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COMMUNITY EVENTS

Chopin Festival, a series of monthly, free to the public concerts, presents its January concerts:
- **Saturday, January 26** at 7:00 p.m. at the Broward County Main Library in downtown Fort Lauderdale.
- **Sunday, January 27** at 4:30 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church of Coral Gables at 536 Coral Way. Featured artist: Berenika Zakrzewski, pianist – the 1998 Nakamichi Piano Competition winner, who returns to South Florida to perform music by Paderewski, Chopin and Liszt.

The Chopin Festival will be continued through April 2002 - always the last weekend of each month at the above two locations.

And on Saturdays at 7:00 PM at the Broward County Main Library in downtown Fort Lauderdale, and on Sundays, at 4:30 PM at the First United Methodist Church of Coral Gables at 536 Coral Way the Chopin Festival will also present:
- **February 23 and 24** - Alex McDonald, a winner of 2001 Gina Bachauer International Young Artists Piano Competition, performing music of Chopin and Liszt.
- **March 23 and 24** - Eight local young piano students at each concert in All-Chopin program.
- **April 27 and 28** - Dr. Paul Posnak, faculty member of the University of Miami School of Music, “Finding Chopin – Paris years,” video, recital and a lecture. All concerts are free to the public. For information call the Chopin Foundation office at (305) 868-0624.

NSU Implements Pay-for-Print Program Beginning February 1, 2002

Over the past several years, the volume of printing in the university’s academic computer labs and libraries has increased dramatically. This increase in print volume, coupled with the influx of public patrons that will visit the new NSU Library, Research, and Information Technology Center, has prompted the need to implement a Pay-for-Print program.

A recent survey revealed that the average charge is 8.1 cents per print. The most frequent charge, with 33 occurrences, is 10 cents per print. Of the 94 universities that responded to the survey, 46 provide a specific number of free prints before the patron incurs a print charge.

Based on the information provided we will implement a Pay-for-Print program, effective February 1, 2002, with the following provisions:

- For the initial period February 1, 2002 through June 30, 2002, all students will receive the yearly credit of 500 print-copies. This credit applies only to printing and is not for use with NSU copiers. The pay-for-print credits will feed directly from the NSU Banner Administrative system.
- Each registered NSU full-time and part-time student will receive a credit for 500 print-copies per year (July 1 through June 30) on their NSU Campus Card. Once the credit allocation has been utilized, the student will incur a fee of 10 cents per print. Unused credits cannot be carried over to the following year.
- The general public will pay for all copies and will not receive any free print or copy credits. Card Service Centers or Cash to chip machines will be available for the public to post cash to their cards.
- NSU Campus Card release stations located adjacent to each of the university printers located in the public and student areas will control the new pay-for-print process.

If you do not have your new NSU Card, you can obtain one by visiting the NSU Card Office located in the Horvitz Administration Building, Room 190, or the card office located at the Health Professions Division, Terry Building, Room 1134. The office is open Monday through Friday, 8:30am – 6:00pm. Beginning January 5, 2002, the card office located in the Horvitz Administration Building will also be open each Saturday from 9:00am – 12 noon. For current card uses visit the NSU Card web site at www.nova.edu/nsucard.

The Career Services Center at Nova Southeastern University is hosting an Open House to celebrate their new location on the fourth floor of the NSU Library, Research and Information Technology Center on Wednesday, January 23, and Thursday, Jan. 24, from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Students are invited to meet with employers, talk with Career Services staff and learn more about the services provided by the Career advisors. Refreshments will be served.

For more information, please contact Career Services at (954) 262-7201 or e-mail career@nova.edu.
Remembering a hero from the past - Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FL - On Monday, January 21, the nation remembered and celebrated the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. One of the best known and inspirational advocates during the Civil Rights Movement, King employed a non-violent approach to fight for social change for the Black American Community.

The young minister’s eloquent language and personal courage attracted the attention of whites and blacks alike. King appeared on the national civil rights scene as the organizer and participant of the 1955 Montgomery, AL bus boycott. Despite the bombing of King’s home and the arrest of King and several boycott leaders on the charges of conspiring to interfere with the bus company’s operations, the United States Supreme Court deemed Alabama’s segregation law unconstitutional in December of 1956.

From there, King and other southern Black ministers formed the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC). With SCLC, King emphasized the goal of black voting rights.

King was also involved in several mass demonstrations on the streets of Birmingham, Alabama that showed the world images of black women and men being kept from demonstrating by police dogs and fire hoses.

But of the various events that King is remembered for, none is more celebrated than the peace march of 250,000 protesters on Washington, D.C. It was there on August 28, 1963 that King delivered his famous “I Have A Dream” speech from the steps of the Lincoln Memorial encouraging racial harmony and social equality.

President Kennedy responded to the Birmingham protests and segregationist Alabama Governor George Wallace by submitting broad civil rights legislation to Congress, who later passed the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

On April 4, 1968, King was assassinated in Memphis, where he was aiding a garbage worker’s strike. The life and legacy of Martin Luther King Jr was the first of many steps necessary to one day achieve social change for Black America. King’s accomplishments paved the way for Oprah Winfrey, Johnny Cochran, Tiger Woods and Colin Powell of the Black community.

Yet, as doors have been opened for us blacks to better ourselves and our community, factors such as poverty, poor education, racism, and drugs have continued to keep a large portion of the black community in the same demeaning state occupied in the days of the Civil Rights Movement. As we celebrate King’s legacy we should all be inspired to preserve and carry on the fight for liberation, equality and harmony.

Unity Festival 2002: A Celebration of Diversity

Staff Reports

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL - On the campus of Nova Southeastern University, January is traditionally celebrated as Unity Month with programs and activities centered on appreciation of cultural diversity, gender equity, and awareness of international issues. It is the pet project of the Blue Ribbon Committee, which is made up of representatives from different campus organizations and overseen by the Office of Student Activities.

The crux of Unity Month is Unity Fest, which will be held this year from Monday, January 28 through Friday, February 1. The theme for 2002 is “Celebrate Diversity” and will include events such as the 12th Annual Interfaith Dialogue/International Dessert Fest and the 8th Annual International Food Festival.

We are working hard to ensure high-quality, diverse events that will bring the campus community together,” says Terry Morrow, Assistant Director of Student Activities, “while educating students (and staff) about the importance of embracing and promoting diversity.”

The following is a description of the Unity Fest events for the week:

Monday

Working Towards A Culture of Peace is an interactive workshop to promote peace and educate on how to create peace in our communities, our personal lives, and our world. It will be held in the Private Dining Room in the Rosenthal Student Center.

Tuesday

Starting at 7:00 p.m., the Interfaith Dialogues will consist of speakers from a variety of different religions discussing the intricacies of their specific faiths. There will be a question and answer session for audience members to ask any questions they have ever wanted to know about religion. This is an annual event that is consistently very popular and enlightening.

Wednesday

The International Food Fest will feature a variety of cultural foods, music and dancing. This is always one of the most exciting events of Unity Week, and will be held under a huge tent between the library and Parker building from 11:00-2:00 p.m.

Thursday

The Dessert Fest, sponsored by the Indian Student Association, will be held in the Rosenthal Student Center and will culminate with the Unity Garden Dedication.

Friday

At 6:00 p.m., a Candlelight Vigil will be held to promote a spirit of unity on the NSU campus. It will begin at the Rosenthal Student Center and will culminate with the Unity Garden Dedication.

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The Opposite Sex and This City

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Is it possible that some women stamp certain men as "marriage material" with hopes of receiving a 'return to sender' notice around the age of 27?

Why is it that 'nice' guys only finish first after girls consummate relationships with boys that treat them like mere objects?

Okay, so a miniature six-episode season of Sex and the City is now in mid-stream and I am mildly caught in the throes of a theoretical slump with the female gender. I feel as if I have been ostracized from Mars and the only planet that will take me is Jupiter — but only because it is a thousand light years and a million constellations away from Venus.

I need some closure, and remembering a divinely liquid quote ("In every direction, the walls of life are tiled with such facts so that you can never account for them all, only note some of the more conspicuous ones") from my literary mentor, Saul Bellow, I am now painting with the only brush I know how to use: a pencil.

Moreover, realizing that the last time I discussed a scent of a woman was with a guy and the conversation centered on Al Pacino's performance; that the last time I saw a bust, it was in a museum; and that the last time I was in a meaningful relationship, TLC was still in the industry, I have resolved myself to the conclusion that I am destined to be "marriage material."

"Marriage material" men. We are the straight-gay guys. We listen, we write candy-laced sonnets and adorable haikus, we actually like holding hands, we show emotion and we are patient. We care more about what is behind a girl's face than what is on it.

But please do not mistake my ramblings as pent-up angst. I am merely excavating with a orange No. 2 in my right hand, so that I can understand the mysteries of why most females are attracted to guys who expect extreme physical contact on the first date.

And to compile an official report, I actually took a sabbatical and went undercover as a 'jerk' last year to investigate.

When one girl that I was dating told me that she didn't want to discuss baseball after I asked her if she had ever read The Catcher in the Rye, I knew that I had some evidence. When I told her that my favorite movie of all time is When Harry Met Sally and she retorted by saying "Your mother's name is Sally?" because she knew my father's name, I confirmed that really good looking girls can start looking ugly when they have nothing to say for themselves.

As singularly ridiculous as that short-lived date sounds; the crux of my wayward experiences with the opposite sex came in this very city, where I have unearthed a rare phenomenon on the evolutionary chain of male-female relationships. I have identified a new breed of female: ones that are only interested in the pocket of your pants — namely, money — the brand name of those pants and the automobile symbol on your key chain.

Yet it is my ultimate finding that most girls like a challenge — that they are interested in things that are hard to obtain.

So please, single females, do not misconstrue this editorial as a challenge or an open note — an enlarged entry in a classified section — for a 'nice', 5-foot-9 athletic guy with brown hair, green eyes and a grandiose penchant for romance.

Unless you are ready to mail a letter without any stamps.

That's all. The ink has run dry, for now. Enjoy the Super Bowl commercials.
Scholarship Alert!
Fifteenth Annual Christopher Video Contest
$6,500 in Prizes and Airtime on Television Series

Staff Reports

NEW YORK, NY – Attention all college students! The Christophers have announced their Fifteenth Annual Video Contest for College Students. The contest includes cash awards of $3,000, $2,000, and $1,000 for the top three entries and five honorable mention prizes of $100 each. The top winners will also have their work featured on the syndicated television program Christopher Closeup that is broadcast on over 100 outlets throughout the United States and in more than 150 foreign countries via the Armed Forces Network.

To enter, students must interpret the theme, "One Person Can Make a Difference." Past winners have used a variety of styles and genres that have included drama, comedy, documentary, news format, music video and animation.

Msgr. Jim Lisante, Director of the Christophers, announced this year's competition, saying, "In these troubled times, it's important to listen to and encourage the idealism and enthusiasm of these students. More than ever, the world will be shaped by their positive and creative vision."

