By TIM LOGAN

Last night, during its final meeting of the current term, the Student Senate addressed a wide range of issues, including polystyrene use at South Dining Hall, financial aid concerns, diversity presentations at Freshman Orientation, and the demolition of Stepan Center. The senate chose not to pass a resolution calling for the administration to give more consideration to student protests against the use of polystyrene in South Dining Hall.

"This administration has thought through this thing in and out, a resolution (calling on them to be more concerned with the environment) is superfluous because they already are," said Billen to the Pat Coyle. The senator related his conversation with Director of Food Services David Prentkowski in which he was informed of the high costs of recycling polystyrene, as well as the process behind selecting the material for use. A rough estimate of the reported cost of what is used in South Dining Hall was $100 per person for an eight week period. Prentkowski didn't think it is in the students' interest, and frankly I agree with him," stated Coyle. He pointed to the University's focus on recycling programs for aluminum, glass and paper, as well as ongoing construction plans despite higher costs so that dishwashers at South Dining Hall would... 

Celebrating the media ....

Student leaders of The Dome, The Observer, Scholastic Magazine, 88.9 WSND and WWFI 640 AM gathered last night in the LaFortune Banquet to honor their 1997-98 staffs. Adele Langan, assistant director of Student Activities, organized the banquet. The staff of Scholastic Magazine, pictured above, enjoys dinner prior to several speeches.

Remnick: Muhammad Ali changed press forever

By CHRISTINE KRALY

Boxer Muhammad Ali forever changed the American press because "he scared the hell out of people 10 years ago," according to journalist David Remnick.

A staff writer for the New Yorker, Remnick highlighted the early years of journalism, particularly the practices of sports columnists, in his 1998 Walter "Red" Smith lecture in Hesburgh Library last night.

He cited quotes from such journalist-greats as Jimmy Cannon, Robert Lipsyte, and Red Smith himself.

At a time when "white columnists were the dominant voices of sports news," Cassius Clay was a loud braggart; he possessed qualities which some early columnists did not appreciate, according to Remnick. One such columnist, he noted, was Jimmy Cannon, whom Remnick described as a "cranky ego-manic." This "ego-manic" at first despised Cassius Clay, but would later come to accept his talent and athletic style, due to a great deal to Clay's own insensate reluctance to change his image as an "untalented black athlete." Remnick's speech emphasized Clay's pursuit to "define his blackness" by becoming a Muslim and, as the world most commonly knows him, Muhammad Ali.

"A rooster crows only when it sees the light... I have seen the light and I'm crowing."...
Shame on them

Anyone who says we're desensitized to vio-

lence needs to read the papers more.

If there is one person not moved and sick-

ened, he or she should ask their classmate who had come outside for a fire alarm, or he or she should not understand the importance and mean-

ing.

For those who missed it, an 11-year-old and a 13-

year-old boy allegedly pulled the fire alarm inside the school. When the school en-

rolled, that boy and girls with shot-

guns and handguns, killing one teacher and four girls, and wounding 11 more.

One of the suspects' classmate said that none of the boys had recently broken up with his girlfriend. "So, he was trying to come and kill her one day. A local pastor also said that school officials told him the boys were students at the school "who had spoken with the coun-

selors, threatening to do something like this."

What is the most important thing?

In Arkansas, it is not illegal for minors to possess guns and handguns, killing one teacher and

four girls, and wounding 11 more.

There is no problem with taking

guns from students, the University of

Pennsylvania announces new scholarships

In a move indicative of the cutthroat competition char-

acterizing the Ivy League's recruitment of top high-school

students, the University of the have

announced a new scholarship program for the upcoming academic

year under President. The program, as many as 50 outstanding freshmen will receive financial aid pack-

ages without burdensome loans. Instead, the entire

amount of the students' four years at Penn. The pro-

gram—announced for the possibility of increased

in tuition and fees — comes in response to a reac-

cess, the interscholastic athletic program of improving financial aid packages for lower-

and middle-class students. Since Princeton University began the trend in January, Yale University, Stanford University and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology have followed suit.

Protestors rally for imprisoned prof

of the University of South Florida,

TPA, Fla.

Supporters of former USF adjunct professor Mazen Al-

Najjar received word Monday that government

officials are investigating an allegedly racist

poster. The poster, the_MSA Minority

Commission said. Winling, who lost the election for the

minority Affairs Commission will seek lega-

l action.

"We respect each student's freedom of speech, but what makes it sketchy is that freedom of speech

In the article, the author emphasizes the importance of understanding the consequences of actions, particularly in situations involving violence and gun possession. The author highlights the need for more discussion and awareness about the impact of such actions on the community. The text also mentions the importance of considering the role of parents and educators in teaching children about the consequences of their actions. The author concludes with a call to action, urging individuals to be aware of the implications of their choices and to consider the impact of their actions on others.
Faculty panel advocates co-ed dorms on ND campus

By CHRISTOPHER SHIPLEY

A panel of faculty addressed the issue of bringing co-residential dorms to campus yesterday in DeBartolo Hall, overwhelmingly supporting a move towards co-residency.

The roundtable discussion, entitled "Residentiality: Living co-residency. dorms to campus yesterday in the issue of bringing co-ed News Writer students," addressed the problematic link DeBartolo Hall, overwhelmingly
dorms, should be options for students coming to Notre Dame, according to the dean of the First Year of Studies.

The panel also discussed the moral implications of co-residential dorms. Many of the same rules students adhere to under the current system would remain in place under the new living arrangements, including

"To say that single-sex housing is the only stance to take for a Catholic university is going on a limb," Kolman told the group.

Besides enhancing friendshipships with members of the opposite sex, co-ed dorms would also challenge students to learn to treat each other with respect and equality, the panelists said.

John Kowalski, Andrew J. McKenna Chair of the psychologist, pointed out that University studies have examples of successful co-residential arrangements in their study abroad programs.

