D.C. students attend impeachment hearings

By BRIDGET O’CONNOR
Washington Correspondent

Several Notre Dame students got a front row seat at politics Thursday when they witnessed a piece of history.

The students, enrolled in Notre Dame’s Washington, D.C., semester, attended the opening session of the Senate’s impeachment trial of Bill Clinton. The proceedings are the first against a president in more than 130 years.

“I’ve only had the hairs on the back of my neck stand up twice — once was the first time I entered Notre Dame stadium and the second was today,” said junior Grant Lee.

Lee and his fellow students braved the cold and rain for the honor of being among the first members of the public to witness the trial first-hand. Small groups of spectators were allowed into the senate chambers for 15 minutes at a time to view the opening arguments — anything from the first gavel strike, remarks from Chief Justice William Rehnquist and initial statements from House judiciary committee chairman Henry Hyde.

The visit was a spur-of-the-moment decision by the group which, after touring the Capitol building Thursday morning, noticed a relatively short line to get in. As time passed, the temperature dropped and the line grew behind them.

“I thought it was historic and it was important for us to be here,” said junior Maria Hrvatin. “I was glad to see a long line because it shows that people are interested.”

Some students, however, felt that the large turnout said more about what is lacking in public political involvement.

“In a lot of ways it’s so indicative of the way our political system works,” said Lee. “The only time they take an interest is when there’s some kind of a scandal.”

In the more than two hours the students waited outside, representatives from news agencies around the world approached them for comments. Several

Old Man Winter visits South Bend

In this three-part series, The Observer explores winter weather in the area. The series will appear in this space on Fridays.

By NOREEN GILLESPIE
News Writer

Old Man Winter might have seemed harsh when he dumped almost two feet of snow on South Bend last week, but his wrath can — and has been — colder.

“The winter that we’re having is a typical South Bend winter,” said Gary Sieber, WNDU meteorologist and visiting professor of broadcast journalism at Notre Dame. “We’ve been in a pattern for the past 11 to 12 years of milder winters. For people who have lived in South Bend longer, they remember what the big storms were like.

Because of that mild trend, this may be the first taste in a long while of what Old Man Winter usually has in store for South Bend. Winters like 1997-98 — relatively snowless and warm — are not the norm, according to WNDU chief meteorologist Mike Hoffman.

“Students may think that the past two or three winters have been typical, but that’s not the case,” said Hoffman.

Last week’s snowstorm was the worst in more than 20 years, setting the record for the most snowfall in a 24-hour period with 18 inches. But it still pales in comparison to the blizzard of 1978, according to Sieber.

“We received 40 inches of snow in 1978, and Notre Dame was closed for three days — and Notre Dame never closes,” Sieber said. “By comparison, this time we saw 20 inches of snow.”

Normal snowfall for South Bend is approximately 80 inches during the entire winter season. Though this winter brought just 51 inches of snow thus far, it all came in a three-week period after a relatively mild end to 1998.

Hoffman attributed that delayed snowfall to La Niña, or “the little girl,” a weather phenomenon that brought warmer-than-normal temperatures in early December — in some cases, reaching into the upper 50s.

“Usually we have a winter-thinner than normal-November when we see the effects of La Niña,” said Hoffman. “We had about a three-week delay with those effects, which brought us a warm December.”

A La Niña weather pattern is characterized by unusually cold temperatures in the eastern equatorial Pacific — the opposite effect of the famed and much-blamed El Niño, which brings warmer ocean temperatures. Also called El Viejo (old man), La Niña brings cooler temperatures to the northwest and warmer temperatures in the southeast.

“La Niña is a term that we’ve just started using in the mainstream media this year,” said Hoffman. “We’re learning that the ocean waters in the Pacific have a huge impact on the weather —
Launching the Dome

Snow causes first university shutdown in two decades

COLUMBUS, Ohio The state shut down, because of hazardous weather conditions, for only the second time since 1970. The last time the entire OSU campus shut down was in 1976, for two days due to a blizzard. Gerstner said in 1994, however, OSU canceled classes, but university departments remained open, she said. "It was 22 degrees below zero," Gerstner said of the closure in '94. After the news spread Wednesday that classes had been canceled, many students flocked to buses and cars, creating congestion. Not everyone seemed to care. "I'm done for the day, so it doesn't really matter," said Robb Webb, a sophomore majoring in military history. The procedure for emergency closings because of weather conditions involves administrative consultations. The university president makes the final decision. OSU President James Kirwan said he decided to close the university because of OSU's level of snow emergency in Delaware County and could possibly declare similar conditions in Franklin County.

Michigan State University Supreme court upholds rape decision

EAST LANSING, Mich. The same testimony that led the state Court of Appeals to overturn the conviction of an MSU student accused of rape will remain valid, the Michigan Supreme Court recently ruled. Former MSU student Michael Ivers was convicted of third-degree criminal sexual conduct in February 1996 and served two years. The conviction was overturned by the Court of Appeals on Dec. 4, 1997 after the court allowed testimony of a friend of the plaintiff. The Supreme Court upheld that decision on Dec. 28, after hearing arguments. The friend testified that the plaintiff told her she was ready to have sex and had discussed getting birth control pills with her mother the day of the incident. The friend also said the plaintiff told her to "find her a guy." The alleged assault took place following a party in the 100 block of Woodnave Avenue in August 1994. Ivers and the girl allegedly went to his apartment, however, has already served a two-year term.

