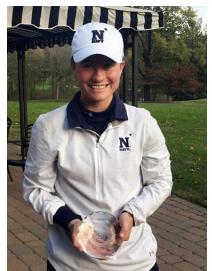
BETHLEHEM, Pa. – The Navy women's golf team finished off the fall portion of its schedule on Monday afternoon after finishing third out of 10 teams at the Lehigh Invitational on the Grace Course at the Saucon Valley Country Club.

The Midshipmen shot over 310 in back-to-back rounds for the first time all season and finished with a team score of 58-over par 634 and finished five shots back of tournament winner and host Lehigh who shot a 53-over 634. Navy had three individuals record top-five finishes with <u>Shannon Gould</u> (Fr., O'Fallon, Mo.), <u>Tori Smith</u> (Fr., Arlington, Tenn.) and <u>Morgan Frazier</u> (Jr., Mechanicsburg, Pa.) finishing third, fourth and fifth, respectively.

"We competed in some tough conditions this week with cold temperatures and swirling winds, but everyone played in the same conditions," head coach Nadia Ste-Maria said. "Unfortunately we had to count some high scores during this tournament. I am very proud of Shannon who played well and managed her game very well. Tori and Morgan also fought hard this week to join Shannon in the top five. Overall, we had a great fall and I am very pleased with what we have done. I am hoping we use this a learning curve heading into the spring."

Gould -- who competed as an individual -- was the top Navy finisher in the field and posted a 7-over par 151, which was third overall. She finished two strokes out of first place. After firing a 5-over par 77 on the first day, Gould cut three strokes off her score in round two with a 2-over par 74, which was the lowest round for the Midshipmen this tournament. Gould was the lone player in the field to play under par on the par three holes as she finished at 1-under par. The freshman also led the tournament with 25 pars.



Shannon Gould places third

at Lehigh Invitational Smith had her best collegiate finish and placed fourth overall with a two-round score of 10-over par 154. She compiled scores of 4-over par 76 and 6-over par 78 to complete the tournament. Smith also had the fourth-most birdies in the 58-player field with four, just one off the most in the tournament. She also had 22 pars throughout the two rounds to finish tied for third in that category.

Frazier rounded out the Midshipmen in the top five after compiling a twoday total of 11-over par 155. The junior captain recorded her second and third highest rounds of the fall at 5-over par 77 and 6-over par 78. The trio of Gould, Smith and Frazier were tied for third overall in par-four scoring at 7-over par throughout the invitational.

<u>Amelia Root</u> (Fr., Jacksonville, Fla.) was one of five Navy golfers to compete as an individual at the tournament. She finished tied for 10th with a 14-over par 158. Following an 11-over par 83 on Sunday, the freshman rebounded with a 3-over par 75 on Monday to climb up 12 spots on the individual leaderboard. Root had the second-most pars this

weekend with 24 only behind her teammate Gould.

<u>Katie Um</u> (So., Chesapeake, Va.) recorded the third-best overall score among the starting five for the Midshipmen and finished in the top 15 with a 17-over par 161. Um started the tournament with an 8-over par 80 and then followed with a 9-over par 81 to finish off the fall.

<u>Jacqueline Cherry</u> (Fr., Ellicott City, Md.) made her collegiate debut and just missed out on a top-20 finish and placed 21st overall with a 19-over par 163. Cherry was in the top 15 after day one with a 9-over par 81 but slipped on day two after a 10-over par 82.

<u>Christine McDonnell</u> (So., Suwanee, Ga.) placed 24th in the field after a two-day score of 20-over par 164. She carded a 14-over par 86 to start the event, but rallied on Monday with a 6-over par 78 to move up 12 places in the individual standings.

<u>Micah Vincent</u> (Jr., Columbus, Ohio) competed as an individual and finished with a score of 24-over par 168. She finished in a two-way tie for 33rd. <u>Elizabeth Park</u> (So., San Diego, Calif.) rounded out Navy lineup in 42nd place with a score of 29-over par 173. <u>Emily Root</u> (So., Jacksonville, Fla.) tied Park in 42nd during her first appearance of the season competing as an individual.

Kaitleen Shee of St. John's led wire-to-wire with a 5-over par 149 to win medalist honors. Fairleigh Dickinson was three shots ahead of Navy in second place and Lehigh edged the Knights by two strokes to win its home tournament.

Navy wraps up its fall schedule where it finished in the top 10 in all five events and notched two top-five finishes.