Professors address U.S. authority in war

By MEGHANNE DOWNES
New Editor

While the country and the world prepare for war, several Notre Dame professors questioned the United States' actions and whether it has the authority to take action in Iraq while trying to figure out what could happen once the United States enters Iraq.

In a prime-time television speech Monday, President Bush said diplomacy and weapons inspections had failed to disarm Iraq. If Saddam Hussein and his sons did not relinquish power within 48 hours of Bush's speech, the American president said the only remaining option was to enter Iraq and forcibly disarm Hussein and remove him from power.

The New York Times reported that Kofi Annan, the secretary-general of the United Nations, said that using force in Iraq and bypassing the Security Council would damage the United Nations.

"If this action is to take place without the support of this Council, its legitimacy will be questionable and the success for it will be diminished," Annan said.

Luc Reydams, international law professor, said the United States has no authority to attack or invade Iraq based on self-defense and that doing so would violate Article 51 of the charter of the United Nations. Article 51 states that a state can defend itself against an aggressor state should the aggressor launch an armed attack against the state.

Reydams said Iraq has not attacked the United States and that the United States cannot claim that attacking pre-emptively is a justification for the use of Article 51.

Bush said the United States needed to defend itself against Iraq and bypassing the United Nations would damage the country's "legitimacy," said senior Ricky Sadowski, a member of Student Senate and Campus Life Council. "This year I've seen bigger changes in the atmosphere and the academic community since the changes have been implemented. I think there's definitely a change in the atmosphere."

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Freshman Alex Borowiecki added that the University should expand the budget. However, at their February meeting, the Board anticipated the proposed impact to the University campus department and other department budgets by 5 percent and 7 percent, respectively, by the end of the year.

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Students speak on alcohol policy

A Notre Dame student consumes a pitcher of beer in the fall. The new alcohol policy has sought to crack down on excessive drinking and partying.

By TERESA FRALISH
News Editor

After University officials instituted sweeping changes to the school's alcohol policy, students felt that the policy changes harmed campus life and the social atmosphere. See Also to some extent, but different as to how much impact the changes had.

One of the main reasons I came to Notre Dame was for the sense of community," said senior Ricky Sadowski, a member of Student Senate and Campus Life Council. "This year I've spent considerably more time at off-campus parties. I go out to bars a lot more.

Sadowski, who also serves as the vice president for peer advocacy on the Judicial Board, transferred to Notre Dame his junior year.

Recent crimes off-campus and the death of Chad Sharon, combined with increased numbers of students going off-campus, also worried Sadowski.

"It concerns me. I'm looking for a healthy social drinking atmosphere and I think the new policy has hindered that," he said.

Freshman Alex Borowiecki was also concerned about off-campus drinking. "Students are exposed to more dangers off campus on campus," he said. "If we were on campus a lot of that would be cut down."

Other students agreed with Sadowski on the issue of students increasingly leaving the Notre Dame campus during weekends.

Sophomore John Abdo said he also believed the new alcohol policy resulted in more students traveling off the weekends.

I think there's definitely a lot less partying on campus and there's a lot more undergrads going off campus," he said.

Abdo said that the University had definitely succeeded in decreasing the number of par-

Officials to cut ND budget

By MEGHANNE DOWNES
News Editor

University departments will be forced to make budget cuts for the 2003-04 academic year per the Board of Trustees' request due to the loss in the endowment and the slow economy, said a University official.

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What’s happening @ ND

- "The Justice Been Won? The case of the Salvadoran Torture Survivors and the Generals," panel discussion for Romero Week, 7 p.m., Hesburgh Library Auditorium
- "The Road to Peace and Justice: Reconciliation between Israelis and Palestinians," 12:30 p.m., Hesburgh Center C-107
- Student Senate agenda: Nomination of Tali Romero, extension of weekly partner, Presidential Pass in Review, Freshman Orientation; 6 p.m., Notre Dame

What’s happening @ SMC

- Student Academic Council meeting, 7 p.m., 304 Haggar College Center
- Ladies of ND/Saint Mary’s meeting, noon, Haggard College Center Parlor
- Sophomore Major Night Spaghetti Dinner, 5:30 p.m., Regina Hall North Lounge

What’s Cooking

North Dining Hall

Today Lunch: Amatriciana, mushroom marinara, sausage pineapple pizza, meatloaf, scalloped corn casserole, chicken gravy, cherry cobbler, grilled tilapia, oatmeal, sausage patties, scrambled eggs, fried potato triangles, steakhouse fries, Szeksuan vegetable stir-fry, chicken fajitas, Lone Star rice

Today Dinner: Amatriciana, sausage pineapple pizza, roast top sirloin, zum zim, potato salad, peas & pearl onions, cherry cobbler, lemon-baked perch, rice valencienne, curried vegetables, curry-scented fried rice, chicken enchilada, flame-roasted feta corn & black beans

South Dining Hall

Today Lunch: Spaghetti putanesca, Hawaiian pizza, toasted pretzel sticks, potato pancakes, hot chunky apple sauce, beef stuffed peppers, tuna casserole, roast turkey breast, sauteed chicken breast, steakhouse fries, soft pretzel, chicken tempura, California Elfordado casserole

No menu available.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

Correction

In Today’s Observer, the article headlined "ND announces nation’s most" was incorrectly attributed to a writer by Marcia O’Donnell, Naugatuck. The story was the story.

What’s going down

Minors cited for alcohol consumption

Three minors were cited Tuesday for violating the liquor law. NDSP issued citations for minor consuming to the three at Riley Hall of Art and Design.

Bikes found and turned in to security

NDSP received abandoned bikes near the Law School, Old College and Snite Museum of Art Monday.

Employee turns in cash to NDSP

A University employee found cash Monday behind the Security Building and turned it in to NDSP.

Police tow vehicle by the Stadium

NDSP towed the vehicle of a University employee parked by the Stadium Monday.

Employee reports vandalism to police

A University employee reported to NDSP Monday vandalism to her vehicle while parked in the faculty lot by the Hesburgh Library. The vehicle was parked there Thursday between 7:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. There are no suspects.

The Notre Dame women’s and men’s track and field teams brought home three All-Americans from Fayetteville, Ark.

Washington

Settler’s 40th birthday party

The price of oil fell 9 percent as traders predicted a successful and likely U.S. invasion of Iraq.

Students Padraic McDermott criticizes the anti-war protesters he observes in London.

The inspiring witness of humanity. The inspiring witness of humanity. The inspiring witness of humanity. The inspiring witness of humanity.
Bishop Ruiz honors Oscar Romero's life

By CAITLIN EARLY

Bishop Samuel Ruiz Garcia from Chiapas, Mexico discussed the preferential option of the poor to a standing room only crowd in the Hesburgh Center auditorium as a part of the University’s 16th annual celebration of Romero Week. Ruiz, speaking entirely in Spanish, elevated the great significance and meaning behind the life and work of Archbishop Oscar Romero, the Salvadoran bishop who was assassinated while celebrating Mass on March 24, 1980 by a Salvadoran death squad during El Salvador’s civil war.

Those in attendance were provided with copies of Ruiz’s lecture in English and were aided by the translations of Juliana Bodele, a second-year law student.

The lecture was written by a group of Latin American bishops in the days following Romero’s death, which stated, “...Archbishop Oscar Romero was a friend, a brother, defender of the poor and oppressed, of the campesinos, of those who lived in the margins of society.”

Ruiz stressed Romero’s ceaseless commitment to dire circumstances of the poor and stressed that the plight of the poor is not worthy of being called a Christian.

Ruiz attended Romero’s funeral in San Salvador.

“Ruiz, well acquainted with the poverty and desperate conditions which engulf the lives of people throughout Latin America, believes that poverty continues to exist because the “rich get richer at the expense of the poor getting poorer.”

Ruiz cited that poverty is the byproduct of a series of economic, social, and political factors.

Currently in Latin America, the poor consists of 80 percent of the population while the rich consist of 5 percent.

Ruiz served as the bishop of San Cristobal de las Casas in Chiapas from 1960 to 2000. From 1962 to 1965, Ruiz served in all sessions of the Second Vatican Council in Rome.

During Ruiz’s tenure as bishop, he did extensive work to advance the rights of the indigenous peoples throughout Mexico and Latin America. In 1989, Ruiz founded the Centro de Derechos Humanos Fray Bartolome, a non-governmental organization, which attempts to promote and protect human rights.

