The Dating Game - Full of Talent, Off-The-Wall Questions, and Some Rather Interesting Answers!

by Jen Lenz
Contributing Writer

Love was definitely in the air at the Flight Deck Friday, February 12. Couples were being matched up during the Dating Game, sponsored by the Wellness Center and S.H.A.P.E, as part of Sexual Responsibility Week. Not only was the turnout phenomenal, but the contestants were full of energy which made the game even more exciting.

Rocio DeOjeda was looking for a man with strong hands and she wanted her bachelors to make something out of playdough. She wanted to see how good they really were with their hands. The bachelors made some very interesting objects, but it was the heart that Rob Reyes made that made Rocio’s own heart melt. Rob and Rocio, along with the other winners of the game, won gift certificates to Planet Hollywood and to the movies. In addition, each contestant was given $100 in Nova Bucks, courtesy of the Student Government and Student Life.

Like Rocio, other contestants wanted their bachelors/bachelorettes to perform for the audience. Mike Gabel wanted his three bachelorettes to do push ups, so he could tell how physically fit they were. By the vote of the audience, it was apparent that Amie Algiere did the most push-ups, and she ultimately won the date with Mike. Travis Hensley, on the other hand, thought that the key to finding his dream date was to doing something that is a tradition in his hometown in Georgia. “Where I come from, we have an annual pig calling contest. Do your best pig call, and whoever does it the best can call me anytime.” The responses were hilarious, and Heather Gilchrist proved that she had the best pig call over all of the other contestants. Job DeOjeda and Nick Claudio danced the Merengue for Jessica Rivera. It was Job’s ability to move on the dance floor to Spanish music or his description of his three most interesting characteristics that led Jessica to choose him as her date for Valentine’s Day.

In all the years of the Dating Game, this particular game was definitely the most interesting and full of talent. There was opera singing, dancing, and some very off-the-wall questions and intriguing answers.

However, the event would not have been possible without help from some important people. The Wellness Center would like to thank Frank Majnerich and the Flight Deck staff for allowing the event to take place during the T.G.I.F., and Scott Helfrich for playing the music during the game. In addition, a special thanks goes out to all of the contestants who participated in the game and for being such good sports.

“I had a really good time playing in the game. It was a lot of fun and I would definitely consider doing it next year,” said Amie Algiere. Maybe you should consider being a contestant next year too because you never know what can happen. There might be love in the air for you too!
Diving Anyone?

by George Wentland
Contributing Writer

Come with me to the ocean depths as we dive the reefs and wrecks off Pompano Beach. Stepping off the back of the boat, we plunge into another world filled with wondrous sights and experiences. It is a peaceful place where we are alone even though the hustle and bustle of city life is but a mile away. We feel like Neil Armstrong when he set foot on the moon as we explore the only true wilderness remaining on the planet. If you ever dream of doing something or going someplace where no one has ever been, then you have the spirit to join the ranks of these adventurers.

In 1930, William Beebe, a diving pioneer and oceanographer, descended to 1426 feet in a round 4 ft. 9 in. bathysphere. Beebe was moved by this experience and later wrote: "There came to me at that instant (1426 feet down) a tremendous wave of emotion, a real appreciation of what was momentarily almost superhuman, cosmic, of the whole situation; our huge slowly rolling high overhead in the blazing sun-light, like the merest chip in the spectrum to our lonely sphere, where, sealed tight, two conscious human beings sat and peered into the abyssal darkness as we dangled in mid-water, isolated as a lost planet within striking distance. Approaching the bottom, the reef life comes into view. Many colorful reef inhabitants dart in and out of crevices in the coral. Sea fans sway back and forth with the surge. A trumpet fish stands on its head, camouflage on in a cluster of groupengers, patiently waiting for a small baitfish to unluckily pass within striking distance. A grouper hovers at a cleaning station; its mouth stretched wide open, allowing a cleaner wrasse to swim into its mouth and through its gills to extract parasites.

The wreck of a sailboat comes into view at the edge of the reef. Exploring the vessel, we find a large stone crab tucked under a tank in the hull; its claw stretches threateningly in our direction. As we emerge from the wreck, a large bull shark swims by for a closer look at us. Conditioned by scenes from Jaws, the hair stands up on the back.
Ignorance Runs Rampant Before Unity Week Activities

by Alyson M. Dion
Campus Life Editor

What is rectangular, red, orange, yellow, green, blue, purple, and seemingly causing a disturbance at NSU? The answer: "Celebrate Diversity" pins some students are brave enough to don in celebration of NSU's Third Annual Unity Week (February 15-20, 1999).

