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Smoke pours out from the Pentagon into the Washington, D.C. air. (Photo by Charles Nallien/The Hoyt, Georgetown University)

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New York Tragedy rocks USI

by travis neff
staff writer

Along with the rest of the nation, the USI campus was cast under a thick veil of shock and uncertainty on Tuesday, when the United States became the victim of the worst series of terrorist attacks in modern history. What began as a typical workday for Americans quickly turned into the opening chapter of a saga of numerous and frightening possibilities.

On Tuesday morning around 8:45 a.m., a reportedly hijacked plane slammed into the upper floors of a World Trade Center tower in New York City. About 18 minutes later, a Boeing 767 crashed into the second tower, sending a massive explosion of smoke and flames billowing out of the structure. Around the country, people were waking up to scenes of chaos and disaster.

But the maelstrom of catas-



When the tragedy occurred, USI students were found in front of televisions around campus for most of the day. Students were in shock about the entire situation. (Photo by Roberta Fugate)

trophe had not yet ceased. Two more large jets met devastating fates; one smashing into the

Pentagon near Washington, D.C., and another falling into an area outside of

Pittsburgh, Penn.

People in Indiana took notice just as the rest of the world maintained a mass media vigil. Federal offices all across the state heightened security.

Like all other airports in the country, the Evansville Regional Airport was closed down. Aides to U.S. Rep. John Hostettler told reporters that the congressman had been moved to an "undisclosed, secure location." Eastland Mall closed and local schools canceled extracurricular activities.

Even here at USI, students and faculty felt the impact of the day's events. People huddled around televisions all over campus, striving to gain as much new information as possible and to discuss their views with one another. Freshman

Chris Houston reflected the views of most. "It is scary that



Students and faculty join hands during a prayer vigil on Tuesday afternoon outside the UC. (Photo by Ethan Badertscher)

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Ground is broken

by roberta fugate
staff writer

Faculty, students and guests gathered on campus Sept. 6 to witness the groundbreaking ceremony for the new \$23.1 million Science and Education Center.

Construction on the building has already begun and if there aren't any delays, is to be completed in July 2003.

The new building, which will also be the largest built on campus to date, will house the Pott School of Science and Engineering Technology that will include a wing named in recognition of W. Paul Torrington, a major contributor to the University science programs.

The new facility will also include the dean's office for the Bower-Suhrheinrich School of Education and Human Services, the department of Teacher Education, University Division, as well as Academic Skills.

The education wing will have three finished levels with an unfinished basement that can be used for additional space in the future.

As a testament to the growth of the university, Dr. Hoops, president of USI, reminded the crowd that the ground breaking for the Liberal Arts building had taken place only four years before.

Hoops said the new building would help "facilitate cooperative efforts for the 21st century" by allowing the university to work more closely with local classrooms and schools.



Children from the University Children's Center and Culver Community Center help with the ground breaking ceremony. (Photo by Roberta Fugate)

USI set to run for cure

by ethan badertscher
campus editor

On Saturday, Sept. 22, over 500 USI team members will participate in efforts to fight breast cancer by running or walking in the 2001 Komen Evansville Race for the Cure.

The race will begin at 7:30 a.m. in the Eastland Mall parking lot.

"They're looking to have between 15,000-20,000 participants this year," said Ruth Anne Waller, the Intramural Recreation Sports Director at USI.

"Last year we had 50-100 USI team members out of 15,000 participants. This year the USI team already has over 500 USI students, faculty and staff, and there are more to be accounted for," Waller said.

"This shows the

university that we do have support, we do help assist in finding a cure for cancer by providing participants out there and giving donations toward this terrible condition," said Waller.

She continued, saying, "It's also letting the community know that we have a very supportive campus and a very concerned campus, and students who care."

"One out of eight women are diagnosed with breast cancer," Waller said.

"It's nice to see and exciting to be around 15,000-20,000 people in support for the same cause."

"You also meet a lot of survivors out there that day and people that are fighting it right now that are out there and the numbers that they will see will be shocking to the eye."

Forms not made available to students

by travis neff
staff writer

Recently, professors at USI were given the results of the Cafeteria forms which were completed last school year. But not everyone may be entitled to view that information.

At the end of each semester, students are requested to rank instructors on their performance by filling out a cafeteria evaluation form.

Professors are ranked from poor to excellent on criteria such as the fairness of the professor, the class's interactive environment and the accuracy of grades.

However no matter how familiar students are with these forms, they may

not be aware of the fact that the results of the evaluations are never disclosed to anyone besides university faculty.

This non-disclosure policy was made abundantly clear when *The Shield* requested permission from the office of Academic Affairs to examine the evaluation results.

The request was denied.

