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Know Your Knight Leaders For Orientation 2000

by Piper Griff Editor and Chief

By now you may be wondering who these strange students with the Hawaiian shirts and big smiles are. Well, I’m here to help. The ten individuals you see are your orientation leaders. I know how overwhelming orientation can be; the new people and information can be overwhelming, and especially those placement tests! To assist you in learning about your orientation leaders on a personal level, I have asked them a series of interesting questions. You probably have a million other questions, so I figured it might be easier to approach them if you knew who they were. Good luck, and have fun!

Traveling all the way from Caracas, Venezuela, Adolfo Baquero is an NSU (Nova Southeastern University) soccer star. His favorite experience at Nova has been traveling to New Mexico and participating in the National Soccer Tournament. Adolfo is a transfer and international student. If you want to get on his soft side, cook him anything with chicken—he’s a big fan. But not when it comes to his favorite animals, for Adolfo likes the smart leaders of the animal kingdom: lions and tigers. If you’re a Latin dance lover, Adolfo is your man. He also loves U2 and his favorite singer is Franco de Vita. His favorite quote is, “The failure will never reach you if the determination to obtain your goal is strong enough” —Og Mandino.

Sharnel Iesha Carr is one of the THREE orientation leaders from Brooklyn, NY. She describes herself as funny, energetic and cheerful. I bet you can always find a big smile on Sharnel. Her favorite move is A Bug’s Life...how cute. With a size 11 shoe I would watch out for this NSU basketball player. Some people even call her Big “S”. Sharnel is also a home-girl (she visits her family all the time), and I would guess she keeps their spirits high along with her friend’s spirits. As she puts it, “I’m the type of person who will always bring you up and never let you down.”

Originally from Winthrop, MA, Megan Connors came to NSU without knowing anyone in Florida. She considers herself friendly, involved and independent. As a proud sister of Delta Phi Epsilon, Megan found the girls who turned out to be her best friends by rushing the sorority. Her favorite color is blue because she grew up on a dead-end street that led into the Boston Harbor, and when she rolled over in bed she would see the bright blue ocean. If you want to hit a soft spot with Megan, give her a stuffed animal. Her parents send her one every holiday and they take up half her room. Perhaps one of the most interesting things about Megan is her pet hedgehog, ironically named Sonic.

Tahaji Felder lives in the NSU dorms, just in case you have any residential life questions. She is also an NSU basketball player, and a life science major. Tahaji loves to listen to music, shop and hang out with friends. Everyone calls her “Tee”, so you shouldn’t have trouble trying to pronounce her name.

Welcome to Nova Southeastern University

by Norma M. Goonen, Ed.D.
Dean, Farquhar Center for Undergraduate Studies

To those of you entering Nova Southeastern University, we welcome and congratulate you. The academic year brings a new beginning, a wonderful opportunity. It is also a propitious time to examine your goals and aspirations. Whatever those goals may be, you must be energetic in pursuing them. We at the Farquhar Center for Undergraduate Studies are pleased and honored to take part in helping you achieve your educational, professional, and personal growth.

During orientation, members of our faculty and staff will provide details of all of the resources available to you at NSU. I hope you will take the time to take advantage of an impressive range of support services and student activities to complement your academic experience. We encourage you to explore new program opportunities in computer sciences, environmental studies, and new majors in education. You will enjoy the important advantages of small classes and a supportive environment.
Orientation Leaders

from cover page

Leyda Su Ham is a Ft. Lauderdale native, for any local questions you may have. She is also a member of both the Pre-med and Nature clubs here at NSU. If you're a classic movie lover, Leyda is your gal. She participates in martial arts and also meditates to keep sane during finals. Describing herself as industrious, responsible and loyal, Leyda will always get her tasks done. Her favorite animal is an eagle, which she describes as a dignified, spirited animal that is free to reach the skies. As a nature lover, her favorite colors are blue and green. Leyda's favorite quote is, "Our greatest glory is not in never falling, but in rising whenever we fall. - The gift is perseverance; never give up!"

Jessica Montes likes to think of herself as creative, outgoing and youthful. The key word here is youthful. Basically, Jess is like a big kid. She loves to color and collect stickers. To release her energy, she hangs out with five-year-olds with the America Reads Tutor program (that anyone can get involved in). Jess continues to live at home because she considers her family to be a very important part of her well being. Jess got engaged to her high school sweetheart just this past Valentine's day, and I'm sure she would love to tell you all about it. Her favorite quote is a classic, "Work like you don't need the money. Love like you've never been hurt. Dance like no one is watching. And live each day like it's your last." - Willy Wonka.

As the third orientation leader from Brooklyn, Shawn Mostal is a well-known leader on the NSU campus. As president of his fraternity, Sigma Alpha Mu, Shawn has won many awards including Man of the Year at the Greek Awards. His favorite movies are The Dark Crystal and Citizen Kane. Obviously a man of true taste, Shawn's favorite food is sushi. Shawn's favorite number is 22, because to him it represents symmetry, which is the key to life. On a mystical note, his favorite animal is a dragon. Shawn's favorite quote is, "There's no life I know that compares to pure imagination, living there you'll be free if you truly wish to be," - Willy Wonka.