Dayami Rodriguez, Student Life Graduate Assistant for Student Outreach and chairperson of Unity Week activities, ordered one hundred (100) "Celebrate Diversity" pins for students to wear to show support for Unity Week. Instead of support for ferocious differences, and open-mindedness. The observation and support of NSU's Outreach and chairperson of Unity Week activities, ordered

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Alyson M. Dion Rodriguez said, "The purpose of Unity Week is to promote diversity awareness while creating an environment that fosters understanding and support among all groups and individuals at NSU. Everyone has a right to his/her opinion and beliefs; it is when we use these to discriminate against others that we make ourselves vulnerable to the prejudices of others."

Some students, such as most of the members of the Unity Week committee, are now known as true leaders and wear their pins proudly in support of the diversity celebration. Angelique Nixon is one of these students. "The colors of the rainbow symbolize unity, diversity, peace, the welcoming of people's differences, and open-mindedness. The rainbow was originally adopted by homosexuals because of this very meaning, which is why we should use it for Unity Week!" Nixon said.

However, not all students share Nixon's view. When I asked students why they were not wearing a pin, the responses surprised me. One student, a member of the committee, said, "I just woke up; it is in my car." Another campus leader laughed back, "No way. I do not do the rainbow thing. I do not want people to think that I am gay."

Other students gave similar responses why they did not want to wear a pin. Simply, they did not want others to think they are "gay." Amazingly enough, the students who were the most obstinate towards wearing the pins were also the most silent when it came to putting their name next to their quote. So why is it so difficult for other students to understand and accept the unifying meaning of the rainbow?

Rodriguez added, "The negative responses the pins have elicited are bewildering. At the brink of the second millennium, it is truly unfortunate that we have yet to realize that discrimination is not limited to race, religion or sexual orientation. Instead, we have allowed it to broaden its meaning to include weight, height, baldness, breast size, and many others without exclusions. The question then becomes who don't we discriminate against? Unity Week is about reversing this cycle. It is about recognizing our differences, and accepting them; it is about working together and learning from one another."

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"Planning and Goal Setting"

by Scott "Spanky" Helfrich
Student Life Graduate Assistant for Clubs and Organizations

For this edition, I will concentrate on "Planning and Goal Setting." This is an integral part of the organization's vitality because it is the main reason for the club to exist. Planning is the thinking that precedes the work. If planning is not done, time and effort are usually wasted. Here are some suggestions for effective planning:

1. Take time to plan.
2. Turn your organization's needs into goals and objectives.
3. Write specific goals.
4. Be realistic and positive.
5. Formulate plans by examining alternatives and discussing activities which lead to successful results.
6. Identify resources needed to achieve your goals (i.e., people, money, time, materials, and facilities).
7. Visualize yourself accomplishing your goal.
8. Establish time lines and completion target dates.
10. Communicate your plans to others - especially your own members and advisor(s).

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Sexual Responsibility - Review of Events

by Jen Lenz
Contribution Writer

In addition, information tables were set up all week displaying information on safer sex, free HIV testing coupons and condoms. Residential advisors helped out tremendously by distributing information provided by the Wellness Center to their residents. The Wellness Center would like to thank everyone who participated in Sexual Responsibility Week. If you did not get a chance to attend the events or stop by the information tables, you can call the Wellness Center at 262-7040 for information.

Scuba Diving

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of our necks. After a couple of passes, curiosity satisfied and realizing that we are not a food source, this apex predator swims away. Later, contemplating the experience, we realize that the sight of this magnificent creature greatly enhanced our enjoyment of this dive. Most people will never have the opportunity or resources to explore the vastness of space, but the ocean realm is within the reach of most individuals. The price of admission can be fairly reasonable. You can explore with mask, fins and snorkel, or you can take scuba lessons. With scuba lessons, you get what you pay for. Do not be fooled into thinking that you get the same quality of training when you pay $99 instead of $230 for an Open Water Class. Find out if the price is all-inclusive. Check the credentials of your prospective instructor. What is his or her experience level? Finally, get an instructor that you feel comfortable with. It is a lot more fun learning from someone, when you enjoy their company. There is plenty of room at the bottom of the ocean, so come on down and join me.

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Hollywood, FL 33024
(954) 981-0156

Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities

Florida International University Small Business Development Center is seeking a volunteer to answer telephones and perform other general clerical duties. Mileage will be reimbursed and this may lead to a part-time paid position. Flexible hours and free training will be provided. Contact Judith Gould at (954) 987-0100 for more information.

Coral Springs Dog Run and Kids Dog Show, an annual fundraising event sponsored by the Wiles Road Animal Hospital on March 13th, provides funding for animal-oriented agencies. Volunteers are needed to chair planning committees, set-up, breakdown, live & silent auction, referee games, direct pedestrian traffic and maintain the grounds. Civic groups and students are invited to participate. Contact Dr. Steven Paul or Robin at (954) 752-1879 for more information.

Gina’s Place, an agency that provides transitional housing for homeless women recovering from drug and alcohol abuse, needs volunteers to assist in the following areas: transportation, food preparation, supervision, and administrative support. Contact Kate Norton or Gina Welch at (954) 731-7080 for more information.

