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"We are going to wait until after class elections are over so that we can encourage some new people to get involved," said Little. Signs with information for potential applicants will be available in residence halls and in campus lounges in the next three weeks, said Midden. "We want to thank the students and faculty for coming out to vote," said Midden. "We are extremely honored and excited to begin our work.

Thirty-seven percent of students voted for the ticket, a percentage that Hefferman and election workers were pleased with. Typical voter turnout for Saint Mary's is between 30 and 40 percent, Hefferman said.

"It's relatively high compared to other schools," Hefferman said. "This year's percentages are average for us. We are very pleased with the turnout."
**A Very Fine Line**

Judging by the various reactions I received from my last column, I left much confusion as to how I felt regarding the rich. Some wondered how I could insult snotty rich students one week and defend the rich the next week. One respondent to my article told the belief I was using Catholic Social Teaching and even defining it. A very fine line exists in this discussion, and I believe a few who have acknowledged it as such.

To explain my argument more clearly, I'll define my point from last week: Obviously, the rich do have an obligation to the poor. However, this does not excuse nor does it justly the endless attempts by many to demeanize the rich without proper knowledge of other important considerations. It's as simple as that — yet I've received undue criticism from many about this point. This blatant generalization.

My point is, folks, that the rich by large do earn their money — like it or not. Are many of our CEOs, athletes and professionals overpaid? Of course they are. But as stockholders, fans and citizens we often have more control over this situation than we care to admit. So if an individual earns substantial wealth, have they taken something away from the poor? Have they guaranteed the poverty of a billion others? No. In many cases, they've actually bettered the positions of the poor.

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**Ohio State University**

**Bill limits student expression**

**COLUMBUS, Ohio**

Grundling against what one called "the McCarthyism of the left," three witnesses at Tuesday evening's meeting of the Ohio House Education Committee went for a House bill that would limit the restriction of student expression at Ohio's public colleges and universities.

Some of these institutions, including Ohio State, say the bill would not change their policies much because it only allows freedom of expression already protected by the First Amendment. But the Big Schuck, R-Columbus, who introduced the bill, testified that the action is primarily a reaction to university speech codes that "pretend to be 'offensive' or not 'politically correct.'" In addition, Jonathon Archey, Schuck's legislative aid, said the bill would allow students to challenge the legality of school speech codes before they were prosecuted for something they said.

**University of Connecticut**

**New logo resembles Nazi symbol**

STORRS, Conn.

UConn administrators have a new criticism to add to its laundry list surrounding the new school logo — the new logo resembles a Nazi symbol. To explain my argument more clearly, I'll define my point from last week: Obviously, the rich do have an obligation to the poor. However, this does not excuse nor does it justly the endless attempts by many to demeanize the rich without proper knowledge of other important considerations. It's as simple as that — yet I've received undue criticism from many about this point. This blatant generalization.

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Many of the University's strongest Latin American scholars came together on Thursday afternoon to evaluate the work of professor Scott Mainwaring, which addresses democratization in Latin America.

"First, patent authoritarian regimes in Latin America have now almost disappeared (last), the number of democratic regimes has risen a lot since 1978," Mainwaring explained.

Mainwaring, director of Notre Dame's Kellogg Institute and professor of government, used the occasion to outline two main arguments of his paper, "Democratic Survival in Latin America.

After delineating a rise in democracy, Mainwaring moved to the second aspect of his argument and sought to explain the causal factors of the trend toward democratization in Latin American countries.

Mainwaring focused on the social, economic and political modernization that took place from 1945 to 1980 in Latin America as the impetus for democratization.

When asked what stimulated his research in the topic, Mainwaring mentioned that he had been pursuing "intellectual and normative" issues surrounding Latin American politics his whole career.

Mainwaring spent his senior year in high school in Argentina during the waning days of its authoritarian regime. As an undergraduate, Mainwaring's interests in Latin American politics were stimulated by a Notre Dame alumnus.

The goal of the forum was to provide an intellectual evaluation of the paper and stimulate discussion on the topic. Other roundtable participants were professors Robert Fishman, Guillermo O'Donnell and Michael Coppedge. The three professors evaluated Mainwaring's work and then questioned the author on specific aspects of the research.

"It was an interesting analysis of some large scale, historical reasons why a surprising number of new democracies have survived in Latin America since 1978," Coppedge said.

Coppedge went on to label such discussion forums "stimulating and fun" and that in the end the participants came to a "richer and original understanding of some the reasons of this success."

Most of the debate was related to the theoretical, quantitative classification of democracy. In order to employ a level of statistical analysis to the research, Mainwaring classified various levels of democracy and "semi-democracies."

### Security Beat

**Mon., Feb. 1,**

9:45 a.m. A faculty hall resident reported the theft of her laptop from outside her residence hall. The bike was locked at the time of the theft.

10:40 a.m. Security transported a line hall resident to the University Health Center for treatment of an injury.

17:18 p.m. Security cited a South Bend resident for littering.

**Tues., Feb. 2,**

12:30 p.m. A University employee reported the theft of her University parking decal from her vehicle.

11:09 P.M. Security transported a University employee to St. Joseph Medical Center for treatment of injury.

### Campus News

**Wednesday, Feb. 3,**

12:56 a.m. A Zahn Hall resident reported a theft from her vehicle.

5:32 p.m. Two Lewis Hall residents reported a theft from a car in the Hesburgh Library. The case is being investigated further.

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**Grants honor pair of ND peace scholars**

Two political scientists at Notre Dame have received research funding totaling $80,000 from the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation and the United States Institute of Peace to study punitive measures for punishing violators of international law.

George Lopez, professor of government and international studies, and David Cortright, visiting fellow in the University's Krue Institute for International Peace Studies, plan to produce scholarly and policy articles and a book on what have been called "smart sanctions," which include measures such as freezing assets, comprehensive approaches to arms embargoes, restrictions on international travel, and bans on participation in international activities.

Lopez and Cortright believe the international community needs to afford adequate attention to smart sanctions, despite the fact that they have been imposed with increasing frequency in recent years. They believe "smart sanctions are a magic bullet for dealing with violators of international law."

Lopez said, "Our earlier work has shown that when strategically combined, such measures may prove to be more effective than general trade sanctions for coercing compliance with U.N. objectives. They also are more likely to minimize unintended negative consequences for innocent citizens and to gain the support of a broad number of member states."
Clinton targets alien species

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Troubleloes alien species such as the Chinese mitten crab and the voracious Asian long-horned beetle are costing American farmers billions of dollars and threatening entire ecosystems. President Clinton on Wednesday proposed a government counteroffensive.

Clinton issued an executive order to expand federal efforts to combat the growing problems created by the quiet influx of foreign plants and animals into this country.

Three senior administration officials, who will head a new interagency Invasive Species Council, sought to draw attention to the magnitude of the problem with a news conference at the National Geographic Society museum.

"There is no question that we are being invaded by alien species. ... We could call this order the 'X-Files' order," said Commerce Undersecretary James Baker. "The costs to habitat and the economy are racing out of control," added Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt.

Three years ago, Congress passed a 1990 law to order the government to address the issue of non-native species, but the problem has only become worse, ecologists say.

"There are thousands of alien species established in the United States. No one really knows the extent of the problem. And the number is rapidly growing," said Harvard biologist Edward Wilson, a leading expert on invasive animal and plant species.

Wilson showed slides of a "rogue's gallery" of alien predators, including the leafy spurge, a weed from Eurasia that now plagues 3 million acres of range- land across the West, and Europe's green crab, which threatens native shellfish in the San Francisco Bay and New England.

The president's executive order directs the Departments of Agriculture, Interior and Commerce, the Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Coast Guard to coordinate better the efforts against invading species. And it calls on the new council to develop an alien species management plan within 18 months to blunt the economic and ecological health impacts of these predators.

Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman promised "a unified, coherent approach against unwanted plants and animal pests." But senior administration officials acknowledged that the task will be difficult and - in the end - may succeed only through greater international cooperation.

The difficulties are many, the officials acknowledged. For example, last month the Agriculture Department imposed a requirement that shipping crates coming in from China be heated and disinfected to kill Asian long-horned beetles.

Such actions have alarmed some conservationists and citizen groups who fear they will bludgeon the beetle but will not stop it. "The problems are so large and so many, there are no easy answers," said William Goldstein, the executive director of the National Gardening Association.

"Our task is to expand federal efforts to address the issue of non-native species, but the problem has only become worse due to a lack of resources for protecting our national resources," said Commerce Undersecretary James Baker.

The three-year-old law, S. 314, aimed at "rapidly expanding federal efforts to combat the problem and establish a system to handle it" received strong backing from President Clinton, who signed the measure into law in 1990.

The law required the establishment of a national strategy for fighting invasions of alien species and the development of a national strategy to combat these invasions.

Under the terms of the law, the federal government is expected to provide financial assistance to states and tribes for the prevention, control and eradication of invasive species.

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WORLD NEWS BRIEFS
Wynette to be exhumed

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Three of Tammy Wynette's daughters have written letters asking that the country singer's body be exhumed for an autopsy. In letters sent to Dr. Bruce Levy, Nashville's medical examiner, the daughters said they want to make sure their mother died from a blood clot as reported by her personal doctor. In a letter obtained by WTIV-TV in Nashville, Jarki Dady told Levy she wants "to stress to you how important it is to my sisters and I to really know how our mother died. I find it hard to believe you can tell how my mother died by looking at her and not doing an autopsy." Similar letters were sent to Levy by Wynette's daughters Tina Jones and Georgette Smith, whose father is country singer George Jones. Wynette, 55, whose many hits included "Stand By Your Man," was found dead in her Nashville home April 6 by husband George Richey.

