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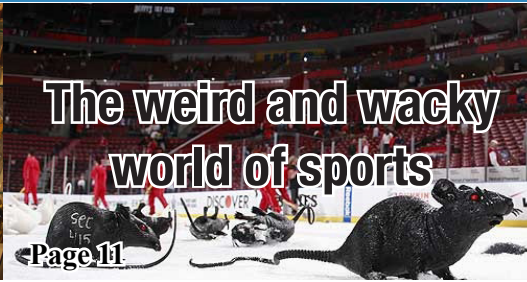
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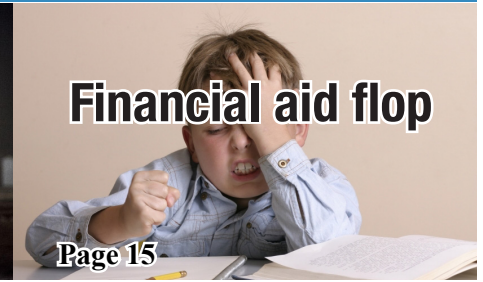
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WEEZY F BABY — THE “F” IS FOR FAIL

By: **Li Cohen**

This article was previously published on The Current's website nsucurrent.nova.edu and includes updated information.

On March 12 at 9:40 p.m., rapper Lil Wayne left his performance at NSU's Shark Jam after performing for 38 minutes because his DJ started to play the wrong song.

Meredith Wogalter, sophomore biology major, who works at the Office of Student Events and Activities, said, "I was sitting outside the venue, and, all of a sudden, someone came over the headset and said he had left the show. He actually drove away when he was supposed to be performing."

Approximately 3,000 students and members of the general public attended the concert. Lil Wayne performed 17 songs before storming off of the stage.

Danielle McCalla, senior communication studies major, is a member of the Student Events and Activities Board and said that Lil Wayne had returned to the stage after finishing a half-hour set and that the DJ started to play the song "CoCo" by O.T. Genasis when he was supposed to play a remix of the song without the lyrics, so Lil Wayne could perform. After a few seconds, Lil Wayne threw his microphone at the DJ and left the venue.

Katlyn Magnotta, freshman biology major, attended the concert and was disappointed at the outcome.



COURTESY OF K. MAGNOTTA
Lil Wayne left Shark Jam early after the DJ played the wrong song.

"Everyone was pissed and started walking back. They all wanted their money back," she said. "It's not fair to us. We paid all this money, and he just left during the middle of the show." NSU's Office of Special Events and

Projects and the Office of Student Activities were contacted about the incident, but comments were not received in time for publication. The Current will release additional information from the office when it is received.

To see videos of Lil Wayne's performance, visit nsucurrent.nova.edu. Updates on the story will be published on The Current's website.

OBAMA COMMITS TO HELPING STUDENTS

By: **Keren Moros**

On March 10, President Barack Obama signed a presidential memorandum titled the Student Bill of Rights, directing the Department of Education and other government offices to help students afford student loan payments.

These steps include creating a complaint system to ensure accountability and analyzing student debt trends to recommend legislative changes.

The Student Bill of Rights is based on four principles that every student in America should have access to a high-quality, affordable higher education, should be able to easily find the resources they need to pay for college, should be able to choose an affordable repayment plan for student loans, and should receive quality customer service, reliable information, and fair treatment when repaying loans.

Obama is urging students and politicians to go to WhiteHouse.gov/CollegeOpportunity to sign the declaration.

In a March 11 conference call with college newspapers, Obama said that higher education remains one of the best investments

you can make in your future and one of the best investments one can make in your country's future.

"It's never been more important and we have to prioritize it," Obama said. "The economy is making progress. We've created 12 million new jobs over the past five years. But there's a lot more that we can be doing to making sure that everybody can participate in prosperity and that we've got a growing and thriving middle class. A college degree is the surest ticket into that middle class."

Obama said the average undergraduate student who borrows money to pay for college has to pay back about \$28,000 worth of loans. His executive action "streamlines and improves the way the federal government interacts with students when it comes to student loans, helps students cut through the bureaucracy and get faster responses about their loans."

Obama said, "I want every student to have access to a quality, affordable education at a college that's lowering costs and increasing learning. Every student should be able to access the resources to pay for college. Every borrower has the right to an affordable repayment plan and every borrower has the right to quality customer

service, reliable information and fair treatment even when they're struggling to repay their loans."

Secretary of Education Arne Duncan said the department provides repayment options to pay back loans depending on how much they earn but more needs to be done. The president's memorandum suggests actions. Duncan said one of the actions is that by July 2016, the education department will develop a simple process for borrowers to file complaints involving aid. The department will also make sure that the banks that give students federal loans are held to high standards and provide better information to borrowers. The department will also make sure that loan fees are reasonable and that collectors are fair and creating an easier process for loan repayment.

"It is our responsibility to make sure that the 40 million Americans with student loans are aware of resources to help them manage their debt and we want to do everything we can to be responsive to their needs," Duncan said.

Under Secretary of Education Ted Mitchell said the department is also planning to set up a complaint system where borrowers will report difficulties they're having and a centralized

database that will allow borrowers to see how much they owe. He said feedback about the Student Bill of Rights has been "enthusiastic."

"I think what we've been hearing is, 'Hurry up,' and we hear that and we want to move as quickly as possible to deliver on these issues, but we also want to make sure that what we do deliver is the absolute highest quality," Mitchell said.

As Obama's administration works to encourage colleges to bring costs down, Mitchell said that for private institutions, while not controlled by the federal government, will be incentivized to bring costs down by competition with other institutions and the visibility of their tuition prices. The department will also share the initiatives that are leading to lower prices with both public and private institutions.

"As we talk about pulling costs down, institutions are going to need to respond to other institutions that are bringing their cost down," Mitchell said.

To find out more about federal student aid, visit studentaid.ed.gov.

NSU RECEIVES \$55,000 GRANT TO PROVIDE DENTAL SERVICES TO ELEMENTARY STUDENTS

By: Alyssa DiMaria

NSU's College of Dental Medicine received a \$55,000 grant from the Dr. John T. Macdonald Foundation to provide dental services to North Miami Beach elementary students.

The Dr. John. T. Macdonald Foundation provides funding for programs and projects designed to improve, preserve or restore the health and healthcare of the people in Miami-Dade County.

The award allows NSU to provide dental services such as oral examinations, cleanings, fluoride application, sealants and oral hygiene instruction to uninsured students at participating elementary schools during the 2015 to 2016 school years.

Last year, the grant funded more than 2,000 preventative and restorative services for nearly 300 second and third graders at Greynolds Park, Fulford and Gertrude K. Edelman Sabal Palm elementary schools.

College of Dental Medicine Pediatric Dentistry Professor Sandra Brener said that in the past the grant enabled children without dental insurance or financial resources to get preventive and restorative care.

"If these treatments are not provided in a timely manner, children could end up with severe complications that require hospitalization and visits

to the emergency room due to pain and infection; this would ultimately lead to more costly treatments for the families," she said.

Ana Karina Mascarenhas, associate dean and chief of developmental sciences at the College of Dental Medicine, said many of these school children are at risk for tooth decay.

"Thanks to this generous grant we are able to help them; tooth decay affects low-income and disadvantaged children significantly more than their affluent peers," she said.

More than 50 percent of children without health insurance have not seen a dentist in the past year and more than one in five needed dental care but did not receive it for financial reasons, said Mascarenhas.

"People need to be more aware of children's dental health; tooth decay is the most common childhood disease and, if left untreated, it can lead to problems eating, speaking and sleeping," Mascarenhas said. "Poor oral health among children has been tied to lower performance in school and poor social relationships."

Brener said dental disease is nearly 100 percent preventable, but the prevention of dental disease depends on awareness and education.

"The grant allows school age children to be given an opportunity to make the right decision regarding their hygiene habits," she said.

Because the services are provided directly to



NSU's College of Dental Medicine will provide dental services to elementary students for another year, thanks to a grant from the Dr. John. T. Macdonald Foundation. COURTESY OF NSUNews.NOVA.EDU

the child, the grant has the added value of taking the burden off parents who work.

"Children from low socioeconomic background have parents who struggle to keep a job. Therefore, taking time off work to take their child to the dentist could imply losing their job, or in other circumstances, they don't even have transportation to go to the appointments," she said.

Mascarenhas said the grant is also an opportunity for NSU to promote its excellence.

"If NSU is providing care for these children, when it is time for them to go to college, they will keep NSU in mind," she said.

For more information, visit dental.nova.edu.

Issue 23 Correction

The opinions piece "NSU's internship deadlines are unrealistic" included incorrect internship deadlines for the Farquhar College of Arts and Sciences. The Current would like to clarify that the correct dates are Aug. 1 for fall internships, Dec. 1 for winter internships and April 1 for summer internships.

The Current apologizes for the error

NEWS ANCHOR

Stay up to date with current events.

Venezuela to fingerprint shoppers

To prevent food hoarding, Venezuela has unveiled a new fingerprinting system. Venezuelans buying basic goods will have to show identification and place their thumbs on a machine. Venezuela has suffered from chronic shortages of basic food staples like milk and eggs for years and even toilet paper.

Pakistan test-fires nuclear capable ballistic missile

Pakistan has successfully test-fired a ballistic missile capable of carrying nuclear or conventional warheads beyond the borders of its strategic rival India. The Shaheen-III surface-to-surface missile landed in the Arabian Sea after flying 1,720 miles from its launching pad. This is more than double the maximum range required to hit a target anywhere in India but falls short of being able to reach Israel, located more than 2,100 miles away.

