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The Sharks Defeat the Stingrays

NSU's new mascot has more bite

By Paul Saneaux
Staff Writer

The votes have been cast and tallied and the new, official mascot has been decided. The NSU community will now be collectively known as the Sharks, a mascot with more identity and uniqueness than the relatively unknown Knights, said members of the School Pride/School Spirit Task Force.

The final decision was the result of a series of voting, polls, student focus groups, and meetings by the School Pride/School Spirit Task Force - a committee formed by student leaders, Alumni, the athletic department, faculty and staff.

"Over 4,000 responses came from students about which mascot was preferred," said Director of Student Engagement Kathryn Blanco.

This was a drastic change in interest considering that a large portion of the NSU community did not know that the Knights were part of the logo. It became clear through the polling efforts of the SP/SS Task Force that people were looking for a change and eager to affect NSU's future.

Concerning the voting process, Director of Student Activities and Leadership development Terry Weech said "the Task Force was looking for qualitative responses from the students, rather than quantitative votes."

Since the release of the first rendition by the large Washington D.C. graphic studio, Gallagher and Associates, the rendition of the Sharks has changed to reflect the whole community's responses.

The "great energy" Blanco described accompanied the idea of changing the mascot, and it prompted Dean of Student Affairs Brad Williams...
Over four thousand responses came in for the preferred mascot choices and Director of Athletics Michael Mominey to suggest an immediate changeover. The original plan was to release the mascot during fall term of next year, but the SP/SS Task Force, which includes Williams and Mominey, thought the time was right to ride the momentum of the excitement.

The Task Force decided a Homecoming unveiling of the Sharks on Oct. 22 fits the point for school spirit. New with the uniqueness of the Sharks, NSU's sense of school spirit, pride, and unity has a base for growth. Also, the coming of the University Center and its sports arena offers greater potential.

Mominey said in a university press release that "the uniqueness and the originality of the Sharks nickname allows NSU the opportunity to create its own nation-wide brand identity."

Currently, no other university in the United States is known as the Sharks in Division I, II, or III. Two other universities, however, the University of Central Florida and Lynn University, have the Knights as their mascot. The athletics programs look to benefit immensely from a unique mascot.

"Sharks are a truly fitting mascot," said Dean Williams in a written statement. "We're proud to be a Florida institution of higher education and being represented by a marine animal makes sense."

The final decision, made by NSU President Ray Ferrero, Jr., was influenced by a formal recommendation from the SP/SS Task Force that was in turn shaped by the votes of the NSU public.

"We think it's important to provide students with the complete college experience—both academically and socially," said President Ferrero in a press release. "We've got cutting-edge degree programs, ground-breaking research in our labs, and are providing exciting opportunities for our students to gain professional experience. But one piece was missing from the puzzle. We didn't have a focal point for school spirit."

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Press Release

Award Winning Writer Judith Ortiz Cofer to Speak

As the first lecturer in the Distinguished Speaker Series, Judith Ortiz Cofer, an award-winning poet, essayist, and fiction writer, will speak on Oct. 26 from 7:30 p.m. in the Knight Auditorium of the DeSantis Building.

Cofer will be reading from some of her work and giving a talk as part of "a new interdisciplinary program devoted to the college-wide exploration of a single theme each academic year," according to a press release from the Office of Public Affairs. This year's theme, "Good and Evil," will also be examined by a scheduled talk by Nobel Prize winner Elie Wiesel in Feb.

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**Counterfeiter Makes 999 Million Dollar Bills**

In an attempt to become a billionaire, a Twin Falls, Idaho man decided to counterfeit one-thousand million dollar bills. According to Fox News, the man attempted to deposit his forged currency as loan collateral at a local bank. Police seized the forged money, noticing that it was one bill short. Interim Police Chief Jim Munn said that "it would have been remarkable if anyone would have accepted them as legitimate," adding that "this is just absolutely comical." Officials said that the money, which was above average quality, was likely made in the United Kingdom, Canada, or Nigeria.

**Sane Indian Man Spends 54 Years in Mental Hospital**

A 77 year-old Indian man, Machal Lalung, was released from a remote mental asylum in Tezpur 54 years after being declared insane — although being mentally sound the entire time. Reuters reported that the National Human Rights Commission had the man released, citing that he only suffered from epilepsy. The man said that "I feel sad at what happened to my life but there is no use grumbling now. I am just waiting for death." He plans to spend his days tending his garden. Women were present in the mental hospital, but Lalung stayed away, saying: "Who would want to marry an insane woman?"

