Dear fellow students,

Welcome to Nova Southeastern University. On behalf of the Student Government, I hope your time at N.S.U. is well spent on expanding your minds and participating in the many co-curricular activities that are offered.

This is the first of a series of letters from me to you to keep you informed of what your Student Government is doing for you, changes in the University, upcoming activities you may enjoy, what you can do to get more involved, and a host of other informative topics.

One of the S.G.A.'s central goals is to represent the student's concerns. If you are having a problem, whether it be with classes, student services, or even at home and you don't know what to do, come and ask for help. That is why we are here. We are students too, and we might have or know where to find the answers. The S.G.A. is a resource for you.

For those students who are new to Nova, the S.G.A. is looking for two special freshmen to represent your class and their concerns. This position is an important one because the two individuals will be asked to share their new ideas, become extra involved, and to stay in touch with their constituency.

Because this is such a selective position, we will be looking for two students that stand out above the rest. See a LETTER on 6.

New security system installed at Goodwin.

by Christie MacDonald

DING DONG! Returning students may have noticed that they now have to ring a door bell to get into Goodwin Residence Hall. The new bell is part of a new and improved security system collaborated by Public Safety and Residential Life staff to benefit undergraduates who live at the "big pink birthday cake," as my roommate calls it.

For the past few years at Goodwin, anyone could walk through the front door after midnight. The only safety measure available was a security guard who sat a table near the elevator and checked for student ID's. Visitors were signed-in by a verified resident.

Unfortunately, when a group of people entered, the security guard was overloaded. While the guard was...

Adventure for credit

by Billy Cerbelli

Would you like to learn a foreign language, but don't want to read from a book for sixteen weeks? I have the answer for you.

Study abroad in Mexico.

Dr. Barbara Brodman offers LAC 485-6, a field study class and trip in the second semester of each winter session. In this class, you study about the Mayan culture of Mexico, Guatemala, Belize, and prepare to spend six weeks in Latin America learning a new language.

On May 8 Dr. Brodman, four stu...
by Aimee Bucchino

Nova’s Adventure Towards Understanding and Researching the Environment (otherwise known as N.A.T.U.R.E.) originally began as an organization designed to aid students in the science majors with their math and science courses. N.A.T.U.R.E. has since broadened its horizons. Tutoring is now offered to both science majors and non-majors.

N.A.T.U.R.E.’s goals have also come to include students and the community about different environmental concerns as well as incorporating those concerns into learning experiences. Activities are planned throughout the year to help students voice their concerns.

Programs such as horseback riding, camping, vegetarian and non-vegetarian barbecues, and environmental movie nights are featured. Environmental lectures are given by the science professors; topics range from the destruction of the Everglades to whale behaviors. A trip to Sea World and the end of the year barbecue are also planned.

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR SEPTEMBER

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Contact student life at (305) 452-1400 for more information.

N.A.T.U.R.E. has big plans for Nova

N.A.T.U.R.E. is here for all students (both science and non-science majors) to address for all of their environmental concerns and for tutoring needs. Our first meeting will be on Monday, September 4, 1995 at 6 p.m. in the Rosenthal Student Center on the second floor. The first activity of the year is a blood drive on September 26.

Mistake

In the last issue of The Knight, (1 May 1995) I printed that Stephanie Castonguay lip-synched in her performance in the Hollywood Squares when she used her own vocal cords. Sorry, Diva Steph!

Christie MacDonald
Campus Life Editor

Cooperative Work Study offers job experience

by Karina LeDzema

If you are like most students you are probably paranoid of entering the enigmatic “real world.” As much as college courses claim to be hands-on they are still staged in classrooms with other students and professors. But now the Career Resource Center, and the Farquhar Center For Undergraduate Studies in conjunction with participating employers are helping to elaborate on your college education, through the Cooperative Education Program.

The Cooperative Education Program is an opportunity for students to savor the experience of a job in their major field while still pursuing their degree. This program offers the student a chance to polish book-smart skills, as well as make contacts in their degree field, while simultaneously utilizing the work experience in their studies. The benefits extend even further, as the student also receives academic credit for the employment opportunity. Furthermore, studies of Co-op scenarios demonstrate that an estimated 80% of the participants are offered permanent employment by the host company. The average annual salary is estimated at $7,000. International students with F-1 and J-1 visas are welcomed. All students are encouraged to participate.