Ruiz was nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize in both 1979 and 1995 in recognition of his continuous efforts to advocate the rights of indigenous groups throughout Latin America.

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Theology class spends break in Cuba

By MIKE CHAMBLISS

News Writer

While many members of the Notre Dame community spent their spring breaks in tropical climates, one group chose a location that is quite unique from the average Caribbean island.

Members of Father Robert Pelton’s “From Power to Communism” theology class traveled to Havana, Cuba last week in order to study the Catholic Church in the context of socialism.

The group was composed of four law students, two graduate students, seven undergraduates, two professors and one administrator. Each member researched a different topic regarding the Church, which underwent 40 years of persecution in Cuba and has only recently been able to make progress.

The group talked with a number of people affiliated with the Cuban Catholic Church, including lawyers, priests and journalists.

“There was a wide array of perspectives, but all saw the Catholic Church as planting seeds now that will develop later on after Castro,” said senior Ysamuel Fonseca.

Law student Rebecca McCurdy is eager to share her newfound insights about the effects of U.S. foreign policy in Cuba.

“I hope that at least the small group that was able to go will be able to share our experiences and show the reality of the human consequences of our policies,” said McCurdy.

Seflert pointed out that, despite the material poverty of the country itself, Cubans enjoy a very strong social welfare system and a richness in culture that enables them to appreciate what they do have in their lives.

While there are elements of repression, such as limited freedom to speak about government and politics, life in Cuba is not always as ugly as it may seem to outsiders, Seflert said.

“It’s amazing that they have managed to keep this system alive for 50 years. There is an idealism in the people, which is beautiful despite the repression. The revolutionary spirit still exists to this day. Many people don’t appreciate that,” said Seflert.

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ties on campus, but that such a change brought serious harm to student life. "I think it actually made it more dangerous. I don't think it prevented anybody from drinking," he said.

Everybody's afraid to drink so they're just going off campus," added junior Shannon Goebel. "Dorm life is pretty disappointing."

Freshman Mary Ellen Botta said there were little title for students to do on campus, but felt that the alcohol policy changes did not noticeably change the social atmosphere.

"There's a not really a lot going on on campus, but you can find stuff to do," she said. "I think [the changes] are livable but I don't think they're really that necessary. No one really likes them but you can deal with them. When she did go off campus, Botta said she felt relatively safe.

Borowski said the changes had caused students to seek entertainment off campus and had damaged the campus atmosphere.

"It seems like there's been more of an exodus off campus," he said. "Dorm life has kind of been in a downward spiral." Sadowski also noted problems that the new alcohol policies had created for dorm dances, which are now required to be held outside of the residence halls.

"We had to cancel our first dance of the year because we just didn't have enough involvement," said Sadowski, who lives in O'Neill. "The lack of enthusiasm has trickled down to the underclassmen." While he felt that the dances O'Neill held this year were well organized, he was concerned about the additional planning and funding that dances now require.

"They were relatively successful and I enjoyed them," he said. "It seems like they've added complications that are unnecessary.

Goebel, who lives in Lewis Hall, felt that the alcohol changes would negatively affect her dorm's signature event, the Lewis Crash, because traditions associated with the Crush, such as the section decoration contest, might have to be changed.

"It's just going to be weird. We can't have it in the dorm, that takes all away," she said.

Other students worried about the new rules on what events could be done in the dorms before dances. "They've only had an hour where the guys could come over to pre-party," said Abdo. "I think it's heightened binge drinking."

While some said they would move off campus because of the new changes, Sadowski chose to stay in his dorm but felt that the administration was contradictory in its attempts to convince seniors not to move off.

"That didn't even cross my mind," said Sadowski. "It frustrates me that the administration constantly asserts that they are trying to find ways to entice upperclassmen to stay on campus but their policies don't really gel with what they're trying to do."

Last year, when the changes were announced, Vice President for Student Affairs Father Mark Poorman offered to refund the housing changes for any students who initially wanted to live on-campus but wanted to move off-campus as a result of the changes. Only four students accepted the offer, he said.

This year, he said applications for students wanting to live on campus increased 1.7 percent.

Goebel said she intended to move off campus next year and that while the alcohol changes played a role in her decision, they were not the only factor involved.

"I'm moving off campus," she said. "[The new policy] was a defining factor but it was just one more rule."

Abdo gave a similar reasoning for his decision to move off campus but said that the alcohol changes were "not the last factor that convinced him to leave campus.

"I'm definitely moving off," he said. "I was planning on doing it before but that just really sealed the deal."

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ND's alcohol policy affected SMC

By ANNE LEE WOOLFORD

As brother and sister schools, Notre Dame and Saint Mary's are closely related. When something affects one campus, its impact can usually be felt on the other Notre Dame and Saint Mary's alcohol policy is no exception.

This week marks the one-year anniversary of the announcement of Notre Dame's revised policy, and most Saint Mary's student's reactions to the changes are similar to those across the street.

"Notre Dame's new alcohol policy doesn't really affect me, because my friends and I usually go off campus to parties anyway," said senior Kate Dooley.

"It has affected me in terms of the football games because we don't get to tailgate like we used to, and that was a fun part of the whole experience.

In contrast to upperclassmen that lived through both policies and can compare the two, students say freshmen are missing something.

"I think who it has the biggest affect on is freshmen because a lot of them would attend dorm parties and do more on campus activities," said Dooley. Freshman Katy Karr agrees.

"As a freshman, you have two choices on Friday and Saturday nights," she said. "You can walk around looking for an off-campus party, or you can sit in your room with your girlfriend and pop the same chick flick you've been watching for the past five weekends into the VCR."

This scenario is one that many students, freshman or not, can relate to.

"The friends that I've made here at Saint Mary's are wonderful. I regret to say there aren't too many opportunities to make new gay friends, or even meet anyone from Notre Dame," Karr said.

Although Notre Dame's alcohol policy has become more severe, some students feel it is incomparable to that at Saint Mary's. Saint Mary's current alcohol policy states that freshmen under 21 may not possess, consume, provide, manufacture or sell any alcohol on the College campus. Students under 21 may not be present at any gathering where alcohol is present, whether they are drinking or not.

Those students who are 21 may use alcohol in their rooms provided that they follow a list of policies, similar to what might be expected on a college campus.

"We don't really have parties over here, so it doesn't affect us [students] that much," Dooley said. "I think a looser policy on drinking would possibly create more socialization on Saint Mary's campus instead of always going off-campus."

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Iraq

Saddam rejects Bush ultimatum, Iraq prepares for war

Associated Press

BAGHDAD

Iraqis prepared Tuesday to leave Iraq with their sons or face war, Saddam Hussein appeared on television in military uniform — for the first time since the 1991 Gulf War — and warned his commanders to prepare for battle.

Thousands of demonstrators swept into the streets of the Iraqi capital, mobilized by a televised appeal to show their support for the Iraqi leader. Waving pictures of Saddam, the protesters promised to give Saddam their “blood and souls.”

The United Nations pulled its weapons inspectors out of the country Tuesday, ending the second effort in about a dozen years to verify that Iraq had ended its programs to build weapons of mass destruction.

In a televised speech Monday night, President George W. Bush gave Saddam 48 hours to step down or face war, and promised “the tyrant will soon be gone.”

Nearly 300,000 U.S. and British troops are in the region poised to strike.

But Saddam indicated he wasn’t going anywhere. After chairing a meeting of Iraq’s highest executive body — the Revolution Command Council — the leader condemned Bush and his dictates.

Iraq’s foreign minister Naji Sabri told reporters it was “Bush who should go into exile, because it is Mr. Bush who is endangering the whole world.”

Saddam, Iraq’s president of 23 years, also chaired a military meeting Tuesday attended by his son Qusai, who heads the elite Republican Guard, and senior commanders. The meeting reviewed war plans and military readiness, Iraq’s al-Shabah television reported.

The palace, owned by Saddam’s eldest son Qadaf, also called on Iraqis to demonstrate across the country to show support for Saddam. Soon 5,000 people gathered in Baghdad’s Al-Manour neighborhood, many wearing the olive-green uniform of the ruling Baath party.

Waving portraits of Saddam, they chanted, “We sacrifice ourselves for you Saddam, with our blood and souls!” and carried banners that read, “Saddam is Iraq and Iraq is Saddam.”

