Elections '98

Students elect Cesaro/Selak to top positions

By HEATHER MACKENZIE
Assistant News Editor

After winning 55 percent of 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/Trek Nass 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 Pete 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

New RecSports center opens on Valentine’s Day

By KRISTI KLITSCH
Assistant News Editor

Fitness has gained popularity on college campuses everywhere, but at Notre Dame, recreational space is limited.

Physical education classes are taught at the Rockne Memorial and varsity athletes constantly practice in the Loftus Sports Center and the Joyce Center. But tomorrow, a new recreational facility will open, providing fitness-conscious students with more space in which to exercise.

The $8.8 million Rolfs Sports Recreation Center is designed for students. It offers the modern facility that would meet students’ needs.

In the early 1990s, President Edward Malloy issued a report for the University called the Colloquy for the Year 2000. This commission, which produced the report, analyzed all aspects of Notre Dame, including student life, faculty and financing. A part of the Colloquy presented the need for additional indoor recreational space.

Once the recreational space was recommended, it became a possibility. We then began looking for possible financial supporters, said Sally Derengoski, director of RecServices and director of the Rolfs Sports Center.

Financial support came in the form of a $5 million donation from Notre Dame alumni Thomas and Robert Rolfs. This is their second major donation to the University for athletic purposes; the first was the Rolfs Aquatic Center, completed in 1985.

After financial support was secured, the University focused its efforts on constructing a recreational facility that would meet students’ needs.

“The needs really presented themselves,” Derengoski said. “We recognized the limited space available at the Rock and the JACC, and went from there.”

In addition, the Campus Life Council conducted a student survey as to what should be included in the Rolfs Sports Center, and the RecSports office accepted suggestions concerning the types of fitness equipment to purchase.
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Outside the Dome

Compiled from U-Wire reports

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 and disbursed to Contracted Independent Organizations.

The allegations are "in regard to an altering of the bill and a discrepancy between SAF numbers and our accounts," Council President Sageena Gavarghese said. As reimbursement efforts through 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 voucher is filled out and, if approved, is sent to Hancher, who then writes a check.

In the event of a discrepancy, Council officials typically discuss the situation with Hancher and the wheels started turning," he said.

Several current members support Soschin and see the need for 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.

University of Minnesota

Men allege assault by wrestler

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. At least one Gophers wrestler is under investigation for an assault that allegedly occurred in the early morning on Jan. 25. Associate athletic director Tom Schenkel and wrestling coach J. Roby confirmed that at least one Gophers wrestler was involved. Nobody on the team has been charged at this point. "We have tried to cooperate with police as much as we can, and that's still going on," Schenkel said. According to a police report, Kevin Fix and Slaven Schimmel were approached by a group of seven or eight males outside a house in Dinkytown. A verbal confrontation turned into an assault, and both victims sustained substantial 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. Schimmel said that the department will let the police handle the case until further facts are known.

University of Montana

One dead, one injured in accident

MISSOULA, Mont.

Keith Dukes was working on scaffolding at the ground in the University Theatre Tuesday when it collapsed. He was injured and a co-worker, UM Police Sgt. Charles Gatewood said the accident took place between 9:50 a.m. and 10:10 a.m. Dukes was declared dead at 10:30 a.m. in St. Patrick Hospital, and fellow Sirius Construction worker Jeff Ipsen, 45, of Missoula, had been on the scaffolding putting in six saw 1-beams for a new rigging system in the theater. A third worker, who was on the ground, saw the accident and ran to call 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 pelvis. UM and hospital night supervisor Gerry Unbehd said Ipsen will be in the intensive care unit by morning.

James Madison University

JMU suspends controversial doctor

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 treats James Madison students referred to him by the school's Counseling Center, faces allegations at Virginia Medical Board said is "not a therapy, per se." Showalter, who is a former independent contractor with the Virginia Medical Board who licensed him, but it is a "roughly" licensed him, but it is "not a therapy, per se." Showalter, who is a former independent contractor with the Virginia Medical Board said is "not a therapy, per se." Showalter, who is a former independent contractor with the Virginia Medical Board said is "not a therapy, per se." Showalter, who is a former independent contractor with the Virginia Medical Board said is "not a therapy, per se." Showalter, who is a former independent contractor with the Virginia Medical Board said is "not a therapy, per se."
Beeler scholarship fund accumulates $1.5 million

Special to the Observer

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 Higg 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.