The Shepherd’s Way, an agency that provides shelter for homeless families, needs volunteers in the following areas: recruiter, transportation, clerical support, childcare worker, tutor, maintenance assistant, furniture mover, thrift store clerk, and thrift store manager. College students are welcome. Contact Cathie Sullivan at (954) 524-4638 for more information.

Mothers Against Drunk Driving (M.A.D.D.), an agency that provides public awareness of drunk driving, court monitoring and victim research, needs volunteers to assist in upcoming fairs during the month of February. Contact Juliann Caussey at (954) 938-7400 for more information.

Humane Society of Broward County — an agency that provides care and adoption services for unwanted cats and dogs, needs volunteers to assist in the following areas: accounting assistants, clerical, salesperson, tour guides, dog bathers and kennel care assistants. Contact Patricia Brodersen at (954) 989-3777 for more information.

IGFA World Fishing Center—a museum devoted to fish, fishing and the environment, needs 300 volunteers to assist in the following areas: tour guides, gift shop assistant, greeters and clerical support. Students must be 14 years of age or older. Contact William Ussher at (954) 924-4311 for more information.
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Key West: On Our Doorstep

by George Wentland
Contributing Writer

Key West, Florida, is the most picturesque and original place that I know of in this state. Sitting on a bench at the side of Duval Street you can watch the oddities of life walk by as you bask in the subtropical South Florida sun. Key West attracts the unusual.

Walking along Duval Street, you see a taste of Key West's wrecker heritage (a wrecker was an individual whose living was made by salvaging ships that sank off shore). The ethics of some of these individuals were questionable, as there are accounts of wrecks being caused by those in need of a little extra cash. This heritage is displayed in some of the authentic buildings of the period, and by a monument to commemorate this history.

While exploring the island, you will come across many attractions. In one such attraction, Mel Fisher's Shipwreck Museum, you will find the collection of artifacts brought up from the wreck of the Nuestra Senora de Atocha, a Spanish treasure ship, sank on September 6, 1622. It is one of the richest, if not the richest, wrecks found to date. Treasures are still being brought up from the Atocha. The museum tells of the adventure, the challenges, and the rewards of treasure hunting at sea. The museum serves as a fine memorial to the late Mel Fisher whose life is reflected in this attraction. You may also come across the home of Ernest Hemmingway who was the author of For Whom the Bell Tolls and The Old Man and The Sea. Many of his personal belongings are on display here. Numerous six-toed cats prowl the grounds of this house; they are descendants of the pets that he treasured.

The warm waters of the Gulf Stream temper the climate; cold days are a rarity, drawing the visitor to the beach and water sports. Fishermen would do well to pay this island a visit.

Good fishing is available from the either docks or charter boats. If you favor a more active pastime, there are many places to rent boats, jet skis, or go parasailing. Diving is excellent on the reefs and wrecks off Key West. If you just want to relax and catch some rays, no better place can be found than the beaches of this marvelous island.

As the sun starts to dip beneath the waves, the place to be is at Mallory Square by the waterfront. Artisans, street performers, food booths, and fellow adventurers all gather to entertain and celebrate the setting of the sun. You may see a dog riding in the basket of a bike wearing sunglasses, a fire-eater blowing flames 20 feet or a strong man balancing a shopping cart full of bowling balls in his teeth.

Key West has something that anyone will enjoy. It is a small town fair and circus rolled into one. The palm trees sway on the sides of the streets. Many old weather beaten buildings display the quaint old town atmosphere. This is the place you want to be, and best of all; it is on our doorstep.
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Sullivan and Goldman - Not Your Typical AIDS Educators & An Anything But Typical Presentation

by Jennifer Lenz
Contributing Writer

"We didn’t come here to preach to you about AIDS. If you get anything out of this presentation, I hope it will prepare you for when you get that phone call." This was what T.J. Sullivan told a crowded auditorium February 1 when he spoke to Nova Southeastern University students, faculty and staff about safe sex the age of AIDS. The phone call he was speaking of was the one that came from his best friend, Joel Goldman, who is infected with the virus.

"I was getting ready to leave to go to happy hour with all of my friends, when my secretary told me that I had a phone call. I picked up the phone and heard Joel’s voice on the other line. He had called to tell me that he was infected with HIV," said Sullivan. Sullivan quickly ended the phone call and then broke down in his office in front of all of his coworkers. It was not until several weeks later that he contacted his friend. “I didn’t know what to tell my best friend and I couldn’t believe that it was happening to him,” stated Sullivan.

For the past five years, Goldman and Sullivan have been traveling full time to bring their program to more than 100 campuses each academic year. They have appeared before 500,000 students across the country. "When we started this program in 1993, we never had students coming up to us who knew someone who was infected with HIV. Now, there is not a single presentation that goes by that someone does not approach us to tell us that their friend, family member, or even themselves is infected with the virus," says Goldman.

