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Nova Dances the Knight Away at Hollywood Squares

by Althea Mease
Staff Writer

Win, lose, or watch, everyone had a good time on April 7th at the 9th Annual Hollywood Squares. Saving the best for last, NSU held J-Prom on April 6th and Hollywood Squares the next evening. The theme, "Dance the Knight Away," turned-out to be an incredible success.

For those who don't know, J-Prom is held the night before Hollywood Squares. J-Prom is an audition for skits to be included between rounds of the game. Three skits are chosen, and incorporated into the trivia questions of Hollywood Squares. This year, five groups auditioned: Zeta Pi, SALSA "Danceworks," Phi Sigma Sigma with Sigma Alpha Mu, Delta Phi Epsilon, and WNSU. For this year's Hollywood Squares entertainment, the judges chose SALSA, Phi Sigma Sigma with Sigma Alpha Mu, and Zeta Pi to perform. However, all of the J-Prom acts were entertaining.

In Hollywood Squares, special guests in a giant tic-tac-toe board answer trivia questions, often slipping in a few jokes. Twelve students, two competing against each other in each round, must determine whether to accept the answer of the guest, or disagree. If the student makes the right choice, he/she wins the square. Win a row of three squares, like in tic-tac-toe, and the student wins the game. Simple, right? Not as much as one might think. The special guests were Nova professors and affiliates. Unfortunately, for the contestants, these guests agreed. If the student makes the right choice, he/she wins the square. Win a row of three squares, like in tic-tac-toe, and the student wins the game. Simple, right? Not as much as one might think. The special guests were Nova professors and affiliates. Unfortunately, for the contestants, these guests

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Reckless: Homicide
For the Holidays

by Piper Griff
Staff Writer

We begin our story on a cold Christmas Eve with... oh wait... back-up... We begin our story with a cast of N.U.T.S. doing what they do best: a night of entertainment. Dressed in their best, the cast of Reckless presents themselves to the audience as clown-like idiots, hoping to create a scene from Star-Wars. Little do they know the great and powerful Joe Lakovich will keep them in-line. The wrong foot is the only possible starting place for an off-the-wall play such as this one, but the cast soon finds their way back on the stage, which is where we begin.

Trying to find the perfect Christmas gift for your wife? If you're Tom Filsimons (performed by an expressive Jeff Miller) and quite sick of the person whom you married, a hit-man is by far the perfect gift. But, here's

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are experts at confusing students! Tony McAndrews and Tammy Papagoda, Lynn Cawley, Mark Cavanaugh, Ralph Behar, Joe Lakovich, “Bubbles” Fardellmann, Barbara Brodman and Susanne Ferriss, Jonnie Johnson, and Steve Alford answered questions sometimes truthfully sometimes not. It’s quite a challenge to answer a trivia question so that the contestant believes the response, but the audience is entertained. Nonetheless, the guests

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The Hollywood Squares’ contestants pause from the action to show off their costumes.

Staff Changes in The Flight Deck

by Frank Majnerich
Director of Student Union

Recently, The Flight Deck has hired on a new three Program Assistants and one Assistant Director for the Student Union. These changes were necessary to meet the demands of the student population. These additions came from within the current structure of The Flight Deck crew, bringing new and exiting opportunities for these individuals. Arik Chellew, Krista Kepple and Amy Turner were all promoted to Program Assistants, all with new responsibilities and additional challenges.

Arik Chellew, Program Assistant for Operations, will be responsible for tracking all inventory, sales, billing information and facility management. His challenges require him to create the procedures and monitor the results of a tracking system designed to report sales statistics to his supervisor. His biggest challenge will be training the staff on these procedures and encouraging them to follow these procedures to ensure accuracy in his reports.

Krista Kepple, Program Assistant for Special Events, has inherited quite a large chunk of the student programming for the Student Union. She is responsible for the Dolphins Season Tickets, Monday Night Football programs, Student Union Sports, and four programs for TGIF’s. Her challenges include stabilizing and expanding on current tournaments held in The Flight Deck, while managing already existing programs. She is also trying to create a marketing database for interest in tournaments, future announcements of programs and starting new programs requested by the students.

Amy Turner, Program Assistant for Marketing, will have the biggest challenges for the new year. Marketing is an incredible role in the success of our programs. She will be responsible for creating new and fun ways to attract the students. Already she has made a significant impact in getting information out to the administration as well as greeting students face to face in the Law School and Health Professions Division buildings on campus. This is just the tip of the iceberg for Amy, but she will meet up to the challenges.

