three-quarters of Web surfers. But it

could equally be called a challenge to Microsoft's Office software suite, because what Google really wants to do is to make the browser a stable and flexible platform that can do practically everything we want to do with a computer, from word processing and e-mail to photo editing.

To strengthen that effort, Chrome was designed to improve on the way other browsers handle JavaScript, one of the technologies used to make Web pages more interactive and more like desktop software applications. Google's online word processing and spreadsheet programs use this technology, but it's also very widely deployed on Web pages to do less sophisticated

things, like drop-down menus.

At first blush, Google's focus on JavaScript makes sense. JavaScript can eat up computer processor power, and if poorly used by a Web site, can bring down the browser. One of the things Chrome promises is that if one browser tab crashes, it won't take down the whole program.

Chrome also has some cosmetic differences from Internet Explorer and Firefox, like putting the tabs at the very top of the window. That's a nice move, but it's the browser's performance that really matters to me. And this is where Chrome's attention to JavaScript might miss the point.

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How to Prepare for the Career Fair

1. Compose a Resume that Markets Your Background and Skills

- Visit The Career Center Monday - Friday from 1:00 to 4:45 pm for a 15-minute resume review or stop by "Resumes on the Run" in LaFortune or O'Shag (visit careercenter.nd.edu for dates and times)

2. Prepare, Prepare, Prepare

- Attend a "Prepare for the Career Fair" workshop
- Determine your objectives for attending
- Review the list of companies attending the fair and position descriptions on Go IRISH
- Visit company websites and review mission statements, annual reports, and products or services
- Develop and refine networking skills
- Develop your "Thirty Second Message"
 - Hello, I'm...(introduce yourself, your year and major, and interest in industry/career field)
 - Your company is...(demonstrate knowledge of company)
 - I'm interested because...(explain your interest in company)
 - I can...(match your skills with their needs)

3. At the Fair

- Dress in business attire and bring several copies of your resume in a portfolio
- Review the map of employer booths and take a bag for "giveaways"
- Be proactive by approaching employers
- Speak with both young alums and experienced representatives
- Demonstrate confidence and enthusiasm in delivering your "Thirty Second Message"
- Ask the representative how to sign up for an interview (i.e. "After reviewing your company information and the position, I am interested in speaking with you further. How can I obtain a slot on your interview schedule at The Career Center?")
- Obtain the representative's business card

4. Following the Fair

- Send an email thank-you to the recruiters with companies of interest within 3 days of the fair
- If you obtain an interview:
 - Prepare by researching the company, industry, competitors, and the job or internship description on Go IRISH
 - Review The Career Center's Interview Guide and practice sample interview questions
 - If you have a web cam, practice interviewing using the online "Interview Stream" at <http://careercenter.nd.edu/for-undergrads/resumes-cover-letters-interview>

Prepare for Fall Career Expo Workshops

A&L Majors:

Thursday, September 4, 12:30 pm in 114 Flanner

Business Majors:

Thursday, September 4, 6:00 pm in 114 Flanner

Science Majors:

Thursday, September 4, 5:30 pm in 322 Jordan

Sophomores:

Thursday, September 4, 7:00 pm in G-20 Flanner

All Majors:

Monday, September 8, 8:30 pm in 114 Flanner

Utilize Go IRISH to Find Out More About the Companies, Industries, and Positions

To view all companies attending Fall Career Expo:

1. Login to Go IRISH
2. Click on Events Tab
3. Click on Notre Dame Fall Career Expo to view participating employers and general posting information

To view job postings:

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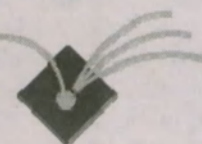
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Residents prep for hurricane

People warned to be ready for evacuation if tropical storm Hanna hits

Associated Press

SAVANNAH — Nervous residents rushed to buy plywood and generators while emergency officials in Georgia, Florida and the Carolinas weighed possible evacuations Tuesday as Tropical Storm Hanna was expected to shift toward a tough-to-predict landfall along the southern Atlantic coast by the end of the week.

Florida Gov. Charlie Crist declared a state of emergency as Hanna, downgraded from hurricane status Tuesday but with ample time to regain strength, was forecast to turn to the northwest from the Bahamas. Emergency officials in Georgia and South Carolina went into 24-hour alert mode.

In Savannah, which hasn't seen a direct hit from a major hurricane in more than a century, Janey Miley took her 15-year-old daughter to Home Depot at lunchtime Tuesday for an impromptu lesson in hurri-

cane preparedness.

They waited in a busy check-out line with a 5-gallon gas can, a circular saw and 10 sheets of plywood in case they needed to board up the windows of their home on nearby Tybee Island. A steady flow of customers pushed carts stocked with everything from batteries to 5,000-watt generators.

"We've never really bought plywood, but it seemed like maybe we'd better do it this time," said Miley, 43, who had also booked hotel reservations in Columbia, S.C., in case her family needed to evacuate.

The National Hurricane Center predicted Hanna would most likely come ashore as a hurricane between Friday and Saturday somewhere between the east coast of Florida and the North Carolina coast. Forecasts Tuesday showed the storm making landfall near the Georgia-South Carolina border.

Hanna was packing winds of

65 mph Tuesday evening as it drifted over the Bahamas. But the Hurricane Center said it could intensify back to hurricane strength Wednesday, when the storm was expected to turn to the northwest.

Local emergency officials for Savannah and surrounding Chatham County urged residents to have an evacuation plan ready. But no decisions on voluntary or mandatory evacuations were expected before Wednesday.

Ken Davis, spokesman for the Georgia Emergency Management Agency, said Hanna's unpredictable path made it "a pretty difficult storm" for planners to gauge whether to order evacuations with just a day or two left to decide.

"We're getting closer and closer to the point where decisions have to be made," Davis said. "It's a fine line between calling an evacuation and crying wolf."

THAILAND

Prime Minister Samak sets state of emergency

Associated Press

BANGKOK — Thailand's embattled leader struggled to keep the peace and his grip on power Tuesday after declaring a state of emergency that was openly flouted by thousands of anti-government protesters in the capital.

While Prime Minister Samak Sundaravej sought to tamp down newly violent unrest pitting pro- and anti-government protesters, he also was hit by an electoral commission finding that could disband his party and bar him from politics.

Samak said he had no choice but to impose emergency rule in Bangkok after a week of political tensions exploded into overnight rioting and street fighting between the largely prosperous urban protesters and govern-

ment supporters, mainly from the country's impoverished rural majority. The fighting left one person dead and dozens injured.

His decree gives the military the right to restore order, allows authorities to suspend civil liberties, bans public gatherings of more than five people and bars the media from reporting news that "causes panic."

Samak and the army chief, Gen. Anupong Paochinda, both said authorities viewed emergency rule as a last resort and stressed they wanted to avoid violence.

"I did it to solve the problems of the country," Samak said in a televised news conference at a military headquarters in Bangkok. "I had no other choice. The softest means available was an emergency decree to end the situation using the law."

At a separate news conference, Anupong said troops in Bangkok's streets will be armed only with riot shields and batons.

"If the military has to get involved, it will not use force and will be on the people's side," Anupong said. He dismissed speculation the army was positioning itself to seize power again, less than two years after a 2006 coup.

"If the military uses force to stage a coup, it will create a lot more problems," the general said.

Tensions remained high as thousands of protesters who are demanding Samak's resignation defied the ban on assembly by staying camped out at the prime minister's official compound, known as Government House, which they seized seven days earlier.

As a precaution, City Hall ordered 435 public schools closed for three days, while some international private schools opted to shut for a week. The U.S. and other nations warned their citizens of the danger of violence in the capital.

By nightfall, there was no sign of renewed clashes or any attempt to evict the protesters. But the festive atmosphere of recent days had evaporated. Families and children were mostly gone and helmet-clad protesters armed with sticks patrolled the grounds.

"It's a temporary lull and a new storm is gathering," said Thitinan Pongsidhirak, a political scientist at Bangkok's Chulalongkorn University.

Samak's "back is against the wall," Thitinan said. "If he enforces the emergency decree, there will be violence because the (protesters) are not budging. But if he doesn't enforce it, there is a sense of anarchy rule. It's a lose-lose situation for Samak."

Some anti-government groups taunted authorities by threatening to switch off water and electricity at police stations and other government offices Wednesday.

A labor federation for state employees said 200,000 of its members would go on strike to support the protesters. Their walkout could disrupt train, bus and air service and cut electricity and water to some government buildings, said Sawit Kaewwan, secretary-general of the State Enterprise Workers Relations Confederation, which comprises 43 unions for state employees.

The Switch
is ON!

ND's Google E-mail for All Students Starts Wednesday, September 3

The Switch Is On

Beginning at 6:00 a.m. on September 3, all Notre Dame upperclassmen will begin using Notre Dame Gmail instead of Notre Dame's regular e-mail service. Note that First Year students are already signed up for and have been using ND Gmail as part of the admissions process.

Here's what you need to do to make the switch to Gmail:

Step 1

Change your password as soon as possible before September 3 on the Notre Dame Change Password page at password.nd.edu. This will synchronize your ND password with Google's authentication framework.

Step 2

On or after September 3, decide whether you want to bring your old mail over to Notre Dame Gmail, and then do so by following the instructions at oit.nd.edu/google. You will have until January 3, 2009 to move your legacy mailbox or abandon it for eventual removal.

Step 3 (optional)

If you previously configured your Notre Dame e-mail to forward messages to a third-party e-mail address—name@yahoo.com, for example—and you wish to continue to do so after September 3rd, you will need to reestablish mail forwarding within ND Gmail. If you previously forwarded and now wish to use ND Gmail, no action is needed. Instructions on how to perform this task can be found at oit.nd.edu/google.

You'll find a variety of information, including Notre Dame Gmail how-tos, frequently asked questions, and other information at oit.nd.edu/google.

Beginning September 3, go to gmail.nd.edu and log in using your NetID and password, and you've successfully made the switch.



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In a few days I leave for Dublin.

Chances are you couldn't care less.

And why should you? So some chick you've never met is studying abroad. So she's spending her last few days in the States.

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because if she gets lost there she could

really get in trouble.

But chances are you couldn't care

less.

You do care, however, that you're

well into the process of settling in at

Notre Dame. Right now you're skim-

ming over the Viewpoint section in

North, waiting for Greg to come back to

the table with his pepperoni and chick-

en pizza or Angela with her bowl of

peanut butter and a Granny Smith, so

you can go over Latin verbs for the first

quiz, or whatever stuff it is that makes

Orgo so hard so soon. Or maybe you're

huddled over your Observer at South,

alone at one of the four-seaters, linger-

ing over your sweet potato fries,

preparing yourself to walk in the last of

the summer sunshine outside, where

the ringing Basilica bells at midday will

make even the walk to Earth Science

feel like a major personal epiphany.

Your room is, for the most part, now

organized and unpacked (your iPod

rests safe and unscathed near the edge

of your desk), you have at least passing

familiarity with local public transporta-

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tion (a word from the wise: \$12 to Grape Road is way too big a cab fare), and you even have some idea what classes you're taking this semester.

As for the girl you couldn't care less about, who's leaving this weekend — well, in all of these respects, you're miles ahead of her and in a different place. And I can tell you most assuredly that she does care about that, and you.

Or rather, to drop the third person conceit: I care.

I care because even though I'm not there, I still appreciate and feel all the things you're going through now at Notre Dame now, and for as many great things as may await us future expatriates in the coming year, what I know I'm missing makes me sad.

Still, I did make the decision to go abroad for the year, and hope for your sake as well as mine that all my reasons for doing so will be vindicated; if nothing else I hope Trinity College will do enough for the style and content of my writing that you'll get a decent column to go with your sweet potato fries every other Wednesday.

And hopefully this column will connect two faraway places. This Saturday, for instance, I'll be sitting on an airplane reading VC Andrews and wishing I could sleep. But I'll imagine crossing South Quad in the morning as the smoke of grilled brats fills the air and toddlers in oversized jerseys catch footballs from their beer-cooler clutching alum dads, and wonder idly about standing on a splintery bench in the sun, surrounded by thousands of cheering blue shirts (or maybe even actually tracking with the game this year).

I can imagine your experiencing both this first football Saturday and everything that'll come later. I can share

with you both the frustration of waiting in hours long security lines and the more interesting experiences that'll come out on the other side.

Hence the byline "Both Sides Now," which some of you will recognize from the Judy Collins song (or Joni Mitchell, if that's your preference). Here, as in the song, it's meant to evoke one's seeing, and learning from seeing, two perspectives.