The requirements are a minimum of a 2.5 cumulative GPA. and the completion of at least 36 academic credit hours. Participants must work at least 10-20 hours per week in a sixteen week period. To complete their requirements students must also complete a project for the faculty sponsor assigned in accordance to the student's academic department.

Collegiate employment no longer has to be synonymous with underemployment. In the fast pace job market we need experience to be considered for a job in our field, but we can not get the experience without the job opportunity. Now, the Cooperative Education Program offers the opportunity to surpass this cycle, typical of graduating student’s careers. You do not have to wonder what the future holds in your career field, now all you have to do is work for it.

Advance in your studies and in your future career, today. For further information please contact Madeline Pena, at the Farquhar Center For Undergraduate Studies, at 236-4077, or Michelle Ohayon at the Career Resource Center, at 475-7504.

Quote: "Great opportunity for students to gain experience in the world of work,that will assist them in their career decision making process." -Michelle Ohayon
PASA looking forward to a big year

by Coeurlande Carry

The Pan African Student Association (P.A.S.A.) is gearing up for a new and exciting year. Since our beginning in 1986 as NUBSA, we have presented an array of cultural events and workshops to the Nova Southeastern campus. Now, for the '95-'96 school year, we are more determined than ever to serve the university by increasing Caribbean and African-American awareness.

PASA will premier new events this year and bring back some old favorites to boot. First-time events include Caribbean Day and Step Show Extravaganza. Returning activities that will remain strong are the campus parties, banquets, workshops, forums, conventions, conferences and a larger Black History Program, which will illustrate the rich culture and struggle of the African-American experience.

Many may believe that we had lost our appeal, but PASA is coming back this year with new energy and determination to serve the students on campus with the help of our new officers and advisors. We will strive to further advance academically, enlighten politically, and motivate socially the students of Nova Southeastern University.

Come and see what we are all about. All students are welcome! Our first meeting is Friday, September 8 at 5:30 p.m. in the Rosenthal Student Center. Refreshments will be served, and I hope to meet you there! If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at (305) 926-7723 or by e-mail at (carryc@polaris.ncs.nova.edu).

PASA '95-'96 New Officers
President: Coeurlande Carry
Vice President: Tamara Taylor
Program Director: Karen Jeffers
Treasurer: Christie MacDonald
Recording Secretary: Myrna Hepburn
Corresponding Secretary: Kelvin Vidale
Parliamentarian: Herve Jean-Pierre
Advisors: Mary Boyd, Janet King, Vyan Smith

Alpha Phi Omega: new committed-to-service fraternity to clean up campus

by Christina Gay

One of the latest additions to Nova Southeastern's Student Life club scene is Alpha Phi Omega, an internationally known community service fraternity.

Founded by Eagle Scouts, APO is dedicated to the National Scouting Movement's ideals of leadership, friendship, and service.

These standards are upheld in four areas of activity: campus, fraternity (national), community, and nation.

During the 1995-96 academic year, APO will engage in campus clean-ups, fund-raisers, and Habitat for Humanity projects.

Joining APO has its own intrinsic rewards, but a number of important extrinsic benefits should not be overlooked.

General and executive board meetings are held bimonthly on Tuesdays at 4 p.m. Rush will take place from September 11-14.

Contact Joel Natt at (305) 741-5918 or Christina Gay at (305) 452-6351 for more information.

Top Ten Reasons to Join Alpha Phi Omega
10. Over 620 chapters nationwide
9. Establish connections with campus leaders
8. Fellowship
7. Develop leadership skills
6. Coed fraternity
5. President and Mrs. Clinton are brothers, too
4. Service to others
3. Friendships which last a lifetime
2. Brotherhood
1. Become an active part of campus life!

NSU's New Pre-Med Society
by Jackie Isaza

Nova Southeastern's Pre-Med. Society welcomes you to an exciting 1995-1996 school year! The Pre-Med. Society is a young club composed of students pursuing a career in the field of medicine. The club seeks to meet the needs of NSU's pre-med students by exposing them to activities such as tours of medical schools and debates on pressing issues in the medical field.

Last year, the club visited the University of Miami's Medical School, as well as NSU's Medical School. In addition, some of the club members attended an euthanasia debate.

Another important way the club seeks to meet the needs of students is by providing them with an opportunity to join the American Medical Student Association (AMSA). AMSA is an association that serves pre-medical students by providing literature, projects, and conferences that enable the members to develop as students and future doctors.