**Self-Proclaimed Pigeon Surgeon Arrested**

A total of 300 living and dead birds were contained in the house, which was entered the home, according to the Associated Press, they found a man operating to remove a tumor from a pigeon that he had sedated with vodka. A total of 300 living and dead birds were contained in the house, which was littered with droppings. Enright said that he was "literally in shock" by the arrest, claiming that he devoted himself to saving his birds.

**Hurricane Wilma Projected Path Prompts SGA to Consider Cancellation of Homecoming Activities and Dance**

By Kristine Belizaire

The Student Government Association meeting on Oct. 19 was one with many questions, answers, and dismissed bills. After the appointment of the new administrative assistant Rico Hernandez, the next thing on the agenda was Homecoming. Because of Hurricane Wilma, which at the time was said to hit South Florida on Saturday, October 22, there was a possibility that the pre-Homecoming events and the Homecoming dance may be postponed. Homecoming aside, three bills were proposed by the Pre-Dental organization. Two of them, the wax carving workshop and the speaker series, were dismissed due to confusion in dates and late submissions of the bills. The last bill, the Pre-Dental impressions workshop, which is supposed to prepare pre-dental students for graduate school, was approved. Other issues were brought up regarding the allocation of money in the Senate reserve fund. SGA members looked at the amount of money that was not being used and whether it could be used to promote events that will allow them more visibility to the NSU community. IOC senator positions are now available. If interested, applications are available in room 107 in the SGA office in the Athletics and Student Affairs Building.

**Europe**

**Mafia gunmen kill Italian politician**

As reported by Reuters on October 17, a "masked gunman" shot and killed an Italian politician of the center-left Democratic party in Rome's southern region of Calabria. According to reporters, the gunman "stalked Calabria's vice President, Francesco Fortugno" to a voting booth and shot him five times when he exited he booth. Nicola Adamo, the secretary general of the Democrats of the Left in Calabria, said that the killing has become "a symbol of the Italian political scene." Organized crime in Calabria is believed to be run by the local 'Ndrangheta mafia group.

**South America**

**Prison fire kills 32 inmates**

In Buenos Aires, Argentina, a "fire set by feeding inmates raged through a cellblock" resulting in the death of 32 inmates and the injury of two prison guards. Justice Minister Eduardo Di Rocco told reporters that all the deaths appeared to have been caused by asphyxiation from the smoke that filled the area. According to Associated Press reporters, Di Rocco said the inmates began fighting soon after midnight when they set mattresses and blankets on fire, he also rejected the notion that a demand for more visiting hours by the prisoners led to the fight. It was Mother's Day and relatives were attempting to visit the inmates that day.

**Asia**

**Quake hits eastern Japan**

The Associated Press in Kyodo, Japan reported that a quake of "preliminary magnitude" of 5.1, on the Richter Scale, occurred in the eastern area of the Ibaraki Prefecture. The Japanese Meteorological Agency told reporters that the earthquake was centered in the Ibaraki Prefecture to the south, "40 km underground." The Meteorological Agency also said there was no danger of tsunami. No deaths were reported, but several injuries were suffered and transportation systems were temporarily shut down.

**North America**

**Neo-Nazi march causes riot**

In Toledo, Ohio, on October 15, a proposed march by Neo-Nazis led residents of several neighborhoods to clash with police in a large riot. The Associated Press reported that 114 people were arrested on "charges including assault, vandalism, failure to disperse, and overnight curfew violations." The march was called off and the supremacists left because of the growing crowds of angered residents. Authorities say that the crowds became angered when city officials let the group of Neo-Nazis march through the city. Mayor Jack Ford said the group did not apply for a parade permit and planned to use the sidewalks, which the city has no right to deny.

**Middle East**

**Election staff fired for fraud**

Election officials in Kabul, Afghanistan told reporters on October 16 that they have "fired about 50 employees for suspected fraud in last month's legislative polls." According to Daniel Cooney of the Associated Press, human rights activists warned officials that "about half of the winning candidates are believed to have links to armed groups." Consequently, 680 ballot boxes, approximately three percent of the votes, were removed from the counted votes due to suspicion of ballot-stuffing. Richard Atwood, chief of operations for the joint U.N. and Afghan election commission, said that a recount is not needed because it "does not affect the integrity of the election."

