Researchers search for skin cancer cure

By HELENA PAYNE
Assistant News Editor

A team of researchers headed by Notre Dame professor Olaf Wiest are trying to synthesize an artificial enzyme that could repair sun-damaged DNA that causes skin cancers.

"This is basic research that is all about trying to understand how this works and maybe — and this is a big maybe — making this more useful down the road," Wiest said.

Wiest and his team of researchers have been attempting to build a molecule to mimic the enzyme that repairs damage.

The enzyme Wiest is attempting to synthesize is found in many different organisms in all three biological kingdoms. But although E. coli and the South American possum have the enzyme, humans do not.

"It's pretty clear at this point that humans don't have it," said Wiest. "If humans don't have a 'maybe' we can make something to replace it."

The research to synthesize the enzyme is based at the University's Walther Cancer Research Center, but Wiest works with people within and outside of the U.S.

"We're just one of the labs that are working on the chemical aspect of this, but there are people from all over the place," said Wiest.

Other countries with teams conducting similar research include Vietnam, Germany and France.

So far, Wiest's group has come out with a molecule that could work with the skin, which he said is a very simple system. Thus, he said he hopes to use the smaller system that his group has created to build a larger system.

"Our understanding on how the thing actually works is probably correct," Wiest said. "You work your way up until you come up with a biological system as close as possible."

Wiest directs the group, which currently includes four post-doctoral researchers, eight graduate students and two undergraduate students.

Dr. Rudy Navari, director of the Walther Cancer Research Center said that the skin research should promote awareness among people in the U.S. about the dangers of skin cancer.

Navari, an oncologist for 20 years who has been involved in research of cancer-curing enzyme cases and said many societal activities, such as tanning, has allowed students to better know this growing population of Domers.

College celebrates Hispanic heritage

By LETY VERDUZCO
News Writer

Hispanic heritage month, sponsored by the Office of Multicultural Affairs, LONI and the student diversity board, began Monday at Saint Mary's.

The month, designed to call attention to Hispanic heritage through a series of cultural events, has a series of events scheduled through Oct. 15.

"The purpose of Hispanic Heritage month is to educate everyone of every nationality about all of the different cultures of Latin America," said La Fuerza president Regina Diaz.

Students and faculty enjoyed poetry reading, singing, music and food while mingling with each other during yesterday's event opener. A full schedule had already been made for the month, including brown bag discussions led by Saint Mary's faculty members Mark Belanger and Richard Yanez.

This month students will be able to take meritless lessons and experience food from many different Hispanic cultures. Emmy Award-winning journalist Sandra Gorman will also be speaking Sept. 26 to students and faculty about her experiences and the Latino role in America. There will be two movies shown during the month, "Crazy/Beautiful" and "Girlfight."

"Hispanic Heritage month is important because it makes people aware of the cultural diversities that exist among all Hispanics," said La Fuerza secretary Rocio Estrada.

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We have won

What is our human nature? Is it to inherently destroy the people around us, flagrantly disregarding any individual but ourselves? Or is it a spirit of compassion, to reach out to our fellow man and ask three of the most striking words in the English language, “Can I help?”

Last week’s horrific events brought examples of both sides of our humanity. It is difficult for many of us to imagine this absolute hatred in the minds and hearts of those responsible for the devastation of the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. To commit to a cause so evil and malevolent is beyond our wildest dreams, or, more appropriately, nightmares. However, what has risen from this atrocity is far greater than the hardened hearts that harbored the iniquity we have recently witnessed. The United States, so long considered dormant in matters of nationalism, has become visibly united. We are once again America, the brave and the proud. A nation shaken, but not shattered, we have not only asked if we can help, but stepped up and asked, “How can I help?”

We gave a part of our vitality to the many fallen in the aftermath of last Tuesday’s terror attack. We spent our dollars for relief efforts in New York and Washington, D.C. We looked to our firemen and policemen, the tireless heroes working to save those who would otherwise be strangers. We bowed our heads in prayer, lighting candles and asking our God to console those who are mourning. We at Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s filled the Grotto with light and prayers. We proudly raised American flags in front of our homes—a quiet, powerful reminder of the solidarity of our nation.

These actions are not merely a demonstration of human nature; they are an expression of the American spirit. We have banned together with the strength of patriotism and brotherhood that cannot be found in any other country. On Tuesday morning our own nation has emerged unscathed, and goodwill that has emerged unscathed, a part of our nation has fallen, but we will emerge from the rubble victorious.

Regardless of any military action we may see in the near future, we have won. We have a human nature brimming with compassion and goodwill that has emerged unscathed, despite a horrific attempt to destroy it. Our nature is what makes us free. It is what makes us American.

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STORRIS, Conn.

Two University of Connecticut students of Middle Eastern descent have decided to leave UConn and return to their home countries after encountering harassment in the aftermath of last Tuesday’s terrorist attacks.

The students, Rashid Alvaabi, a fifth-semester mechanical engineering major, and Ibrahim Almansouri, a student who just arrived at UConn to study English, decided to return to their native country, the United Arab Emirates, mainly because of pressure from their families.

The families of both men feared for their safety after hearing reports of violence against Muslims across the United States.

“My family has called me every day [since the terrorist attacks],” Almansouri said. “Every day.”

Since Tuesday’s attack on New York City and Washington, D.C., Almansouri said he noticed a drastic change in the way people treated him.

“I can’t stay in the U.S. because of the people in class; all of the people just look at me,” he said. “I can’t go anywhere I stayed at my home for four days.”

Alvaabi said aside from the pressure from his family, a major factor in his decision to leave the country was a notice he was sent last Thursday in which students used derogatory language about people of Islamic descent.

Alvaabi said his professor asked the class what they thought about Islamic people, and approximately five people responded, “We hate the Islamic people.”

Alvaabi said the professor told these students that they should not have said that and the discussion of Islamic people did not continue.

BUSH’S APPROVAL RATING SOARS

One of the points of contention during the November 2000 presidential elections was whether George W. Bush had the experience necessary to deal effectively with foreign relations. The terrorist attacks of 9/11, coming just nine months into his presidency, have given him a trial-by-fire chance to answer that question. A poll of 1,032 people taken Sept. 14 and 15 by the Gallup Organization shows that Bush’s job approval rating has risen by 35 percent since the attacks. The Gallup Web site said the jump from 51 percent approval to 86 percent in a week’s time was “faster than any comparable ‘rally’ event in Gallup polling history.” But while almost nine out of 10 Americans may approve of Bush’s actions during the aftermath of the attack, Dr. James M. Soloffe, chairman of the history department, said he believed it was too soon form a judgement. “He’s doing kind of a publicity relations handling appearing presidential, taking charge which he has to do,” Soloffe said.
Town hall meeting incorporates student concerns

By ERIN LaRUFFA
Associate News Editor

Drawing a group of 17 students, the office of the student body president held its first town hall meeting Tuesday night to discuss freshman orientation and football ticket distribution.

The office of the president will be holding similar meetings throughout the year to seek input from students.

"We knew we were elected to represent the student body, and it's hard to know what each individual is thinking," said student body president Brooke Norton. "We really wanted to have feedback from students."

One student in the audience, Susan Palladino, suggested incorporating a service activity into freshman orientation.

"It's a non-threatening way for students to get together," she said. As an example, Palladino said a brother and sister dorm could do a three-hour service project during orientation weekend.

Student government is currently looking into incorporating service into freshman orientation, according to Norton.

Junior Andrew Deberry suggested freshmen might prefer events that involved actually talking to other freshmen, instead of quickly meeting multiple people.

Other members of the audience expressed concern that many activities involve an entire male dorm and an entire female dorm doing something together. Male dorms should also plan events with other male dorms, and female dorms with other female dorms, according to senior Tyler Jackson. He explained that the way orientation is currently set up, students only meet students of the same gender who live in their dorm.

"I don't think you get the friendships you could get," Jackson said.

Sophomore Kevin Wolf said the problems with freshman orientation could stem from each dorm planning its own events independently.

"It depends so much on what your dorm orientation commissioner and your rector decide on," he said, added that freshmen in different dorms are "on unspoken ground" as a result.

Students at the town hall meeting also discussed possible changes to football ticket distribution.

"This is the fourth year in a row that something different has been done," said student body vice president Brian Moscona. He added that so far, feedback about this year's distribution system has been positive.

Many students have expressed an interest in general admission seating, said Norton, but she added that the University's risk management attorneys say that everyone must have an assigned seat.

While assigned seating is not debatable, the payment plans for the tickets could change. The audience unanimously endorsed the idea of paying for tickets on their student accounts.

Students also said it was a hassle for them to organize their friends to get a lottery number on one day, and then to purchase the tickets on another day.