Auburn University University reprimands student editor

AUBURN, Ala. Auburn's Board of Student Communications, acting as "publisher" of The Auburn Plainsman, publically reprimand editor Lee Davidson for "unconstitutional and inappropriate actions. But Student Press Law Center representative Mark Goodman disputes the legality of both the board's actions and authority. "Taking any type of punitive action against a student-press editor — both the Board and University are administration, faculty and authority. "Taking any type of punitive action against a student-press editor — both the Board and University are administration, faculty and authority. "Taking any type of punitive action against a student-press editor — both the Board and University are administration, faculty and authority. "Taking any type of punitive action against a student-press editor — both the Board and University are administration, faculty and authority. "Taking any type of punitive action against a student-press editor — both the Board and University are administration, faculty and authority. "Taking any type of punitive action against a student-press editor — both the Board and University are administration, faculty and authority. "Taking any type of punitive action against a student-press editor — both the Board and University are administration, faculty and authority. "Taking any type of punitive action against a student-press editor — both the Board and University are administration, faculty and authority. "Taking any type of punitive action against a student-press editor — both the Board and University are administration, faculty and authority. • The views expressed in the Inside Columns are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

BOSTON UNIVERSITY University falls in foreign rankings

BOSTON, Mass. Boston University lost its billing as the top American school for foreign students, a distinction it held since 1994, according to a report released Wednesday. The report, conducted by the Institute for International Education, showed that New York University edged out BU to claim the highest number of international students enrolled during the 1997-1998 academic year. But BU administrators said this week they are not concerned about foreign students. The university has deliberately reduced its incoming international classes to make room for more domestic students, said Tzeng, citing official Plainsman policy violations as the reason students will not be able to study abroad in Beijing this coming fall. Tzeng said the policy was made to ensure the university's commitment to diversity and academic freedom. The university's rank in foreign students is consistent with its rank of 18 in the nation and 87 in the world, according to the report. The university's rank in foreign students is consistent with its rank of 18 in the nation and 87 in the world, according to the report. The university's rank in foreign students is consistent with its rank of 18 in the nation and 87 in the world, according to the report. The university's rank in foreign students is consistent with its rank of 18 in the nation and 87 in the world, according to the report.

Penn State Domestic benefit proposal declined

STATE COLLEGE, Penn. Although there are many obstacles the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgendered community has to overcome, it is ready to move forward with its political agenda. Last Thursday, Penn State President Graham Spanier announced he declared a proposal from the University Faculty Senate for domestic partner benefits, which would guarantee benefits to the same-sex partners of university employees equal to those offered to heterosexual couples. Despite this action, members of the LGBT community say they will not give up their quest. "I understand the LGBT community has had several setbacks, but this is not stopping us," said sophomore Eric Shaffer, freshman said. "We will still fight for support for domestic partner benefits," Bianca Clark, sophomore, said she takes a positive attitude toward the failed proposal and sees it as a chance for the LGBT community to gain more political clout.
Senior’s invention places third

By SHANNON GRADY
News Writer

Notre Dame student Gemma Molinaro won third prize in this year’s National Student Design Competition with her Clearcut Kitchen Chopper, a device allowing the user to slice fruits and vegetables easily and safely.

The National Housewares Manufacturers Association sponsored the 1999 National Student Design Competition. Molinaro received a $1000 prize, as well as a spot in the International Housewares Show earlier this week in Chicago. Over 60,000 people from 184 countries were expected to attend the show to buy, sell and scout new products.

"Each year the designs are better and more sophisticated," said Vicki Matranga, NIMDA Design Programs Coordinator. "New product design and research is the force behind our industry. Our goal is to acquaint industrial design students with the housewares industry."

The show is meeting this goal, Molinaro said. "I must have gotten 100 business cards with at least 100 contacts," she said. "They all offered me interviews. This is a great opportunity because the design industry is all about networking."

Molinaro’s Clearcut Kitchen Chopper allows the user to ”push food through a tunnel while pressing the spring-action, enclosed blade with the other hand. "I made it for those people with arthritis or limited dexterity," Molinaro said.

Other winning designs in this year’s competition included the De-Fogger, an appliance that eliminates condensation on bathroom mirrors by pre-heating them, and Bottleuddy, a product that mixes powdered baby formula while heating it. "The students were only one booth in the show," Molinaro said. Other booths included Rubbermaid and Black and Decker. All the major names in housewares were represented.

Molinaro’s interest in three-dimensional work led her from a major in graphic design to one in industrial arts. She credits art professor Paul Down as an inspiration in her change of major and current success. "I definitely couldn’t have gotten this far without him. He always keeps pushing me."

She believes that the extra time and effort she has invested in her work is well worth it, and she encourages others in the field of design to do the same. "Everything I’ve done is really paying off," she said. "The contacts I’ve made through this will help me get a much better job after I gradu­ate than I could have gotten otherwise."

Molinaro won an honorable mention in the NIMDA Student Design Competition last year, and was featured in the 1998 Furniture Design Competition sponsored by Herman Miller. A future manufacturer sold and patented her desk design.

NEH grant aids Irish, Medieval programs

By MIKE ROMANCHEK
News Writer

The National Endowment for the Humanities selected Notre Dame as one of eight universities to receive challenge grants in 1998. The $450,000 grant will benefit the Kehoug Institute of Irish Studies and The Medieval Institute at Notre Dame. The money will support faculty fellowships in Irish and Medieval Vernacular Literature. The grant will be used for fellowships in The Medieval Institute and The Kehoug Institute.