Andre Darryl McKenzie, from Brooklyn, NY, is completing his M.A. in student affairs at Suny in Buffalo. He is also an NDOA intern, here to help the orientation leaders. To describe himself in three words, Dre would use funny, laid-back and sweet. To be honest, I've never seen Dre's favorite movie, Transformers the Movie, which he considers an all time classic. His favorite colors are gray and black because he considers them smooth. He finds that the dolphin is his favorite animal because it has a similar personality to his. Dre's favorite quote is, "Education is the ability to listen to almost anything without losing your temper." - Robert Frost.

If you love to shop, I have a feeling Francesca Russo is your woman. She considers herself fun, responsible, and personable. Her favorite colors are blue and lilac, but when it comes to clothes she is definitely a black fan. Francesca loves to dance and perform on stage; she takes about 10 hours of dance lessons a week. She is also one of the few determined ladies who started their own sorority last year. She found that starting the sorority, Zeta Pi, has been her most impressionable experience at Nova. Francesca loves Mariah Carey and has an admiration for her talent. Her favorite quote is from Cinderella, "No matter how your heart is grieving, if you keep on believing, that dream you wish will come true."
NEW STUDENT PROGRAMS
Activities For New Students
Don’t End with Orientation

Mark your calendar to attend these Welcome Month activities

Sunday, August 27, 2000

7:00 p.m. WELCOME NIGHT
Mailman Hollywood Building Room 309
Your official welcome from Dean Goonen, faculty, your SGA president and returning organizations followed by some fun on the Mailman lawn

DON’T MISS THE PREMIERE OF THE ORIENTATION VIDEO
GROUP WINNER OF THE ORIENTATION PHOTO CONTEST WILL BE ANNOUNCED

Thursday, September 7, 2000

4:00 p.m. MAKING COLLEGE COUNT
Rosenthal Student Center Private Dining Room
A lively, interactive session to help you succeed at NSU *Don’t miss it!

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Wednesday, September 13, 2000

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4:00 p.m. MANAGE YOUR TIME/LOWER YOUR STRESS
Rosenthal Student Center Private Dining Room
Join Marikay Concannon, BPM Advisor and M.S. in Mental Health Counseling as she offers solutions to collegiate time management

Tuesday, September 26, 2000

2:00-5:30 p.m. MAJORS FAIR
Rosenthal Student Center Private Dining Room
Explore your options in academic majors and future career choices

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Life Science Major’s Survival Tips
by Peter Salerno
Associate Editor & Dan Grenier
Staff writer

After deciding to take on the coursework of a life science major here is what you have to look forward to. A minimum of two science courses each semester (for a 4-year schedule) that incorporate a lab in their curriculum. These laboratory sessions are three hour long blocks that require a written lab report each week. Unlike many other schools, laboratory sessions at Nova do not count as a separate grade, but rather they are integrated into your final course grade. The breakdown depends on the class and the professor but usually the lab grade is one-third of your final course grade followed by two-thirds of your lecture grade. This relatively easy one-third should not be taken lightly as it can often help your final course grade.

Every science course is varied upon the student and his/her abilities in the course. No one course is the same and the difficulty levels vary from course to course and student to student. For those of you that will be Life science students here are the top five helpful tips that upperclassman have provided as a means to succeed in the life science major.

1). Always attend all laboratory and lecture sessions (all test materials and reviews will be conducted during these times)
2). Consider investing in the solutions manuals for the course books provided at the Nova bookstore
3). Stay current with classwork, avoid falling behind – playing “Catch-up” is a recipe for disaster!
4). Study groups are one of the best assets both for lecture and laboratory work

see SURVIVING on last page
The Academic Support Center is Here For YOU!

by John Chaffin
Assistant Director of Academic Services

Having trouble getting that paragraph to sound exactly as you want? Can't quite get a handle on subject-verb agreement? Having difficulty figuring out how to cite an Internet-based paper? Searching papers or working with math software and videotapes that parallel your math courses.

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In addition to subject area tutoring, we coordinate assessment for experiential learning credit, and our Assessment Center offers a range of standardized tests for various undergraduate and graduate programs as well as tests for academic credit. We also facilitate disability-related services for students with documented disabilities.

All of our services are located in the Academic Services Modular, near the Parker Building. Our hours are Monday – Thursday, 8:30 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.; Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.; and Saturday, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Please stop by or call us at 954-262-8350 (or toll-free: 800-338-4723, ext. 8350).

We are pleased you have decided to attend Nova Southeastern University, and we look forward to seeing you take advantage of our services soon!

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Orientation 2000

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Membership

All students are welcome to join IVCF. It does not matter what your beliefs are, or if and where you prefer to go to church. Our current members are mostly undergraduate students, and come from many different backgrounds and cultures.

Club Activities

During the 1999-00 school year, we participated in on- and off-campus Bible studies, group prayer, and visited different churches together. Just for fun, we held special dinners, went bowling, attended a statewide conference, and traveled to Islands of Adventure during Spring Break. For community service, we assisted in making sandwiches for the homeless and helping a special needs high school decorate for their prom. We also participated in the annual Interfaith Talks, sponsored by Residential Life.

Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship is part of an international organization that has more than 550 chapters on college campuses nationwide.