Journalism class cracks case

CHICAGO — A convicted double-murderer who spent the last 16 years on death row — recently coming within two days of execution — may go free after lawyers won a stay from the Illinois Supreme Court on Wednesday. His lawyers contended that hum an rights lawyers close Pinochet proceedings

LONDON — Britain's highest court has ordered Chilean dictator is immune from prosecution for crimes against humanity he allegedly committed during his 17-year rule.

Lawyers for Spain, which seeks Pinochet's extradition, and for human rights groups insisted that the International Convention against Torture allowed any country to try another nation's officials for such crimes.

"This is a case about conduct that has been accepted throughout by everyone concerned as fundamentally unlawful," said Christopher Greenwood, a lawyer for Spain.

The torture convention permits any nation to claim jurisdiction "because a state whose officials behave in this way could not be trusted to deal with this matter on its own," Greenwood said in arguments before the Lords.

Allowing Pinochet to evade the torture convention, Greenwood said, would turn the law into a "mock little mouse."

"We'll take time to consider this," Lord Chief Justice Nicolas Browne-Wilkinson announced as 12 days of intricate legal arguments came to an end.

Pinochet was arrested Oct. 16 in London on a Spanish warrant alleging that he ordered killings, torture and hostage-taking during his rule, which began when he ousted Chile's elected president, Marxist Salvador Allende, in 1973.

An official Chilean report says 3,197 people were killed or disappeared at the hands of Pinochet's secret police during his dictatorship.

The 83-year-old general's lawyers contend Pinochet is entitled to absolute immunity for any acts he ordered as a former head of state and that trying him abroad is an affront to Chile's sovereignty.

The House of Lords already has denied Pinochet immunity once before. But the 3-2 ruling by a different panel was thrown out after the discovery that a judge who voted against the general had close ties to Amnesty International, a participant in the case.

JORDAN

King Hussein leaves U.S. hospital

AMMAN, Jordan — A gravely ill King Hussein left a U.S. hospital Thursday after an unsuccessful bone marrow transplant and was flying home to Jordan, accompanied by his wife and family members.

According to Hussein's bodyguards, the king's condition comes only 10 days after he had abruptly gone back to the United States suffering a relapse of lymphatic cancer.

"The king named his eldest son as his successor in an apparent move to ensure Jordan's future stability."
Senate vote allows live video testimony

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

The Senate voted Thursday for videotaped testimony by Monica Lewinsky in President Clinton’s impeachment case after delaying a bipartisan brush-off to a personal appearance. Full or half-hour videotaped deposition are to be played at the nationally televised trial session on Saturday.

As lawmakers settled that issue, Republicans succeeded from their plan to find Clinton guilty of wrongdoing without removing him from office. With those decisions, trial-weary senators moved to wrap up the impeachment proceedings by the end of next week.

“I do think it’s time we get to a vote and we move on to other issues,” said Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss.

Clinton’s acquittal is assured on the charges of perjury and obstruction of justice, which stem from his efforts to conceal a sexual relationship with Ms. Lewinsky.

While Republicans backed away from their plan to find Clinton guilty of wrongdoing before the trial ends, Senate Democratic leader Tom Daschle said lawmakers in his party were putting the finishing touches on a censure proposal that wants it voted on during either an interruption in the proceedings or after the conclusion.

Under the Senate’s decisions on Thursday, prosecutors and White House lawyers will have up to three hours each to make presentations including portions of videotaped depositions on Saturday. In addition to Ms. Lewinsky, lawyers questioned presidential friend Vernon Jordan and White House aide Sidney Blumenthal earlier this week and recorded the proceedings.

An effort by the House prosecutors to call Ms. Lewinsky for live questioning was rejected, 70-30, with 25 of the Senate’s 55 Republicans joining the 45 Democrats in opposition.

Rep. Bill McCollum, R-Fla., pleaded with the senators: “I think that it is eminently fair that we be allowed to present at least one witness live to you, the central witness in the cast of this entire proceeding and that is Monica Lewinsky.”

But White House special counsel Gregory Craig argued the outside, cautioning that her testimony could “produce an avalanche of unacceptable evidence into the living rooms of the nation.”

At the White House, press secretary Joe Lockhart said in a written statement: “Today’s vote rejecting the House managers’ request for live witnesses indicates the Senate appears ready to bring this trial to a conclusion.”

Judy Smith, a spokeswoman for Ms. Lewinsky, said the former White House intern “and her family are pleased that she does not have to go through the painful and humiliating ordeal of having to testify on the floor of the Senate.”

The vote against calling Ms. Lewinsky was a rebuff to Rep. Henry Hyde and other House prosecutors, who had pushed the two articles of impeachment through the House on a near-party-line vote. They won grousing Senate permission a week ago to demand three witnesses, but only after paring their list down from a dozen or more.

Shortly before the vote, one House prosecutor aired his frustration.

“If one senator has failed to personally sit through ... every deposition, that senator is not equipped to render a verdict on the impeachment trial,” said Rep. James Rogan, R-Calif.

A subsequent bid by Democratic Sen. Patty Murray to keep the videotapes out of presentations at the trial failed. The vote was 73-27, with 20 Democrats joining 53 Republicans.

That left Republican prosecutors — and White House defenders — to call segments of the taped depositions on Saturday.

Taken together, the day’s votes underscored that senators in both parties are eager for a swift conclusion to the trial, near the end of its fourth week.

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For questions, please call Felicia at 1-3323

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS
Fed keeps interest rates steady

WASHINGTON

Trapped between conflicting pressures at home and abroad, the Federal Reserve voted Wednesday to leave interest rates unchanged, keeping its hands off an economy that is either gradually robust or too strong for its own good.

The decision had been almost universally expected by economists and investors and caused barely a ripple on Wall Street. But it highlighted the dilemma facing the central bank just months after it cut rates three times to insure that financial turmoil in much of the rest of the world would not derail the long American business expansion.

Rather than slowing, the economy grew at a torrid 5.6 percent annual rate in January, the Federal Reserve chairman, and his colleagues at the Federal Reserve System, are very concerned about rapid growth in the money supply, a cause or signal of inflation.

As a result, analysts said, Associated Press, the Federal Reserve chairman, and his colleagues at the Federal Reserve System, are almost certainly considering whether they will need to reemerge and raise rates later this year if growth does not slow markedly on its own.

Yet the continued fragility of global financial markets, a rapidly expanding trade deficit, concern about causing a big sell-off in Wall Street and the almost total absence of any hard evidence of inflation have combined to create a strong case for leaving rates alone or even cutting them further.

"The Fed cannot raise rates because of the stock market bubble and what's going on overseas and because politically it's impossible to raise rates given the very low inflation rate right now," he said. "So the best course for them is to stand pat and see how the U.S. and the global economies unfold."

Wednesday's decision left the discount rate on loans from the Federal Reserve system at 4.5 percent. The federal funds target rate on overnight loans among banks is at 4.75 percent and the discount rate on loans from the Federal Reserve system at 4.5 percent.

The central bank's usual terse announcement Wednesday afternoon that the policy-setting Federal Open Market Committee had adjourned with nothing to report belied the fundamental nature of the debate that a reemerged within the institution in the last few months.

Has the economy entered a new era in which heavy investments in technology allow rapid growth to coexist with low inflation? Or is the United States merely enjoying a remarkable but temporary string of good economic luck that will end with inflationary forces reasserting themselves?

The evidence in favor of a fundamental change includes some of the most recent economic statistics. The fourth-quarter growth rate of 5.6 percent brought growth for all of 1998 to 3.9 percent, the third consecutive year in which the economy has expanded at nearly a 4-percent rate.

Traditional economic theory holds that the economy cannot grow more than about 2.5 percent a year over the long run without inflation. But the broad measures of price changes suggest that inflation last year was one percent or less.

Moreover, the absence of meaningful inflation came despite falling unemployment, which has left the jobless rate, currently 4.3 percent, hovering near 30-year lows. And heavy investments in computers and other cost-saving technology has allowed many companies to improve productivity, setting off a debate about whether the United States has reversed a two-decade-long slide in productivity growth.

"Members of the Fed wake up every day and look out at the booming economy and ask themselves if it's a result of computers or of interest rates being low," said Brian Wesbury, an economist at Griffin, Kubik, Stephens & Thompson, a Chicago investment firm.

Wesbury comes down on the side of the belief that technology has increased the economy's capacity for noninflationary growth. He said that relative to inflation, the short-term interest rates controlled by the Fed are still high and could be cut to further stimulate growth without any danger of overheating.

Bearsish tech stocks drag markets down

NEW YORK

A fierce sell-off in technology shares sent stock indexes tumbling lower Thursday, sending the technology-heavy Nasdaq composite the third biggest point loss in its history.

The Dow Jones industrial average fell 62.31 to 9,305.50. The Blue-chip index swung widely during the day, falling 91 points in the morning then heading up 31 before relapsing a second time.

Dow component and technology leader IBM lost 5 1/16 to 89 3/8. Merrill Lynch downgraded 5 million shares of IBM to 85 1/8.

