Public hearing held to discuss possible ban on lighting up in public

By MARY KATE MALONE
News Writer

It was standing room only in the St. Joseph County Council chambers Tuesday as residents took part in an intense debate over a proposed smoking ban that would outlaw lighting up in almost every public venue within the county limits.

The public forum allowed residents to voice their opinions to council members about the highly controversial issue that will likely be voted on this fall, council member Mark Boot said.

"I'm just trying to get the facts [about the ordinance]," Boot said. "I'll go home, look through the information, but my opinion is not going to change tonight. It's a long process."

He said in his area 91 percent of residents support the smoking ban.

"I want to represent the community," he said. "I've been doing what I can." Residents from the health care industry defended the ban — citing secondhand smoke as the third leading cause of preventable death in the United States.

But several Michiana bar and restaurant owners said the ordinance would not only hurt their businesses, but also infringe on their rights.

"The greater issue is freedom; I dispute the definition of a public place," said Ken Donnelly, a St. Joseph County resident and restaurant owner. "A

Above, sophomore Chris Hoos smokes outside of Cavanaugh Tuesday. At right, junior Tim Falvey speaks at a meeting about the proposed smoking ban.

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Students have mixed reactions to proposed legislation

By KATIE PERRY
News Writer

A proposed law in St. Joseph County that would ban smoking in specified public areas ignited fiery opinions on both sides of the issue and left Notre Dame's small population of student smokers fuming.

Area residents discussed and debated the pending legislation — which would prohibit smoking in restaurants, private businesses, sports arenas and other public areas — at a public hearing held Tuesday in South Bend.

No official polls have been conducted to estimate the approximate percentage of student smokers at the University, though numbers appear low. But despite their diminutive numbers, student smokers at Notre Dame have vocalized their anger and frustration over the proposed bill.

Sophomore Dan Toler called the ban "ridiculous."

"All over the country, people are trying to tell me how to live my life," Toler said. "It's my body, and I should be able to smoke where and when I like. I'm tired of the government telling me what's good for me."

For many smokers, like sophomore Nick Gething, the ban came to no surprise.

"I know there have been similar bans around the U.S. and I figure it's a matter of time before they are all over the country," he said.

In 1998, Boulder, Colo. became the first U.S. city to outlaw smoking in public places. Three years later, California implemented a similar bill and instigated a wave of copycat legislation across the nation on both state-wide and region-wide levels.

Today, dozens of cities like Lexington, Ky., Lincoln, Neb. and Austin, Texas maintain smoke-free environments in specified public areas. Nine states have

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SMC students threatened on popular facebook site

By KATIE KOHLER
News Writer

Women at Saint Mary's recently received threats on the popular college Web site facebook.com, a College security official said.

In an e-mail, Head of Security Patty Rolens warned students that some women have received both threats and abusive e-mails. The facebook.com system had even been infiltrated by Belles impersonators in order to gain personal information about its students.

"This high tech age we live in, there is someone who is even more high tech and can find ways to mimic the multitudes of information that the Internet provides," Rolens said.

Rolens also highlighted the importance of keeping passwords private and logging off all computers, especially those in public places, in order to avoid identity fraud or misuse of personal information.

Keith Fowlkes, Director of Internet Technology at Saint Mary's, reapplied Rolens' warning.

"I echo her [Rolens'] remarks and would strongly advise caution and common sense whenever communicating with anyone online," he said.

Fowlkes stressed that giving out personal information such as pictures, telephone numbers, or addresses to others at school and at home are dangerous even at what seems to be an innocent organization such as facebook.com.

Many women at Saint Mary's have taken Fowlkes and Rolens' advice.

Freshman Beth Casciari removed her information from facebook.com because she often received calls from individuals she did not know.

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Faculty Senate

Group gathers at first meeting

Members address TCEs, academic freedom and the Legion

By MADDIE HANNA AND JOHN THORNTON
News Writers

Faculty Senate chairperson Seth Brown wasted no words in telling members the primary goal for the group's first meeting of the year — agenda setting.

"I'm going to set the mood, if you will," said Brown, who began with "the charge" to the Faculty Senate included in the University's Academic Articles.

This charge, Brown said, gives the Senate great liberties in the issues it chooses to pursue.

"In many ways, this is an extremely broad mandate," Brown said. "Areas where
Embarrassing moments

We all do stupid things. Things that make us cringe, cry or even want to curl up and die. Sometimes we do these things with the best of intentions, other times they are embarrassing accidents, and on occasion these incidents may be the result of the consumption of too much alcohol. Take for example a friend of mine, who shall remain nameless, who had my house number stored in her phone instead of my cell phone. Just today she called me wanting to meet up for dinner. Thinking it was me who answered, she yelled, “Hey girrrrl! Where you at?” On the other end was my unsuspecting mother who responded by saying, “Excuse me?” My friend immediately realized her error when my mom informed her that I was at indeed not at home, but instead at college. Another friend of mine was in a rush the other day to visit her friends in her crush’s dorm room, rather indecisive in what shoes to have on, her friend pointed out that in her house number stored in her phone was the butt. “Sounds like they’re trying to nip cancer in the butt.”

“Never did like smoke with my food.”

Kelly Meehan
News Production Editor

We’ll see how it turns out.”

In brief

Notre Dame and the University of Gandjalara student teams will present reports of their 2005 summer internships in Mexico on Thursday at 3:00 p.m. in C-103 Hesburgh Center. The summer internships are part of a U.S. Agency for International Development grant received by the Mendoza College of Business and the Kellogg Institute. Students interested in 2006 summer internships in Mexico are invited to attend.

A conference titled “Capture Grounds: Sky Spectroscopy and Related Topics” will take place all day through Friday in the McKenna Hall auditorium. The themes of the conference include Nuclear Structure, Nuclear Symmetries, Nuclear Astrophysics and Instrumentation, Facilities and Applications of Nuclear Science.

The tri-military branches of BRTC will sponsor a Patriot’s Day ceremony Friday at 7 a.m. next to the Hesburgh Library Reflecting Pool. The event will feature speaker retired Lieutenant Colonel Douglass H. Ramsey, a former Notre Dame professor of Military Science and current academic advisor to the Mendoza College of Business. The public is invited to attend.

An exhibit entitled Two Italian Hardbodies: Sports Cars Clad by Scaglietti and Frua will be on display in the Suite Museum of Art Entrance Atrium Gallery until Sept. 18. The exhibit features a 1958 Ferrari and a 1955 Maserati. Admission is free.

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SMC plagued with voicemail mail problems

By LAURA BAUMGARTNER
News Writer

Technological headaches have been plaguing the Saint Mary's campus the past few weeks as the telecommunication and information technology departments have struggled with an outdated voicemail system.

The voicemail system on campus is provided by NEC Electronics, which recently released an update to the voicemail system that the College purchased two years ago.