Palladino suggested changing the system so that those students who wanted to sit together did not have to get consecutive lottery numbers. Instead, each student in a group could get an individual number, and the person in the group with the highest lottery number could purchase the tickets for the rest of the group.

That system might be better, according to Wolf, especially considering that most students care primarily about sitting with their friends.

Furthermore, it was particularly difficult to purchase tickets on a day when class was in session, according to Palladino.

"I think it was a lot of juggling. For freshmen, it must have been mind boggling," she said. "It's ridiculous to have to skip a class or show up late because you're picking up football tickets."

She suggested having students pick up their tickets on a Saturday, although Norton said the ticket office prefers each class to have its own separate pick up day.

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Smith wins off-campus senate seat

By MOLLY HERBE
News Writer

Senior Turtle Creek resident Matthew Smith will be the new off-campus senate candidate for the 2001-2002 school year, polling in 56 percent of the vote over Tammy Lin in Tuesday's election.

Smith campaigned on several issues such as making the off-campus environment more safe and the organization of University-funded off-campus events. Also, Smith expressed desire for more off-campus accessibility to information events on campus. According to his platform, one solution may be an off-campus list serve to pass on such information. Smith would like to work towards a proposal to help eradicate any transportation problems between the main student apartment complexes and campus, and vice versa. He suggested the establishment of a shuttle to run from campus to the apartment complexes throughout the day. "I am excited that I will be able to witness the machinery of Notre Dame working. I hope I am able to contribute something positive," said Smith.

Despite the availability of online voting via email, only 103 students voted in Monday's election. Seventy-two students voted in the primary elections that were held last week.

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Cancer

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- the sun to cause a great deal of damage to the skin.
- The rate of increase in skin cancer is higher than any other rate we've seen," said Navari. "This kind of work will raise a level of awareness that there are risks out there."

In the center, there are various cancer research projects that scientists are conducting simultaneously, but Navari coordinates the projects and looks for areas of funding.

Since West's project is one of many at the Center, Navari said that scientists are conducting a lot more research on campus than one would believe. "If people think about the science that is going on at Notre Dame, they wouldn't necessarily think that Notre Dame is working on cancer research, but in fact we are," said Navari. Five years ago, we weren't," said Navari. West's project is work in Notre Dame since 1995 and has been researching ways to combat skin cancer since that time.

His project is still in its early stages, but West said the progression is promising. "Of course, people ask, 'When are you going to be on the market with the drug?'" West said. "It's absolutely impossible to say when that is going on (the market)."

In the next stage of the project, West and others will make a real piece of DNA with the sun damage to arrive closer to something that can be used in the human body.

"This is what science is all about," said West. "You answer one question, you get two more."

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Terrorism

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explains to the audience the different views and opinions of terrorism.

"One person's terrorist is another person's freedom fighter," Belanger said.

Belanger said the U.S. must be patient with its decision on retaliating against these attacks. He believes the United States must understand their enemy and how the enemy views the United States. "We (the United States) are not very patient with our decisions," he said referring to the decision to go to war. "Politics is a world where short, quick solutions and answers will not solve anything. Any political, violent actions are going to put us in a worse situation."

John Incandela of the Religious Studies Department closed the discussion by sharing different quotes and resources to identify different religious and political views of the attacks.

"I am overwhelmed with the religious dimensions of this act," Incandela said. "This is an asymmetrical war not against a known country or soldiers in identifiable uniforms."

He went on to say that the United States must first review the act before so quickly reacting to it.

Students, faculty and members of the community all attended providing questions and discussions following the comments given by the panel. Many attendees voiced concerns of what they should do and what other ways America can handle this situation, as well as comments regarding the media. "I think this [panel] was a good start for us to work out our own reactions and questions," said sophomore Kristen Carrigan.

Justice Education chair Jan Pilarski helped organize this panel to help members of the Saint Mary's community deal with their questions and emotional stresses dealing with the attacks. She helps that this panel and discussion helped people come together and better deal with their emotions surrounding the event.

"This is only the first step for people to brood what they know and feel about what happened," said Pilarski.

The Center for Women's Intercultural Leadership, the Office of Student Activities and the Department of Religion and Philosophy are planning a weeklong event that will include a book discussion, speakers from the university and a panel discussion on the issue of terrorism.

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WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Afgan refugees land in Australia:  After three weeks at sea, about 100 Afghan asylum seekers left an Australian navy ship Wednesday and were taken to a camp on the tiny Pacific island state of Nauru. The Afghan refugees were among those saved from a sinking Indonesian ferry by a Norwegian freighter in late August.

Annual U.N. meeting postponed:  The U.N. General Assembly will postpone its annual gathering of world leaders scheduled to begin next week because of last week's terrorist attacks, the assembly president said Tuesday. The delay will mark the first time in the 56-year history of the United Nations that the General Assembly postponed the high-level round of speech-making.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

First wave of guardsmen activated:  The Pentagon began activating thousands of National Guard and Reserve troops across the nation, as military commanders briefed President Bush on plans for the mobilization he called "a strong symbol of this nation's resolve." Mr. Bush authorized last Friday as many as 50,000 guardsmen and reservists. The Pentagon has said it will initially need up to 35,500 of those troops. 13,000 for the Air Force, 10,000 for the Army, 7,500 for the Marine Corps, 3,000 for the Navy and 2,000 for the Coast Guard.

Rift over Rio Grande water rights:  Mexico has warned that it will fail to meet a Sept. 30 deadline to release millions of gallons of water because of the prolonged drought. Of water it is required by treaty to provide to farmers in South Texas for irrigation. Also, Mexico will need to hold back even more water because of the prolonged drought.

INDIANA NEWS BRIEFS

Gun battle erupts in Indianapolis:  Three young men were being held Tuesday after an eight-hour gun battle left a police officer and one of the suspected gunmen dead, authorities said. Two bystanders and a police officer also were wounded, with one of the bystanders listed in critical condition. The confrontation began on the city's north side Monday evening, when officers tried to pull over a car carrying four men. The driver would not stop, so police began a pursuit and gunfire erupted.

75 detained in terrorism case

The FBI has detained 75 people for questioning and on immigration charges and has arrested at least four material witnesses in the terrorist investigation, Attorney General John Ashcroft said Tuesday. He declared the government will "use every legal means at our disposal" to prevent further terrorist attacks.

"We are looking at the possibility that there may have been more than four planes targeted for hijack­ ing," said Ashcroft. The FBI has not been able to confirm that, he said. Ashcroft announced the creation of new rules allowing suspected illegal aliens to be detained for 48 hours, double the old period. He also announced creation of an anti-terror­ ism task force with police force in major cities. The attorney general said the task force would wage "a concerted nation­ al assault" against terror­ ists.

The government was looking for more than 190 people who investigators believe may have informa­ tion about the attack, he said. The FBI investigation of last week's terrorist attacks has led to the arrest of four people as material witnesses. Aided by a federal grand jury, the agency is seeking more people who may have information about the plot, law enforcement officials said Tuesday. One of the four material witnesses is Albadar Alhamzi, 34, a Saudi national and Saudi-trained doctor who was doing a medical residency in radi­ ology at University of Texas Health Science Center, said one of the government officials, speaking on condition of anonymity. He was being held in New York. Authorities also detained a man in San Diego, Calif., who was linked through financial transactions to two of the 19 hijackers, officials said. They declined to say whether he was arrested as a material witness.

As U.S. law enforcement officials pull in more peo­ ple for questioning, a grand jury in White Plains, a suburb north of New York, will review evidence and issue subpoenas in the attack on the World Trade Center Center, according to a law enforcement source who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Pakistan

Govt. closes Afghan border

Pakistani officials expected tonight from Afghanistan after being rebuffed by the Taliban govern­ ment on an American demand that it immediately surrender Osama bin Laden to head off a mili­ tary showdown with the United States.

Taliban officials are expected to issue their final decision on the American demand later this week. The announcement of the Pakistani delegation's return to Islamabad was eclipsed by other reports of chaos on the 1,500-mile­ long border with Afghanistan as hundreds of thousands of Afghan fleeing the cities in anticipation of American-led military strikes, prompting the Pakistani government to close its borders against refugees. The Pakistani government faced ominous new resistance at home to its pledge of "full cooperation" with the United States. An influential conservative Muslim cleric in Pakistan today issued a decree to his numerous followers obliging them to rise to Afghanistan's defense if it was attacked.

In talks on Monday in the Afghan city of Kandahar, the hard-line Islamic clerics who lead the Taliban had demanded "convincing ev­i­ dence" that Mr. bin Laden was responsible for the attacks last week in New York and Washington, officials in Pakistan said.

In addition, the Taliban said they wanted the Organization of the Islamic Conference, a group of more than 50 Muslim countries, to make a formal demand for bin Laden's handover.