According to the university guidelines regarding promotion and tenure, the Cafeteria forms are used to provide important feedback from the "consumer's" point-of-view (in this case, the "consumer" being referenced would be a USI student).

The university views the student evaluations as an integral part of not only

the employment process, but also as a method of instructor improvement.

So, according to USI guidelines, while school officials view the student evaluations as a "strong message that USI values the learning process," and that it is a joint involvement between learners and teachers in the monitoring of instruction, no student may ever learn of the outcome.

This was a topic of concern for senior Becky Brenton.

"If we are asked to participate in these evaluations," Becky said, "then we should be able to see the results. I have written comments on the forms, and have never felt like they were taken seriously. I would like to be more cer-

tain my opinions count."

The denial of a public university to release records to a journalist raises some important legal issues.

Employees of a public institution in the state of Indiana are not obligated to have their lives on open display.

However, the offices that have their personnel records on file are required by law to provide copies of said documents on request.

In fact, the first paragraph of the Indiana State Legislature statutes regarding the accessing of public records states, "all persons are entitled to full and complete information regarding the affairs of government and the official acts of those who represent them as pub-

lic officials and employees."

Not all colleges view conduct student evaluations of instructors keep data under wraps.

For example, Indiana State University has a special log-in section on its website which students may access with a password.

From there, they view the average ranking based on the evaluations each professor.

While Indiana State may currently be one of few schools which is bold enough to allow students view the results of an evaluation that they themselves take the time to contribute to, maybe USI will soon follow suit.



Juniors Megan Brown and Ashley McGillicuddy sit outside the LA Building enjoying the sunshine and the cooler temperatures. (Photo by Roberta Fugate)

Residents discuss parking with SGA

by rebecca parker
staff writer

Four concerned USI residents attended the SGA meeting last Thursday to discuss the parking problem.

They requested more parking spots for residents in the residence halls.

With the input of the residents at the meeting, SGA decided to recommend to the administration that lot E be open to blue tags (commuters) and red tags (residents) as opposed to only allowing commuters to use

that lot.

Students are also reminded that the paid parking lot by the library is free after 9 p.m. President Rick Hudson added, "Our meetings are open. Feel free to add your input anytime."

Member Ryan Foncannon addressed the group about the proposed rezoning of where the Lloyd Expressway and Shutte Road meet.

That corner may be rezoned to allow for commercial development.

USI has not taken a stance on the issue. Advisor Barry Schonberger said, "The Uni-

versity is trying to be as neutral as they can to keep everyone happy."

SGA decided to not take a stance on the issue, but urged anyone concerned to attend the Vanderburgh County Commissioners on Sept. 17 at 6:30 p.m. in room 307 at the Civic Center.

Wrapping up business from the last meeting, Hudson noted that nine bus stop signs are posted around campus. The bus schedule should be out soon and posted on Screaming Eagle TV.

'Smash' to aid local women's shelter

by ethan badertscher
campus editor

The Phi Delta Theta fraternity is throwing their seventh annual September Smash concert this Saturday at 7:00 p.m. on Liberal Arts lawn.

The Concert is to benefit the Albion Fellows Bacon Center, a local shelter for abused and battered women.

"We have a great lineup of some great bands," said Phi Delta Theta Special Events Chairman, Ryan Gibbons in an email.

"This year we are bringing in Gliss, a local up-and-coming band, Fever, a very good band from the south side of Indy, and Dayzie-Head Mayzie, the house band at World Mardi Gras at Circle Center in Indy," Gibbons said.

"The sororities are raising money for Bacon Center, and whichever raises the most will be crowned "Queen of Smash" at the end of the show. All money will go to

the Bacon Center," said Gibbons.

"There will be BW3's wings for sale in case you get hungry, and after the show we will be heading to BW3's west side location for drink specials and acoustic performances by Gliss and another local band called Tripdom," Gibbons said.

"This will be the first time BW3's has ever had live music," he said. "Should be fun."

Admission is \$5 or free with a t-shirt purchase of \$10; admission to BW3's is free if you decide to go.

"We are expecting it to help our rush numbers, though, because the men rushing that attend will see what our chapter is capable of and will be more inclined to choose us when accepting their bid," he said.

"All proceeds benefit the Albion Fellows Bacon center," said Gibbons. "So if you're looking for something to do this weekend September Smash is definitely the place to be."

Academic Skills will host four Brown Bag Seminars this month in the University Center beginning at noon. This year's theme is Management Skills for College Success. The seminars are free and open to students, faculty, and staff. Participants are encouraged to bring a lunch and learn.

