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Nineteen-year-old swimming prodigy Michael Phelps broke records when he took home eight medals from this summer's Olympics in Greece. In addition to his vast career in the water, Phelps is also a spokesperson for the Boys and Girls Club of America. The Office of Student Development and Special Events will be hosting Life 101 with Phelps on October 21 at 7 p.m.

The conversation will be directed by NSU professor Dr. Mark Cavanaugh, who has also conducted interviews with James Earl Jones, Janet Reno, John Walsh, Mo Rocca, and others since the inception of Life 101. The event will be held in the Rose and Alfred Miniaci Performing Arts Center, and approximately 500 seats are available to the NSU community. A question and answer period will be open to the audience immediately following Dr. Cavanaugh's feature questions.

Phelps, the first male American to become eligible for six individual Olympic competitions, has an incredible story to share with NSU. His physical proof that age has no bearing on perseverance and will. Phelps kept America captivated with his prowess and superhuman ability to clench victory, regardless of the event.

Coming a long way from finishing fifth in the 200 meter fly in 2000, Phelps is channeling his transformative energy to spark the minds of young children while volunteering at native Baltimore's area schools. Phelps promises to bring an evening of memorable lessons during Life 101.

Tickets are free for NSU students, faculty, and staff with a valid ID. However, tickets were fully distributed as of press time. For more information regarding this event, e-mail wtaylor@nova.edu.
Dear NSU Community,

It is the same story each night:

After a long evening in the newsroom, I step out of the cool brightness of the Athletics & Student Affairs (ASA) Building to meet my ride in the parking lot. It is usually dark out by this time (you would be amazed at the way time slips by while editing), and off to my right I can see the windows of the library glowing several hundred feet away. I pause for a moment in front of the building in the halo of light that spills out of the glass doors. Then, as I step away to walk down the path that leads to the parking lot, I am enveloped in complete darkness. Several moments follow in which I attempt to blindly navigate through the swimming blackness. The night vision finally kicks in at about the same time that I reach the end of the path, but usually only the instant after I have tripped over a rough spot in the asphalt. This way, I can be properly embarrassed when I turn around and find that I can now clearly see what had nearly tripped me onto my face only a moment before.

Honestly, what is up with the lighting situation out here? Several other students have complained about it, too. There are plenty of people coming and going from the ASA Building after dark, yet it is left drowned in thick shadows. Whatever happened to safety? Darkness conceals more than just potholes, after all.

If anyone has comments on this, please feel free to email us at nsunews@nsu.nova.edu.

Sincerely,
Christie Bailey

Corrections

In the October 4th Issue, the headline of cover story should have read “NSU Receives $45,000 Grant from BellSouth,” not $45,00000.

2nd Annual Block Painting Party

Tuesday, October 26th from 9:00 a.m. to 5 p.m.

“The only chance to paint the foundation of your club or organization.”
First Presidential DebateBoosts Kerry Over Bush

Candidates’ performances prove crucial as November election nears

By Greg Kyriakakis
Staff Writer

The first of three presidential debates was held September 30 at the University of Miami. President George W. Bush and Senator John Kerry answered questions on homeland security, the war in Iraq, and potential terror threats in the ninety-minute contest.

When asked if he would do a better job than the president in preventing another terrorist attack on U.S. soil, Kerry responded that, "I have a better plan for homeland security." He outlined the plan, saying America would be safer "by strengthening our military, strengthening our intelligence, by going after the financing more authoritatively, by doing what we need to do to rebuild the alliances, by reaching out to the Muslim world." He declared he would "isolate the radical Islamic Muslims.

Bush rebutted, saying, "We pursued al Qaeda wherever al Qaeda tries to hide. Seventy-five percent of known al Qaeda leaders have been brought to justice. The rest of them know we’re after them."

Civil Personal Attacks

Personal attacks were present in the mostly civil debate. Kerry called on Bush’s mishandling of Iraq, saying, "This president has made, I regret to say, a colossal error of judgment. And political pundits immediately rallied the president of the United States of Paul Begala, co-host of CNN’s Crossfire, said that, "Kerry looked snide."