"We were scheduled to have an update on voicemail software and hardware," said Keith Fowlkes, director of Information Technology. "The software support has been dropped for the current version by the company, and we have been forced to upgrade.

The company was supposed to upgrade to the new software two weeks before any students returned to campus, but failed to do so.

Failure on the part of NEC to provide the College with the necessary upgrade forced a return to the old voicemail system, Fowlkes said.

"We had to go back to the old software, which has terrible problems with the management software in which we were already aware of, as was the company," he said.

Despite these setbacks, all voicemail should be functioning now.

Fowlkes said that all voicemail boxes should have been working since last Tuesday.

"I was not even aware that there was a problem with the voicemail system," junior Laura Gorka said. "I use my cell phone for almost all of my calls and barely use the phone in my room so there hasn't been a necessity for me to set it up yet.

"We are looking into other options right now, such as other voicemail companies that are more reliable." - Keith Fowlkes, director Information Technology

ND researcher leads cancer study

A team of scientists led by a Notre Dame cancer researcher has found further evidence that an antipsychotic drug also may help prevent chemotherapy-induced nausea and vomiting.

Rudolph Navari, director of Notre Dame's Walther Cancer Research Center, has been leading a team of researchers from the Indiana University School of Medicine and the University of Kentucky for two years. The researchers are studying a drug called olanzapine for the control of chemotherapy-induced nausea and vomiting.

"Olanzapine can be very effective, but they have many side effects and we worry about using them for as long as five or six days," Navari said. "In a recently completed but unpublished study, we substituted olanzapine for corticosteroids and demonstrated that it was as effective in controlling nausea and vomiting without the side effects. It appears that we can probably replace corticosteroids and effectively use olanzapine for three or four days."

Navari points out that using olanzapine to control chemotherapy-induced nausea and vomiting is an "off-label use" for the antipsychotic drug. However, he notes that many drugs on the market are currently being safely used for off-label purposes.

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"Our recently published Phase II study reinforces the findings of the Phase I study and provides further evidence that olanzapine is safe and highly effective in controlling acute and delayed chemotherapy-induced nausea and vomiting," Navari said. "The response to olanzapine and control of nausea was equal or greater than in the Phase I study."

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Faculty involvement is appropriate could mean all areas of the University. I encourage
you to think broadly and creatively." Brown also encouraged members to consider the possibility of expanding the Senate's influence in addition to their individual committee agendas. Gail Bederman, who filled in for Student Affairs committee chair Philippe Collin, said the committee would focus on three issues: student teacher course evaluations (TCEs), student academic freedom and student discord at Irish basketball games. The TCE issue was originally brought to Faculty Senate's attention by student government. After last year's discussion about making TCE results public to students ended inconclusively in Faculty Senate, Bederman said the question shifted to an external committee headed by associate provost Dennis Jacobs. But Student Affairs committee members did not know what progress the external committee had made. Committee member Barry Keating said the Mendoza College of Business conducted a separate analysis with results that differed greatly from those of Institutional Research.

"If that's really the case, do we really want to give the numbers to the administration for what they are for? To the students, for what they use it for?" Keating asked. "Because I don't think we know what the numbers mean." Bederman vocalized the committee's confusion resulting from the conflict. "It sounds like we're not entirely clear on this," she said. "We need more information." Student academic freedom was the other hot-button issue presented by the Student Affairs committee. Bederman questioned whether Notre Dame students even have academic freedom as defined by the American Association of University Professors.

"People who come from public universities know what kind of freedom they have," Bederman said. "You come here, it's not clear what freedom students have." Bederman cited last year's controversial Vagina Monologues and Queer Film Festival, two productions that provoked questions about academic freedom at Notre Dame.

"What would Jesus think of the Leprechaun Legion?" Kelly Jordan committee member

In other Faculty Senate news:

- Bederman and fellow Student Affairs committee member Ramal Bualuan were elected to the two delegate positions on the Campus Life Council for the 2005-06 academic year.
- Student Affairs committee member Kevin Miedwiez was elected to the Traffic Appeals committee for the 2005-06 academic year.

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Bush wants $40 billion more

President to request additional funding to cover next phase of Katrina relief effort

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Bush intends to seek as much as $40 billion to cover the next phase of recovery, according to congressional officials said Tuesday as leading lawmakers and the White House pledged to investigate an initial federal response widely condemned as woefully inadequate.

One week after the hurricane inflicted devastation of biblical proportions on the Gulf Coast, Senate Democratic leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., said the total tab for the federal government may top $150 billion. At the same time, senators in both parties said they suspect price gouging by oil companies in the storm's aftermath.

Relief and recovery needs will be the "number one priority for the foreseeable future," pledged House Majority Leader Tom DeLay of Texas as Congress convened for a five-week vacation.

Republicans and Democrats alike heaped criticism on the Federal Emergency Management Administration, the government's front-line responder agency, for its mishandling of aid to affected states. The administration's Daron Vrolyk, an Office of Management and Budget spokesman.

The congressional officials who said the total could be as high as $40 billion from Congress did so on condition of anonymity because it was not clear when the formal announcement would be made.

Bush did not specify at the meeting with congressional leaders how much he would request for additional relief. A $10 billion downturn payment approved last week is "being used at an increasingly rapid pace."

Iraq

Talabani says Saddam owned up

Associated Press

BAGHDAD — Iraq's president said he expected a request for $40 billion for recovery efforts. Saddam Hussein acknowledged responsibility for "crimes" committed during his regime.

President Jalal Talabani told Iraqi television that he had been informed by an investigating judge that "he was able to extract confession from Saddam's mouth" about crimes "such as executions" which the ousted leader had personally ordered.

"Is this the fabrication of Talabani or what? Let's not have a trial on TV."

IRAQ

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restaurant or bar is private property. Joe's bar belongs to Joe. Let's go for freedom, that's the American way."

If passed, the ordinance would ban smoking in nearly every indoor facility in St. Joseph County.

At Notre Dame, smoking is already prohibited in all buildings, stadiums, and University-owned vehicles. Should this ordinance pass, smoking would be outlawed nearly everywhere at the University — from construction sites to bus stops to dorm courtyards.

Popular student bars like Corby's and the Linebacker — which allow anyone over the age of 18 to smoke in the facility — would be exempt from the ordinance, but restaurants would be subject to its provisions.

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Notre Dame senior

"We need this ordinance to send a message and create an environment that supports Hoosiers."

Mary Rice, a lifelong smoker and opponent of the ordinance, said her habit did not negatively affect her seven daughters as they grew up — six of whom were varsity athletes at Notre Dame.

"It is absurd to say that because someone smells a cigarette that they're going to get lung cancer," she said. "Let me tell you, let's do the common sense thing and stop this almost complete Nazism that we're seeing."

The proposed ban comes after seven years of work on the part of the Healthy Communities Initiative — a group dedicated to making smoking a socially unacceptable behavior, said Amy Clifford, who spearheaded the project.

"The initiative is meant to reduce and prevent people from smoking in the first place."

