**AMERICAN RESPONSE**

**+** U.S., British air strikes hit Afghan targets as Bush promises victory in war on terrorism

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American and British forces unleashed punishing air strikes Sunday against military targets in Afghanistan and Osama bin Laden's training camps inside Afghanistan, aiming at terrorists blamed for the Sept. 11 attacks that murdered thousands in New York and Washington.

"We will not waver, we will not tire," said President Bush, speaking from the White House as Tomahawk cruise missiles and bombs found targets halfway around the globe. "We will not falter and we will not fail."

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An F/A-18C Hornet is launched from the aircraft carrier USS Carl Vinson Sunday in preparation for strikes against al Qaeda terrorist training camps and Taliban military installations in Afghanistan.

**+** Students express mixed reactions to U.S. counterattack

By HELENA PAYNE Assistant Sports Editor

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Junior Steve Kelly from Massachusetts said he learned about both the terrorists attacks on Sept. 11 and the U.S. retaliation by fellow students in his dorm and has been uneasy about the circumstances.

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Michigan prepares biochemical defenses

As nightmares of possible biological and chemical terrorist attacks continue to scare many Americans, University of Michigan researchers push to develop defense techniques against biochemical weapons. Although researchers said they feel the possibility of biological and chemical warfare has been blown out of proportion since the events of Sept. 11, they feel America should be aware of the possibilities.

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ND prayer vigil counters U.S. attacks

By JASON McFARLEY

In the weeks following last month's terrorist attacks, members of Notre Dame's Peace Coalition trusted that a counterattack by the U.S. government was imminent. The newly formed coalition even had a game plan in the event that U.S. military forces responded to the Sept. 11 attacks in New York and Washington. Meet at 5 p.m. that day on the University's Fieldhouse Mall to protest the violence.

On Sunday, following U.S. strikes on Afghanistan, more than two dozen students gathered at that site for a hastily organized prayer vigil in response to the American action.

"It's not an easy day," said senior Rachel Soltis, a member of Pax Christi and the Peace Coalition. "The reality of violence responding to violence...it's overwhelming. "For those of us who understand that peace is in no way related to violence, it necessitates us coming together. You just can't be silent...not as Christians, not as human beings," she said.

Students sat in a circle on the lawn in front of the water fountain popularly called Stonecage. On the 45-degree afternoon, many wore the "Pray for Peace" T-shirts the Peace Coalition distributed on campus Sept. 22 before the Notre Dame-Michigan State football game.

The people represented mainly other pacifist groups - Pax Christi and the Progressive Student Alliance. They prayed on Sunday for the safety of American and Afghan civilians and a speedy resolution to the conflict before it turned to a full-fledged war.

At one point during the 40-minute vigil, participants joined hands and spoke their prayers aloud.

"It's a part of a process of interpreting, reflecting on and reacting to these events," said Aaron Kreider, a graduate student and former PSA president. "(Holding the prayer vigil) makes it a more wholesome type of movement."

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"This was something put together at the last minute by people who were brought together by mutual feelings about an issue that affects all of us," said junior Paul Graham, also a PSA member.

"I think [the win] will pick up moral confidence, but I honestly don't know if they like Davie. But I think if he can build on the momentum, then we might be able to counterbalance how the game started," said freshly returned Nick Stober.

"I think Davie is the problem. I don't want to see the fans yelling 'Lou' because it's the job of the fans to cheer for the team and the coaches. The fans have got to be getting in Davie's head and can only hurt our chances of having a good season," said Ted Vachon.

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The group next meets at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in the Center for Social Concerns.

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Victory resurrects some fans' confidence

By SHEILA EGTS

Although Saturday's 24-7 win over Pittsburgh cannot erase the three consecutive losses to start the season that will go down in Notre Dame football history, the victory was enough to rebuild the confidence of some fans and students.

"I know that people were really down about Davie and the team, but I've noticed a definite turnaround," sophomore student manager Amber Vachon said. "I'm glad we pulled out a win, because I would not want to start seeing empty stands. I think people will be more excited to go to games that we've won."

"The win was a breath of fresh air since for those of us who eat, sleep, and live Notre Dame football. Getting that first win reinvigorated everyone," said junior Patrick Eiper.

Shay Jolly thinks the Irish may be able to finish with a decent record if they use this win to their advantage. "Personally, I see the Irish coming back and winning their games. Even though they started out on the wrong foot, I think our team can still make something out of this season," the freshman said.

"I think [the win] will pick them up, but it depends on how well the next team plays. If they come out with the same attitude they did in the last game, they'll do well," said freshman Heidi Schindler.

"I think Davie needs to go this week to get his head together and start building the confidence of the team. Getting this win really is a big deal for all of us," said Wyss.

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Members of Notre Dame's newly created Peace Coalition gathered Sunday for a prayer vigil in response to U.S. and British military attacks on Afghanistan. The coalition was formed immediately after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks in New York and Washington.

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the patriotic reactions of the Notre Dame community mentioning how all the spectators at the Michigan State and Notre Dame football game raised flags during "The Beautiful." "That showed the most humanity I've ever seen," said Kelly.

Although Kelly saw a positive aspect in the U.S. unity during this time of conflict, freshman Meredith Thompson said the terrorist attacks were the extra step needed to respond to the terrorist attacks after almost a month of military retaliation. "I feel like Bush probably took a lot of time to think about what would be appropriate," said Thompson. "It's just a very complicated issue. It's hard to fight a war against people who aren't afraid of dying.

Although Thornburgh is from Indianapolis, she, like Kelly, knew someone close to her that was in New York City on the day of the attacks. Thornburgh's aunt, an attorney, was in court four blocks away when planes crashed into the Twin Towers. Thornburgh didn't hear from her aunt until Sept. 12, the day after the attack.

Since Thornburgh heard about the U.S. attacks in Afghanistan, she said she was finally reassured that the U.S. wasn't going to ignore what happened. "I definitely don't have a problem with war as long as it's justified," said Thornburgh. "It's just sad that the Bush administration knew what the Taliban was doing long before they took action."

Then again, neither is college. Thornburgh said the yellow plastic packets, a hardcover book. "I know many Americans feel today," said president Bush. "I'm just worried about what I'll lead to, who will get hurt, and if it's the best thing."

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**Strikes continued from page 1** before the attacks, but both he and the leaders of the Taliban ruling council of Afghanistan were reported to have survived the initial aerial assault.

In a fresh reminder of the potential for renewed terrorist attacks, the FBI said it was urging law enforcement agencies nationwide to be on the highest level of vigilance and be prepared to respond to any act of terrorism or violence.

Bush gave the final go-ahead for the strike on Saturday, less than four weeks after terrorists flew two hijacked airplanes into the World Trade Center twin towers and a third into the Pentagon. A fourth plane crashed in the Pennsylvania countryside after an apparent struggle between passengers and terrorists on board.

In addition to the Sept. 11 death toll — estimated at more than 5,000 — the attacks dealt a shuddering blow to Americans' feeling of security, and propelled an anti-terrorism, anti-war movement toward recession.

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The president said the military strike would be accompanied by the delivery of food, medicine and other supplies needed to sustain the people of Afghanistan. Pentagon officials said the yellow plastic packets, about the size and weight of a hardcover book.

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Vatican paves way for sainthood: Pope John Paul II put seven people on the road to possible sainthood Sunday, beatiifying a victim of the Nazis, an Armenian archbish­op killed by the Ottoman Turks and five founders or members of religious orders. Thousands of pilgrims gathered in a bright St. Peters' Square and cheered as the names of the beatified were read out and their images unveiled on tapestries hung from the basilica.

Licenses granted for AIDS drugs: GlaxoSmithKline has granted a generic drug manufacturer a license to produce and market key AIDS medicines in South Africa, a Glaxo official said Sunday. South African com­pany Aspen Pharmacare would be allowed to sell all of the widely used AIDS drugs to the public health system.