The other position I mentioned earlier was filled by a very dedicated individual to The Flight Deck. She is sometimes referred to as “Mom”, “A Friend” and “Someone you can talk to”, Valerie Swanson was hired as the Assistant Director for the Student Union and will continue to impact our programs. Valerie has worked in the Student Union for the last two years. She began as a Flight Crew employee and was then promoted to a Graduate Assistant position last year. Her efforts, contributions and dedication made her the perfect candidate for the position. Valerie will be faced with many challenges, some she has already begun to overcome. She is managing the food service program and is currently working on new programs and better services for future operation of the facility.

As all good stories must come to an end, I have to say farewell to two Flight Crew members who recently resigned. Megan Conneely took a new position. Scot Roseman also took a step down from The Flight Crew recently because of time. Scot has another job where he manages a sports store and with school and other student organization commitments, he had to let go of the one thing extra in his schedule. Scot’s intuition and way of taking charge of things will be missed behind the bar. As sad as we are to loose two of our family to new things, we are glad to welcome two

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Who’s Who at Commencement?
by Peter Salerno
Campus Life Staff Writer

Who is going to represent your academic department for the class of 2000? Every year a select committee of faculty and administration chooses two graduating students to represent each academic department. The committee consists of the Associate Dean of Academic Affairs, Assistant Dean of Student Affairs and Enrollment, and one faculty member from each department who will choose the final candidate from the ten nominees from each department. The two specially selected students will receive the Outstanding Student Award for their department. The criteria for such an award includes: a minimum of a 3.5 GPA at the time of their Winter Semester before graduation, evidence of Citizenship and contributions to their community, as well as participation in other co-curricular activities. The selected students were asked to prepare a speech to be given during commencement, Sunday, April 30, 2000, to be held at the National Car Rental Center in Plantation (near the Sawgrass Mills Mall). Each student presented his/her speech in front of a select panel of faculty and administration who had the arduous task of selecting one of these fine students as the commencement speaker. This year’s commencement speaker is Carolyn Renae Griggs.

The Outstanding Student Award students for the class of 2000 are:

**Behavior Sciences:**
Carolyn Renae Griggs
Denise Searfoss

**Education:**
Jennifer M. Novak
Myrna Gardner

**Business:**
Lucia Davis
Glynis P. Rolle

**Liberal Arts:**
Alyson Dion
Chad Christensen

**Computer Sciences:**
William Ferri
Elizabeth Yagodzinski

**Math, Science & Technology:**
Denise Cohen
Ali Garcia

The James L. Farquhar Award Recipient this year is Alyson Dion, who will receive this honor at Commencement and present a speech at “The Knight Before.”

Congratulations to all of this year’s winners!

The New Flight Crew

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new pilots with The Flight Deck. Ryan Hogan and Sean Leahy were hired to pick up the pieces for departing employees. Already they have made their own personal contributions to the program and are great additions to the staff. All of the new employees and all of the current employees will face the hardest challenge for next year. They must top this year, create new programs for the students, and build a relationship with all new students. This may seem like an easy task to you, but those of us that work the Deck know what type of challenge we must overcome for next year. Looking at the additions mentioned above, I know our future is bright with opportunity.
New Student Orientation 2000 - A Sneak Preview

Press Release

Freshman Summer Orientation is scheduled to begin on Thursday, July 6, 2000. This year’s orientation programs for day students include a choice of three overnight programs during the month of July for our incoming freshmen—July 6 and 7, July 12 and 13, and July 18 and 19. The first day of the freshman program features a full day of workshops and social events for parents. Activities for students include advising and course registration, meeting faculty, staff and other students from their academic departments, local and campus tours, competitive games in and out of the pool, a summer luau, late night sundaes and workshops in responsible decision-making.

New transfer students select from among three one-day programs—July 14, July 27 and August 15. This year’s transfer program offers a late afternoon/early evening orientation on July 27.

After a lengthy application and review process, nine student orientation leaders and a group of alternates were selected. With a record number of highly qualified applicants, the competition was keen. Our group of orientation leaders responded to questions with enthusiasm and displayed a genuine interest in working with new students and parents. Their applications reflected a record of campus involvement and commitment to NSU. This year’s orientation leaders will not only work with summer programs, but will assist our evening students during evening orientation programs and the first week of classes. The Dean’s Office is proud to announce that our Orientation Leaders for the year 2000 are: Adolfo Baquero, Shamel Carr, Megan Conners, Tahaji Felder, Jessica Montes, Shawn Mostal, Joe Ricupero, Francesca Russo, and Leyda Su Ham. Our alternates are Alex Mann, Brigitte Shaw, Mohsin A. Siddiqui and Alleyah Yesin.

