Now that we've got your attention, see page 5 for details about Homecoming.
Obiter Dicta...

The Driving FORCE

By Vicki Short

It happens to me almost every time I get on I-95 or I-95, some brazen, egotistical and unenlightened form of life passes me on the shoulder, or does some other stupid, uncalled for and dangerous-to-the-recipient activity.

So what is my point?

Well, my point is a two-partier: (1) people's driving habits could be considered an extension of their character, and (2) South Florida is the capital of egotistical, self-absorbed, greedy, rude, power-seeking individuals who show their true insecurity and fears by their blatant disregard for anyone who does not benefit them directly.

Ok, so let me give you an all-too-common scenario:

I am driving onto the I-95 on-ramp, doing, at the very least, the speed limit. Along comes Mr./Ms.-I-need-to-be-in-front-of-you-at-any-cost from behind me and passes me along the ramp's right shoulder just as I am about to enter the highway.

At this point I am already stressed. I have to merge into traffic doing 60-90 miles an hour. Now my blood pressure is swiftly rising in response to having to hit my brakes to avoid being side-swiped by someone who believes that he/she has a natural right to be in front of me. As the Epitome of Arrogance cuts me off and passes me by, I begin fantasizing about the person's car spinning out of control (without endangering anyone else, of course), then flipping over and engulfing itself in flames.

But my humanity slowly creeps back in. I realize that I really do not want the idiot to die for being insensitive and inconsiderate to other human beings.

As the continues to zip in and out of lanes with less than a foot between cars, I realize that they are probably just a lesser form of life that has to be tolerated.

However, I would like to send this message to anyone who participates in this kind of heinous activity (who is not a lesser form of life): When you demonstrate a lack of concern for the safety of others who are properly using roadways, you are also demonstrating a lack of character.

Those who are aggressive on the road are probably aggressive in character. If we keep in mind that aggression is a negative trait, as it is defined as "an unprovoked attack or warlike act," then those who actively choose this behavior, are also choosing to be sub-human.

My conclusion to all this babble is that those who insist on being offensive drivers also reveal their own personality in the process.

I am sure that I do not know enough about human beings to speak for everyone. For myself, I cannot see any reason why one would go out of their way to be an unworthy character.

Then again, I don't understand a lot of things, like why there are working-class Republican supporters, but that's another editorial.

Next issue will feature part two of The Driving Force, "Human Nature and the 4-way Stop Sign."

Loan News Flash

Attention Student Loan Recipients: For those of you confused about the new student loan refund process, here are some facts given by a source in the Loan Disbursing department that may help clarify things:

- In lieu of the actual lender issued loan checks, authorization forms will be sent out to be signed and returned to Nova's Loan Disbursing department.

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WHOO is the Owl Radio?

Chris Kehl

The actual call letters for Nova Knight radio are W-N-K-R, but every time I mention the station I get the letters W-H-O-O, so I am going to clear up the Nova "owl" problem with the sweep of my pen, uh, word processor.

WNKR is one of the relatively new additions to Nova college's active student resources. Last year we as a station were totally Progressive/Alternative music, but thanks to our new management of Chris Mohall, Janet Logan, Gerarde Rose and myself we have decided to put all the music types together for a blend of top songs from every spectrum of music.

Maybe blend is too weak of a word, I think puree is more appropriate to satisfy the mixing of Pop, Rock, R&B, Progressive, Hip Hop, Industrial and yes, maybe even a show dedicated to Jazz and Blues.

The only problem with the radio station is that everyone sees and hears our "Wanker" truck on campus but can't listen to us at home. If you are interested in listening to any of the above listed music, WNKR is here for the students, and by the students.

A Psalm for Our Times

Stephen L. Goldstein

George Bush is my President; I shall know want. He maketh me to stand in unemployment lines; He leadeth me beside polluted waters. He restoreth my taxes; He guideth me in straight paths for Pat Buchanan's sake. Yea, though I walk with the protection of Roe vs. Wade, I shall fear evil, for Thou art expedient. Thy Kennedy and Scalia discomfort me. Thou preparest a Supreme Court for me in the presence of mine enemies. Thou hast anointed a war for Middle East oil; my gas tank is full. Surely a good living and education shall elude me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell without health care forever.

!!MUSICIANS!!

What types of music do you like? Classical? Jazz? Do you enjoy playing an instrument? What instrument(s) do you play? How many years experience do you have? Have you ever played in an ensemble before?

