ND ranked 18th in the country

U.S. News and World report named Harvard, Princeton, Yale Universities at top 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 an affirmation for what most people see RANKINGS/page 4

SMC Dance Marathon receives award

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

By MANDI STIRONI
Assistant News Editor

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 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, move 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 people 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 freshmen 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 national 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 received $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

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Students recognize labor rights

Anniversary examines local workers' status

By KATLYNN RIELEY
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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."

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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. But one of the most anticipated aspects of my return was the simple pleasure of sitting down at Reckers at 2 a.m. on a Friday or Saturday night, and digging into 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 main-stays 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 cut 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. Let’s face it, it’s open 24 hours, and you just can’t avoid them forever. I’m going to write this once to the owner. Gil 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.

**QUESTION OF THE DAY:** What do you think about the Dillon Pep Rally cancellation?

**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, shaken and tired, but was smart enough to not 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.

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**CORRECTIONS**

In the Sep. 1 edition of The Observer the name of Sister Anne Schuhbauer was misspelled and she is not Vice President for Mission at Saint Mary’s but was named due to a reporting error.

In the Sep. 2 edition of The Observer the name of Saint Mary’s only Observer student intern is Patrick Daniels and he was not named due to a reporting error.

The Observer regrets these errors.

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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 Garland, is a Graphic 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 correct mission of SUB," Garland wrote in his letter addressed to COR, nominating Zuzolo for the position.

Zuzolo said that responsibilities as art director would include overseeing the design of posters and advertisements for SUB.

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Questions "about the planning process," Reish said.

"If we do not dive 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 Council until next week's meeting. The resolution, 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 Rodis, 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 next week 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 chaired the National Academy of Engineering (NAE) Symposium. He also served as the program officer at the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation for minority programs.

While serving as a public servant, 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 TracLab 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.

"Welcome to America is a project of solidarity following the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, which claimed the life of Manning's brother-in-law and highlighted 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 minority assistance. The program is one Manning has dedicated her life to improving for refugees and their 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 education 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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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 designation 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, peer institutions, retention of students, faculty resources, financial resources, student selectivity, alumni giving rate, and graduation rate.

According to Saracino, Notre Dame students and their parents place 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 allotted 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 tradition can be equally excellent academically and overall,” Saracino said. “Also the fact that we have a smaller graduating class. The fact that only 2,000 of 30,000 students are undergraduate students might be a reason. When you see a school like Stanford get recognized, you see that they have a large number of graduate and postgraduate students and an outstanding graduate program.”

The report does not take into account other aspects of academic quality such as endowed 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, fresh man 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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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 representa­ tive, spoke about the meaning of the department’s 60th anniversary and the work conditions at Notre Dame. Ellen Gunn, a member of the custodial staff in Steptil Hall, ended the event by leading the crowd of approximately 100 people in song.

Prudence Dorey, who works for building services in the lusby Architect 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.

Dorey admitted it was grossness of Notre Dame to provide her with a loan so soon after 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.”

Catherine Mendenhall, an administra­ tive assistant for the University’s Creative Writing Program, spoke for a worker’s right to self-de-
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**WASHINGTON.** — President Bush was grateful that Hurricane Gustav was nowhere near as destructive as Katrina. He used Gustav’s glancing blow on U.S. energy infrastructure to prod Congress to 0K more domestic oil production. "We are thankful that the damage in New Orleans and across the Gulf Coast was not as bad as 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 of the federal government," 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.

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, signed by John McCain Tuesday for his presidential law — and now they need to keep them open so we can 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 returned from Washington this week.

"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 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 exploitation. She said it wouldn’t 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 "taxpayer subsidies to Big Oil," said Pelosi, D-Calif.

Bush is keeping a hands-on profile as the aftermath of Hurricane Gustav, in contrast to the government's pour 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 Bush White House to discuss the storm's impact on the oil industry with Vice President Dick Cheney and about 29 advisors, 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 $4 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 days after it was attributed to the storm in the U.S. after it killed at least 94 people across the Caribbean. It was downgraud­ed 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 anomalous evacuations were told not to come home yet.

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**National News**

**I 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 identified, said state epidemiologist Dr. Kristy Bradley.

"The complexity of this outbreak and the number of people potentially exposed 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.

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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 three marathons in the last 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 phenomenal 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 Hurrell, 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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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 fit the program well.

