NSU to Lau��-1:1��-Second Gallup Poll in October

Opinions that Count!

Parking -Pileup

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From Oct. 6-20, NSU will conduct the "NSU is You!" Survey, a poll designed to gather feedback on ways to improve the university.

"NSU is You!" allows all members of the NSU community to give their views on the university. All NSU students will be sent a message in October inviting them to participate in the poll. All responses to the questionnaire are anonymous.

The poll poses questions that range from campus safety, to student/faculty relations. The results are analyzed by NSU Leaders, faculty and staff. Plans of action are then implemented to improve the overall quality of NSU.

The executive summary of the poll results will be available at February 2009. "The "NSU is You!" poll is made to represent the opinions of all NSU constituents about the university," said Barbara Packer-Muti, Ed.D., Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) assessment director and Gallup Institute for Campus Engagement (GICE) liaison. "It is an opportunity to express your thoughts and feelings about NSU in a variety of categories, not only academics."

The poll was initiated at NSU in October 2007 in partnership with the Gallup Institute for Campus Engagement. Last year, the completion rate for the Gallup poll was 80 percent for employees, 39 percent for students, and 7 percent for alumni. According to Packer-Muti, NSU is very anxious to improve these numbers.

Incentives have been set in place for participants of the poll. Any university department with an employee participation rate of 80 percent or higher will be given a pizza party, courtesy of NSU. Students and alumni who participate in the survey have the opportunity to win prizes that include gas cards and airline tickets.

For more information, please contact the Gallup Client Support Desk at surveyshelp@gallup.com or 1-800-788-9987.

Parking -Pileup

High up on the list of NSU's campus complaints for 2008 lies the issue of parking on campus. As enrollment rises at Nova Southeastern University and the amount of campus residents drastically increases, students are arguing that something be done to accommodate the rise in the number of cars brought in by incoming students. This poses inconvenience as well as security problems.

According to undergraduate students, the major problem areas are the residence halls. "Last year we had to park in the Mainman parking lot all the way across campus, and now this year the freshmen are the only ones allowed to park there. They can even park in the Goodwin. This leaves us no options for parking and I usually have to park illegally and get a ticket," said Commons resident sophomore Sara Haas. "Nova needs to do something about this immediately."

Some students park in faculty lots overnight or even resort to parking in the Alvin Sherman Library public parking lot. This is wholly unnecessary and potentially costly to a student who accidentally oversleeps and wakes up to a costly parking ticket. "It's not fair; we need more space!" said sophomore psychology major Katherine Nadal. "I have already gotten two parking tickets this year. I feel like it's inevitable."

NSU students must realize that parking action is being taken to accommodate our complaints. The university has a long term plan for parking on campus. In the future, NSU plans to add a parking garage and even has a master plan for a light rail system. "I think campus arguably has a spot for everyone," says Dave Dworsen, Executive Director of University Relations.

"Expectation...seems to be a key word to describe the overall complaints of students. Although there may be an adequate number of spots, the inconvenience is what brings about discussion. As NSU is evidently growing, we as students may possibly have to sacrifice convenience until effective steps have been taken to improve the quality of parking.

In order to ease some parking stress, you may want to consider these suggestions. For off-campus students, try to arrive approximately 20 minutes earlier to avoid being late for class. For on-campus residents, remain parked throughout busy hours on campus and consider using the NSU Shuttle Service, which operates Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. until 10 p.m., to get from class to class.
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The NSU Office of Student Engagement has organized the NSU Homecoming 2009 Theme Contest.

According to Aynee Corus-Diaz, Assistant Director for Special Events, the office of Student Engagement decided to set up this contest to get NSU patrons involved in the homecoming process. To date, Student Engagement has received over 100 submissions from NSU patrons from various student education centers, including Orlando. "It gives everyone the opportunity to have a say in what is going on," said Corus-Diaz. "You could leave a legacy at NSU by winning the contest." The contest will allow all NSU students, faculty, staff, and alumni to submit ideas for a homecoming theme. The theme must relate to school spirit and school pride at NSU. The winning theme will be the basis for all Homecoming Week 2009, which is from Oct. 12-17.