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HOMECOMING AT NOVA

By Mike Mansfield

Homecoming. Images of alumni coming back to campus, rekindling old friendships, making new ones, and pride in the school flowing from every pore in one's body.

So, you ask, what's happening this year to spark old memories and create a few for the future as well? Everything.

While Nova doesn't have a football team to rally around for the big game, or a hundred-year tradition to reminisce about, we do have a soccer team and a volleyball team which are going to kick some proverbial butt and we've got one heck of a great Homecoming weekend to be a part of.

This year's Homecoming festivities kick off during the evening of Wednesday September 30 with the NUBSA Alumni Recognition Award Reception. This annual event will be held at the Mailman Building and all students, faculty and staff are invited to attend.

O.K., so now you're kind of interested, right? The logical question at this point would be 'What else can I get involved with during Homecoming '92?'

Plenty, my friends, plenty. The show starts up again on Thursday the 1st with the dedication of the newly remodeled Rosenthal Building and the newly constructed University Hall.

Formalities begin at 3:30 and will be followed by a reception in the foyer of University Hall. As you're walking out of the reception with a full belly of free food, most likely it will be brought to your attention that there are a whole bunch of people out in the field behind University Hall who look like they're just having waaaayyy too awesome a time. That would be people at the Faculty/Student Barbecue and Homecoming rally.

There will be food, drinks, a big ol' bonfire, and an introduction of Nova's Fall finest - the players and coaches of the Men's Soccer team and the Women's Volleyball team, both of whom will battle for the pride of Nova over the course of the Homecoming weekend.

In addition to the usual Homecoming events, make sure you get plenty of sleep Thursday night, because Friday is even bigger. Alumni will register at Rosenthal all day, except when they are playing golf in the Alumni/Faculty/Staff golf outing at Rolling Hills. While the golfers are out doing their thing, other Nova alumni will join the rest of the world in the Rosenthal cafeteria for a T.G. I.F. (Try To Get It Free) celebration with special deals for alumni and students who wear school colors.

At 6:00 a great tradition continues with the Anything that Floats Raft Race. This maritime monstrosity will be held on Gold Key Lake (sometimes known as Lake Fischer). At the finish of the race (or when all of the vessels have reached the bottom of the lake) it's time to gear up for some sports excitement. (Remember, if you're not a jock, you can still be an athletic supporter.) Both the Women's Volleyball team and the Men's Soccer team will be in action Friday night.

The ladies with lepers will be set to dominate Flagler at 7:00 pm in the Lutheran Gym while the soccer team will be out to drive Embry-Riddle into the turf starting at 7:30 at A.D. Griffith Sports Complex, on the north of campus. Raft race survivors leave to the game with a tailgate halftime celebration for all fans and alumni.

Party, party, party! Don't we have anything better to do here at Nova? Nope, not on Homecoming weekend, and the party continues Saturday. Be sure to wake up by 9:55 because the home run hitting contest begins at 10:00 - right before the Alumni baseball game. Both these celebrations of our great national pastime will be take place on the Nova Knight Baseball field and all are invited.

If you stick around until the end of the game, you can follow the throngs of cheering fans over to the Lutheran Gym for yet another Women's Volleyball Clinic as the Nova ladies show Warner Southern how the game is meant to be played. The game starts at 1:00 but Alumni will be treated to a luncheon/cookout from 12:00 - 1:30 outside of the gym.

An alumni soccer game will also happen on the soccer field for those of you who would like to soak up a little sun and support Nova at the same time.

Now, if you're a student, you're gonna want to go home and catch a little sleep at this point so you'll be ready to boogie the night away at Rolling Hills Country Club where the Homecoming Dance "The Colors of The Knight" will be trumpin' from 9:00 pm - 1:00 am. If you're returning to campus and would like to find out, among other things, just what that big pink building is, join the Office of Student Life for a Campus Tour at 4:30. The tour will be leaving from the Rosenthal Building. From 5:00 - 6:30 Alumni will be entertained at a reception to be held in the Rosenthal reception room. Alumni awards will be presented at this time.

So now you've had a healthy dose of homecoming spirit. You've tripped the light fantastic, and had some serious hours of semi-coherent nocturnal fun. What's left to do?