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

“We hope the mentors 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 freshmen a sense of how to be mentors 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 2009-2010 academic year, including helping to put on the fourth Diversity Students’ Leadership Conference, a three-day conference for the Michigan community that delves into minority and diversity issues.

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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 members,” 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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In Brief

Fujitsu runs ads for Lipitor again TRENTO, 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 mised the public.

This time, Pfizer is leaving out the celebrity. In the new ads, the endorsed is a talent agent from the San Francisco Bay area who tells viewers he started taking Pfizer's Lipitor after he was too soon to say when output might resume, though some oil companies were preparing to redeploy evacuated personnel as early as Wednesday.

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 manufacturing sector, automakers, home builders and other manufacturers, the final half of 2008 may be as sluggish as the first.

Google Inc. launches new Web browser

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, pages group 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, offering 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 more usable 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, the 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.
How to Prepare for the Career Fair

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   - Attend a “Prepare for the Career Fair” workshop
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   - 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?”)
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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.

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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."

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 onit.nd.edu/google. Note: You will have until January 3, 2009 to move your legacy e-mails 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 onit.nd.edu/google.

You'll find a variety of information, including Notre Dame Gmail how-tos, frequently asked questions, and other information at onit.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.

Prime Minister Samak sets state of emergency

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 flaunted by thousands of anti-government protesters who defied the ban.

His decree gives the military the right to restore order, allows authorities to suspend civil rights and to ban public gatherings of more than five people and bars the media from reporting what he calls "causes panic."

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

"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 army, 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 the day, while some international private schools opted to shut for a week. The U.S. and other nations warned their citizens of the danger of going on holiday. 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 protest leaders turned with sticks to patrol the grounds.

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

Samak's "back is against the wall," Thitilain 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 turned to social networks by the evening to switch off water and electricity at police stations and other government buildings 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 Kaowwan, secretary-general of the State Enterprise Workers Relations Confederation, which comprises 43 unions for state employees.
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 in Target looking for wall decals and in Nordstrom’s Back stocking up on last year’s sweaters. So she worries about her I-Pod blowing up once she plugs it into another country’s outlet. So she’s not sure if she’ll be able to complete her menu. So she’s memorizing maps of a city she’s never set foot in before now, 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 within the process of settling in to Notre Dame. Right now you’re skimming over the Viewpoint section in North, waiting for Greg to come back to the table with his pepperoni and chicken 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 you Orgo so hard so soon. Or maybe you’re huddling over your Observer at South, alone at one of the four-seaters, lingering 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 allegory. Your room is, for the most part, now organized and unpacked (your iPod rests safe and uncashed near the edge of your desk) you have at least passing familiarity with local public transportation (in 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. So as the girl you couldn’t care less about, who’s leaving this weekend—well, in all of those 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 alums and, wonder idly about standing on a splinterly bench in the sun, surrounded by thousands of cheering blue shirts or maybe even actually tracking with the game this year.

I can imagine 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 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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The 18th amendment is one of the more infamous sections of the United States Constitution. Ratified in 1919, it prohibited the production and sale of alcohol throughout the U.S. In authors' intentions, the law was 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 government had 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.

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 law was an immediate failure. Prohibition, prohibition did not lead to a drop in violence and social ills, quite the opposite. Americans were left alone and behaved as they wished. 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, illegal liquor was rampant. Los Angeles officials found it easier to control the production of illegal liquor than to control the production of licit liquor. The 21st amendment, ratified in 1933, ended the failed experiment and restored Americans' legal right to imbibe whatever they would like. Prohibition should have prompted 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 evaluate that 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 be left alone and behave as they wished. Sadly, over seven decades since the end of prohibition, the federal government 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 20s prohibitions have reaped themselves: underdrinking 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 alcohol. 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, which the nation's current law forces upon its citizens. The 21st century prohibition is a massive failure. 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 20s prohibitions have reaped themselves: underdrinking 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. The 21st century prohibition is a massive failure.

Let's join the chorus of voices calling 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 end to open 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 an 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 concerned about the negative influences that would arise. Generally speaking, my concerns were not unfounded. Yesterday's Viewpoint column ("An annivers­ary worth remembering") by Prof. Emeritus Rice discussed a number of things that the university to corollate science, health and com­munication. Further, Prof. Emeritus 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 part of who we are. Professorsremove sex, agree with it or not, is not some new idea resulting from improved contraception, 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 burdens of costs, and in an increasingly competitive (and sagging) job market. Thus, young Americans are left with more time for their own personal desires. Americans need 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 existed. Why and how is this different 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 of the Church or of any person who obviously is not a medical professional."

