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A NATION ATTACKED; A CAMPUS SHOCKED

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Time stopped for Americans the moment the nation was attacked. Four planes hijacked. Two striking into the World Trade Center, one crashing into the Pentagon and the last one crashing into Pittsburgh. The death toll is so high that reports say it could take weeks before we can determine the amount of lives lost by this terrorist act.

Like so many throughout the country, Barry University was shocked when hearing of the tragic events that took place on Tuesday, Sept. 11. Gathered together in the Thompson Hall lobby many students, along with faculty and staff members, stood in agony as they watched the horrors that were displayed on TV.

Overcome with fear and some choked up by tears, students were comforted by those around them. Either from the compassion of a friend, classmate or a helpful stranger, students

were taken to the Career and Counseling Center as well as to the Chapel for comfort and prayer.

Each situation varied. Some were afraid that their family and friends living in New York or D.C. were injured or worse, dead. Others, shocked that America had been attacked, were soon considering the possibility of war.

PRAYER

Among those who helped sort out these questions was Brother Victor Laroche, OP. Hearing of the horrific events on the radio, Br. Victor was still not aware of the details until after he arrived at school Tuesday morning. "It was a shock for me and in some ways I am still in a state of shock," he said. Instead of preparing for the Student Services fair, which was canceled, Br. Victor rushed from Thompson Hall to the chapel. "There were some students from New York or with families in New York who were gathering in the chapel."

Many of them sat and prayed, he said, while others approached the



"An eye for an eye and the whole world ends up blind" Mahatma Ghandi
(Photo: DADI RAFNSSON)

brothers and sisters searching for guidance. "We did not force any type of counseling on anyone; we just made ourselves available." According to Br. Victor, one student was shaken because her parents were in New York and she hadn't heard from them. Another by the name of Jonathan was also upset and was comforted as the brother read

Psalms chapter 22 to him.

By this time, President Sr. Jeanne O'Laughlin soon asked Mission and Ministry to ring the bells to start the prayer service and mass. Although the university had already been closed, about 175 people entered the chapel. "After mass I was with some of the sisters in front of the chapel talking to (Please continue on 3, SHOCKED)

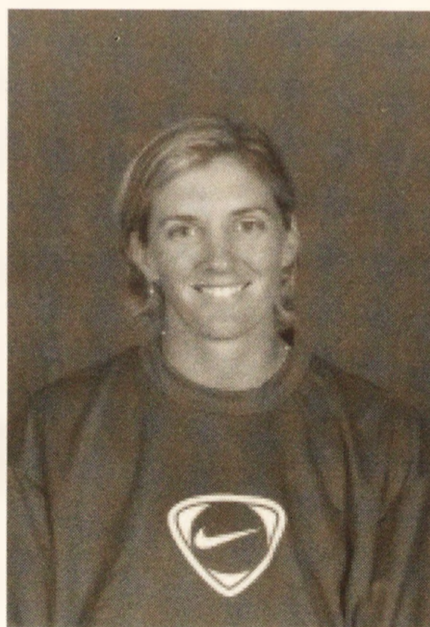
Carter Weiss named interim head coach as Neveu resigns

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Mike Neveu, head coach of the Buccaneer's women's soccer team resigned suddenly from his position on September 22 citing personal reasons for the departure.

Neveu returned to coach the Buccaneers for his third season at Barry. In two seasons Neveu has led Barry to two Sunshine State Conference Championships, and two NCAA division II Final Four games. Neveu was also named conference coach of the year two consecutive seasons and NCAA Division II South Region coach of the Year award last season.



Coach Carter Weiss
(Photo: SPORTS INFORMATION)

Kyllene Carter Weiss has stepped up as interim head coach while

the Buccaneers conduct a national search for a new coach. Carter Weiss was named the National Tournament MVP in 1989 when she led the Buccaneers to a 17-0-1 record and their first ever national title in any sport. The next year she went on to win the National Player of the Year honor. She has been assistant coach at Barry for four years and is currently a Physical Education teacher and Athletic Director at Cushman School, teaching nursery through eighth grade.

"This is a wonderful opportunity for myself", said Carter Weiss. "I am very excited because I have been with the girls for 4 years and I hope to give them back some of what they have given to me. Being part of the program means that you stand for certain things and I (Please continue on 5, NEVEU RESIGNS)

The entire Barry family joins me in offering prayers for those in our community, nation, and world who have been affected by the unspeakable tragedies of September 11, 2001. We mourn the tragic deaths, injuries, and destruction. We search for meaningful ways to express our sympathy, while at the same time seeking ways to contribute to the future of our great nation.

May God bless the souls of those who lost their lives at the World Trade Center, at the Pentagon, and in the Pennsylvania countryside. And may God bring comfort to their families and to our nation.

I ask you to join us in prayer for the future of our country and the world as we seek solace and solutions.

Sister Jeanne O'Laughlin, OP, Ph.D.
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Student

Speak Up
Has the attack on the
U.S. changed you?



"You learn that anything can happen anywhere at anytime in the U.S. We take things for granted."

Natalia Hay
Junior, Psychology



"It opened my eyes to see that we're not as safe as we think we are. We should appreciate our freedom."

Billy Taylor
Junior, Pre-law



"It made me angry and sad. I am from a military family, so this has always been real to me. Now I am more careful about going to crowded places"

Christina Napoliello
Senior, Marketing



"It did not really change me much, but it disturbed me. Hate is not a family value, and we are like a family here."

Irfan Kocakaya
Senior, Political Science



"It made me feel a lot of sympathy and a lot of love for the people who passed away, but I am not any more paranoid than I used to be."

Bryan Walthall
Sophomore, Pre-law

Editor's Note

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Weird things happen in Miami. This is something I have gotten used to. Three years ago I would have been really surprised if I had been told that all the September copies of the student newspaper were lost somewhere. But after three years of living in Miami I just shrugged and said "Oh really" when the printer told me that they had...lost the September edition of the *Buccaneer*. My heart did not even skip a beat. It has gotten used to life's little surprises of which there are plenty every day in Miami. I used to wonder how Dave Barry and Elmore Leonard come up with the things they write about. My time in South Florida has become one big "aha moment", and now I understand. Weird things just happen in Miami.

We at the *Buccaneer* are very sorry that there was no September issue. As you have probably gathered, the printer's lost it...then actually realized a week later that they had not printed it at all by which point there was no point in printing it at all.

September 11, 2001

In the October issue we cover how the fateful day of September 11 affected us here at Barry. There is definitely already a visible line drawn on that date, how things were before and how things are after. Like most of you I have been deeply affected by all this. This May I visited the World Trade Center twice, once for an evening at the Windows to the World restaurant and then for sightseeing at the top of the building during the day. I take a lot of photos on my travels and now they all belong to the "before" category. Kind of like having been at the Coliseum in its prime.

What is the lesson we should take from that day? My suggestion is to stop

being stupid. To actually care about something else than ourselves once in a while. To stop ignoring politics and the world we live in. To occasionally reach out a hand and help others with our paycheck being no more than a grateful smile in return. May sound corny and utopic but I just have a feeling it might help a little.

George W. Bush, Donald Rumsfeld and other statesmen talk about America being at war. I have never been in a war-ridden country before and I must say it is an eerie experience. I worried about the price of gas going up so that it might actually reach half the price levels of Northern Europe. I worried that I might face starvation but my mind was slightly eased after the second fish burger at McDonalds. To take my mind off the war I decided to go to the movies and actually ended up seeing four movies last week. Hey, I was making up for that week when they had no openings at all! I still feared starvation because CNN says that it is part of life in war-ridden countries so I went to the Cheesecake Factory.

Wartime depression has really gotten to me at times. They cancelled both the European Champions League and the NFL for one whole round. That week I only got to see three live top sporting events on TV. By the grace of God everybody has resumed play though and I got to see ten different games live again today by flipping through the channels. Yet, depression got a hold of me again when I realized that they were also resuming with baseball.

The low point came when they cancelled *Friends*. That evening I kept shouting at the TV (the one in my bedroom, not the one in the living room or the one in my roommate's room) that all people east of Egypt should be nuked. Then someone confused me with the theory that the Earth is round and technically I can be east of Egypt. Frustrated I left the house looking for the next person with an accent to beat up. Then I realized I was in Miami and

every single person has an accent...including myself. When finally in bed that night I sought consolation from three new CD's I had bought earlier with one of my credit cards and a big serving of Ben & Jerry's...hey you never know when that starvation might kick in.