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U2 student ticket sales begin Thursday

By MAUREEN SMITHE
Associate News Editor

Despite a delay in ticket sales triggered by last week's terrorist attacks in New York and Washington, D.C., U2 will still perform on the Notre Dame campus Oct. 10 at 7:30 p.m.

Student ticket sales, originally scheduled for last Thursday, will resume Thursday at the Joyce Center.

Joe Sassano, Joyce Center events manager, said that students should start arriving at 3 p.m. to receive a ticket enabling them to draw for a position in line. Those with a ticket can then draw a lottery number. Concert tickets will then go on sale to lottery ticket holders at 6 p.m.

"People shouldn't camp out now to establish themselves the first in line. There is no reason for students to show up before three or four o'clock (on Thursday)," Sassano said.

Although students can buy tickets for both the general admission standing floor and the assigned seats, Sassano said the stage will accommodate the Joyce Center's 360 degree design. "You can sit all around the stage and still have a great seat," he said.

Ticket prices for the show will be $46 for general admission floor seats and $86 for assigned seats within the Joyce Center. Tickets sold during the student pre-sale and on the first day of the public sale will sell for cash only.

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UNITED NATIONS

U.N. demands bin Laden

Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS

The U.N. Security Council said Tuesday it had one message for Afghanistan's Taliban rulers: hand over suspected terrorist Osama bin Laden and close all terrorist training camps "immediately and unconditionally."

The 15-nation council, whose permanent members are the United States, Russia, China, Britain and France, issued a statement after a briefing on the political, military and humanitarian situation in Afghanistan, "including the dire consequences of Taliban rule for the Afghan people."

"There is one and only one message the Security Council has for the Taliban: Implement United Nations Security Council resolutions...immediately and unconditionally."

Jean-David Levitte Security Council president

sader Jean-David Levitte, the current council president. The council referred to a resolution it adopted last December demanding that the Taliban turn over bin Laden to the United States or a third country for trial in the deadly bombings of two U.S. embassies in Africa in August 1998.

That resolution also demanded that the Taliban stop providing sanctuary and training for international terrorists, take measures to ensure that its territory is not used to prepare terrorist acts and immediately to close all terrorist training camps.

Pakistan sent a high-level delegation on Monday to tell the Taliban to either hand over bin Laden or face a punishing assault from the United States, which has named the Saudi-born millionaire as the prime suspect in last week's terrorist attacks in New York and Washington.

The Taliban's supreme leader, Mullah Mohammed Omar, turned the decision over to a council of Islamic clerics which was gathering in the Afghan capital of Kabul and was expected to discuss the ultimatum Wednesday.

The Security Council froze Taliban assets and imposed an international flight ban on Afghanistan's Ariana airlines in November 1999 to prevent the hard-line Islamic militia to turn over bin Laden. It added an arms embargo on the Taliban in January.

Earlier Tuesday, Afghanistan's U.N. Ambassador Ravan Farhadi, who represents the ousted government of Burhanuddin Rabbani, offered 15,000 fighters for any operation against bin Laden or the Taliban.

The United States has not asked for assistance from the anti-Taliban forces, which control about 5 percent of the country in the north.

"We have 15,000 people ready to fight. They are trained to fight the Taliban," Farhadi told a news conference.

Farhadi also claimed that Pakistan's military intelligence knew where bin Laden was hiding since it had trained and worked with the Taliban.

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Bush tells airlines to expect financial relief

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Congress and the Bush administration told the nation's airlines Tuesday they can expect quick, multibillion-dollar relief to help them recover from last week's terrorist attacks, people familiar with the discussions said.

The Department of Transportation and the Federal Aviation Administration are preparing an emergency plan to provide financial relief to the airline industry. The plan could come as quickly as this week and might move forward with legislation this week.

"We are currently working on legislation to provide airline industry relief," Transportation Secretary Norman Mineta said. "We want to do this ''quick and dirty'' with no strings attached."

The Bush administration is expected to announce a relief plan as early as next week. Mineta is expected to announce a relief plan as early as next week. Mineta is expected to announce a relief plan as early as next week.

Mineta said the administration hoped to come up with its own package by early next week. There's recognition, he said, that the airline industry has "got to be made whole."

House Democratic leader Dick Gephardt of Missouri warned that the airline industry relief plan would be separate from the $40 billion in emergency spending Congress passed last week to help victims of the attacks.

The airline industry relief plan might move forward with legislation this week. Charges said the administration will make an announcement Wednesday, the source said.

Neither the administration nor congressional leaders were ready to say what the final dollar amount, or a timetable for action, although Rep. Roy Blunt, R-Mo., said the House might move forward with legislation this week.

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U.S. contacts Sudan and Cuba for help

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

In its quest for a diverse anti-terror coalition, the Bush administration said Tuesday it has made overtures to Sudan and Cuba. They're the third and fourth nations on the State Department terrorism list seen as potential sources of information to help track al-Qaida's activities.

Secretary of State Colin Powell called Sudanese Foreign Minister Osman Mustafa and asked for his cooperation after taking note of Sudan's offer to play a constructive role combating terrorism.

High-level contacts with Sudan have been extremely rare, and State Department spokesman Richard Boucher called the conversation a good beginning.

Boucher also said a U.S. official visited Cuba's diplomatic mission in Washington and asked for whatever information Cuba might have about the terrorist attack. Cuba strongly condemned the Sept. 11 disaster.

Meanwhile, officials reacted skeptically to conditions that Taliban rule and the lifting of sanctions would enable that group to evade hostile actions by the U.S. military.

"Clearly you begin on a journey with one step, and he would be one step," Rumsfeld said on CBS' "The Early Show." But he said even if bin Laden were not protected by the Taliban, the radical organization he heads, al-Qaida, "would continue doing what it's been doing. So clearly the problem is much bigger than bin Laden.

As for Pakistan, Boucher said there was no promise of U.S. assistance for that country in exchange for its pledge to help American efforts to hunt down those responsible for last week's attacks.

"It was entered into without any demands, without any conditions, without any quid pro quo," he said.

Sen. Sam Brownback, R-Kan., said the United States should lift trade sanctions on Pakistan and back World Bank loans for economic development in Pakistan "so the population can see a positive reason to engage with the United States." Sanctions against Pakistan were imposed in response to its nuclear weapons program and to the October 1999 military coup that installed Gen. Pervez Musharraf as president.

Powell received a warm expression of support and sympathy Tuesday from South Korean Foreign Minister Han Seung-soo. President Bush had an evening meeting and dinner scheduled with French President Jacques Chirac, who was expected to reaffirm his forceful opposition to international terrorism.

The United States lists Cuba, Sudan, Syria, Libya, Iran, Iraq and North Korea as supporters or sponsors of terrorism. The United States has contacted Cuba, Sudan and Syria as part of its search for information on the attacks.

There has been no contact with Iran, but the State Department said Saturday it was heartened by Tehran's response to the attacks and seen a possible role for Iran in the present situation.

Israel celebrates Jewish new year

Associated Press

JERUSALEM

Israel marked the Jewish New Year on Tuesday, looking back on a year of fighting with the Palestinians amid new hopes that a truce might finally be taking hold.

Many Israelis took advantage of the two-day holiday that ends at sundown Wednesday to relax with relatives at home. Jews traditionally celebrate the New Year with lavish dinners and eat apples dipped in honey, symbols of a sweet year.

Electrician Aviad Konforty spent the holiday with his family in Tel Aviv. He said that despite Israel's current troubles, he was optimistic because "there is nothing else to do but think positively."

Hotels in Israel's forested northern region were full as many people canceled trips to abroad because of the terrorist attacks in the United States and the tension at home, Israeli radio reported.

For the majority in Israel that does not observe religious laws forbidding listening to the radio and watching television on holy days, Tuesday's word of an emerging truce was welcome.

"I took my pager to the synagogue," Foreign Ministry official Gideon Meir said. "It didn't beep even once — that's very rare."

Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat announced Wednesday that he ordered his forces to prevent attacks on Israelis. Israel responded by withdrawing tanks from Palestinian territory and promising not to carry out military strikes.
Afghanistan

Taliban threatens 'holy war' against America

Associated Press

A Wednesday, September 19, 2001

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KABUL, Afghanistan

The hard-line Taliban said God would protect it if the world tried to "set fire" to Afghanistan for shedding terror­

suspect Osama bin Laden, and in comments broadcast Tuesday also called on all Muslims to wage holy war on America if it attacks.

Hundreds of Islamic clerics were gathering in the Afghan capital to discuss conditions for extraditing bin Laden to a country other than the United States, a Pakistani government official said. The clerics are expected to meet Wednesday.

"If America attacks our homes, it is necessary for all Muslims, especially for Afghans, to wage a holy war," said Hamdullah Noman, the mayor of Kabul and host of the gathering.

