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2008-09 NOTRE DAME HOCKEY NOTES

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OCTOBER

11	\$	at Hall of Fame Game at #6/#6 Denver	7:07 p.m. (MT)
17		Sacred Heart (und.com)	7:35 p.m.
18		Sacred Heart (und.com)	7:05 p.m.
24	*	Miami (und.com)	7:35 p.m.
25	*	Miami (und.com)	7:05 p.m.
31	*	at Northern Michigan	7:35 p.m.

NOVEMBER

1	*	at Northern Michigan	7:35 p.m.
7		at Boston College (ESPN Classic)	7:00 p.m.
8		at Providence College	7:00 p.m.
14	*	Lake Superior State (und.com)	7:35 p.m.
15	*	Lake Superior State (und.com)	7:05 p.m.
21	*	Bowling Green (und.com)	7:35 p.m.
22	*	at Bowling Green	7:05 p.m.
28	*	Western Michigan (und.com)	7:35 p.m.
29	*	Western Michigan (Comcast)	7:05 p.m.

DECEMBER

5	*	at Ferris State	7:05 p.m.
6	*	at Ferris State	7:05 p.m.
12	*	at Bowling Green	7:05 p.m.
13	*	Bowling Green (Comcast)	7:05 p.m.

JANUARY

2	#	at Shillelagh Tournament UMass-Lowell vs. Minn.-Duluth	5:05 p.m. (CT)
		Notre Dame vs. Union	8:05 p.m. (CT)
3		Union vs. UML or UMD	4:05 p.m. (CT)
		Notre Dame vs. UML or UMD	7:05 p.m. (CT)
9	*	Alaska (und.com)	7:35 p.m.
10	*	Alaska (und.com)	7:05 p.m.
16	*	at Lake Superior State	7:05 p.m.
17	*	at Lake Superior State	7:05 p.m.
30	*	Michigan (CBSC)	8:05 p.m.
31	*	at Michigan (FSD)	7:35 p.m.

FEBRUARY

6	*	at Ohio State (CBSC)	8:05 p.m.
8	*	at Ohio State	2:05 p.m.
13	*	Northern Michigan (CBSC)	8:05 p.m.
14	*	Northern Michigan (und.com)	7:05 p.m.
20	*	\$ at Nebraska-Omaha (CBSC)	7:05 p.m. (CT)
21	*	\$ at Nebraska-Omaha	7:05 p.m. (CT)
27	*	Michigan State (CBSC)	8:05 p.m.
28	*	at Michigan State (FSD)	5:05 p.m.

MARCH

6-8		First Round CCHA (campus sites)	TBA
13-15		Second Round CCHA (campus sites)	TBA
20-21	^	at CCHA Championships	TBA

Home Games in bold

Rankings - USA Today/USCHO
\$ USA Hockey Hall of Fame Game (at Denver, Colo.)
Sears Centre (at Hoffman Estates, Ill.)
\$ Omaha Civic Auditorium (at Omaha, Neb.)
^ Joe Louis Arena (CCHA Tourn. - at Detroit, Mich.)

CBSC - CBS College Sports
FSD - Fox Sports Detroit

All Times Local To Site

Irish Open 2008-09 Season At Hall Of Fame Game Versus Denver

- Fourth-ranked Irish to battle sixth-ranked Pioneers in season opener for both teams
- Notre Dame returns to Mile High City after ending 2007-08 at Pepsi Arena in the national championship game.
- Irish picked to finish first by the coaches and second by the media in CCHA preseason polls.

• The Game: USA Hockey Hall of Fame Game • Denver, Colorado

#4/#4 Notre Dame (27-16-4) vs. #6/#6 Denver (26-14-1)

- **Date/Site/Time:** Saturday, October 11, 2008 • Magness Arena (6,082) • 7:07 p.m. (MT)
- **Broadcast Information:** **Radio:** Notre Dame hockey can be heard live on Cat Country 99.9 FM in South Bend. **Mike Lockert**, now in his seventh season will call all the action for the Irish.
- **Internet:** Irish hockey can be heard on the internet at the Notre Dame website - www.und.com. All Notre Dame home games and all CCHA games are available via gametracker.

A NEW YEAR WITH HIGH EXPECTATIONS: The Notre Dame Fighting Irish will open their 41st season on Saturday, Oct. 11 when they travel to Denver, Colo., to face the University of Denver Pioneers at Magness Arena. Opening faceoff is set for 7:07 p.m. (MT) in the Mile High City. It seems like just yesterday that Notre Dame was traveling to Denver for the school's first appearance in the Frozen Four. At the Pepsi Center, Notre Dame knocked off Michigan, 5-4 in overtime in one semifinal and then lost in the national championship game to Boston College, 4-1. Nineteen members of that team return for the 2008-09 season and will look to duplicate the success of last season. During the 2007-08 campaign, the Irish finished 27-16-4 and were 15-9-4 in the CCHA, good for fourth place in the conference. In the CCHA postseason, the Irish advanced to Joe Louis Arena to lose in the semifinals, 2-1 in overtime, to Miami and then lost to Northern Michigan in the third-place game, 2-1.

HALL OF FAME GAME: Notre Dame makes its second appearance in the Hall of Fame game, having faced Minnesota on Oct. 7, 2000 at the Xcel Energy Center in St. Paul, Minn. The Irish fell to the Gophers, 7-3, in that contest. The USA Hockey Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony will take place on Friday, Oct. 10 at Denver's Magness Arena. The 2008 Hall of Fame class includes: NHL stars, Brett Hull, Mike Richter, Brian Leetch and women's hockey standout Cammi Granato.

PIONEER SPIRIT: Notre Dame and Denver will meet for the second year in a row and the third time in the last four seasons when the two teams tangle on Saturday, Oct. 11 at Magness Arena. Both teams come into the game ranked nationally. The Irish start the week ranked fourth in both the USA Today/American Hockey magazine poll and the USCHO.com/CBS College Sports polls. The Pioneers are sixth in both polls. The two teams have met 47 times in the all-time series with Denver holding a 34-10-3 lead in those games. At Denver, the Pioneers are 21-2-2 versus the Irish. The two teams were members of the WCHA for 10 seasons from 1971-1981. They met twice in South Bend last year with Notre Dame winning the series opener, 4-3 and Denver taking the second game, 3-1 on Oct. 18-19. The Irish win snapped a 9-0-1 unbeaten streak for the Pioneers that extended back to the 1978-79 season. Since leaving the WCHA, Notre Dame has met Denver five times and is 1-3-1 in those games. Jeff Jackson's teams are 1-2-0 versus the Pioneers since 2005-06.

SERIES INFORMATION vs. Denver Pioneers

All-time Series: DU leads, 34-10-3

At Notre Dame: DU leads, 12-8-1

At Denver: DU leads, 21-2-2

Neutral: DU leads, 1-0-0

Last 10 meetings: DU leads 8-1-1

2007-08 Meetings:

Oct. 18 at ND 4, DU 3

Oct. 19 DU 3, at ND 1

VERSUS DENVER:

Name	GP	G	A	PTS
Erik Condra	3	0	5	5
Garrett Regan	2	1	1	2
Ian Cole	2	0	1	1
Brett Blatchford	2	0	1	1
Dan Kissel	1	0	0	0
Kyle Lawson	2	1	1	2
Kevin Deeth	2	0	1	1
Ryan Thang	2	2	0	2
Ben Ryan	2	1	0	1
Ryan Guentzel	1	0	0	0
Teddy Ruth	2	0	0	0
Christian Hanson	2	0	0	0
Justin White	2	0	0	0
Calle Ridderwall	2	0	0	0

Goaltenders	MIN	W-L-T	GA	SVS	SV%	GAVG
Jordan Pearce	178:58	1-2-0	11	59	.843	3.69

HEAD COACH JEFF JACKSON**Full Name**

• Jeffery L. Jackson

Birthdate

• June 22, 1955

Hometown

• Roseville, Michigan

Education

- Bachelor's Degree in Communications
Michigan State '78
- Bachelor's Degree in Education
Michigan State '79

**Collegiate Coaching Experience**

- Assistant Coach, Lake Superior State (1986-90)
- Head Coach, Lake Superior State (1990-96)
Record: 182-52-25 (.751); two NCAA titles, two CCHA regular-season titles, four CCHA tournament championships
- **Head Coach, University of Notre Dame (2005-)**
Record: 72-42-11 (.620); one CCHA regular-season title; one CCHA tournament title, one NCAA Frozen Four appearance

International Coaching Experience

- National Coach and Senior Director, U.S. National Team Developmental Program (1996-2000)
- Head Coach, U.S. Junior National Team (1996-97)
- Won silver medal at World Junior Championships
- Assistant Coach, U.S. Olympic Team (1998)

Junior Hockey Experience

- Head Coach, Guelph Storm (2000-03)
Record: 87-67-24 (.4)