Smaller demonstrations took place elsewhere in Baghdad, but there were no immediate reports of demonstrations elsewhere in Iraq.

Meanwhile, at Saddam International Airport, hundreds of passengers snatched up the last available plane seats to Jordan and Syria — the only destinations available Tuesday.

Government begins plan to protect U.S. from terror

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

From airports to cattle feedlots to nuclear plants, the government began tightening security Tuesday to fortify America against terror.

The plan, called “Operation Liberty Shield,” goes far beyond the government’s response to the September 11 attacks. It envisions close cooperation among federal, state and local governments, as well as private businesses, against America. There is uneasiness about America’s willingness to accept refugees as a pretext for entering the country.

“We want to make absolutely certain, during this period of time, that you are who you say you are,” Ridge said.

Much of the plan is geared toward protecting the nation’s transportation system, including random searches of cars at airports, restricted airspace over certain cities, police or National Guardsmen protecting railroad bridges, enhanced identification checks for truckers who haul hazardous materials and more Coast Guard escorts of ferries and cruise ships.

The Coast Guard also is providing greater protection for petroleum and chemical plants near large cities. The General Accounting Office, which is the investigative arm of Congress, said in a report Tuesday that some of these 15,000 plants “may be attractive targets for terrorists intent on massive damage.”

The report noted that nine months ago, Bush administration officials agreed on the need for mandatory security plans for such facilities, but no such plans have been proposed.

Palestinians approve prime minister post

The Palestinian parliament created the post of prime minister Tuesday, following a long fight among the new parliament to grant the U.S. the right to use Israeli airspace in an Iraq war but would not immediately hand over power to the new prime minister. The parliament approved Mahmood Abu Tow, who has served as both prime minister and defense minister in the interim government.

Turkey urges up war on Iraq

Turkey’s government Wednesday it would submit a bill to parliament to grant the U.S. the right to use Turkish airspace in an Iraq war but would not immediately hand over power to the new prime minister. The parliament approved Mahmood Abu Tow, who has served as both prime minister and defense minister in the interim government.

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Storin said some budget cuts would be made through attrition or not by filling open positions.

"There are no layoffs that are specifically mandated by this budget, but it's up to the various department heads whether to do their own administrative and administrative sides to implement those percentage reductions," Storin said. "You really can't entirely rule out the possibility of some reductions in personnel."

Storin added if layoffs were needed, there would be few and he knew of no plans for any department layoffs.

Father Mark Poorman, vice president of Student Affairs, said cuts in his department will not include the modest program funding and unfilled positions will be eliminated.

"We are trying to do that strategically so that we don't have to lay anyone off and we are trying to keep as much programming money as possible," Poorman said.

The academic and administrative department chairs must make their budget changes prior to when the new budget becomes effective.

Bust

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Bremen district of the Indiana State Police, six of his officers participated in the bust at the request of the Excise Police. Thompson said the bust likely occurred because the party started so early in the day.

"Our concern always is that if the party is that big early, what will it be like later? There were an awful lot of people at the party, some of which we had to give rides back to campus so they would not stumble out into traffic. Our primary concern is safety rather than what is perceived as going to make a big bust," said Thompson.

Thompson said that his police received no advance warning of the party, but said it is possible that the Excise Police may have.

It is not unusual for Excise to keep their ear to the ground around a big holiday that is generally associated with drinking, like St. Patrick's Day or Dilogus Day," said Thompson.

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Doctor lectures on stem cell research

By ANDREW THAGARD

Mass-produced blood cells and platelets to ease the drain on America's blood clinics, insulin-secreting cells to treat diabetics and cardiac cells that can be infused into heart-attack victims are just a few of the potential benefits that stem cell research may yield in the coming years, said Dr. Frank Yoder in a lecture titled "The Promise and Perils of Stem Cell Research."

The Indiana University School of Medicine professor and mouse stem cell researcher, however, warned of the ethical dilemma facing such research.

"There are many different ways to define stem cells," he said. "They are unique because of their ability to self-renew. At the same time, they can differentiate into other tissues and organs. As we sit here, your bone marrow will synthesize several hundred million blood cells and remove old ones, and it will happen so smoothly that your blood count will not change. It's a mind-boggling thing to comprehend."

There are two classes of stem cells — embryonic and adult cells — and both have the ability to differentiate into other cell types.

Within embryonic stem cells, there are two subtypes, including cells derived from the blastocyst during the first five days of life and embryonic germ cells dissected from aborted fetuses 5 to 10 weeks old.

Of the three stem cells, those obtained from the blastocyst are the most versatile. In other words, they possess the greatest degree of pluripotency, or the ability to differentiate into the three types of tissue, according to Yoder.

Adult stem cells tend to display less diversity in their ability to differentiate into other tissue types, Yoder said, although special cells that behave similarly to embryonic stem cells have been discovered in human bone marrow and brain and muscular tissues.

Lately, stem cell research has been directed toward cloning, both of an entire organism and individual tissues and organs for medical purposes, Yoder said. Both of these processes utilize a method called nuclear transfer technology, which involves extracting the nucleus from a cell and inserting it into an egg. The egg can then be implanted into a hormonally-primed female animal to generate a cloned organism or, cells from the clone can be removed early in development and cultured to form tissues and organs in therapeutic cloning.

Cloning, including for therapeutic purposes, poses several ethical problems, according to Yoder. Currently, the cloning process requires an excessive number of eggs to generate results. For example, researchers used over 10,000 eggs to produce six cloned pigs.

"It's not a very efficient process," he said.

Problems also arise in using stem cells to grow replacement organs, according to Yoder.

Organs are complex three-dimensional structures and bio-engineering technology is required to provide the scaffolding needed to orient the cells correctly. While organs, including kidneys, have been successfully engineered in animals like cows, the productivity of such organs has been minimal.

The direction of differentiation of stem cells is also difficult to control, Yoder said. For example, researchers who want to generate cardiac muscle cells may find they end up with a different cell type.

"The embryonic cells sort of randomly turn into whatever they want to," he said. "It's very difficult to control this process."

It's also difficult, according to Yoder, to control what types of research scientists are working on, despite recent federal laws. "Experiments are being done and they're not being reported as of yet," Yoder said. "We are concerned about certain things in meetings and wonder."

Tuesday's lecture was the first in a six-part series hosted by the South Bend Center for Medical Education, Indiana University School of Medicine and sponsored by the Medical Education Foundation.

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**In Brief**

**New housing projects drop 11 percent**

The number of new housing projects builders broke ground on in February plunged by 11 percent, the sharpest decline in nearly a decade, as bad weather and an uncertain economy took their toll on the residential construction market. Housing construction dropped to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 1.62 million units in February, representing a 11 percent decline from the month before, the Commerce Department reported Tuesday. The level of housing activity in February was weaker than the 1.75 million pace economists were forecasting.

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**Oil prices fall with war near**

**Despite 2 month low, oil prices still volatile**

The price of oil plunged 9 percent Tuesday, falling to its lowest level in more than two years as traders bet that the impending United States invasion of Iraq will go smoothly and that global stocks of crude are sufficient to offset any supply disruptions. The April futures contract fell $3.26 to $31.67 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange, the lowest close since Jan. 8. However, with U.S. supplies low and uncertainty in the Middle East high, traders said petroleum prices likely will remain volatile in the short term. "This thing could go right back up," said Tom Bentz, an analyst at RNP Partners Inc. in New York. "We’re still vulnerable because inventories are right.

**Top 5 volume leaders**

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needed to defend itself against Iraq because the Middle Eastern country is linked to terrorists and weapons of mass destruction. While the Bush administration had sought a Security Council resolution authorizing force, administration officials said the United States did not need a resolution to launch an attack.

Reydams said Article 2 of the UN Charter prohibits the use of threat or force against a nation in all but two exceptions — the Security Council's decision for collective security and cases involving Article 51. Only twice has the Security Council authorized war — in the Korean War and the Persian Gulf War.

Monday, diplomatic measures appeared to come to a halt as the United States, Great Britain and Spain withdrew their resolution authorizing the use of force in Iraq. There is no collective security measure to use force in Iraq, which requires nine members of the United Nations Security Council to vote in favor of and none of the permanent members to veto a resolution authorizing force.