The next day I was not too happy about those violent tendencies that had grown in my heart towards people of a different culture. Thankfully Jerry Falwell and Pat Robertson made me see the error of my ways. These great "men of God" kept their heads cool while everyone else was losing theirs and showed me that it was really the gays' and lesbians' fault. Imagine if Islam had prophets such as Falwell and Robertson...there would be no evil in the world.

Generally life is tough. I was not sure whether to transfer my student loans from a USD account to an Euro account to save money. You know what they say, the more money you have the more problems you have. Apparently some billionaires lost a few millions on the markets under these warlike conditions we face. And those poor airline guys have sought emergency funds from the government because of prospective losses from the tragedy. I feel sorry for them, this had to happen one day when you cannot afford to pay for decent security. But war reminds us of priorities and we all know that all 28 executive vice-presidents of their companies need to have at least \$500,000 a year to get by.

Thankfully I do not have that much, and I am sure that the people in Afghanistan and Iraq can agree with me on that. After all they are just people like you and me and even though we are at war I hope they can find solace in the simple everyday things like I have in the last couple of weeks.

PS: Now more than ever I have realized the great thing about places like Miami, London and New York? They prove the theory that we can all coexist.

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some of the people as they were leaving the chapel." Br. Victor said. "We were mentioning to them about the evening prayer that would be held in memory of what happened."

Br. Victor, who is Haitian, understood exactly what many of the students were going through. "I have known violence and could relate to many of the students in terms of feeling insecure, feeling threatened, having the sense of boundaries being violated and not knowing what could come next," Br. Victor said. "But nothing to the extent of what happen' on September 11."

EXPERIENCE

Senior Fabienne Josaphat described her ordeal as a moment of denial. "I didn't realize the magnitude of everything until I went home." It was there that a friend called and told her that a mutual friend worked at one of

the towers. "Suddenly I became sick and shaking," she said. "Not knowing is the hardest thing."

Struggling to contact her friend, Raymond Fevrier, 26, proved useless: "All the circuits were jammed and I couldn't get through." Josaphat waited for a phone call and as time passed by, she became depressed.

At last, on Tuesday night, she heard from a friend that Fevrier had survived. To reassure herself, Josaphat immediately called him and was relieved to know he was still alive.

The *Buccaneer* was able to contact Fevrier in New York to learn of his ordeal. Working in the investment firm Morgan Stanley, Fevrier had been on the 46th floor of the second tower.

"I didn't know what was going on until people began to run and scream out, 'Get out of here,'" Fevrier said. While people were running down the stairs, an announcement informed everyone that it was the first tower which had been hit by a plane, that the sec-



Br. Victor, flanked by his assistants, Veronica Orozco (left) and Shalene Anderson (right) (Photo: Dadi Rafnsson)

ond building was fine and not to leave. Some went back up, but not Fevrier. Along with many others, he continued running downstairs. The moment he reached the ground floor and exited,

the second tower collapsed.

"People were running in all directions, it was a madhouse," Fevrier explained. "All you could do was watch in disbelief."

Students seek solace from C & C

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Crisis has consumed the country after the recent terrorist attacks on New York and Washington. Barry University students have felt the effects of this catastrophe as well.

The Crisis and Counseling Center is where students were directed on Tuesday after the attacks. Sister Anastasia, director of the Counseling Center, and the four other counselors were available all day to talk to.

Sr. Anastasia said "All regular appointments were canceled, and we opened ourselves up to anyone who needed counseling." The sociology and psychology professors also made themselves available to any students who needed to talk to someone.

According to Sr. Anastasia, most students that came to her were upset because they could not contact family or friends. "Students were mainly concerned with family members who they could not get in touch with that could possibly have been either in the World Trade Center or on one of the planes," said Sr. Anastasia. She also added, "Those who were unclear about where their loved ones were had a hard time comprehending it. We told them to watch TV in groups, and make sure they were not alone."

Sr. Anastasia, who is from Beleek, a small town in Northern Ireland, is familiar with terrorist attacks. She said, "the loss of life is so huge that it is inevitable to feel an incredible sense of loss."

However, Anastasia said, "this feeling of sadness cannot and will not last. You cannot forever maintain disgust; there is a time for healing."

Sr. Anastasia, who has been at the Barry Crisis and Counseling Center for five years, and director for three years, said "it is a defining moment for the students and the nation, a time of introspection for all. This is a time that



Sr. Anastasia of the Crisis & Counseling center (Photo: Dadi Rafnsson)

will challenge the nation's prejudices, and force us to question what we feel is the best method for retaliation."

The tragedy also greatly affected Barry students since there are many students from the Northeast here. "Those people who feared for their families' lives couldn't calm down until they had reached their loved ones," said Matt Cameron, a Residential Life employee.

However, Residential Life did take steps to comfort those who were worried about the safety of their families. The Residential Life office made the phones available to students who were trying to call New York and Washington D.C.

"The RA's were in the halls all day. We took a very pro-active approach and contacted the students from the Northeast (to see if they were O.K.) before they contacted us," said Jenn Gregurich, a Residential Life staff person.

During the aftermath students and faculty are taking their part in showing support for the country. Student Services is making a banner signed by Barry students to send to Mayor Giuliani and President Bush to show their support and express their sympathies.

"I thought it was very touching that Weber Hall put out a big American flag. Almost every guy I see that walks in and out of Weber touches the

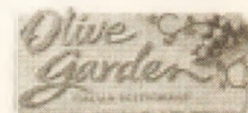
flag," said Gregurich

The faculty and students of Barry along with the rest of the nation are still attempting to make sense of this tragedy. "I think the University and the students handled this crisis in a mature fashion. We watched the innocence of the country get destroyed," said Sr. Anastasia. However, she also said that she believes this will make the country stronger and more secure.

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Eyewitness to TERROR

Barry professors witness the World Trade Center attack

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On September 11, two Barry University professors of economics were supposed to attend the 43rd annual meeting of the National Association of Business Economists at the Marriott Hotel at the World Trade Center. Professor Robert D. Cruz and his wife were in the north tower when the first plane hit; they escaped through Battery Park onto the Staten Island ferry. Professor George Rocourt was getting ready to leave his hotel nearby to attend the third and final day of the convention when the news broke. He, along with his wife, stayed in a destroyed downtown Manhattan for two nights while waiting to get out.

The conference took place in the ballroom of the World Trade Center Marriott, a building right between the two towers. Professor Cruz was at the breakfast meeting at eight o'clock in the morning. "It was scheduled to go to 9:30 and I had left to go to that while my wife was in our room at the 21st floor. The conference was ending that day so afterwards I was just going to go up to pack. Around 8:45 the lights flickered in the ballroom and then the chandeliers started to shake. Then the building started to shake and there was a rumble of a noise. Everyone evacuated the ballroom very quickly but no one knew exactly what had happened. There were rumors that a plane had hit the building but no idea of how large or anything at all. I went out to what is called the West Avenue, at the front of our hotel. I wanted to look up and see what had happened, concerned about my wife, but I could not see anything because there was so much fuel, ashes and debris coming down. I could not even look up; it hurt my eyes so I had to run inside the building. They had immediately shut down the elevators and would not let me go up. I rang my wife's hotel room but there was no answer. The security people assured me that people were coming down the stairwells and they were hoping that she would come down. I did not know where to look for her so I stood in the lobby where there were a lot of people passing by and I was just hoping that she would not pass by in front of me. If she had gone out to the street ahead of me it would have been impossible to find her. Sure enough she came down and I met her in the lobby. Then we evacuated the building, ran outside and were heading down the street when the second plane hit."

Did you see that happen?

No, I heard the noise. It happened so fast, almost like a missile. I just heard the roar of the engine and a sound of something going by very fast. Then I heard the impact and of course looked up and saw the ball of flames. But I actually never saw the plane itself, only the explosion afterwards.

How far away were you at that time?

We were about a block and a half away to the south. Everyone started running,

but let me state one thing first, that before the plane hit we were walking very fast away from the building. Some people were turning round and they saw people falling out the windows so they were screaming out in horror. They were screaming in terror, painfully at people falling like that, so I told my wife not to look and keep walking.



Prof. Robert D. Cruz
(Photo: Andreas School of Business)

That is why we did not see the second plane because we were not looking up. But as we headed south one thing that struck me was that although some people were falling, others did not step on them but helped them up. It was very unselfish how people were helping each other and that was just constant throughout.

Did you see the firemen and police enter the building?

Yes, in fact it were firemen who directed us out of the building, telling us where to run. Everyone was trying to use their cell phones to let their families know they were ok but of course no one could get a line out. As we walked to Battery Park at the end of Manhattan we finally got through to our children and told them we were all right. At that point the first building, which was actually the second building to get hit, collapsed. We were downwind and the dust and the smoke was coming towards us and there was no way to hide from it. It just covered us like a volcano.

