

# DALLAS DOME



SIR SAINT WILL LEAD US TO VICTORY  
OVER THE EVIL TEAMS OF THE NFC SOUTH

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*As fate would have it, only the “Dirty Birds” can stop us now....*

Next Monday night against Atlanta in The Dome, the SAINTS have a chance to match the 1991 SAINTS for the best start in team history at 7-0. Ironically, it was the “Dirty Birds” who beat the SAINTS in the first round of the Playoffs that year. Is it a coincidence that the same franchise will now be attempting to keep us from our destiny? Perhaps, but I’ve said it once, and I’ll say it again....this year’s team is making history. For this one, I’m betting the farm on the “Super-Saints” and you should too!

Just so you know: Former SAINTS RB Aaron Stecker has been signed by Atlanta ahead of Monday night’s game in New Orleans. Stecker played nine seasons in the NFL, including five seasons with New Orleans from 2004-08.

*Like me, there are SAINTS fans who think the team deserves more attention from the national media this year, and well, you just got your wish. Sports Illustrated will do, right? With Reggie Bush's acrobatic leap from Sunday's comeback victory gracing the cover of this week's SI, it's safe to say the rest of the country is finally taking notice! The problem is it may very well signal the end to this wonderful "perfect storm" of black and gold we've been witnessing so far this season. Why you ask? Look what I found out....*



*In case you're unfamiliar, there exists such a thing called the Sports Illustrated cover jinx. Ancient folklore has it that whenever a team or athlete is placed on the cover of Sports Illustrated, they are doomed for failure at any moment shortly thereafter. Even the magazine itself acknowledges it....and that's not good.*

Still think it's not true or that it can't happen to the SAINTS? They've already been victims of the fated curse before. After defeating Carolina in the first game of the season immediately following Hurricane Katrina, QB A. Brooks and Kicker J. Carney were chosen for the September 19, 2005 cover, shown hugging each other after the win. The SAINTS went on to lose a crap-load of other games that year and finally finished the season 3-13.

But that's not all. Sports Illustrated's cover has jinxed the SAINTS a second time. Their January 22, 2007 cover featured a close-up of the face of Brees (and I own that one). The article was about the "Cinderella" story of the SAINTS 2006 season who were just one win away from the Super Bowl, led by the stellar play of the new quarterback. Ahh, those were the days. Unfortunately, the SAINTS had lost that NFC Championship game in Chicago the day before the issue hit news-stands. It never fails! So now that the SAINTS have finally gotten the respect they deserve and the attention of the entire country and it could be all downhill from here. If the SAINTS lose to the Falcons on Monday night, you'll know why, but I'm not saying that. It's everyone else in the media that is.



**Shockey says; "Let's just kick their asses and grab the cover of another issue!!"**

But here's some good news: The previous 2 coaches had awful records against our division rival. From '97-'99, Mike Ditka was 0-6 and Haslett was 6-6 against Atlanta from 2000-'05, but that's changed since the hiring of Payton and the start of the 2006 season. To date, Coach Payton is 5-1 and the SAINTS have won 5 of last 6.

And think about this; the SAINTS (6-0) will be playing the "Dirty Birds" (4-2) this week in a Superdome atmosphere that many are saying will be identical to the game that was played during the re-opening game on Sept. 25, 2006, which had the SAINTS blowing out the Falcons 23-3. Is it ironic that the only other game played between these two teams on a Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> date before was in 1975 and the SAINTS were victorious in that one with a final score of 23-3? That's probably just a coincidence. Or is it?

And if that isn't enough witchy-mumbo-jumbo for you ....think about this....FB Heath Evans is out for the season. The team placed the 9 year veteran on injured reserve Thursday. He hurt his knee in the Dolphins game. Evans had surgery yesterday in Florida to repair an ACL tear. Now, the SAINTS signed FB Kyle Eckel to replace Evans. Eckel will wear #36 and the all-time series record between these two teams is: Falcons 44 Saints 35.

I'm thinking Eckel's arrival is a good sign. Heath Evans was wearing #44.

- The Saintsguy



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Join me on Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> to watch the “Ariel Assault” annihilate the “Dirty Birds” on Monday Night Football... The Quarter will be *giving away a bucket of beer* in the trivia contest just like every week for our next winner and everyone wearing SAINTS stuff gets their *first drink for free!*

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Don't forget about **HALLOWEEN!!!!** Make plans to join me and all the other Who-Dats for karaoke and the BEST COSTUME CONTEST and PARTY in the Metroplex!!!!



Here's me at the party last year!!



### Game Day Specials include....

\$12 Coors Light buckets

\$13 Miller Lite, Bud Light, Budweiser, MGD64 buckets

\$3 wells

Half-price pizza and don't forget....The Bloody Mary BAR

NEW MENU ITEMS - Char-grilled Oysters (just like Drago's), Oysters on the Half-shell, Oysters Rockefeller, fried crabclaws, sloppy roast beef po-boy, soft shell crab po-boy and crab cakes



**“This one’s for my fans at The Quarter!!!!” - Drew Brees**