Decliners beat advancers 9 to 5 on the New York Stock Exchange. Volume was 1.03 billion shares on the Big Board, off slightly from Wednesday's pace.

Some market pundits and observers have been warning for months that the screamingly high valuations on technology shares, particularly on those internal companies, could not hold up forever. Some worried that technology had been so responsible for the market's overall advances, that once the technology bubble burst, the entire market would cave in.

"Technology is the key to the market's high valuations, said Jim Waechtel, market analyst at Prudential Securities. By jumping on the technology ship, "in effect the whole story is saying, you have reasonably high valuations that I can't justify."

Waechtel added however that Thursday's declines don't necessarily signal a trend of things to come. "I think the Nasdaq composite went up 14 percent, and in one day of correction, people ask whether it's all over," Waechtel said.

Even the stocks of online brokerages, which had been posting strong gains for the second day in a row, finally succumbed after New York State's attorney general said he was looking into trading irregularities at these firms. Most of them ended lower, with Siebert Financial losing 6 1/4 to 43 1/4.

The Dow's brief foray into positive territory was due in a rise in economically sensitive stocks, such as Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing, International Paper and Eastman Kodak.

All of those stocks ended in the positive column after the Federal Reserve Board released minutes of its December meeting indicating that it didn't plan to raise interest rates. Lower short rates would hurt big manufacturers because their borrowing needs are relatively small.

Shares of computer chip makers were mixed. Micro- Devices and Intel were lower on a talk of a price war in computer chips AMD fell 2 1/4 to 18 7/8. Merrill Lynch downgraded 18 million shares of AMD to 15 after the company pulled out of two high-profile technology conferences. Shares of Intel, which lowered its chip prices last month, fell 5 5/8 to 130 1/8.

The market paid little mind to several pieces of good economic news.

The Commerce Department said the number of new unemployment claims fell 9,000 in the week ended Jan. 30. The Commerce Department reported a 2.3 percent jump in orders to U.S. factories in December.

Fed keeps interest rates steady

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Microsoft video fails to have government warnings

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Seeking to recoup its credibility in the courtroom over a disputed computer demonstration, Microsoft Corp. played a new videotape at its trial Thursday but failed to include an important assertion from the original video that the government had challenged.

Microsoft said the overall results vindicated its arguments that government efforts to disable Internet functions within its Windows software cause serious problems. The company recorded the new demonstration overnight in a conference room overlooking the White House at its law firm, under scrutiny of government lawyers and computer experts.

Thursday's video showed an IBM laptop behaving oddly, causing strange crashes and unusual flashing screens in parts of Windows after the government modified it.

"Right now, the system is in a very confused state," Microsoft senior vice president James Allchin said during the demonstration. "It's definitely not well right now."

The video also showed several ways to browse the Internet despite government attempts to prevent it.

The government alleges that Microsoft illegally "tied" its Internet browser software into Windows, which forced consumers who use its computer operating system also to use its browser. It sought to modify Windows to refuse Microsoft's claims that its browser is inseparable.

Microsoft acknowledged that it was unable to duplicate one disputed segment that purported to show that the government's tinkering caused its Internet software to run dramatically slower.

On the original video, another Microsoft employee said: "It's taking a very long time, however — unusually long — to access that Web site. That's a result of the performance degradation that has occurred because of running the government program."

But Justice Department lawyer David Boies showed that a title bar for the Internet software suggested Microsoft's test actually used a version of Windows unaltered by the government.

"DO NOT BELIEVE THAT THE DELIBERATELY FALSIFIED THIS, BUT IT DOES CAST DOUBT ON RELIABILITY OF [THE ORIGINAL VIDEO] ALTOGETHER."

THOMAS PENFIELD JACKSON
U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE

When Windows was tested with the government's changes, "you didn't have this delay," Boies charged.

Microsoft said Thursday it couldn't guarantee in its overnight tests that identical laptops achieved comparable connection rates to the Internet, which would have ensured a fair demonstration.

"The phone situation was a real mess," Allchin explained. He said on the new video that the obviously slow Internet performance "has nothing to do with the government's changes.

But spokesman Mark Murray maintained that in the company's previous tests, Allchin had "personally witnessed the degradation under lab conditions.

U.S. District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson had criticized Microsoft's earlier video demonstration as unreliable after Boies pointed out inconsistencies in a four-minute segments during two days of dramatic courtroom confrontation. Allchin eventually explained that Microsoft had edited together video segments of several different computers so it appeared a single computer was being tested.

Murray said Thursday that the flawed video had been intended as "an illustration of what we found in the laboratory." Microsoft lawyer Steven Holley called it "now infeasible."

Despite being raged under cross-examination over two days, Allchin maintained his humor in the new video, showed unedited during 70 minutes in court.

When Allchin confessed he wasn't sure at one point whether to restart the laptop, he screamed: "Well, I don't mind a little risk."

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POLAND

Farm dispute negotiations stall

WARSAW, Poland

Talks on farm reforms will not continue until Polish farm- ers take down at least 80 barricades blocking traffic, the government’s top negotiator said Wednesday.

Labor Minister Longin Komolowski demanded that farmers remove the blockades as a condition for resuming talks that began Tuesday afternoon, but were called off later that evening.

Prime Minister Jerzy Buzek conferred with his Cabinet, as leaders of the Freedom Union, a junior partner in the government, criticized ministers for opening talks while the illegal blockades continued.

“The government must start ruling, defending the reforms,” said an editorial Wednesday in the Gazeta Wyborcza newspaper, which has links to the party.

The farm protest began Jan. 25, following calls by farm leader Andrew Loppee for higher prices for agricultural produce and for farm debts to be erased.

Last week, the government agreed to intervene on the market by buying pork at higher prices — but farmers say the buying price was too low.

Despite broad economic reforms intended to complete the shift from a centralized communist-era economy to a market system, Polish agriculture remains hobbled by small, poorly equipped farms that are unable to compete with more modern farms in Western Europe.

Calls for farm reform ahead of Poland’s bid to join the European Union have been resisted by farmers, who are afraid of losing control of their land.

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With a healthy blend of idealism and realism to voices student opinion and a focus on activism, Chana Jayme and Dan Peate have the voice and experience to lead Notre Dame's student government and student body into the year 2000. In their interviews with The Observer, Jayme and Peate stressed their willingness to work on behalf of students on any issue. It's all about understanding the students want, how fight and nail for it,
Don’t Believe the Hype

Jeff Langlan

On behalf of the 750 members of GALA-ND/SMC (The Gay and Lesbian Alumni/ae) at the University of Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s College, we would like to personally thank the constituency of the Progressive Student Alliance for its hard work and dedication toward achieving equal rights on this campus. From its inception, PSA has been at the forefront of attempts to make a difference … not only on the University of Notre Dame, but on this campus and on this community. That’s why we are so excited about the formation of the Student Alliance for LGBT Rights (SALR) and the active role that it will play in the future of the University of Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s College. The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

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**About Farley’s Stereotype:**

“I wouldn’t say that most girls smoke, but in my section, I do have a number of smokers. But although some girls do smoke, they are still really nice people.”

Beth Marino, RA, Farley Hall

**About Breen Phillips’ Stereotype:**

“B.S. The stereotype originated in one of two ways. The first origin had to do with a pizza-eating contest a few years ago. Apparently every time a guy’s dorm ordered pizza, they said they were from BP and BP won the contest by an extreme majority. The second origin had to do with a pizza eating contest when BP was still a male dorm. The men won the contest, and the stereotype carried over to the women’s dorm. Whatever the origin, it has been my experience that most BP girls are very athletic.”

Heather Densmore, former resident of Breen Phillips

**About Walsh’s Stereotype:**

“No, I do not think that the rich-alumni daughter stereotype is true. In the past there have been some alumni daughters living here, but now I think we have a really good mix — we are the same as any other dorm.”

Deanette Weiss, senior, Walsh Hall
Blazing the campaign trail

Above: Presidential candidate Micah Murphy greets freshman Domingo Maynes to ask for his vote in Monday's election.

Right: Vice presidential candidate Dan Hennigan appears to have a great deal of faith in his running mate, Luke White's knife juggling ability. The pair of roommates are hoping their mutual trust will inspire voters to elect them.

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ELECTIONS '99

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Candidates range from determined to dubious

Some candidates declare no intention of winning, but still push their issues

By MICHELLE KRUPA

It has been said that winning isn't everything, but for some candidates in the race for Notre Dame student body president and vice president, it's not even part of the game plan.

With 11 tickets in this year's race, some candidates have admitted that their intentions have little to do with actually winning.

"Some interpret [our campaign] as a protest. Some interpret it as a joke," said presidential candidate Scott Killen. "Our feeling is that student government takes itself too seriously." Killen, a Zahm sophomore, decided to run after being solicited by Zahm Hall residents to bolster the dorm's participation in the race. Currently, seven tickets are comprised of two candidates from Zahm.

"We're doing this as an favor to a friend. He wanted to get as many people from Zahm to run," Killen said. "It's just some guys going out, having a good time, throwing some issues into the ring." Like Killen and his running mate, Zahm sophomore Paul Nebosky, Zahm residents Patrick McCormick and Brian Wahl are not running to win, but hope that some of their ideas will be implemented by the winners.