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Brendan McPhillis junior after SEPT. 2
THE EVOLUTION AND APPEAL OF TEEN TV

By MICHELLE FORDICE

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 longings.

There is a clear path from the “Beverly Hills, 90210” of 1990 to the “90210” of today. The early teen shows laid the foundation 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-90s as “Dawson’s Creek,” “Felicity,” and “7th Heaven,” hit the airwaves. 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-flying Superman with “Smallville.” Finally we reach the current new version of the genre, with shows such as “Glimore 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 over our entire adult lives. That will of course be interpersed 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 emphasis the logo.

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 at 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, 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 LIPIARI Senior 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 Priestley) and Brenda (Shannen Doherty) Walsh and their conventional parents, Cindy and Jim (Carol Potter and James Eckhouse) move to Beverly Hills, and if fans feel comfortable with giving up the show’s target teen audience

The show also focused on popular girl Kelly Taylor (Drea de Matteo), moody cheerleader Dylan McKay (Luke Perry), and their friends Silver (Alfre Woodard), Steven (Dustin Diamond) and Donna Martin (Torri 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 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 original cast members who are literally upstaged as director of their high school musical by none other than Brenda Walsh. (Shannen Doherty) who is 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. Jennie Garth recently told Entertainment Weekly that when she heard the CW was reformulating “90210,” “I said to the show’s producer that I was willing to come back if they were happy with my idea.” Some part of what 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 “Glimore 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
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 its 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.


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.
Jaguars’ Collier shot outside apartment

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, 24, and former Jaguars defensive end Kenneth Pettway were sitting 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 stable condition at Shands Jacksonville Medical Center, said hospital spokesman Jim Kynard.

Pettway said Collier had just moved to Jacksonville from Miami and was victimized. You ought to be worried about that situation rather than saying some prayers, ” Pettway 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. But I do added that the team would “be fine.”

“We’re going to play football,” he said. “But this is not about football. This is about a man right now dealing with his body being put to the test, whether or not he has the grades or test scores 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.

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

“I love the guys in shock,” Pro Bowl running back Fred Taylor said. “They’re a great bunch of people and they’re a disciplined organization.”

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

“He was out last night, he was a good guy, having a good time, being responsible,” Del Rio said. “There’s no question offenders take offense to people that insinuate and call that a lack of discipline in a last responsibility. There are no rules being made up 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 get out and have a good time and go back home and not be worried about being killed while being in the hospital with bullet holes.”

“I take offense to people 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 and could give him a contract extension earlier this year despite an arrest last season.

The 6-foot-7, 345-pound lineman was arrested Nov. 3 after officers found him asleep behind the wheel of a Donald’s drive-thru window. Collier failed field sobriety tests and had a blood-alcohol level of 0.06, according to Jacksonville police. 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 go football another chance. He enrolled at Texas 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 Blazer 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, though, 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.”
**Around the Nation**

**NSCAA Men's College Soccer Poll**

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**MLB**

**Pirates 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 (15-41) with four home runs and six RBIs in his last 13 games. "It's hard enough playing baseball and winning games without pressuring. 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.

"He's 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."

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**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.

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**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.

Joha Chamberlain came off the disabled list for New York and pitched 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 Wakefield 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 more sacrificial scrimmages at home against FCS (formerly I-AA) teams. USC, however, was rewarded after beating Virginia to face Georgia in a game No. 1 and could not have been more impressive in a 52-7 victory.

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

"It's too early in the year to say anything. 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 that need to play challenging games like we just did, traveling across the country to open the season at Georgia. 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 1,329 points from the 63-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'll 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 South Carolina 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 cupcake opponents," the magazine's sportswriter said. "The book 'Bowl! Polls and Tattered Souls' chronicles college football's controversial opener. 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 heartbreakingly 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' opener went 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. 1 to No. 16 after beating 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 Wisconsin (three first-place votes), 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 No. 12 Nebraska, No. 13 Miami, No. 14 Kansas and BYU and Arizona State were tied for 15th. Both BYU and Utah were both ranked for the first time since 1994. South Florida was No. 17, ahead of Oregon, Penn State, and Wake Forest at No. 19.

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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NEW Orleans city councilman Arnie Hlinkow said the Saints’ impending return “is just tremendous uplifting news, not only for the residents of New Orle­ ans but for residents of the entire Gulf coast. … I would fully anticipate the Superdome being going to be packed.