This marks the third and largest NEH grant awarded to Notre Dame since 1977. The first grant, worth $400,000, was used to strengthen library resources in the humanities. This year’s $325,000 grant was awarded in 1986, endowed a faculty development program in research for humanities scholars. The 1986 grant was administered by the Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts whose endowments have supported over 100 Arts and Letters faculty each year.

This year’s grant will help take Notre Dame’s Medieval and Irish studies programs to the next level, hopefully increasing the programs’ national and international caché. "After the grant, if we don’t have the best resources for the study of medieval culture in North America, we are screw­ing up," said Fox.

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Impeachment hearings begin

WASHINGTON

Before a jury of 100 silent senators, House prosecutors on Thursday demanded President Clinton's removal from office, charging he had "piled perjury upon perjury" and obstructed justice. Senate Republican leaders suggested Clinton might be invited to testify at his impeachment trial.

"I think he should be invited, or at least I don't have a problem with him being invited," GOP Whip Don Nickles told reporters at the conclusion of the historic, six-hour trial session. Majority Leader Trent Lott also had expressed at least passing interest in the idea, Republican sources said. Lott's office declined comment.

Inside the Senate chamber, where monumental issues of war and peace have been thrashed out for over a century, the first presidential impeachment trial in 131 years trial unfolded in an atmosphere of uncommon gravity.

"Failure to bring President Clinton to account ... will cause a cancer to be present in our society for generations," asserted Wisconsin Republican James Sensenbrenner, standing in the well of the chamber to address the senators and a nationwide television audience counted in the millions.

The nation's 42nd president was in the White House, preparing for next Tuesday's State of the Union address, when Chief Justice William Rehnquist rapped the gavel and announced that the Senate would "proceed court proceedings" against him, making the moment senators should hear from witnesses, Monica Lewinsky, the president's friend, Vernon Jordan and Oval Office hostage Betty Currie among them.

White House spokesman James Kennedy attacked the Republican case even as it continued. "It is both unsubstantial and circumstantial," he said. "We look forward to presenting our defense based on the facts, the law and the Constitution."

Senators sat attentively at desks throughout the day, but there was no indication that any of the evidence had shaken the support Clinton has among Democrats.

"Frankly, I don't think there was anything new from any of the House" speakers, said one,Sen. Byron Dorgan of North Dakota.

Sen. Strom Thurmond's Midwestern monotone belied the gravity of the moment. The Founding Fathers wrote impeachment into the Constitution as a way of removing in a corrupt chief executive, but their script has been played out this far only once before — in the case of Andrew Johnson, who was acquitted by a single vote in 1868.

As the day wore on, prosecutors moved methodically through the minutiae of the case. Rep. Asa Hutchinson of Arkansas, for example, led senators through a series of timelines that cross-referenced telephone calls by the president with actions taken by other principals. In the case of evidence, he said, of a frantic effort on the chief executive's part to keep his relationship with Monica Lewinsky under wraps.

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Seven baby elephants destined for European zoos arrived in Germany on Dec. 31, 1998, from the Beira game farm in Mozambique. The elephants were to be prepared for transport to zoos in Sweden, Norway, France and Denmark.

A court overruled Tritten's attempt to block shipment after a South African judge ruled in December that 30 baby elephants were deprived of water at the Beira farm. The judge granted temporary custody of 23 animals to the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals but approved the export of seven—those that arrived in Germany on Thursday.

Judge sentences men in golf course skulldragging

FARMINGTON HILLS, Mich.

Two men got 30 days in jail and two months in boot camp for hindering a duck with a golf club. "Every time we think we see it all, we're shocked," Circuit Judge Barry Howard said Wednesday. "This defenseless animal was killed and there is no rhyme or reason for it. Anyone who could do this could easily cause such harm to people." Bradley Woons, 23, and Michael Prashier, 22, were also given three years' probation and ordered to undergo mental health treatment and perform 100 hours of community service at an animal shelter.

African cease-fire ends rebel fighting

ABIDJAN

After a month of furious attacks against Sierra Leone's cities and towns, the country's feared rebel alliance is prepared for a seven-day period to allow civilians to get out of harm's way.

President Clinton had asked all government agencies to reach the 100 percent readiness mark by March 1999. The Defense Department will be the 93 percent mark by then, Hamre said.

The Defense Department "went into hyperdrive" with its Year 2000, or Y2K, work after realizing last August that it was moving too slowly in preparing the approximately 2,300 crucial computer systems, Hamre said. The Pentagon has about 10,000 computer systems.

Hamre said minor glitches are likely to crop up on Jan. 1, 2000. "I think it's going to clear up by a category of nuisance," he said. "I'm very confident we won't have major problems."

The Y2K problem begins when computers try to add or subtract dates using only the last two digits of the year — 00 in the case of 2000 — which may confuse computers into reading the date as 1900. Larger, older mainframe computers used by government and big corporations for many vital functions are particularly vulnerable.

The bill for fixing the Pentagon's computers and testing them will reach $2.3 billion, Hamre said. Special attention is being given computer systems that affect the U.S. nuclear arsenal, he said.

Some individual nuclear systems, including Trident submarines carrying nuclear-tipped intercontinental ballistic missiles, already are certified as ready for 2000, he said.
The Midwest will typically see a worse-than-normal winter when La Niña kicks in because of cold arctic air moving in along the jet stream from northwest Canada.

"The warm water from El Niño dissipates and instead of warm water, the cold water wells up," said Sieber. "That cool pocket causes the storm track to move through Alaska, Canada and the central U.S."

