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Dr. Matthew Terry’s Tragic Death

by Angel Sanchez
Editorial Intern

Dr. Matthew Terry, Dean of the Osteopathic Medical College at Nova Southeastern University Health Professions Division, died from a self-inflicted wound to the chest on Friday, November 21st, after being stopped by the Hallandale Police Department. The police stopped him because they suspected that he had hit a parked vehicle. There are no verified explanations as to why he took his own life.

Dr. Matthew Terry was a very successful individual who built a name for himself locally and nationally. He was very dedicated to his job and family. He was always available for the students and tried to meet their needs in the best way possible. Dean Terry was always kind and sympathetic to his employees and coworkers. Daphne B. Young, Assistant Director for Administration, said “I often joked with him about not even knowing what to call him; Dean Terry, Dr. Terry, Matthew, or Matt.” His kindness and compassion made him loved by everyone.

Dr. Matthew Terry began working for Southeastern College of Osteopathic Medicine in 1981 and rapidly moved up the academic ranks. Previous to becoming Dean, Dr. Terry was Chairperson of the Department of Family Medicine and served as Associate Dean of Academic Affairs. See NOVA on 14.

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WNSU Goes Broadcast!!

by Angelique Nixon
Program Manager, WNSU

Rob Armstrong first began WNSU (then WNKR) in 1990 as a project for one of Dr. Larry Brandt’s classes. The station began broadcasting on an AM frequency then see FINALLY on 4.
ΔΠΕ's Disney Weekend Retreat

by Andrea Solheim
Campus Life Editor

Delta Phi Epsilon Sorority began their weekend retreat Saturday morning, November 15th, at 7:00 am. Everybody was anxious, especially the new members. It was their first weekend retreat, and they anticipated a weekend of fun, excitement, but most of all they were happy to have the opportunity to increase their bond with the active sisters.

Developing a deeper bond was what the retreat was all about. Not only the new members needed this opportunity; the active sisters needed it as well. Often everyone gets so busy that they need a chance to get away and remember what is already there. The women needed the time to separate themselves from the chaos at school and at home and focus this time to each other.

The retreat began with a four-hour drive to Orlando and then a full day at Disney World's Magic Kingdom. Although the day was full of rides and shows, picture taking, and fun, the deep sisterhood bonding came after Disney at the hotel. D Phi E's sisterhood chair, Stefanie Maltese, gathered the women together in her room to begin her events. She discussed and touched on many issues, but the biggest impact was an activity on respect and leadership. This activity motivated everyone to develop a stronger unity and carry it back to campus and their everyday lives. A special thanks goes out to the SGA for accepting ΔPhi E's proposal, allowing this retreat to take place.

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NATURE Aids Wildlife Care Center

by Tia Kitchen
NATURE Volunteer Chairperson

On Saturday, October 18, Angelique, Kym, Karen, Jodie, Jamie, Jill, Tia, Mindy and Kate of N:A.T.U.R.E gathered at the Wildlife Care Center in Fort Lauderdale. The grounds of the facility were quite impressive. The center cares for many different animals including hawks, a horse, a huge iguana, pigs and many birds.

People bring wild animals to the Wildlife Care Center for treatment and because there is no where else to take the wild animals. After rehabilitation, the center releases the animals back into their natural habitat.

We assisted with the various activities. We broke into three groups to distribute help. One group cleaned cages and habitat areas, one cut food for the animals, and the last group helped clean the center's grounds. Kym and I cleaned the front display that houses the animals that cannot survive on their own in the wild. We removed the old and dirty dishes, cleaned the perches, and fed the animals. Both turtles and birds live in the front display. The overall experience was very gratifying. The Wildlife Care Center is always in need of help. For more information or volunteering, please contact the Office of Volunteerism at 262-7290.
NATURE Hosts Successful Coffeehouse

by Angelique Nixon
NATURE President

Yes, 'tis true! The N.A.T.U.R.E. Club (Nova's Advancement Towards Understanding & Researching the Environment) accomplished the impossible. We organized and hosted the best coffee house night ever on NSU's campus. "NATURE's Coffee House" was held at the Flight Deck on Thursday, November 13th.

We created a relaxing atmosphere (courtesy of WNSU's fog machine) with comfortable seating, dinosaur toys, forest sounds, plants everywhere, great food, and of course lots of coffee (and tea).