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An Awesome Office: Student Activities

by Candice Carreno
Student Project Coordinator

Let us journey into an adventure that describes a place on campus where all dreams come true. Oh yes, this is not a fairy-tale. There is such a place right here at Nova Southeastern University where the birth of honor, chivalry, and patriotism take place. The Office of Student Activities is where the magic begins. Why, you might be asking? The answer is because we envision, articulate, empower, and follow through every activity we plan by and for the students. Sound cheesy yet? Well it should, because we hold the key to student involvement at Nova. Our office is located upstairs in the Rosenthal Student Center, or call at 262-7291. Last year we put on more than 70 events during the year that included Woman’s History Month Speaker Series, Blue Ribbon Committee, Nova Bucks promotions, and much more. Hey, did you say you wanna be a thousandaire? Well we actually had the chance to give away $500 in real cash folks. And, if you’ve ever seen the Oscar’s, you would know exactly what the Stuey’s are. The Inaugural Student Life Achievement Awards brought to Nova are a classy, formal, black tie affair, where students, faculty and staff get recognized for their arduous work throughout the year. Look around, you could be the next winner of an esteemed Stuey.

The projects created by the Office of Student Activities are designed to provide students with more opportunities to become involved at Nova. Our goal throughout the year is creating that feeling of a centralized campus, a community. We offer students perhaps the most valuable service on campus: the opportunity to get involved. Many people start off college with only one thing in mind, to receive a degree. However, getting involved adds that angle and teaches lessons valuable to a professional career. Speaking from experience, only one year of Nova and involvement has opened my eyes to limitless possibilities. So broaden your horizons by finding out there is more to Nova than class. If you’re interested in contributing any fresh ideas for the new year, or would just like to find out what’s going on when and where, stop by our office. We’re always happy to answer any questions. In the meantime, keep your eyes peeled for a comeback to all your favorite 70's Game shows this fall.
### Dates To Remember

**Friday, August 25, 2000**
9:00am-5:00pm
Goodwin Residential Hall
Residential Student Check-in
All students living in Goodwin Residence Hall for Fall 2000 may move into their rooms.

**Sunday, August 27, 2000**
11:00am
Sand Volleyball Courts (near the residence Hall)
Sand Volleyball Tournament
Please see your R.A. to sign-up

**Tuesday, August 29, 2000**
9:00pm (1st and 2nd floors)
10:00pm (3rd and 4th floors)
Goodwin Hall Classrooms
Personal safety - Mandatory for all students living in the Goodwin Hall

**Thursday, September 28, 2000**
9:00pm (1st and 2nd floors)
10:00pm (3rd and 4th floors)
Goodwin Hall Classrooms
Safer Sex - Mandatory for all students living in the Goodwin Hall

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### Greek at a Glance

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...their positions and elections were held to reestablish the executive board. Christa Whitter was elected President with the hopes of leading Panhellenic to greatness. Vice President, Justine "Dolly" Thompson rewrote the constitution several times before the council agreed on one version. Programming Director Candice Carreno has been a valuable asset to the new Panhellenic with her hard work and creativity, she co-planned a new and improved "Greek Week" that promoted Interfraternityism and teamwork unlike past "Greek Weeks". Amber Stirlen was selected to take care of the council's finances. With Camille Ciufo as the only returning member of the executive board as Secretary.

On November 3rd and 4th, the council will be co-sponsoring 24 Hours of Softball. This is a philanthropic event to raise money for Kids in Distress. They are also planning the first annual Greek Formal. An early Thanksgiving dinner for the homeless and a Christmas party for Kids in Distress is also on the agenda. The Greeks have a semester of service coming up that will truly remove the negative stereotypes about Greeks on this campus.
Fun About Town

by Dan Grenier
Staff Writer

Looking for something to take up your free time besides sitting in Nova’s library? South Florida has a ton of places to go and spend an evening, and some of the morning. Despite what some people may tell you, there is still an opportunity for nightlife while you are studying hard for school. First, we will start with places to eat at instead of the Nova’s scrumptious café. Several places are within just a few minutes of Nova. My number one local sports bar would be Quarterdeck Seafood Bar & Neighborhood Grill located at 3155 South University Drive. Quarterdeck’s right across the street from the main HPD building along University Drive. They serve the usual burgers, chicken wings, fries, and seafood, along with several great appetizers. The price is very reasonable and will cost about $10 per person. The Davie Ale House down the road at The Tower Shops, 1910 South University Drive, serves basically the same food at the same price. These places are usually busy, especially if there is a big game that night.

Once you have gotten something to eat, it is time to go out and have the real fun. If you want a relatively inexpensive night, your best bet is to go to the movies. The best theatre in the area is Muvico Theatres at 15401 Sheridan Street; simply take Sheridan west past I-75. This theatre provides 24 large screens with stadium seating. The price for a student is pretty cheap at $5.50. Food gets a little expensive, so I would suggest eating before the movie. If you are looking to play video games, ride go-karts, or play mini golf, Grand Prix Race-o-Rama is the place to go. Located at I-95 and Stirling Road, actually 1801 NW 1st Street in Dania, you can play games all night for $10 to $15. Grand Prix is open 24 hours, so it is up to you when you want to leave. If you are looking for some serious nightlife, Fort Lauderdale beach is the best and closest place. Located on A1A from 17th Street Causeway to Commercial Boulevard, Ft. Lauderdale Beach provides several miles of fun. The Beach Place is located in the center and provides dozens of stores and many restaurants, including everybody’s favorite, Hooters. The other restaurants in the area may be a bit too pricey for a student, and some places only allow people over 21 years of age. For those of you in the age range of 18-20, the place to go on the weekends would be Atlantis Beach Club. The cover charge is reasonable at $10. Atlantis is open well into the morning on Friday and Saturday nights. Also, on Monday they feature Fight Night and a Wet T-shirt Contest.