NSU Students Learn Tools for Success

NSU students gathered in room 3049 of the Carl DeSantis Building for the fourth installment of the Lucky 13 series. According to Dale Dominguez, E.D.D. Title V Activity Director for the Fitchler School of Education & Human Services, the Lucky 13 series seeks to create a welcoming, supportive environment for first year students. Lucky 13 is designed to teach students 13 ways to achieve student success. This installment focused on the different resources offered in the Office of Academic Services.

Lisa Walther-Austin, Director for the Office of Academic Services, hosted the event. She began the workshop by giving a brief overview of the department and the resources they provide. The office offers a variety of tools to students, including College Level Examination Program (CLEP) exams, success coaching, peer tutors and professional tutors. Students with less than 24 academic credits have the opportunity to take the CLEP exams. This examination allows students to obtain college credit for general education courses. For example, once a student passes the math exam they no longer need to take the actual course. Success coaching is a newly developed program in the Office of Academic Services. Walther-Austin explained that success coaching is a mentoring program that provides a one-on-one time management session with a professional staff member.

Walther-Austin went on to talk about the peer and professional tutors. According to her, peer tutors are usually honors or dual admission students who tutor in the areas of math and science. Tutoring is not enough, students have the option to check out math course DVDs. She added that DVDs might be a great tool for visual learners who need to see the material in order to study. Professionals also provide tutoring services in English and assist students with advice about content and citation styles. Walther-Austin added that tutors do not edit papers, but offer learning tools for individuals to implement themselves. The Office of Academic Services is located in Suite 100 of the Parker Building. For more information, please call (954) 262-8350.

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Author Edwin Black Launches New Book at NSU

Members of the NSU community gathered on the second floor of the Alvin Sherman Library for the book launching of "The Plan" written by Edwin Black. The launching was the first installment of the "Author Series: Moving from Darkness to Light," hosted by The Circle of Friends of the Alvin Sherman Library. Black is an award-winning, New York Times and international bestselling investigative author of 60 bestselling books that center on topics such as genocide and hate and oil addiction.

In the past, Black has spoken at NSU on the issues of the holocaust. According to Black, his new novel, "The Plan," is a book that deals with the energy crisis which states Americans are unprepared for oil disruption.

He began his lecture by giving statistics on oil consumption in the U.S. The U.S uses about 20 million barrels of oil in a day. He believes that if 10 percent of that amount is lost, there will be a complete breakdown of society and the economy would collapse. By losing this amount of oil, people would be unable to go to work or drive to the hospital to seek medical care. There would also be food shortages in the U.S. He cautions that these factors would create a "neighbor against neighbor" atmosphere.

In the past, Black says that automobile companies will begin producing alternate fuel vehicles in 2010. "In the meantime, we have to follow the plan," he said. He concluding his lecture by urging the audience to call their local governments and find out what contingency plans they have in the case of oil disruption. "If we start now," he said, "the pain that is coming to us will be less disorienting."
NSU's 2008 Mr. Fintastic competition, held at The Flight Deck on Sept. 26, 2008, was organized by the ladies of the Delta Phi Epsilon sorority. The overall goal of this event was to promote awareness and raise monetary donations for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

Mr. Fintastic is an annual event in which male contestants parade on stage, giving it their all, in hopes of being crowned champion. The contestants go through a number of "costume changes" during the event, demonstrating casual wear, sleep wear, and swim wear. Lastly, there is a talent portion followed by the contestants lining up in formal wear.

As this is a charity event, the winner is determined based on the total donations that person receives. After adding up the total donations for each person, that money then justifies the winner of the event as well as adds to the amount of money being donated to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

The event was hailed as a big success, yet again. The night was filled with fun, excitement and enthusiasm.

