Students elect Cesaro/Selak to top positions

By HEATHER MACKENZIE  
Associate News Editor

After winning 55 percent of the votes in the run-off election yesterday, Peter Cesaro and Andrea Selak will lead student government as student body president and vice president for the 1998-99 school year.

The Cesaro/Selak ticket captured 2,298 votes, while the Brandon Williams/Julie Reising ticket received 1,792 votes, or 43 percent of the total.

"My mom started crying on the phone," Selak said. "This is such an incredible feeling."

After a week of campaigning, both Cesaro and Selak admit to being exhausted, but Cesaro said that "the experience was worth it. I am so ready to rush into this."

"I would like to get a little sleep first," Selak added.

Cesaro and Selak will work with the Matt Griffin/Erek Nuss administration until they officially take over the office.

"I wish them luck," Griffin said of Cesaro and Selak. "All the candidates who ran were very competent, and I wish them luck. I look forward to working with Peter and Andrea during the transition."

During the first elections, the Cesaro/Selak ticket had a significant lead, capturing 30 percent of the votes divided among the nine tickets.

In this election, however, the Williams/Reising ticket challenged the Cesaro/Selak ticket by winning a large margin of votes and a small percentage of the vote.

By ANNE HOHNSKI  
News Writer

On the crime-ridden corner of Chapin St. and Western Ave. in downtown South Bend lies the Chapin Street Health Center, a true ray of hope in the dire reality of poverty and crime in the neighborhood.

Founded in 1986, the Chapin Street Health Center is a subsidiary of St. Joseph Hospital in South Bend. The clinic serves more than 2,000 citizens of St. Joseph and Marshall counties. It was created in response to the critical need for affordable health care for people unlikely to be eligible for government assistance and insurance.

"We are no Medicaid, no Medicare, no insurance," remarked Michelle Peters, volunteer director of the clinic. "We are basically taking care of those who fall through the cracks and have no other options."

"It is easy to classify them [the clientele] as the indigent," Peters said.

The center has only four full-time employees, filling out the rest of its staff with volunteers: physicians, nurses, retired individuals, and students.

Left, a student works on charts. Above, a volunteer checks a patient's pulse.
Outside the dome

Student Council VP arrested in finance scandal

Each student pays a $32 SAF with tuition to help pay for University activities. This money is allocated to Council and dispersed to Contracted Independent Organizations. The allegations "are in regard to an altering of the billing and a discrepancy between SAF and multiple accounts," Council President Sajeeva Geervathse said. As reimbursement requirements for the year, a receipt is presented to either the Council's chief financial officer or the vice president for administration, one of whom certifies the expense as fundable in accordance with Council and Board of Visitors guidelines. A reimbursement officer is charged and, if approved, is sent to Hancher, who then writes a check. In this case, however, Hancher did not consult Board before the allegations were made and Board was not notified.

In the event of a discrepancy, Council officials typically discuss the situation with the public to take a step back and look at the overall situation and wait for the truth to come out. "I firmly believe that Dan didn't do anything intentionally," College Rep. Emmanuel West said.

University Police officials charged Soschin with a Class IV felony.

The M-Word

Above all things, I want to stress that there are no sappy columns about Valentine's Day, and I have no choice but to write this Inside Column by mid-January. On the other hand, no one hates this cynicism as much as I do, so I can't just complain about happiness. Nor do I want to simply preach about such a noted holiday; I want to notice.

Definitely don't want to take up the popular theme of the "real" historical significance of Valentine's Day. I'm too young.

Instead I thought I'd write about something that should concern almost everyone here at Notre Dame: Marriage.

Now don't stop reading this just because you may think you've been about time you face up to it, pal. Your four years at Notre Dame are your only opportunity to find a wife (Sorry, my male readers). You have only a few years left in the world when you graduate. There is no other opportunity to find a wife (Sorry, my male readers). You have only a few years left in the world when you graduate. There is no other opportunity to find a wife (Sorry, my male readers).

Those of us who have yet to find a wife (Sorry, my male readers) are just a week away from finding one. We have only a few years left in the world when you graduate. There is no other opportunity to find a wife (Sorry, my male readers).

Perhaps you just need to grow up a bit faster, or so we say.

People also complain about Notre Dame not being "diverse" enough. That's because the bottom line is diversity. At Notre Dame, there are lots and really of really smart people, but it's like the country, with all kinds of "diverse" interests. What more could you want?

You want to find a wife in the business world when you graduate. There is no diversity there. If you find a wife, they are likely to have relationships in the office never work, as they say. So what will you do then? Will you get married to your friend and stay with her? Would you want to spend the rest of your life, and to have your children, with someone who has one of those? How long do you think that would last?

You really should find her here. And you should propose to her by the end of your senior year.

Then again, you can't marry just anyone. You want to find one of the good ones. Marriage is a sacrament, as St. Paul says.

Marriage is indissoluble, for as Christ himself says... What has God joined, let no man tear asunder.

Marriage is a vocation, a call from God. Not every breaking up is a right decision at that time. Just wait a few years and grow up. You have only a few years left in the world when you graduate. There is no other opportunity to find a wife (Sorry, my male readers). You have only a few years left in the world when you graduate. There is no other opportunity to find a wife (Sorry, my male readers).

Men allege assault by wrestler

At least one Gophers wrestler is under investigation for an assault that allegedly occurred in the early morning on Jan. 25. Associate athletic director Jeff Schmehl and wrestling coach J. B. Literski were cooperating with police as much as we can, and that's still going on,

Schmehl said. According to a police report, Kevin Fox and Will Schaefer were approached by a group of seven or eight males outside a house in Diskytown. A verbal confrontation turned into an assault, and both victims sustained injuries to their faces. The men's athletics department has not taken any action against the wrestler or wrestlers alleged to be involved in the incident. Schmehl said that the department will let the police handle the case until further facts are known.

Campus mourns student death

DAVIS, Calif.

Friends and family are mourning the death of UC Davis first-year student Jessica Carney, who was killed in a four-car traffic accident on campus, Carney, 18, was traveling with her boyfriend Shane Karres, 19, on a rain-slicked highway. She was returning to school after a weekend visit home when the accident occurred. An Honors graduate of Santa Rosa High School in 1997, Carney was a Regents Scholar majoring in the biological sciences.

Carney's roommate, Schwartz, said she and Carney became close almost immediately last fall, and is greatly affected by her loss. "Even though I only met her four months ago, she was a life without her," Schwartz said. "Ever since I've been here in Davis, she's been here with me. I cannot imagine Davis without her." Schwartz further said it was Carney's vibrant personality that made her a great person to spend time with.

University of Minnesota

University of Montana

One dead, one injured in accident

MISSOULA, Mont.

Keith Dukes was working on scaffolding on the ground in the University Theatre Tuesday when it collapsed, killing him and injuring a co-worker. UM Police Sgt. Charles Unbehend said the accident took place between 9:50 a.m. and 10:10 a.m. Dukes was declared dead at 10:30 a.m., St. Vitalis, and fellow St. John Construction worker Jeff Ipsen, 45, of Missoula, had been on the scaffolding putting in six steel I-beams for a new rigging system in the theater. A third worker, who was on the ground, saw the accident and called 911. An ambulance took both men to St. Patrick Hospital while paramedics tried to resuscitate Dukes. Ipsen was in surgery throughout the day for injuries to his legs, feet and hands. Volunteer fire chief George Unbehend said Ipsen will be in the intensive care unit by morning.

