Forest lecture pays tribute to Dorothy Day

By KATE STEER

To lead a life according to the life of God is the greatest thing we can do, said Jim Roche, dean of the College of Arts and Letters in a talk about Dorothy Day Tuesday evening. Roche, who served in Day's Catholic Worker Houses for many years, recalled the words and life of the "troublemaker and saint."

Roche first learned of Day and the Catholic Worker movement when he was declared a conscientious objector to the Vietnam war after participating in a prayer vigil organized by Catholic Workers as a protest against the Bay of Pigs invasion. After leaving the military, Forest devoted his life to helping the objector to the Vietnam war Catholic Worker Houses for several years, lectured Tuesday night about the Day who he called a "troublemaker and saint." Roche has also written a biography about Day.

Roche: questioning religion leads to faith

By ANDREW THAGARD

Intellect and religion can mix, said Mark Roche, dean of the College of Arts and Letters in a lectured titled "Religion and Intellectuals" Tuesday. "The idea that intellectuals cannot be religious...is irrational and embarrassing," Roche said.

Approximately 25 students and professors attended the talk held at the Hesburgh Library Lounge. According to Roche, most people initially hold a position of "simple faith." He characterized this perspective as one of total acceptance of a religion, as a "morally nave ignorance."

"Most of us at Notre Dame have been raised in a religious household and we don't initially question our religious beliefs," he said. While Roche said he admires some aspects of this position on religion, he added that it does not allow a person to defend his or her faith against others and forces them to downplay problems within their religious institutions.

Instead, Roche advocated maintaining an open frame of mind in regard to religion, calling internal questioning of faith "healthy," especially when used as "an opportunity to measure the validity of one's own religion."

"I absolutely endorse the idea that a loss of faith or the criticism of faith can ultimately strengthen [it]," he said.

He highlighted the existence of other faiths, such as the fundamentalist and sociological perspectives. The fundamentalist perspective emerges amid a crisis of faith and is generally a radically conservative view of religion. "There is no tolerance of a secular position that contradicts the religious," Roche said of this view, claiming that this position "produces tremendous conflict."

The sociological perspective, he said, has much in common with skepticism. This school of thought recognizes the importance of the moral component of religion but discredits the importance of faith and the divine. Roche further explained the sociological perspective as wanting to "use religion for alterna-

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Be nice to me, I’m sick.

I hate being sick. Like many of you, I was attacked by the nasty flu bug. Unfortunately for me though, I never got a chance to get over it. The expected five days turned into a week, and now I’m two days into my fourth week of being sick. After having a rainbow and a lung, I decided to brave Health Services to hopefully find out what was going on. Yup, I have, or should I say had, the flu.

The Grounds: I work with a buddy. Those popsicles gave me a high.......

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Outside the Dome

Michigan student dies after binge drinking

ANN ARBOR

In the late 1980s, Byung Spo Kim came to the University of Michigan while his father, Ha Young Kim, was a visiting professor in the Department of Chemistry. Byung Spo was ready to go to college, he returned to Ann Arbor.

The Engineering sophomore celebrated his 21st birthday Friday night, a day late, at a friend’s house near North Campus. According to the Ann Arbor Police Department he tried to drink 21 shots of Scotch whiskey. Kim passed out early Saturday morning after taking 20 shots in about 10 minutes.

His time at the University ended tragically when he died Monday at 6 a.m. following more than two days in intensive care. Kim’s parents arrived from South Korea on Sunday. His mother, Jung Sun Park, spoke at a press conference Monday afternoon.

“We hope that all who knew our son will remember him as selfless, supportive, considerate, loving and kind. He had brought great joy to us and was a loyal friend to many,” Park said.

Kim’s parents were joined by University officials, wearing white ribbons in memory of Kim, who addressed the problem of “heavy episodic drinking.”

Kim passed out after drinking 20 shots. Friends put him in a back bed to recover. An hour later, they discovered Kim was not breathing and called an ambulance.

Ann Arbor Police Department officer Eric Benkovic responded to the apartment and found Kim and another student, who was breathing, unconscious in the bedroom. Rowles began giving cardiopulmonary resuscitation on Kim before paramedics arrived.

The other student was taken to the hospital along with Kim and has been released.

Miami University

Fraternity fire leaves one injured

A burning candle left unattended sparked a blaze around 5 a.m. Friday morning at the Sigma Chi fraternity house, according to Oxford Fire Department Chief Len Endress. The fire, which originated on the west wing of the second floor, left one man in serious condition, displaced 45 residents and caused $500,000 to $500,000 in damage to the building and in the loss of personal possessions. Nashville native Robert Ammarell remains in the Miami Valley Regional Hospital for treatment for smoke inhalation. College Corner firefighters, who were called in to assist the Oxford Fire Department, found Ammarell unconscious in the third-floor bathroom during a thermal-imaging camera to “see” through the billowing smoke. The zoology major was carried out of the building and airlifted to Miami Valley in critical condition. Ammarell did regain consciousness and was upgraded to serious condition late Friday evening. He remained in serious condition Monday, according to Miami University Director of News and Public Information Holly Wissing.

University of California

Study shows nicotine targets brain

Funded by smokers themselves, researchers have found that nicotine degenerates the part of the brain that controls sexual arousal, emotional control and REM sleep. Nicotine causes degeneration in one part of the brain, according to University of California-Los Angeles professor of psychology Gaylord Ellison, who announced the finding in the journal Neuropsychopharmacology, and at this year’s meeting of the Society for Neuroscience. Ellison told News that nicotine causes selective degeneration of the fasiculus retroflexus, the part of the higher brain that primarily controls the dopamine and serotonin levels in the body. Dopamine controls movement, emotional response, and the ability to experience pleasure and pain, while serotonin regulates a person’s mood. In past research, Ellison’s team has shown that drugs such as amphetamines, cocaine and ecstasy damage one half of the fasiculus retroflexus, but new research shows that nicotine affects the other half.
Koestner: date rape is an important issue on college campuses

By COLLEN MCCARTHY
Associate News Editor

When Katie Koestner began college in the fall of 1990 at the College of William and Mary in Virginia, she never imagined that her plans for the future would have led her to giving the speech she did before students from Notre Dame and Saint Mary's on Tuesday night.

"When I started college I had more than a few plans, none of which worked out, and now I'm standing here in front of all of you," Koestner said.

Koestner's life was changed in the fall of her freshman year when she was raped by a fellow student she had been dating casually. After going on a date with the student named Peter, Koestner invited him back to her dorm room with the intentions of dancing. However, Peter had other plans. At one point while in her room, she turned around and saw he was only in his boxers and socks.