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By TIM LOGAN

Associate News Editor

After a year of focusing on their campaign promises in a systematic, workmanlike manner, student body president Peter Cesaro and vice president Andrea Selak are now preparing to hand the reigns of government over to the winners of next week's elections.

Looking back over the past term, the pair point to a range of accomplishments in the areas of student services and student government cooperation as their most valued achievements.

"We have done a lot of things that have enhanced campus unity and student life here," Cesaro said. He pointed to the expansion of SafeRide to Thursday nights, Academic Pride Week and the Diversity Education Program — which is still in the works — as the three most important initiatives of his administration.

Administrative relations is another area on which Cesaro and Selak have worked. Their Fall report to the Board of Trustees, which focused on expanding the services offered in the First Year of Studies — such as a writing center and tutoring — to all students, was reportedly well-received by members of the Board.

"The Fall Board of Trustees Report has the potential to make long-term improvements," said Selak. While their work at improving communications with the Board has been an improvement over other terms, there has still been no tangible progress made on getting a student member on the Board.

One criticism of the administration thus far has been that Cesaro and Selak have appeared reluctant to take a stand on major issues of importance to the student body, such as potential Big Ten membership and the addition of sexual orientation to the non-discrimination clause.

Cesaro has spoken at public forums on both these matters in the past week, both officials were largely silent up until now. This is especially true of the non-discrimination clause, which has been a hot issue on campus ever since Father David Garrick resigned last March, just before Cesaro and Selak took office. Cesaro took a public stance on the issue for the first time at a rally on Tuesday when he spoke in support of the clause change. He explained this as an attempt to maximize the impact of his statement.

"If you speak out vocally on a lot of issues the amount of response and acknowledgement you receive dwindles," Cesaro said. "In order to register student opinion we wanted to talk about it close to the [Board of Trustees] meeting. You don't want to come out and make people sick of you."

At this point in their term, the two are looking towards the future, and hope the next administration will follow through on some of their initiatives while developing their own proposals for the long term.

"Student Government has the potential to be so much more than a one-year thing," said Selak. "You have the opportunity to make a difference that lasts. It's important to remember that." In looking towards the future, Cesaro and Selak have some suggestions for whoever moves in to 203 LaFortune on April 1. Vision, passion and commitment are qualities they see as essential to be an effective student leader.

"My hope is that the next administration will have a long-term vision," said Selak. "It's important to have a commitment and a real love for being at Notre Dame."

Cesaro also noted the importance of
Tickets offer a variety of valuable ideas

In a year when many have called politics a joke, some candidates in Notre Dame’s race for student body president and vice president have been written off as jokesters. It’s unfair and unrealistic to blow off the tickets that aren’t necessarily front-runners. True, two tickets admitted they do not want or expect to win, but no ticket ever told The Observer that it didn’t care about Notre Dame or about student government. Candidates throw in their hats for a number of reasons besides a desire to lead the undergraduate student body. Some want to shake up the election process, others are concentrating on a very specific goal while still others hope to restructure student government and increase its accessibility to the average student. All candidates value their ideas and hope that even if they don’t win, their suggestions for improving Notre Dame will make it to 203 LaFortune.

Regardless of their motivations for running, all 22 candidates dedicated time and money to the race. Each platform features at least one plank that merits consideration from student government officers — the student body president and vice president, hall senators, class representatives and dorm presidents — no matter which ticket wins on Feb. 12. Brian Clemency and Daniel Chucta bring a valuable proposal to keep scheduling orientation-style activities for freshmen throughout the semester, rather than abruptly ending it when classes begin. Chris Costigan and Matt Buykske want to work for an increased student voice on issues of importance to the Notre Dame community. The current lack of student leadership on the Big Ten and nondiscrimination decisions high-

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Lights the importance of this plank. Sean Deschene and Mike Revers have some important recommendations with regard to improved technology use in classrooms.

Scott Killen and Paul Nebosky’s interest in expanding student seating at hockey games shows foresight about a problem that will only increase as Notre Dame hockey continues to improve. On a similar note, the football ticket distribution proposals of Bill Kader and Joe Priest should be considered as the administration looks into changing the system. While their specific proposals may be unfeasible, student input in the decision is essential. Patrick McCormick and Brian Wahl have some interesting suggestions for the use of Stepan Center. Making it into a disco club may not be a success, but devoting it to campus entertainment on a regular basis is a good idea.

The ticket of Micah Murphy and Michael Palumbo has a host of solid proposals for student government, but perhaps the best one is re-establishing a housing network for summer interns. Whoever is elected would be well-served to look into this proposal. The proposal by Wally Polier and Greg Smith to institute gender and diversity forums at Freshman Orientation would be a good start in addressing two serious problems at Notre Dame: gender and race relations.

Cynthia Turski and Steve Rohley’s suggestions of putting TCEs online for review and standardizing detox hours are important initiatives that should be taken up by whoever takes over the presidency.

Luke White and Dan Hennigan’s irreverent approach to student government could prove valuable in lightening the mood in a student government which often takes itself too seriously.
Election '99

Class/Major: Brian is a freshman pre-med major, and Chucta is a senior — he’ll return for a fifth year — with a film production and design double major.

In Their Words
Campaign Slogan: “A New Beginning, A Bright Future”
Most Important Idea: Make government open to students.
Most Feasible Idea: Direct election of other Student Union offices, like secretary and treasurer.
Least Feasible Idea: Eliminate the position of Club Coordination Council Coordinator.
Notable Quote: “A government without the people can’t be for the people.”
Prior Experience: Clemency comes off some high-school leadership positions; Chucta is on the Irish Guard.

In Our Words
The Best Ideas: Strengthen and lengthen Gender Relations Week; add gender relations and diversity retreats.
Most Feasible: Expanding Gender Relations Week; making all meetings open to the public in public places.
Least Feasible: The sweeping constitutional reform, on which the Senate votes — but would it really vote to abolish itself? Also, moving student government out of its office space and moving The Observer back into LaFortune (it’s a nice try, but if it were at all feasible, we’d be back over there already).
Sound Bite: “Closed doors breed elitism — they remove students from the process.”

Where They Stand
Student-Administration Relations: Increase understanding of both sides. Clemency sees it as a tough balance between pushing for student needs without isolating the administration.
Inner-Workings of Government: The constitutional reforms include eliminating Student Senate and replacing it with other bodies, renaming the president “representative at large,” and making class government autonomous.
Gender Relations: Instead of inundating freshmen with activities during orientation and letting things taper off later, Clemency proposed having socials and mini-retreats scattered throughout the year.
Diversity: “Strengthen the understanding of different cultures and promote better relations,” the duo said.
Off-Campus Students: Eliminate off-campus student government and give greater representation in other government bodies.
What We Like: Clemency had energy and ambition which is rare in a freshman. Don’t be surprised if you hear his name in the future.
What We Don’t Like: Clemency is eloquent enough to express his ideas, but shows little understanding that constitutional reform takes a long time to implement. Chucta did speak up softly a few times, but mostly let Clemency run the show.
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Campaign Slogan: "Two Common Guys, One Common Vision."

Most Important Idea: Increasing diversity on campus and promoting multicultural events; increase power of the student voice by making sure government and the administration hear it.

Most Feasible Idea: Online DART and online enrollment, eliminating inconvenience of trekking to the Joyce Center for just 5 minutes.

Least Feasible Idea: Though Deschene and Revers are intense about getting a student Board of Trustees member, they acknowledge that it's something that can't be done in just one administration, but across several.

Notable Quote: "We want to be the voice of the student body, not just the voice of the student government."

Prior Experience: Deschene and Revers are new to student government. Both worked at campus clusters through OIT and Deschene is a dorm RCC. Revers is an assistant systems manager at The Observer and Deschene designs at WWI.

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Most Important Idea: Giving back to the students.

Most Feasible Idea: Co-sponsorship of events, specifically to benefit gender relations and diversity.

Least Feasible Idea: Getting a student on the Board of Trustees.

Notable Quote: "We want all students to have the best possible experience at Notre Dame: socially, academically and spiritually."

Prior Experience: Jayme is the McGlinn Hall president and a coxswain on the women's crew team, and has been her hall secretary. Last year, Peate was student body president at the 13,000-student Moorpark College in California and was the California College Association Regional President. He is now Knott Hall president and captain of the debate team.

In Our Words

The Best Ideas: Improving race relations and bringing diversity issues to the forefront by encouraging clubs to co-sponsor events.

Most Feasible: Update and improve the Career and Placement center "for all the students on campus who want to be something other than a consultant or accountant."

Least Feasible: Making LaFortune open 24 hours.

Sound Bite: "I'm not a government major pretending to play government."

WHERE THEY STAND

Student-Administration Relations: Open the lines of communication to ensure that the student voice is heard.

Inner-Workings of Government: Increase the dialogue between different branches of government.

Gender Relations: Increase 24-hour space on campus, improve gender relations week and have dorms and clubs co-sponsor events.

Diversity: Focus on students and clubs working together to address the issues.

Off-Campus Students: Facilitate activities that will draw them to campus and keep them informed of campus issues, in part through their senators.

What We Like: These two gel perfectly as a team, yet they retain their strong individuality. Both are familiar enough with government to get things done, yet possess a fresh perspective and readiness to work through all channels.

What We Don't Like: The duo were vague about plans to implement the Career and Placement improvements, another of their pet issues.
Class/Major: Both are Zahm sophomores. Killen is an anthropology and Program of Liberal Studies double major, and Nebosky is studying mechanical engineering.