James Madison University

JMU suspends controversial doctor

HARRISONBURG, Va.

A local psychiatrist's status with the university is uncertain following the indefinite suspension of his medical license last week for prescribing masturbation therapy in seven cases from 1969 to 1988. Dr. Carl Robert Showalter, who sometimes treated James Madison students referred to him by the school's Counseling Center, faces suspension of his medical license for what the Virginia Board of Medicine calls "improper and unethical conduct" involving his private practice in Harrisonburg, Showalter, JMU's psychiatrist since 1969, prescribed masturbation therapy, which the Virginia Medical Board said is "not a recognized psychiatric treatment modality." Showalter also runs a private practice in Harrisonburg, near the university. Donna Harper, University Health Center director, said she is not aware of any JMU students involved in the allegations, but Showalter's status with the university is unclear.

University of California - Davis

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Dance workshop presents show
be performed tonight and tomorrow at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 8:30 p.m. in O’Laughlin Auditorium on the Saint Mary’s campus. Tickets are $8 for adults, $7 for senior citizens, $6 for Saint Mary’s/Notre Dame community members and $5 for students. They are on sale at the Saint Mary’s box office located in O’Laughlin Auditorium.

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Friday, February 13, 9:30-11:30 pm.
Latino/Hispanic Studies Initiative:
Social with visiting scholars and ND faculty, followed by a dance at the Center for Social Concerns.

Sunday, February 15, 1:30 pm
Keenan Stanford Chapel
Misa En Espanol - Spanish Mass

Monday, Feb. 16, 5:30 pm, Main Circle
African American Students Dinner and Conversation (at Montego Bay Restaurant)

Beeler scholarship fund accumulates $1.5 million

An endowed scholarship fund established in memory of Margaret “Meghan” Beeler has accumulated more than $1.5 million. Beeler was one of the two Notre Dame students killed six years ago when the women’s swim team bus crashed on the Indiana Toll Road.

“Meghan Beeler’s far-too-brief life exemplifies the virtues that the Notre Dame family celebrates and relies upon,” said University President Father Edward Malloy. “It is heartening to know that her witness and the generosity it has inspired will enable future generations of similarly splendid young men and women to join the community of which she has become such an indispensable member.”

According to Notre Dame’s financial aid director Joseph Russo, the Beeler scholarship fund will exceed $2.5 million when current pledges have been received by the University.

The scholarship fund has been supported by corporations, foundations and nearly 600 Notre Dame alumni, parents and friends during the six years since the accident.

“It’s the widest and most diverse instance of scholarship support in the University’s history, and the endowment has become one of our largest in that short amount of time,” Russo said. Six Notre Dame students have been designated Meghan Beeler Scholars, and two have been graduated.

One of the most devastating events in the University’s history, the accident occurred shortly after midnight on Jan. 24, 1992, when a bus carrying 32 members of the women’s swim team back to Notre Dame from a meet with Northwestern University in Evanston, Ill., overturned about four miles west of campus during a blinding snowstorm. Two freshmen, Meghan Beeler of South Bend and Colleen Hipp of St. Louis, were killed in the resulting crash.

The Beeler scholarship fund, established by her grieving family only a few days later, soon became a focus of the nationwide outpouring of sympathy which followed the tragedy.

Beeler was a 1991 graduate of St. Joseph’s High School in South Bend.

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Student applicants should have research interests in an environmentally-related discipline. Applications are concerned with or likely to contribute to the understanding, assessment, or improvement of the environment. Applicants must be US citizens or permanent residents, enrolled at Notre Dame, have completed their junior year by May 1998 and be registered to return in the fall of 1998.

For more details, contact the Center for Environmental Science & Technology, 152A Fitzpatrick Hall, 631-8376. Applicants will be required to complete an application.

Deadline is February 23, 1998
The Rolf Sports Recreation Center offers recreational athletes with three multi-purpose courts, a suspended walking/running track, a large fitness room, and two activity rooms.

The Grand Opening of the Rolfs Sports Recreation Center will be tomorrow from 2 to 4 p.m.

University President Edward "Monk" Malloy will bless the building at 2:30 p.m.

Photos by Joe Stark
THE UPPER LEVEL

The Rolfs Sports Recreation Center is divided into four levels: upper, track, entry and lower.

The upper level of the building is composed of two spacious activity rooms and a landing over looking the entrance to the building. These rooms will be used for students practicing dance, aerobics and martial arts. Two walls are covered with full-length mirrors, and the other walls have large windows and a ballet barre. The windows offer students a view of Basilica of the Sacred Heart, the library and the Dome.

Two dozen aerobic programs will be offered in these rooms, along with jazz, ballet and other dance classes. The Rocke Memorial will continue to offer aerobic and dance classes in its facility. All classes previously taught in the Joyce Center, however, will move to the Rolfs Sports Center.

Another feature of these activity rooms is the soft floor, Derengoski explained. "We designed the floor so that it allowed a lot of movement and was easier on the legs," Derengoski said.

The area overlooking the entrance will be equipped with aerobic equipment for those students who want a view of the Dome or who want to avoid the crowds in the fitness room.

The TRACK

One unique feature of the Rolfs Sports Center is the three-lane suspended track, constructed between the upper and entry levels. This track is one-eighth of a mile on the outside lane and one-tenth of a mile on the inside lane.

The track is surrounded by a railing which encloses the gym on the lower level. It is composed of a synthetic mixture and the surface has small bumps which cause pressure on the legs by providing more friction.

"The track itself cost over half a million dollars," Derengoski said.

Three sides of the track have full plate-glass windows facing outside the building.

"The windows provide for a view, open building," said Derengoski. "It is really welcoming to many different types of people of all ages."

Different pieces of fitness equipment will be dispersed throughout the level, in addition to the track.

THE ENTRY LEVEL

The entry level of the new facility will include a large fitness room and the new offices of the RecSports department and the IRISHealth Resource Center.

The fitness room provides 5,000 square feet of fitness rating white lockers and the new fitness equipment.

"It is the only fitness facility available to students from morning until midnight," Derengoski said.

The fitness center is divided into two parts: the front half will have 36 pieces of fitness equipment, and the back section of the center is composed of machine weights and a full free-weight area.

A unique feature of the Rolfs Center is the "cardio-theater" found in the fitness room. This cardio-theater includes four televisions and 26 fitness machines. Students will be able to watch a variety of programs on the different fitness machines and tune into one of their favorite stations or any radio station. Some nights a movie might be featured on one of the televisions and students can tune into that channel.

"The intent is to give students more of a variety than they exercise," Derengoski said. "This way, every student can listen to what he or she wants to hear."

The fitness area will include stair-masters, treadmills, stationary bikes, ellipticalis and other equipment. Furthermore, the treadmills are suspended steps that glide back and forth, simulating a running motion without direct impact on the legs.

The back half of the fitness center will include about 20 pieces of machine weights, including Body Master and Seibebek strength-machines. The area will also be equipped with a full free-weight system, including top-of-the-line dumbbells and barbells.