Professional Experience

- Assistant Coach, New York Islanders (2003-05)

Coaching Honors

- CCHA Coach of the Year (1990-91)
- CCHA Coach of the Year (2006-07)
- Spencer Penrose Award (2006-07)

**Jackson's Year-By-Year
Collegiate Record**

Year	Overall			Pct	CCHA			Pct
	W	L	T		W	L	T	
1990-91	36	5	4	.844	26	2	4	.875
1991-92	30	9	4	.744	20	8	4	.688
1992-93	32	8	5	.767	20	5	5	.750
1993-94	31	10	4	.733	18	8	4	.667
1994-95	23	12	6	.634	14	9	4	.593
1995-96	30	8	2	.775	22	6	2	.767
2005-06	13	19	4	.417	11	13	4	.464
2006-07	32	7	3	.898	21	4	3	.804
2007-08	27	16	4	.617	15	9	4	.607
Totals	254	94	36	.708	167	64	34	.694

MORE PIONEERS: Notre Dame will see more Pioneers the week of Oct. 17-18 when the Irish open their home schedule against the Sacred Heart University Pioneers at the Joyce Center. This group of Pioneers are members of Atlantic Hockey and were 16-19-3 overall and 14-11-3 in their conference during 2007-08. Sacred Heart played three teams that the Irish faced in 2007-08 - Rensselaer, Mercyhurst and Denver - and was 2-4-1 in those games.

ON THE SIDELINES: The Irish will be without the services of sophomore goaltender **Brad Phillips** (Farmington Hills, Mich.) for the entire season. Phillips injured his right knee in the pre-season and will be out of action for the year. He was 4-1-0 as a freshman with a 1.53 goals-against average and a .923 save percentage.

WINNING TEAMS: Over the past two seasons, Notre Dame's hockey team has won a total of 59 games. That ties the Irish with Michigan for the most wins over the last two years. Notre Dame's .702 winning percentage since the 2006-07 season ranks the Irish third among all Division I teams in that two-year span. Here are the top five teams by wins and winning percentage.

Wins	Winning Pct.
Notre Dame 59	Michigan (.732)
Michigan 59	Miami (.708)
Miami 57	Notre Dame (.702)
Boston College 54	New Hampshire (.695)
North Dakota 52	Boston College (.680)

ON A ROLL: Goaltender **Jordan Pearce** (Anchorage, Alaska) finished the 2007-08 season making 19 consecutive starts from Jan. 25 - April 12. He also appeared in 23 consecutive games from Jan. 11 until the end of the year. In his 19 consecutive starts, Pearce was 9-7-3 with a 2.07 goals-against average and a .917 save percentage. Over the 23 consecutive appearances, Pearce was 9-9-4 with a 2.04 goals-against average and a .918 save percentage. The last game that Pearce did not see action in for the Irish was on Jan. 5, 2008, a 2-1 win at Northern Michigan with **Brad Phillips** in goal.

ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICAN HONORS:

Goaltender **Jordan Pearce** was selected as an *ESPN The Magazine*/CoSIDA Academic All-American during the 2007-08 season. Pearce, with a double major in anthropology/pre-med, was a second team selection on the At-Large team. He owns a 3.816 grade-point average and has made the Dean's List in four of his first six semesters. Pearce became the first Notre Dame hockey player to take Academic All-American honors since **Dan Carlson '01** and the fifth player overall. He joins Carlson (third team), **Andy Jurkowski '00** (third team), **Forrest Karr '99** (second team) and **Steve Noble '97** and '98 (first team and second team). Two other Irish players were selected to the all-Region V team in '07-'08 - **Mark Van Guilder '08** and **Erik Condra** (Livonia, Mich.)

BACK-TO-BACK: Following the 2007-08 CCHA regular season, goaltender **Jordan Pearce** won the league's top goaltender award based on his 1.80 goals-against average in CCHA games. Pearce followed **David Brown '07**, who had a 1.77 goals-against average to win the 2006-07

CAT COUNTRY 99.9 FM: Is the new home of Notre Dame hockey as Mike Lockert will again call all the action during the 2008-09 season. Cat Country 99.9 FM is part of the WSBT Radio group that has partnered with Notre Dame for the next six years to bring all the action of Notre Dame football, men's basketball and hockey. Lockert, now in his seventh season can be heard 20 minutes prior to the opening faceoff with the Notre Dame Hockey Pregame Show. Catch all the action on Cat Country 99.9 FM.



award. This marks the fourth time since the 1982-83 season that the same school has won back-to-back goaltending titles with different goaltenders between the pipes. Pearce and Brown are joined on that list by:

1988-89 Bruce Hoffort - LSSU (2.67)
1989-90 Darin Madeley - LSSU (2.37)

1997-98 Chad Alban - MSU (1.63)
1998-99 Joe Blackburn - MSU (1.34)
1999-00 Ryan Miller - MSU (1.34)

CAPTAINS: Senior right wing **Erik Condra** will serve as Notre Dame's captain for the 2008-09 season. Joining Condra as alternate captains in '08-'09, are senior center **Christian Hanson** (Venetia, Pa.) along with junior left wing **Ryan Thang** (Edina, Minn.) and junior defenseman **Kyle Lawson** (New Hudson, Mich.). Condra served as an alternate captain in 2007-08 while this is the first season as captains for Hanson, Thang and Lawson.

CLUTCH SCORERS: Over the past two seasons, junior left wing **Ryan Thang** has led Notre Dame in game-winning goals with six in 2006-07 and five in 2007-08. Thang is already fifth all-time with 11 game-winning tallies. The career record for the Irish is 13 and is held by **Rob Globke '04**, **Brian Urick '99** and **Dave Poulin '82**. Senior **Erik Condra** is tied for 10th on the all-time list with nine career game winners.

CRAFTY CONDRA: **Erik Condra** enters the 2008-09 season ranked 33rd on the school's all-time scoring list with 35 goals and 85 assists for 120 career points. The crafty playmaker's 85 assists ties him for 17th on the all-time assist list with his uncle, former All-American, **Kirt Bjork '83**

DOCTOR, DOCTOR: Seniors **Erik Condra** and **Jordan Pearce** don't have much in common on the ice as one is known for shooting pucks and the other for stopping them. Off the ice, the senior duo have a great deal in common as they are both pre-med majors at Notre Dame, balancing the books and hockey and doing both rather well. Condra has a double major in psychology and pre-med while Pearce has his double major in anthropology and pre-med. On the ice, Condra

2008-09 Notre Dame Personnel Breakdown

Top Returnees (yr., pos., ... 2007-08 stats)

Erik Condra (Sr., RW, 42 GP, 15-23-38)	All-CCHA and All-American candidate; team captain and top returning scorer
Christian Hanson (Sr., C, 47 GP, 13-9-22)	One of CCHA's top face-off men; had career year in all offensive categories
Luke Lucyk (Sr., D ... 6 PG, 1-1-2)	Hard-working defenseman who will look to break into regular rotation in '08-'09
Jordan Pearce (Sr., G, 43 GP, 23-15-4, 2.04, .914 sv%, 2 shutouts)	Team MVP as a junior; had CCHA's best goals against in '07-'08
Garrett Regan (Sr., LW, 42 GP, 7-6-13)	Fleet-footed skater who battled injuries in '07-'08; will look to return to soph. form
Brett Blatchford (Jr., D, 45 GP, 0-12-12)	Offensive-minded defenseman who mans a point on the Irish power play
Kevin Deeth (Jr., C, 45 GP, 11-14-25)	Quick, two-way center with outstanding offensive skills
Dan Kissel (Jr., LW, 43 GP, 9-14-23)	Speedy left wing who was team's most improved player with offensive career highs
Kyle Lawson (Jr., D, 45 GP, 5-21-26)	Team leader; one of CCHA's top defensemen; led Irish blueliners in scoring
Christiaan Minella (Jr., RW, 26 GP, 0-2-2)	Big, physical forward who will look to add to the offense in '08-'09
Ryan Thang (Jr., LW, 47 GP, 18-14-32)	Notre Dame's top goal scorer; prototypical power forward with quick, accurate shot
Ian Cole (So., D, 43 GP, 8-12-20)	Big, physical defender with a big shot; led Irish defenders with eight goals
Ryan Guentzel (So., RW, 26 GP, 0-4-4)	Strong, two-way forward with excellent hockey skills and instincts
Brad Phillips (So., G, 5 GP, 4-1-0, 1.53, .923, 1 shutout)	Saw limited playing time as a frosh; showed strong goaltending ability
Calle Ridderwall (So., LW, 39 GP, 5-2-7)	Talented left wing who brings speed and skill to the Irish lineup
Teddy Ruth (So., D, 42 GP, 2-3-5)	Stay-at-home defensemen who doesn't get beat; second on team with a +13
Ben Ryan (So., 47 C, GP, 10-16-26)	Leading scorer among Irish freshmen in '07-'08; strong, two-way player