How did you protect yourselves from the dust and smoke?

I put my shirt over my head and my wife was in her housecoat, she had not even gotten dressed when she had left the hotel. We put that over our heads and got next to a restaurant building where everyone huddled under tables with umbrellas on them. Then the other tower fell and we were shrouded in dust and ash again. But everyone was calm; there was no pushing or anything. One of the ferries pulled up to the seawall and began taking on people and nobody rushed even though I was

afraid people would do that.

Did you manage to get on that boat?

No, not that one; after the second wave of ash we walked to the Staten Island ferry. It was the second time it came back and it took us to Staten Island. Over there a lady opened up her home to about forty of us. She gave us food, gave my wife, myself and others clothes. I had fiberglass all over me and we took showers. She was just phenomenal, mobilized her neighbors sort of like a mini Red Cross. She helped about forty people that day herself, allowed us to use the phone and everything. Her name is Joyce Baldassari and she was helping us, yet at the same time her brother, a police officer and her husband were still in Manhattan. She knew they were all right and the whole day she dedicated herself to helping others.

Did you or your wife get hurt at all?

No, we did breathe a lot of that dust and we are still feeling that soreness in our throats with a little bit of coughing five days later. Our lungs were irritated but nothing more than that.

At what point did you realize that this was a terrorist attack?

When the second plane hit. At first we thought that it was just a terrible accident. That is why the staff at our building was telling us in the beginning that we should come back later and get our stuff. No one anticipated that the buildings were going to fall. It was a total surprise to us.

Where did you go from Staten Island?

The lady who helped us was able to get someone to drive us out of Staten Island to Jersey City. There we stayed in a motel for a night and the next morning we started looking for a rental car to drive down. At five o'clock on Wednesday I found a car, we stopped to switch cars in South Carolina and were in Miami on Friday.

How do you and your wife feel after all this?

We feel very fortunate and blessed and sad for those who were not as fortunate. It is a mixture of a lot of emotions. We are happy that we are all right but were concerned about our children, because we knew they did not know whether we were alright and could only imagine what they were watching on TV. They felt terrible of course. It took us about a half an hour to tell everyone we were alright. We are still nervous and edgy but are at home and as I said, feel very fortunate and blessed. But we are very sad about the families of those lost ones. I know that some of our students come from the New York area and that they have relatives that might be missing. I really hope that they are alright and are found. It is sad to think about all of those still missing out there.

Do you feel different yourself after being so close?

Yes, I think now about the things that are really important, like family or friends. Some of the things that I thought were more important before this, all of a sudden do not seem that important after all.

"The smoke and dust...just covered us like a volcano."

Before...it was like a perfect New York day

Professor Rocourt and his wife Sandy were in a hotel about half a mile east of the World Trade Center. "There was no good reason why I was not at the World Trade Center already. The first two days I had been up there at 8 o'clock but the night before we had meetings and I did not get into bed until 11 o'clock. So I was getting ready when I turned on the TV around five minutes to nine and saw the World Trade Center on fire. It struck me right away that something was wrong as I flipped through the channels. The announcers were not sure whether a private plane had gone horribly off course and while I was watching all of a sudden I saw the second plane come out of the horizon on the TV and hit the tower."

Could you hear the second crash from the outside?

Yes, you could see it on the TV but there was definitely a big explosion from the outside. At that point I went downstairs to the lobby where other people were watching this on TV. The hotel faces Front Street and people were beginning to come running from the west side, saying that there had been an explosion at the World Trade



Prof. George Rocourt
(photo: Dadi Rafnsson)

Center. We went down to the river about a mile away and walked about a mile south where we had a view of the World Trade Center. Then we saw the first tower collapse around ten o'clock. At that point there were more people running, and increasing debris and smoke, sort of like confetti in the air and then it became very heavy. There was a very loud explosion, and it felt almost like a small earthquake. When the second one came down there was obviously more debris and ash but it was not as loud as the other one, maybe because there was already a large pile of rubble. I never got closer to the site than four blocks away; you physically could not because of debris and rubble in the streets and they had blocked the area anyway.

Before all this started it was like a perfect New York day, beautiful, blue and clear skies, the temperature in the seventies heading for the eighties. It was sort of like a perfect day if you wanted to be in Manhattan and enjoy it. After (Please continue on 11, WITNESS)

Law school accreditation undecided until February

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Barry Law School is still waiting for accreditation from The American Bar Association. President, Sr. Jeanne O'Laughlin and other Barry faculty have been waiting for the law school to be accredited for the past two years, after Barry first purchased the law school from the University of Orlando.

Barry purchased the school in the spring of 2000; however, the review committee did not recommend accreditation right away. Following the September review in 2000 the committee submitted a positive recommendation letter to the ABA.

Regardless of the positive letter, the ABA maintained its decision to deny Barry accreditation. Sr. Jeanne appealed this decision, and said last March, "By successfully addressing the issues, the university is still hopeful it can gain provisional accreditation by August." However, the appeal is still pending.

Eric Dubois, Director of Institutional Advancement at the Barry Law School, said the ABA visited the Law School on Sept., 9-12, and inspected the school in regards to the appeal. Dubois said he would be receiving a report regarding accreditation status in a couple of weeks. In February Barry administration faculty



The Barry Law School in Orlando. (Photo: University Relations)

will once again meet with the Council of Legal Education. According to Dubois, the law school might be accredited by next February.

Dubois said the reason Barry's accreditation was rejected was because members at the ABA had concerns about students who had been admitted to the school with low test scores. Dubois said, "They did not feel we could compete with other law schools in the area, such as Florida A&M, who also recently opened a law school."

However, Dubois said he felt confident that the school had satisfied all the necessary requirements. Until February though, the accreditation of the law school will remain undecided.



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Neveu resigns

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want to give that back to them". Carter Weiss plans few major tactical changes except for working harder on fitness and goalscoring. "I feel we are very fit and can outlast everybody in overtime. The first goal is to be conference champs, and then our aim is to go to the finals again." Carter Weiss will put her name forward for the head coach position on a regular basis but has not made any big decisions yet. "I will apply but Mike Covone will conduct a national search. I have not made any decisions yet on the future but I definitely want to be involved with the

team. It is where my heart is. Our next big game is against Lynn on Oct 12th if we can win that game then that is one more step towards the conference title. I hope we get plenty of fans out there because I remember the great thing about when I was playing here we got a lot of students behind us which made it so special."

As all parties could not be contacted before the Buccaneer going to press, the circumstances leading to Coach Neveu's resignation will be covered further in the November issue.

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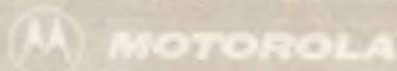
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Barry students react to attack on America

Time for prayer

FABIENNE JOSAFHAT

If a violent earthquake or some other natural disaster had been responsible for the loss of so many lives in New York City, on Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2001 would the American people be so outraged? Beyond the feelings of helplessness and sadness, anger has taken a toll on all of us. Truth be told, it does not make a difference what ethnicity or religion or culture we belong to. All of America is shocked and furious at those attacks which most believe to be of a terrorist nature. We as a people feel violated that demented, psychotic individuals have invaded our homeland and attempted to crush the American dream.

Let's educate ourselves

ELISE COLON

The vulgar, senseless attacks on New York City and Washington have certainly stunned our nation. It is as though we really had no clue that we might become victims of terrorism. Thousands upon thousands were pronounced dead and the country sits and waits. Terrorism is scary; that's why it is called terrorism, but where do we point the finger? Has the media been efficiently informing and properly equipping the American people? Or has the line between news and entertainment been distorted and kept us in darkness as to what is really going on? I believe so.