The other section of the entry level will be the new locker equipment. This is the only facility fitness available to students from morning until midnight,"Derengoski said. "This way, every student can listen to what he or she wants to hear."

The entry level will be the check-in desk. One side of the desk will be dedicated to RecSports, including sign-ups for interclub activities and other RecSports programs. The other side of the desk will be an information and equipment department where workers will answer questions and hand out towels and other equipment.

THE LOWER LEVEL

The final level of the Rolfs Sports Recreation Center will include three gyms, a rink with a plastic floor, a recreational area, lockers and the men's and women's locker rooms.

According to Derengoski, the plastic rink is a major improvement in recreational fitness. The rink is designed for floor hockey, in-line hockey and roller hockey, soccer, lacrosse practices and games.

With many varsity practices in the Joyce Center, this club sports enjoy little practice time, the Rolfs Sports Center will allow these problems to be solved.

The rink is surrounded with a plexi-glass wall, and it has player boxes on each side. Hockey goals will normally stand in the rink, although there are doors which will open so players can goal to be put in as needed.

The lower level also includes the new offices for RecSports and football equipment. The volleyball team will practice on one of the courts, but the other two will be open to student use.

Derengoski views these courts as a major improvement in recreational fitness on campus.

"The Rolfs Center will be the place to practice from now on," she said. "The RecSports office is difficult because there is no regular schedule, and it is hard to know what is available when. The Rolfs Center will put an emphasis on free-play.

She added that all intramural competition will continue to take place in the Joyce Center. The lower level also offers a recreational area with two pool tables and three table-tennis tables.

"This [Rolfs Center] is the open facility we have been seeking so long available on campus," she said.

The final feature of the lower level are the men's and women's locker rooms, with 200 lockers, and the men's locker room has more than 200 lockers, and the women's locker room has 150. In addition, the perimeter of the gym will contain 3600 coin-return lockers for students or faculty use.

THE RULES

The Rolfs Sports Recreation Center will be open to all Notre Dame students, staff, faculty, retirees and their spouses. All persons entering the facility must have a valid Notre Dame identification card or RecSports user card.

The facility will be open Monday-Friday from 6:30 a.m. to 11 p.m.; and Sunday from noon to 11 p.m.

THE GRAND OPENING

The opening of the Rolfs Sports Recreation Center will be tomorrow from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., and is open to all stu­dents, employees and faculty.

President Malloy will bless the building at 2:30 p.m. Following the blessing there will be prize give-aways and games that students can play.

In addition, the first 200 students to arrive at the ceremony will receive a free t-shirt, donated by FI Marketing, Inc. Following the dedication and games the facility will be open for regular use.

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the ‘working poor,’” said Carla Ries, the clinic's director at Chapin Street. “It is a misconception to say that they don’t work, but they work at low-paying jobs. The cost of insurance is exorbitant, especially for someone who is only making $7 an hour and trying to support a family. “We ask them to contribute $5 for prescriptions rendered, and if they cannot, maybe they can give us $3,” she continued. “Even if they can’t give us a dollar, this does not reflect on whether they get treated or not.”

Prospective clients must have an income of no more than 150 percent of the government-defined poverty level. Exceptions are made, however, according to the number of dependents in the household.

The clinic provides services to the Michiana community with only four full-time staff members. More than 90 private physicians volunteer for two or more hours per month at the clinic and some “live” work on a weekly basis. A number of area corporations and persons also volunteer their time to make the clinic a living project.

Forty-eight undergraduate and graduate students from Notre Dame, Saint Mary’s and Holy Cross College volunteer one weekly basis at the clinic as well.

“We tell all our students ‘Clinic Asstisted Volunteers,’” Peters said. “They can do a number of things when they first start, such as preparing charts, and making phone calls to patients. Once their skills are validated, they can take the blood pressure, temperature and other vital signs of patients.”

“Some of our volunteers have been here for four years. The more that they come, the more that they are able to do. We do have a summer service project that is here, and usually the summer service project people come in for the summer and stay for their last year.”

In addition to the Summer Service Project and Clinic Assisted Volunteer Program, a year-long service project is featured at the clinic.

“The Tom Dooley Service Award, underwritten by the Notre Dame Club of St. Joseph Valley and St. Joseph Medical Center, is given yearly to a senior with a preprofessional concentration. Named after Notre Dame graduate and physician Thomas Dooley, the award provides the recipient the opportunity to work with the patients, volunteers and staff of the clinic for an entire year. The recipient receives with a stipend of $8,000 for the year and gains invaluable experience in the medical field.”

“I never realized until I started working at the clinic how much need is in the community,” said Ed McGou, this year’s Dooley award recipient. “It is easy to fall into the trap at Notre Dame to do service without really thinking about what you are doing. But at the clinic, you see so many problems—and so many people down on their luck—that it really affects you in a very personal way.”

Dave Sparks, a 1994 Notre Dame graduate who has volunteered at the clinic for two years, is enthusiastic about the unique opportunities that the clinic has given to him.”

“I want to be a paediatrician, so it worked out great that I’ve been able to keep the time free in my school schedule when the paediatricians come,” he said. “Through the clinic, I’ve been able to meet him and I’ll be able to go to his house once a week and help him out.”

“It’s really neat how our patients touch people’s lives,” Peters said. “That’s why we do this, we wouldn’t do it otherwise. That’s why it’s so much fun for students because we love what we do and share that with them.”

“Our goal is to make sure that they continue volunteer- ing after their experience here,” Peters continued. “This is a great opportunity for us to show the students that there are professionals that are still finding the time in their sched­ ules to volunteer as well.”

Elma Basista, a staff mem­ ber at Chapin Street Health Center, shows quite an admi­ ration for the clinic.”

“I think that it is amazing, especially when you think about what we really have to offer,” she said. “People come in here without any insurance, or money for that matter, and see the best doctors in the area. They come out with hundreds of dollars of prescriptions and testing. You can’t get that from Medicaid or Medicare.”

“Our patients,” Basista con­ tinued, “are so very thankful that we are here. A lot of peo­ ple will tell you straight out that they wouldn’t even have any other way to see a doc­ tor.”

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SECURITY BEAT

Mon., Feb. 9
5:03 p.m. Security responded to a one-car accident at Mishawaka Circle. There were no injuries reported.
5:47 p.m. A University Village resident reported having telephone calls.

Tues., Feb. 10
6:50 p.m. An off-campus student was transported to the University Health Center for treatment of a sports injury.
1:27 p.m. A Citizon hotel resident reported the theft of his bike from outside LaFortune. His bike was not locked at the time of the theft.

Wed., Feb. 11
5:19 p.m. Security responded to a two-car accident on Juniper Road. There were no injuries reported.
8:00 p.m. A University employee reported the theft of her wallet from her purse at the South Dining Hall. Her purse was left unattended at the time of the theft.
10:56 p.m. Security transported a Zeth Hall resident to the University Health Center for treatment of a sports injury.

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Sophomore Literary Festival cordially invites you to join
Amy Hempel
for a nightly reading tomorrow evening at 8:00 pm in Washington Hall.

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Election raffle winners announced

By T.J. THORNTON
News Writer

Voter turnout in yesterday's run-off election improved by 12 percentage points over last year, and the election committee's raffle certainly played a role in the increase, according to Lori Mrowka of the election committee.