**In Their Words**

Campaign Slogan: “We’re Nice Guys”

Most Important Idea: Increasing seating options for Notre Dame hockey fans at home games.

Most Feasible Idea: An ethics review of business practices and pricing at the Notre Dame Bookstore.

Least Feasible Idea: The hockey seating idea.

Notable Quote: “We’re in complete control over our campaign.”

Prior Experience: Both have worked in Zahm Hall government as section leaders and recycling and athletic commissioners.

**In Our Words**

The Best Ideas: Hockey seating; pushing for a better hockey arena; the ethics review of the Bookstore.

Most Feasible: Revamping hockey seating and possibly student basketball seating as well.

Least Feasible: The Bookstore would probably rather self-destruct; getting better parking for the off-campus students.

**Sound Bite:** “Notre Dame expects us to act like adults, then treats us as less,” Killen said.

**Where They Stand**

Student-Administration Relations: The ticket stands behind getting a student member of the Board of Trustees.

Inner-Workings of Government: Citing Andrés Selak’s example, Killen and Nebosky think the student body president and vice president should visit Hall meetings.

Gender Relations: A parietals evaluation could help, according to Killen. Noting that it’s unrealistic to promise complete elimination, they suggested compromising by targeting weekend parietals first.

Diversity: The two support bringing the issue to the forefront.

Off-Campus Students: Killen argued in favor of offering closer parking for off-campus students — perhaps even on-campus parking.

What We Like: Killen and Nebosky are two nice guys with solid ideas, and they articulated them well.

What We Don’t Like: The duo isn’t running to win — rather, they want to disseminate their ideas for the benefit of the eventual victor.

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Class/Major: Kuder is a Zahm Hall junior Management information Systems major, and Priest is a Zahm junior computer engineering major.

**In Their Words**

Campaign Slogan: “ND Football Rules”

Most Important Idea: Football Ticket Redistribution Plan

Most Feasible Idea: Notre Dame students getting football tickets before Saint Mary’s students.

Least Feasible Idea: “All of our ideas are based in feasibility.”

Notable Quote: “It’s not just football, it’s Notre Dame football.”

Prior Experience: Kuder sat on the SUB concert committee, is a Hesburgh computer lab team leader and served as Zahm’s computer commissioner and the vice president of the Guitar Players’ Association.

**In Our Words**

The Best Ideas: A satellite workout area for North Quad residents and others who dislike the trek to Rolfs or the Roc. Kuder suggested Haggar or Stepan as sites.

Most Feasible: Generating stronger student support for the basketball team.

Least Feasible: The convoluted and ultimately impractical football ticket idea, in which a quiz weeds out the true fans and gives them the right to line up for the best tickets.

**Sound Bite:** “It is not our purpose to destroy Notre Dame/Saint Mary’s relations.”

**Where They Stand**

Student-Administration Relations: Both said they’d feel comfortable representing the administration to the students while strongly presenting student needs to the administration.

Inner-Workings of Government: “Delegate, delegate, delegate.”

Gender Relations: Kuder and Priest explained their stance on gender relations by pointing to their idea of having Saint Mary’s students buy their football tickets last.

Diversity: “We like it and we think it’s good.”

Off-Campus Students: They plan to push for free parking for students who move off campus.

What We Like: Kuder and Priest interact well, and the satellite gym idea is savvy.

What We Don’t Like: “We need more things around here that everybody’s talking about,” they said, but the campaign platform gives no real detail. They also seemed unwilling to consider some of the logistical snags of their pet issue, football ticket redistribution.
Class/Major: McCormick is a sophomore biology and gender studies double major; Wahl, a freshman, is undecided but will pursue a gender studies concentration.

**IN THEIR WORDS**

Campaign Slogan: "To Infinity and Beyond"
Most Important Idea: Flex points at Senior Bar
Most Feasible Idea: Stepan Center disco/liquor store
Least Feasible Idea: "All our ideas are feasible."
Notable Quote: "Let's Get it On," from Judge Mills Lane.
Prior Experience: McCormick captained the Zahm Hall basketball II-team in 1998. Wahl was class president of Newman Catholic for 2 years.

**IN OUR WORDS**

The Best Ideas: Flex points at Senior Bar.
Most Feasible: Using proceeds from the Stepan disco/liquor store to solve budget problems for the Student Union.
Least Feasible: Actually putting a combination disco and liquor store in Stepan Center; ending the tradition of enrolling a certain number of "legacies."

Sound Bite: "We may not be running to win, but we want to get the ideas out there"

**WHERE THEY STAND**

Student-Administration Relations: "No comment."
Inner-Workings of Government: "Improvement needed."
Gender Relations: "Improvement needed."
Diversity: "Improvement needed — we need to make minorities not afraid to come to this university."
Off-Campus Students: "Not applicable."

What We Like: Their platform reads, "We feel it is time that Notre Dame finally had a woman president," a campaign promise that takes on new meaning for an all-male ticket.
What We Don't Like: McCormick wasn't at all articulate, and Wahl let him do all the talking.

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Class/Major: Murphy is a junior finance major from Keough Hall; Palumbo is a junior government major from Keenan.

**IN THEIR WORDS**

Campaign Slogan: "Bringing It All Together."
Most Important Idea: "To utilize the talents, resources and ideas of the students and other clubs and organizations on campus."
Most Feasible Idea: Using co-sponsorship successfully
Least Feasible Idea: A campus television station

Notable Quote: "As president and vice president, we see ourselves as servants of the Notre Dame community," Murphy said.
Prior Experience: Murphy is the Keough president and the head of the Trident Naval Society in the Navy ROTC battalion. He was also freshman class vice president. Palumbo is the secretary for the Student Union, the Executive Cabinet and the Campus Life Council.

**IN OUR WORDS**

The Best Ideas: The "Last Lecture" series; campuswide spirit events like midnight pancakes in the dining halls during finals week.
Most Feasible: Network for summer intern housing; most of the student services platform.
Least Feasible: Establishing classes with diversity-related content (student government would have little to no say in this). Also: campus media renovations, establishing later final exam times.

Sound Bite: "There's always an open-door policy on the second-floor of LaFortune."

**WHERE THEY STAND**

Student-Administration Relations: Strengthen the lines of communication; fight for what students deserve.
Inner-Workings of Government: Promoting student government unity by "greasing the wheels" and fine-tuning the workings of each body.
Gender Relations: Roundtable discussions; a gender relations week and mentor programs.
Diversity: A "celebrate ND" cultural festival; interactive campus forums and panels addressing diversity issues.
Off-Campus Students: Increase their awareness of what's happening on campus; work with off-campus representatives.

What We Like: Their experience; they've obviously made a commitment to student government. Palumbo's enthusiasm is infectious.
What We Don't Like: Murphy and Palumbo have no rapport. They also seem reluctant to take risks, meaning that their tenure would be more of the same "play-it-safe" attitude we saw from Cesaro/Selak.
Class/Major: Turski is a sophomore from Badin, majors in science-business. Robey is a Knott sophomore with a French-English double major.

IN THEIR WORDS
Campaign Slogan: "We're Not Stupid Any More!"
Most Important Idea: A confrontation with the bookstore over the ethics of its pricing and buyback procedures.
Most Feasible Idea: Keeping the main floor of LaFortune open 24 hours.
Least Feasible Idea: Developing the islands that exist on St. Joseph and St. Mary's lakes (much like a similar area Saint Mary's has on its campus).
Notable Quote: "Why you get what you get?" (Poirier, reciting words from a sign at the Bookstore that he finds offensive.)
Prior Experience: Poirier is Zahm's gender relations representative in hall government; Smith is on Zahm's hall council.

IN OUR WORDS
The Best Ideas: Forums for freshmen about gender and race relations; investigating the Bookstore; regular student opinion polls.
Most Feasible: Better lighting around the lakes; HPC Dorm Spirit Week, 24-hour basketball courts at the Rock.
Least Feasible: A Barnes & Noble book sale/fair for Notre Dame students to offer a comprehensive alternative to the Bookstore.
Sound Bite: "The University needs to offer more entertainment on campus; our current choices aren't widely appealing and aren't entertaining. LaFortune Ballroom gets old quickly."

WHERE THEY STAND
Student-Administration Relations: Persistence and feasibility; need proper presentation of ideas coupled with a willingness to fight for the students.
Inner-Workings of Government: End exclusivity, so as to understand campus concerns more universally; establish broader communication.
Gender Relations: Need as many men as women to participate in finding solutions for problems of this nature.
Diversity: Combat ignorance early, like at freshman orientation committee.
Off-Campus Students: Need to communicate the opportunities for participating in campus activities. Also, possibly student government-sponsored activities off campus.
What We Like: Poirier and Smith have a lot of good ideas for improving campus activities and aesthetics. Smith is a better match for Poirier this year because his ability to articulate himself improved.
What We Don't Like: Poirier's comfort-level with pushing the administration borders on being a hobby, and that could alienate government from the administration and impede progress.

Class/Major: Poirier is a junior government and history double major from Zahm. Smith is a sophomore architecture, math and economics triple major.