Sullivan ended the presentation by saying, "this is our generation’s Vietnam.” It is important that we make sure our college campus deals realistically with this issue and that people are properly educated and take the proper precautions to protect themselves.

I do not think that anyone really knew how hard they would laugh at this presentation. As Sullivan warned everyone, “We aren’t your typical AIDS educators.” He was definitely right. They allowed students to be able to relate to a program and a subject that is hard for some people to deal with. Especially when people believe that a disease like AIDS will never affect them.
Greek Life

Thompson Cup: NSU Student Organizes Roller Hockey Tournament

by Megan Greenberg
Greek Life Editor

Theta Delta Chi is honored to announce their First Annual Thompson Cup. This event will be one of the largest events in the history of Nova Southeastern University.

Recently former NSU student Brian Thompson received heart-breaking news that his father, Theodore Thompson, had been diagnosed with bone cancer. As a result he was left with no other choice but to withdraw from his final semester at school because he was needed at home to help his family make it financially and emotionally through these difficult times. Scot Roseman, a brother of Theta Delta Chi and a very close friend of Brian’s, wanted to do something for his friend who “would take the shirt off of his back” for him. Scot recalled a time when he and Brian used to play hockey together. With this in mind the formation of an event greater than any other planned at NSU was underway. This event is called The Thompson Cup; it is a roller hockey tournament.

All proceeds from this fundraising event will go to The United Cancer Research Society who will in turn give half of the profits to Mr. Thompson’s doctors in order to cover his medical expenses. In the matter of days, Scot began to get everything organized. After receiving the support of his brothers, he appeared before the city of Hollywood and Hollywood Roller Hockey Inc. to ask permission to hold these events and to use the rinks. Permission was granted and from there everything began to fall in place. There are over a dozen sponsors for this event including USA Hockey who is sanctioning the event. USA Hockey is the national governing body for the sport of hockey. They are a member of the International Ice Hockey Federation and the United States Olympic committee. USA Hockey has even posted this event on their web site. Some other sponsors for this event include CCM, Mission Hockey, Christian, LaBeada Hockey, and Sun Hockey.

This colossal event is scheduled to take place on April 17th and 18th at the brand new Hollywood Stanley Goldman Hockey rinks. In the tournament there are five divisions, ten and under, twelve and under, fourteen and under, seventeen and under, and adults. There will be eight teams per division; however, Scot is trying to expand the adult division. The registration fee is $155 for the first five players and $10 for each additional player. The goalie skates free. The proceeds from registration will go to The United Cancer Research Society. There will be concessions and raffles on site. One of the raffle prizes includes a weekend at a secluded beach resort on Marathon Key. Theta Delta Chi and the other Greek organizations on campus will run the concessions. The profit from the concessions and raffles will go directly to Brian’s family to assist in putting food on the table and to pay for the overwhelming and incessant medical bills. Any extra food from the concession stands will be donated to The Broward Coalition for the Homeless.

This event is open to all Florida residents. Nova students are strongly encouraged to attend this event or even volunteer their services. Scot says, “this is not just a Greek event, it is an event for the entire school. It is truly a chance for the school to become unified.” The motto for this event is “Success is Measured by Effort.” With that in mind the Brothers of Theta Delta Chi hope to see you come out and support this extraordinary cause.

If you have any questions you may approach any of the Theta Delta Chi brothers or you may contact Director of Operations- Scot Roseman at (954) 747-4872 or (954) 983-4171. He can also be reached on e-mail at sroseman@polaris.nova.edu.
On March 23rd at 5:30 pm, Immigration Attorney Lisa Enfield will help you with questions related to immigration, sponsorship, and working in the United States. (Food and refreshments will be served.)

“Interviewing USA Style” on March 24th at 5:30 pm. Let the Career Resource Center staff teach you some techniques for interviewing successfully in the United States. (Pizza will be served.)

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Experience London’s Underworld in “Lock, Stock and Two Smoking Barrels”

by Deana Daneau
Entertainment Editor

Card sharks and hit men; drug dealers and con men. They all seem to be elements of any big city underworld. The gritty back streets of London’s East End, however, seem to have more than their share in Britain’s action/comedy Lock, Stock and Two Smoking Barrels.

The plot of Lock, Stock and Two Smoking Barrels centers around four streetwise pals, Eddie, Tom, Soap, and Bacon, who don’t necessarily believe in having to make money legitimately. Eddie (Nick Moran), a born card player, is voted by the group to join the table at the biggest underground card game with the seediest of players. Armed with confidence and every bit of the foursome’s cash, Eddie plays Hatchet Harry in a very high stakes game. Unbeknownst to him, the game is fixed, leaving Eddie owing the equivalent of $800,000 to Hatchet Harry within a week. Harry’s debt collector Big Chris (Vinnie Jones) will start collecting Eddie and friends’ fingers as late payments or call the debt off in exchange for a bar owned by Eddie’s dad, J.D. (Sting).