Koestner acknowledged that she did not think she was naive, "I guess I was naive," she said. "Some might say that I was naive," said Koestner. "I'm not a rape survivor. I was just one of the bravest men in this room to a hearing, found guilty and told to stay out of her residence hall for the rest of the semester. He was later thrown out of school after being found guilty of raping a second woman. Koestner also noted that rape occurs 84 percent of the time between individuals who know each other. Only 16 percent of rapes are committed by strangers.

"When I was 18, date rape didn't exist," said Koestner.

Koestner added that what complicated the situation is that she actually liked Peter. "I should remind you that I liked him and I don't want you to forget that because if that wasn't the case, the whole issue would be crystal clear," she said.

Tickling and teasing transpired into a wrestling match that night that left her on the floor pinned under Peter's weight with him holding her hands above her head by her wrists and kissing her even though she said "no."

After the incident, Koestner didn't tell Peter to leave her room that night. "I can't tell you why I didn't throw him out of my room, she said. "Maybe it was because I thought he would just go to sleep and then go home in the morning but when he awoke, he saw me laid down in the corner and I hadn't slept all night. He said I should lay down and close my eyes and get some sleep. When I did that, and started to fall asleep, I could feel him and I started to kiss me and I said "no."

Koestner said people have asked her why she didn't scream or hit him to stop Peter from raping her. "I didn't scream because do you know what I did? I bit a hole through the inside of my cheek and I still have the scar today so that maybe is why I didn't scream, and I didn't hit him because I had my arms crossed over my chest trying to protect myself," she said.

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Foreigners protest Cuba embargo:

Thousands of pro-Cuba foreigners from around the world — including hundreds of Americans — joined Fidel Castro on Tuesday to demand an end to the 40-year-old U.S. trade embargo against the communist island. Flags from Brazil, the African National Congress, New Zealand and other countries and organizations flouted amid a sea of Cuban flags as the crowd gathered outside the U.S. Interests Section, the American mission here.

Protesters want president ejected:

Thousands of Filipino workers and students staged a rally Tuesday near the palace of President Joseph Estrada, with demands that he step down without waiting for the outcome of an impeachment trial for corruption.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Commission argue on trade talks: A new round of multinational trade talks would be one way to deal with America's tilted trade deficit, a congressional appointment commission said Tuesday. The panel's Republicans and Democrats differed on whether labor and environmental issues should be part of the talks. The 12-member U.S. Trade Deficit Review Commission, divided equally between the parties, also came to divergent conclusions on causes and consequences of the growing trade deficit, with Democrats expressing more pessimism about its effects on American life.

Ford offers to sub Goodyear tires: Ford Motor Company said Tuesday that consumers ordering 2001 Ford Explorers may substitute Goodyear tires for Firestone brands questioned in a 6.5 million tire recall the sequences of the growing trade deficit. with labor and environmental issues equally between the parties. also came to

INDIANA NEWS BRIEFS

Church awaits federal seizure: Hundreds of parishioners whose Indianapolis church was ordered seized in a $6 million dispute with the IRS prayed and wept Tuesday as they awaited the arrival of federal marshals. Experts believe the U.S. government has never before seized a church in a dispute over taxes. Singing "Faith of our Fathers," members and supporters of the Indianapolis Baptist Temple worshipped for what they believed would be the last time inside the church. A noon deadline for the Baptist Independent Congregation to vacate its property.

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Blockade fails to stop violence

Palestinian youths carry an injured child during clashes with Israeli soldiers near the Gush Katif Jewish settlement, south of the Gaza Strip. Three teenage Palestinians were shot and four Israelis were killed Tuesday.

Israel

Israel imposed a stringent blockade around Palestinian communities Tuesday in response to the deadly drive-by shootings of Israelis, paralyzing normal life but failing to halt violence. At least three Palestinians were killed in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

The killings of four Israelis on Monday was part of a new "death on the roads" terror campaign by Palestinian militants, Israel said. Palestinian leaders hastily condemned the army's moves.

The blockade вокруг the territories they control. It came as Prime Minister Ehud Barak declared a new "peace on the roads," a U.S.-medicated trip that produced no peace breakthroughs, and as Israelis and Palestinians braced for potentially widespread confrontations Wednesday — the 12th anniversary of a symbolic declaration of Palestinian independence.

"The (Palestinian) state will be fundamental to peace in the Middle East," Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat declared upon his return to Gaza Tuesday from an Islamic summit in Qatar.

Arafat, who was in exile when he first declared Palestinian independence on Nov. 15, 1988, has repeatedly promised that statehood would arrive this year. Some Palestinians have called for a unilateral declaration of statehood Wednesday.

But with the peace process derailed by violence, no such move is planned, Palestinian leaders said. Israel, meanwhile, has warned that it would respond harshly to any one-sided action by the Palestinians.

"There will be no decision on the Palestinian state in the coming few days," said Yasser Arafat, the Palestinian information minister.

In Tuesday's violence, three teenagers, aged 13-19, were shot dead by Israeli troops in the West Bank and Gaza, hospital doctors said. Israel, however, denied that its soldiers had killed the two youths in Gaza, calling reports of the incident part of the "campaign of Palestinian lies that have inflamed the territories.

In a fourth case, Palestinians said a 50-year-old man died after settlers threw rocks at his car. The man was hit in the chest by a huge rock.

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Police injure 40 voters in protest

Associated Press

Police fired live ammunition and pumped opposition supporters with batons and tear gas in clashes Tuesday that left five people dead and 40 injured during the final round of parliamentary voting.

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Hundreds of votes in Shubra El-Kheima, in northern Cairo, also clashed with police Tuesday when polls did not open on time. Police, some on horseback, fired into the crowd after attacking the protesters with batons and dogs and using tear gas. That clash left one dead and 35 people — including children — injured.

Police blocked polling stations and fired tear gas at voters in the Cairo district of Maadi. In Hawamdiya, a district of Cairo, police detained 75 people for election-related disturbances, according to officials.

"Is this the democracy that President Hosni Mubarak is calling for?" asked Kamal Abdel Karim, who said he was stopped from entering a polling station in Maadi.
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Panel discussion highlights feminism and women's issues

By KATIE MILLER
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Issues surrounding feminism of the past, present, and future were discussed by the Ladies of Notre Dame/Saint Mary's at Carroll Auditorium Tuesday night.

