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University supporters are keeping their calendars clear now for April 23, which will be NOVA DAY at Gulfstream Race Track. The proceeds from this special benefit day, created by the state legislature at the suggestion of Gulfstream's board chairman, James Donn, will accrue to the University as operating capital...not just this year but every year.

We are additionally indebted to Mr. Donn for having designated Nova as the beneficiary of the Florida Derby Ball, which was held in a spectacularly successful fashion at the Diplomat Hotel on April 1...to the management of the Dania Jai-Alai Palace for the "Nova Night" at the fronton on April 7 (with the season's biggest crowd on hand)...and to the management of the Pompano Park Harness Track for the "Nova Night" held there along with the Easter Seal Clinic benefit on March 31.

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ANOTHER DATE TO REMEMBER -- May 5!
The occasion: the groundbreaking for our Physical Sciences Center, at 11 a.m. at the campus in Davie West of Nova High School. A "time capsule" to be opened a thousand years from now will be created, containing appropriate symbols of the times, and a special guest will be Mr. Louis W. Parker of Fort Lauderdale, whose gift of $1 million has made the Physical Sciences Center possible. The Nova High School Band and the Chorus of the Junior College will participate, and it will be a rewarding day for all...

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Take note also: the first meeting of the Nova University Association...that is all of our valued "honorary alumni"...is to be held on Tuesday, May 3, at 8 p.m. at the Broward County Courthouse...in the County Commission meeting room.
400 members. We anxiously hope that most of them will turn out for the meeting, the election of officers, the appointment of committees, and the other preliminary organizational work... 

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The houseboat which will be the first laboratory for our oceanographic program is moving swiftly toward completion, at the Lauderdale Marina on the Intracoastal Waterway just north of the SE 17th St. bridge. You probably can see it from the bridge. A two-story superstructure is being erected on a 60-foot hull, and laboratories and offices will be housed there. Research work under our professor of physical oceanography, Dr. William S. Richardson, will begin in June...

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THE UNIVERSITY IS SEEKING DONATIONS OF BOATS FOR THE OCEANOGRAPHY PROGRAM, AND TWO ARE IN THE PROCESS OF BEING TRANSFERRED TO US AT THIS TIME. Owners frequently find it more profitable to give boats to non-profit institutions than to sell them. Friends of the University are asked to be on the lookout for such situations, and to tell owners about the Nova oceanography program.

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The latest architectural renderings of the buildinga being planned for the campus will be on display April 14 and 15 at Pier 66 in Fort Lauderdale, during the Florida World Trade Conference. The sponsors of the conference have generously provided space for this display, in order to illustrate the Nova story for the visitors expected here from other parts of the state. Gov. Haydon Burns will be one of the principal speakers. The scale model of the campus is now on exhibition, by the way, at the Bank of Hollywood Hills, 4437 Hollywood Blvd. Readers living in that vicinity should pop in there and see it.
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