Key Losses (yr., pos., ... 2007-08 stats)

Stewart Carlin (So., D, 9 GP, 0-1-1)	Solid, back up defenseman
Brian D'Arcy (Sr., D, 4 GP, 0-0-0)	Team player who pushed others in practice; outstanding student-athlete
Evan Rankin (Sr., RW, 47 GP, 8-11-19)	Had career season as a senior with highs in goals, assists and points
Brock Sheahan (Sr., D, 47 GP, 1-12-13)	One of CCHA's top defensive defensemen; led Irish with a +21
Mark Van Guilder (Sr., C/LW, 47 GP, 13-17-30)	Team leader who set Notre Dame record for consecutive games played (161)
Dan VeNard (Sr., D, 47 GP, 5-8-13)	Won ND Coaches Award and CCHA's Terry Flanagan Award

Top Newcomers (Pos., Class, Ht./Wt., Hometown/Previous Team)

Nick Condon	D ... Fr ... 5-8/163 ... Wausau, WI/St. Louis Bandits (NAHL)
Patrick Gaul	F ... Fr ... 5-8/175 ... Pittsburgh, PA/U.S. Under-18 Team
Sean Lorenz	D ... Fr ... 6-1/192 ... Littleton, CO/U.S. Under-18 Team
Billy Maday	F ... Fr ... 5-11/177 ... Burr Ridge, IL/Waterloo Black Hawks (USHL)
Kyle Murphy	F ... Fr ... 5-8/168 ... Fairhaven, NH/Shattuck St. Mary's
Eric Ringel	D ... Fr ... 6-0/189 ... Hinckley, OH/Mahoning Valley Phantoms (NAHL)
Richard Ryan	F ... Fr ... 5-10/180 ... Toronto, ONT/St. Michael's Buzzers (OPJHL)

is the team's top returning scorer as he led the Irish with 15 goals and 23 assists for 38 points as a junior. Pearce started 43 games in goal for the Irish, going 23-15-4 with a 2.04 goals-against average and a .914 save percentage. He had the best goals against in the CCHA with a 1.80 mark in conference games. The native of Anchorage, Alaska was the team's Most Valuable Player and won the Rockne Scholar-Athlete Award while being selected to the CCHA's Scholar-Athlete team and a second team Academic All-American.

DROP THE PUCK: For the fourth year in a row, Notre Dame hockey opened its season with the annual "Drop The Puck Reception" at the Joyce Center for season ticket holders and fans. This year's event was held on Oct. 6 and featured **Brian Burke**, the executive vice-president and general manager of the Anaheim Ducks and the G.M. of the 2010 U.S. Olympic hockey team. Burke joins former Detroit Red Wings' player and current team vice-president **Steve Yzerman** (2007), Chicago Black Hawk and Versus/NBC TV analyst **Ed Olczyk** (2006) and Hall of Fame coach **Scotty Bowman**, who handled the honors at the first Drop The Puck reception on Sept. 6, 2005 with over 400 fans in attendance. Bowman, who won nine Stanley Cups in his illustrious coaching career, also was invited by Notre Dame head football coach Charlie Weis to address his team at practice that day, just four days prior to the upset win at Michigan.

FAMILY GUYS: Three members of the Notre Dame hockey team – senior forwards **Erik Condra** (Livonia, Mich.) and **Garrett Regan** (Hastings, Minn.) and sophomore goaltender **Brad Phillips** (Farmington Hills, Mich.) – have family ties to the Irish athletics program. Condra's uncle is All-American forward **Kirt Bjork '83** who played at Notre Dame from 1979-83. He scored 76 goals with 85 assists for 161 career points in 141 career games. Bjork took All-America honors in 1983 when he had 29 goals and 34 assists for 63 points. Regan's uncle - **Sean Regan** - was a defenseman for the Irish from 1981-83 before finishing his career at the University of Minnesota. Phillips' uncle, is former Irish quarterback **Terry Andrysiak '89**, who played at Notre Dame from 1985 to 1988.

FAMOUS FATHERS: Two members of the 2007-08 Notre Dame hockey team – senior center **Christian Hanson** and sophomore goaltender **Brian Brooke** (Eden Prairie, Minn.) – have hockey in their blood as their fathers played at the highest level in the National Hockey League. Hanson's father, **Dave Hanson**, played 10 years of professional hockey between 1974-75 and 1983-84, including stints with the Detroit Red Wings and the Minnesota North Stars and the World Hockey Association's (WHA) Minnesota Fighting Saints and the New England Whalers. Fans might also be familiar with Dave Hanson, as one of the famed Hanson Brothers, made famous in the hockey movie - Slapshot. Hanson is still involved in hockey as he currently serves as the director of the Island Sports Center, home of

Robert Morris University's hockey team, in suburban Pittsburgh. Brooke's father, **Bob Brooke**, played seven seasons in the NHL between 1984 and 1990 with the New York Rangers, Minnesota North Stars and New Jersey. A 1983 hockey All-American at Yale, Brooke also was a member of the 1984 U.S. Olympic Team.

FULL HOUSE: Notre Dame hockey games became a tough ticket during the 2007-08 season as the Irish closed out the regular season with seven consecutive sellouts (2,763) and for the year had sellouts in 11 of 18 home games. For the year, the Irish had 11 sellouts (2,763) in 17 home dates and averaged 2,683 fans per game, the most since the building was reconfigured to 2,713.

HOW SWEDE IT IS: Freshman left wing **Calle Ridderwall** obviously enjoys performing on the big stage. The native of Stockholm, Sweden saved his best for last during the 2007-08 season when he scored a pair of goals, including the game winner, five minutes into overtime to defeat Michigan, 5-4, in the semifinal game of the Frozen Four on April 10. Ridderwall came into the NCAA Tournament with just three goals on the year before scoring twice in one of the biggest wins in Irish hockey history. He finished the season with five goals and two assists for seven points.

HOMETOWNS: The 2008-09 Notre Dame hockey team features players from 10 states, one Canadian province and Sweden. Over the past 14 seasons, the Irish have had monogram winners from 21 different states and provinces – those listed below, plus: Delaware, Massachusetts, Maryland, New York, North Dakota, Alberta, Prince Edward Island, Quebec, Saskatchewan and British Columbia. Sophomore **Calle Ridderwall** (Stockholm) become the first Notre Dame hockey players from Sweden during the 2007-08 season.

2008-09 NOTRE DAME HOCKEY

– BY STATE, COUNTRY OR PROVINCE:

Michigan (7): Erik Condra, Justin White, Brett Blatchford, Kyle Lawson, Ian Cole, Brad Phillips, Ben Ryan

Illinois (4): Dan Kissel, Tom O'Brien, Teddy Ruth, Billy Maday

Minnesota (3): Garrett Regan, Ryan Thang, Ryan Guentzel

Colorado (2): Christiaan Minella, Sean Lorenz
Pennsylvania (2): Christian Hanson, Patrick Gaul

Wisconsin (2): Luke Lucyk, Nick Condon

Alaska (1): Jordan Pearce

New Jersey (1): Kyle Murphy

Ohio (1): Eric Ringel

Ontario (1): Richard Ryan

Sweden (1): Calle Ridderwall

Washington (1): Kevin Deeth

LEFTY'S RINK: When Notre Dame's new ice hockey arena, located within the Joyce Center is built, the new ice hockey rink will be named the Charles W. "Lefty" Smith, Jr., Rink, in honor of the first coach in the program's history, **Charles "Lefty" Smith**. The announcement was made in April of 2008 at the team's annual awards banquet.

The plans for naming the new ice surface in honor of Smith were made possible by the generosity of the John and Mary Jo Boler family of Inverness, Ill., and Sanibel Island, Fla., their daughter Jill Boler McCormack '84 and her husband, Dan; and their son Matthew Boler '88 and his wife, Christine. They were joined by the family of Frank '57 and Mary Beth O'Brien of Albany, N.Y., who have six children who all graduated from Notre Dame. Their late son, Frankie, played both lacrosse and hockey for the Irish from 1984-88.

Smith came to Notre Dame in 1968 to start the varsity hockey program and coached the Irish for 19 years, retiring in 1987 with 307 career victories. Under his tutelage, Notre Dame produced six All-Americans but most importantly, all 126 student-athletes who played for him completed their collegiate eligibility and earned college degrees.

Smith, who continues to work as the director of the Loftus Sports Center on campus, served two years as the president of the American Hockey Coaches Association. He was inducted into the Minnesota Hockey Coaches Association Hall of Fame in 1992. He played an integral in bringing the International Special Olympics to Notre Dame in 1987.