Entries may be created using film or video, but must be submitted on standard, full-sized VHS tape only, and must be five minutes or less in length. The contest is open to all currently enrolled college students, on both the undergraduate and graduate levels. Students may enter more than once, but an official entry form must accompany each video. The deadline for entries is June 14, 2002. Official entry forms are available by visiting www.christophers.org/contests.html on the Web, by calling 212-759-4050, or by writing to: College Video Contest, The Christophers, 12 East 48th Street, New York, NY 10017.

The Christophers, a non-profit organization founded in 1945, uses print and electronic media to encourage all individuals to raise the standards of public life. The Christopher motto is: "It's better to light one candle than to curse the darkness."

Dynamic Forces Fundraiser

In the wake of the September 11th tragedy, Dynamic Forces and Marvel Enterprises team up to raise money for the families of the victims.

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FL – The caption on the cover explains it all: "The world's greatest super hero creators honor the world's greatest heroes. 9-11-2001."

The comic greats from Marvel comics have come together to pay tribute to the heroes of our country's worst disaster. The magazine has been put together to raise money to donate to the Twin Towers Fund, which provides the much-needed financial aid to the families of police officers, firefighters and all the other uniformed personnel, who lost their lives from the attacks. The price is very small – only $3.50. The experience is quite moving. Looking over and reading the roughly 60-page collection will once again put that sick feeling in your stomach.

However, determination and strength quickly find their place in your psyche. Joe Quesada, the Editor-in-Chief at Marvel Comics, opens the collaboration reassuring readers that the attacks were not of God's will, but that: "God's will was in the course of every man, woman, and child who stood up and came to the aid of their fellow humans."

Unknown to anyone outside of the comic world, these artists felt no other way to show their despair from what happened in New York, Washington and Pennsylvania. So they found the best way they always have to express themselves: through their artistic ability. Their moving pictures are sometimes left to speak for themselves, and sometimes authors have put words to their pictures.

The cover shows a very common occurrence on that day as an unidentified firefighter carrying an unknown person to safety.

These people were doing their job, risking their lives to save others. Others they never knew. This drawing by Alex Ross captures the true meaning of being a hero. Of course, comic heroes like the Hulk, Spiderman and Captain America are shown throughout the collection, but they are shown to be "human." Afflicted by the tragedy, they too break down after seeing the devastation. But like the rest of the country did, they also turn to the true heroes of what occurred. They hold hands with police officers, firefighters and regular citizens alike. Their superhuman strength is not enough to overcome what they have experienced.

One of the great drawings provides a glimpse into what it may have looked like on the flight that never hit its intended target. The flight that crashed in Pennsylvania was certainly meant for another location, but several passengers were not going to let that happen.

The drawing shows several of the passengers coming up the aisle of the plane towards the hijackers. We all know the eventual outcome of this. The heroes who stopped those men prevented hundred, if not thousands more, from being killed.

Might they have saved one of our nation's most historic buildings? The sights of the WTC and the Pentagon were unbelievable, but imagine the White House or the Capitol building. The Lincoln Memorial or Jefferson Memorial.

Worst of all, what if these monsters decided to eliminate the Statue of Liberty - the symbol of freedom, which stands on our shore, stirring down other nations who oppress one of the greatest rights of a people.

One drawing by Frank Miller shows Captain America in disarray - scarred from battle. For those of you who do not know, the shield that Captain America carries is indestructible; however, the drawing shows two pieces of it missing, one for each tower.

The pictures are amazing, including the famous image of the firefighters raising the flag over the wreckage. One picture shows something we are all familiar with: a classroom watches the horror unfold on screen, sitting in silence as every student cannot believe what is happening.

The college circle may be familiar with Kevin Smith, director and star of films like "Mallrats," "Chasing Amy" and others.

For a drawing of a mourning firefighter by Todd McFarlane, Smith writes: "No toll, no price, no loss greater than this: One of our own. No smoke, no flames, no challenges greater than this: To maintain hope. No oath, no pledge, no vow greater than this: To never give up."

Though many of us will never know the true pain experienced by those involved, this collection allows one to get a step closer to what it may have felt like that day.

If you are interested, this magazine can be picked up in any comic book store. Also, look for the release of "Moment of Silence," which will be four different true stories from the 11, put to words and pictures by more of the greats from Marvel Comics. The proceeds from that work, too, will be donated to the Twin Towers Fund.

[This scholarship column will feature a different scholarship each issue for the benefit of its student readers. If you know of a scholarship that can be featured, please e-mail the information to nsunews@nova.edu and write "scholarship" in the subject line.]
Lifestyles Condoms Launches Its First Ever Hispanic Campaign

Chooses CreatAbility to implement "Hispanic is Bigger" marketing campaign.

Staff Reports

MIAMI, FL - Lifestyles Condoms is targeting the South Florida Hispanic community with a "Hispanic is Bigger" integrated marketing campaign developed and executed by CreatAbility, A Modern Marketing Agency expert in all things Hispanic.

The unique three-month campaign combites several elements including guerrilla street teams, outdoor advertising, interactive, public relations and sales promotion, geared towards creating awareness and excitement about the Lifestyles brand.

The title of the Lifestyles effort, "Hispanic is Bigger," is featured prominently on the T-shirts handed out by street teams to the target market of 20-30-year-old Hispanic men.

The street teams attend key Hispanic events and locations, travelling in the "Condom Mobile," an SUV wrapped in a Lifestyles ad, and on Malagutti scooters.

They hand out samples of the product attached to postcards with perforated, detachable rulers that ask: "Are you small, medium or large? Condoms for all sizes."

The street action is supported by indoor/outdoor advertising. Posters are placed above men's restroom urinals in popular bars, restaurants and clubs throughout Miami-Dade County.

These posters read: "Are you well equipped? No, don't look at the person next to you." Hispanic men are encouraged to log onto www.lifestyles.com/6pulgadas, the Spanish-language portion of the Lifestyles Web site.

"Hispanic is Bigger" T-Shirts are also available through the Web site by means of redeemable Lifestyles box tops and through purchase.

There is a strong need for one-to-one communication with Hispanics due to the rise of HIV and teen pregnancy within the segment," says Carol Carrozza, Vice President of Marketing, Personal Healthcare Division of Ansell, the company that manufactures Lifestyles condoms. "This is a group that is really out there having a good time, but no one in the condom industry is talking directly and specifically to them."

Figuring out just how to talk to them was a challenge in itself for CreatAbility. Hispanic attitudes toward sex and contraception are heavily laden with moral issues that are more restrictive than those of the Anglo community. Hispanic males are generally reluctant to discuss contraceptive choices.

The campaign had to be delivered in a manner that made Hispanic 20-somethings feel comfortable in the context of a traditionally uncomfortable subject.

The original inspiration for the campaign came from Lifestyles' own scientific Penis Size Survey performed in March, 2001.

"The penis survey gave us a great opportunity to approach Hispanic males," says Alejandro Barreras, Creative Director, CreatAbility. "Basically, we take advantage of their 'macho' attitudes and challenge them with humor, while bombarding them with the brand message."

New Improvements at Nova

By Jennifer Fedak
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FORT LAUDERDALE, FL - Nova Southeastern University has come a long way the past few years. Nova has finally made several improvements to help the University's atmosphere and attitudes.

On December 8, Nova opened the largest library in Florida, a larger parking facility and a new I.D. card system. All these enhancements shall provide a large benefit to the students and faculty at the University.

Since December of last year, Nova's parking system was a disaster. Before, students often had to walk a mile just to get to class. Many were late, issued tickets, or their cars were towed as a result of limited parking.

Things have changed.

With the parking garage now open, everyone has the opportunity to park in a closer spot. They now have a choice, either in the garage or outside in the very front of the Parker building. The parking garage will charge the public a dollar an hour and the students at the University will be covered by their tuition.

Nova Southeastern also opened its new and improved library. This library is said to be the largest in Florida. This 325,000-square-foot facility is the only public/private library in the nation where both university students and county residents have full access. The library holds 20 electronic classrooms and 1,000 computers with internet access.

The library also has moving shelves, several study rooms in almost every floor, a cafe with good food, and several lounge rooms with comfortable chairs to sit and study. This library has it all, from technology to its millions of resources.

The University has also begun a new system with the use of an I.D. card. For the future, it is said that these new I.D.'s will be worn by all students attending the University. It will also be used as a charge card. Whatever amount of money the student decides to put down will be placed in the card. A case in point is if you're hungry or thirsty, but don't have money, then you can use your card. The I.D. is now used at the library.

In order to use the computer in the new library, you must have I.D.

Nova Southeastern has begun to improve drastically. They have developed new facilities that are quite useful to its students. Although the tuition has risen over recent years, I must say it is worth it. These facilities have been beneficial to myself and others. I'm now proud to say I attend Nova Southeastern University.

The Knight Newspaper is looking to hire students for the following paid positions:

- Managing Editor
- Sports Editor
- Staff Writers

Please call (954) 262-8455 and ask for the Editor-in-Chief. You can also submit a resume to nsunews@nova.edu or stop by our offices located in the Parker Building, Room 145.
Potential Financial Crisis Under Control: The University Takes Preventative Action

"Save The FRAG!" Campaign Works: State Cuts Only $111 for Winter Term

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FL—Floridians are feeling the effects of September 11 in their wallets. Tourism has dropped significantly, and it is Florida's number one industry.

In dollars and cents, this amounts to $1.3 billion dollar shortfall of the state's annual $48 billion dollar budget (a 3 percent loss). The problem is that many of those costs are fixed. This put the Florida budget planners in a bind.

Governor Jeb Bush called for two Special Sessions of the State Legislature, the second beginning November 26 to discuss the budget issues. Among the expected cuts were those usually appropriated for education, resulting in less money for Nova Southeastern University.

"So what?" you say. "This is a private university and students pay such high tuition that there should be no worries." But, the facts reveal the contrary.

State Funds Help Support Nova Students

"The undergraduate program, the medical school, and a number of other centers are very dependent, either the program directly or the students in those programs, on state funding," says the Associate Dean for the Farquhar Center for Undergraduate Studies, Dr. Don Rosenblum.

In addition to the possibility of simply receiving less funding, the number of enrolled students could fall as a result of cuts to grants, such as the Florida Residents Access Grant (FRAG) available to Florida residents attending private colleges full-time.

The grant provides as much as $2,700 per academic year and is not need-based, nor does it require a minimal academic performance. Projected cuts to this program could be as high as $600 for the Winter 2002 semester and $1000 next year.

Don't Cut the FRAG!

Fortunately, the cuts were not as high as those projections. As a result of the Special Legislative Session, the FRAG was lowered by only $111 for the Winter 2002 semester. This amounted to a 4.5 percent cut, which is small considering how much more it could have dropped.

Students who receive this award can thank in part school administrators, who played a role in convincing the Florida Legislature of the need for the FRAG. Dr. Goonen, Dean of the Farquhar Center, President Ferrero, and other University leaders actively spearheaded a lobbying effort during the fall of 2001 to promote this cause.

They organized and joined other statewide efforts to petition the State Legislature, sending the message: "Don't cut the FRAG!"

"Efforts have been successful so far. One version of the cut might be that the FRAG be cut only 2.8 percent, which amounts to $50-$60 per student in the spring and $100 year next," Dean Goonen said in a staff interview back in November of 2001. She may have been thinking wishfully, but she was not far off the mark.

