Conn Suffers Another Drop in U.S. News & World Report Rankings

By Thomas McEvoy

August 27 through 31 marked this year’s freshman orientation period at Connecticut College. With the help of faculty, administrators, alumni sisters and brothers, small group educators, staff and SGA, students were on campus the first time they had seen the Occupy Movement. The College had a lively student body for a few minutes of peace as their parents lifted their prayers.

As in past years, the first portion of orientation included the President’s address to parents. President Fainstein, University Provost, Athletics Director, Dean of Admissions and Financial Aid, Theresa Amatri, Interim Dean of the College, and Andrea Roesler, Director of Development, welcomed the students to Connecticut College.

The following days were jam packed with informational workshops for on campus. The most important workshop was the annual Honor Code presentation by the Office of Student Life. Dean Michelle and Hopkins faced the challenge of teaching our own students about the Honor Code. The program was fostered more like a play than a lecture. The students were able to ask questions about the Code and actors/characters in the play. This allows a more productive learning environment to maintain the student body regarding laws and sexual respect.

The issue of drinking was also addressed in both serious and humorous formats. Student and alcohol Helpline was on hand at all events in order to help students cope with the issues.

Prayer services were held in the Hartline Chapel on Tuesday, September 6th. Members of the Connecticut College community took time out of their busy lives to reflect and pray for those in need.

In addition, Connecticut College has extended temporary enrollment to those students who were at school affected by the storm. As of now, these students reside at Connecticut College, commuting to school from their homes. Accommodations are under-way for additional students to live on campus until their school resumes.

The Connecticut College community has also begun to recruit The devastating effects of the hurricanes on both the US and national economies are yet to be seen.
Conn Falls Short When it Comes to Providing Utilities

The total cost of tuition for the 2005–2006 school year is $41,975. This price should certainly afford the most basic needs of the modern, globalized world that we live in. However, since the beginning of this academic year the college e-mail system has shut down repeatedly, and this past week two of the most populated dorms on campus experienced intermittent extended power outages. Electricity and Internet are staple commodities to modern living, not just perks of an expensive liberal arts education. Not only are these failures embarrassing to the school, their implications are highly detrimental and have the potential for serious consequences.

Beyond basic living essentials, Conn deems academics its highest priority. Unreliable access to the Internet disrupts the productivity of classes: students are unable to check course web pages, post homework assignments, e-mail professors, and research course-related material. For seniors who are embarking on their post-graduate job searches, e-mail is the primary source of the networking that is essential to finding a job. The Internet is an integral resource in the world for which Connecticut College is preparing us, and something that we should not have to live without.

The power outages that occurred in KB and Larrabee resulted in students missing classes and near health emergencies. Students lost work on their computers when the power failed, and lost contact to the outside world when cell phone batteries died. Electrically powered alarm clocks could not go off Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings. Students reliant on electrically powered water apparatus ran the risk of suffering medical lapses that could not be helped by the necessary devices.

How can we expect not to fall in making status with failures such as these? If the College wants to maintain, let alone augment its prestige, there are certain basic standards that need to be met. Most importantly, students should be able to go about their lives at school without such preventable and problematic disruptions.

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**The Smallest Minority**

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The smallest minority in the United States is composed of all the people who happen to be right-handed. The right-handed are considered a minority because they are a small percentage of the population. In fact, it is estimated that only about 10% of the world's population is right-handed.

This minority is often overlooked and misunderstood. They face various challenges in their daily lives, such as difficulties in using left-handed tools or equipment. However, they are not a minority in the sense of a social or political minority. They simply have a different physical trait.

It is important to recognize and celebrate the diversity of all people, regardless of their handedness. Let's work towards creating a more inclusive society where everyone feels valued and respected.

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The College Voice: Melanie, tell us a little about where you are coming from.

Melanie Knight: I'm from Wayland, MA, which is about twenty minutes outside of Boston.

CV: What made you want to come to Connecticut College?

MK: Some people from my town go here already and they told me that it was great.

The atmosphere here was more welcoming than any of the other schools I visited. I also applied early decision in a result as a welcoming.

CV: Is there some interesting skill or hobbies you like doing?

MK: I like to juggle [She can juggle four balls!]

CV: What kind of food do you like?

MK: I'm Italian, so I like Italian food.

CV: How do you like your dorm?

MK: I live in Wright, but there are only a few freshmen in my dorm, which makes it hard to find new friends at my location.

CV: Would you like to study abroad?

MK: Yes, probably in Spain...

CV: Do you have anything else you would like to add?

MK: Yes! Live it up!

CV: What do you like about how much better your musical taste is than everyone else?

MK: I like to listen to jazz and blues.

CV: Yoni Talks To Freshmen

One in 490:

Yoni Talks To Freshmen

My Sister's Keeper: Picoult' Eleventh Novel Still Keeps Pages Turning

When describing a book, the term "page-turner" often implies that one book is easy and entertaining to read but lacks depth and value. My Sister's Keeper is certainly a page-turner in the sense that it is impossible to put down, but unlike other books in its genre, this book is not just an entertaining read; it is one that provokes thought and reflection.

The novel is set in the late 1990s and revolves around the relationship between two sisters, Anna and Sabrina. Anna is the older sister and has been working as a nurse in a hospital, while Sabrina is a college student. The story begins when Anna contracts a rare genetic disorder that will cause her to die in her mid-20s. In order to save her sister, Anna decides to donate one of her kidneys to Sabrina, who is not a match for a standard transplant.