For more information visit [www.guardian.co.uk](http://www.guardian.co.uk). For more information visit [www.japantimes.co.jp](http://www.japantimes.co.jp). For more information visit [www.guardian.co.uk](http://www.guardian.co.uk). For more information visit [www.guardian.co.uk](http://www.guardian.co.uk).
Gay/Straight Student Alliance rallied together with the NSU community to support awareness and acceptance of homosexuality

By Danielle Garcia
Knightwriter

Nova Southeastern University united on October 11 to celebrate National Coming Out Day. The Gay/Straight Student Alliance teamed up with two graduate organizations to celebrate this nationally recognized public holiday to support awareness and acceptance of homosexuality.

Sammi Ray, the acting President of the Gay/Straight Student Alliance, shared her expectations of the event saying, "I hope the event will unite the NSU community and provide awareness of the gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender community on campus."

NSU students responded by indulging in a variety of home cooked meals and consuming a special drink to celebrate the day; Gay Fuel energy drink was distributed to students to support awareness and acceptance of the gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender community. The drink was accompanied by entertainment by the Gay Student Association and educational reading material distributed to students to support awareness and acceptance of homosexuality.

Students were able to check out maps such as She, Hot Spots, and the NSU student guide. The colorful decorations and popular song "I'm Coming Out" created a positive environment for students to sit and converse, but more importantly support each other. GSSA passed out equality stickers and rainbow pride bracelets as souvenirs and ask students to make a pledge to live a diverse life by signing a certificate with the pledge on it.

Greg Jones, President of the graduate GSSA CPS, said "the event helps give a positive public image to students and fights the stereotypical ideas everyone has, its not all about drag queens and parades."

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By Judith Francois
Staff Writer

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Q: I am a foreign attorney who, back in 1999 in my own country, graduated near the top of my law school class. I've just come to NSU to go to law school here, and I'm struggling. When I went to school the first time, I was single and had no kids, so I had 24 hours a day to myself. I could study whenever I wanted or needed to. Now, I am married and have a five-year-old daughter, and I'm finding it completely impossible to give my daughter the time she needs and deserves and to spend the necessary time reading and studying. The truth is I feel depressed because when I'm spending time with my daughter (which I enjoy), I feel bad because I'm not studying, and when I'm studying, I feel bad because I'm not with my daughter. What do I do?

A: It's bad enough feeling torn in half, pulled in opposite directions by competing demands for your time and commitment. But you have the added stress of not being able to fully immerse in whatever you're doing. How can you fully concentrate on studying when you're feeling guilty and sad over not being with your daughter? And how can you fully enjoy your time with your daughter when you're feeling anxious about not studying? It's hard to ever feel relaxed and good when either time choice you make feels wrong.

I don't know any parents who believe they have found the perfect solution to the dilemma you face—balancing school (and/or work) and family is always a work in progress. But you might find it less stressful if you were able to more fully absorb yourself in whatever you're doing at the moment, allowing you to thoroughly enjoy your time with your daughter when you're with her and to thoroughly concentrate on studying in the small pockets of time you have available.

You didn't mention how your husband fits in. Do you feel as bad about not being with your daughter when she's with him, rather than with some other caregiver? Is there any possibility of his modifying his schedule or participation with your daughter so as to free you up to focus more completely on your studies?

You might find it helpful to come for a few appointments at Student Counseling. One of our counselors can show you how to keep your worries about your studies from coming between you and your daughter, and how to keep your love for her from undermining your concentration. The counselor can even meet together with you and your husband if you think that might help.

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Fall Career Fair Provides Students with the Opportunity to Network with Some of the top Leading Organizations in the World

By Caroline Cullen  
Knightlife Editor

You are a few credits shy of obtaining the degree that you have worked so diligently towards, so now what? It is time to start gearing up to become the professional that you have always dreamed of.

Each year, Nova Southeastern University welcomes a diverse array of organizations on campus to scout potential employees; this year’s 2005 Fall Career Fair was held on Wed. October 19 in the Carl DeSantis Building. Students, employees, and the community were welcomed to promote themselves to dozens of prospective organizations ranging from Target to The Federal Bureau of Investigation. NSU MBA student Javid Mortazavi said, “The Career Fair is a tool for networking and exploring different opportunities.” Each vendor accepted resumes from potential employees and took the time to offer information and answer questions regarding their company. Lee Gutierrez, NSU Alumni and Sales Coach for Carnival cruiseline, relates his experience as an NSU graduate to career professional, “I have a great career with Carnival, and I am here to welcome fellow graduates on board.”