With all of last year's activity, this year promises to be even more exciting. Tours of the University of South Florida and UF medical schools are scheduled. In addition, students will be shadowing physicians and attending debates. But the students will also be provided with opportunities to serve the community by volunteering at Hollywood Memorial Pediatrics Ward and tutoring other pre-med students. The first meeting is Wednesday, August 30, at 4:30 p.m. in PSA 6 (Science Annex).

If you have any questions, contact Carrie Giordano by e-mail: (giordano@polaris.ncs.nova.edu).
Best Buddies: a chance to impact a life

by Jonathan Miodowski

Best Buddies is excited about beginning its second year at N.S.U. Best Buddies is a non-profit organization that has chapters in 176 universities around the United States. We pair up students with buddies that have some similarities, or share some interests. There is only a one year commitment!

In that period, the college students are expected to treat their buddies as a friend, and have activities with them. They are encouraged to go on individual outings to the movies, the mall, and other such places. But just a simple phone call every week makes a very big difference in the lives of these buddies.

For the coming year, we will have a few small pizza parties, movie outings, and go to a major sporting event like a game at Joe Robbie stadium. Best Buddies meets monthly to give updates of buddy interactions.

Remember, Best Buddies provides the college student with the opportunity to interact INDIVIDUALLY with a less fortunate person. It doesn't depend on group outings, but on your individual effort, desire and commitment to make the relationship work. If you would like more information on Best Buddies, contact Jonathan Miodowsky at (midowosk@polaris.ncs.nova.edu) or Stephanie George at (georges@polaris.ncs.nova.edu).

FFEA provides volunteer experience in school community

by Christie MacDonald

The Florida Future Educators of America welcomes all new and returning students to an exciting new year. FFEA is an organization that provides education majors with a chance to take their skills learned in Nova classes out into the community through volunteer experience and other activities.

Lots of activities are planned for FFEA's '95-'96 academic year. Our volunteer efforts include a book drive for Andros Island in the Bahamas, a reading day at a local hospital, volunteer work at local schools, and upcoming charity events. We also hope to bridge the gap between high school students and Nova through our volunteer projects.

FFEA's on-campus events include a scholastic book fair, holiday gatherings, and an end-of-the-year banquet. Also, look out for our many bake sales on campus that will help us raise money for our many activities.

The first meeting of FFEA will be held the third or fourth week in September. Flyers will be mailed to all education majors or a notice will be posted on the bulletin board on see FFEA on 8.

N.I.S.A tries to top last year's amazing success

by Karina LeDezma

The world is getting smaller every day. You can communicate with a pen-pal in Italy through the Internet, pick up a phone and talk to a business partner in Belize in seconds, or fax a stranger in the Philippines, all without leaving your room, for no more than the cost of a local call. If you are getting claustrophobic with our shrinking-world theory, then let us make an introduction. No, this is not an AT&T commercial. This is the presentation of N.I.S.A.

The Nova International Student Association is the realization that borders do not exist in today's world, and our responsibility as students is to educate ourselves about the world that surrounds us. No longer can we restrain our knowledge to the ethnocentrism of our own culture, nor to the intangible world of books. N.I.S.A. consists of those students who go beyond borders to learn and teach about the varieties and similarities that inevitably unite us. We represent over twenty countries. Each member acts as an ambassador to his culture in our many activities. Last year our activities consisted of the International Expo, an exposition of eighteen countries which consisted of ethnic foods, music, videos, posters, and dances. We also held the Mexican Fiesta which greeted our guests Mexican style.

This year we plan to repeat last year's Club-of-the-Year success, as well as adding to these activities by featuring cultures as hosts to our meeting days, where you could represent your country through movies, music, books, pictures, or anything that can materialize a country on its day. We are also available for any questions that international students could have about campus life, employment, housing, or consolate locations.

Nevertheless, we as an international students' association do not just consist of visiting students. We also welcome students from our host country, The United States of America, and encourage your visits as we do not intend to isolate our members from this culture, but rather to learn from our international education.

We hope to have you give us at N.I.S.A. to exploit our potential as global connoisseurs, not only as an assimilation to our different worlds, but to learn to live in one world. Become an ambassador to your country.

Please contact:
David Escartin, President: (305) 450-8425
Karina LeDezma, Vice-President: (305) 430-1516
IVC encourages faith in the real world
by Kathy Klockziem

InterVarsity Christian Fellowship represents a nationally recognized collegiate fellowship which traces its roots back to Cambridge, England in 1877. InterVarsity offers conferences for its chapters on the county, state, and national levels. InterVarsity means intercollegiate. We reflect that name by being an interdenominational Christian fellowship of college students.