"The free sodas given away in the primary, and the raffle conducted during the runoff, helped matters," said Mrowka, "but we found that many who did not know about the candidates were reluctant to vote, despite the prizes." The winners follow:

• Outback Steakhouse Voucher
  Laura Antonikwak, Lewis Hall
• Football signed by Notre Dame Coaches
  Frank Whiltem, Fisher Hall
• Spaghetti's Voucher
  Bridget Wilkinson, Lyons Hall
• Fun-Fun Gift Certificate
  Katie Donahoe, Breen-Phillips Hall
• Movie Passes
  Chad Hauser, Stanford Hall
• Papa John's Voucher
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  Eric Nazarian, Knott Hall
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  Ryan Williams, Alumni Hall
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Information Meeting
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Leprechaun Candidates should also attend this meeting

Scholars meet to plan Latino concentration

By ALEX ORR
Notre Dame's Latino and Hispanic community can voice their concerns and views regarding the proposal. Mass will be offered for all participants at 5:15 p.m. at Gugadale Chapel in Kessog Hall. The day will be rounded out with a dinner at the Center for Social Concerns for the workshop attendees and the full body of Latino/Hispanic students, and a "Convevivencia," at 9:30 p.m., by general invitation.

After a 15-minute break, the meeting will resume at 3 p.m. with the "Alumni-Student Perspectives." Frank Castille, Carlos Carriedo, Colleen Knight and Frank Santoni will speak. Afterward, members of Notre Dame's Latino and Hispanic community can voice their concerns and views regarding the proposal.

The day will be rounded out with a dinner at the Center for Social Concerns for the workshop attendees and the full body of Latino/Hispanic students, and a "Convevivencia," at 9:30 p.m., by general invitation.

The third session, "Charting a Course for Latino Studies," will be held at 9 a.m. Saturday. Chaired by Scott Mainwaring, this session will include Ramon Gutierrez from the University of California at San Diego, Michael Gonzalez from the University of San Diego and Albert Camarillo of Stanford University. Evelyn Hudeshart, from the University of Colorado, will serve as the moderator.

A closing luncheon will take place at Greenfields Cafe, in the Hesburgh Center for International Studies, following the completion of the final session.

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"It was a really close race, and either side could have won," student body vice president Erek Nass said. "I think student government is in good hands." Cesaro and Selak have many plans for next year, including extending SafeRide to Thursday nights and pushing for a student representative on the Board of Trustees. "I want to be involved with things that affect all the students, especially things like the new bookstore," Selak said. "And there are a lot of existing plans that we can carry over. It will be a busy year." Cesaro plans to start his term with a student government retreat and setting his long-term goals for the year. "I think I am going to go to CJ (Carillo)," he said. Although Williams and Reising lost the election, both have a positive outlook on the future of student government. "Julie and I did the best we could; we ran a good campaign and maintained integrity throughout," Williams said. "We didn't run because we wanted to be president and vice president, we ran because that was the best avenue we saw to give something back to Notre Dame. I wish good luck to Peter and hope that he uses his office to the best of his ability." "Brandon and I decided so late to make our campaign official that it could have been a hindrance," Reising said. "I know we ran a fair campaign, and no matter what, I am really glad to see a woman in office this year." Williams and Reising are not yet sure in what capacity they will serve on student government, but Williams is positive that they will both "stay involved. "I'm just glad to see the support the students had for us," he said. With incentives such as free fountain drinks at the Huddle and a raffle for a Sony Playstation, the student government judicial council tried to entice more of the undergraduate student population to vote in this year's election. And the strategy seemed to work; this year's turnout was better than in years past. "I am really excited that the turnout was higher than last year," said Nicole Borda, a member of the student government Judicial Council. "I am positive it was because of the incentives. I even had people calling me to rig the drawing for the Playstation. I didn't, of course." But now the voting is over, and Cesaro and Selak are ready to begin their new positions. "We are entrusted with a large role," Cesaro said. "We will not let the students down. "Our platform is double," Selak added. "We really are 'Putting Students First.'"
**World News Briefs**

Australian delegates approve breaking ties with Queen

CANNIBERIA, Australia

Delegates to a constitutional convention on Friday overwhelmingly supported Australia breaking diplomatic ties with the British monarchy. Spontaneous applause broke out in the chamber and public galleries as the crucial vote in favor of a republic passed by a vote of 89-52, with 11 abstentions. When the convention opened six weeks ago, pro-monarchist Prime Minister John Howard promised that he would put any model for a republic agreed upon by the convention to a public referendum by the end of 1999. "The Australian people are owed the opportunity of expressing an opinion on this," Howard said Friday. Monarchists hope to defeat the republic at the referendum, pro-republicans hope to have an Australian president as its head of state. Howard said Queen Elizabeth II is taking a great interest in the convention. "She's indicated to me ... she is a 20th-Century democrat, understands that the role of the crown in Australia rests in the hands of the Australian people as it has for almost a hundred years."

Nobel laureate loses job

WASHINGTON

Four months after winning the Nobel Peace Prize for campaigning to ban landmines, William Williams is leaving the job that brought her sudden prominence and a $500,000 check. There's also a question about who gets the other half of the $1 million prize. Williams' former employers said Thursday that as ambassador she has created problems rather than enhanced the campaign's standing.

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Arafat warns Israel of renewed fighting

RAMALLAH, West Bank

Frustrated by Israel's refusal to cede more West Bank land, Yasser Arafat threatened Thursday to bring "Operation Tally-Ho" out, the mark agreements and unleash a new uprising against Israel.

In a fiery speech coinciding with Israel's 50th anniversary celebrations, the Palestinian leader also reiterated he would declare a Palestinian state in the event the West Bank and Gaza Strip next year if the deadlock in negotiations continues.

"I have the right," he told reporters later.

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said the threat showed Arafat was not serious about peace.

"When Arafat says that if he doesn't get what he wants ... I will make an intifada," there is no better example of the fact that we have a long way to go before we reach real peace," Netanyahu told business people in Tel Aviv.

Meanwhile, fresh clashes erupted in the West Bank and Gaza Strip. In the divided town of Hebron, dozens of Palestinian high school students threw stones at Israeli soldiers manning a checkpoint, and troops fired rubber bullets in response.

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The Palestinian negotiators, who returned Thursday, arrived at Arafat's Ramallah headquarters to brief him as the Palestinian leader was speaking to a group of journalists and U.N. officials.

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**Halftime Consensus at ND/Georgetown Game**

In Washington, everyone who is any­one in politics has an opinion along with personal theories about the various aspects of the White House crisis. Seated just two sections apart last week at the Notre Dame/Georgetown basketball game were such notables as the CIA director, a former White House press secretary and noted national journalists Mark Shields and Al Hunt.

The Georgetown alumni networking takes on an art form at the new McGee Center. It was in full throttle as alumni could be overheard while they huddled in small groups on the concourse level during the halftime introduction. All seemed abuzz about the play of the Hoyas or the pathetic play of the Irish, but about the great Monica Lewinsky developments.

Look for a Monica in the White House in 2000. The subject of Monica during her early autumn phone conver­sation with the Rutherford Institute, the ultra-conservative organization bankrolling the Paula Jones $2 million suit against President Clinton. According to the institute's president, John Whitehead, the woman called weeks later and provided the full name, "Monica Lewinsky." Her tip began the series of events that will forever, partially characterize the Clinton presidency.