How do we know that the news

Time for a reality check

JENNIFER K. CARVAJAL

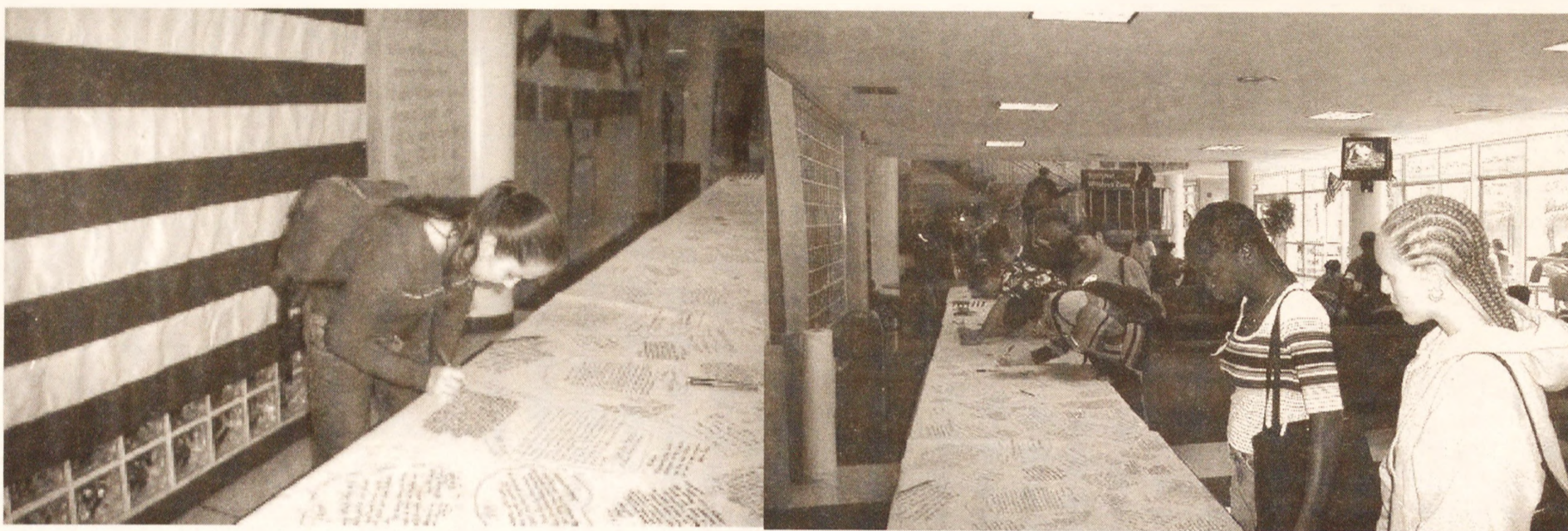
It was a highly horrendous and catastrophic day for many New Yorkers. According to the news media, the headlines on Sept. 12, 2001 read: "America Under Attack" and a newspaper such as the New York Times dedicated its entire front page to a picture of the twin towers in flames. Towards the bottom of the edition, there is a picture of a woman being assisted by two men. It is a disturbing image for many. The woman is completely covered in blood from head to toe. The attack on America has occurred and we are now left with the terrible aftermath.

We now must face reality, which

Have they gone too far?

RENEE OLEJNIK

In the past few days Americans and the world have been bombarded with images of what is sure to become the worst disaster in the history of the United States. We have all seen the footage of the two planes crashing into the twin towers of the World Trade Center, of the Pentagon engulfed in flames, of the two 110-story towers crumbling to the ground, of the indentation left in the ground from a plane crash in Pennsylvania, of a man falling to his death, of a reporter chasing down a woman to ask her questions, of Palestinians cheering, and numerous others. Are all these images in coherence with journalistic codes of eth-



Students gather in Thompson Hall to express themselves (Photo: Student Government Association)

So why did all of this really happen? And what does it mean for us to be in such a situation? A Russian civilian, when asked about his opinion on the matter, stated simply: "Eventually empires do crumble." The neurotic kamikazes that hijacked the planes and crashed them into the twin buildings of the World Trade Center were obviously aiming to bring down the foundation of what they probably perceive as "the evil empire." The meticulous orchestration of these unspeakable events leads us to believe that their goal was to touch us where we would hurt the most: the heart of our economy (the World Trade Center) our military intelligence (the Pentagon)... and what next? The White House? Air Force 1?

Could we have prevented such acts? We all want to believe we could have, but we all know that this was not at all foreseeable. You simply can not say that we could have seen it coming. Yet some people believe we had it coming. America, they say is powerful. "Hold your friends close, and your enemies closer."

None of us are really sure what all of this means. Do we need to worry still? Have we been too lenient, too flexible with terrorist countries? All of these questions come to mind, but we are hoping our president is gathering answers and that he will reassure us with a plan. In the meantime, there is only one thing we can do to help ourselves: pray. Many of us need that right now. We can hardly go wrong with prayer, can we?

that is covered, when it is covered, is really in our own best interest? If this were so, in a time like now, when every single person in the U.S. has been affected by this in one way or another, and is scared, why would the newspaper not tell us that President Bush received special training in handling terrorism before he was elected? Is it wrong to tell the truth, especially about something that may help calm the unsettling feelings of despair that we are all sharing right now? Could it be that the media, even amidst a national crisis, continues to satisfy the "common" American? The common American, based on my experience, is blaming Bush. It is so easy to point the finger at the president in a desperate situation such as this. The bottom line is, it's not his fault. No one really knows, like I said before, but a lot of assuming is being done.

Make it a point to seek out solid information

We need to educate ourselves as much as possible, keep ourselves involved and updated on national and global news. Also, we need to consider the source, don't just watch Channel 7 News; watch CNN! Talk to others, as many people as you can. Never close your mind and just assume you are receiving the truth. Like we learned on Tuesday, you never know what is going to happen. Make it a point to seek out solid information and be ready, as ready as humanly possible, for surprises.

for millions and millions of people, especially for the families of victims is devastating. This aftermath not only includes rescue personnel, but the countless hours that the news media must cover, in order to keep the public informed of the latest news, involving many ethical aspects of the media. Are they fully covering the story as it unfolds? Are the views of much of the public being distorted by the images captured on television and photos? Hence, are the realms of the media being discreet and decent with respect to their audience, and especially to the families of the victims?

It has been quite evident the past two days that the news media are doing their job, but are they doing it by ethical measures and with respect to the victims? During the past two days various television channels have interpreted the happenings in distinct ways. For one, many news anchors try to get footage and interviews. One anchor for instance on the Hispanic news channels was simply in the way of people trying to get away from the area, and occasionally stopped to get a firsthand account from the people escaping from the flames and smoke.

Another aspect of news media that distorts images is the coverage of Palestinian celebrations. The question is whether or not it was too soon to jump to conclusions. Thus it has created much resentment and prejudice among Americans and Middle Eastern people.

Journalists are supposed to show particular compassion for victims of crime or tragedy

ics? The answer is no. Journalists are supposed to show particular compassion for victims of crime or tragedy. Yet, following the recent tragedies, one reporter actually chased a woman to ask her questions. Numerous television stations showed video of a man, who is almost recognizable, jumping from one of the towers to his death. I have even heard that at least one station showed him hit. Many newspapers printed a still photograph of the man in midair. Anyone who sees this picture will know what the man was wearing, his hair color, his build, and his complexion. Does anyone believe that the men and women responsible for distributing this image to the world are showing compassion for these families? Does anyone believe this man has been given any respect, dignity, or compassion by the journalist? Furthermore, was it necessary for such a photo to be used? I believe that all Americans would have been able to grasp the horror of the events without the image. In addition, it would have saved many people a lot of excess pain.