Several reasons were presented as part of the campaign in order to convince lawmakers of the importance of this award.

One argument was that independent higher education is a tremendous bargain for the State. The average cost to the state per student at state-supported institutions is over $9,000 every year, while it is only about $2,600 for independent schools.

Additionally, enrollment at private schools also relieves the burden of the already overcrowded state-supported schools.

State Bright Futures

The Florida Bright Futures Scholarship program, available to high school seniors with a certain grade point average and standardized test score, also took a hit due to the revised 2001-2002 budget. The Florida Department of Education reduced the Bright Futures Scholarship Program budget by $11,900,000.

The impact on students is it will not be able to provide any funds for the Summer 2002 term, but will not affect the Winter 2002 term.

Student Response

Students can rest assured knowing that the University administration is taking proactive steps in securing their state supported funding.

Yet, this does not mean that we can sit back and wait to see what happens next year. Students have the opportunity to write their legislators in Tallahassee or call their local offices to express their appreciation for keeping the FRAG and supporting independent education.

District and representative information can be found in the beginning pages of the phonebook or by searching the Florida Legislature Website at www.leg.state.fl.us.

Trouble for Florida's Economy

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FL—Here is a familiar ring: The events of September 11 are being felt all over the state in Florida using the lottery. Up to $9 million of the money that would be saved if the aforementioned tax break is implemented nationwide would be $6.5 billion. The congressional proposal not only includes durable goods, but also cars and appliances. A move such as this would provide quite a boost to the ailing economy.

South Florida recently had two of its biggest trade shows in town—the auto, air and boat shows. These conventions are helping to fill hotels and attract visitors from all over the state and many from out of Florida.

The 31st annual South Florida International Auto Show drew slightly fewer people than what it did last year. After having a record first weekend, the car show was hurt by Hurricane Michelle, which hung all over the state and many from out of Florida.

Overall, the auto show drew about 630,000 visitors. The aircraft owner's con-
Novo Southeastern University International Students Community Celebrated “Give Thanks” - A Special Thanksgiving Social

By Senator Julie S. Thompson
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International Students Senator
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FORT LAUDERDALE, FL - Good food, good meat, good music, let’s eat!

On Monday, November 19, the International Students community of Nova Southeastern University hosted a Thanksgiving social under the theme: “Give Thanks.” The event was held in the Private Dining Room in the Cafeteria at the Rosenthal Student Union Building. The purpose of the gathering was to introduce and educate the students about the American tradition of Thanksgiving. It was a resounding success with over ninety students and staff in attendance.

Mrs. Connie Anderson, Acting Director of the International Students Office and Scholar Services gave a warm welcome to the diverse audience. She also mentioned that after the tragic events of September 11, she can report that the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) has relayed a message that “it’s business as usual.”

In her welcome address, Ms. Anderson stated that “my staff and I are committed in meeting the needs of our students. We are here to make them feel as comfortable as possible, while they pursue their education here at Nova.”

Ms. Candice Carreno, President of the Undergraduate Student Government Association, assured the students that “SGA is here for you, we value our International Students and hope to see more of you get involved.”

This special Thanksgiving event was a collaborative effort of the Office of International Students and Scholar Services, the Office of Resident Life and the Office of Student Activities and Leadership Development.

For further information on upcoming special events, concerns, and/or words of appreciation, please contact Senator Julie S. Thompson, International Students Senator, Nova Southeastern University Student Government Association (NSUSGA) via e-mail at Julieo@nova.edu.

Special Thanks to the following individuals:
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The overall budget is going to be roughly 20 percent less occupied, driving the prices down. These prices are bringing in higher bookings, but more are needed to offset the lowered prices.

Amid all this trouble, the state of Florida is passing its budget for the next year. Concessions are being made in several areas with the largest decrease coming in public protection, which will stand to lose nearly $700 million of its funding for the next year.

The overall budget is going to be increased by roughly $3 billion throughout the state with much of that money being driven into the areas like tourism and others alike that are failing due to the lower amount of income coming into the state.

“We have an obligation to do better,” says Governor Bush. “That is why the Senate President and the Speaker have joined me in agreeing to go back to the drawing board.”

Bush agrees that certain cuts are inevitable, but are needed to allow the budget to protect the vulnerable areas of the economy. The negotiation period for the special session to discuss the finalized plan for the budget commenced on November 27 and
This Bi-Month's *Knight* in Shining Armor: Madeline Haug Penna

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**FORT LAUDERDALE, FL** - She is someone who would rather do something than talk about doing something.

As Assistant Director of New Student Services (currently there is no Director), Madeline Haug Penna does a lot.

As part of her position, she coordinates new student orientation and helps connect new students and their families to services provided by the University and to other students.

She also has an impressive background of community service, having served two years as the Chair of the Board of Advisors to the Florida Office of Collegiate Volunteerism.

“The most positive aspect of my job is working with students and their families, assisting them when they first come,” Penna says. “Working with individual students and student groups, I get to watch them change and grow as they go through.”

Madeline's office also serves as a tremendous resource.

Recent things she does at NSU were not enough. In her spare time Madeline is also the Coordinator of the Mentorship program for the Women's Prison Ministry at Calvary Chapel Church in Fort Lauderdale.

She sets up people to mentor women when they are released from incarceration, helping them to adjust and become more productive citizens.

Madeline is also a certified MAPP instructor, and on Monday nights teaches a 10-week, 30-hour certification class to people who want to be foster parents.

Project Teamwork for Kids, an organization that was started after Hurricane Andrew, sponsored the class. It was the response of several churches wanting to help their members become more actively involved in the community and serves as a buffer between the Florida Department of Children and Families and the churches.

In Broward County, the primary focus of the organization is to support the foster care system by supplying foster parents from church groups.

In addition to these activities, Madeline works with single parents on parenting. This is something she has not learned from a training class per se, but from her own experience as a single mother.

Her only son, William Caleb (or "Billy" as she fondly refers to him), is 18. He is a student at Calvary Chapel Bible School and works full-time.

The emphasis of community service in her life was heavily influenced by her Catholic School upbringing. It was there that community service was always emphasized as extremely important.

Their first experience was the summer she spent when she was 16 with project Head Start in New Jersey.

It was then that she realized that you can make more of a difference in someone's life as a volunteer than in a paid position.

“I like something more applied, not so theoretical that it is like talking to an empty box,” Penna says. “Life’s short.”

*Not such empty words from someone who is wholeheartedly committed to the community.*

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**11th Annual Love Jen Family Festival on February 2, 2002 at NSU**

**FORT LAUDERDALE, FL** - The 11th Annual Love Jen Family Festival – a daylong event featuring fun, food, and entertainment for families and children of all ages – will take place on Saturday, February 2, 2002 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the main campus of Nova Southeastern University in Davie.

Presented by the Mailman Segal Institute (formerly known as the Family Center) of Nova Southeastern University, the Family Festival benefits the Love Jen Fund for Joe DiMaggio Children’s Hospital and the Sun-Sentinel Children’s Fund.

The fund, established in 1991 in memory of Jennifer Masi, who died of cancer at the age of 14, provides supportive, educational, and recreational services to help families and children cope with childhood cancer.

The Sun-Sentinel Children’s Fund, a fund of the McCormick Tribune Foundation, provides grants to non-profit organizations that support children and families.

This year’s festival promises to be bigger and better than ever with continuous family-style entertainment on two stages, kiddie rides, face painting, pony rides, clowns and character appearances, a game tent hosted by University School students, arts and craft activities, the sports zone, educational exhibits, the M.A.S.H. unit health and safety fair, raffle prizes and much more!

The Love Jen Family Festival was created eleven years ago as a small-scale family festival to raise money for the Love Jen Fund. Since then it has grown into a major fund-raising event, attracting thousands of people from throughout the community and raising more than $1 million for the families and children the Fund serves.

Over 300 volunteers, community groups, businesses, and schools participate in planning, organizing and staffing the event. All supplies and services are either donated or underwritten, allowing 100 percent of the proceeds to go directly to the Love Jen Fund and the Sun-Sentinel Children’s Fund.

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A rather exciting festival favorite presented by the Miami Heat is an interactive experience, the Fireball Express. An actual "redesigned" 1952 fire truck with multiple baskets, water cannons, and a stereo system, people of all ages enjoy shooting hoops in a casual and spirited environment as the Miami Heat Extreme Teams provide non-stop thrills.

Additional Love Jen highlights include: Storytelling by the Pink Fairy, country singers Dean and Lee, N Sync impersonators, Vanishing Species Wildlife, the Early Learning Center Global Village, Sensations – an infant/toddler play area hosted by the Mailman Segal Institute, the Panthers Slapshot game and climbing walls, and a health screening tent hosted by Memorial Hospital.

The festivities begin at 10 a.m. and last to 5 p.m., on the main campus of Nova Southeastern University, 3301 College Avenue, Fort Lauderdale. Admission/donation is $6 for adults, $4 for children ages 4-12, and free for children three and under.

Babette and Bernie Kesar are Honorary Chairpersons for the Festival. Presenting sponsors include Nova Southeastern University, Sun-Sentinel, A.I. Mailman Family Foundation, Joe DiMaggio Children’s Hospital at Memorial, Deborah Segal and South Florida Parenting. Festival Hosts include Coast 97.3 FM, Columbine Foundation, Gatorade, Superstar Productions and Pearl Artist and Craft Supplies.


For more information, please call (954) 262-6900.
NSU’s Pre-Med Society Welcomes All

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FL — With the Winter 2002 semester started, Pre-Med Society wishes to extend a Happy New Year and a welcome to both old and new NSU students.

As NSU’s pre-medical/health organization, Pre-Med Society has sponsored a variety of worthy and important projects since its inception. Last semester, we held a beach clean-up and picnic at NSU’s Oceanographic Center and John Lloyd State Park, a Hallowe'en Party and a Holiday Party on campus and worked closely with Kaplan Testing Center to bring important benefits, testing and admissions information to pre-health students.

Some of our other activities also included providing a Thanksgiving lunch to a local geriatric center, a food drive benefiting needy children and hosting a Hallowe'en Haunted House at Joe DiMaggio’s Children’s Hospital.

This semester, we have a lot planned for our organization. We will be having health-related speakers come out to provide important news for all health-related majors, medical-related movie nights, a blood drive, CPR/First Aid courses and a health-related open house.

We will also be volunteering to provide entertainment for NSU’s Geriatric Center residents and will provide health-related students the opportunity to attend the annual AMSA (American medical Student Association) convention in Houston, TX in early March.

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NSU Seniornet Volunteers Take Part in Seniors Age Study

Staff Reports

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL — Approximately 35 SeniorNet Learning Center administrators, instructors, coaches, and course designers from across Florida will be participating in SeniorSage, an online learning community designed for SeniorNet volunteers with common interests and needs who learn together by sharing information, knowledge, and experiences.

Sharing the common interest of improving computer education for seniors citizens, members will access various lessons pertaining to adult learning, curriculum design, and creative training techniques and use the online learning tools provided to share ideas and learn from each other throughout the month of November. It is located online at www.seniorsage.com.