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Sports bar owner Rocco Zappia, who says his livelihood depends on the success of his business, spoke out after Kane was finished.

"This guy [Kane] wants to blow his horn, woop dee doo," Zappia said. "He's marketing major — until he owns his own business he doesn't know. We [restaurant and bar owners] are just trying to make a living."

As of January 2004, five states — California, Connecticut, Delaware, Maine and New York — and 72 municipalities in the United States had passed laws that prohibit smoking in almost all workplaces, restaurants, and bars, according to the Centers for Disease Control.

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passed similar laws prohibiting cigarette smoke in restaurants, bars and other indoor locations.

Sophomore Francis Smith said there are "absolutely" no advantages to the ban.

"Though Notre Dame doesn't have too many smokers, I imagine South Bend has its fair share," he said. "Because of that, the local economy is going to be hurt by people no longer coming to bars." In addition to criticism that the proposed ban will negatively influence the local economy in South Bend and the rest of St. Joseph County, detractors said the legislation would deter the American value of choice and eliminate certain personal freedoms.

One organization on campus that has expressed deep opposition to the ban is the College Libertarians of Notre Dame. In addition to citing negative economic implications, members claim the bill is a direct threat to some of their most fundamental Constitutional rights.

"As defenders of freedom, individual rights, and personal choice, we believe that owners of private establishments such as bars and restaurants should have the right to decide whether their establishment allows or prohibits smoking on their property," co-presidential Catherine Kent said. "The public would support or protest the decision of the establishment owner with their patronage."

Kent said both smoking and refraining from smoking are individual freedoms which should not be infringed upon. "Smoking is a personal choice; it is true that second-hand smoke has negative effects on people who are continually exposed to it for long periods of time," she said. "From that same reasoning, however, working in or eating at a bar or restaurant that allows smoking is also a personal choice." But for sophomore Timmy Falvey — a fervent supporter of the ban — cigarette smoke and its associated health hazards take precedence over the economic and political implications of the proposed bill. Smoking killed my grandfather, who battled the symptoms of emphysema for many years before he passed," Falvey said. "I have never been much of an activist, but in response to situations such as this, it is my patriotism to take the issue head on and turn the negative into positive." Falvey, who attended Tuesday's public forum, said the legislation's rewards would be "conspicuously apparent." (The ban's main advantage is clear air inside various public venues for those of us who choose to exercise our freedom not to smoke," he said. "Indirectly, it sends a message to those who inhibit my right to breathe clean air that their decisions are not acceptable."

Toler said the ban would likely only benefit non-smokers who tend to ostracize the minority population of smokers at Notre Dame and elsewhere. "The people who fake a cough when I pass them on the quad, or give me weird looks," Toler said, "they're the only ones who will find 'advantages' to this bill."

Smith agreed that smokers are often confronted with feelings of scorn or contempt from the non-smoking public. "It seems to be a trend in America nowadays to treat smokers as lepers and this [ban] is just one sign of it," Smith said. Although student smokers were passionate in their opposition to the bill, many were also disenchanted and felt there was little they could do to reverse the growing number of smoking bans.

"Nobody cares what I say or do anymore, since I'm a smoker," Toler said. "My plan is to do the same thing I do at home, which is just to ignore it. If someone wants to fine me, they can be my guest, but I'm not giving up my right to smoke just because a bunch of stuffed-shirt politicians say I have to." Galactic said he was "too lazy" to take any action against the proposed law. "I'm just going to the 2005 Football season and forget anything other than football.

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Saint Mary's students have been experiencing similar problems with students receiving threatening and abuse emails through internet chat rooms.

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Students have also reported stolen credit card information and unknown e-mail attachments that are used to track a student's information.

Rolens and Fowkes stressed that students understand that personal information should be private and protecting such information is dangerous, especially to people that they have just met or have not met at all.

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Hurricane Katrina was only a warning shot. While it is true that tropical storms and hurricanes have been laying waste to coastlines throughout recorded history, they will continue to do so for the foreseeable future. The 21st century has seen two critical factors change, which may combine to make the upcoming century one of unprecedented natural turmoil. First, the average temperature of the world's oceans has increased by more than 1 degree Fahrenheit, and it is still rising. Second, the government of the United States has decided that it is inexcusable. This is not to say that governments are not independent. The government has expended considerable effort (and diverted many scientific studies) in order to avoid the short-term economic impact of a corrective reduction in greenhouse gases. Unwilling to admit to its mistakes and allow for this correction, the United States — along with a handful of other recalcitrant nations — has risked the causes of global warming by perpetuating unchecked. But this short-term focus has blinded the United States to the larger economic, cultural and humanitarian costs of ignoring global warming.

Hurricanes are fueled by the evaporation of warm water, and ocean temperature is one of several critical factors influencing the frequency and severity of these cycloic storms. New computer simulations from the NOAA Geophysical Fluid Dynamics Laboratory predict that increased ocean temperatures consistent with what we expect from global warming will, over time, produce an upward shift in hurricane intensity. The model predicts fewer category 3 and lower category storms, and significantly more storms in the high category 4 through category 5 range.

In our politically and economically driven society, we have been acting under the faulty assumption that any change made to the global climate can be offset by some yet undiscovered scientific or technological advancement, and that until such an achievement is made, we will be able to cope with any negative side-effects produced by the global weather system. But the earth's oceans and atmosphere are not stable heat sinks of unlimited capacity. They are elements of a supersaturated system that can barely be predicted, let alone controlled. As much as we now know, we are still only beginning to understand the negative impacts of altering global temperatures.

The realities of the past week and a half have made it immensely aware of just how fragile our communities are, and how unprepared the United States is for any large scale natural disaster. Being an isolated event, the tragedy of Hurricane Katrina was not, in all likelihood, a product of global warming. However, over the next century, the frequency of this storm will be equaled and surpassed many times by storms that are fueled by global warming. We witnessed the devastation of Hurricane Mitch in Central America, and we saw the rage of a tsunami in the Indian Ocean. Now the formerly great city of New Orleans and many adjacent communities have been savaged by natural forces, and we have finally tasted some of the death that other nations have known at the hand of nature for years. It is time for us to realize that we are not invincible, and that damage to the world's weather system will hurt the United States as much, if not more, as any other nation. We must understand our own fragility.

It is true that the economic costs of reducing greenhouse gases enough to slow the reverse of global warming are nontrivial. However, these costs pale before the price, in money, in culture and history in human life, that would have to be paid if the frequency of the most powerful hurricanes were to increase as much as the NOAA simulations predict. No one wishes to see another Hurricane Katrina, for — at this moment — we are but a facet in the fact that we are not ready to face the worst that nature can throw at us, and perhaps we will never be. Therefore we can no longer condone actions that risk altering the climate of the planet to the degree that storms like Katrina become commonplace.