But for South Bend, lake-effect snow compounded the problem of heavy La Niña blizzards. Lake-effect snow occurs when cold air moves over an unfrozen lake and gathers moisture that falls to the ground as snow. Northern Indiana and eastern Michigan — places near to Lake Michigan — bear the brunt of it.

"We've seen 15 to 16 days in a row of straight snow accumulation," said Sieber. "While the system itself was responsible for 18 inches of the snow, an additional 6, 8, 10 inches come from lake effect snow."

Warmer air is expected to move into the region Saturday, pushing temperatures into the high 30s and possibly into the 40s by Monday and Tuesday. But that brief reprieve from below-freezing temperatures probably won't last, largely because of after-effects from the huge snow accumulation, said Sieber.

"The cold snow pack acts like a refrigerant, chilling any air that comes into the region," he said. "Those temps would get into the 50s, but the snow keeps them from reaching to those temperatures."

"These patterns tend to break up, then re-establish," Sieber continued. "The January thaw happens when an arctic high pressure system over Hudson Bay moves to the east, and an upper high pressure system takes its place. We'll have to see if the arctic high gets re-established."

Hoffman also foresees a cold winter ahead.

"I'm not saying we'll have another snowstorm, but the pattern will come back," he said. "Overall, because of La Niña, we can expect overall to be in a fairly cold weather pattern, possibly slightly colder than usual, for the remainder of the winter."

But, Sieber said, it's still normal for this region.

"People in Buffalo get this all the time," he said. "To them, it's no big deal."

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Cell phones to be banned at pumps

People do it everywhere — pull into a gas station and take out a cell phone to make a call. But Esso, an Exxon Corp. subsidiary, wants drivers in Finland to make their calls far away from the pumps. Exxon itself is mulling over the idea on a company-wide scale.

The problem is that some experts believe electronic impulses from a cellular phone could help ignite fires if gasoline or gas fumes are present. Now, that hasn’t happened yet, but Exxon would rather be safe than sorry — so mobile phones will be prohibited at its stations in Finland by the end of the month and the ban may be expanded to other countries.

Exxon spokeswoman Lynn Russo said she’s not sure why the ban is being imposed in Finland first, but the fact that an estimated 56 percent of Finns have cell phones may have increased worries about the potential hazards.

The ban is mandatory in Finland, but in other parts of the world, “some of the affiliates are putting signs in the service stations,” Ms. Russo said.

The spokesman said Irving, Texas-based Exxon has not yet decided whether to also post signs banning the use of cell phones at stations in the United States.

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U.S. proposes new Iraq aid

WASHINGTON

The United States today proposed removing a U.N. ceiling on Iraqi oil sales provided the proceeds are used to purchase food and other humanitarian supplies for the Iraqi people.

Calling on Iraq to take advantage of the exemption to a 9-year-old U.S. Security Council trade embargo, a State Department spokesman said the process for approving contracts for food and medicine would be made virtually automatic. The U.S. proposals are designed partly to counter a campaign by Baghdad of accusing the United States of starving the Iraqi people through its support of economic sanctions.

Iraq is permitted to sell $5.2 billion worth of oil every six months providing the proceeds are used to purchase food, medicaments and other humanitarian supplies. That ceiling would be lifted if the U.S. proposal were accepted by the Security Council. But it would not assure a better life for Iraqi children, pregnant women, nursing mothers and the elderly.

According to U.S. officials, Iraq has kept large supplies of food and medicine in storehouses, refusing to distribute them in the needy.

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If Notre Dame joins the CIC and the Big Ten, there is no turning back. This would change the University," said author Murray Sperber, a member of the Indiana University faculty. "I would vote against it.

In a milliscend, because I value under­graduate education," said Sperber. "For all the lip-service paid to undergraduate edu­cation in (Big Ten) schools, the emphasis is clearly on research and education. The 'research' universities which have heavy hitters in that establishment are the 'Research University,' said the Committee, however, states that 'joining the CIC... would change our benchmark... The standards of the CIC would become the... standards by which we and others would assess Notre Dame... We need to redouble our efforts at the graduate level or face second-class status.' The Committee notes that 'the small size of our graduate and research programs and the absence of a medical school hurts us.'

"In the CIC, Notre Dame undergrads would be, in the words of the Carnegie Foundation's bekommen? The important symbiotic relation between research and teaching was a component of education at Notre Dame before its attach­ment, as a 'Research and Development' from the research  university," said the Committee, "means a great deal to...\[Member­ship in the AAU... means a great deal to... a great number of institutions who could lobby for us... \[Membership in the CIC... is not a member of the AAU."

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The move to join CIC is an outer-direct­ed and hopefully lucrative exercise in cur­ing the favor of the power brokers of the secular educational establish­ment. "The two most significant measures of a research university," said the Committee, "are its classification in the Carnegie Classification System and membership in the Association of American Universities (AAU). All (members) of the CIC are listed as 'R1' institutions and [are] members of the AAU. Notre Dame is [listed lower as] 'R2'... and is not a member of the AAU."

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The Faculty Senate acted in what they saw as the best interests of Notre Dame. The issue, however, is whether Notre Dame will conclusively abandon what remains of its identity as a student-cen­tered Catholic university.

Prof. Rice is on the Law School faculty. His columns appears every other Friday. The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

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TIPS ON KEEPING YOUR CAR HEALTHY IN THE WINTER

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3 Make sure you have enough antifreeze in your radiator
4 Don’t leave any lights on.
5 Check the battery often. If you know the battery is old, replace it.
6 Some cars have filters — have those changed.
7 Keep the battery cleaned.
8 Make sure your windshield wiper fluid is full.