Whitehead denies that the woman's voice sounded like that of Linda Tripp, the now infamous tape-toting former White House employee who snatched gain­sec and secretly recorded her conversa­tions with young Lewinsky. To many, Whitehead's direct interest in this anonymous source muddles the truthful­ness of his assessment. Undeniably, the woman greatly assisted the anti-Clinton forces by serving Lewinsky on a silver platter to the aggressive Jones attorneys who, coincidentally, are paid by the Rutherford Institute.

Much has been said about the close link between independent prosecutor Kenneth Starr's investigation and the Paula Jones suit. At times, it has seemed like they were acting hand-in-hand. The public perception of a link between the extremes on each side of the issue ranges from the anti-Clinton question­able Internet reporting of the gossip­grabbing Matt Drudge to the full assault of Democratic loyalists like political strategist James Carville.

Those who, for the most, part are, rea­sonable, middle-of-the-road types or trained impartial reporters have gener­ally agreed on several facts. One, Attorney General Janet Reno's quick approval to expand Starr's investigation did not give credibility to any of the charges. Rather, she expedited matters by fleecing the lengthy process of creat­ing a large independent prosecutorial office.

It was initially prosecuted with sketchy, yet wildly astonishing information. Given the possibility that witnesses had decoyed, as well as tapes of White House personnel who claimed that the President and his friends committed per­jury and obstruction of justice, Reno had no choice but to expand Starr's scope of investigation. No reasonable law enforcement official would ignore such potentially damaging evidence or delay its examination.

A second generally accepted given is that Starr may not be as much of the crusading Clinton foe that some claim. Starr is so delirious in his conduct that conservative mavens close to his operation (as well as those close to the Judge) won't trust him to effectively proceed in a manner that would be polit­i­cally expedient to them. These zealots are after the person, not the crime. Therefore, they have continuously filed for evidence and orchestrated leaks to prod Starr, as well as to further embar­rass the President. However, as time passes and the facts are slowly exposed, their efforts have slowly backfired.

Examples of such backfires include the leak that Clinton admitted under oath in the Jones suit to an affair with Jennifer Flowers. That was false, but the leak allowed conservatives to run wildly for a while with the allegation. "See, I told you he was a leery liar." In the Jones case the President is bound by the court not to make public statements. The way his critics twist the truth, no one can blame Clinton for refusing to comment on the Lewinsky case.

Other leaks that contended that Lewinsky had tapes of Clinton's voice on her answering machine and that she had stained clothing were also false. In fact, Clinton's personal secretary, Betty Currie, not Lewinsky, had the clothing which Currie then turned over to Starr's office. That development has puzzled many, but Lewinsky's mother, Marcia Lewis, may be responsible for removing the items from her daughter's possession.

Compounding Lewinsky's woes are recent details outlining how Tripp, Lewinsky and Lewis held joint marathon phone conversations in which they specifically discussed ways to avoid subpoenas. It has been reported that in one conversa­tion, Lewinsky is supposed to have sug­gested to Tripp that a sickness or injury could prevent her from testifying. Lewinsky's mother is reported to have called that idea "brilliant."

Lewis may also have arranged for the legal counsel who wrote the infamous "talking points" document that suggested ways for Tripp to untruthfully answer questions under oath. Tripp, that document, along with her tape record­ings, to Starr. In turn, presented the materials to Reno. When word leaked out that the document existed, many of Clinton's adversaries speculated that the document may have come from the White House or from long-time Clinton friend, attorney Vernon Jordan.

Observers anticipate that despite the limited immunity given to Lewis, she may eventually face obstruction of jus­tice charges after she completes her three days of grueling testimony before the grand jury. The limited immunity granted in her only protects Lewis from using her own testimony as evidence. If Tripp recorded those conference conver­sations, Starr and the grand jury can use those tapes as evidence against both Lewinsky and Lewis. What most hurts mother and daughter are the reported references both have made on tape about rationalizing how they could tell lies. Lewinsky has noted that she has "lied throughout her entire life." Her mother does not see the harm in denying certain aspects of the case. The family credibility will be surely test­ed in the weeks to come.

Ultimately, the answer to the many questions posed in this matter may rest on the credibility of a star-struck young woman and her cavalier mother. It is not inconceivable that the manipulative tapping by Tripp, in its effort to discredit the President, may only damage Lewinsky and Lewis. The unanswerable aspect of the entire episode is that the reckless manner in which most of the details have come to light will undoubtedly hurt inno­cent people. Could we someday see the Clintons suing for damages when they return to their private lives? Now that would keep the Georgetown alumni net­work buzzing at halftime for many seasons to come.

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The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.
Calling all Liberals to Show Hearts

Am I the only one who believes that a woman still has the right to choose what she does with her body? That abortion is not any more wrong than using a condom or the pill, because the only difference between the two methods is a matter of time? That one would be a hypocrite to concede that one way is better than another? To ever take this right away, before or after fertilization, is just plain wrong. Ibidem, even though women may not, are capable, and cannot afford to have a baby.

Am I the only one who feels that welfare is a necessary evil in our society and that instead of cutting back on welfare we should instead expand it even more? That until there is a world with no deadbeat dads and good child care alternatives for poor single mothers who want to work, this alternative is the only option and therefore should be expanded to improve these people’s quality of living and environment.

Am I the only one who thinks affirmative action programs are the greatest thing for the advancement of minorities since the elimination of slavery? To say one’s environment does not hinder or help him, but only that it determines what he is capable of, is ridiculous? To claim that a poor man growing up in a ghetto surrounded by drugs and violence and ignorance, is no different from a rich man growing up in a house surrounded by books and music and beauty, is ridiculous? To claim that a poor man growing up in a ghetto surrounded by drugs and violence and ignorance, is no different from a rich man growing up in a house surrounded by books and music and beauty is ridiculous? To claim that a poor man growing up in a ghetto surrounded by drugs and violence and ignorance, is no different from a rich man growing up in a house surrounded by books and music and beauty is ridiculous?

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Jaclyn Villano

We all have people in our lives that we care about, and we hope that they know how much they mean to us. But how often do we really tell them? Sometimes it is just too tragic, like in the case of Justin Brumbaugh, to remind us that life is very precious and far too short to not do everything we can to honor this Valentine’s Day than to say “I love you” to anyone and everyone who deserves to hear it. That is why I am dedicating the remainder of this column to writing a valentine that is long overdue. This one is for my friends, the one who have seen me at my best, and my worst. These individuals were more occupied with the American people. We would like to address the toleration of Clinton's America, not so much because of its reflection on the American people. We would like to address DISTANT TO have a woman still be nice to hear from a female viewpoint. To believe that until there is a world with no deadbeat dads and good child care alternatives for poor single mothers who want to work, this alternative is the only option and therefore should be expanded to improve these people’s quality of living and environment is ridiculous. To claim that a poor man growing up in a ghetto surrounded by drugs and violence and ignorance is no different from a rich man growing up in a house surrounded by books and music and beauty is ridiculous? To claim that a poor man growing up in a ghetto surrounded by drugs and violence and ignorance is no different from a rich man growing up in a house surrounded by books and music and beauty is ridiculous? To claim that a poor man growing up in a ghetto surrounded by drugs and violence and ignorance is no different from a rich man growing up in a house surrounded by books and music and beauty is ridiculous?