The evening started with live musical entertainment by Ryan White, who you might have seen at the Flight Deck's open mike night. Dr. Charles Messing, the special guest speaker, then presented a fascinating slide show and discussion, "Dinosaur Dreams." He briefed us on the evolution, excavation and history of dinosaurs. Dr. Messing also threw in many anecdotes about his own experiments in palentology. The slides were very impressive and informative.

After the presentation, Ryan continued to sing and play his acoustic guitar. Everyone hung out, enjoyed the great music, and played with "Rex," our 14 foot "dino" friend who greeted everyone at the stairs.

If you missed this amazing night, don't worry, the N.A.T.U.R.E. club will be having more of these in the future. Stay tuned for more exciting N.A.T.U.R.E. events next semester. Any questions, comments, or info about this club, please send e-mail to: nixonang@polaris.acast-nova.edu.

NSU Aerobics — Jump Right In!

by Jenn Lenz
Contributing Writer

In 1979, the American Heart Association searched for a way to interest kids in a fitness regimen. What was their idea you might ask? It was simple - jump rope! Today, the skipping rope revolution has begun. Health clubs offer jump rope aerobic-style health classes, videos demonstrating jump rope workouts, and individuals want to bring a skipping rope event into the Olympics.

Jump rope used to be perceived as an exercise solely for little girls and boxers, however, that stereotype has changed. Today, people of all ages are catching on to the exercise benefits of jumping rope.

Jump rope is an excellent way to increase cardiovascular and muscular endurance while building agility, coordination and strength. If you enjoy running, walking, or cycling, consider jump rope as a substitute on a rainy day.

An important thing to remember about jumping rope is that it raises the heart rate very high quickly. Therefore, an individual in poor physical condition needs to gradually work up to 20 to 40 minutes of vigorous jumping for full aerobic benefits.

There is a method to jump roping. Before you "jump" into anything, make sure you have the proper jumping technique. Due to the strenuous strain that jumping rope puts on your body, alternate 30 seconds of jumping with 30 seconds of jogging in place. Try this for 2-3 weeks and gradually build up two-minute intervals of jumping only. Always look straight ahead and never at your feet because starting at the ground can make you more tired.

Make sure to keep your body erect and relaxed. This will allow you to jump longer without becoming as tired. To avoid moving your arms too much, turn the rope just enough to keep the arc of the rope. Make sure to keep your knees slightly bent and land on the balls of your feet, not your heels. Also, make sure to buy sneakers with a great deal of support to protect your feet and knees. Using the proper technique is guaranteed to allow for an effective jump rope workout.

The Wellness Center has recognized the benefits of jumping rope and is now offering a jump rope class for NSU students, faculty, and staff who are interested in becoming a part of this new trend. You can contact the Wellness Center at 262-7040 for more information, or call the Aerobics Hotline at 262-7043 for a complete jump rope class schedule.

Don't delay getting in shape, meeting people, or trying something new and exciting. Come see what everyone is raving about!
Campus Life

D Phi E Kidnapped
by Andrea Solheim
Campus Life Editor

Friday night, November 14th, the women of Delta Phi Epsilon were discussing their Disney retreat weekend when they discovered Kristen Phass was missing. The New Member Education Assistant acted very puzzled until Katie Banks delivered a ransom note. Pledge Mom Kristen Phass was missing, and it is up to her sisters to find her!

D Phi E members knew exactly what this was all about, a little bit of fun, competition, team work. Vanessa Leret told the members to split up into groups of five or so and gave the members clues to investigate the case of the missing Pledge Mom.

Every clue was a riddle the members had to figure out to find the next clue. The actual clues were hidden around Davie and Ft. Lauderdale including Taco Bell, Bennigan’s, the Marriott Hotel, the beach on Sunrise, Howl at the Moon, and on our very own campus! After two hours and 30 minutes, two of the three groups were tied. They had both figured out where their kidnapped sister was. The last clue was at the baseball field, and both cars arrived at the same time. Running back to the dorms, the members were yelling and laughing with excitement as they took off towards the dorms. Kristen waited to greet her sisters on the fourth floor in Katie Banks’ room. The two groups couldn’t get to her fast enough. Everybody was laughing and screaming, uniting the sisters once again, and yelling out their chant showing their pride for D Phi E.

