Forest lecture pays tribute to Dorothy Day

By KATE STEER
Associate News Editor

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

Forest first learned of Day and the Catholic Worker movement when he was declared a conscientious objector to the Vietnam war. After leaving the military, Forest devoted his life to helping others in the way that Day had established.

"Her basic message was, 'We are called by God to love one another,'" he said of Day. Forest, who has written a biography of Day, said that he is glad that people today do not receive a polished version of the person he knew. Part of what made her such an inspiring person was that she had flaws and made mistakes but was willing to claim them and go back to work, he said.

"She will be not only the patron saint of the homeless and those who try to take care of them, but people who lose their temper."

However, according to Forest, hospitality was a trademark of Day's Catholic Worker philosophy.

"She said that hospitality is simply practicing God's mercy to those around us," he said. "There is not only hospitality of the door, but also of the face and the heart." Hospitality includes not only taking in those who need shelter, food, and clothing, but also those who are difficult to take in, including one's own enemies. This philosophy extended to the members of the movement as well.

The people who make up the Catholic Worker movement are strong and strong-willed, and every day in service is a struggle to maintain civility and one's own ideals, Forest said.

"One of the miracles of Dorothy's life is that she remained part of a conflict torn life for nearly a half century," he said.

Roche: questioning religion leads to faith

By ANDREW THAGARD
News Writer

Intellect and religion can mix, said Mark Roche, dean of the College of Arts and Letters in a lecture 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 "mood of over power."

"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 alternate..."

Violence escalades

Three Palestinians were shot and four Israelis were killed Tuesday in Jerusalem.

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Wednesday

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

The ironic thing: I work with Community Outreach as a Flubber — a person who goes into the community to vaccinate people — I should have known better. I should have gotten vaccinated. I should have read the emails instead of deleting them, read the restorers instead of walking past them. I should have taken the time to get the shot.

Then last week, I needed the flu for a week. I was diagnosed with Pneumonia. I have been sick before, but it has never really affected my lungs. There is the feeling that can compare to the terror that pulsates through your body when you cannot grab your breath to walk to the bathroom, or find the air to speak.

My first couple of days in quarantine were especially hard to tolerate. I was in and out of the ER and doctor’s office and scared to death. I didn’t really move too much from my bed except to go to the restroom and to Health Services. And I really didn’t want to move either.

It was extremely lonely.

I never had a television in my room. I was never in my dorm room enough to really sit and watch it. I tried to read and to color to keep myself entertained. However, after only two days of sitting and staring at the wall, I realized I was not St. Clare of Assisi and I broke down and had my friends get me a small TV. And the next day, there was cable. And it was good.

My friends always joked that all Health Services can offer regarding medical care are popsicles. That I was thankful because lucky for me, the popsicles are buddy pops — you know, the ones with two sticks you break and share with a buddy? Those popsicles gave me an excuse not only to venture out of my room, but also share some time and popsicle goodness with a friend.

It amazes me how people have come to visit me during this time. Thankful, but a bummer I want to go home. I want to be home, to vacum my floor and iron my pajamas stating, “Hey, what a great idea for a friend?”

So for a few weeks later I am still sick and counting off the days until I can go home for Thanksgiving. I am ready, long for my own bed and I crave my dad’s special Campbells soup. I want my mommy.

“You might recognize my name as the person who begs people not to smoke, and not to eat saccharin and sorbitol. Yeah, even though I have a lung disease and I am afraid that all of the ginseng and echinacea will not cure me — I just need more time, more prescriptions — and hopefully, more popsicles.

Oh yes, and if you haven’t been vaccinated yet, please do so. Being sick is no fun.

Some friends for Thanksgiving. I am ready. I long for my family. I 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.

Kitty’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 bedroom to recover. An hour later, they discovered Kim was not breathing and called an ambulance.

Ann Arbor Police Department officer Eric Bowles responded to the apartment and found Kim and another student, who was breathing, unconscious in the bedroom. Bowles began cardiopulmonary resuscitation on Kim before paramedics arrived. The other student was taken to the hospital along with Kim and has been released.

Michigan student dies after binge drinking

MICHIGAN

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 $450,000 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 using a thermal-imaging camera to “see” through the flowing black smoke. The rookie firefighter 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.

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Study shows nicotine targets brain

Funded by smokers themselves, researchers have found that nicotine degrades 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 Neuropharmacology, and at this year’s meeting of the Society for Neuroscience. Ellison said, “We hope that all who knew our son address the problem of ‘heavy episodic drinking.’”
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 in only his boxers and socks.