Chow. Grub. Mack. Eat. The world wouldn't be right if you went away from Homecoming '92 hungry, so there will be a feeding frenzy in the Rosenthal cafeteria from 1:00 - 2:30 am. Officially named the Breakfast of Champions, this bit of nourishment should provide the necessary vitamins and minerals which your (continued on page 7)
Early one morning my roommate, a few friends and I decided to go to the Fort Lauderdale strip for the day.

I was excited because I was finally going to see the beautiful Florida beaches. After driving for fifteen minutes we encountered the bay, and I knew we were close. Before I knew it, the beach was right next to us.

This was a big surprise because I did not know that the road ran right along the beaches. I am from Philadelphia and frequently visit the Jersey shore. No roads run so close to the shoreline.

When I emerged from the car I took my shoes off and headed toward the beach. The concrete was very hot, so I scurried to the sand. To my surprise, the sand was twice as hot.

I exploded across the sand and spread my beach towel across the scorching sand and sat on it. I could not understand why the sand was so hot until I took a good look.

I noticed little black particles in the sand. These particles get heated by the sun and become scorching hot.

After only about five minutes I could feel my skin begin to burn from the intense rays that the sun lashes at the earth. I decided to cool myself off by entering the water.

From the beach, the water was a light blue, then turned a darker blue farther out. I found the color hard to believe, especially because I am used to Jersey water being brown and on a good day, an off-green.

As I entered the water I was amazed at how clear it was. I could actually see the bottom. As I frugled farther out, I could feel little ripples in the sand underneath my feet. I also noticed the lack of sharp seashells jabbing into my feet, as I am used to at the Jersey shore.

The water itself was the warmest I have ever felt. It was also soft and smooth on my skin.

There was only one thing that I did not like, and that was the lack of ocean waves. The Jersey shore has real big waves, which are fun to frolic in.

Another thing I noticed about the Florida water was the smell. The smell was not bad at all but rather it was a cleansing odor, similar to that of a summer rain shower. It was nothing like the terrible sewer sludge odor that the Jersey shore gives off.

My friend let me use his pair of goggles. He told me to swim out a little farther. When I dove under, I almost swallowed a mouthful of water because there were several shimmering fish, ranging in sizes from two inches up to ten, darting back and forth right beneath me. This was so amazing to me because I would never see fish that close to the Jersey shore.

After about half an hour in the water, I decided to soak up some more rays.

While I was lying on my towel, I noticed many things new to me. One was an activity that I later learned was called Para - Sailing, which is a controlled form of parachuting. A person is attached to a parachute, that is in turn attached to a speed boat. As the boat pierces the water, the parachute lifts the person into the air and is pulled along by the boat.

This looked rather adventurous and I plan to try it some time.

One of the most incredible things I saw were the bathing suits or maybe I should say, lack of bathing suits that both men and women were sporting.

The suits looked like nothing more than several pieces of yarn tied together. I had heard about them before we went to the beach, but seeing is believing. I have never seen anyone wearing these kinds of bathing suits in New Jersey.

I did see something that I was used to: planes that flew over the beach with advertisements attached. I guess business is business no matter where you are.

I noticed several different odors while sitting there on my towel. One of the strongest was that of sun tan lotion.

It smelled like cooking oil slowly being heated for deep frying. Everyone had some on except for me. Maybe that’s why I left looking like a lobster.

The other odors were of big juicy steaks and mouth-watering seafood platters being prepared at the restaurants across the street. The pleasant smell of salt water and the dry choking exhaust fumes from cars along the road only feet away also hung in the air. After about two hours on the beach, we decided to head back.

As I hurried across the hot sand, I noticed one more thing that was new to me. Showers are on the beach, so swimmers can rinse off before flopping back into the car to prevent sand from coming along for the ride. There would never be such a thing back in New Jersey, be-

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SPLASHIN' AROUND!

By Ken Cook

Part-Time Jobs:

Your college days are a great opportunity to find a job compatible with your schedule. When I was an undergraduate, I had seventeen different part-time jobs, from trash-collector to medical assistant.

That reminds me that I had seventeen different majors, too. It also took me fourteen different semesters to graduate.

Anyway, these part-time jobs gave me the chance to sample working-life without the threat of becoming trapped in something from which I would never be able to escape (and then I got married).

In my own mind, I am an expert at part-time jobs, and have some words of advice for some of the younger crowd who may be looking for guidance.