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Sometimes I am amazed at how close we are, considering our endless differences. We hail from every corner of the country, as well as a few spots in between. We look, talk, act, think, and feel different about everything from music to men. But somehow we’ve managed to find the common thread that binds us together. For in our hearts we are the same. Thank you for opening my mind to new perspectives and for constantly challenging me to examine myself.

We’ve seen each other through some pretty tough times—losses of loved ones, heartbreaks, and other disappointments. I have learned from you that no one has to be strong all the time. Thank you for all the times you’ve let me lean on you, and for being my strength when I had none of my own left.

Some of my favorite memories are of us doing crazy, silly things, or just being together. Thank you for playing freeze tag in the snow, and for running around the second floor of the ‘Brame wearing chemistry goggles and carrying water guns. Thank you for cutting the occasional 8:30 a.m. class with me on Friday mornings to listen to Jimmy Buffet and go to breakfast. Thank you for sharing a banquet with us and for constantly challenging me to examine myself.

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Everyday will feature a reading at 8 p.m. in Washington Hall and a workshop in the Dooley Room of LaFortune Student Center at 2 p.m. that same day.

The schedule of events for this year's festival is as follows:

Saturday, Feb. 14 — Amy Hempel
This short story writer has written books of novellas and short fiction that have given her status as one of the top writers of the genre. Her most recent work, "Tumbling Home," published in 1997 has received glowing critical reviews. In a recent article about her visit to Brown University, students praised her ability to set aside time to focus her comments on voice and tone.

Sunday, Feb. 15 — Doug Liman
The director of the ultra-hip, pop culture romp, "Swingers" will give a talk about independent filmmaking and his own brand of filmmaking, which he calls, "guerrilla filmmaking." "Swingers," an independent film success story, was Liman's first feature on which he served as both director and director of photography.

Monday, Feb. 16 — George Elliot Clarke
This Afri-Canadian poet, formerly of Ottawa, Ontario, who currently lives in Durham, N.C., incorporates a romantic style with everyday language and Black and Canadian culture. His most recent book of poetry is "Whylah Falls."

Tuesday, Feb. 17 — Student Readings
Every year, a few brave students stand and deliver in the name of literary greatness. This year's crop includes Thomas Coyne, a graduate student; Mary Margaret Nussbaum, a freshman from Howard; Jenny Shank, a sophomore from Pasquerilla East; David Griffith, an off-campus senior; and Nathan Moore, a sophomore from Siegfried.

Wednesday, Feb. 18 — Campbell McGrath
This poet from Chicago writes explosive verse about the American experience. His latest works are "American Noise" and "Spring Comes to Chicago." He is one of the most up-and-coming poets of his generation.

Thursday, Feb. 19 — Harlan Ellison
This short story writer is one of the best living writers today. He has written 64 books of short stories — close to 1,700 stories in all. His works have been translated into 26 languages. He has also written a work of interactive fiction called, "I Have No Mouth and I Must Scream." Among his most influential stories are "Slippage," "Angry Candy" and "Deathbird Stories.

Top Ten Valentine's Day gifts for her...

1. VICTORIA'S SECRET
2. A YEAR'S SUBSCRIPTION TO THE OBSERVER
3. FREE SENIOR BAR MEMBERSHIP
4. SOMEONE TO SCRABBLE THE ICE OFF THE WINDSHIELD IN THE MORNING
5. A ROMANTIC GETAWAY FOR TWO... TO THE BEACON BOWL
6. DINNER AT CJ's
7. A PROFESSIONAL BACK MASSAGE
8. A KITTEN NAMED WAFFLES
9. THE BACKSTREET BOYS CD
10. ROSES, CANDY, DINNER, A CARD... ANYTHING... EVEN AN SYR DATE
By RACHEL TORRES
Saint Mary's Accent Editor

It's been almost a year in the making. This weekend, Saint Mary's College will host its annual Sophomore Parents' Weekend. "Forever Your Girl" is the theme that will prevail over the scheduled events for sophomores and their parents. From the parents' arrival Friday night to the continental breakfast Sunday morning, Saint Mary's sophomores will have the whole weekend to spend quality time with their parents.

Fliers were sent home to the sophomore parents to let them know the event was coming, which helped stir up initial excitement.

"My parents were excited about it, so that made me more excited about it, too," said sophomore Bridget Heffernan. "Since I'm one of five kids, this is one of the only times I'll have to spend with my parents alone," Heffernan added.

Along with a committee of 14, sophomore Erin Hall assumed the responsibility of planning the event. "It's going to be a very exciting weekend. I know we worked very hard on it, and it should be a lot of fun," she said.

Despite the fact that attendance at SPW has been on the decline the past few years, this year saw a sharp rise in the number of students and parents who will participate. "We sold 152 tickets to sophomores and are expecting a total of 450 students and parents to participate in the weekend," said Hall.

For $90, students purchased tickets for themselves and two parents to participate in all of the activities.

Schedule of Events

Friday — Parents arrive

Saturday — 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. Academic Open House in LeMans Lobby. Professors from all departments will be on hand to meet with parents and students.

Lunch

2 p.m. — Basketball game in Angela Athletic Facility SMC vs. Wheaton College

2 p.m. - 4 p.m. — Social event: Coffee, tea, cookies, and games in Haggar Parlor

4:30 p.m. — Sophomore class mass in Church of Loretto

7 p.m. - 1 a.m. — Dinner-dance at the Century Center. Sit-down dinner, welcome reception with speech by President Eldred and class president Nancy Midden

Sunday — 8 a.m. - 11 a.m. continental breakfast in Stapleton Lounge

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3. PIZZA AND CHAMPAGNE
4. A COPY OF THE LATEST JOHN WOO FILM
5. BEACON BOWL
6. VIDEO GAMES, VIDEO GAMES, AND MORE VIDEO GAMES
7. A PROFESSIONAL MASSAGE
8. ANYTHING STAR WARS
9. GUNS AND ROSES
10. SOMEONE WITH WHOM TO CELEBRATE VALENTINE'S DAY
**NBA**

**Pippen, Hardaway talk trades**

Associated Press

**CHICAGO**

Scottie Pippen, who has been relatively quiet this season, says this is Jackson's year. "I want to be the perfect No. 2 this season," says he'd prefer to play second season on the West Coast.

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Swimmers enter home stretch

By MATTYUNG
Sports Writer

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went on a 11-2 run to close out the half and give the team a 37-19 lead going into the locker room.

“I think our strength this year is our balance,” McGraw said. “We’ve got six people who have led the team in scoring on different occasions. Last year, we were a two-man team. It’s a great thing, but it’s also one of our weaknesses, because we haven’t had that one person consistently step up every single game.”

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Flying Irish Basketball Tournament — Notre Dame Air Force ROTC will host 33 teams in their 12th annual basketball tournament this weekend. Opening ceremonies for the tournament begin at 7:45 a.m. on Saturday and play will continue throughout the weekend.

Notre Dame baseball team has already stepped into its role as the team's clean-up man, blasting a ninth-inning grand slam in a 10-8 loss to N.C. State. Right-hander Alex Illsley, scheduled to start tomorrow's game against New Orleans, leads a talented Irish pitching staff. Illsley's five shutout innings against FSU proves he is ready to carry the team.