This doesn't mean you're in for constant and predictable comparisons between your current setting and mine (really? A sprawling Catholic university in a small Midwest city is different than a walled ancient one in a capital city in another continent? Really?) As much as I'd like you to see Dublin with me, it should be far from the only topic covered. Also, there are much more interesting subjects to read about than whether or not someone who, once again, you've never met and couldn't care less about, is allowed to enjoy a Guinness in public or entertain male guests in her room after midnight.

But it does mean, hopefully, you'll get to read a biweekly piece that both identifies with your own experiences and offers you something new at the same time. That you'll get the view from here and there, on all kinds of things, at once.

The view from both sides, now.

Soon, I'll be abroad. I know you couldn't care less.

But I hope you enjoy the view any way.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Nearly all men can stand adversity, but if you want to test a man's character, give him power."

Abraham Lincoln
former U.S. president

21st century prohibition

The 18th amendment is one of the more infamous sections of the United States Constitution. Ratified in 1919, the law prohibited the production and sale of alcohol throughout the U.S. Its authors' intentions were pure: federally mandated universal sobriety, which they assumed, would erase a plethora of social ills and lead to a more enlightened, harmonious society. Violence and poverty would disappear if only the wise archons of the U.S. government were given the power to supervise the leisure activities of American citizens and ensure that they did not partake in the dangerous and intemperate consumption of intoxicating beverages.

Ben Linskey

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The actual results, of course, were not quite as expected. For one thing, it quickly became apparent that a significant number of Americans didn't really care whether the federal government approved of their partaking in a glass of wine or a mug of beer. The now-legendary "speakeasies" of the 1920s quickly sprouted up, providing people with a private location where they could relax as they saw fit without fear of the prying eyes of government agents. Furthermore, prohibition did not lead to a drop in violence and social unrest; rather, by creating a black market for a good in high demand, the government ensured that organized crime would have the opportunity to flourish

in America. With the friendly neighborhood liquor store shut down by government fiat, thirsty citizens were forced to turn to illicit purveyors in order to acquire alcohol. The results, needless to say, were not pleasant. Rather than stemming crime, prohibition led to the emergence of a new, more vicious strain of illegal behavior.

Wisely, after more than a decade of attempting to enforce the ill-conceived law, the federal government recognized that prohibition was a massive failure. The 21st amendment, ratified in 1933, ended the failed experiment and restored Americans' legal right to imbibe whatever they would like. Prohibition should have taught legislators a number of important lessons about attempting to regulate personal behavior. Banning a highly desired good such as alcohol neither reduces demand nor prevents consumers from obtaining the good. It simply drives the business underground, replacing peaceful, honest business with the criminality and danger of the black market. Furthermore, the United States' failed experiment with alcohol prohibition should have prompted Americans to reevaluate the role of government in their lives. Do the police exist to protect our rights, or to protect us from ourselves? Not only was prohibition a practical failure, but it violated Americans' precious right to simply be left alone and behave as they wished.

Sadly, over seven decades since the end of prohibition, the federal govern-

ment still believes it can regulate the personal habits of American citizens. The 1984 National Minimum Drinking Age Act imposed a federal mandate on states, threatening them with a reduction in highway funding if they did not ban the purchase and consumption of alcohol by persons under the age of 21. Since then, the effects of the 1920s prohibition have repeated themselves: underage drinking is widespread, as any high school senior will tell you, and those under the legal drinking age have little difficulty acquiring alcohol. Fake IDs abound, and a general disregard for the law prevails. Rather than make our society safer, the 21-year-old drinking age has encouraged risky behavior and helped to create a dysfunctional culture wherein alcohol is treated as a forbidden fruit and abused rather than consumed responsibly in a mature fashion.

Even if we ignore all of the practical consequences of the 21-year-old drinking age, it's difficult to explain why a person who is considered a legal adult and can vote, join the armed forces, operate a car, sign a contract, and purchase a gun cannot be entrusted with a bottle of beer. The drinking age arbitrarily discriminates against a group of people who are otherwise considered full legal members of society.

With these considerations in mind, a group of over 100 college presidents and chancellors (the exact total stands at 129 at the time of this writing) have come together to call for a public

debate over the drinking age. These college administrators have witnessed the ill effects of the current laws and concluded that they accomplish no practical good and serve only to encourage dangerous behavior amongst their students. Their organization, the Amethyst Initiative, urges an "informed and dispassionate public debate over the effects of the 21 year-old drinking age." Such a debate is long overdue.

The current signatories to the Amethyst Initiative span a variety of colleges throughout the nation, ranging from small colleges to prestigious universities such as Dartmouth and Duke. Father Jenkins, however, has yet to add Notre Dame to the list. It's safe to say that few members of our university's student body and administration are under the illusion that the drinking age is effective or serves a salutary purpose on our campus. By signing the Amethyst Initiative, Father Jenkins would add Notre Dame to the growing number of academic institutions which are standing up for the rights and health of their students. It's time for our society to recognize, at long last, that prohibition simply does not work. Let's join the chorus of voices calling for open debate and sensible drinking laws in the United States.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Contraception not to blame

When I made the decision to transfer to Notre Dame I knew that it would be a fairly conservative environment. However given that this is one of the top universities in the nation I was not expecting the spiritual traditions of the university to corrode science, health and common sense for that matter.

Yesterday's Viewpoint column ("An anniversary worth remembering") by Prof. Emeritus Rice did exactly that. In short, Professor Rice chose to lump together the majority of Americans who make the responsible decision to practice safe sex by labeling them as "insane" and hedonistic. Professor Rice cites the ill conceived and outdated arguments of Paul VI, that contraceptives would lead to the "general lowering of morality," the objectification of women and then, in an incredible leap from any logical foundation, attempts to equate contraception with abortion.

But fear not! For those married couples who choose to express their love for one another without the burden of raising a family of 15 or so children, the Professor offers the superb counsel of Paul VI: "take into account the natural rhythms [of a woman's reproductive cycle] to regulate birth without offending the moral principles." That's some top notch advice from someone who obviously is not a medical professional.

Professor Rice makes a common fallacy among those of older generations that modern society has run amok in immorality and crudeness. Quite the opposite is true as can be observed by humanity's continued progress, specifically over the last few generations, and most evidently in our nation. Poverty, racism and discrimination of all forms have declined over the years. I would argue this makes our generation of young Americans the most moral to date.

Though, there seems to be an obsession among the more pious among us to equate sexuality with morality. The simple truth of the matter is that we are all human, and our sexuality is an important part of who we are. Premarital sex, agree with it or not, is not some new idea resulting from improved contraception methods. In fact, one study suggests that 30 percent of all first births in colonial

New England were conceived before marriage. Even the Puritans were getting it on!

What has changed over time is the socially accepted age for marriage which overall has continually increased. Today more men and women are continuing their education, and have the additional burden of competing in an increasingly competitive (and sagging) job market. Thus, young Americans are left with more time for our natural sexual desires to kick in as we are busy trying to create a level of financial stability before settling down to raise a family.

Surely the professor can't be serious that the birth control pill is responsible for the objectification of women? The sad truth is that women have been objectified by men for as long as society has been dominated by men. However, in our current era women enjoy the most freedom and respect they have ever had.

Furthermore, the tremendous advances women have achieved in recent decades can be partially attributed to the success of contraception. Now that women are able to choose when they want to have children, more opportunities are available for women to prolong their educations, and advance further in their careers.

The closing paragraphs of Rice's argument are a dishonest discussion of abortion, in a manner which is framed to cause the reader to interpret contraception and abortion to be one in the same. They are not. Contraception prevents pregnancy; abortion terminates it. Each of the two topics deserve their own discussion.

My fellow Notre Dame students, the decision of whether or not to have sex is one you must make according to your own beliefs. For those of you who choose to do so, please be smart about it and protect yourself and your partner from the risk of STDs or having to face the difficult challenge of dealing with an unplanned pregnancy by using condoms and/or other forms of readily available contraceptives. For more information visit www.smartersex.org or www.contracept.org

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THE EVOLUTION AND APPEAL OF TEEN TV

By MICHELLE FORDICE

Assistant Scene Editor

This week 90210 will try to once again become synonymous with teen drama. But did it ever really leave? "Beverly Hills, 90210" led the pack of shows, along with the likes of "21 Jump Street" and "Saved by the Bell," that would develop into their own genre: that of teen TV.

Few of these shows would be great works of entertainment. The networks they fueled, whether it was the UPN or the WB offered some successes but mostly hemorrhaged the profits of their umbrella companies, and the current version, the CW, is facing similar difficulties. Yet, the shows of this genre are some of the most memorable. When we gather for our high school reunions these are the shows over which we'll reminisce with longing.

There is a clear path from the "Beverly Hills, 90210" of 1990 to the "90210" of today. The early teen shows laid the foundations for hits such as "Party of Five," and more cult classics like "My So Called Life," of the mid-

90s. Then came the bread and butter of teen drama in the late-90's as "Dawson's Creek," "Felicity," and "7th Heaven," hit the airways. These shows proved that it was possible for a TV show aimed at teenagers to carry a network, as "Dawson's Creek" did for the WB, and when combined with the flood of movies being aimed at the PG-13 crowd, fashioned an industry preoccupied with courting teens. This era of teen drama was strong enough to make headway into other genres, dipping into the supernatural with "Buffy the Vampire Slayer," testing the water with more off the wall shows such as "That 70s Show" and "Freaks and Geeks," and even teen-ifying Superman with "Smallville." Finally we reach the current age of teen TV, with shows such as "Gilmore Girls," "The O.C.," and "Gossip Girl," that, while shiny and new, hold to the same teen formulas.

What unifies teen TV? Foremost there is the drama. Oh the drama. The handful of teenagers in each of these shows will face more crises (real and imagined) in a single season than most of us will even brush by in our entire adult lives. That will of course be interspersed with needed comic relief. Next,

with few exceptions, the cast will be gorgeous and well dressed. And often, in good 90210 fashion, the actors will all be significantly older than the high school students they play. Sadly, these shows will almost certainly take place in white-America and minorities will be of the token variety. That has slowly begun to change in the more recent renditions of teen TV as they begin to attempt a true representation of US demographics, but a quick glance at the cast photo of "90210" or "Gossip Girl" will emphasize the lethargy.

But for some reason all this unites to create shows that, no matter the absurdity, make you come back for more every week. There could be an argument that we had no taste when we were in high school, but really there is something delicious about all that teen angst and excitement. Teen TV is about being on the cusp of growing up and still being shocked by the hurdles life sends us. It's a state of being that we'd never want to live through again, but are eager to visit once a week.

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90210: PAST, PRESENT, AND (GLORIOUS) FUTURE

By ANALISE LIPARI

Scene Editor

Brenda, Brandon, Dylan, Donna, Steve and Kelly are back. Well, sort of. This week, the CW is finally airing the long-awaited pilot episode of its brand new version of the classic teen TV series, "Beverly Hills, 90210." Those humble digits were once synonymous with the coolest teens on the small screen, and now Generation Y is making their mark on the second time around.

The premise of the original "90210" was standard television fare: fresh faced Midwestern twins Brandon (Jason Priestly) and Brenda (Shannen Doherty) Walsh and their fairly conventional parents, Cindy and Jim (Carol Potter and James Eckhouse) move to hip, happening Beverly Hills, 90210. The show also focused on popular girl Kelly Taylor (Jennie Garth), moody heartthrob Dylan McKay (Luke Perry), and their friends Steve Sanders (Ian Ziering) and Donna Martin (Tori Spelling) during their years at Beverly Hills High.

What made the original "90210" so popular was how effectively it acted as a show for teens and about teens. Dylan was that mysterious, cryptic crush that every girl couldn't stop thinking about. Kelly may have been the token high school beauty, but she had her fair share of difficulties in life. Relationships began and ended, friends came and went, and life went on in Beverly Hills. "90210" also visibly worked to represent the issues that 90s teens would face in their everyday lives. Pregnancy scares, sexual assault and even the scary prospect of college were all part of the character's lives. Their lives weren't entirely idealized, either — even Brenda had a boyfriend, Dylan, cheat on her

with Kelly, one of her best friends.

It would be a considerable sin, however, to ignore some of the faults of "90210." It's virtually impossible for audiences not to catch wind of the fact that actors in their mid-twenties are trying to play high school teens. Also, if the show's demographics are to be believed, the Beverly Hills population would solely consist of white people — an idea that was just as unrealistic in the 90s as it is today. And any TV show that overly focuses on 'this problem' or 'that issue' risks becoming a weekly PSA, to which the disgruntled audience of "7th Heaven" can testify.