A panel composed of four women, each from a different generation, illustrated the way feminism has touched their lives.

"We are all women; feminism affects us all," said Jane Sybug, group chair and moderator. "This is a complicated issue; the four speakers have mixed feelings and times have changed."

"The first feminist in my life was my father," said Mollie Bernard, founder of the Stanley-Clark school. "His ideal woman had a broad education."

Bernard, a mother of 10 who received a theology graduate degree from Notre Dame, started the Stanley-Clark school in 1958 when she and her husband became unhappy with the local schools.

One-third of the children enrolled in 1959 were children of Notre Dame faculty. As the school flourished, Bernard became even more involved.

"In 1962, I was pregnant with my seventh child, and felt that I needed to be at home with my children," she said.

After spending two years at home, Bernard was soon volunteering in Catholic schools. She took a position at Sacred Heart Parish as director of religious education. It was at this time that Bernard decided to further her own education. She enrolled in graduate school at Notre Dame for five as a faculty member's wife.

"Women deserve the best education they can acquire. It is important to understand that the primary value of education is not to make money, but to enrich your life," she said.

Georgia Bain, who graduated from Saint Mary's in 1958, was from a middle-class family that supported her aspirations.

After graduating from Saint Mary's, she interviewed for a job at AT&T. Before the interview, Bain recalled that she decided to remove her engagement ring.

After receiving the job, Bain asked her female interviewer if she would have been hired had she worn her ring; her answer was no.

She continued to work for the company, but eventually decided to say at home with her children.

"During the '70s, I became involved with a group called Women in theology at Notre Dame. That was a conscious-raising experience," said Bain. "I finally had a name for what I had long felt-feminism. There was no man being involved and I never burned my bra."

The group, Bain said, discussed gender stereotypes and issues such as rape and domestic violence.

"If a woman was raped, it was asked what she was wearing, and legal action is taken; domestic violence used to be a private affair, now it is a public crime," she added.

Ellen Sybug Bartel, currently the president of an all-women's college preparatory school, attended Notre Dame the first year women were admitted.

"Through my work, I've recognized that women's needs are different from that of young men and boys," Bartel said. "I've become more familiar with the idea that single-sex education is beneficial for young women and my commitment to college age women is a passionate one."

Bartel attended Saint Mary's Academy during her high school years where she was very comfortable in the single-gender environment. "I thought that I was equal to men, but also the same as men — now I think that's absurd," she said.

Bartel became one of the 300 young women in a group of 6,000 undergraduates her freshman year at Notre Dame.

"It was an institution in transition; the environment for women was at best barren. There were no adult women on campus," she said. "The tradition was all male, it was an unusual experience and choice for me to have made."

Toni Fein, new to the Ladies of Notre Dame/Saint Mary's, said she was encouraged in high school and college to take advanced math and science courses, courses that previously had been recommended only to males.

"I represent the first generation of women who benefited from the feminist movement without being alienated."

Fein went back to school for a master's degree in education, before deciding to stay at home with her children.

"At this point, we decided to maximize my husband's career," she said. "I felt shortcomings of feminism. As an educated woman, it is not easy to stay at home. We as women fail to celebrate the choices we have and fail to make those choices."

After graduating college, she was in the first management group containing women that her company had ever hired and trained.

"When I started work, I realized what I had gained," Fein said. "I was aware that I was breaking barriers."

The Ladies of Notre Dame and Saint Mary's held a panel discussion Tuesday night at Carroll Auditorium to discuss feminism from the perspective of women in different generations.

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Lawyers in Florida: ammended votes must be counted

Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. - A new day in Florida's chaotic presidential vote count, a new deadline.

Lawyers are hopelessly across the state challenging election law arcane, while the Republican state official overseeing the crucial tally laid down a Wednesday deadline for Democratic strongholds to justify more counting.

A state judge ruled Tuesday that the state should collect returns from all 67 counties by 5 p.m., as required under Florida law. When that deadline passed, the state said those returns give the election — and perhaps the White House — to Republican Gov. George W. Bush of Texas by 500 votes, pending an unspecified number of absentee ballots still to be tallied by Friday night.

Democrat said the ruling gives them new legal options because the secretary of state rejects those requests, Democrats could sue.

Harris said he wants to hear the response of the counties' justifications by 2 p.m. Wednesday.

"If the secretary of state arbitrarily refuses to accept the amended returns based on the recount and violates what this court has ruled ... then we will be back in court," said David Boies, the latest high-profile lawyer to join Gore's legal team.

The Gore camp said the recounts Democrats requested would go forward, though only Palm Beach County was scheduled to keep reviewing ballots Wednesday morning.

Volusia County had completed a full manual recount. Broward County was holding off on a decision about whether to order a full hand count; and Miami-Dade voted 2-1 Tuesday night against a full manual count after a hand count of three precincts awarded Gore a net gain of six votes.

The Democratic Party filed a motion in state court arguing that Broward should be ordered to conduct a full hand count of its 380,000 ballots. The motion said the county's decision not to conduct such a recount was based on an erroneous opinion by Harris, who said a manual recount could only be conducted if county officials found a problem with the election computer.

Democrats hope these recounts by human eye and hand will turn up additional votes for Gore.

Two separate appeals were heading for courts in Tallahassee, the state capital, and yet another challenge was headed for a federal appeals court in Atlanta.

Volusia County challenged Lewis' ruling in a midlevel appeals court Tuesday, with the expectation that the state Supreme Court would hear the case. The court has seven members, all chosen by Democratic governors.

A ruling from that court could end up before the U.S. Supreme Court.

Palm Beach County appealed to the state Supreme Court seeking clarification of conflicting legal guidance on its recount.

Numerous voters have sued over alleged voting irregularities in Palm Beach. Celebrity lawyer Alan Dershowitz represents some of them.

Lawyers for the Palm Beach elections board said that without clear guidance from the state high court, the board will face more lawsuits, "the state and federal courts of Florida will be inundated with further litigation, the outcome of the general election will remain in doubt and subject to additional litigation."

Also Tuesday, the GOP filed notice that they planned to appeal a federal judge's ruling that allowed the recounts to go forward.

The GOP claims the manual recounts are unconstitutional since they mean some voters are treated differently on where they live. A ruling from the 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals could also end up before the U.S. Supreme Court.

Bush spokesman Karen Hughes said the Texas governor is a three-time winner in Florida, counting the Nov. 7 election, an automatic recount done last week and the totals certified by Harris on Friday.