"The proclaimed right to self-defense and anticipatory strike is against the UN Charter," Reydams said. "It's ironic that the U.S. always says that Iraq must comply with resolutions, but so must the U.S. comply with the UN Charter."

Kier Leiber, political science professor, offered a different view by saying Bush offered an effective and persuasive presentation for the need for war.

Leiber believes that fighting in urban Baghdad will not be difficult and that many Iraqi troops will surrender, bringing about a quick end to the war.

Dan Philpott, political science professor, said military actions in Iraq created a rift in the international community. Great Britain's Prime Minister Tony Blair, a staunch supporter of military action in Iraq despite intense domestic criticism, said Tuesday, "What would any tyrannical regime possessing [weapons of mass destruction] think viewing the history of the world's diplomatic dance with Saddam? That our capacity to pass firm resolutions is only matched by our feebleness in implementing them. That is why this indulgence has to stop. Because it is dangerous. It is dangerous if such regimes disbelieve us."

Two traditional U.S. allies, Germany and France, said they would not support the U.N. resolution for use of force before the United States and its allies pulled the resolution before it went to a vote.

"War erodes the just war conception of self-defense as a justification for war," Philpott said. Philpott doubted Hussein would abdicate due to his high sense of honor. He added it was highly likely Hussein will use weapons of mass destruction against the United States and Israel and that he may have cells operating in these countries.

Philpott said the war would be quick, but installing democracy in Iraq would be difficult and could fuel terrorism.

Matt Bramanti also contributed to this report.

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Oscar red-carpet arrivals cancelled

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES

The Academy Awards ceremony will go on but organizers Tuesday canceled the splashy red carpet arrivals for celebrities because of the looming threat of war in Iraq.

Gil Cates, producer of Sunday's Oscar telecast, said many celebrities had asked to use a back entrance away from the barrage of photographers and interviewers.

He said the red carpet will remain, but the reporters and photographers and bleachers for fans in front of the Kodak Theatre will be gone.

"I think you'd all agree it would be very inappropriate to have 500 fans yelling and screaming 'Julia' or 'Tom,'" Cates told reporters.

Nicole Kidman, lead actress nominee for The Hours, and Daniel Day-Lewis, who is up for lead actor for Gangs of New York, have told The Associated Press that they would feel uncomfortable appearing cheerful and stylish in the midst of war.

The show is unlikely to be canceled or postponed. However, "all of us in this room are at the mercy of the winds of war and we just simply don't know," Academy of Motion Picture Arts & Sciences President Frank Pierson said.

Television's Emmy Awards were delayed twice in 2001, the first time after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks that year and then again after the United States and Britain attacked Afghanistan's Taliban government in response.

When the show finally did take place in November, it was a scaled-back affair at which celebrities put aside their tuxedos and fashionable evening gowns in favor of battle attire.

The Oscar ceremony, from host Steve Martin's monologue to the celebrity presentations and film clip montages, are also being changed to reflect the nation's mood.

By NATALIE BAILEY

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The consequences of coming of age

As near as I can tell, the best thing about being 21-years-old is that I can finally write about all of the bars I've been going to since I was a freshman. That and I have the added benefit of being able to be calm when cops show up at a party. My pre-legal strategy for dealing with law enforcement officers was simply to run as fast as I could in the opposite direction. And while I feel there was a certain quiet dignity and nobility in my classic slow, chubby, while kid's retreat over the back fence of some house on St. Pete's, I prefer the new way.

I especially relish the leeway that my new age gives me to be publicly stupid. If I can somehow avoid stirring up any jealousy I desire. All I have to do is make sure that I don't do anything stupid. If I can somehow avoid stealing a Papa John's delivery car or falling off of a balcony at College Park, I should be hunky dory. That being said, a license to be publicly drunk is just about the only benefit I can rally with total immunity for. Normally, I would have no problem thinking that a direct impact from a Scud missile would brunt the hell out of me. So, as much as I love my country, being said, a license to be publicly stupid is just about the only benefit I can rally with total immunity for. Normally, I would have no problem thinking that a direct impact from a Scud missile would brunt the hell out of me. So, as much as I love my country, as I'm not the one actually fighting it. How and nobility in my classic slow, chubby, while kid's retreat over the back fence of some house on St. Pete's, I prefer the new way.

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Muto Time

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I have no problem with war, as long as I'm not the one actually fighting it. I'm a lover, not a fighter. Plus, I bristle like a peach, and I have a feeling that a direct impact from a Scud missile would brunt the hell out of me. So, as much as I love my country, as I'm not the one actually fighting it. How and nobility in my classic slow, chubby, while kid's retreat over the back fence of some house on St. Pete's, I prefer the new way.

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Though the consequences of coming of age...
Let the games begin

You sit there, head down, looking at your hands as if to learn once again that they can move on your command. They are cold and clammy but still sweating profusely even as your constant rubbing of the two together. Nervously looking around the room, you realize that you’re not the only one among your group who is nervous. Anxious glances and worried eyes can be seen from everyone. Silence envelops the room to the point of pure insanity. Leaving you alone to your thoughts, the time passes slower than you ever thought possible. Silent you plead to those around you to say something. Anything? Please?

Anyhow. Talk.

One answer your calls though, and the tension in the room grows exponentially. A quick glance to the front of the room ends your madness. Coach has come into the room silently, possibly from the moment he heard and all eyes focus on him, calling for help. He starts talking and the sudden break in silence makes his words mix together incomprehensively in your head. You look around to see if anyone else is as confused as you. Relief comes when you see no one else has the insane feeling you are experiencing. The longer he talks the more you begin to understand his words and the chicken scratch he’s scribbling on the board. Hours of practice rush back to you like a wave on some far away beach. Man, it’d be nice to be there, you think. Silence you scream to yourself to stop it. It’s time to concentrate now. You need to be ready for yourself, your school and, most especially, for your coach and teammates. You try and pull focus back to the board only to observe Coach putting the cap back on the marker while looking down at the floor seemingly gathering his thoughts. F Veas, he says, you all know who we are, what we’re doing here, but if you want to win this game, there are a few things you should know. One, as he pauses for dramatic effect, nothing except the team you’ve become during the season matters now. We’re in this together, the celebrations and heartbreaks don’t matter at all. But the people you’ve become because of those same situations is going to make the difference. Believe in each other and there’s nothing you can’t accomplish.

Continuing to talk, Coach is starting to get fired up and you can tell the rest of the team is getting antsy. His face is getting red and sweat forms on his brow. After a while, his normal voice rises into a yell. You can feel the energy from his passionate speech and hope that your teammates do as well. Jittery twists and active body language seems to make it evident that everyone just wants to get out of the room and onto the floor.

A few final remarks from him and the team collapses together into a team prayer. Silence swallows the room again, but this time you can hear something different. It starts out as a low, far-away murmur and grows into a pulsating roar, rattling the overhead lights in the locker room. Heart racing and stomach in your throat, you mouth the words and the chicken scratch he’s scribbling on the board. You finally succumb to your teammates. You’ve been through so much together. All the sweat, all the blood, all the joys, all the tears come rushing over you like a storm. Prohibitions and barriers are now gone. You know you have the opportunity to do something about your heart racing and stomach in your throat. You mouth the words and the chicken scratch he’s scribbling on the board.

United States is abandoning principles in war with Iraq

There’s a gap line you hear occasionally on The Simpsons. Homer catches himself doing an honest day’s work or in some way acting nobly and wails, “I’ve become everything I ever hated.”

The president warns us that waiting to respond to terrorists or “terror states” after they’ve acted (a k a waiting for a crime to be committed, trying to be sus­ pectful) is not self- defense, it is suicide. The alternative path he has chos­ en is called homicide.

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Protestors are ununiformed

I just walked through Parliament Square in the heart of London, from where I now send these observations. It is a heady time here, and today especially the air is pregnant with tension and anxiety. Beside the massive statue of Churchill on the side of Parliament Square park, numerous protesters have joined the long­ standing demonstration there. Soft, hazy light Filters through the thin clouds, across the face of Westminster Abbey, whose bells ring the belfry of protest to a weird, subdued Fever. Across the street, beneath Big Ben and deep within the massive Palace of Westminster, Tony Blair addresses a packed House of Commons. Blair and the protesters are physically separated by no more than Parliament Street — but stare at each other across a gaping moral void.

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"Sir? The Nation fears you are abandoning the principles our country was founded on."