The Superdome was not used as a refuge during Gustav as it was during Katrina. It did not take the brunt of damage and never lose power.

Doug Thornton, vice president of SMG, the company that runs the Superdome, said that there had been only minor damage — exterior signs were switched off during Gustav as it was a refuge during Gustav.

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

Saints officials said they had been working closely with state, local and municipal officials as they planned their return to be sure the facilities were 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 be free to return to their homes before the game.

The game could have been switched to Tampa, Fla., because New Orleans and Buccaneers both play in the NFC South and meet twice. The Saints are due to visit Tampa on Nov. 13.

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

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“Every player has a story and many of them would have been in the Superdome as a refuge during Gustav. It’s going to be a special game and a healing moment for the city.”

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Federer pushed to limit at U.S. Open

Associated Press

NEW YORK — His strokes were away, his emotions laced 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 fans have seen in a while, Federer came back to beat 23rd-seeded Igor Sijsling of Netherlands 6-7 (5), 7-6 (1), 6-3, 6-1, 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 said that Detroit's third-round star wide receivers, Calvin 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.

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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."

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's 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 make sure I was ready for Week 1."

Johnson rushed for 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.

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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 skid against Cleveland on 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 catching 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 hard to compete.”

Fausto Carmona (8-5) pitched 2-2-3 innings to win his third straight start and Asdrubal Cabrera broke out of a 1-foo-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 past Cleveland ahead 2-0 in the second inning against John Danks (10-8).

Jonny Peraltawalked 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 bear hug 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 this 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-run double off the left-field wall to make it 4-3.

“I tried to make a perfect pitch and it sunk 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.”

Chicago gave up three runs and five hits. He walked two and struck out two.

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

Peraltawas an RBI single off H.J. Carrazoe 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.

Rocckles 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 26-8 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 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.

“We 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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COLUMBUS, Ohio — Coach Jim Tressel has some reassurance for Buckeye fans who were worried about quarterback Troy Smith's ankle injury on Saturday.

"Troy, the problem with worry is it's a lot like drinking through a fire hydrant," Buckeye linebacker Marcus Freeman said, laughter serving as the pitch to silence the worries of Smith's ankle. "It's not fun being in limbo. If you're worried, you're losing." Smith was originally diagnosed with a sprained ankle, but as the week progressed, Tressel said the Buckeyes’ quarterback is "day to day." It was he said he would probably call six or seven witnesses on Stewart's behalf. Stewart has pleaded not guilty to 12 charges, including felony kidnapping, armed robbery and assault with a deadly weapon in the 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 refusal to let Stewart sit at the defense'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.

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the team's summer trip to Brazil.

Quinn's solid performance during that stretch turned Cahill's stringhold 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 declared 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 major opportunity would have to wait, however, as Cahill returned in 2007 for his fifth season and reclaimed the starting profile job once again. Also, in 2007 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, Clark told Quinn that the starting job would be an open competition between him and Tuttle. With that competition now settled, Quinn can see himself becoming the starting keeper and make as much of a majority of Notre Dame's season games as going with the boss. Quinn has expressed that the lesson he's learned is to "just relax and be confident." Quinn said Notre Dame will once again try to".

Notes:

- Haywood and assistant head coach Tony Tenuto will sit in the press box for Saturday's game against San Diego State. Weiss said Tenuto prefers to be in the press box rather than the tunnel.
- "What's he going to be able to see and pass on to Corwin, I don't know," Weiss said. "He's going to be able."
- Weiss said that Brown prefers to be on the field during games.
- Quinn has a bubbly enthusiasm. He likes to cheat himself and all that stuff right there," Weiss of Brown.
- Weiss said Notre Dame will have only two players sit out of Saturday's game: tight end Adam Godsil and defensive back Jashaud Gaines. Gaines is out for the season because of a torn ACL and Gaines was allowed to miss the opener due to academic issues.
- Gaines was not listed on the two-deep, but was expected to "do great on special teams, where he played in four games last season."

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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 don't know that we should be concerned about our ability to put the ball in the net," Crabb told the press. "In Notre Dame, we're as organized as possible.

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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 he has pitched this season, the Philadelphia Phillies have been able to climb 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 217 1/3 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-hit. The Nationals have been shut out 20 times, more than any other major league team.

"Going out of a game is disappointing in a sense, because whenever you start one you want to finish one," Nationals manager Jim Riggleman said. "I think he's got his confidence back and they were able to get the job done tonight."