Monday, Sept. 24 UC 206 noon-12:45

Managing College Life

Presented by: Sandra Lawrence, Director of Student Wellness

Tuesday, Sept. 25 UC 206 noon-12:45

Managing Time

Presented by: Dr. Michael Slavkin, Assistant Professor of Education

Wednesday, Sept. 26 UC 206 noon-12:45

Managing College Studies

Presented by: Lori Suter, Developmental Educator, Academic Skills

Thursday, Sept. 27 UC 214 noon-12:45

Managing Test Stress

Presented by: Nancy Myers, Math Specialist, Academic Skills

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Swing and hip hop classes to be offered

by linnea haseker
staff writer

The Recreation and Fitness Center will be offering Dance Themes every Friday from 12:15 p.m. to 1 p.m. starting Sept. 14.

Dance Themes is an introduction to the dance styles of swing and hip-hop. There will be five sessions of each, beginning with the swing classes.

The instructors of the classes are from ACROS, a local dance and gymnastics facility. Yvette Ravellite, who has a national certification in choreography, will be teaching the swing classes. Heather Richards, who has a degree in dance, will be teaching the hip-hop classes.

"We realize that time these classes are offered is

during lunch hour, but if the classes are a hit then we will have other times when they will be offered," stated Steve Pfister, public relations/marketing coordinator for the Recreation and Fitness Center.

If you would like to join one of these classes, take your student ID and go to the Recreation and Fitness Center and sign up before Sept. 14.

As of now, the classes will be held on a first come, first serve basis because they are not sure how many people to expect. There is no extra fee and you do not need special shoes, although they ask that no black-soled shoes be worn.

For more information call 461-5268 or visit their website at <http://www.usi.edu/rec/fit/index.asp>.

Fulbright Grant deadline in October

The 2002-2003 competition for Fulbright and related grants for graduate study or graduate research abroad and for practical training in the creative and performing arts is under way.

The purpose of the grants is to increase mutual understanding between the people of the United States and other countries through the exchange of persons, knowledge and skills.

This year approximately 900 awards are available to 100 countries.

Applicants must be U.S. citizens at the time of application, and must generally hold a bachelor's degree or its equivalent by the beginning date of the grant (usually early fall of the grant year), and in most cases, should be proficient in the language of the host country.

Creative and performing artists are not required to have a bachelor's degree, but must have four years of professional study or equivalent experience. Teaching assistantships in English are also available to Belgium, France, Germany, Korea and Taiwan.

Most of the grants offered provide round-trip international transportation, tuition, health and accident insurance and maintenance for one academic year.

Deadline for submission of completed applications to the campus Fulbright committee is Mon, Oct. 15.

For applications, as well as assistance with the application process, contact Dr. Suzi Wolfe, USI Fulbright Advisor, LA 3067 (465-7026).

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Student evaluations should be made available

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Near the end of every semester students fill out cafeteria forms, sometimes called Purdue forms, which rate the instructor and the class in varied categories. The results contain valuable information about the professor and the course that would be substantially useful to the students during class selection, but don't expect access to it anytime soon.

Primarily the instructors use the forms as a tool in which to gauge their own effectiveness in the classroom through a series of pre-selected categories ranging from the quality of the textbook to how much the instructor stimulates the students. These forms are also used by the administration during tenure review, merit-pay assessment, and regular evaluations.

The Supreme Court ruled that all items used in the consideration of

tenure and promotion by a public university are public record. Therefore, these results should be available to the students not just because students deserve a chance to review the information just as the administration does, but because it is a matter of public record.

There is "the grapevine" at virtually all colleges, and USI is no different. Near the end of every semester the UC is filled with recommendations and warnings about professors and classes, inside information on test structure and attendance policy, all of which are taken seriously by the students in determining classes.

It is true that some students do look for instructors who grade easily, but more importantly, the majority of the students look for instructors that fit into their learning style. Releasing the forms to the students would pro-

vide more reliable information so that they can make better-informed decisions, and in doing so, have a better learning experience.

It is hard to ignore the issues concerning the privacy of the instructors, but since evaluations are required and used by the University, they must be out in the open where both student and professor shenanigans can be seen by all. It may not be pretty, but that's how a participatory democracy works.

Releasing the cafeteria forms in not just a matter of public information, it's a matter of respect.

The editorial reflects the views of The Shield editorial staff.

A moment of silence and destruction

The World Trade Center is no longer in existence. Decades of organized trade and commerce information is totally destroyed within an hour. The west area of The Pentagon has turned to dust in half of the time. Thousands of American lives were taken due

to Flight 11 crashing into the first tower of the World Trade Center in New York, and many more were deceased from a second 767 jet crashing into the same building 30 minutes later. A similar hijack situation destroyed more souls in Washington, D.C.

Our President is calling it a terrorist attack.

Political analysts are announcing the beginning of World War III.

Citizens are fearing the fall of American power.

Others are going so far as to fear Armageddon.

It is difficult to analyze

what will happen next, especially when it is difficult to stop shaking.