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Clubs and Organizations Celebrate 3rd Annual Block Painting Party

Above: DJ Hernan Rico painting Radio X block.

Above: The Nature Club.

Above: Pan-African Student Association member Janelle Hyne designs powerful hand on block.

Right: Diana Hoffman and company retouching the Gay/Straight Student Alliance (GSSA) block.

Above: Caribbean Student Association painting their blocks — Aduke Wilson (front left) with Akota Williams and Tanielle Gallimore-braids (r.).

Photos by Judith Francois
"What would you name our University Mascot?"

Andrea Tambasco
Senior
Psychology
Long Island, New York
Bruce the Shark and Ray-Ray the Stingray.

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Junior
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It’s Plastic Surgery Barbie...

Ever heard of Jenny Lee? She is a 29-year-old woman who has had nearly 30 cosmetic surgeries—and still wants more. Jenny was on “The Oprah Winfrey Show” back in February of 2005. Since then she has made a promise to the renowned plastic surgeon Dr. Robert Rey, of the hit reality show “Dr. 90210,” to refrain from getting any plastic surgery for an entire year. Dr. Rey diagnosed her with body dysmorphic disorder, a condition where a person becomes obsessed with the defects in their physical appearance, according to The Insider. It’s been five months since Jenny Lee was last seen, and the Barbie look-alike is counting down the days until she can get more surgery. According to The Insider, Lee said, “When I’m 50, I don’t want to look 50. I’m not going down without a fight.” I think she needs a therapist. And someone to tell her that all her surgeries have rendered her absolutely hideous.

My Name is Blonde

Englishman Daniel Craig is the new, official James Blonde—I mean Bond—not blonde. He is the first-ever blonde to play the role of the usually tall, dark, and handsome Bond. Craig’s resume includes movies such as Road to Perdition, The Legend of Zorro, which is soon to be released, and his most renowned debut, Layer Cake. The new Bond adventure, called Casino Royale, is expected to be released worldwide on November 17, 2006, according to comingsoon.net. Born in 1968 and raised in Liverpool, UK, Craig joined the National Youth Theatre of London at age 17. He is regarded as one of Britain’s finest actors according to ComingSoon.Net. Oh yeah, he’s definitely fine.

Please, Please, Please Grow it Back Jake

Jake Plummer, the Broncos Quarterback, has recently shaved off his moustache—his fans really want him to grow it back. They’ve even started a petition pleading for the return of the facial hair. Called “Bring Back Jake Plummer’s Mustache,” the appeal can be signed on www.petitiononline.com, where over 3,000 people have signed the virtual petition so far. Written on MSNBC.com, one petitioner wrote, “I love this guy and could care little about his uniform he just needs to look good doing whatever it is he does.”

Federline Going Borderline with Britney’s Money

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The Courts Loves Michael

Yes, ladies and gentlemen. Michael Jackson is again scheduled to appear in court, but this time he’s got a summons. He must attend a jury summons, that is. It was just four short months ago that Jackson was acquitted of child molestation charges. According to Yahoo! News, Jackson has filed for deferment on the basis that his permanent home is now outside of the United States—in Bahrain. I’m thinking Jackson would be quite happy to stay as far away from any court as possible.

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This Week in Arts & Entertainment

Movie Openings

October 28
The Legend of Zorro
Starring: Antonio Banderas, Catherine Zeta-Jones
Director: Martin Campbell
Genre: Adventure
MPA Rating: PG

After fighting to help California become the 31st state of the Union, Zorro (Banderas) must live up to the promise he made to his wife Elena (Zeta-Jones) - to give up his secret identity and live a normal life as Alejandro de la Vega. When he hesitates, it threatens to tear them apart. Now, the same forces that once threatened to bring California from becoming part of the United States are plotting to unleash a threat that has been 500 years in the making, a threat that could change the course of history forever.

Prime
Starring: Uma Thurman, Meryl Streep, Bryan Greenberg
Director: Ben Younger
Genre: Comedy
MPA Rating: PG-13

Therapists Lisa (Streep) is gingerly helping Ralf (Thurman) out of her post-divorce slump and through the urgent alarm of her ticking biological clock. Although doubtful that Ralf's new fling (he is 23, after all) is an appropriate partner in the long term, Lisa encourages her patient to enjoy it and have fun, but once Lisa accidentally discovers that Ralf's new boyfriend is, in fact, her son, Dave, she finds it increasingly difficult to act the good therapist while hearing intimate details of her son's love life. Soon, the secret is out and cultures clash, complications arise, civil arguments erupt and a storm of opinions swirl around the couple at the center of all this comic fun.