"Alex is a big-game pitcher," said Mainieri. "He always seems to rise to the occasion for us." With this season's early start, the Irish possess a new enthusiastic attitude. "The early start has been an advantage for us," said Mainieri. "The guys have put their game faces on earlier, and practices have been intense.

"Some people seemed surprised that we went down to Florida and played so well our first time on the field. But I was not surprised because of the enthusiasm level."
Irish prepare for Big East meet

By KATHLEEN O'BRIEN
Sports Writer

A limited number of athletes will compete for the Notre Dame track and field team this weekend in two separate meets — the Butler Invitational in Indianapolis and the Central Collegiate Championships in Ann Arbor, Mich.

Competition in the Central Collegiate Championships will consist of mostly Big Ten schools such as Michigan and Michigan State, and Mid-American Conference schools like Western Michigan, Eastern Michigan, Central Michigan, and Toledo, many of which the Irish faced earlier in the year.

The Butler Invitational has traditionally invited teams such as Florida, Stanford, LSU, and Arkansas, giving Irish runners a chance to face some different competition. Both tracks are 200-meters, but Butler's is banked, while Michigan's is more similar to the track on which the Big East Championships will be held.

The Fighting Irish coaches are employing different strategies to ensure that their athletes will be in top form for the Big East Championships.

We are using this weekend as preparation for the Big East meet, as one more chance to run and as a chance for kids to test their times and confidence up for the conference meet," said Millar.

"I guess I'm just trying to improve my time and get ready for the Big East. It should be a good indication for the 500-meter run next week if I can get my time down in the 400-meter run, and it should definitely help my speed," said 400-meter runner Schmiedt.

Scott Winser, the field events coach, will be giving the women field athletes some time off to prepare for the Big East while taking basically all of the men in order to help him decide who to put in the Big East meet.

"It will be a very good meet. The competition is very stiff," said Winser. "There's good talent there, so it is a good prep-Big East meet."

"I'd like to stay kind of consistent, around 6-foot-9 or 6-foot-10," said top high jumper Dan Connelly. "If I can keep the rhythm going heading into the Big East."

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Notre Dame signs German defender

Notre Dame men's soccer coach Mike Berticelli has added a fourth player to his 1998 recruiting class. Markus Berndt of Blaubeuren, Germany, a 6-foot-1, 160 lbs. midfielder/defender, has signed a national letter of intent to play for the Irish beginning with 1998 campaign.

Berndt becomes the fourth recruit to sign with Notre Dame for the upcoming season. Last week, Berticelli signed other players to national letters of intent — Shane Walton, Evan Oliver, and Matt Roso.

Berndt, who has been attending the Universität des Saarlandes for the past two years, graduated from he Gymnasium Kusel where he was a standout on the school's soccer team. As a captain, he led his team to back-to-back Rheinland-Pfaltz state championships in 1993 and 1994.

Berndt has been a defender on the FC Kaiserslautern squad for three years. Presently, he has a league-leading 15-0-2 record and he has scored two goals. He was a starter for FC Kaiserslautern which twice finished as runner-up in the German Youth championship. In 1994, his squad finished second at the Dallas Cup losing to Real Madrid in the finals.

His brother Michael currently is a member of the under-19 German National team.

"Marcus brings maturity, experience and sophistication to our soccer team," Berticelli said. "He has tremendous leadership qualities that will help our team overcome the loss of our graduating seniors. His experience with both Homberg and Kaiserslautern is a true testament of his quality as a player and person."
Saint Mary's falls to Manchester

By JANICE WEIERS
Sports Writer

Saint Mary's basketball team ran out of time Wednesday night at Manchester College, losing 82-76. The game was bittersweet for senior Julie McGill, who re-wrote the Saint Mary's record book for the fifth time in her career. Going into the game, the tri-captain needed only a pair of rebounds to break Jennie Taubenheim's career-rebounding record of 625. McGill answered with 14, bringing her total to 637 with four games left to play.

For the Belles, the mental aspect of the game was missing during the first 20 minutes. "We're fine physically, just mentally we are having some problems," said junior Charlotte Albrecht. "We just couldn't get the ball past half-court during the first half."

The Belles trailed by 15 at halftime, but they came out fighting in the second half. "We figured out how to break through the press," said Albrecht. "We changed our defense and press-breaker a little."

Although the first half was over, the Belles kept their heads in the second half. "If you want to win a basketball game, you need to play two halves, not just one," said senior Brenda Hoban.

The Belles host Wheaton College at 2 p.m. tomorrow.

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that was the result of turnovers in the neutral zone. That is something that we’re emphasizing this time around. Ohio State has two aggressive lines that like to capitalize on mistakes, and while turnovers haven’t plagued us all season, we are going to focus on taking care of the puck in the neutral zone,” recalled Eisele.

“We’re trying to cut down on our neutral zone turnovers,” Chipchase said. “Eliminating those will be important for us to do to win.”

Chipchase, a freshman forward, has appeared in all 31 games this season and has recorded four goals and one assist.

“Coach [Dave Poulin] has played me and I am fortunate for that,” he explained. “I obviously haven’t been in this position of coming down the stretch of the CCHA season before, but it’s very exciting and I like the way Coach is having us approach the last seven games.”

While Saturday night’s contest against Western Michigan might not be as romantic or attention-grabbing as the game against bitter rival Ohio State, it is just as significant. Notre Dame needs to earn the precious two points this game offers, but in the end it has been these games against lower-ranked opponents that have been an anathema to the Irish.

“There may be a danger of looking past them,” analyzed Chipchase, “but I know that Coach and I never let us do that. They are a quality opponent, and we will be ready for them.”

By SHANNON RYAN

Sponsored Tennis

Slumping Irish host Buckeyes, ’Canes

AFTER two consecutive losses, the Notre Dame men’s tennis team will feel for the clutch in two home games this weekend.

“It’s hard to shift gears down,” head coach Bob Bayliss said of declining Irish performances. “We’ve got to get going because it’s a lot easier to shift into a higher gear.”

In the midst of a home stretch, the Irish are hoping to accelerate against Ohio State Friday at 3:30 p.m. and Miami Sunday at 1 p.m. at the Eck Pavilion.

If Notre Dame has any hopes of picking up speed, the team must improve its backhander doubles play. In dual matches this season, the Irish are win-

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a win in dual matches. Their losing record has left the Irish dismayed at the drawing board.

“I know they’re No. 5 in doubles (traditionally), but they’re 0-3 in dual matches,” Bayliss said after the Irish fell victim to Kentucky Wednesday. “I don’t know if it’s the chemistry or the combinations or what. I may have to change the combinations.”

If the Irish can’t design a workable formula for doubles by the weekend, the combination could prove deadly.

“The Buckeyes’ pairs swept three teams this year, including Minnesota, whose doubles beat the Irish in straight sets. OSU duo Scott Wiles and Ben basil are the most powerful combo, boasting a 4-0 record on the season.

Ohio State’s strength is not solely concentrated on doubles. Senior Californian Yo Chu leads its singles line-up. No. 2 Chris Perier and No. 3 Bob Wellstein will provide back-up.

“They’re good straight down the line,” Bayliss said. “They’re a very well-balanced team.”