Marathon record broken: Kenya's Catherine Ndereba set a women's world best on Sunday when she won the Chicago Marathon in 2 hours, 18 minutes, 47 seconds. Takahashi's time was the first under 2:20 for a female marathon runner.

Emmy awards cancelled: The Emmy Awards telecast, delayed three weeks by the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, was canceled Sunday after United States and Britain launched a military attack in Afghanistan. It was the first cancellation in the awards' 53-year history.

Alaskan pipeline repaired: Crews on Saturday sealed a bullet hole in the trans­Alaska pipeline, finally stopping a leak that spewed 10,000 gallons of crude oil into the Arctic Sound for three days. With the temporary repair in place, workers turned their attention to the massive job of cleaning up the two acres of wilderness.

Three dead in Indianapolis: Three members of a food family were shot and a teenager was wounded Friday night in a drug-related shooting. The deaths, at an apartment com­plex on the city's northeast side, were apparently part of a botched robbery, Marion County sheriff's deputies say. "We do know it was planned as a drug robbery that went extremely, tragically wrong," sheriff's Major Mike Turk said Saturday of the shootings at the Sutton Place Apartments. The teen who was wounded was believed to have been an innocent bystander.

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U.S. drops food aid to Afghans

The U.S. military strikes Sunday in Afghanistan were followed by air­drops of food, medicine and other humanitarian supplies.

The Humanitarian aid is meant to underscore the Bush administra­tion's message that the strikes are meant to harm terrorists, not ordi­nary Afghans. "To say that these attacks are in any way against Afghanistan or the Afghan people is flat wrong," Rumsfeld said.

The aid is meant to help the Afghans to spare civilian lives and get humanitarian aid to Afghanistan, the overall stress was on supporting Sunday's attack.

Romano Prodi, president of the 15-nation European Commission, said, "all Europe stands steadfast with the United States and its coalition allies to pur­sue the fight against ter­rorism" and "against those who attack the very foun­dations of civilization."

Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres said on CNN: "We feel part and parcel of this campaign, and if we are asked (to help), every­thing will be considered seriously and positively."

Iran's Foreign Ministry said the "U.S. attacks were "unacceptable," the Iranian News Agency IRNA reported. Iraqi TV gave minute-by-minute cover­age of the "treacherous aggression."

Other Arab capitals did not immediately comment, but many denounced the attack as an act of war.

The aerial aid are delivering "humanitarian daily rations," plastic pouche s of food enriched with vita­mins and minerals to boost refugees weakened by hunger and travel, Pentagon officials have said.

The food, wrapped so that one packet has enough for one person for one day, does not contain any animal products so as not to violate any reli­gious or cultural practices. Muslims, for example, do not eat pork.

The yellow plastic packets are about the size and weight of a hard­cover book. They have a picture of a smiling person eating from a pouch, a stencil of an American flag, a nota­tion that they were made by Rightway Foods of McAllen, Texas, and this growing in English: "This food is a gift from the United States of America." The packets provide at least 2,200 calories per day.
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SMC officials open 3 new exhibits at Moreau

By MARY CAMPE
News Writer

Students, faculty, staff and community members joined at Saint Mary's Moreau Galleries Friday to help open three new exhibits. The exhibits included photography, paintings, sculptures, ceramics and collectibles.

"Letters from Camp: An Exhibition Blurring the Boundaries Between Good Taste and Bad," was a collection of work in the Hammes Gallery in the Moreau Arts Center.

The exhibit presents the works of artists who use images or items associated with popular culture, such as Pzv dispensers and B-movies. Some pieces included old movie posters and contemporary political aspects. One artist, Dave Huffman, had his "Art For Your Can" on display.

This included different toilet seats decorated to display different events, images and themes from the past in a style he stated as "inspired from Warhol's Pop Art to John Waters films."

"This is a splendid opening," said Saint Mary's sophomore Daniela Urns. "It is very creative and all gives a very different view of what art can be, aside from just the more traditional type."

The Sistar Rosarie Gallery displayed the photographic works of Detroit-based artist Kamil Antos.

His work included altered photographs that display what he calls "ghosts" from unlikely objects. The Little Theatre Gallery displayed the art of Saint Mary's art department chair Bill Sandusky. His work included a self-portrait and different paintings displaying familiar organic objects. He has had exhibits nationwide, as well as in the Saint Mary's community.

The three exhibitions will run through Nov. 9. The Moreau Galleries are open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Sunday from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

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endangering the Notre Dame and Saint Mary's community," she said.

Pienovi contacted the school two months ago to determine what actions Notre Dame would take to keep Rego off campus. Notre Dame's indecision makes her uneasy.

"I would not be contacting the media if I was 100 percent sure that Notre Dame would follow through with what they told me ... It's been two months and they haven't made a decision. I am confused why they are considering it ... what is there to decide?" she said.

Letting Rego on campus does more than just break a disciplinary decision, for Pienovi it breaks a working relationship she built with the University.

Pienovi spoke at freshman orientation meetings about her experiences as a sexual assault victim for her last three years at Notre Dame and made a video that is shown to all freshmen so her story would not be forgotten after her graduation in 2001. She worked very closely with Residence Life to improve sexual assault awareness at Notre Dame since her attack four years ago.

All her work, Pienovi fears, will be jeopardized if Rego is allowed on campus for Saturday's home game.

"If they don't uphold the ban it will make other women more hesitant to come forward in the future," she said.

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ND officials issue tailgating citations

Student Affairs, NSDP give record number of tickets

By V. VAN BUREN GILES

Roughly 60 people were given citations for underage drinking and minor in possession of alcohol Saturday, according to Notre Dame Security Police.

"This is by far the largest amount of tickets we have ever handed out," said Rex Rakow, director of Notre Dame Security Police.

Police said students from Notre Dame, Saint Mary's, Holy Cross and neighboring high schools were issued citations for tailgating and other drinking related activities.

Alumni were also cited in some cases arrested for disorderly conduct.

"This campus has a problem with alcohol abuse," said Rakow. "Student Affairs, working through the ND Security Police Department, will do everything in its power to enforce the laws pertaining to those students under and above the legal age for drinking alcoholic beverages."

While many students and fans consider tailgating synonymous with football, Du Lac, the guide to student life at Notre Dame states that: "No student, student organization, or University housing facility may organize or sponsor tailgaters on campus or on any adjacent fields or parking lots at any time for the purpose of serving alcoholic beverages."

This weekend, this rule was enforced more rigorously than in the past.

Minor in possession was the most popular citation, but tickets were also given for disorderly conduct and public drunkenness.

Police said that some tailgaters had more than 100 students in attendance. Excessive drinking was one of the targets of the raid. Students suspected and using beer funnels were singled out for citations, according to Rakow.

"So far this year, 17 students have been handed out to hospitals in cases of extreme drunkenness. We sent a message out at the beginning of the year that underage drinking would not be tolerated. We enforced this rule for the Michigan State game and doubled our efforts for the Pitt game," said Rakow.

The push to curtail under-age drinking is part of a joint effort among law enforcement agencies in the Michiana community. South Bend, Indiana Excise, Notre Dame and St. Joseph county Police were all involved in the joint coalition to deter students from tailgating.

In addition, according to Ryan, student government representatives running the forums will have certain opinions planned out, they will not strictly follow those guidelines.

"There are people that are staffing the tables will probably have some guided questions in mind," Flores said. "But the people helping the conversation will take it somewhere else."

Ryan said that no matter what forum students use, it is important for them to share their ideas with their senators.

"The Senate is a resource for pushing the views of the students to the administration," said Ryan. "But the people helping the conversation will take it somewhere else."

The Senate will be in North Dining Hall from 5:30 to 7 p.m. and in South Dining Hall from 5:45 to 7:15 p.m.

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Although working in different parts of the country, student senators Jesse Flores and Jim Ryan each got a similar inspiration from their summer internships — ways to increase communication between the student senate and the student body.