In West Palm Beach, a judge considered the lawsuits of voters seeking a new vote in their county. The voters argued the punch cards ballots they were given on Election Day may have confused them enough to mistakenly vote for Reform Party candidate Pat Buchanan when they intended to vote for Gore.

Bush holds narrow lead in vote

"This is a pretty intense process," Florida Gov. Jeb Bush said Tuesday, his state's center of a post-election battle unlike any other. "I hope this will be resolved." On that — and that alone, it seemed — there was no dispute.

Of the counties where the Gore campaign has sought complete hand recounts, official totals remain uncertain in a struggle stillAfrican & Drum Extravaganza Featuring the Sobonakhona Drama Society From Durban, SOUTH AFRICA From Durban, South Africa

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Coming out for Mom

I would have loved to have written this column back in October on National Coming Out Day or even last week during our week of learning tolerance, but there were reasons for my delay. My mother was just here for the Boston College game, and I didn’t want to write this until she had come and gone. You see, it’s about my mother that I want to write. My mother is a lesbian and I want to talk about that today. You are probably wondering why I want to talk about this in such a public forum. To explain this, I need to tell you more about myself and my experiences thus far in life.

My mother discovered that she was lesbian when I was ten and subsequently left my father, whom I lived with afterward. I didn’t actually know why she left until about a year later. It was never really a big deal to me. I loved my mother, and it didn’t matter to me what gender the people she loved were.

But I wasn’t stupid and I did know that in my small town, other people would not be nearly so accepting. So I kept my mouth shut about it for another six years, until I understood the right to refuse advertisements based on content.

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VIEWPOINT

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Breaking out of the bubble

We painted walls in a school, put up ceiling tiles, shadowed students and picked trash out of the windows they threw deep in their slums, waded through the dirt, garbage, bones, dog carcasses and syringes, we worked with dozens of other college and local students and left David, Kentucky, the site of our Appalachia Seminar experience, with the understanding that service to and by many people can accomplish. Communities can achieve greatness if willing people synchronize, work hard and have a vision.

Lined up in a row of 12 with a bag of seeds tucked under our arm, we began the laborious process of planting two to three seeds every small step in the tilled fields. Droplets of sweat poured down our faces under the 95-degree heat. The plants that were to grow from our work would prevent further erosion of the surrounding land. Two Notre Dame students on the Mexico Seminar discovered how demanding life is for many other people through the process.

Sitting around a large circle table in a cold, damp church, the NSOIC participants of our Chicago Urban Plunge, conversed with two gang members from the local neighborhoods. Although the two young men left at 10 p.m., most of the group stayed awake until well after 2 a.m., discussing and debating issues and questions that are spurred by the dialogue that night. Away from the classroom-based learning, we breached real life subjects and formed opinions on how to improve our country.

The experiential learning opportunities offered through the Center for Social Concerns are an essential part of the educational experience. For my first three years, I was involved with various opportunities as a participant, drinking the nectar of knowledge this past year, as a seminar coordinator, I saw students expanding their minds and broadening their life experiences to become more concerned and active citizens.

On the Washington D.C. Seminar, participants met with various government, non-government and religious organizations during the day to discuss international humanitarian issues. The topics included sweatshops, third world development, refugees, human rights accountability and the Catholic Church’s role in global issues. In the afternoons, they explored the city: Arlington National Cemetery, the Smithsonian Museums. Congress and much more. In the evenings, they familiarized themselves with the different neighborhoods of Washington including Georgetown, Union Station, Adams Morgan and Dupont Circle.

Now, more than 240 Notre Dame students and faculty members from the city of Washington D.C., the participants returned from a whirlwind of the bubble of Notre Dame. And, they had grown in ways that could not be measured by paper and pencil. Experiential learning opportunities help students connect classroom-based learning to real world problems and occurrences. Through the Center for Social Concerns, students have the opportunity to meet the outside world during the academic school year or over their breaks. Whether it be as a summer service project, spring or fall break seminar or a study abroad experience, no Notre Dame student should graduate without participating in one of these formative experiences.

Notre Dame is a great place for a college education, but it could become an even better place if everyone were to bring back and share the experiences which occur away from campus. We should sit down with a friend who spent a semester or over their breaks. Whether it be as a summer experience, no Notre Dame student should graduate without participating in at least one of these experiential learning seminar opportunities and you will likely hear how enriching the experience was.

The seminars are fun. You learn about new and exciting topics, meet other great Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s students and experience something completely different and novel to your daily lives at Notre Dame. Try one. It may be one of the most rewarding experiences of your time at Notre Dame. What do you have to lose? The beaches and mountains will still be there after you graduate. But these opportunities may not.

The CSC column, “For a More Just and Humane World” is a bi-weekly column in The Observer. Drew Olgnik is a senior government and economics major with a concentration in peace studies. Drew developed and organized this year’s Washington D.C. Seminar.

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Struggling to rebuild

I got my first look at East Timor through the plane window while holding the hand of the girl sitting next to me. (Terrified of flying, she bravely did the trip to visit her mother who worked for the United Nations.) The mountain peaks of the half-island, formerly part of Indonesia jutted through the clouds.

After 25 years of Indonesian occupation — full of deprivation and torture — East Timor was granted independence in an August 1999 referendum. But the Indonesian military and pro-integration militia did not leave without destroying virtually the entire country.

Walking through the streets of the capital city Dili, you see building after building burnt out or demolished. People would point out where once had been a school, a business, their home. There is no social infrastructure; currently the unemployment rate is 80 percent. In rural villages, people starve since crops cannot be planted because seeds and ox were carried away to Indonesian West Timor. (Many Timorese were pushed there as well and still remain captive refugees.) Timorese living today have faced great hardship all their lives.

Perhaps the first (and only) time Americans heard of East Timor was when a U.N. peacekeeping force was finally sent to stop the destruction. Since then, East Timor has again become obscure to Americans — disturbing especially since in other nations like Australia it is a prominent issue.

But Timor is on the other side of the world, and media cameras turned their attention to Kosovo and now Israel. There have “unmade” the struggle in Timor, but in real life it continues.

I worked for the U.N., teaching English to their local staff. On one occasion, we climbed into a U.N. helicopter and headed for Suai, a rural border district. Militia still threaten the stability of the peace process, as we were reminded upon touching down. Be cautious. Don’t leave town. A New Zealand peacekeeper was killed yesterday in a border confrontation. During our stay, conversations were often interrupted by the loud rumble of tanks passing to and from the border.