PEACE CORPS

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Student applicants should have research interests in an environmentally-related discipline (any field of study) 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 been 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.

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Dance workshop presents show

"Beyond Routines," a series of works presented by the Saint Mary's College/Notre Dame Dance Workshop, will be performed tonight and tomorrow at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 3:30 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.
Latin/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)

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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 Rolf 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 comprised of two spacious activity rooms and a landing overlooking 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 barrel hall. 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 Rockne 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. "We designed the floor so that it allowed a lot of movement and was easier on the legs," Derengoski explained.

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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-eighth of a mile on the inside lane. The track is surrounded by a railing which overlooks the gyms on the lower level. It is composed of a synthetic mixture and the surface has smallumps which ease pressure on the stairs by providing more friction.

"The track itself cost over half a million dollars," Derengoski said. "This way, every student can listen to what they want to." The fitness area will include stair-masters, treadmills, stationary bikes, ellipticals and other equipment. Ellipticals are suspended steps that glide back and forth, simulating 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 Seebek 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 library and the new offices of the RecSports department and the IRISHealth Resource Center.

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The fitness room provides access to television, video tapes, and students can tune into that on free-play.

The final component of the entry-level will be the check-in desk. One side of the desk will be dedicated to RecSports, including sign-ups for interhall activities and other RecSports programs. The other side of the desk will be an information and equipment station where work-study students 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, locker rooms 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, volleyball, soccer and lacrosse practices and games. With many varsity practices in the Joyce Center, these club sports enjoy little practice time, the Rolfs Sports Center will alleviate this problem. 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 also doors which will allow other goals to be put in as needed.

The lower level also includes two gymnasiums with markings for basketball, volleyball and racquetball. The basketball court is divided into four sections, and a volleyball court will practice on one of the courts, but the other two will be open for student use.

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

"The Rolfs Center will be the place for basketball, volleyball and other forms of free-play," she said. "Free-play in the Joyce Center 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 only recreational table-tennis available on campus," she said. "The final feature of the lower level are the men's and women's locker rooms. The men's locker room has more than 200 lockers, and the women's locker room has 150. In addition, the perimeter of the gyms will contain coin-rental lockers for student or faculty use.

THE RULES

The Rolfs Sports Recreation Center will be open to all Notre Dame students, staff, faculty, retirees and the children of 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., Saturday from 9 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 it 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 prizes given away 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 PJ Marketing, Inc. Following the dedication and games the facility will be open for regular use.

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the 'working poor,'" said Carla Biles, the clinical 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 services rendered, and if they cannot, maybe they can give us $1," 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 80 private physicians volunteer for two or more hours per month at the clinic, and some of these work on a weekly basis. A number of nurses and retired persons also volunteer their time to make the clinic a living, breathing entity.

Forty-eight undergraduate and graduate students from Notre Dame, Saint Mary's and Holy Cross College volunteer on a weekly basis at the clinic as well. "We call our students 'Clinic Assisted Volunteers,'" Peters said. "The amount they can do is amazing. When they first start, such as preparing charts, and making reminder phone calls of things when they first start, "she said. "They can do a number of things."

"I never realized until I started working at the clinic just how much it had been affecting me," said Ed McCoul, this year's recipient of the undergraduate scholarship. "I have come to realize that the clinic has given to him. He's been able to meet a lot of people who are getting a lung transplant, he will need home care. 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 work," 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 schedules to volunteer as well."

Elma Bautista, a staff member at Chapin Street Health Center, shows quite an admiration for the clinic. "I think that it is amazing, when you think about it, 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."

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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 dates were reluctant to vote, despite the prizes,” said Mrowka, “but we found that many who did not know about the candidates were reluctant to vote, despite the prizes.”