Flores, the senator from Carroll Hall, said he learned an important lesson about community members in Austin, Texas as part of his summer service project.

"The community was really big on getting input before it did anything," Flores said. "The way they did it was through conversations. So, Flores began brainstorming ways the student senate could have more conversations with the rest of the student body about projects that senators were working on. He finally decided that the Senate should be having conversations that were by holding discussion forums throughout the year.

For Ryan, who represents Dillon Hall, that inspiration came as he worked in the public information office of Dupage County, Ill. While sending local newspapers copies of agendas for upcoming county meetings, Ryan said he realized that the Notre Dame senate should also let its constituents know ahead of time what was being discussed at its weekly meetings.

"I thought that they shouldn't be doing this," said Ryan. His idea became a reality two weeks ago, when the senate first published its meeting agenda in The Observer.

Holding dining hall forums and publishing meeting agendas both fit into the senate's broader plan for the year, according to senior senator Mark Roland.

"One of the goals of the senate this year was to do a better job of garnering student input," said Roland. "The senate, at its best, is going to be embodying the students' opinions."

However, even though the senate has been publishing its agenda for two weeks now, no students have attended any of the meetings. Nevertheless, Ryan said he remains optimistic that students will come when the senate discusses more controversial issues than the ones they have been talking about so far this year.

"They're probably going to want to be there, and they're going to want to share their opinions," Ryan said.

The dining hall forums that Flores conceptualized will begin tonight, as representatives from the office of the student body president will be in both dining halls during dinner, and then in LaFortune from 10 p.m. to midnight.

The senate will be in North Dining Hall from 5:30 to 7 p.m. and in South Dining Hall from 5:45 to 7:15 p.m.

The first dining hall forum will focus on faculty/student interaction. Similar forums on different topics will be held every Monday.

Flores said it was important for senators to go to places where students are, such as the dining halls and LaFortune, to make it as easy as possible for students to talk to their representatives.

Roland added that students should have an easy time finding the tables where the discussions will be held.

"We'll be in a central location so people won't have to search to see if we're there," Roland explained.

In part, the point of the forums, according to Flores, is to get student input on important campus issues.

"The whole point is to do what your constituents want," said Flores. "We really do want to reach out to students and see what they have to say."

In addition, he added that student government wants students to know it will listen to their ideas and is willing to work for something.

"A lot of service is about presence and making sure people know you're there," said Flores, explaining that student input could change the way the senate handles a particular issue.

Although Flores said student government representatives running the forums will have certain opinions planned out, they will not strictly follow those guidelines.

"There are people that are staffing the tables will probably have some guided questions in mind," Flores said. "But the people helping the conversation will take it somewhere else."

Ryan said that no matter what forum students use, it is important for them to share their ideas with their senators.

"The Senate is a resource for pushing the views of the students to the administration," said Ryan. "But the people helping the conversation will take it somewhere else."

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Special to The Observer

Kevin Bowyer has been appointed the Schuttmeier computer professor and chair of the Department of Computer Science and Engineering at Notre Dame.

He joined the Notre Dame faculty in August after previously teaching and conducting research at the University of South Florida.

Specializing in computer vision, image analysis, pattern recognition, computer graphics and computing to medical imaging; Bowyer also is heavily involved in the study of ethical issues related to computing.

The second edition of his textbook "Ethics and Computing — Living Responsibly in a Computerized World" was published this year.

He also organized a series of National Science Foundation workshops for undergraduate faculty and serving as a consultant to several United States on the topic of teaching ethics and computing and presented a keynote address on the topic at the 1999 Information Systems Security Conference.

Bowyer also is committed to improving undergraduate computer science education in the area of handling image data and has co-authored special issues of the International Journal of Pattern Recognition and Artificial Intelligence on this topic.

In addition to South Florida, Bowyer also has served on the faculties of Duke University and the Swiss Federal Technical Institute.

Bowler named department chair

By V. VAN BUREN GILES

The College of Arts and Sciences announced this week the appointment of V. Bowyer, professor of computer science and engineering, as chair of the department.

Bowler has been serving as associate chair of computer science and engineering since 1996.

Bowler, in addition to serving as department chair, is the associate director of the Notre Dame Institute for Secure Software Systems.

Bowler also is the co-founder of the International Conference on Computer-Aided Imaging and Processing for Medicine and Biology, which has been held annually since 1994.

Bowler received his bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from the University of Notre Dame in 1983 and his master's and Ph.D. degrees in computer engineering from the University of Michigan in 1985 and 1989, respectively.

Bowler's research interests are in computer-aided medical image processing, medical image registration, computer vision, computer graphics, pattern recognition and artificial intelligence.

Bowler said he is looking forward to the challenge of leading the department.

"I am very excited about the opportunity to work with the department's outstanding faculty and staff and our world-class graduate and undergraduate students," Bowyer said.

In his new role, Bowyer will be responsible for the overall direction of the undergraduate and graduate programs in computer science and engineering.

He also will be in charge of the department's research activities and the development of teaching and learning for all students.

Bowler also will work to further strengthen the collaboration between the computer science and engineering departments and the University's other schools and colleges.

"I am very pleased that we have someone like V. Bowyer to lead the department," said James L. Ryan, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

"V. Bowyer brings a wealth of experience and leadership to the department," Ryan said.

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Belles wrap up Pride Week

By KATIE RAND
News Writer

Saint Mary's students joined together to celebrate their College as Saint Mary's Pride Week ended Saturday. The administration was pleased with this year's student involvement, and deemed the week a success.

During Pride Week, students joined together for many different events with the intent to display and strengthen school pride. Events ranged from a pep rally to ghost stories.

Held on Wednesday, the pep rally honored all fall athletes and students participated in various events to increase class spirit. Classes battled against each other in tug o' war, wearing blue and white in support of the College.

"I thought the turnout was awesome for this school," said Adrienne Durbish, school spirit chair of Student Activities Board. "Some great spirit and Pride came out, especially from the junior class."

The juniors won the spirit competition, having the best signs and most spirit overall at the rally," said Allison Joseph, junior class president. "So, our entire class will be getting a pizza party for our efforts!"

Following the pep rally, students told ghost stories in LeMans Hall's Stapleton Lounge. Students currently writing a book of Saint Mary's ghost stories started the session off, followed by other students with stories of hauntings in LeMans and Holy Cross, the two oldest residences halls on campus.

Other events scheduled for the week included a movie night. The Reidering Alumnae House was always open for years for students who had never been inside.

The final event of Saint Mary's Pride Week was co-hosting the Notre Dame pep rally Friday before Saturday's football game against the Pittsburgh Panthers. Students wearing their navy blue Saint Mary's colors showed up at the JACC as a group, and took up almost an entire section.

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Holland earns Shakespeare chair

Special to The Observer

Peter Holland, an internationally regarded Shakespearean scholar and director of The Shakespeare Institute in Stratford-upon-Avon, England, has been appointed to the McMeel Chair of Shakespeare Studies at Notre Dame.

Holland's primary appointment will be in the Department of Film, Television, and Theatre, but he will have a concurrent appointment in the Department of English. He will also serve as director of Actors from the London Stage at Notre Dame and be director of Actors from the London Stage at Notre Dame and will have a concurrent appointment in the Department of English, has been appointed to the McMeel Chair in Shakespeare Studies at Notre Dame.

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Reporter critiques terrorist coverage

By JASON McFARLEY
News Editor

For veteran journalist Bill Carter, the chief television correspondent for The New York Times, the Sept. 11 terrorist attack played out like fiction on TV.

"Clearly there were times on television when people were reporting this and they had a lot of trouble even getting it out," Carter told a DeBartolo Hall audience in a lecture Friday. "What immediately struck me was the incredible unreality."

"The Department of Television and Theatre sponsored the lecture, "America in the Aftermath: Television Since 9/11," to discuss broadcast coverage of last month's terrorist strikes in New York and Washington.