Koestner acknowledged that she did not think she was sending him a message that she wanted to have sex with him just because she invited him back to her room.

"Some might say that I was naive," said Koestner. "I guess I was naive if your definition of naive is someone who thinks that you can like someone, be in a room alone with someone and not have sex."

Koestner added that what complicated the situation is that she actually liked Peter. She should have reminded you that she liked him and she didn’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 sleep it off and then go home in the morning but when he woke, he saw me huddled 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 he 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 maybe that 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.

Koestner later told her resident advisor about the incident and reported it to the dean of her college. She wasn’t aware of the 72-hour period to go to a hospital to have evidence collected. She went to a campus police and they conducted an investigation and Peter was brought to a hearing. She was 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. "My dad sent me s c h o o l with a can of mace to protect me, but when I went on my date with Peter, I didn’t think I needed my mace because I didn’t accessorize for a date with Prince Charming with a can of mace."

Koestner appealed to the men in the audience.

"I’m here at Notre Dame for the third time and I’m thinking about all the men in this room but also all the men who are not here who saw the ads for the lecture and said ‘I don’t need to go, it’s not my issue, I’m not a rapist,’” said Koestner. "I think I could tell you this story of the worst night of my life over and over times but if just one of the bravest men in this room would stand in the middle of campus and say ‘rape is wrong it would be just as effective."

"So for the men in the room, I have only 50 minutes of your life, and you can blow me off if you want to, but I am asking for your help,” Koestner said that she had two reasons for travelling to the more than 800 schools she has visited speaking about date rape and in hope that she can reach someone with her message and prevent rape or help others assist someone who has been raped.

In her final appeal to the men in the audience she asked them to leave "angry and angry enough to do something more about this issue of rape than just be here tonight.

For women, Koestner encouraged them to live each day deciding what one is willing to take, to be strong for one’s self and to recognize that one’s best self-defense is self-esteem.

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Perhaps what brought Day through such a dedicated and controversial life was her devotion to her religion. "While she was one of the freest persons in our society, she was also one of the most disciplined, especially in her religious life," Forest said. She didn't let a day pass without recognizing the Blessed Sacrament.

She prayed her way through many major life events from her conversion to the birth of a daughter out of wedlock to the collapse of her common-law marriage, Forest said.

Her influence on the lives of others continues today, as the Catholic Worker movement continues to work to help those in need, Forest said that every day he is reminded of her effect on his own life. "She made me more capable of seeing beauty where I would have seen rubbish." Day has made Forest think more about the words of Christ than anyone else, he said.

"Every time I open the door to a guest is partly because of Dorothy Day. Every time I think about things in the bright light of the gospel rather than the dim light of politics and money is partly because of Dorothy Day. Every time I try to overcome me­ness and selfishness rising up in myself is partly because of Dorothy Day. Every time I resist the impulse to buy something I can get along without and use the money for some better purpose is partly thanks to Dorothy Day. Every time I try to see Christ's pres­ence in a stranger, there again I owe a debt to Dorothy Day." The talk was sponsored by Pax Christi.

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In order to attain a more moderate view of faith and religion, he suggested combin­ing favorable aspects of each perspective. This perspective would lack the blind accep­tance of one's own religion but recognize the inherent virtues of religion. Additionally, Roche maintained that it would allow religion to be weighted more as a reason, while recognizing its contributions to society.

"I think we could have probably the most serious effort in modern times to amend the Constitution," Sean Savage said.

"I do think it is making people more attentive to the voting process," she added. "The actual strategy of the campaign I think is largely going to be over­shadowed by the post-election process."
**WORLD NEWS BRIEFS**

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 flutters 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 Philippine 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 looming trade deficit, a congressionally appointed commission argue on trade talks:

**INDIANA NEWS BRIEFS**

Church awaits federal seizure:
Hundreds of parishioners whose Indianapolis church was ordered seized in a $5 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 worshiped for what they believed would be the last time inside the church. A noon deadline for the Baptist independent congregation to vacate its property.

**ISRAEL**

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.

Blockade fails to stop violence

**EGYPT**

Police injure 40 voters in protest

Associated Press

EL-AMAR

Police fired live ammunition and pummeled 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.

In the Nile Delta village of El-Amar, 20 miles north of Cairo, fighters erupted when supporters of an independent candidate broke down the doors of polling stations after they were not allowed to enter to vote, according to residents and police speaking on condition of anonymity.