Myanmar police charge at student protesters

Hundreds of riot police charged at students protesting Myanmar's new education law, pummeling them with batons and then dragging them into trucks, bringing a quick, harsh end to a week-long standoff. The law allows all decisions about education policy and

curriculum in the hands of a group largely made up of government ministers, in which students believe undermines the autonomy of universities. Some protesters were beaten in the head, punched and kicked as they were dragged to the waiting trucks. 114 people were detained and several students and police were injured.

Two officers shot outside Ferguson police department

Two police officers were seriously injured last week in a shooting outside the Ferguson police department amid new protests following the resignation of the town's embattled police chief. A 32-year-old officer was shot in the face and a 41-year-old officer was shot in the shoulder. The police are now out of the hospital. Their injuries were described as "very serious." Authorities are searching for the gunman. Authorities have arrested 20-year-old Jeffrey Williams in connection to the crime.

Tetanus shot may aid treatment of deadly brain cancer

A study from Duke University Medical Center proved patients lived longer when they received a dose of tetanus vaccine in addition to an experimental treatment for the most common and deadly kind of brain tumor. The treatment was aimed at making the

immune system attack the cancer, and the tetanus shot apparently helped that process.

South Florida brothers plead guilty to terrorism charges

Two South Florida brothers charged with plotting to blow up New York landmarks plead guilty to terrorism charges in Miami federal court on March 12. Raees Alam Qazi, 22, and Sheheryar Alam Qazi, 32 — naturalized U.S. citizens from Pakistan who had lived together in Oakland Park before their arrests in 2012 — were charged with conspiring to support the al-Qaida terrorist group and conspiring to use a weapon of mass destruction. The brothers initially pleaded not guilty.

Zoo employees ride bikes to work to save wildlife habitat

Workers at the Palm Beach Zoo and Conservation Society have been focused on reducing its carbon footprint. All employees are challenged to find other ways to get to and from work other than by driving alone, and to do so at least once a month. So far, the zoo has cut its carbon footprint by 6 percent in just a year. The zoo also is focused on recycling 90 percent of its trash, building a garden to provide some of the food for the animals and trying to create compost from the zoo's garbage.

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SAVING LIVES ONE FASHION SHOW AT A TIME

By: **Alyssa DiMaria**

NSU's Delta Phi Epsilon sorority will host its 10th annual fashion show to raise money for the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life on March 20 at 7 p.m. in the Rose and Alfred Miniaci Performing Arts Center.

The sorority raised almost \$6,000 at last year's fashion show and hopes to raise \$7,000 this year. The show will include representatives and survivors from the American Cancer Society, sorority members wearing outfits from local boutiques and a performance by the Sharkettes.

Delta Phi Epsilon Vice President of Programming Nicole Almeida, sophomore business administration major, said the sisters of Delta Phi Epsilon hold the American Cancer Society close to their hearts.

"Various sisters have family members who are currently battling cancer and even some who are survivors," she said. "As a student organization, it makes sense to raise awareness and make an impact on cancer research; together we are able to raise more money than we would alone."

Delta Phi Epsilon Philanthropy Coordinator Jessica Rodriguez, freshman business administration major, said she hopes attendees are inspired during the event and feel a connection to the cause.

"At this point, there are very few people who aren't affected by cancer and with having that connection, students will hopefully want to be a part of the cause and attend the fashion show," she said.

Almeida said the sorority decided to put a different spin on the fashion show this year.

"The theme is 'Deephers Take the Hamptons.' We usually have a more casual theme, but since it's our 10th annual show, we wanted to make it more formal," she said. "Also, our models will not wear their letters, that way there is no singling out from other Greek organizations and everyone feels united."

Rodriguez said it's important to host benefit events like the fashion show because it brings students together for a special cause.

"When you bring a lot of people together in

a joint effort to reach a certain goal, great things happen," she said. "By coming to the event, students will hopefully see that Delta Phi Epsilon really puts their all into their philanthropies and that alone will encourage students to reach out, volunteer, donate and participate to a cause close to them."

Almeida said most of the time, students think Greek events are just for Greeks, but this isn't the case.

"I hope students will walk away with a positive experience, sharing their stories from the event, and happy they attended."

The event is free and open to the public. VIP tickets will be sold for \$20 and will include a reception with food and refreshments and front row seating. Attendees can donate at the event or prior to the event through gofundme.com/dphierelay2015.

Rodriguez said, "When students donate and show their support, they really help us to reach our goal: aiding the fight against cancer and ultimately finding a cure."

For more information, contact Rodriguez at jr2387@nova.edu.

NEWS BRIEFS

NSU Shepard Broad Law Center ranked top school for bar exam preparation in Florida

NSU's Shepard Broad Law Center has been rated best in Florida, and fourth in the nation overall by National Jurist magazine. The ranking methodology was based on LSAT scores and the average bar pass rate for the classes of 2011 and 2012, the most recent available. By comparing entering class LSAT scores for the classes with their respective bar passage rates in each state, the publication analyzed how well schools prepared their students for the bar exam. To see the article and all the rankings in National Jurist, visit nxtbook.com/nxtbooks/cypress/nationaljurist0215/#/26.

Appointment of University School Head

President George Hanbury announced the Upper School Director Bil Kopas to be the next Head of School for NSU's University School effective July 1. Kopas will succeed Jerry Chermak, who is retiring June 30 after 33 years with University School, including 16 years as headmaster. Kopas was selected through a national search overseen by a committee of University School parents, faculty members, administrators and NSU representatives.

Free Microsoft Office for students

Students can now download Microsoft Office for free through SharkMail. The free suite for computers includes Word, Excel, PowerPoint, OneNote, Access and more. To download the software, log in to Shark Mail, go to settings, click "Office 365 Settings." Then, on the menu on the left hand side, click on "Software" and then "Install."

Learn how to swing dance

NSU's student organization Dance Marathon will host swing dance classes on Wednesdays from 8 to 10 p.m. in RecPlex Studio 1 starting March 11. The classes are free and no partner is necessary. The classes are for all levels of experience. For more information, contact Gaby Teixeira at gt254@nova.edu.

Faculty to provide musical entertainment

Faculty from the Farquhar College of Arts and Sciences' Division of Performing and Visual Arts will host a recital on March 18 at 7:30 p.m. in the Black Box Theatre in the Don Taft University Center. Adjunct Professor Phil Bracken-Tripp will present the program, which will open with a sonata for alto recorder and showcases woodwind instruments. The recital is free to attend and open to the public. For more information, contact Associate Professor Bill Adams at 954-262-8025.

Free LSAT seminar for students

Phi Alpha Delta Pre-Law Fraternity will host a free Law School Admission Test (LSAT) seminar. Representatives from PowerScore, a test preparation company will discuss the LSAT and law school, offer tips and raffle free PowerScore products. The event will take place March 30 from noon to 1 p.m. in Room 301 of the Parker Building. For more information, contact fraternity president Debbie Mejia at dm1645@nova.edu.

COLLEGE OF DENTAL MEDICINE TO HONOR PROFESSORS

By: **Keren Moros**

The College of Dental Medicine's executive Student Government Association will host the SGA Students' Choice Awards to honor professors on March 18 at 3 p.m. at the College of Dental Medicine building.

Executive SGA Vice President Alex Verga, third-year dental student, said the idea to honor professors started last year. The SGA discussed how the professors help students achieve their goals and came up with the idea of a student choice awards.

"It really addresses two of NSU's core values: student centeredness and academic excellence," Verga said. "These professors are advocates for student success and they really go above and beyond in helping us achieve our goals. They're really outstanding faculty members so we want to give back to them. We feel like this not only

motivates them to keep on doing a good job but it's a center of pride to know that we actually care and give back and we appreciate their help."

Verga said the students vote on different categories including assistant of the year, hygienist of the year, most passionate professor of the year, team player of the year, the most valuable professor for first-year students, the most valuable professor for second-year students, the most valuable professor for third-year students, and student advocate of the year.

This year's awards will feature an unveiling of a wall on the third floor where the awards will be displayed. Verga said this wall will be a space where the awards and award recipients' names can always be on display.

I think it's great for faculty members to walk by and see their names," Verga said. "We really wanted a space for it to be proudly displayed for everyone."

Verga said everyone at the college can

nominate the candidates voted on. Certain categories apply to dental students in different years and are voted on by those students. For example, first-year students vote on the most valuable professor for their year.

Amir Akhavan, College of Dental Medicine alumnus who is currently doing his residency, was the president of the dental school's executive SGA when the idea for the awards came to life. He said it was always the executive SGA's intention that the tradition continue.

"I think it's important for them to know that the students appreciate them," Akhavan said. "It encourages them to keep on doing the great work that they do. It's for them to understand that we students appreciate their efforts and their help."

Akhavan said he hopes that when people look at the plaques and realize that what they do matters.

"I hope people do appreciate those individuals who put the effort into helping students," Akhavan said.

NSU TO HOST PRE-HEALTH DAY

By: **Alyssa DiMaria**

The Office of Career Development will host its first annual Pre-Health Day, an event for students who are interested in healthcare, on March 21 in the Horvitz Administration Building at 10 a.m.

Pre-Health Day will allow students to get their career in gear and engage in activities that will make them more marketable upon graduation, said Career Adviser of Undergraduate Studies Emilio Lorenzo.

"The event is an ideal avenue to network with professionals in the field and hear about their journey," he said.