With years of teen TV history preceding it, the brand new version of "90210" has a lot to live up to. Like that pesky little sister who can finally start her freshman year, the CW's "90210" has a brand new look and a talented cast of actors to make sure its season goes right. This time, the new kid in town is Annie Wilson (Shenae Grimes), a Kansas City native who finds herself at the center of a new social circle when students discover a connection between her and high school heartthrob Ethan Ward (Dustin Milligan). Their friendship drives his girlfriend, popular girl Naomi Clark (AnnaLynne McCord), up the wall. Joining Annie at West Beverly High is her adopted brother Dixon (Tristan Wilds of HBO's "The Wire"), who immediately connects with local bad girl Erin Silver (Jessica Stroup). Dixon also strikes up an early friendship with Navid Shirazi (Michael Steger), editor of the high school paper. The Wilson's photographer mom, Debbie, is played by "Full House" alum Lori Loughlin — time will tell if the actress can hold her own without Uncle Jesse by her side. In a twist on the original premise, West Beverly's new principle is the Wilson patriarch, Harry (Rob

Estes). Jessica Walter of "Arrested Development" will play Tabitha Wilson, the family's feisty grandmother who is literally upstaged as director of their high school musical by none other than Brenda Walsh (a surprising return by Doherty). Jennie Garth is also scheduled to appear as Kelly Taylor, now the high school guidance counselor.

It's likely that viewers will compare the new "90210" to its legendary predecessor. With several original actresses and settings — yes, they're even going back to the Peach Pit — in place, comparison seems inevitable. Of course, the show's target teen audience may have little, if any, knowledge of the original show other than pop culture lore and "I love the 90's" episodes. The question of whether or not old fans might return to this reincarnated version also has yet to be answered. Jenny Garth recently told Entertainment Weekly that when she heard the CW was reformulating "90210," "I thought: No! Like something sacred was being disrupted. Some part of who I was and a piece of my history was being messed with. It took me a while to settle into that idea." Whether or not they were high-quality entertainment, shows like "90210" will always have a place in the teen years of a generation of Americans. The CW has hit it big in recent years with shows like "Gossip Girl," "Reaper," and the final seasons of "Gilmore Girls" after the merger of the WB and UPN, which gives the network some much-desired wiggle room. Time will tell if Annie, Dixon and company feel at home in West Beverly Hills, and if fans feel comfortable with giving "90210" another go.

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THE OBSERVER SCENE

TOP 10

TV SHOWS

10. "The Hills" — A very popular mainstream pseudo reality show on MTV, "The Hills" actors have become celebrities outside of that medium.

9. "Laguna Beach" — The show attracted a large audience seeking to live vicariously through the residents of Laguna Beach, California and indulge themselves in the drama of the day-to-day experiences of this set of teens.

8. "Gossip Girl" — It hasn't shown it's true colors quite yet, but with a new season full of potential premiering this week, "Gossip Girl" could rise in popularity. And as should be expected, there are a lot of attractive people and gossip.

7. "One Tree Hill" — Rather than actually suffer through the high school years like most teen dramas do, "One Tree Hill" fast forwards to the characters 20s. It still contains all the same drama, just with bigger bank accounts and children.

6. "Gilmore Girls" — It started focusing on a mother's bond with her daughter, but "Gilmore Girls" soon introduced various memorable characters and quick witty dialogue that enraptured it's audience.

5. "Dawson's Creek" — The Parents Television Council called it the worst show on television for two years in a row. Ultimately this probably led to the success it enjoyed.

4. "Party of Five" — Orphans, a baby, love, loss, college, homosexuality, alcoholism. Those poor kids tackled some tough subject matters.

3. "Buffy The Vampire Slayer" — Those with a taste for the supernatural were quickly drawn to Joss Whedon's Buffy. A strong female lead with a stake in hand, Buffy fought the vampires off for seven seasons, all while dealing with the usual high school angst, even once while singing.

2. "The OC" — Same formula, new decade. With an entertaining soundtrack and exciting plotlines, Notre Dames' quads were quiet and empty when "The OC" was on.

1. "Beverly Hills, 90210" started it all. Thirty year olds played high school students, a generation of heartthrobs was born for us to fawn over (and another is coming soon with "90210"), and most importantly it introduced America to the idea of focusing on the difficult and often painful lives of teenagers.

NFL

Jaguars' Collier shot outside apartment

Offensive lineman in critical condition after being shot multiple times early Tuesday morning while waiting in his car

Associated Press

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — Jacksonville Jaguars offensive tackle Richard Collier was shot and critically wounded outside an apartment building early Tuesday as he and a former teammate waited for two women they had met at a nightclub, police said.

Collier, 26, and former Jaguars defensive end Kenneth Pettway were waiting in a Cadillac Escalade when a gunman fired into the vehicle, said Jacksonville Sheriff's Office spokesman Ken Jefferson. Collier was shot several times, but it wasn't clear where he was hit.

Collier was in critical condition at Shands Jacksonville Medical Center, a nursing supervisor said early Tuesday. Later, spokesman Chris Turner said the hospital was no longer giving updates on Collier's condition. Jaguars coach Jack Del Rio said Collier's family had requested privacy.

Several Jaguars, including running back Maurice Jones-Drew, offensive tackle Khalif Barnes and linebackers Mike Peterson and Clint Ingram, gathered at the hospital. Others convened at Jacksonville Municipal Stadium.

"The guys are in shock," Pro Bowl running back Fred Taylor said. "You see this kind of thing happen all the time on TV, but you never expect it in your own backyard. He's a good dude. I just pray for him and his family and wish the best for them. I'm sure he'll pull through."

Del Rio said the entire organization paused Tuesday, taking a break from game planning for the season opener at Tennessee and focusing on what he called "a very unfortunate incident, really, really a shame."

"Right now, he's battling for his life," Del Rio said on his weekly radio show Tuesday night. "All we can do right now is pray for healing. We have no control over that situation other than saying some prayers."

Del Rio added that the team would "be fine."

"We're going to play football," he said. "But this is not about football. This is about life. This is about a man right now dealing with his body being put to the test, whether or not he can overcome these types of things. When you're in critical condition in the

hospital, it's very, very serious. And that's what this is."

The motive behind the attack was unknown, and the sheriff's office was investigating. Pettway, who was released in final cuts Saturday, was not injured.

The shooting happened around 2:45 a.m. in a middle-to upper middle-class neighborhood just west of downtown Jacksonville and blocks from the St. Johns River. The players had gone to the apartment complex so the women could drop off their car, authorities said.

The women, who appeared to be in their 20s, declined comment when they were escorted by police back to the complex midmorning Tuesday. One was wearing a short, silver dress and the other was wearing a short, black one.

Collier is the third NFL player to be shot in the past 18 months. Washington Redskins star Sean Taylor was fatally shot during what police said was a botched burglary attempt at his Miami-area home in November. Denver Broncos cornerback Darrent Williams was killed when his rented limousine was sprayed with bullets minutes after leaving a New Year's party at a club in 2007.

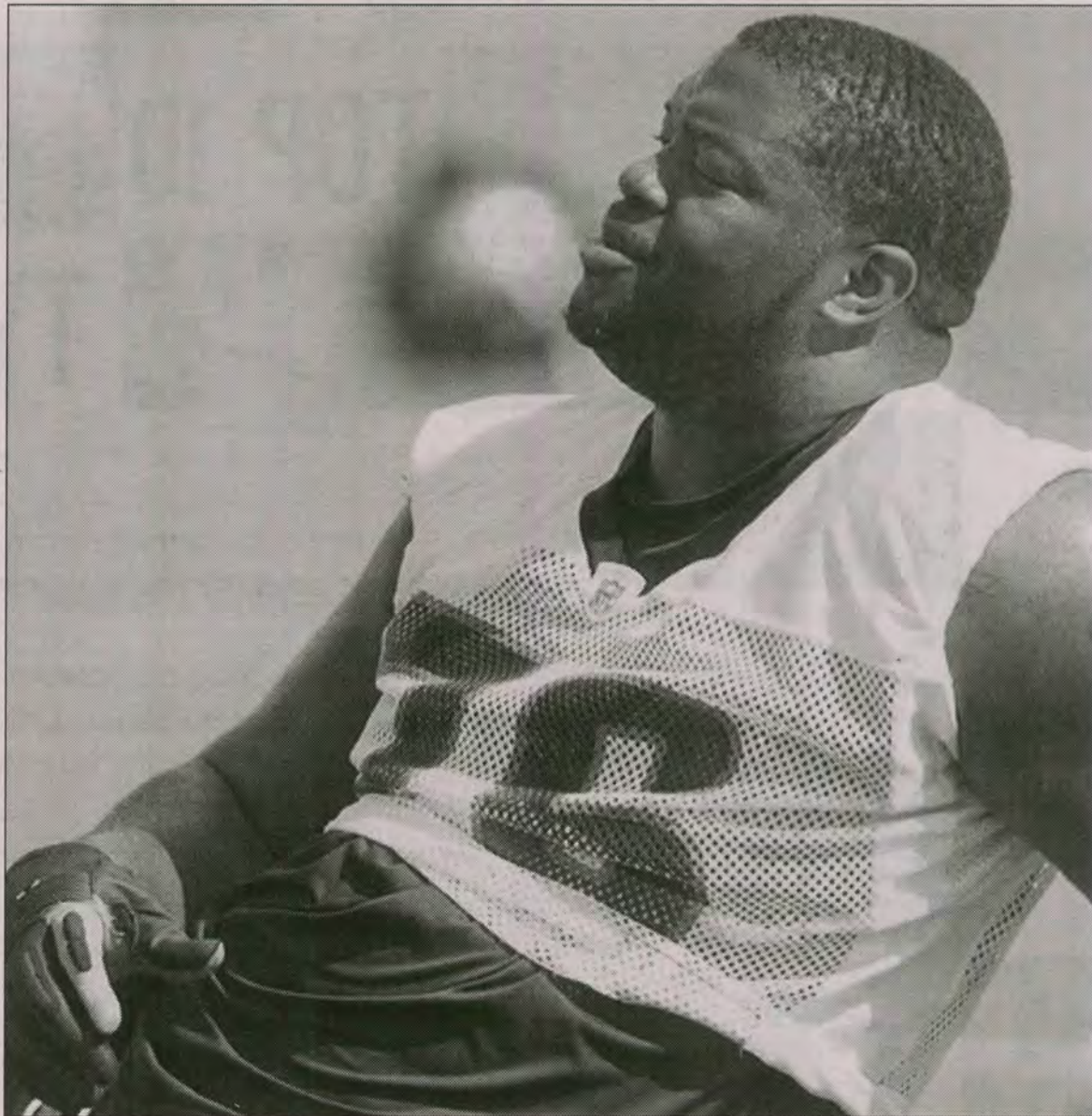
The shooting also was the latest in a long list of off-the-field troubles for the Jaguars. Taylor was charged with disorderly conduct over the weekend. Receiver Matt Jones is facing a felony drug charge in Arkansas. In all, the team has had 11 players arrested in the last two years.

But Del Rio said he disagreed with anyone wanting to lump Collier's shooting in with some of the team's other recent troubles.

"He was out last night, enjoying himself, having a good time, being responsible," the coach said. "I take offense to people that insinuate and call that a lack of discipline or a lack of responsibility. There are no rules about being out on a Monday night before your day off the following day."

"Listen, a person got shot. The guy who shot the gun is the problem, not the guy who got shot. He's the victim. He was victimized. You ought to be able to go out and have a good time and go back home and not be worried about being killed or being put in the hospital with bullet holes."

"I take offense to people



Jacksonville Jaguars offensive lineman Richard Collier rests during warm-up drills at training camp in 2006, in Jacksonville, Fla. Collier was hospitalized after being shot early Tuesday morning.

who are out there lumping together and trying to make this an issue of team discipline. This is a disciplined football team. This is a big blow, but let's not put the blame on the wrong person or the wrong situation. The person that pulled the trigger is the person that's wrong."

Collier, entering his third season, made the team as an undrafted rookie free agent in 2006. He competed for the starting job at left tackle this preseason but was beaten out by Barnes.

Still, the Jaguars believe Collier could be a future starter. They signed him to a contract extension earlier this year despite an arrest last season.