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By MARIA SMITH
Scene Editor

What could be better than spending your spring break in sunny Florida or Mexico?

For some students, spending it in sunny West Virginia covered with paint would be. So said sophomore Brendan O’Neill, who spent his break in Appalachia working on houses, playing basketball with local kids and trying out his grandma’s chili recipe for the first time on one of the Center for Social Concerns’s seven Social Concerns Seminars.

It’s always nice to go to Florida, but we had great weather in Charleston too,” said O’Neill. “It was a great time for new friendships, a lot of fun and a lot of laughs.”

Social Concerns Seminars are becoming increasingly popular way for Notre Dame students to spend their spring breaks, both to do service and make new friends. This year, the CSC had a record number of students apply for seminars with over four times as many students being accepted to participate in these one-credit service seminars. Around 200 students were accepted to participate in these one-credit service seminars.

The Social Concerns Seminars are built around a variety of national and international issues. Students are immersed in the environment of a migrant worker, a New York City child or other situations with a small group of other students to learn about the causes, realities and potential solutions of some of the most serious social problems facing the United States.

The seminars were largely organized by students, although the CSC endeavored not to let the project become too great a drain on students’ time.

“We had lots of help from the CSC staff,” said Michael Poffenberger, one of two student coordinators for the Washington Seminar.

What could be better than spending it in Appalachian states is the largest and most well-known of the seminars, the CSC also sends students to a variety of other locations.

The Washington Seminar, “Christian Response to a Violent World,” examined Christian ways to deal with conflicts in a violent world. Students met with prestigious minds such as George Wiegel, author of “A Witness to Hope: The Biography of Pope John Paul II.”

“We peeled really well together early on,” said coordinator Andrew DeBerry. “Because we had that kind of relationship, it made respectful but intense dialogues possible.”

Living the Gospel of Life Seminar, also located in Washington, focused on pro-life issues such as abortion, euthanasia, the death penalty, cloning and stem cell research. Students met with groups such as the National Right to Life and the U.S. Bishops’ Conference working on the issues. The seminar was in its first year after being postponed last fall due to the sniper attacks.

“It went really well,” said student organizer Bryan Halfey. “Things ran very smoothly.”

Students in the Children and Poverty Seminar in New York City visited schools in East Harlem and other neighborhoods, which are home to children below the national poverty line. The groups spoke with representatives from the UN and UNICEF about what to do for children in poverty. The group also spoke with the founder, co-founder and executive director of World Hunger Year about how initiatives in the area work.

“One highlight of the trip was definitely the Cornelia Connelly Center for Education, a Catholic girls’ middle school,” said senior Megan Anderson. “It was great to see a supportive faculty for the girls, and to see how the teachers respected the kids.”

The students in the Migrant Seminar traveled to Immokalee, Fla. to work with migrant workers in the farming community that produces almost 80 percent of the nation’s tomatoes. The group toured a farm, went to a packing plant, picked tomatoes and looked at services for child and health care in the area.

“It’s so easy to look at simple things like tomatoes or clothes, things we rely on, and forget the people who make that possible,” said freshman Alicia Lachiondo. “It’s an eye-opening experience to see how amazing and courageous people have to be to get up and do that every day.”

The CSC’s two smallest seminars sent students to the Coachella Valley in California and to Toronto.

The Holy Cross Mission in Hispanic Ministry Seminar helped students learn about the culture, religious and work experiences in a region that is not only 99 percent Hispanic but also one of the poorest in the country.

“The point of the seminar is to give students an experience of the increasing Hispanic presence in the Catholic church,” said coordinator Kevin O’Neill.

By MARIA SMITH
Scene Editor

Students on the Appalachia Seminar take a break and build friendships through spring break service.

The Holy Cross Mission in Hispanic Ministry Seminar.
Irish Melodies

Two of Notre Dame's most famous musicians invite students to audition for their newest CD

By MARIA SMITH

Tim and Ryan O'Neill have come a long way since performing an ode to Patty O'Hara, set to the music of Billy Joel at the 1994 Keenan Revue. In the years since their humble performance, the O'Neill brothers have performed for prestigious audiences, including former President George Bush in March 2002. They were also featured on the season finale of "Sex and the City" in February of 2002, playing a rendition of "Sweet Charlotte" and an original Irish lullaby for Miranda. They have released 16 CDs and sold over 700,000 copies nationwide.

The O'Neill's share a love of piano, singing, Irish music and, above all, their alma mater. "A Notre Dame Experience," their 2000 release, features many of the piano duets of Notre Dame favorites that play in the bookstore and around campus.

In addition to their duets and solo work, the brothers enjoy the chance to work with other members of the Notre Dame musical community. Before recording "A Notre Dame Experience," the O'Neill brothers offered a contest for any student who contributed to the CD. Interested students are invited to send a miniature biography and some musical ideas to Tim O'Neill at tim@pianobrothers.com by April 1.

"It's a wonderful opportunity to get a glimpse into the professional music and recording world," said Schoen.

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Photo courtesy of Tim and Ryan O'Neill
NBA

Jefferson leads New Jersey with 27 points

Associated Press

Boston — Richard Jefferson and the New Jersey Nets are rolling again at the right time.

With the Atlantic Division title already in hand, Jefferson matched his career-high with 27 points and 13 rebounds on Tuesday night. The Nets, who still have to win one of five games to hold off Eastern Conference champion Philadelphia, won 87-74 over the Boston Celtics on Tuesday night.

The Nets are 3-1 in their last four games and are unlikely to fall through a 1-7 slump. In his previous 10 games, Jefferson averaged 11.5 points and hit 33 percent of his field goals.

"This is huge. People had really started to talk bad about us and we write us off," Jefferson said. He was 11-of-20 from the field as the Nets remained a half-game ahead of Philadelphia in the Atlantic.

Jefferson tied his career high of 13 rebounds and moved three games in front of third-place Boston. The Nets are 15-10 since halging a 15-game streak was broken when Tony Battle hit a Goaltending foul with 10:00 left in the third quarter.

Detroit 94, Washington 90

Ben Wallace blocked Michael Jordan's first and last shots, teamed up with two free throws and Lurieous Harris hit a jumper. Kidd then made a 3-pointer and Harris ended the half with a jumper.

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Grant Hill surgery

Associated Press

ORLANDO, Fla. - Grant Hill had surgery on his left ankle for the fourth time Tuesday. Doctors are confident he will play again but there is no timetable for his return.

The Orlando Magic star's heel was re-aligned after the operation at Duke Medical Center in Durham, N.C.

Hill undergoes fourth ankle surgery

Associated Press

Surgery also removed three screws from previous surgery as well as some bone. A steel plate was inserted to reinforce the stress fractures.

The heel will take three weeks to heal and Hill expects to be on crutches until late June at the earliest. Magic general manager John Gabriel was pleased with the outcome.

"We're hopeful for Grant's recovery and return to basketball," he said. "The prognosis on his return will be based on re-evaluation of the repaired areas in the future."

The 30-year-old forward has missed nearly 200 games since signing a $93 million contract with the Magic three years ago. He sustained a stress fracture in 2000 while playing for Detroit.

Dr. James Nunley, Hill's surgeon Tuesday, thinks one reason the stress fracture has not healed is because of a mis-aligned leg.

"We found no reason why Grant Hill will not be able to play basketball again for the Orlando Magic," Nunley said. "His bone had good strength and good blood supply and we felt good about how the surgery proceeded."

"Although I feel like he will play basketball again, there is no time frame at the present to when he will be able to return to play." Hill was placed on the injured list in January after playing just 29 games. He averaged 14.5 points, 7.1 rebounds and 4.2 assists.

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Assistant general manager Wayne Thomas will run the club's day-to-day operations until a successor is named.

This season was a struggle and clearly has not progressed as any of us expected," Jamison said in a statement. "We feel this move is a necessary step in returning the San Jose Sharks to the postseason next year."

Lombardi, generally considered one of hockey's brightest young executives, took over the Sharks late in the 1995-96 season. He hired coach Darryl Sutter and acquired almost every player on the Sharks' current roster.

As the Sharks struggled this season, Lombardi fired Sutter and traded Marcus Ragnarsson, Jeff Jillson, Niklas Sundstrom, Owen Nolan, Bryan Marchment and Matt Bradley, but the team never turned the corner.