Borkowski, who taught and observed the dorms in London last fall, expressed the belief that co-residency would also help with some of the other issues, including alcoholism and diversity, currently being debated in the Notre Dame community.

"I think some of the other issues that are problems at Notre Dame could all be addressed as we move towards co-resident living," Borkowski said.

The panel indicated that a five-year experiment consisting of two co-residential dorms would prove the success of such an arrangement and could be implemented as early as 1999. Each dorm would be devoted to the appreciation of diversity in living arrangements.

Several models of co-residential dorms have been submitted to the Board of Trustees, spearheaded by off-campus senior and panelist Katie Sezina, which will soon answer the question of why a rising number of students are moving off-campus or studying abroad.

In addition, the proposal will make a recommendation for co-residential housing.

ND students to live, study in Biosphere 2

By SEAN O'CONNELL

Columbia University recently began a new undergraduate program this fall where students interested in environmental science may spend a semester studying and conducting research in Biosphere 2.

Four Notre Dame students are taking part in this Earth Studies Semester this spring. Along with 31 other college students, they will follow a designed curriculum for which they receive 16 credits from Columbia University. Days are long and run from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. A typical day consists of lectures in classes such as Earth Systems Science, Conservation Biology, as well as Law, Politics, and Economics of Global Change.

Students then take part in various discussions and laboratory work. Each participant must also formulate an independent research project under the guidance of a mentor. Built in the early nineties as a self-contained ecosystem, Biosphere 2 has allowed scientists to study the environment and the possibility of sustaining human life in such an enclosed, isolated world. The original group of scientists lived in the biosphere, located just north of Tucson, Ariz., completely isolated from the rest of the world. Biosphere 2 has continued to be a research facility for Columbia University since it opened in 1990 and no one lives in the structure anymore.

The project incorporates several field trips in Arizona and Mexico with the intent later to broaden the studies of the students. At the beginning of the semester, the students took part in field trips in Arizona and Mexico and are currently preparing for a field trip to Columbia University.

"I went to visit them in February. The students were in a rave about it," said Charles Kulpa, head of the Center for Environmental Science and Technology, the department in charge of the program. "This program is very unlike anything we have to offer students."

Kulpa encourages others to apply for the program if they have an interest in environmental science.

The program is currently selecting next spring's group and is competitive as only three to five students are admitted per semester.

Admission is based on the application and an interview. Kulpa said that anyone interested in the program should contact Phil Sloan in the Science, Technology and Policy Program. Newman, associate dean of the College of Science.

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mirror to American society,” said Remnick, who noted that Ali’s unfamiliarity with the War and opposition to it paralleled the American public’s sentiments.

While in the war, Ali put on boxing exhibitions for troops—an act denounced by Cannon and other columnists. Because of this and Ali’s overall resistance to the War, Red Smith compared him to the “punk” who protested the War itself.

Ali returned from the war with the same energetic and enthusiastic attitude that had launched his career to its pinnacle. His unwillingness to change his character and uncommon-man image began to earn the respect of otherwise opposed columnists like Cannon and Smith, Remnick said.

Ali’s outgoing personality and ability to reach the people are both qualities that have influenced journalism throughout the years, according to Remnick. All challenged narrow-mindedness and opened opposition forcing integration, an attempt he believed was aimed to change his image.

Part of Ali’s appeal, said Remnick, is that “he’s extremely funny. He always undercut himself with humor.”
Students, security forces clash

Jakarta

Rock-throwing students fought with police and troops Wednesday in the most violent clash so far in a month-long series of anti-government protests on Indonesian campuses.

Security forces shot tear gas into the crowd and used sticks and clubs to beat back about 1,000 students who tried to stage an illegal street march in Solo, 250 miles east of Jakarta, witnesses said.

Witnesses said at least 10 police and 39 protesters were injured at the public March 11 University, named for the date President Suharto assumed special powers, to restore order during an earlier period of national instability.

Students have been protesting a lack of democracy in Indonesia and Suharto's failure to reverse a devastating plunge in the value of Indonesia's currency.

The fighting Wednesday broke out hours after the United States announced it would send $56 million in food and medical aid to ease the suffering of millions of Indonesians impoverished by their worst economic crisis in 30 years.

Indonesia welcomed Washington's offer of help, which came as Indonesia and the International Monetary Fund renegotiate a $43 billion bailout of the economy.

The IMF suspended the loan package earlier this month, saying Suharto's government was backsliding on commitments to implement tough reforms.

The IMF, over which the United States has a de facto veto, postponed the second $3 billion disbursement until at least next month.

A verdict against Papon, a former Vichy official charged with complicity in the war crimes trial of the pro-Nazi regime. In his final arguments, Jean-Marc Varaut called Papon's acquittal "a sacrificial victim" for the crimes of the pro-Nazi regime. In his final arguments, Jean-Marc Varaut called Papon's acquittal "a sacrificial victim" for the crimes of the pro-Nazi regime.

The 14-year-old boy is accused of shooting his principal at the start of school Wednesday, then tossing the small handgun in the parking lot but not making any threats.

The grandfather of the 11-year-old charged in a deadly schoolyard ambush said Wednesday the boy admitted stealing seven guns from him and pulling the fire alarm that forced the victims into the line of fire.

The boy did not confess to killing four classmates and a teacher, however, saying he couldn't recall what happened, Doug Golden told The Associated Press in a phone interview Wednesday from his home in Jonesboro, where the killings took place.

"He told me he fired some shots," said Golden, who talked to his grandson, Andrew Golden, with police in jail after Tuesday's shooting.

"He said he shot at a car on the parking lot but I don't remember anything after that," said Golden, the manager of a wildlife area.

A Juvenile Court judge in Jonesboro ordered Andrew and his alleged accomplice, Mitchell Johnson, 13, held Wednesday, until an April 29 hearing. The two are charged with five counts of murder and 10 counts of battery. They did not appear in court.