IN THEIR WORDS
Campaign Slogan: "Bringing Student Government to Student Level."
Most Important Idea: Putting Teacher-Course Evaluations on-line.
Most Feasible Idea: Having campus-wide public forums for student government leaders.
Least Feasible Idea: A separate "express" line for students at the Bookstore on home football weekends.
Notable Quote: "The Big Ten = Big Zero."
Prior Experience: Turski works for the Notre Dame Council on International Business Development as the main contact for Poland for the schools program. Robey is a seventh-grade CCD teacher at St. Monica Church and works at both campus radio stations.

IN OUR WORDS
The Best Ideas: Making TCEs available online could be a useful resource for students trying to decide between several classes or professors.
Most Feasible:Campuswide forums and standardized detext hours so that the rules don't change from dorm to dorm.
Least Feasible: An "express" line at the Bookstore that actually is any quicker during football weekends.
Sound Bite: "Student Government needs a leader who's not so caught up in Student Government-type things."

WHERE THEY STAND
Student-Administration Relations: They want to improve relations by encouraging faculty to eat lunch with students.
Inner-Workings of Government: Less emphasis on internal conflict and more on unity; addressee issues that are pertinent to students.
Gender Relations: The duo said more 24-hour space would facilitate student gatherings after parietals, which in turn could ease gender relations problems.
Diversity: Give multicultural groups more space in which to meet; encourage hiring of multicultural professors.
Off-Campus Students: Increase their representation in government bodies.
What We Like: Turski and Robey are two people who genuinely want the jobs and want to serve the student body.
What We Don't Like: Robey showed signs of life when he was allowed to speak for himself in the interview (twice). But don't misunderstand — Turski did jump in on most answers, but she was not effusive. Her manner was detached and monotonous.
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ditional platform planks and are meant to bring the communication barriers between candidates and students.

Junior candidates Brian Clemency and senior Dan Chucuta are also focused on reducing the process. The pair wants to restructure Student Senate and have direct elections for student body secretary and treasurer.

"We want our administration to be not just open to the public, but in the public," Clemency said, noting that if elected, he would move student government meetings to more public places like the dining halls. "Our transition would be the most difficult to implement, but we're concentrating on eliminating tyranny.

Zahm juniors Sean Deschenne and Mike Reveres hope to make student government more accessible to the average stu-

dent if elected.

"We'd like to bring student government back to the students," said Reveres, a vice-presidential candidate. "It's very hard if student government doesn't come to the stu-
dents for the students to come to student government.

"We decided that juniors Luke White and Dan Hennigan claim not to be a "protest ticket," their print media cam-
paign—which includes the slogan "Kill the Swans"—is designed to comment on the impracticality of campaign

promises.

"You can't promise anything you don't know exactly what the (Student) Senate will do," Hennigan said, noting that most issues in the typical campaign platform must pass through the senate. "We're not making any promises. Most people are taking it as a joke. It's just to get a good laugh." If elected, Hennigan said that the pair would resort to "the stuff that's already on the floor," like increasing campus space and restructuring the football ticket lottery.

Some candidates, like Zahm freshman Mario Pupillo, who began the race with no drive to actually win, have aban-
doned their campaigns.

"At first we just liked the idea of making a difference or something," Pupillo said, "but we have a change of heart, I guess."

Others have replaced running mates after personal situ-
ations took their partners out of contention.

Keenan junior Mike Palumbo, the vice presidential candidate on junior Miriah Murphy's ticket, originally planned to run with Rhea Gerken. After being una-

officially slated as the vice presidential candidate under cur-

rent vice president Andrea Selak, who chose not to run, Murphy began campaigning for the presidency with Pa quillevia East junior Julie Reising. Reising dropped out of the race late Sunday night for personal reasons, and her vacant spot is now occupied by Palumbo.

"After Julie dropped out, everyone in the know in stu-
dent government through Mike Palumbo would be the best," Murphy said. "He's the natural choice."

Murphy added that his current platform looks much like the one he and Reising compiled.

"We didn't want to let every-

thing on our platform die. Obviously, I knew Julie more than anybody, but we've added stuff from [Palumbo and Gerken's] campaign," Murphy said.

Between less-than-serious campaigns and last-minute ticket changes, election organ-

ization "has been crazy," according to Nicole Borda, vice president of elections for the Judicial Council.

"It upset me and upset the other candidates when we know that people are in it for something like humor value," Borda said. "Turning this into some kind of mockery upset us because of the amount of hours we've been putting in for the last few weeks trying to organize this election."

Since no by-laws or constitu-
tional amendments explicitly provide protocol for ticket changes, Borda explained that each case must be dealt with on an individual basis.

"Since there's nothing saying that they can't switch a ticket if one (candidate) drops out of the race, we have to decide if it is illegal or not for these changes to be made. Since [Reising] had a serious illness in her family, we allowed it," Borda said. "It changes daily who's on the ballot."
Myths, or Truths Told?

(you said it, not us), Farley girls smoke and Sorin is the most popular sorority. So, we took a survey of approximately 100 people, to find out what people thought about each dorm, and off-campus students. The results are in! Here are the answers:

- Dillon Hall: Obnoxious
- Pangborn Hall: Pretty
- Lyons Hall: Religious
- Carroll Hall: Far Away
- O'Neill Hall: Good Guys
- McGlinn Hall: Lice
- Walsh Hall: Alumni Kids
- Farley Hall: Smokers
- Zahm Hall: Gay
- Mr. Stanford Athletic
- Knott Hall: Orange Hats
- Pasquerilla East: Pyros
- Lewis Hall: Chicks
- St. Ed's: High Ceilings
- Dillon Hall: Big Red
- Pangborn Hall: Unknown
- Lyons Hall: Cool Archway
- Carroll Hall: Hermits
- O'Neill Hall: Mardi Gras
- McGlinn Hall: Snobby
- Walsh Hall: Rich
- Farley Hall: Pop Farley
- Zahm Hall: Clique-ish
- Mr. Stanford Athletic
- Knott Hall: Old Girls Dorm
- Pasquerilla East: Flag Football
- Lewis Hall: Athletic
- St. Ed's: Rich Boys

About Dillon's Stereotype:
"Back in the day, Dillon was the biggest dorm and the most athletic. The RecSports champions always got red shirts, and since Dillon always won RecSports events, they always wore red shirts. And everyone called them the 'Big Red.'"

Mark Roman, junior, Dillon Hall

About Zahm's Stereotype:
"I don’t know any guys that are gay. I think the stereotype originated because Zahm is so close, and has certain rituals, such as not letting other guys into Zahm parties. I think that the gay stereotype is just other dorms’ way of being jealous."

Former resident of Zahm Hall

About McGlinn's Stereotype:
"Really there were only a few case of lice, not the whole dorm. The lice started with some girl’s little brother, it had nothing to do with girls not bathing."

Maria Petrille, sophomore, McGlinn Hall
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the third of the season between the two teams, with the Irish having won the previous two, as well as the last three overall versus the Nannocks.

The two wins over UAF took place just 1 1/2 weeks apart, when the Irish won back-to-back games by scores of 2-0 and 6-1. No one D r a m e showed itself to be the better team on the ice in terms of speed, physical play, special teams and goaltending.

One major event took place between that series and this weekend's contest, however. The entire complexion of Saturday's contest, however, saw the Irish win back-to-back games by scores of 2-0 and 6-1.

In addition to games by the men's and women's teams over the past few weeks, the Irish will be focusing on Pete as will a few professional athletes. For example, last year Olympic Paul McMullen received top billing in this race that features many established as well as up-and-coming superstars.

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Where to catch

*Moby Dick.*

Where

*The Invisible Man*

was last seen.

Where

*Paradise Lost*

is found.
LAUSANNE, Switzerland

No matter how hard they tried to claim victory, International Olympic Committee leaders couldn’t disguise the fact that their authority has eroded even further.

In an effort to regain credibility in the wake of the Salt Lake corruption scandals, they struggled to back off their previous unqualified support for the IOC.

Two weeks ago, Schults said the USOC fully supported Samaranch and believed he was the only person capable of leading the IOC out of its crisis. On Thursday, he said, "I don’t see any reason to change the position at this point as long as we are making progress and moving forward and that he can still command the respect of IOC members."

"I don’t think our position has changed. I think we feel there needs to be consistency to get through this crisis and he is probably in the best position to do that." Samaranch has been in power since 1980 and plans to stay until his term ends in 2001. He put his leadership to a vote of confidence at a special IOC assembly March 17-18.

IOC members will also vote on proposals to change the process for selecting host cities and expel member implicated in the Salt Lake case.

The Sydney Morning Herald, White House partner company in a local partner of the 2000 Olympics, said Thursday that Samaranch "must carry the ultimate responsibility for crisis, which is engulfing the Olympic movement. He is not an answer to the problem. He represents the problem."

Meanwhile, the proposed antidoping agency will be discussed again at a meeting with sports and government leaders this spring.

The conference agreed to set up the agency, but details on the structure, mission and financing were put off for up to three months. Officials said the goal is to have the agency up and running before the Sydney Games.

Banks and other government officials refused to give the IOC a leading role in the doping agency, which would supervise worldwide drug testing and policy on an annual $25 million budget.

"The chairing of that independent agency by president Samaranch would compromise it," Banks, the British Olympic Committee Minister, said. "It would not be independent. We cannot accept that.

"We need governments could have a 50 percent role in the agency — but we would be expected to contribute financially."