The winners follow:
• Sony Playstation
  Dorell Garcia, Welsh Family Hall
• Georgetown vs. ND Basketball Tickets
  Ryan Constantine, Welsh Family Hall
• Outback Steakhouse Voucher
  Laura Andlikowski, Lewis Hall
• Football Signed by Notre Dame Coaches
  Frank Whitman, Fisher Hall
• Spaghettili’s Voucher
  Bridget Wilkinson, Lyons Hall
• FunTan Gift Certificate
  Katie Donahoe, Breen Phillips Hall
• Movie Passes
  Noelle Passio
• FunTan Gift Certificate
  Rebecca Roulston, Knott Hall
• Spaghettili’s Voucher
  M. Lee Koon, Galvin Hall
• Papa John’s Voucher
  Gene Brtalik, Stanford Hall
• FunTan Gift Certificate
  Katie Donahoe, Breen Phillips Hall

Afterward, members of Notre Dame’s Latino and Hispanic community can voice their concerns and views regarding the proposals.

Mass will be offered for all participants at 5:15 p.m. at Guglielmo Chapel in Keough 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 “Convivencia,” 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 Hu-Dehart, from the University of Colorado, will serve as the mediator.

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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Scholars meet to plan Latino concentration
By ALEX ORR
News Writer

The University’s population of Latino and Hispanic students has been increasing as fast as any in the nation in recent years, putting a new face on the school’s student body.

In order to address these changing demographics — a full 10 percent of Notre Dame students are now Hispanic — there will be a planning session this weekend for the proposed academic concentration in Latino/Hispanic studies.

Beginning today, the planning session will bring together guest presenters from all over the country in an effort to chart the future path of this concentration. These sessions will take place in rooms 100 through 104 of the Center for Continuing Education.

The discussions will kick off at 1:30 p.m. today with a session called “The Samora Legacy,” chaired by Father Timothy Scully, and featuring presenters Gilberto Cardenas of the University of Texas, Refugio Gonzalez from the University of Texas, and Frank Santoni will speak.

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Cesaro plans to start his term
Although Williams and
"Brandon and I decided so
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port the students had for us," he said.
With incentives such as free
fountain drinks at the Huddle
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RAMALLAH, West Bank

Frustrated by Israel's refusal to reallocate more West Bank land, Yasser Arafat threatened Thursday to "cross out" the peace 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 parts of 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 show of force Arafat was not serious about peace.

"When Arafat says that he doesn't get what he wants...I will make an interdiction," 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.

In Gaza, Palestinian police tried to tear down a peace erected by Jewish settlers in a land dispute outside the Neve Dukhim settlement. A scuffle broke out between Palestinian police and Israeli troops, and one Israeli soldier was slightly hurt by a rifle butt thrown by a Palestinian policeman, the Israeli army said.

Palestinian police briefly detained their weapons on Israeli soldiers, but left the area after commanders intervened. Such instances of Israeli and Palestinian soldiers threatening one another have been on the rise in recent weeks, but so far the two sides have stopped short of firing on each other.

The latest violence and mutual recriminations come at a time when the peace talks are on hold, partly because of deep divisions and partly because of the crisis in Iraq. Israeli-Palestinian negotiators held talks with U.S. officials in Washington earlier this week, but made no progress.

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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Federal judge rejects line-item veto

**Associated Press**

WASHINGTON

A federal judge threw out President Clinton's new line-item veto authority Thursday, delivering a blow to a power both Clinton and the Republican Congres said was crucial for limiting wasteful spending. A decision by the Supreme Court seems likely in the next few months.

U.S. District Judge Thomas F. Hogan ruled that the line-item veto, enacted in 1996 and used for the first time last year, is unconstitutional under the U.S. Constitution, their republic, and their democracy. "A lot of the reformist zeal that came in in 1994 hasn't died but has regrown," said Rep. Mark Souder, R-Ind., a line-item veto supporter.

Souder was elected in 1994, when a constitutional amendment for a line-item veto was part of the Republican "Contract With America." Opponents of the power rejoiced in Thursday's ruling, including Sen. Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., one of six lawmakers who challenged the law's constitutionality last year.

Their suit was rejected when a judge ruled they lacked legal standing to bring the case.

"This is a victory for the American people," said Byrd, a fierce defender of Congress' prerogatives. "It is their Constitution, their republic, and their liberties that have been made more secure.

Clinton used the new power 82 times last year, but twice on spending items, saving taxpayers more than $1 billion. Although I am disappointed with today's ruling, it is my belief that ultimately, the line-item veto will be ruled constitutional by the U.S. Supreme Court," he said.