Hopefully, all of this information will be enough to keep you busy for your first semester. Here is another hint: Don’t forget about those local parties that your friends put together. These parties usually cost you very little and are a great opportunity to meet people from your school. Nova may not have the nightlife of many big universities, but there is plenty to do in the area.

There’s No Time to Miss the Chance of a Lifetime: What’s Keeping You from Joining a Sorority???

by Alexis C. U. Ekberg
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Did you think it would take up too much time? Did you want to adjust to college before joining a sorority? Did you miss the deadline? Do these questions sound familiar to you? If so, here’s your chance to get involved in sorority life. Sororities offer scholarship, leadership, community service, and best of all, friendship. Many are turned off from Greek Life because of the stereotype that Greeks “only party.” The grade point average of sorority members is consistently above that of all female students. All the sororities have a minimum academic standard for joining and maintaining active membership. Not only do sororities influence you to aim high in your academics, but they allow for you to bring out your leadership abilities as well.

Over 75% of campus leaders are Greek affiliated. While several leadership opportunities are available within the sorority experience, sorority members are active members and in a wide variety of activities, organizations, and serve as positive role models to others through community service in which they can help others. Every year, Panhellenic, the governing body of all the sororities on campus, as well as the sororities, pull together their countless time and effort to help out the community through several philanthropic events. For instance, Panhellenic’s philanthropic events are held in the month of October in which they support Breast Cancer Awareness. Making the world a better place through service is a major facet of sorority life. There’s no better feeling than helping others while establishing lifelong friendships.

Through all the activities of sorority life, members find lifelong friendships. Because membership is for a lifetime, sisters of all ages support and encourage one another through the trials and tribulations of life.

DON’T MISS ANOTHER SEMESTER OF COLLEGE WITHOUT SORORITY LIFE!

Look for information tables outside of Parker Building and Restura (cafeteria) starting August 28th to learn more about sorority life.

Alexis C. Ekberg
Managing Change: Parent Transition for College Students

by Don Rosenblum
Assistant Dean for Student Affairs

Appropriately, a great deal of time and attention is focused on the new student experience when coming to college: orientation programs, registration, meeting faculty, joining clubs and campus activities, and introduction to a host of services and resources. Understandably, the transition to college for first time students (and the transition to a new college for transfer students) is a critical time for all involved.

Less attention is focused on parents and family members—both the new experience that parents face as a student goes off to college, and the changes that students deal with as they handle a host of responsibilities and challenges on their own. Here are some strategies and issues to consider as new students and their families consider the changes coming over the next several weeks.

For students, this is an especially exciting time and a lot of the attention is focused on the new opportunities in front of you. For parents and family members, this may be a less certain time (seeing a son or daughter take a greater independence—perhaps for the first time). If you haven’t already, this summer would be a good time to begin talking about expectations and continuing needs (communication, money, support, encouragement, and so on).

One of the less expected changes when students start college is that the relationship with the college (staff and faculty) is primarily with the student. Even though many parents are still actively involved with paying bills and assist course selection, the University assumes that each student is an adult and is responsible for decision-making and communication. This means that students need to pay careful attention to deadlines, policies, and communications. This also means that parents may need student permission to have access to information about grades and student finances. A federal law protecting privacy governs these requirements.

For some students, the first term of college is a time of exploring new friendships, joining campus activities and clubs, and developing new systems to manage time and work. As a result, some students’ grades are not always as strong or as high as expected. Don’t panic! Reflect on your goals for college and work with professional staff and peers to develop strategies for academic success. Students and parents who talk regularly about performance and goals often eliminate any surprises at the end of the term.

Finally, with all the attention on the new student experience, families sometimes forget that this is a time of change for the entire household: new commuting patterns for students who live at home; newfound space and decorating ideas for students who live on campus. Of course, each family will address the age-old, critical questions asked by students when they go to college: “who gets the car”, “who gets the computer”, and “how much allowance can I have?”
All About Radio X
By Jen Birchfield

Nova Southeastern University's student run radio station, WNSU, was formed in August of 1990 to provide an opportunity for students to gain knowledge and experience in radio broadcasting. After five years of negotiations, Nova Southeastern University and the School Board of Broward County agreed upon a contract which allows NSU Radio to broadcast on WKPX 88.5 FM during their off hours, starting at 7pm, with a transmission radius of twenty miles and three thousand watts. NSU Radio celebrated its first year anniversary on September 1st, 1999, and changed its slogan to NSU's Radio X.

NSU Radio X focuses on playing cutting edge music, as well as featuring specialty shows seven days a week. DJs at Radio X play everything from alternative and new rock, blues to Spanish rock, reggae to oldies. Radio X also supports the local music scene with the Local Show, every Thursday from 8 to 9 PM, playing the best bands from South Florida.

Radio X is located on the first floor of the Rosenthal Student Center. If you would be interested in becoming a DJ, stop by the station, give us a call at 262-8457 or email us at shows@nsuradio.com.