Saw II
Starring: Dominic West, Shawnee Smith, Tobin Bell
Director: Darren Lynn Bousman
Genre: Thriller
MPA Rating: R

While investigating the bloody aftermath of a grisly murder, Detective Eric Mason (Dominic West) has the feeling that it is the work of Jigsaw, the notorious killer who disappeared leaving a trail of bodies - and puzzles - behind. And Mason is right. Jigsaw is at work again. But instead of two people locked in a room with only one unthinkably way out, there are eight. Eight strangers - unaware of their connection to each other - forced to play out a game that challenges their wits and puts their lives in jeopardy.

Book Releases

Available October 25
Predictor by Patricia Cornwell

Dr. Kay Scarpetta, now freelancing with the National Forensic Academy in Florida, takes charge of a case that stretches from steamy Florida to snowbound Boston; one that at first appears as unserving as any she has ever faced. The teasing psychological clues lead Scarpetta and her team-Pete Marino, Benton Wesley, and Lucy Fast-everyone that they are hunting someone with a cunning and malevolent mind whose secrets have kept them in the shadows, until now.

Memories of My Mangled Youth by Gabriel Garcia Marquez

On the eve of his ninetieth birthday, our unnamed protagonist "a submerged character and lifelong bachelor" decides to give himself "the gift of a life of wild love with an adolescent victor." The virgin, whom an old madam procures for him, is splendidly young, with the silent power of a sleeping beauty. The night of love blossoms into a transforming year. It is a year in which he relies, in a rush of memories, his lifetime of (paid-for) sexual adventures and experiences a revelation that brings him to the edge of dying - not of old age, but, at long last, of uncorrupted love.

DVD Releases

Available October 4
Alias - The Complete Fourth Season
Lindsay Lehan in Her/Her Fully Loaded
Nicole Kidman in Bewitched

Entertainment

October 24
Nine Inch Nails at the Bank Atlantic Center
October 26
Rob Thomas at the Hard Rock Live
October 28
Luís Miguel at the American Airlines Arena

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Book synopsis courtesy of www.barnesandnoble.com

Compiled by Marines Alvarez

Human Adventure Lacks Human Interest

By Marines Alvarez

Ever wonder what it would be like if your sociology or philosophy book came to life? Well, I have to wonder no longer. On October 14, NSU students were treated with free tickets to the IAP Capstone Production of The Human Adventure: Resurrecting the Memory of Love. Although there were highlights, the overall show was plagued by several problems, the most of which was incoherency.

The show, written by graduate student Melissa Axel, was well promoted with posters, e-mails, its own website and a front page story in the newspaper. Despite all the promotion, however, it seemed that most people weren't too sure what the Human Adventure was actually about. On the night of the performance, as I stood outside waiting for the house to open, I heard the few people that actually showed up whispering and asking each other what the show was about. I'm afraid that as those same audience members left about two hours later, that same question was still running through their heads.

To The Human Adventure's credit, there were good performances within the show itself. Firstly, there was the comic relief in Michael Biggins, who played "the fool," one of the twelve archetypes within the show. His few lines interjected during the scenes often felt like the manifestations of the audience's thoughts. His quirky and natural deliverance of the humorous one liners refreshed the audience in between the sometimes dry monologues and dialogues.

The live music, singing and dancing were also highlights. Melissa Axel did an excellent job, performing two original songs, including the beautiful song "The Worth of Things." Choreographer and dancer, Kate Maxwell was outstanding. She has amazing stage presence and grace and all of her dances were impacting.

Throughout the show, it was emphasized that what we were watching was basically the world through Axel's eyes, which would have been a fine concept. The problem was that it played out like reading from a text book and not a personal interpretation of the key concepts it brought up. There were points where the performance felt like a lecture. The audience was left with nothing to connect with, no common emotion and no common ground.

On top of that, the actors and audience had to brave their way through sound problems. There were microphones that were never on, "background" music that drowned out the speakers and static and distortion when the microphones were working. It was hard enough to understand the theories that were being thrown our way, but most of the time, we were only catching half of what was said.

In all honesty, all the performances were well done and the cast was obviously very talented. The Human Adventure's fault lay in its inapprochability. Audiences need to feel like there is a beginning, middle, an end, a conflict and a resolution. This show lacked those key ingredients. In the opening scene, they warned that we weren't there to "be entertained," and that was this unique show's biggest mistake.
certain hoedown) on Saturday Night Live.