SeniorSage was created as part of Marti Snyder’s doctoral dissertation. Snyder, a doctoral candidate in computer technology in education at Nova Southeastern University’s Fischler Graduate School of Education and Human Services. The program is designed to provide personal instruction in computers to senior citizens in South Florida.

Classes are small and volunteer instructors are all senior citizens themselves. NSU’s FGSEHS is located at 1750 NE 167 Street, North Miami Beach.

For more information on SeniorSage and SeniorNet, contact NSU’s Brian Croswhite at (954) 262-8651.

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Nova Southeastern University’s Fischler Graduate School of Education and Human Services to House Charter School

Staff Reports

NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FL — Nova Southeastern University’s Fischler Graduate School of Education and Human Services became one of the first schools of education to house a charter school on its campus when Charter Schools USA’s Northeast Academy opened its doors to students recently at NSU’s North Miami Beach campus.

Charter Schools USA will utilize FGSEHS’s newly renovated classrooms, cafeteria, and recreational facilities to provide educational programming to 240 K-5 students in its first year of operation.

The school anticipates adding grades 6-12 over a two-year period.

“Having Northeast Academy on our campus is certainly a win-win situation for both NSU and the charter school,” said H. Wells Singleton, Ph.D., Education Provost and Dean of the Fischler Graduate School. “For the Graduate School, it offers a crucible for launching several new programs, including a new student assessment center. It also provides a high-quality school for our employees’ children, and ties in perfectly with our commitment to explore advances in education.”

Singleton added that for Northeast Academy, partnering with Nova Southeastern University provides a secure, well-managed, professional academic environment, as well as access to a large team of outstanding faculty, educational researchers and student interns.

The two entities have agreed to jointly develop new graduate teacher education programs. The Fischler Graduate School of Education and Human Services is one of the largest accredited graduate schools of education in the United States.

The school serves approximately 10,000 students annually through degree programs, and an ever-increasing number of workshops, professional development activities, and other community-based education efforts.

Students have access to a wide range of delivery systems from the traditional classroom to the virtual online format.

Nova Southeastern University, with its main campus in Fort Lauderdale, is the fourteenth largest independent university in the country based on enrollment, with more than 18,500 students and 60,000 graduates in fields ranging from education and law to medicine, psychology and business.

With educational programs in 23 states and 10 countries, NSU is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, and is an Intensive Doctoral/Research University as classified by the Carnegie Foundation.

Northeast Academy is an open enrollment charter elementary school operated by a dedicated staff of individuals who care to make a difference in the education of the children in Miami-Dade County.

Charter Schools are independent, tuition-free, public schools that operate under a performance contract with the local school board.

Charter Schools USA, Inc. (CSUSA) is one of the nation’s fastest growing development and management companies of charter schools.

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To help cultivate a learning environment, the SeniorSage web site includes lessons, a discussion forum, schedule of events, online polls, a library, and member profiles.

Each week a new learning quotation, training tip, and SeniorSage lottery winner are posted on the site. A weekly newsletter, recapping the week’s events, is sent to each member via email. All of these elements aim at offering members a variety of ways to learn and interact with each other.

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Stereolab: International Band of Mystery

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Vanessa Kensington: You know (Austin), a lot has changed since 1967.

Austin Powers: No doubt, love. But as long as people are still having promiscuous sex with many anonymous partners without protection, while at the same time experimenting with mind-expanding drugs in a consequence-free environment, I'll be sound as a pound.

- From Austin Powers: International Man of Mystery

VANCOUVER, BC - Listening to Stereolab feels like a warm bath in pink velvet. Vocalist Laetitia Sadier's sexy crooning gently strokes your lobes. The horns, keys and woodwinds trap your ear in a sonic gyroscope. Shut your eyelids and back you slide 30 years: suddenly you're hip, the tunes are groovy, and your mojo is well...awake. Shagadelic, baby, yeah!

On Sound Dust, Stereolab's tenth official release, the revered lounge-experimentals wear their Euro-pop, late sixties influences on their frilled, proverbial, sleeve. Droning beats, featured on previous masterpieces like "Emperor Tomato Ketchup" and "dots and loops", are employed minimally on this LP. Replacing them is an orchestral embroidery of harmonies and effects: Making up this tapestry are an electric harpsichord, vibraphones and Glockenspiels, to name but a few.

This groovy collection of musical contraptions is outmatched only by the musical skill of the hip cats that play them. Sean O'Hagen and Mary Hansen are masters of seemingly everything musical, moving effortlessly between a bevy of keys (Rhodes Electric Piano, RMI Rocksichord) and percussion oddities. Guitarist Tim Gane, who also tickles the ivories a bit on this release, strums both electric and acoustic with sublime perfection.

Horns, too, are employed brilliantly on "Sound Dust". Collectively, the trumpet, cornet, tuba et al. create something of a Beach Boys-Steely Dan hybrid, producing soothing arrangements that could have easily appeared on classics like "Pet Sounds" or "Aja."

Franzophone anti-diva Laetitia Sadier, stands out from your speakers when listening to a Stereolab album is no accident. The band shares not only a musical bond, but a conjugal one as well. Sadier and Tim Gane met in London in the '80s and are now married. But Stereolab's love for each other as well as to everything remotely tuneful can sometimes be a problem. Sound Dust, for instance, is filled with the tedious fuzz-filler that the band, unfortunately, likes to stuff into every new release. For fans more concerned with volume this is inconsequential. For those who appreciate the value of a meticulous recording, however, this extensive dabbling turns what should be excellent albums into very fine ones.

Nonetheless, Sound Dust is good, this band is good, and if you have not heard this past summer and it was one of the best shows I have ever enjoyed. On stage, where their unbearable crescendos bounce and feed off an enthralled mass, the band explores yet another facet of their bottomless talents.

Yet none of this is captured on this EP cloaked cleverly as an LP. Nonetheless, Sound Dust is good, and if you have not heard it, you should.

Radiohead

I Might Be Wrong: Live Recordings [Capitol Records]

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VANCOUVER, BC - Why did Tommy Yorke and Radiohead release this album? Prestige, ..., unlikely. Proliferation, ..., doubtful. Money (a collective gasp rings out from the faithful). Well, unfortunately, maybe. Whatever the reason, in releasing I Might Be Wrong, these darlings from the old country were 'nt wrong. They were 100 percent right.

It should be noted that what follows is not venom from a spitful critic, but reserved disllusionment from a captivated fan - someone who respects this quartet for their musicanship, power as performers, and irreverent irreverence.

Though to stage oneself a Radiohead fan has never been a badge of exclusivity. Since the band first hit the scene in '93 with "Pablo Honey," they have basked in the unfaltering flow of the underground.

On stage and in the studio, this group of Oxford, art-house dropouts has mesmerized the '90s. In '95 and '97, respectively, they released two of the decade's masterpieces: The Bends and OK Computer.

Then the millenium hit, and perhaps Tommy Yorke got the bug, causing him and his mates to become an altogether different band. Kid A, released in '00, was a great album. Nevertheless, it is anything but in line with what the band had previously released - even given their consistency in change.

These are the first official live recordings of Radiohead at work. As a fan, what makes this album particularly hard to swallow is that these guys are actually incredible showmen. I saw them this past summer and it was one of the best shows I have ever enjoyed. On stage, where their unbearable crescendos bounce and feed off an enthralled mass, the band explores yet another facet of their bottomless talents.

I hope Radiohead has only unleashed this recent wave of mediocrity to appease Capitol Records. But if this is a cash grab, that sucks, this album sucks and Radiohead sucks for either acquiescing to do it, or spearheading the charge.
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Lucky Boys Confusion Rocks The Culture Room

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FL - On Saturday November 3, Lucky Boys Confusion took the stage at the Culture Room and showed the crowd why they consider their Live show to be a major factor in the music making process.

In '98, under their own label, Lucky Boys released their first full-length album "Growing Out Of It." In 2000, Elektra records picked up the Chicago quintet and in May of this year they released their first major label CD, "Throwing The Game." The music of Lucky Boys Confusion ranges from hip-hop and punk to alternative and rock. The quintet was quickly completed with the addition of bassist Jason Shultejann. It was then that Pandav and Krier began assembling the music of Lucky Boys Confusion.

In '97 they released their first four-song EP entitled "What Gets Me High." The EP allowed the band to continue playing shows and reel in new fans in.

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The album even comes equipped with a cover of "Do You Miss Me" and the hit single "Fred Astaire." Lyrically, the band is also very diverse. "Fred Astaire" and "One To The Right" touch on emotionally heavy subjects such as broken hearts and oppression.

On the other hand, songs such as "Dumb Pop Song" and "3 to 10/2 CB Caddy's Part 2" deal with topics that are not so emotionally heavy such as stealing your girlfriend and having sex in the back seat of a car.

Having begun their musical journey in the Chicago underground scene, Lucky Boys Confusion knows the value of putting on a good show. That is why their hearts and souls go into every performance and this could have not been more apparent on the night that I saw them.

After treating the crowd of mostly high schoolers to a diverse selection of music, the band then played an encore consisting of songs from their original EP.

LBC is one band that truly cares about their fans. Before I got to meet them, for 30 minutes after the show, the band members were walking through the crowd getting to know their fans a little better.

For more information check out their Web site at www.luckyboys.com.
Pressure 4-5: Working Through The Negativity

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FL - On a constant quest to learn and figure out life, Pressure 4-5 has recently introduced their positive message to the world in the form of their major label debut, “Burning The Process.”

P4-5 originally came together in January of '98 in Santa Barbara, CA where all the members attended college. Frontman Adam Rich and guitarist Mark Barry quickly found bassist Lyle McKeany and played their first show ever where they stumbled upon Joe Schmidt, who immediately wanted to play guitar in the band. His brother Tom, who was interested in the drumming job.

Having already had one guitarist, Schmidt was charged with the task of manning the turntables and became Pressure’s DJ for a year. Schmidt hated being the DJ and often times did not show up to practice or shows.

The band derived their name from the uncertainty of whether they were a four-piece or five-piece. Finally, Joe was allowed to play guitar, which opened up a whole new sound for the band to work with.

One year later, in January of '99, Pressure 4-5 began touring and has been given the honor of opening for such bands as Papa Roach, Incubus and A Perfect Circle.

During their massive touring stint, the band was able to release their first EP “Antechnology” on their own label. Due to their rigorous tour schedule, the lives that P4-5 left in California came under stress as school and relationships began to suffer.

With a drive and determination to succeed, Pressure pushed forward and were eventually signed to DreamWorks Records. Their debut album “Burning The Process” reflects influences including alternative rock, metal and electronic music. The dual guitars contribute to a massive sound that pounds through all 11 tracks on the album.

Complemented by interesting sonic riffs, “Burning The Process” proceeds at a steady pace allowing the listeners to absorb the music instead of cramming it down their throats. Wasting no time at all and never slacking, the album clocks in at just over 35 minutes.

“Burning The Process,” which was released last month, reflects the band’s ‘never say die’ attitude. The album moves through ideas such as personal loss, spirituality, non-conformity and inner strength.

While the songs speak of hardships, they do not dwell on negative emotions - rather they find a way to work through them. The hit radio single “Beat The World” was written following the death of Adam’s best friend. It is a tribute to the idea of overcoming adversity.