Police say the two walked in the woods behind Westside Middle School and opened fire as students responding to the false fire-alarm signal streamed outside.

Five of the wounded remained hospitalized Wednesday, five in stable condition and one in critical.

FBI denies conspiracy

A former FBI agent's claim that he was found evidence supporting James Earl Ray's alibi...
Young killers might be released at age 18

Associated Press

JONESBORO, Ark. — Two boys suspected of killing five people and wounding 10 others in a school ambush in Jonesboro, Ark., will be charged with capital murder and aggravated assault but cannot be tried as adults as they are under 14, prosecutor Brent Davis said Wednesday.

The two boys, aged 13 and 11, were in the Craighead County juvenile facility and were scheduled to appear before a juvenile court judge.

Under Arkansas law, the juvenile court has jurisdiction over criminal cases involving persons under 14.

The harshest punishment that could be meted out to the two suspects would be commitment to a facility but they would be set free at age 18.

But in view of the seriousness of the crime involved, "we are trying to determine whether other options are available in federal court," Davis told a press conference outside the sheriff's department. He said the case "may well have impact on future changes in legislation."

Authorities did not release the boys' names, but The Jonesboro Sun identified them as Mitchell Johnson, 13, and his 11-year-old cousin Andrew Golden.

Authorities continued to search for answers to how the boys got their weapons and why they attacked. Police said Mitchell, who had been jilted by a girl and made threats, and Andrew turned classmate out of school with a false fire alarm, then moved them down with gunfire.

Andrew's father, Dennis, is a leader of a local gun club, the Jonesboro Practical Pistol Shooters.

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Terry Crider, a family friend and fellow shooting club member, said Wednesday that Dennis Golden began taking his son hunting as a young child.

He said the boy was a pretty good shot, although slow.

Lodge links God and science

By ARIANN BUTLER

David Lodge, a biology professor at Notre Dame, tackled the dilemma of reconciling God with science and reconciling science with Christianity last night at Saint Mary's College.

The lecture was part of a three-part series of sponsored by InterVarsity Christian Fellowship. The two lectures last semester focused on self-esteem and a local minister's personal experiences with God, and the series ended tonight with the controversial issue of God and science.

"The integration of faith and science is a big challenge," Lodge said at the beginning of the discussion. He also said that society often misinterprets the appropriate way of approaching the conflicts between God and science.

Society considers this issue from generally two different viewpoints, according to Lodge. This issue is seen only in the terms that God and science are in constant warfare or non-overlapping magisterium. Lodge said that God and science have nothing to do with each other.

"The idea of warfare runs deep in our culture and universality," Lodge said.

He went on to discuss that the common ways of perceiving God and science limit the other's field. Interaction between the two, particularly in areas of tension, would be of great benefit to both, according to Lodge.

"We can't ignore science in our understanding of theology," Lodge said.

Noting the complexity of the debate, he also presented the reverse side, emphasizing the importance of religion in science.

"The question, 'What is human nature,' is a theological and biological question."

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Where, oh where, is Love?
Ema Osaki and Jim Lies, C.S.C.

Although, as you know, I am enamored of my own writing, allowing me each week to go on and on as I do on this page, even I had to agree with Ema that, regarding love, C.S. Lewis has probably said it better than I could. And as likely as it is that, given time, I might have said exactly the same thing, I give him due credit for the following:

To love at all is to be vulnerable. Love anything and your heart will certainly be wrung and possibly be broken. If you want to make sure of keeping it in tact, you must give your heart to no one, not even to an animal. Wrap it carefully round with hobbies and little luxuries; avoid all entanglements; lock it up safe in the casket or coffin of your selfishness. But in that casket—safe, dark motionless, airless—it will change. It will not be broken; it will become unbreakable, impenetrable, irredeemable.

Do you wonder, sometimes, where, or what, love is? Do you find yourself challenged in the day to day of your life by love; by what it means; where to find it; how to sustain it, even in friendship. We all do. The danger is that, as C.S. so well put it, we would choose not to love for fear that love will bring us pain. And yet, what's the greater pain, the pain of a love lost or not having loved at all? Lewis had a good deal more to say about love than that which we've quoted above. Much of it had to do with the relationship between the love we experience in our lives, whether it be an amorous love or a love between friends, and God. How does all of what we experience as love in our lives relate to the love God has for us? How is our very experience of love an experience of God?

You've undoubtedly shared in the dilemma which many face when using the word "love" to describe so many very different ways of being in relationship. We've all been "in love" at one time or another; and then there are friendships in which we love another, to varying degrees, but we're not actually "in love." And then there are our parents and our brothers and sisters whom we also love but in a way altogether different than the love we have for friends or for our beloved. And still, that doesn't even begin to get at the complexities of love, as well you know. If John is right in his gospel, and God is love, then the complexities have multiplied exponentially, or perhaps I should say, infinitely.

Or perhaps not. Perhaps it's much simpler than we are inclined to make it. Perhaps it is that very understanding of God as love that makes sense of all the rest. In another place, C.S. Lewis says that:

We shall draw nearer to God, not by trying to avoid the sufferings in all loves, but by accepting them and offering them to Him; throwing away all defensive armor.

Lewis would seem to say that, and I'm going out on a limb here, all love is subsumed in God's love; and to really make sense of it, to really enter in, we need to understand that the very act of loving draws us more deeply into God's love.

Each year, Campus Ministry sponsors a program called Keeping the Faith. It is a series of speakers on a particular topic of relevance to our faith and our community. This year we intend to tackle love, in all its beautiful and bountiful complexity, in the context of conversation, music and prayer. The details of the Keeping the Faith Series are as follows:

Three Nights, Four Loves

Monday, March 30, 1998
“Love: All in the Family” by Mr. Audrey Brosnan, Sienna Heights College, with Notre Dame Students and music by Coro Primavera.

