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NSU is reclaiming its roots

by Christie MacDonald

Mother Earth is smiling upon the evergreen of our campus. Why? Because Nova Southeastern is taking an active interest in nature's precious resources.

A new committee of students, faculty, and staff has collaborated under the name, RECLAIM: Restoring Campus Lands Imaginatively. RECLAIM plans to restore some areas of campus land to its original condition.

The restoration will be used as a learning tool for NSU, other educational institutions, and the community. RECLAIM's activities will progress in four phases.

The first phase of the preserve consists of the construction of a 24x18 deck with bench seats for an outdoor classroom. The room will be used for environmental and other classes. Also, 100 undergraduate students will be trained as volunteers and xeriscaping resource advisors during this phase.

Secondly, all sprinklers will be turned off and all herbicides and pesticides will be removed near the area of the nature preserve. The removal of these foreign substances will ensure that only the native plants will remain alive. Also, a series of workshops will be held at the outdoor classroom for 100 teachers of the Broward County School System. The workshops, presented by NSU faculty and staff, will help develop curricular materials for grades K-12.

The third phase entails constructing the nature trails and other tourist-attracting aspects of the property. In the educational area, 3000 public school students will work with Broward Teachers to create a series of small workshops in the classroom. These workshops will use xeriscaping kits to teach the importance of biodiversity, and the use of water and land in South Florida's ecosystem.

The final step involves planting native and hard wood plants in the

Off-campus at Nova

by Nathan Burgess

A Nova student in Orlando, a Nova student in Palm Beach, and a Nova Student in the Bahamas. What do all of these students have in common? No, they aren't all on vacation visiting their home cities. They all attend NSU in their own communities. These aren't planned expansions, but have been in existence for years.

In a recent interview with Thrisha Shiver, Assistant Director for Off-Campus sites for the Department of Education and Behavioral Sciences, I had the chance to find out more about the off-campus locations.

There are ten off-campus sites (not including the Oceanographic or East Campus) that Dr. Shriver coordinates. They are located in Bonita Springs, Palm Beach, Orlando, Tallahassee, Miami-Dade, (with a Homestead extension due to such a large population) Jacksonville, Ocala, Tampa, and a site in Freeport, Bahamas.

"Why bother having off-campus sites?" you may ask. For the same reason that you have a main campus. To serve the student. It was realized that there was a need for services that NSU can offer to people, who did not have easy access to the main campus. Thus, the off-campus program see NSU EXPANDING on 6
Michael Fischer responds to the concerns of residential students

by Michael Fischer

As your Residential Life Representative to the Nova College Student Government Association, I, Michael Fischer, am here to address your needs as a campus resident.

My position involves conveying any concerns, questions, or requests brought up at the Resident Student Association meeting dealing with campus living. I try to better our lifestyle by representing all campus residents to the Student Government.

As finals approached last year, a major concern was brought to my attention dealing with the lack of computer availability in the Goodwin Microcub. I have requested that the monitors allow people doing schoolwork priority over those surfing the Internet.

Although we encourage students to learn how to use the Internet and spend time on the computers, we realize not all residents own their own computer systems. This new intervention will help people get their work done on a timely basis without having to go on long waiting lists.

It is especially important that we are courteous to our fellow residents at times when the lab is especially crowded, for example, around midterms and finals.

Another issue that I confronted was the unusual amount of cigarette smoke in the hallways recently. Although people are permitted to smoke in their rooms, there is still a certain amount of courtesy smokers should have for their non-smoking neighbors.

If you smoke excessively in your room, please remember to keep your door closed as much as possible in order to prevent the hallways from accumulating a quantity of smoke.

I am currently heading the DAKA Food Commission. Currently eight resident members serve on the commission, and more are welcome. Our purpose is to have DAKA serve us in the best way possible. We do this by daily checking the quality, service, and selection of entrees. We give DAKA suggestions on how to improve to fit our needs as relayed to us by fellow residents. We are open to your suggestions and criticisms.

My latest project is to promote school spirit through increased attendance at various sporting events. I am doing this by fundraising $1,600 to purchase seat cushions to be distributed to all those who attend. The seat cushions will be at no charge to the attendees.

As a result of this fundraising there will be enough profit to start a new scholarship fund as well.

I am always available to discuss any ideas you might have dealing with anything at all. I encourage you to attend our Student Government meetings, held weekly on Thursdays at 6:00pm in the Rosenthal Reception Room. Student Government gives you a chance to hear the voices of others as well as to speak your own.

If you cannot attend these meetings, you can e-mail me with your thoughts, concerns, and questions at fischermpolaris.ncs.nova.edu.