"It seems much bigger this year. A lot of people showed up, which is always great. Maybe next year, they can hold it in an even bigger place because I can see the crowd increasing year by year," said sophomore psychology major, Katherine Nadal. "School spirit, fun, plus all the free pizza you can handle; what's not to love?"

Without the girls of Delta Phi Epsilon, this event would not have been the success that it was.

Mr. Fintastic 2008 - Jim Sinkevich - showed his support for the girls of Delta Phi Epsilon!

"I like to have fun and be creative, while still keeping the overall goal of the event in place. I think my outfit choice was awesome!" said Vogel, when asked about his unusual attire throughout the evening.

Last year's crowd raised over $900, a number which has been left in the dust by this year's earnings. Due to the hard work and dedication put forth by the Delta Phi Epsilon sorority, approximately $1,300 will be heading towards the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation from donations alone.

As for a student who is highly active on campus and tries to attend every event possible, I must add that this year's Mr. Fintastic has had one of the best student body turnouts of all events held on campus thus far. Keep up the good work, Delta Phi Epsilon!
American and senior Stephanie Quinones put the match at 1-1. After battling to a 0-0 half-time score line, in the 69th minute, two-time All-American and senior Stephanie Quinones (8) set up sophomore Alexis Hernandez (13) who wound up time in running the ball to the back of the net for the first goal of the night.

Rommel Onteniente (10) locked the score after Lister Warren avoided the NSU defense and scored twice the night. The Argonauts retaliated, scoring twice but the Sharks were relentless as leading scorer Tranell Mesa (8) tallied a whopping 18 assists in game two for the week, the Sharks dropped games to both West Florida on Sept. 21 and the University of Tampa in the Sharks first conference game of the year on Sept. 24.

NSU's keeper junior Megan Kim (I) held steady through double overtime, producing four saves in the first period of overtime as both teams could not capitalize on their opportunities settling for the 1-1 draw.

NSU Sports

Women's Soccer

Tim Coenraad
Staff Writer

The NSU women's soccer team (4-0-3; 0-0-2 SSC) took on the Barry Buccaneers at the NSU soccer complex on Sept. 24 in their second conference match-up of the season.

After battling to a 0-0 half-time score line, in the 69th minute, two-time All-American and senior Stephanie Quinones (8) set up sophomore Alexis Hernandez (13) who wound up time in running the ball to the back of the net for the first goal of the night.

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In game two for the week, the Sharks faced a fast-paced match-up which saw a total of 49 combined shots on goal. The Sharks dropped their first conference-match of the season to the No. 12 nationally ranked Tampa Spartans. Tampa struck first in the 8th minute when Lister Warren avoided the NSU defense putting the Spartans up 1-0. However, the reigning SSC Player of the Year junior Romain Omertentie (10) locked the score at 1-1 as he sliced his way through the Tampa defense to score an unassisted goal.

With both teams scrapping to score the game winning goal it would be the Spartans whose prayers would be answered in the 86th minute when Greg Switzer found the back of the NSU net, giving the game its final score of 2-1.

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Hall of Fame 2008

Tim Coenraad
Staff Writer

NSU honored its second Athletics Hall of Fame Class, the Class of 2008, in a charming and prestigious invitation-only gala ceremony held in the University Center on Thursday, Sept. 25.

The following student-athletes and former head coach were the honored inductee guests for the evening: NSU student-athletes Claude Love (Basketball) and Sherard Hernandez (Men's Baseball), and Sophomore, Kat Yony (Courtesy of Sports Information) along with NSU head soccer coach Tim Coenraad with a plaque.

Along with the inductees, former head coach Claude Love (Basketball) Sherard Hernandez (Men's Baseball) and Sophomore, Kat Yony (Basketball) along with NSU head soccer coach Tim Coenraad were honored at an invitation-only gala formal dinner.