The conditions, including international recognition of the Taliban government and a lifting of U.N. sanctions, were discussed Monday in Kandahar, headquarters of the Islamic militia that rules most of Afghanistan, the Pakistani official said on condition of anonymity.

It seemed unlikely the United States would agree to have bin Laden extradited to another country. Delegation sent by Pakistan to try to convince the Taliban to hand over bin Laden went home Tuesday without reaching an agreement, and Pakistani President Pervez Musharraf said he had a televised address to his people on Wednesday evening.

"Before leaving Kabul, the Pakistani delegation met with eight dedicated aid workers being tried on charges of illegally preaching Christianity," the official said, Pakistan News Agency reported Tuesday evening. "The Taliban, who say bin Laden was wrongly implicated in the Sept. 11 terror attacks on the United States, urged the people of Afghanistan to prepare for a jihadi, or holy war, against America, the official reported.

Since taking control of most of Afghanistan in 1996, the Taliban, the hard-line Islamic militia that rules a Central Asian nation, has declared holy war, or jihad, against the United States, a Pakistan government official said.

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Asian investors wait for more news of U.S. market

Associated Press

HONG KONG
Share prices in Asia were mixed early Wednesday, as investors watched for developments in Afghanistan. Taiwan's key index plunged, however, as markets that were closed earlier in the week by a typhoon reopened.

The Associated Press Index of the Taiwan Stock Exchange tumbled 2.76 percent, or 104.28 points, to 3,670.34 — its lowest level in almost two years. Electronics shares, which account for almost 60 percent of the market, were down 3.1 percent.

The government estimated that total damage from Typhoon Yutu, which caused at least 55 deaths and closed down Taiwan's capital Taipei on Monday and Tuesday, could be as high as 12 bil-

lion Taiwan dollars ($348 million) — another blow to the allecony economy.

Elsewhere, there were signs that mar-

kets were following Wall Street's lead and settling down after a week of volatile trading following the Sept. 11 terror attacks in the United States. Overnight, the Dow Jones industrial average fell 17.30 points, or less than 0.2 percent, to 8,903.40 on Tuesday.

"It's not a Hong Kong thing, it's a global thing. Many people now view a mobile phone as a necessity, not a luxury," said Michael Liang, analyst at Vickers Ballas in Hong Kong.

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Ashcroft, meanwhile, announced Wednesday, September 19, 2001, that the FBI had detained 75 people for questioning. At least 5,000 people dead and missing. British Prime Minister Tony Blair is coming to Washington Thursday.

France has sometimes had strained relations with the United States on military issues, including how to deal with Iraq. But Chirac told Bush: “We are completely determined to fight by your side this new type of evil, of absolute evil, which is terrorism.”

Bush marked the grim one-week milestone by leading White House employees — and the nation — in a moment of silence. He also thanked leaders of charitable organizations at a later Rose Garden ceremony and praised Americans for rushing to give aid and comfort.

“At our tears and sadness, we saw the best of America,” Bush said. “We saw a great country rise up to help.”

President Bush, reaching out to world leaders for support

George W. Bush President

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"What would Jesus do?" It's a question that has become commonplace in America. It's one that a student raised in my class last week and I've been struggling with ever since the attacks of Sept. 11, especially as politicians speak of justice and retaliation as if they were the same thing.

I am an ordained minister and a graduate student in theology. I have lived in the Middle East and experienced firsthand the fear that terrorists can cause, fear that persists long after retaliatory strikes have been carried out. I am also a new father who wants to protect his five-month old daughter and build a world of peace in which she can grow up without fear.

I am one of the 8 percent of Americans cited in a TV poll who oppose retaliation against those responsible for Tuesday's tragedy, even as we grieve with the victims. We are not an American or naive, nor do we seek to make America weak. We are patriotic and realistic citizens who seek justice without violence and advocate a realistic alternative which actually requires great strength and courage. I ask you now to listen to our voices as you consider the actions our country should take in response to this week's tragedies.

What would Jesus do? I realize that this may seem like an irrelevant question in the face of the political and practical realities that must be considered in choosing how to respond to violence. Yet I believe that a non-violent response has legitimacy. This year we even saw the trial of those responsible for the Lockerbie bombing. It took a long time and may have anti-climactic compared to the actions of the guilty parties, but it was accomplished without violence using international law.

Perhaps a non-violent response could convince terrorists that we are not the arrogant, power-hungry monsters that they claim. Perhaps a non-violent response might even change their ways and give up violence. Even if I'm being too optimistic, consider the example we set for our children. We try to teach our children that violence and vigilant responses are wrong. We claim that our nation is founded upon the principles of justice and fair trials. Let us remain true to these principles, even in this horrible tragedy, and search for justice not a continuation of violence.

The Bible repeatedly tells the story of how God's people failed when they tried to accomplish things by themselves, instead of relying on God. But when they did rely on God's power, amazing things happened. Are we about to make the same mistake? Will our reliance on our own military power prevent God from working wonders in our time?

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I know that there are many complex issues involved in choosing America's response to this tragedy. I understand that many people are angry. That is completely legitimate and I share their anger and grieve with all of the victims, their families and the nation. Yet I pray that whatever we do, do it because it is the right and necessary thing to do, not because we are angry or afraid but because our pride was hurt.

Our leaders and we ourselves must follow our consciences, but I ask each of you to listen to this question as well. Please ask yourself, "What would Jesus do?"

Rev. Jonathan David Lawrence

Defend our way of life

The few of you who might recognize my name may remember me for five years of lighthearted columns in these pages. But sometimes, my friends, life isn't so damn funny.

I am very disturbed by recent letters in The Observer which suggest that the United States must embrace a "non-violent" response to the attacks of Sept. 11. If we want to do "the right thing," I asked myself, what would our bishops think?

The only way to stop further atrocities is to state in no uncertain terms that America will not passively accept such attacks on our homeland. I wonder if those of you calling for a military stand-down would feel the same after reading about the Golden Dome or LeMans Tower. We must defend ourselves and our way of life now or our enemies will know ever better.

Our leaders are not roaring to carry out "an eye for an eye" vengeance. They are seeking to provide common sense self defense. Unfortunately last Tuesday wasn't a nightmare, or a bad movie. The United States was intentionally attacked on its own soil. The bombings were carried out for no other reason than to kill as many innocent people — civilians, mind you, not military personnel — as possible. If there existed a realistic way to defend ourselves without further bloodshed, I would be the first to support a plan of that nature. Such suggestions as economic sanctions sound like nice, neat solutions but are terribly inappropriate for the face of such blatant disregard for human life.

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Rev. Jonathan David Lawrence

Graduate student

Sept. 17, 2001

The following letter was submitted by a graduate student as a response to the article "What would Jesus do?"

Dear The Observer,

I have read the article "What would Jesus do?" with great interest. As a Christian, I believe that Jesus taught his followers to love their enemies and to turn the other cheek. Many people have called this a Christian country, if we are a Christian country, should we not take his instructions very seriously?

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"All wars are popular for the first 30 days." Arthur Schlesinger, Jr.

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Don't reason with terrorists. We do not negotiate with our enemies. They should understand that our enemy is not a country or a race, but a form of terrorism that affects us all. 

Finding words proves difficult in tragedy

It has been one week — one week since lives changed irrevocably for many people; one week since the unprecedented attack upon United States citizens in their homeland, in their places of business; one week since the reality of a peaceful United States existence became not so real anymore.

And in light of recent events, what else should one discuss? What else could one discuss? While life does go on, it is difficult at this time to run about the life of smoking, the difficulties of cell phone usage, or the lack of humanity in the meat-packing industry. The light and fire of these arguments is dumped out so to speak. Lines are drawn, priorities are decided.

On Thursday the New York Times columnist Thomas Friedman, wrote the column "World War III" in which he states: "They [the terrorists] only had to destroy. We, by contrast, have to fight in a way that is effective without destroying the very open society we are trying to protect. We have to fight hard and laid safely. We have to fight the terrorists as if there were no rules, and preserve our open society as if there were no terrorists. It won't be easy. It will require our best strategies, our most creative diplomate and our bravest soldiers."

"Rage, rage against the dying of the light." My thoughts are with you, but my words are silenced.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

terrorists must reap what they have sown

The United States does not negotiate with terrorists. On the tragic events of Sept. 11 demand a response from the United States. There has been much debate over what that response should be. Sad to say, I feel the only viable response is military action. Other responses that have been presented are simply impossible for us to us. On this campus we should reexamine our foreign policy to find a way to have provoked terrorist goals. The terrorist organization Islamic Jihad agrees with them. "What happened in the United States today is a consequence of American policies in this region," said Islamic Jihad official Nafez Azzam. We are absolutely cannot modify our foreign policy in the face of terrorism. To do so would send the message that terrorist acts will accomplish terrorist goals. If we give in even the smallest bit after this attack, we invite the terrorists to blow up another building next week so that we'll give a little bit more. If we were to admit that the United States is not a saint among nations. We've done some things we shouldn't have done. But no civilized person could claim that this justifies the barbaric attack we suffered Sept. 11. Still, some say we should try to reason with our enemies, find some common ground.