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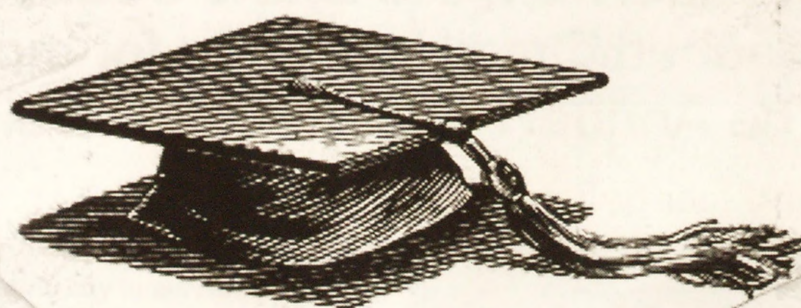
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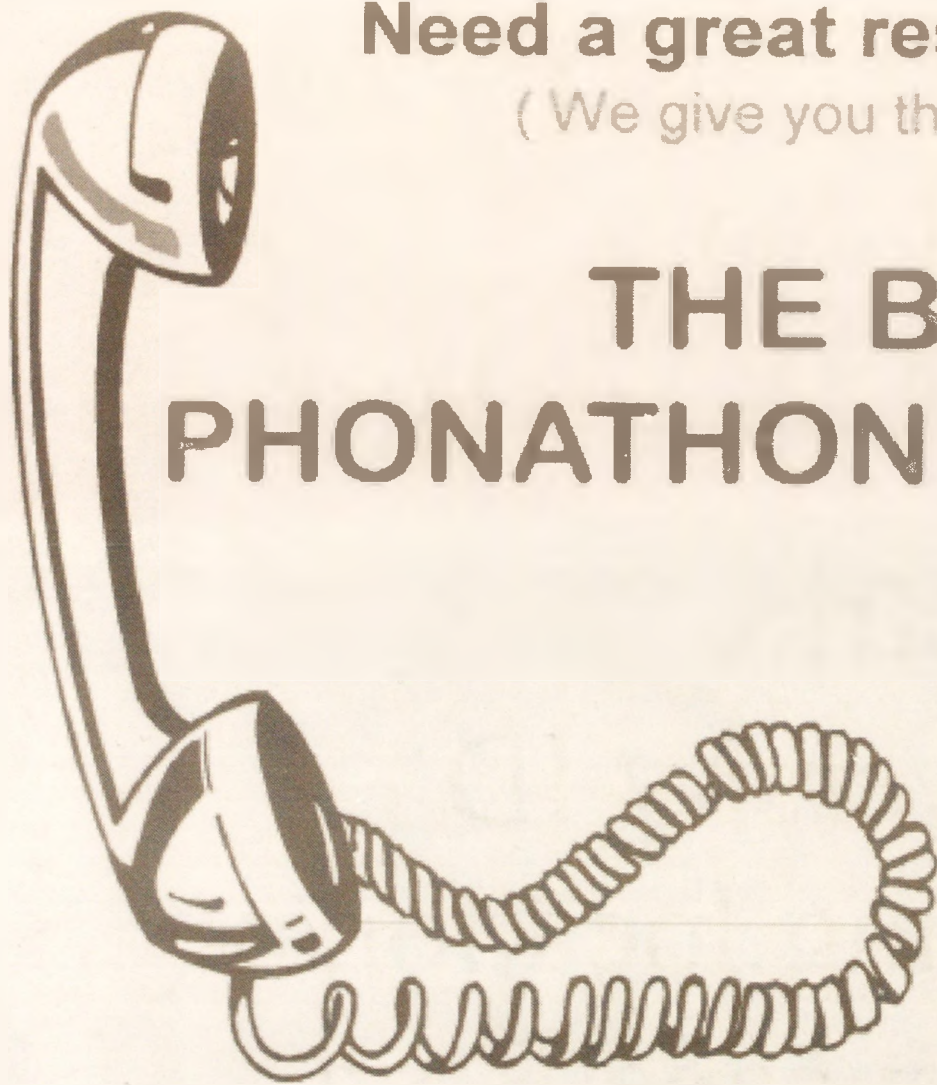
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The attack on our family
STEPHANIE O'BRIEN

For as long as anyone can in their lifetime can remember, holy wars have been taking place all over this world. Many believe these terrorist attacks have been carried out for religious reasons, not political. What really is the cause for this mass murder and what is the meaning of these unspeakable acts?

For years terrorist attacks have been taking place and carried out upon innocent people. The terrorists and their followers believe that these attacks are acts of God. The question that comes to mind is: where, when, and in what belief, faith, or religion do people have no value for their own lives, let alone the thousands killed in the attacks made on Sept. 11, 2001? The crimes are political, not religious. There seem to be so many questions, with no answers. The meaning behind these attacks is that after all these years, decades even,

Witness

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the collapses, ash and smoke filled the air and paper was flying around. Over the next couple of days we found things from people's files, pieces of paper etc. Some of the people seeking refuge at the hotel for the next few hours were covered with ash all over their clothes and faces.

Professor Rocourt and his wife stayed at their hotel, as they could not get out of Manhattan. "At noon all flights were grounded so by the time the whole reality settled in the airports were closed. We were able to walk to Chinatown to get something to eat as the police had told us it was open." At five o'clock Tuesday all electricity was shut off in the neighborhood for precautions and to aid rescue workers. "On Wednesday night the National Guards suggested we should move and on Thursday morning we were finally able to get out and that night we stayed with friends we have in New York.

What was the mood like in the city?
Two things stand out in my mind. The actual shock and horror but also that the New Yorkers were defiant and said they were not letting this get them down. There was an aura of defiance

our world has learned nothing. A message has been sent from whoever has done this; the message is war. I am not surprised no one has owned up to these attacks. If the person or persons are weak and cowardly enough to kill thousands of people, why would they be so bold as to own up to the attacks? It is simple: the United States is not safe. The United States is not indestructible. That is the meaning behind these attacks. It is not only an attack on our government but on our families. The entire world wants us dead and our country brought down. President Bush believes that we may be hurt but no test can bring this country down. The United States will never be the same, no matter what is being said; that is the meaning of these attacks.

How many people are going to have to die before this is over? Hopefully, no more. The reality is that the U.S. will react, and when we do it will not be pretty. The people who have attacked our families and our country need to pay for what they have done. Then we will pray for their souls like we pray for our loved ones.

if you will. Those two things combined seem contradictory but that seems to be the New York attitude. Everyone pulled together and helped each other. Often there is the myth that New Yorkers push and shove and are rude but there was no evidence of that last week. I was very impressed as there is no comparable event in US history and still New York continued to work and the New Yorkers continued doing what they needed to do.

How do you feel now, few days removed from all this?

It is a bad metaphor but after the National Guards moved in and night fell, it reminded me of the opening scene of Terminator 2, with the blue light and clouds of smoke and ash amid the destruction. I just feel overwhelmed; I do not know what to say as the obvious things have been said so many times in the news media. On a personal level I cannot fathom why I chose not to go to the breakfast session. I cannot place in words seeing the people running covered in ash and the expressions on people's faces as the towers collapsed. Many knew people in the towers and did not know whether they had gotten out and some had been there themselves. The scale of this was frightening.

Campus Security

By JESSICA ALLEN, News Editor
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Through the set of confusion and concerns created by the bombings of New York's World Trade Center and the Pentagon, Barry University canceled classes on Tuesday, September 11.

The moment President Sr. Jeanne O'Laughlin sent out an order through the university intranet website to close down the campus, Public Safety immediately took measures to establish security. "We expedited people's leaving campus and letting those entering know that school was closed," said Martha Reed-Norato, Assistant Director of Public Safety.

According to Norato, Barry did not close completely. "Services continued, like the mail, and essential personnel stayed."

Public safety staff members had met previously, under the leadership of Captain Miguel De La Paz. "We went over our concerns and spoke to all the security guards," Norato said. "Then we facilitated those leaving by opening up avenues and remaining on-campus as a presence."

Unlike other universities, Barry did not receive bomb threats or experience difficulty in assisting many to leave. "People felt that actions needed to be taken," said Norato. "They were sympathizing with the victims, not concerning themselves with their individual needs."

United We Stand

The United States has faced an unspeakable, unbelievable tragedy this week. For the rest of our lives, everyone in the world will remember exactly what they were doing and where they were on September 11th, 2001. It is a day that shall live in infamy for all time. No longer do we as Americans feel safe in our own country. No longer do we as Americans feel safe in our own homes. There is no doubt that our nation and its people have been violated in every possible way by, as president Bush describes, "a faceless coward."

However, there is a beacon of light in the midst of evil. There is a ray of hope and it shines more brightly than ever before. A cold-blooded, merciless minority have taken the lives of our loved ones, destroyed our homes and cities, and weakened the American economy but they have not weakened the human spirit and the sense of pride each of us feels. If that is what they were after, then they have failed on all accounts. Never before has this nation come together so united and so strongly to face a common enemy, a lone adversary that dwells right in our backyards. Never before has there been such a sense of solidarity and camaraderie.

Barry University is no exception. These past few days, we have stood in shock and awe together. We have cried

together and we have comforted each other together. We feel the pain as well as the anger together. And collectively we will rise above this dark shadow that has been so unexpectedly cast upon our lives and the sun will shine again. We must find faith in ourselves, in each other, and we must turn to our God.

The Student Government Association wanted to do something to show our sympathy and support and felt that the best way would be to do it as ONE. We hope you took one minute out of your day, went to Thompson Lobby and signed the banner in honor of all the innocent victims and brave men and women who have given their lives for freedom. We have sent this in care of the entire Barry community to the Mayor's Office in New York City as well as to the President of the United States.

Many of us may feel like there is nothing we can do, but there is. We can send our love and prayers and give faith to all our fellow Americans. Remember, the world is a beautiful place. Let us remind ourselves of that.