Married for 56 years, Lefty and his wife, Mickey, are parents of seven living children, with 16 grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Jordan Pearce In The Notre Dame Record Book

Career

Goals-Against Average (Min. of 30 decisions)

1. Jordan Pearce (2005-)	2.21
2. David Brown (2003-07)	2.34
3. Morgan Cey (2001-05)	2.77
3. Forrest Karr (1995-99)	2.92

Save Percentage (Min. of 30 decisions)

1. David Brown (2003-07)	.915
2. Morgan Cey (2001-05)	.912
3. Jordan Pearce (2005-)	.908
4. Tony Zasowski (1999-03)	.892

Winning Pct. (Min. of 30 decisions)

1. Jordan Pearce (2005-)	29-20-4	.585
2. David Brown (2003-07)	54-37-11	.583
3. Dick Tomasoni (1968-72)	49-35-6	.578
4. Len Moher (1974-78)	41-33-6	.550

Shutouts

1. David Brown (2003-07)	12
2. Morgan Cey (2001-05)	6
3. Jordan Pearce (2005-)	4
Mark Kronholm (1970-74)	4

Season Records

Goals-Against Average

1. David Brown (2006-07)	1.58
2. Jordan Pearce (2007-08)	2.04
3. David Brown (2003-04)	2.32
4. Morgan Cey (2003-04)	2.42
5. David Brown (2005-06)	2.47

Save Percentage

1. David Brown (2006-07)	.931
2. David Brown (2003-04)	.925
3. Morgan Cey (2003-04)	.924
4. David Brown (2005-06)	.915
5. Jordan Pearce (2007-08)	.914
6. Morgan Cey (2002-03)	.912
Morgan Cey (2004-05)	.912
8. Morgan Cey (2001-02)	.910
9. Mark Kronholm (1970-71)	.907
10. Matt Eisler (1997-98)	.905

Wins

1. David Brown (2006-07)	29
2. Lance Madson (1987-88)	24
3. Jordan Pearce (2007-08)	23
4. Mark Kronholm (1972-73)	20

Shutouts

1. David Brown (2006-07)	6
2. David Brown (2003-04)	4
3. Jordan Pearce (2007-08)	2
David Brown (2005-06)	2
Morgan Cey (2003-04)	2
Morgan Cey (2002-03)	2
Morgan Cey (2001-02)	2

Minutes Played

1. Jordan Pearce (2007-08)	2,558
2. David Brown (2006-07)	2,236
3. Lance Madson (1988-89)	2,213
4. Forrest Karr (1998-99)	2,161

IRON MAN: When senior forward **Mark Van Guilder '08** graduated from Notre Dame in May of 2008, he left the University as the hockey program's all-time "Iron Man." Van Guilder did not miss a game during his career and finished by playing in 163 consecutive contests, finishing first on the all-time games played list. He passed former Irish right wing **Tim Wallace '06** who held the previous mark with 153 consecutive games played. Graduated defenseman **Brock Sheahan '08** finished his career second all-time in games played with 161, missing just two games from 2004-08.

KNOCKING OFF NO. 1: Notre Dame played five games during the 2008-09 season versus teams ranked No. 1 in the nation. On Nov. 9-10, the Irish faced top-ranked Miami in Oxford, Ohio, splitting a weekend series with the RedHawks. In January (18-19), the Irish dropped two games to No. 1 Michigan, losing at Yost Arena and also at the Palace of Auburn Hills. Notre Dame met the top-ranked Wolverines a third time on Apr. 10 at the Frozen Four in Denver, Colo., and knocked off Michigan, 5-4 in overtime to advance to the national championship game. Here's the list of Irish wins versus top-ranked teams in the 40-year history of the program.

4/10/08 - vs. Michigan, 5-4 ot (at Frozen Four)
10/9/07 - at Miami, 2-1
10/21/06 - vs. Boston College, 7-1
10/22/04 - vs. Boston College, 3-2
10/23/03 - at Boston College, 1-0
1/3/99 - at North Dakota, 4-3
11/20/78 - at Minnesota, 3-2
1/13/78 - vs. Denver, 5-3

1/18/74 - vs. Michigan Tech, 7-1

2/24/73 - vs. Wisconsin, 4-3

2/23/73 - vs. Wisconsin, 8-5

LEADER OF THE PACK: Notre Dame head coach **Jeff Jackson** begins his fourth season behind the Irish bench in 2008-09. In his first three years he has compiled a 72-42-11 (.620) record, highlighted by a 32-7-3 mark in 2006-07 and last season's 27-16-4 record on the way to the first-ever appearance for the Irish in the Frozen Four. The '06-'07 CCHA coach-of-the-year and Spencer Penrose Award winner as the national coach-of-the-year, Jackson enters the '08-'09 season with the best winning percentage among Division I coaches with five or more years. His current overall record stands at 254-94-36 for a .708 success rate. His 254 wins tie him for 17th on the list of active coaches. In six seasons at his previous collegiate stop – Lake Superior State (1990-96) – Jackson's teams were 182-52-25 with two national championships, two CCHA regular-season titles and four CCHA tournament championships. Included in his 254 career wins are 46 postseason victories (46-14 in postseason) and a .767 winning percentage. In nine trips to the CCHA postseason, Jackson's teams are 30-7 (.811). Those totals include a 24-2 mark at Lake Superior and a 6-5 record at Notre Dame. In those nine seasons, Jackson has seen his teams advance to the CCHA finals eight times, winning five tournament championships (four at Lake Superior and one at Notre Dame).

2008-09 Notre Dame Hockey Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Year
<i>Hometown/Last Team</i>			
1	Jordan Pearce	G	Sr.
	<i>Anchorage, Alaska/Lincoln Stars (USHL)</i>		
2	Kyle Lawson (A)	D	Jr.
	<i>New Hudson, Mich./Tri-City Storm (USHL)</i>		
3	Brett Blatchford	D	Jr.
	<i>Temperance, Mich./Texas Tornado (NAHL)</i>		
5	Teddy Ruth	D	So.
	<i>Naperville, Ill./USA Under-18 Team</i>		
6	Patrick Gaul	C	Fr.
	<i>Pittsburgh, Pa./USA Under-18 Team</i>		
9	Ryan Thang (A)	RW	Jr.
	<i>Edina, Minn./Omaha Lancers (USHL)</i>		
10	Justin White	LW	Sr.
	<i>Traverse City, Mich./Sioux Falls Stampede (USHL)</i>		
11	Erik Condra (C)	RW	Sr.
	<i>Livonia, Mich./Lincoln Stars (USHL)</i>		
12	Richard Ryan	LW	Fr.
	<i>Toronto, Ont./St. Michael's Buzzers (OJHL)</i>		
13	Eric Ringel	D	Fr.
	<i>Hinckley, Ohio/Mahoning Valley Phantoms (NAHL)</i>		
14	Nick Condon	D	Fr.
	<i>Wausau, Wis./St. Louis Bandits (NAHL)</i>		
15	Christiaan Minella	RW	Jr.
	<i>Aurora, Colo./Sioux Falls Stampede (USHL)</i>		
16	Dan Kissel	LW	Jr.
	<i>Crestwood, Ill./Chicago Steel (USHL)</i>		
17	Billy Maday	RW	Fr.
	<i>Burr Ridge, Ill./Waterloo Black Hawks (USHL)</i>		
18	Kyle Murphy	LW	Fr.
	<i>Fairhaven, N.J./Shattuck St. Mary's</i>		
19	Ben Ryan	C	So.
	<i>Brighton, Mich./Des Moines Buccaneers (USHL)</i>		
20	Luke Lucyk	D	Sr.
	<i>Fox Point, Wis./Tri-City Storm (USHL)</i>		
21	Kevin Deeth	C	Jr.
	<i>Gig Harbor, Wash./Green Bay Gamblers (USHL)</i>		
22	Calle Ridderwall	LW	So.
	<i>Stockholm, Swe./Tri-City Storm</i>		
24	Sean Lorenz	D	Fr.
	<i>Littleton, Colo./USA Under-18 Team</i>		
25	Christian Hanson (A)	C	Sr.
	<i>Venetia, Pa./Tri-City Storm (USHL)</i>		
27	Ryan Guentzel	RW/C	So.
	<i>Woodbury, Minn./Sioux Falls Stampede (USHL)</i>		
28	Ian Cole	D	So.
	<i>Ann Arbor, Mich./USA Under-18 Team</i>		
30	Brad Phillips	G	So.
	<i>Farmington Hills, Mich./USA Under-18 Team</i>		
31	Tom O'Brien	G	Jr.
	<i>Mokena, Ill./Bridgewater Bandits (EJHL)</i>		
33	Garrett Regan	LW	Sr.
	<i>Hastings, Minn./Waterloo Black Hawks (USHL)</i>		
35	Brian Brooke	G	So.
	<i>Eden Prairie, Minn./Eden Prairie</i>		

Coach: Jeff Jackson**Associate Head Coach:** Paul Pooley**Assistant Coach:** Andy Slaggert**Volunteer Assistant Coach:** Mike McNeill**Coordinator of Hockey Ops:** Nick Siegiej**Equipment Manager:** Dave Gilbert**Athletic Trainer:** Kevin Ricks**Senior Manager:** Kyle Kron

IRISH VERSUS TOP-RANKED TEAMS: Notre Dame opens the season versus a ranked team for the third time in the last four seasons. Last season, the Irish opened with #14/#15 Wisconsin and in 2005-06, they faced #4/#4 Colorado College. A year ago, Notre Dame faced 15 teams that were ranked when they faced the Irish. They were 5-9-1 in those games.