Gaby Teixeira, senior biology major, approached Lorenzo with concerns that there were not enough resources on campus to help the pre-health students get into professional school.

"Lorenzo told me he was thinking about organizing an event to help those very same students; I have been offering input as to what I think would be beneficial for students, as well as gathering resources for a database that will be made available for current students and beyond," she said.

The Pre-Health Day will consist of mock interviews facilitated by faculty, breakout sessions led by healthcare professionals, a panel of Health Professions Division students who will share their experiences in their programs and a workshop on admissions and managing the application process.

"The presenters come from various backgrounds and will be sharing their own journey

toward reaching their goals including struggles they faced," Lorenzo said. "Considering that the presenters all come from various areas of the field, students will be provided insights to other options they can pursue with their science degree."

The presenters include medical doctors, dentists, pharmacists, a family medicine resident, a program director for pediatric residency, public health epidemiologist, a strength and conditioning coach, an audiologist, surgeons and a current medical scribe who is entering a medical program.

Each session will last 20 minutes and students will choose which session they would like to attend on a first-come-first-serve basis on the day of the event.

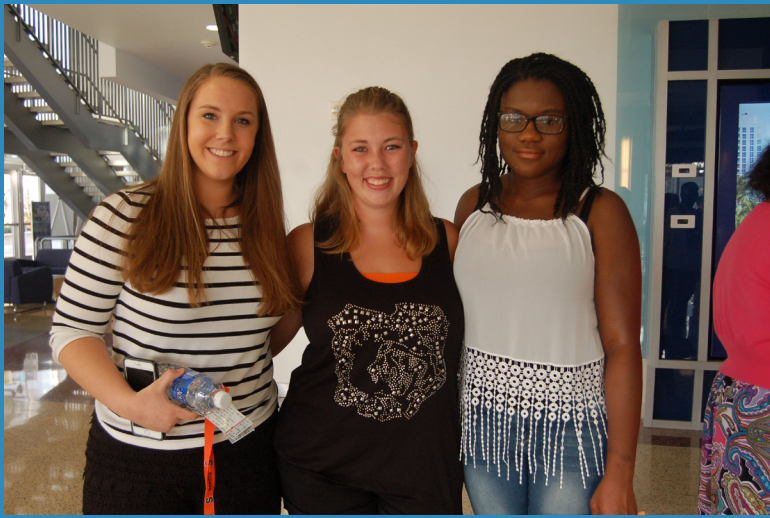
"The sessions and presenters' abstracts will be emailed to students two weeks before the event which will give students plenty of time to review and be able to select the session during the check in portion of the pre health day," Lorenzo said.

The event is open to 60 students. The first 20 students who sign up will receive an invitation to be interviewed by a panel of three individuals, a mix of faculty, professional staff and current healthcare professionals. The 40 minute interview includes 25 to 30 minutes of questions and then 10 to 15 minutes of feedback.

"The interview will provide a good glimpse as to what you should be working on as you get ready to apply to these programs and provides a taste of how such an interview process is facilitated," Lorenzo said.

SHARK SIGHTINGS

Last week, NSU was buzzing with two major events, Shark Jam on March 12 and NSU's Got Talent on March 13. Here are some photos from the events.



TAKEN BY K. MOROS
Alicia Arnold, freshman biology major, Jerrika Merritt, freshman environmental science major, and Vleeneed Osne, freshman psychology major wait in line for the Lil Wayne concert. Arnold said of the event, "It's cool that they have a big act and not an upcoming artist."



TAKEN BY K. MOROS
Ruth Cyriac, first semester nursing student, waits in line for the concert. "I'm a huge Lil Wayne fan since before his 'Bling Bling,' days," she said, referring to the 1999 B.G. song Lil Wayne is featured in. "This is my first concert and it's perfect that my first concert is with my favorite rapper."



Students came early to wait in line for Shark Jam, taking over most of the UC Spine.



TAKEN BY K. MOROS



TAKEN BY K. MOROS
Jonathan Marc, political science major, and Jerrisha Cozart, freshman biology major, excited for the concert.



TAKEN BY K. MOROS
Friends Wilsandra Gomez, senior accounting major, Bridget Mena, junior biology major, Jacqueline Velloza, senior accounting major, and Zing Johnson, junior graphic design major, decided to attend one last concert together before Gomez and Velloza graduate.

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The Latin American Student Association performs a dance.

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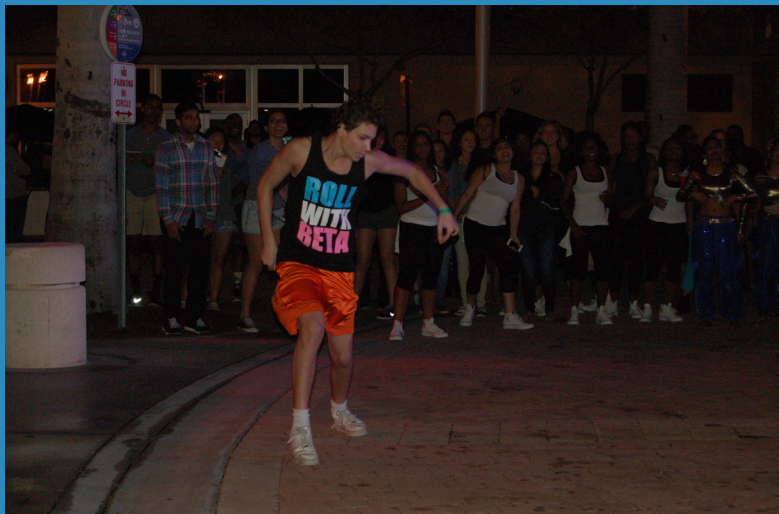


The NSU's Got Talent judges show their Shark Pride. From left to right: Associate Academic Adviser Lesa Phillips, Associate Director of Operation for the Office of Campus Recreation Robbie Bell and Head Volleyball Coach Jennifer King.

TAKEN BY K. MOROS



Between performances, audiences joined the action, cheering and performing the wobble.



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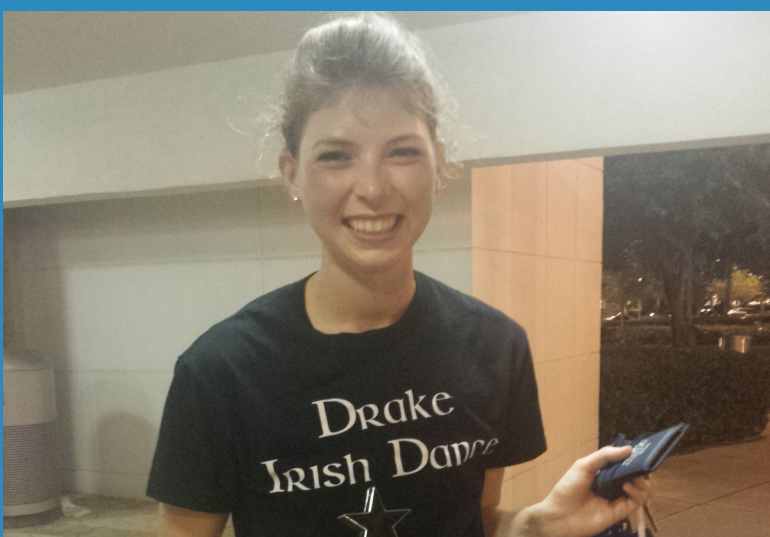
The Mako Band performs an original song.

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Members of Maasti pose with their trophy.

TAKEN BY K. MOROS



Jessica Millar poses with her trophy after earning third place for her Irish dance routine.

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Carolena Albert performs her rendition of "Bang Bang," earning second place.

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Diary of... a future religious scientist

By: **Ezana Assefa**

Ezana Assefa is a junior behavioral neuroscience major and a member of the Neuroscience Club and Ablaze. Ezana plans to attend medical school and become a neurosurgeon. He enjoys reading, writing, playing basketball and spending time with his family.

Religion and science. Creation and evolution. Jesus and Darwin. The list continues as the dichotomy between the realms of religion and science expands. The more educated I become, the more I am left in the middle, a young man residing in two worlds who is advocating for their complementary natures.

I've always loved mathematics and the sciences like chemistry and neuroscience in particular. These have always been my highest scoring areas on any standardized test, which led to my desire to learn all I can about them.

Many say that while advancing in the scientific arena, there is no room for bigoted, illogical thoughts from a biblical paradigm such as the concept of God creating the universe and everything in it or a global flood. But I say that without these "bigoted, illogical" thoughts, scientific progress would probably have been

hindered by many decades, if not centuries. Many past and present pioneering scientists either shared or share, if not in full, many aspects of this paradigm.

I can't remember the first time I heard of evolution; it just seemed to always be there. I took more notice of it when I saw how combative people became while discussing differing views on the topic, even though you usually do not speak about religion or politics in casual conversation. I also noticed it a lot more when I began taking my Christianity more seriously. In my own desire to learn more about these so-called conflicting ideals, I began researching and learning more about both creation and evolution dogmas. My personal explorations have shown me that religion and science aren't in a juxtaposed position, but rather that science actually validates religion.

Throughout my college experience, I've had the opportunity to talk with students and professors about these topics, and I always find them to be some of my favorite conversations. These conversations not only shed light on what others believe but also show me how differently people can think. I've walked away from these conversations reaffirmed in my beliefs but also with a new perspective or vantage point on a



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Assefa is an avid student of the sciences who also has a great passion for his religious beliefs.

topic.