Without cooperation from J.D., the foursome decide to take a desperate plan of action that will enable them to pay Harry and have some money left over. What follows is a bizarre set of troubling circumstances that cause the four to stumble into a web of crooked characters and the vengeance of their debts and double crossings.

Lock, Stock and Two Smoking Barrels is truly an exciting film. Although the subject matter is quite serious, the comedy balances the film nicely and really keeps the interest of the audience captivated. One actor, Steven Mackintosh who plays Winston, the marijuana horticulturist, describes the film in this way: “The humor is this film’s pulling point. The way in which it has been shot is fast and furious, and it does contain all the elements of gritty reality, but there is a great sense of irony about the whole thing. The film’s a bit of a caper.”

Ritchie seems to experiment quite a bit with camera angle and framing to represent the nature of the twisted, offbeat world in which these goings on occur. Other effects such as the speeding up and slowing down of the film are used to emphasize the emotional qualities of the particular circumstances presented.

Despite the fact that Lock, Stock, and Two Smoking Barrels is Ritchie’s first full length feature, funds weren’t a problem since he grabbed the attention of investors with his directorial debut in the short film “The Hard Case.” Now with this feature, we are sure to see more from young Guy Ritchie. I hope that Ritchie’s arsenal of witty ideas is lock, stock and ready to blow us away.

In March, PolyGram Filmed Entertainment and Gramercy Pictures release to the States one of Britain’s recent blockbusters that combine raw talent, a treacherous subject matter, and a smart and comedic writing style. What’s truly refreshing about this fast-paced tale is the hip, young perspective from which the story is scripted; that would be directly from the mind of thirty year old writer/director Guy Ritchie and the influence of twenty-eight year old producer Matthew Vaughn. How could the film be described to an American? Think Tarantino’s Pulp Fiction with much less blood and great British wit. 
Midnight Author, John Berendt, Visits Barnes and Noble, Then NSU

by Alyson M. Dion
Campus Life Editor

As a precursor to his visit to NSU in March, John Berendt, author of the best-selling novel *Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil*, recently visited the Barnes and Noble (University Drive next to the Fountains Shopping Center and the Broward Mall). For a little over a half-hour, Berendt used what was advertised as “storytelling” time to answer the audience’s questions. Berendt openly answered questions about the movie, the book, and differences/similarities between the two.


*Midnight* ventured to the big screen last year and starred Kevin Spacey and John Cusack. Berendt, even after being asked to do so, did not pen the screenplay for the motion picture. He decided against writing the script because if “it did not work, then it was their [the film makers] fault.” If it did work, however, he would be credited for writing the story in the first place. Berendt stated, “it was a win-win situation.” He also mentioned that, “he loved the movie because it sold millions of copies of the book.”

Berendt explained that Kevin Spacey fittingly portrayed Jim Williams with a slight deviation—his speaking manner. Berendt pointed out that Spacey sounded “like Jim Williams on Valium.” There was good reason for this—Spacey prepared for the role by listening to the court tapes of the third trial against Williams. During this trial, Berendt explained to the audience, he “saw Williams take some pills at the water fountain” to calm his nerves before testifying. Berendt also explained that Williams had a much stronger, wittier, funnier personality than Spacey portrayed in the film.

Besides his novel and the movie, Berendt briefly talked about interviewing members of Savannah as well as his background. At the completion of the question and answer period, Berendt signed copies of his book. Berendt will be speaking at the NSU Forum in March.

All That Glitters: Is Oscar Gold Worthy?

by Deana Daneau
Entertainment Editor

There’s no doubt that top designers like Chanel, Badgley Mischka, and Richard Tyler are working some late nights to deliver the perfect couture evening wear to their celebrity clients by March. The same goes for those Beverly Hills jewelers who do not exactly sell, but lend their precious art pieces to the sparkling stars. Yes, it’s that time of year when all of Hollywood (and those that just wish we were in Hollywood) is buzzing with excitement and anticipation for the industry’s biggest night of the year... Oscar night! This year, the 71st Annual Academy Awards show will be aired live at 8:00pm ET on ABC.