While Pressure 4-5 does not have any south Florida dates scheduled, as of yet, you can stay posted by checking out their Web site www.pressure4-5.com.
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SMOG
Rain on Lens
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VANCOUVER, BC – Before listening to Smog’s newest release Rain on Lens, you’ll want to set the mood just right. First, buy a brush and some paint, then soak your walls in a thick coat of black. (Take care with the corners). Next, draw the blinds shut, close your door tight, and cover your table with old pictures of an ex-partner. There it is, you’re done. Now lie back, hit play on your stereo, and keep the Prozac flowing like wine. With Rain on Lens, Bill Callahan (a.k.a. Smog) has produced a slightly depressing recording. Slightly, that is, in the way Vancouver is a slightly wet city. Both literally and figuratively, there is rain on the lens in this album—“the boom is in frame.” Our view is obstructed and something is askew. Indeed, this L.P is drenched in conflict. Songs like “Dirty Pants” feature Callahan droning lines like, “Then I walk out to your house/ And let rain on” in a song called “Dirty Pants,” which brings us to a home where: “I dance in dirty pants/ A drink in my hand/ No shirt and broken tooth/ Barefoot and beaming.”

Smog is not just a talented misanthrope, though; there is optimism on this album as well. Meditations on companionship, for instance, surface on songs like “Keep Some Steady Friends Around.” A sweet, romantic image is sustained through Lazy Rain: “…I feel our bodies melt/ Into two drops of lazy rain/ Snaking down the window pane/ And when the two drops merge/ Then there is the surge/ Of one last drop.” Yet despite these token melodies, Rain on Lens is more candy for the brain than the ears. Tracks are intentionally harsh, driving the listener laconically disdaining between himself and a soldier—“In the way I wear no uniform/ And choose not to fight/ And fight all night/ For some other cause.”

The interesting portraits of strife on this release, however, emerge when Callahan turns his sardonic eye inward. “Song,” one of the best on the album, is a mounting paradox in which the singer laconically distinguishes between himself and a soldier—“In the way I wear no uniform/ And choose not to fight/ And fight all night/ For some other cause.” A snapshot of ‘beauty’ is tersely explored in “Dirty Pants,” which brings us to a home where: “I dance in dirty pants/ A drink in my hand/ No shirt and broken tooth/ Barefoot and beaming.”

The gold in Rain on Lens is in the words, words, words. And in that wonder-fully weird horn solo at the end of the album.

n.b. Like Smog? Check out Bonnie "Prince" Billy.
2002-2003 Financial Aid

Staff Reports


For the 2002-2003 academic year, several changes have been made to streamline the financial aid process to allow students to be awarded faster. The Office of Student Financial Assistance's goal is to provide better customer service. Listed below are some of the changes for 2002-2003 compared to 2001-2002:

1. The NSU Application for Student Aid will no longer be required for graduate students. However, students seeking a first bachelor's degree must complete an NSU State Aid Application. This is required in order to receive the Florida Resident Access Grant (FRAG), Florida Bright Futures scholarship, and Florida Student Assistance Grant (FSAG).

2. We are no longer sending the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) with the Guide for Student Financial Aid, as we are recommending that students apply through FAFSA on the Web at www.fafsa.ed.gov. FAFSA on the Web has become more user-friendly. By applying on-line, the receipt of your financial aid is much faster, and with built-in edits, it reduces the possibility of errors. Get your Department of Education Personal Identification Number (PIN) at www.pin.ed.gov to apply, make corrections, and view your Student Aid Report (SAR) status through Student Access on the Web. Students still have the option to apply through the paper FAFSA. However, the process time is usually three to four weeks compared to approximately 72 hours to a week using FAFSA on the Web. Students may request the paper FAFSA by contacting the Office of Student Financial Assistance, or they may obtain one through any high school.

3. There is a new FAFSA on the Web Chat feature allowing you to contact customer service with questions while applying on-line. By clicking on the "Customer Service Live" button or link, available on each application page, you will be automatically connected to a customer service representative who can also view your application page at the same time.

4. If you provide an e-mail address on FAFSA on the Web when requesting a PIN, you can receive your PIN on-line (not on the e-mail) through a PIN retrieval URL within 72 hours. An e-mail message will also be sent when the application/corrections has been received and processed.

5. The FAFSA on the Web site at www.fafsa.ed.gov provides student financial aid publications, such as the 2002-2003 Student Aid Handbook and Funding your Education. You may view them on-line for more information.

6. Students requesting a Federal Subsidized and Unsubsidized Stafford Loan from a lender other than Chase Bank, (undergraduate students) or the Nova Loan Program (graduate students), and all students requesting an Alternative Loan must complete the NSU Request for Lender/Loan Funds form. Forms are available on the NSU Financial Aid Web site at www.nova.edu/cwis/loanid or may be requested by contacting the NSU Office of Student Financial Assistance.

7. Students may now complete their Perkins Loan and Stafford Loan Entrance and Exit Interviews on the Web through the NSU Financial Aid Web site at www.nova.edu/cwis/finaid.

8. The Mid-Year Transfer Form is no longer required for students who are attending after the fall term. We are now accessing the National Student Loan Database System (NSLDS) for students who are transferring from another post-secondary institution to Nova Southeastern University.

9. The Office of Student Financial Services and Registration will communicate with students via the NSU e-mail address assigned to you by the University. For more information concerning policy, access and instructions on the forwarding of the NSU e-mail, you may go to www.nova.edu/cwis/oit/studentservices.html.

10. An NSU Authorization Form is now available for students to complete. By completing the Authorization Form, you may avoid delays in registration holdups due to unpaid obligations. The Authorization Form includes authorizations to: (1) apply Title IV funds to cover non-institutional charges; (2) apply current Title IV funds to prior year obligations; and (3) to permit disclosure of information to other individuals such as a spouse, parent or significant other. Please complete and sign the form, which is included in the Guide and also available on the NSU Financial Aid Web site at www.nova.edu/cwis/finaid.

Wilex AG, Bayer Corporation Sign License, Sublicense, Option Agreement

MUNICH, Germany, Nov. 12 /U.S. Newswire - Wilex AG today announced that it had entered into a license, sublicense, and option agreement with Bayer Corporation's Diagnostic Group Diagnostics, Tarrytown, N.Y. to obtain certain rights under Bayer's MN patent portfolio "MN", (also known as CA IX) is a tumor associated antigen expressed in a large number of cancers, including virtually all renal cell carcinomas.

Through this agreement, Wilex receives certain intellectual property rights which protect its G250 antibody. In addition, Bayer has granted to Wilex option rights to develop certain other antibodies targeting the MN antigen as well as certain diagnostic option rights. "This agreement provides an important cornerstone for our growing antibody therapy portfolio. In addition it will enable us to develop diagnostics for the identification of patient sub-populations that may benefit from our Renal Cell Carcinoma therapies," said Prof. Dr. Olaf G. Wilhelm, CEO of Wilex.

WX-G250 is currently being tested in Phase II trials as a stand alone naked antibody as well as in combination with IL-2. WX-G250RIT, a radio-labelled version of G250, aims to deliver tumor-sterilizing radiation directly to renal tumors and is also in Phase II clinical trials. Both drug candidates have received Orphan Drug Designation from the FDA.

Wilex AG is a biopharmaceutical company committed to the discovery, development and commercialization of novel cancer therapies to improve treatment and enhance quality of life for patients. The company was founded by clinical oncologists who identified prognostic markers that could recognize sub-populations of cancer patients at high risk of developing metastatic disease. Wilex is developing several novel cancer therapies that are tailored to the medical needs of these patient sub-populations.

With more than 7,300 employees worldwide and 2000 sales greater than $1.8 billion, Bayer Diagnostics (www.bayerdiag.com), based in Tarrytown, N.Y., USA, is one of the largest diagnostic businesses in the world. The organization supports customers in 100 countries through an extensive portfolio of central, self-testing, nucleic acid and near patient care diagnostics systems and services for use in the assessment and management of health, including the areas of cardiovascular and kidney disease, oncology, virology, women's health and diabetes.

Distinguished by its commitment to quality, Bayer Diagnostics is dedicated to surpassing customer expectations from providing state-of-the-art products to offering unparalleled service and support. Bayer Diagnostics is a part of the worldwide Bayer Group, a $29 billion international health care and chemicals group based in Leverkusen, Germany.

Bayer Diagnostics' global headquarters in the United States operates as part of Bayer Corporation of Pittsburgh, a research-based company with major businesses in health care, life sciences and chemicals.
Students Describe the Benefits of Interning

by Monster.com

If you're on the fence about whether or not statistics alone should convince you to do an internship, consider in hiring new college graduates for full-time positions, and they have a variety of self-serving reasons for feeling that way. How do you benefit from taking part in an internship? Here's what a few of your fellow students and recent graduates had to say:

**Gain Industry Knowledge You Won't Learn Anywhere Else**

"Being able to talk with people working in the industry I'm studying to work in is priceless," says Jared Smith, a 24-year-old junior at Shasta College, beginning his second Web development internship for Redding Electric Utility in California. "I was able to spend the day in the control room at the power station, which was amazing for me. I was also able to see the data that is going to be important to me in my career. I learned about things I'll never find in the classroom. Now I can focus on my studies and strive for the knowledge I'll need in tomorrow's workforce."

**Accumulate Evidence of Your Abilities**

Eugenia Sozzi, a 21-year-old senior at the Catholic University of America, majoring in Conservation and Environmental Resources Management, interned at the New England Aquarium in Boston, as an assistant for Natural Health magazine in Boston and as an attractions hostess at Walt Disney World's Animal Kingdom in Orlando, Florida. "How have my internships benefited me?" says Jost. "I'm in the process of finding a job right now, and my resume rocks! I'm not concerned about finding a great position in the field I want. I'm going as a Disney-trained, internationally published educational presenter who has the New England Aquarium as my main reference. So I have the confidence of someone who's been in my field for several years, and I have the names, references and organizations to back me up."

**Possibly Land a Full-Time Job**

Forty-seven-year-old Wendy Stubbins is now a career development specialist at the University of South Dakota, thanks in great part to the internship she completed at the USD Career Development Center last year as a graduate student. Meanwhile, 24-year-old September McIntyre, who just finished her master's degree in public relations at the University of North Texas, landed her new job as a public relations specialist for BSMG Worldwide in Dallas following a six-month internship with the company.

Research shows that 85 percent of companies use internships and similar experiential education programs to recruit for their full-time workforces.

**Your Confidence Will Improve**

Michelle Jost is a 22-year-old senior at the University of Wisconsin at Madison who will graduate in December 2001 with a degree in conservation. She's interned as an animal educator at the New England Aquarium in Boston, as an assistant for Natural Health magazine in Boston and as an attractions hostess at Walt Disney World's Animal Kingdom in Orlando, Florida. "How have my internships benefited me?" says Jost. "I'm in the process of finding a job right now, and my resume rocks! I'm not concerned about finding a great position in the field I want. I'm going as a Disney-trained, internationally published educational presenter who has the New England Aquarium as my main reference. So I have the confidence of someone who's been in my field for several years, and I have the names, references and organizations to back me up."