The 6-foot-7, 345-pound linemen was arrested Nov. 3 after officers found him asleep behind the wheel at a McDonald's drive-thru window. Collier failed field sobriety tests and had a blood-

alcohol level of .096, according to police. In Florida, it is illegal to drive with a blood-alcohol level of .08 or higher.

Collier was suspended two games and fined.

His attorney disputed the police report and recommended that his client go to trial, but Collier didn't want the team to have to deal with the negative attention it would have generated. So he pleaded no contest and accepted six months of probation and a suspension of his driver's license.

Coming out of high school in Shreveport, La., Collier didn't have the grades or test scores to attend most colleges, so he stayed home with his mother and got a job in the produce department at Wal-Mart.

He worked there for two years before deciding to give football another chance. He enrolled at Tyler Junior College in Texas, about 90 miles west of Shreveport. He

showed up weighing 390 pounds, having not lifted a weight since high school.

Collier quickly got his grades — and body — in shape and worked his way into the starting lineup. He transferred to Valdosta State in 2004 and helped the Blazers win the Division II national championship that season. He earned All-America honors as a senior in 2005, yet still failed to impress many NFL scouts.

The Jaguars were the only team to bring Collier in for a workout before the draft, so signing with Jacksonville as an undrafted rookie was an easy decision. His only other choice, he thought, was to go back to the produce section.

"It took me to lose everything to recognize how much I had," Collier said during his rookie season. "It was a blessing, really. I found out how it would be if I didn't work hard and apply myself."

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18 Tulsa	23
19 UCLA	14
20 Santa Clara	5
21 UC Santa Barbara	21
22 St. John's	NR
23 Saint Louis	19
24 Charlotte	NR
25 Illinois-Chicago	16

Women's Volleyball NCAA Coaches poll

team	points	previous
1 Penn State	1498	1
2 Stanford	1431	2
3 Texas	1360	6
4 USC	1229	3
5 California	1214	4
6 UCLA	1188	7
7 Nebraska	1161	5
8 Florida	1025	8
9 Washington	944	10
10 Cal Poly	849	11
11 Oregon	797	9
12 Hawaii	781	18
13 Wisconsin	765	14
14 Kansas State	665	16
15 Middle Tenn. State	479	15
16 Minnesota	446	NR
17 Colorado State	363	NR
18 Iowa State	348	17
19 Clemson	303	22
20 BYU	292	12
21 LSU	276	NR
22 San Diego	271	25
23 New Mexico State	229	21
24 Long Beach State	220	23
25 Purdue	190	NR

MIAA Women's Volleyball Standings

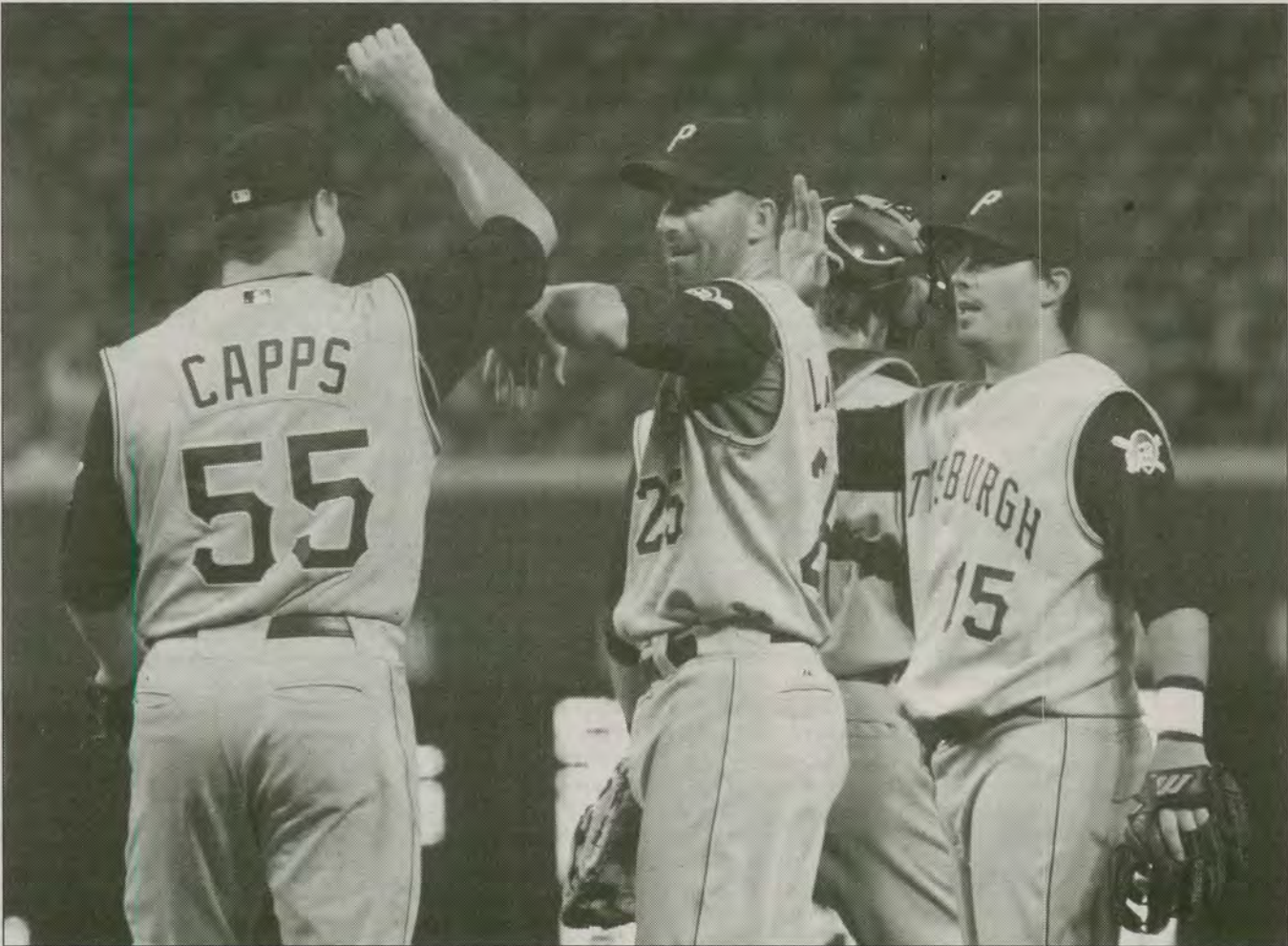
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2 Albion	3-1
3 Alma	2-2
4 Calvin	3-1
5 Hope	3-1
6 Kalamazoo	2-2
7 Olivet	1-3
8 Trine	3-1
9 SAINT MARY'S	3-2

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Pirates pitcher Matt Capps celebrates with teammates after Pittsburgh defeated the Cincinnati Reds 3-2 Tuesday. The Pirates broke their 10-game losing streak with help from their rookie players.

Pittsburgh snaps 10-game losing streak

Associated Press

CINCINNATI — It's too early to say if Pittsburgh's three-way deal at the trade deadline is paying off, but the Pirates can dream, can't they?

Rookies Brandon Moss and Andy LaRoche, two of the players acquired by Pittsburgh in a six-player deal on July 31, hit back-to-back home runs to help the last-place Pirates snap a 10-game losing streak with a 3-2 win over the Cincinnati Reds on Tuesday night.

"Basically, we've been pressing the last few games," said Moss, who had a career-high three hits and is hitting .366 (15-

for-41) with four home runs and six RBI in his last 11 games. "It's hard enough playing baseball and winning games without pressing. It's a roller-coaster with ups and downs, and we've been on a prolonged down."

Moss and LaRoche were both acquired in a three-way trade on July 31 that sent left fielder Manny Ramirez from the Red Sox to the Dodgers and left fielder Jason Bay from the Pirates to Boston.

The homers helped right-hander Ian Snell win for the second time in three starts. Snell (6-10) lasted six innings, giving up seven hits and two runs — one earned. He struck

out five.

Matt Capps pitched a perfect ninth for his 18th save in 23 opportunities.

Chris Dickerson gave Cincinnati a 1-0 lead in the first inning with his fifth homer of the season and second leading off a game for the Reds.

Moss, sent to the Pirates from the Red Sox, hit his sixth home run since joining the Pirates in the second, and LaRoche followed with his fifth overall to give Pittsburgh a 2-1 lead.

"Brandon's made a lot of strides, I think," Pirates manager John Russell said, adding that hitting coach Don Long has been working with him on not chasing pitches.

"He's even laying off strikes — pitches that aren't good hitting pitches — and that's helping him center the ball. Andy's coming along as well."

The home runs were the 30th and 31st homers allowed by Cincinnati starter Aaron Harang, who trails only Houston's Brandon Backe in the National League. Harang missed almost a month with a strained right forearm.

"His velocity's still not quite where you want it to be," manager Dusty Baker said. "He's given up a few of those home runs, but when they're solo like that, they usually don't hurt you."

IN BRIEF

McCarthy, Hamilton lead Rangers over Mariners

ARLINGTON, Texas — Brandon McCarthy pitched six strong innings for his first win in more than 13 months, Josh Hamilton drove in three runs and the Texas Rangers beat the Seattle Mariners 6-4 on Tuesday night.

McCarthy (1-0) allowed two runs and four hits in his third start of the season. He struck out four without a walk in a 104-pitch outing.

McCarthy, whose last victory was on July 31, 2007, at Cleveland, went on the 60-day disabled list on March 30 with right forearm inflammation after pitching an inning in a spring training game. He didn't begin throwing in the bullpen until June 21.

Frank Francisco struck out the side in the ninth for his third save in nine chances. Texas had lost 10 of its previous 12 at home and four of five overall.

Bird's 21 help Storm defeat Atlanta Dream

ATLANTA — Sue Bird scored 21 points and had nine assists to lead the Seattle Storm to a 83-69 victory over the woeful Atlanta Dream on Tuesday night.

Camille Little, who was traded from Atlanta to Seattle in June, scored 16 points and grabbed seven rebounds to help the Storm (19-10) move into a first-place tie with San Antonio in the West. Yolanda Griffith also had 16 points and Tanisha Wright added 11.

In the games Little has played in since being acquired, the Storm have had a 10-3 record. With reigning MVP Lauren Jackson out for the remainder of the season due to an ankle surgery, coach Brian Agler has applauded Little's presence while in Jackson's place.

"Her athleticism has been great," said Agler of Little.

Rodriguez and Nady hit homers in Yankees' win

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Mike Mussina earned his 17th win, and the New York Yankees got home runs from Alex Rodriguez and Xavier Nady in a 7-2 victory over the Tampa Bay Rays on Tuesday night.

Joba Chamberlain came off the disabled list for New York and pitched 1 1-3 scoreless innings out of the bullpen. Tampa Bay's lead in the AL East was trimmed to four games over Boston, which beat Baltimore 14-2.

Seeking his first 20-win season, the 39-year-old Mussina (17-7) allowed two runs and 10 hits in six-plus innings. He matched a season high with eight strikeouts, improving to 3-0 against the Rays. He also beat the AL East leaders on April 7 and May 14, and his 19 career wins tie him with Tim Lincecum for the most by any pitcher against Tampa Bay.

NCAA FOOTBALL

Trojans jump to top spot in polls

Associated Press

NEW YORK — By staying away from the cupcakes, Southern California earned itself a slim new ranking.

No. 1 always seems to fit USC.

Southern California jumped two spots to No. 1 in The Associated Press Top 25 on Tuesday, rewarded by voters for opening the season with a dominant performance on the road against a BCS conference opponent.

Georgia and Ohio State, the preseason Nos. 1 and 2, respectively, started their seasons with glorified scrimmages at home against FCS (formerly I-AA) teams. USC, however, traveled across country to face Virginia 1 and could not have been more impressive in a 52-7 victory.

Georgia fell to No. 2 and Ohio State to No. 3.

"We realize that rankings so early in a season are certainly fluid. But rankings do help establish a pecking order for things later in the season," USC coach Pete Carroll said in a statement. "As for moving into the No. 1 spot, it's nice to know that people think highly of our team."

Since reaching No. 1 on Dec. 7, 2003, the final-regular season AP poll of that season, USC has been No. 1 in 39 polls, by far the most of any team during that time.

"Some have said the voters are taking our schedule into consideration," Carroll said. "Our philosophy has always been to schedule outstanding opponents. We need to play challenging games like we just did, traveling across the country to open the season at Virginia. Games like that bring out our best and make us stronger as a team."

The latest voting was close. USC received 21 first-place votes and 1,539 points from the 65-member media panel. Georgia had 20 first-place votes and 1,506 points. Ohio State got 15 first-place votes and 1,497 points.