After trying to offset OSU’s steadiness, the Irish will attempt to disrupt Miami’s equilibrium.

The Hurricanes beat the Irish 4-1 in last year’s Big East championship, leaving Notre Dame disgruntled in second place.

“They beat us last year and we beat them the two years before,” said Bayliss of the ‘Canes, winners of four of the last five years Big East Championships. “We’ve developed quite a rivalry with them. The spotlight will be focused on center court Sunday as Ryan Sarchie, bright spot for the Irish, takes on freshman phenom Rudy Rake.

Rake, ranked second nationally and seventh globally for under-18 competitors, is more like a brand new wing. Joining Miami after amateur fall play and experiencing the professional satellite circuit, Rake has now become the eye of the Hurricanes.

If the Irish are going to weather the storm, they need to recover in more ways than one. In the sixth position, Andy Warford’s ankle is still a problem — he sprained it chasing a ball against Kentucky.

“Andy’s playing at a real high level,” Bayliss said. “That’s a plus if he can resume at the same level.”

Danny Rothchild and Sachtire have been the warm spots and may serve us possible remedies for the recent Irish/recent blues. Still, blue and gold weekend victories hinge on an all-team, all-star performance.
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Women's Tennis

Weekend matches will test Irish

By TIM CASEY
Sports Writer

The women’s tennis team hopes to improve upon its undefeated record this weekend when it plays host to Tennessee, Boston College and Ohio State. The Irish are 2-0 on the season with impressive wins against Drake and Purdue.

Coach Jay Louderback has been pleased with his team’s performance so far this year.

“We looked good throughout the lineup in our two wins. We are always strong in singles, but our doubles have been playing well as of late.”

The Irish were not in action last weekend, but the two top players on the team, Jennifer Hall and Michelle Dasso competed in the Rolex National indoor tournament, while advanced to the quarterfinals, Dasho lost in three sets to the eventual tournament finalist.

The national experience benefitted Hall and Dasso. They competed against the top players in the country and that will only help in the future,” said Louderback.

The Tennessee Volunteers of coachprove a good challenge for the Irish. They are led by senior Manisha Malhotra, an all-American last year. Malhotra advanced to the round of 16 at the national indoors. The No. 1 doubles team of Malhotra and Margie Legai made it to the indoor semifinals.

Tennessee is a very talented team that returns two all-Americans in Malhotra and Legai.

“We are also very strong at the top, so it should be a good match. We are eager to see where we match up with one of the best teams in the country," said Louderback.

Ohio State played well against Tennessee earlier in the season. They are very young but talented at the top of their lineup with their top two singles players being freshmen. Kristy Dascoli and Briana Harris, Ohio State’s top two players, had impressive wins over Malhotra and Legai. Dascoli beat Malhotra in a third set tie-breaker, while Harris beat Legai 6-4, 6-2. Dascoli and Harris were high school teammates and co-captains at the prestigious Bradenton Academy in Florida.

“Ohio State is one of the best teams in the Midwest. They are young, with only one senior in their lineup Dascoli and Harris are only freshmen, but they have had national experience since they were young," said Louderback. The Eagles...

Big East Conference foe Boston College is also young. Its top two singles players are also freshmen. Cynthia Tow, Chestnut Hill, Mass., plays No. 1 for the Eagles. Freshman Karen Fernando is the second singles player for BC after completing an undefeated state championship year in Oregon as a high school senior.

“Boston College always has good players,” said Louderback. "I do not know much about their freshmen but they must be very talented to play so high on the ladder. It will be good to play a match against a Big East school before the tournament in April.”

Louderback and his team are eager to play.

This weekend will be a good test because we will be playing three ranked teams,” he said. "We are looking forward to getting back on the courts after having last weekend off."
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Irish crush Red Storm

Home court advantage sparks victory

By BILL HART
Sports Writer

The road has not been a pleasant place for the Notre Dame women's basketball team, but the friendly confines of the Joyce Center have always provided some comfort.

With the end of the conference season approaching, a three-game streak should be the spark that the Irish need to return to the front of the conference pack. Last month, Notre Dame started that spark with a 76-44 victory over the St. John's Red Storm.

While St. John's won the turnover battle in the game, the Irish defense quickly forced a turnover, on the ensuing possession, freshman Kentel Siemon put up a layup for the first points of the game. Eight seconds later, a three-pointer by junior Sheila McMillen forced a SJA 20-second timeout.

The Red Storm finally got on the board two minutes into the contest with a jumper by senior Laratia Gunteld. On the next possession, sophomores Niele Ivey and Lauren Kenny came down hard and was forced to leave the contest. Although she walked off the court under her own power, she did not return to the game.

"We're not sure whether it was a bruised hip," said head coach Muffet McGraw of the injury. "She was going up to shoot when she got hit. She got right on the bone."

Ivey immediately went to work off the bench, hitting two free-throws to push the lead to 9-2. After another SJA turnover, Green went to the bucket again, this time making the layup off a pass from Siemon. A minute later, senior Moiite Perrick stretched the lead to 14-4.

"She's a terrific defender, a tremendous rebounder, and she really goes to the basket," said McGraw of Green. "I thought she played a very good game tonight, and I think that we need her in the game, especially defensively. We need to rebound better, and she's one of the best rebounders on the team."

It was then that the Red Storm decided to go on a run of their own, cutting the lead to 18-14 with 10:22 left in the half. However, Green provided a spark for the Irish, making the next three points to keep St. John's at bay.

A jumper from senior Kerri Hulshizer pushed the lead to 23-14, followed by a three-point play from Siemon. At the half, the Irish have been time-out, the Irish

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Irish sure will face the Buckeyes and the Mustangs this weekend.

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Hurricane warning threatens Irish

By BRIAN REINTHALER
Assistant Sports Editor

After taking advantage of their home court to snap a two-game losing streak, Irish hit the road again this weekend to play the first of two upcoming contests against rival Miami.

The Hurricanes enter the contest with an 8-4 record in the conference, coming off a 79-63 defeat at the hands of Syracuse on Saturday. Leading Miami, as always, will be the imposing presence of Tim James. He averages 17.8 points and 9.7 rebounds per game and has caused serious trouble for the opposition on both ends of the floor.

Besides having to contend with James’ size in the paint, Notre Dame will once again be forced to take the floor without sharpshooter Keith Friel. Friel has yet to play in the month of February, missing the last three games after suffering a hamstring injury in a win over St. John’s on Jan. 31.

When asked if he felt any added pressure since Friel went down, small forward Levricus Williamson indicated that he did not.

"My role is to come in and support the team however I can," explained the freshman. "Keith’s job is to score."

While Williamson correctly acknowledged that he currently functions as more of a role player than Friel, he did admit that he feels there is more he can do on the offensive end.

"I’m feeling pretty good about the time I’m playing and what I’m doing with it," Williamson commented. "But I think I can do a little more scoring. I haven’t been as aggressive with scoring and I need to work on that."

The player who finds himself in the spotlight more than any other in Friel’s absence is junior Antoni Wyche. The shooting guard has always expressed his belief that he can be an offensive threat for the Irish, but the shots have just not been falling lately.

Wyche finished with eight points in the win over Boston College on Saturday, just 2-of-13 from the field and 0-7 from beyond the arc.

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