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Sweetney, Hoyas advance in NIT with victory

Center scores 17 points, grabs 14 boards in win

KNOXVILLE Tenn Georgetown coach Craig Esherick was glad he accepted a bid to the National Invitation Tournament this year.

A year after declining an invitation, Mike Sweetney had 17 points and 14 rebounds and Ashoti Cook scored a career-high 16 points as the Hoyas beat Tennessee 70-60 in the first round of the NIT on Tuesday night.

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"But I’m very glad we’re playing the NIT and I wish we had been able to play in the NIT last year."

The Hoyas (16-14) used a 12-1 run to begin the second half to take the lead and kept the Volunteers (17-13) from rallying.

Gerald Riley added 15 points and Victor Samrick had 11 for Georgetown, which advances to a second-round game next week. The date and opponent hasn’t yet to be determined.

Ron Slay, the Southeastern Conference’s player of the year, finished his career at Tennessee with 17 points.

"I told Ron, ‘I appreciate everything you’ve done for the University of Tennessee and the mens basketball pro­gram. Tennessee coach Buzz Peterson said. “I said, ‘Son, you’ve had a tremendous year coming off the knee injury. Don’t let this one game disappoint you.’”

Thaydeus Holden added 12. Brandon Crump had 11 and Tye Watson 10 for the Vols, who felt snubbed by the NCAA selection committee because they had a 9-7 SEC record. Alabama made the tournament with the same overall record and a 7-9 SEC mark.

Tennessee’s Elgrace Wilborn added six blocks and 11 rebounds.

“I’ve been in that position where you don’t make the NCAA tournament and you think that you should have been in the tournament or thought you had a real good chance of making the tournament. Then as they say, your bubble has burst," Esherick said. "That was a tough game I’m sure for them.

Siena 74, Villanova 69

Siena wound up under­
manned Villanova with 3-point shooting by Austin Andrews and Tommy Mitchell and pressure defenses to defeat the Wildcats in the first round of the NIT.

Siena (20-11) advances to play the winner of a first-round game Wednesday between Illinois-Chicago and Western Michigan.

Again having only seven players available because of suspensions, Villanova led by as many as 10 points in the first half and was still even at 42-42 with 12:15 to play.

But Andrews hit a 3-pointer, Mitchell two free throws and Andrews another 3-pointer to put Siena up 50-42. After a free throw by Curtis Sumpter, Siena’s Prosper Karangwa hit another 3-pointer to put the Saints ahead by 10 with 8:59 to play.

Villanova never seriously threatened the rest of the way.

Siena, only 2-13 in the first half on 3-pointers, was 8-10 in the second half on long-range shots. Mitchell, who had five 3-point goals for the game, led Siena with 23 points while Michael Haddix scored 14 points.

Sumpter had 23 for Villanova.

Villanova (15-16) ended a disappointing season that started with NCAA tournament hopes thanks to a strong incoming freshman class. The season turned especially sour on March 8, when 12 Wildcat players were suspended on a staggered basis from three to eight games for unauthorized use of a telephone access code.

Boston College 90, Fairfield 78

Troy Bell scored 28 points to lead Boston College past Fairfield in an NIT opening round game.

The Eagles (19-11), who advanced to play Temple, also got 19 points from Craig Smith and 18 points from Jermaine Watson.

Nick Delico scored 14 points and Terrence Todt added 13 points for Fairfield (19-12).

Fairfield trailed 67-64 with eight minutes remaining and had a chance to tie, but Michael Bell’s 3-pointer missed the mark with the shot clock set to expire. The Stags never got closer than five points the rest of the way.

Bell scored 10 points in less than four minutes in the second half, including a 3-pointer with 4:13 remaining that ran the Eagles’ lead to 77-68.

North Carolina 83, DePaul 72

David Noel scored a season-high 21 points and Rashad McCans added 19 as North Carolina shot 64 percent from the floor in the second half to beat DePaul in the first round of the NIT.

The Tar Heels (18-15), play­
ing in the NIT for the first time in 29 years, overcame a dis­
mal final eight minutes of the first half to advance to play the winner of the Wyoming-Eastern Michigan game, which was postponed until Thursday because of a snow storm.

Noel, a 6-foot-6 freshman, was 10-for-13 from the field and added a season-high 11 rebounds. His previous best scoring output was 19 against Duke on Feb. 5.

It was the most points the Blue Demons (16-13) have given up since a 102-71 loss at Notre Dame on Dec. 14.

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Gonzalez agrees to 3-year, $30M extension

Associated Press

PHOENIX

Luis Gonzalez and the Arizona Diamondbacks agreed Tuesday to a $30 million, three-year contract extension.

It’s a substantial raise for Gonzalez, a three-time All-Star and 316 hitter in his four years with the team. He will get $4 million for this year under his current contract.

“The trade that was made to bring Luis here was an all-time deal for us,” Diamondbacks owner Jerry Colangelo said.

“I don’t want to stay with the team. He will get $4 million for this year under his current contract. The contract includes a mutual option for 2007 at $10 million. This gives me a lot of peace of mind,” said Gonzalez, whose ninth-inning single against the Yankees’ Mariano Rivera won the 2001 World Series.

“Contracts are kind of always being in the back of your mind, but now I can just let it go. I’m very excited today for myself and my family and I’m excited to put the uniform back on,” Gonzalez said.

Gonzalez separated his shoulder chasing a ball in a September game against St. Louis when he collided with shortstop Tony Womack. He had surgery and wasn’t available as the Diamondbacks lost in the first round of the playoffs.

“I’m glad he’s back because he’s the anchor in the middle of our offense,” manager Bob Brenly said. “He is the face of the Diamondbacks.”

Gonzalez said Arizona is where his career turned around and that he has no desire to play anywhere else.

“This team gave me an opportunity and my confidence peaked there. I felt from the first day I walked into the clubhouse that I was wanted here,” he said.

A journeyman outfielder when he came to Arizona in a trade from Detroit in 1998, Gonzalez hit .336 with 26 homers and 311 RBI in 1999 and .311 with 31 homers and 114 RBI in 2000.

He batted .325 with 57 homers and 142 RBI in 2001, and last year his average dipped to .288 but he still led the team with 28 homsers and 103 RBI.

Selig cancels season-opening series in Japan

Associated Press

PHOENIX

Major league baseball canceled the season-opening series in Japan between Seattle and Oakland because of the threat of war in Iraq.

“Given the uncertainty that now exists throughout the world, we believe the safest course of action for the players involved and the many staff personnel who must work the games is to reschedule the opening series,” commissioner Bud Selig said Tuesday.

“It would be unfair and terribly unsettling for them to be half a world away — away from their families at this critical juncture.”

The teams were scheduled to leave Wednesday for games March 25-26 at the Tokyo Dome. Baseball opened its 2000 season in Tokyo, with the New York Mets and Chicago Cubs playing two games.

“I’m disappointed,” said Athletics manager Ken Macha, who played four years in Japan and had looked forward to seeing many friends. “The safety of the players going over there and the spectators is utmost. A lot of things do happen. Whoever foresees 9-11? Those people were anywhere in the world. With world tensions so high, this is the prudent course of action,” union head Donald Fehr said.

Baseball had already been planning to have the New York Yankees open the 2004 season in Japan, probably against Tampa Bay, Toronto or Baltimore.

“I think when you heard the president’s speech yesterday, you were kind of wondering where we were going to be in that 48-hour deadline,” he said. “We probably would have been halfway over to Japan and maybe they would have called us and told us to turn back. I’m disappointed, I wish that we would have gone. But obviously with the security and the safety reasons, there was no way we could go.”

Cheerleading and Leprechaun Tryouts

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Arizona’s Luis Gonzalez leads away from first in a 7-5 Diamondback victory over the Dodgers last season.

Cheerleading and Leprechaun Tryouts
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**NCAA Basketball**

**National Championship Bracket**

- **INDIANAPOLIS**
  - The NCAA will not postpone the men's and women's basketball tournaments if the United States goes to war with Iraq this week, the organization's president said Tuesday.
  - NCAA president Myles Brand said the games would go ahead as scheduled after tournament officials consulted with Homeland Security Secretary Tom Ridge.