1. Stick to day-time hours. For one semester, I worked full-time from 11pm to 7am. I had classes from 8am to noon, went home, slept, and woke up at 10:00pm. I ate lunch at three in the morning. By the end of the term, people were telling me to take off my zombie costume; it was almost Christmas.

2. Find a business appropriate for the locale. I was a waiter in an ersatz-Jamaican restaurant up North. I made five dollars in tips on a good evening. The manager asked me to wait for my salary until the beginning of the next month. On the first of the month, I arrived at work to find my pockets chained and padlocked. I never heard from the manager again.

3. Be wary of places in basements. There were asbestos tiles on the ceiling of this one dungeon-type sweat-shop. Flakes from the tiles continuously floated down like some form of malignant snow to land in my hair. DANGER: CANCER-CAUSING DANDRUFF.

4. Don't work at places that are too popular. I had a job as a waiter at a famous restaurant/night spot. When my shift finished, I often stayed to have dinner, listen to the band, and try to pick up girls. I decided to quit when I realized that I was actually going into debt by working there.

5. Stay out of trees. One job required that I go to the top of forty-foot high oaks and cut the tops off. I could never get used to the sensation of being whipped through the air, slingshot-style, as the branches let go. I used to wear a baseball glove to catch my heart as it shot out of my mouth.

6. Even libraries can be hazardous to your health. An irate football player attempting to study for his calculus final, once pummeled me into the ground like a tent stake for saying "Thank you" too loudly to students checking out books.

All of this what-not-to-do brings us to the question of what type of employment you should be looking for. Don't ask me. I just started a new part-time job at the Swap Shop Circus. My act is called "Zippy, the Flame-Headed Singing Wrestler." They light my hair on fire, then I go out and mix it up with a Bengal tiger while singing Madonna's latest hits.
On Tuesday Sept. 15th, leaders of Nova’s clubs and organizations had the opportunity to attend a workshop led by Student Life’s very own Kristin Pebley, the new Coordinator of Campus Programming.

Kristin Pebley comes to us from Springfield College in Massachusetts where she acquired her Master’s Degree in Industrial/Organizational Psychology. While working on her masters degree, Kristin was a Resident Director at Western New England College, and it was there that she began working on COOP.

“COOP” stands for Cultivating Our Own Programs. Tuesday night was the fourth time that Ms. Pebley held her workshop. Previously, Kristin has put on her “COOP” seminar for R.A. training at Western and Springfield Colleges and as a professional at Southeastern Massachusetts University.

As Coordinator of Campus Programming, Ms. Pebley acted upon requests for programming tips from student leaders at the Leadership Conference in August of ’92. Her response to their need for organization was to put on the COOP Conference which focused on “programming from A-Z.”

Many of the students who attended “COOP” found the informational meeting along with programming packets to be very helpful. Kristin brainstormed the packets which contained step by step planning event forms. Some included were: contracts to use when hiring outside help, advertising requests, and checklists for events.

Ms. Pebley believes that by training student leaders in effective programming can only strengthen the student body and the different clubs and organizations on Nova University’s campus. She also feels that unity within clubs, and between clubs is very important. Hopefully, by using these packets to organize events, miscommunication and disorganization won’t be a problem as it has been in the (continued on page 12)
Art, TV and Capitalism.

Sitting in the Louvre with a Remote Control

Scott Cohen

I am a telecommunications major, which means that I come in contact with many wanna-be advertising people. Whenever I meet one of them, I always ask the same question: "Do they teach you to make commercials as idiotic as they are, or is this because all advertising people are autistic?"

To start, I'd like to quote Jim Morrison, who said, "I believe the interview is the American art form." Then again, Morrison was a doped up, alcoholic spud-head, so nothing he said made much sense. Anyway, he's wrong. Every nation has some sort of artistic legacy. The Germans have classical music. The Italians have sculpture and nice shoes. The ancient Greeks have architecture (modern greeks, a.k.a. fratboys, have target puking). The British have really happy progressive music paired with the most depressing lyrics ever written. In America we have the TV Commercial. There lies the problem with the ad as art—you can't put a Toyota ad in a museum. You can't admire the detail of a vaginal yeast infection commercial. (Those, by the way, happen to be the most disgusting things I've ever seen. I mean, you're watching MTV, munching on a sandwich, and right after the Color Me Badd video, some wench pops in and discusses the virtues of Monostat. And it always happens when I'm chowing on some sort of bread product, which makes me wretch.)

In short, TV commercials are trite. Two thousand years from now, no one will remember Miller Lite's "It's It" campaign.