We came to survey the educational needs of the area. One school operated. thanks to about 30 volunteers. One teacher met, Rogério, taught high school biology — from what he remembers, there are no more books. A university student himself, Rogério longed for the opportunity to return to school and again be challenged. If he did not teach, his only other option was household chores. As one friend from Suai recently wrote to me, while independence from Indonesia was the first resistance, the struggle against educational poverty is the second.

Another university student, Aljaza Magno, was forced to put off her education, making remarkable contributions in the meantime. Magno helped organize the women’s national congress and even represented Timor labor issues to the U.N. in Geneva. Now she is traveling across the U.S., making people aware of her country’s struggle. Come to the Hunger Banquet tonight (or Pangborn afterwards), listen to her speak and the struggle will no longer go silently.

Dawn Lardner
senior
Walsh Family Hall
Nov. 14, 2000

Larger facilities needed

I was more than a little disappointed in the University in their handling of the Tim Rinsert talk. It is not often that the students get to hear someone of his stature speak on our campus. What does the University do? I don’t know the exact number, but it looked like they packed in about 150 people to the auditorium at McKenna, while a number that size was left outside.

Those remaining either had to stand in the hallway or leave. To the organizers: Next time you get a high profile person to talk, try to get a bigger auditorium.

Aaron Murray
graduate assistant
off-campus
Nov. 14, 2000
Nothing to do? No excuse for boredom in South Bend

Because of the Finnegan's bust and the pending end of the home football season, students have already begun to complain that there's nothing to do around here. I have one piece of advice for you pessimists: Get over it. You're in college. If you can't find ways to amuse yourself now, you won't be able to find anything to do in ten years. You'll be sitting around, watching infomercials, wondering what happened to your youth.

There are a million things to do at Notre Dame both on and off campus. If you're the magical age of 21, your possibilities are limitless. Since most of us aren't, we have to be a bit more imaginative.

If you've got access to a car (or are confident enough to brave the South Bend bus system), see a movie. Go bowling. Forget the dining halls for an evening and try one of the million chain restaurants on Grape road.

Out of money? Flex yourself a meal and get creative with the/Courtesy of the Observer.

"The Geena Davis Show" seems to have a better chance of surviving its first season. The show chronicles Davis's comic escapades as a single New York woman adjusting to life in the suburbs with her new husband and step-children.

"The Geena Davis Show" premiered at 14 in the Nielsen ratings — the highest of all major networks — so ABC's best chance of surviving its first season. Though it has since slipped out of the Nielsen top 20, "The Geena Davis Show" is definitely ABC's strongest addition to the fall line-up.

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**By JACQUELINE BROWDER**  
Assistant Features Editor

Although Warner Brothers isn't one of the few fuzzy channels that gets reception at Notre Dame, she's still likely to find her way into the TV lounge watching their favorite WB melodrama several times a week. Whether it's the cut-throat battle of two TV vampires, the new series "Gilmore Girls" or the highly-anticipated "Buffy the Vampire Slayer," the show that started it all, the WB has moved its programming to prime time TV. Since then, the WB's lineup includes some impressive debuts, as well as a few flops from seasons past. Here's a look at a few of the season's biggest hits and some of the most talked about shows.

**Grosse Pointe:**

What do you get when you cross "Beverly Hills 90210" and "The Real World?"

The WB's "Grosse Pointe" is an attempt to look behind the scenes of one of TV's hottest hit series, fictional prime time soap "Grosse Pointe.

The thirteen-episode melodrama of infidelity, murder, and occasional bouts of amnesia is nothing like what happens when the cameras aren't rolling. Johnny Lane (All Santos) plays handsome hero to a womanizer who seems to have a knack for eating his line readings much less a supersized dinner.

Courtney Bennett (Bonnie Somerville) is a "serious" Broadway actress who turns up in the title role to an audience that looks as if it's broken to turn down the money. Hunter Fallow (Irene Molloy) is the series' resident nymphomaniac who sees Courtney's character as a threat to her star power. Rounding out the cast is Marcy "Network Connection" Stiersen (Lindsay Sloan), the Tori Spellings-esque character. Shelly (Lila Pringle), sensual, single-camera style, new series "Grosse Pointe" follows the escapades of young actors whose lives are as shallow and entertaining on and off-camera.

**Buffy the Vampire Slayer** and **Angel:**

"Buffy the Vampire Slayer," now in its fifth season, is still following its curvaceous, butt-kicking heroine as she confronts the evils of the under-world while trying to lead a normal college life on the side. Buffy struggles with the transition from high school to college, as well as losing the love of her life (to a spin-off series, no less).

This series explores the twists and turn of adulthood with the same irony and wit used in years past. With a strong supporting cast and entertaining plot twists, "Buffy" remains one of the WB's top rated shows.

The popular spin-off series "Angel" chronicles the lives of "Buffy" alums Angel (David Boreanaz), Cordelia Chase (Charisma Carpenter) and Wesley Wyndham-Pryce (Alexis Denisof). The series follows Angel and company through the streets of Los Angeles, where they battle evil and confront countless temptations lurking beneath the city's glittery façade.

Buffy and Angel air back-to-back, and frequently feature interactions between the two series, allowing the title characters to continue their tortured love affair and keep ratings strong for both shows.

**Gilmore Girls:**

Set in a storybook Connecticut town populated with an eclectic mix of dreamers, artists and everyday folk, the new series "Gilmore Girls" is a heart-felt, multi-generational drama about a family and the ties that bind.

Thirtysomething two-year-old Lorelai Gilmore (Lauren Graham) has made her share of mistakes in life, and she's doing her best to see that her 16-year-old daughter Rory (Alexis Bledel) doesn't follow in her footsteps.

Because of their extraordinary friendship and some pretty good genes, the two are often mistaken for sisters. From the beginning, this unique mother-daughter team has been growing up together.

A sort of dysfunctional "Seinfeld" for the 90s, "Gilmore Girls" is intended to add to the offerings of compelling family programming on network television.

The writing is strong and often humorous, and although the show faces tough competition from NBC's Thursday night lineup, the show has been an important favorite thus far.

In its debut season, "Gilmore Girls" introduced us to Sam (Carly Pope) and Brooks (Leslie Bibb), two polar opposites who are forced into sisterhood when the two single parents make a love connection.

Loaded with scathing humor, social angst, and popular culture references, "Gilmore Girls" instantly became one of the WB's more original and comical looks at life.

With a unique sensitivity to contemporary issues and some of the most entertaining supporting characters on the network, "Gilmore Girls" becomes a blend of sharp comedy and drama as it launches into its second season.