Thursday, April 2, 1998
“Love: I'll Be There For You” by Fr. Paul Doyle, C.S.C., Rector of Dillon Hall, with Notre Dame Faculty and Staff and music by Voices of Faith.

Monday, April 6, 1998
“Love: I'll Be There For You” by Fr. Michael Baxter, C.S.C., Theology Faculty, with Notre Dame Staff and Students and music by The Contemporary Choir.

All programs are in the Morrissey Hall Chapel from 7:00-8:30 p.m. Don't let love, or Lent, or life get away from you. Join us!
The architecture on campus today is Tabloid architecture; it only needs to be attractive to convince you to purchase it at the register, but not much else. When will the school realize that slate roofs and "Notre Dame" brick do not make for a good building on their own. The argument is often made that we need to do something new, or different. The newness of buildings soon wears off. The post office, I'm sure, once received a fair amount of praise for its design, but who would blink an eye if the University were to tear it down? The challenge for architects today is to design classics for our time. Mark Twain didn't write in "Old English," nor should Shakespeare. It only needs to be attractive to the future in a way that transcends time. Even though we no longer speak "Old English," Shakespeare is as poignant today as his works were when first written. And classics do not describe a period of time; Mark Twain is every bit a classic as Shakespeare.

Michael Sullivan

Classic ND Architecture is More Than Yellow Bricks

Editor's Note: This is an installment of a series written by students within the School of Architecture. These columns, under the byline Column of Reason, will deal with the built environment of Notre Dame, focusing in particular on recent additions and changes to our campus.

Over 360,000 visits have been made to the "DomeCam" — a world-wide-web page that shows a current picture of the Golden Dome. It's hard to think of Notre Dame without thinking of her architecture. Architecture defines our everyday lives. We study, play, and pray in buildings that were, for the most part, designed by architects. Architects have the ability to impact our lives to make them better, and in some cases to make them worse. It is important therefore, that we, as students, pay attention to what is being built around us. The debate about campus architecture should not be left to architecture students alone. There is a strong connection between literature and architecture. Mark Twain once said that "A classic is something that everybody wants to have read and nobody wants to read. " What is it that makes a work a classic? I think that a classic is something that transcends time.
To avoid confusion, I would first like to note that there are two of us here at Notre Dame who share the name Amy Crawford. I am the one in PW, a senior economics and government major, and the other is a senior communications major in visual purposes, she's '58, I'm '52.

I am writing in support of the recent resignation of Father David Garrick. There is currently a petition going around which was written in response to this resignation. It reads: "On March 18, 1998, Father David Garrick resigned as a Notre Dame faculty member in protest of our administration's denial of equal legal rights for lesbian, gay, and bisexual students and faculty. In the spirit of hope and dignity, we, active voice our support for Fr. Garrick and for equal treatment of all our Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students and faculty and friends. All signers' names will be subsequently printed in a full-page Observer ad. I am writing to urge all members of the Notre Dame family to sign this petition. I believe that the document is the perfect response to Fr. Garrick's resignation, and should be signed by every student, faculty member, and friend of the Notre Dame family. Regardless of the exact circumstances surrounding his resignation,

However, by signing this petition (currently available at the CSC), you will not just send a powerful message to the administration, but also to the people on this campus who are struggling with their sexual orientation, as well as to the administration and the outside world.

A lack of silence about homosexuality covers this campus. Of course, we have the occasional speaker or Observer article, but basically, the gay perspective portrayed publicly is limited to the handful of lesbian, gay, and bisexual people at Notre Dame with the comfort level and courage to speak out. This eliminates the voice of literally hundreds of people here -- students, faculty and staff -- who are either still struggling with issues of sexual orientation or have come to acceptance as they are, yet who are still too afraid to come out even to their friends or co-workers.

And who can blame them? The administration repeatedly refuses to grant protection via equality laws through the lens of sexual orientation, in the name of the separation of church and state. Further, the administration even denies gay people its trust -- refusing to recognize their right to offer silence and non-discrimination in the workplace. It also contributes to the silence of the student body on an already vastly apolitical campus.

I'm not asking that every single person at Notre Dame get up in arms about the fight for justice; I am asking that my expectations are not that high. However, I do believe that every single person can speak out in support of people who are struggling with sexual orientation, for the very fact that they have been simply left by those who purport to support them.

I do not mean to "speak" to those who "speak" in a very personal one for me. As early as grade school, I began identifying some of the feelings I was having as not being "normal" as then defined. I knew that it was wrong to feel "gay," "homosexual," "lesbian," and even "homosexual," "lesbian." And I could never deal with this different sexual identity, that I would never be able to tell my parents, that I would never be able to tell my friends, that I would never be able to tell my family, or if I did, it would result in a life of isolation and shame.

When I received a scholarship to Notre Dame, which I knew was a conservative school, and decided to go here instead of the more liberal colleges where I felt I could explore those things then, I was determined to go here and be true to myself.

Development of my community of my own has been my saving grace here, and has allowed me to integrate that part of my life to some extent. I have met everyone that I am -- a loved and respected friend, a member of my family, an active service person, a current undergraduate, a current college student, a current student, an average student who is frozen within myself. Even with that support, coming out to some people -- and writing this letter -- is still very scary to me, because I don't know what kind of response I will receive.

Whether a person is one of the outspoken haskell of "out" people, or quietly dealing with being gay, lesbian, bisexual, or questioning on our own, we all need the support of the faculty and students here.

People need to know who they can count on in dealing with this. And I believe that most of my friends and I respect the legitimacy of the struggle to understand and accept one's sexual orientation. I would like to conclude from the support that I have received that the silence of the student body results more from naivety and confusion rather than anti-gay hostilities.

However, I do hear people say a lot of things which make me question their sensitivity to each others' issues. And I believe that my expectations are not that high. I would like to see a world where all people, gay or straight, feel free to come out even to their friends and family, to speak out even to their co-workers, and to live their lives as they please. And that is why I am writing this letter.