"I'd say we've evolved as pollsters," said Stewart Mandel of SI.com, who moved USC up to No. 1. "In the past, voters just kind of automatically moved teams up and kept teams where they were if they won."

Georgia beat Georgia Southern 45-21 on Saturday and Ohio State opened with a 43-0 win over Youngstown State.

"There's a bit of a growing backlash for the amount of teams that open with I-AA cupcakes," said Mandel, whose book "Bowl, Polls and Tattered Souls" chronicles college football's controversies. "To see a team (USC) go on the road and play a New Year's Day bowl team from last season, and not only play them but destroy them, how could you not reward that team?"

USC also jumped past Georgia to No. 1 in the USA Today coaches' poll, which

has the same top five as the AP poll.

"It's definitely a privilege to be No. 1. But it's not heartbreaking to me if we drop," Georgia offensive lineman Chris Davis said. "It doesn't matter right now what we're ranked. What matters is our next game and right now, that's Central Michigan. The only time the polls matter is in December. That's when the polls matter."

While the Bulldogs' opened easy, their schedule ultimately should be as difficult as any team's. Georgia's big nonconference test is at No. 15 Arizona State on Sept. 20. The Bulldogs also face six Southeastern Conference rivals that have been ranked in the first two polls.

As for Ohio State, the Buckeyes play at USC on Sept. 13 before getting into the Big Ten schedule.

But of the teams in this week's top 10, USC and Texas are the only ones that don't play an FCS opponent, and the Trojans are the only team that doesn't play a team from a non-BCS conference.

The last team to drop from No. 1 after a victory was USC last season. LSU jumped from No. 2 to No. 1 when it beat Tulane 34-9, the same week the Trojans edged Washington on the road, 27-24.

The last preseason No. 1 team to lose the top spot after winning its opening game was Florida in 2001. The Gators beat Marshall 49-14, but preseason No. 2 Miami opened with a 33-7 victory over Penn State and the Hurricanes jumped to No. 1 with Florida slipping to second.

The next four teams in the new Top 25 stayed the same: No. 4 Oklahoma (two first-place votes), No. 5 Florida (five first-place votes), No. 6 Missouri (one first-place vote), No. 7 LSU (one first-place vote) and No. 8 West Virginia.

No. 9 Auburn and No. 10 Texas each moved up a spot, taking advantage of Clemson's big drop. Clemson, ninth in the preseason, fell out after losing 34-10 to Alabama on Saturday.

Also falling out after losses were Virginia Tech, Pittsburgh and Tennessee.

Moving into the rankings were No. 21 Fresno State, No. 22 Utah, No. 23 UCLA and No. 24 South Carolina.

Alabama moved up 11 spots after its big victory over Clemson.

The second 10 started with No. 11 Wisconsin, followed by Texas Tech, Alabama, Kansas and BYU and Arizona State were tied for 15th. Rivals BYU and Utah are both ranked for the first time since 1996.

South Florida was No. 17, ahead of Oregon, Penn State, and Wake Forest at No. 20.

The final five were all the teams to move into the ranking, except for Illinois, which dropped four spots and tied South Carolina for No. 24.

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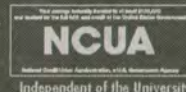
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NFL

Superdome to be ready for Saints' opener

After being forced to flee by Hurricane Gustav, New Orleans will return home for its regular season opener

Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — The Louisiana Superdome will be ready for some football Sunday, and the Saints say they're looking forward to celebrating the end of a stressful week with their storm-weary fans.

Forced to flee to Indianapolis ahead of Hurricane Gustav, the Saints will be able to open their regular season at home as scheduled against the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, the team announced Tuesday.

"We will once again showcase to a national audience that the city of New Orleans is made up

of resilient people and that we are ready to stand our city back up as quickly as possible, put this storm behind us and move on with our lives," Saints owner Tom Benson said.

The Saints had announced Monday night, soon after Gustav had passed over the city, that their hope was to keep their season-opening home date as a means to uplift the spirits of a fan base that had been ridden with anxiety that all the rebuilding done in the three years since Hurricane Katrina could be wiped out.

Gustav, however, weakened and stayed far enough west of

New Orleans to spare the fragile community from catastrophic damage.

Louisiana and team officials hoped the dome, a poignant symbol of suffering during Katrina, and a symbol of rebirth after being rebuilt in 2006, would now be a symbol of strength in a place where residents care too much about the unique way

of life in their historic city to give up on it.

"We want to be one of the first ones back because we want to play that game and lift the spirits of our city after what's been a tough week."

Mickey Loomis
Saints' General Manager

New Orleans city councilman Arnie Fielkow said the Saints' impending return "is just tremendously uplifting news, not only for the residents of New Orleans but for residents of the entire gulf coast. ... I would

fully anticipate the Superdome is going to be rocking and rolling."

The Superdome was not used as a refuge during Gustav as it was during Katrina. It did not sustain any structural or interior damage and never lost power.

Doug Thornton, vice president of SMG, the company that runs the state-owned Superdome, said that there had been only minor damage — exterior signs ripped with downed fences and light poles blown over.

Still, Thornton said he had to coordinate with city officials to make sure evacuation orders would be lifted so he could count on the staff of roughly 2,500 people, including police officers on security detail, needed to host an NFL game.

Thornton said another matter was whether suppliers could get in to stock concession stands, suites and lounges with food and drink.

"It takes significant resources to run the dome for a Saints game and we are very pleased that our employees, subcontractors and suppliers will all be available when the doors open on Sunday," said Thornton, who spearheaded the ambitious \$200 million, eight-month renovation of the Superdome following Katrina. Thornton remained in the stadium with a handful of staff during the storm Sunday night and Monday.

A mandatory evacuation had yet to be lifted by New Orleans and several suburban parishes as of Tuesday afternoon, but officials said residents should expect to be allowed home before the end of the week.

Saints officials said they had been working closely with state, local and Superdome officials as they planned their return to be sure the stadium was available, safe and ready to host and staff the game, which is scheduled for noon local time. The team also sought assurances that residents — their fans — will have been allowed to return to their homes before the game.

The game could have been switched to Tampa, Fla., because the Saints and Buccaneers both play in the NFC South and meet twice. The Saints are due to visit Tampa on Nov. 30.

Saints general manager Mickey Loomis, in Indianapolis with the team, said Monday that everyone with the club thought it was important to play in New Orleans this weekend if at all possible.

"We want to be one of the first ones back because we want to play that game and lift the spirits of our city after what's been a tough week," he told reporters at a news conference at an Indianapolis hotel.

Loomis said players, coaches and staff have reported no injuries among family members, but for practical purposes intended to stick to their current schedule of staying in Indianapolis until Friday. A number of players live in areas that lost power during Gustav.

"We're going to continue to practice here and stay in the routine we're in until Friday and then return to New Orleans on Friday," Loomis said.

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U.S. OPEN

Federer pushed to limit at U.S. Open

Associated Press

NEW YORK — His strokes awry, his emotions laid bare for all to see, Roger Federer figured out a way to stay in the U.S. Open.

Federer found himself locked in a five-set struggle against the sort of player the world is accustomed to seeing him dismiss with ease, and it was only down the stretch that the four-time defending champion at Flushing Meadows looked the part.

Avoiding as big an upset as tennis has seen in a while, Federer came back to beat 23rd-seeded Igor Andreev of Russia 6-7 (5), 7-6 (5), 6-3, 3-6, 6-3 Tuesday night to reach the quarterfinals at the year's last Grand Slam tournament.

When Federer finished the

match with a forehand winner, he shook his fists violently and yelled, then a flashed a grin toward his girlfriend and others in the player guest box.

Hard to recall the last time this guy was so pleased by a mere fourth-round victory. This is, after all, a man who owns 12 Grand Slam titles, two shy of Pete Sampras' career mark. A man who has won 31 consecutive matches at the U.S. Open. A man who is trying to extend his record streak of 17 straight appearances in major semifinals.

And yet, because of how tough this was, Federer couldn't stop smiling at the end of the three-hour test.

"I was just trying to stay in the match," he told the supportive crowd at Arthur Ashe Stadium.

NFL

Ex-Bengal Johnson acquired by Detroit

Associated Press

ALLEN PARK, Mich. — Rudi Johnson didn't need long to find a new home.

Johnson, who was waived by the Cincinnati Bengals on Saturday, officially signed with the Detroit Lions on Tuesday. Johnson will join rookie Kevin Smith as the featured backs in Detroit's new run-oriented offense.

"As soon as I finish talking to you guys, I'm going to bury myself in the playbook," Johnson said after meeting with the media Tuesday. "I want to be able to contribute to this team as soon as possible."

"I want to be able to contribute to this team as soon as possible."

Rudi Johnson
Lions' runningback

Johnson has missed much of training camp and the preseason with the same hamstring problem that caused him to miss five games last season, but said that he'd be ready for Detroit's season opener Sunday in Atlanta.

"I'm good — I just have to take care of my hamstring each and every day and stay on top of it," he said. "My main thing during camp was to make sure I was ready for Week 1."

Johnson rushed for over 1,400 yards in both 2005 and 2006, but was limited to 497 last year. This season, the Bengals will be going with Chris Perry and Kenny Watson as their top runners.

"The word got out last month that the Bengals were trying to trade me, so I knew this was coming," he said. "I had a great run in Cincinnati, but now I have to move on."

Johnson will be reunited with Jon Kitna, who played for Cincinnati before coming to Detroit in 2006, and also has a

tight bond with one of the players who will be blocking for him.

"I talked to Jon — he and I are friends from when we were together with the Bengals, and I talked to (Lions guard) George Foster, who is a very good friend of mine," he said.

In Cincinnati, the Bengals' star wide receivers, Chad Johnson and T.J. Houshmandzadeh, opened defenses up for the running game, and Johnson hopes that Detroit's duo of Calvin Johnson and Roy Williams will do the same thing.

"I'm excited about playing with two great guys on the outside in Roy and Calvin," he said.

"I'm looking forward to that."

While considering Detroit's offer, Johnson got some advice from an unlikely source — Tatum Bell, the player he replaced on the Lions roster.

"When we talked, he didn't know it was going to be him that was going, but Tatum knows this is a business," Johnson said. "He told me all about the city, the players, the coaching staff and even details like practice times and how things are run here."

With Bell gone, Johnson will be battling for carries with Smith, Detroit's third-round pick. He thinks he is still capable of putting up the same numbers that he did in Cincinnati, but isn't worried about cracking the starting lineup quite yet.

"Right now, I've got to get through this playbook," he said. "After that, it is up to the coaches. I know I can contribute and help this team. The coaches will figure out how to best use me."

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MLB

Martinez's first HR of year seals Indians' win

De La Rosa, Rockies get shutout win over Giants

Associated Press

CLEVELAND — Victor Martinez hugged teammates and danced in the dugout as if he had just won the World Series.

It was a special moment for Cleveland's switch-hitter, who hit his first home run in nearly a year to help the Indians beat the Chicago White Sox 9-3 on Tuesday night.

"It felt great to see one finally go out," Martinez said.

The White Sox remained tied with Minnesota for the AL Central lead despite losing for the fifth time in six games. Chicago will try to avoid a three-game sweep Wednesday.

"Something's missing," White Sox manager Ozzie Guillen said. "It seems like we are tired. It seems like we are dead. There are a lot of things that we are missing right now."

"Maybe because we're not scoring many runs. Maybe because the starting pitching throws four innings and that's it. Maybe we're not coaching right. Maybe I'm making the wrong decisions."

"We have to find out right away because if we continue to play like that, it's going to be real tough to compete."

Fausto Carmona (8-5) pitched 5 2-3 innings to win his third straight start and Asdrubal Cabrera broke out of a 1-for-19 slump with three hits for the Indians, winners of 12 of 15.

Chicago's Nick Swisher snapped his 0-for-19 slide with an eighth-inning double.

Martinez put Cleveland ahead 2-0 in the second inning against John Danks (10-8).

Jhonny Peralta walked and Martinez, activated Friday after having right elbow surgery in mid-June, hit the first pitch he saw over the wall in left. It was his first homer in 57 games and 203 at-bats since Sept. 25.

"Nobody has more fun playing this game than Victor," said backup catcher Sal Fasano, who greeted Martinez with a bearhug in the dugout. "It was a lot of fun to see him do that."

Martinez said he was teased by teammates and enjoyed every minute of it.