In my opinion, you don't reason with someone who killed 5,000 of your countrymen, you bring them to justice. If these enemies of ours had come to us like civilized people and attempted to open a dialogue with us we would have been more than welcomed to some agreement. It probably wouldn't have been a likely outcome, but the point is now moot.

They instead viciously attacked us like wild animals. Our hands are tied as far as our response goes. Preparing for war is out of the question. Economic pressure has proven over time and again to be ineffective. Military force is the only viable response available to us.

This is not about revenge; it's about bringing criminals to justice and preventing further crimes.

Some say that military action will only breed more hatred for the United States. I say that's fine, as long as they learn to fear us. We must show the world that terrorism will bring nothing but death or imprisonment to terrorists. I'm not saying we should indiscriminately bomb Afghanistan, but we must go to and get Bin Laden or whomever the culprit is. Innocent people will probably die, but our enemies in this war have already shown a callous disregard for innocent people, and unless we act, we might as well start counting down until the next heinous attack. It is the terrorists themselves and the governments that harbor them that have placed their citizens' lives in danger. They have made their choice. Now they must reap what they have sown.

Only when the violence has stopped will we be free to negotiate with those who oppose us.

Mike Zodda
Alumni Hall
Sept. 18, 2001
Listening to the Irish squirrels

A recent conversation between Roger Squirrel and Joe Squirrel on Notre Dame's campus.

Roger: What's up Joe. How are your nuts?
Joe: Eh, they've been better. I lost track of a couple of them, forgot where I buried them under.

Roger: I hear that, I mean, why even bother preparing for snow? We could just eat out of the dumpster at North Dining Hall all winter.
Joe: Ha! But then we'd have to eat dining hall food, and all the chipmunks eat that.

Roger: Seriously. Thank God for Burger King.
Joe: What's up with chipmunks anyway? They're like wannabe squirrels. They don't even eat garbage.

Roger: Dude, all those gray squirrels just dress up like that on Thursday nights. The rest of the week, they all wear sweats.
Joe: Tell me about it man. And how come all the gray squirrels have to live in their own trees? And we can only go in their trees during the day? Man, that's not fair.

Roger: Yeah, I don't even know what to say to a gray squirrel. I was going to ask one to the Squirrel Your Roommate dance, but I just couldn't say anything.
Joe: It's like you can't even ask them to come and eat a rotten apple core out of the garbage. They automatically assume that you want to chase them up a tree.

Roger: And then if you do chase them up a tree, it's usually because you've eaten too many acorns, weren't thinking straight and things get weird.
Joe: Yeah, you don't want to eat too many acorns and then talk to gray squirrels. They think you're dumb then and then things get weird.

Roger: The gray squirrels think I'm weird anyway.
Joe: That's because you bury all your nuts around Stepan Center.
Roger: I guess.
Joe: Here comes Buddy Squirrel. He never buries any nuts. He lives over by the College of Business.

Buddy: Dude, I'm going overnight to eat some massive acorns at the Nut Club. Who's coming with me?
Joe: We have to bury nuts.
Buddy: Ok, brody, but its going to be an acorn party!

Roger: He's better than Alex Squirrel, the one that lives by O'Shaug. He says he has to bury all these nuts and acts like he buries nuts all the time, but never buries any.

Joe: Seriously. Archie Squirrel buries the most nuts out of anybody over by Bond Hall.
Roger: Archie Squirrel's a myth. Have you ever seen him anywhere except by Bond Hall?
Joe: No, I haven't. He never leaves there. Poor squirrel.
Roger: Yep, poor squirrel.
Joe: Check it out — some kid left half a Grab 'N Go sandwich over there. It's ours!
Roger: Thank God for Grab 'N Go.
Joe: We'd never eat if it wasn't for Grab 'N Go. I think the same goes for humans.
Roger: Seriously.

The native Notre Dame fox squirrel sits in the grass. Notre Dame's squirrels were rated four out of five squirrels on Gottshall's website.

By C. SPENCER BEGGS
Associate Scene Editor

Once again, U.S. News & World Report has rated Notre Dame in the top 20 schools in the country. ESPN ranks Notre Dame as No. 23 in college football.

But did you know that Notre Dame has some of the best rated squirrels in the country? It's true.

Jon Gottshall has a rather interesting pastime; he rates campus squirrels and posts them on his website, www.gottshall.com/squirrels. Gottshall has been rating squirrels on his website since 1995. He got the idea as he traveled to various college campuses while doing research for his master's degree (not on squirrels, by the way) from California State University at Fullerton.

Gottshall rates campuses on a one-to-five squirrel system. Ratings are based on field reports from students and alumni of the universities.

Gottshall believes that the abundance and nature of squirrels on a campus indicates the quality of its host institution. The website rates campuses based on a variety of traits in its squirrels including: cuteness, charm and friendliness.

Notre Dame received a four-squirrel rating thanks to former student, Eric Mason's observation that Notre Dame squirrels "have it better in South Bend than humans.

The website notes that Notre Dame has the added advantage of being in prime fox squirrel country. Fox squirrels are orange in color and have larger bushier tales than their gray, city-dwelling counterparts. Gottshall has yet to rate Saint Mary's.

Squirrels are rodents. But unlike most other rodents, squirrels are diurnal. While many campus squirrels may seem tame, they are not. In fact, squirrels don't like to be handled much, so pesting one may be out of the question.

According to Gottshall, squirrels usually allow themselves to be handled only when you are feeding them. Some squirrels are known to bite if you "violate their personal squirrel space." According to Gottshall, squirrels rarely carry rabies so it's not too much of a problem if you are bitten.

Squirrels may, on the other hand, carry various parasites or viruses that are harmful.

If you do choose to feed the squirrels, Gottshall recommends giving them filberts or hazelnuts as they are commonly known. Squirrels like hazelnuts that are still in the shell; however, they can sometimes be expensive and hard to find. A cheaper and more available alternative to filberts is roasted peanuts. Gottshall points out that you should only feed squirrels roasted peanuts because raw peanuts are a hard food for animals to chew on.

Squirrels are like the Irish; they may allow you to pet them and throw them on your shoulders but if a stranger walks too close they may sudden jump onto tree branches and disappear. Squirrels are a versatile species and may be long lived, so patience is necessary.

By C. SPENCER BEGGS
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The opinions expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.
The bizarre world of squirrel-related websites.

Squirrels are sometimes seen as pesky creatures. Most squirrels will not let you handle them. However, if you feed a squirrel a nut he or his or her tail.

Peanuts have an enzyme that can destroy their digestive tracks and may make them extremely sick or even kill them. Further information of the proper care and feeding of squirrels can be found at www.squirrel-rehab.org. The site details how to rehabilitate an injured baby squirrel, find a wildlife rehabilitator in your area and even treat metabolic bone disease in convalescent squirrels.

Most injured squirrels are babies that have fallen from their nests, or dreys as they are called. In most cases if the mother is going to return for the children after the drey falls, she will do so immediately. If a baby squirrel is found by a human, it is almost certain that the mother will not be coming back. Dehydrated baby squirrels can be helped by being fed liquids. The site recommends Esbilac or Pedialyte to feed to a found injured squirrel. Other liquids including cow's milk may cause serious medical problems.

The site does not recommend that individuals care for injured animals themselves because it is illegal to process wildlife without proper authority to do so. The site also lists ways to contact experts in wildlife rehabilitation and veterinarians as well. Of course not all sites are pro-squirrel. At www.scarysquirrel.org web surfers can read anti-squirrel propaganda. The site has reams of bizarre diatribes railing against the "nut devil." The highlight of the site is the Notice to Vacate game in which you must defend a house from raiding squirrels (The Observer staff high score came in at 361,200 points). Much of the site is written from the perspective of prairie dogs that want to effect a mass genocide against squirrels and destroy their infamous leader Tufty the Safety squirrel.

The site also has regular campus updates about nefarious squirrel activity. The last update for Saint Mary's was on July 1, 2000. A student, known only as "Debbie," reported a dangerous squirrel that apparently stares down his victims with beady eyes.

In fact, the typing the word "squirrel" into any basic search engine brings up hundreds of squirrel-related websites. The content ranges from pictures of squirrels in people's back yards to bizarre fiction and squirrel-based video games.

So, next time you hear somebody tell you that they go to one of the top schools in the country, ask them what their squirrel rating is.

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The Associated Press

BOSTON

The pitcher was from Japan. The runner was from the Dominican Republic. Together, they gave the Boston Red Sox a rare victory and their fans an opportunity to escape the United States for a few hours.