I've surprised professors because I have some "irrational" beliefs, such as the concept of creation, yet I can still do well on a genetics quiz or maintain a long conversation about anything from Neanderthals to the Miller-Urey experiment.

One of the hardest challenges for me is not defending my faith and beliefs but tolerating people who automatically discredit me before I can even say anything. It's challenging because I know I can show the same poor attitude toward their argument, but I do my best not to, for the

sake of respect and intellectual development.

Ignorance, no matter which direction it is coming from, ultimately does more harm than good. I always try to listen to the theories taught in my different classes or read articles and works from prominent evolutionists to strengthen my beliefs while also familiarizing myself with other paradigms. Even though I may not receive the same treatment from those with opposing standpoints, I still carry myself with honor. Not for a reciprocated respect, but because, as a Christian, I was taught to do unto others as you want them to do unto you.

PIECES OF MEDICAL PAST AT NSU'S HEALTH PROFESSIONS DIVISION

By: **Keren Moros**

We're all familiar with the scenes in old Western films and show in which a charlatan comes to town selling a cure-all remedy to the townspeople that will magically heal everything from arthritis to wrinkles.

But while this image is part of a fuzzy, almost mythical, medical past, there's a way to relive not only that part of medical history but others as well at the Health Museum of the Health Professions Division.

Located on the first floor of the Terry Administration Building, the museum features hundreds of medical artifacts from medical tools and microscopes to cigarette ads and from fake teeth to old boxes of toothpaste.

"The items that you see are so rare," said Curator Cynthia Magalian Tupler. "Mostly everything today is just manufactured in a different way. Pieces are disposable and they're made of plastic. Many of our artifacts at the museum were handmade."

Other artifacts include tools like an Edison lightbulb, an optometrist's chair, nurses' caps, and even a human skeleton used in a medical school in 1910. There's even bahnkes cups, which are used in cupping therapy, that date from the early 1600s. One of the pieces is a pharmacy prescription logbook from 1887.

"When you think about it, there was only one pharmacy in Boston at that time, so a lot of these prescriptions were filled for the descendants of our founding fathers," Magalian Tupler said. "It's an amazing piece of history."

The museum was started in 1996 by Tupler's father Paul Magalian, who was a dean emeritus of the pharmacy school and

had a dream of starting a museum. He started out with pharmacy items. Now it has artifacts representing all the HPD colleges.

Magalian Tupler became curator in 2006 after her father's passing.

"The school has been really gracious to me because they knew my father, so it's great to continue the work and be with people who knew him," Tupler said. "And it was healing for me to still be able to continue my father's legacy. It's just so important to me. It was an easy decision and it still is."

Her father founded the museum with just a few cases from his own collection. Now, there are more than 35. As curator, Magalian Tupler manages all the artifacts, including those in storage, and rotates the displays.

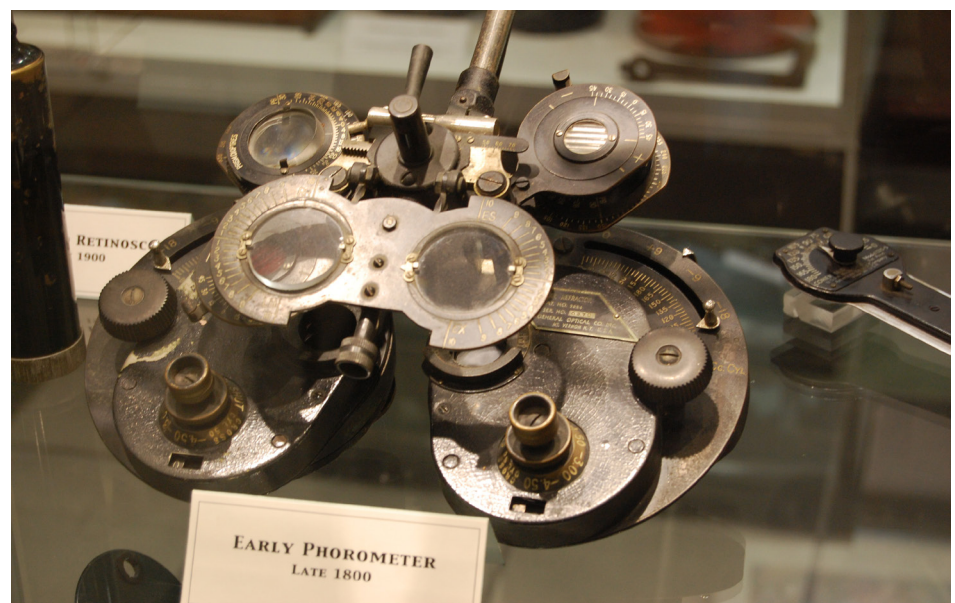
"I try to be fun with it," Tupler said. "When I have fake teeth, I'll put dental floss in it. It's delightful to display things to make it look more interesting and appealing to draw people in so they can learn."

She also gives tours of the museum. Magalian Tupler said University School students who tour the museum "love it."

"I show them a piece from the past and one that represents the future and I show them a piece from each of the schools," Magalian Tupler said. "So that they understand what it was like in the past and where we've come. It gives them a historical perspective."

The museum is important for all of the HPD. As Magalian Tupler said, "There's always something for someone."

"I think it's important no matter what profession you're in to understand history because you really have to understand your past to understand your future, and I think that's



A phorometer from the late 1800s.

TAKEN BY K. MOROS

really what it's about," Magalian Tupler said.

The museum receives donations from students, doctors, scientists and even visitors. A recent addition includes medical almanacs from the late 1800s. With so many interesting pieces, Tupler finds it hard to choose a favorite as every piece is special to her.

"I'm so passionate about the museum that everything's important," Tupler said. "Every little piece of history plays a role and I get excited every time someone brings something new to me."

For Magalian Tupler, the museum brings the joy of knowing she is taking care of the artifacts for the future.

"I feel like I really am a guardian — to preserve these artifacts and make sure they're

taken care of and displayed properly to make it inviting for visitors so that they can learn," Magalian Tupler said.

The very idea of preservation implies a future and for Magalian Tupler, that future includes both preservation and expansion.

"I want people to walk away learning each time they come here," she said. "I hope that I can continue to receive donations and that I can just keep up the work and so that people continue to come in here and walk away with something that they didn't think about before."

GRADUATE SCHOOL ENTRANCE EXAMS EXPLAINED

By: **Faren Rajkumar**

GRE: Graduate Record Examinations
Perfect score: 340
Test details: Three sections, three hours and 45 minutes total
Cost: \$160

Prospective graduate and business school applicants who are interested in pursuing a master's degree, MBA, or doctoral degree should prepare for the GRE. This exam measures verbal reasoning, quantitative reasoning, critical thinking and analytical writing skills — skills that according to the Educational Testing Service are developed over time but are not related to any specific field of study.

The quantitative reasoning section features math skills gained in studying algebra, geometry and basic arithmetic and data interpretation. The other sections, verbal reasoning and analytical writing, focus on a student's ability to read, comprehend and analyze passages. Students are also asked to articulate and support complex ideas clearly and effectively.

PCAT: Pharmacy College Admission Test
Perfect score: 600
Test details: Five multiple choice sections, one written section, three hours and 40 minutes total
Cost: \$199

According to the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy, pharmacy schools deem the skills assessed on the PCAT will predict a student's success in science-oriented graduate courses. The written section measures knowledge of conventions of language skills and critical thinking; each prompt states a problem involving a health, science, social or political issue, and students are asked to present a solution. The six sections on the exam include the following subjects: verbal ability, biology, reading comprehension, quantitative ability and chemistry.

GMAT: Graduate Management Admission Test
Perfect score: 800
Test details: Four sections, 97 questions total, three hours and 30 minutes total
Cost: \$250

This exam is required of all students hoping to attend a graduate business school. In one of the sections, the analytical writing assessment, students are asked to analyze the reasoning behind a given argument and provide a critique of that argument. This section tests a student's ability to efficiently communicate their ideas about business, economics and other relevant subjects.

The GMAT is often referred to as the GMAT CAT; the acronym CAT stands for Computer Adaptive Test, meaning that two of the exam's sections, quantitative and verbal, adapt to the test-taker's ability as they proceed. This also means that the GMAT is now administered only by computer.

Graduation day is a highly anticipated occasion for celebration, but for some students, it isn't the end of their academic journey.

A new chapter titled "graduate school" can only begin after a student has performed well on some form of an entrance exam, be it the MCAT, GRE, LSAT or some other standardized test.

Each exam has its particular required knowledge base and tricks designed to stump students. Here are some of the most common graduate school entrance exams and some introductory information that will help you better understand the exam that lies ahead and how to prepare yourself.

MCAT: Medical College Admission Test
Perfect score: 528

Test details: Four multiple choice sections, 230 questions total, six hours and 15 minutes total
Cost: \$275

This exam concentrates heavily on science, as it is the most relevant subject area to medicine. All pre-med students planning to apply to medical school after April 2015 should be aware that the MCAT is being updated to include a new section on "Critical Analysis and Reasoning Skills." According to the Association of American Medical Colleges, this improved exam places an emphasis on previously untested skills, such as interprofessional training, communication and the social determinants of health.

In addition, the old sections will be updated to include applications on chemistry and biology in medical contexts, often involving physiology and pathology. According to Kaplan University, the MCAT 2015 will encourage students to view plain hard sciences as true prerequisites to the general practice of medicine. The subjects included on the exam include general chemistry, organic chemistry, biology, biochemistry, physics and math.