Four people were killed and five injured there.

Hundreds of voters 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 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

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 Syburg, group chair and moderator. "It is a complicated issue; the four speakers have mixed feelings and times have changed.

"The first feminism in my life was my father," said Mollie Bernard, founder of the Stanly-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 Stanly-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 students. 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 seen 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 free 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 stay at home with her children.

"During the '70s, I became involved with a group called 'Women in theology at Notre Dame.' This was a conscious-raising experience," said Bain. "I finally had a name for what I had long felt: feminism. There was no man I had involved and I never burnt 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, now legal action is taken; domestic violence used to be a private affair, now it is a public crime," she added.

Ellen Syburg Bartel, currently the president of an all-women's college preparatory school, attended Saint Mary's 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 called "Women in theology 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 I have to say, I'm glad I did it.

"I was an idealist who believed that everyone should go on a mission to college and graduate school, and I was expected to become a saint," she added. "But when I became familiar with the idea that women were admitted to the university, I realized that this was what I had been looking for."}

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," said Bain. "I was aware that I was breaking barriers."

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

"At that 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."
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TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — A new day in Florida’s chaotic presidential vote count, a new deadline.

Lawyers are hopscotching 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 counting more.

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 300 votes, pending an unspecified number of absentee ballots still to be tallied by Friday night.

Democrats said the ruling gives them new legal options because Circuit Judge Terry Lewis said in his decision that counties still recounting ballots by hand at the request of Democrat Al Gore campaign’s may be able to make a case for filing those totals late.

If Secretary of State Katherine Harris, a Republican who campaigned for Bush, rejects those requests, Democrats could sue.

Harris said she wants to hear 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 348,000 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 those recounts by human eye and hand will turn up additional votes for Gore.

“I we 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 the conflict between 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 which 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, depending 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 Nav. 7 election, an automatic recount done last week and the totals certified by Harris on Tuesday.

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

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“This is a pretty intense process,” Florida Gov. Jeb Bush said Tuesday, his state at the 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, officials in Volusia County had completed them as of Tuesday night; Democratic party officials said Tuesday night not to honor the request, although officials said the Gore campaign hoped to overturn that refusal, as well. Palm Beach County officials stood ready to launch a full manual recount Wednesday morning.

The politics were intense, the legal maneuvering no less so, since the winner of Florida’s votes stands to gain an Electoral College majority and take the oath of office Jan. 20 as the nation’s 43rd president.

The current White House occupant, President Clinton assured a gathering of Pacific Film leaders in Bruenel that the United States was not shaken by the election impasse.

The punch card can’t be fixed easy,” Clinton said early Wednesday.

In a fast-paced series of developments Tuesday, Florida Secretary of State Katherine Harris announced that Bush, the GOP presidential candidate, officially held a lead of 300 votes over the vice president out of about 6 million cast, according to totals submitted by all 67 counties in response to her 5 p.m. deadline.

An unknown number of absentee ballots remained to be counted by Friday midnight, Harris said.

Bush holds narrow lead in vote recount.
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 a 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 year or two. Then I started to slowly tell my closest friends. I’ll say right now that I have never, in all of the last eight years, had anyone react badly to my telling them my mother is lesbian. Never. Of course, until now, I’ve never broadcast the fact in a public forum, but I find the reception I’ve gotten thus far in life very hopeful. Anyway, I slowly began to bring this fact into my public life. I gave a speech in my sophomore speech class about gay rights. I was proud of myself. I was also heckled by an extremely annoying guy. (Needless to say, not someone I’ve mentioned my mother’s preference to.) By the end of my sophomore year, all my close friends knew.

Then, at the very end of my sophomore year, two friends and I decided to throw a big old party at the beach. I asked my mother to chaperone, and she agreed. But she thought I meant both her and Barb, her partner, when I just meant her. So they both showed up to pick me up for the party. I asked my mom why Barb was there and she covered quickly and told me that she was just taking us to the beach and would leave then. I said that was good, because I didn’t know how I would explain her. Barb heard that and it really hurt her feelings, as I found out later. I’ve felt bad about that for years. But she’s a loving woman, and has never held it against me.

So I wasn’t ready to tell everyone I knew just yet. As I got older, I was pretty much ready to tell anyone I liked. When I went to college, I decided that it was time to be open about it, to say something when it seemed relevant. And I have. I’ve told more people around here than I ever did at home.