Bush wants to find the "faceless cowards" and "hunt them down", but who are we hunting?

American officials are meeting with allies to discuss retaliation, but who are we

retaliating against?

Whomever these "faceless cowards" are, their advanced organizational and technological skills can't help but make us feel helpless.

This is a time in history, like many others, to test our ability to remain the most powerful nation on Earth.

Tragedy aftermath

'Who will protect us?'

by chad crowe
viewpoints editor

Much of the world mourns with us as we try to cope with the terrorist attacks that brought the country grinding to a halt.

We are left with the reality of the situation; we are no longer safe.

We no longer live in Fortress America. The United States has a long history of being the world's policeman, but now we have to ask, "Who will protect us?" These attacks are being felt in every home across the country.

We have to make sense of a new international role that we never really wanted.

Speaking from Barksdale Air Force Base in Louisiana, President Bush told reporters: "Freedom has been attacked, but freedom will be defended."

It was that same freedom that allowed a group of terrorists to hijack four commercial jets and crash them

into occupied buildings.

It was that same freedom that allowed us to think we were invincible.

I talked to my friend who works in midtown Manhattan about three miles from the World Trade Center.

He told me about the mass exodus of people walking north through the city; dazed, dirty, silent.

From his apartment in Brooklyn he could see the reams of office paper washing ashore from across the harbor as naval fighters patrolled the skies overhead.

This is one of those few days in life that one can actually say will change everything.

Life will be different now; security will be heightened, tensions will increase, we are never going back to one another the same.

That should make the terrorists happy. Yes, things will change. They already have.

The truth about dating for college students

chad crowe
viewpoints editor

This is perhaps the most difficult concept to grasp as a college student.

The idea of going on a "date" is as foreign as the valedictorian of your high school class.

Whatever you want to call it: hooking up, going out, stalking, whatever, there are many aspects of the college life that make a thing called a "relationship" a near impossibility.

First off, if you're always drunk, saying "you're the coolest girl I've ever met" doesn't carry a lot of weight if two minutes earlier you said the exact same thing to a Hot Pocket.

And there are few things in life more humbling than having to call a girl whose bed you passed out in and kitchen sink you puked in and ask if she found your wallet and your favorite hat.

Dating is also further complicated by the living

arrangements in college.

It's a challenging task to have "that talk" with your girlfriend while your roommate is on the other bed fast-forwarding *Critters 2* to get to the "good parts."

Bunk beds, while fun and exciting, are also difficult to maintain intimacy on. There is no, and I mean NO, smooth way to ask a girl to step up on a pretzel keg and climb a ladder into your bed.

If, through some slight of hand or mind trick, you end up actually "going out" with a girl, then look out because you're in for it.

The first thing that happens, naturally, is that the chick in your english class that you stare at constantly and is so ridiculously hot but has always had a boyfriend, yeah, she breaks up with him and is now available.

Next, your friends decide to go on a road trip to South Bend on the same weekend that you and your girlfriend have planned to see the new

Meg Ryan movie.

And, of course, just when things can't get any worse, you find yourself saying things like "You're totally prettier than her" or "Maybe I don't feel like talking."

Never are the differences between men and women more obvious and exaggerated than during the college years. Guys drink, puke, fall down, fight, yell, laugh, sleep and play video games.

That's not a simplification.

That may even be giving them a little too much credit. College dating is an oxymoron.

If you managed to have a girlfriend all through your college years, then I hope she's reading this, because honey, remember when he said his brother was in town and they were visiting his brother's friend downtown - yup, they were at a strip club all night.

But he did like *You've Got Mail*.

Letters to the Editor

A little 'hello' goes a long way

Dear Editor,

As I take the excruciating and tiring walk from the apartments to class, I get a glimpse of the diverse and unwelcoming student body. As a freshman, a smile from passing traffic on sidewalks can be a sign that we made the right decision coming to USI. Leaving behind our family, friends, and our own rooms for the first time, most freshmen are having a tough time adjusting. How am I supposed to adjust when most people are not willing to meet new people?

I thought college was supposed to be different from

high school. Students are supposed to become independent and try to discover themselves. Many students are treating USI as US-High. Students have glued themselves to people that they went to high school with and shunned the idea of an open mind and the possibility of meeting new people; however, we are in college now. For example, as freshmen go around class introducing themselves, I noticed the majority of students are sitting next to one or more buddies from high school. How am I supposed to compare to people that you have known for four or more years?

As a freshman, I am asking other freshmen to take their feet out of the kiddie pool and jump head first into the deep end. We are going to be spending the next and best four years of our lives together. So, we must make the transition, here and now, from high school to college [by] opening our minds to every possibility that life brings us. I look forward to crossing paths with my fellow freshman, the class of 2005. To all: a little smile and maybe a "hello" can really make a guy like me feel at home.