NATURE in the Everglades
Press Release

On November 2nd, the NATURE club took their annual journey to Shark Valley. Shark Valley is a wildlife preserve located in Everglades National Park and draws in over one million tourists a year.

This year the Everglades are celebrating their fifty year anniversary. In 1947, President Truman formally declared The Everglades a national park. The Everglades was the first national park preserved for its variety and abundance of life rather than for historical reasons. The Everglades is only 6,000 to 8,000 years old and receives all its water from rainfall. It is home to a variety of animals including the endangered Florida panther, American alligator, southern bald eagle, and great white heron.

Our trip through the Everglades consisted of a 7 mile bike ride out to an observation tower and a 8 mile bike ride back to the visitor’s center. Other possible ways to view the Everglades are guided tram tours, air boats, walking, or canoeing.

The leisurely bike ride was peaceful as we absorbed the scenery around us. We saw Key Deer frolicking along the road, bunnies hiding in the shade, Anhinga drying its wings, a snapping turtle looking for lunch, crows begging for our lunch, and snakes warming themselves in the sun. Unfortunately, the alligators were all attending a private party.

Finally: WNSU Will Be Heard
from the copy was relegated to cable FM where it has broadcast since.

Now, after four years of meetings, proposals, and deliberations, WNSU will realize its goal of regular FM broadcasting. Previous Station Managers, Chris Mohall and James Reinlieb, began this venture with an extensive search for a free FM frequency in the South Florida area. However, the FM market is saturated. So, the idea to "piggy-back" on an already established station arose.

The object of interest: WKPX, a station run by Piper High School under the authority of the Broward County School Board. It happens that WKPX broadcasts from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m., leaving free 12 hours for WNSU to take over the frequency.

Thanks to the efforts of Abraham Fischler, Dean Elizabeth McDaniel, Joel Berman, and Dr. Lynn Wolf with the support of Merrie Meyers, Pat Swank, and countless others the contract for WNSU to broadcast on WKPX's off hours was approved by the Broward School Board on November 18th.

WNSU hopes to be on the airwaves as early as January, but the switch may not occur until late as August. WNSU will still retain its cable FM frequency between the hours of 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. for training purposes and use in the new communications major.

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Sanchez, or Seth Millis for your article idea.

1. Ask yourself: “Do I know what I want to write about?” If the answer is yes, skip to #3. If no, read on.
2. Stop by The Knight office (Parker 332), Call (262-8455), or email burgessn@polaris.acast.nova.edu to get an idea or assignment of an article from Nathan Burgess, Editor in Chief.
3. Get the “OK” from Nathan Burgess, Caroline Geertz, Angel Sanchez, or Seth Millis for your article idea.
4. Research, Interview, and/or think about the article.
5. Write the article. Don’t worry about exact grammar, or journalistic style beyond what you already know.
6. Get the article to Nathan Burgess on disk, email, fax, or plain paper.
7. Wait for feedback and revel in the glow of being a “Contributing Writer.”
A Win For A Loss

by Kristen Phass
Sports Editor

November 21, Homecoming Night, brought disappointment to the Nova Southeastern University Knights basketball squad. The Knights were not able to return after their 5 point deficit at half time against Benedict College. The game took place at Broward Community College, and the final score was 63-58.

Tony Smith led the Benedict College Lions with 6 field goals, totaling 18 points. Freddiell Watson made 7 out of 9 free throw attempts, achieving 13 points.

Nova’s Robert Robinson ended the game with 11 points. Behind Robinson was Charlie Maison with 10 points, and Troy Railsback achieved 9 points throughout the match up. This loss brought the NSU record to 3-2 overall with a game Saturday, November 22 v. Allen University at 7:30pm.

The men’s basketball team broke a 2 game losing streak on Saturday defeating Allen University in overtime 102-99 at Broward Community College. Chad Bobik got the winning 3 pointer with one second remaining in overtime. Bobik was assisted by Sherard Hernandez’s block shot and Troy Rail’s outlet pass with just enough time to make the shot.

Bobik finished off the game with 17 points. Hernandez led the Knights with 21 points, 7 rebounds, and 4 blocks before fouling out of the game with 2:11 left in overtime. Jeff Payanis totaled 17 points, 9 assists, and 7 rebounds. Last, but definitely not least, were Robert Robinson with 16 points and Bryan Taylor with 15 points, 6 rebounds, and 7 assists. The Knights now stand at 4-2 in the season.