If I haven’t had the opportunity to meet you as of yet, I hope to do so in the future.

Clarification

In the last issue of The Knight (20 October 1995), Amy Levine reported on the Homecoming entertainment and quoted a comment made by comedian Eric Lambert in connection with Scott Chitto. Some readers may have misunderstood the satirical context of this comment. The Knight regrets any inconvenience to Mr. Chitto. It should also be noted that Student Life had had an opportunity to review the full article before publication.
Christie’s Cyberroom:
The World of Spodding

by Christie MacDonald

Last issue we talked about the basics of surfing the net. This issue, I would like to introduce you to the world of spodding.

Spodding is a cyber phenomenon that involves interaction between people in multi-user programs. Spodding is used for social interaction, escapism, and learning. The three main types of programs used in spodding are MUDs, MOOs, and Chats.

In all three programs, one can either visit or obtain an account with an accompanying username and password. All one needs to obtain an account is a valid e-mail address. Users with accounts have much more privileges and options than a visitor (e.g., creating their own rooms).

If you like to escape into an adventure full of fantasy and role-playing, MUDing may be your thing. In MUDing, characters travel in the directions of the compass-collecting objects, fighting with other characters, and creating alliances to gather points. The more points a character gathers, the more powerful he or she becomes.

Power in MUDing means more commands and privileges.

MOOing is for the more intellectually minded person. MOOing is similar to MUDs, because characters move throughout the program by traveling by means of a compass (north, south, etc.) or going to a specific room.

However, the purpose of MOOs is to explore and learn. Many rooms in MOOs are like classrooms where users can listen and interact around a certain topic.

Chats appeal to those who want to socialize with people from around the world. Various cyberrooms house hundreds of rooms for people to hang and chew the fat. Users can talk with people in a large room or one-on-one. Users with accounts can create their own room for private conversations or parties.

The layout of a chat is similar to a house; one doorway leads to another room. Users in chats travel from room to room by typing ‘exits’ to see what doorways are available in a particular room. Then they type ‘Go (name of room)’ to get to the room they desire.

All three types of spodding programs have administration that ensure that all members behave themselves accordingly.

Administration also oversees the disbursement of accounts.

Now that you’ve heard a little about spodding, you may be interested in how to connect to this unique program. The procedure for logging in to a program is very simple. First, if you are in lynx, type ‘!l’ to get to your shell prompt. My prompt, since my username is macchris, would read ‘macchris@polaris>.’

At your prompt type telnet (address of program). Once connected, most programs will give you instructions on the basics of their system. Otherwise, most programs will let you visit with any login name that isn’t used by anyone else in the system.

No matter what your interest, some form of spodding probably appeals to you. I encourage you to try one of the addresses listed below.

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Popular MOO program
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Popular Chat programs
Foothills
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Resort
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telnet chaos.jmu.edu 8008

Hands across the hemisphere

by Kathleen Klockziem and Barbara Brodman

For over a decade, the Farquhar Center’s Field Study Program in Latin America has immersed students in Mexican and Central American culture.

The nine-credit program includes a two-week cultural/archeological tour of Southern Mexico, Belize, and Guatemala, and four weeks in residence at the Na Bolom Center for Scientific Studies in Chiapas, Mexico. At Na-Bolom, students participate in intense language studies (Spanish and/or Maya), as well as take part in a variety of on-going environmental, community service, and research projects sponsored by the Center.

Students are fully immersed in the Colonial Spanish culture of beautiful San Cristobal de Las Casas, and in the Maya village culture of the highlands and Lacandon Rain Forest.

The program’s emphasis on ser-
Letter from the SGA Pres.

Dear fellow students,

Recently, the Nova College Student Government selected three special people to complete our executive board for the rest of the academic year. Applications were handed out for Freshman Representatives and Faculty Council Representative. The board spent about two weeks mulling over the applications. All the applicants were qualified for the positions but the difficult job in deciding which three would be best fell on our shoulders.

We are proud to announce Luisa Velez and Tameka Rahming were selected to be the freshman representatives for the 1995-96 academic year. Their main role is to make sure the see CHSNSC on B.

News Excerpts

Financial Aid cut by Congress

October 12, 1995

Members of the Florida Student Association, which represent over 200,000 public state university students, joined the national conference of students on October 20 in Washington D.C. Their goal is to lobby legislators against the proposed seven-year, $10 billion, financial aid cut. The proposed cut would also include: Eliminating the interest-free grace period after graduation for new student loan borrowers.