**Last-Minute Plea From Students Persuades National Business Plan Competition Organizers To Extend Registration Deadline To February 2002**

$100,000 cash, serious bragging rights, plus funding of the winner's business plan by a New York venture capitalist are all on the line. Plus, one budding entrepreneur will be crowned Forbes magazine's Future Capitalist of the Year.

NEW YORK, NY – (Collegiate Presswire) – Dec. 7, 2001 – The registration deadline for the Carrot Capital Business Plan Challenge ("Challenge"), a nationwide business plan competition in which virtually all the top 50 business schools in the US are participating, has been extended to February 12, 2002, from December 10, 2001.

"A number of campus business plan competitions start in the second half of the school year," says Nicole Del Gadio, Manager of the Challenge for Carrot Capital, principal sponsor of the competition. "Many university officials and campus coordinators begged us to extend the Challenge deadlines to fit in with their school's schedule, so we did!"

"The Challenge, with nearly 1,000 students registered, representing hundreds of teams, is already one of the biggest competitions of its kind," exclaims David Geliebter, Managing Partner of Carrot Capital. "Now, with the registration deadline extended, several hundred more teams will have an opportunity to take part."

All plans will be read and evaluated by a celebrated panel of over 125 judges from the top ranks of corporate America, such names as: Anthony E. Hull, CFO of enter- tainment giant DreamWorks; Carol B. Tome, CFO of Home Depot (NYSE:HDI), ranked one of Fortune's 50 Most Powerful Women in Business; Kip McClanahan, President and CEO of Broadjump, one of Uptimes' Hot 100 companies and Kathy Brittain White, EVP of NFL Business & of Cardinal Health (NYSE:CAH), ranked one of Forbes' America's Top Businesswomen, to name a few. "What better challenge for students to learn about business than to try to create one!" says Roger Brown, CEO of Bright Horizons Family Solutions, and Challenge judge.

On Saturday, April 27, 2002, 24 finalist teams will come to New York, all expenses paid, to compete for $100,000 in cash prizes, plus funding for the winning plan. And, as if that wasn't enough, one person will be crowned the Forbes Future Capitalist at the gala dinner and awards ceremony to be held that evening.

For more information on the Challenge, along with a complete set of rules, interested students can log on to www.UpToTheChallenge.com. Registration is easy and it's free.
Santa Gets the Boot
By Scott Brown
Contributing Writer

PORT LAUDERDALE, FL - They are up to it again. Not even a week after the Montgomery County Board of Commissioners tried to pass a law that would fine smokers if their smoke crossed property lines, a town in that county has now banned Santa Claus.

The county has received worldwide ridicule and the law has since been vetoed. But the same county is getting ready to see ridicule again. What is going on with these people? Enough is enough. It sounds like the local politicians have nothing better to do than to sit around and come up with redundant policies.

There are only two families causing the Christmas controversy. They have complained to the mayor that "they would be uncomfortable" if Santa was a part of the Christmas tree lighting event. In response, the town council has given Santa the boot! Denisse Martinez, an undergraduate student at NSU couldn't believe it when I told her. Her first response was: "WHAT? NO WAY! How can they ban Santa just because of two families? If the families don't celebrate Christmas, they don't have to ruin it for the thousands of other families that do."

That seemed to be the opinion of most of the students I talked to. H. Pabon couldn't believe it either. She said, "Did you say that they banned Santa? Don't they have anything better to do?"

Even the mayor of Kensington calls the situation a "shame". In my opinion, why would these families even be going to see the lighting of the Christmas tree? Isn't the lighting of the tree synonymous with Christmas? If these two families don't want to be around festive traditions, they should just stay at home.

How can you have the lighting of the town Christmas tree without Santa? That would be like lighting the Rockefeller Plaza tree in New York City without the Rockettes.

It just wouldn't be the same. The most ridiculous part of the story is that the town council actually decided in the favor of only two families. If these families do not celebrate Christmas, why have they only picked on jolly St. Nick? If they don't celebrate Christmas, why are they going to the tree lighting in the first place?

The reasoning of these people is flawed. If they are so concerned about Kensington marking Christmas, shouldn't they also insist that there be no tree, and that the city stay open on Christmas Day? While they are at it, they should also insist that the singing of carols be forbidden at the lighting ceremony. They should also insist that the ceremony be cancelled.

Of course, there is always the argument about the majority crushing the rights of the minority, but this argument does not stand up to the test. It does not hold because of the fact that the lighting of the tree is not something that everyone has to attend. It is voluntary, and the people know what to expect when they arrive.

Another argument that might be used is one that says the city is promoting religion, but again I fail to see Santa as a religious figure. Even though I do take into account that there are some strange people out there, Santa is a secular holiday tradition used to advertise everything from computers to Coca-Colas. Therefore, this argument is also flawed.

I don't know what is going on in Maryland these days, but from the looks of things, somebody has tainted the water supply. What is remarkable is that this stupid decision has taken place in the same county that is still under heat for its Taliban-like laws. With this county being so close to Washington, DC, and with Washington, DC involved in a war on terrorism, maybe the politicians should look around and see that they need to declare a war on STUPIDITY!

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Dangerous Pursuit: A Profile of Officer Oscar Valle
By Denisse Martinez
Contributing Writer

PORT LAUDERDALE, FL - Police officer Oscar Valle turns his vehicle's lights on as he follows the automobile in front of him. He steps out of his automobile and approaches the car that was stationed in front.

"Good evening ma'am. License, registration, and insurance please," Officer Valle says. He returns to his car and writes the person a ticket for speeding.

Officer Valle has been working for the Miami Lakes Police Department for approximately five years. He patrols the Miami Gardens area in Miami-Dade County. Although his shifts are from 11:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m., he usually goes to work early. This allows him to add up hours for his vacation time.

Every day, except for weekends, Officer Valle reports himself to the station around 9:00 a.m. At 11:00 p.m., he goes through what's called "Roll Call", along with many other officers, who have the same shift. "Roll Call" is not much different from attendance in school. The Sergeant or Lieutenant informs the officers of any dangers, any missing or wanted people - basically anything that seems suspicious. They are also advised on the crime trend for their patrolling area. This goes on for the first twenty to thirty minutes of their shift. After the Sergeant or Lieutenant has addressed those issues, the officers listen to the dispatch on the radio and drive around to make sure their zone is danger free.

Officer Valle, 27, has many interesting stories that involve a chase, missing people, burglaries, etc. One of his favorites took place in '97.

He was on duty and, before he knew it, he was chasing a stolen Heineken truck. Apparently, the truck driver was unloading the merchandise and two men hijacked the automobile. Once the two burglars noticed that cops were following them, they began making sharp turns. Those sharp turns sent beer cases flying out of the sides of the truck.

There were about 35 to 40 police officers engaged in this dangerous pursuit.

"I felt an adrenaline rush as the truck tried to collide with the police cars," Officer Valle says.

A police helicopter was also following the stolen vehicle. They informed all of the officers of what was ahead - for example, if the road could be closed off or if a school zone was nearby.

The chase came to an end when the drivers attached an apartment fence to the front of the vehicle, and drove the truck straight into a lake.

The criminals immediately jumped into the water and managed to stay under for a pretty long time. Although the officers didn't approach the vehicle, they made sure that the truck and the entire lake were surrounded.

After thirty to forty-five minutes, the police divers took both men out of the water. Apparently, the men remained under the truck in an air pocket. They managed to stay there until the divers violently took them out of the water and arrested them.

When Officer Oscar Valle was asked about the education that is required to become a police officer, he said: "The only education required is a high school diploma or a GED."

Police officers are also required to go to a police academy for six months and take a basic law course. But, education for officers does not stop there. They must also take Law 1, 2 and 3, Interpersonal Skills, Cultural Diversity, Defense Tactics and Fire Arm Training. Once these requirements have been accomplished, the class has a graduation at the County Commissioner's, and they receive their badges.

Although Officer Valle is a very hard-working man, he still goes out with his friends and spends time with his six-year-old daughter. He enjoys mountain biking, going to the beach, dancing, scuba diving, running and weightlifting. He has so much passion for Salsa that he is currently taking Salsa lessons.

On his weekends, Wednesday and Thursday nights, he often goes to a club and practices his dancing moves. Officer Valle likes to be able to help the community in one way or another. He said that he loves his job and doesn't regret choosing this career.
Segway Human Transporter for Law Enforcement Officers

By Denisse Martinez
Contributing Writer

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL – In a recent news article from The Washington Post, it was discussed whether or not police officers would be allowed to use the Segway Human Transporter, created by Dean Kamen, while patrolling busy areas of the city.

The two-wheeled cart weighs about 80 pounds, is battery operated, and relies on gyroscopes and computers for balance and movement. The industrial model of this machine costs about $8,000, and the consumer version will be sold at approximately $3,000. The fastest speed of the Segway Human Transporter is seventeen miles per hour. If police officers used this equipment to patrol busy areas, there would be benefits for speed and visibility.

Yet allowing police officers to use this equipment may not be such a good idea. Can you imagine how much money will be spent on buying this machine for almost every police officer?

It might be easier to jump off the two-wheeled cart when chasing someone, but it also depends on the speed one is going. One can get seriously injured when jumping off the machine. It may be easier to drive and to maneuver, but could it be used on all types of terrains?

Since the Segway Human Transporter relies on computers for motion and balance, what guarantees will there be that these computers will never have problems or be a threat to the officers – for example, if a pursuit is taking place and the computer malfunctions.

Two police officers from Manchester, NH will test the practicability of this invention for law enforcement in metropolitan areas. It all depends on these experiments to decide whether or not it is going to be approved and allowed to be used by law enforcement officers.

Sixth Annual Nova Knight was a Hit

By Allyson Katoski
Contributing Writer

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL – Delta Phi Epsilon’s annual Mr. Nova Knight was a huge success. The December 7 event was fun and entertaining for the entire crowd. The local representative, Tere Alveraez, from the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation was impressed by the generosity that this campus showed. Cystic fibrosis is a genetic lung and digestive disease that affects 30,000 Americans.

Thanks to the people who voted and bought raffle tickets the sisters of Delta Phi Epsilon were able to raise over $500 for the charity.

The event had its trademark surprises, which left some contestants scantily clothed. The brothers of Sigma Alpha Mu left the crowd speechless as they came out for the sleepwear round in the buff. Let me just say that the talk around Nova since this event has been “the sock.” Another surprise was the intermission performance when the sisters of Delta Phi Epsilon danced to Janet Jackson’s “Nasty Boys.”

This year’s winner of Mr. Nova Knight was Dave Morse. Dave, of all the contestants, was able to raise the most money for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

The sisters of Delta Phi Epsilon would like to thank all of the local companies that contributed to the raffle and prizes. Thank you: Gameworks, Dave and Busters, Bally’s, Gold’s Gym, Herb Allen, Sweet Tomatoes, Big Tomato, Hard Rock Café, Tina’s Tanning Salon, Jaxson’s Ice Cream Parlor, Walgreen’s, Tower Pizza, LaSpada’s Subs, Roadhouse Grill, AMC Bowling Lanes and Office Depot.
INFOT LAUDERDALE, FL - Michael Mominey, head baseball coach for the Nova Southeastern University Knights, has been named Interim Athletic Director for the University.