We owe this much to the living survivors of Katrina and to the many dead; that we will always respect the forces that struck them; that we will understand the limits of our own government; and if there is anything we can do to prevent a worsening of these natural disasters — including spending the money necessary to curb greenhouse emissions — we will do so.

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**Storm warning**

**Letter to the Editor**

Race is an issue

It's been a while since I've seen so many falsehoods packed in a single letter, as I did when I read Matt Hamilton's Sept. 4 letter, "Race on the Levee." Paul Krugman is probably already composing a column in which to refute his New York Times column. Why is it any surprise, when the overwhelming majority of whites, who are disproportionately wealthier than the blacks, left New Orleans when it was 67 percent black before the evacuation? How is it not "Third World" to have locals indiscriminately machine-gunning policemen and rescue workers? (It sounds pretty indistinguishable from Mogadishu to me.) Who is Hamilton to complain about the consensus opinion of the locals, who, unlike Hamilton, were actually there when it happened?

As for pointing fingers, of course two-thirds-black New Orleans mayor, who is black, had nothing to do with the cleanup flasros, other than humping his crotches to the head of the evacuation line. Neither did the New Orleans police chief, who is also black. Nor the highest per-capita murder rate and most corrupt police department in America including Washington, D.C., and less than a quarter of the city's murders resulting in a conviction — before Katrina.

Neither did the Louisiana governor, who is white, and whose decisive votes came in Davis's most loyal parishes, thanks to a last-minute race-baiting ad against his Indian-American opponent. Luckily for her, though, she's a Democrat. Maybe we need to review the criteria here? We need someone who's white, male, Republican, powerful and preferably rich ... I've got it: "Bush to New Orleans: Drop Dead." Has a nice ring, doesn't it?

Finally, since Hamilton has no problem with losing, somebody should give him his address. (I'll take care of the U-Haul.) And if he says I'm too rich to deserve everything he's worked for, I'm sure there are plenty of meth tweakers and crackheads — or, "dispensers of South people" in South Bend who are just as deserving of those household appliances and possessions as Hamilton is. Just think of "the human dignity, the self-government and the triumph in the face of adversity!"

I don't mean that all dispensers are addicts, just that some are (and thus not necessarily deserving of indiscriminate aid or loot).

Alex Fordham

**The Observer**

**Quote of the Day**

The first duty of a revolutionary is to get away with it.

Abbie Hoffman

radical activist
Let's look at the flotilla confirmation hearings. Not to begin with, and another Supreme Court nomination coming soon, there is most defi
citely going to be a good amount of debate about pressing social and legal issues, as well as plenty of hysterical screaming. And yes, the Denon
time Catholic theologian, trotted out his patented and tired "personally opposed but..." argument on an appearance of the flotilla nomination. Briefly stated, that argu-
ment is that while he himself is deeply troubled by abortion and continues, as a good Catholic, a terrible sin, he cannot impose that belief on others. Of course, highly dubi
or any of the other Catholic liberals who trot this line out, are in fact quite opposed to the horror that is abortion. But let me be generous and gullible and take him at his word, and for any like-minded liberal at Notre Dame, the...
Second season of the O.C. captures California dream

By LIZ BYRUM

Common rooms in dorms all around campus will be full tomorrow night as the new season of "The O.C." kicks off, but for some students, the "O.C." part doesn't start until a week ago — on Aug. 23, to be exact.

That was the day the DVD for season two of "The O.C." was released, the day fans were fuddled around their TVs discussing whether they should start at the beginning or flip right to their favorite episodes.

In its first season, "The O.C." introduced the characters, and welcomed fans into the pop-culture world they had been talking about for months. However, it was during season two when fans really became a part of the show. Friends started a couple of weeks ago to come back and talk about what happened the night before or hash out the details of turning her character, Kirsten, into a struggling alcoholic in the second half of the season.

One of the best parts of season two was the amazing musicians that were recruited to appear in various episodes. Bands such as The Walkmen (who played at Notre Dame last year), Beach Cab for Cutie and Modest Mouse played shows at the Ball Shop, the beachside music hot spot, and received tons of amazing publicity while they were at it.

The extensive season two DVD set features plenty of great special features, including one section called "O.C. — Obsess Completely." Fans can get an inside look at some of the musicians "The O.C." has hosted. The section also shows in-depth interviews with the cast, as well as the producer of the show, Josh Schwartz.

Another section of special features, titled "Gags and Goofs," begins with an interesting black and white piece showcasing many of the "kissing scenes" filmed through out season two. This doesn't seem to be some love letter to the show, but it does add a nice touch to the compilation.

"Beachy Couture," the final section of special features, gives an inside look on the fashion world of "The O.C." People who watch the show and play close attention to what each character is wearing will love to learn how the wardrobe designers choose what they do for each scene. In this section, Adam Brody explains how he is "just trying to get away with stuff that's not lame." It seems like he may be on the same designer wavelength as his character.

The season two DVD is every O.C. fan's "California dream," with plenty of great special features to keep even the most enthusiastic busy. With enough episodes, affairs, scandals and heartbreaks to keep someone occupied for days, it's a great addition to any pop-culture collection.

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The O.C. Complete Second Season

Warner Home Video

DVD Review

The O.C. 101: A Dip In Orange County's Pool

By RAMA GOTTUMUKKALA

It's amazing how a five-note melody can halt the bustling activity of LaFortune, if only for a moment. When the lively piano chorus of Phantom Planet's "California" blares through the high-screen televisions, students break out of their studying trances and either smile, hum along gleefully or roll their eyes with frustration. For the passengers in that latter camp, it's going to be a long, grating couple of months.

With the season three premiere of "The O.C." less than 48 hours away, expect to hear the "California" refrain routinely. Still, it's never too late to take a dip in the Orange County pool. As the campus O.C. obsessed fanatics settle back into the world navigated by Ryan, Seth, Summer and Marissa, O.C. first-timers still have a chance to join the revelling. With the first and second seasons of the show readily available on DVD, the zany misadventures of Orange County are only a catch away.

In the meantime, there are plenty of reasons why "The O.C." steals away hearts and oh so many hours of precious studying time on this campus.

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Second year law student Steve Duvernay described his ritual.

"I’m a purist, no distractions," he said. "Usually it’s just a couple of us in someone’s living room absorbing the greatness that is ‘The O.C.’” As is the case with most massively popular shows on television, a drinking game has evolved around the program. Things like a person wearing a bikini at a party, the appearance of a luxury car, characters getting in a fight or wearing a very short skirt are all justifications for taking a drink. There are several groups on the facebook Web site at Notre Dame devoted to "The O.C.,” such as "If You Talk During The O.C. I Will Kill You at the Next Commercial" and "Seth Cohen is the Man." There are also several groups devoted to disliking the show as well, including the "Anti-The O.C. club" and "Help, My Name is and All of My Friends are Obsessed with The O.C." Some schools have taken the show to a new level, as "The O.C." watching club at the Boalt Law School at UC Berkeley reveals. They created "The Sandy Cohen Fellowship," a scholarship in honor of the fact that fictional character Sandy Cohen, played by Peter Gallagher, supposedly attended the law school. Donations can be made at http://oc.boalt.org/.