Ultimately, InterVarsity is people who gather around a common faith and vision. While each local InterVarsity chapter is unique, reflecting the personality of its campus setting and student leadership, all of us in InterVarsity share the following commitments:

- to build collegiate fellowships characterized by meaningful relationships.
- to impact our campus with the gospel.
- to nurture one another in spiritual growth.

Fall Rush a great time to learn about Greeks
by Candace Kehl

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to Nova Southeastern University as well as introduce you to our Greek system. In the next few weeks, you will be hearing and seeing a lot of activity on campus. Phi Mu, Delta Phi Epsilon, and Phi Sigma Sigma, all well known to NSU Greeks, what they do, what they stand for, and how they function.

September 5-9, 1995 marks NSU’s third annual “Fall Rush”. “Rush” is the recruitment period for the six Greek organizations that make up the NSU Greek system. Each organization is looking for new, quality members to become a part of the brotherhood and sisterhood under one united council. All six Greek organizations are basically like families within one larger family. They come together to raise money for charities and the surrounding community, to celebrate holidays, to celebrate being Greek, and to support other organization and club events.

Becoming a part of the NSU Greek system or even just getting involved on campus has its definite benefits. You gain leadership skills, learn to cooperate in groups to accomplish high academic achievement, time management skills, and communication skills, as well as gaining “a home away from home.” Nova Southeastern’s Greek organizations are very diverse in its members, ideals and goals.

Kappa Alpha Psi: ΚΑΨ “Fraternity, Knowledge, and Fidelity”
Kappa was the first fraternity to be voted in by the four founding Greek organizations. Kappa Alpha Psi places concentration on “Achievement” in all that a brother does. Kappa is looking for new men to join in achieving excellence in academics, leadership, and brotherhood.

Delta Phi Epsilon: ΔΦΕ “Esse Quam Videri”
Delta Phi Epsilon is NSU’s first chartered sorority. Together, the women strive for Self, Sisterhood, Service, Scholarship, and Social. Delta Phi Epsilon is known for its “Velvety Valentine Bash” co-hosted with Theta Delta Chi. Together the women of Delta Phi Epsilon worked hard and for the past two years have won the Greek Council Academic Excellence Award. The strong group is looking for quality women to join the sisterly bond of Delta Phi Epsilon.

Phi Sigma Sigma: ΦΣΣ “Dickete Hupsala—Aim High”
Phi Sigma Sigma was founded on the ideal of “The Advancement of Womanhood.” As each member grows through commitment to leadership, academic excellence, philanthropic service, good health and citizenship, the mission statement of Phi Sigma Sigma speaks for itself. Phi Sig was the recipient of the Greek Organization of the Year 1993-94 awarded by Student Life, for campus involvement, and leadership. The sisters of Phi Sigma Sigma are most known for their fundraising for the National Kidney Foundation with their bi-annual “Rock-A-Thon” held on NSU’s campus as well as off-campus in the surrounding community.

Now that you’ve been introduced to a bit, feel free to ask anyone in any of these organizations about their organization. I’m sure they would be more than willing to tell you about it, and get you involved in it as well. If you have any questions at all contact the Office of Greek Affairs—(305) 476-4780.
Mexican field study offered to broaden horizons

On the first day of our journey, we drove nine hours to the border of Belize, and then on to our hotel. It was an adventurous day, renting a VW with no plates and a broken gas gauge, and watching a car accident happen in front of our eyes. We arrived safely, though, to a nice hotel right on the beach.

On our third day, we visited the site of Caracol, which means snail. We were lucky enough to happen upon a recent find. The archaeological team of Mr. & Mrs. Chase just found the grave of a woman. She was buried on her back and had a necklace of pure jade around her neck.

She was abnormal, though, as all Mayans are buried east to west with the pattern of the sun. She was found lying north and south. Her height was estimated to be at 5 feet 1 inch, which is several inches taller than the average Mayan.

I attempted to take a picture, but was stopped and told that it was forbidden. This was a major find and will be in an upcoming issue of National Geographic.

On three occasions, we traveled to magnificent waterfalls. First were the Rio Frío Falls, tiny falls with a little pond to take a dip in. Next were the 1000 foot falls. These were amazing, starting at the top of the mountain and falling straight to the bottom.