If you do get stuck, your best bet is to call a tow truck. Trying to jump start your car might kill your battery. Towing fees are usually about $35.00 and response time will vary with the weather.
The Blues and Beyond the Blues

Billions of dollars are spent every year to treat it. It is estimated that 5% of American — some 15 million people — suffer from it at any given time. It is seen as a major contributor to suicidal behavior. What is "it?" "It" is DEPRESSION. Since we know that the dark days of winter seem to lead some people to feel depressed and that the holiday season, even with all the parties and festivities, is often a time that many people to experience depression, we would like to help you understand depression better and share some ideas on what you might want to do if you or someone you know is feeling depressed.

Are your low feelings the blues or something beyond the blues? That diminished sense of energy and mildly depressed mood that sometimes sets in are blues you can beat. Below are some dos and don’ts for combating the blues.

**DO** stimula te the senses. Eat spicy food, listen to powerful music, dance energetically, wear bright colors, take a very long hot bath, or a cold shower. DO do something for someone else. Call your grandma, iron your roommate's shirt, smile and say "hi" to people you don't know.

**DON'T** accept a bad mood and allow it. DON'T isolate yourself. DON'T accept a bad mood and allow it. DON'T blame others or take out your bad mood on them. DO get a reasonable amount of rest. DO eat well (protein and carbs to boost energy without a "crash.")

**DO** exercise. Physical activity (even a 10 minute walk) will boost mood. A longer workout will stimulate a release of endorphines. DO take action. If you're feeling lazy/worthless, prove yourself wrong. Remember past successes. Set small goals; break big tasks into smaller ones and give yourself credit for accomplishing each one. DO eliminate negatives where you can (e.g. avoid bad news or pessimistic people for a while).

**DO** add small pleasures. Savoring a cup of tea, listening to music, taking a walk, calling an old friend... plan them into your schedule.

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However, when depression is beyond the blues, it's time to take a different tactic.

People describe themselves as "depressed" in many different ways and for many different reasons. "I got my test grade back, I'm depressed." "My girlfriend and I broke up, I'm depressed." "The Southern Cal game really depressed me." Depression is not sadness or grief. Failure, a loss, or major changes in our lives often lead to sad feelings. This is part of the ups and downs of life but this is not real depression. We are depressed when we cannot move on with our lives after a major loss, or if we have no idea of why we feel down. People who are depressed often say "I have no reason to feel this way, my life is good." The very fact the feelings seem to come out of the blue may suggest depression.

Real (clinical) depression is likely to color our view of the world so that our successes seem minor and our failures seem major. A person who is depressed often feels unable to focus on the positives, to put failures in the context of other successes and to accurately assess their own strengths and weaknesses. Some depressed people say things like "Even though I know the world is full of color, to me everything looks gray.

As depression becomes more serious, we are likely to experience physical symptoms such as rootlessness, the inability to sleep or a need to sleep excessively, appetite changes, crying spells or the inability to enjoy normally pleasurable activities.

Many professionals believe that depression is really anger turned in on ourselves. Instead of getting angry at people or events in our lives that are negative, we blame ourselves for what has happened — even if we have no control over it. It is also known that people who are overly responsible or self-blaming are more likely to experience depression.

Here are some things we know about the causes of depression. Some people are predisposed to experience depression. If there is a history of depression in your family, you may be more likely to become depressed. For some people, depression is a reaction to excessive stress. Burning the candle at both ends, not sleeping, etc., may trigger depression. Finally, some people seem to get "stuck" when dealing with a difficult negative experience and move from sadness to depression.

Is there some good news about all of this? There is. For many people, depression rates its course and they start to feel well again. Some people seek counseling and it is clear that counseling can help them manage depression and often shorten the depressive cycle. Finally, almost every few months a new anti-depressant comes on the market. For people with more serious depression, these products can be very helpful.

With all of these resources, it is safe to realize that 70% of people with depression never receive professional help. The University Counseling Center is a place to seek help if you are feeling depressed. You may visit our web site at www.nd.edu/~ucc or call us at 631-7336.

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Johnson stands the risk of saving his job. "I'm not looking forward to being asked for a coach," team president Eddie Jones said, and that's where we were headed.

Wasting outside the head coach's office, Johnson said, was a quarterback. "I can't deal with it," Johnson then met with Huizenga, who flew overnight from a baseball meeting in California to keep his coach, and they discussed the addition of a new coach.

Wannstedt, fired two weeks ago after six seasons with the Bears, was an instant to Johnson when the Dallas Cowboys won the 1992 NFL title and the Miami Hurricanes won the 1987 national championship.

"Wayne's smart enough to see this can work," Johnson said.

After meeting with his assistant coaches, who endorsed the quarterback option, Johnson announced that he'll stay for another season, but Dave will," Johnson said with a grin.

"We didn't talk about that," Wannstedt jokingly protested. The developments raised questions about Johnson's commitment, but he stressed several times during the news conference that he remains devoted to the Dolphins.

"I'm going to coach like the dickens to get us a championship," he pledged.

Team officials and players apparently believe him, having already decided to stand and continue the progress we've made over the last three years," Marino said in a statement.

Huizenga didn't attend the news conference, but he grinned later while rushing to his car at the Dolphins' complex.

Johnson planned to retire. Dolphins officials were braced for Johnson's departure when he arrived at work Thursday morning.

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Johnson is under contract through 2000, signing a one-year extension in April. But with Wannstedt now the heir apparent, Johnson was noncommittal about coaching beyond 1999.