"It's been a pretty remarkable year," Carter said. "We're going to see this for a long time. There's never been a story this big."

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Carter is a veteran journalist who has covered the biggest news stories of recent times. He received an Emmy nomination for his work on "The Late Shift: The 9/11 Story."


He wrote movie screen plays for both books and received an Emmy nomination for "The Late Shift: The 9/11 Story." Carter's book "Monday Night Mayhem" is scheduled to air in early 2002 on cable network TNT.

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The Observer;
We've got issues.

Good ones:

Get all your

campus news, sports and entertainment in our issues.
I went to a peace rally last weekend. I left convinced that for the present crisis the anti-capitalist left and the religious right are utterly irrelevant. The rally was held on a beautiful autumn day in Washington, D.C. Given the setting, the music and the music this should have been a festive crowd. It was not. It was very angry. Speaker after speaker blared the massacres of Sept. 11 on the racist, imperialist and fascist policies of the United States. It got so bad that when a representative of the National Organization of Women (NOW) got up and spoke about the Taliban’s human rights abuses, the crowd began to boo. One young man near me waved a placard that read “America: Get a life!”. The rally also attracted a sizable counter-protest. That crowd was not as diverse or ecletic; everyone seemed to be either dressed in red, white and blue or waving something with those colors. Nonetheless, they were just as angry. If the police had not separated the two groups there would have been bloodshed when anarchists set fire to a dozen American flags.

In all the chaos, what caught my eye was a small group of 10 people gathered under a seven-foot wooden cross. I walked over and asked what they were doing. The man holding the cross said they came to pray for America’s repentance. The women next to him added that she believed the attacks were God’s judgment on the nation. She said she agreed with the Reverends Jerry Falwell and Pat Robertson who blamed the attacks on abortionists, gays, homosexuals, hate Jews and want to exterminate even more innocent American citizens. Let’s face it, in a perfect world, in this era wants to replicate the Taliban across the Middle East. Given the facts, can anyone on the left make a convincing claim that the Taliban are morally equivalent or superior to the United States? Can the evil of Sept. 11 be absolved by the fact that bin Laden opposes corporate globalization and United States military power? I think not.

On the right, Falwell and Robertson make the mistake of equating America with God’s chosen people. When the two television preachers criticize all “who have tried to secularize America,” the underlying assumption is that there once was a “Christian America,” when it met with God’s chosen nation. As a historian I object to this characterization. From the beginning the American republic was filled with injustices that surely deserved God’s judgment. I agree that America has had an exceptional history — it has been the metaphorical city on a hill. But it was never a Christian nation. Nor has God chosen America for special favors. His chosen people are no longer drawn from one nation or state. Falwell’s vision of church and state is historically wrong and theologically unsound.

Falwell and Robertson compounded the problems by blaming the terrorism attacks on those whom they have hated over social policy. Assigning evil to one’s political enemies is not new but the transparency here is so obvious it is absurd. The figureheads of the religious right have again mixed morality and politics in the wrong amounts. As clergy they should spend their time ministering to the suffering and spread the Gospel. As citizens they should be helping to create public policies and institutions that protect the innocent and punish those who take vengeance into their own hands.

On this last task both left and right fall way short. In their indictments of the nation’s morality neither provide just and constructive solutions for the present crisis. And, in the process, both excise the terrorist action by denying the basic idea of all morality: that individuals are responsible for their own actions and should be judged accordingly by all responsible citizens.

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I'm in a New York state of mind

Mike Marchand

Undistinguished Alumnus

I didn't want to write about the Sept. 11 attacks again. So many people have told me I shouldn't. I know we're supposed to get on with the business of the country again. We have to move on. But there is no other news: the Tennessee Greyhound bus attack and the drowned Russian airli…
Call me a snob, call me an elitist, call me a pampered American. It just seems to me that if one country has figured out how to do something well, then everyone else should take a lesson from it.

I know, I know. Cultural differences, preserving ancient traditions, blah blah blah. But let’s look at this logically.

Take for example a hypothetical island nation named Napaj. If Napaj were to build fast cars, nice TVs and quality sweat and tears to go to the trouble of daily cleaning when your morning routine consists of praying that the water will momentarily pause between Arctic cold and scalding hot and that you won’t douse the entire bathroom with the spray (since shower curtains are unheard of), that you begin to appreciate the allure of the sponge bath.

I don’t really want to complain (much). But it just seems to me that as a global community, we need to come together and share our technological advances. A big conference to iron out the kinks in this alleged movement towards progress, France could bring the wine, Italy could bring the food, and Britain, well, Britain could just come and share about dental care.

It sounds ridiculous at first, but think how much we could still learn from each other. Spain would convince the rest of the world of the wonders of siesta. France could show how relaxed a 36-hour work week can be. And maybe we would finally listen to Japan, oops, Napaj, about how to improve our educational system to the point where high school graduates would actually prefer to live in the real world (an idea that work? What a novel concept!).

Wrong. I hate to generalize (no, that’s not true, I just have to throw in the disclaimer before I make a bold, sweeping statement) but it seems that most of Western Europe missed that memo.

Now I understand why the natives have earned the unfortunate stereotype of not bathing frequently. It just takes too much blood, sweat and tears to go to the trouble of daily cleaning when your morning routine consists of praying that the water will momentarily pause between Arctic cold and scalding hot and that you won’t douse the entire bathroom with the spray (since shower curtains are unheard of), that you begin to appreciate the allure of the sponge bath.

Imagine all the people showering in peace.
half lives

nstage show of the year: "How the Other Half Loves"

For example, the two different apartments will have a piece of furniture where half of the furniture belongs to [one couple] and the other half belongs to the other couple], so that we emphasize things that are different but still the same," Scott said. Chris Sinnott, the set designer, is a senior at Notre Dame this year and only the third student to design a set for a mainstage production in the last 22 years. His set enhances the way that the actors separate the two scenes. The set completes the strange duality that is characteristic of this show.

The play uses the division of the set and scenes as a metaphor for its underlying themes particularly in regard to social classes. Scott feels that the affair is particularly interesting. "Normally, when you see this kind of situation, you see a woman, who's in a leadership position to power, being attracted to power and having an affair with the guy on top. In this case it's the woman on top having an affair with the guy on the bottom."

Scott said. The intense nature of playing two scenes at once demands a lot of the actors. It requires them to constantly engage the audience to keep the plotline clear. Giving such energy pays off in the end though. The added benefit of the bizarre time-shift is that it gives the audience a unique perspective on the action on stage.

"The audience knows more than a lot of the characters do, which is really fun for the audience because they get to see the characters find out what they already know," Well said.

The pace of the show accelerates as the story progresses bringing both stories together in an interesting way. The zenith of show appears when the Deweileers attend both dinner parties simultaneously on stage. Although the scene is technically difficult the talented cast pulls it off nicely.

Aside from technical demands, this show also gives the cast tough characters to play. "A lot of the challenge has been in being a real person as opposed to a character... These are really fairly normal people and it's hard to portray that like they're up on stage rather than actors up on stage," Connor said.

Of course, the real key to any farce is timing and pacing and this show has it. "This is a really fast-paced play. It's all about timing," Well said.

Scott thinks the actors have grown a lot from participating in this show. "They have a tremendous amount of courage to do things that they don't normally do. When you do a comedy you have to put yourself out there, out on a limb, and it takes a lot of courage to do that," Scott said of her cast.

"How the Other Half Loves" will be performed in Washington Hall from Wednesday, Thursday through Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and on Sunday at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are $10 for general admission, $9 for senior citizens, and $7 for all students. Reserv ed seats and are available at the door or in advance from the LaFortune Student Center Box Office. To reserve tickets with a MasterCard or Visa order, call (219) 631-8128.