Well there it was. Finally, time to enter college. A big, new school and a new radio station. "Radio?" I thought. Yeah, college was starting off to be just great. I really wanted to be part of just one organization, but I couldn't figure out which one. During my orientation tour of the Rosenthal Student Center, I passed by the radio station. "Radio?" I thought. No, I would never be good in radio. After a while, I started thinking about what it would be like to be part of a radio station.

During the clubs workshop, I decided to sign up for the station's just to see what it was all about. When I got there, I was amazed at what I saw. The staff members who conducted the workshop were really awesome people. Everyone that came in for the workshop were welcomed as part of the Radio X family. We got a tour of the station, including the broadcasting booth and all the behind the scenes equipment. I immediately signed up for a radio shift.

Starting off on Cable FM was a good experience. I was able to be on the air but with a smaller audience. In my time at the station, I have been exposed to some really, really great music that I never even knew existed before. I quickly became familiar with the local music scene and found that I enjoyed going to local shows and meeting bands.

When I began broadcasting on regular FM, I was amazed at how many calls I would get from my listeners. It felt really good knowing that I could provide South Florida with music they can't hear anywhere else. It is a truly rewarding experience to have callers tell me how much they enjoy my show. Radio has been a very positive influence in my life and I would highly recommend becoming a DJ at Radio X.

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My Life As a DJ
By Shawn Leiba

Ozzfest
Mars Music Amphitheater, West Palm Beach
July 2nd

Moody Blues
Sunrise Musical Theater, Sunrise
July 7th

Poison, Cinderella, Dokken
Mars Music Amphitheater, West Palm Beach
July 15th

Santana
Mars Music Amphitheater, West Palm Beach
July 20th

Brian Setzer Orchestra
Pompano Beach Amphitheater, Pompano
July 21st

Marc Anthony
Miami Arena, Miami
July 27th & July 28th

Motley Crue, Megadeth and Anthrax
Mars Music Amphitheater, West Palm Beach
July 28th

Vans Warped Tour
Bayfront Park, Miami
July 29th

For more information on upcoming shows, listen to Radio X every night for Concert Updates.
A Message
From The
SGA
President

Dear Incoming Students,

On behalf of Nova Southeastern Undergraduate Student Government Association (NSUSGA), we welcome you to embark on a new and exciting journey. NSUSGA is devoted to representing every undergraduate student's interests and concerns, while bettering campus life through student involvement and teamwork. Our success only occurs when you, the students become involved. NSUSGA is what makes campus life. As President of the NSUSGA, I will represent each and every student to the utmost of my ability. The importance of involvement is crucial in order to expand and utilize your abilities as a student at Nova Southeastern University. NSUSGA is here to ignite the spark that will make the next year an unforgettable one. Along with all the senators, OSB and my executive board, I want to express my warmest greetings, while welcoming you to a fantastic and exhilarating new school year. We hope to see each of you at all of our upcoming events.

Sincerely,
German Coppola
NSUSGA President

A Greek Year
in Review
by Shawn M. Webster
IFC Senator
IFC Athletic Chair

Before any judgments are passed, one must first understand that Nova has a young Greek system. Bearing this fact in mind, one must inquire how there could possibly be so much growth on campus in the Greek community? Sigma Alpha Epsilon was re-introduced onto the campus with a strong group of new guys. A local sorority, Zeta Pi, was started. Lambda Theta Phi, a Latin fraternity, joined the campus. Sororities, Alpha Kappa Alpha and Lambda Theta Alpha, have also been added. These newcomers now bring the total of Greek organizations to a respectable ten. This number is all the more startling when one realizes that the Greek system is five years old on a campus that is made up primarily of commuter students.

Even though the statistics are impressive, there are more things than numbers to be proud of within the Greek community. Throughout this year, the campus and surrounding area were stages for philanthropic and social events for the Greeks and the entire campus. With philanthropies, the Greeks held fundraisers for charitable organizations, canned food and blood drives and did special service projects around Davie and Fort Lauderdale. The Greeks intended to make this a

Orientation Workshop
LOCATED
IN THE PARKER BLDG.
RM. 238
@ 3:30PM & 4:00PM
Strength in Numbers
NSU’s Greek System Doubles

by Scott Ross
Contributing Writer

This has been a monumental year for the fraternity and sorority system at Nova Southeastern University. At the end of last year, NSU’s Greek System added three new organizations. These organizations are historically Latino organizations, and quite frequently join campus communities together. With the advent of these new organizations, there is now a place for students who are interested in a more cultural fraternity experience.

Nova Southeastern University is proud to welcome its first ever-African American sororities. Each organization is primarily based on service, leadership, and scholarship. They offer an opportunity for women to enhance their collegiate experience outside of the classroom.

The Greek System also added, Lambda Theta Phi Latino Fraternity Inc., and Lambda Theta Alpha Latino Sorority Inc. These two organizations are historically Latino organizations, and quite frequently join campus communities together. With the advent of these organizations, there is now a place for students who are interested in a more cultural fraternity experience.

Nova Southeastern University is also proud to welcome its first ever-local sorority. Zeta Pi sorority began in September 1999 with a group of young women who sought to start something new. It is their hope to begin a new era for the NSU sorority system. These women hope to affiliate with a national sorority during the course of the next year.