Kerry responded to the question of Iran’s nuclear capabilities. "If they weren’t willing to work a deal, then we could have put sanctions together. The president did nothing." Regarding North Korea, Kerry said, "Colin Powell, our secretary of state, announced one day that we were going to continue the dialog of working with the North Koreans. The president reversed it publicly while the president of South Korea was here." Kerry concluded that he wanted both multilateral and bilateral talks to deal with this issue.

Outside Views

Political pundits immediately weighed in on the debate. Democrat Paul Begala, co-host of CNN’s Crossfire, said on the CNN’s Debate Blog that, "Kerry looked more presidential than the president did." He added, "Bush spent most of the night on defense - and you don’t win on defense." Columnist Robert Novak, who supplied the Republican reaction on the same blog, stated that, "Kerry is constantly on the attack, but he doesn’t make clear what he would do himself in Iraq," and added that "Kerry looked snide."

A Dramatic Turn at the Polls

Newsweek’s post-debate poll numbers have taken a dramatic turn. The publication reports that the race is now statistically tied among all registered voters, 47 percent of whom say they would vote for Kerry and 45 percent for George W. Bush in a three-way race. The article cited the new numbers as a result of Kerry appearing more confident than Bush, where he led the president 62 percent to 26 percent. Those surveyed also gave Kerry a 56 percent to 37 percent lead over Bush as "having a better command of the facts."

Hitting the Campaign Trail

Immediately following the debate, both candidates were back on the campaign trail. Bush gave a speech the next day in Allentown, Pennsylvania, in which he criticized Kerry’s arguments during the debate. He cited Kerry’s vote against funding for troops and condemned Kerry’s comment that "American must pass a ‘global test’ before taking military action. The president continued, "I’ll continue to work with our allies and the international community - but I will never submit America’s national security to an international test."

Kerry’s first stop following the debate was Kissimmee, Florida, where domestic issues were addressed, most importantly the economy. "If you asked President Bush, he’d tell you everything’s just fine here at home," Kerry said. He followed with, "Maybe that’s true for his friends - for Enron, for Halliburton, for the big oil industry. But that’s not true for folks like you that I’ve met all across America." The senator told the crowd, “I’ve got your back,” and explained his plan to close tax loopholes, cut the corporate tax rate, provide a tax credit for small businesses, and better enforce trade deals.
Controversial Patriot Act
Examined at NSU
Expert panel debates post-9/11 law

By Greg Kyriakakis
Staff Writer

The Alvin Sherman Library hosted a panel discussion on the USA Patriot Act on September 28. The program, sponsored by the American Jewish Congress, allowed the group to address questions and concerns regarding the controversial act. Executive Director of the American Jewish Congress Harriet Kurlander explained that her organization is a lobbyist group that wants to "establish an understanding of the problems of parts of the Patriot Act that are worthy of support, and what needs change." Kurlander said the Congress holds these discussions around the country so people can "hear all sides" of the debate surrounding the legislation.

The panel discussion was moderated by Johnny Burris, a professor at the Shepard Broad Law Center, who introduced the speakers and acknowledged distinguished audience members, such as Florida Senator Debbie Schatz and former Independent presidential candidate and Shepard Broad professor John B. Anderson. Burris then explained that each panelist would have 10 minutes to present his or her position.

Robin S. Rosenbaum, the Chief of Economic Crimes at the Central Region of the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Florida, spoke first and outlined the basic foundations of the act. "It was an act to strengthen the effectiveness of law enforcement in the aftermath of the 9/11 terrorists attacks," Rosenbaum said. She went on to describe the controversial aspects of the legislation, such as allowing authorities to check e-mail header information — specifically who the communication is from — but not the body of the message. Rosenbaum added that the information is "no more than you were previously able to obtain" through traditional mail, and merely updated the law for the electronic age. She then discussed "sneak and peak" search warrants, which enable authorities to enter a premise when the occupant is not present, investigate the area, and leave without notifying the suspect. The search does not have to be revealed until seven days have passed and can be continuously reauthorized by the courts every seven days.