"Who knows?" Johnson said.

"I can't say what's going to happen from now on. You may be stuck with me forever." Johnson said, "I really believe that we're a couple of playmakers away from getting that championship." Johnson said.

Although the humiliating 38-3 loss at Denver was the most lopsided postseason loss in team history, Dave had improved in each of Johnson's three seasons. But in 1998, they allowed the fewest points in the NFL, and won a playoff game and reached the Super Bowl.

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Tyson looks forward to yet another new beginning

LAS VEGAS
Mike Tyson recently discovered a fund worth $200,000 that was established for him by the late Cus D'Amato, the man who saw boxing greatness in a 13-year-old reform school inmate.

"I was overwhelmed," Tyson said. "He must have known I was going to screw up my money."

Tyson has gone through millions of dollars and has had many well-documented ups and downs in and out of the ring since D'Amato died on Nov. 4, 1985, about a year before Tyson became, at age 20, the youngest heavyweight champion in history.

Saturday night, Tyson opens a new chapter in his colorful, controversial career with a new manager (Shelly Finkel), a new promoter (America Presents) and a new trainer (Tommy Brooks). He also has two new tattoos to go with the likenesses of Cus D'Amato and Max Trujillo on his stomach and a tiger on his right forearm.

And a new attitude, says Finkel, who has replaced John Hお店 and Ray Holloway as Tyson's manager.

"It's all new and a lot more mature," Finkel said.

A lot of people are waiting for Tyson to prove it.

There will be a tie to the past in Tyson's 10-round fight against Francois Botha in the MGM Grand Garden. It was in that arena on June 28, 1997, that Tyson bit Evander Holyfield's ears, leading to his disqualification and the revocation of his license. It was restored last Oct. 19 by a 4-1 vote by the Nevada State Athletic Commission.

But he lost many more millions of dollars by not being able to fight.

Some astronomical figures have been reported for Tyson's purse for Saturday's night's pay-per-view bout, but Dan Goosen of America Presents said the contract is for $10 million. Not bad for a 10-round non-title fight, but Tyson faces a $13 million IRS lien.

The fight also is being held midway between New Year's and Super Bowl weekends, two of the biggest Las Vegas weekends of the year. And the crowd probably will be closer to 10,000 than a sellout of some 16,000.

"I'm just happy to be fighting," Tyson said.

But he also said, "I don't remember the last time I was truly happy without worrying about something happening."

Next month, Tyson will be sentenced in Maryland, where he pleaded no-contest to two misdemeanor assault charges stemming from a Bender bendix involving his wife, Monica. He has settled out of court with two men.

Indiana Super Court Judge Patricia Gifford, who sentenced Tyson to 10 years in prison, suspended four years, for a rape conviction, could then take action that could send him back to prison for a parole violation. Tyson's probation is scheduled to end in March. He served three years in prison and was released March 25, 1995.

Key players in Tyson's career do not seem to think he will be jailed.

"He wants to fight four times this year. Both he and Larkin would like to cap the year with a third fight. Mike was, he probably wasn't in shape and was getting hit with some stuff that he had no idea he could get hit with," said the 44-year-old Brooks, who has worked with Holyfield. "He just lost it. I don't think he had a fight plan in either of the two fights with Holyfield."

"I don't know if my best is over," Tyson said. "I just had a drought for a moment."

The telecast will begin at 9 p.m. EST. The Tyson-Botha match is expected to start no later than 11:30 p.m.

There will be a world title fight on the card. Roberto Garcia of Oxnard, Calif., will defend the IBF junior lightweight championship against John John Molina, a former IBF junior lightweight champion from Puerto Rico.

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Elder Anderson looks for flight to catch Falcons

Jamal Anderson's father hopes to attend Sunday's NFC championship game between the Atlanta Falcons and Minnesota Vikings. But James Anderson might have a little trouble getting away from work. The elder Anderson runs a security firm that is responsible for guarding Mike Tyson, who will make another return to the ring Saturday night to fight Francois Botha in a heavyweight bout in Las Vegas.

"I'm so happy that the Falcons are going to the conference championship," Anderson said Thursday. "I just wish they could have gone a week later so I could be there without any stress."

After the fight, Anderson hopes to catch an overnight flight that would arrive in Minneapolis about 7 a.m. The game is scheduled to begin about 4 1/2 hours later.

If the travel arrangements don't work out, Anderson plans to watch the game at Tyson's Las Vegas home.

The former New Jersey police officer has been protecting the rich and famous since he got an assignment to guard Muhammad Ali. "It's the dominant effect," Anderson said. "When people see you with Ali, you get respect." He moved to California and launched his own security business. His clients have included entertainers such as the Jacksons, Richard Pryor and Boyz II Men and boxing stars ranging from Ali to Sugar Ray Leonard to Tyson.

"When he was 6 years old, he started playing Pop Warner football and was dominating his age group. Running the football," the elder Anderson said. Jamal's father also taught him at a young age to stuff-arm potential tacklers, a technique he used very effectively on his way to rushing for 1,846 yards in an All-Pro season.
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the boards. Notre Dame is out-rebounding its opponents by nearly 12 per game. Riley leads the team in both rebounding (averaging 9.6 boards per contest) and scoring (16.4 points per game). McMillen is close behind in scoring, averaging 15 points per game.

Pittsburgh is coming off a 80-61 loss to Georgetown. Junior Nickels Morris led the game, scoring, averaging 15 points (16.4 points per game).