USA Today/American Hockey Magazine

Rank	Team	W-L-T
6	at Denver	

U.S. College Hockey Online/CBS College Sports

Rank	Team	W-L-T
6	vs. Denver	

LORD STANLEY, LORD STANLEY: Former Irish defenseman **Brett Lebda '04** became just the third player in Notre Dame hockey history to play on a Stanley Cup championship team when he helped the Detroit Red Wings to the 2008 Cup. The talented blueliner joins **Bill Nyrop '74** and **Don Jackson '78** on the list. Nyrop played on three Stanley Cup winners with the Montreal Canadiens (1975-78) and Jackson was a member of three Cup-winning teams with the Edmonton Oilers (1982-85).

MINUTES MAN: Goaltender **Jordan Pearce** entered the 2007-08 season having played in just 12 games and 622 minutes in the first two years of his Irish hockey career. During the '07-'08 campaign, Pearce showed everyone that he could play as he set Notre Dame goaltending marks for games played (43), games started (42) and minutes played (2,557:46). He finished the season ranked second in the nation in minutes played behind Boston College's John Muse who saw action in 2,725:06 minutes for the Eagles.

NATIONAL JUNIOR TEAM: Sophomore defenseman **Ian Cole** (Ann Arbor, Mich.) became the 11th Notre Dame hockey player to participate in the World Junior Championships when he played for the United States last Dec. 26 to Jan. 5, 2007 in the Czech Republic. He played in all six games and had six penalty minutes as the U.S. finished fourth. Cole, along with **Teddy Ruth** (Naperville, Ill.) and **Sean Lorenz** (Littleton, Colo.) were invited to the 2009 Junior National Evaluation Camp this past August as they tried out for a berth on this winter's team that will play in Ottawa, Ontario. Cole joins Jack Brownschilde ('76-'77, '78-'79), Ben Simon ('96-'97, '97-'98), Joe Dusbabek ('97-'98), Dan Carlson ('98-'99), Connor Dunlop ('99-'00, '00-'01), Brett Henning ('99-'00), David Inman ('99-'00), Rob Globke ('00-'01, '01-'02), Brett Lebda ('01-'02) and Kyle Lawson ('06-'07) as former Irish players to play in the World Junior Championships.

NCAA ACTION: The Notre Dame Fighting Irish hockey team has participated in three NCAA Tournaments in the program's history. The first time came in the 2003-04 season when they advanced to the Midwest Regional, losing 5-2 to Minnesota in the opening game. During the 2006-07 season, Notre Dame made its second trip, this time as the top seed in the Midwest Regional at Grand Rapids, Mich. The Irish won the opening game, 3-2 in double overtime, versus Alabama-Huntsville. They then lost in the regional final, a 2-1 loss to eventual champion, Michigan State. Last season, 2007-08, Notre Dame had its finest moment in the school's short NCAA Tournament history. The 12th seed (the final at-large team in the tournament), the Irish won the West Regional in Colorado Springs,

Colo., defeating New Hampshire (7-3) and Michigan State (3-1) to advance to the Frozen Four for the first time in the 40-year history of the program. At Denver, Notre Dame stunned the tourney's top seed, Michigan, with a 5-4 overtime win in the semifinals to advance to the national championship game with Boston College. In the title game, the Eagles prevailed, 4-1.

NHL DRAFTTEES: The Irish have eight players on the 2008-09 roster who have been selected in the National Hockey League's Entry Draft. Just one incoming freshman – defenseman **Sean Lorenz** – was selected in the 2008 draft as he was picked by the Minnesota Wild in the fourth round, 115th overall. In the previous draft in June of 2007, Notre Dame saw five of its players selected. Leading the way was current sophomore defenseman **Ian Cole** who was a first-round selection of the St. Louis Blues who took him with the 18th pick overall. Cole became the first Irish player ever selected in the first round and was selected earlier than any other Notre Dame player (**Rob Globke '04** was the previous highest selection when he was picked 40th overall by Florida in 2002). Cole was followed by fellow defenseman **Teddy Ruth** who went in the second round, 46th overall to the Washington Capitals. Ryan Thang was selected in the third round, 81st overall by the Nashville Predators. Sophomore center **Ben Ryan** (Brighton, Mich.) joined Thang when the Predators made him the 114th pick (fourth round). Goaltender **Brad Phillips** rounded out the Notre Dame selections in the 2007 draft when the Philadelphia Flyers selected him in the seventh round, 182nd overall. They join senior right wing **Erik Condra** who was selected in the seventh round, 211th overall by the Ottawa Senators in 2006 and junior defenseman **Kyle Lawson** who was selected in the 2005 NHL Draft by the Carolina Hurricanes in the seventh round, 198th overall.

TRADING PLACES: Sophomore Irish defenseman **Teddy Ruth** was a second round draft choice of the Washington Capitals in the 2007 NHL Entry Draft. The rugged defenseman won't have a chance to play for the Capitals though. At the 2008 NHL trading deadline, Ruth saw his rights traded even up to the Columbus Blue Jackets for future Hall of Famer Sergei Fedorov.

USA...USA...USA: Notre Dame will have seven players on the 2008-09 roster who have cut their teeth with the U.S. National Team Development Program. The list includes: senior **Jordan Pearce**, junior **Kyle Lawson**, sophomores **Ian Cole**, **Teddy Ruth** and **Brad Phillips** and newcomers **Patrick Gaul** (Pittsburgh, Pa.) and **Sean Lorenz**. Since the program started, the Irish have 21 former USNTDP alumni play at Notre Dame since the program began in 1997-98. Along with

CCHA TO UNVEIL SHOOTOUT IN 2008-09 CAMPAIGN

The Central Collegiate Hockey Association has announced that an NHL-style, three-player shootout will be used to determine the winner of all 168 CCHA regular-season conference games that are tied after 60 minutes of regulation play and five minutes of overtime.

"The shootout has proved to be an exciting addition to hockey at a variety of levels and we are anxious to bring it into college hockey. The drama it creates is very popular with fans, and importantly, today's players love it," stated CCHA Commissioner Tom Anastos, whose conference becomes the first of college hockey's six Division I men's leagues to adopt the shootout.

"At the same time, the NCAA rules and ice hockey committees have allowed us to implement this tie-breaker protocol so that every regular-season league game will have a winner while preserving the integrity of the national rankings because CCHA games decided by a shootout will still be considered ties for NCAA purposes. Bonus points awarded will impact the conference standings only."

The CCHA has also approved the following point system for regular-season play; Two (2) points for a win in regulation or overtime, one (1) point for each school if the game is tied at the conclusion of the five-minute overtime period and one (1) point is awarded to the team who wins the shootout.

A total of 90 regular-season games have wound up tied over the past three CCHA seasons; 31 in 2007-08, 26 in 2006-07 and 33 in 2005-06. Another 29 games have been decided in overtime during the same time frame; 12 last season, 10 in 2006-07 and seven in 2005-06.

Overtime will continue to be played similar to regulation time with five skaters for each team (penalties excepted). The shootout may also be used for non-conference games hosted by CCHA schools pending the mutual consent of their opponents although, once again, any game deadlocked through overtime would be considered a tie for NCAA purposes.

the seven above, the list includes:

Brett Henning (1997-98), Michael Chin (1997-98), Connor Dunlop (1997-99), Paul Harris (1997-99), John Wroblewski (1997-99), Neil Komadoski (1998-2000), Brett Lebda (1998-2000), Rob Globke (1998-2000), Derek Smith (2000-01), Tim Wallace (2000-02), Noah Babin (2000-02), Tom Sawatske (2000-02), Michael Bartlett (2001-03) and Josh Sciba (2001-03).

RANKINGS UPDATE: Notre Dame enters the 2008-09 season ranked fourth in both the *USA Today/American Hockey Magazine* and USCHO.com/CBS College Sports polls. The Irish finished the 2007-08 campaign ranked third in the USA Today poll and 12th in the USCHO.com polls. During the '07-'08 season, the Irish were ranked every week of the season for the first time in the program's 40-year history. Going back to the 2006-07 season, Notre Dame has been ranked in both polls for 39 consecutive weeks, the longest stretch for the Irish icers. During the '06-'07 season, Notre Dame was ranked No. 1 for seven straight weeks from Feb. 5 to March 25. Prior to that, the Irish had been No. 1 just one other time, for a week during the 1976-77 season.