Jonathan Tague
Freshman Business Major

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Where to go this weekend

Fast Eddy's
Friday & Saturday
10 p.m.
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The Funny Bone
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8 & 10:15 p.m.
Christopher "Kid" Reid

Marina Pointe
Friday and Saturday
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Well Hello

Breaker's Billiards
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10 p.m.
Monkey Gland

Lanhuck's
Friday
10 p.m.
JEB

Taking a stab at self, hoops and needles at USI

by brooklyn solis
staff writer

There are many ways to express individuality. Logically, some are more painful than others and my friend decided that a navel ring was the best way for her way to make a statement.

She didn't flinch as the two-inch needle poked through her navel and she still had the same smile on her face as she collected the disinfectant solution and an instruction booklet on the way out of the tattoo parlor.

Everyday, hundreds of people engage in the same activity. According to Terry Johnson, an employee of Earth Born Studios in Evansville, about 20 to 30 piercings a week are college students. From Brittany Spears to the guy in math class, body art has become a rite of passage for our generation.

Like Sophomore Mary Allen said, "Everyone else was getting something done and I wanted something too. I decided that an eyebrow ring would look the best."

It is common knowledge that a piercing can be easily taken out, while a tattoo is

more permanent, but it still has not stopped people from getting one. "I got my tattoo about three months ago, because no one thought I would actually do it," Sophomore Jamie Mohr said. She also has her ears and navel pierced.

Tattoos are often much more personal. They could mark an important event (Spring Break), identify personality (The popular Chinese Symbols), or even be a memorial of someone who is no longer alive.

Many people do not even have an idea about what type

of design they want until they step into the door of a tattoo studio.

"I walked in the door and looked on the wall. I saw the sun and decided that it was what I wanted," Freshman Jason Dewig said.

According to Terry Johnson, an employee of Earth Born Studios in Evansville, about 20 to 30 piercings a week are college students.

Because of the uncertainty of what to get and where, many people wait until they are

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The Glass House (PG13) [1:30] 4:30 7:20 10:05	American Pie 2 (R) [2:40] 5:20 8:00 10:30
The Golden Bowl (R) [12:50] 3:50 6:45 9:40	The Others (PG-13) [2:50] 5:30 8:10 10:35
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absolutely sure of what they want.

"I don't have a tattoo yet, but I know I am going to get one.

I think I want a bold outline of a star, but I don't exactly know where I want the tattoo to be.

Once I figure out the location, I am going to follow through," sophomore Kim Pritchette said.

Before you go "under the needle" it is important to know about the diseases that can be contracted through a contaminated needle.

Research shows that as long as tubes and needles are properly sterilized, you will be 100% safe of not contracting any of the 22 reported diseases that can be transmitted through a contaminated needle.

Among them are Hepatitis B,

Syphilis, and Tuberculosis. According to research conducted by the popular website (Tattoo.com) a surprising fact states that the odds are one in two hundred that the transmission of AIDS or the HIV Virus

can occur from the contamination of an infected needle.

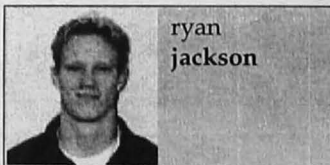
Before you go "under the needle" it is important to know about the diseases that can be contracted through a contaminated needle.

Although it can be risky to get either a tattoo or piercing, many people claim that body art can be c o m e "addictive."

"After I got my navel pierced I had to figure what else I wanted to get done. That same day I knew I wanted another one," Freshman Kayla Smith said.

While many people argue that the growing popularity is just a fad, others argue that it is an art.

As long as there is need for self-expression, there will also be hoops and ink.



ryan
jackson

'Rock Star' works, sometimes

plays Wahlberg's manager and girlfriend, in the movie that much.

When she is in she's hilarious and she's so beautiful, compared to the rest of the film, which is a bunch of long greasy haired guys in tight leather pants.

Wahlberg's performance was good too, it reminded me of his acting in *Boogie Nights*, but that's not necessarily bad.

I think the real question is why would he want to do this role anyway?

It doesn't have a big box-office ring to it, and for a guy who is trying to become a movie star you need those kinds of vehicles.

I guess the acting stretch could have made it appealing, considering the guy used to make rap songs and now he's in a role where he's a heavy metal enthusiast.

In fact at one point in time Brad Pitt was signed on to star in the role, back then it was titled *Metal God*, and then

when he couldn't agree with the studio on a director.

That's when Wahlberg stepped in.

So I guess Wahlberg figures if it's good enough for Brad, who makes just about 20 million a picture, it's good enough for me, an up and comer.

What he's not realizing is that most of Brad's movies don't make money, remember *Meet Joe Black*, *Seven Years in Tibet*, and *Snatch*?