"All about me may be silence and darkness, yet within me, in the spirit, is music and brightness, and color flashes through all my thoughts."
Helen Keller
"It is always darkest just before the dawn." Thomas Fuller

Very sincerely,
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International man of mystery

By KOBINA
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Me stupid foreigner

These are strange days. For us foreigners, these are very strange days, no? Especially for us foreigners living in South Florida, these are very very strange days. President Bush says he is going after terrorists and those who harbor them. South Florida has been an involuntary host to the wreckers of havoc. I guess even the devil enjoys South Beach. We have wined with them and we have dined with them even if they do not like to pay their bill. And that is not even the scary part. The scary part is that these guys may have actually dated South Floridians. These are strange days because I have been in this country for almost four years and I have never seen this country in such a big group hug. Additionally, these are very strange people we are dealing with. The names we are hearing sound Moslem; some would say they sound foreign. That is what makes these days very strange. These are the days when some Americans have suddenly become the enemy within to other Americans. Some may have just been looking for an excuse to purge the country of "foreign" types.

In these days when even bona fide Americans who look "foreign" are

being harassed, we the real foreigners are trying hard to stay in the good books of the INS. If there ever was a time when the American people would support mass deportations, that time would be now. Time was, when it was cool to be a foreigner, no? Those times now seem like the times of yore. Those were the times when it was sexy to have a foreign accent. Full-blooded, sixth generation Americans have been known to fake foreign accents in order to get with this or that person because that individual had been rumored to lean towards people with foreign accents. I remember a diamond ad where a French guy whispers sweet nothings to a lady, to which she responds, "I don't know what the hell you just said, but keep talking." Way way back in the real days of yore, in the days when the west was still "discovering" the world, adventurers to the East brought back tales of beauty and beasts. They spoke of jewels and spices and albino giraffes. Some of them downright lied, no less the famed Marco Polo who wrote a book describing the world. I have heard of cultures where men offer their wives to guests. Please do not email me, I have not yet located these cultures of which I speak. Now I am trying to find the line where "foreign" ceases to be "exotic."

Here, I speak the language fluently, but for the first time this summer, I found myself in a land where I

did not speak the language fluently. That was a foreign experience for me, and that was an epiphany. I took comfort in the fact that foreign accents are supposedly considered exotic everywhere. In fact, I guess foreigners themselves are considered intriguing everywhere. I don't know what percentage of Americans have been to foreign lands but judging from the percentage of Americans with passports, I'll say not many. Let me tell you something about foreign lands. I know some parts of the world where you Americans would be considered total weirdoes for not appreciating a sheep's eyeballs and other balls (wink wink) in your soup. My experience as a foreigner has given me patience for those who don't share my tongue, in terms of language and taste.

It is tough being a foreigner, man. It is tough, it is intriguing, it is revealing. I have seen foreign sisters come here and culture-shocked by the fact that some of their adored body parts ain't so hip in these parts, no pun please. I have personally had the inevitable "do you guys live on trees?" type of questions. You know, stuff like that. Some have been genuinely ignorant and others have been in jest but they say the most sincere things are said in jest. But that is cool with me. You know, that's cool. The story is told a British lady who was scheduled for a job interview Stateside. Before the

interview, she was advised to "wear a skirt. No pants please." You didn't get that. Did you? Never mind.

I admit; we foreigners get away with a lot that you Americans could not. I am acquainted with an individual who received a ticket for driving without insurance. In the courtroom, he had the effrontery to call the police officer a liar and submit his student health insurance card to his honor as proof of his insurance. The judge freed him. What was he to do? Here was a really stupid foreigner. He thought it would be immoral to send a person that ignorant (pronounced "stupid") to jail. Now, an American would never get away with that.

I am the exact opposite. I am not the type of foreigner that acts conveniently stupid. I am the type of foreigner that IS stupid. And I love this country, so please do not kick me out. Please do not take it out on this stupid foreigner. I would help you catch these slimy murdering bastards that visited this evil if I could, and it would not be for the \$25 million reward. A million will do fine.

Can America maintain its civility in the face of this extreme provocation? It has happened to Asian Americans; it has happened to African-Americans; today it is happening to Arab-Americans. Racial profiling is not a hyphenated American problem. Racial profiling is an AMERICAN problem.

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Tribute paid to victims of terrorist attack

From StudentWeb

September 20th, the U.S. Marine Honor Guard was at Thompson Hall to take the U.S. flag down, fold it, and present it to Dr. Michael Griffin, Vice President of Student Services. This was a ceremony organized by the Division of Student Services and the Student Government Association as a tribute to all the victims of the United States terrorist attack.

The U.S. flag and the banners, containing the thoughts and prayers of the Barry community, were blessed at an Interfaith Prayer Service and sent to New York and Washington, DC.

The Interfaith Prayer Service, which took place that afternoon at Cor Jesu Chapel, gathered three faith traditions: Judaism, Christianity and Buddhism. Beginning the prayer in a spirit of reverence and hope, the crowd processed with lit candles. After contemplating the messages of faith, petitions were offered for all involved in the tragedies. Student Government Association President, Ryan Drajewicz, and Vice President, Dennis Wouters, presented Vice President of Student Services, Michael Griffin, with the American Flag and the scrolls that had been on display in Thompson Hall this past week. The flag and scroll along with the prayers and sympathy of the Barry University community are being sent to New York and then on to Washington, DC symbolizing our concern.



The Marine Honor Guard presenting the flag to Barry University
(Photo: StudentWeb)

All-night sleepover for Habitat for Humanity

From Bary4U

The Cardboard House Competition, sponsored by the Barry Chapter of Habitat for Humanity and held on September 26, has announced the winners of both categories. Dr. Patrick Lee awarded the \$100 prize for the best house design to Carolyn Johnson for "To Be Appointed."

The winners of the "All Night Sleepover" were the Alpha Gamma Delta Sorority, with 16 people sleeping the entire night in their cardboard house.

DoIT was the only staff group represented at this event. The combined efforts of Michel Sily, Andressa Sily, Andrew Seaga, Alberto Fernandez, and Fitzgerald Scott resulted in a magnificent medieval castle.

The event was an effort to raise conscious awareness of substandard living conditions of many of our community's poor. Money raised from the event will go to the fundraising dedicated to the first house sponsored by the Barry Chapter of Habitat for Humanity.

Barry University leases apartments as campus gets overcrowded again

By ARNITRA GOLLETT,
Staff writer

Due to the lack of sufficient housing Barry University Department of Residential Life has leased a 36-unit apartment complex, at 88th Terrace and Biscayne Boulevard, to provide additional housing for residential students. "Students will live there for the entire year," said Pat Devine, housing coordinator for Residential Life.

Residential students living in the new housing addition occupy either efficiency or one-bedroom apartments with an art deco décor. "I prefer to live in the apartments rather than on-campus because they are more modern and spacious," said Ivelina Benitez, junior.

Residents living in the apartments are provided with a shuttle service that runs in 15-minute increments. Vecky Reyes, junior, feels that the shuttle service is "okay", but is inconsistent with the running time. "You have to leave an hour ahead of time to arrive on time for class," says Reyes.

Ivelina Benitez shares similar feelings. "If you have a vehicles it

is preferable to live in the apartments, but if you do not it is tough," said Benitez. "I feel that students with vehicles should have this option first."

"We will not require students who have cars to live in off-campus housing just because they have cars," said Jean Hock, Director of Residential Life. "Returning students either choose to live there or they were on a waiting list for any housing and were offered the apartments. Whereas, new students who reside there applied for housing after all on-campus housing was full."

Besides transportation, safety is an issue that concerns students. "There is not enough lighting in the parking lot and security is always asleep at night," says Benitez. Security was not available for comments.

However, students will have to endure with living off campus until new on-campus housing is completed. "New residential housing will be up in running by August 2002," said Michael Griffin, Vice President for Student Services.

Going "natural" with your hair is the way to go

By QUAKISH WILLIAMS,
Staff writer

No matter if you have got a big, super-bad Afro or a nest full of locks, you are not alone. Natural hair is bigger and badder than ever before. My descent into natural hair began on an ultra-hot Sunday morning with me throwing out my combs and hot curlers. Having become so angry at my hair not cooperating, I knew it was time for a change. I just did not know that my change would come in this package. Although many of my fondest memories included my mom braiding my hair, I was extremely frightened to begin this adventure. Once at my locktician's house, my earlier fears were abated by the simple fact that this was as natural as going through my monthly ritual at the beauty parlor, which in any case usually lasts longer.


Over the years, natural hair has been referred to as naps, the kitchen, kinks and even course hair. We have done little to manage it, complained

about it and generally neglected what was so freely given to us. Yes, ladies, going "natural" may have a stigma associated with it but our crowning glory is an expression of who we are and a reminder of the women before us.