Week-by-week with the Irish this season:

2008-09 Irish National Rankings

Date	USA TODAY	USCHO.com
10/01	3rd	---
10/06	4th	4th

RECORDS WATCH

"Century Club"

Name (Seasons)	G	A	Pts
1. Brian Walsh (1973-77)	89	145	234
2. John Noble (1969-73)	81	145	226
3. Eddie Bumbacco (1970-74)	103	117	220
4. Ian Williams (1970-74)	92	119	211
5. Mike McNeill (1984-88)	83	115	198
6. Dave Poulin (1978-82)	89	107	196
7. Greg Meredith (1976-80)	104	88	192
8. Paul Regan (1969-73)	89	97	186
9. Clark Hamilton (1973-77)	70	113	183
10. Dave Bankoske (1988-93)	73	109	182
11. Brent Chapman (1981-86)	90	78	168
12. Kirt Bjork (1979-83)	76	85	161
13. Jamie Ling (1992-96)	51	102	153
14. Bill Rothstein (1978-82)	69	78	147
15. Jeff Logan (1978-82)	75	71	146
16. Tim Kuehl (1986-90)	65	80	145
17. Tom Mooney (1984-88)	57	87	144
18. Curtis Janicke (1989-93)	46	98	144
19. Lou Zadra (1988-92)	69	65	134
20. Tom Michalek (1976-80)	46	87	133
21. Dan Carlson (1997-01)	52	80	132
22. Don Fairholm (1974-78)	50	81	131
23. Ben Simon (1996-00)	44	86	130
24. Kevin Nugent (1974-78)	54	75	129
25. Brian Urlick (1995-99)	57	70	127
26. Kevin Humphreys (1977-81)	55	71	126
27. Pat Conroy (1971-75)	38	87	125
28. Rob Globke (2000-04)	68	56	124
29. Phil Wittliff (1968-71)	72	52	124
30. Alex Pirus (1973-76)	57	66	123
31. John Schmidt (1978-82)	28	95	123
32. Jeff Brownschidle (1977-81)	30	92	122
33. Erik Condra (2005-)	35	85	120
34. Ray DeLorenzi (1971-74)	55	59	114
35. Aaron Gill (2000-04)	49	62	111
36. Connor Dunlop (1999-03)	25	86	111
37. Jack Brownschidle (1973-77)	31	78	109
38. Tim Reilly (1981-86)	43	65	108
39. Aniket Dhadphale (1995-99)	61	44	105
40. Bob Thebeau (1982-86)	40	63	103
41. Kevin Hoene (1968-71)	50	51	101
42. Matt Hanzel (1985-89)	50	51	101
43. Paul Clarke (1973-77)	38	62	100

Assists

Name (Seasons)	Gms	A
1. John Noble (1969-73)	123	145
2. Brian Walsh (1973-77)	140	145
3. Ian Williams (1970-74)	126	119
4. Eddie Bumbacco (1970-74)	133	117
5. Mike McNeill (1984-88)	124	115
6. Clark Hamilton (1973-77)	145	113
7. David Bankoske (1988-93)	141	109
8. Dave Poulin (1978-82)	135	107
9. Jamie Ling (1992-96)	142	102
10. Curtis Janicke (1989-93)	225	98
11. Paul Regan (1969-73)	125	97
12. John Schmidt (1978-82)	152	95
13. Jeff Brownschidle (1977-81)	146	92
14. Greg Meredith (1976-80)	149	88
15. Tom Michalek (1976-80)	143	87
16. Tom Mooney (1984-88)	119	87
17. Connor Dunlop (1999-03)	141	86
18. Kirt Bjork (1979-93)	141	85
Erik Condra (2005-)	119	85

Last Time They Scored

Player	Date	Opponent	GP Since
Blatchford	1/20/07	Western Mich.	60
Cole	3/28/08	New Hampshire	3
Condon	First Game		
Condra	3/1/08	Western Mich.	3
Deeth	4/12/08	Boston College	--
Gaul	First Game		
Guentzel	None	-----	26
Hanson	3/29/08	Michigan State	2
Kissel	3/28/08	New Hampshire	3
Lawson	3/28/08	New Hampshire	3
Lorenz	First Game		
Maday	First Game		
Minella	11/11/06	Bowling Green	45
Murphy	First Game		
Lucyk	12/29/07	Massachusetts	3
Regan	2/15/08	Alaska	14
Ridderwall	3/15/08	Michigan	1
Ringel	First Game		
Ruth	3/29/08	Michigan State	2
B. Ryan	3/15/08	Ferris State	7
R. Ryan	First Game		
Thang	3/28/08	Michigan	1
White	1/18/07	Michigan	17

RECORDS WATCH (con't.)

Short-Handed Goals

Name (Seasons)	SHG
1. Dave Bankoske (1988-93)	7
Mike McNeill (1984-88)	7
Kevin Humphreys (1977-81)	7
4. Dan Carlson (1997-01)	6
Jamie Ling (1992-96)	6
Lou Zadra (1988-92)	6
Tom Michalek (1977-81)	6
Don Fairholm (1974-78)	6
9. Tim Reilly (1981-86)	5
Dave Poulin (1978-82)	5
Bill Rothstein (1978-82)	5
12. Erik Condra (2005-)	4

Game-Winning Goals

Name (Seasons)	GWG
1. Rob Globke (2000-04)	13
Brian Urick (1995-99)	13
Dave Poulin (1978-82)	13
4. Dave Bankoske (1988-93)	12
5. Ryan Thang (2006-)	11
Paul Regan (1969-73)	11
7. Tim Kuehl (1986-90)	10
Tom Mooney (1984-88)	10
Greg Meredith (1976-80)	10
10. Erik Condra (2005-)	9
Mike Walsh (2002-06)	9
Dan Carlson (1997-01)	9
Kirt Bjork (1979-83)	9

CCHA Preseason Picks

The Central Collegiate Hockey Association (CCHA) opened the 2008-09 college hockey season with its annual Media Day on September 30. This year's event was held at Van Andel Arena in Grand Rapids, Mich., site of the 2009 NCAA Midwest Regional in March that will be hosted by the CCHA. The conference announced its annual coaches and media preseason polls along with a preseason all-CCHA team. The results of both polls:

CCHA Coaches Poll (1st-place)	Points	Media Poll (1st-place)	Points
1. NOTRE DAME (8)	128	1. Michigan (43)	945
2. Michigan (3)	122	2. NOTRE DAME (35)	915
3. Miami (1)	108	3. Michigan State (2)	776
4. Northern Michigan	102	4. Miami (2)	746
5. Michigan State	96	5. Northern Michigan (1)	700
6. Ferris State	84	6. Ferris State	529
7. Ohio State	67	7. Bowling Green	444
8. Nebraska-Omaha	59	8. Nebraska-Omaha	415
9. Bowling Green	56	9. Ohio State	339
10. Lake Superior	46	10. Lake Superior State	322
11. Alaska	28	11. Alaska	198
Western Michigan	28	12. Western Michigan	145

The CCHA coaches also selected the preseason all-Conference teams for the '08-'09 campaign. Notre Dame led the way with four selections with Michigan and Michigan State having three choices each. Miami followed with two picks and Northern Michigan had one. Notre Dame's Erik Condra and Michigan State's Jeff Lerg each had nine first-place votes and tied for the most points with 51.

CCHA Preseason First Team Player, Yr., School (First)	Totals	Pos.	CCHA Preseason Second Team Player, Yr., School (First)	Totals
Erik Condra, Sr., ND (9)	51	F	Carter Camper, So., MIA (3)	34
Aaron Palushaj, So., UM (8)	49	F	Tim Crowder, Sr., MSU (5)	27
Justin Mercier, Sr., MIA (6)	40	F	Ryan Thang, Jr., ND (2)	25
			Mark Olver, So., NMU (2)	25
Mark Mitera, Sr., UM (7)	45	D	Jeff Petry, So., MSU (3)	31
Kyle Lawson, Jr., ND (5)	38	D	Ian Cole, So., ND (2)	24
Jeff Lerg, Sr., MSU (9)	51	G	Billy Sauer, Sr., UM (2)	26

Honorable Mention (next six point totals, regardless of position with first team votes in parentheses): Eric Gustafsson, So., NMU, D, (1) 22; Eddie Del Grosso, Jr., UNO, D, 3 (20); **Jordan Pearce, Sr., ND, (1) 20**; Jacob Cepis, So., BGSU, F, 18; Nick Sirota, Sr., NMU, D, (1) 17; Zach Redmond, So., Ferris State, D, 12.