A new addition to our summer orientation program this year will be Andre “Dre” McKenzie, a graduate student in Student Affairs Administration from the State University of New York at Buffalo. Mr. McKenzie brings...
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handled the task quite well.

Events like Hollywood Squares give us a chance to relax and have fun, while seeing each other and our professors in new ways. As the last event of the year, Hollywood Squares 2000 was quite a success, and well worth the wait.

Melissa Hellerman and Brad Williams start off the night with a little Dirty Dancing performance. In the final move, Hellerman flies over Williams' head, causing both of them to fall to the ground.

Spades Tournament in The Flight Deck

by Frank Majnerich
Director of Student Union


Twenty NSU staff and students competed for the right to Tournament Champions and nice prizes. The Flight Deck was decorated with oversized cards depicting the suit, Spades. Each contestant was provided free snacks and beverages for participants.

In addition, each contestant received 5 Novabucks and $1.00 off promotional coupon for The Flight Deck "Up All Knight" pilot food program. The team of Julio Buenano and David Webb, took 1st place earning the title of Tournament Champions for the 2nd annual Spades Tournament. For taking first place, the team was awarded a $50 gift certificate to Sport Authority. The second place team, consisting of Justin Burkhart and Matt Morrissey, won 300 Novabucks and the third place team, consisting of Arik Chellwe and Chidley Lafontaine, received 100 Novabucks.

Krista Kepple, Program Assistant for the Student Union, is responsible for holding these tournaments for The Flight Deck. Other upcoming tournaments include the Sports Bowl Trivia on Friday, April 14 at 7 PM. You may have a team up to 3 people, who will compete in a Jeopardy-like format. Then a Dominoes Tournament will be held the following Monday, April 17 at 7 PM. All events are up in The Flight Deck. Please contact, 262-7284 if you need more information.
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Coffee House
Speakers:
Dr. Thomas
&
Dr. Feingold
Free Food & Beverages

Thursday, April 20th
7pm
@ The Flight Deck
Up All Knight? Food in Deck

by Frank Majnerich
Director of Student Union

New and exciting things are happening at The Flight Deck. Currently, The Flight Deck is serving food (Up All Knight pilot program) from 7:30pm-11:30pm M-F. This is a program that is testing the waters for a more permanent resolution to late night food service on campus. The menu includes a variety of pub type foods including hamburgers, hotdogs, wings, mozzarella sticks, chicken fingers, fish sandwich, stuffed mushrooms, steak fries and many other items. Most prices are between $1.00 and $4.00. You can make any entre into a basket which buys you a side order and a free beverage for an additional $0.50.

This program is a result of Shawn Mostal’s, Commuter Senator for NSUSGA, hard work, a two year vision of food service in The Flight Deck and student input. Sean created a survey with the help of Frank Majnerich, Director for the Student Union, outlining questions intended to measure the desire and market for a food program after the normal operating hours provided by Aramark. The results were overwhelmingly supportive of this type of program. The Flight Deck menu was based on menus of other local food vendors frequented by NSU students as indicated by survey results.

Together with the cooperation and assistance of Aramark, Up All Knight took its first flight on March 13, 2000 and will rest its wings on April 28, 2000.

With a menu with over 25 items, everyone has an option. If you eat chicken, but not red meat, then chicken fingers are your best. Although, a chicken breast sandwich, on rye roll with an order of steak fries may be the way to go. If you don’t like any meat, then possibly a stuffed mushroom or order of mozzarella sticks might due the trick. If you are still not full, then try a hoagie, small mini pizza or Boca Burger. Other sides include, Steak Fries, Chili, Chips with Salsa or Onion Rings. All orders are provided in red reusable baskets, similar to an outdoor burger stand you might find on the side of the street.

I have yet to hear a criticism with the amount of the food received in an order or the quality of the food. Many students enjoy the low price, but you never want to bring attention to something that is just too good to be true. The continued success of the program will depend on the students. The more support we have, the stronger the argument to continue this type of service, possibly expanding the program to seven days a week with delivery on campus. Now that is new and exciting for The Flight Deck.

Help Wanted

The Lauderdale Yacht Club
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Orientation 2000

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to NSU the experience of working with freshmen orientation programs, acquainting over 5,400 students to college life. Dee currently serves as a graduate student in The Living Well Center at SUNY, Buffalo and previously served as a teaching assistant in their University 101 class for freshmen and as a student mentor in the Office of Multicultural Affairs. He will be coordinating our student orientation leaders.