The fact that ads won't be around to haunt us centuries down the road doesn't justify the fact that TV commercials are a major component of current American pop culture. And what is art but a reflection of the times? Does this mean that America is insipid, bland and predictable?

Well...sort of. But it also means that the biggest mainstay of American pop culture is trying to sell you everything while pretending not to.

Take, for example, the new Pepsi campaign. You know, the one where Gomer Payne crashes into the Pepsi billboard in East G-d's Country, Iowa, and suddenly everyone goes nuts?

After weeks of suspense, I expected a truly outstanding commercial with some very important announcement. Instead, the new announcement declared that Pepsi was changing its advertising campaign.

They spent millions of dollars in advertising revenues to interrupt the Super Bowl, and this is what I get? They don't even try to sell it to you. They don't even say, "Drink Pepsi. Please?" No.

They get Bo Jackson and Jimmy Connors taking potshots at each other. Then again, the ad also features Shannon Doherty, so it's not all that bad. Anyway, it seems to me that commercials are a true reflection of our culture nowadays. They guys in control are telling us to buy everything without actually saying it.

I don't want to go into a "Marxist/Communism and capitalism is evil rant here, but it seems that all we do is buy and buy. Any outlets of creativity simply reinforce our actions by telling us to buy and buy.

So, the next time you see that commercial for Old Milwaukee with the Swedish Bikini Team (they were in Playboy—oww...owww...), or one of those Keystone Beer "Wouldn't it be great ads, ask yourself, "Wouldn't it be great if all the advertising agencies in the U.S. made commercials that didn't force themselves on anyone and just made people think, thus producing a true art form?"

Yeah, it would.

Just as long as they don't have Shannon Doherty talking about a vaginal yeast infection.

Scott Cohen is a contributing writer from University of Florida. In his off-hours, Scott enjoys over-seeing Sub-Genius initiation rites.

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THE NEW TV SEASON: Top Ten Rated Shows on the Nova Channel

10. "Die Hard III" Feature Film. Nova landscapers use Sears batteries to spring recumbent palm trees back to life. Features Bruce Willis as a palmetto bug.


8. "M*A*S*H" Serious show with laugh track. Liberal Arts courses undergo surgery at mobile field trailer. (R)

7. "Jeopardy" Hospital-quiz show. An unsuspecting student eats meatloaf at the cafeteria.


5. "Star Trek: The Nova Generation" Science fiction. Students, faculty, and staff warp-drive to outer reaches of the Romulan cosmos, where no person has gone before, in a futile search for a parking spot.


3. "Southern Exposure" Dramatic comedy/drama. On the steps of the Parker building, Nova students from Alaska sell holdigs wearing thong bikinis. (?!!)

2. "The Golden Gulls" Nature. The Oceanography Center studies four old birds with dye jobs who share a nest on Miami Beach.

And the number one rated show is . . . .


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Candidate: Thomas L. Chapman  
Party Affiliation: Nonpartisan  
Age: 52

Biography: Mr. Chapman is a Pentecostal missionary from Lakeland, Florida.

Platform: "Put prayer back in school; stop condom safe sex business; put the computer in context, this will create jobs; recommend that the American people--those that are able--to go back to work and stop depending on welfare checks and government support.

"I'm going to take 12 good men--of good report--and remove the foxes out of the government, it's the little fox that spoils the vine; reduce government spending whether it be salaries or otherwise and distribute to the poor and needy; abolish abortion with exception of those who have sex due to unfortunate circumstance; put freeze on the raising of taxes or fire supplement or any other billing that puts a burden on the American people, the American people who have been taxed out; and bring all P.O.W.'s home.*

Candidate: Dr. John Hagelin  
Party Affiliation: The Natural Law Party  
Age: 38

Biography: Dr. Hagelin is a world renowned scientist. He received his PhD. in nuclear physics from Harvard University, and has authored over 60 scientific articles, which include some of the most cited references in the physical sciences.

Dr. Hagelin has worked at the European Laboratory for Particle Physics (CERN) and the Stanford Linear Accelerator (SLAC). He is co-developer of a highly successful theory that unites the fundamental forces and particles of nature, and was named this year's winner of the prestigious Kilby Award.

Platform: The Natural Law Party was established to "bring the light of science into politics." The party's goal is "to introduce the most advanced, scientifically proven solutions to the nation's pressing problems.