2008-09 Irish Awards and Honors

Ian Cole

Second Team Preseason all-CCHA

Erik Condra

First Team Preseason all-CCHA

First Team Inside College Hockey.com Pre-season All-American

Second Team College Hockey News Preseason All-American

Kyle Lawson

First Team Preseason all-CCHA

Second Team Preseason Inside College Hockey.com Preseason All-American

Ryan Thang

Second Team Preseason all-CCHA

NATIONAL POLLS:

USA TODAY/Amer. Hockey Mag. (October 6)

School	Record	Pts	Last Week
1. Boston College (26)	0-0-0	500	1
2. Michigan (4)	0-0-0	452	2
3. Colorado College (4)	0-0-0	430	5
4. Notre Dame	0-0-0	378	3
5. North Dakota	0-0-0	361	4
6. Denver	0-0-0	328	6
7. New Hampshire	0-0-0	275	7
8. Miami	0-0-0	259	8
9. Boston University	0-0-0	222	10
10. Minnesota	0-0-0	192	9
11. Michigan State	0-0-0	162	12
12. Princeton	0-0-0	111	NR
13. Clarkson	0-0-0	109	11
14. Wisconsin	0-0-0	82	13
15. St. Cloud State	0-0-0	66	15

Receiving votes: Northern Michigan, 38; Minnesota State, 28; Northeastern, 18; Vermont, 18; Ferris State, 16; Air Force, 15; Harvard, 12; Cornell, 4; Niagara, 4.

USCHO.com /CBS College (October 6)

School	Record	Pts	Last Week
1. Boston College (36)	25-11-8	969	7
2. Michigan (5)	33-6-4	922	1
3. Colorado College (7)	28-12-1	874	6
4. Notre Dame (1)	27-16-4	829	12
5. North Dakota (1)	28-11-4	789	3
6. Denver	26-14-1	707	4
7. New Hampshire	25-10-3	648	5
8. Miami	33-8-1	613	2
9. Boston University	19-17-4	565	15
10. Minnesota	19-17-9	503	10
11. Michigan State	25-12-5	440	9
12. Princeton	21-14-0	427	13
13. Clarkson	22-13-4	375	11
14. Wisconsin	16-17-7	358	17
15. St. Cloud State	19-16-5	299	8
16. Northern Michigan	20-20-4	257	NR
17. Cornell	19-14-3	186	NR
18. Minnesota State	19-16-4	170	14
19. Harvard	17-13-4	134	16
20. Vermont	17-15-7	90	18

Receiving Votes: Northeastern, 74; Air Force, 59; Niagara, 58; Ferris State, 42; Mass.-Lowell, 30; Massachusetts, 21; Minnesota-Duluth, 17; Providence, 8; Yale, 6; Maine, 5; Bowling Green, 3; Dartmouth, 3; Quinnipiac, 3; Rensselaer, 3; Union, 3; Bemidji State, 2; RIT, 2; Robert Morris, 2; St. Lawrence, 2; Mercyhurst, 1; Michigan Tech, 1.

2007-08 CENTRAL COLLEGIATE HOCKEY ASSOC. FINAL STANDINGS

2007-08 CCHA COLLEGIATE HOCKEY REGULAR SEASON FINALE RESULTS														
	TEAM	GP	W	L	T	PTS	GF	GA	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA
1.	Michigan	28	20	4	4	44	108	62	43	33	6	4	170	90
2.	Miami	28	21	6	1	43	114	56	42	33	8	1	170	78
3.	Michigan State	28	19	6	3	41	92	58	42	25	12	5	135	98
4.	Notre Dame	28	15	9	4	34	74	57	47	27	16	4	136	100
5.	Ferris State	28	12	12	4	28	77	73	39	18	16	5	109	98
6.	Northern Michigan	28	12	13	3	27	76	78	44	20	20	4	116	120
7.	Bowling Green	28	13	15	0	26	73	84	39	18	21	0	105	120
8.	Nebraska-Omaha	28	11	13	4	26	87	99	40	17	19	4	125	142
9.	Alaska	28	8	16	4	20	60	80	35	9	21	5	80	104
10.	Lake Superior	28	7	15	6	20	65	100	37	10	20	7	91	125
11.	Ohio State	28	7	18	3	17	61	93	41	12	25	4	98	136
12.	Western Michigan	28	4	22	2	10	53	100	38	8	27	3	82	126

THIS WEEK IN THE CCHA

Friday, October 10

Miami at Ohio State
Alaska vs. Northeastern, 5:07 p.m. (AT)
RIT at Bowling Green
Canisius at Ferris State
Minnesota-Duluth at Lake Superior
Michigan Tech at Northern Michigan, 7:35 p.m.
Niagara at Western Michigan, 7:35 p.m.
St. Lawrence at Michigan, 7:35 p.m.
Michigan State vs. Massachusetts, 4:35 p.m.

Saturday, October 11

Notre Dame at Denver, 7:07 p.m. (MT)

Ohio State at Miami

Canisius at Ferris State, 5:05 p.m.

Alaska vs. Connecticut, 4:07 p.m. (AT)
Niagara at Bowling Green
Michigan Tech at Lake Superior
Minnesota-Duluth at Northern Michigan
St. Lawrence at Michigan, 7:35 p.m.
RIT at Western Michigan, 7:35 p.m.

LAST WEEK IN THE CCHA

No Regular Season Games Scheduled

2008-09 Notre Dame Television Schedule

The Notre Dame hockey team is scheduled to appear on television 10 times during the 2008-09 regular season. The Irish will appear five times on CBS College Sports, twice on Comcast, twice on FSN-Detroit and once on ESPN Classic. Hockey fans should check their local cable and satellite systems for the location of the various networks. The entire television schedule for the Irish:

Friday, November 7	at Boston College	ESPN Classic/ESPN 360	7:00 p.m.
Saturday, November 29	Western Michigan	Comcast	7:05 p.m.
Saturday, December 13	Bowling Green	Comcast	7:05 p.m.
Friday, January 30	Michigan	CBS College Sports	8:05 p.m.
Saturday, January 31	at Michigan	FSN-Detroit	7:35 p.m.
Friday, February 6	at Ohio State	CBS College Sports	8:05 p.m.
Friday, February 13	Northern Michigan	CBS College Sports	8:05 p.m.
Friday, February 20	at Nebraska-Omaha	CBS College Sports	7:05 p.m. (CT)
Friday, February 27	Michigan State	CBS College Sports	7:05 p.m.
Saturday, February 28	at Michigan State	FSN-Detroit	5:05 p.m.



2007-08 NOTRE DAME FINAL STATISTICS

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Overall: 27-16-4 Conf: 15-9-4 Home: 11-4-3 Away: 10-6-1 Neut: 6-6-0

##	Name	OVERALL						CONFERENCE					
		SHOTS						SHOTS					
		GP	G	A	Pts	Sh	+/-	GP	G	A	Pts	Sh	+/-
11	Erik Condra	41	15	23	38	115	+6	28	11	13	24	80	-1
9	Ryan Thang	47	18	14	32	143	+7	28	10	6	16	87	+2
23	Mark Van Guilder	47	13	17	30	118	+2	28	8	8	16	65	-2
19	Ben Ryan	47	10	16	26	72	-4	28	5	7	12	46	-3
2	Kyle Lawson	45	5	21	26	81	+13	26	2	11	13	59	+2
21	Kevin Deeth	45	11	14	25	91	+7	27	6	9	15	57	+4
16	Dan Kissel	43	9	14	23	85	+11	28	5	8	13	52	+7
25	Christian Hanson	47	13	9	22	91	+5	28	7	5	12	48	-2
28	Ian Cole	43	8	12	20	70	-7	26	3	7	10	44	-5
18	Evan Rankin	47	8	11	19	101	+5	28	5	7	12	66	-4
10	Justin White	43	4	10	14	46	+8	26	2	6	8	31	+3
33	Garrett Regan	42	7	6	13	87	-6	24	3	3	6	47	-7
4	Dan VeNard	47	5	8	13	51	+1	28	2	3	5	31	-5
14	Brock Sheahan	47	1	12	13	51	+21	28	1	7	8	31	+14
3	Brett Blatchford	45	0	12	12	64	-2	26	0	6	6	41	-8
22	Calle Ridderwall	39	5	2	7	52	+1	22	2	1	3	30	-2
17	Robin Bergman	20	1	6	7	16	+3	12	1	4	5	12	+2
5	Teddy Ruth	42	2	3	5	35	+13	26	1	2	3	21	+11
27	Ryan Guentzel	26	0	4	4	21	+3	16	0	4	4	11	+1
20	Luke Lucyk	6	1	1	2	1	+3	3	0	0	0	0	-1
15	Christiaan Minella	26	0	2	2	16	+2	14	0	0	0	8	+1
12	Stewart Carlin	9	0	1	1	10	-3	5	0	0	0	5	-2
1	Jordan Pearce	43	0	1	1	0	0	26	0	0	0	0	0
24	Brian D'Arcy	4	0	0	0	2	-1	1	0	0	0	2	-1
30	Brad Phillips	5	0	0	0	0	0	-					
TM TEAM		27	0	0	0	0	0	18	0	0	0	0	0
Total.....		47	136	219	355	1419	+88	28	74	117	191	874	+4
Opponents.....		47	100	163	263	1109	-108	28	57	91	148	650	-20