The real buzz began on February 9th when celluloid celebrities sat at the edges of their seats as the Academy President Robert Rehme and Oscar winner Kevin Spacey announced this year’s nominees for the coveted awards. Miramax execs must have been jumping with joy when their romantic comedy *Shakespeare in Love* was read aloud 13 times—the most nominations of any film this year. Steven Spielberg’s critically acclaimed *Saving Private Ryan* was right behind *Shakespeare in Love* with 11 nominations. One of the biggest surprises was Jim Carrey did not receive a nomination for his role in *The Truman Show* even though he won the Golden Globe (the Golden Globe Awards show is often thought of as the dress rehearsal for the Academy Awards) for this movie. 

see page 19 for the List Of Nominees
Travel Safety Information for Students

Press Release

As the time approaches for spring breaks, many college students are getting ready for that much anticipated trip abroad. Most will have a safe and enjoyable adventure, but for some, the trip will become a nightmare. Most ruined vacations have a safe and enjoyable adventure, spring breaks, anticipated trip abroad. Most will

Many believe that they are immune for prosecution in foreign lands because they are American citizens. The truth is that Americans are expected to obey all laws, and those who break foreign laws sometimes face severe penalties.

Disorderly or reckless behavior is also to be avoided. In many Countries, conduct that would not result in an arrest here in the U.S. constitutes a violation of local law. It is crucial that young Americans be aware of this risk as they are enjoying their time abroad.

Being arrested is not the only thing that can happen on a foreign vacation. Young Americans have been killed in automobile accidents, drowning, and falls because of heavy drinking and drug use. Sadly, others have been raped or robbed because they have found themselves in unfamiliar locales and incapable of exercising prudent judgment.

Remember: Reckless behavior while in another country can do more than ruin your vacation; it can land you in a foreign jail or worse! To avoid risky behavior and become familiar with the basic laws and customs of the country you plan to visit before you travel.

To obtain more information about traveling abroad, check the Department of State's Internet website for the latest information.

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Press Release

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Student Participation on Campus

by Angel E. Sanchez
Editor in Chief

Throughout this school year, students have expressed their concern on the lack of student oriented events on campus; however, this has changed. The different clubs and organizations at NSU have done a good job in bringing events for student during the winter term. Some of these events are: The Love Jen Festival, the Dating Game, Diversity Week (including "Race Unity" Art Exhibition, Flamenco and Salsa Dancer, and more), N.A.T.U.R.E.'s Coffee House, the Beta's Mardi Gras party, and the Flight Deck's numerous events (bingo, karaoke, TGIF, plus more exciting events).

Unfortunately, there has not been a good turn out of students for these events. The success of these events and for the future of others events to come depends on the participation of the student body.

Now that there are events on campus, it is time for students to come out and enjoy them. This is your last leap before going to the "real world"; therefore, as students, we all need to take advantage of these events to teach things that may become useful in the future.

As a final note, it is time to become involved and help make a difference on campus. Change does not happen on its own. Each of us need to participate to make this campus a pleasant one for our student body and for the future students to come.
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SGA Page

Student Funds Depleted!
New Minority Senator

by Hunter Wakefield Wooleyhan
SGA editor

As the new Student Government Editor, I am here to keep you informed on what your student government is doing. On the afternoon of February 7, your student government held its weekly meeting to discuss all the important issues. The first announcement was that the Student Government Funds were depleted. Gone, as in there is no more money. What? How could this be? S.G.A. will be accepting no more proposals for money now because of this sudden and rapid depletion.

S.G.A. then moved on to legislation. Bill 99-131 states if a senator is not present at the time of a proposal then he/she would have to write an apology to be printed in the newspaper. Apparently, this came about when more than four senators missed a proposal. On top of that, there were at least five Senators missing from this meeting. Needless to say, this bill was passed unanimously.

Resolution 99-27 was then proposed. This resolution had to deal with giving money to the baseball team for promotion of "Knights Under the Lights" on Feb 10. With no funds, this bill was immediately axed. That was no-brainer, huh?

Last on the legislation list was Resolution 99-207, which proposes two graduation ceremonies, one for students finishing in April and the second one for students next semester. This one will be considered and discussed at a later date.

Next came committee reports. The public relations representative was not there, so nothing new on that front. Leadership development was approved a budget of $2300. The Student Action rep did not attend.

C.E.C reported that they would be giving away two tickets to the WWF this weekend, in a contest giving money to the baseball team. The Finance Committee approved a budget of $200.

Constituency reports were next on the agenda, but nobody had anything to report. Although, the athletic rep., reported that the male basketball players were becoming increasingly upset. Apparently, since there will be no cross-country team next year, all the money for it will go towards women's basketball.

The last item from this meeting was the election of a new Minority Senator Melissa Roberts. Roberts laid her claim to this position by telling S.G.A. that she "knows what the people want, when they want it". Wow.... That is pure political jargon for you. Roberts states that she "wants to bring in more famous speakers to campus" and to create "a more openness to campus happenings." I hope that Ms. Roberts can accomplish this. I will keep you updated.

SENATE MINUTES
SUNDAY, FEB. 7

Meeting commenced at 2:31

Meeting chaired by Travis Hensley.

Roll Call: Sherrie, Jim, Jessica, Scott, Shawn, Joe.

Rolando, Christa, and Danny were excused.