"I'd be lying if I said I wasn't thinking about (his drought)," Martinez said. "This game is all about having fun and the guys made some fun of me. It was a great feeling."

Franklin Gutierrez's two-run double made it 4-0 in the fifth.

Carmona failed to get out of the sixth when Chicago scored three runs, helped by the right-hander's wildness. Jermaine Dye walked and scored on a wild pitch. Another run scored on a sacrifice fly by Swisher. Then Carmona hit Alexei Ramirez in the hand with a pitch and pinch-hitter Jose Uribe followed with a two-out RBI double off the left-field wall to make it 4-3.

"I tried to make a perfect pitch and it sank too much," Carmona said of his wild pitch

in the dirt that skipped past catcher Kelly Shoppach.

Rafael Betancourt came on to strike out Jerry Owens with runners on second and third to preserve the one-run lead.

"Betancourt did a good job to protect that lead right there," Indians manager Eric Wedge said. "That was huge."

Carmona allowed three runs and five hits. He walked two and struck out two.

Danks gave up four runs and eight hits over four innings in his third straight loss.

Peralta had an RBI single off D.J. Carrasco in Cleveland's five-run seventh. Boone Logan then issued a bases-loaded walk to pinch-hitter Shin-Soo Choo before giving up a two-run single to Cabrera and Grady Sizemore's run-scoring single to make it 9-3.

Chicago leads the majors with 199 home runs, but did not hit any for the second consecutive game after hitting 21 in its previous 12 games.

Rockies 4, Giants 0

A month ago Jorge De La Rosa was pitching his way into the Colorado Rockies bullpen. Monday he showed he could be valuable if the Rockies are going to make another September run.

De La Rosa pitched seven shutout innings and had an RBI single. Willy Taveras stole three bases and scored twice and Colorado beat the San Francisco Giants on Monday.

De La Rosa (8-7) was sharp for the fifth straight start, allowing four hits, striking out six and walking one. He didn't allow a runner past first base and twice erased leadoff singles by inducing double plays.

"He continues to take steps forward," Rockies manager Clint Hurdle said. "He's got momentum going for him and confidence."

The defending NL champion Rockies began September six games behind the Diamondbacks in the NL West. They are hoping for another spectacular finish, after going 20-8 last September. Colorado has won 14 of their last 15 September games overall.

"We're not out of it," Hurdle said. "As long as we stayed focused on our own game, that what gives me hope."

Outings like De La Rosa's on Monday help fuel that hope. Following Benji Molina's two-out single in the fourth, De La Rosa didn't allow a hit and retired 10 of the last 11 batters he faced, including striking out four of the last five. He was lifted for a pinch-hitter in the seventh.

"He threw strikes and pitched well, but offensively we're struggling," Giant manager Bruce Bochy said. "We're not getting the big hit to keep a rally going."

Since giving up seven earned runs in one and two-thirds innings against Florida on July 31, De La Rosa has gone at least six innings in each of his five starts and has not allowed more than three runs in any outing. He has a 1.78 ERA during that stretch.

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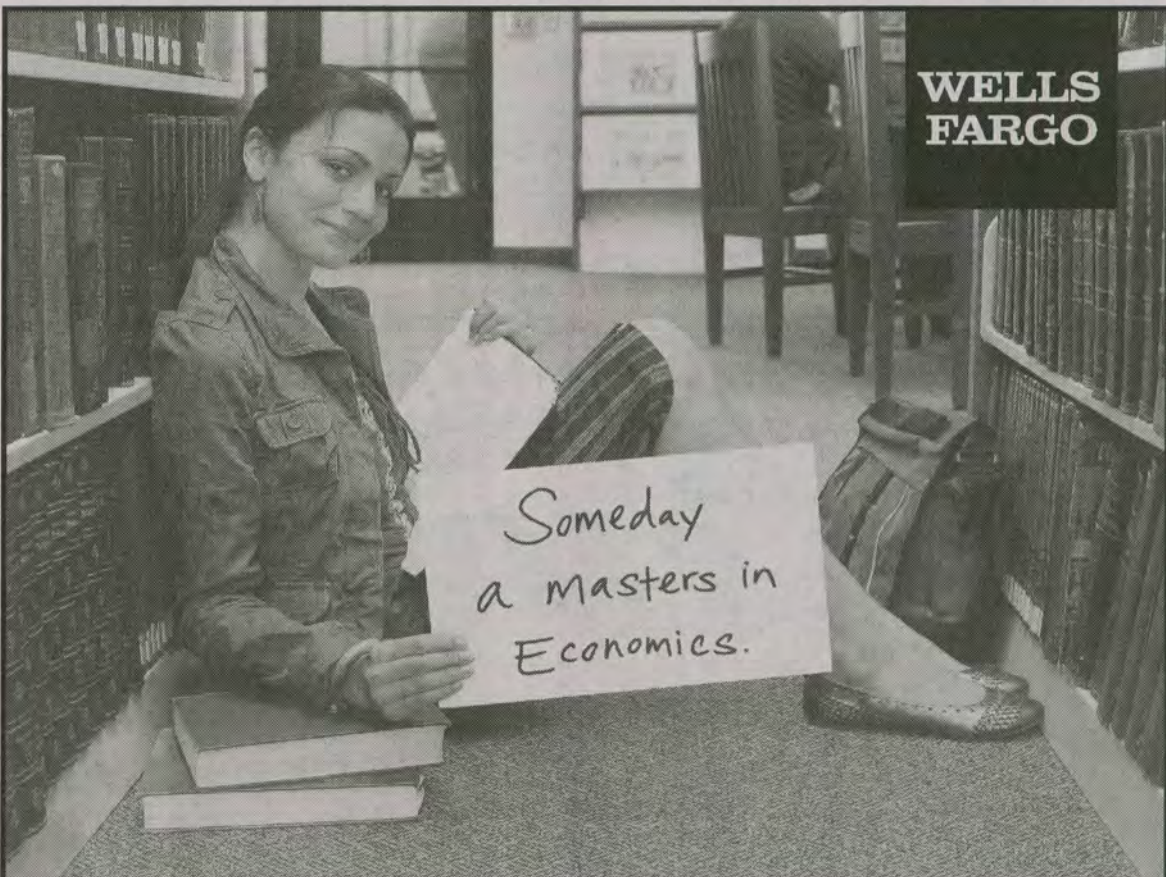
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NCAA FOOTBALL

Tressel noncommittal on Wells

Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Coach Jim Tressel has some reassuring words for all those fretful Ohio State fans who have had trouble sleeping since tailback Chris "Beanie" Wells hit the deck with a right foot injury on Saturday.

"Tell them to worry about Gustav and Rita and those kinds of things," Tressel said Tuesday. "Beanie's going to be fine."

Wells was in obvious pain in the moments after he fell to the turf in the third quarter of Saturday's 43-0 victory over Youngstown State. He was almost dragging the foot, encased in an immobilizing boot, when he slowly returned to the sideline to watch the last few minutes of the blowout.

Yet Tressel didn't slam the door on the possibility that Wells might still play in Saturday's game against Ohio University. Wells' status will be evaluated later in the week, Tressel said. The Bobcats are a five-touchdown underdog against the Buckeyes, who dropped a spot to No. 3 in this week's AP Top 25.

"I have the third vote. The first vote is the young person. ... Then the medical people have a major vote," Tressel said. "How you practice has a little bit to do with it especially as you get into the back end of the week. But when you have a veteran who's had a lot of snaps and so forth, it's not quite as critical. I'll have that third and deciding vote, I guess."

That's good news for Ohio State's uneasy faithful. A crowd of more than 105,000 was

reduced to silence when Wells, who rushed for more than 1,600 yards last season, fell backward on a handoff near the goal line. After he was checked out by doctors and trainers, he was helped off the field and taken to the locker room on a cart.

Ohio coach Frank Solich said whether Wells is or isn't in the lineup really doesn't have a big impact on what his team has to do.

"Not really. As great a back as he is, the other guys that are stepping on the field can hurt you," he said. "So it's not like they're going to abandon the running game. It's not like they're going to stop running the power play at you because he's not in there."

Wells, who has not practiced with the Buckeyes this week, was seen walking in his stocking feet out of a meeting at the team's training facility on Tuesday night. He was carrying the boot. He appeared to be walking gingerly, trying not to put his full weight on his right foot.

Buckeyes fans aren't concerned about Wells' availability against the Mid-American Conference's Bobcats so much as this week's new No. 1 team, Southern California, whom the Buckeyes travel to play Sept. 13.

Linebacker Marcus Freeman got a handle on just how concerned they were.

Over the weekend, he was recognized as he paid for his food at a fast-food Mexican restaurant.

"And they're like, 'How's Beanie?'" Freeman said, laugh-

ing. "They didn't ask anything about me. They're just like, 'How's Beanie doing?'"

Wells was not permitted to speak with reporters. Tressel said he would probably be "in the whirlpool."

Immediately after the game, in his only public statement so far, Wells said through Ohio State spokeswoman Shelly Poe that he may have heard something "pop" in his foot.

"I may have rolled it or planted wrong a play or two before," he said. "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 two."

Tressel said team medical personnel had labeled Wells doubtful for the home game against Ohio, but then he saw him in the training room.

"He said he felt great," said Tressel, who declined to disclose anything about the injury, its severity, or what part of Wells' foot was injured.

About the only light Tressel has shed on the injury came in his postgame remarks when he said that team doctors and trainers never described the injury as "turf toe."

Wells has been going through extensive daily treatments on his foot.

He had rushed for 111 yards on 13 carries against Youngstown State, opening the scoring on an untouched, 43-yard burst.

If he is held out of Saturday's game, redshirt freshman Dan "Boom" Herron, sophomore Brandon Saine and senior Maurice Wells (no relation) would fill in.

NFL

Lawyer says Simpson ready for jury selection

Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — O.J. Simpson's lawyer on Tuesday declared the former football star all set for jury selection to begin next week in his trial on allegations of robbing two sports memorabilia dealers at gunpoint almost a year ago.

"Ready for trial, judge," Simpson lawyer Gabriel Grasso said during the last scheduled pretrial hearing.

But Robert Lucherini, lawyer for Simpson's only remaining co-defendant, Clarence "C.J." Stewart, made yet another pitch to sever or postpone the trial, a request Clark County District Judge Jackie Glass denied. He told the judge he would ask the Nevada Supreme Court to reconsider its denial of his request for a separate or delayed trial.

Glass said a pool of 500 would-be jurors was reduced to about 250 after defense lawyers and prosecutors spent several hours behind closed doors Aug. 25 reviewing answers provided on 26-page questionnaires.

"We did excuse most of the people, if not all of the people, who expressed extreme opinions about the parties, in an effort to have a very efficient jury selection process," Glass said.

Jury selection is to begin Monday, and the judge said she expected to complete it within a week. The trial is expected to last as long as five weeks.

Clark County District Attorney David Roger, who earlier sub-

mitted a list of almost 80 witnesses, said Tuesday that he expects to call about 25.

Grasso said he and fellow defense attorney Yale Galanter planned to call those witnesses, plus perhaps three more.

Lucherini said he would probably call six or seven witnesses on Stewart's behalf.

Simpson and Stewart have pleaded not guilty to 12 charges, including felony kidnapping, armed robbery and assault with a deadly weapon in a September 2007 confrontation with two sports memorabilia dealers in a Las Vegas casino hotel.

A kidnapping conviction could get them life in prison with the possibility of parole. A robbery conviction would mean mandatory prison time.

Four other men who accompanied Simpson and Stewart have accepted plea deals, pleaded guilty to felony charges and agreed to testify for the prosecution.

A state high court panel last week turned down Lucherini's appeal of Glass' earlier refusals to delay or sever Stewart's trial from Simpson's.

Lucherini argues it will be impossible for Stewart to get a fair trial sitting at the defendant's table with Simpson, a former NFL star, film actor and advertising pitchman. Simpson was acquitted in the 1995 slayings in Los Angeles of his ex-wife, Nicole Brown Simpson, and her friend Ron Goldman but later found liable in a civil case.

NHL

Panthers, Maple Leafs exchange defensemen

Associated Press

MIAMI — Bryan McCabe already has a new home in South Florida, where his 3-year-old daughter started pre-kindergarten classes in a new school Tuesday and he spent part of the day unpacking moving boxes.

The only thing he didn't have was a new team — that is, until the Florida Panthers and Toronto Maple Leafs finally completed a long-expected deal.