While expansion has definitely had a positive impact on the Greek System, we can not overlook the impact of all of the chapters on campus. The Interfraternity Council boasts five strong chapters. Beta Theta Pi Fraternity, Sigma Alpha Mu Fraternity, Theta Delta Chi Fraternity, Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity, and Lambda Theta Phi Fraternity. All of these chapters are comprised of strong leaders who are involved in all aspects of campus life. The members of these fraternities participate in various projects and events to help promote that sense of campus community.

The Wellness Center Would Like to Welcome
the Freshman and Transfer Students to NSU

The Wellness Center and the Student Health Advocates for Peer Education would like to welcome the new students to NSU. The Wellness Center is located in the Farquhar Center Annex, Suite 200.

The goal of The Wellness Center and S.H.A.P.E. is to promote and advocate healthy lifestyle choices for NSU’s community. S.H.A.P.E. members receive specialized training in a variety of health related topics, and present these programs to their peers through informal seminars in the residence halls and classrooms, as well as through campus-wide events.

The Wellness Center’s services include:
- Basic First aid and free over-the-counter medications
- Free condoms
- HIV testing coupons
- Student health insurance and dental plan
- Free Student counseling
- Monthly healthletters
- A library of health information resources and free literature
- Health and Wellness Lecture Series
- Ongoing health promotion activities, events, and presentations
- A dynamic peer education program, known as SHAPE, (Student Health Advocates for Peer Education)

The Wellness Center has all the necessary resources needed to maintain a healthy lifestyle and to keep you in shape mentally and physically during your college experience. Please feel free to stop by or call us anytime with any questions or comments you may have, or if you are interested in scheduling a S.H.A.P.E. presentation. We hope you have a safe and fun school year and we look forward to seeing you soon!

Our phone number is (954) 262-7040. You can also visit us online at www.nova.edu/cwls/wc.

The Panhellenic Association of Nova Southeastern University currently boasts three sororities. Delta Phi Epsilon sorority, Phi Sigma Sigma Sorority, and Zeta Pi Sorority are comprised of some of the most active women on campus. The NSU sorority women are involved in all areas of campus life, and serving in various leadership positions.

With the addition of these new groups, NSU’s Greek System is sure to thrive in the coming years. The fraternity and sorority system is looking for motivated student leaders who are willing to make a difference. Anyone who is interested can contact the Office of Student Activities at 262-7292.

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Alpha Phi Omega

by Eric Camacho
Alpha Phi Omega

On the weekend of March 31 to April 2, members of Nova Southeastern's Alpha Delta Tau Chapter of Alpha Phi Omega attended a state-wide Sectional Conference in Melbourne, Florida. This annual conference brings together the 8 APhiO chapters in the state of Florida for a weekend of training, fellowship, and service. This year's conference was hosted by Alpha Gamma Rho Chapter located at Florida Institute of Technology.

Alpha Phi Omega is a co-ed National Service Fraternity. This year makes the celebration of its [Alpha Phi Omega] 75th Anniversary, since being established by scouting leaders on the campus of Lafayette College in 1925. Alpha Phi Omega has grown to over 350 active chapters at numerous schools and universities including large state schools, traditionally black schools, and private and church schools. APO is a traditionally service fraternity, not a social fraternity. It is established on the principals of leadership, friendship and service. Since its founding, over 250,000 students have joined, making it the largest Greek-name organization in the country. Membership is open to all students, regardless of gender, race, religious belief, or national origin.

Alpha Delta Tau Chapter was chartered at Nova Southeastern University in 1997. Since its establishment, the chapter has been involved with the numerous events and projects including the Y-100 Wing Ding, Love Jen Festival, Women in Distress, Make a Wish Foundation, the Boy Scouts of America and many more.

At this year's Section Conference, members participated in a canned food drive for the food bank of Brevard County. Later they competed with other chapters in a sandcastle building contest at the beach. In the afternoon, participants attended several workshops on traditions, service, and leadership. An awards banquet was held Saturday night. Among the awards given was for the best service program, which went to Tau chapter of UF. Richard Cherry, the section's outgoing Section Chair, was presented with the Section Distinguished Service Key for his long service to the Florida Section.

At the Section Business meeting, Joel Natt of Alpha Delta Tau chapter ran for the position of Section Chair. Unfortunately, he lost to Matt Cross of the PSI Omega Chapter at UCF.

Beta Theta Pi

The brothers of Beta Theta Pi would like to cordially invite you to Nova Southeastern University and congratulate you on your decision to further your education. Being Men of Principle, all members share a common belief in academic excellence, a sense of great tradition and brotherhood and unqualified friendship. More than offering friendship, we offer to you a family away from home. Beta Theta Pi is a fraternity that prides itself on community involvement and scholastic achievement. We volunteer for various philanthropies throughout the year, such as the Broward County HRS Haunted House and the Love Jen Festival. We also know how to have a good time. Every year Beta throws the best parties on campus, including our annual Halloween and Mardi Gras blowouts. To start this year off Beta Theta Pi is holding its first annual Single Out contest. The contest will take place in the Flight Deck (above the cafeteria) on Friday, September 18, starting at 6:30pm. If you are interested in being 'Singled Out' call (954) 424-8633 and ask for Joel, Phillip or Tom, or call (954) 370-7897 and ask for Enis or Chris. You can also email us at betazm@listbot.com for any questions you may have.

ON JULY 4, 1776
ALL MEN WERE CREATED EQUAL

ON NOVEMBER 26, 1909
ALL THAT CHANGED!