The IOC also was forced to allow countries to impose a minimum two-year ban in drug cases when the so-called "exceptional circumstances." Some of the biggest sports, including soccer, cycling and tennis, argued that a two-year ban would hold up to challenges under right-to-work laws.

Banks said Tuesday that this opened an "enormous loophole."

"This is minimalist and permissive," he said. "It under-mines the resolution."

In November, the IOC threatened to expel from the Olympics those sports that failed to adopt the two-year ban. Tuesday’s resolution made no mention of expulsions.

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Fencers take a stab at the South

By MIKE CONNOLLY
Sports Writer

The 11-1 men's and 10-2 women's fencing teams travel to Tubacce Road today and Saturday to take on stiff competition in Duke, North Carolina, Air Force and Rutgers.

McGraw's defense has been the team's strength in building the current win streak. After not allowing its last five opponents more than 61 points, controlling Seton Hall will be a simple assignment for the Irish. Not one Pirate scored in double digits as Erika Ashmon dominating, physical center. But Katelyn Gaiter, has been a team, like the 1997 team with makes us an excellent team."

Battle at 2 p.m. on Saturday.

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The anchor for this year's Boston College was able to

Tuesday in Duke, North Carolina, State's women's team.

All four squads finished in the top 25 last year, with Rutgers 9-7. All-American captain Walsh battled through a difficult week to travel further down the road undefeated against top competition like the Scarlet Knights, Blue Devils, Tar Heels and Falcons and add them to the long list of teams that have fallen to the might of captain Lacey Lea's sabre squad. The sabre squad is undefeated on the year and has been most impressive against top competition like Stanford and Penn State which we defeated 7-2 and 8-1 respectively.

The women's side picked up a confidence-boosting victory over a tough Ohio State squad last weekend and hopes to sweep the competition in Durham. All-American foilist Sara Walsh battled through a difficult leg injury to beat back tough competition and continue her undefeated season. She will look to travel further down the road to perfection and a possible second NCAA title in foil.

The men's epee squad fought the toughest match of last weekend when it defeated Ohio State 9-7. All-American captain Nicole Mustilli and junior all-American Charles Jackson, also had an excellent weekend against the Midwestern opposition.

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When Larry Bird's Pacers take the floor, the NBA season will officially start and the NBA season — with the tip and the NBA season — will go up. Someone will win, but he is not and the league will finally begin, 94 days late.

"And there will be new champions. The only problem I foresee in that if you have a major injury to one of your star players — if he misses a couple weeks — that's a lot of games." Bird said "I think the team that stays the healthiest has probably got a better opportunity to win." And the flip side, of course, is that the injured teams will be in for a struggle.

The Charlotte Hornets have already lost their two best players, Glen Rice and Anthony Mason, to injuries. Combined with the loss of centers Matt Geiger and Vlade Divac and guard Delk from free agency, the Hornets will have a tough time when they open at home against the Philadelphia 76ers.

In other games, it's Cleveland at Atlanta, Detroit at Miami, Toronto at Boston, New York at Orlando, Sacramento at San Antonio, Minnesota at Denver, Chicago at Utah, Dallas at Seattle, Houston at the Los Angeles Lakers and Phoenix at the Los Angeles Clippers.

"I think it's important to start with a little more urgency and get some wins early on," Phoenix Suns coach Danny Ainge said.

What remains to be seen is how the fans will respond.

When the baseball strike ended in 1995, the backlash from the public was fierce.

Longtime fans stopped going to games, casual fans stopped watching on TV and a trio of New Yorkers even ran onto the field at Shea Stadium and threw $1 bills at the players, a la Hoffman's famous protest gimmick on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange.

No one is quite certain how any fan backlash might manifest itself in the NBA, but the league has been taking steps to mend fences with its paying customers. If there's one factor that may draw them back more than anything else, it's the heightened competition that comes with every game meaning a little bit more and every team having a little more of a chance.

"I think the true NBA fans are going to be the ones who obviously were disappointed with the lockout but are just very, very happy that we're back to playing," Knicks coach Jeff Van Gundy said. "What they want to see is good play, hard play, competitive play."

Knicks fans have already taken a liking to the team's newest scorer, former Golden State guard Latrell Sprewell, who will be playing his first regular-season game in more than 14 months when the Knicks play the Magic.

Elsewhere, it'll be a rematch of the NBA Finals, sort of, when the revamped Bulls travel to Utah to play the Jazz. Chicago will be without several key members of its new-deconstructed dynasty, including Jordan, Scottie Pippen, Dennis Rodman, Luc Longley, Steve Kerr, Jud Buechler and Scott Burrell.

In a sign of how much things have changed since last June, this would be marquee matchup will not even be shown on national television. "It's just one of 50 games we've got to play well in to make a run at the playoffs," Karl Malone said. "Michael, Scottie and Dennis were the Bulls. It's not like that anymore."

The Jazz are being widely picked as the favorite to come out of the West, but the competition will be tougher now that Pippen has joined Hakim Olajuwon and Charles Barkley in Houston. Rockets coach Rudy Tomjanovich scoffed when someone pointed out that his frontcourt is comprised of three Hall of Famers while his backcourt is comprised of considerably less.

"To have three superheroes in the lineup at one time is not easy. There is only one basket, so we have to have some guys who will make sacrifices and play as team players," Tomjanovich said.

The next 90 days, and hectic days they will be, will determine who makes the playoffs and tries to succeed the Bulls as champions.
Cummings finds mysterious back injury the Pitts

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH

Pittsburgh's basketball team, already rocked this season by a player arrest and coach Ralph Willard's resignation, will be without leading scorer Vonteego Cummings for at least one game and possibly longer.

Cummings has a stress-related back injury that will sideline him for Saturday's game against No. 9 St. John's and likely Monday's game at Selon Hall.

The Panthers (11-10, 2-8 Big East) hope the 6-foot-5 Cummings can return for their Feb. 11 game at Rutgers, but it depends how he responds to rest and treatment.

Willard said Cummings has played in pain for several weeks and was hurting so badly following Tuesday's 76-58 loss at Georgetown that the senior guard was "crying in the locker room."

"It's been bothering him for a while," Willard said.

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Students shut out of 'Showdown at the Joyce'

By TED FOX
Sports Writer

It was high noon, and the streets were deserted except for a few brave souls. The sun beat down with incredible intensity on the parched ground as people looked on with nervous expectation from their windows. The battle lines were drawn, and the inevitable conflict was soon to follow.

Yes, for a few brief moments last Saturday, the corner of Juniper and Moose Krause Circle, in front of the immense structure known as the JACC, was transformed into the OK last Saturday, the corner of Juniper and Moose Krause Circle, in front of the immense structure known as the JACC, was transformed into the OK Corral. They expected to see a great battle—one of college hockey proportions—between two of the sport's premier teams. They expected to cheer as their side did controlled the action and groan when the tide seemed to turn. Most of all, however, these 350 students expected something.

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Well, I'm just guessing, but I figured that's why they all started lining up two and a half hours before the dropping of the puck. At the very least, that's why I was waiting there. The tickets were supposed to be distributed around six, and everyone in my area figured we must have right around the 350 ticket border-line. We weren't sure if we would get tickets, but there seemed to be a pretty good chance.

Were we ever wrong. Before six even came, the people at the front of the line started to go into the JACC to get tickets. Almost as soon as the front ranks of the line moved in, someone came out and shut the doors, saying there were no more tickets.

Now, I wasn't sitting there counting, but the number of students that got in was nowhere near 350. Unless you multiplied those who did get in by the number of people who enjoyed the premiere of the "Family Guy" on Fox after the Super Bowl. And to make matters worse, no one from the JACC or the University came out to tell us that there were no tickets left. We had to rely on the accounts of fellow students returning from the front lines. Quite a few of us went in to see what was going on. There didn't seem to be many answers, except for: "If you don't have a ticket, please move outside." They didn't even offer us any of the free T-shirts they were giving away.

The mass of students left the JACC, still wondering where it all went wrong. No one knew why they hadn't been given a fair shot at seeing the game. College is supposed to be about the students and college sports about students cheering on their fellow students. If you take the students away, there's not much left. I guess it's possible that 350 tickets don't go as far as they used to. Maybe it's inflation or something like that.

Still, a lot of students who deserved to see the game missed the chance to be pounding on the boards or harassing Michigan's goalie. They missed the hard battle fought over the frozen sheet of ice. They missed the chance to just be college kids at a hockey game.

What all this amounts to, I'm not sure. One thing I do know for sure, however: that Saturday night at the corner of Juniper and Moose Krause was definitely not OK.
Hall would be one more step toward an NIT bid and postseason play.

Martin Ingelsby and the men's basketball team will battle to raise their record to .500 in the Big East and 12-10 overall. A victory over Seton Hall would be quite a bit of excitement around here," MacLeod said. "We'd like to get that back."

"That Michigan game created some inconsistency that has plagued us behind them and finish with a flourish. "We'd like to get to a point where we could get into the NIT or the NCAA," MacLeod said. "We have seven games left and if we get on a roll here and we do well in the Big East Tournament anything can happen. But you never know."

MacLeod pointed to the run in the NIT the Irish made two years ago. Notre Dame was a bucket away from knocking off Michigan at the Joyce Center and heading to New York for the semifinals of the NIT.