Ironically, the time to start saving for retirement is when it looks like you can least afford it.

Can’t afford to save for retirement? The truth is you can’t afford to not. Not when you realize that your retirement can last 20 to 30 years or more. You’ll want to live at least as comfortably then as you do now. And that takes planning.

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Na-Bolom: House of the Jaguar

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Service learning promotes the kind of direct involvement and cooperation that encourages students to see themselves as members of a hemispheric community, and better prepare them for careers of the future.

One of this year’s participants, Kathleen Klockzien, describes a typical day at Na-Bolom like this:

It is Monday morning at the Na-Bolom Center for Scientific Studies. My fellow Field Study students and I are somewhat groggy as we get out of bed, because an hour earlier we were wakened by the ringing of bells and fireworks from a nearby festival. We step out of our rooms (complete with nice, warm fireplaces) into the brisk, damp morning air and walk down the path of the garden to breakfast.

Thus starts another day of the NSU/Na-Bolom Learning Service Project that we are a part of for four weeks. After two weeks of traveling 1,000 miles through Mexico, Belize, and Guatemala with Dr. Brodman, visiting archaeological sites, and climbing what seemed like a hundred pyramids, this is pretty calm.

Our home, Na-Bolom (House of the Jaguar), is a cultural center focused on the plight of the Maya, the Lacandones in particular. It has a prototype garden for the people of Chiapas that is done in terraces. The garden serves as an example to the indigenous community as an alternative to slash-and-burn farming. Terracing maximizes the use of the land and water resources.

Working on the terraced garden as volunteers, we get to work with Na-Bolom’s gardeners to help them “plantar” (to plant). Like all of our service activities, this one was almost entirely conducted in Spanish. We were taught how to farm organically by mixing the soil with kitchen compost, sulfur, oyster shells, and many other natural resources. Everything in the garden is grown organically, including using petunias as a natural pesticide.

All garden produce is used either in Na Bolom or in the community. The flowers in the garden are picked daily and placed in the rooms of guests or on the dining room table. All of the vegetables and herbs grown in the garden are used in the kitchen. Some of these herbs and vegetables include chamomile tea, squash, and hearty tomatoes.

Part of the vision of Na Bolom is to help the environment on a worldwide scale by teaching the indigenous population how to reforest their own land. Na Bolom has given thousands of saplings grown on their grounds to school children and other community members who have participated in reforestation projects.

The museum is also home to thousands of photographs of the Lacandones, taken by Trudy Blohm. The photographs are of many extinct Lacandon traditions which Trudy captured on film through her association with them. Na Bolom takes in Lacandones who come into town for various reasons and Na Bolom also sells their handicrafts at a shop. At any given time, Na Bolom houses university students or professors, tourists, local Lacandones, and activists.

People from the villages of Chamula and Zinacantan frequent San Cristobal, selling their handicrafts at the marketplace and at the Zocalo (town square). The different indigenous villages can be distinguished by their colorful handmade clothes.

Opportunities for community service in San Cristobal are around you always. Downtown at the indigenous market and at the Zocalo, you will find them in the form of children selling newspapers, chicles, and crafts.

Their source of income is visitors who will buy their items. Almost as soon as they are able to walk, their lives as children are spent making a living like their parents before them.

At any time, you can take it upon yourself to be nice to them. It is very simple for us to buy them a sweet roll, but to them it is a rare treat. They might seem a little perplexed by your attention at first, but they will accept whatever you give to them.

By doing this, you create a window through which the children will drop their sales pitch just long enough for you to ask them their name, story, or maybe make them laugh.

But, eventually they will remember.

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Mystical hands at Nova

by Yiselk Enriquez

Can your hands tell you about the future? Nearly one hundred Nova Students believed they could. On October 13, 1995, from 5pm-8pm, the Campus Entertainment Board held its first psychic palm reading event of the year. The unique event took place in front of the Rosenthal Student Center Cafeteria. The Rosenthal area was alive with music and laughter throughout the night. People sat or stood around drinking, eating and waiting patiently for their turn. "Spooky Friday the 13th" didn't stop anyone from enjoying themselves.

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The several Bahamas sites are currently the only sites off the main- land. The Bahamian students are mostly composed of teachers with AA degrees who wish to improve their education for the possibility of a pay increase, but mainly for their own self-image. The first seven students graduated from this site this past May, half with honors.

The growth we've seen on our main campus is not just limited to the new Recreation Center and Medical School being built. NSU attempts to touch the lives of as many people as possible. The future looks great for NSU, the community, and the students.