This year’s orientation programs promise to be the most well-attended to date and will be followed by a month of new student programs. New day and evening students will be welcomed “officially” by the Dean, administrators, faculty, staff, the SGA President and returning student groups on Sunday evening, August 27, 2000, at 7:30 p.m. in Mallman 309. For more information about new student programs for day students, or to become involved in any of the new student programs, call 262-8093.
Radio X’s Summer Ahead

By Jen Birchfield

As the school year comes to an end, we here at Radio X would like to thank all the staff, DJs, faculty, students and everyone who made this year a successful one. We would like to wish everyone a safe and happy summer.

We will continue being on the air over the summer. If you are interested in becoming a DJ, stop by the station. It only requires two hours a week and no previous experience is necessary. You are fully trained during your first show and you get to play the type of music you want to play.

Radio X is also currently hiring for all staff positions for the upcoming fall school year. For more information, see our board located on the second floor of the Parker Building or stop by the station located in the Rosenthal Building.

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|              | 9-10PM     | Jason, Modern Music Countdown (alternative) |
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| Tuesdays     | 7-9PM      | Colin, Metal Massacre (metal) |
|              | 9-11PM     | Tonic, Girl in the Orange Shirt (alternative) |
|              | 11-1AM     | DJ C’Smood, Caribbean Superblend (reggae) |
| Wednesdays   | 7-9PM      | Kadence, Purge (alternative) |
|              | 9-11PM     | Josh, Indie Air (indie rock) |
|              | 11-1AM     | Mark, The Point (alternative) |

Thursdays

| 7-8PM        | Tim, Metal Madness (metal) |
| 8-9PM        | Tim, The Local Show (locals) |
| 9-11PM       | Shawn, The Stage (alternative, rock) |
| 11-1AM       | Doron, Follow My Beat (alternative) |

Fridays

| 7-9PM        | Eric, Full Metal Apocalypse (metal) |
| 9-11PM       | Briana (techno) |
| 11-1AM       | Marty, Professor of the Oldies (50s & 60s) |

Saturdays

| 7-9PM        | Jenocyde, The Free for All (alternative) |
| 9-11PM       | DJ Double Negative, Destination (techno) |
| 11-1AM       | The Dark Elf, Path of Sorrow (metal) |

If you have Comcast cable, you can also listening during the day on 92.9 cable FM. Stop by the station for a free pair of splitters and more information.
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Greek Life

Simply the Best

by Brother Sean Leahy
Public Relations Chair

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Greek Awards

Presented by National Order of Omega

Outstanding Recruitment Program
Beta Theta Pi

Outstanding Scholarship Program
Sigma Alpha Mu

Outstanding New Member Education Program
Delta Phi Epsilon

Outstanding Service & Philanthropic Programming
Delta Phi Epsilon

Outstanding Greek New Member Candace Cuareno

Chapter President of the Year
Shawn Mostal

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Review of Tim O’Brien’s *The Things They Carried*

by Michael L. Citron
Associate Editor

*The Things They Carried* depicts the men of the Alpha Company during the war in Vietnam. The main character of the book, Tim O’Brien, survived his tour of duty to become a father and writer at the age of forty-three. Through their relationships, the reader sees isolation, loneliness, and the rage and fear of the soldiers. The men carry the burdens of missing their families, their girlfriends, and their lives back home. Yet, they find sympathy and kindness for strangers and love for each other, because in Vietnam, they are the only family they have. The men not only battle the enemy but occasionally each other as well. These young adults are given a weapon, with little training, and thrown into a war that they most likely will not survive.

O’Brien successfully blends truth with fiction in order to make the reader scared, confused, and almost feel like he/she is right there in the war fighting for life. By reading this work, the reader becomes informed about the Vietnam War and even more about the lives of the soldiers and the emotional baggage of what they went through. As O’Brien tells his story, the reader vividly sees what he had to go through in order to make it out alive. O’Brien becomes one of his characters, real or not, and describes his fears, wants, and needs to great detail. O’Brien wants the reader to know that “story-truth is truer sometimes than happening-truth” (O’Brien 179).

Like other writers such as Amy Tan or Nathaniel Hawthorne, they stop in the middle of their story and ask the reader their feelings or attitudes in a certain predicament. O’Brien tells the story of driving to Canada to dodge the draft. “You’re at the bow of a boat on the Rainy River. You’re twenty-one years old, you’re scared, and there’s a hard squeezing pressure in your chest. What would you do? Would you jump? Would you feel pity for yourself? Would you think about your family and your childhood and your dreams and all you’re leaving behind? Would you cry, as I [O’Brien] did?” (p. 56).