Sign Petition to Support Father Garrick, Equality

March 24, 1998

Amy Crawford
Senior, Pasquerilla West
Haiti Seminar

The Center for Social Concerns Haiti seminar which took place over Spring Break, was the culmination of a ten year project.

Clare Hogan, a Notre Dame sophomore whose family lived in Haiti for three years, organized the trip. Hogan’s sisters, who preceded her at Notre Dame, had attempted to initiate a University seminar to Haiti, but the project did not get off the ground until this year. Despite the slow start, the first year of the Haiti seminar was a great success.

On March 6, five Notre Dame students — sophomores Hogan, Tim Johnson and Colleen Quinlan, and juniors Jamiko Rose and Cheryl Igiri — left campus with Haiti as their destination. They were accompanied by Jay Brandenburger from the CSC. Their purpose, according to Hogan, was to examine the political, historical and economic situation in Haiti; to analyze what was being done to improve the situation and to reflect on what other actions could be taken.

During their time in Haiti, the group visited several orphanages and schools, including one Holy Cross affiliate, and a rural area of Haiti called Fondwa.

They also had the opportunity to meet former President Bertrand Aristide, the first democratic president to be elected in Haiti, who was forced from office in a 1991 coup. Aristide is unable to run for office again until the year 2000, and this is the cause of much public discouragement with the government of Haiti.

Frustration with the government is one of the many domestic problems that the seminar group witnessed during their stay. Other issues that the students came in contact with were the high inflation rate, which compounds the high cost of living, and the fact that Haiti is overly dependent on funding from outside governments.

Student reactions to the seminar were invariably positive. Hogan, whose initial goal was for the trip to become an annual event, would like to see the project grow in the future.

“Overall, I thought the trip went extremely well. It was definitely a success,” she said.

Jamiko Rose was equally enthusiastic. “It was a great experience. I learned so much. The whole group was phenomenal. It was great to reflect on the problems that Haiti has and what they are doing to solve them,” she said.

Perhaps the only negative aspect of the experience for the students was the hardships that citizens of Haiti have to face.

“It taught me more about the injustices that our government does,” said Rose.

L’Arche Seminar

By RACHEL TABANGCARA
Scene Writer

Rather than basking in the sun or hitting the slopes, six Notre Dame students chose to devote their spring breaks to service work in Toronto, Ontario as part of the L’Arche Seminar.

The L’Arche Seminar involves working with mentally disabled people who live in L’Arche communities; the one visited by the Notre Dame students was called Daybreak.

“L’Arche” is French for “the ark,” and refers to the Old Testament story of Noah’s ark. In his first community, Vanier made room for everyone, including the handicapped, who were often viewed negatively in society. Today, there are L’Arche communities all over the United States and the entire world.

The six students from Notre Dame were divided among three homes in the Toronto L’Arche community. Once in the homes, the students became involved in the lives of those who lived there; they shared in all aspects of daily life, including eating and praying.

“I wouldn’t characterize this as a service trip. We really just went to learn what their lives are like,” said Adam Alassio, a senior who participated in the L’Arche Seminar.

“I came back with a greater understanding of simplicity. The lives of everybody there are grounded in the ordinary, and it is through this simplicity that the true value of life can be connected,” he said.

Although this is only the third year that the CSC has formally been involved with the L’Arche Seminar, students from Notre Dame have been visiting L’Arche communities for several years. Brother Bonaventure Scully, rector of Keenan Hall, began visiting L’Arche communities at least 12 years ago.

He believes that one of the most essential elements of the communities’ success is that those who work there are equals with those who live there. People are not hired to tend to L’Arche houses and care for the handicapped; they live with them and commit to living there on a yearly basis.

“If you live among them for a while, you’ll see that you’re not that smart,” said Scully. "If you try to be condescending to them, they can see right through you." The coordinator of this spring’s seminar was Rose McDowell, the service learning coordinator for the CSC.

“What makes a L’Arche community so special is that it is focused around a Christian perspective,” McDowell explained.

Andrew Ray, another senior who participated in L’Arche, took many lessons back to Notre Dame with her.

“I had to learn how to slow down a bit and practice being present to people,” Ray said.

She was also very impressed with how strong the community residents were, despite their mental handicaps. “They were very open about their pain, and they dealt with their struggles,” Ray said.

There is no doubt that those who live in the L’Arche communities are touched by the services that they provide for them. What may surprise many, though, is how deeply the experience can touch those who volunteer.

“Sometimes I say that I am part L’Arche,” said Scully. “That’s how important it is.”
Washington Seminar

By KELLY COONEY
Scene Writer

While their fellow classmates swam in the ocean during spring break, 20 Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students participating in the week-long seminar, "Environmental Issues: the challenges and responsible solutions," tried to protect it.

Clean water was one of many environmental issues addressed by students participating in the seminar in Washington, D.C. over spring break. The students spent the week meeting with government officials, executives from non-governmental organizations and church leaders including rabbi Daniel Swartz of the National Religious Partnership for the Environment, Rick Hind of Greenpeace, Notre Dame graduate John Shoff of the EPA, and Indiana Representative Tim Roemer.

"It was exciting to see people trying to do what's right for our future," said Christine Jacobs, a freshman government major from Howard Hall who participated in the seminar. "Each group had their own approach in trying to influence the government."

The seminar, cross-listed in the departments of theology (THEO 363) and government (GOVT 496), is designed to utilize the resources in Washington, D.C. to examine current issues in the United States, to explore possible solutions and to develop practices of good stewardship in the tradition of Catholic social teachings and Christian ethics.

This year's focus on the environment is just one in a long history of Washington Seminars, which are offered each year during both fall and spring break. Past seminars have included topics such as Education and Welfare.

In order to prepare for the meetings this year, the students attended three preparatory sessions, each focusing on a different aspect of the environment.