According to *Essence Total Makeover*, "You want to treat your hair with love, because hair, like anything else, responds to nurturing and attention." There is a wealth of examples of perfectly happy, nappy women floating around Barry University. So, the next time you see a "natural" woman floating around Barry, shake her hand, hold the door for her or just give her a smile. I will guarantee you that she will be thrilled.

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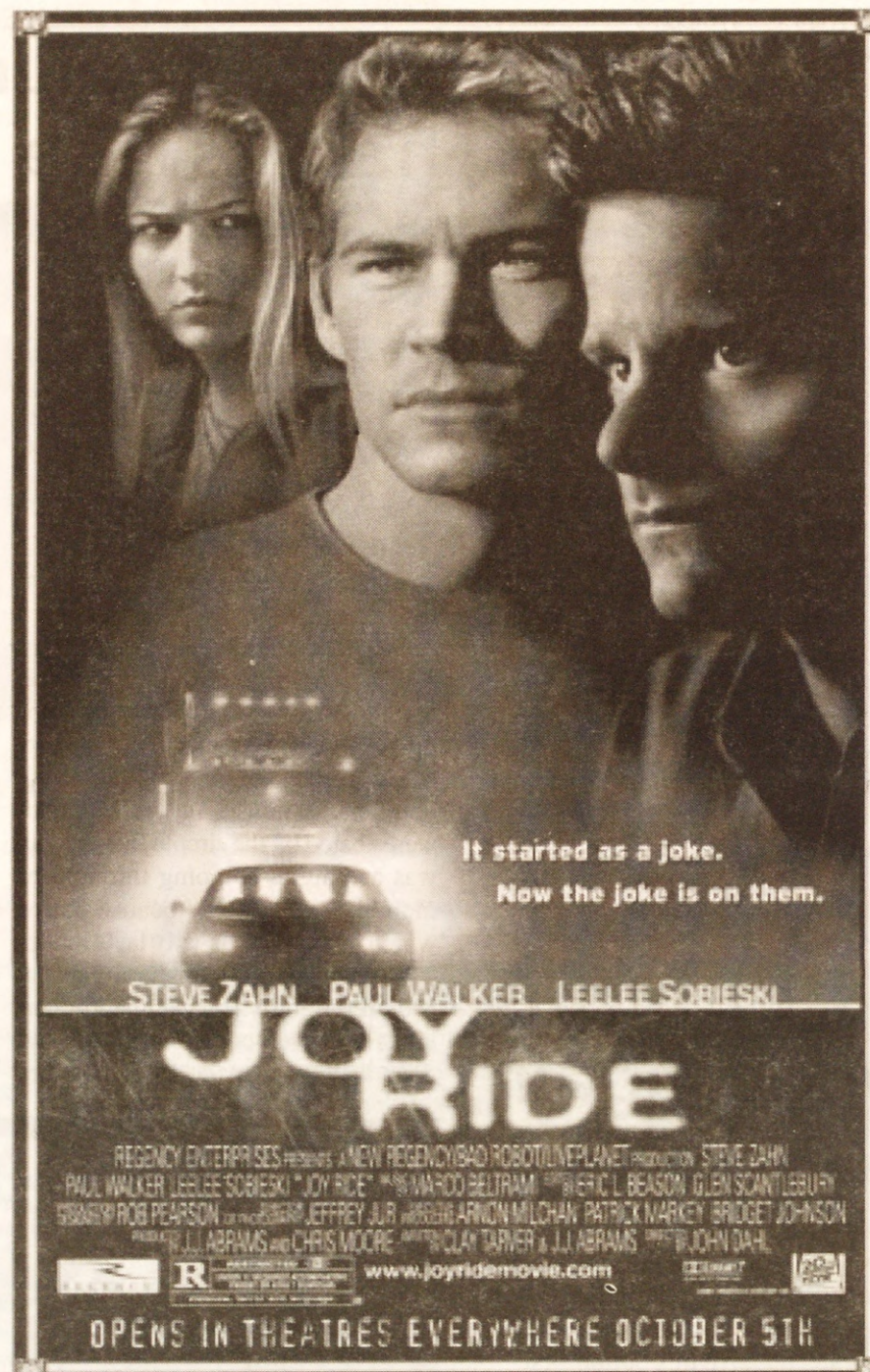
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Current movie reviews

Don't Say a Word

Starring Michael Douglas, Sean Bean, Jennifer Esposito

Disappointingly average movie. Douglas plays a psychiatrist who needs to enlist the help of a new and conflicted patient when his daughter is kidnapped. We have seen it all before and once again a deliciously prospective concept is served bland by Hollywood's script doctors. Sean Bean characteristically delivers as the foreign villain (now there is a novel concept). Like all others though he suffers from a bad script. Not bad overall but the final 15 minutes are plain stupid. -DR

Hearts of Atlantis

Starring Anthony Hopkins, Anton Yelchin, Hope Davis, Mika Boorem, David Morse

Hopkins stars as the stranger who moves in upstairs from eleven year old Bobby Garfield (Yelchin) and plays an instrumental role in the events of the last summer of his childhood. The movie has a feelgood factor about it and benefits from a good writer in Stephen King, director in Scott Hicks and an excellent cast. -DR

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Starring Mekhi Phifer, Julia Stiles, Josh Hartnett

Three teens take center stage in this modern adaptation of William Shakespeare's *Othello*. Mekhi Phifer is Odin James, Palmetto Grove Academy's star basketball player. When Odin names a sophomore as his



Ben Stiller in *Zoolander* (Photo: Paramount Pictures)

lead player, fellow teammate Hugo (Josh Hartnett) plots revenge as envy and jealous takes control of him. Concentrating on destroying Odin's relationship with girlfriend Desi (Julia Stiles), Hugo soon paths a rode of destruction that holds true to Shakespeare's plot. -JA

Rockstar

Starring Mark Whalberg and Jennifer Aniston

Mark Whalberg stars as Chris a devoted Steel Dragon fan, who gets the opportunity to star as the lead singer for his favorite rock band. Encouraged by his girlfriend Emily (Aniston), Chris enters the world of sex, drugs

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Together

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Swedish director Lucas Moodysson's second movie portrays life in a commune in 70's Stockholm. Flower power, peace, love and happiness are given a rough test by the commune's members who are all somehow lost in

their own little ways. They might just find solutions in sticking together. Highly recommended. -DR

Zoolander

Starring Ben Stiller, Will Ferrel, Owen Wilson, Christine Taylor, Milla Jovovich

There is definitely more to life than being really really good looking. That is what Derek Zoolander (Stiller), the world's leading male model finds out in this surprisingly good comedy. The slapstick never goes too far and maybe it was just as good that they cut out the goat from "that scene". A must see for all of us who think we are really really good looking. -DR



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Eventful season so far for women's soccer

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This has been an eventful season so far for the Lady Buccaneers. After going undefeated last year until the Final Four, the team has already lost twice this season and seen head coach Mike Neveu resign after three years at the helm.

On September 7 the team lost its first regular season game since 1999 against West Florida in Tampa. Stephanie O'Brien put the Bucs ahead on seven minutes but the home team replied with two goals after corner kicks to clinch victory. Two days later the team responded with a 2-0 win at Auburn-Montgomery, AL with Amy Thewis and Ashley Snell claiming a goal each.

A home game against Christian Brothers on September 20 turned into a nightmare as the team was outplayed and outwitted in every department, ending up on the wrong side of a 3-6 final score. Pamela McDonald, Tammie Thornton and Kristen Buteau all netted for the Lady Bucs but the team failed to find solutions against a CBU team which jumped twenty places in the Div. II rankings in September while the Bucs fell out of the top three down to eighteenth place.

That game proved to be coach Neveu's last game as he resigned for



The new women's soccer team (Photo: Sports Information)

personal reasons two days later. Kyllene Carter Weiss stepped up from the assistant coach position to become interim head coach while the Buccaneers are conducting a national search for candidates for the post. The team responded with wins in their first two games under Carter Weiss. Thornton scored two and Charlene Hillebrand rounded off the score in a 3-0 away win at Warner Southern. The Bucs then came back from a goal down in their second SSC match of the season versus Tampa courtesy of a revived Snell and Thornton struck the winner in the second overtime.

The Barry team includes several award-winning returning members this season. Senior All American Ashley

Snell, leads the front line assisted from midfield by newcomers, Marie Gunnarsson and Tammie Thornton, both NAIA All-Americans. Thornton, an excellent all round player has already made a real mark on the team weighing in with important goals. Sophomore, Britt Miazgowicz has also continued turning in great performances becoming an extremely important player on the team.