All information taken from an interview with Dr. Thirsha G. Shiver, Assistant Director of Off-Campus sites for the Department of Education and Behavioral Sciences.

Take in a breath of life experience at Na-Bolom

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NSU expanding through Florida and the beyond

from the cover

The off-campus sites offer all of the services that the main campus does with only one exception, the lack of a campus. All off-campus sites are run out of public facilities whose services have been offered for NSU's use. There are Academic Support Centers, Financial Aid Representatives, online services, and all of the other fringe benefits that come from being a regular student. The off-campus students even pay the same tuition that we do. (The one exception to this is the tuition in the Bahamas where there is a cost of living adjustment on the price).

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Nova branches out to the community

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include a project where students practice their Spanish, and prepare dishes under their discretion, with advance notice. At meal time everybody staying at Na Bolom eats at the same table, so dinner conversation is never boring. Your appetite for fantastic food, adventure and discovery will surely be satisfied during your Na Bolom experience in San Cristobal. The cost of the 16-week program (March-June) is $2500, plus tuition for LACS 4850, in March.

Included are tuition for LACS 4860, all air and ground transportation, hotels and miscellaneous expenses during the two-week cultural/archaeological tour, room and board at Na-Bolom for four weeks, tuition for language study, and more. Financial aid is available to the extent that it would be for any other undergraduate program of study at NSU.

For a project packet and more information, please contact: Dr. Barbara Brodman Liberal Arts 115 Phone: (305)-475-7001 e-mail: <brodman@polaris.ncs.nova.edu>

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Campus Entertainment Board brings psychic palm reading to Nova Southeastern University students

Others were even told about their relationships. Patricia Nieto was told about her past love life and the wonderful things to come in her future. Patricia commented that “My reading was brief, and to the point. She told me about the good things in my life and the ones that were yet to come.”

Some people like Tushenka Lugo were warned about their futures. “I was told to beware of arguments around me and to not become involved in them no matter what,” said Tushenka.

Tushenka was also told about how she would meet all the goals she had set for herself.

To some, the night was filled with wonderful predictions. For those who decide not to believe, just keep in mind it’s only for fun. Where life will take us all, who knows? But it’s kind of interesting to think we can figure it out. Remember, the future does lie in your hands.

A customer gets his palm read by one of the psychics. Photo by Nathan Burgess.

Choinski named new Faculty-Council Rep.

Concerns and special needs of our newest students are adequately met. These fine individuals were selected because we felt they had something extra special to make sure freshman were getting the attention they needed. The freshman representative positions are the only positions on the executive board that have two people designated the same job role. We do this for several reasons.

We all know how hard it is to be a freshman at any school. It is sometimes overburdening for only one freshman to be in charge of a group of individuals that has a high tendency not to be involved. Also, we had to think about the educational commitments of the freshman representative. Getting used to new classes, new surroundings, and a new lifestyle can be very stressful.

By appointing two representatives, the work load is reduced and doubles the effort to get more freshman involved. Look for information around campus for the first Freshman Class meeting.

We are also proud to announce Jennifer Choinski has been selected to the Faculty-Council position for the 1995-96 school year. This position is the liaison between students and faculty. I am certain many of you are relieved to know there is someone to complain to about how bad your math teacher is. The faculty-council representative is not strictly a complaint person. The position serves the students in a more social fashion. The representative will try to introduce faculty to more non-classroom based activities like a faculty barbecue. We would like students to see faculty as human beings who genuinely care about students and what they think.

Jen will be heading up our Faculty Fellowship Program. This program started last year with the hope to bring faculty members into a student forum where they would discuss various topics. Many students might never have known the faculty knew so much about some of the topics to be discussed.

For instance, last year I learned Dr. Alford and Dr. Ferris knew many inexpensive ways to travel the world on a student budget. Did you know Dr. Brodan was an expert in paper-mache’ mask making or Dr. Malouf could show you how to deal with difficult people without resorting to violence? This year Jen and the S.C.A. had some very interesting topics that will be discussed. Did you ever want to learn sign language? How about sailing or eating a vegetarian diet?

The Faculty Fellowship Program is where you can find out all this and more. The first program will be on November 7 in the Goodwin Hall classroom from 7-8 p.m. Refreshments will be served for free. Look for advertisements around campus, in your mailboxes, and in the Knight Newspaper for future meeting dates and topics. If you have a suggestion for one of the Faculty Fellowship Forums please let us know!

The Student Government is on a roll. We really are making an effort to find how to better represent you, the students.

Stop by our office in the Rosenthal Student Center, second floor, room 207 anytime to talk about anything. You can also call us at 476-4734 or write us on e-mail at <sga@polaris.ncs.nova.edu>. We love to hear from you!