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Hurricane Katrina

Tulane athletes to 'carry torch'
Wherever its home, Green Wave plans to keep playing, give hope

Associated Press

DALLAS — Tulane athletic teams displaced from the New Orleans campus by Hurricane Katrina will be based this fall at five different universities.

The Green Wave student-athletes will live and attend classes at schools in Texas and Louisiana. The teams will stay and play together under the Tulane banner.

“Our community needs hope,” athletic director Rick Dickson said Tuesday. “Our student-athletes represent hope.”

“They will carry the torch and be the face, and display the name of Tulane University and the New Orleans community until we are able to come home and do that on our own campus,” Dickson said.

“We will put the logistics of the athletic program together next,” he said.

Tulane’s football team, which has been working out at SMU in Dallas, is moving later this week to Rice University in Houston, about 230 miles north of New Orleans.

The women’s basketball team, soccer and track programs will enroll in classes there that begin next week.

The men’s basketball team, along with the volleyball, softball, tennis and diving and women’s soccer teams, will be at Rice.

The women’s basketball team and the baseball team will join Texas Tech. Rice will host the tennis teams, and SMU will be the temporary home for the golf teams.

“We wanted to do what we could to help,” said athletic director Bill Byrne told Dickson during a conference call Tuesday. “We treat your student-athletes just like we were our own.”

Byrne, Rice athletic director Bobby May and Texas Tech AD Gerald Myers said their schools were prepared to host the teams as long as needed. They also could accommodate Tulane teams playing home games on their campuses, the three said during the call.

Most of the Tulane athletes would be enrolled at the schools Tuesday or Wednesday, Dickson said.

The only Tulane team that won’t take part in its scheduled season this fall is cross-country.

Tulane’s season-opening football game at Southern Mississippi, which also was affected by the storm, was postponed until after Thanksgiving.

The Green Wave’s first game is Sept. 17, a home game against Mississippi State that was supposed to be played in the Superdome.

Dickson said he wasn’t sure where the game would be played.

“Our preference is to first identify a home-away-from-home venue for our football team,” Dickson said. “The possibilities, there are more than a handful right now.

“We haven’t weighed in on any of them at this point, and we haven’t ruled any of them out.”

Among the possibilities are playing on the Louisiana Tech campus at Independence Stadium in Shreveport, La. Louisiana Tech and Tulane share three common home dates, all in October.

Tulane football players arrive at their Dallas hotel Tuesday afternoon. The sport, they say, gives them a needed distraction.

Top seed beats Kiefer, advances to quarterfinals of tourney

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Roger Federer moved into the U.S. Open round of 16 Tuesday, beating Nicolas Kiefer of Germany 6-4, 6-7(3), 6-3, 6-4 to qualify for his 16th Grand Slam quarterfinal.

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Suddenly Federer had a reason to elevate his game and stir some emotion. Now he swept in toward the net, pounded winners from the baseline, stopped winning time and effort.

Under just the hint of pressure, Federer faced perhaps his best tennis of the tournament to beat Kiefer 6-4, 6-7(3), 6-3, 6-4 and land safely in the quarterfinals. Match point was a master­ful stroked forehand slice and Federer’s slice and forth crosscourt that Federer tucked neatly in the far corner of Kiefer’s reach.

“Federer’s play, for him, is like a B-minus, which for any­one else is an A-plus,” former champion John McEnroe said after leaving the broadcast booth.

“For him, he hasn’t really played as well as he’s capable of. He’s been unsettled a couple of times. Today was one of those times. But sometimes you don’t play your best, but the real champions win when they’re not playing their real best.”

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Coroner: Herrion showed evidence of heart trouble

Official declares cause of death for late 49ers offensive lineman

Associated Press

SANTA CLARA, Calif. — San Francisco 49ers offensive lineman Thomas Herrion had heart disease and evidence of previous heart trouble when he collapsed and died after a pre-season game last month, an official in the Denver County coroner’s office said Tuesday.

The coroner’s findings confirmed the beliefs of Herrion’s family and friends, who were certain drugs played no role in Herrion’s death Aug. 20.

Herrion’s heart condition was caused by factors that are often nearly undetectable, though fairly rare in a 23-year-old athlete in good physical condition.

“It really squashes all the speculation regarding his death,” said Frederick Lyles, Herrion’s agent. “They appear to be very thorough in their analysis. Hopefully, now people really get off the idea that these guys are overweight, or that drugs or steroids were involved in any way.

Herrion had ischemic heart disease, with significant blockage in his right coronary artery that caused the death of heart muscle, according to Amy Martin, a forensic pathologist and deputy coroner in Denver.

“Whether he was aware of that was not clear. There are a lot of instances where people have heart attacks and are not aware of them, especially when your jobs requires you to do things that require you to get hurt. He may not have thought much about it.”

Herrion weighed about 333 pounds at the time of his death.

Dr. Martin said Herrion’s blood and urine tests showed only atropine, a drug administered to patients in cardiac arrest before they arrive at a hospital, he couldn’t be saved.

“From the time that he died, something happened a week or so earlier,” said Martin, who found microscopic evidence of organizing heart necrosis.

“Whether he was aware of that was not clear. There are a lot of instances where people have heart attacks and are not aware of them, especially when your jobs requires you to do things that require you to get hurt. He may not have thought much about it.”

Lyles spoke to Herrion’s mother after the report was released. “She’s having some roller-coaster days,” Lyles said. “She was really happy with the outcome. She’s just trying to get some closure, and this will help.”

Eric Heitmann

49ers offensive lineman

All NFL players receive complete medical exams from their club, including evaluation of their cardiovascular systems, EKG tests, blood tests and chest X-rays, according to the league’s collective bargaining agreement. Stress tests are given at the discretion of the clubs’ physicians, though the 49ers’ medical staff wasn’t available to reporters Tuesday.

Herrion repeatedly passed all tests with the 49ers, the club said earlier.

“Our medical experts have not had an opportunity to review the report,” NFL spokesman Greg Aiello said. “But based on what we know so far, this may be a case of an unfortunate hereditary condition that is not easily detected, even by the regular and thorough cardiac screening used by NFL clubs. Unfortunately, even young people can be struck without warning by a heart attack.”

Herrion, a second-year pro who grew up in Fort Worth, Texas, played two successful college seasons at Utah. He spent part of last season on the San Francisco’s final 53-man roster and also had a surprise spring with the Hamburg Sea Dogs of NFL Europe.
Bonds endures tough workout, hopes to return

Coaches, teammates agree the slugger looks impressive

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Barry Bonds put in a rigorous workout Tuesday, but the San Francisco Giants slugger was not activated off the disabled list.

Bonds was on the Dodger Stadium field well before his teammates, lightly running the bases, slugging fly balls, taking some swings and doing cutting drills under an intense sun. Later, he took his turn with the rest of the Giants in the batting cage.

