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The SGA would like to welcome everyone back from the holidays. We would also like to extend a warm greeting to the new students attending Nova's Day Division this term. The SGA is confident that this will be a successful term for everyone.

On December 7, 1981, Paul DeWolff, a Nova Day Division student, conducted a survey to determine the "attitudes" of the student body concerning Nova's policies of tuition and work load. During the course of the survey another grievance surfaced. It appears that some students were dissatisfied by the fact that the three courses (research paper, humanities, and social sciences) were mandatory. These students expressed a desire for more flexibility in the curriculum.

As a result of this survey, on December 8, 1981, Larry Lebin and Mark Belcastro had an extensive meeting with Ken Dose' and Dr. Smith concerning grievances that were voiced by the student body through the survey. On the following Monday, the tuition problem (paying $45.00 dollars for three courses even if only taking two) was raised at the faculty meeting. Although several alternatives were presented during the discussion, a decision was not reached. The issue is presently being investigated.

During the preceding term it was discovered that the concept of interdisciplinary courses did not actualize when viewed in terms of specifics. For example, at the time we were studying Heart of Darkness in humanities, we should have theoretically been studying imperialism in social sciences.
Therefore, in the future interdisciplinary courses will be taught concurrently according to general theme.

Regarding the curriculum question, it has been decided that a Life-Science course will be offered in the fourth term as an alternative to Humanities or Social Sciences.

The SGA is in the process of drawing up a constitution. In order to make this document reflect the needs of the entire student body, the SGA is looking for four Day Division student representatives. These students, by volunteering for this position, would be committed to attending all meetings set up to review model constitutions (from other universities) and to construct Nova's after careful overall consideration. Anyone willing to volunteer for this responsibility should contact Larry Lebin.

The SGA would like to extend a warm welcome to Jean Lewis, the Day Division's counselor. For those of you who haven't already run into her as she makes her way through the halls, you can find her in the SGA office, room 216 in the Parker Building.

Coupon books are still available for $10.00 from Gary Becker or any other member of the SGA. If you regularly visit any of the popular restaurants, such as McDonalds, Wendy's, Arby's, etc., you should seriously consider making this purchase.

Also, t-shirts are still available from Beth in the Day Division office, room 201.
The student lounge in room 212 is yours. It is there for you to use to play ping-pong, backgammon, and bumber pool, or for just relaxing between classes.

As a result of the lack of interest in the open SGA meetings, the SGA has chosen to publish a monthly newsletter. We are making every attempt to keep the students informed of the student government's activities. The SGA is here to voice your needs and grievances, not as faculty but as fellow students. In order for us to truly reflect the student body's desires, we need your input. The SGA can be reached in room 216 in the Parker Building or by phone at 475-7000. You have the chance to make Nova be the university you want with regards to social activities and student affairs. Please get involved!!!

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