Minutes were read and approved.

Senate has no budget left; therefore, no proposals will be accepted anymore.

-Bill: "A Bill to write an article for The Knight Newspaper as an apology." By Jessica Rivera.

There was a notion to amend the Bill. The apology will be just mentioned in the Minutes due to the fact that the proposals from the three organizations that he Bill mentions have been approved by the Senate already, and it seems that the absent Senators were excused. Votes: 6-0-0.

-Bill and Resolution: "Come see The Knights under the Lights." By James Birch. The Bill is for $200.

Suggestions: talk to Student Life and get help from SGA for advertisement.

Votes on Resolution to get Student Life's help: 6-0-0 passed.

Votes on Bill: 0-6-0 denied.

Resolution: "Resolution for a Graduation Ceremony in December." By Jessica Rivera.

Votes: 4-1-1 passed.

-Committee Reports: See reports for details.

-CEC has many events coming up.

-Interview: Minority Senator Candidate: Melissa Roberts. Votes: 6-0-0 approved. Melissa Roberts and Eric Torres will be sworn in by Brad Williams after the meeting.

Open Forum: Where did the money go? Money was given to HEAL, Pre-Med, CEC, Unity Week Committee, and smaller amounts to other organizations.

Meeting adjourned at 3:15
Can NBA Basketball Survive Without Michael Jordan?

by Michael L. Citron
Sports Staff Writer

Well, if you have not heard the news, Michael Jordan, the greatest basketball player of all time, has retired. No more fascinating, awe-inspiring performances will ever be seen again from this true legend.

There is no one that can take over a game like Air Jordan! Besides the self-proclaimed greatest of all time, Muhammad Ali, Jordan could be the most influential athlete in the history of sports.

With the lockout settled and the players getting ready for a shortened season: is it possible for basketball to appeal to the fans without Jordan? During last year’s championship series between the Chicago Bulls and the Utah Jazz, many questions arose if Jordan would retire after the season. Of course, Jordan put on one of his late fourth quarter runs and hit the game winning shot with only a few seconds left on the clock to bring another championship to the city of Chicago. There is no one that can take over a game like Air Jordan! Besides the self-proclaimed greatest of all time, Muhammad Ali, Jordan could be the most influential athlete in the history of sports. The National Basketball Association will suffer immensely without his presence on the court. But, who will be able to fill his shoes?

Many feel Shaquille O’Neal or Grant Hill is the answer, but I do not think so! Both of these athletes are exceptional, but they should not even be mentioned in the same sentence as Jordan. Some of Jordan’s achievements are five most valuable player awards; twelve time all star appearances, rookie of the year, and six championship titles. Wow, can any other athlete achieve such greatness? The NBA surely needs a rising star to emerge or else fans will not want to come see the games. Jordan sold out practically every arena he played in during his career. Fans flocked to be able to grab a taste of greatness and hopefully see one of his remarkable moments. Jordan put on such a spectacle that the fans came to expect this every time he played. Jordan, having had a fantastic career with so many achievements, retired from the game when he was on top. Arguably, no other athlete ended his or her career on this note, like Jordan. Possibly, for the future of the game, another athlete can take the league by storm. I am sure that there is a fifteen or sixteen year old protégé in Dubuque, Iowa or Lafayette, Louisiana that is awaiting his call to greatness. Will the NBA ever find this diamond in the rough?

So far, the shortened season has been very dull with a great deal of sloppy play. Maybe the players just need some time to get back into the flow of the game. Hopefully, the fans can start seeing some new stars shine. Nevertheless, let’s face it, Michael Jordan was and always will be basketball. Without him, the sport will never be the same.

Tiger Roars Back at the Buick Invitational

by Michael L. Citron
Sports Staff Writer

It has been a long time since we have seen Tiger Woods in the spotlight. His last victory on the tour was the BellSouth Classic this past May. Even the great Tiger Woods is human, but last weekend at Torrey Pines Golf Club in the Buick Invitational, Woods pulled off an amazing course record 62 in the third round of the tournament, opening the eyes of the audience. This is what people come to expect of Woods since he won the Masters two years ago with an astounding effort to become the youngest winner of all time. On Sunday, February 14, the score was very close coming down to the final hole to decide the winner. Billy Ray Brown was only one stroke behind Woods. Woods needed to two-put in order to take the match. Of course, he eagled the hole instead and was victorious. In recent years, Woods and other great golfers have taken the sport to another level.

Not only has Tiger Woods done so much for the game, but David Duval and Mark O’Meara also deserve the credit as well. O’Meara won two major championships last year: the Masters and British Open. At the age of 40, most golfers do not win many tournaments and are getting ready for the Senior Tour, but not O’Meara. Last year, he had one of the best years of any other golfer. He captured the attention of the public with his great sportsmanship and outstanding play. David Duval is another great golfer who has already won two tournaments this early in the season: the Mercedes Championship and the Bob Hope Chrysler Classic. With the youth of Duval and Woods, fans will be privileged to watch these two exceptional athletes, hopefully for many years to come. There are many records to be broken. Any of a number of great young golfers out there, like Woods or Duval, can easily shatter them.