This decision leads to a series of events that test the family's sense of duty, love, and loyalty. The story explores themes of sacrifice, love, and the importance of family. The characters are well-developed and the plot is engaging, making it a page-turner that keeps readers turning page after page.

The book is a commentary on the medical world and the ethical issues surrounding organ transplantation. It raises questions about the role of technology in medicine, the ethical implications of genetic testing, and the importance of personal choice in medical decisions.

The novel is well-researched and provides a realistic portrayal of the medical and ethical issues surrounding organ transplantation. The author, Jodi Picoult, does a great job of weaving together these themes to create a compelling and thought-provoking story.

In conclusion, My Sister's Keeper is a page-turner that keeps readers guessing and thinking. It is a story that will stay with you long after you finish reading it. Whether you are a fan of Jodi Picoult or simply enjoy a good read, this book is definitely worth your time.
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feelings. "At the same time, however, Cardenas noted that the President is aware that the College community is conscious of the rankings but hopes people realize that the rankings do not reflect the quality of education at Conn.

"You can't measure the quality of a college based solely on numbers," Cardenas asserted.

Furthermore, with regard to the financial component of the rankings, Cardenas added that the rankings do not reflect how well colleges are spending their money, but simply how much they are spending.

Besides its ranking in U.S. News and World Report, Conn is featured prominently in college guidebooks. For instance, the "Fiske Guide to Colleges 2006" states, "Conn College features strong student/faculty bonds and takes pride in its ability to challenge and trust students, both in and out of the classroom."

Moreover, the Princeton Review's "The Best 361 Colleges" notes, "Conn's career center receives solid praise, particularly for the variety of internships that focus on community action, international issues, and the environment."

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Recap, summer baseball
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game, but not everyone can be the next TV analyst for TNT like Kenny Smith or Charles ... more than 50% off, call 1-888-NYT-COLL. Or visit nytimes.com/student.

Currents have continued to move at a brisk pace. Baseball teams are getting excited to come to bat in the seventh inning. It was Ryan Ortmeier that grounded out sharply to shortstop in the at-bat and the Giants won. 3-1. The concern didn't end there. There was still tons of exciting baseball left to play. And maybe, hopefully, I had witnessed some people who might be playing those mental night games in LA for a few years.

Today's Athlete Tomorrow

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who aren't issued a full baseball scholarship or
aspects beyond this year?

For the past few months and so, the sports world has said goodbye to a range of talents, from Hall of Fame ball players like Jerry Rice, Scott Stevens, and Mark Messier, to lesser talents like Maurice Clarett. Now is the third round of the DRAFT, and the Dodgers are still there. The continuity became crystal clear. "I was excited to see a Giant hit a home run, so why would I care about watching some chump who just got called up from Double-A Norfolk?" I thought about seeing Ortmeier become the mainstay shortstop for the Dodgers, but not everyone can be the next TV analyst for TNT like Kenny Smith or Charles Barkley. So what's the new move? Stick around a little longer in the big leagues, hang on for a little longer, or aggressively pursue a new career.

It's not easy for a retired professional athlete to stop what they're doing all their life. For many, there is an intensity lacking, from always playing it in front of thousands of screaming fans to working in a much smaller environment. Besides having the energy to play for another year, one needs to bring a solid skill level and be willing to take on a smaller role. Besides having the energy to pursue something new, one needs to bring a solid skill level and be willing to take on a smaller role. Besides having the energy to pursue something new, one needs to bring a solid skill level and be willing to take on a smaller role.

The squad begins the season filled roster, the Camels are once again looking to be a tough team to face Mount Holyoke on the 21st. Coach Ken Kline will once again look to guide his team into postsea-

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waning strength and despair?

So what about a guy like Ryan Leaf, a first round pick, who was once Cooperstown bound, only to be derailed by a spiral fracture in his leg? What about a guy like Mike Tyson? Last time I checked he was just a short while later, the future does not look promising for the once promising college star. Now that pro-

Professional Athletes. Do grads make more than non-
guys, or vice-versa?


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Conn Soccer
The Nesting Point

in the wake of what may go down in history as the best season in the recent history of baseball, I have been making no attention to matters not involving the National League West. In 2001, I was lucky enough to see my low this year's pennant race with a different perspective.

Don't get me wrong, I still have followed the action quite a bit, but I have been in the field of view of a different perspective.

CAMILLE WIDGER

Summer Baseball Recap

Wendy's Tuesday, 9/10 at 11:00 am

Women's Soccer

Middlebury College 1:30 pm

Women's soccer has a long history of a team that hopes to surprise several firsts in its history. The team has its work cut out for it, as it will be performing to the best of their ability. The team has its work cut out for it, as it will be performing to the best of their ability.

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the last season for a Met of old, Mike Piazza. Is this the debate. However, should he decide to retire, what will be the legacy as the greatest hitting catcher? With a career batting average of 318 and 427 home runs, Mike has been a fixture in the Mets lineup since 1995. His presence on the field has been a source of inspiration for many fans, and his leadership has helped guide the team to numerous playoff appearances. Mike's impact on the game extends beyond his playing career. As a member of the baseball community, he is known for his charitable work and for being a positive role model. His philanthropic efforts have helped support numerous causes, including education and health care. Mike's dedication to giving back has earned him respect from fans and players alike. As he prepares to retire, the Mets will honor his contributions to the team and the game. Mike's legacy as a Met, and as a professional athlete, will be remembered for years to come. It is a testament to his talent and dedication that Mike has reached this milestone in his career. As he looks ahead to the future, Mike's influence will continue to be felt both on and off the field.