##	Name	OVERALL						CONFERENCE					
		GP	Minutes	GA	EN	Avg	Saves	GP	Minutes	GA	EN	Avg	Saves
30	Brad Phillips	5	274:40	7	0	1.53	84	3	155:13	6	0	2.32	47
1	Jordan Pearce	43	2557:46	87	0	2.04	925	26	1533:29	46	0	1.80	546
TM EMPTY NET		27	19:24	0	6	0.00	0	18	11:18	0	5	0.00	0
Total.....		47	2851:50	100	6	2.10	1009	28	1700:00	57	5	2.01	593
Opponents.....		47	2851:50	136	4	2.86	1283	28	1700:00	74	1	2.61	800

OVERALL				CONFERENCE			
SHOTS ON GOAL				SHOTS ON GOAL			
Notre Dame	1419	30.19	.096	Notre Dame	874	31.21	.085
Opponents	1109	23.60	.090	Opponents	650	23.21	.088

POWER PLAYS				POWER PLAYS			
Notre Dame	39	265	.147	Notre Dame	24	164	.146
Opponents	24	210	.114	Opponents	10	124	.081

GOALS BY PERIOD						GOALS BY PERIOD					
Notre Dame.....	39	53	43	1	-	136	Notre Dame.....	24	28	22	0
Opponents.....	30	34	35	1	-	100	Opponents.....	16	22	19	0

2007-08 University of Notre Dame Hockey

Record: 27-16-4 (Home: 11-4-3, Away: 10-6-1, Neutral: 6-6-0; CCHA: 15-9-4)

Date	Opponent	Result	Goal Scorers	Goaltenders (Saves)
Oct. 12	% vs. #14 Wisconsin	L, 1-4	Van Guilder (1)	Pearce (21)
Oct. 13	% vs. Mercyhurst	W, 4-0	Van Guilder (2, 3) , Thang (1), Regan (1)	Pearce (25)
Oct. 18	#5 DENVER	W, 4-3	Regan (2), Lawson (1), Thang (2), Ryan (1)	Pearce (17)
Oct. 19	#5 DENVER	L, 1-3	Thang (3)	Pearce (25)
Oct. 23	* at Bowling Green	W, 4-2	Van Guilder (4), Regan (3), Rankin (1) , Condra (1)	Pearce (18)
Oct. 26	* at Ferris State	W, 3-2	Rankin (2), Ryan (2), Thang (4)	Pearce (25)
Oct. 27	* at Ferris State	L, 0-3	-----	Pearce (32)
Nov. 1	* LAKE SUPERIOR	W, 7-3	Thang (5), VeNard (1), Bergman (1), Van Guilder (5,6) Condra (2, 3)	Pearce (12)
Nov. 2	* LAKE SUPERIOR	W, 4-1	Hanson (1), Lawson (2) , Condra (4), Rankin (3)	Phillips (16)
Nov. 9	* at #1 Miami	W, 2-1	Hanson (2), Kissel (1)	Pearce (32)
Nov. 10	* at #1 Miami	L, 1-3	Rankin (4)	Pearce (32)
Nov. 16	* WESTERN MICHIGAN	W, 4-1	Thang (6), VeNard (2) , Condra (5), Van Guilder (7)	Pearce (11)
Nov. 17	* WESTERN MICHIGAN	W, 5-1	Ridderwall (1), White (1), Kissel (2), Thang (7), Condra (6)	Pearce (10)
Nov. 20	* BOWLING GREEN	W, 2-1	Ryan (3), Lawson (3)	Pearce (27)
Nov. 23	^ vs. Alabama-Huntsville	W, 4-1	Cole (1), Thang (8) , Ryan (4), Deeth (1)	Phillips (13)
Nov. 24	^ at #16 Rensselaer	W, 4-3	Deeth (2), White (2), VeNard (3), Thang (9)	Pearce (15)
Nov. 30	*NEBRASKA-OMAHA	W, 5-4	Deeth (3), Hanson (3), Condra (7), Kissel (3), Regan (4)	Pearce (14)
Dec. 1	*NEBRASKA-OMAHA	W, 5-0	Van Guilder (8) , Hanson (4), Ruth (1), Thang (10), Cole (2)	Pearce (16)
Dec. 7	at Princeton	W, 4-2	Regan (5), White (3), Condra (8), Ryan (5)	Pearce (17)
Dec. 8	at Princeton	W, 7-0	VeNard (4,5), Kissel (4,5), Hanson (5), Regan (6), Rankin (5)	Phillips (24)
Dec. 29	\$ vs. #9 Massachusetts	L, 3-4	Condra (9), Hanson (6), Lucyk (1)	Pearce (21)
Dec. 30	\$ vs. #16 Rensselaer	W, 3-1	Condra (10), Thang (11), Rankin (6)	Pearce (19)
Jan. 4	* at Northern Michigan	L, 1-2	Kissel (6)	Pearce (19)
Jan. 5	* at Northern Michigan	W, 2-1	Deeth (4), Hanson (7)	Phillips (16)
Jan. 11	* at #9 Michigan State	L, 1-3	Deeth (5)	Pearce (27)
Jan. 13	* #9 MICHIGAN STATE	T, 1-1 (ot)	Thang (12)	Pearce (14)
Jan. 18	* at #1 Michigan	L, 2-3	Deeth (6), White (4)	Pearce (25)
Jan. 19	* @ #1 MICHIGAN	L, 1-5	Ryan (6)	Phillips (15)/Pearce (10)
Jan. 25	* BOWLING GREEN	W, 6-1	Thang (13, 14), Condra (11) , Van Guilder (9), Ridderwall (2), Hanson (8)	Pearce (20)
Jan. 26	* at Bowling Green	W, 4-1	Ryan (7,8), Cole (3) , Deeth (7)	Pearce (21)
Feb. 8	* FERRIS STATE	L, 3-5	Deeth (8), Sheahan (1), Condra (12)	Pearce (31)
Feb. 9	* FERRIS STATE	T, 2-2 (ot)	Cole (4), Hanson (9)	Pearce (27)
Feb. 15	* at Alaska	W, 2-1	Regan (7), Thang (15)	Pearce (32)
Feb. 16	* at Alaska	T, 1-1 (ot)	Van Guilder (10)	Pearce (13)
Feb. 22	* OHIO STATE	L, 1-3	Rankin (7)	Pearce (20)
Feb. 23	* OHIO STATE	T, 2-2 (ot)	Condra (13), Kissel (7)	Pearce (23)
Feb. 29	* at Western Michigan	L, 0-3	-----	Pearce (20)
Mar. 1	* WESTERN MICHIGAN	W, 3-1	Thang (16), Condra (14) , Van Guilder (11)	Pearce (15)
Mar. 14	+ FERRIS STATE	L, 1-2	Ryan (9)	Pearce (26)
Mar. 15	+ FERRIS STATE	W, 6-3	Ridderwall (3), Cole (5,6), Condra (15) , Ryan (10), Lawson (4)	Pearce (22)
Mar. 16	+ FERRIS STATE	W, 2-1	Kissel (8), Cole (7)	Pearce (24)
Mar. 21	! vs. #3 Miami	L, 1-2 (ot)	Rankin (8)	Pearce (28)
Mar. 22	! vs. Northern Michigan	L, 1-2	Hanson (10)	Pearce (19)
Mar. 28	% vs. #4 New Hampshire	W, 7-3	Cole (8), Lawson (5), Hanson (11,12), Kissel (9) , Thang (17), Deeth (9)	Pearce (32)
Mar. 29	% vs. #9 Michigan State	W, 3-1	Hanson (13), Van Guilder (12) , Ruth (2)	Pearce (20)
Apr. 10	? vs. #1 Michigan	W, 5-4 (ot)	Ridderwall (4,5) , Van Guilder (13), Thang (18), Deeth (10)	Pearce (29)
Apr. 12	? vs. #3 Boston College	L, 1-4	Deeth (11)	Pearce (19)

* – Central Collegiate Hockey Association game

% – Lefty McFadden Invitational (E.J. Nutter Center, Dayton, Ohio)

^ – 57th Rensselaer Holiday Tournament (Houston Field House, Troy, N.Y.)

\$ – Lightning College Hockey Classic (St. Pete Times Forum, Tampa, Fla.)

@ – The Palace of Auburn Hills (Auburn Hills, Mich.)

+ – Second Round CCHA Playoffs (Joyce Center, Notre Dame, Ind.)

! – CCHA Championship (Joe Louis Arena, Detroit, Mich.)

% – NCAA West Regional (World Arena, Colorado Springs, Colo.)

? – NCAA Frozen Four (Pepsi Center, Denver, Colo.)

Goaltender of record

Names in bold are game-winning/game-tying goals

HOME GAMES IN CAPS