Finally we visited Agua Azul, the thirteenth day, we entered the resort at 5 a.m. The water is a little cold, yet clear enough to swim. I attempted to take a picture, but was stopped and told that it was forbidden.

At the end of the day, we took a dip in the pool. Next were the falls.

On the thirteenth day, we entered the town of San Cristóbal, our final destination for the remaining four weeks. The town was the biggest that we'd seen, yet small in comparison to anything we were used to. It was very beautiful. Buildings and churches were everywhere, and quaint coffee shops inhabited most of the corners.

Our homes would be at a research institute named Na Bolom, meaning "house of the jaguar" in Mayan. It was a big mansion formed around a central courtyard and covering one city block. The house had a rare book library consisting of over 14,000 books, two museums with Mayan artifacts, a hotel and a 25 person-dining room. Behind the house was an organic garden where they grew all their own fruits and vegetables.

For the next four weeks, Four of us studied Spanish for three hours a day. Ileana, who already spoke Spanish, studied an Indian language called Tzetzal. In the morning we studied with a male teacher named Rosenthal, but studied in a group of 4.

A letter from the SGA President

If you are interested in becoming a Freshman Representative, pick up an application at the Student Government Office, located at the second floor of the Rosenthal Building in room 207. Applications are due September 18 at 5 P.M. in the S.G.A. office.

Some students have expressed interest in our new Senate Assistance Program. This new program was designed to increase student involvement in the Student Government and at the same time learn about planning, policy, and the importance of student representation in the University. If you would like to enroll in the assistance program, sign up in the S.G.A. office and you will be notified of the first informational meeting by one of our members.

We in S.G.A. plan to make this year more interactive with students and campus organizations. Our door is always open. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to stop by the S.G.A. office, or call us at (305) 476-4734. For those who are computer literate, we can also be reached on-line at (sga@polaris). Let's make this year the best for everyone!

Sincerely,

Anthony Dominici, President
Nova College Student Government Association

Novalert steps up dorm security measures

The $4,500 system made by Aphone will better insure that people who do not belong in the residence hall will not gain entrance. Residents at the other residence halls will maintain the same security as before with locked entrances.

N.S.U. has not had a major security and crime problem in its residential halls thus far. Public Safety focuses on crime prevention to ensure a safe campus. If you ever witness something suspicious on campus, Public Safety is only a phone call away at Extension 3-8999.

(Information taken from an interview with Tony Adams, Public Safety Coordinator).
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Campus Survival!

IN THE DORM

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Shielded die-cast 2-way A/V speaker
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Each

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Survival check list

- Phone cords and accessories
- Alarm clock or clock radio
- TV, VCR and video accessories
- Security devices
- Computer and accessories
- Batteries
- Stereo equipment, speakers and audio accessories
- Heavy-duty flashlight
- Smoke alarm
- Part-time job (see the manager of your local Radio Shack store)

AC accessories to power your dorm

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The sun is shining,
The birds are singing,
The clouds go by,
the clouds go by,
the clouds go by.
Man swims from the ocean,
Man goes up the trees.
Man swims on the ocean,
Man goes down the trees.
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Pharaohs go down.
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An empire goes down.
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Christianity is the way to go!
So the churches say.
The church is corrupted,
the peasants that pay.
The atom unleashed,
The power unchained.
God is dead,
and so is Man.
The sun is shining,
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Mexican culture enriches students

Rehanaldo, and in the afternoon we studied with Maria Christina. Ileana had one teacher, named Guadaloupe, for both classes. From the very start we were spoken to only in Spanish. It was tough at first, but it was easier to learn after a day or two. We were taught in split sessions and by two teachers so we could have two different styles and more time to absorb the language.

There were no tests or writing assignments to be done, just conversations and a lot of note taking.

On the weekends between classes, we traveled to Indigenous (Indian) villages around San Cristobal. We learned about their cultures and how the government's war with the rebels affected their lives. We learned how to make pottery and weave rugs, all by hand.

On the fourth weekend of the trip, 3 of us traveled to the Lacandon Rainforest. The drive was long and tough, but well worth it. We lived with a Mayan man named KinBor. He had a wooden room where we set our hammocks and slept for 2 nights. For 2 days we lived off Corn Flakes and milk, which we brought with us.

On the second day we were lucky enough to have his wife cook us rice with tuna and beans. It was very good.

On Sunday morning KinBor led us through the Rainforest. We walked for a long while, crossing streams and avoiding trees. Finally we came to some un-excavated Mayan ruins. They were buried under tons of trees and weeds, yet the top lay uncovered for all to see.