Bonds will be evaluated Wednesday morning at the Kerlan-Jobe Clinic, team spokesman Blake Rhodes said.

The 41-year-old slugger has yet to play this season while recovering from three operations on his right knee since last season.

He has been in Los Angeles for two months rehabbing his knees and practicing his hitting.

"We waited a long time, so if we wait another day or two or three, it's OK," Giants manager Felipe Alou said.

Bonds also worked out Monday, but Alou got his first good look at the slugger in action in the outfield Tuesday and made observations.

"His swing is intact," he said. "The hand-eye coordination is intact. The bat is ready. The other stuff, I don't want to get into."

Bonds impressed Alou by fielding several line drives hit by a coach.

"I saw balls that were hit where he had to run and stop. I didn't see much favoring in the knee," Alou said. "He's so much better than he was in spring training. That was a real workout."

Bonds told reporters Monday that he didn't know when he would return.

On Tuesday, Bonds wasn't talking to reporters.

Rhodes said.

Bonds No. 25 jersey hung in his locker and he sat munching half of a grilled sandwich before his second round in the batting cage.

Pitcher Noah Lowry is eager to see Bonds return to the lineup for the Giants, who had won six straight going into Tuesday night's game against the Dodgers.

"We've been trying to battle this whole year without that major factor," he said.

"Having him in our lineup is only going to help us. He's the best player in the game."

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He said they discussed "possibilities with Harvey Shields, Bonds' personal trainer, now employed by the team.

"I don't think punches were thrown," the player said. "It was more grabbing. It was regarding one of Bonds' trainers, Harvey."

Shortly after the scuffle, Bonds left for Los Angeles, so many of his teammates had not seen him until they arrived Monday for the three-game series against the Dodgers.

"He looks pretty good," Lowry said. "It's exciting to see him back in uniform, back in the locker room."

You wonder how he's doing."

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In Brief

Bonds, pitcher Christiansen involved in clubhouse scuffle

SAN FRANCISCO — Barry Bonds, pitcher Jason Christiansen and more than two months rehabilitating his troublesome right knee following surgery

Cyclist Lance Armstrong leaves a doping control bus during the 2003 Tour de France. The seven-time Tour winner, who retired after this year's race, is considering making a comeback for the 2006 Tour.

Armstrong won't rule out return to racing

Associated Press

AUSTIN, Texas — After winning his seventh Tour de France title, Lance Armstrong stepped off the winner's podium in Paris and into retirement, declaring: "I'm finished."

Six weeks later, he's already talking about a comeback.

Recently engaged to rocker girlfriend Sheryl Crow, Armstrong issued a statement Tuesday confirming that he's contemplating a return to competitive cycling in part because he knows how much it would rankle French media who believe his record of seven straight Tour wins is tainted by drug use.

"While I'm absolutely enjoying my time as a retired athlete with Sheryl and the kids, the recent smear campaign out of France has awakened my competitive side," Armstrong said. "I'm not interested in putting a percentage on the chances, but I will no longer rule it out."

When he retired, Armstrong said he was looking forward to time away from the grueling months of training and six-hour rides around the countryside.

He planned to spend a few days "with a beer, having a blast" with time dedicated to playing with his three young children from his first marriage.

But he's been dogged in recent weeks with allegations of performance-enhancing drug use. On Aug. 23, the French newspaper L'Equipe reported it had evidence that six of Armstrong's urine samples from the '99 Tour tested positive last year for the blood booster EPO. The substance was banned in 1999, but there was no reliable test at the time.

Armstrong has angrily denied the charge, saying he was a victim of a "setup."

He first hinted of a comeback in an interview Monday with the Austin American-Statesman. An Armstrong spokesman on Tuesday said the comments were a joke, but within hours, the cyclist confirmed it was possible.

"I'm thinking it's the best way," to anger the French, "to anger the French, I told the newspaper. "I'm exercising every day."

Dan Osipow, manager of Armstrong's Discovery Channel team, seemed to be caught off-guard by Armstrong's comments, but said the cyclist appears determined to protect his legacy.

Recent rider to consider a comeback

1989 Tour de France winner, who retired after this year's race, is considering making a comeback for the 2006 Tour.

Bonds, pitcher Christiansen involved in clubhouse scuffle

SAN FRANCISCO — Barry Bonds, pitcher Jason Christiansen in the clubhouse lunchroom at SBC Park earlier this season in a dispute about one of the slugger's trainers, another player told The Associated Press on Tuesday.

The player, who witnessed the June altercation but spoke on condition of anonymity because he did not want to talk publicly about an incident between other players, said Christiansen was frustrated with Harvey Shields, Bonds' personal strength coach who now employed by the team.

"I don't think punchers were thrown," the player said. "It was more grabbing. It was regarding one of Bonds' trainers, Harvey." Shorty after the scuffle, Bonds left for Los Angeles, where he spent more than two months rehabilitating his troublesome right knee following three operations since Jan. 31. The 41-year-old slugger, third on the career home run list, rejoined the Giants on Monday for their game at Dodger Stadium and hoped to be activated this week.

McClendon fired by Pirates

PITTSBURGH — Lloyd McClendon was the first Pittsburgh Pirates manager brought back after four consecutive losing seasons. One loss away from a fifth such season, the Pirates decided they wanted someone else running the club.

McClendon, an aggressive former player known for his competitiveness and frequent run-ins with umpires, was fired Tuesday after averaging more than 90 losses since 2001 for a perennially non- contend ing team.

Bench coach Pete Mackanin will be the interim manager for the rest of the season.

The talent-thin Pirates, who only retires after more than two decades in the Pirates, were 55-81 going into Tuesday night's game against the New York Mets.

General manager Lou Lamoriello, who announced his retirement after more than two decades in the NHL on Tuesday, said a year off showed him that he could live with out hockey.

"I think the game is more mental than physical. You have to be in tremendous shape, but you have to want to do it in your head," the 41-year-old player said. "At this point in my career I didn't think I could put the mental parts there every day, and that's a big part of playing this game."

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Mattia leads team in weekend tournament

By ANNA FRICANO
Sports Writer

Senior Megan Mattia led the way for the Saint Mary's golf team this past weekend, shooting an 81 in the final day of the Ferris State Invitational and coming in at 25th place overall. Mattia's efforts helped the Belles to achieve an 11th-place finish in their first competition of the year.

The team got off to a somewhat slow start on Saturday, and they were in 12th place after the first round. Nearly all of the golfers saw improved scores on Sunday as everyone adjusted to the course. The improvement allowed Saint Mary's to overcome the Belles for the weekend.

Saint Mary's was that the Belles allowed Saint Mary's to overcome themselves finishing eight strokes but Mattia didn't really like it to make first-team all-conference, to keep improving and coming in at 25th place over two days. Nearly all of the golfers saw improved scores on Sunday as everyone adjusted to the course. The improvement allowed Saint Mary's to overcome the Belles for the weekend.