John Lannan (9-1) took the loss, giving up two runs and five hits in six innings. He walked two and struck out nine in his 10th straight start.

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

Nationals catcher Jesus Flores was walked off the field in the third inning after Philadelphia's Chase Utley barreled him on his inside pitch.

"When I saw him in the type of pain that he was in, I was worried," Washington manager Manny Acta said. "I felt really bad for the kid, but Reyes was negative and it just looks like an ankle sprain. I wish he could have an MRI tomorrow and we'll find out more about it, but the good news is he doesn't think that it's anything."

The collision came as Utley was attempting to score the tying run with two outs. With runners on first and second, Utley attempted to pickoff throw to first and Utley broke for home.

Utley arrived at the plate just after the throw from first baseman Ryan Howard. Flores was caught off base, crashed hard into Flores. After that, the Nationals took the lead in the bottom of the third inning. Utley stood on the plate for several minutes as his left leg was attended to by trainers and medical personnel. Eventually, Flores was plated on a stretcher and carried off the field. He was replaced by Wil Nieves.

"He just got stuck in front of home plate and that's why the ball wouldn't give in, but we didn't think it was a dirty play," Acta said. "I felt like I got a good jump. I was in front of home plate, and there you have it."

Phillies manager Charlie Manuel had said after the game his decision to break for home, and had no problem with how Utley played the play.

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

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

Earlier in the third inning, Rollins singled home Carlos Ruiz with the winning run. Ruiz, a left fielder Willie Harris was in the first at the plate for the tie, scored when 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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(April 20-May 20): Take a break. You need some time to put things in order and decide what you really want. This will bring about changes in your life. 2 stars

(June 21-July 22): You can position yourself professionally in such a way that you may get to an advanced level but you will also want to explore other options. 2 stars

(July 23-Aug. 22): Do things that are unique will give you opportunities to connect with interesting people who are inspirational and can add life 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 of riding on how much you do. The experience will be high and the willows on your path will be a bit persian and will need to be dealt. A combination with someone very different from yourself will form if you are not into action. 2 stars

(Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Don't get too caught up in someone, it won't be worth your time and the backlash you face will be hard to deny. You may need to rework your relationships and consider whether or not you are some of them as good for you, 3 stars

(Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You can get too caught up in a guide. It is not a time that you are in as a free share the annual work yourself. Offer your partnership. 4 stars

(Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You can position yourself professionally in such a way that you may get to an advanced level but you will also want to explore other options. 2 stars

(Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)): Personality and financially you are coming into an interesting and unusual development that will make your life easier. A commitment or promotion will interest you. Offer your partnership. 4 stars

(Pisces (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): Don't get too caught up in someone because you are using old, out-dated methods. Look to support another who is a little about you in a different way. If something happens to your partner, always make sure you are in the right direction. It is a time to make a decision. 3 stars

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


CHARLESTON, W.Va. (March 21): If you close your eyes and imagine the Best Buy in a small town, you might see a business that is just like this: a place where people can go to buy things in a friendly, relaxed environment.

That's what the company is going for with its newest store, which opened here last month. The store is located in the middle of downtown Charleston, across from the Best Buy in a small town. It is a place where people can go to buy things in a friendly, relaxed environment.

The company hopes to open a second store in the area later this year. The new store is expected to bring about 100 jobs to the community.

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**SPORTS**

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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 ARROGAST
Sports Writer

This past weekend in the Adams II 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 training, Quinn is now ready to play.

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 the fall. Quinn is now solely his.

**SMC VOLLEYBALL**

Belles drop first MIAA match in straight sets

By MICHAEL BLASCO
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Senior Kaedia Hellman led Saint Mary's offensively and defensively with 10 kills and 11 digs, but put up a mediocre hitting percentage on the night. Also contributing on the defensive end were junior Lorna Slupczynski with 11 digs and sophomore Megan Bose with 13 digs. Freshman Danielle Brink and junior Jana 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.

Adrian's errors 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 in Adrian's 15. Defensively, the Bulldogs added 10 blocks on top of Saint Mary's three, while senior Samantha Mercy contributed 22 digs.

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**FOOTBALL**

Weis embraces new role

By JAY FITZPATRICK
Sports Writer

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 games 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 will say, okay, let's go personnel," he said.

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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 career and will definitely be looked upon when the Belles face their next opponent, Case Western on Sept. 7.

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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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