The bricks still had their original red paint, and you could see where robbers broke in and took the treasure.

Next we were led to hidden waterfalls inside the forest. They were unbelievable. It was like something out of a movie. The water was crystal clear and ice cold. KinBor led us up the falls and to the top. The climb was dangerous, but what a rush!

All in all, the six weeks I spent studying the language and culture abroad was one of the best times in my life, and I think the others will agree. The experience of studying another language in another country was exciting and challenging. Very few people spoke English which made us want to learn even more. We all learned many new and interesting things, while making friendships that will hopefully last a lifetime.
Corey Johnson is in Control
The new Athletic Director speaks with the new Sports Editor

by Gustavo Bravo

Over the summer, the athletic department experienced several changes. Among these was the arrival of a new Director of Athletics. One of this gentleman’s numerous credentials was to help orchestrate the rise of the prestigious University of Miami athletic department as an Associate Athletic Director. I had an opportunity to speak with Mr. Johnson and ask him a few questions regarding his position here at NSU.

Question: Full name?
Answer: Corey Johnson

Q: Where were you born?
A: I was born in Redwood Falls, Minnesota.

Q: How long did you reside there?
A: I went to high school there. After graduation I left and attended college in Suffolk, South Dakota. There, I received an athletic (football) scholarship and graduated with a degree in Health Recreation and Physical Education.

Q: What were your favorite sports while growing up in Redwood Falls?
A: I played basketball, football, and baseball. Favorite? It depended on which season.

Q: As a child participating in these sports, did you picture yourself involved in athletics as an adult?
A: I always knew I would be. I knew from the very beginning that I either wanted to be a coach or involved in some type of athletics. You see I grew up on a farm and in my era a lot of times when you graduated you stayed on and took over the father’s business, which wasn’t for me. I enjoyed athletics, athletics has been very good to me. I also happened to be lucky in the sense that I was better than most of the guys I played with.

Q: How did you end up at the University of Miami and what were your responsibilities there?
A: In 1983 I came to UM as an Associate Athletic Director. I came during a period of time when the school was going through a great transition. My responsibilities were administration over minor sports, oversee recruiting, and game management. Eventually in 1984 the University decided to bring back basketball so my duties were to help administrate its return.

Q: Do the recent allegations and likely punishment against the Athletic Department leave a bitter taste in your mouth when you look back at those years you spent building that athletic institution?
A: It’s really hard to make a judgment as to what possibly could happen. I think there’s always a cloud of doubt when some program is being suspected or being reviewed. The one thing about UM is that there have been very, very good people who’ve gone through there and worked hard during that period of time from the (Howard) Schnellenberger years (former head football coach during the late 70’s and early 80’s) to now where Butch (Davis) is coaching and Paul Dee is the AD. I think it’s hard for anybody to have their program reviewed and it does hurt to see them going through this period. Hopefully, things will turn around for them.

Q: Where in your eyes did UM go wrong and how could NSU, a private institution like UM, avoid a similar slide?
A: I think like anything else, you have to do your own review. You have to stay on top of the people you work with and make sure you surround yourself with good people because it truly is a partnership. We’re different in a sense that their high profile sport is football, which adds so many more numbers to the athletic department. Therefore, you have more opportunities to make mistakes.

Q: What are your immediate and long-term goals for the athletic department here at Nova?
A: Immediate goals are to create a new, more positive attitude. To make the experience of the athletes that are recruited here the best that it can possibly be. Also, to solidify our coaching staff and hopefully get more of our coaches on a full-time basis. I think it’s important that the students have somebody to plug into during the day, every day. The disadvantage that we have is that they (part-time coaches) are not here and have other positions which does not allow them to get here until the afternoon. There’s a big void and I think that you lose out on a relationship with your players. Because being a coach is more than coaching on the field. It’s being a mentor, a leader, a role model and somebody that can listen or give guidance. Long term goals would probably be to increase funding, build a facility, add to the full-time status of our coaching staff, and maybe elevate the level of competition.

Q: Perhaps moving up to a higher division?
A: It’s a possibility. We have to really evaluate where we’re at and who we’ve been competing against. Simply trying to put our school in a situation where we are competing against a similar school.