Simpson's first album, *Autobiography*, proved to be a success, selling 2.9 million copies in the United States and reaching the top spot on The Billboard 200 according to Nielsen SoundScan. The album boasted radio and video hits like "Pieces of Me" and "La La La."

Simpson has clearly moved past her pop phase and has managed to weave different elements of sound and emotion into her new album, displayed by the hard rock tune "Boyfriend," the much softer "Say Goodbye," and the sure-to-be-party-anthem "L.O.V.E." There are some songs that actually make you want to sing along or cry with her, and some that seem very personal. "Catch Me When I Fall" and "Beautifully Broken" are both about her SNL snafu. According to Billboard news, Simpson said of "Beautifully Broken," "I've obviously fallen on my face before in front of a bunch of people, but I've learned it's a beautiful thing and it's OK for people to be broken."

Fan favorites are sure to include "Catch Me When I fall," "Eyes Wide Open," and "I Am Me." There are some people who will never be able to look past Ashlee Simpson's mistakes, but for those who can, this album will not disappoint. *Am I Mr* proves that Ashlee has lived, learned and moved on and I bet she is hoping the same thing can be said about her fans.

**CD REVIEWS**

**Rating:** $12

**Official Site:** www.ashleysimpsonmusic.com

**Record Label:** Geffen

**Album Length:**

11 tracks, 39 minutes and 32 seconds

1. Boyfriend
2. In Another Life
3. Beautifully Broken
4. L.O.V.E.
5. Coming Back For More
6. Dancing Alone
7. Burning Up
8. Catch Me When I Fall
9. I Am Me
10. Eyes Wide Open
11. Say Goodbye

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web speak. It reminds me of stupid, preppy pre-teens who can't find any better role models than Britney Spears. I think web speak is one of those things dumbing down the population. Web speak and George Bush. Both of them dumb down the population. And our population most certainly is getting dumber. Considerably so.

Speaking of dumbing down the population, you would not believe the number of stupid customers I have to deal with at work. You would think that the nature of the business would provide some sort of stupidity control. I mean, intelligent people populate bookstores,

Caitlin McAuliffe, one of the fellow in the orchestra. Photo by Burt Luce

right? Wrong. Much of the time. But seriously, I do get some of the stupidest people in my department. The sort that don't know what a thesaurus is or want to argue with me over whether or not they have a children's version of the I Ching available. What child would want to read the I Ching? I mean, I bored myself to death with it in the fourth grade, and I wasn't easily bored by books at that age. Really. I read 20,000 Leagues Under the Sea twice while in the third grade.

See that? That wasn't bad grammar, but it was bad punctuation. The book title should be italic.

Only about fifty more words to go at this point. I'm relatively tired of making up nonsense, which is odd for me. I usually like making up nonsense. I think it bores me a bit today because I know that after this, nobody will probably ever bother reading it.
NSU Men and Women's Cross Country Teams Finish 5th in Last Race of the Regular Season

By Alicia Winslett
Sports Editor

In DeLand, FL on October 14 the men's cross country team ran in the Stetson Hatter Cross Country Invitational. The men finished fifth out of twelve teams, and were the first of the Division II teams to cross the finish line. They placed ahead of three Division I teams, three Division II teams and one NAIA team.

Freshman Eskender Abdalla finished on top for NSU as he placed 9th overall with a time of 28:02. Right behind him was teammate Aaron Kolterjahn who placed 24th with a time of 29:03. Chris Mullaney from the University of Central Florida won the race with a time of 27:02. Eddie Arguello from Jacksonville University finished eight seconds behind him to take second.

The team had a total of 143 points to slide by host, Stetson University. With 43 points, The University of Central Florida won the 8k race and Florida International University finished 2nd with 54 points.

On October 14 the women's cross country team ran in the Stetson Hatter Cross Country Invitational in DeLand, FL. The team was the first Division II team to cross the finish line in the race. The women's team finished fifth out of fourteen teams including Division I, Division II, and NAIA teams.

Heather Sternau lead the Knights with a 20th place finish, her time was 25:05. Finishing 21st was Bethany Brenkus who finished four seconds behind her teammate. Raynell Hugberg from Florida Atlantic University won the race with a time of 18:39. Fallon Hefferman from Jacksonville University finished second with a time of 19:16.