In addition to speaking with psychologists Dr. Joe Miller and Dr. George Howard about the durability of the environment, the group participated in a specific case study of the spotted owl in the Pacific Northwest. The students divided up into groups, taking on the roles of environmentalists, corporate Americans, loggers, and legislators in order to get a better understanding of the case. After researching the government side of environmental issues, they focused on the theological aspects, exploring the social teachings of the Church as well as Native American views and emphasizing the idea of the environment as God's creation.

The group will conclude the seminar with a coalition meeting with the Students for Environmental Action on Monday, March 30. They hope to utilize the information they learned in Washington, D.C. and apply it to help brainstorming ways to protect the environment at Notre Dame.

Migrant Workers Seminar

By KRISTEN CONNER
Scene Writer

Eleven students were given the opportunity to earn a theology credit and an appreciation of the lives of migrant workers over spring break.

Traveling to Immokalee, Fla., the students experienced the actual life of the workers by spending time working and living in the community. In addition to working in the fields, the volunteers worked in a community homeless shelter and helped rehabilitate homes in the area.

Freshman Lina Sidrys spent two days at the Redlands Christian Migrant Association, a day care center for the children of migrant workers.

"It was one of the most influential experiences of my life," she said. "It was very educational because I could meet the people."

Sidrys described the simplistic attitude of many of the migrant workers.

"It was a very humbling experience," she said.

Group coordinator and Lyons sophomore Angie Anderson described the experience as "amazing," and felt that by sharing the experiences of the migrant worker, the group was able to discover the true meaning of compassion in regard to the workers' plight.

The 11 students each spent two days working in a field with a migrant worker, two days a site doing other community work and one day painting a house.

The week gave the group a sense of involvement, concern and understanding of the lives of a segment of the population that they were unable to fully experience and appreciate at Notre Dame. The students spent two nights with a family, and the other nights they slept in an unfurnished house.

"They (the migrant workers) didn't do anything more good for me than I did for them," Sidrys concluded.

El Salvador Seminar

By NATE WILLS
Assistant Scene Editor

At Notre Dame, alternative Spring Breaks like the Appalachia Seminar have become important hands-on ways for students to reach out to the less fortunate in Christian charity. This year, 13 students and faculty from both Notre Dame and Saint Mary's College went to El Salvador with the idea of a "mission," but with a different focus. Instead of building homes, those who went to the poverty-stricken and war-torn country listened to stories of disaster, loss, courage and faith told by survivors of the bloody civil war.

The idea was to have a pilgrimage and really be witnesses to the people who have been in touch with living their life related to suffering and war," explained Sister Linda Kors, CSC, the Director of Volunteer Service at Saint Mary's College and the trip's coordinator.

The participants set out with families outside of San Salvador and of Salvadorans and with families there were challenges to be lived in the simple conditions of the village. Students slept on cots which they brought with them and most of the homes that they stayed in had dirt floors and usually only had one room.

"They just got electricity, which consisted of one light bulb in the middle of the room and there was no running water," said Saint Mary's student Jill Switzer. "I kept asking myself, if I lived this life, could I be happy?"

The challenge is to think about what we really need," explained Tina Alley, a junior at Saint Mary's that the most moving part of the trip was interacting with the people of the small village where they stayed. "The people there were amazing. They were so open and loving and really shared some painful stories with us.

The El Salvador Seminar was not just a chance for students to experience another culture, but also a chance to form an emotional and spiritual bond with the people who they met.

"It was really a spiritual journey of growth — not necessarily doing something, but just listening," concluded Alley. "It has really inspired me to think about a life of service. And not just sending money down to help these kids, but really being there to comfort them and to hold their hands."
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Nation gets first look at top high school players

Associated Press

NORFOLK, Va. — Local favorites and future teammates Ronald Curry and Jason Capel scored 19 and 22 points, respectively, and the East beat the West 128-112 Wednesday night in the McDonald’s All-American High School Game. Curry added 13 rebounds, nine assists and four steals at Scope, only a few miles from where his exploits at Hampton High School made him one of the top recruited players in the nation in football and basketball.

Curry and Capel, whose father coaches at nearby Old Dominion, will both attend North Carolina next season.

Al Harrington added 17 points, Dan Gadzuric 15 and Vincent Yarbrough and Kevin Lyde 14 for the East.

The West was paced by JaRon Rush and Quentin Richardson with 19 points apiece, and Rashard Lewis with 17.

Curry, who announced his plans to become a Tar Heel on Tuesday, more than six months after making a verbal commitment to Virginia, was the last player introduced and received the loudest ovation. Many of the cheers turned to groans when the announcer continued with Curry’s college choice.

The game was televised live on ESPN, a first for the players, and most made bids for some more air time on SportsCenter. More than half the baskets were dunks, many with some spice thrown in, and about a third of the passes were no-look numbers that left the crowd of 10,500 roaring its approval.

On the opening tip, Ted Dupay fed a streaking Kris Lang — the third Tar Heel prospect starting for the East — for the first of several alley-oops, making it 2-0 four seconds into the game. The pace never slowed.

With dozens of NBA scouts looking on, the high school 3-point line was virtually ignored as players routinely pulled up from 25 feet and more.

Harrington, a 6-foot-9 forward from St. Patrick’s in Elizabeth, N.J., and one of six players in the game who has yet to commit to a college, was 3-for-3 beyond the 3-point line in a span of about six minutes of the first half.

Overall, the East team was 12-for-28 from behind the arc, the West was 7-for-30, and the teams combined to convert only 17 of 33 free throws.

The high-flying style also produced a surprising number of airballs, no-look, no-find passes and dunk attempts that caromed harmlessly off the rim.

Most of the misses, however, were greeted with smiles by the offender.

Former UCLA coach John Wooden, chairman of the McDonald’s All-American Advisory Committee, watched from the front row and said the game looked nothing like the one he taught in leading the Bruins to 10 NCAA titles.