O’Brien decides to go to war out of shame from himself and his family. “I survived [the war], but it’s not a happy ending. I was a coward. I went to war” (p. 61). The author uses the example of the man he supposedly killed in the forest as an example of the similarities that both men, no matter what side they are on, have to endure during the time of war. Like O’Brien, the man he killed was taught to defend his land at all costs and this was his highest duty. O’Brien paints a picture of the man that he supposedly killed and talks about his life before being killed and afterwards. The dead man had no stomach for war and violence and was more interested in his study of mathematics. He dreamed that he would never have to fight in a war. But in the end, the dead man went to a war that he did not understand. “Beyond anything, he [the dead man] was afraid of disgracing himself; and therefore his family and village” (p. 127).

The man found love in college and had a bright future in mathematics, until he was killed. O’Brien could only sit and stare at the dead man. Every person experiences death, if they kill an enemy or if one of their comrades is killed.

O’Brien talks about the meaning of a true war story. “War is hell. As a moral declaration the old truism seems perfectly true, and yet because it abstracts, because it generalizes, I can’t believe it with my stomach. Nothing turns inside. It comes down to gut instinct. A true war story, if truly told, makes the stomach believe” (p. 78). O’Brien flashes back throughout the story. Twenty years after the war, he and his daughter revisit the site of where Kiowa, a comrade of O’Brien’s, was killed. The area still smells after all these years. Kathleen, O’Brien’s ten-year-old daughter, did not understand why her father had to go to war in the first place. “One morning in Saigon, she’d asked what it was all about. “This whole was,” she said, “why was everybody so mad at everybody else?” (p. 183). O’Brien’s self-reflective style of writing is used to tell his story of Vietnam and its effects on him and everyone in his life. O’Brien brings the dead back to life through his story telling. He writes to recapture the lives lost and through his words, the characters come back to life. O’Brien ties his story together by talking about his childhood girlfriend, Linda, who died of a brain tumor. During school, other students would tease Linda about wearing a hat that covered her baldness. O’Brien always wanted to step in and stop the other boys from teasing her. “I should’ve stepped in; fourth grade is no excuse. Besides, it doesn’t get easier with time, and twelve years later, when Vietnam presented much harder choices, some practice at being brave might’ve helped a little” (p. 234). By helping Linda, O’Brien may have been able to be brave enough to go to Canada and avoid the war he dearly feared.

O’Brien is at peace with himself after the war. He can close his eyes and think about the past and bring back the dead through his stories. In one of
“Did I listen to pop music because I was miserable, or was I miserable because I listened to pop music?” This question is posed to the audience of *High Fidelity* almost from the get-go, right from the mouth of the protagonist himself, Rob (John Cusack.) For Rob, no doubt this question has been pondered over a million times; it is now simply rhetorical and definitive of his life as a used record store owner unlucky in love.

That’s how Rob would have us-the audience—see it anyway. He lets us in on his life—not just as voyeurs but as friends and confidants when he breaks the fourth wall and speaks directly to the camera about the way he sees things. He’s a ‘regular guy’ and anyone can relate him, whether through our own experiences or through the experiences of friends and relatives. He’s a survivor from the Gen-X infantry troops with the Post Traumatic Stress syndrome of life that author Douglas Coupland so adequately described and coined in his novel *Generation X*.

Rob is just showing us his scars.

We pick up with him as his girlfriend, Laura (Iben Hjejle), is moving out. This brings Rob to share with us his Top 5 list of breakups. Obviously, from a 100% male perspective, we are entitled to Rob’s obsession with how and why these romantic rejections effect him, particularly now. As the film progresses, it’s evident that narrowing just about anything down to a Top 5 is a big past time for Rob, perhaps and attempt to quantify and qualify the important “things” in life lending a sense of order and meaning to what he knows and loves.

We meet Rob’s employees: the sensitive, unassuming Dick (Todd Louiso) and the overconfident, loud, self-appointed know-it-all Barry (Jack Black.) These three characters could easily represent the Id, Ego, and Superego of today’s popculture. To explain these characters’ interaction will do no favors for these talented three and the realistic yet quirky qualities that they bring to their roles. Most importantly, the three share an obsessive love for music and the sub-cultural trappings of ‘the industry.’ Rob explains to us the importance (read as need) of music: you use someone else’s poetry to relay your own emotions.