Sophomore Johanna Fischer, junior Pam McDonald, and senior Ashley Snell received NCAA D-II All-South Region accolades last year. Sophomores Kirsten Buteau, and Johanna Fischer, and juniors Colleen Gramlich, and Pam McDonald, and seniors Stephanie O'Brien, and Ashley

Snell were also rewarded for an 18-0 season with All-Sunshine State Conference honors.

Assisting Carter Weiss in her quest for a final four berth is a staff lead by Sergio Soriano, a former head coach of the Lady Buccaneers who returned as an assistant coach in 1998, and will continue this season. Paulina Miettinen, who was a NCAA Division II record holder is new to the staff this season. Miettinen will assist in recruiting, game and practice coaching, and travel. Merry Osikowicz, former Barry captain and All-American, and Kate Dwyer a founding member of the University of Missouri soccer team in 1996 will also be assisting in the upcoming season.

Men's soccer ranked #2 after undefeated start

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The men's soccer team has started the season undefeated in its first nine games, earning the number two ranking in the nation behind last year's champions from Cal State Dominguez Hills.

The team, which reached the final for the first time last year to lose narrowly after four overtimes, is led by third year coach Steve McCrath. In his first two seasons McCrath has developed the program into one of the strongest in the country, as two Final Four appearances can attest to.

"After last year's final, before the team went to receive their second place award I asked them whether they were ready to go to work and go through all the hard work again," coach McCrath said. "They all said yes." After losing captain Andy Hylton, "one of the best if not the best players this school has had" to graduation, the team looks to defenders Jacobi Goodfellow, Marco Velaz and Greg Jehs in particular for leadership. Alen Marcina continues to spearhead the attack and broke John Tovar's school record for goals scored with a penalty in a 4-0 win over Colorado Christian on Sept. 30. It was his sixth goal of the season.

The team's undefeated record in-

cludes a 3-0 Sunshine State Conference win at home against St. Leo and a 2-2 draw at Tampa. The only other draw came in a tightly contested match at home against Christian Brothers.

Fitzgerald Clarke has weighed in with four goals, and newcomers Mike Lupton, Joey Burg and Thiago Vasconcelos have claimed their stakes on regular places in the team. The Bucs face a tough October with conference games vs. Lynn, Tampa and Eckerd on the horizon.



Jacobi Goodfellow leads the Bucs from the back (Photo: Sports Information)

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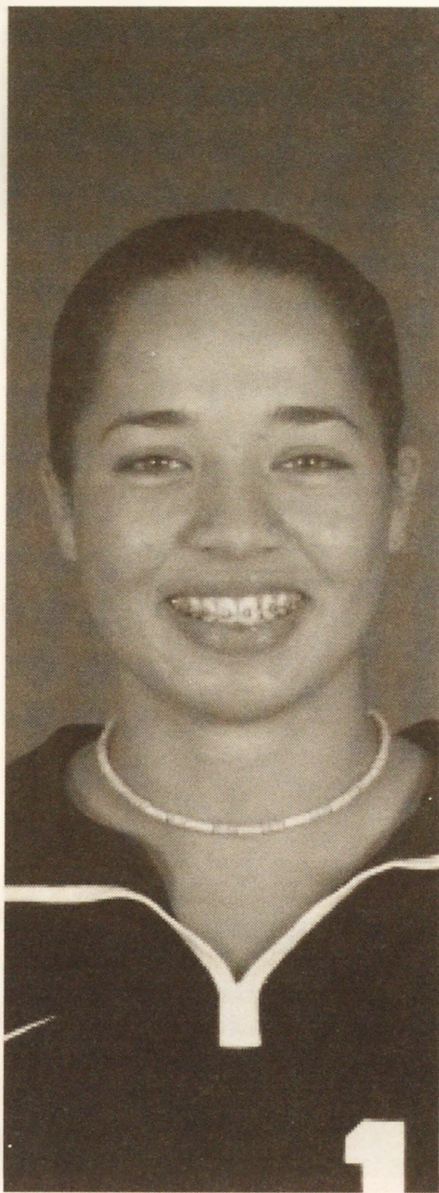
Volleyball aiming high with seven new faces

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This year's team enters the season with a whole new look as seven new faces join the Women's Volleyball team. Does the team have potential? That's a silly question. How could it not have, anchored by returnees Tricia Stanton, Rochelle Magill, Brooke Pinney, Jessica Jung and Meghan Clarke? Heading the team in the right direction towards Nationals is coach Dave Nichols, in his sixth season at Barry.

With seven new faces the team is a work in progress as coach Nichols tries new strategies as well as lineups every match. "In terms of how we have done so far this season, we certainly have improved our talent level," says coach Nichols. "But we are not playing very cohesively as a team at this point. We have seven new players out of twelve on the team, and we are still not in system in too many areas. Our record is decent, but our performance has been mediocre." The amount of talent that is on this team is very rare and can be credited to the recruiting of coach Nichols. On the attack Karla Bersano leads the Bucs with 81 kills, with Meghan Clarke (73) and Melissa Lehman (143) as the team's setters. Tricia Stanton leads the defensive attack with 21 blocks on the season.

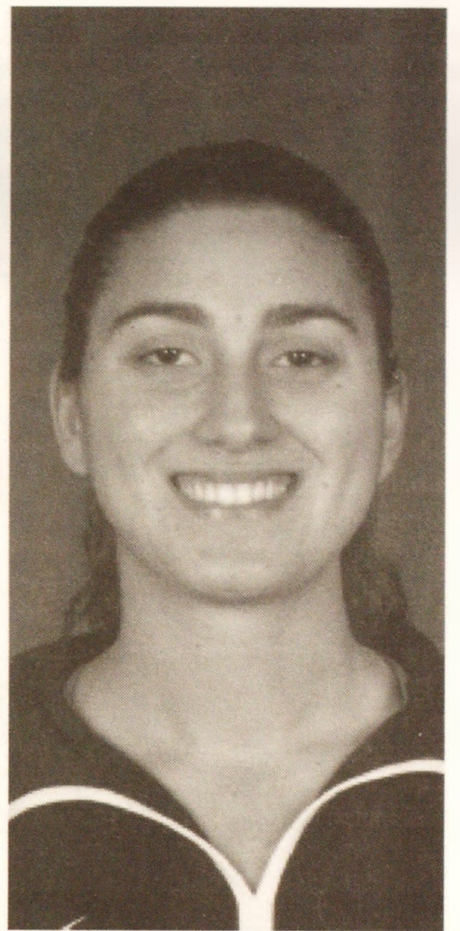
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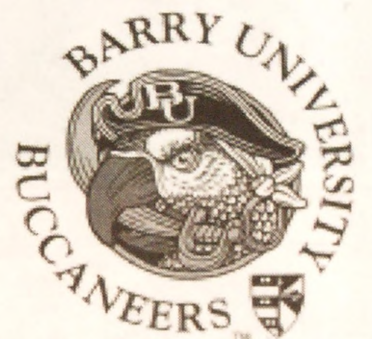
Fernanda Ferreira (Photo: Sports Information)

spite the brilliance of Jade Harper- last year's conference player of the year- we are getting outstanding production from the position that Jade played," says Nichols. "It is difficult to point to one key newcomer because I really need production from all of my players. However, statistically Karla Bersano has been very impressive, leading the conference in kills per game. I believe that off the court, all our newcomers are adjusting very well. I believe that on the court, we are still thinking too much, reacting too slowly to situations... It is my hope that some time in the next few weeks that we will start to gel a little bit better."

At the end of October the Buccaneers had improved to 12-2 and 3-2 in the SSC. The team's two losses came against West Texas A&M in the Tampa Classic and versus rivals Tampa on the road at the end of September. The 3-1 loss was closely contested and could have swung either way. The Bucs rebounded the next day to beat Eckerd 3-2 in another SSC rival game. Coach Nichols has clear goals for the season ahead. "Our outlook is that we are a lock to make the NCAA playoffs, that physically we have a chance to be a top four team nationally but we have a lot of improvement to make as a team in order to be at that level. I am positive that we will get there, but we are definitely a work in progress at this point."



Karla Bersano (Photo: Sports Information)



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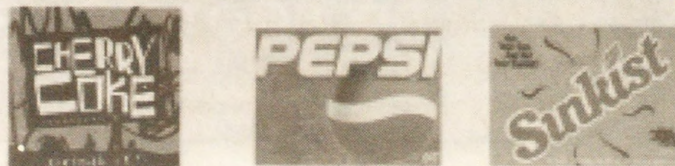
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