The next speaker was Howard L. Simon, Executive Director of the American Civil Liberties Union of Florida. He stressed that the Patriot Act is "not talking about law anymore," but that it has crossed into "the realm of politics." He asserted that the act is the government's way of showing the public that they are responding to terrorism, even though it is "criticized across the political spectrum." Simon commented that there are "a lot of good things in the Patriot Act," adding that only about eight
Uncle Sam vs. Cigarettes
The U.S. Government Demands its Dues

By Melanie Denny
Distribution Manager

Despite numerous anti-smoking campaigns, multiple messages encouraging the public to quit smoking, and health warnings, the tobacco industry still retains vast American revenue. However, in the eyes of the United States Government, their success has been based on lies. For over five years, the Department of Justice has been preparing for the biggest lawsuit in U.S. history.

On September 21, the case of United States vs. Philip Morris USA Inc. went to trial in the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia. Philip Morris is one of the leading tobacco-producing companies in the U.S. Their co-defendants include: R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co., Brown & Williamson Tobacco Co., American Tobacco Co., Liggett and Myers Inc., and British American Tobacco. Filed under violation of the RICO (Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act), the Justice Department claims $280 billion in estimated fraud-based profits from the past 50 years.

This is not the first run-in with the government that tobacco companies have had. As stated in the E-Commerce Times in 1998, they have paid $206 billion in health care reimbursement to 42 states. Since then, they have altered their marketing practices, including ceasing advertisement in youth magazines and other publications. In addition, tobacco companies claim they have improved. They now provide links on their own websites to various sites providing information on youth prevention, quitting, and health warnings. They also admit that cigarettes are addictive and a health hazard. Unfortunately, this is not enough for the United States Department of Justice.

According to CNN, 400,000 Americans die each year from cigarette related sicknesses. As a result, the federal government pays over $20 billion a year in health care. Attorney General Janet Reno said, "On behalf of the taxpayer, we're asking the tobacco companies to pay their fair share." Reno's assistant David Ogden told CNN, "For decades, they repeatedly and consistently denied that smoking cigarettes causes disease, despite their knowledge that it does."

Associate General Counsel Greg Little of Philip Morris argued, "This lawsuit is a blatant political maneuver that ignores the very significant progress that has been made over the past two years by the state attorneys general...We will not succumb to politically correct extortion." The trial is expected to last at least six months and has already cost $130 million to the US Government, stated E-Commerce Times.

What does this mean for the tobacco industry? If the government prevails, tobacco companies could be forced to alter their methods of marketing, cigarette prices could rise drastically, or they could face bankruptcy. Meanwhile, the government hopes smoking activity will decrease and health costs will be reduced, ultimately saving Americans from the effects of cigarette smoking.

Reinstating the Draft: The Facts

By Nicolle Garber
Staff Writer

Rumors and denials have been circulating rapidly around the nation and through the media over the H.R. Bill 163, the Universal National Service Act of 2003. The Bill was introduced in the House of Representatives on January 7, 2003, by Senator Rangel (DEM) of New York. The Bill was presented for the Committee of Armed Services, during the One Hundred Eighth Congressional Assembly. According to CNN, the bill was proposed by Rangel "in hopes that those people who make the decisions to go to war, to attack Iraq, would be better influenced against it if they had kids that would be placed in harm's way, or if they felt closer to the shared sacrifice that we oftentimes talk about."

The bill simply states "To provide for the common defense by requiring that all young persons in the United States -- including women -- perform a period of military service or a period of civilian service in furtherance of the national defense and homeland security, and for other purposes." The bill has only been introduced into the House, and its status is currently unknown. The bill has 12 sections varying from obligation to inducts, conscientious objection to discharge, and so forth. "National Obligation," as described in the text, can be served either (1) as a member of an active or reserve component of the uniformed services; or (2) in a civilian capacity that, as determined by the President, promotes the national defense, including national or community service and homeland security.