Sports Writer

Wednesday, February 3, 1999

Irish swim into New York

By WES RICHARDSON

The Irish face Buffalo today, and then travel to Ocean, NY Saturday to swim St. Bonaventure a mere 17 hours later. The Irish do not take either team lightly. "We're expecting two meets that will be a little harder than we thought when the schedule came out," senior Vince Kuna said.

Illness among team members has made for a thin Irish squad that will look more carefully at the two teams which they handily beat last year. "Both teams match up against us very evenly," co-captain Steve Whowell said. "The way both teams have been swimming, it's going to be very close."

The upperclassmen will no doubt experience a double-take over the weekend. Two years ago, the Irish faced the same one-two punch in New York state, narrowly beating Buffalo and then being upset by St. Bonaventure. "The problem of two years ago was that everyone was so ecstatic that we beat Buffalo that we forgot about the next meet. We need to keep the energy we have on Friday and not let it get away," Whowell said.

"Two years ago we were overwhelming, I think," Kuna said. "Buffalo had beaten St. Bonaventure the week before, and so when we beat Buffalo, we thought St. Bonaventure would be a walk in the park."

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Whowell points out that Buffalo has the advantage in the distance events, such as distance and the 200-yard stroke events. This is in contrast to the typical St. Bonaventure team, according to Whowell. Both schools also use the

Senior Chris Fugate and the Bonaventure this weekend.

21 to kick off their team's 50th anniversary year. The Irish are confident that experience will be their greatest weapon against history repeating itself. "It's something we've had experience with, so hopefully we can pull through," Kuna said.

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Thank yous, appreciations, and gratitude

By BRIAN CHURNEY
Sports Writer

My mother always used to say that a good and decent person sent thank-you notes to each and every one of the people who were nice enough to give that person a gift for Christmas. Usually my thank-you notes were delivered while I was trick-or-treating in October. I guess that tells you how good and decent of a person I have developed into.

In the season where resolutions are as plenty as illegitimate children in the NBA, I, too, will pile one more resolution onto that Everett-like pile. Therefore, let it be said that I will get my thank-you notes out before Mark McGwire has 20 homers. O.K., it's already February, I better hurry.

Looking from the outside, at the world of sports, we have a lot to be thankful for. So let's play Santa Claus and make a lot to be thankful for. So let's give sports a reason to exist.

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By Brian Churney

Thank yous, appreciations, and gratitude

Thank you to Bob Davie for sparing the Notre Dame football team from two inactive weeks.

Thank you to Lou Holtz for allowing us all peace of mind by proving once and for all that he was run out of Notre Dame.

Thank you to Mike Wadeworth for reasserting Notre Dame's lack of elementary arithmetic skills when managing a clock didn't just cost us millions of dollars as some people would say. Instead, Davie saved at least my family hundreds of dollars. Instead of wasting precious Christmas dollars traveling to a bowl game, we were instead able to watch the lesser bowl on television. I was saved at least my family hundreds of dollars traveling to a bowl game. Instead of spending in the off-season have been soundly defeated by Notre Dame (insert Michigan 098) can still be a better team than Notre Dame. After all, we didn't learn that lesson in 1993 with Florida State.

Thank you to the Baltimore Ravens... for obvious reasons.

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Looking through the Wizard of ND

DAN SULLIVAN

CELEBRITIES born on THIS DAY: Barrymore, Audra Stemmen, Roger Hargess, Andrew Gregory, Al Knopp, Bobby Brown, Marky Hamer, Josephine Freund-Leigh

Happy Birthday! Put your emotional energy to good use. You will be able to work hard in order to finish something very important to you. You will find new directions that will bring you personal satisfaction. You can be a true source of joy and prosperity if you are willing to put in a little extra effort. Your number: 5, 5, 13, 19, 38, 40

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Keep your mind open. Partnerships will be a major force. Anything you put your mind to will contribute to your prosperity. You can help others and receive rewards for your good deeds. 000

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Watch for no one who may be a little underhanded. You have need to spend some additional time with children. They will need extra help. Your current notices will be in a high octave. 000

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Don’t even think about getting involved in financial schemes. You are not likely to make smart purchases today. If you must shop, just look — don’t buy. 000

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You will have personal problems if you are ignoring complaints made by important people, who are probably the people you can’t be with who they are. Let go of the past. You fear of change may stop you. 000

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You should be aware of deception on the part of your financial institutions. Use your charm and intelligence, but don’t sign documents today. Carelessness will not cut it. 000

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You can make extra cash through home projects. It’s just not the right time for much cash into the project to begin with. Let it grow slowly. Your business sense will be very acute. 000

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Look after your own affairs first. Get out and buy yourself those things that are sure to impress your image. You will have few, if any, financial alternatives you make will be favorable today. Don’t try to control your own destiny. 000

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Money-making ideas will be more than valid. Look into the red figure involved in taking such ventures to fruition. Suddenly money may be necessary to keep your ideas your own. 000

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Business opportunities will develop through the new contacts you make. You can get help from those who can offer a different change, according your income on loans. 000

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You will not forget trying to deal with emotional matters. You will not be able to handle any contracts that can make you money. 000

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Consider traveling to countries that will spark your interest from a cultural or philosophic point of view. Travel will not only be financially rewarding, but it can be a cure for the disease of boredom. 000

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Urick leads icers against first-place Spartans

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Following last Saturday's emotional win over Michigan, Notre Dame will put its unbeaten home record on the line again this weekend, this time against 13th-ranked Michigan State Spartans.

Friday's contest is the team's first versus the CCHA's first-place Spartans this season. Notre Dame will play Michigan State each of the next three Fridays as they finish up their treacherous late-season schedule. Saturday night, the Irish will conclude their season series with the Nanooks of Alaska Fairbanks, who fell twice to Notre Dame at the Joyce Center already this season.

Entering the weekend, the Irish find themselves in fourth place in the CCHA. But they are currently only seven points behind Michigan State, who leads the conference with a 3-3-3 record.

Ranked at No. 4 in the nation, Michigan State is current-ly the hottest team in college hockey. They are present-ly in the midst of an 11-game unbeaten streak (12-0-3), which included a ten-game winning streak. In fact, the Spartans have not lost since winning the CCHA title.

The Irish boast of strong special teams and the ability to lock down the penalty-kill. Coming into Friday's game, Michigan State leads the CCHA with an astounding penalty-killing efficiency of 91.9 percent. What is even more impressive is the fact that in 28 games this season, the unit has scored 10 short-handed goals while only allowing 11 power play goals.

The Spartans are led by the ice by their captain, senior center Mike York. Last season, York was one of the 10 finalists for the Hobey Baker Award, and looks to be having a similar season this year. So far, York has amassed 35 points (16 goals, 19 assists), which leads his team and puts him fourth in the CCHA.

"He's a complete player," Irish coach Dave Poulin said of York. "He's terrific with the puck, he protects the puck. He's a sniper and he plays both ends." Another player who has dominated for Michigan State has been sophomore goaltending phenom Joe Blackburn. Among starting goalies in the CCHA, Joe Blackburn leads with both a 1.40 goals-against-average and a .930 save percentage.

The key to solving Blackburn, says Irish sophomore Dan Carlson, may involve being aggressive in front of the MSU net.

"He really doesn't face that many shots," Carlson said. "We have to try to get to him and get some shots on him. I think other teams have had trouble getting the net on him. If we can get a lot of shots, I think we can be successful."

To this point in the season, the Irish remain unbeaten on home ice with a record of 9-0-1. Following a season in which the team struggled on home ice, one major difference this season has been the addition of an energetic crowd to the Joyce Center atmosphere. Last Saturday night against [then] No. 2 Michigan, the loudest crowd of the season helped carry the Irish to an exciting 3-2 win, and coach Poulin hopes there will be more of the same this weekend.

"Improving on home ice has been one of the goals of our season," Poulin said. "We've played well on home ice. We want to be more comfortable for teams to come in here (Irish) atmosphere just adds to that."

On Saturday, Notre Dame will play host to Alaska Fairbanks Nanooks, who are in ninth place in the conference standings. Saturday's game will be see HOCKEY / page 14

Irish can reach .500 in Big East

By JOEY CATATO
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The Notre Dame men's basketball team has made the final turn and it's headed down the final stretch. Now it's time to get into full stride.

John MacLeod's squad sits on an 11-11 record overall and 5-6 in the Big East. With seven games remaining on the regular season slate the Irish will have to make a move if they hope to be playing in March.

After a full week off after a home victory over Providence, the Irish will look to build some momentum Saturday when they take on Seton Hall.

"It's a crucial game for us," MacLeod said. "Nobody wants to finish the regular season without any more games to play."

"Last year we had trouble solving Pat (Garrity) was the only one who consistently scored in double figures," MacLeod said. "So what we have now is a better offensive balance, a much better offensive package. We have a much better correlation between the inside game and the outside game."

The two most experienced inside players are seniors, Antoin Waech and Phil Hickey will be looking to close their careers in style.

"I'd like to see Antoin and Phil finish big because they're seniors and it's their last go around," MacLeod said.

The most consistent scorers for MacLeod have been freshman Troy Murphy and David Grasso who lead the Irish in scoring.

With 22 games under their belt in the collegiate level and in the Big East, MacLeod hopes the best of the season is still to come.

"We've been together since the 11th of October and we have a much better feel for what we're doing both offensively and defensively," MacLeod said. "We've had a much better focus of what needs to be done against the... see MEN'S page 21