Mominey has more than eight years of experience in the administration sector. He joined the Knights last year after being the Athletic Director at Chamhade-Madonna College Preparatory for four years and the Assistant Director of Athletics at St. Thomas University from '92 to '96.

Prior to relocating to Florida, Mominey was the Assistant to Player Development and Scouting for the Cleveland Indians Baseball Club from '90 through '92. He worked in the front office of the major league club and was directly involved in the day-to-day operations of the Scouting and Player Development departments.

Mominey graduated from Bowling Green State University with a bachelor's degree in Education and Sports Management and from St. Thomas University with a master's degree in Sports Administration. Mominey resides in Pembroke Pines, FL with his wife Denise and two children Tyler and Alexa.

Mominey is looking forward to the challenges of heading the department. "This is a very exciting time for the athletic program and our University as a whole. Anytime you can be part of a growth period in a prestigious university such as Nova Southeastern, you know it can be special," said Michael Mominey, Interim Athletic Director. "We have a great group of student athletes, knowledgeable and energetic coaches and a hardworking support staff. I look forward to representing the University."

NBA Superstar Tracy McGrady Signs Deal to be Spokesperson for NBA Showdown 2002

NBA Showdown Sports Card Game Allows Players to Experience all Aspects of the NBA

RENTON, WA - (Collegiate Presswire) - Dec. 6, 2001 - Wizards of the Coast Inc., developer of game-based entertainment products, today announced plans to feature the fifth-year superstar forward of the Orlando Magic, Tracy McGrady, on all marketing items related to the soon-to-be released NBA(TM) Showdown 2002 sports card game. McGrady will make two special appearances, at yet-to-be determined locations, on behalf of the National Basketball Association (NBA) card game which is the most recent addition to the Showdown Sports card game brand from Wizards of the Coast, a subsidiary of Hasbro Inc. (NYSE:HAS) Wizards of the Coast also features the award-winning MLB(TM) Showdown and the innovative new NFL(TM) Showdown 2002 sports card games.

McGrady joins a highly regarded list of professional athletes who represent the Showdown Sports brand for Wizards of the Coast. The list includes Major League Baseball standouts Shawn Green, Chipper Jones, Gary Sheffield and Manny Ramirez along with Minnesota Vikings' Pro Bowl quarterback Daunte Culpepper. This past year saw McGrady post career high numbers in eight categories: points (26.8), rebounds (7.5), assists (4.6), steals (1.51) and minutes played (40.1). His .457 field-goal percentage, .355 three-point field-goal percentage, and .733 free-throw percentage were also career best marks.

In addition, the high-flying All-Star forward received the NBA's Most Improved Award for the 2000-2001 campaign.

"The Showdown Sports line is synonymous with excitement, energy and fun. Nobody embodies that image better than Tracy McGrady," said Tom Goedde, director of sports marketing for Wizards of the Coast. "McGrady complements the already strong list of elite professional athletes representing our sports card games and helps to make our NBA Showdown 2002 sports card game a sure fan favorite."

The new NBA Showdown 2002 sports card game will simulate an actual basketball game with players acting as owners and head coaches of their own all-star teams. The game combines the strategy of basketball with the collectability of sports cards and the competition of fantasy basketball. Game players will be able to call their own plays, pop the three, and drain a jump shot, all with the roll of a dice.

This new multidimensional NBA trading card game will feature full-color photos of NBA players along with characteristics and abilities based on players' actual statistics. The NBA trading card game will be available at retail, hobby and other select stores worldwide in February 2002. Players can learn the game with the Starter Set and then expand their capabilities with booster packs.

With 29 teams in the United States and Canada, NBA games and related programming are broadcast to 210 countries in 42 languages. The NBA is one of the most popular and profitable sports or entertainment properties in the licensing world with NBA league and team products in stores across the globe, on the NBA Store on NBA.com, the NBA Store on Fifth Avenue in New York City, and NBA City in Orlando. The NBA possesses 16 marketing partnerships with the most successful companies in their categories, seven of which are global partnerships. For more information on the NBA, visit http://www.nba.com.

Wizards of the Coast Inc., a subsidiary of Hasbro Inc. (NYSE:HAS), is the worldwide market share leader in the trading card game and tabletop roleplaying game categories. Wizards of the Coast is a leading developer and publisher of game-based entertainment products as well as the owner and operator of one of the nation's largest specialty game retail chains. The company holds an exclusive patent on the play mechanics of trading card games (TCGs) and produces the world's best-selling Pokemon(TM)* and Magic: The Gathering(R) TCGs. Wizards of the Coast is also one of the world's leading fantasy and science fiction book publishers and is a publisher of adventure games such as the classic Dungeons & Dragons(R) games, family card and board games and electronic media products. Headquartered near Seattle, Washington, Wizards of the Coast has international offices in Antwerp, Paris, Milan, London and Beijing.

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Intramural Basketball Starts its Season Early PG + 2; Team to Beat in Men's Competitive League.

By Johnson Pock
Contributing Writer

FT. LAUDERDALE, FL - The 2002 Intramural basketball season at Nova Southeastern University kicked off with the Midnight Madness Basketball Tournament on January 1 at the RecPlex basketball courts. PG + 2 defeated Mean Machine, 52-45, in the finals to take the preseason crown. In the first round, PG+ 2 had a convincing win over Theta as they won 69-33. In the semifinals, the preseason champs held off Chemical Imbalance, 52-40, to get to the winner's circle and face Mean Machine in the finals. The road for Mean Machine seemed clear as they steam rolled Beta in a 56-21 win. Section 2 came close in the semifinals but in the end it was Mean Machine who came up on top in a 46-40 win. The 6 points was enough to push Mean Machine to the finals to face PG + 2. The two finalists went head-to-head but it was the speed and teamwork that crowned PG +2 the winners of the Midnight Madness Basketball Tournament. “This pre-season tournament was a great warm up for the teams and provided the opportunity for the officials to gain valuable experience before the regular season,” said Jaron Rider, Assistant Director of Campus Recreation and Wellness. The regular season games for Intramural basketball will begin on Monday January 14 and will end in the middle of February. Other Intramural events for the spring semester are 4 on 4 Sand-Volleyball and softball. Students, alumni, faculty and staff who are interested in participating in these events should call 262-7048.

NSU Weekly Sports Report

By Vicki Greenbaum
Contributing Writer

Men's Basketball

The Nova Southeastern University Men's Basketball team improved their record (3-17, 3-3) this week after winning 2-1 with wins over Florida Memorial and Webber International and a loss against Warner Southern College. The Knights have won 3 out of their last 4 games after starting the season 0-16. The Knights are led by Senior Meghanne Hickey has the most three pointers with 33, which is also the best percentage (.340) in the conference. She is second in scoring with 8 points per game. Charity Rainey keeps adding to her numbers now having 24 blocks and being third in scoring with 7.1 points per game. Yashica Burgess leads the team with 49 assists and 39 steals. NSU (6-13, 3-0) will try to keep their run alive when they travel to Palm Beach to take on the Sailfish of Palm Beach Atlantic College Wednesday, January 23 at 7:00 p.m.

Women's Basketball

The Nova Southeastern women's basketball team is dominating in the Florida Sun Conference – earning the top spot, having a 3-0 record and being the only undefeated team. With two conference wins this weekend the Knights are positioning themselves well to reach their goal of winning the FSC title. Sophomore Jessica Pate leads the Knights in scoring, averaging 11.6 points per game as well as in rebounding with 8.8 per game. Pate is also the leader for rebounding in the conference standings. Senior Meghanne Hickey has the most three points with 33, which is also the best percentage (.340) in the conference. She is second in scoring with 8 points per game. Charity Rainey keeps adding to her numbers now having 24 blocks and being third in scoring with 7.1 points per game. Yashica Burgess leads the team with 49 assists and 39 steals. NSU (6-13, 3-0) will try to keep their run alive when they travel to Palm Beach to take on the Sailfish of Palm Beach Atlantic College Wednesday, January 23 at 7:00 p.m.

NSU Adds Local Golf Professional to Program

Staff Reports

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL - Nova Southeastern University added one more piece to the puzzle this week hiring local golf professional Philip Henry as the men and women's golf coach.

Henry joins the Knights after working independently as a teaching professional at a Delray Training Facility. Before that he was the head golf professional at the Ballantrae Golf and Yacht Club in Port St. Lucie, FL for a year and the first assistant golf professional at PGA Golf Club at the Reserve in Port St. Lucie the two years prior.

Henry has a great history working at many different golf clubs, working on tours and playing on tours. He brings great expertise and knowledge to the NSU program. Henry graduated from Ferris State University (Big Rapids, MI) with a Bachelors of Science in Marketing. He also had special training through the PGA of America Business Schools. Phil Henry resides in Lake Worth, Florida with his wife, Rozanne and 14-year-old son, Ty.

“I feel very fortunate to have the opportunity to be a part of not only a fine University, but also a growing athletic department and highly competitive men and women’s golf teams,” said new head golf coach Phil Henry. "There are two aspects of being a golf professional that really get me excited; competing myself and helping others get the most out of their game, specifically during competitions. Being the coach at Nova Southeastern University is going to allow me to enjoy my chosen profession greatly while working with great people and a great team.”

The Knight Line

FAVORITE            POINT SPREAD            UNDERDOG
The New Times       6 ½                The Knight Newspaper
Michael Jordan’s Wizards 23 + 45          Jordan-less Bulls
The Parker Building  Much Bigger          Any Modular
NSU’s new Library Center Pick ’em          All Florida libraries combined
Riverfront           No comment          South Beach
Malaysian Monkeys    Longer life expectancy South American Wombat
Reading a book       On the same ‘musical’ team: incomparable Watching a television show
Elton John           Infinity            Billy Joel
No ‘Survivor’        1 ½                ‘Survivor’
Cookies and Cream ice cream

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In Celebration of Unity Month
N.A.T.U.R.E Coffeehouse

Thursday, January 31 @ 7:00 p.m.

Presenting:
Dr. Heather Hosseini

“The Scientific Proof of Oneness and Institutional Racism”
WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Knights Dominate in First Conference Victory
January 11, 2002
By Vicki Greenbaum
Contributing Writer

PORT LAUDERDALE, FL - The Nova Southeastern University women's basketball team started off their Florida Sun Conference season with a convincing 81-63 win over Flagler College.

The Knights (4-13, 1-0) came out strong taking a 21-7 lead in the first 10 minutes and taking a 22-point lead into halftime.

The Knights continued to play tough defense and never let up, scoring 48 first half points and causing 12 of 26 total turnovers. NSU dominated the ball team started off their Florida Sun Conference season with a convincing 81-63 win over Flagler College.

Southeastern University women's basketball team (0-16) lost in overtime to the Sailfish. Tip-off is scheduled for 7:00 p.m.

The Shotgun...Earn First Win
January 12, 2002
By Zack Leshetz
Contributing Writer

DAVIE, FL - The Nova Southeastern University men's basketball team (0-16) lost in overtime to the Saints of Flagler College (15-2) by the score of 103-97 Friday evening at BCC's George Mayer Gymnasium.