In its second season, "Gilmore Girls" has become the most popular and well-known show the WB has produced. "Gilmore Girls" has come off of a rocky third season, and has gone back to the formulas that work best — teenage love and angst.

In the title role, teenage heartthrob James Van Der Beek is caught in the middle of a budding romance between his two best friends, Joey and Pacey (Katie Holmes and Joshua Jackson). This problematic love triangle is the core of the season's plotline, and most likely won't be resolved until the season finale.

**PRIMETIME SCHEDULE**

**WB:** Nov. 15-Nov. 21

Wed: Dawson's Creek, Felicity
Thurs: Gilmore Girls, Charmed
Fri: Sabrina the Teenage Witch, Popular
Mon: 7th Heaven, Roswell
Tues: Buffy, Angel

(all shows run an hour each, from 8-9 p.m.)

**Favorities of 'Must-See-TV' battle failures to boost NBC's ratings**

**By MATT KILLEN**

*Scene Writer*

After last year's ratings loss to "Who Wants to be a Millionaire," NBC's Thursday night "Must See TV" is again at the top of the Nielsen rankings. With the exception of Thursday and Wednesday shows, however, the rest of the week seems to follow a bumpy road in the viewership race.

The tent pole for Thursday is still "Friends" and "ER." While both of these shows remain strong and entertaining, they both suffer from a similar problem — the number of original cast members. "Friends" needs to drop the Geller siblings. Both Courteney Cox and David Schwimmer are drags on an otherwise entertaining high school drama about a newspaper columnist.

Meanwhile, "ER" suffers from the opposite problem — a lack of its original cast. The newer members are bothersome and background, while the remaining original stars are stuck with little to work with.

Thursday night also brings in one of NBC's new sitcoms — a show called "DAG." This new show airs in the Thursday night slot, "The Single Guy" and "Veronica's Closet" have already moved on to the "Gay" W usage (all three of you) should enjoy the Steven Weber fix while you can.

Thursday does host the proudest sitcoms "Will & Grace" and "Just Shoot Me." Both of these shows are extremely funny and neither shows signs of slowing down.

"Will & Grace" is currently in its fourth season, and while the show has settled into a rhythm, the writing is strong and often humorous. The series' two leading ladies, Debra Messing and Sean Hayes, are a perfect comedic match.

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NBC's other new sitcom "Tucker" has been cancelled, along with "Daddio," and "Tucker" is currently in its second season. However, the show has been a ratings success for the network.

NBC's strongest new show is its dramedy "ER," airing on Wednesdays. Thomas Cavanagh plays the character, a lawyer who also owns a bowling alley. This is a great comedy from David Letterman's Worldwide Pants Inc.

"ER" has a great blend of comedy and dramatic elements. This light touch is not only entertaining but also an excellent example of how both comedy and drama can be mixed together successfully.

NBC's other freshman drama that's still on the air is the Aaron Spelling soap opera "Toris," starring Yasmine Bleeth and Casper Van Dien. This show is nothing more than a soap opera with a big budget. If NBC had any brains at all, they would bring "Deadline" back and replace it with "Toris" with the "Week" timeslot.

Instead "Toris" is the lucky reaper of the benefits of having the lead-in slot to "The West Wing." This Presidential drama has started its season with a success of brilliant episodes, proving that its Emmy win was well-deserved.

"Law & Order" has been surprisingly sluggish this year, but storylines are picking up. Along with "Toris," "The West Wing," this NBC favorite continues to be among the best dramas on television.

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**Burrus benched for inconsistent play**

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH (AP) - Plaxico Burress, a $9 million wide receiver in his first season with the Steelers, was benched Tuesday by head coach Bill Cowher.

Burress, the standout pick in the April draft, has largely disappeared from the offense in recent weeks, making only four catches for 45 yards in the past four games.

"The play has just been too inconsistent," Cowher said.

Burress left Sunday's 26-23 overtime loss to Philadelphia after being hit by line- backer Jeremiah Trotter on a throw over the middle. Courtney Hawkins, a former Michigan State receiver, replaced Burress, came in and made a team-high four catches for 71 yards after making only one reception previously this season.

Hawkins, the only Steelers receiver left from quarterback Kordell Stewart's standout season of 1997, will start Sunday. He survived the final roster cut in August only when the Steelers waived fourth- round pick Danny Farmer. Now, he and Hines Ward are the starting receivers.

"He is a guy who had to come in and accept a [backup] role that he didn't particularly like, but he accepted it as a true professional," Cowher said. "I think he's answered a lot of his business and worked very hard and when he had an opportunity, he came in and performed." That move means the Steelers now have two of the NFL's highest-paid backup receivers. The last two first-round draft picks, Burress and Troy Edwards, have lost their starting jobs since the season began.

Between them, Burress and Edwards have only 37 catches - none for touchdowns - and have drawn criticism for not running precise routes and dropping back a year.

"I think [Burress is] going to be a good player, just like I think Troy is going to be a good player," Cowher said. But, right now, we need consistent play, people being where they need to be and doing it on a consistent basis.

"It will be good for Plax and I think I'll still respond in a positive manner. At the same time, Courtney came in and there's no doubt he made some plays and he had a chance to be out there, and you can't overlook that.

Cowher weighed whether he would make any changes in the lineup and allow him to play his way through his mistakes.

"That's a fine line you have to live with," Cowher said. "At this time, I'm making this decision because I feel like it's in the best interest of our team... But nobody should look at it as I'm taking Plax off the lineup because he's the reason why we haven't been executing."
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Martina Hingis wins $2M in Chase Championships

Associated Press

In a dominating performance, Martina Hingis breezed into the quarterfinals of the $2 million Chase Championships and sent Julie Halard-Decugis into retirement from singles play.

"I stop everything," Halard-Decugis said after falling 6-2, 6-3 Tuesday night in the season-ending tournament at Madison Square Garden. "This is the last match of my career."

Earlier in the day, Amanda Coetzer enjoyed a rare victory in an arena that has brought her nothing but trouble. The 5-foot-2 South African routed eighth-seeded Chanda Rubin 6-2, 6-1.

The night's final singles match pitted No. 7 Nathalie Tauziat against Amy Coetzer, who won in 54 minutes.

Martina Hingis Chase Championships quarterfinalist

"I was surprised myself how well I served today. I'm just enjoying myself out there."

Martina Hingis

New York

"I couldn't do anything on her serve," Halard-Decugis said. "She wasn't making any mistakes. And she knows my game very well."