“They all either consciously or subconsciously want to show off their skills,” Wooden said, adding he’s not in favor of the showmanship and taunting in basketball. “But the athleticism is absolutely remarkable.”
Former Brown bids to return football to Cleveland

Associated Press

CLEVELAND

Former NFL quarterback Bernie Kosar has begun assembling investment backers for a bid to buy the Cleveland Browns expansion franchise.

The NFL expects to decide this summer on the owner for the replacement team promised to Cleveland by 1999. The former Browns moved in 1995 to Baltimore and became the Ravens.

The league will begin reviewing potential bidders for the franchise next week.

Toy maker Thomas Murdough has joined Kosar, a former Browns’ quarterback, on a deal to put together investors to buy the Browns, The Plain Dealer reported Wednesday.

Murdough founded Little Tikes in 1969, sold it to Rubbermaid Inc. in 1984 and started his current company, Step 2 Co., in 1991.

The group currently includes only Murdough and Kosar, “but there are a number of reputable northeast Ohio businessmen we’ve been in touch with and will be in touch with,” Murdough told the NFL in a letter.

Kosar told the Akron Beacon Journal that he was determined to make a serious bid.

“We really want to make this happen for the community of Cleveland,” he said. “We want to do it right. That means bringing a winner back to this community.”

Murdough said Kosar’s popularity among fans would be a plus. “Any connection with Bernie is a positive. The important thing is, the times I have spent with Bernie talking about this, we’re totally committed to the same thing,” he said.

The NFL requires the managing partner of a team to have 30 percent of the purchase price of a new franchise and limits the number of partners to 10. The league hasn’t set the price but it could cost $350 million or more. The price will be set after an owner is selected.

Other names that have been mentioned as potential Browns owners include billionaire banker Al Lerner and Cleveland Indians owner Nick Jacobs.

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Designated hitter Larry Zimont (18) managed to squeeze two hits off of Tech's Ken Fischer.

### Baseball

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them together, and we didn’t do the little things either."

When the Irish offense finally came together, it was too little too late. Matt Nussbaum reached on an error and Dan Leatherman doubled down the leftfield line before Brock stroked a two-out RBI single, but was thrown out at second to end the game.

But Notre Dame’s hitters were not solely to blame for the difficult loss.

Six Irish pitchers made appearances, but Steve Szczepanski took the loss, giving up four runs in 1 2/3 innings.

Brad Lidge started the game, and lasted three innings — fanning five, but hitting two batters.

Tom O’Hagan made his first appearance of the season, and John Corbin took the mound in the seventh for the first time since March 20, 1997.

“But we’re just a three starting pitcher and one closer staff,” said Mainieri. “Other guys are going to have to pitch. We’re going to have to give guys a chance to pitch all week, and the guys that are going to do the job we’ll count on down the stretch.”

But the Irish have little time to think about yesterday’s problems. Northeastern Illinois travels to Frank Eck Stadium for a doubleheader this afternoon.

The Golden Eagles (4-6) struggled early in the season, but have come on strong with four wins in their last five games.

Junior Mark Greenlee leads the pitching staff with a 1.59 ERA, and senior John Will divides the offense, batting .410 with eight RBI on the year.

Northeastern Illinois presents an opportunity for Notre Dame to pull out of its slump in time for the Big East conference opener against Georgetown on Saturday.

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Both the men's and women's gymnastics teams have dominated the competition in the gym. Coming off of a sweep in the annual Clover Classic, the team is set to compete at the national tournament, held at the University of Buffalo.

Photos by John Daily

The kings of the gym
Gymnasts tumble their way to the top of their game

By PAUL DIAMANTOPOULOS
Sports Writer

Many people will never forget Kerri Strug’s performance in the 1996 Summer Olympics. Her one-foot landing dramatically clinched a gold medal for the United States in gymnastics.

The Notre Dame gymnastics club created a similar feeling of excitement this past weekend. The club gymnastics team hosted its annual Clover Classic at Gymnastics Michiana. The Irish men swept the meet Saturday, taking first in the all-around. Senior Bryen Emo took first, giving him first place finishes in three out of the four meets this year. Freshmen Jason Miller and Mickey McGarry finished second and third, respectively, to shut out Miami University (Ohio), University of Indiana-Bloomington and Purdue University from the top three positions.

For the women, freshman Ryann Cox of Saint Mary’s earned the top spot to help the women’s team win the all-around. This marked the first time this year that the women were able to finish first in a meet. Molly Bussell and Jill Kula rounded out the women’s scores, placing fourth and fifth.

The club’s only home event of the year had a great turnout by the Notre Dame student body.

“It was really fun to have a home meet where friends could come and watch. It’s hard to support a club team, but this gave many people the chance to appreciate the hard work we put in,” said Kula.

The gymnastics club is comprised of Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s students who have an interest in gymnastics. Many of the members have previous experience, but there are also some beginner members. This flexibility allows for a relaxed atmosphere in which members attend practices at their leisure throughout the year. Several members of the club do not end up competing, but attend practice in order to continue their participation in the sport.

Co-president of the team Tom Purekal feels that the success of the club hinges on the people who are involved.

“Everything is student run. We have a faculty adviser [Irene Patterson], but we [the students] organize the practices and motivate ourselves. We let talent do its part,” said Purekal.

One of the obstacles for the club this year has been practicing. Because of lack of space at Notre Dame or Saint Mary’s, the club has been forced to practice at Gymnastics Michiana. In order to practice five days a week, the members organize their own transportation to make the 15-minute drive to the facility.

“Gymnastics Michiana has helped keep our club together, but this cannot be a permanent thing. The location restricts our numbers so that we have to alternate people who can go to practice. We need a place so that our team can grow and someday become a varsity program,” stated Purekal.