That doesn't mean they're not good movies, or that he's not giving great performances, it just shows that he's not picking projects that a movie star should.

But Brad Pitt is Brad Pitt. 70% of his fan base will go see his movies simply to look at him, he is a movie star.

That I think is where Mark Wahlberg and the studios are trying to get.

Left Field BY BRYAN BRETZ



Tragedy

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they can get us wherever they want."

Classes were not canceled on Tuesday, but some professors at USI let students leave class early.

TVs were set up in The Loft and other gathering places on campus, showing non-stop coverage of the tragedy.

Dr. Donald Pitzer, professor of history at USI, said he thinks this tragedy illustrates how the world has changed.

"This is a declared war," Pitzer said, "There is no traditional way to protect ourselves from this kind of attack. Civilians are now on the front line."

Barry Hart, the director of campus security at USI, expressed concern about safety right here at the school.

"We are most sensitive about reaction towards any student who may be identified with certain groups," Hart said.

"I would ask everyone to hold their anger

for those who are truly responsible."

At noon on Tuesday, some students tried to create a sense of togetherness by holding a prayer meeting outside of the University Center. About 200 students held hands and prayed for those affected by the atrocities.

"This brings us face to face with our limitations," said Jeff Loudon of the Campus Ministries.

"This prayer meeting brought us together so we don't have to go through it alone."

All USI students will probably remember where they were on this day of terror.

For many, the memories of sorrow and anger will always be with them.

"I am feeling sorrow and sympathy for the families (of the victims)," said Robyn Buss, a USI freshman.

"I'm mad, but I don't know where to direct my anger."

More from the tragedy

Message from USI President H. Ray Hoops

The entire USI community shares with all Americans the sadness of the events of today. Within the shock of this tragedy, it is essential that we continue to focus on the real disaster, the impact on the victims, their families and the millions of Americans who have been harmed by these acts of terrorism. While outrage that the event has taken place is appropriate, we must not lose sight of the fact that little is presently known regarding where responsibility will ultimately be placed. Our concern must be on the victims and we must pull together as a community to maintain that focus.

As a University community, we must keep one another safe. We will offer to students and employees the services of our Counseling Center, located on the first floor of the Orr Center. There are many rumors circulating about classes, campus activities, and what is occurring on other campuses. Be assured we are monitoring information at other universities and we will have up-to-date information if you have questions. Please feel confident about calling the Advancement Office, 464-1755, with any questions or concerns. Thank you for your cooperation during this difficult time for everyone.

Indiana U. offers class exemptions, works on free long distance

By Cory Schouten
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BLOOMINGTON, Ind. - Indiana University classes will meet Tuesday so students can discuss the day's events in the wake of the worst terrorist attack in U.S. history, University officials said this morning.

The University is also working to make all long distance phone calls free so students can keep in touch with family.

A University spokeswoman said going to classes would give students and faculty a chance to talk about the attacks in New York and Washington, D.C.

"(President Myles Brand) wants to express deep sorrow and concern over this national tragedy," IU spokeswoman Susan Dillman said. "The safety of our students, faculty and

staff is our paramount concern."

"While it's not business as usual, we're an academic institution, and we must move forward," Brand said through Dillman.

The University has made the following arrangements for students:

* The University is planning forums this evening at all campuses so students and faculty can talk about Tuesday's events.

* The IU Health Center has been put on alert for counseling services.

* If students feel they cannot attend class, they may make arrangements with the dean of student's office.

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Volleyball beats eighth-ranked Northwood

by luke wagner
sports editor

After dropping one of two games last Friday to start out the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Crossover in Highland Heights, Ky., the USI Volleyball team regrouped and stunned eighth-ranked Northwood University.

USI head coach Krissy Smith was ecstatic to defeat such a highly ranked opponent from the GLLAC.

"It was the best we have ever played," Smith said. "Anytime we can get a win over a GLLAC team is big. And to do it against a team the caliber of Northwood speaks volumes."

USI surrendered the first game of the match to a strong Northwood comeback, but

bounced back to take the second and third games in commanding fashion. Northwood refused to back down in the fourth game, taking it in a nail-biter 35-33.

In the fifth and decisive game USI's Shannon Wells, Leanne Gross, and Kristy Kavanaugh lead the eagles past Northwood 15-13 to take the match along with the hopes of their opponents.

Kavanaugh played a huge part in the Eagle's success tallying a match-high 20 digs. Gross and Wells came through with a couple excellent performances themselves, racking up 42 kills and 19 digs in all.

The Eagle's first day of the tournament went well, but not as well as Saturday. In their win over Ferris State, USI won three straight games after dropping the first, to win the

match in four games.

Wells, who played extremely well the entire weekend, shined in the victory with 20 kills. Backing up Wells with a worthy performance was Kim Boehmer with 46 assists.