Video Nemo struck out 11, and Manny Ramirez hit two home runs Tuesday night as Boston beat the Tampa Bay Devil Rays 7-2.

It was just the second Red Sox win in 15 games over three weeks that saw them fall out of first place.

Associated Press

Mexican President Vicente Fox addressed the Mexican nation on television Tuesday night, announcing that he has canceled a trip to Canada planned for next week as a gesture honoring both countries.

Taubensee said. "Those guys are the real heroes, not nailpayers. Our lives aren't in danger where we work."

There were other reminders of last week's tragedies. Mike Sweeney sang "God Bless America" in Kansas City's club house before the game, and Toronto Blue Jays manager John Gibbons sang "France, O Canada" in English and in French during pregame ceremonies on Wednesday.

"It feels good to know that our country feels for America," said Torre.

"It was nice to see the fans and the players be able to go out for a few hours and take their minds off things," said Gonzalez.

On the same day, a Boston firefighter and police chief, but he eventually hopped on the roof of the Red Sox dugout before the seventh inning. Edgy policemen eyed him for signs of more serious mischief, but he eventually hopped back into the stands and returned to his seat to the cheers of the crowd.

Increased security was in evidence before the game as well, with security guard checking bags as fans and reporters entered the stadium, and dogs sniffed the press box and clubhouses for bombs before the game.

Leading a pregame ceremony before Boston's stadium announcer Ed Brickley's voice cracked as discussed last week.

"You can't help but feel goose bumps when you're standing out there," said Sweeney. "It sends chills down your spine." Boston manager Grady Little said, "I don't think it will ever be like before the tragedy." "I was like a little kid," said Ripken.

"It feels good to know that another country feels for America," said Torre.

"It was a constant battle to focus, but hopefully, as the games go on, it will start getting better."

The Orioles lost their ninth in a row with a season-high 15-15.

Homer Bush singled and third baseman Cal Ripken's error allowed Josh Phelps to reach base before Gonzalez hit a 3-2 pitch from Devil Rays reliever Mike Bacsik (1-1) to give Boston an 8-5 lead.

Gonzalez, who went 3-for-4 with four hits, hit his 15th and career-high 16th homers in his season and the fourth of his campaign.

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His homer in the first gave Boston a 1-0 lead.

"It was a real spooky first impression," Gonzalez said. "I don't think anybody felt like they had a right to

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"Take Me Out to the Ball Game."
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And while it may still reduce the number of playoff teams from 12 to eight, commissioner Paul Tagliabue said Tuesday that full playoffs are still a possibility.

"If we cannot resolve our entire postseason lineup in a satisfactory fashion, we then will go to a system of six division winners and two wild-card teams for this one season only," Tagliabue said.

That would mean three division winners and three wild-card teams in each conference would make the playoffs rather than the three winners and just one wild card.

"This would be the best of both worlds. If they can keep the 16-game schedule and the six wild cards, then everybody's happy. It's just back to business," said coach Mike Sherman of Green Bay, one of many teams whose playoff chances would be hurt badly if the NFL cut back on wild cards.

"I'll be curious to see what follows after this," said Andy Reid of Philadelphia, another team that might be affected. "I'd hate to disrupt the playoffs in that situation. I'm sure they'll come up with an answer for it. They understand the importance of the playoffs."

When the teams return, they are likely to have the regular officials back.

NFL sources, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the executive committee of the NFL Referees Association was voting by e-mail on a proposal by the league that would end the lockout that lasted through the final game of preseason and the first game of the regular season. If it is approved by the executive committee of the NFL Referees Association, it would be voted upon by the league's 32 team executives on Jan. 20 — most likely by e-mail on a proposal by the league that would end the lockout that lasted through the final game of preseason and the first game of the regular season. If it is approved by the league, it would end the lockout that lasted through the final game of preseason and the first game of the regular season.

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Tuesday night.

A few miles away at the week’s terrorist attacks in New York and Washington, D.C.

It was the first professional sports event in the nation’s capital since last week’s terrorist attacks in New York and just a few miles away at the Pentagon.

“It’s a different feel,” Chris Ward, of Millersville, Md., said just before he entered the MCI Center. “Coming up out of the Metro station, you see K-9 units and bomb-sniffing dogs. You’re not used to seeing that around here.

“You’re used to seeing police, but only the ones busting the guys scalping tickets.”

The 20,000-seat arena was only one-third full during the first period, despite the first appearance by Jagr and the team’s offer of free admission to police, firefighters and military personnel and their families.

“I feel safer here than anywhere else,” said Kim Lanham of Leesburg, Va., after her pocketbook was searched at the turnstile.

Placards on the entrance doors noted the “unusual circumstances” of the evening. Anyone who brought a backpack, suitcase and other large bag had to use the claim-check service. The FBI and Secret Service said metal detectors weren’t necessary.

“We’re in Washington, D.C., and since we built this building, we’ve had a completely open line of communication between law enforcement, the FBI, the Secret Service.” MCI Center spokesman Matt Williams said. “So that works to our advantage. We’re prepared for these kind of things already. We’ve just increased that.”

Just inside the entrance, Capitals owners Ted Leonsis and Raul Fernandez stepped onto the concourse to greet fans and pose for pictures, as they often do. Fernandez welcomed the fact that “people are getting back to their normal lives.”

Fans were given cardboard American flags, although many were already dressed in red, white and blue. Collections boxes were stuffed with relief fund contributions.

There was a moment of silence before the faceoff. As the colors were presented for the anthem, a fan broke the quiet by yelling, “Yeah, America!”

The playoff-bound Seattle Mariners will be without regular third baseman David Bell for at least a week because of a strained left rib cage.

Mark McLemore was in the lineup in place of Bell when the Mariners returned to play Tuesday night against Anaheim at Safeco Field.

“We think it’s going to be a week-to-10 days,” manager Lou Piniella said before the game. “Hopefully, it’s not longer than that.”

Bell, who has started 117 games at third for Seattle this season, was injured swinging at a pitch in a workout Friday. The Mariners, whose magic number to clinch the AL West was two going into Tuesday night, are in no hurry to rush Bell back into the lineup.

“You’ve got to be careful with those things. A strain can become a pull and a pull is usually a month,” Piniella said. “We’re going to shut him down as much as we can and have him get his treatments so he can get well.”

In addition to McLemore, the Mariners can use Charles Gipson, rookie Ramon Vazquez and Ed Sprague at third, Piniella said.

Bell is hitting .260 with 15 home runs and 64 RBIs in 132 games.

He said his injury was insignificant compared to last week’s terror attacks in New York and Washington, D.C.
**Mississippi State dedicates performance to America**

Associated Press

STARKVILLE, Miss. Josh Morgan will take the field for Mississippi State on Thursday night with an extra sense of responsibility. "We're going to be playing for a lot of people, not just Mississippi State," the junior safety said. "We're going to try to put on a good show, and a good showing of... Americans, period."

Major college football will make a star-spangled return when No. 17 Mississippi State and No. 18 South Carolina meet in the first Division I-A game since last week's terrorist attacks.

Fans will be given small American flags as they enter Scott Field and the players will wear a flag decal on their helmets.

"Football is an American game," Mississippi State defensive back Kurey Banks said.

The game will be nationally televised by ESPN.

"Everybody's going to be tuning in that cares nothing about football or about Mississippi State or South Carolina or any of this," Morgan said. "They just kind of want to see what's going on. And that's a good thing."

South Carolina safety Jonathan Martin said the game is a chance for players to send a message to those responsible for the tragedy: "I think a lot of guys maybe just want to play hard and show some emotion to the tragedy." Morgan admitted concentrating on football won't be easy. "As far as the football game, it's going to be very important that we kind of try to put all of this to the back," he said. "But it's going to be very hard."

Mississippi State sports information director Mike Nemeth said the school has ordered 30,000 American flags. "The pregame is going to be a little different, a little more patriotic," he said. "There will be a moment of silence and the national anthem will be performed with both teams on the field, Nemeth said. Usually the teams charge on to the field after the anthem. "God Bless America" will also be performed before the game and a statement of support and sympathy for the victims will be read over the public address system. Security will also be beefed up. The parking lots closest to the stadium will be closed. No backpacks will be allowed in the stadium and purses will be subject to search.

"I think there's going to be some natural tempering anyway, at least at the outset," he said. "It's still a sporting event and we want to carry on that atmosphere."

**Nebraska - Rice contest on high security alert**

Associated Press

LINCOLN, Neb. - Nebraska quarterback Eric Crouch tried to put college football in proper perspective. The fourth-ranked Cornhuskers will return to play against Rice on Thursday night, the first night of NCAA Division I-A football since the terrorist attacks.