The Maple Leafs traded the veteran defenseman and a fourth-round draft pick to the Panthers on Tuesday for defenseman Mike Van Ryn, riding Toronto of its biggest contractual obligation and finally giving McCabe closure in the sense that he now knows where he'll be when camp opens later this month.

"It's always nice to have this part of it done," McCabe said. "It's not fun being in limbo when you have two kids and a wife. We're really excited to get down here."

McCabe waived his no-trade clause to allow the deal to go through. McCabe's willingness to be traded was a change in philosophy as it was earlier stated that the Maple Leafs would have to buy out his contract to get rid of him.

The 33-year-old McCabe had been one of the longest-serving Maple Leafs after being

acquired from the Chicago Blackhawks on Oct. 2, 2000. He developed in Toronto after bouncing from the New York Islanders to the Vancouver Canucks to the Blackhawks. He recently became a scapegoat for fans who thought his performance dipped after he signed a five-year, \$28.75-million contract in 2005-06.

"It's a tough place to play, especially when you're losing," McCabe said of Toronto. "But when you're winning, it's one of the best places to play. It comes with the territory. I've got a big contract."

His annual salary cap hit for the next three seasons will be \$5.75 million even though the Panthers will only have to pay him \$4.15 million per season on the front-heavy deal. The Maple Leafs are on the hook for a \$2 million bonus that was due Monday, and that money was one of the issues that held up completion of the deal.

"It gives us some more offense from our back end," Panthers general manager Jacques Martin said. "Bryan brings experience. When you look back at his time in Toronto, his ability to play on the power play, his shot, and in the dressing room he brings some leadership skill to help a lot of our younger defensemen."

Van Ryn has two years remaining on his contract and will earn \$3.35 million each

season. His cap hit is only \$2.9 million, allowing the Leafs to free up \$11.45 million over the next three years.

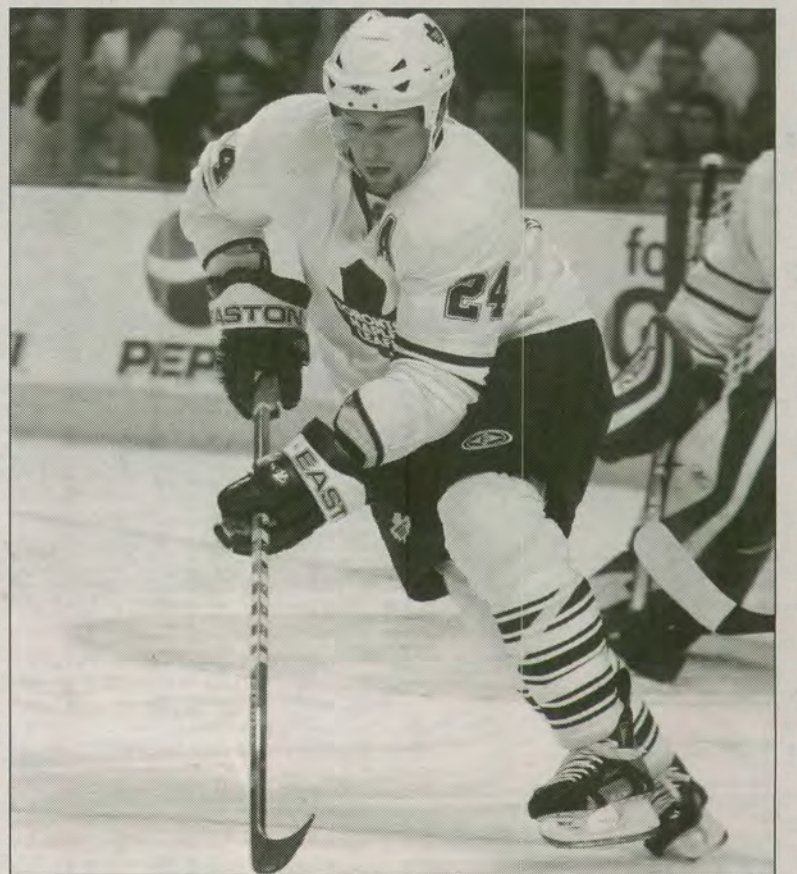
Maple Leafs general manager Cliff Fletcher has been busy in remaking a team that hasn't reached the playoffs since before the 2004-05 lockout. Earlier this summer, Fletcher bought out the contracts of forward Darcy Tucker and backup goalie Andrew Raycroft, and waived center Kyle Wellwood.

"It's part of what we're trying to do moving forward here," Fletcher said. "We wish him well."

It also appears that the Leafs will start a season without Mats Sundin in the lineup for the first time since 1993.

The Panthers, who haven't made the playoffs since 2000 and haven't won a postseason series since reaching the Stanley Cup finals in 1996, have been equally busy. Among the notable moves, captain Olli Jokinen was traded to Phoenix for defensemen Keith Ballard and Nick Boynton, two-time Stanley Cup champion forward Cory Stillman was added in free agency, Jay Bouwmeester was re-signed for another season and now Martin got the blueliner he may have coveted most.

"I've been here for three years now, and over the three years I've felt our defense needed to improve," Martin said. "With the addition of Ballard



The Toronto Maple Leafs traded defenseman Bryan McCabe to the Florida Panthers Tuesday for defenseman Mike Van Ryn.

and Boynton and now Bryan, we've looked at the better teams in the league, we felt that was an area we needed to improve and I'm definitely excited about this team. I think we have more pieces of the puzzle in the right places."

McCabe missed almost two months last season due to a broken hand. He played in 54 games, scoring five goals and 23 points, and said he hopes he can be part of the core that pushes Florida back into the postseason.

Quinn

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the team's summer trip to Brazil.

Quinn's solid performance during that stretch turned Cahill's stranglehold on the position into an open competition heading into the 2006 season. Cahill and Quinn split pre-season games as well as the opening six games of the season before Clark decided to give the job back to Cahill.

"It was after the Louisville game that the Boss [Clark] came up to me and told me he was going with Cahill," Quinn said. "I respected the Boss's decision. He was honest with me all the way through. I just kept my head down and worked hard knowing I would get my opportunity."

Quinn's initial opportunity came earlier than expected when an injury to Cahill in Notre Dame's Sweet 16 contest against Maryland forced Quinn into action. He played the majority of the contest, preserving a 2-0 Irish win. Quinn also played the second half of Notre Dame's 3-2 loss in the Elite Eight to Virginia.

Quinn's main opportunity would have to wait, however, as Cahill returned in 2007 for his fifth season and reclaimed the starting goalie job once again. Although injuries to Cahill allowed Quinn a few spot appearances throughout the season, Quinn once again watched Notre Dame's run to

the Elite Eight primarily from the bench.

Although Quinn may not have seen as much field time as he would have liked over the past three years, he said he feels that he has become a much better keeper during his time in South Bend.

"I think I've come pretty far since my freshman year," Quinn said. "Physically, I've put on some muscle, lost weight, and gotten quicker."

"My biggest challenge has been mentally. That was one thing that gave Cahill an edge over me. He was much more calm and maybe more confident. We have a sports psychologist, and I've talked with him. He's helped me relax and become more calm and consistent in the goal."

Those changes are a big reason why Quinn's opportunity has finally arrived. Even after Cahill left, Clark told Quinn that the starting job would be an open competition between him and Tuttle. With that competition now settled, Quinn can finally focus on helping Notre Dame achieve and surpass the success of the past few seasons.

"I think this team is just as good if not better than the other teams since I've been here," Quinn said. "From my end, I've been here four years, and I've been here long enough to know what Coach Clark expects from us. I need to step into a leadership role and make sure we're as organized as possible."

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Weis

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This expediting will not be limited to the offense, and Weis said he will also help make sure the defense is running smoothly through defensive coordinator Corwin Brown.

But Weis will not be in the dark about his team's decision-making — on either side of the ball.

"I'm going to have one of my guys hold onto a call sheet both offensively and defensively so that if there's a lull in the action, I want to go look at it, I'll have something available to me," he said.

Moreover, Weis will still make the big strategy decisions during the game to avoid putting pressure on his assistants. Weis said it is always the head coach's call on whether to attempt a fourth-down conversion.

"That is always the job of the head coach to have to make that decision, because right or wrong, you're going to have to live with that decision. And you don't hang your assistants out

to dry on that one," Weis said.

Weis added that he and the offensive staff will know ahead of time which situations to attempt a fourth-down conversion so they can call an appropriate third-down play.

"Normally you wouldn't throw the ball on third and one unless you already had the backing from the boss that you were going to go for it on fourth and one," Weis said. "Or if you didn't, don't worry about it, we're going to just punt in that situation."

Weis said that, in addition to not calling plays during the game, he will not help script the opening drives of games as he did when he was the offensive play-caller. But this is not to say that he will have no input as to the opening drive; rather, he will review the offensive coaches' script Friday morning.

"And if there's something I would say 'Why would you do that,' we'll just eliminate it. Or if it's something that can we run this, too. So might there be a play or two that either gets eliminated or added? Yes. But I'm not [scripting] that."

Notes:

♦ Haywood and assistant head coach/defense Jon Tenuta will sit in the press box for Saturday's game against San Diego State. Weis said Tenuta prefers to be in the press box to see the game better.

"What he's going to be able to see and pass on to Corwin, I think, will be absolutely invaluable," Weis said.

Weis added that Brown prefers to be on the field during games.

"He has that bubbly enthusiasm. He likes to chest bump and all that other stuff right there," Weis said of Brown.

♦ Weis said Notre Dame will have only two players sit out of Saturday's game: tight end Mike Ragone and safety Jashaad Gaines. Ragone is out for the season because of a torn ACL and Gaines was allowed to miss the opener due to a family illness.

Gaines was not listed on the two-deep, but was expected to contribute on special teams, where he played in four games last season.

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Hinton

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Saint Mary's career and has already recorded an assist this season.

"While some of our scoring

talent may seem young or even inexperienced, I have no concern about our ability to put the ball in the net," Crabbe told the website.

Freshman Taylor Paton has already begun to shine for the Belles, scoring in just her second career game.

If the Belles can find their offense early on in the season, they will put themselves in a favorable position when they begin MIAA conference play in a few weeks.

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MLB

Hamels pitches eight innings in Phillies win



Phillies shortstop Jimmy Rollins hits an RBI single during Philadelphia's 4-0 win over the Nationals Tuesday. Rollins had two RBI singles and a walk in the game.

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Almost every time Cole Hamels has taken the mound this season, the Philadelphia Phillies have been able to count on him to pitch deep into the game.

The left-hander did it again Tuesday night against the Washington Nationals, pitching into the eighth inning and allowing five hits in a 4-0 victory that ended the Nationals' seven-game winning streak.

In 29 starts this season,

Hamels (12-8) has pitched at least seven innings 23 times — the most in the majors. He has a 3.01 ERA in 203 innings.

"He gets a quality start pretty much every time out," Phillies shortstop Jimmy Rollins said. "He gives you a chance to win. His record doesn't necessarily indicate that, but his ERA does. Sometimes good pitchers run into bad luck. There have been games we have blown, games that we just haven't scored, and then there are games like tonight, where all it takes is one

or two runs and he can work with it."

Rollins gave Hamels most of what he had to work with with two RBI-singles and a walk.

The Phillies remained two games behind first-place New York in NL East.

Washington's winning streak was its longest since a 10-game run in 2005, but it ended as J.C. Romero, Chad Durbin and Brad Lidge finished the six-hitter. The Nationals have been shut out 20 times, seven more than any other major league team.

"Coming out of a game is disappointing in a sense, because whenever you start one you want to finish," said Hamels, who pitched 7 1-3 innings Tuesday. "But the bullpen, all year I've had the confidence in them and they were able to get the job done — and did fabulous."

John Lannan (8-13) took the loss, giving up two runs and five hits in six innings. He walked two and struck out four.

"It's definitely a tough lineup," Lannan said. "That's why they're battling for first place with the Mets right now. They're tough from top to bottom. You don't really get any breaks."

Nationals catcher Jesus Flores was carted off the field in the third inning after Philadelphia's Chase Utley barreled into him on a play at the plate.

"When I saw him in the type of pain that he was, I was very worried," Washington manager Manny Acta said. "I felt really bad for the kid, but X-rays were negative and it just looks like an ankle sprain right now. We'll have an MRI tomorrow and we'll find out more about it, but the good news is that the X-rays didn't show anything."

The collision came as Utley was attempting to steal home with two outs. With runners on first and third, Lannan made a pickoff throw to first and Utley broke for home.