The women’s team has experienced that growth as a consistently strong club the last few years, and this year’s team is no exception. The underclassmen’s performance this year has been a significant reason for this success. Aside from senior co-captain Molly Russell, the team is entirely composed of freshmen and sophomores.

This poses a problem for the upcoming national tournament at the University of Buffalo on April 3-5, according to Russell.

“Nationals are the same time as Sophomore Siblings Weekend, so two of our sophomores won’t be able to go,” said Russell.

On the other hand, the men’s team is heading into Nationals on all cylinders.

“This is a special year for us. We’ve won every tournament so far. The team has never been this good, so we are really looking forward to it,” stated Purekal.
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The Irish have concentrated on building a bigger, stronger defense in the off-season to improve the team's aggressiveness.

Davie said, "I would like to see a fullback emerge this spring."

Ron Powlus' departure leaves the football team with a real quarterback controversy. Davie expressed that it is a luxury to have four quarterbacks who have the same style.

Led by senior Jarious Jackson, all of the signal callers are fleet of foot. Eric Chappel, Zak Kustok and newcomers making high-tempo recruit Arnaz Battle will give competition at the slot.

"We're all really excited to see Jarious Jackson play and I know he's really excited," Davie said. "But he hasn't taken a lot of snaps in games."

Throughout the press conference Davie returned to one thing, aggression.

"We're trying to do is focus on being aggressive and each kid focusing on getting better," Davie said.

That process of getting better all begins this Saturday and will lead up the Blue and Gold game on April 25.

"I am sincere in saying that I like this team," Davie said. "I know its early but I feel good about this team."
Sluggers need win to turn season around

By BILL HART
Assistant Sports Editor

If there is one thing Notre Dame's softball team has been looking for this season, it has been consistency.

After having mixed results in Hawaii over spring break, the Irish hope to turn their momentum into a winning streak. This afternoon will provide them with such a chance, as they face off against the Loyola Ramblers in a double header as part of their first home stand of the season.

Last season, Loyola went 16-4 against seven teams in the Midwestern Collegiate Conference play, finishing fifth place in its conference. This season, the Ramblers are predicted to finish in similar fashion, after being picked to be placed in fifth place in this season's MCC pre-season poll. Despite the subpar record, Loyola has an experienced squad, lining up only three players to graduation on the off-season. Also, the Ramblers had more than two weeks of rest recently before playing Purdue on Tuesday as part of a road trip around the Midwest.

After the bottom of the inning, the Irish will have a chance to turn the tide. The Irish are strong at the plate with a .300 batting average and .379 on-base percentage. Alkire, another freshman, leads the team in RBIs with 16 on the season.

The first home game this afternoon at 4 p.m. will be against senior Angela Bessolo. The game is starting at 4 p.m. Due to a slight hamstring, Bessolo will be flying in from Durham, N.C., for the game.
Win streak stopped by Indiana
By ALLISON KRILIA
Associate Sports Editor

Notre Dame's luck ran out yesterday, as the team dropped a 7-2 contest to Indiana Tech at Frank Eck Stadium, snapping a four-game win streak.

The Irish (10-8) failed to capitalize on their nine hits, continuing a recent trend of poor clutch hitting, while the Warriors rode the inspired effort of pitcher Kea Fischer. Fischer (4-0) tossed a complete game, and surrendered the only two Irish runs with two outs in the ninth behind a seven-run cushion.

"Obviously we're struggling with the bats right now," said head coach Paul Mainieri. "It's obviously something we have to address and get better at."

"There's no question in my mind that we have better hitters than what we've displayed these first couple games this week." J.J. Brock, Larry Zimont and Jeff Perconte each contributed two hits for Notre Dame, but the team's inability to string them together stranded eight runners over nine innings.

"Their pitcher pitched a really good game," said Brock. "We didn't make the adjustments we had to best him, and it showed. We got nine hits, but we didn't string them together."


Notre Dame 2
Indiana Tech 7

Men's Tennis
Irish set to take on Blue Devils
By M. SHANNON RYAN
Sports Editor

Prepared to duke it out with the Blue Devils this afternoon, the No. 21 Irish have their gloves up. Ready to come out swinging after winning 10 out of their last eleven, Notre Dame's men's tennis team (12-3) will have their hands full as they take on No. 13 Duke.

"It's a tough place to play," said team captain Danny Rothchild. "But we've been outside, and we're ready to go." Ryan Sachire, currently ranked 20th nationally, especially needs to have his engine revving. The Irish sophomore will match up against Doug Root, the 8th best player in the nation.

The 6-foot-1 sophomore, who defeated Sachire last year, is renowned for his full-horsepower play. Root, at the No. 1 position, serves as the trunk of talent for the Blue Devils.

"Root hits the ball as hard as anyone in the country," coach Bob Bayliss said. "He has a professional-level serve and forehand." Jakub Pietrowski will also feel the pressure as he readies himself to most likely face Duke's lone senior starter, Jordan Wise.

"We're all really excited to start spring ball," Davie said. "I think the players are kind of tired of the off-season program."

That rigorous off-season program under the direction of Mickey Marotti was more intense than a Body by Jake program concentrated on making the Irish bigger and better.

"We are bigger and we are stronger," Davie said. "We've taken the first step."

"The biggest positive is the players' attitude," Davie continued. "There are a lot of people around here that live and die Notre Dame football, but for us (players and coaches) it's a personal thing. We were the most disappointed going 7-6 last year."

Davie's goal for the spring workouts is to focus on trying to work on specific aspects, but his major concern is on improving the team's aggression.

"The emphasis is in spring is to be more aggressive in all areas," Davie said. "We need to develop players so as to not take anything for granted."

"I see the staff and the coaches attacking things," Davie said. "I think they know that it's a matter of what you do not what you say, and I think they've made that sacrifice."

Many of those athletes have tangible evidence of their sacrifice: added bulk, many of those are on the defensive side of the ball. At times last season the Irish defense was out-manned and outmatched.