USI played Northern Michigan University in the second match on Friday where they were held to only 40 kills in a straight-game loss.

The Eagles also defeated Oakland City Monday night in straight games. The victory gave USI a winning record at 6-5 after a 1-4 start to the season.

USI will play again on Friday and Saturday. Friday's game will be against Quincy at 7 p.m., and Saturday's will be at 2 p.m. against Missouri-St. Louis.



Kristi Kavanaugh (right) and Leanne Gross (left) look to return a kill against Oakland City. (Photo by Roberta Fugate)

Coach optimistic after tennis matches

by travis neff
staff writer

The USI women's tennis team had a successful road trip last weekend.

Playing in three tournaments on Friday, Sept. 7 and Saturday, Sept. 8, the Screaming Eagles won two and lost one.

Friday, the Eagles visited the University of Indianapolis.

USI won all of their singles matches and won one of three doubles matches. Despite the record the Eagles finished with against Indianapolis, according to USI coach Keely Porter, this tournament was not as easily won as it may appear.

Sophomore Nichole Freyberger dominated her match winning 6-1, 6-1. Sophomore Kathleen Davis dropped the first set 5-7, but came back strong, winning 6-3, 6-2. Senior Michelle Lenahan also won in three sets, 6-3, 3-6, 6-3.

Saturday the Eagles played at Northern Kentucky Uni-

versity. There they ran in to greater difficulty.

"We lost to NKU 8-1," said Coach Porter, "but they were so tough, I expect them to win the conference."

The first Saturday tournament was not as successful as the one played the day before. Facing a dominating NKU, the Eagles had a very difficult time getting things to go their way. USI lost all but one singles match, with Kathleen Davis winning 6-1, 6-0. Davis is now the only team member who is still undefeated this season in singles.

The Eagles also came up short in doubles, dropping all three matches.

"Doubles were the area we really needed to work on," said Coach Porter. "But this team works hard and I believe we can be much more effective (against Northern Kentucky University) around tournament time."

USI quickly turned their play around late Saturday when they went on to defeat Bellarmine University. This

time it was the Screaming Eagles turn to dominate, as they won every match on the singles and doubles side. Senior Gwen Gosman pulled in a big victory 6-1, 6-0. Every Eagle's player won in straight sets. Michelle Lenahan won the closest scoring match, beating her opponent 6-3, 6-4. Emily Blinzinger, Nichole Freyberger, Kathleen Davis and Kailey Ackerman were all singles winners. USI also rolled over Bellarmine in doubles.

Coach Porter was pleased with the way the Eagles played this weekend, and there were not any great surprises for her. "We will continue to work on our doubles, and developing a serve and volley style."

The Eagles competing in three tournaments in two days made the need for good conditioning evident.

Coach Porter was concerned about the amount of stamina her team would need, but came away pleased with the performance.

USI golf team struggles

by travis neff
staff writer

It was a rough week for the USI men's golf team.

Wednesday, Sept. 5, USI tied for sixth place at the Indianapolis Invitational. Combing for a 312, the Eagles tied with Dayton in a tournament which was won by Butler University.

Sophomore Zack Smith led the way for the Eagles, shooting a 75. He was backed up by junior Brett Smith, who shot a 76, and sophomore Tim Garner, who posted a 79.

On Friday, Sept. 7, the team competed in the 2001 Saint Joseph's College Invitational at the Curtis Creek Country Club in Rensselaer, Ind. Saint Joseph's won their own invite with a score of 298. The Eagles wound up tying for fifth place, equaling the combined team score of 315 with one team from the University of Indianapolis.

Junior Charlie Lane and

Sophomore Chad Horrell shot low rounds for the Eagles, each posting a 77. Junior Ryan Overby shot a 79. Also competing for the Eagles were freshman B.J. Pierce, shooting an 82, and sophomore Tim Garner, who shot an 83.

Eagles golf coach Jim Brown was not particularly pleased with the results at the St. Joseph's invite. "It didn't go very well," Brown said. "Indianapolis was not too bad, but this last tournament was not good."

Coach Brown said he thinks the Eagles have not played well yet this year, and a lot of improvement needs to be made. "We are trying to get out the kinks," he said. "We are showing good effort, but not good results. We need to see who steps up."

Coach Brown says he believes that the Eagles ability to execute is crucial and that he is optimistic that they will have a turnaround.

Two local guards up for starting position

by adam pruiett
staff writer

The University of Southern Indiana's basketball team has taken steps to strengthen its backcourt with the addition of two former Evansville high school standouts.

David Ragland, a graduate of Harrison High School, and Antonio Willett, a graduate of Bosse High School, are both transfer students with two years of eligibility left. The pair will look to fill the void at guard left by the departure of Derrick Lyons.