Sincerely,
Anthony Dominici, President
Nova College Student Government
This year's Alcohol Awareness Week a success at NSU
by Jennifer Choinski

The Student Health Advocates of Peer Education of NSU's Wellness Center sponsored many exciting events along with other clubs and organizations during the week of October 16th. The purpose was to promote alcohol awareness and responsibility among the students, faculty, and staff.

On Monday, there were information tables at the Parker and Rosenthal buildings offering pamphlets, keychains, and blood alcohol content level cards. A wrecked car was set in front of the Science Annex and remained there for a week. The car was a shocking reality, showing what really could happen if you get in an accident while driving drunk.

Michael Fischer felt the car "got the point across. The fact that somebody really died in an alcohol related accident in that car may make people think before they act in the future."

Speakers on the topic of AIDS and alcohol were heard at 7pm on Tuesday night at the Mailman-Hollywood building. The presentation was excellent.

"The topic was an emotional one, but they [the speakers] knew how to get a point across and keep the tension down at the same time by incorporating some humor into their presentation," Nick Borsetti concluded.

Wednesday's events included the signing of the contracts for life, and special appearances by the crash test dummies, Luisa Velez and Stephanie Delmanto. The wall of pledges composed of all the signed contracts for life was displayed in Rosenthal on Thursday.

The Smart Drink Contest was held in the cafeteria on Friday between 12 and 1pm. The object was to create the most delicious, original, non-alcoholic beverage. The Delta Phi Epsilon Sorority won first prize, which was a gift certificate to T.G. I. Friday's. The name of their drink was "Mystical Passion." Second place was taken by The Nature Club, with a drink named "Algal Bloom." The Pre-Med Society took third place. It was a week beneficial and fun for all.

AIDS speakers impact Nova students
by Candace Kehl

Through my tears, after I watched a short video about the AIDS quilt, Joel Goldman appeared on stage. He spoke about living each day to its fullest, about how much we take for granted, and how we can be safer in the way we act throughout our daily lives as college students, as well as college graduates in the professional world.

He spoke about his college years, his habits, and the risks he took, as well as his after-college experiences and the risks he took again, which at the time didn't seem like risks at all.

He had heard of HIV and AIDS, but never really took the time to think it would happen to him. Joel Goldman is HIV positive, has accepted it, and has moved on to educating others about the risks involved in unsafe sex, and alcohol abuse. He, along with a fraternity friend from his college days, TJ Sullivan, speak at college campuses throughout the US, educating Greeks and non-Greeks about the risks involved in unsafe sex, alcohol abuse and how it affects one's decision-making.

With such a somber subject matter, one would think TJ and Joel were here to lecture, but that was not the case. They came to open our eyes, and make each student in the audience realize how important life really is, and to share ways to have fun and make the right decisions.

As I wiped my tears, I started to cry almost immediately, but this time not because I was upset, because I was laughing. TJ and Joel made the audience feel comfortable, throwing scenarios at us about drunk friends, the stupid decisions they make, and how we can stop them from taking unhealthy risks.

The duo demonstrated and displayed different prophylactics that aid in the prevention or lower the risks of sexually-transmitted diseases. Some of them I had heard of but had never actually seen. Along with Joel and TJ's information, the Wellness Center provided students with information about HIV and AIDS, as well as drug and alcohol abuse.

The Wellness Center also provides FREE anonymous HIV-test coupons outside their office for Planned Parenthood of South Palm Beach & Broward Counties, Inc. The Wellness Center, located on the 1st floor of Leo Goodwin Sr. Residence Hall is open during the day. Feel free to stop in with any questions, to get information, or just to pick up some free condoms which they gladly provide as well.

On behalf of the students here at NSU, I would like to thank Joel Goldman and TJ Sullivan for enlightening and educating us with new information and a new outlook on the way we go about our daily lives as college students.

I would also like to thank the NSU Greek system, Student Government Association, as well as the Wellness Center for sponsoring Joel and TJ's visit to our campus.
Keeping up with the Knights

by Gus Bravo

WOMEN’S SOCCER:

"Rain, rain go away, please come back another day." Unfortunately, this proverbial song, along with many other hopes, fell on deaf ears for the Women’s soccer team on Monday, October 16. Not only did the torrential downpour halt the start of the game for about thirty minutes, but the soggy conditions also destroyed the already hampered campus field.