Men’s Soccer: “Close But No Cigar”

by Kristen Phass
Sports Editor

Nova Southeastern’s men’s soccer team started off the NAIA Southeast Region Championship with a bang on Thursday, November 13.

Jason Morris and Warren Bloise contributed 1 goal a piece to beat St. Thomas University, 2-1, in the semi-finals. Morris tied the game to 1-1 assisted by Christian Goffi, who also assisted Bloise with the winning goal.

This brought the Knight’s soccer squad to 14-7-1 overall. The next game was Sunday, November 16, at 4pm v. Life University (GA). St. Thomas ended their season 11-8 overall.

After losing in double overtime 1-0 on Sunday, the men’s soccer team was extremely disappointed. Ryan Austin scored the winning goal 18 yards out, 111 minutes into the game.

The Nova Knights had trouble converting, which would end their season under first-year head coach, Frankie Delgado, at 14-8-1. Life University continues on to the NAIA National Championship Tournament in Birmingham, AL with a 21-3 record.

Cliff Cameron, Cristian Cubillas, Christian Goffi, and Jason Morris deserve special recognition for making the FSC First Team, with Morris being awarded FSC player of the year. The FSC Second Team included of Warren Bloise, Lenny Eterno, and Richard Williams.

Goffi led the team in scoring with 38 points (15 goals, 8 assists).

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Women’s Soccer Finishes 9-10-1

by Kristen Phass
Sports Editor

The first round of the NAIA Southeast Region Championship Tournament eliminated both Nova Southeastern’s women’s soccer team and host, Brewton-Parker College, from the finals.

The Knight’s fell to Piedmont College, 7-1, who was ranked #19 in the NAIA National Rankings. Jennifer Jenkins had the only goal, 61 minutes into the game, assisted by Helena Ioannou.

Brewton-Parker College was defeated by St. Thomas University (Miami, FL) 3-1. The Knight’s finished their season 9-10-1 overall.

Jennifer Jenkins lead the women’s soccer team with 22 points (10 goals, 2 assists). Not far behind Jenkins were Jessica Goody achieving 18 points (7 goals, 4 assists) and Mandi Adams with 15 points (5 goals, 5 assists).

Congratulations to the women’s soccer team for a great season!!

Men’s Soccer

Behind Goiffi was Cubillas with 17 points (6 goals, 5 assists), Cameron (6 goals, 3 assists), and Bloise (4 goals, 7 assists).

Congratulations go out to the men’s soccer team for an outstanding season!!

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AMUSING ARSENIC

by Neil Zallman
Contributing Writer

If you like films with suspense, love, murder, and craziness, Arsenic and Old Lace is the film for you. Cary Grant is at his best in this energetic zany family comedy.

Cary Grant, as Mortimer, is faced with the problems of a new wife, a family he learns is a little loony and the police, who are less than competent. This trio leads to a fast paced movie in which Cary Grant must try to keep everything under control without compromising his own future. The combination leads to a hilarious adventure and a good laugh for everyone.

The family Mortimer brings his new wife to meet is a little loony. His aunts, who are regarded as good citizens, turn out to be a little less good than expected. They are taking in many unsuspecting elderly gentlemen who are never seen again. Mortimer finds out what they are up to and that his crazy brother "Teddy Roosevelt" is aiding them. Mortimer begins to suspect he too must be loony and does not want his new wife to find out the family secrets.

This film portrays insanity as a family problem and the misconception that if one person in a family is insane, then all the family may be insane. Viewers must decide if insanity is a personal problem or that of the entire family. This movie rates five stars. The madcap, fast-paced, slightly sinister comedy, Arsenic and Old Lace with Cary Grant is a movie anyone who enjoys a good laugh would enjoy seeing.

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The scenery of the movie adds to the comedy of the film. The houses stand next to a cemetery. The police are less than competent. This film portrays insanity as a family problem and the misconception that if one person in a family is insane, then all the family may be insane. Viewers must decide if insanity is a personal problem or that of the entire family. This movie rates five stars. The madcap, fast-paced, slightly sinister comedy, Arsenic and Old Lace with Cary Grant is a movie anyone who enjoys a good laugh would enjoy seeing.

Breaking News: Student Government Rebels Against Confusion

by Nathan Burgess
Editor in Chief

What do you get when you combine an unformed SGA, new parking signs, and the end of the semester?