Numerous congressional proponents of the power also predicted ultimate victory — either at the Supreme Court or in a renewed effort to pass a new version, perhaps as a constitutional amendment. The measure in question was a law, not a constitutional amendment, because proponents could not muster the two-thirds majority needed to change the Constitution.

"We'll fight and win," said Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz.

But others conceded that if there is a next time, there might be less enthusiasm for the power. The approaching age of budget surpluses has made deficit reduction less urgent, and many lawmakers were unhappy last year when Clinton used the power to kill projects in their home districts.

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Gary Caruso

Halftime Consensus at ND/Georgetown Game

In Washington, everyone who is anyone in politics has an opinion along with a few at universities 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 banking investment chief, an esteemed Irish, but about the latest Monica Lewinsky developments.

Noted national journalists Mark Shields and Al Hunt. The Georgetown alumni networking takes an art form at the new MCI Center. It was full throttle as alumni courses over and around while they huddled in small groups on the concourse level discussing the halftime introduction. All were abuzz not about the poor play of the Hoyas or the pathetic play of the Irish, but about the most recent Monica Lewinsky developments.

Look for a Monica in the White House, or at least in the administration during her early autumn phone conversation with the Rutherford Institute, the ultra-conservative organization running her 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 sought national journalists and not national journalists Mark Shields

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 wild for a while with the allegation, "See, I told you he was a sleazy 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 thatConfirm that Lewinsky cut 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 everyone. But even as the President's, 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 Tripp 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 gave that document, along with her tape recordings, to Starr. 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 these 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 said 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 sorely 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 tapings by Tripp, as an effort to discredit the President, may only damage Lewis and Lewinsky. The one unifying 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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DOONESBURY

DO QUOTE OF THE DAY

"L et us love one another, for love is of God."

—1 John 4:7
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 an easy choice and asking for help can be 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 is 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?

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 not easy to tell someone how much we care, especially to the people we love, romantically and other things. 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 not easy to tell someone how much we care, especially to the people we love, romantically and other things.
Saturday marks the beginning of the annual sophomore celebration of all that is literary called, oddly enough, The Sophomore Literary Festival. Previous years have seen Tom Clancy, Mark Leyner, Alistair Macleod and other famous writers impart their years of experience (and sometimes unconventional ideas) to willing students of literature. This year's festival includes two short story writers, five student readers, two poets and a director.

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, “guerilla 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 SCRAPE THE ICE OFF THE WINDSHIELD IN THE MORNING
5. A ROMANTIC GETAWAY FOR TWO... TO THE BEACON BOWL
6. DINNER AT CJS
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
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

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

1. VICTORIA'S SECRET
2. VICTORIA'S SECRET MODEL
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
Steve Young signed a record contract on Thursday that made the San Francisco 49ers happy.

On the eve of the NFL's two-month free-agent signing period, Young reigned the league's highest-paid player with a $27.5 million, six-year deal. The contract is comparable to Young's $45 million, six-year deal, which the 49ers tore up.

Garrison Hearst signed a five-year, $15.1 million contract. Hearst, the 49ers' first 1,800-yard rusher in five years, received a $3.25 million signing bonus.

Young can begin signing with other teams on Friday. Among other signings Thursday, the Minnesota Vikings made Todd Steussie the highest-paid offensive lineman in NFL history. The contract is worth $32 million, five-year contract. Brian McFarland, the NFL's top special-teams player, signed a five-year-deal with the New England Patriots. Helped New Orleans Saints defensive tackle Steve Heilman and defensive end Willie McGuinnes.

The New York Giants released tight end Aaron Pierce, who had averaged just 15.9 yards per reception last season.

The Charlotte Hornets in Charlotte on Wednesday evening, said Young should return.

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Hardaway, discussed Wednesday in an arrested three-man meeting with the New Jersey Nets and Toronto Raptors, said his stipulation has been for remaining with the Magic for the rest of his career. He said he wants to "truly" become a headliner.

"I know the weight of the franchise is on my shoulders. I know what I've been through. It's going down. If that happens, I'm not going to live with myself," he said.

"When does it come to a point where they believe an athlete when he says he wants to stay? Or do you just go ahead and trade him because it's going to happen again?"