After taking the lead early in the second half through Reonne Cooper’s breakaway goal, the Knights eventually faltered as Anderson College (SC) scored two unanswered goals. Nevertheless, the field conditions made it almost impossible to connect more than two passes without having the ball come to a complete stop on one of the numerous diminutive ponds scattered across the rectangular terrain. The visitors from South Carolina adapted surprisingly well to the South Florida weather.

Taking the field condition into account, it was unfortunate the girls had to endure this difficult loss under such an unfavorable playing surface. Up until Monday’s loss, the ladies had toyed with a possible .500 mark. An impressive 2-1 win at USF (Bev Young scored both goals) just four days prior brought the girls within one victory of the aforementioned mark. However, the ladies’ record now stands at a solid 5-7 (2-0 in the conference). Not bad for a first-year team that many teams pinpointed as an open date on the schedule prior to the season.

The women finish their season at home against USF, St. Thomas, and away at Stetson before entering the conference championships as a likely first seed.

FFEA makes presence felt on Nova’s campus

by Traci Handlin

For those of you on campus who did not witness the Homecoming raft race first hand, FFEA is proud to announce its defeat!

Why, do you ask, are members of the future educators club so excited by their loss? Simply because it was another chance to show school spirit and have fun.

In addition to the many campus events that FFEA plans to attend this school year, the organization will also be involved in various volunteer activities.

Last month, FFEA participated in a beach cleanup at the John Lloyd State Park in Dania. FFEA members joined other campus organizations in a two-hour cleanup along the park’s beach and barbecue areas.

Other events planned for the future include a visit to Miami’s Children’s Hospital and a local Walkathon. FFEA will hold its next meeting in the Rosenthal building on November 13, at 4 pm.


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Sports

Insider look at Nova athletics

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place finish in the Palm Coast Invitational at the Palm Harbor Golf Resort on Monday, October 16. With a seemingly insurmountable lead of eight shots over second place Brevard Community College going into the final round, the men faltered in the last 18 holes, eventually losing by six strokes.

Even so, the Knights look more impressive than last year. This, of course is a good sign, considering their 6th place finish in the national tournament in May of this year. Before their partial collapse in Palm Harbor, the men participated in the South Florida District Golf Tournament at the Golf Club of Miami.

Thanks to Kit Larson's school record of 5-under par (135), Nova won the local event with a convincing overall score of 593. Their closest competitor, FIU, finished five strokes behind. Moreover, David Cooke complemented Larson's medalist effort by tying for second place with a total of 145 on the par-70 course.

Coach Hal Henderson's squad appears to be headed on course for yet another Nationals appearance. With Larson reinforcing his All-American status, the Knights have both solid depth and commendable leadership, undoubtedly two significant traits of a championship team. The team's next hurdle will be the FAU Invitational on October 28.

CROSS-COUNTRY:

Both men and women had a successful showing at the state meet held on the University of South Florida campus. For the women, Miranda Carburry placed 7th overall in the state with a time of 19:43. Other notable finishers for the ladies were Marne Garden (21:32) and Elizabeth Sherman (25:20).

On the men's side, Chris Hannon led the way with a third place finish see KNIGHT on 12
Trivia tidbits:
The 100-year omen
by Karina LeDezma

Along with the plethora of conspiracy theories that surround John F. Kennedy's assassination, one in particular suggests that Kennedy's assassination was an historical conspiracy. This theory delineates the similarities between Kennedy's and Abraham Lincoln's life and death.

The comparisons and "coincidences" are tenuous, but just the same, they are valid. We've included some for you to draw your own conclusions:

1) Lincoln was elected president in 1860. Kennedy was elected in 1960. Exactly 100 years difference.
2) Both men were assassinated on a Friday, in the presence of their wives.
3) Lincoln was killed in Ford's Theater, and Kennedy was killed while riding in a Lincoln convertible manufactured by Ford Motors.
4) Both presidents were succeeded by vice-presidents with the last name Johnson. Both vice-presidents were southern Democrats and former senators.
5) Andrew Johnson was born in 1808. Lyndon Johnson was born in 1908, exactly one hundred years later.
6) Both assassins, John Wilkes Booth (1838) and Lee Harvey Oswald (1939), were born one hundred years after each other. Both men were also killed before they could be brought to trial.

We'll keep you updated on further oddities surrounding the infamous Kennedy assassination.


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behind an impressive time of 22 minutes and 6 seconds. In addition, Dan Black's elapsed time of 28:24, which earned him 11th place in the state standings, contributed to the men's outstanding finish.