"I know that it will be very good for people to come to a game and think about Nebraska football for three hours while we're playing," Crouch said Tuesday. "I'm sure after the game everybody might be glued to the TV again. I'm not sure how long this is going to last."

No. 18 South Carolina visits No. 17 Mississippi State in the only other game Thursday night. No Division I-A team has played since last Tuesday's attacks, giving players, coaches and fans a sports-free weekend to absorb what happened.

"It's been hard preparing with everything that's been going on. I don't know if it's going to be emotional," Huskers offensive lineman Dave Volk said. "You've got to come out and do your job. That's pretty much what everybody's got to start doing."

Nebraska (3-0) didn't even practice Friday or Saturday, the day they were originally supposed to play the Owls. "It was strange. No football to watch. No game to play. It was different," Volk said. "I think it was the right thing to do in retrospect. Just let everybody get things figured out and settle down."

The American sports world resumed Monday night with six National League baseball games played in front of some surprisingly large crowds. Fans donned red, white and blue and waved flags as they returned to the ballpark.

Although Thursday's game is expected to be Nebraska's 243rd consecutive sellout, the atmosphere will be decidedly different than a football Saturday in Lincoln. It's Nebraska's first home game on a weeknight and tighter security is planned because of the attacks. Fans could be searched as the enter Memorial Stadium, which has been closed to the public since the attacks.

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AMERICAN LEAGUE

Yankees return to play, win 11-3

Associated Press

CHICAGO

After eight days of unimaginable horror in the city where they live and work, the New York Yankees found some solace by doing what they do best.

"I think everybody was ready to move on," Yankees manager Joe Torre said after New York returned to the baseball field Tuesday night and routed the Chicago White Sox 11-3 in a game filled with displays of patriotism and solidarity.

"Baseball is what we do, it's our form of entertainment. It's our form or relief," Torre said, admitting he was choked up to play, win 11-3 for the Yankees.

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And the Yankees did their part and did their part and did their part and did their part and did their part.

NHL

Kings mourn scouts killed in NYC attack

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES

Los Angeles Kings mourned the loss of scouts Ace Bailey and Mark Bavis on Tuesday night before their exhibition opener against Anaheim.

A moment of silence was observed for Bailey and Bavis, passengers on American Airlines Flight 175, and the other victims of the terrorist attacks.

The Kings will wear black armbands throughout the season to honor Bailey, the team's scouting director, and Bavis, an amateur scout.

"That makes it hit a little closer to home," defenseman Mathieu Schneider said of the tribute.

"It's tough to smile, but a good couple of games will put some smiles on peoples' faces," Posada said. "It was very emotional the whole game."

All through the night, the United States and New York were saluted, from the small flags handed out to fans, to signs like "Chicago Loves N.Y.," "God bless America" and "Baseball Has Players, America Has Heroes," to a continuous flow of music over the public address system.

As firefighters and policemen lined the infield and the teams lined up along the foul lines applauding them, Torre and White Sox manager Jerry Manuel were presented candles by officers during the pregame ceremony.

"Seeing the firemen and policemen, they are people we take for granted all the time," Torre said. "It was very emotional. I had to come in and try to throw some water on my face."

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The Kings also raised money for the fund Monday with a charity golf tournament.

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Sophomore Liz Hanlon drives the ball in a recent practice. The Invitational, with a team score of 363. 

Belle took third in the MIAA at Tuesday's Medalist second place finish and shooting sophomore Liz Hanlon, senior the ball very well or you can get freshm in Stefanie Simmerman, low scores for the Belles were Pekarek said. "You have to place holes, Hathaway said. 

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**NCAA FOOTBALL**

Terrorist attacks prompt big changes at stadiums

Associated Press

The rah-rah partners who fill college football's enormous stadiums are in for big changes.

Coolers and picnic baskets, even coats and blankets, will be searched or banned altogether, turning quick trips through turnstiles into long waits at security checkpoints for crowds as large as the more than 100,000 expected at Michigan.

"We're trying to make people understand that things are going to be a little different," Mississippi State associate athletic director Duncan McKenzie said.

Fans attending the Bulldogs' game when major college football resumes Thursday will be the first to notice the difference. Everyone else will find out later in the week.

Items such as video cameras, cans or glass bottles, coolers, umbrellas, noisemakers and purses will hold fans up at some games.

In Ann Arbor, Mich., planes won't be allowed to fly over the Wolverines' stadium Saturday.

There will be differences on the field, too, including teams wearing U.S. flags on helmets.

All of last week's Division I-A football games were postponed or canceled because of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. Major league baseball brought back to the country a sense of security.

You watched the emotion that major league baseball brought back to the country a little bit," said Ohio State coach Jim Tressel, whose Buckeyes play UCLA at the Rose Bowl on Saturday. "We have the good fortune at Ohio State to bring some more emotion and to serve as an energy source for our country.

"What venue would you rather have it be in than before 90,000 or 100,000 and on national TV? I think it's going to be an exciting thing and a way we can do some good by the way we play."

Football stadiums dwarf arenas used in the NHL (where the biggest in the United States is Chicago's 20,500-seat United Center) and the NBA (the Spurs play before up to a league-high 34,215 at the Alamodome).

Unlike in the NFL, there won't be a standard set of security measures at college games.

"With 976 different institutions," NCAA spokesman Wally Renfro said, "it is difficult to make policies that are applicable to the broad membership."

At Michigan Stadium — with a capacity of 107,501, the largest site of a game Saturday — the Wolverines will have U.S. flags stitched on their uniforms when they face Western Michigan. American flags will replace Big Ten banners along the stadium's rim.

"Our fans should expect some possible delays, especially if they continue to come in at the last minute," said Bill Bess, Michigan's director of public safety. "We would like fans to get in the stadium sooner than they have in the past."

The Federal Aviation Administration on Tuesday granted Michigan's request to bar flights within a 1-mile radius of the stadium and up to an altitude of 3,000 feet. That also covers blimps.

Other schools, including Penn State and Wisconsin, asked the FAA to keep airplanes from flying near stadiums during games.

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The team came together without one of their senior leaders on the court. Kristy Kreher, the preseason Big East Player of the Year, totaled one kill in three hitting errors on five attempts in game one and didn't see the court in the final two games. "She just didn't play very well the first game," Brown said. "That's not characteristic of her and certainly not what we expect." In Kreher's place, 6-foot-4 sophomore Katie Neff played the final two games at opposite. Neff, who played well at Valparaiso as a freshman last season, added three kills on nine attempts with no errors.

"Katie Neff came in games two and three and played very well," Brown said. Also seeing significant playing time were freshmen Leah Nedderman and Kelly Corbett. Outside hitter Nedderman played in the final two games, spiking for her first career kill in game three. Corbett, a middle blocker, added her first career kill in the same game.

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Malinda Goralski middle blocker

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Irish senior middle blocker Malinda Goralski hits against Valparaiso Tuesday. Goralski had a very strong effort, putting down 15 kills in 21 swings to lead Notre Dame to a 3-0 victory.

"I think we came out and really played like a team the last two games," Brown said. Also seeing significant playing time were freshmen Leah Nedderman and Kelly Corbett. Outside hitter Nedderman played in the final two games, spiking for her first career kill in game three. Corbett, a middle blocker, added her first career kill in the same game.

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Belles hope for fast start against Hornets

By KATIE McVOY
Associate Sports Editor

Victory has been elusive for the Belles this season. Although they have scored first in both MIAA games they have played this season, they have been unable to come home with a victory.

But the Belles have left their mark on the MIAA and they plan to do that again today as they take on the Hornets of Kalamazoo.

"We've already made great strides in the conference," senior captain Katy Robinson said. "And so many people weren't expecting us to come out as strong. We're going out today to prove ourselves in the conference."

The Hornets finished last season in second place with only two MIAA losses all season and won their first MIAA match of the season last week.

(Kalamazoo) is a very good team," junior captain Lynn Taylor said. "They're very physical. They're very skilled."

Despite the challenge the Hornets present, returning players are looking forward to the rematch.

"This is going to be a very good game [and] I'm very excited to play them again," Taylor said.

Led by sophomore defender Jessica Geiger, who was named MIAA defender of the week last week, the Hornets' defense promises to be formidable competition for the Belles. But the biggest challenge will come from Kalamazoo's speed.

"They have a lot of very fast girls and that happens to be the place where we struggle the most," Taylor said.

Following Saturday's loss to Calvin, the Belles were looking to improve on speed, or find a new game strategy that would allow them to overcome opponents' speed.

Saturday's second half proved that they could do that. Reverting to a less aggressive defense and focusing on blocking the passing lanes, the Belles managed to hold the Knights of Calvin to only one goal in the second half. They hope to do the same today.

"We've really run a high pressure defense for the last couple of games and now we're more or less working a low pressure defense that will work more to a zone," Robinson said.