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Actor Katie Weil plays Fiona Foster in "How the Other Half Loves." The farce relies heavily on timing and pace for comedic effect.
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NFL

Williams carries Saints to victory over Vikings

Associated Press

The game plan was simple: Give Ricky Williams the ball and turn the defense loose. That's what the Miami Dolphins did with their five field goals lifted the New Orleans Saints to a 28-15 victory over the Minnesota Vikings on Sunday. Williams ran for 136 yards, and a touchdown and had five receptions for 42 yards. He averaged 4.5 yards a carry, helping the Saints (2-1) chew up 32 minutes and 34 seconds and keep the ball away from the Vikings.

New Orleans harassed Minnesota's offense throughout, forcing the Vikings into intentional grounding and delay of game calls. What looked as simple as it would be a 52-yard touchdown by Cris Carter in the second quarter was thwarted when Saints corner Kevin Mathis stripped Carter on the 3. Safety Sammy Williams ran for 136 yards and a touchdown before Cleveland defeated San Diego. Flutie nearly rallied the Bucs (2-1) into a second-quarter touchdown on a 58-yard pass to Kevin Johnson with 1:15 left, giving the Browns their first-three-game winning streak since returning to the league in 1999.

Under first-year coach Butch Davis, the Browns matched some of the swagger the team had this season and became the NFL's biggest surprise after four weeks.

The Browns' swarming defense made it tough on Flutie, who when he wasn't rolling out of the pocket to avoid the rush, was running for cover. San Diego's quarterback got roughed up all first-half and was clothes-lined on a run near the goal line in the fourth quarter. Flutie fumbled. Trailing 16-13, the Browns got the ball with 3:52 left, and Couch went to work.

He completed a 14-yard pass to Dennis Northcutt, whose first catch of the day was a big one. Then on third-and-10, Couch made his best throw, hitting Johnnie Morton for 13 yards on a perfectly timed out pattern. The duo hooked up again on the final drive, Couch lobbed his TD pass to Johnson, who made two moves after the catch to end the game.

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**Irish fall short of Panthers at ND Relays**

By NOREEN GILLESPIE

Byline Title

When the head coaches from Notre Dame and Pittsburgh men’s swimming teams chatted after the Notre Dame Relays Friday, Chuk Knolles, head coach for University of Pittsburgh breathed a sigh of relief. 

Even though Pittsburgh swam its way to a 226-166 victory at the relay meet, it wasn’t easily accomplished. 

The Irish nipped the Panthers’ toes in several events, chasing the 2001 Big East Champions to 14 victories. 

"It clearly helps to race the conference champions early in the season," said Tim Welsh, coach for University of Pittsburgh. 

"I think I held my breath more than (the swimmers) did," Knolles told Notre Dame head coach Tim Welsh.

The Relays — a meet traditionally dominated by both the men’s and the women’s teams — was a measuring stick for the team at the beginning of the season. While defeating Pitt wasn’t a likely goal going into the Relays, the chance to evaluate Big East competition early was valuable, Welsh said. 

"It clearly helps to race the conference champions early in the season," Welsh said. "The fact that several of the races were close is a wonderful sign."

The Irish diving duo of Joseph Hulick, Nixon and senior Kelly Weathers said. "It was really unexpected ... it’s by far the best start we’ve ever had."

The team also clinched the only remaining meet record not held by Notre Dame at Notre Dame Relays, winning the 400-yard freestyle relay in 3 minutes, 27.01 seconds, 10 seconds off the previous record held by Illinois State.

The team of freshman Katie Miller and Andy Maggio posted the Irish’s only win on the day, taking first in the three-meter synchronized diving event. 

**Notre Dame Women**

Friday afternoon was a double victory for the Notre Dame women’s team, which chalked victories against Pittsburgh in a dual meet and then again at the relay meet.

The Irish outswam Pittsburgh, winning easily 233-77, and winning 14 of 16 events. 

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**Saint Mary’s**

Only four points behind Marquette University, the Saint Mary’s swim team fell into last place at the Notre Dame Relays after two disqualifications Friday. 

But that’s just evidence of "young mistakes," said first-year coach Gregg Petcoff. 

"Even in a dual meet, that would be a really good swim," Weathers said. "It was really unexpected ... it’s by far the best start we’ve ever had."

**Notre Dame swimmer Carrie Nixon races freestyle during the ND Relays on Friday. Nixon returned this season after sitting out since the spring of 2000 due to a shoulder injury.**

Powered by nine freshmen on the roster, the Saint Mary’s squad, did, however, squeak past some Division I teams. The 800-yard freestyle relay team of sophomores Morgan Ramsey, junior Lane Herrington, junior Lauren Smith and sophomore Maureen Palchak placed fourth in 8 minutes, 29.02 seconds, ahead of Valparaiso, Washington and Marquette.

The 200-yard medley relay of freshman Molly Maloy, Smith, freshman Lindsay Markin and sophomore Chloe Lenihan also beat out Valparaiso and Marquette in 2 minutes, 37.78 seconds.

The Belles used the Relays as a warm-up for two Division I meets on their schedule in November.

The Belles will face both Texas Christian University and Western Ontario early in the season, the first time the Belles have competed against Division I competition in the regular season.

But the presence of the Division I teams at the relays wasn’t an issue in the Belles’ performance Friday, Petcoff said.

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goalie Liz Wagner. Llloyd struck again, this time unassisted, just two minutes later. The forward was able to place the ball in the upper corner of the net, just out of Wagner’s reach, to put Notre Dame down 1-0.

The only offense Notre Dame could muster came from the defense in the form of junior defender Vanessa Pruzinsky. The former high school striker took the ball up the middle of the field in the 16th minute of the first half, finding herself at the top of the penalty area, and fired a long range shot past Scarlet Knight keeper Christine Caldwell.

The goal was Pruzinsky’s first in her Notre Dame career. After the flurry of scoring early in the game, the teams settled into a tense game dominated by the Irish, with 21 shots to Rutgers’ nine, and punctuated by strong goalkeeping by both Wagner and Caldwell.

But the equalizer would never come for the Irish. While Friday’s game was uncharacteristic for the 2001 Irish Sunday’s game followed a common pattern for this season, with Notre Dame relying on a very late goal from sometime defender, sometime forward Chapman to take down Seton Hall.

Senior midfielder and captain Mia Sarkesian struck first for the Irish, dribbling in the box before putting a shot past Pirate goalie Leah Miller.

The Irish allowed the equalizer on Seton Hall’s only first half shot. Emily Fischer was able to loft a shot over Wagner to tie the score in the 43rd minute.

The speedy and athletic Chapman, who moved to forward midway through the second half, was able to win the game for the Irish with eight minutes remaining when she was able to free herself from Pirate defenders long enough to fire a shot past Miller.

The late, game-winning goal has become somewhat expected for the Irish, Need time goals to defeat Villanova, West Virginia, and Indiana earlier in the season.

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Georgetown goalie Brian O’Hagan and found its way into the net, giving the Irish a 1-0 lead with 2:33 left in the first half.

The Irish received a bit of a scare early in the second half, as Georgetown came back to tie the game. After a shot by Hoyas forward Kaiser Chowdhry was blocked by Sawyer, Chowdhry passed the deflection to teammate Kenry Owens, who found the right corner of the net just eight minutes into the second half, evening the score at one goal apiece.

However, as the second half wore on, the Irish slowly took over the game. With just under 22 minutes left in the second half, Riley drove undefended down the right side of the field. He then launched a lead pass to a wide-open Braun, who shot a bullet from 15 yards out to the top right corner of the net.

"It was a great effort by the team tonight, not giving up after getting [our] first goal," Braun said.

Just 10 minutes later, Riley made another lead pass, this time to Detter, who redirected the pass past O’Hagan from point blank range to provide the final goal for the Irish.

"It was a great victory because it gets us back on track for the Big East," Clark said.

The win lifted the Irish in seventh place with six conference games remaining.