Utley arrived at the plate just after the throw from first baseman Ronnie Belliard and crashed hard into Flores. After he tagged out Utley, Flores stayed on the ground near home plate for several minutes as his left leg was attended to by trainers and medical personnel.

Eventually, Flores was placed

on a stretcher and carted off the field. He was replaced by Wil Nieves.

"His cleat just got stuck in front of home plate and that's why his ankle wouldn't give in, but we didn't think it was a dirty play," Acta said.

Utley said he was just trying to generate some offense. He knew Lannan has a slow move to first, and once he reached third he was planning to go home on a pickoff attempt. When Lannan made the move, Utley went.

"I felt like I got a good jump, Belliard made a quick throw home, and there you have it," Utley said. "I thought the only option I had at that point to be safe was to try and knock the ball loose. ... My intention was definitely not to hurt him, my intention was to knock the ball loose."

Phillies manager Charlie Manuel said he supported the decision to break for home, and had no problem with how Utley finished the play.

"It's not old school, it's good school," Manuel said.

The collision was the second play at the plate for Flores on Tuesday.

Earlier in the third inning, Rollins singled home Carlos Ruiz from second. The throw from left fielder Willie Harris was in time but slightly to the right of Flores, who missed the ball as he tried for a sweep tag on Ruiz. Rollins, who went to second on the throw, scored on Utley's single.

The Phillies tacked on two more runs in the seventh, the first on another RBI single by Rollins. Ruiz then scored as Rollins was caught in a rundown between first and second during an inning-ending double play.

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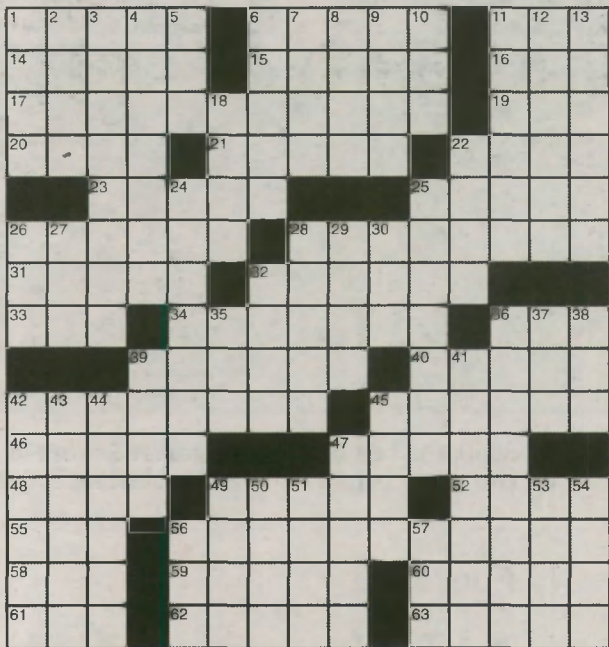
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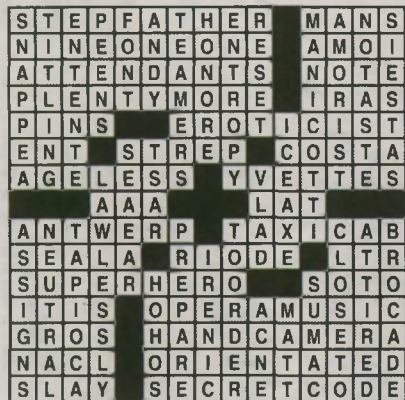
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GEMINI (May 21-June 20): A unique proposal based on your qualifications and ability to multitask will interest you. Don't be too slow to accept an opportunity or you'll have regrets. Love is in the stars and a social event will be geared toward romance. 5 stars

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Stick close to the people you trust and respect. The older and more experienced people will give you good advice and stand behind your every move. Your personal relationships, however, will give you mixed messages leading to misunderstandings and breakups. 2 stars

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Doing things that are unique will give you connections with interesting people who are inspirational and can add a spark to your ideas. Love is growing with someone who wants to spend more time with you. Try to accommodate this person. 4 stars

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): There will be a lot riding on how much you do. The expectations will be high and the willingness on your part to add detail and precision will seal a deal. A partnership with someone very different from yourself will form if you aren't adamant about working alone. 3 stars

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Don't get into a fight with someone. It won't be worth your time and the backlash you face will be hard to rectify. You may want to rethink your relationships and consider whether or not some of them are good for you. 3 stars

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Don't rely on others. You can get some good advice on a job you want to do at home but do the actual work yourself, if possible. Hiring someone to do something you can do yourself will be a waste of money and the job won't be done to your satisfaction. 3 stars

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You can position yourself professionally in such a way that the demand for your talents will skyrocket. Offer a new innovative idea, concept or service. Some of the older people will fight the change but you will surpass any interference. 4 stars

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Don't underestimate the power of communication. Someone can and will twist your words around. Explain your ideas concisely. 2 stars

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Personally and financially you are coming into an interesting and unusual development that will make your life easier. A commitment or promise will help you achieve your dreams, hopes and wishes. Love is on the rise. 5 stars

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Don't get labeled passé because you are using old, outdated methods. Look to someone younger who is a little ahead of his or her time to inspire you to move in the right direction. It may be time to take on a younger partner. 3 stars

Birthday Baby: You have a sophisticated appeal and are creative and clever. You can be demanding, uncompromising, persuasive, charming and controlling.

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MEN'S SOCCER

Worth the wait

Senior keeper Andrew Quinn gets his chance to start after three years on the bench

By GREG ARBOGAST
Sports Writer

This past weekend in the Adidas IU Credit Union Classic, senior goalie Andrew Quinn played all 90 minutes in both of Notre Dame's games. Finally.

After three years of hard work and waiting, this past weekend served as confirmation for Quinn that the moment he's been preparing for has arrived. The starting keeper job is now solely his.

Quinn and junior keeper Phillip Tuttle split time in goal last spring as well as this pre-season, but Irish coach Bobby Clark made the decision to go with the veteran before this past weekend's tournament.

"I think Andrew deserves it," Clark said after last Sunday's game. "He's been knocking at the door for three years now, and we're going to give him a little run."

Clark's decision serves as vindication for all the hard work and patience that Quinn has shown over the past three seasons. As a freshman, Quinn was redshirted behind incumbent junior Chris Cahill, but opportunity soon came knocking. Cahill decided to study abroad during the spring and summer terms, leaving Quinn as the primary goalkeeper during both the spring season and



Irish senior keeper Andrew Quinn handles the ball in a game against South Florida on Sept. 8, 2006. Quinn battled Chris Cahill for two years before earning the starting spot this season.

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SMC SOCCER

Winless SMC faces Spartans

Team hopes to follow Hinton at Manchester

By ALEX BARKER
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Coming off a not-so-successful opening season tournament last weekend, Saint Mary's looks to channel its offensive prowess from last season and capture its first win of the 2008 campaign when it travels to face the Manchester College Spartans today.

Under first-year head coach Ryan Crabbe, the Belles struggled to score against the competition at the Case Western Invitational, dropping their first two matches of the season.

Against the Spartans, Saint Mary's looks to start anew and find its offense behind senior leadership like that of senior forward Lauren Hinton, the Belles' leading scorer last season.

"Lauren is one of the top offensive players in the entire league," Crabbe told the Saint Mary's athletic Web site. "She will definitely be looked upon for a scoring punch this season."

Hinton has 28 goals in her

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SMC VOLLEYBALL

Belles drop first MIAA match in straight sets

By MICHAEL BLASCO
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Saint Mary's College (3-2, 0-1 MIAA) dropped its first conference match of the season Tuesday night against Adrian College (3-2, 1-0 MIAA) at the Angela Athletic Facility. The Bulldogs swept the Belles in straight sets (25-15, 25-22, 25-18).

Senior Kaela Hellman led Saint Mary's offensively and defensively with 10 kills and 11 digs, but put up a mediocre .167 hitting percentage on the night. Also contributing on the defensive end were junior Lorna Slupczynski with 11 digs and sophomore Meghann Rose with 13 digs. Freshman Danielle Brink and junior Liana Rohr contributed 16 assists and 12 assists, respectively. Junior Kathleen Mills also had a solid match, making three kills in seven attempts with no errors for a .429 hitting percentage.

Offensive inconstancy and frustration marked the night for the Belles, who only had two players (Hellman and Mills) post a hitting percentage above .100, and the team finished with 30 errors to Adrian's 15. Defensively,

the Bulldogs added 10 blocks on top of Saint Mary's three, while senior Samantha Mercy contributed 22 digs.

The Belles came out flatfooted in the first set and were quickly down 21-9. Bolstered by a series of Adrian errors, Saint Mary's mounted a late rally to draw the score within 6 points, but eventually were defeated 25-15.

After beginning the second set in similar fashion to the first, the Belles again rallied, evening the score at 9-9 from a 5-1 disadvantage. Saint Mary's kept up with Adrian step-for-step until the set's final minutes, but fell late after several critical errors. With the score tied at 22-22, Slupczynski — who was named to the All-Tournament Team at the Thomas More Invitational last weekend — made three straight attack errors to give the Bulldogs the game, 25-22.

Things were looking up for the Belles in the third set, who at one point held an 11-8 advantage. Once again, a series of errors stalled the Saint Mary's attack, and Adrian was able to pull away, closing the set 25-18.

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FOOTBALL

Weis embraces new role

By JAY FITZPATRICK
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Notre Dame coach Charlie Weis decided at the end of last season that he would relinquish play-calling duties. And so far, he has stayed committed to that.

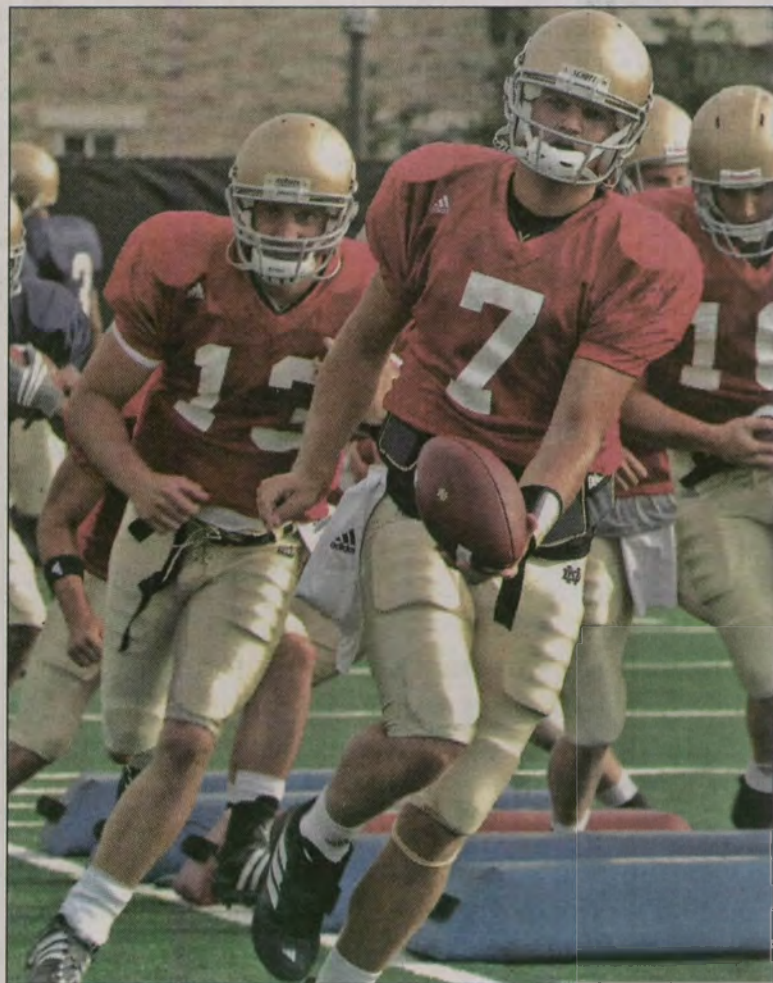
Weis said in a press conference Tuesday that he would wear a headset during Saturday's opener against San Diego State to communicate with the other coaches, but he would not hold a call sheet.

"A call sheet would be just like asking for trouble," he said.

Weis said the main reason behind his wearing a headset would not be to influence offensive coordinator Michael Haywood's play selection, but rather to give the first-time play-caller some assistance.

"Like one of the things I probably feel that I'm going to have to say to Michael [Haywood] early in the game is get him used to the timing of the 40 second clock. I'll say, okay, let's go personnel," he said.

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Sophomore quarterback Jimmy Clausen runs through drills during practice on Aug. 23.

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