Amazingly enough, you get a student protest. The members of the SGA Executive Board voted unanimously, on 2 December, to remove one of the many new parking signs by the Parker Science Annex and return it the following day. They followed their words with actions and took the sign down, with all the SGA Executive Board present and helping.

Tim Connelly, President of the SGA, said, "we took down the sign in front of the Farquhar Center Annex that says ‘Faculty and Staff,’ basically because that’s an area where traditionally a lot of students park. It’s predominantly right in front of the science annex, and many students have been parking there for a long time. With parking as crunched as it is now, to restrict areas where students can park is only going to make matters worse from what people have told me.”

Mr. Connelly also stated that this action would not have been necessary had the end of the semester not
"Mardi Gras" will always remind Nova Southeastern Students of Homecoming '97! This year's homecoming not only had its traditional Bed Race and Raft Race, Nova spirit came alive at Nova Southeastern University's first annual Pep Rally. B.C.C.'s gym was packed with NSU students Friday night, November 21st, for the pre-game Pep Rally and to support the Knight Basketball team. The Pep Rally united students and revealed NSU's school spirit!!!

The week began with all smiles and laughter with John Pinette on Wednesday night, November 19th. The Second annual Bed Race on Thursday November 20th, carried on the laughter from the night before. Delta Phi Epsilon and Beta Theta Pi took First place with the time of 11:24.

Arik Chellew, Jared Thatcher, Chris Hannon, and Andrea Solheim ran like the wind with Amie Algiere holding on for dear life. They couldn't have done it without their captain, Brian Kelly, to support them all the way. Right behind, with a time of 12:10 were second place winners, "One short of a six pack," including Captain Paul "Remi" Wisniewski, Allyson Woods, Craig Goodman, Mike Gabriel, and Alyson Dion. With 14:33 Residential Life's "Sleep Demons" came in third. The team included Rick Mayfield, Lua Rudolph, Mark Smith, David Ballesteros, and Leigh Uhlenkott. Everybody had a great time.

Friday began with the Sixth Annual Raft Race. Student Life gave teams $50 for all the materials to build their boats. Screaming and laughing students and faculty threw water balloons at each other to show their support for the boat they wanted to take first place. Once again, the Greeks won First Place. Beta Theta Pi and Delta Phi Epsilon's boat included captain, Brian Kelly, Angelo Nicosia, Ashley Cullen, Chris Hannon, Michelle Hansley, Nicole Durr, and Amie Algiere.

Second place was Athletics boat, "Strokes" including Captain Ralf Wynn, Bey Young, Theresa Belesky, Larry Hess, and Felipe Suarez. "Tradition," Baseball and Softball's boat took third with Captain Ben Prill, Melissa Carriere, Kim Eason, Angie Hill, Jim Birch, and Charles Cerrato. All the sailors had a great time, but most importantly it was a day of their college experience they will never forget.

Now for the main event, 1997 "Mardi Gras" Homecoming Dance. Students wearing gorgeous gowns and classy suits filled the dance floor ready to make their homecoming a night to remember. As the night progress, everyone anxiously awaited the crowning of the Homecoming King and Queen. When the clock struck midnight, Larry Hess and Marie Gradon were crowned king and queen. Winners from the freshman court were Beta Theta Pi's Allyn Thomas and Phi Sigma Sigma's Jiselle Arrieta. Sophomore's winners were baseball player, Charlie Vaughn and Delta Phi Epsilon's Michelle Hansley. Junior Class winners were Beta Theta Pi's Steve Curran and Delta Phi Epsilon's Andrea Solheim. Congratulations to all court candidates and winners.

So, was 1997 "Mardi Gras" Homecoming a week to remember? You can answer that question! A special thanks goes out to the homecoming committee and advisors. Without you, none of this could happen.
A Final Look at the Festivities!!