Competing against a field that included several Division I schools and other larger programs, the men came in 10th out of a field of 22 teams, thus earning them 4th place in their respective division. Likewise, the ladies also participated with larger cross-country programs. Nevertheless, they managed to attain a respectable 10th amongst schools in their division. Before entering the District Tournament, the Knights travel to Warner Southern in their season finale.

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If the shirt fits, wear it!

by Cindy Milloy

If you have read my stories in the past, then you know I am very much into showing CAMPUS PRIDE and campus spirit. It is great that students want to wear T-shirts/Jackets, and Lisa Briggs, this issue, belonged to a person who had been on the committee last year and did not return to the organization this semester.

Here was the scenario: It was raining, and as Murphy’s Law would have it, I forgot my umbrella. A kind friend loaned me a jacket. This jacket just happened to be one that she received last year when she was a member of the Campus Entertainment Board. It was green, my favorite color, and it happened to be one that she received. Without my glasses, “Campus Entertainment Board” was just a blur. The only thing on my mind that afternoon was not to get any wetter. Without my glasses, “Campus Entertainment Board” was just a blur. The only thing on my mind that afternoon was not to get any wetter.

The only thing on my mind that afternoon was not to get any wetter than I already was, eating a quick lunch, and finishing a paper that was due in less than an hour. What I wasn’t thinking about was how upset someone could get over seeing me wearing this jacket.

This actually happened while I was sitting in the cafeteria eating lunch with some friends. Scott Chitoff, from the Student Life Office, and Lisa Briggs, (chairperson of CEB) approached my table. I was first asked if the jacket belonged to a person whose name I cannot even pronounce, and then I informed them that I could not wear this jacket because it would cause confusion around campus. I was a little bewildered, but said, “Fine.” I also informed them that the jacket belonged to someone who had been on the committee last year and did not return to the organization this semester.

Ms. Briggs asked me to return the jacket to the CEB office. I was in awe that so much concern could be generated over this rain jacket. I returned the jacket to its owner, the person who loaned it to me. Luckily for me, it stopped raining. I obediently removed the jacket from my body and stuffed it inside my bookbag so as not to confuse anyone, and went on my way to finish my paper.

The more I thought about the incident, the more I realized that there were other ways of handling the situation. First, Ms. Briggs was chosen by someone to be the chairperson of CEB. I am assuming that the choice was on grounds of enthusiasm, maturity, and ability to handle various types of situations. I must then ask: Why go to the Student Life Office and have Mr. Chitoff come to the cafeteria to ask me to remove the jacket?

Why as a representative of CEB, didn’t she approach me first? I personally would have been much more receptive had she approached me first. Now, I have spent time thinking about this incident and began to ponder about the T-shirts and jackets I see around campus. I am a Pre-Med. student, but there are no Pre-Med. sweatshirts in the bookstore. What happens if I purchase a psychology sweatshirt? The same holds true for the Oceanography and Liberal Arts majors. What about the shirts and shorts that say “Athletic Department?” Do you have to belong to the Athletic Department to wear them?

I spoke with Stephanie Castonguay from the Student Life Office. She was apologetic about the situation that occurred, and shed some light on the jacket situation. She informed me that those green jackets are a sort of reward to those who serve on CEB. She said that the members had discussed choosing different colors each year, but that would be too expensive. I suggested see CINDY on 14

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Cindy disrobed of campus pride

Now out of fairness, I sent an e-mail message to twenty-one Presidents and Vice Presidents of organizations on campus. I asked if there were any rules pertaining to the wearing of their shirts/jackets once the member resigns from their groups. Four people were kind enough to respond.

"As a member of various groups on Campus, (NATURE, Psych, Best Buddies, etc.) we always encourage people to wear their shirts. It is not only good publicity for the club/organization, but it shows that the person once belonged to or still does belong, and is proud of it. If that person was not proud of the organization, they wouldn't wear the attire," said Aimee Bucchino.

Kym Walsh, NATURE President, and Program Director of WNSU, had the following comment: "Speaking for NATURE and WNSU, (the campus radio station) any of our members who have shirts and drop out of the organization are still encouraged and welcomed to wear our shirts. Any exposure to the public is welcome."

"Catholic Campus Ministry is selling the T-shirts for five dollars a piece to members and non-members; so, the members won't have to give back the T-shirts. We will be using this money for volunteer projects," said Ginette Roman.

Lastly, I heard from Jonathan Miodowski from the Best Buddies group. He informed me that "you can still wear them (T-shirts) even if you are not a member."

Now, after all is said and done about school shirts and jackets, I can say that I am glad I never threw away my GATOR shirts and shorts. I can pull them out of my over-stuffed dresser and wear them without any fear of offending any group or organization on campus, I think!