**IN BRIEF**

- **Tomjanovich will not treat cancer with surgery**
  - Rockets coach Rudy Tomjanovich has a cancerous tumor on his bladder lining that the team said will be treated without surgery.
  - Tomjanovich, 54, was released from the hospital and was resting at home, the Rockets said Tuesday.
  - Team physician Dr. James Muntz said Tomjanovich has "transitional cell cancer of the bladder." The coach will begin weekly treatments in two weeks, but Muntz did not specify the nature of the treatments.

- **NCAA may expand playoffs**
  - Florida State prepares for war in Iraq.
  - Tomjanovich said Tomjanovich has "transitional cell cancer of the bladder." The playoffs would increase from 16 to 64.

**Around the Dial**

- **OPENING ROUND NIT TOURNAMENT**
  - Ohio St. at Georgia Tech 7 p.m., ESPN
  - Nevada at Texas Tech 9:30 p.m., ESPN

**The Wire**

- **Rutgers women's basketball coach in for treatment**
  - New Jersey 41-26 .663 4-6 1/2
  - Temple 22-28 .62 6-4 1/2
  - Pacific Conference
  - California 31-26 .539 8-4
  - Arizona State 28-31 .474 8-4 1/2
  - Arizona 29-28 .500 7-3 1/2
  - Oregon 19-39 .328 6-4 1/2
  - Oregon St. 25-36 .426 6-4 1/2
  - Washington St. 15-41 .264 2-7 1/2
  - Washington 23-38 .381 2-7 1/2

**College Polls**

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**NCAA president Myles Brand announced the NCAA Tournament will go on as scheduled this week as the United States prepares for war in Iraq.**

- The first game of the tournament, between North Carolina-Asheville and Texas Southern, was scheduled for Tuesday night in Dayton, Ohio.
- The rest of the first round begins Thursday, which would be after the 48-hour deadline for President Bush set Monday night for Saddam Hussein to leave Iraq or face war.
- The women's tournament is scheduled to begin Saturday.
BASEBALL

Sollmann, Niesel get conference honors

Special to The Observer

Notre Dame junior second baseman Steve Sollmann earned his second Big East Player of the Week honor of the young 2003 season while Irish sophomore righthander Chris Niesel was named Big East Pitcher of the Week, after both played key roles in the team’s successful Spring Break trip to Jacksonville, Fla., for the Kennel Club Classic.

Sollmann joined teammate and senior rightfielder Kris Billmaier with team-leading totals during the six-game week in batting average (.478), hits (11-for-23), total bases (17) and slugging percentage (.739), plus six RBI, seven runs, three walks, a home run, triple and double, two sacrifice bunts, four stolen bases, just one strikeout and no errors in 28 fielding chances.

His three-run, inside-the-park home run accounted for one of high school — ranks second in the first six innings, facing (.198), third in innings (26.0) lowest opponent batting avg. (.429). The Panthers managed to hit two-plus hits, including four flyouts to right field and a pair of singles through the infield. He allowed just six baserunners in the first six innings, facing the minimum in five of those innings. Niesel displayed his usual control, with 77 of his 105 total pitches going for strikes.

As Notre Dame (ranked 19th in the Baseball America poll and 25th in the USA Today/ESPN coaches poll) readies for its first Big East Conference series this weekend at Villanova, Sollmann ranks among the league leaders in several overall categories: first in triples (two), second in hits (24), runs (15) and stolen bases (nine), fourth in total bases (33), fifth in on-base pct. (.492) and slugging pct. (.589), and sixth in batting avg. (.479).

Niesel — who has won 23 of his last 25 overall decisions, dating back to his senior year of high school — ranks second among Big East pitchers in lowest opponent batting avg. (.198), third in innings (26.0) and fifth in strikeouts (21). His classmate John Axford ranks seventh among Big East pitchers in ERA (2.62) and wins (3-0), seventh in strikeouts (26) and eighth in innings (24.0), while senior closer J.P. Gagne ranks second in saves (three) and fifth in appearances (seven).

Notre Dame junior Steve Sollmann throws the ball to second base in a game last season.

SMC TENNIS

Belles finish 4-1 over break

By LISA REIJULA
Sports Writer

The Saint Mary’s tennis team started the season off in style, winning four matches during their spring break trip to Florida. In Orlando, the Belles defeated Haverford, Ohio Dominican, Wesleyan and Wheaton College, falling only to Saint Cloud State.

“I was great getting actual match practice, since we had only been playing against each other before,” freshman Kristen Palombo said. “It got us going for the season.”

Playing five straight days, the Belles opened with a 6-3 loss to Saint Cloud State. Juniors Katelin Cutler and Kris Spriggle and senior Elisa Ryan posted victories at number three, four and five singles, respectively.

The Belles rebounded with a win over Haverford, winning 7-2. At No. 1 singles, junior Jeannie Knish won, as did Cutler at No. 3 and Spriggle at No. 4. In doubles, the top team of Knish and Palombo were victorious. The No. 2 duo of Cutler and Ryan also won their match.

Against Wesleyan University in Daytona Beach, Fla., the Belles won the contest 5-4. Palombo earned her first win at No. 2 singles. Spriggle defeated her opponent at No. 3. While Knish and Palombo lost at No. 1 doubles, Cutler and Ryan won their match in the No. 2 slot.

The Belles ended their trip with a victory over Wheaton College. While Knish fell at the top singles position, Palombo and Cutler won their matches. In doubles, Cutler and Ryan defeated their opponents.

Palombo said the importance of the win over Wheaton and spending time with teammates as highlights of the trip.

“We’re getting to know each other and the girls have been so welcoming,” Palombo said. “We feel really comfortable and feel like part of the team.”

Several individuals were undefeated on the road trip. Cutler, Spriggle and Ryan did not drop a match, finishing 4-0 in singles play.

The team has set high goals for the season, looking to be invited to the Midwest tournament in Madison, Wis. The Belles also want to defend the MIAA championship they won last year.

The Belles (4-1) are back in action Wednesday at Valparaiso at 2:30 p.m. Sunday they will face Tri-State University at 1 p.m., also on the road.

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The Early Childhood Development Center (ECDC) is currently registering kindergarten age children for the 2003-04 School Year. 2003 Summer Day Camp registration for children ages 2-5 will occur in early March, 2003. School Year registration of preschool age children will take place in early April. For more information and ECDC Parent Meeting & Tour dates, please call one of the numbers below.

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MENS GOLF

Irish kick off spring season in sunny South

By ERIK POWERS
Sports Writer

The Irish opened their spring training for the NCAA Tournament last week, competing in two meets over spring break. The team snapped out of the winter doldrums with a strong display at the Big Red Invitational in Ocala, Fla.

The Irish started slowly, firing a 300 in the opening round. In their first meet in four months, the Irish needed a little bit of time to warm up. Because the field was inundated with Midwestern schools in similar situations, the Irish did not fall too far off of the lead. After one day, they were in eighth of 18 places.

On the second day of the tournament, the Irish made great strides. The team improved its score by 16 strokes to 284, although they were unable to move up in the standings. But the team could not build on this run as the third round. The Irish made great strides at the Big Red Invitational, the Irish did not fall too far off of the lead. After one day, they were in eighth of 18 places.

On the last day of the invitation­al, four of the team’s golfers moved up in the standings.

The Irish slid the next day to and Tommy Balderston (77, 70) finished in 18th place, leading the Irish run by shooting strides. The team improved its Eastern Michigan.

An 11 over par 224 (72-77-75). The emerging leader shot gustafson was again the top golfer for the Irish, tying for 36th place. The Irish slid the next day to and Deutsch (84-81-75) tied for 49th place, Mark Lunke (81-77-77) finished in a tie for 54th place, Brandon Lunke (81-77-77) took 64th place, and Deutsch (84-81-75) shaved six strokes off of his second round to move to 67th place.

Warm-weather schools dominated the 13-team event. Auburn (857), Alabama (865) and Southeastern Louisiana (867) filled out the top three.

Notre Dame’s next meet is the Johnny Owens Invitational in Lexington, Ky. Notre Dame will travel to the University of Kentucky Golf Club March 29th.

Announcing the Year 2003 Annual Awards of the Albert Ravarino Italian Studies Travel Scholarship

Thanks to a generous gift from the Albert Ravarino family, the Italian Studies Program is pleased to announce the year 2003 annual competition for travel in support of summer research and foreign study in Italy. Grants will be made in amounts not to exceed $5,000, and will not normally cover all expenses. Notre Dame graduate and undergraduate students who are planning to pursue research or a formal program of summer study in Italy are invited to apply. Students must have completed at least one year of Italian language. The course work will normally be in Italian; will involve the study of Italian language, literature, and culture; and must be applicable to a student’s degree program at the University of Notre Dame.