LSAT: Law School Admission Test
Perfect score: 180

Test details: Four multiple choice sections and one written section, 35 minutes per section
Cost: \$160

The LSAT is designed to measure skills considered essential to a successful law student. There is great emphasis on the ability to read, comprehend and analyze complex passages with accuracy and speed. According to the Law School Admission Council, critical thinking and organization during this process is required, as this is practice for future professional evaluations of written and spoken legal arguments.

There are three types of multiple choice questions on the LSAT: reading comprehension, analytical reasoning and logical reasoning. The unscored writing sample at the end of the exam does not affect the score but is sent to the all of the law schools a student applies to.

Wellness Bite

"Try making a habit out of a fitness routine. It only takes a week and becomes a healthy habit.." — Christopher Garcia, personal trainer.

Sustainability Tip of the Week

By: **Leela Mansukhani**

The triple r's

Do you have suits or clothes that can only be dry cleaned? Dry cleaners return each piece of clothing back to its owner in a new bag of plastic, a waste that can be avoided by purchasing a garment bag for the dry cleaners to return your clothes. This will reduce the waste of plastic bags used to cover each piece of clothing, which is much better than just recycling all the plastic bags. This is part of the system of reducing, reusing, recycling — we hear cliché a lot, but the words are in that order for a reason, listed from least energy usage to most energy usage. Reducing your use of something (in this case, plastic bags) is better than accumulating plastic bags and trying to reuse them, which, in turn, is better than recycling the bags. Of the three options, recycling requires the most energy, because one thing has to be converted into another form. Reusing things uses more energy than reducing and reducing means avoiding accumulating an excess amount of things altogether, so there is nothing to reuse and nothing to recycle. Reduce, reuse, recycle!

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ON THE BENCH

Stock market or ticket prices?

Commentary by: **Amanda Kaplan**

Do you ever want to go see your favorite sports team play at their home arena but then you remember you're a working college student and you can't afford it? You're lucky if you can get one ticket that's not more than \$50. This may be frustrating but people have to understand that there are reasons certain sports are more expensive than others. I think it's a fair system of determining ticket prices, though I don't agree with the amount the ticket costs.

In four of the major sports, hockey, baseball, football and basketball, ticket prices fluctuate throughout their seasons. These prices differ from sport to sport and from team to team. This may seem crazy but there is a method to their madness.

It's rare to find two games with the same priced tickets. The sport with the most expensive ticket for a game is usually football, followed by basketball, then hockey and baseball. The reason for the price difference here is that each league plays a certain number of games. Football has the least games per regular season (16 games). The tickets are pricier since the teams only play at home eight times out of those 16. Basketball and

hockey each have 82 games a year (41 at home), thus the tickets are cheaper than football. But there's a catch. Basketball tickets actually cost more than hockey tickets because of popularity. Hockey is actually the least popular of the four, as it receives the least amount of airtime on television. But baseball is still cheaper. Baseball has 162 games per year (81 at home). The ticket prices are correlated to the number of home games per league. Thus, football is the most expensive. I understand that certain games are more expensive than others but some numbers are just ridiculous.

Even though football is technically the highest priced ticket per game of the four, this is not always the case. This is because inside the major sports leagues, each team can set their own prices for tickets. The ticket prices are contingent on a few things. First off, it comes down to location, location, location. A team in a big market, such as New York or Los Angeles, can price their tickets higher because they will have a larger number of fans. For example, this is why tickets to see the Florida Panthers (NHL) play is a lot cheaper than going to see the LA

Kings or the New York Rangers play. This also goes for seeing the Miami Marlins play as opposed to seeing the New York Yankees. There tends to be more fans because there are more popular players on the team and the sports market tends to be larger in certain areas. The sports industry needs to make their money. I think this is what sports are about if a game is more exciting, more people will be willing to pay higher prices to see the game and that's how they make money from the tickets.

The better the team is performing, the higher the ticket prices will be. For example, since the Miami Dolphins have made a huge splash in free agency by signing the best defensive player available for signing, their ticket prices will increase this year because the team is projected to be better. If a team is on the decline, the tickets will be cheaper. Tickets may also be offered in a package with food and drinks or a promotional shirt.

Like any other merchandise, when the demand is higher, the prices will rise. Gone are the days of determining a price and locking it in months in advance. Leagues want their fans

to buy tickets early. It's a win-win for both. The ticket prices are cheaper for fans and the company gets their money sooner. According to ESPN, this is called dynamic pricing. Teams don't want to take every last dime from the fans because they know that fans keep them going, and they want to develop a lasting relationship. Prices are constantly changing based on numerous things including pitchers, tickets being sold on secondary websites (StubHub, eBay, etc.), current standings, high-demand games (Yankees vs. Red Sox), weekend dates, planned promotions or holidays. If you haven't experienced this with your team yet, you will soon.

Ticket prices should not be outrageous. Teams should find a happy medium price that suits them and this is a good system. I mean, hey, it's working fine so far. People aren't boycotting games. There is a fine line that teams have to consider when setting ticket prices, but, in the end, it comes down to their location and their success. Being a fan of a good team is great, but if you can't afford the tickets, you'll have to watch them from your television screen.

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK: Justin Garcia

By: **Randa Djabri**

When Justin Garcia decided to play college baseball, he knew he had to be a hard-nosed competitor and an overachiever.

Garcia started playing baseball at the age of 5 to satisfy his father, a huge baseball fan.

"I didn't really want to play it," Garcia said. "I was more into basketball but my dad wanted me to play, so I did."

His love for baseball soon sprouted from the joy of running around and hitting the ball.

Garcia attended and played baseball for four years at Hialeah Senior High School. During his baseball career there, he hit three homeruns and drove in 35 runs his senior year. He was also named second team All-Dade County his senior year and was named a FACA all-star.

After attending State College of Florida for one year, he transferred to NSU.

I got the chance to sit down with Garcia and ask a few questions to get to know him better.

What has been your most memorable moment playing baseball?

"When I was 18 and I went to New Mexico for the World Series. It was a summer team called the Florida Legends and we played all summer to qualify for this tournament. The top eight summer teams make it to the series. We went to Georgia and New Jersey to compete. At the games, we played in front of 10,000 people every day. It was a great experience."

What influenced you to play baseball in college?

"I've always been pretty good at baseball. I wanted to try it out and see how far I can go. I wanted to play until I can no more and whatever happens after that happens. I thought I would regret it for the rest of my life if I didn't play and give myself this chance."

Did you have a coach who influenced you as an athlete?

"Yes, my high school coach was kind of like a dad to me. He helped me with my

decisions even outside of baseball and school. He's been that father figure, honest with me and really close."

What are your plans after college?

"I hope I can play professional baseball, but that doesn't always work out. I want to finish my degree in psychology and possibly get a career in sports psychology because I want to stay within sports even if I don't keep playing."

Do you have any special rituals before games?

"Yes, I have this bag that's a mixture of Muddy Buddies, M&M's and Oreos and I eat one of each before every game. It was my mom's idea. It started out as a joke, but now I make sure I do it before every game."

Outside of baseball and school, how do you usually spend your time?

"I just like working out and playing video games. My favorite is Call of Duty."

How do you balance between baseball and academics?

"It's definitely not easy and you don't really get a lot of sleep sometimes. The schedule being so flexible helps out a lot. I study when I need to study. I also have two online classes now which helps tremendously. And the Sundays that we have off are always for school work."

Who's your favorite baseball player?

"Mike Trout."

If you could play another sport at NSU, what would it be?

"Basketball or golf."

If a movie were to be made about your life, who would you want to play your role?

"Brad Pitt. I need to make sure I make myself look good."

How would you describe yourself as a player?

"I'm a loose player. I just have fun."



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Garcia is a junior psychology major and a member of NSU's baseball team.

Physically, I think I'm a strong player and I have the power to play. I get aggressive when I play.

How do you celebrate winning?

"I think I'm always the first one out of the dugout jumping when we win. I love winning."

How do you deal with losing? Is practice harder after losing?

"Yes definitely. I'm not a sore loser. I do

learn from losing, but I think after a loss, I know that the next day we'll have to get more serious and get a win. It does make us better."

What life lessons has baseball taught you?

"It taught me not to be a selfish person, since it's a team sport. I'm not alone on the team. There are so many guys on the team and we have to come together as one. It's not always about you. Other people's success helps you out too."

WEIRD SPORTS TRADITIONS

By: **Erin Herbert**

Most people can understand the rules and regulations related to sports, but sports are much more than just touchdowns, goals and homeruns. Each sport has its own unique culture, and with culture comes tradition. Traditions in sports can range from the tame to the outrageous and bizarre. But the execution of these traditions can often be the most entertaining or fascinating aspect of a game. It takes a true fan...or a truly crazy fan.

Ignoring rookies

Scoring a point in sports would usually be a reason for a team to celebrate, but in one weird tradition in major league baseball, that isn't the case. This tradition often baffles new baseball fans and even some rookies who aren't familiar with it. When a rookie scores his first career homerun, after rounding the bases and returning to the dugout, the entire team in the dugout ignores the rookie and pretends nothing special happened. Hitting a first career homerun in baseball is a huge milestone, and it's incredible for fans to watch an eager and excited rookie return to a dugout of disinterested teammates staring at their feet.