Wednesday, November 19
Night of Comedy with John Pinette
7:00 PM, HPD - Central Auditorium,
Terry Administration Building
Sponsored by the International Alumni Association
Tickets are $10.00 and available through the Office of Student Life

"Mardi Gras Madness"
(The Post-Pinette Party)
8:30 PM, The Flight Deck, Rosenthal Student Center

Thursday, November 20
"Bourbon Street Carnival"
12:00-2:00 PM, Leo Goodwin Sr. Residence Hall
"The Bed Race"
4:00-5:00 PM, Leo Goodwin Sr. Residence Hall

Friday, November 21
"The 7th Annual Bayou Raft Race"
4:00PM-6:00PM, Blue and Gold Canal
Pep Rally @ Nova's Home Basketball Game
6:30 PM, BCC Basketball Court
7:30 PM - Basketball Game
Saturday, November 22
The "Masquerade" Semi-Formal
8:00PM-1:00AM, Ft. Lauderdale Marriott Marina
Tickets are $20.00 and available through the Office of Student Life

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Dance, Dance, Dance, Dance, Dance, Dance, Dance, Dance, Dance
Deceptive Self-Esteem

by Elizabeth Moore
Contributing Writer

Do you believe that you are an honest person? Do you sometimes tell little white lies? Do you sometimes tell lies to cover other lies? Do you ever find yourself distorting the truth so often that you have to search your memory for the truth? If so, you may be a victim of your own self-deception!

For years psychologists have done research on people's use of self-deception with regard to everything from time management to bad relationships to alcohol abuse.

Dr. David Barone, a graduate professor and an 18 year veteran of Nova Southeastern, did a research project focusing on the topic of alcohol abuse and self-deception. I asked Dr. Barone about the resulting article, "Self-deception, Self-esteem, and Control Over Drinking at Different Stages of Alcohol Involvement."

When I directed questions to him about alcoholism, he referred me to Drs. Mark and Linda Sobell for their expertise in the area of alcohol related problems.

During our interview, Dr. Barone addressed several findings from the research. One of the most important findings was that people who abuse alcohol tended to have high levels of self-deception. Surprisingly, this self-deception also was accompanied by high levels of self-esteem. Unfortunately, these high SELF-DECEPTION on page 12

ΔΦΕ's Time To Remember

by Kristen Phass
Sports Editor

November 23rd marked the end of an 11 week educational period and the beginning of life long friendships and unconditional sisterhood for the Delta Phi Epsilon sorority. Individual personalities, distinct characteristics, and unique ways of thinking are just a few of the things these 18 women faced after they made the decision to rush in the fall and become the 'Zeta class' of D Phi E.

Sunday these 18 women officially became sisters; their new member period finally came to an end. All the hard work, dedication, and enormous effort of the past 11 weeks paid off...Sunday was a day and night to remember. Nervous, positive energy filled the room as 18 new members prepared to become full-fledged sisters.

It is over......but it is only the beginning!!

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE ZETA CLASS OF DELTA PHI EPSILON!!!

Nicole Frye        Melissa Hellerman        Michelle Mertens
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On behalf of the sisters of Delta Phi Epsilon, I would like to congratulate the Zeta Class for all the hard work that each of you contributed to your new member period. I know it ended up taking a little longer than you thought, but you did a great job. We are all looking forward to the memories we will make to add on to the ones we have already begun to build! You all hold amazing qualities..."that is you"...which make up Delta Phi Epsilon sorority. Without those distinct qualities, we would not be able to flourish and function as we have in the past and will in the future. These letters, DFE, are what bring us together as one unity...we put our pride in it...and are now proud that each of you are a part of the unity we possess.

WE LOVE YOU!!
Y.I.T.S.
The Sisters of Delta Phi Epsilon
Self-Deception

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self-esteem levels obscured the fact that they were active alcohol abusers. In other words, persons who do not have significant problems at home, work or school may not view themselves as having an alcohol problem, because they are able to deceive themselves with the illusion of a normal life.

Even though an active alcohol abuser may appear happy and healthy on the surface, there are generally underlying health concerns. A person who is abusing alcohol may not notice the ill effects of the abuse for years, but malnutrition and cirrhosis of the liver may develop before the person recognizes that there is a problem.

When I asked Dr. Barone, who is a social psychologist, how we as a community can help reduce alcohol related self-deception, his adamantly replied, “We must change the norm.” He elaborated by explaining that most of us do not question others about their behavior because we do not want to be “un-cool.”

An example I like is when we accept their behavior by making light of it. For example, we giggle when someone begins to slur their words, or we laugh when they become so intoxicated that they fall down. Our levity encourages their behavior, but what they need is an honest friend to address the alcohol problem and face it head on.