The proposed blockbuster deal would have been for Hardaway to the Nets, who would have sent center Greg Oden and Sam Cassell to the Magic.

The Magic would have received Damon Stoudamire and Heisley. But neither of the two teams believed the other would believe a trade of two All-Star's will become a free agent after next season but insists he did not intend to follow in the footsteps of Shaquille O'Neal, who left for the Los Angeles Lakers in a blockbuster trade.

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The light at the end of the tunnel is approaching for the Notre Dame men’s swimming team. After tomorrow’s 2 p.m. dual meet at Rolfs Aquatic Center against Wisconsin-Milwaukee, the Irish will make final preparations for the season’s pinnacle - the Big East Championships.

The Irish enter the Big East Championships with a five-dual-meet win streak, and an opportunity to record their best season since 1990.

The Irish will use this weekend’s meet to prepare for the Big East Championships and the chance to improve on last year’s seventh place finish, but he knows not to look too far into the future.

“We train to peak at the Big East Championships, but also with a commitment to doing well at each week’s meet,” he said.

If the training works as planned, this week’s times will be quite competitive, it will be a productive meet, and the Irish will get ready for the Big East Championships.

Happy Valentine’s Day, Ali! Love always, Ryan

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Swimmers enter home stretch

By MATT YOUNG
Sports Writer

The Irish go into Saturday’s dual meet against Wisconsin-Milwaukee (8-3), with a five-dual-meet win streak and an opportunity to record their best season since 1990. Tomorrow’s meet will mark the beginning of the end of a another swimming year. Wisconsin-Milwaukee (8-3), with a five-dual-meet win streak is prepared for a collision with the Irish. Although the past is not always indicative of the future, the best bet is still on Wisconsin-Milwaukee’s season bests. UWM won wins more times than UWM’s season bests.

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Green finished the game with 13 points, tied with Riley as the top scorers. Riley finished with 10 rebounds for her sixth double-double of the season. McMillen also finished in double figures, scoring 11 points and 10 assists, as the top scorers. Dickenson was one of their poorest outings of the season. Dickenson was the only player to reach double figures, scoring 11 points while grabbing five boards. Three St. John’s players fouled out in the second half, with gunnells earning hers with 3:03 left in the game. With the loss, SJU falls to 5-17 on the season and 3-11 in the conference.

With the victory, Notre Dame extends its home winning streak to seven games, while moving up to 9-5 in conference play.

Next up for the Irish is a Sunday afternoon matchup against Pittsburgh with Ivey's status still up in the air.

"She’s going to be questionable for Sunday," said McGraw. "After that it's going to be day-to-day.

However, Green still hopes her teammate is able to return to the starting lineup. She's looking forward to the game against the Panthers and the Joyce Center.

"I hope Niele’s ready to go," she said. "I sort of like coming off the bench now. I kind of like being a little sparkplug."
A European, who landed on his left shoulder, loses control at almost exactly the same spot nine racers later, and the next skier, Pascal Cattaneo of Italy, slid sideways through the orange safety nets before coming to rest. Defending world champion Bruno Kerner of Switzerland skied off the course at almost exactly the same spot nine races later, and the next skier, Luca Cattaneo of Italy, slid sideways through the safety nets. But Cattaneo was not hurt, but the event was halted for several minutes as workers cleared the nets. Cattaneo, who injured his left leg and had to be helped off the slalom a ski, a helmet airlifted him off the mountain. Nicolas Burtin of France missed a gate at about the same spot.

The race, which already had been postponed three times because of snow and rain, was postponed about 60 minutes Friday by wind that forced Olympic officials to alter the course because of safety considerations.

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### OLYMPIC UPDATES

**Austria's Maier loses control in downhill**

Pre-race favorite Hermann Maier lost control on a turn, sailed about 30 yards through the air and crashed into two safety nets on the wind-swept men's downhill course. Austrian, who landed on his left shoul­der and back, came to a rest awkwardly in the snow alongside the course after the spectacular crash.

Maier did not appear to be seriously injured, although he looked stunned for a few minutes before walking away and waving. Maier, who had dominated the World Cup circuit this season with 10 wins in 30 events, was the fourth racer down the course Thursday.