Neches has decided that the only way to play competitively again is to have hip replacement surgery. The operation, scheduled for Jan. 27, means Nicklaus will miss the Masters for the first time since 1959, when he failed to make the cut as a 19-year-old amateur.

"We are sorry if Jack will not be able to compete in this year's Masters," Augusta National chairman Hootie Johnson said. "Jack is very special to Augusta National, both as an individual and a player. We wish him a speedy recovery."

Nicklaus also withdrew from two Senior PGA Tour events this month, the MasterCard Championship and the Senior Skins Game. In addition to the Masters, he is expected to miss the first two majors on the senior circuit.

Nicklaus, a six-time Masters champion, did not say when he might return, although later this year is not out of the question.

With his youngest son getting married Feb. 20, wife Barbara told The Palm Beach Post, "I expect to have him dancing by then."

Nicklaus was hobbling so badly at times last year that he stopped his streak of 146 consecutive majors when he pulled out of the British Open. This will be the third straight major he has failed to play.

Nicklaus' record at Augusta goes beyond his six green jackets. He won his first Masters in 1963 and his last won 23 years later when he shot a 30 on the back nine. He was a runner-up four times and finished in the top 10 in every Masters in the 1970s.

Even at 58, he showed he could still compete with the best. He dazzled the gallery again in April by closing with a 68 and finishing just three strokes behind Mark O'Meara. His tie for sixth made him the oldest player in Masters history to finish in the top 10.

Nicklaus, captain of the U.S. team that was crushed in the Presidents Cup, has said he wants to be able to play all four majors in 2000, particularly because of their locations.
Men prepare for Spartans, Women to take on Illini, Buckeyes

By WES RICHARDSON

While the men's swim team travels to Lansing, Mich., today for a dual meet against Michigan State, the women head west to take on Illinois today and Ohio State Saturday. Today's meets feature teams that the Irish have previously defeated in championship competition. The men won the Notre Dame Invitational in December, defeating fourth-place Michigan State 124-108. The women returned Monday from a two-week training camp in Hawaii where they defeated second-place Illinois 151.5-126 to win the Rainbow Invitational.

Both Irish teams expect tougher competition in dual meet action.

"We beat them (Michigan State) pretty badly when they came here for the Notre Dame Invitational, but we were rested and they weren't," said Stelle Whowell, the men's co-captain. "It should be a lot more competitive in a dual meet."

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But he did admit that the Spartans might be one notch faster than the Irish. The key to beating the Spartans, he says, is placing first in the relays. This is especially important since Notre Dame will not compete in the diving events.

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The women also expect Illinois to be a more formidable opponent than they were in Hawaii. "Illinois will be really difficult for us. They've always felt it important to swim well at home," coach Bailey Weathers said.

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The recent training camp may be a factor in the men's results. While the trip will help the Irish at Big East and NCAA Championships, it is unsure whether the team has had time to recover from the intense workouts.

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The guard from Piscataway, N.J., went 1-for-5 from beyond the arc in 24 minutes of play. perimeter defense were con-
tinued for the Irish, as the vis-
tors went 57.1 percent from
behind the line. On the other
side of the ball, the freshmen
Troy Murphy and David
Graves once again led the
Irish.

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to playing at home. I
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AROUND THIS TIME OF YEAR.
RIGHT NOW, THOUGH,
WE'RE LOOKING AT THIS AS
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attacked with 17 and 10 points
respectively.

As it was shown recently,
one of the keys to stopping the
Irish is to keep Murphy and
the other top-ranked
Connecticut, the two freshmen
drew four fouls early in the
second half and were forced to
sit on the bench. Without a
major piece of their offensive
clout, the Irish were unable to
keep up with the Huskies' scoring.

Fortunately, few teams have
shown the ability to contain
both players, or even just
Murphy, for that matter. The
forward from Morristown,
N.J., has already earned con-
ference Rookie of the Week
honors five times already this
season, along with five dou-
doubles and two 30 point
efforts. Even though the Irish
have played just a few confer-
ence games, the freshman is
beginning to make a name for
himself.

Still, in order to Irish to be
successful in Big East play,
another player must step for-
ward and make enough con-
sistent offensive performances for
opponents to see him as a
threat.

As for the Irish, their chance
to pose a threat to the rest of
the conference begins this
season at 1 p.m. in the First
Union Center.

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part of a reshuffled game
because of weather, and left
with a 93-61 rout that left
most Irish fans shaking their
heads.

While both sides were on
a three-game schedule over a
different period, Villanovan
showed no signs of fatigue
with a second-half offensive
blitzkrieg that proved impos-
sible to contain. After hitting
the first eight shots of the second
period to put the game out of
reach, the visitors went up by
as much as 39 points off a lay-
up by center Rafał Biegus with
12:00 remaining.

"We just came out flat,"
Dillon said about the second-
half explosion. "We were
down 17 points to begin with,
and Martin (Ingebrig) hit a lay-
up to start the half off. But we
were looking for some defen-
sive plays, and we just didn't
get any.''

The Wildcats had four
players in double digits, led by
John Celestino's 18 points.
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though it was the third game in three nights on the road, Notre Dame outshot UAF 51-20 in a convincing 5-1 victory to take the third game of the series and a series victory.

"The guys realize and respect the competition in the CCHA," said Carroll. "We all believe it's the best conference in the country. There's a fine line between winning and losing. They've lost some close games and we've won some close games, and we know they are going to come in here ready to play."