Dr. Barone suggested we change what is important to us. Change the focus of having fun from alcohol and being intoxicated to more constructive and healthy activities. A way to create this change is to first change the way we think; we must illuminate the truth hidden by our self-deception. To accomplish we must first ask ourselves some hard questions such as:

1) Do I encourage a person’s behavior when he/she become too intoxicated to function normally by laughing?
2) Do I attend parties that turn into drinking binges because “everyone else is drinking?”

3) Do I use self-deception by saying to myself:
   a) At least I don’t drink as much as him/her.
   b) At least I don’t become incapacitated when I drink.
   c) At least I am there for my friend when he/she drinks too much.

Are you really there for your friends? Or are you deceiving yourself for fear of offending someone? By answering questions like these, you can ensure that your good times are not illusions created by alcohol and self-deception.

Unfortunately, these high self-esteem levels obscured the fact that they were active alcohol abusers.

The Need for Improvement

by Angel Sanchez
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As students, we vote for people that will represent us in the Student Government Association. These people are supposed to look out for our best interests and provide services that will benefit Nova’s student body. Well, this year it seems that we were misled. SGA’s new constitution and radical ideas do not seem to benefit our community. Furthermore, the lack of communication between members of student government makes it difficult to get things done.

This year, the Mexican Fiesta almost had to be canceled because there was no cooperation from student government. Proposals were lost and committees did not meet on time to decide Mexican Fiesta’s future. As a result, SGA did not provide the funds for Mexican Fiesta even though SGA had contributed funds for the last three Mexican Festas. Despite SGA’s lack of professionalism, Mexican Fiesta took place on October 17th and made enough money to cover costs and make a profit.

I hope that student government takes this as a learning experience and remembers that they are not “above” the student body. Moreover, I hope that in the near future student government gets their act together. Then, they can help the clubs and organizations of Nova—who are made of students—and provide the services promised in their constitution.

Everglades Education

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The Everglades is an important resource for water needs in South Florida. Development in the area has put a strain on the supply of water; nearly 900 people move to Florida daily. The water in this system originates in the Kissimmee River basin at Lake Okeechobee. The depth of the water rarely reaches more than 3 feet, but the water spans an area 50 miles wide encompassing 1.5 million acres, until it empties in the Gulf of Mexico.

The extensive canal systems have dramatically affected the amount of water which flows through the system. By opening and closing the water control structures, the Everglades experiences alternating periods of drought and floods. Droughts affect the distribution of the smaller organisms throughout the area, and floods disrupt the nesting sites of alligators, turtles, and birds. Development has reduced the amount of water absorbed into the ground which affects fresh water sources for humans. Also, toxins from agricultural runoff have polluted the water and animals. It is vital we begin to appreciate and learn about the Florida Everglades, for the comfort and survival of humans relies on the survival of this national treasure.
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Students Meet Author

Maeve Inghalshy - Dublin Playwright - speaks with NSU Theatre Arts Class about her award-winning play. 

Nova mourns the passing of Dean Terry

In 1991, he was appointed Dean of the College of Osteopathic Medicine. During his time as dean, he promoted the need for a family medicine program; moreover, he initiated the seven year Family Medicine Program.

Under his leadership, the College of Osteopathic Medicine joined Florida's three other medical schools in programs designed to address the need for more medical care in rural areas and increase the number of primary care physicians and other health care professionals.

Last year he was appointed to the Community Hospital Education Council by Governor Lawton Chiles. This organization is an 11-member council that works along with the Florida Board of Regents in creating postgraduate medical programs throughout the state.

No one can be said to have done more to strengthen the family physicians training opportunities in the state of Florida than Dean Matthew Terry. He will be remembered by everyone for his hard work and dedication to improve medical care and for his compassion for others.
He made a statement by passing the bar.

Not entering one.
Students Rebel

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been coming up so quickly. He explained that policy changes usually occur between semester breaks, and as of yet, the students were uninformed regarding any parking policy change.

"We didn’t know what the repercussions would be if we parked in a faculty spot or anything of that sort.”

Another problem Mr. Connelly brought up was the distribution of the parking stickers. One solution to this was that stickers would be distributed at the registrar’s office, but now that most students can register through their academic advisors, that solution is not as ideal as planned.

Nicholas Catalafamo, Secretary of the SGA, stated that, “it was a quick action, but it got a quick reaction.”

By the morning following the incident the SGA had received multiple communications from Student Life and the Administration, but as of yet, no rules have been announced.

Stay tuned to The Knight for updates on this story as they become available.