My life, since I was ten years old, has been a long coming out of the closet. When we hear that phrase, “coming out of the closet,” we normally only think of gay or lesbian people themselves. Most people never realize that the friends and family of gays and lesbians are often also forced into closets from fear of “what others will say.” For me, it was never a question of me accepting my mother or Barb. But I had to learn to say to hell with the people who can’t accept them and learn to say that if you can’t accept them, you can’t accept me.

So I am writing this now because it is time. I am ready to stand my ground, to say in black and white so everyone can see it, that my mother is lesbian, and that I love her and I love her partner. It’s time for me to stop hiding in any way. It’s time for me to realize that I don’t have to “explain” Barb. I just have to tell people that she’s my mum’s partner and a part of my family. In some ways, I’m writing this to make up for a mistake I made four years ago, when I couldn’t do that.

This is a rite of passage. It is a moment of truth and maybe it is a crucible for me as well. I am putting my heart in your hands and I am trusting you. I woke up this morning, I guarantee you, with butterflies in my stomach. I don’t know how people will react to this. I don’t know what you will say.

But I believe in this place and the people here, enough to believe that it will all be okay. And, in the end, I believe in Christ. It was he who said that the truth shall make us free.

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STRUGGLING TO REBUILD

Breaking out of the bubble

Drew Olejnik
For a More Just and Humane World

I got my first look at East Timor through the plane window while holding the hand of the girl sitting next to me. Terrorized, she braved 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. They 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 I remember, 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, Aljza 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
Nov. 14, 2000

LARGER FACILITIES NEEDED

I was more than a little disappointed in the University in their handling of the Tim Russert 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 the people into 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
Nov. 14, 2000
Cutthroat ratings weed out the weak, support the strong

ABC relies on big-name movie stars, Regis's charisma to rake in millions

By KatIE MALMOUST
Scene Writers

Tired of hearing Regis ask "Is that your final answer?" Apparently the executives at the American Broadcasting Company are. Originally adding an extra night of "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire" to their primetime line up (bringing the game show's appearance to four-hour-long airings a week) and premiering only three new series, ABC opened this season confident that Regis and his flashy suits would carry them through the fall ratings.

Within the first month of the season, however, "Millionaire" suffered a significant drop in ratings, hinting that viewers are growing increasingly tired of the game show phenomenon. So does ABC have any life lines left in its fall line up? A recap of the network's latest attractions and returning favorites should save you the call to a friend to find out.

Surprisingly, ABC's most interesting book this season is its influx of stars making the leap from the silver screen to the TV screen. Two of these brave faces appear in brand new series — Gabriel Byrne ("The Usual Suspects") in "Madigan Men" and Geena Davis in the not-so-successfully titled "The Geena Davis Show." Byrne stars as the father in an inter-generational trio of husband, father, and son. "Madigan Men" follows the trials of the three Irish men as they venture through three different dating worlds. The comedy, airing Friday at 9:30 p.m., was not ABC's best received premiere. Premiering in Nielsen's 63rd slot and slipping ever since, "Madigan Men" shows a little promise of reviving ABC's declining TGIF series which has continued to lose viewers since last season's cancellation of ten favorites "Boy Meets World" and "Spin City," "Boys Meets World" and "Spin City" has promised various cameo appearances by Fox throughout the season.

Many of ABC's returning series also look strong, especially David E. Kelley's "The Practice," which has held steady in the eighth and ninth ratings positions all season. Sela Ward and Billy Campbell return for a second season of "Once and Again," which opened to rave reviews last fall, but has since dropped out of the Nielsen top 30.

"Friends" returns to NBC

The cast of ABC's "Spin City" rally behind actor Charlie Sheen (center) as Michael J. Fox's replacement in the popular primetime comedy. "Sabrina the Teenage Witch" and "The Geena Davis Show" premieres this season. Though it has since slipped out of the Nielsen top 30, "The Geena Davis Show" is definitely ABC's strongest addition to the fall line-up.