The Act requires two years of service and the age range specifies 18 to 26 year olds. The only allowed exemptions from obligation are those attending high school, or those experiencing "extreme hardship" or "physical or mental disability." Attending college poses no immunity.

Only the President can implement such an act, and can control the regulations concerning its necessities. Strangely, the act was proposed in 2003, and only now is becoming acknowledged. A similar draft occurred about 30 years ago for the Vietnam War. That draft provoked many anti-war protests, among them the burning of draft cards by young men.

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"The government questioned our community and the patriotism of our community"

or nine provisions are controversial. He was especially critical of the government's "lack of competence" before 9/11 and thought the claims that information could not be readily shared prior to the attacks were "nonsense." The Patriot Act is supposed to make communication between government agencies easier.

Taleb Sallab is the President of the Arab American Community Center in Orlando. He spoke about the Arab American community's "dual tragedy" after 9/11; they lost many lives in the attacks and were subjected to hate crimes afterward. Sallab then talked about how the "government went after" the Arab community. "The government questioned our community and the patriotism of our community," he said. Sallab then cited an incident in which 80,000 Arabs were forced to register with the INS Special Registration. Of those who registered, 14,000 were subjected to deportation proceedings.

The final presentation came from Marc D Stern, Assistant Executive Director of the American Jewish Congress. Stern explained that the Patriot Act builds on doctrines that already exist in criminal law. He admitted that there are "serious flaws with the Patriot Act," such as transferring power from the judiciary to the executive. Stern noted how terrorism presents unique problems for criminal law and that criminal justice does not work well under the pressure of terrorism creates. He stressed that the Founding Fathers of America made certain to provide numerous checks and balances and that the "refusal to allow for checks" in the Patriot Act is one of its crucial weaknesses.

Questions from the over eighty seated audience members followed the panel discussion. One of the inquiries came from John Anderson, who asked about the impact sunset provisions have on the act. Stern replied that very few of the sections have sunset provisions, which specify a date on which an act will automatically expire (unless further legislation is passed to reenact or extend it). Another attendee said she would tolerate the act because "I just want to feel safer." Simon responded that the Patriot Act "hasn't made us safer," but "it has made us less free." He cited that a person does not have to be a suspect in an investigation to have their private documents searched.

A reception followed the main event, and tempers flared as some attendees passionately argued their beliefs following what they heard. The coordinators of the program and panel presenters were available to further discuss topics at this time.

NSU students in attendance were impressed by the presentation. "It was nice to see both sides of the issue. There was an array of people present," said Luciana Bedos, who watched the program, said, "It was really interesting to learn about our civil rights."

Committed to a Life of Service:
Chief Dental Officer Patrick Nolan exemplifies action over rank

By Jastine Aimee Rivera-Azu
Staff Writer

Recently, Patrick Nolan, D.M.D., professor of Dental Medicine, was named Dental Officer of the National Guard.

Over the course of the past four years, Dr. Nolan has been dedicated to serving NSU students and faculty. He teaches first year dental students dental anatomy and second year students prosthetics. He also assesses the quality of dental students' procedures, making sure everything has been done OK, according to him.

It all began when the Chief Surgeon's Office contacted Dr. Nolan, offering him the position of Chief Dental Officer of the National Guard. "They offered me this position, it is as high as I [can] go on the National Guard. I'm looking forward to it," the fifth of October, truly looking forward to it," he plans to use his position to take a road trip to visit all the sights that the National Guard has, to see that they are all treated the way they should be.

Long before he was offered the position, Dr. Nolan had committed himself to go to the Virgin Islands to help those residents affected by bad weather and economic strain. He assisted in running a Health Fair in St. Thomas and one in St. Croix in the Islands. "I'm doing screenings to help... We are offering blood pressure screenings - your basic health checkup. We acquired 450 patients in St. Croix, and we hope to acquire the same amount in St. Thomas." He was working in the Virgin Islands until September 30, when he came back to his native home in Coral Gables, Miami. He did not board for Washington until October 5, at which time he had taken the position of Chief Dental Officer for the National Guard at the Pentagon.