Rats on Ice

Most sports fans are aware of the tradition of growing playoff beards in support of their favorite NHL team or throwing hats on the ice after a player has scored three goals for a hattrick in ice hockey, but some NHL teams have some pretty weird traditions of throwing other objects on the ice. The Florida Panthers throw rubber rats after a win on home ice. The tradition

started during the Panthers' run for the Stanley Cup in the 1996 Stanley Cup Finals Series. A rat ran across the Panthers' locker room, and player Scott Mellanby killed it with his hockey stick. Mellanby scored two goals during the game, and fans made the rat as a good luck charm for the team.

Octopi on Ice

The Detroit Red Wings have an even stranger tradition at Joe Louis Arena: throwing octopi onto the ice. This tradition began during the 1952 Stanley Cup Playoff Series; back then, the NHL only had six teams, and a team would need to win two best-of-seven series, totaling eight wins, to reach the Stanley Cup, as opposed to the 16 games a team would need to win today. The eight tentacles of the octopus represented the eight wins the Red Wings needed. After the octopus was thrown on the ice, the Red Wings went onto sweep the series, and the octopus became a symbol of victory for the team. Fans are known to sneak octopi into the stadium to hurl onto the ice during games for good luck.

Haka Dance

Like professional sports, college sports are rich in tradition, and some tend to get a little strange. The Hawaii Warriors football team has the haka, a ceremonial dance. The entire football team performs the traditional Māori war cry exactly 20 minutes before kickoff and performs another version after a win in their home stadium. The University of Hawaii adopted this ritual after their wildly successful 2006 season.

Jumping Around

But strange traditions in college football aren't limited to just

team participation; some schools have adopted weird rituals for their fans as well. At the University of Wisconsin's home stadium, Camp Randall, it is tradition for the stadium to play House of Pain's "Jump Around" between the third and fourth quarters. Once the beat drops, the entire student section at Camp Randall erupts into a mosh-pit like atmosphere, shaking the stadium. UW has been jumping around the stadium since 1998 to pump the Badgers up for the last quarter of play.

Cutting the Net

A major tradition in college basketball that new fans might not be aware of is cutting the net after winning a championship. The team will literally cut the nets used in the game from the hoop and keep them as souvenirs. Some schools will display the nets alongside the respective trophy, and others will even cut the net up into smaller pieces to distribute throughout the championship team. The rumor is that this tradition was started in 1947 by North Carolina State coach Everett Case. After NC State won the Southern Conference title, Case wanted to take the nets as a souvenir for his players. So, the NC State team lifted Case on their shoulders so he could cut the net. It has become customary for many championship teams to do the same.

Sports would be much less entertaining without the quirky traditions that are found in different leagues and among different teams. And even though some are more obscure or bizarre than others, they are still important to many athletes and are a defining part of sports culture.

ON DECK

Men's Baseball

vs. St. Thomas
NSU Baseball Complex
March 24, 6 p.m.

Women's Rowing

vs. Barry University
Miami, Florida
March 28, 8 a.m.

Men's Golf

Bobcat Intercollegiate
Eatonton, Georgia
March 16 to 17, All day

Women's Golf

Otter Invitational
Seaside, California
March 23 to 24, All day

Softball

vs. Albany State
AD Griffin Sports Complex
March 24, 5 p.m.

Women's Tennis

vs. University of Nebraska, Omaha
NSU Tennis Complex
March 24, 3 p.m.

Men's and Women's Track and Field

vs. University of Central Florida
Orlando, Florida
March 28, 10 a.m.

For more game information, visit nsusharks.com



SPORTS SHORTS

Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving



The men's and women's swimming and diving teams earned six individual national championships at the NCAA National Championships. Overall, the men finished in seventh with 260 points and the women finished in fourth place with 216 points.

Women's Basketball

The women's basketball team advanced to the NCAA South Region championship after beating Rollins 63-51 in the semifinals. This is the third straight season, the team has advanced to the South Region championship.

Women's Softball

The softball team won both games of a doubleheader against the St. Thomas Bobcats at home, 9-1 (6 inn.) and 7-5.

Women's Tennis

The tennis team continued its undefeated run by defeating NCAA Division I Butler 9-0 at the NSU Tennis Complex..



Men's Golf

The men's golf team won its third straight tournament to start the spring, winning the St. Edward's Invitational.



GO TO THE BALL WITH “CINDERELLA”

By: **Keren Moros**

Every few years or so, the powers-that-be in the entertainment business decide we need another version of Cinderella. In the past 15 years alone we've had the “Cinderella Story” film franchise, “Ever After,” the film and novel “Ella Enchanted” and a gently modernized Broadway version of the 1957 musical.

But the one people most strongly associate with the fairy tale is Disney's classic 1950 animated film. Given the story's fame and Disney's recent penchant for revisiting classic tales with big movie stars and lots of special effects (like “Oz the Great and Powerful,” “Maleficent” and “Alice in Wonderland”), it comes as no surprise that they chose to remake the tale in live action.

What's unusual is that Disney is playing it safe this time. The previously mentioned films took risks, telling a story that's only a shadow of the original, but “Cinderella” mostly sticks to the original plot. In fact, the first trailer summarized the whole story, basically telling audiences that there would be no surprises or major postmodern twists.

In playing it safe, however, Disney actually plays it perfectly. Knowing that everyone is all-too-familiar with the story, they simply enhanced it, making it such a



Lily James stars in Disney's vibrant, live action remake of the 1950 animated film. COURTESY OF WDSMEDIAFILE.COM

delight that it's enough to convince even those weary of modern fairy tale adaptations that, yes, we did need another “Cinderella.”

The magic of this adaptation is in the details given to its characters. As charming as the original film is, it leaves audiences with a lot of questions. Why wasn't the prince going after Cinderella himself? What was Cinderella's mother like? Why exactly did her father marry such a horrible person? The new film answers these questions and more by focusing the characters. Instead of long sequences with talking mice, this version gives us dialogue, narration and lingering close ups that move the story seamlessly from scene to scene, enriching the familiar plot points and showing the humanity in the story.

All this would be nothing without great acting, which is another reason to love “Cinderella.” Rising “Downton Abbey” star Lily James plays Cinderella to sweet perfection. Living her mother's entreaty to “have courage and be kind,” Cinderella always looks at the bright side, loves deeply and always thinks of others before herself. To play a humble character without making her seem pathetic is quite a task and James delivers brilliantly. She infuses Cinderella with endearing gentleness and classic elegance, and she's naturally radiant in every scene.

The supporting characters are excellent as well, and Helena Bonham Carter as the quirky fairy godmother is a special treat. But the two standouts are “Game of

Thrones” star Richard Madden as the prince and Cate Blanchett as the infamous stepmother Lady Tremaine. Madden steps beyond the often one-dimensional Prince Charming stock character, giving the prince spirit and actual guts. This prince learns from Cinderella and becomes a better man and monarch because of her, and Madden portrays the prince's humility and fear not only with effortless charm but also with true humanity and sincerity. Blanchett is so superb in her role that she doesn't even need to say anything to show us what the stepmother is thinking. Each of her vocal inflections and nuanced expressions are studied yet natural, telling us everything we need to know about Lady Tremaine's feelings and motivations. She's still the villain we love to hate, but now she is human with her own fears, pain and back story, making us just a little sorry that she chose the path of hatred over the path of goodness Cinderella chooses.

With such amazing characters and performances, everything else is icing on the cake. The visuals are lush, enchanting and magical. The kingdom truly comes out of a fairy tale book with detailed villages and a sumptuous palace. Each setting has so much detail that the kingdom feels like a real place one can visit. Every color sparkles with a vibrancy almost

like fire, from the golden carriage and opulent glass slippers to the glitter in Cinderella's ball gown. This is especially evident in the magnificent costumes.

Undergirding the story is Patrick Doyle's lovely score. It's sweeping and grand but doesn't overreach or needlessly dramatize the simplicity of the story. He doesn't use any of the musical motifs from the original songs, a good choice that separates this version from its animated counterpart and transports us to this new world.

Director Kenneth Branagh pulled out all the stops for “Cinderella.” He enhances and lengthens some of the classic scenes we know and love without drawing them out, and he adds to the well-known characters' personalities and motivations, helping us to understand them more. The result is refreshingly classic but not old-fashioned, sweet but not saccharine, romantic but not unconvincingly obsessed with infatuation. By some magic, it retells the beloved tale without retreading it and running it to the ground. In short, it's a ball with no magical curfew.

CATCH UP ON WOMEN'S HISTORY WITH THESE MUST-SEE FILMS

By: **Nicole Cocuy**

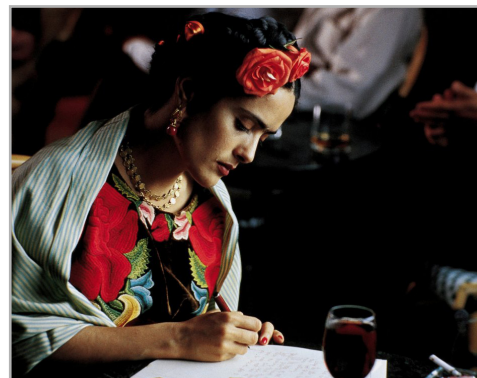
Olivia Pope from “Scandal,” Leslie Knope from “Parks and Recreation,” and Buffy Summers from “Buffy the Vampire Slayer” might be the first women who come to mind when we hear the phrase “strong female lead,” but the most inspiring, determined and complicated female characters in the media are not fictional. They are based on real women who overcame obstacles and negativity to achieve the impossible and change history. So, kick back, grab a bag of popcorn, watch these films about real-life heroines and feel empowered this Women's History Month.