We all know Rob: he continues through life pitying himself, too self-absorbed to survive a true commitment, seemingly just looking for the next breakup. Yet, Rob is still likeable and we want ‘regular-guy-Rob’ to find happiness. His girlfriends are a different story, but worthy of mention is the fact that they are almost all represented as strong, independent women who have less idealistic views on relationships than typically depicted in film. Delivered straight from the male perspective, this was a bit surprising and made me think whether this was a cynical attitude projected on women by Rob himself, or if we have truly become jaded towards romance and the lack thereof, resulting in a pattern of settling short.

*High Fidelity* is truthful, wise, hysterical, and most assuredly—thought provoking. Based on the book by Nick Hornby, a fine screenplay was birthed through co-writers D.V. DeVincentis, Steve Pink, Scott Rosenberg, and John Cusack—who in turn became Rob and a voice of a needy, searching, and feeling generation.
Sports Updates Nova Knights

Press Release

March 30

Softball: The Nova Southeastern softball team fell short against the Golden Panthers tonight, 2-3, 4-5. The Knights (22-17) got four hits in the first game and took a lead but they could not hold onto it to win the game. FIU powered back and got late scores to put the first game to rest. Diane Ocampo got two of those hits going 2-for-4 on the night with one RBI. Catcher Cheryl Bond tried to rally the Knights back by hitting a solo homerun at the top of the sixth inning, unfortunately it just was not enough. Getting the loss in the first game was sophomore pitcher Jennifer Ridenoure bringing her record to 8-8. The second game NSU came alive and stacked up nine runs to 5-7. Monica Pardo hit a homerun to win the game. Despite the loss, Stephanie Gleicher came in as the designated player and went 3-for-3, with a double and two RBIs. Freshman pitcher Kristina Harvin pitched a complete game in 6.1 innings, striking out two and walking three. The loss brings her record to 6-1 on the season.

April 1

Softball: Jennifer Ridenoure pitched a no hitter and the offense came alive for the NSU softball team leading them to two conference wins today against Northwood University, 8-0, 7-5. The Knights (22-17, 6-2) came out swinging in game one and it earned them eight runs on nine hits in the five inning game. Catcher Cheryl Bond earned one of the runs hitting two-for-three with one double and two RBIs. Also going two-for-three was Jaime Sawyer getting a double and a RBI. Sophomore pitcher Jennifer Ridenoure (9-8) had a great outing in game one earning the victory in a no hitter. She struck out seven of 16 batters she faced today in her complete 5 inning game. Ridenoure also helped offensively going two-for-three with two doubles, two runs and an RBI. NSU stayed alive in the second game coming out with an early 3-0 lead. The Seahawks tried to catch the Knights all game but NSU never lost the lead and won the game 7-5. This saw freshman Stephanie Schaefer come to the plate and hit two-for-five with two doubles, two RBIs and two runs. Also having a great game was Dana Deis who got on base all four times at bat. Deis was walked twice and hit a single and a double, getting one RBI and one run. Senior pitcher Cameran Morgan got the win in game two bringing her record to 10 wins and two losses on the season. Morgan struck-out five of her four innings on the mound. Freshman pitcher Kristina Harvin finished the game.

Baseball: The Nova baseball team won big today against Ottawa University (K.S.) 15-1. Knights' (21-16) pitcher Steve Thomas allowed only one run on three hits in his seven innings pitched. Offensively for the Knights, third baseman Richie Gasbarro sealed the game with a grand slam home-run in the seventh inning. In addition, teammates Matt Cleveland and Chris Villano both batted 2-for-5 on the day with Cleveland scoring twice. Ryan Hill had the loss for the Braves, while Thomas improved his record to 6-1 on the season.

April 7

Baseball: The Nova Southeastern University baseball team won the first game of their game weekend series with Webber College tonight, 11-9. The Knights had a big game at the plate from both catcher Ryan Pretz and right fielder Dennis Melendi who had 3 hits apiece to pace the Knights (22-17, 8-5). In addition, junior first baseman Matt Buehler connected on his first home-run of the season in the eighth inning to seal the game. Knights’ pitcher Steve Thomas picked up the win for the Knights with teammate Jeff Cox earning the save. Tyson Snyder was handed the loss.