Hingis lost her serve just once, in the third game of the match. But she broke right back, then held to go up 4-1. Twenty-four minutes after they began, Hingis was up a set. It took another 28 minutes before she had a spot in the quarterfinals of the elite 16-player event.

In a rare display of sportsmanship in the sixth game of the second set, a drive by Hingis was called long. Halard-Decugis, however, waved off the call, saying the ball hit the line, and the two replayed the point. Hingis won the point.

Halard-Decugis won the game. With more than 2,000 students cheering every point in the morning match, Coetzer gained just her second victory on the blue carpet in her eighth trip to the Garden and her first since her Championships debut in 1993.

"It was nice to know what it feels like to win here," Coetzer said.

Rubin's left knee was heavily taped, and it appeared to hamper her movement. After losing the first three games of the second set, she had the tape removed and replaced it with a bandage just below her knee.

It might have improved her mobility, but it had no effect on Coetzer, who won in 54 minutes. Rubin had 28 unforced errors to just five for the South African.

"The only time I noticed it was on the serve," Coetzer said of Rubin's injury. "She had difficulty putting weight on that knee and I broke her a lot, and that really helped me."

This is final year for the Championships at the Garden. The tournament will move to Germany in 2001.

PRO TENNIS

Martina Hingis, shown above, advanced to the quarterfinals of the Chase Championships with a 6-2, 6-3 win over Julie Halard-Decugis.

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minutes she played in the second half. Although the Irish began the second half on a 9-2 run to expand the lead to 75-33, McGraw was still concerned.

"I don't think we gave her (Riley) enough opportunities," McGraw said. "Seven shots (Riley's total attempts on the night) is not enough."

Notre Dame started off slow and led 17-12 before scoring 11 straight. A Jeneka Joyce three-pointer from the left wing gave the Irish their biggest lead of the half at 48-21 with four minutes remaining.

In her second collegiate game, Joyce scored all 14 of her points in the first 20 minutes. She was the first player off the bench and connected on four three-pointers.

Forward Alicia Ratay (17 points and 8 rebounds) also nailed four 3s, while point guard Niele Ivey missed a triple double by one point and two assists. Ivey led the team with 10 rebounds.

Tapiolu Ilonka returns to Europe today after playing 10 games in the past 17 days. They lost 120-46 to Ohio State on Sunday and 119-44 against Purdue on Nov. 1. The team shot just 33 percent from the field on Tuesday, including 25 percent in the second half.

"It's nice to go home," coach Mikko Mantyla said. "We've got a lot to work to do in the next three days," McGraw said. "We plan to come out (on Friday) with a lot more intensity."

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Two games left give the Irish a chance for a bid in the Bowl Championships. This weekend the team could add another win to its record in New Jersey at Rutgers Stadium.

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And Davie is not saying or doing much publicly about postseason possibilities or the pressure that is weighing in heavily on the Irish to win out for the remainder of the season. All Davie wants to do is talk about the game at hand and the factors the Irish are focusing on.

"This week, just like every week, the scenario changes," Davie said. "We are playing at Rutgers — the first time we have ever played there in that stadium, the first time I have ever been on that campus. It is head coach Terry Shea's last home football game that he is coaching in. We have players from New Jersey. So as always, those are the issues."

Davie knows that if the Irish stay focused on the task at hand, they have the talent to...
Volleyball signs new freshmen to class of 2005

Three high school seniors will make Notre Dame their home in the fall of 2001. Kelly Corbett, Emily Loomis and Leah Nedderman have signed letters of intent to play volleyball at the University of Notre Dame, beginning in the fall.

Irish head coach Debbie Brown is excited about the three high school seniors in her 2005 class. "I am very excited about the opportunity to attend Notre Dame," Corbett said. "Signing day was a big deal for me and my family. I have worked very hard for this opportunity and my family is extremely proud." 

Brown believes Corbett has some very important personality traits that will add to the Irish program. "Kelly is coming out of great situation because she has been in a winning program," Brown said. "She possesses a burning desire to win. She is a fighter and a competitor. Those are the characteristics we want in this program. One of Kelly's strengths is her raw speed. She is extremely quick and moves laterally very well.

Loomis hails from Fort Wayne, Ind., and will be the first Indiana native to sign with the Irish since current senior outside hitter Christi Gorton. The tallest Irish recruit at 6-1, Loomis is a three-sport standout playing track, basketball and volleyball at Bishop Luers High School. A member of the two-time state champion basketball team, Loomis holds the sectional high jump record of 5-7 and has a jump reach measured at 10-5.

Loomis holds the school volleyball records for kills in a season with 272, a hitting percentage of .397 and 76 blocks.

"Speed has been a key quality we have looked for and we have that in all three of these student-athletes. Another important trait is competitiveness and a will to win. All three meet that criteria as well."

Debbie Brown
Irish head coach

"We have named Most Valuable Player in the DeAnza League last season and earned All-American honors at the 1999 Junior Nationals in New Orleans, La. Since Corbett began playing at St. Francis, the team has never lost a league home game or match.

"I am just ecstatic to receive an opportunity to attend Notre Dame," Corbett said. "I am very excited about the opportunity to play with the coaches and the players. I am really looking forward to the opportunity to play with them."

Brown said. "She is a very healthy player with solid passing and defensive skills. She has never dedicated herself to volleyball full-time, but I think that is very healthy. She will be able to maximize her potential next season."

Leah Nedderman will be the third Texan on the Irish roster. Nedderman, who hails from Grapevine, Texas, is a 5-10 outside hitter who possesses raw speed and natural athletic ability.

"There are a couple things that stand out with Leah," Brown said. "She has very good jumping skills, she also possesses very good all-around skills, solid court sense and excellent communication skills."

Any of her past coaches would tell you to say about her — not only as a player but as a person as well.

A two-sport star in volleyball and track at Colleyville High School, Nedderman also played at Grace Preparatory in 1997 with her sister Anna, who currently plays for Tulsa. She has been named the district defensive player of the year, district outstanding hitter and team most valuable player, also earning the team Heart and Hustle Award. She earned the MVP award at the University of Texas-Arlington volleyball camp in 1997 and 2000.