The Irish face a key stretch of their schedule up ahead, with their next three games on the road, including a match-up with in-state rival and national powerhouse Indiana on Oct. 17.

Next up for the Irish is Big East rival West Virginia on Oct. 23 in Morgantown, WV., Thursday at 7 p.m.

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Notre Dame captain Griffin Howard and Andreas Forstner also presented Mrs. Berticelli with bouquets of flowers. The ceremony was originally scheduled for the Mike Berticelli Memorial Tournament on Sept. 14 and 16; however, those games were cancelled due to the terrorist attacks on the United States.

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Irish freshman Kevin Goldthwaite crosses the ball Friday night against Georgetown. Notre Dame defeated the Hoyas 3-1 and improved their conference record to 2-2.

Saint Mary’s sophomore Stephanie Artmuk attempts to steal the ball from an opponent. The Belles have won five of their last six games to move into fifth place in the MIAA.

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game and we won," Concannon said. "I think it showed that we can adjust just as well as other teams."

With a first year head coach, 13 freshmen and an 0-5 start, things were looking bleak for the Belles. However, with six games left in the season, the Belles are improving. Concannon was named offensive player of the week in the MIAA last week and junior captain Heather Muth was nominated for the same honor this week.

The Belles are now ranked fifth in the MIAA with a record of 5-6, 3-4 in the MIAA, with all five wins coming in the last two weeks.

"The beginning of the season was a transition," junior captain Heather Muth said. "We had a new coach and a lot of new players but things are coming together now."

The Belles continue their string of away games Tuesday against third-ranked Calvin College at 4 p.m.

This will be the second match up between the Knights and the Belles. Saint Mary’s is looking to avenge their 1-2 loss from earlier in the season.

"We’re excited coming off this win," Muth said. "From really pumped for the rest of the season."

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**Associated Press**

**San Francisco**

Barry Bonds hit his 73rd home run Sunday, further extending the major league record he broke two days ear-

lier. In what
could be his
final game
with the San Francisco
Giants, Bonds
connected
in the
first inning off Los
Angeles: D e n n i s
S p r i n g e r.

The Giants won the game 2-1. "This was a great, great way to end it with a victory and a home run. You can't ask for anything better," Bonds said after the game. "I never thought about hitting 73 homers."

Bonds, who broke Mark McGwire's record by slugging his 70th homer on Friday night, homered in his first at-bat Sunday after taking a day off on Saturday. He singled in the third, popped out in the sixth and flew out in the eighth.

Instead of feeling the pres-
sure in the final few games of the season, Bonds finished the year in style as he hit four homeruns in his final three games.

Bonds shook his head and
shook his shoulders, almost
disbelief at what he has accomplished this season, as he took the field for the top of the second inning.

When McGwire set his record of 70 homers in 1998, a mark then thought unbreakable, he hit two homers on the final day of the season and five in his final three games.

Bonds, hisomerun on the arc-
to the right-field fence, at the end of his career — leaving it six behind McGwire for the most of all-time. Bonds started the season 17th on the career list.

The ball was grabbed by
Patrick Hayashi, 36, from
nearby Santa Clara County, of a group among fans on the
arcade.

Bonds' 73rd home run also marked another major league record for the Giants' left fielder. He finished the season with a slugging per-
centage of .663, easily sur-
passing the record of .647 set by Babe Ruth in 1920.

And it also secured another
record for Bonds, which he
had every 6.52 at-bats this sea-

on, breaking the record of a
homer every 7.27 at-bats set by McGwire in 1998.

The solo homer came on a
full-count knuckleball from Springer. It gave Bonds a career-high 137 RBIs.

Fans accustomed to Bonds'
heroes this season gave him a standing ovation, and he stepped out of the dugout for a quick curtain call.

Before his second at-bat, his father, Bobby Bonds, played
on the arcade above the right-
field fence.

"It's a reference to
comments by Bonds' agent that he will seek a five-year deal after this season.

Bonds, 37, earned $10.3 mil-

lion this season in the last year of a three-year, $22.9 million contract extension. His agent, Scott Boras, is expected to seek a contract worth perhaps $20 million a year starting in

2002.

Bonds would like to return
to the Giants, the team of his
boyhood, the team of his
father, the team of his Bonds, played
for. He made that clear
Friday night in a ceremony following his record-breaking homer.

"I don't know what my future holds," he said. "I love San Francisco and I love you fans. My family knows, God knows, I'm proud to wear this uniform."

But the Giants have a pro-

jected payroll of $66 million next season, and signing Bonds would mean committing nearly a third of that amount to one player. Also, the Giants may not be prepared to offer the five-year deal Boras apparently

is seeking.

"It's a simple equation," gen-
eral manager Brian Sabean said. "We'll only pay him what
we can pay him to put a com-
petitive team on the field. If he's looking to break the bank, our chances to sign him diminish.

And Giants owner Peter
Magowan, serreneled with chants of "Sign him! Sign him!" during Friday night's celebration, said it's not such a simple situation.

It sounds like a stupid ques-
tion — are your chances to win
better with Barry or without him," Magowan said. "But the biggest question is, depending on what we have to pay him, how much do we have left to win with?"

"Barry has said all the right things. His primary motivation is to win, and he doesn't want to saddle the Giants with a number that would prohibit us from having that chance. He has said that money is not the most important thing. But Scott Boras hasn't said that, and it remains to be seen what that means of the negotiating process.

"I'm sure he'd take less to
stay here," Magowan added. "How much less, who knows."

Bonds again said Sunday he
isn't eager to leave San Francisco.

"This is my home. It's been
my home since 1968 when my
dad came here. It's always
been my home in a pack.

"My relationship has been up
and down, but for the most
part has been good. This year
it's been exceptionally good," he added. "You walk into a store, and you run into little kids you've never seen a baseball game before in their whole life, telling you what a great accomplishment you have.

By KATIE McVOY
Associated Sportswriter

Rain and mud and nearly freezing

temperatures are not ideal

conditions for a hitter. But the Belles finished in Friday's conditions, beating out 24 Division III teams
to take a sixth place finish in the Benedectine Eagle Invitational. With a course that was half concrete and half puddles, deciding what shoes to wear and how to adjust running style

loomed large at the beginning of the race. But when they crossed the finish line, the Belles felt that they had made the right decision.

"It was rainy, the course

was wet. We had a lot of
decisions to make and we
made the right ones,"

Nicole Prezioso

Captain.

"It was rainy, the course was

sopping wet," captain Nicole

Prezioso said. "We had a lot of
decisions to make and we

made the right ones."

Sophomore Jackie Bauters led the pack again with a personal best. Despite unfavorable

conditions, she finished the race in 20 min. 36 sec., six seconds better than the 20:42 that was previously her best time, leaving her in 24th place overall.

"Every race I've been

improving," Bauters said. "I
take our training has

increased and we're working a lot harder now. I'm just adjusting to running on different
terrain."

The rest of the Belles turned in solid performances. All five top runners finished the race in less than 22 minutes.

"The majority of the team ran a really good race," Prezioso said.

Freshman Kristen Zaininger finished in second place for

the Belles, recording a 36th place finish overall with a time of 21:58. Sophomore Jessica Kosco came in third for the Belles with a 21:39, followed by freshman Amy

Blue and sophomore Caitlin
callen who finished 42nd and 56th respectively with times of 21:54 and 21:57.

The bad conditions did

affect the team's ability to run in a pack.

Head coach Dave Barstis has been looking for the top five runners to finish within 30 seconds of each other.

Puddles and mud

made the
game tough.

"I think it's going to
take us some

practice to

get us there," Bauters

said.

"Everyone adjusts to

the course differently with the
hills and the mud and the

puddles. It's hard to run as a group all the time because you can't run

in a pack."

The Belles faced solid

competition from the rest of the runners. With 30 Division III teams, it encouraged hard running but at the same time the level of competition was something Saint Mary's knew it could live up to.