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ACOSTA HOPES TO LEAD SOCCER TEAM TO VICTORY IN '92

Scott Vrabel

Senior Alex Acosta has provided the Nova University Knights men's soccer team with exciting action in each of his past three seasons of play. But something about that final, senior season gets the blood pumping and the adrenalin flowing. Acosta is prepared for his final season of collegiate soccer play. He's prepared more efficiently in the past six months than AT any other time of his soccer career. 

"This is the big season and there's no doubt that I intend to do everything possible to help this team win every game," said Acosta. "My goals are team oriented, but I know that if I am prepared and work extremely hard, we hope others will follow."

A Look At Awards

Coming from Lake Mary High School in Orlando, Acosta played in the Florida State All-Star Game in 1989. Lake Mary was then the #1 rated soccer team in all of Florida. During that season, Acosta lead his team in assists and also gathered the "Most Improved Player" award.

He was then recruited by former Nova coach Hal Henderson (who now serves as Nova's Head Athletic Trainer) and current coach Thomas Rongen.

"My decision to come to Nova was based on two criteria," said Acosta. "I knew that both Hal and Thomas were excellent, well-respected coaches. The other reason was the fact that Nova has a good reputation for its academic standards."

In his freshman season at Nova, Acosta was a good player. During the next season ('90), Acosta was named to the All-District and All-Conference Teams. Last season, Acosta was named to the All-Area, All-Conference, All-District, All-South, and Honorable Mention All-American Teams.

"I was happy with some of the personal awards that I received after last season but was certainly not overjoyed with the results from our season," said Acosta. "I guess I have mixed emotions regarding last years team. We were short on talent but big on intangibles. We were well-coached and pulled together to put together a good season in many peoples eyes."

Goals For The Season

"My number one goal is one that some of the other players on the team also share," said Acosta. "I want to get as close as possible to a national championship. Colorado Programs Nationals will be a dream come true."

Nova's soccer team last competed at the National Championships in 1988, as host team of the tournament. 

"Achieving the status of 1st Team All-American is a personal goal for me. But I will sacrifice a personal award like that for any kind of team award."

"When your about to go through a season like ours, preparing for 19 games, you also put together some short-term goals. One of those for me is to beat Lynn University(formerly College of Boca Raton) when we travel to Boca on September 30."

"In my three seasons here we have not beaten them. Last year we tied and the two previous years were losses. I expect our game against them (Lynn) will be very physical and hard-played. A win against them will help to cap off my college soccer career."

Life After Soccer

For Acosta, there will always be life after soccer. The question is, when will soccer end?

"That's a good question that I can't quite answer yet," said Acosta. "I would like to go on and play professional soccer if at all possible. But at the same time, I know that I'll need to earn enough money to support myself in a comfortable manner."

"If soccer playing options are out of the question, I will either return to Orlando upon graduation in May, hoping to find a good job, or I may pursue a Masters Degree from Nova University."

"I am currently talking with Coach Rongen regarding the possibility of a graduate assistant coaching position at Nova next season. Hopefully, that could be an option for me.

Alex Acosta will graduate from Nova in June with a Bachelors degree in Business Administration. Keep your fingers crossed for him to achieve many of his goals for the upcoming year.

RONGEN TAKES OVER KNIGHT SOCCER

Scott Vrabel

Head Soccer Coach Thomas Rongen begins his first season as the "solo" head coach of the Nova University Knights. Rongen served as Co-Head Coach last season along with Hal Henderson, who now serves as Nova's Head Athletic Trainer.

In the Fall of 1991, Nova was ranked as high as #13 among all NAIA (National Association for Inter-collegiate Athletics) schools during the season. But their season ended in the opening round of District 25-F (recently changed to District 7) play, with a 1-0 loss to Flagler College. Nova's season ended at 11-1-4.

Nova has been eliminated in the first round of post-season district play in each of the past three seasons.

"It's pretty obvious that one of our main goals will be to get past the opening round of the postseason and to the District Championship," said Rongen. "Of course we have to get to postseason play first. Many people take the fact that we have made it to postseason play in six consecutive seasons for granted. There is good soccer competition throughout our district, quite possibly the toughest district in the NAIA."

"A short-term goal for us will be to get off to a good start. We open with four consecutive road games. It will be critical for us to be successful early." Managing a quick start could be difficult. Four tough games against very credible opponents will pose a tremendous challenge. Lack of preseason competition complicates the situation even more.