"I am really excited that I have finally signed to attend Notre Dame," Nedderman said. "Notre Dame has been my choice for a while, but actually making the decision is great. While narrowing down my choices, I knew the campus, met the coaches and players and I knew that Notre Dame was a really good fit for me."
Men's volleyball finishes 3-1 in Notre Dame Invitational

By DAVE BROWN
Sports Writer

After a brief two-year hiatus, the men's volleyball team hosted the Notre Dame Invitational at a new venue, the Rolfs Sports Recreational Center Nov. 3-5. In their best season opening tournament in several years, the Irish won a 3-1 record in a very strong field and reached the semifinals. Hosted by the power of outside hitter Brian Price and middle hitter Andrew Macarzhan, Notre Dame opened play with wins over Bowling Green, 25-20, 26-24, and Michigan, 25-21, 22-25, 15-7. Solid jump serving and all-around play from Greg Silber, outstanding performance by Peter Swenman as the Irish's only setter, and great leadership by Adam Schreier were on display the entire day. Notre Dame then edged Dayton, 25-21, 27-25, before falling to Tennessee in the semifinals by a close margin, 25-22, 14-25, 15-13. St. Louis University defeated Tennessee in the championship match in a field that also included Ohio State and University of Notre Dame.

The Irish will next compete in two weeks at East Lening, in the Michigan State Invitational.

Field Hockey

The Irish were victorious in two of three games this weekend at the Wheaton College Invitational. Liza Naucich, assisted by senior Carolyn Rodierick, and sophomore Colleen Harkins, assisted by junior Deirdre McInerney, found the net giving Notre Dame a 2-1 win over the University of Chicago. The second game was against the North Shore Club, a team comprised mostly of men with several years of international playing experience. The Irish lost 2-0, despite outstanding midfield play from freshman Liza Davis. In the third contest of the day, Notre Dame was defeated by a scoreboard of 13-7. Notre Dame rebounded to defeat Wheaton, 2-0.

This weekend the Irish revamped the lost last weekend and a September loss to North Shore Club of Chicago with a thrilling 2-1 victory Sunday at Stephen Field finals by senior I.B. Doria and sophomore Colleen Harkins and continued stellar midfield play from freshman Liza Davis humbled North Shore, handing them their first defeat of the year.

In its second game, Notre Dame demolished the University of Chicago by a score of 6-0. Lindsay Goodwin and Katie Solie tallied two goals each, while Colleen Harkins and captain Liza Naucich each hit the net once to complete the scoring. The Irish are awaiting the Ball State Invitational in February, where they will challenge some of the Midwest's finest varsity programs.

Bowling

A young Irish Bowling club continued to clash with strong competition as it finished 18th at the Akron Invitational Nov. 3-5. Dan Rutke posted high scores for the keepers, with a 195 average, while Jason Pawlak rolled an average of 190.

Ultimate

Both the men and women's ultimate frisbee clubs used invitational ons Nov. 3-5 as an opportunity to develop young players for the upcoming season. At Evanston, the women finished 2-2 in round robin play in the Northwestern Invitational. With Monica Kerchner's lay out defense and Rachel Kelly's explosive offense, the Irish defeated Purdue 13-7 and Michigan 9-4, and lost to Northwestern, 11-6, and Chicago, 7-6 in a tiebreaker. Newcomers Sarah Berton, Jules Dickins, Colleen Mook, and Julie Shuttle played very well, portending another strong spring showing.

The men closed their season giving new members equal playing time rather than use only experienced players in the Volunteer Classic at Tennessee. The club posted a 2-3-2 record for the weekend, opening with a victory over U. T. Chattanooga, 13-5, and a 13-9 setback to Georgia Tech. The Irish rebounded to defeat Knoxville 13-7 in the quarterfinals where they defeated Virginia Tech, 13-9. In the semifinals, Tennessee prevailed 15-9, despite continued strong play from Mike Shiels, Chris Rutti, Greg Ladky, David Hoffman, and Frank Helgen.

Equestrian

Back to back weekend shows at St. Mary's of the Woods College and Taylor University saw several equestrians continue a successful fall campaign. On Saturday, Lindsey Lyden captured second place in both open fences and open flat. Overall, the Irish finished second at a team, earning Reserve Highpoint honors. Leading the Irish was Mary Harker, whose first place finishes in both intermediate flat and novice fences earned her highpoint rider honors, with 14 points, and qualified her for the Regionals. Lyden again had outstanding rides on Sunday, placing fifth in open fences and garnering a first place in open flat competition. Other riders that scored points for Notre Dame were Jen Pojunas and Cristin Bouch. Pojunas took second place finish in intermediate fences. Houck took another first for the Irish in intermediate flat, earning three team points with a fourth place standing in novice fences.
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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Irish 'Finnish' off Junior National Team 98-53

By TIM CASEY
Assistant Sports Editor

Glance at the score of Tuesday's exhibition game and an obvious reaction of satisfaction comes to mind. For coach Muffet McGraw, however, Notre Dame's 98-53 win over Tapiolan Honka provided little satisfaction.

"I didn't feel like the intensity on defense was there and I think we really were focusing on offense," McGraw said.

"There weren't a lot of positives."

After opening with a 35-point win over the Ohio All-Stars, the Irish hosted a group of players from the Finnish Junior National Team on Tuesday night.

Three 16-year olds and three 17-year olds suited up for Tapiolan Honka. Tatum Brown (an ex-UNC-Charlotte player) and Jamika Jones, who plays for the Miami Sol in the WNBA, made their debut and combined for 33 of the squad's points.

Jones scored 22 points on 9-of-22 shooting, including five made free throws. She also made a great push for that tonight," Ruth Riley said.

The senior All-American also helped put on a steady defense with a smile on her coach's face, as the 6-foot-5 center comitted zero fouls. Since she arrived at Notre Dame, Riley's tendency to foul has limited her playing time and has caused concern for the entire team.

"I was really focusing on not getting into foul trouble," Riley said. "I wanted to prove to myself that I could play smart."

Ruth Riley

Senior guard Niele Ivey, shown above, scored 9 points against the Finnish Junior National Team.

FOOTBALL

Davie focuses team effort and constant improvement

By KERRY SMITH
Sports Editor

With just two games remaining in a 9-2 season, it's obvious Davie and the Irish have not on their minds. Like a Bowl Championship Series bid, that would provide redemption after a less than mediocre 5-7 season and quiet calls for a new coaching staff once and for all?

Not if you ask Davie.

"With all the different things swirling around and all the implications of if you win, if you lose, what happens two weeks from now, we just walk away and move on. We have a great opportunity to go out and play our best and focus on the task at hand," Davie said.

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"When we look at ourselves, it's about the effort and it is about the accountability to each other," Davie head coach Bob Davie

Looking ahead

Irish head coach Debbie Brown talks about Notre Dame's three new recruits for the 2001 season.

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