Lyons, a two-time All-America at USI, tied for the team lead in scoring last year with senior Marlowe Currie at 17 ppg.

"There are no Derrick Lyons's on our team but we'll score in other ways," says Rick Herdes, head coach of USI.

The other ways will hopefully include Ragland and Willett. Herdes says they will

both compete for the starting point guard position that has opened up because last year's starting point guard, senior LaJuan Christon, is ineligible first semester for violating team rules. Christon led the Eagles with 6.4 assists a game last season.

"They both want to play the position and they're competitors," Herdes says. "They both played 25-30 games last season and their experience will be important to us."

Ragland, a 5 feet 11 inch junior, comes to USI from Missouri Southern State College where he averaged 5.7 ppg and 1.5 assists over two seasons.

At Harrison High School, Ragland was the Southern Indiana Player of the Year as senior when he led the Warriors to 21-3 record in 1998-99.

Herdes says Ragland's offensive skills will be a good suit for USI's up-tempo style.

"David is great at pushing the ball up the floor, he'll be

successful in our style of play," Herdes says.

Willett, who led Bosse High School to two Southern Indiana Athletic Conference Championships, arrived at USI after two solid seasons at Rend Lake College in Illinois. The 6 feet 1 inch junior averaged 12.7 points, 3.1 rebounds and 2.5 assists a contest while leading the Warriors in scoring on 14 different occasions.

He also reached double figures in points on 24 different occasions.

Ragland and Willett hope to improve a USI team that went 26-4 overall in 2000-01 and won the Great Lakes Valley Conference regular season title with a record of 18-2.

Herdes has high expectations for the duo and for this year's team.

"This is a tremendous program," Herdes says. "We compete for the conference title and the national championship each year and we expect nothing less."

Settles scores 3 goals in Eagle win

by adam pruiett
staff writer

After the USI men's soccer team's 6-2 victory Saturday over Lincoln University, Eagle midfielder Jared Anslinger told Matt Settles to make sure to mention Anslinger's name during an interview.

That's because Settles, a sophomore forward, had a career-high three goals in the game. Two of the goals, though, came off perfectly set up passes from Anslinger and freshman forward Matthew Manning.

"I have to credit my team for their passing," Settles said. "On my first goal, I got a great cross from Matt. It's my job to score."

The scoring output even surprised USI coach Dan Hogan.

"We haven't had six goals on the home side since I've been here," Hogan said. "I think it was a combination of us playing together better and guys being happy, but not satisfied."

After a quick Lincoln score at 1:08 in the first half, USI went on

the offensive. Anslinger tied the score at 1-1 on his first goal of the season, a kick from about 35 yards out. Later, Settles and freshman Matt Manning both scored to give USI three unanswered goals.

The second half went much the same way. Lincoln scored first to narrow the score to 3-2.

Then, the onslaught was on. Settles kicked two more goals and assisted on another by senior forward Ed Pieper.

USI begins conference play this weekend with two games on the road. Tomorrow, they're at the University of Indianapolis and Sunday they're at Saint Joseph's College. Both games start at 2:30 p.m.

Hogan expects the competition level to rise during conference play and hopes his team will respond well. "Conference games are a lot tighter and more intense," Hogan said.

"Hopefully, we'll have confidence going in, and the guys know that they can continue to play better."

Cross country shines in season-opener, Byrne breaks course record

by luke wagner
sports editor

As the USI men's and women's cross country teams gear up for tomorrow's Indiana Intercollegiate cross country meet, both will use their performances in the season opener Sept. 1 as springboards.

In the season-opener, the USI men came in first place at the Belerimine Invite meet.

The Eagles scored only 21 points (15 points = perfect score) as they defeated the eight team field.

First to cross the finish line was sophomore Joey Byrne with an outstand-

ing time of 26:08 on route to a course record.

The Eagles then took third, fourth, and fifth place, using great times by Mark Thurner, 27:05, Chris Swisher, 27:12, and Doug Schwartz, 27:12.

Also performing well, Danny Fisher who came in eighth place for the eagles with a time of 27:39.

"We were pleased with the effort today," cross country coach Mike Hilliard said. "To score such a convincing win over Indy (the defending conference champs) should give the guys a lot of confidence that their training is starting to pay off."

The women were run-

ning well for the Eagles also. Especially freshman Casey Schneider, who finished third, only 20 seconds under the previous course record.

"Casey barely lost to a 2-time all American (Indy senior Maria Harriman) today," Hilliard said. "That is a tremendous effort for a freshman."

Cassie Bartelt and Tricia Tinius also finished in the top 20 for the Eagles, helping their team to a fifth place finish.

The match tomorrow is hosted by Purdue University and includes every collegiate team in Indiana.

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