With Woods’ victory last week, he broke his winless streak. However, people have to realize that most golfers do not win more than one or two tournaments in their entire career. Woods, only turning professional two years ago, has already become one of golf’s elite. With his long drives and flashy play, he has epitomized the game. Most young golfers now want to be like Tiger instead of being like Mike, referring to Michael Jordan. What will Woods and the other young stars of golf have in store for us in the future? I guess all the avid golf fans, like myself, will have to anxiously wait to find out.
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Actor in a Leading Role:
- Roberto Benigni for *Life is Beautiful*
- Tom Hanks for *Saving Private Ryan*
- Ian McKellen for *Gods and Monsters*
- Nick Nolte for *Affliction*
- Edward Norton for *American History X*

Actor in a Supporting Role:
- James Coburn for *Affliction*
- Robert Duvall for *A Civil Action*
- Ed Harris for *The Truman Show*
- Geoffrey Rush for *Shakespeare in Love*
- Billy Bob Thornton for *A Simple Plan*

Actress in a Leading Role:
- Cate Blanchett for *Elizabeth*
- Fernanda Montenegro for *Central Station*
- Gwyneth Paltrow for *Shakespeare in Love*
- Meryl Streep for *One True Thing*
- Emily Watson for *Hilary and Jackie*

Actress in a Supporting Role:
- Kathy Bates for *Primary Colors*
- Brenda Blethyn for *Little Voice*
- Judi Dench for *Shakespeare in Love*
- Rachel Griffiths for *Hilary and Jackie*
- Lynn Redgrave for *Gods and Monsters*

Directing:
- Roberto Benigni for *Life is Beautiful*
- Steven Spielberg for *Saving Private Ryan*
- John Madden for *Shakespeare in Love*
- Terrance Malick for *The Thin Red Line*
- Peter Weir for *The Truman Show*

Best Picture:
- *Elizabeth*
- *Life is Beautiful*
- *Saving Private Ryan*
- *Shakespeare in Love*
- *The Thin Red Line*

Some tough decisions need to be made by the members of the Academy. All of these films were nominated for their exhibition of amazing talent and commitment. Experience these qualities for yourself, if you have not yet done so, and be ready to watch for your favorites dressed up and ready to accept their Oscar on March 21.

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T.G.I.F.'s for February at The Flight Deck: On February 26th, Karaoke Night returns to The Deck. "I Got You Babe?" Need we say more? Stephanie Castonguay and Frank Majerich (from the Student Life Senior Staff) sing a lovely duet that cannot be missed. Come out, down a drink, grab the microphone, and sing one of your favorite tunes.

Free Movies: All of your favorite movies are playing in The Flight Deck Movie Theater every Tuesday and Thursday at 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. Visit The Flight Deck (located in the Rosenthal Student Center) or call 262-7288 for updated movie releases. FREE popcorn with every movie. Check out our new movie snack bar specials. Movies are open to everyone including families, faculty, students, and staff!

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Elections for the NSUSGA, Clubs, and Organizations are coming soon on March 16 and 17.

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Dear Gwnevere,

Do you need beauty or love advice? Are you scared to ask for help?

Help is finally here, Darling.
My name is Lady Gwnevere
and I am here to
solve all of your beauty
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*Lady Gwnevere is not a licensed psychologist

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Dear Gwnevere,

I am having a serious problem with my boyfriend. I know he loves me, but sometimes it seems that I care more about him than he cares for me. For example, the other day, I was very sick and he did call, but the next day I had to stay in bed and he did not even call to see how I was doing. Don't you think he should care a little bit more?

Please give me your advice.

Sincerely,

Unremembered
Downhearted

Dear Unremembered,

Your situation is not tragic at all! Take it from Lady Gwnevere. It seems that your boyfriend loves you very much, but probably you just want too much attention, or maybe ALL his attention. I am sure that if he didn't call, it was because he thought that as the strong and beautiful person that you are, you would be better by the next day. I am sure he cares about you, and that is why he does not want to see you sick, or he does not want to hear you whine and complain.

Don't worry about it. I am sure you are just feeling a little down because you are sick, but everything will get better as soon as you get better.

Sincerely Yours,

Lady Gwnevere

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Dear Gwnevere,

I am a bisexual female. The other night I was drunk and ended up in bed with a guy. It was the most incredible sex I've ever had. I am currently in a relationship and I truly love my girlfriend. I have seen this guy since the night of our encounter. He seems interested in me and I am definitely attracted to him. Should I tell him about my sexual preferences or should I just stop seeing him?

Sincerely,

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