In ABC's third premiere of the season, Academy Award nominee Paul Altman ("Donnie Brasco") makes his television debut in "Gideon's Crossing." The hour-long drama centered in a Boston teaching hospital has not shaken the position of NBC's "L.A. Law" as the top medical drama on the air waves. However, its premiere in Nielsen's 19th slot set it above ABC's last newcomer, "The Trouble with Normal," which premiered after only three episodes. Also making his television debut on ABC this fall is actor Charlie Sheen, who replaced Michael J. Fox on the half-hour sitcom "Spin City." After Fox's emotional last episode of "Spin City" in the spring season finale, the actor has remained with the project, working behind the scenes as executive producer of the show. Though Sheen was generally well received by the show's loyal viewers, "Spin City" has promised various cameo appearances by Fox throughout the season. The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.
on fall line-up from competitors NBC, ABC and the WB

By JACQUELINE BROWDER
Assistant Scene Editor

Although Warner Brothers isn’t one of the few fuzzy channels that gets reception at Notre Dame, you’re still likely to find her hit “Buffy the Vampire Slayer,” a new series, “Gilmores Girls” or the highly articulate, moodily addressed “Dawson’s Creek,” this show that started it all. NBC has moved itself to a mainstream primetime TV slot and, while the WB’s lineup includes some impressive debuts, as well as a few staples from season past, here’s a look at a few of the season’s hottest series and 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 amusing look behind the scenes of one of TV’s hottest hottest hottest hit high school melodrama soap Grosse Pointe.

The onscreen melodrama of infidelity, pregnancy, and occasional bouts of amnesia is nothing new, but what happens when the cameras aren’t rolling. Johnny Lane (Antonio), who plays handsome hero Brad, is a one-dimensional and has no comedic abilities of his own. Neither does a former Thursday night show, “ER,” while both of these shows remain strong and entertaining, they both suffer from a similar problem — the number of original cast members. “ER’s” ability to drop the Geller siblings, both Courtney Cox and David Schwimmer are drag on an otherwise funny show.

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Thursday night also marks the third season, and has gone back to the origins 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 line-up, the show has been an important favorite thus far.

In its debut season, “Popular,” introduced us to Sam (Carly Pope) and Brooke (Leslie Bibb) — polar opposites who are forced into sisterhood when their single parents make a love connection.

Loaded with scathing humor, soapy angst, and pop culture references, “Popular” instantly became one of the WB’s most popular and well-known shows.

**Dawson’s Creek**

Easily the most popular and well-known show on the WB, “Dawson’s Creek” has been growing up this third season, and has gone back to the formulas that works 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 best friends, Joey and Pacey (Katie Holmes and Joshua Jackson). This problematic love triangle is the core of the season’s plotlines, and most likely won’t be resolved until the season finale.

**Favourites of ‘Must-See-TV’ battle failures to boost NBC’s ratings**

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 ratings. With exceptions of Thursday and Wednesday shows, however, the rest of the week seems to follow a bumpy road in the view of viewership.

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 Courtney Cox and David Schwimmer are drag on an otherwise funny show.

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Thursday night live, the show is the talk of NBC’s other fall shows. This is partly due to the success of two new sitcoms — a show called “Cursed.” This show is going the way of “The Single Guy” and “Veronica’s Closet” very soon, but the new sitcoms are doing well, as expected.

NBC’s other strong new sitcoms are “Will & Grace” and “Just Shoot Me.” Both of these shows are extremely funny and neither shows signs of slowing down.

Neither does a former Thursday night show, “Frasier.” Now on Tuesday nights, “Frasier” signs of returning to the wit and quirky humor of its heyday — a big improvement from the lackluster past seasons. Along with “Frasier” on Tuesdays is “3rd Rock from the Sun,” a once-medioocre sitcom that should have been cancelled last year.

Joining these two shows on Sundays are the two NBC favorites, “Buffy” and “Titans.” “Buffy” has been surprisingly sluggish this season, but “Titans” is the lucky reaper of the benefits of having the lead-in slot to “The West Wing.” This NBC show has taken off since its premiere in November, and is currently in a state of flux.

NBC’s strongest new show is its dramedy “Ed,” airing on Sundays. Thomas Cavanaugh plays the title character, a lawyer who also owns a bowling alley. This is a great comedy from David Letterman’s Worldwide Pants Inc.

“Ed” 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, “Titan,” 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 “Titan” with the Wednesday timeslot.

Instead “Titan” 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 succession 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 “The West Wing,” this NBC favorite continues to be among the best dramas on television.

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**PRIMETIME SCHEDULE**

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

**Wed:** Dawson’s Creek, Felicity

**Thurs:** Gilmore Girls, Charmed

**Fri:** Sabrina the Teenage Witch, Popular

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**Tues:** Buffy, Angel

(all shows run an hour each, from 8-10 p.m.)
Burress benched for inconsistent play

Associated Press

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

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

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

Burress came in and accepted a backup role, according to several people familiar with the decision.