“The Iron Lady” (2011)

Politics has always been considered a man's game. Margaret Thatcher not only proved that women can play too, but she dominated it as the longest serving prime minister of the United Kingdom in the 20th century. “The Iron Lady” delves into two of the biggest struggles Thatcher faced in her lifetime: her challenging goal to become the first female prime minister in the United Kingdom and her battle with dementia later in life. In case a film about a woman beating the odds and paving the way for other female leaders isn't enticing enough, Meryl Streep plays Thatcher in easily her most inspiring role to date, for which she unsurprisingly won an Oscar.

“Frida” (2002)

Frida Kahlo was so much more than just a



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Mexican painter with thick eyebrows and bold floral crowns. She was a free spirit who wasn't afraid to break social expectations to be herself, whether it meant dressing up in men's clothes for her sister's wedding photos or dancing intimately with other women in a room full of strangers. She was a game changer who showed women



that nothing — men, family or even health — should hold us back from pursuing our passions and achieving our dreams. “Frida” effectively captures Kahlo's care free attitude, hunger for adventure and perseverance, even through her physical deterioration.

“Zero Dark Thirty” (2012)

Oscar-nominated “Zero Dark Thirty” follows Maya, a pseudonym for a real-life CIA agent, in her search for infamous terrorist Osama bin Laden. While the name of the real CIA agent responsible for the discovery is not known, she is still an important figure who dramatically changed recent American history. “Zero Dark Thirty” is a thrilling film that chronicles the CIA agent's hard work and determination to find the man responsible for the September 11 attacks and avenge those who lost their lives on that devastating day. She is a courageous, strong American hero who deserves to be acknowledged for her impact.

“Mulan” (1998)

Yes, “Mulan” is a fictional Disney movie that turned an ancient Chinese legend into an animated, kid-friendly tale. However, according to historians, Mulan actually existed and, just like the movie, dressed like a man to serve in the army. Mulan defined what it really meant to fight like a girl as a talented fighter — well-trained in various weapons, archery and martial arts — who served for 12 years. Granted — at least according to present historical knowledge — there was no red talking dragon companion named Mushu and there were no random musical numbers. But, historical inaccuracies aside, “Mulan” is a fun little film that still pays homage to ancient Chinese history and a real female warrior.

SUGAR FACTORY FAIL

By: **Amanda Kaplan**

Going to a restaurant that you have wanted to go to for months and being disappointed is one of the worst feelings. The Sugar Factory in Miami Beach was completely different than I had expected. Don't get me wrong. It wasn't the worst restaurant I have ever been to, but it wasn't anything to write home about.

The Sugar Factory has many locations across the nation from New York to Las Vegas. I made a reservation at the Miami location to make sure I had a spot. To my surprise, plenty of times were open a week in advance, which confused me considering the popularity the restaurant has gained. When I arrived right on Ocean Drive in the middle of all the lights and thousands of people, multiple tables were available. The excited gentleman who greeted us seemed like he was in a rush. He didn't even ask my name or cared that I made a reservation.

My party and I sat outside because the greeter said no one really sits inside because it's not a great atmosphere. Luckily, I sat by a heater because it was not a warm night. The view was wonderful though. Across the street were palm trees and you could see all the action going on along Ocean Drive. But even though I was in beautiful Miami, I did not appreciate how the waiters and owners chased after people to sit down and eat at their restaurant. Women were selling cigars

and hookah along the street and people were being obnoxious.

Once I got past that, I could finally look at the menu. What bothered me was the lack of prices on the menu and the fact that the waiter did not offer me the prices. The Sugar Factory is known for their sugary drinks with different kinds of fruit and candy that come with or without alcohol. The drinks are served in a tall, 60-ounce goblet that looks like a fishbowl. It is plenty to share with a few people. I just assumed that drinks would be about \$25 and treated myself to their Lollipop Passion. To my surprise, I did not enjoy the drink at all and would have rather just had a soda. Maybe the other flavors are better, as they also make chocolate and other specialty drinks that I would have liked to try as well, but they are too expensive. Along with their overpriced drinks the Sugar Factory is also known for its couture candy shop, which I didn't get to see because I wasn't told they had one at this location — yet another big disappointment for me.

Their dinner menu is relatively small but includes appetizers and salads, burgers, pasta, steak, and even breakfast food. The meals range from \$10 to \$40. For an appetizer, my friend and I ordered Fried Macaroni and Cheese Pops with a dipping sauce. For dinner, I ordered fettuccini alfredo with chicken that came with garlic bread. My friend ordered what was called the Pizza Burger, a regular burger with mozzarella cheese and tomato sauce on it, which came

with fries.

The appetizer was delicious. The Macaroni and Cheese Pops looked like giant cake pops, but I wish they were bigger as the serving was only three pops. Fried macaroni and cheese is one of my favorites so I would definitely recommend this dish.

I wasn't very surprised that the dinners weren't the biggest portions, but for the money I would have expected a slightly larger dish. The fettuccini alfredo was very good. Though, it was not like a dish from an authentic Italian restaurant but it was better than I expected. However, what I found odd was the small piece of garlic bread that came with the meal. It was the size of the small bread bruschetta is made with. I honestly could have done without it. The pizza burger wasn't very good either. The sauce did not taste how tomato sauce should and the idea of the burger was not executed very well. The waiter did not ask how we wanted the burger cooked and it was almost burnt to a crisp. It was definitely not the best burger I have ever eaten, but the fries were yummy.

Once we finished dinner, we decided to look at the dessert menu. They have pages and pages of desserts. (Those are not cheap either.) We were so turned off by the food and the not-so-great service that we decided not to order dessert. I believe they give you less food so you have more room for drinks and desserts.

I knew the check was not going to be cheap but I did not expect it to be what it

actually was: more than \$100 for dinner for two people. The drink was \$39. Yes, \$39 with no alcohol. If I'm not getting alcohol in the drink, I think it's absolutely ridiculous because it was just 60 ounces of juice. The bill included a tip, which I understand, but then I saw that they put two service charges on the bill. I don't even know what they were for and why I was charged for them. One charge was for about \$20 and another for around \$2. I felt I was taken advantage of and I wanted to leave as soon as possible. I did not ask any questions about the check and just paid the price.

I'm glad I got to experience The Sugar Factory once to see what all the hype was about but I don't need to go back. It may be a good spot to have some drinks or dessert, but I would not recommend it for a nice meal with your family or a date with your significant other. Other locations may be different, but I don't have the urge to find out any time soon. It definitely gave off the celebrity Hollywood vibe that they are going for and the prices match, so this restaurant may be the place to go for a fancy night out. But for college students on a low budget, this is not the place you want to spend all of your money.

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YOU WILL NOT GAIN MEANING BY TRAVELING THE WORLD

By: Alyssa DiMaria

Many of us aren't sure where to find meaning anymore. We want to find meaning in our studies, careers or a hobby — avenues where we feel safe and connected. But after a couple of let downs, many of us look for a way to find meaning somewhere else possibly in deep, powerful relationships. But 21st century technology has made it too easy to keep every type of relationship — from the platonic to the romantic — at a pretty superficial level.

We read about those who have given up

the nine-to-five life to start traveling the world and we can't help but go, "That's it. This is how I will get meaning in my life. I will travel the world."

I hate to break it to you, but you will not gain meaning by traveling the world.

I do not have a severe case of wanderlust. However, I did leave a small hometown to live in South Florida, so that may give me some credentials. Since the moment I left, I seized every opportunity for a new experience.

I'm the type of person who sees pictures and articles of beautiful places and checks her bank account, bemoaning the fact that she can't just cancel everything and take a sporadic trip to France.

Travel is in my blood. But it doesn't give me meaning.

I never understood why people jet off to South Korea, England or Brazil because they are unhappy with their lives and want to find meaning only to roam around aimlessly in their new country and return home essentially the same person, albeit with a few souvenirs. A person can travel to new places but remain confined in their old ways of thinking. They'll return to their old jobs and count the days until they can "find meaning" again.

We cannot go to any new place expecting it to give us meaning. The same way we cannot go into a church and expect to feel a spiritual awakening from entering alone. And the same way we cannot go into the dating world and assume that simply "finding a man/woman" will give us clarity and purpose. It would be nice if everything had this intrinsic quality, but it doesn't.

Here is the nasty, gnarly, unfortunate truth: at the end of the day, cities are cities. Towns are towns. Countrysides are countrysides. In all places, there are roads, buildings and a plethora of jobs that need to be done to keep the community going. These places will vary greatly in shape, size and texture, but at the end of the day, it is still just ground beneath your feet. The cars might

be on the opposite side of the road, but that doesn't mean the asphalt will provide you anything on its own accord.

So what does traveling give you, if not meaning? The answer: perspective.

Go onto those roads and into those buildings. Experience the shapes, sizes and textures. Take in these experiences gently; see what resonates with you and what passes you by. Take it all in and recognize that perspective is not meaning, but it can help you shape it.

Travel can open your eyes; however it doesn't improve your ability to see. Meaning can't be given, shared, sold or exchanged. It is created from within. It is made from understanding what makes you tick and what shuts you off and realizing all the little aspects that make "you". It is made when we observe how we connect with the world and pause a minute to ponder why.

And it is created with the understanding that anything can be a catalyst for that deeper understanding. You don't need to backpack through Europe. You don't need to do anything that doesn't resonate with you. You just need to step out into life with an open mind and a fearlessness to accept whatever emotions and experiences come your way. Whether that step is off of an airplane or onto a backyard porch is irrelevant.



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You will not gain meaning by traveling the world. But you will gain meaning by expanding your mind.