Q: In reference to building a facility, are you alluding to a gymnasium?
A: Instead of a gymnasium I think we need a multi-purpose facility that can house several gym floors. Also something that can be used across the campus for conventions, speakers, and concerts which will undoubtedly enhance our education. It’s a building that will serve many, many purposes. Because we need more space and better facilities for our intramural sports, dances, wellness program, weightlifting room etc.,...

Q: How can support, as far as attendance, for athletic events be improved?
A: One of the things is that it’s like a ripple effect. It should start from our department. We have to create some friendships with students, faculty, and other personnel on campus to get them involved. The better they know the athletes, the more willing they will be to come out and watch him/her in competition. Also, our athletes should participate in intramural games in order to intermingle with the rest of the student body.

Q: In your opinion, what is the single most important task that is expected of you?
A: My first task is to set up a structure that is most beneficial to our student-athletes. For example, if I’m Athletic Director and we recruit you as a soccer player, it’s my role to make sure that the soccer program gets everything they possibly can to make your experience the best it can be.

Q: If you had your way, what trait should student-athletes gain?
A: The most important trait they could gain would be character. With proper character the door of opportunity is always open. It’s easy to find followers and hopefully most of our student-athletes are leaders. I want them to set the tone in and out of the classroom.

Q: What is it that you enjoy most about your new post?
A: You have a chance to build something. You have a chance to change it and formulate a direction and ideas. Athletics happens to be a department that has a tremendous enthusiasm and life to it. Anytime that you can help put smiles on people’s faces is about as unique as a reward as you can get.

Q: List the three main reasons why you chose to come to NSU?
A: I have a chance to make it better. There’s a real willingness on campus to review where it’s going. I like the people.

Q: Finally, here’s your chance to make a pitch to the average Nova student who perhaps has never attended an athletic event and is unaware of the recent changes in the Athletic department. Why should Nova Joe make the cross-campus hike to attend any one of the numerous home games this year?
A: I think they should take the hike if they know some of our athletes. Second of all, if the people who represent our department are quality people, they’d want to plug in. Third, they have a chance to meet some of our coaches and witness the enthusiasm that they’re giving. And finally, if we could make it fun, then they will come out.
Tyson k.o’s McNeely in pay-per-pew bout

by Daniel Illman

The girl sidled over to my perch at the smoky sports bar. "Y’know, McNeely’s a second-generation fighter." I threw a jab. "Yes ma’am. His pop kissed the canvas about a dozen times versus Floyd Patterson. Petey boy will probably go down only once tonight." “But he has such a good record.” I readied the hook. “Statistics don’t mean nothing,” I murmured. "Most of the guys McNeely beat were fresh off life support.” "He is college educated." She was on the ropes. In another second, she would be like Luis Firpo, “the Wild Bull of the Pampas,” lying sprawled at Jack Dempsey’s feet. "He sure is," I chuckled. "But it wasn’t challenging enough for him intellectually. Boxing is better on the brain, you know. Just ask Cassius Clay." Frustrated, the girl shuffled off to a bunch of guys with beer mugs raised at the television. They were chanting "Pete, Pete, Pete," as if he was right there, chugging down a Lowenbrau with them.

The Tyson-McNeely debacle began a long time ago when Don King wanted to find the next Rocky Balboa. Enter Peter McNeely. Unfortunately for him, and the multitude of suckers laying out fifty bucks for the fight, he wasn’t from Philadelphia, didn’t have a girlfriend named Adrienne, and didn’t come to fight. The Boston Globe called him the "Great White Hopeless." They were right on the mark.

After all the usual pomp and circumstance that surrounds much-anticipated bouts, McNeely pranced around the ring like he had just found a four-leaf clover. His father had just said that Pete would "knock the bulb out." That drew a lot of applause from the rabble in the back room. I raised my mug. "Good luck, pal. You’re gonna need it.”

In my heart, I believe that McNeely could have gotten out of the first round if he just had a game plan. The taller pugilist, McNeely needed only to keep away from Tyson, pawing at the ex-champ with his jab, using his sizable reach advantage to hold the streetfighter at bay. He didn’t.

McNeely rushed Tyson at the bell, planted his feet, and threw some bombs. "Iron" Mike’s eyes widened like saucers as the open target presented itself. McNeely hit the mat seconds later. I sighed. Frank Bruno tried that trick against Tyson six years ago. He fared the same. Undaunted, McNeely rose and again chased Tyson. Again, his arms became a whirlwind of motion, as he tried to knock Tyson out with the "big one." Tyson threw a punch. McNeely went down. I ordered another drink.