"But, right now, we need consistent play, people being where they need to be and doing it on a consistent basis," Cowher said.

Bill Cowher
Steelers head coach

Burress' lack of production compared with teammates Hines Ward and Plaxico Burress has been a problem for the team, according to several people familiar with the situation.

"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 Troy and I think he will respond in a positive manner.

"I think the same thing. Cowher came in and said there’s no doubt he made some plays and he was happy about this. You can’t overlook that.

Cowher weighed whether it was better to leave Burress 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 this as I’m taking Plax away, it’s just a matter of 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

NEW YORK

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, 6-1 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 Anna Kournikova against Jennifer Capriati. The first round will be completed Wednesday with No. 6 Nathalie Tauziat against Amy Frazier, No. 3 Monica Seles against Sandrine Testud and No. 2 Lindsay Davenport against Elena Dementieva.

Hingis is ranked No. 1 in the world in singles; Halard-Decugis, however, waved off the call, saying the ball hit the line, and the two replayed the point. Hingis won the point.

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

Martina Hingis Chase Championships quarterfinalist

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 only her third win in nine matches against Rubin.

"It was nice to know what it feels like to win here," Coetzer said. "It might have improved her mobility, but it had no effect on 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 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.

"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.

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minutes she played in the second half. Although the Irish began the second half on a 19-2 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.

Tapiolen 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.

Football

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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

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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 class of 2005 and feels they blend perfectly into the Notre Dame program.

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

Corbett is a 6-foot-0 middle blocker out of St. Francis High School in Mountain View, Calif., which is currently ranked second in the nation and captured the state title in 1997 and 1998. A four-year starter for St. Francis, Corbett helped the team compile a 149-6 record during her career. She was 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 excited to receive an 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 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 Girton.

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 5-10.

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

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Debbie Brown
Irish head coach

Loomis, the 2000 Fort Wayne News-Sentinel Female Athlete of the Year, is also among 10 finalists for the Wendy's High School Heisman Award.

"I am very excited about signing with Notre Dame," Loomis said. "I love the coaches and the players. I am really looking forward to the opportunity to play with them."

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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 Recreation Center Nov. 3-5. In their best season opening tournament in several years, the Irish posted a 3-0 record in a very strong field and reached the semi-finals. Bolstered by the power of outside hitter Brian Price and middle hitter Andrew Macarahan, Notre Dame opened play with wins over Bowling Green, 25-20, 26-24, and Michigan, 25-21, 25-15, 15-7. Solid jump serving and all around play from Greg Silber, outstanding performance by Peter Streimann as the Irish only setter, and great leadership by Adam Schroeder were on display throughout the entire day. Notre Dame then edged Dayton, 25-21, 27-25, before falling to Tennessee in the semi-finals 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 Ohio University.

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

Field Hockey
The Irish were victorious in two of three games this weekend at the Wheaton College Invitational. Liza Naicichia, assisted by senior Carolyn Rudnick, and sophomore Colleen Harkins, assisted by junior Deirdre Mcmenamy, 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 level experience. The Irish lost 2-0, despite outstanding midfield play from freshman Liza Davis. In the third contest of the day, Notre Dame rebounded to defeat the Volunteers of Tennessee 7-6 in a tiebreaker.

Field hockey was 3-2 for the weekend at the Akron Invitational. The Irish started the weekend with a 2-1 victory over History that included a goal by senior KT. They then defeated Northwestern, 11-6, and lost to Northwestern, 11-6, and Chicago, 7-6 in a tiebreaker.

Ultimate
The men and women's ultimate frisbee clubs used invitational in Akron Invitational.Now-3-5 as an opportunity to develop young players for the upcoming season. The Irish finished 2-2 in round robin play in the Northwestern Invitational. With Monika Kerschner'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 Benton, Jules Dickinows, Colleen Moak, 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 3-2 mark 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 to qualify for the quarterfinals.
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Davie focuses team effort and constant improvement

By KERRY SMITH
Sports Editor

With just two games remaining and a 9-2 season looming, possibility looms. Davie and the Irish have a lot of positives.

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Football

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Looking ahead

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

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Women's College Cup
third round vs. Harvard Friday, 7 p.m.

Big East Tournament Semifinals Saturday, 1 p.m./2:30 p.m.

At Sacred Heart Saturday, 8:30 p.m.