After suffering through its first losing streak of the season at the end of the first half, the team rebounded with a confidence-boosting road win over top-ranked North Dakota. Now, the team looks to take on the CCHA with that same confidence they've always had, said Carroll.

"Even during that five-game losing streak, I thought our confidence was there, it was just a matter of making things happen," he said. "If didn't come as a surprise that we won that game [in North Dakota]."

One problem the Irish will face in the second half, as will many teams, is the injury bug. Notre Dame will play the rest of this season without starting sophomore defenseman Ryan Clark.

"Clarky's a big hitter, so we might lose a little of his physical presence out there," Carroll agreed, adding that Clark will be missed off the ice as well. "Ryan's a good team guy and the guys look to him for leadership, we're definitely going to miss him on the point. But we have guys that have been working hard to get into the lineup. They will be some of the guys stepping up and doing a good job for us.

With all the strides this Notre Dame program has made in the past year to become the top ten team they are this season, one aspect of their game has lagged a bit. That aspect has been the performance of the penalty-killing unit, which is currently operating at an abysmal 80.7 percent efficiency.

Irish center Chad Chipchase (14) skates past a defender in a recent game. Chipchase and his teammates face an important test this weekend as they take on Alaska-Fairbanks.

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ACROSS

29 Take a dip ______________.
30 N.Y.P.D. notice ______________.
31 Progress run ______________.
32 Lane in the main ______________.
33 Limit of wave ______________.
34 Cartographic offline ______________.
35 Corne out ______________.
36 Storms at Convient Garden ______________.
37 Lady chapel _scab_ ______________.
38 Old-fashioned ______________.
39 Part of O.N.I. ______________.
40 "Hanger's Ghost" ______________.
41 Male ______________.
42 "I'm available for a laugh" ______________.

DOWN

1 Stumped ______________.
2 In any case ______________.
3 A light prelude ______________.
4 Gunner's log ______________.
5 Have life ______________.
6 Conditions ______________.
7 Bottle cap ______________.
8 Malarial symptoms ______________.
9 Displayed, in a way ______________.
10 Minute of turbulence ______________.
11 Battle in a nation's board's decision ______________.
12 Hubcap ______________.
13 Gifts ______________.
14 Show rudeness, in a way ______________.
15 Certain fate ______________.
16 It's red hot ______________.
17 More than passed ______________.
18 Part of a house ______________.
19 Certain wave ______________.
20 Kind of wave ______________.
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SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You may be seen as a rival. However, bring your full talents to the table. You can work out any problems that arise.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Try to be objective when dealing with others. Some will try to jump you up or down to criticize others. Not everyone has the same goals as you.

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DIFF OF INTEREST

Spring Break Migrant Experience Seminar - During Spring Break 1999, the Center for Social Concerns will offer a unique experiential learning opportunity. Students will travel to Immokalee, Florida to work with migrant farm workers and agencies that serve them. Come learn more about this exciting opportunity at the Center for Social Concerns on Monday, January 18, at 7 P.M.
Irish prepare to take on Villanova

By BILL HART
Assistant Sports Editor

The ninth-ranked Notre Dame women's basketball team, which is enjoying a school record eight straight weeks in the top 10, hits the road this weekend for a showdown with conference opponent Pittsburgh Saturday at 1 p.m.

The game marks the first of four road contests that the Irish (12-2) will play during their next five games.

"I definitely think this is an important stretch for us," said captain Sheila McMillen. "From here on out we have to focus on improving as a team. This game will prepare us for the second half of the season, so we need to pull together and stay focused."

Notre Dame has won three consecutive conference games, including a 111-89 victory over West Virginia last Thursday and a 79-56 win over Providence on Sunday. Danielle Green lit up the Mountaineers for a career-high 28 points, and three other Irish starters also scored in double digits.

McMillen finished with 26 points and a career-high eight rebounds, while Ruth Riley added 23 points. Ivy recorded her second double-double of the season and followed it up with a 10-point, 10-rebound performance against Providence.

Irish guard Niele Ivey should be a force as the Irish take on Pitt tomorrow afternoon.

ICEMEN TO TAKE ON ALASKA-FAIRBANKS

By TED BASSANI
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame hockey team puts its unbeaten home winning streak on the line this weekend when it plays host to the Nanooks of Alaska-Fairbanks in a two-game series.

Alaska-Fairbanks has gotten off to a slow start this year thanks to a murderous early-season schedule. Already this season, the Nanooks have faced the top-four teams in the CCHA a total of eleven times, losing all eleven games.

But their conference record has had special meaning, according to Laurion with UAF.

Laurion is a former Notre Dame goaltender who was a teammate of current Irish coach Dave Poulin for four years. From 1978-1982, Laurion played in 91 games for the Irish and was a member of the last and only Notre Dame team to play in the 1982 CCHA final.

Last season, Notre Dame won the season series against Alaska-Fairbanks by taking two out of three games in the Carlson Center. Despite a huge shot advantage for the Irish, the two teams split the first two games, with the Nanooks winning the second game in overtime. But, even though the Irish lost, it certainly has been competitive. Seven of the team's losses so far have been by two goals or less, including a 2-1 loss against No. 5 Michigan for the past five seasons, the series between Alaska-Fairbanks and Notre Dame has had special meaning, since they represent the coaching tenure of Dave Laurion with UAF. Laurion is a former Notre Dame goaltender who was a teammate of current Irish coach Dave Poulin for four years. From 1978-1982, Laurion played in 91 games for the Irish and was a member of the last and only Notre Dame team to play in the 1982 CCHA final.

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