Women's Volleyball

Tranell Mesa
Sports Editor

Sharks Volleyball (10-4; 01 SSC) hit the road on Sept. 26 to take on the University of Tampa for their first Sunshine State Conference match up. However, the Sharks were unable to come away with a win, falling to the Spartans 3-0.

The Sharks never broke the 20-point mark as the No. 6 nationally ranked Spartans took control early in the match and maintained it for the sweep, 18-25, 15-25 and 18-25.

In spite of the loss senior Melinda Gorman (16) managed to register 12 kills on the evening while fellow senior Valia Petrucci (8) tallied a whopping 18 assists followed by sophomore Kat Yony (11) who grabbed a team-high of 10 digs.

The Sharks will be back home for a Tuesday night match up on Sept. 30 against SSC rival of Florida Tech at 7 p.m. in the University Center Arena.

Senior, Emily Carle (Courtesy of Sports Information)

Men's Soccer

Tim Coenraad
Staff Writer

NSU Sports

Men's Soccer

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Staff Writer

The NSU men's soccer team (3-3-1; 0-1-0 SSC) as the Sharks found themselves down 2-0 while facing West Florida's Argonauts; however, the Sharks were relentless as leading scorer sophomore David Waldburg (11) found the back of the net, giving NSU an extra shot of life. The Argonauts retaliated, scoring twice more to defeat the Sharks 4-1.

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Not Your Typical Murder-Mystery
Stefani Rubin
Opinions Editor

There is no doubt the French have mastered the art of creative filmmaking. There seems to be something missing from American filmmakers, when compared to the way French films are written and created, especially when it comes to thrillers. When it comes to thrillers these days there is a "scream idol". So it becomes increasingly easier to look abroad for a fix of seriously engaging films.

"Tell No One" is based on a Harlan Coben novel of the same name and tells the story of Alexandre Beck (Francois Cluzet), a pediatrician with intense psychological damage from the murder of his wife eight years ago. Margot (Marie-Josee Croze) is believed to have killed by a serial killer who confesses to murders but insists that he has nothing to do with Margot's death. When two new bodies are discovered where the authorities believed Margot was murdered, the case is re-opened and Alexandre is dragged back into the nightmare once again. Out of nowhere, Alexandre gets an anonymous e-mail linking him to a video surveillance site and telling him what time to watch. On the video he sees his wife Margot in real-time, but is instructed to tell no one about what he has seen.

Cluzet ("Rivals" and "Paris") astonishing as Alexandre. He plays the perfect hero: lovelorn and brave, with an extremely powerful presence in screen idol. So it becomes increasingly easier to look abroad for a fix of seriously engaging films.

We were beyond thrilled to have the opportunity to sit down with the stars and creators behind this film. They talked about the inspiration for the movie, the characters they had to create, and the challenges they faced in bringing it to life.

"Tell No One" is one of the best thrillers I have seen in a long time. It is engaging and tense throughout, keeping you on the edge of your seat until the very end. It is a must-see for anyone who loves a good thriller.

A Ghost Story with a Twist
Stefani Rubin
Opinions Editor

The American interest in the paranormal and otherwise has never ceased to help create story ideas for filmmakers all around the world. In fact, "ghost stories" have become so popular in this country that every other horror film involves some sort of paranormal activity. Finally, the comedians have made it to the reigns and produced a paranormal Romantic can't help that will have you laughing until the very end.

In "Ghost Town," Bertram Pincus (Ricky Gervais), a busy dentist and man with little people skills, dies all of a sudden and is miraculously revived after being gone for seven minutes. When he wakes up from the dead, he discovers he has a new ability—the ability to see ghosts. After a while, he actually begins paying attention to the visions, and learns that not only can he see ghosts but the ghosts actually expect him to do things for them. Frank Herlihy (Greg Kinnear), in particular, has an extreme request for Pincus—to break up the coming marriage of his widow Green (Tina Leoni). Not realizing exactly what he is doing, Pincus takes up the task and finds himself in the middle of a bizarre love triangle.