"We knew it was pretty
deep," Bauters said. "It gives

you incentive to run faster because you know you can compete against these girls."

St. Joseph University took

home the meet title with a
team total of 31 points.

The Belles run next at the Meet matter Invitational on Saturday.

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**Belles race to 6th place finish**
ND Women's Golf

Challenge awaits Irish at Shoot-out

By JOE LINDSLEY
Sports Writer

After a disappointing fourth place finish among a less competitive field at its home course last week, the Notre Dame women's golf team is faced with an even tougher challenge at this week's par 72, 5874-yard Shoot-out at the Legends Tournament in Franklin, Ind.

"This is probably one of the toughest fields we're going to have," said coach Debbie King.

The competition includes Indiana, Kent State, Purdue and Penn State. Just by the numbers, the competition seems formidable.

Golfweek rated Kent State 23rd, Purdue 35th, Indiana 36th and Penn State 42nd in its performance ratings. The publication ranked Notre Dame 93rd.

"I don't think any of us were pleased with last weekend's performance," said King. "We're going to have a very hard time and have made a lot of changes to their line-up.

"We have had very conductive practices," King said. "Half of the team was qualifying. Half of the them were practicing."

Today's line-up will consist of Lotta, sophomore Shannon Byrnes, senior Kristin McMartin, senior Lauren Fuchs and sophomore Jeanie Murphy. Fuchs replaces junior Terri Tasbl.

King believes that the most part that all of the golfers are equal in capability. The line-up was determined by the strength of the golfers' performance this week at the Xavier Invitational at King's Island in Mason, Ohio. Last weekend a line-up change helped the men's golf team finish eighth.

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"Our expectations are to go in there and compete for the championship," said head coach John Jasinski. "I think we're developing quickly here."

"So far, the Irish have exhibited an improvement from the beginning of the season, when they finished last in a field of 19 at the Earl Yestengneer Invitational.

"Veterans Steve Ratay and Brandon Lunke, as well as freshman Steve Colmatis will remain in the line-up. Lunke finished third overall last week. Freshman Ryan Marshall and senior walk-on Kevin Richie will complete the Notre Dame squad for the tournament taking place on Monday and Tuesday. Richie, who will be playing in his first collegiate tournament, replaces junior Chris Whetten in the line-up.

"The arrangement is not set in stone for the rest of the season."

Debbie King
head coach

"You wouldn't be much of a coach if you didn't say they could every time they go out there. But I will say ... the field is much tougher than the field we had for our own tournament (last week)."

Irish make line-up change

By JOE LINDSLEY
Sports Writer

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"I think the lineup is going to rotate between seven or eight guys," Ratay said.

According to Jasinski, the competition at King's Island will not be as tough as last week. The Irish will mainly be competing against middle-of-the-road teams from their district.

"We're building into the Shoot-out ... the field is much tougher than the field we had for our own tournament (last week)."

"The rest of the golfers had to compete for the remaining two slots. The only time the entire team met this week was at a team meeting.

The Irish golfers are stressing that they are in a building phase right now, and that phase includes both increasing performance and confidence.

"Our performance level right now is developing. We're heading toward more consistent scoring pattern," Jasinski said. "There's a lot of positive momentum going on in our program right now."

"We're starting to feel more confident," Ratay said. "Right now, I think we're more anxious than we are confident. Confidence is a goal that we're building into. The confidence is going to come with the success on the field ... We have to prove to ourselves that we deserve to be confident."

"We've just been working on our performance level right now."

"We're starting to play a little better. We're starting to feel more confident," Ratay said.

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SMC VOLLEYBALL

Belles errors lead to loss

By KATIE McVOY
Associate Sports Editor

Errors and teamwork were the names of the game during the Belles 3-0 (28-20, 27-25, 25-21) sweep of the Knights in a Big East contest on Friday at St. Mary's Hall.

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Saint Mary's faces off against Olivet in the third game on Tuesday.

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ND VOLLEYBALL

Irish take two on the road

By NOAH AMSTADTER
Sports Editor

With everybody contributing to the offense, the Notre Dame volleyball team (10-3, 5-0 in the Big East) added two road wins to its undefeated conference record this weekend, sweeping Boston College on Saturday before topping Creigh in four games Sunday.

"We made a lot of our own errors. They did force some errors on us, but we forced them on ourselves," said Julie Schroeder-Biek, head coach.

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Watson makes history at ND Invitational

Senior becomes first since 1978 to win invite for two consecutive years

By KATIE HUGHES

It was a dreary day to make history. But as the rain made Notre Dame Golf Course slippery and muddy, senior Luke Watson led the Irish to their first victory at the Notre Dame Invitational since 1995. Watson became the first person to win the Notre Dame Invitational two years in a row since Marc Hunter of Cleveland State in 1978, taking the title in 24:25. Watson finished second in 24:25, and Mobley, who won the Valparaiso Invitational, finished right on Shay's heels, also in 24:25.

"Ryan and Luke were both feeling a little sick," said senior Marc Striowski. "The mud takes a lot out of you," Mobley said. "But I tried to stay up with Ryan and Luke." As a deep crowd of fans who came out despite the rain cheered on the Irish, Striowski had one of the meet's closest finishes, kicking in the last 100 yards but being narrowly edged out by Utah State's Mitch Zandel. Striowski finished fifth in 24:38, making this the second meet in a row where the Irish have finished 1-2-3-5.

"I felt like I could have beat [Zandel]," said Striowski. "I didn't have as good of a kick as him."

Senior Sean Zanderson ran his best race of the season to finish as the fifth runner for the Irish in 25:00.

"This meet just shows that we have pretty good depth. Even though our regular fifth man didn't run well, Sean did," Striowski. "There are people who will step up. Inevitably someone might always not run well, but we can be confident that our team will run well no matter what. Everyone is looking forward to Pre-Nationals."


"Notre Dame's "B" team hustled up the muddy competition as well, taking first in the Gold division race. Sophomores Mario Bird and Brian Kerwin took second and fourth, respectively.

"For the seniors, it was nice to win our last race at Notre Dame," said Striowski.

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ND Women's Cross Country

Irish bring home victory

By KATIE HUGHES

It was a muddy, senior Ryan Shay and sophomore Todd Mobley stayed together and pushed each other for most of the race. Shay, who won the National Catholic Invitational on the same course earlier this season, finished second in 24:25, and Mobley, who won the Valparaiso Invitational, finished right on Shay's heels, also in 24:25.

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A Notre Dame runner pulls away from the competition at the Notre Dame Invitational on Saturday. The Irish won the meet.
Pyros burn Purple Weasles in 6-0 win

By PHIL KOESTERER and KEN CHAMPA
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Mod Quad's "Civil War" lived up to its name. The Pyros of Pasquerilla East defeated the Purple Weasels of Pasquerilla West 6-0 in a hard-fought game Thursday night on West Riehle Field.

Penalties against PW and big plays from PE made the difference in a contest that remained scoreless until the final minute.

Following an Erin Schulte interception deep in PW territory late in the half, the Purple Weasels were unable to put together a drive. PE forced PW punt, but a penalty for not wearing flags against the Weasels on the punt return gave the ball back to PW. The Weasels could not take advantage of the second opportunity, however, and punted the ball back to the Pyros.

On its next possession, PE quarterback Lindsay Terifay scrambled for a first down.

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In a game that promised to be a battle of the defenses, the Jacks of Badin proved to be the cold, steady rain falling on West Riehle Field. The Weasels of Welsh couldn't get the ball around to the bend don't break defense and the Badin Bulldogs.

Welsh's offense was relatively unsuccessful in the first half, moving the ball enough to pick up two first downs. The much-touted Welsh defense, with help from a slippery football, prevented the Bulldogs from gaining so much as a single first down.

"Obviously the weather was a big factor in the game," said Badin coach Casey Wendein. "It was hard for our quarter­back because she had no grip on the ball."