Maier lost control on an icy bend shortly before the Alpen jump, which officials altered minutes before the race because they feared the high winds would make that area unsafe. Maier flew sideways through the air, then tumbled through the orange safety nets before coming to rest.

### FIGURE SKATING

**Eldredge in third after short program**

Figure skaters prepare for long program

By Ronald Blum

02/12/98

Associated Press

NAGANO, Japan

Richard Callaghan, was worried.

"So be it and Eldredge went back­stage, went through the jump and I heard about all of the perfect short programs Eldredge has done.

And there are three.

Then, when his name was called, he cruised around the ice and I became deeply. As the strains of music for his new routine to "Les Saisons" began, he looked straight ahead and went for it.

His first jump was a triple axel­triple toe loop combination. And it was perfect. So was that double axel.

"Not at all like Albertville," he said, laughing. "That's exactly what I was thinking when I went into that double axel.

By the time he reached his foot­work section, Eldredge was smiling, playfully waving his way across the ice. His spins, as usual, were superb. By the end of his final combination spin, he was going so fast he was a blur.

As he went to a stop, the crowd rose in a salute to his program and his perseverance.

"Everybody always thinks of me as a serious skater. I wanted to go out there and have a little fun out there," Eldredge said. "I went out, I was more presented and I made it happen.

Not quite. Though three judges gave Eldredge their first-place votes, "Not with Kulik and Stojko this year," he said. Six judges had Eldredge third, two judges Stojko ahead on technical merit.

One jump that Eldredge and his coach are particularly proud of is his short program still looks as he continues Saturday's free skate — the quad.

Kulik and Stojko regularly try — and make — the four-turn jump that they see as crucial to a gold medal. But Eldredge has tried it only once in competition at the U.S. champi­onships last month when he fell on the landing. He argues that the quad is just one part of the program, but he hasn't ruled it out for the free skate.

Though Kulik won the short pro­gram, he didn't get any points for fashion. In fact, he was hard to figure out what statement he was trying to make with his black-and-flesh-colored art-deco — some would call it humorous. "But the other judges were not as much like Albertville," he said. "I've been a big loser, I've been a big second," said Eldredge, who got a hug from Koss after the race.

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### SPEED SKATING

**Sondral snags gold**

Adine Sondral said, "I concentrated on the race."

Associated Press

NAGANO, Japan

The Dutch speedskaters are used to racing weekend events, primarily because of the competition fierce in that love-hating nation.

Adine Sondral took a different approach. The Norwegian spent his season building toward one event: the Winter Olympics.

He didn't necessarily care about running as fast as long as he was primed for the Nagano Games.

"It really went as planned this sea­son," Sondral said. "I concentrated on the race."

Despite all of his titles and success, Eldredge has never really had that breakthrough season. He nearly quit, he was too out of shape to contend at the Olympic trials. He fell on a simple double jump after the race.

"If you make one mistake, you can lose it alone and that's hard." Ritsma said. "But I had to compete the whole race alone and put against someone. I saw Kevin Overland (his best performance, who finished 20th) only on the first lap and then he went. That's too bad. I had to do alone and that's hard."

Sondral won silver in the 1,500 at Albertville and was fourth in the event at Lillehammer, both times watching countryman Johann Olav Koss capt­ure the gold medal. This time Koss was watching from a TV booth as Sondral finally reached the top step of the podium.

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**THE OLYMPIC PROGRAM**

**1998 Nagano Winter Olympics**

Thursday, Feb. 12

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Wyche, Martin Ingelsby, and the rest of the Notre Dame showdown in Florida. "They're fast-paced game," said the Hurricane defense. "We're prepared for a very fast-paced game," said Williamson of Saturday's showdown in Florida. "They're really aggressive (with their back-court to show some poise Friday, February 13, 1998 The Observer • SPORTS"}

"I think this game is truly important because Miami's a good team, and if we win we can (build) some good confidence," said Williamson.

"The Irish will return home after facing the Hurricanes for three consecutive Joyce Center contests before closing out the season in Providence. During the homestand, Notre Dame will take on Connecticut, before staging rematches with Miami and Georgetown on Feb. 22 and 25, respectively.