In addition to dealing with Kalamazoo's speed, Saint Mary's will be looking out for the team's physical play. During the Belles' first MIAA match up against Hope, many members of the young team got their first taste of serious college play. Today, however, they will enter the game with more experience.

"I think that [Hope] being the first collegiate match, [the freshmen] were surprised at how physical college soccer is," Taylor said. "I think that they're getting used to the style of play and we're stepping it up physically and mentally."

In addition to additional experience, the Belles are counting on team chemistry to pull them through the game.

"I think that we have such a young team and that we have a lot of high expectations already as a team and we have great team strength and unity," Robinson said. "Coming out as a team can win a game on any given day."

If Saint Mary's is going to win, they're going to have to win without senior Adrian Kirby, who was injured during Saturday's game and will not be able to play today.

In the Belles' last two games, they have scored first. Robinson credits that first score partly to the fact that other MIAA teams aren't expecting a quick start from the Belles. The Belles are looking to come out strong again today.

"I think [scoring first] is a result of the other team not expecting us to come out as strong as we have," Robinson said. "Our goal and our strategy is high pressure the first 10 minutes, the last 10 minutes. That's our strategy. That's how we play."

The game gets under way today at 4 p.m. at the Saint Mary's soccer fields.

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Freshman midfielder Jennifer Concannon brings the ball forward in a recent match. The 0-2 Belles take on Kalamazoo today.

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Look for the Irish Insider every football Friday.
Irish return to field following hiatus

By BRYAN KRONK
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame men's soccer team hopes to shake off the cobwebs and return to its winning ways tonight as it takes on regional rival Cleveland State tonight at 7 p.m. at Alumni Field.

The Irish are coming off a 10-day hiatus from competition, as the two games the Irish were originally scheduled to play Friday and Sunday were called off due to the events of Sept. 11.

"Our time off [between games] shouldn't really affect us," Irish midfielder Filippo Chillemi said. "We've been training hard the entire time so we would be ready to play.

The Irish are also hoping to rebound from two losses against ranked opponents at the Furman Invitational in South Carolina on Sept. 7. The Irish almost pulled an upset against No. 5 Furman, but the Paladins squeaked out with a 3-2 overtime victory.

That loss was followed two days later with a 4-0 defeat against No.16-ranked Clemson.

Since that time, the Irish have followed a regular practice schedule, participating in an intersquad 90-minute simulated game in place of the two games that were called off.

"I thought after the Furman game that we were almost there," head coach Bobby Clark said, "but Clemson took us to school. They're a good team, and we've got to recognize when a team is putting pressure on us like Clemson did. Those teams put us to the test, and we didn't pass the test. I think we can do better."

The key to an Irish victory, according to Chillemi, is to maintain focus, something that the Irish did not do in its loss to Clemson.

"I think in the first game [against Furman] we played very well, but we just got a little unlucky," Chillemi said. "In the Clemson game we just weren't focused, and I think that's what we need to work on heading into our next game is to come out and be more focused.

While some may dismiss the importance of this game, as the Irish have beaten the Vikings in both previous matchups, Clark isn't taking anything for granted.

"This is a key game," Clark said. "Our boys are just excited to be playing.

Chillemi echoed Clark's sentiments, added, "They [Cleveland State] are a good team, but we're confident that we can come out and play a good game.

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Batteast named to freshman All-America team

Special to The Observer

Notre Dame freshman forward Jacqueline Batteast has been named a first-team freshman All-American by the Women's Basketball Newswire. It was announced this week. The five-player squad was released in conjunction with the WBN's preseason Top 25 poll and other All-America teams.

It's the second preseason honor for Batteast, who also has been tabbed as one of the top 21 "New Players of Impact" in 2001-02, according to Women's College Hoops.com.

Batteast ranked as one of the top players ever to come out of the South Bend area. As a senior at Washington High School, she averaged career bests of 26.0 points and 16.0 rebounds per game, along with 4.4 blocks, 3.2 assists and 2.6 steals. The 6-1 forward earned first-team Parade All-America honors and also was named to the Naismith, Nike and Street & Smith's All-America teams. In addition, she was an honorable mention All-America selection by the WBCA and first-team Parade All-America pick. Batteast was also named one of the top 25 players in the nation by USA Today and she played in three-time first-team all-state pick. Batteast was also named one of the top 25 players in the nation by USA Today and she played in three All-Star events - the Indiana-Kentucky, Indiana North-South and South Bend Tribune all-star contests.

Riehle Field to be dedicated Friday

Special to The Observer

The Riehle Playing Field, newly named after Notre Dame National Monogram Club executive director and athletic department chaplain Father James Riehle, will be dedicated at approximately 1:45 p.m. Friday.

The dedication will take place on the intramural field, located directly east of Stepan Center, immediately following the Notre Dame Football Kickoff Luncheon in the Joyce Center. Original announcement of the field naming came back in April.

Among those involved with the dedication program will be current Monogram Club president Jim Carroll, University director and athletics Kevin White and other University and athletics department officials.

A 1949 Notre Dame graduate, Riehle is in his 26th year as athletic department chaplain. He has been the Monogram Club's executive director since 1978. He previously served the University as dean of students (1967-73), chairman of the board of the University Club (1971-77), and director of energy conservation (1973-93). He was rector of Pangborn Hall through 1985.
Major League Baseball

Yanks, Bonds, Ripken back

Associated Press

Derek Jeter thinks baseball might be just what Americans need to take their minds off the horror.

"It gives the fans a way to forget what's happened for a few hours," he said.

Being back on the field helped Jeter and the rest of the New York Yankees, too.

The star shortstop singled, scored and turned a double play in the first inning Tuesday night in the Yankees' game at Toronto.

"When I think of baseball in the context of what's going on, it does seem very insignificant," he said. "I haven't really motivated to play at this point, but we all should take great pride that we can be a small distraction, a small opportunity to smile and get away from what's going on." Boston catcher Scott Hatteberg hoped the games would provide some relief.

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Irish to wear American flags on uniforms

Special to The Observer

The Notre Dame football, volleyball and men's and women's soccer teams will wear American flags on their uniforms to remember the victims of last week's terrorist attacks in New York, Pennsylvania and Washington D.C., as well as to honor and encourage those involved in the rescue efforts at those sites.

The football team will wear an American flag decal next to the NCAA logo on the back of its helmets for the remainder of the season. Last week, the American Football Coaches Association asked all head coaches for an American flag to be placed on helmets "in remembrance of the victims and in honor of those who have worked so valiantly to save lives in the days following the events of Sept. 11." Starting with tonight's match against Valparaiso, the volleyball team will have a flag embroidered on its left sleeve. Both the men's and women's soccer teams will wear an embroidered flag on the front left chest of their uniforms for games this week at Alumni Field.

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**ND VOLLEYBALL**

**Reaching their goals**

Senior opposite Kristy Kroeker curves the ball around the stick in Tuesday’s 3-0 Irish win against Valparaiso. No. 23 Notre Dame ran its record to 4-3 and snapped a three match losing streak.

**SMC GOLF**

**Putters sink to third at Medalist Invitational**

By KATIE McVOY
Associate Sports Editor

The Belles continued on their road to success on Tuesday, finishing in third place in the MIAA at the Medalist Invitational at Albion College. But, following on the heels of a first place finish last week, Saint Mary’s wants to be No.1 again.

"Everyone is really excited and now really looking forward to what we can do at our tournament this weekend to take back our first place ranking at the conference championship to show (the MIAA) what we’ve been working on," senior captain Mary Clair Hathaway said.

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"I think that everyone was on in our last tournament," Hathaway said. "There were some girls who were off their game this week." Hathaway led the way for the Belles, shooting 83 for the day and finishing in second place in the tournament. Tuesday marked the first day Hathaway led the team and 83 is her personal low for the season.

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**FOOTBALL**

**Irish ready for block party**

By MIKE CONNOLLY
Sports Writer

There is only one word to describe Michigan State’s punt protection in its 35-21 victory against Central Michigan: horrid.

"James King tied an NCAA record with four blocked punts in a single game. On all four blocks, he used the same move to get to the punter. That’s just unheard of," Michigan head coach Brian Brohm said of his punt protection better after that weakness," Walton said. But he also said he expected Michigan State to be better prepared this week.

"I knew they had to be practicing that because special teams is one of our focuses," Spartan coach Bobby Williams promises as practice on the punt protection are crucial. Walton still thinks Notre Dame will be better prepared.

"I don’t think any team in the country invests as much in special teams as we do," said. "We’re still going to go after those guys," he said. "There’s no doubt about that. We’ll probably go after the very first time.

And no matter how much Michigan State prepares for the Irish special teams assault, Walton still thinks Notre Dame will be better prepared.

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