NSU had a team total of 149 points to finish ahead of Rollins College. The 5k race was won by University of Central Florida with a total of 44 points. Florida International University finished second with 55 points. NSU finished fifth with a team total of 149 points.

Men's Soccer Team Move To #5 In the SSC

By Nelly Mesa
Staff Writer

A final score of 2-0 moved the NSU Knights up to #5 in the SSC as they defeated conference rival Florida Southern on October 11 on their home field. Going full throttle, sophomore Chance Foutch put a goal on the scoreboard at the end of the first half, giving the Knights the lead score of 1-0.

Senior Captain Matt Parry has now met the record for the most assists at NSU: 28. Ludden has had an exceptional season as well, leading the team with 19 goals. Junior goal keeper Adam Spinelli played outstandingly as he made 4 saves while facing Florida Southern's intense offense.

Above: Adam Ludden tries to keep the ball away from the defender.

Right: Gordon slides to save the ball.

Photos courtesy Gary Curreri
Men's Soccer
The Nova Southeastern University men's soccer team (7-6-1, 2-3-1 SSC) played to a 1-1 tie with the visiting University of Tampa Spartans (6-4-3, 1-2-2 SSC) on Saturday night in a Sunshine State Conference match at the NSU Soccer Complex.

NSU Men's Soccer Standings

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NSU Individual Finishes:
9 Eskender Abdalla Fr. 28:02
24 Aaron Kolterjahn So. 29:03
36 Brandon Peterson So. 29:55
37 Kyle Botti So. 29:57
42 Robert Maughan Fr. 30:23
54 Christian Toepfer Jr. 31:20
56 Chad Turnipseed So. 31:30

Women's Cross Country
The Nova Southeastern University women's cross country team finished fifth out of 14 teams at the Stetson Hatter Cross Country Invitational on Friday in DeLand, Fla. The women were the first non-Division I team to cross the finish line, placing ahead of two Division I teams, three Division II teams and four NAIA teams.

NSU Individual Finishes:
20 Heather Sternau So. 21:05
21 Bethany Brenkus Fr. 21:09
23 Bridget Haley Fr. 21:16
37 Courtney Clearwaters Fr. 21:47
51 Steffi Cevallos So. 22:34
59 Alyssa Reeves Fr. 22:45
66 Angela Schoech Sr. 23:02
80 Chelsea Gilbert So. 23:52
84 Dayliset Oliva Sr. 24:22

Volleyball
The Nova Southeastern University volleyball team (3-15) was defeated 3-0 by in-state rival Florida Gulf Coast University (18-2) on Wednesday night at BCC's George Mayer Gymnasium. NSU fell to the Eagles in three games (30-20, 30-22, 30-26).

SSC Volleyball Standings

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Opinions

A Fly on the Wall:

By Paul Saneaux
Staff Writer

Last week’s SGA Senate meeting on October 19 was a rollercoaster ride of emotions. As the Senators, the few students, organization representatives, and I sporadically filed into the room an atmosphere of mild anguish escaped sighing mouths. The general thought in everyone’s mind seemed to be “Please, please, let this meeting end early— and with no fuss.”

The poor souls in the room did not have Lady Luck shining down on them. Rather, Loki, the Norse god of mischief, sat in the room, smiling a broad smile that only meant the imminence of faulty bills. Frustration was coming, like it or not.

Only three bills were presented in that meeting. It seemed very likely that we would all go home early. The previous week ended well presented in that meeting. It was of faulty bills. Frustration was coming, like it or not.

I know that miscommunication is sometimes an issue that creates exceptions, but if I hear that aberrant word again I most certainly will become violently ill. If a new or otherwise pre-existing organization does not know the guidelines, it is their duty, as student leaders, find out from their respective Senators. All organizations should be familiar with the bill-writing process. Our IOC Senators Jessica Boyd and Mirtha Rivera have repeated them at IOC meetings, they have been on the IOC listserve, there have been several bill-writing workshops, the SGA Senate itself has mentioned the rules, and here, have referred to them almost incessantly. In fact, if a club does not know the guidelines, no bills should even be submitted until they are learned. The clubs that have had flawed bills slide through have also been lucky as of yet— Senators do not even have to present the bills if they do not follow the guidelines.

That era of sympathy (or empathy or whatever) is coming to an end, though, SGA President Jason Peebles and SGA Advisor

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In T.V. Land

Do Your TV Homework Kiddies

By Marisnes Alvarez
Asst. Editor

It seems that in every single one of my columns (all four of them...) I must squeeze in a mention of the ever popular Lost. Well faithful readers, can you smell the obsession? Rest assured, this isn't a jump on the bandwagon kind of interest but a full fledged sect-it-since-the-first-episode kind of thing. And you don't have to tell me if that sounds horrendously dorky because for one thing, I don't want to know, and for another, it won't matter what you say.