DREADLOCKS DO NOT MEAN PATCHOULI OIL AND WEED

By: Destinee A. Hughes

Hair can add the finishing touches to any outfit. Whether you're rocking a sleek straight look to tone down a busy ensemble or your locks are flowing through the wind because you're going for an easy-going light look, hair can make or break your appearance. While hair can emphasize many looks, the one look many don't want is that of smelling like "patchouli oil or weed," and according to Giuliana Rancic from E! Network's "Fashion Police," that's the look dreadlock wearers give off.

After the Oscars, Rancic and her witty crew teamed up and began doing what they do best: insulting celebrities. While some celebrities were commended for their lovely looks on the red carpet, singer and actress Zendaya was absolutely ridiculed for wearing her hair in dreadlocks. Rancic said, "I feel like she smells like patchouli oil or maybe weed," which is not only highly insensitive but also racist and stereotypical.

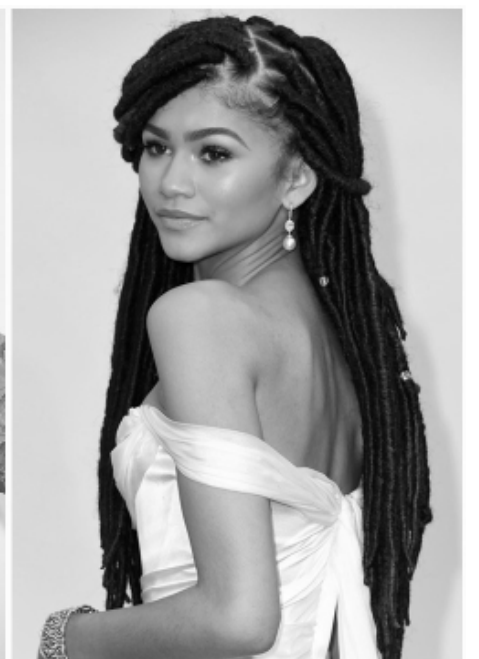
Dreadlocks have always been a part of black culture. Black hair is different from other types as, without chemical processing or

high maintenance, it has a distinct coil pattern. Society has a way of subtly telling black people, especially black women, that what we were naturally born with — eyes, nose, lips, body, hair, etc. — is not good enough — at least not for Western society.

Being ridiculed for wearing black hair in its natural state is completely absurd. Not only is it a jab at black culture, but it's a jab at what that hairstyle represents in Western society. Dreadlocks are not just a hairstyle.

Black women have evolved tremendously over the decades because of the fear of inadequacy. We've gone from black Angela Davis afros and blonde Nene Leaks wigs to authentic Aretha Franklin noses and surgically enhanced Nicki Minaj snouts and from Pam Grier sun-kissed mahogany skin to bleached epidermises like Ciara's. When is it going to stop? When is society going to stop trying comparing the beauty of other nationalities to the Western standard of a blue-eyed, blond-haired, straight-nosed, skinny white woman? Women are already beautiful, and we shouldn't have to change to meet anyone's standards.

But what I find completely hilarious



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Giuliana Rancic recently criticized Zendaya's hair, saying it looked as if it smelled of "patchouli oil and weed."

about this situation is that a few weeks back when Kylie Jenner debuted her fresh pair of dreadlocks on Instagram, no one suggested about her smelling like oils and illegal substances. Her locks were deemed original and edgy. Maybe dreadlocks are original and edgy, just not on dark skin because if you have dreadlocks, it's easily assumed that you either smoke weed or dabble in lots of oils, specifically patchouli oil, right Mrs. Rancic?

Like Zendaya said in her response to Rancic's remarks, many notable, highly intelligent black people wear their hair in dreadlocks. Harvard professors, singers, actresses, authors and more, and none of them

reek of patchouli oil or weed.

It was bitter to glimpse how some Caucasian people feel about black hairstyles. Obviously, if we're unwilling to adhere to Western standards of beauty, then we are deemed unsightly and unlawful.

ONE-STOP FLOP

By: **Jazmyn Brown**

I'm lucky enough to have most of my tuition covered by financial aid. Without financial aid, some of us admittedly couldn't even dream of attending NSU. As a private university, NSU is as expensive as it gets — you'll be lucky to keep your arms and legs after Razor's done with you.

But why, I beg, is it so difficult to get financial aid? I've had enough trouble with NSU's financial aid process to know that to get help, you have to put in a lot of effort. You fill out your FAFSA — God forbid there's an error on it — and you get a letter in the mail detailing what NSU is offering you in scholarships, grants and loans. You accept all of the above, to find out that it still doesn't cover everything. So you go to the One-Stop Shop to get some advice and, hopefully, some assistance. Spoiler alert: you get neither.

For all your hard work in high school — maintaining high grades and accumulating community service hours — the payoff isn't exactly great. If you expect to get financial aid from NSU, you're gonna have a bad time.

My first experience with the Office of Student Financial Assistance was through the 24/7 University Call Center. Once I called, I waited 30 minutes, which is understandable given the number of students who receive,

and, presumably have problems with, financial aid. I was missing documents, and there were errors on my FAFSA, so I had to do several things to get the funding I needed to attend NSU.

I made countless phone calls and several trips back and forth from Boynton Beach to Davie over one of the errors on my FAFSA that for some reason wasn't fixable, just to make sure my financial aid wasn't jeopardized. The staff at the office was helpful, kind and understanding, but that's about where the compliments end. As a first-time student at NSU, to say I'm dissatisfied with OSFA is a gross understatement.

I realized that if I wanted anything to get done, I'd have to do some intense harassing first. As is the norm with financial aid, there are an overwhelming number of forms that need to be filled out. SharkLink will tell you exactly which ones are missing, so when I needed to complete them, I did. Yet my financial aid wasn't ready to be disbursed until I made a personal visit to OFSA to say, "Yes. Yes, I did the forms and faxed them to you."

More recently, a hold was put on my account because of my outstanding balance. Holds like this are normal. However, it was unfair because I was told that there would be no consequences if I didn't pay upfront. After several, what felt like thousand, phone calls

and a fruitless visit to One-Stop Shop, the hold was removed — and not after the visit, as I was told it would be, but after I paid the balance.

Why not just say, "Yes, you can register for classes, but be careful because a hold will be placed on your account, and there's a \$100 late fee." But no, it's, "Let's not say anything about the hold and neglect to inform her of various payment plans so she has to empty her savings account to lift the hold."

Every financial aid counselor will tell you something different about your financial aid or how to get more financial aid or what you need to do to keep your financial aid. What the office needs to understand is that I'm not looking for a gazillion opinions. And after they all tell you something different, it's either wrong or there's another important aspect they left out — like the fact that they'll let you register for classes if your balance is below \$1,000, but a hold will be placed on your account if you don't pay it at the beginning of the semester. The counselors do their best to help, but what they need is a consolidated plan to help students, not each person telling a different story.

I never knew that loan amounts are based on the number of credit hours completed. To be completely honest, I have no idea if it's even true. But why not tell me this in the beginning, since I carried credit from high school, so that I could plan accordingly? But I guess it's not important, and, after all, I see no evidence of coordination with the Undergraduate Academic Advising Center,

which is just upstairs.

It's so difficult to get the help that you need that it doesn't seem worth it in the end. Yeah, I'm paying a lot more to say that I went to the prestigious institution that is NSU, but it's double the effort. I shouldn't have to kill myself with schoolwork and, on top of that, kill myself to receive financial aid because the advice I get is either useless or wrong. If students didn't need help understanding the ins and outs of the financial aid process, then there would be no need for OSFA in the first place. I go to the office to speak with a counselor because they're the experts, not me. It's not my job.

For what it's worth, OSFA does help, but my problem is that most of the effort I put in with them goes to waste when it shouldn't be that difficult to help students achieve their goals in the first place. Let's face it, I could go to another school for a lot less and maybe even get a better education out of it because I'm not weighed down by overpriced tuition and inconsistent and inefficient "help."

If NSU wants to keep those retention rates up and expand them, then there needs to be a simpler, streamlined process for students to deal with financial aid. The goal of OFSA should be to ease the burden of paying sky-high NSU tuition, housing and fees, not to add unnecessary stress.

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Shark Speak:

What has been your experience with the Office of Student Financial Assistance? What do you think can be improved?

"The financial aid office is pretty helpful, especially through email. I find it helpful that they respond to electronically because we're not always available in person. When I do go to their office, I have to wait a while to see someone. Other than that, they're pretty helpful since I'm not really that great with money."

Shivani Patel,
Senior biology major



"I think they need more staff. This is only my first semester here and my experience is pretty much good but I was just waiting a while to get an appointment with them because I got accepted late over the summer."

Dominic Crici,
Junior occupational therapy major



"I think financial aid can definitely be improved. I think there needs to be a little more customer orientation and the customer is the student. I think that some of the staff and financial aid advisers should be a little more proactive with making sure the student has the aid to successfully complete their time at NSU."

Brady Wright,
MBA in global management student



"I haven't had to deal much with them. With that being said, I did my bachelor's here and they're very helpful when you get on the phone. My biggest complaint would be the waiting time to speak to someone. It can be a while."

Alex Paez,
MBA in management student



"I've had a pretty good experience with them. Usually, I get what I need to do done when I go to the One-Stop Shop. Sometimes, I feel like I don't know what I need to do. I feel like I have to go and find out information for myself. I feel like maybe they can improve that by letting us know what we need to have by certain days because sometimes I feel like it's not clear."

Sarah Shareef,
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