Welsh was able to control time of possession allowing no turnovers and forcing Badin to punt on every drive.

"By stopping them and notturning the ball over, we were able to win the game with a couple big plays," said Welsh coach Joe Blamey. Although completing passes proved difficult, Badin had moderate success running the ball. Amy Marshall and several other members of the Birmingham backfield gained significant yardage with the option and the reverse.

The big break for Welsh came on the opening drive of the second half. The Whirlwinds opened the ball with a pass for the first of three first downs on the run. Freshman quarterback Lauren Hock connected with three different receivers, including sophomore Jamie Eldredge.

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Finally

Irish make big plays and get big breaks as they earn their first win of the season

By NOAH AMSTADTER
Sports Editor

With a little more than three minutes remaining in the third quarter Saturday afternoon, everything seemed destined to fall apart once again for the Irish football team:

With the Irish leading 10-7, Pittsburgh quarterback David Priestley completed a 20-yard pass to R.J. English to give the Panthers first-and-10 at the Irish 26-yard line.

The next play, Priestley hit English at midfield with nothing in front of him but the endzone. But then, with Pittsburgh just a yard away from taking a 13-10 lead, something happened.

The football slipped away from English’s hands mid-stride and fell right into the hands of Irish defensive back Abram Elam at the 1-yard line.

“At that point they were going in there for the go-ahead touchdown,” Irish head coach Bob Davie said. “The next thing you know, we’re going the other way with the ball.”

Three plays later, Irish quarterback Carlyle Holiday slipped through the Panthers’ defense, broke two tackles and sprinted 67 yards into the endzone to give the Irish a 17-10 lead.

“They sort of stretched the offense out and I just sort of cut back. I thought I was down, but I just kept on going, rushing out of there,” Holiday said. “It caught me by surprise.”

For an Irish team coming into Saturday’s game 0-3 for the first time in its storied history, the change in momentum was just what the doctor ordered.

“If you’re going to get to 0-3 football team, it’s about creating turnovers on defense,” Davie said. “For us, it’s about creating turnovers on defense.”

“After the game, you don’t need to say much,” Davie said. “Let’s face it, that’s what this game is. Strange things can happen. Momentum’s a funny thing.”

For the team and the Notre Dame community as a whole, the Irish quarterback felt the weight of getting his first career victory off his back.

“I think it’s pretty simple to see what kind of plan we have to have to win a football game,” Davie said of his team’s ability to make plays and not turn the ball over. “As you look back over the beginning of the season until right now obviously this is the first time that we’ve been able to follow the plan.”

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Notre Dame quarterback Carlyle Holiday breaks through the line on his way to a 67-yard touchdown run, the longest play from scrimmage the Irish have executed this year.

**Irish finally make The Big Plays**

They finally found The Big Play. And they didn’t find just one. They didn’t find two. They found a whole bunch of them.

Who knows where they came from? Was it Bob Davie sitting in on the offensive meetings? Did he reach behind Kevin Rogers’ ear and pull out A Big Play? Or was it divine providence that caused R.J. English to flat out drop the ball on the 1-yard line? Nobody knows. Nobody cares. The Big Play happened, and that’s all that mattered.

All season long, the Irish had been missing The Big Play. They hadn’t completed a pass for more than 20 yards. They only had one run for more than 30. And the defense had caused a whopping two turnovers.

But that all changed Saturday. Who could explain what happened when English caught the ball, turned for the endzone, and simply dropped the ball? He wasn’t hit. He wasn’t even touched. But when the ball popped out of his hands and into the hands of Abe Elam, the Irish finally made a Big Play.

“I felt we won the game there,” Tyreo Harrison said. “That was definitely the momentum-changing play. Abe was in the right place at the right time. Sometimes the sun shines on you.”

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How important are those Big Plays the Irish were dearly missing? They fire up a team. They jack up an offense. They excite a crowd.

So when Tony Fisher took the handoff three yards deep in his own end zone and blasted through the Pittsburgh secondary, the Irish had another Big Play on their hands. There was nothing between Fisher and the longest rushing play in Notre Dame’s 113 years of football except for 80 yards of slightly trampled grass — and a bum knee which brought him tumbling to the ground around the 30-yard line.

After the game, Fisher wasn’t upset he was caught from behind. He wasn’t upset that he was hurt. He wanted to make The Big Play. “We need big plays as possible,” he said. “Carlyle could do it. Carlyle could do it. Anyone could do it. It doesn’t matter who does it as long as it helps the team.”

Two plays later, Holiday did it. He broke through the defensive line, twisted his way past the linebackers, powered through the secondary, and was off and running. Sixty-seven yards later, the Biggest of Big Plays was in the history books.

Everyone wanted a piece of Carlyle’s Big Play. As soon as he saw Holiday take off down the field, Javon Hunter raced down the field, throwing a block on a safety that should have been called a clip. David Givens was throwing blocks on everyone and their mothers. The Notre Dame sideline erupted. Davie actually smiled during a football game.


“Momentum’s a funny thing,” Davie said. “Momentum you can talk about and plan. But momentum comes your way when you have guys step up and make big plays. That’s what happened today.”

There were other Big Plays besides the fumble and the big runs. Elam’s interception in the first quarter marked the first time an opponent didn’t score on their first drive this season. A play after officials blew a fumble call, Shane Walton forced Antonio Bryant to fumble the ball, killing another Pittsburgh scoring drive. Weaver’s interception in the fourth quarter unnerved the Panthers. Walton’s pick in the fourth quarter sealed the game for the Irish. A grand total of five — count ‘em. five — turnovers.

“That’s the one thing our defense was missing this year,” said Rocky Walton. “We hadn’t really created any turnovers or any sparks out there, and we did that today.”

By making those Big Plays, the Irish shut down the Panthers. By making those Big Plays, the Irish gained confidence. By making those Big Plays, the Irish looked like a football team again.

By making those Big Plays, the Irish won the game.

But then again, that’s the nature of The Big Play. It wins games. You can’t touch it. You can’t prepare for it. You can only hope to find it.

Saturday afternoon, the Irish did.

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The date was October 6, 2001, but it might have well been October 6, 2000. With a win against Pittsburgh, the Notre Dame football team finally returned to its 2000 formula: win the turnover battle, let the defense make big plays and run the ball until opposing line backers are seeing Julius Jones and Tony Fisher in their nightmares.

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Turnovers

One of the most quoted statistics concerning Irish football this season was the team's poor minus-seven turnover margin. Notre Dame only turned the ball over an NCAA-record-tying eight times last year.

"For us, it's all about forcing turnovers," said Davie after the game. "The offense has been taking most of the heat, you know the defense deserved some heat because they weren't generating any turnovers."

Before Saturday, the Irish defense had created just a pair of turnovers. Strong safety Abram Elam had two turnovers early in the game, including a fumble at the goal line,English's fumble at the goal line, and forced some turnovers," said Davie. "We got back to the style of last year's team."

Turnovers. When Elam accomplished his mission, the Irish then drove 99 yards in what Pittsburgh coach Walt Harris recognized was the turning point of the game.

"We came right back very strong on the drive after Notre Dame took the lead on their field goal," said Harris. "We still found ourselves coming up short ... the momentum went to them."

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Irish defenders scramble for the ball seconds after Notre Dame defensive back Shane Walton forced Pittsburgh wide receiver Antonio Bryant to fumble. Courtney Watson, right, recovered the ball.

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Pittsburgh receiver Antonio Bryant gets hit hard by four Notre Dame defenders after catching the ball.

**BIG PLAYS EQUAL BIG WIN**

Three plays into Pittsburgh's first offensive drive, Abe Elam intercepted David Priestly's pass, setting the tone for the rest of the game. When the clock hit 0:00, the Irish had forced five turnovers, including a momentum-changing fumble on the Notre Dame one-yard line. The offense also played well, racking up 319 yards in total offense and putting 24 points on the board — doubling their season total.