"Many of the junior colleges have dropped their soccer programs, eliminating potential teams we could be playing. Much of our preseason will include game situational play among ourselves."

"Probably the hardest thing about not playing other teams is our inability to gauge how good we are. Our opener against Berry on September 4 will be a real test of our ability."

Nova and Berry have played a handful of close contests over the past few seasons. Berry is one of the Knights' nemesis in the NAIA's District 7.

After The First Four

If the Knights can get by those first four games with one loss or less, the rest of the competition should probably take notice. "We'll try to go out there and win each game. Even though we'll be on the road in four tough matches, we think we can match up well with all of our opponents. This team has a lot of character, and there are plenty of players who are used to winning. That should help us," said Rongen.
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cause they would most likely be destroyed or stolen by some punks visiting for the weekend.

I had a great time at the beach and noticed many elements unique to Florida. The scene also made me sad. At one time the Jersey shore was just as beautiful and water just as clear. It will never be that way again.

Let's hope Florida uses Jersey as an example and never lets the water get polluted and the beaches destroyed.

If it cares, Florida will always have some of the most beautiful beaches in the world.

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past. The old adage "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure" aptly demonstrated how to effectively use the information. The evening was quite humerously wrapped up when all attendees engaged in a game of programopoly. All who participated enjoyed Ms. Pebley's talk about is the game. As I arrive home, I realize the next game against the Raid-
estors is only one week away. I can't wait to campus to relive those old college days. And if you start getting involved right now, there will be more college days to remember when you come back as alumni.

Zareefa Kahn is the editor-in-chief of The Legal P.A.D.

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got the ball? It's crazy because the Dolphin fans think their team has the ball and vice versa. Bills recover. Oh well, the Dolphins will get the ball back. It's the two minute warning, and the Dolphins are losing by one point. They have the ball at their thirty-yard line. Dolphin fans hope for a late rally by the home team. Great run, down to the Bill twenty-yard line.

"Time out, time out." Finally the referees see the sign. It's up to the kicker, Pat Staymanovich, to complete the winning field goal with five seconds left. The kick is UP AND GOOD. The fans in the stadium go nuts. Throughout the stadium the Dolphin fans jump in excite-
ment. As I leave the stadium, the fans chant "Dolphins, Dolphins." In the car all we talk about is the game. As I arrive home, I realize the next game against the Raiders is only one week away. I can't wait to conference.

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students and others will work to implement a successful book exchange for the next eight weeks.

The Mock Simulations Committee showcases Nova College faculty, students and guests of situational panels dealing with issues such as abortion and other rights of privacy, homelessness, or politics.

If you are interested in serving on any of the committees, call the SGA office at 475-7437 or come to the Rosenthal Student Center, room 206, for more information.

In other news, SGA will elect two persons to fill the Freshman Representative positions the first week of October.

SGA will arrange for Nova students to participate in projects to assist victims of Hurricane Andrew in Dade County. Look for advertisements around the main campus throughout October.

SGA will offer four scholarships to Nova College students for use in the next summer semester and 93-94 school year. Applications and requirements will be available in late November.

If you have any comments, com-

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body needs to sleep the entire next day. If you do feel inclined to get up the next morning, there will be an Alumni Brunch offered in the Cafeteria from 10-1 on Sunday, Whew!

That's where we stand with Homecoming 1992. Lots of activities, lots of people, lots of fun, and lots of memories in the making. After all, that's what Homecoming is all about: coming back to campus to relive those old college days. And if you start getting involved right now, there will be more college days to remember when you come back as alumni.

The Mock Simulations Committee offered in the Cafeteria from 10-1 to 1-3 on Thursday, October 1.

The prize will be a $100 DAKA meal card; and the winning entry will be published in The Knight.

For further information, please contact Mr. Jaime Alvarado, Collections Manager, at 370-5630.

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Nova University's Bursar's Office is sponsoring a contest, open to students, staff and faculty, for the best "Thank You" letter to borrowers for repayment of their NDSL/Perkins loans. In 100 words or less, entrants should express Nova's gratitude in any mood—humorous, poetic, or however they wish.

One or more typed entries may be submitted, by October 30, 1992, to the Bursar's Office, located on the third floor of the Parker building. Judges will be Geri Castora, Director of Financial Aid, Brad Williams, Director of Student Life and Dr. Phil DeTurk, Dean of Nova College.

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