Although it is completely unexpected, Ricky Gervais (from the British TV series "The Office") is perfectly cast as Pincus. Gervais is one of those actors who does not know how to turn the "funny" off and because this film does have many funny lines, Gervais' wit and sarcasm improves the film on the whole. In everything from his annoyance with Herlihy to his bumbling interactions with Green, Gervais brings that hilarious eccentricity everybody loves him for.

"Trials and-Crosses"
Racquel Fagon
Variety Editor

After our chunky chocolate cake, Fabian and I sat on our bed. We exchanged numbers and he said he would call me on Monday night, so we could make another door open. I was startled by a sleepy voice—

"My movie next time," he said before he opened my car door for me to get behind the wheel.

On my drive home, I reminisced on the awesome night I had with Fabian. He was funny, charming, conversational, not to mention gorgeous; a really great guy. His uncanny resemblance to Suzie still bugged me, but it could be one of those strange look-a-likes. The fact was I didn't care. He was starting to look like that thing I always wanted, the satisfaction I was yearning for. He was a winner.

When I arrived home, for some reason, my instincts led me to Suzie's bedroom. I quietly opened the door and was immediately slammed with an undeniable fear. Suzie's bedroom was in complete darkness. Her "Dora the Explorer" nightlife was all, but I could still make out the outline of her bed.

"Suzie? Are you sleeping sweetly?" I asked, somehow knowing I wouldn't get an answer. As I inched closer and closer to the bed, my heart pounded in my ear; the rampled "Dora the Explorer" comforter and sheets, one pillow on the floor, the other missing. I was about to lose my mind.

I scrambled from Suzie's bedroom, yelling out her name as I went from room to room. I didn't even bother to look in my mother's bedroom because I knew that would be the last place Suzie would be. Or would it?

I got to my bedroom and shoved the door open. I was startled by a sleepy voice asking "Tina come back?" Suzie was on the floor, beside my bed, curled up with her pillow.

"Pumpkin, what are you doing here?" I asked as I swooped down to take her in my arms.

"Monster in the dark Tina?" She whispered and began to sob.

"I'm sorry pumpkin. You were afraid?"

"Um-hmm."

"Ok pumpkin, I'm sorry I left you alone. I should have taken you to Auntie Pan's house."

"Mommy said to sleep but monster."

"Well, I'm here now, so no monster can hurt you. Okay?"

She nodded her head.

I made her sleep with me that night because she wouldn't sleep anywhere else. Suzie was like my daughter, my responsibility. Whatever plans I made or intentions I had, she had to be a part of them. I wondered what Fabian thought of Suzie. Of course he would think she was cute, but would he care about her, pay special attention to her?

"What's wrong with me? I'm thinking about this guy as if he's mine, body and soul."

I tried to get a hold of myself. But instead of closing my eyes and willing to sleep, I laid there, wide awake with Suzie tucked under my arm and thought about a new, wonderful life with Fabian and Suzie.

"EndLess"
Nancy-Danielle
Student Submission

We made beautiful words of words together. Mixing in undertones, in between phrases, no one understands, but us. You caught me, then added the last letter to my first word.

The curves of my to your O to the V to my last E. We made LOVE, and it went beyond your S to my E because we didn't add the X.