ΣAM
At the end of November, in celebration of the Thanksgiving Holiday, the brothers held the annual 2 Can Sam party in the Flight Deck. This was a social function that benefited a local charity. The entry fee to this party was 2 cans of food or a cash donation. Over 50 people attended the function and some 400 cans of food were raised for the needy. Even in a social setting, the Sammies are always looking to benefit the community.

In February, the chapter held its first "Screw Your Brother" date function. The theme of this social is for a brother to randomly select a brother's name from a hat and find him a date for the rest of their time here and beyond. Beating the "Bounce for Beats" philanthropy, in which the brothers took turns bouncing a basketball for the course of 24 hours, to raise money for the Pediatric AIDS Foundation. Each bounce of the basketball represented the heartbeat of a child suffering from AIDS. The brothers take great pride in the fact that they raised over $1000 for such a worthwhile charity.

During the Omega Greek Awards, the chapter was once again honored with the Outstanding Scholarship Award for the chapter's commitment to academic excellence. With the highest grade point average among all Greek Letter Organizations and a strong Scholarship Program to insure further academic achievement, the chapter expects this to be an award to receive in upcoming years. The chapter also received the Outstanding Campus Involvement Award for its activity outside the fraternity. The chapter boasts a former IFC President, two Vice Presidents and a Community Service Chairman. The chapter's most prized accomplishment that evening was the Most Improved Chapter Award for improvement beyond the previous year's efforts. Individually, Chapter President Shawn Mostal received the award for Chapter President of the Year for his efforts going above and beyond for his chapter and University.

On April 25th the Office of Student Life held the Inaugural Student Life Achievement Awards where two of three candidates for Greek Man of the Year were members of Sigma Alpha Mu. Once again Shawn Mostal shined in this category taking this award.

Sigma Alpha Mu set the standard for fraternity, leadership, scholarship and service in the 1999-2000 academic year and will only continue to improve for the 2000-2001 year. The brothers cordially invite you to attend Sammy Fall Rush 2000. If you would like information on Sigma Alpha Mu please contact Joe Ricupero, Recruitment Chairman at (W)(954)262-7291 or (H)(954)581-1754 or email ricupero@nova.edu.

Thank you for reading and we hope to see you in the Fall.
Summer 2000

**BREAKFAST** (served until 11am)
- Scrambler Croissant 2.50
- (Scrambled egg, cheese)
- Ham and Egg Croissant 3.25
- (Scrambled egg, sliced honey ham, cheese)
- Bacon Croissant 3.25
- (Scrambled egg, bacon, cheese)
- Bagel Bite 3.25
- (Scrambled egg, bacon cheese)

**GOODIES**
- Croissant (with butter) 1.50
- Bagel (with butter) 1.35
- Bagel with cream cheese 1.85
- Biscotti (Italian Dipping Cookie - Assorted) 1.25
- Chocolate Chip Cookies .75 each for 1.35
- Brownie (with whip cream and chocolate topping) 1.35
- Huge Muffin (assorted varieties) 1.35
- Rock Candy Swivel Sticks .50

**STARTERS**
- Cheese Sampler Platter 4.95
- (Served with grapes & crackers)
- Chips and Salsa 4.95
- Prosciutto and Cheese Platter 6.95
  (sliced prosciutto, assorted cheeses, warm bread)

**SOUPS**
- Homemade French Onion Soup 3.95
- (Served hot with melted cheese)
- Soup of the Day 3.49

**SALADS**
- Chicken Caesar Salad 5.95
- Caesar Salad 3.95
- Krab Salad 4.95
- House Salad 2.95

**BEST COFFEEHOUSE**

**IN TOWN**

**SPECIALTY COFFEE DRINKS**
- House Coffee - Mocha Blend
- Hawaiian Kona De Caf
- Flavored Coffee of the Day
- Café Au Lait - House Coffee w/ steamed milk
  Add one of our 10 flavors
- Con Leche/Café Latte - Espresso, steamed milk
- Cappuccino - Espresso and Steamed Milk
  Add one of our 10 flavors
- Café Mocha - Espresso & Chocolate Fudge
- Almond Fudge Latte - Espresso, Chocolate & Almond
- Raspberry Truffle Latte - Espresso, Raspberry & Chocolate
- Sugar Daddy Latte - Espresso, Caramel, Hazelnut
- White Cow - Espresso, White Chocolate & Vanilla
- Espresso 1.35 Double
- Whip cream... add

**FRESH BREWED NATURAL HERB**
- Regular and Decaffeinated - Assorted
- Chai Tea Latte

**STEAMERS**
- *Steamed Milk with real whipped cream
- Irish Cream Steamer
- Amaretto Mist Steamer
- Raspberry Mocha Steamer
- Top of The Mountain - Made with French Vanilla
- Ultimate Hot Chocolate - Made with White and Dark Chocolate

**ICE CREAM DRINKS**
- Root Beer Float
- NY Egg Cream
- Shakes - Chocolate, Strawberry, Vanilla, Kiwi, or M

**WRAPS**
- Turkey Wrap 5.95
- Chicken Caesar Wrap 5.95
  (Sliced chicken strips, Caesar dressing)
- Chicken Fajita Wrap 5.95
  (Sliced seasoned chicken, salsa and sour cream)
- Krab Salad Wrap 5.95
- Veggie Wrap 5.95
  (All served with Chips or potato Salad and Pickle)