Recommended programs for foreign study include, but are not limited to: Loyola University in Rome, Boston University in Padua, UCLA in Pisa, Miami University in Urbino, Columbia University in Scaiano. Interested students are encouraged to consult the materials on Italian foreign study in the Department of Romance Languages, 343 O’Shaughnessy Hall.

Students are invited to submit a letter which should include:

1) an explanation of how the proposed research or foreign study will enhance the student’s degree program at Notre Dame
2) a personal statement indicating their background, interests, and long-term goals
3) a description of the research project or the program they intend to follow
4) a budget indicating the costs involved
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In the last of the qualifiers, the 4x400 Irish relay team repeated last year's performance, taking ninth with a time of 3:38.28. They too just missed All-American consideration, finishing just one second away from an eighth-place finish.
The quartet of sophomore Tiffany Gunn, junior Kristen Dodd, sophomore Ayesha Boyd and Kynia Love qualified at the Asics Wilson Invitational en route to breaking a school record, when they ran a 3:35.26 effort. Gunn replaced All-American Liz Grow from last year's team.
As far as the team score, the Irish collected five points, matching last year's total. "I didn't have any expectations for the team," King said. "Our program obviously has been building, and I think that we can do better than five points in the future."
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MENS LACROSSE

Irish fight tough schedule

By PAT LEONARD
Sports Writer

Though Notre Dame has lost two consecutive games to No. 1 Virginia (14-8) and No. 11 Loyola (9-8), respectively, the Irish emerged from a tough early-season schedule with a 3-2 overall record, having defeated No. 13 North Carolina March 8.

Notre Dame junior attacker Matt Howell had four goals and one assist as the Irish staved off a Tar Heels second half comeback and won the game, 10-8, at Fetzer Field in Chapel Hill, N.C. North Carolina fell to 1-2.

The Irish led by five when Virginia beat the Irish only 7-6, as well. Owen Muirford scored two goals and Howell (one goal, two assists) added an unassisted score with 2:35 remaining in the game to tie it at 8-8.

Irish goalie Stewart Crossland made eight saves and let up only three goals in the second half. Loyola’s Craig Georges spoiled the Irish’s comeback, however, when he scored with 41 seconds remaining in the game - to give his team the victory and send Notre Dame to 3-2 on the season.

Howell leads Notre Dame after a goal by Walsh. Wells, Dan Berger, Pat Walsh, Matt Karweck and Chris Richez.

Women's Lacrosse

Shearer’s last-second shot stopped in loss

By ANDY TROEGER
Sports Writer

Despite a valiant rally in the final minutes, the women’s lacrosse team dropped a 7-6 game against No. 13 Yale Tuesday in Orlando, Fla.

No. 12 Notre Dame almost overcame a three goal deficit in the final five minutes, but Danielle Shearer’s free-position shot with one second remaining was saved by Yale goalkeeper Amanda Laws to preserve the victory.

The Irish were led by junior Abby Owen’s career-high three goals, while Lauren Fischer added two goals and Shearer had a goal and an assist. Owen scored five goals with two assists in her last two games against Yale and Boston College.

After trailing 5-3 at halftime, the Irish fell behind 7-4 with about eight minutes remaining on a goal by the Bulldogs’ Sarah Queener. The Irish rallied within two when Shearer scored with 3:49 remaining and pulled within one goal on Owen’s third goal of the game with 2:24 left.

The Irish had two chances to score in the final minute as Laws stopped Shearer’s shot from close range. After the Irish picked up the ground ball, Shearer was fouled with one second remaining, but Laws came up with another big stop for Yale.

Fischer got the Irish off to a good start by scoring the first goal of the game to give the Irish the lead. After two goals by Yale, another Fischer goal tied the game at two. After another Yale goal, Owen scored her first goal of the game to take it as three before Yale scored the last two goals of the half for the 3-3 halftime lead.

Yale was led by Queener and Miles Whitman, who both had two goals and an assist. The pair scored Yale’s only two goals in the second half, which proved to be just enough.

Irish goalkeeper Jen White made 11 saves, while Laws had 10 for the Bulldogs.

Yale moved to 3-1 with the victory. The loss sent the Irish to 2-2, with all four games coming on the road. They play their home opener March 25th against Ohio State at Moose Krause field.

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TRACK AND FIELD

Making their mark

♦ Pair of Kings lead Irish women in NCAA Indoor Championships

By HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN Sport Writer

The Irish women's track team has let the country know that they are a threat. On March 8-9, in the Alex Wilson Invitational which was perhaps the most crucial meet of the season to date, the Irish qualified seven athletes for the 2003 NCAA Championships.

The Irish then traveled to the University of Arkansas to compete in the NCAA Indoor Track and Field Championships. It was there that sophomore distance runner Lauren King left her mark. Clocking a time of 4:43.89, the miler took seventh-place, finishing only two seconds out of third-place and becoming an All-American with her finish.

"I am very happy to get All-American," King said. "It is always a priority for anyone competing at the NCAA level; however, I would like to step it up in the future."

Note Dame sophomore Lauren King, right, leads a pack of runners in a meet earlier this year. King earned All-America honors in the mile at the NCAA Indoor Championships.

♦ Watson grabs All-American honors in mile with third place finish at nationals

By LISA REIJULA Sport Writer

Senior Luke Watson continued his stellar year for the Irish at the 2003 NCAA Indoor Championships last weekend by placing third in the mile to earn All-America honors for the third time in his indoor career.

Watson also competed in the 3,000 meters for Notre Dame, placing 11th in 8:10.79. The double-distance runner's performances in two days, as the mile required a preliminary the night before.

The senior was also instrumental in getting the distance-medley relay team to the Championships. At the Alex Wilson Invitational the week before at Loftus, the Irish team finished third in 9:38.40, setting a new school record.

SMC SOFTBALL

Belles have fun in the sun with strong week

By PAT LEONARD Sports Writer

The Saint Mary's softball team took its first step to becoming a contender in the MIAA this past week, jumping out to an 8-2-1 record during a four-day road trip to Fort Myers, Fla.

The Belles then split a doubleheader with Bethel College on Tuesday to move to 9-3-1.

The Belles opened the trip with a 14-5 win over Elms College 5-0 and the College of Mount St. Joseph 3-0. A strong Winona State program trounced Saint Mary's 14-5 in the third game, but the Belles responded by tying Salve Regina 7-7 and beating Ursinus 3-0, Defiance College 7-3 and Simmons College 8-0 to increase to 5-1-1.

The Belles won just four out of eight games on the entire trip last season under then-coach John Gannel.

"We have a talented group that has united very quickly," Welsh said. "They are very understanding of their roles; I think we will surprise a lot of the teams in our conference this year."

Saint Mary's would lose only one game after the Winona State match-up, dropping a 2-1 contest to Cazenovia College.

Closing with an 8-2 win over Hiram College, a 6-5 victory over Transylvania University and a 2-1 win against Slippery Rock, the Belles finished 8-2-1 heading into league play.

Welsh's girls also got revenge on a Transylvania team that shut them out on the same trip last season, 4-0.

Team captains senior catcher Susan Kutz, junior Erin Sullivan and Wilhelmy have led their team in the right direction so far. Welsh likes what she has seen and anticipates an exciting turnaround year for the Belles.

"I expect a very aggressive team, defensively and offensive," she said. Welsh. "We are going to manufacture a lot of runs on the bases which is a very fun style of softball. I think they will bring a lot of excitement in every inning (and on) every pitch. We will be a fun team to watch."

In Tuesday's first game against Bethel, Wilhelmy lost a 5-1 decision, giving up four hits, striking out four and walking three batters. Katrina Tebbe batted 2-for-3 with two RBIs. The Belles came back strong in the second game, however, winning 9-4 behind the dominating pitching of Kate Sajewich. Sajewich struck out ten batters Tuesday, walking only two, giving up five hits and allowing no earned runs.

Sajewich earned runs.

The team's offensive capabilities emerged in the second game as well, as Greta Linde went 3-for-3, and Jackie Zurcher, Bridget Grall and Sajewich had two hits and an RBI in the contest.

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