Mattia with a basis for improvement. But the weekend did provide Mattia with a basis for improvement during her last season with the Belles. I played pretty solid, she said. I've been practicing pretty hard but there is still room for improvement.

For someone who has been on a winning team her entire college career, losing to Olivet was not easy to swallow. But Mattia has had her mind on continued improvement both individually and as a team, and is confident that she and her peers will be able to make her last season a success.

"I played pretty solid," she said. "I've been practicing pretty hard but there is still room for improvement." Mattia said.

But, at least for the next week, the only thing the Mattia, as well as the rest of the Saint Mary's team, has to do is to be the only Division-III team representing at Division-I tournament. The Belles will make the short trip to Notre Dame this weekend as everyone adjusted to the challenge. I think we've all pretty nervous for it but we hope to play well," said Mattia. "It's an honor just to be invited."

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"I played pretty solid," said Mattia. "It's an honor just to be invited." Mattia will most likely continue to be one of the leading factors on the Saint Mary's team, and the Belles can count on the senior to provide low scores this weekend and for the rest of the season.

Contact Anna Fricano at africano1@saintmarys.edu

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of the 2005-06 hockey season by
Jackson, where the big-name
guest mingled with players and
fans alike.

Bowman is widely considered
one of the greatest hockey coaches
of all time, a label shared with his
mentor and winner of eight
Stanley Cups, Toe Blake. Bowman
learned the ins and outs of the
NHL game from Blake as a junior
coach for the Montreal Canadiens.

No other coach in history has
won more NHL games than
Bowman, nor has any drunk from
the Cup more times — nine total,
five with Montreal, one with
Pittsburgh, and three with Detroit.

And he goes about it all with the
right attitude.

"I think the most important
attribute a person can have is his
or her own attitude, just because
I’ve seen a lot of situations where
I’ve had to make decisions on
players, whether to keep them or
who to play them or whatever the
reason is, and it came down
usually to attitude," Bowman said.

"I think the individual attitude of
the person is probably ‘90 percent
of the battle of being successful.”

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Schrader-Biek spoke highly of
the Hope team.

“They have a strong winning
tradition at Hope. They have good
hitting, and they don’t give up; they
ever compete,” she said.

“We’ve had a good rivalry with
them.”

Throughout the speech,
Bowman made reference that his
success has been aided by a
strong ownership supporting his
moves.

“They [the owners] wanted to
have good teams,” he said. “They
left no stone unturned. That and
the fact that I did the job a long
time. It was a lot easier the last
decade coaching than it was in my
first.”

Bowman had nothing but praise
of Jackson.

“She’s a well-experienced guy,”
he said. “He knows how to get a
team together. It’s going to take
some time, but he has a lot of good
ideas.”

In a pre-speech closed gather-
ing, Bowman spoke of the chal-
ges Jackson faces in turning
around the Irish.

“You have to figure out the best
way to win with what you’ve got,”
he said. “There are different ways
to win. You can’t change overnight; you can’t just bring
players in when you have a col-
lege team. He’s been at Lake
Superior State, they were not a
hockey power, but he made them
a hockey power.”

The legendary coach concluded
his speech with a reflection on his
entire career and what it has
meant to him.

“You have to have passion to do
your job,” Bowman said. “I never
thought of it as a job. I’ve had other
jobs, but have had no better
feelings than in coaching when you
take 25 guys and reach that
pinnacle of success.”

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If the Belles are to reach their
goal of moving up the MIAA
standings, they must win home
contests in league play, especially
against quality opponents like
Hope. The Belles were 5-11 in the
MIAA last season, 3-5 at home.

Schrader-Biek spoke of the
importance of notching a win in
the first conference match.

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**Rivals** continued from page 24 played OK in the first game and we’re going against one of the top teams in the country, that’s the story.”

Notre Dame-Michigan is one of the most storied rivalries in collegiate history. From Harry Oliver’s 51-yard field goal to win the 1980 game to Darius Walker leading the charge in his first collegiate game last season, this matchup has always been exciting.

But Weis, who depicted as a head coach with a 42-23 drubbing of Pittsburgh last week-end, does not plan to let the rivalry aspect of this game interfere with what he has to do.

"Not to downplay it, but it’s no different to me this week as it was last week," Weis said. "I’m just worried about going into ‘The Big House’ and trying to win the game. I have no emotions at all about Notre Dame versus Michigan."

And the football starts with Michigan’s potent offense, led by two sophomores — quarterback Tom Brady for four years and running back Mike Hart, the Big Ten touchdown leader last season, with 18 receptions for 133 yards and scored four touchdowns for the Wolverines.

The Irish, meanwhile will prepare to play at Michigan Stadium, where they have had little luck in recent trips to Ann Arbor. In 2002, the Irish lost 38-0 as Chris Perry ran for 133 yards and scored four touchdowns for the Wolverines.

The Irish have not won at Michigan Stadium since 1996, as Baer coached Brady for four years as the offensive coordinator of the Patriots. However, although Brady said the Boston Herald Monday that he would be pulling for his alma mater, Weis is not concerned about his former protege.

"I talked to Tommy multiple times last week and I think that right now he’s just worried about the Raiders. Weis said of Brady, "who plays in his season opener Michigan because if not, we’re going to have to play a lot better."

And with over 100,000 fans expected at “The Big House,” Weis has planned special drills which he will practice dealing with the noise.

"You have to practice silent snap count in case you can’t hear," Weis said. "We dedicate one set, probably Thursday, where you blare noise so loud you can’t hear. You’ll barely be able to hear the quarterback give you the play in the huddle. That’s the best way to prepare people to handle the noise and to concentrate when you can’t hear anything."

But the Irish will have to do much more than just handle the noise if they are to win Saturday.

"The Michigan is going to be a challenge and we are going to have to play a lot better than what we did last week to win this game," Weis said.

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"Weis said. "I think it’s great for our players to get some respect for how they play, but it all comes down to how we play this week. We’ll see where we’re raised after we play Michigan. The only issue at hand is Michigan."

Talking to Tommy

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Mackenzie’s team goals — maintaining mental toughness on the road. Mackenzie wants her players to not focus on what happened in the past, but focus on what her team needs to do at the moment, to maintain the high energy she feels her team possesses.

Saint Mary’s will take the field at Illinois Wesleyan at 7 p.m. today.

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**Nine Days of Prayer**

and solidarity with our sisters and brothers who have struggled through the trauma of Hurricane Katrina

A profound word of thanks to the entire Notre Dame community — students, faculty, and staff — who helped to contribute for relief efforts over the weekend.

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Now arrange the crossed letters to form the famous answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.


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EUGENIA LAST

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY:

Greg Rusedski, 32; Rosie Perez, 41; June Carter, 58; Sonnen Katsu, 61.