We made our time, yet in the Now, to know how to create what our bodies could not comprehend. We connected in our spiritual sense. Flowing through words, across subliminal planes, mixing in colors, only HEAVEN can see.
**SPORTS CORNER WORD FIND**

**ACROSS**

- T J A D E T U N I J W O N T C O C
- F H E A T H E R S W I F T I E I O
- R F S A I V O R T E F R O E R M A
- 0 F T R U F A B U I S A Q N N N C
- F p I A K I A L D H C W I p I F H
- A A N H R I S T I N E y K I U D H
- D L R G R U J U S A N G O A J V A
- P M E D O U A R D M A S O N D R G
- H E y G S F U F - U ~ O I E T A E O
- C H R I S p R U I T T B A R O P
- K I S E K E Q D E R O N U D E B I
- L I S S E T T E p A R A C O Q Q A
- T H U I p A T V U Q B O Q S M V N
- C O A F H S I L A K N O I I L A

**UP/DOWN**

- A N O N E A T C O
- C J<.ick Case

Answers to Previous Week's Word Find

**ACROSS**

I am a sophomore on the men's soccer team. You will see me on the field wearing the No. 5. I am a member of the men's cross country team. I am from Argentina. When I grow up I want to be a surgeon. Answer: Sophomore, Agustin Rey

I am a senior on the women's soccer team. You will see me on the field wearing the No.14. I transferred to NSU as a sophomore from-Division I Jacksonville State University. Answer: Senior, Shurell Burton

I am a member of the men's soccer team. I am from France but was born in Hong Kong. I am a forward and you will see me on the field wearing No. 18. Answer: Senior, Edouard Mason

I am a first year head coach of the men's and women's cross country and track teams here at NSU. I previously coached at University of Louisiana-Lafayette. Answer: Senior, Brooke Hurley

I am a member of the women's cross country team. I am a biology major and one day want to become a dentist. Answer: Freshman, Agustin Rey

I am a member of the women's soccer team. You will see me on the field wearing No. 18. I scored the first and only goal against Lynn University in our S·SC game opener. Answer: Senior, Shurell Burton

I am the assistant coach for the volleyball team. I played volleyball at the University of Tennessee and professionally upon my graduation in Austria and Puerto Rico. Answer: Junior, Alison Kalish

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I am a member of the volleyball team. You will see me on the court wearing the No. 1. I am a defensive specialist and a sports management major, one day I hope to work for a professional sports team. Answer: Junior, Adam Kalish

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United States is dubbed as the land of pay for college education, all Americans not get that scholarship and their parents would be assured that their future leaders, times harder to be in the same spot you who had to struggle two, three, or four opportunity, not everybody gets those same education. In fact, as you are reading this, opportunities, especially when it comes to education, not everybody gets the education they need to be truly great in their field. Instead of being of everything this country has to offer. Should be given a chance to take advantage would be getting the education they need to doctors, lawyers, artists, and professors and may even be able to calculate how much they will receive.

Tertiary education is not mandatory for everyone. It's more of a privilege than anything else. But people usually choose to go to college to accomplish a greater good in their lives or the lives of loved ones. So how can this be the responsibility of the government to provide for this self-interest? This would be like asking the government to pay for your child's braces or to make the monthly payments of your new car. Tertiary education is a personal choice that requires personal responsibility. It ranges from very basic education to advanced post-graduate work. It takes in general education and education that is related to a specific trade or profession. An individual who has two master's degrees and choos-es to do a third, just for the fun of it, should be given governmental reimbursement? We would be blessed with such a utopian government?

Think about it. Everyone who has a desire to go to a tertiary institution would just be given money by the government irrespective of the individual's intellectual capability, long-term interest, and commitment. But the reality of it is, when the government invests dollars into anything or a one, there must be a profit. The wider society must benefit from this investment, either in the near or distant future. The utopian government must be within a utopian society.

Subsidizing tertiary tuition costs is a whole different affair from covering total tuition costs. Covering total tuition cost, frankly, will be impossible. The fiscal responsibilities for undertaking such a huge bill will use up most of the government's funding. I agree that the money used to fuel wars and other unproductive investments can instead be used in other, more productive areas, such as healthcare. For that level of education, covering the total cost, with the risk of students dropping out, not graduating or graduating and then deciding to stay home, will be similar to funding a never-ending war.

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