"Stop it, already," I whispered to the RCA.

As if on cue, the towel man came in to save his boy from a further beating. The drums in the back started yelling obscenities. Obviously, they wanted more carnage.

Instead of embracing his savior, McNeely pulled his best Jeff Tarango, whining that he could have gone on. I stopped the barkeep.

"You pay for this?"

"Yeah, don’t tell me. I’m a dope."

"You gonna get the next one?"

"Probably. It seems to bring the people into the place."

Tyson said in an interview that another 300 million dollars was like buying a candy bar. With public opinion against him, can’t he share some of his Snicker’s with a rape prevention organization.

Tyson’s next opponent will be another fighter whose father was destroyed by a great heavyweight. Buster Mathis Jr. is a giant of a man. He’ll probably weigh in at 260 pounds for the Tyson fight, and for the boxing neophyte, will look like he can pose a threat. His father lasted ten rounds with Joe Frazier, the fighter of yesteryear that most resembles Tyson. Unfortunately, junior doesn’t have a punch, so Mr. Tyson will have more meat to chew on. And we all know that Mike’s no vegetarian.
 Hmm, what's on the radio? Click. Hey, nice tune. I wonder if Bob wants to bet on the Suns' game this weekend. Good news, the news. OJ case is canceled for the day...that means I can watch some real news tonight.

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 Club scene sizzling in South Florida
 by Nicola DiGiallonardo

 The club scene in Ft. Lauderdale and Miami is the hottest in the country. There is something for everybody, such as high energy dance music, hot body contests, "Foam Parties," Pierced and Painted body part contests, cage girl contests, and Eenie-Weenie-bikini contests. You name it, and there is a club that has it. This column will review one to three clubs in each issue of The Knight. We (The Entertainment Staff) will try to include all types of clubs for all walks of life. I apologize for not having any clubs reviewed for our first issue, but I felt it better to get into the swing of school first before I subjected my staff to the grueling task of going out night after night in rating the club scene. See you in two weeks.

 Editors Note: Working the club scene is a grueling task, indeed. If anyone is interested in joining up with Nicola and crew, please contact The Knight.

 Shampoo to you
 by Nicola DiGiallonardo

 HEY! If you are still suffering over the death of "Valley Music," then do I have a prescription for you. Generically, it's Go-Go's meets the 90's, and the brand name is "Shampoo." This new English Teeni-Booper-Mega-Babe-Duo has all the energy of the Go-Go's but at one fifth the weight. Their music is junk food for the brain, consisting of mid-to-high energy dance music mixed with repetitive young, uncomplicated lyrics. But their style and showmanship make up for the childish words. The overall theme of their album appears to be that these girls are hot, they know it, and don't care what anyone thinks of their music because their time will come. Oh yeah, and they just wanna have fun, too.

 If I influence you to buy any album this year, I would endorse this as high as anything. Buy this album for two reasons. ONE- to break up the monotonous tone of your CD holder, and TWO- to experience the Mall-rat-light-headed-b-bop-shop-till-you-drop sub-culture that is apparently returning to our society.

 Shampoo: it's not for your hair, it's for your ears.

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 America, land of the free, home of the brave. Good line isn't it? It is not me a shame that Americans, and the powers that be, don't seem to live by it anymore. All over, the world's walls separating people from freedom are being torn down, and bridges built in their place, except in America. The most humorous part of the entire situation is that America is the alleged inspiration for many of these revolutions. This degradation of American thought has been occurring for decades, but has only recently become as prominent as it is now.

 The officials we elected, who now serve in Washington D.C., are trying to remove our First Amendment rights, and defend it with patriotism. Congress has been trying to pass an amendment to the Constitution that would prohibit any man, woman, or child from defacing the Flag of the United States of America in any way, shape, or form. This, of course, would prohibit flag burning.

 The freedom to express ourselves, as well as our dissatisfaction with our government and society is one of the basic rights of every American. By not permitting me to burn what is in essence merely a piece of fabric is just ridiculous.

 An amendment prohibiting the defacement of the flag desecrates the flag more than I ever could. The flag represents the freedoms of speech, press, religion, and every other freedom set forth in the Constitution. The defacing of the flag is not a sacrilege; it is a memorial to everyone and everything that has ever been used to save our country from attempts to remove our freedoms.

 Soldiers do not die for the flag. Soldiers die for what is represented by the flag: our freedom to do, at all times, what we feel we need to, to express ourselves.
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