Happy Birthday: If you go full tilt and aren't lazy this year, you can do well. If you procrastinate, you may even tire yourself. You have the creativity and the talent but, if you don’t do something with it, you won’t prosper. Your numbers are 3, 6, 24, 35, 39, 47.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Your emotions will be hard to control today but, if you feel passionate about something, speak up to see the issues can be resolved. Be tactful and you can manage any problems that arise.*** Taurus (April 20-May 20): Focus on what you can do — not what you can’t. A chance to do something nice for someone will lead to advancement. Be authoritative if you want people to respect you, but don’t be pushy.*** Gemini (May 21-June 20): You should be traveling for business or pleasure. You can learn something that will contribute to future projects. An image update will turn out to be fabulous.**** Cancer (June 21-July 22): You may understand the dynamics of the relationships that are unfolding, but that won’t help you much if you allow someone else to get the upper hand. Approach the situation with reserve psychological.*** Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): You may feel uncertain about money matters or deals that are up in the air. "Talk to someone you trust and get the information required to close the deal. Your friends and relatives are there to help you, so take what’s being offered.**** Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You can make a very strategic career move today. Don’t settle for less when you know you are capable of doing far more. It’s never too late to tell a dream.**** Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You will be ready to take on anyone and everyone today. You can convince others to back anything you want to do. A dream can be developed and incorporated into what you want to do in the future.** Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): It’s time to close up loose ends. You can’t move forward until you are satisfied that everything is in your position. Your success will depend on how organized and prepared you are.*** Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): What you have done in the past will be revealed today. An involvement with someone from a totally different background will be the shining star and you are getting along.**** Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Expect the unexpected and you will be prepared for whatever it is. Casual relationships will be tense, especially if you are trying to get everyone to do things your way.*** Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Love and romance are looking good. Getting together with interesting people will turn into an opportunity to make some extra cash. You have plenty of talent and today is the day to develop it.**** Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): Everything will revolve around home, health and legal concerns. Take over and if you want these issues resolved with the least amount of anguish. Making changes to your living arrangements will be to your benefit.***

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FOOTBALL

Making some noise

Weis glad that focus returns to team and its goals this week

By HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN
Sports Writer

Last week it was Charlie versus Dave. This week it's No. 20 Notre Dame versus No. 3 Michigan.

One week after Notre Dame's Charlie Weis and Pittsburgh's Dave Wannstedt made their debuts as collegiate head coaches, the focus is finally on the football game. "I had become such a distraction going into the game and I think now we're past that," Irish coach Charlie Weis said Tuesday at his weekly press conference. "I think now the fact that we see RIVALS/page 22

SMC VOLLEYBALL

Belles take on Hope for first conference match

By IYAN KIEFER
Sports Writer

The Belles of Saint Mary's will take their first step toward an MIAA crown when they host Hope College tonight in the conference opener for both teams. The Belles (1-2) are coming off a tough weekend at the Elmhurst College invitational. The team lost its first three contests to Elmhurst, Wisconsin-Oshkosh and St. Scholastica before defeating Blackburn for their first victory of the season. Despite the results, Coach Julie Schrader-Biek was pleased with her team's play. "I'm very excited about how we played over the weekend," she said. "We faced great national level competition and we competed with them. They didn't run over us. If anything this weekend built our confidence." Practice sessions this week were focused on improving areas where the Belles struggled during weekend play, with a special emphasis on serve reception. Schrader-Biek felt her team would become sharper in all areas as the season continued. "They did a good job playing together," she said. "Now we just need to tighten everything up. We also need to get everyone more experience." Hope (3-1) enters tonight's contest having won three games at the Wisconsin-Whitewater tournament over the weekend. The Flying Dutch's lone loss came at the hands of Wisconsin-Whitewater, who is currently ranked No. 8 in the country. Hope split two contests with the Belles last season, with each team sweeping the other in their respective games. Coach Julie Schrader-Biek was pleased with her team's play. "I'm very excited about how we played over the weekend," she said. "We faced great national level competition and we competed with them. They didn't run over us. If anything this weekend built our confidence." Practice sessions this week were focused on improving areas where the Belles struggled during weekend play, with a special emphasis on serve reception. Schrader-Biek felt her team would become sharper in all areas as the season continued. "They did a good job playing together," she said. "Now we just need to tighten everything up. We also need to get everyone more experience." Hope (3-1) enters tonight's contest having won three games at the Wisconsin-Whitewater tournament over the weekend. The Flying Dutch's lone loss came at the hands of Wisconsin-Whitewater, who is currently ranked No. 8 in the country. Hope split two contests with the Belles last season, with each team sweeping the other in their respective games.

SMC SOCCER

Team set to take on DIII defending champions

By KYLE CASSILY
Sports Writer

The Belles will enter uncharted waters this evening as they travel to face Illinois Wesleyan in the final tune-up game before MIAA play begins this weekend against Hope College. The Titans of Illinois Wesleyan are a much tougher opponent than Saint Mary's is used to facing in regular conference action. They are defending Division III national champions and play in the highly regarded College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin, earning an overall 14-6-1 record. Illinois has won 10 straight CC IW titles, but due to heavy senior losses from last year is now ranked second in CC IW pre-season polls. "I think they have some really fast forwards," midfielder Justine Higgins said of the dangerous Titans. "It's a really good experience because I think we are tougher than most teams in our conference." The Belles are coming off of a really good experience because I think we are tougher than most teams in our conference. A coroner said that Thomas Jefferson's death was due to heart disease. A coroner said that Thomas Jefferson's death was due to heart disease.

HOCKEY

Bowman speaks at event

By KYLE CASSILY
Sports Writer

Irish hockey coach Jeff Jackson pitches himself every morning when he approaches campus and spots the Golden Dome gleaming in the early sun, just to remind himself how lucky he is. And influential to his game.

Irish leap to No. 20 in AP poll and No. 23 in USA Today

By HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN
Sports Writer

After Saturday's 42-21 win over then-No. 23 Pittsburgh on the road, the Irish earned a spot in both the Associated Press and USA Today polls. They are ranked No. 20 in the Associated Press poll and No. 23 in the USA Today poll.

However, Irish coach Charlie Weis isn't getting caught up in the rankings after only one game and a matchup with No. 3 Michigan on the horizon for Saturday. "We've played one game and we played fairly well, so it war-

Scotty Bowman, shown here directing Red Wings players in 2002, was the keynote speaker at Tuesday's hockey dinner.

SMC GOLF

Mattia leads team with 81

Megan Mattia led the Belles this weekend in their first tournament.

CYCLING

Lance Armstrong retired and recently accussed of using steroids, could make a comeback already.

MLB

Barry Bonds remains on the disabled list, although he's practiced with the team.

NFL

Lineman died of heart problems

A coroner said that Thomas Jefferson's death was due to heart disease.

HURRICANE

After the campus was rained in Hurricane Katrina, Tulane will play home games at five different universities.

U.S. OPEN

Federer survives scare, advances

The top-seeded tennis player lost a set today, but kept his cool to win the match.