April 8

Baseball: The Nova baseball team won two important conference games today by defeating Webber College, 8-7, and 6-1. The first saw the Knights (24-17, 10-5) fall behind, 7-3, in the third inning as the Warriors came out swinging early. However, the Knights would respond in dramatic fashion as juniors Dennis Melendi and Matt Buehler crushed back to back home runs in the bottom half of the final inning to even the score at seven and send the game into extra innings. After an hour and a half rain delay and a scoreless eighth, sophomore Rolando Bello turned on the bottom of the ninth’s first pitch smacking a solo shot to right center field ending the game and giving the Knights a much needed conference victory. Melendi lead the charge for the Knights batting a perfect 3 for 3 with 2 RBIs on the game. Teammate Richie Gasbarro also contributed 3 hits, and junior Matt Cleveland went 2 for 3 with 2 RBIs. Pitcher Kevin Scharfman shut down the Warriors offense after being inserted in the third inning. Scharfman allowed no runs, one hit, and struck out five in his five and two-thirds innings. Jeff Cox got the victory for the Knights, and Matt Steinkamp was handed the loss. The second game lacked the drama of game one, but the result was a similar gritty performance from Coach Sonny Hansley’s team. Junior pitcher Todd Gittleman scattered seven hits over his seven innings pitched, allowing only one run, and struck out eight batters in his complete game victory. Offensively for the Knights, Bello batted 2 for 3 on the game with an RBI and Melendi again provided some fireworks blasting another home-run to left center field. For the Warriors, Brett Jones batted 2 for 3. Pitcher Chris Brantley was given the loss for the Warriors, while Gittleman improves his record to 6-1, on the season.

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Student Communication
Awards: Most Influential Professor

by Barbara Brodman
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We would like to thank the undergraduate students who nominated us for the "most influential professor" award presented at the First Annual Speak Out Awards ceremony on April 5. We want you to know how touched and gratified we are by this honor. Although we have received other awards, the fact that this one came strictly from the students made it far more valuable to us. It means so much to us to know that our students feel our work is beneficial—that we have made a difference in their education and in their lives. This is precisely what makes our professional lives meaningful. Thanks to all the students who voted for us and to the members of the Student Communication Organization for giving students a voice!

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NSU Sprinklers are missing their target!

by Aliyya Hosein
Staff Writer

What needs watering? The sidewalks or the grass? It doesn't take much to see that at NSU the sidewalks seem to get more water than the grass does.

As late as 10:30 a.m., while many students walk from the dorms to their morning classes, the sprinklers are on. The water pressure is so forceful that it squirts over its target, the grass, and onto the passersby. One student commented that if she was in a hurry for class and did not have time to shower, she could simply walk with her soap and towel under the sprinklers and she'd be set! Another student complained, "I'm tired of getting my shoes wet so I've been wearing flip flops to my morning classes."

When you are late for class, like most of the dorm residents are, it's very frustrating to wait for the sprinklers to make their 180-degree turn out of your way and onto the grass before you can move forward. Dodging the water is not an easy task, especially since there are multiple sprinkler systems along the edges of the pathways. When you escape one spray, you have to strategically time the other sprinklers to prevent a major disaster! Anyway, who put the sprinklers at the edges of the walkways? Shouldn't they be in the middle of the lawn watering the dead grass?

A few weeks ago, the rain was falling heavily but the sprinklers were on! Does this make sense? Not only are the sprinklers turned on at nights, but they're also on in the late mornings when the sun is hot, a bad time to be watering the plants.

I'm sure the students would appreciate it if the sprinklers were turned off in the mornings and put back on in the late evenings. Since the semester is almost over, maybe the university can work on implementing a change for Fall 2000.

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Funniest

It doesn’t get much closer than this decision for Nova’s funniest male. Tony Nakhia squeezed this one out by two votes. Colleen Wyse, on the other hand, was obviously the main choice for our funniest female.

Best Smile

Smile and show me those pearly whites or those bright yellows for you nasty, non-tooth brushing, stank breath people. My boy Joe Pokraka (a.k.a “Joe Po”, “Milk”) and Gadith Uzcateegui sure do know how to light up a room with those smiles. Coincidentally both of them graduated from American Heritage. Mike Gabel, you better watch your girl cause those pretty teeth have been smilin’ in Chocolate’s direction.

Luscious Lips

Pucker up ‘cause the lips on these two will make you feel good all over... ya know what I’m sayin’. I’m sure whoever Kenny Brienza and Kelsey Shinn find themselves with, they will be completely satisfied.

Most Likely to Appear on Jerry Springer

“Jerry, Jerry, Jerry!” This award was given out to Joe Gabel and Krista Kepple. Could it be that they were caught sleeping with their sisters, or maybe they have a revealing secret they would like to share with their loved ones? Either way I’m sure Jerry would be proud to have them on his show.