The Saints owned the overtime period outscoring the Knights 13-7. The Knights were led by freshman guard, Kluis Wimbush who had 27 points and 8 rebounds, senior forward Marquise Kiffin, who had 23 points and 5 rebounds, and sophomore guard Zak Kirchgassner, who had 15 points and 9 assists. The Saints were led by Otis Mario, who had 35 points and 5 rebounds.

Men's Basketball

Knights Pounded by Buccaneers
January 5, 2002
By Zack Leshetz
Contributing Writer

DAVIE, FL - The Nova Southeastern University men's basketball team (0-14) dropped another game losing to Division II Barry University 78-57 Saturday evening at Broward Community College's George Mayer Gymnasium.

Knights Take Care of Webber in 69-51 Win
January 19, 2002
By Vicki Greenbaum
Sports Reporter

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL - The Nova Southeastern University women's basketball team stayed undefeated in the Florida Sun Conference tonight by beating conference opponent Webber International University 69-51 at home.

Once again off to a slow start in the first half the Knights and Warriors battled it out with four lead changes heading into halftime with NSU on top 33-29.

The second half NSU played strong increasing the lead and intensifying their defense. NSU (6-13, 3-0) shot 46.9 percent from the floor second half and 37.5 percent from three-point range which gave them an edge over the Warriors, who shot only 30 percent in the half.

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Knights Lose Heartbreaker to Lions
January 2, 2002
By Zack Leshetz
Contributing Writer

DAVIE, FL - The Nova Southeastern University men's basketball team (0-13) fell to Saint Leo University (6-6) by the score of 90-88 Wednesday afternoon at Broward Community College's George Mayer Gymnasium.

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Knights Fall in Overtime Battle
January 11, 2002
By Zack Leshetz
Contributing Writer

DAVIE, FL - The Nova Southeastern University men's basketball team (0-16) lost in overtime to the Saints of Flagler College (15-2) by the score of 103-97 Friday evening at BCC's George Mayer Gymnasium.

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Knights Pull off Huge Upset, Earn First Win
January 12, 2002
By Zack Leshetz
Contributing Writer

DAVIE, FL - The Nova Southeastern University men's basketball team (2-17, 2-3) winning streak came to end Friday evening when they lost to the thirteenth ranked (NAIA) Royals of Warner Southern College by the score of 90-64 at BCC's George Mayer Gymnasium.

The Royals started the game with a 22-8 run and shot over 50 percent from the field. Taking a 43-29 lead into halftime, the Royals kept up their fast paced style of offense. Warner Southern out rebounded the Knights 53-37 and shot an impressive 43.5 percent from three-point land. The Knights seemed flustered, forced to play catch up the entire game and did not shoot as well as they normally do.

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Royals Run Past Knights
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Sports Reporter

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Across

1. "Can I blame this on my father? He did the best he could for me?"
5. "I know I'm not the one you thought you knew back in high school/ Never going, ever showing up when we had to?"
7. "I ain't happy, I'm feeling glad/I got sunshine, in a bag?"
9. "Life is one big party when you're still young/But who's gonna have your back when it's all done?"
11. "You keep me drowning in your love/Everytime I try to rise above?"
13. "My appetite for loving/Is now my hunger pain?"
14. "How do you give me so much pleasure/And cause me so much pain?"
15. "Grandma why don't you put on a little make up?/Why don't you cross your fingers make a wish up?"
16. "Push the door, I'm home at last and I'm soaking/Through and through then you handed me a towel?"

Down

2. "As he came into the window/It was the sound of a crescendo?"
3. "This time I'm mistaken/For handing you a heart worth breaking?"
4. "I swam across/I jumped across for you/Oh what a thing to do?"
6. "I'm running, I'm running, catch up with me life/Where is the love that I'm looking to find?"
8. "Now while you grittin your teeth/Frustration baby you gotta breathe?"
10. "I've been sitting here/Can't get you off my mind?"
12. "Tried so hard and got so far/But in the end, it doesn't even matter?"
Car Chat

By Jonathan Valladeres
Contributing Writer

Wow! That's all that needs to be said about the totally redesigned Nissan Altima. The Altima boasts two new engine choices—a 2.5L inline four making a surprising 175 bhp at 6000 rpms and 180 lb/ft of torque at 4000 rpms. But the really breathtaking one is the all-new 3.5L V6 engine, which was first introduced in the Nissan Pathfinder. It makes 240 sweet horses at 6000 rpms and 246 LB/ft or torque at 4000 rpms. Both these engines are class leaders in power. Just for a little reference the Toyota Camry which is the best selling car in America has a 2.4L inline four with 143 and a 3.0L V6 with 194 horses. All I can say to Toyota is “look out.”

I mean that figuratively and literally because with all the newfound power the Altima can run 0-60 in 6.28 seconds and a quarter mile of 14.72 seconds at 96.82 mph. Those are BMW numbers for thousands less.

Even with all these appetizing statistics, Nissan did not forget about visual appeal. The new car’s styling is fresh and unique. It gives me that, “hey, look at me,” sense of style. The interior was completely redesigned, giving way to a new triopd gauge cluster that reminds me of my motorcycle riding days.

This new car has grown an impressive 5.7 inches in overall length with an increase to the wheelbase of 7.1 inches. What that means to folks in the car is an increased cabin with some extra room to stretch out. It is also 1.3 inches wider and 2 inches taller.

With this new Altima, Nissan really hit the mark of a fast, stylish mid-size sporty sedan.

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Reserved Parking Spots Accessed with NSU Campus Card

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FORT LAUDERDALE, FL--The new parking garage will add an additional 1,525 parking spaces to Nova Southeastern University.

NSU and the Broward Board of Commissioners shared the total cost of construction as part of a joint venture that includes the new library.

"As a growing university, we have been feeling the pinch of limited parking for quite sometime," says Alice Aschbrenner, Coordinator for Facilities Management. "Now that we have the joint-use facility library and garage completed, this should give us ample parking. Especially since we will be breaking ground shortly for the School of Business, thus adding more faculty, staff and students onto the main campus."

Students will be able to enter the garage using the new NSU Campus identification card. Gates with sensors will recognize signals given off by proxy antennae found under the clack strip on the card. There will be a total of four entrances into the garage: two on the east side for the public, and gated entrances on the north and west sides for NSU use.

The Office of Facilities will control parking using a system of designated parking spots for specific groups. The four level garage will have 725 spots for the general public and 800 spots for NSU students, faculty and staff.

The west lot around the Louis W. Parker building will be reserved for faculty and staff use only. In order to encourage the campus community to use this lot, the north lots around Parker along 30th Street will not be opened immediately.

"When these lots are opened, they will also be gate controlled by access privileges that will be recognized by the NSU Campus card," says Ms. Aschbrenner.

The public will be charged $1 an hour to park in the garage. Parking fees for students will be covered by tuition.

"I can't wait until the parking garage is opened because not being able to find a parking spot has made me late to class on more than one occasion," said 19-year-old Nina Lissette, a Business major.

Originally, the date of completion of the garage was set for July, however due to permit issues regarding revisions made to the plans, the date has been set back. A new date of completion has not been set.

But the garage, along with the gated parking areas, will be completed for the grand opening of the Nova Southeastern University.

New Year's Resolution #12: Take An Outdoor Adventure!

By Kemet Gatchell
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Taking a break from the daily technological grind to explore the great outdoors is a worthy goal, one not to give up on so easily. To make things easier, Nova Southeastern University's Office of Recreation and Wellness offers students, faculty and staff several outdoor adventure trips each term. The events take place on Saturdays and transportation is always provided. Cost for the trips ranges from $15 to $20, and it's inexpensive way to relieve stress between exams. The following list describes the trips planned for the winter semester:

Rock Climbing (January 26)

The first trip offered this semester is rock climbing. Participants will be taken to Coral Cliffs Rock Climbing Center. The center features slabs, aretes, overhangs, arches, roofs and more. The staff at the climbing center provides all equipment and belayers. Coral Cliffs has 55 top rope routes and 25 lead routes. Experience is not necessary. The entire trip lasts about 3 hours and the cost is $20 for both students and staff.

Lion Country Safari (February 9)

The next excursion offered is at one of South Florida's leading attractions, the Lion Country Safari. Participants will go in vans to America's first drive-through cageless zoo. The safari features an environment in which endangered and threatened species survive and reproduce.

The safari itself is divided into 7 sections: Lake Nakuru, The Great Plains, Kalahari Bushveldt, Gir Forest, The Gorongosa, Serengeti Plains and Wankie National Park. Among the 1100 animals in the safari are African elephants, white rhinoceros, zebras, chimpanzees, giraffes, and African lions. The trip lasts approximately 4 hours and the cost is $15 for all Nova students and staff.

Horseback Riding (February 23)

The outdoor recreation program will take a trip to Tree Tops Park in Davie for horseback riding. The outing includes a one-hour trail ride followed by a picnic in the park. No experience is required. The trip lasts about 3 hours and the cost is $20 for both students and staff.

Airboat Ride (March 16)

The next outing is at Everglades Holiday Park. The exciting airboat ride gives you the opportunity to see the untamed natural environment of the Florida Everglades. The one-hour trip includes a visit to a remote island where an alligator show takes place. After visiting the island the boat goes into the natural environment of the everglades.

During the ride wild birds and alligators can be seen just a few feet from the boat. An experienced guide who provides educational facts about the plant and animal life leads the trip. The trip lasts approximately 2.5 hours and the cost is $15 for both students and staff.

Kayaing (April 6)

The outdoor recreation program will provide a trip to John U. Lloyd Beach State Park in Hollywood for Kayaking. The trip features an hour and a half of kayaking followed by a picnic lunch. The trip ends with another exciting hour and a half of kayaking. The one-person kayaks are easy to maneuver and no previous experience is required. Kayakers will see nature preserves, mangroves and might even see manatees and herons. The entire trip lasts approximately 5 hours and the cost is $20 for all Nova students and staff.

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Interested participants must register for the trips by the Monday preceding the Saturday getaway. Registration takes place at the RecPlex. For additional information please call (954) 262-7301 or e-mail recwell@nova.edu.

Student Health Center Debuts at Ziff Clinic

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL--On November 12, NSU students had something to celebrate when the long-awaited Student Health Center opened its doors on the first floor of the Sanford L. Ziff Health Care Center. The center, which features six patient rooms, allows students to utilize facilities specifically geared to their needs.

"During the center's planning stages, we met with representatives of the Student Government Association to solicit their input," said Sandi Scott-Holman, D.O., who serves as director of the Student Health Center and medical director of the Sanford L. Ziff Health Care Center.

"Because of their class schedules, they felt it would be beneficial to have clinic hours that better suited their needs."

The Student Health Center, which is open Monday through Friday from noon until 7:00 p.m., utilizes a same-day appointment schedule, with follow-up appointments scheduled accordingly. Walk-ins are accepted, but appointments are encouraged to maintain a smooth patient flow. The student clinic will be staffed by:

- Sandi Scott-Holman, D.O., director and physician
- Paula Anderson-Worts, D.O., physician
- Derin Davila, medical assistant for student health
- April Starker, B.S., student health center coordinator, who previously spent five years working at the University of Florida's student health center

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