Despite what you may think (a grown girl spending an hour hopelessly glued to the television) it gets worse because for one thing, I don't want to know, and for another, it won't matter what you say.

That's right ladies and gentlemen: it's Lost 2.0, complete with homework, freaky clues, hidden messages and several viewings of the same episode. This interactive side of Lost started towards the end of last season when ABC launched www.oceanic-air.com, the "official" website of the airline whose plane crashed on the island (the terms of use lead back to the Disney website). Hidden (not so well) on the site are cries for help from others who have crashed on Oceanic trips and even a video that plays after you access the Flight 815 seating chart and click on the rows corresponding to the special numbers, 4, 8, 15, 16, 23, and 42. Though not much has changed on that website, many fans are finding that hidden in the episodes and now on several websites, there are clues to what may be the biggest mystery on TV.

Gary Gershman both agreed "it is the responsibility of clubs and organizations to follow the guidelines" and Senators should not present the flawed bills-they should bluntly tell the clubs the bill will not be written or presented until it is corrected.

The first bill presented last week violated the 10 day stipulation. It immediately became obvious that the bill would not fly, yet the club representative said that "lots of work went into the planning this event" and although the existence of the stipulation was not known, there "should be an exception." Just a point of information, I recall in fear and disgust at the mere utterance of the word exception nowadays. Many of the Senators agreed that although the value of an event is important, as VP of Legislative Affairs Liz Harbaugh said, it must follow the guidelines. Commuter Senator Alaina Siminovsky explained further that "the rationale behind the 10 days is to make sure that the budget is solidified."

The only exception I see that is of any significance is if the organization followed the guidelines to the letter and a problem arose on the side of a Senator in writing or presenting the bill. Exceptions should not be made if there are obvious deviations from the guidelines in part of the organization.

Check out this column next week as I will continue in discussing the controversy behind Senators abstaining from voting and justification of those votes.

Additionally:

The Student Action Committee surveys on food in the University Center turned out votes on Taco Bell, Wendy's, Chicken Kitchen, and others including Starbucks.

SGA Treasurer Diane Klein reported that the SGA has $73,663.93 remaining in funds; included in that figure is $6,226.99 in the Senate Reserve Fund.

This Week's Poll Question:

What was your favorite Homecoming Week activity?

- CEC Gaming Day
- Wet 'N' Wild
- Tricycle Race
- Raft Race
- Soccer/Homecoming Game
- Homecoming Dance and Dinner
- None of the above

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A Day at the Races

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Capsized rafts, inclement weather make for a wet and wild race

Phi Sigma Sigma. Radio X in their superhero costumes took second, while the Conglomeration, consisting of Andrea Cevallos, Christian Toepfer, Melina Brooks and Hammad Malik, took first place.

The raft race got started a little late, with frequent downpours soaking participants and onlookers alike. The first few raft casualties happened plenty of time before the race, with more than one team getting dunked while testing their craft for the first time.

The first heat saw six teams going head to head. One, Phi Alpha Delta, got hung up on the ropes and made a late start, while a few others were riding low in the water. The second heat included only four sturdy rafts as several teams had difficulties keeping their craft afloat and dropped out of the race. This portion of the match saw more rafts capsize than actually compete, a source of laughter from much of the crowd. The last heat saw some crafts taking on water, but only one failed to cross the finish line.

Delta Phi Epsilon took fifth place, while IMAN made fourth and the Pirates took third. Second place finish went to Blue Boat; while Tri Beta earned themselves six homecoming tickets and $300 shopping sprees by taking first.

Top Right: Losing his helmet and showing his spiffy green hat sure seems to make this cyclist happy as he heads for the finish in the last leg of the race.
Top Inset: Team members from Phi Sigma Sigma and Shark Bait collect pink rubber balls during the first leg of the race.
Center: HSA keeps ahead of the pack as the IMAN team, as well as Vanessa Mezquia and Ashley Richie with their Greek themed team, try to take the lead.
Above: Members of the Pirate team swim to retrieve their errant raft after a pre-race capsize.
Right: Davia McDonald shows that while balloons and baskets have some serious style, they don't make a very good flotation device. All photos by Alisha VanHoose