Best Dressed

You might find these two showing off their wardrobes on a runway or chillin’ with Armani on South Beach. Sean “Puffy” Combs has got nothing on Tim Brenn-Combs’ wardrobe, while Abbe Loewenthal is giving designing tips to the whole production staff of Versace.
Chocolate Milk's N.S.U. Superlatives

Biggest Flirt
It's never a surprise to find Marquise "Chocolate" Kiffin and Amber Sterlin throwing eyes to someone across the way at a party or licking their lips when a fine specimen walks by. This is why we are proud to award these two with the Biggest Flirt Award.

Best Booty
As my boy Sisqo would say, "Let me see that thong, thong, thong, thong." Dolly Thompson has got a booty that won't quit, and according to the ladies on campus Troy Railsback "can do bench press or sit-ups, but cannot lose that butt." So Chocolate Milk is happy to award this duo with the Back Dat Ass Up Award.

Most Likely to Star in a Porno
These words from American Pie have probably been heard outside the rooms of Matt Cleveland and Marissa Abbott. "What's my name... Say my name bitch!" I think that pretty much says it all. Congrats.

Sexiest Legs
"Enticing thighs, you make me rise." the R&B group Next must have been talking about Carol Douglas when they wrote those lyrics to their hit song Butta Love. We hear rumors that the ladies on campus visualize licking Chris DeFelice's legs "like a lollipop should be licked."

Best All-Around
This award was granted to the two people who have it all. The male representative, Eric Windell, received an unprecedented 50% of the votes. What the hell were you people thinking? The female winner, Diane "Mrs. Payanis" Ocampo, was another undisputed champion.

Chocolate Milk's Pick Most Well-Endowed
O.K. so Milk and I had to pick our own favorites at some point, so here it is. Mariana Roman and Rachel Teveres De Malo receive the Platinum Bra Awards for brightening-up both our days whenever either of them graces us with their presence.

These winners in no way reflect the judgements of Chocolate Milk. All winners were chosen based on the votes of random students.
Reckless at N.S.U.

from cover page

the catch - you suddenly don’t want your lovely wife dead, so you tell her of your plans. This is just after wife Rachel (flawless presentation from Raquel Andres) exclaims, “I’m getting one of my euphoria attacks.” Just another Christmas with the family, dad hires a hit on mom, has to tell her about it, and next thing you know mom is running around on Christmas Eve in her nightgown in the snow looking for help.

Rachel is soon rescued from her cold rendezvous by Lloyd (a perfectly quirky display from German Coppola). Heading home to Springfield, he gives the shivering Rachel a lift, and doesn’t pry when her answers to his questions are silly and incoherent. The underlying message of the play seems to find its way into the conversation. Rachel asks Lloyd, “do we ever really know people?” Take it from Reckless, the answer is no. Even Rachel finds herself in front of a mirror at Lloyd’s house waiting to meet his deaf and dumb wife, saying, “I could have been anybody.” So perhaps the real question is, do we ever really know ourselves?

Lloyd’s wife, Pooty (played by Heather Gilchrist, who would have thought she would be cast as a mute) is hospitable and quite personable. Lloyd and Pooty soon take Rachel under their wing and let her stay. Realizing she needs to get a job, Rachel finds herself where many hard-working Americans do, the bottom-of-the-barrel doing busy work with no hope of promotion.

Ironically, Reckless takes a psychological turn. All the characters find themselves trapped in a world of their past mistakes. Lloyd has a family he walked-out on, Pooty can hear and talk, and both of them secretly disclose the information to Rachel, who is quite simply running from her past. Rachel starts going to therapy, where the therapists need more help then she does. A hilarious yet strange game show Oedipally named, “Your Mother or Your Wife” is played by the three to win money in order to pay-off Lloyd’s past. A bit confusing? Welcome to Reckless.

After much ado, the play ends with Rachel as a therapist in Alaska. Maybe it’s the cold, but maybe it’s “the silence of the snow” that keeps her there. Roberto Prestigiacomo’s performance is excellent in its hands full with the whimsical stage directing and outlandish bouncing around. If you happened to miss the performance, beyond an outrageous wait. Just hope somebody’ll pick it up for a long, long time. All you can do is wait. Just hope somebody’ll pick it up and start reading” (p. 245). Every story in The Things They Carried speaks another truth that Tim O’Brien learned in Vietnam. It is the blurred line between truth and reality, fact and fiction, that makes his book unforgettable. O’Brien says, “The thing about a story is that you dream it as you tell it, hoping that others might then dream along with you, and in this way memory and imagination and language combine to make spirits in the head” (p. 230). This is an excellent piece of literature that I promise you will enjoy!

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