"Entry Point"

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putting the year on the jackets, but was told that was just as expensive.

Now, do you realize that if you are a member of CEB until you graduate, then decide to attend one of the NSU graduate programs, you must put that jacket away and never wear it again? Isn't that wasting student dollars? What is the purpose of working hard for a group and being rewarded only with a jacket, only to be allowed to wear it on certain days? Especially a rain jacket in Florida!

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**Forget Paris**, starring Billy Crystal and Deborah Winger. Another *When Harry Met Sally* it's not. Unfunny, unfeeling, not an emotion raiser. Sorry, Billy. Grade C.


**Mad Love**, starring Chris O'Donnell and Drew Barrymore. Great actors, sorry script. They did better in *Batman*. Grade D+.

**French Kiss**, starring Meg Ryan and Kevin Kline. This is how a love story should be, with love, love lost, and love found, and it's filmed in Paris. A must-see. Grade A++.

**Die Hard With A Vengeance**, starring Bruce Willis and Samuel Jackson. In the words of Dr. Steve Alford, "it blew up real good." Non-stop action, and a mystery too. As a threequel goes, it's pretty damn good. Grade B+.

**Bridges of Madison County**, starring Clint Eastwood and Meryl Streep. Should have been left as a book, and Clint should remain an action hero. I didn't need to see Harry Callahan's soft side. Grade C.

**Johnnie Mnemonic**, starring Keanu Reeves. Sorry, Keanu, Sci-Fi is not your thing. Should have been called Johnnie Pneumonia. Grade C.

**Congo**, I don't even care who starred in this miserable piece of garbage. The only reasons I did not leave the theater were that I did not drive and I was having too much fun "MST 3K-ing" the movie. Grade F.

**Mystery Science Theater 3000**, A show on Comedy Central where the cast watch bad movies, and make fun of the characters and script by ad-libbing lines.

**Batman Forever**, starring Val Kilmer and Chris O'Donnell. Better than *Batman Returns*, but not even close to the original. Good movie though, with great sets, and incredible characters except for the Riddler. I have already seen Jim Carrey as Ace Ventura. I guess being an idiot comes easy for him. Grade B.

**Pocohontas**, The biggest flop ever for Disney. Oops, I forgot about Euro-Disney. So that would make it the second biggest flop. The audience was more excited to see the *Mighty Morphin Power Rangers* trailer before the film. Grade C.

**Mighty Morphin Power Rangers: the Movie**, starring the same kids who act in the day-time show. Same story, same kicks and flips, with a bigger budget, and better special effects. Grade B+.

**Apollo 13**, starring Tom Hanks, Kevin Bacon, and Ed Harris. Great movie. Another must-see. Grade A++.

**Judge Dredd**, starring Sylvester Stallone. Great action, resembling the comic book. The only difference is that J.D. never took off his helmet, not even when he was injured. I guess Sly thinks that he's too pretty for that. Grade B-. 


**Species**, starring Ben Kingsley, Michael Madison and Natasha Hestridge. Classic sci-fi horror, and a beautiful horror she is. Grade B+.

**Under Siege II**, starring Steven "the Man" Seagal. Great action, heavy explosions, and no preaching. I'm impressed. Grade B.

**Waterworld**, starring Kevin Costner, Dennis Hopper, and Jane Trippelhorne. The water sets and boats are fantastic. Beautiful movie to look at, but the story is weak, and the end is predictable. A big budget did not save this one. Grade B-.

**Kids**, It doesn't matter who starred in this one. Put any inner-city punk in the movie and the point gets across. I had to remind myself over and over again that "this is just a movie." Looked and felt like a documentary, and very scary to see the youth of America in that light. Go out right now and see why they are labeled, "Generation Dead." Grade A+++.

**Smoke**, starring Harvey Keitel and Stockard Channing. One of the best films of the year. Revolves around telling people what they want to hear and doing what is socially right. Grade A++.

**Clueless**, starring Alicia Silverstone. I loved this movie. Total junkfood for the brain. 90210 on the exaggerated side. Very stylish and chic, bordering on trendy. If Tom Hanks can win an Oscar for playing an idiot, than Alicia deserves one for playing an air-head. Grade B+.

All in all, this year did not have a smash hit that captivated the whole movie-goer audience (Forrest Gump and Pulp Fiction). It was spread over a vast majority of films, most of which graded above-average, but there were a few exceptions, with Congo to name one. I still cannot believe that someone made this piece of garbage. I beg you, DO NOT SEE THIS FILM! Even if your best friend's Mom rented it.
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