**CHEESECAKES**
- NY Style Cheesecake 3.39
- Oreo Cheesecake 3.89
- Chocolate Swirl Cheesecake 3.49
- Raspberry White Chocolate Cheesecake 4.95

**CROISSANTS**
- Ham & Cheese Croissant 4.95
- (Sliced Ribeye provolone and grilled onions)
- Turkey Croissant 4.95
- (Thick sliced turkey, Swiss or American cheese)
- Veggie Croissant 3.59
- (Lettuce, tomato, onion, cheese, choice of dressing)
- French Dip Croissant 5.29
- (Tender Roast Beef, melted cheese, au jus)
- B.L.T. - Croissant 4.95
- Cordon Bleu Croissant 6.95
- (Tender chicken breast with country ham, cheese)

**FROM THE OVEN**
- All Beef Hot Dog 1lb 5.79
- Cheeseburger 2lb 8.89
- Bacon Cheeseburger 3.29
- Cheese Pizza 8" 5.85
- Cheese Pizza 12" 8.95
- Chicken Wings - Hot or Honey BBQ 5.85

**BAKERY ITEMS**
- Chocolate Moose Cake
- Cream Cheese Cake
- Chocolate Cake
- Italian Cream Cake
- Devil's Food Cake

**ICE CREAM TREATS**
- Chocolate dipped ice cream, whip cream and topping
- Strawberry, Vanilla, or Raspberry, whip cream and topping
- Banana Split 3.89

**TIME**
- M-TH 8:00am - 11pm
- Friday 8am-12:30 pm
- Sat 1-12:30
- Sun 4-10pm

**COFFEE**

**SPECIALTY SHAKES**
- Moose Shake
- (Espresso, Caramel and Ice Cream)
- Banana Shake
- (Vanilla Ice Cream, Fresh Banana)
- Black Irishman
- (Chocolate Ice Cream, Chocolate Mint and Espresso)
- Cookies n' Cream
- (Vanilla Ice Cream with Chocolate Chips)
- Brownie Delight
- (Chocolate Ice Cream with Brownies)

**SPECIALTY SMOOTHIES**
- Pineapple
- Strawberry
- Banana Split Smoothie
- Pineapple, Strawberry, Coconut
- Strawberry Banana Smoothie
- Strawberry Kiwi Smoothie

**COLD DRINKS**
- Iced Coffee
- Smoothie Style Coffee
- Coke, Diet Coke, Cherry Coke, Sprite, Root Beer
- Bottled Water
- Flavored Iced Tea, Ice Tea

**BEERS**
- Draft Beer
- Imported
- Domestic
Surviving the Life Sciences
from page 3

1. Do not be afraid to make a
professor your friend. Be aware of
their office hours and take advantage
of their extra free time.

Armed with the top five survival
tips, the most important factor lies
within the student. One's devotion and
ambition to this major is the most cru­
cial factor in a pre-health professions
student. Many people in other majors
will say that college means lots of fun
and parties, though this may be true
for some—only a small percentage
of Life Science students complete their
full undergraduate and graduate school.
Consequently, most upper­
classmen admit that studying and not
partying is the number one distinguish­
able parameter in the equation for suc­
cess in the health professions field. It
is very common to have friends in
other majors partying on the weekends
while you are home studying or com­
pleting a lab report. This major is not
to be afraid of the workload, but
rather it is to warn newcomers that the
major is not to be taken lightly. The
workcourse is not impossible if the
proper time and effort is devoted. Do
not forget that the science workload
is only half of the overall coursework
to graduate. Every Nova student is
required to take 60 credit hours in the
core curriculum. These classes in­
clude topics in sociology, arts, history,
math, English composition, psychol­
ogy, philosophy and much more!

scholarships offered from the major­
ity of the Greek organizations.

This year has been an educational
one for all Greeks. Through all of the
trials and successes of being Greek, any­
one that was involved this year has
learned a good deal. The Greeks have
learned more about helping the com­
community and work with the adminis­
tration to make Greek life flourish. The

Greeks have even learned how to have
more fun than anyone thought that they
could this year. With all of the rules
and concerns around the country about
being Greek, the Greeks at Nova have
learned their lessons and flourished and
have essentially banished any stereo­
types that might have been held at the
beginning of the year.

The Glory
Of Greeks
from page 11

year to remember with social events
all year long. The year opened up well
with Theta Delta Chi's annual "Sun
Splash." Delta Phi Epsilon made a
party out of a philanthropy with their
always-popular Mr. Nova Knight.
Sigma Alpha Mu raised money for the
Pediatric AIDS Foundation with their
annual Bounce of Beats. Beta Theta
Pi helped close the year with their ver­
sion of a Mardi Gras party. Lambda
Theta Pi opened up the club Coco Lo­
cos to the students of Nova and Sigma
Alpha Epsilon introduced Nova to
some of their traditions with a Patty
Murphy party. These events allowed
not only the Greeks, but also the en­tire
campus community to taste the
culture that makes Greeks so unique.

On the contrary to many percep­
tions of Greeks as being oafish mo­
rors who only do keg stands and skip
class, the Greeks at Nova prove the
stereotype wrong. Many, if not all, of
the fraternities and sororities on cam­
pus have over a 3.0 GPA. The empha­
sis on excellence is also pursued by

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