"They present a very formidable team, and if we win we can (build) some good confidence." Said Mainieri. "We're looking to our veterans to provide leadership," Mainieri said. "Having these three seniors in the lineup brings stability, poise and consistency to the team."

"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."
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.

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 banked, while Michigan's is more similar to the track on Miami's Blue and Gold. The Butler Invitational 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 Fighting Irish coaches are employing different strategies to ensure that their athletes will be in top form for the Big East Championships Feb. 21-22. Most sprinters and field athletes participating in next week's conference meet will take to the track today and tomorrow as a final chance to prepare for Big East competition, but most distance runners will sit this week out to rest up for the strain of running multiple-distance events.

"We're just going to take the week off and rest up for the Big East," said women's distance coach Tim Connelly. "We have some girls that are going to run a lot of races next week, so we thought it would be best to take the week off."

Sprints and hurdles coach John Miller plans to send the runners who will be racing next week as a final preparation and as a chance to get some additional experience. Senior captain Erroll Williams, all-American Danny Payton, Berit Junker, Nadia Schmiedt, and Carri Lenz will take part in the Butler Invitational. The first four are previous all-Big East selections, while Lenz is a freshman. He will send junior Bobby Brown and freshmenstandouts Terry Wray and Tony Driver to the Central Collegiate Championships.

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Saint Mary’s falls to Manchester

By JANICE WEIERS
Sports Writer

The Saint Mary’s basketball team ran out of time

The buzzer beat the Belles.

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Men's Tennis

Slumping Irish host Buckeyes, 'Canes

By SHANNON RYAN
Sports Writer

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 lackluster doubles play. In dual matches this season, the Irish are winless pairs.

Despite a high national ranking, the Buckeye's pairs swept three teams this year, including Minnesota, whose doubles beat the Irish in straight sets. OSU's Scott Wiles and Ben Basil are the most powerful combo, boasting a 4-0 record on the season.

"If the Irish can't design a workable formula for doubles by the weekend, the combination could prove deadly," head coach Bob Bayliss said.

"If they're good straight down a ball against Kentucky."

Ohio State's strength is not solely concentrated on doubles. Senior Californian Vo Chu leads its singles line-up. No. 2 Chris Porter 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.

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Danny Rothschild and Sachire have been the warm spots and may serve as possible remedies for the recent Irish's recent blues. Still, blue and gold weekend victories hinge on an all-team, all-star performance.

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Gemini: Clean up your house or office in case someone special makes a surprise visit. Filling and tidying are necessary evils unless you want to be buried in your own junk. Communication is easier when your house is in order.

Cancer: Even if you think the job is done, run through the details one last time. Catching mistakes at the last minute may be embarrassing, but it is better than being too late. Call a friend as soon as you see it.

Leo: Today's impulses are today's embarrassments. Caution and low energy rob you of your sense of humor. Someone else's gratitude helps bring back a little of the old spark.

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Capricorn: Research yields a resource that has been at your fingertips all along. The idea of a global currency suddenly makes a great deal of sense. Knowledge and understanding just isn't a happy mood today.

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**HOCKEY**

**Weekend games crucial for Icers**

BY CHARLEY GATES
Spokes Writer

Paced in sixth place with their Central Collegiate Hockey Association season winding down, the Boys of Winter have become men on a mission. Their objective is simple: Home- ice for the playoffs.

“That’s something that we talk about a lot,” said freshman forward Chad Chipchase. “It’s still within our grasp.”

The teams that finish in the top four of the 11-team league earn home-ice advantage for the first round of the post-season. Notre Dame (14-13-4 overall, 9-10-4 CCHA) currently sits sixth for sixth place with 22 points.

The Irish trail fifth-place Northern Michigan by five points and fourth-place Ohio State by seven points.

Tonight, the Irish have a huge opportunity to legitimize their claim to the conference crown, as they host Ohio State at the Joyce Center at 7 p.m.

“Friday night is huge,” explained Chipchase. “It is a great chance for us to gain ground on fourth place in the league.”

On Saturday evening, the team travels to Western Michigan. The Mustangs lost radar contact with the rest of the teams in the league last weekend, falling late to a 7-6 loss.

“Saturday has a lot of pressure on it,” said senior assistant coach Chad Chipchase. “It’s the game we need all the points we can get.”

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