He has agreed to take a leave of absence from NSU for three months, at which time he will make the decision of whether to stay with the permanent job as Chief Dental Officer, or return to his life at NSU. "This is not an easy decision; at Nova I like what I'm doing and the students. I enjoy it."

This message is "Vote or die." For those who are not sure whether they want to vote or have not yet registered, listen up: go vote and make a difference! By throwing away your power to vote, you would be throwing your power to have a say about your future. Do not make that mistake.

Vote and Have a Say in Your Future

Whether you back President George W. Bush or support Senator John Kerry, November 2 will be the day to march to polls, mark your vote, and change the course of history. In this age and time, when we have a say in our future, the importance of voting cannot be stressed enough. Our vote is our voice. By voting, we have an opportunity to contribute our voice to something that will have an effect on laws, education, and healthcare.

Teens have been casting their votes ever since 1971, when the Twenty-Sixth Amendment of the Constitution lowered the voting age to 18. Since 1992, voting among young people has been declining. This year will definitely be a turning point. Students at NSU are getting the word out. The Young Democrats Club has periodically organized tables handing out voter registration applications, as well as encouraging people to vote. Furthermore, they will also be driving voters to polls on Election Day.

If that has not motivated you, MTV is bound to. With MTV and celebrities encouraging teens to "Rock the Vote," it seems that voting among young adults is bound to increase. Famous rapper-senior Sean "P. Diddy" Combs has created a voter-advocacy campaign called Citizen Change. Its message is "Vote or die." For those who are not sure whether they want to vote or have not yet registered, listen up: go vote and make a difference! By throwing away your power to vote, you would be throwing your power to have a say about your future. Don't make that mistake.
Coach Tuell Brings Positive Attitude and Change to the Men's Basketball Team

Eliminating selfishness on and off the court helps build a strong team

By Alicia Winslett
Sports Editor

Gary Tuell came to NSU after coaching at Augusta State University for seven years. As stated in the NSU website, "During his tenure, Tuell transformed the Jaguars into perennial Peach Belt Conference contenders and twice qualified for the NCAA Division II tournament." He has a lot of experience coaching, starting in 1978. He's from Louisville, Kentucky, and has been in Miami for ten years. Tuell has had seventeen seasons, while his men's basketball team, Garth Campbell broke his hand recently. "He's going to be out for six weeks, and is going to miss preseason practices. He plays four positions and we built our defense around him and he's hurt now," said Coach Tuell, men's head basketball coach.

The women's volleyball team has also had some troubles with injuries. As Coach DeSantis said, "We have definitely had our share of injuries this year. Junior transfer Megan Johansen tore the labrum in her left shoulder during the first point of our first match and will be out for the entire season. She will most likely be having surgery before Thanksgiving. Junior transfer Mary Clanton was out for the first five matches with a bad ankle sprain which occurred during practice. She is now back on court, but her mobility is still affected by the injury. So this past week in practice, sophomore libero, Iva Miranda, dislocated her knee. While the swelling is going down, we are still not certain when she will be able to return." As you can see, even one player can affect the team as a whole, but more than one can bring a team down for a while. "Needless to say, our team is greatly affected by injuries this year. We are down to nine players who can compete at the moment, some of whom are playing with other minor injuries such as tendinitis," explains DeSantis.

The only thing teams can do about injuries is to come together and overcome their loss by being stronger and having faith in the people they have remaining on the team.
NSU Men’s Soccer Team Shuts Out Eckerd College 3-0

Naples, Ludden, and Ribeiro Strike for Knights, as Steven Deering Records First Clean Sheet

By Eddie Kenny
Sports Information

The Nova Southeastern men’s soccer team (6-2-1, 1-1-1 SSC) shutout the Eckerd College Tritons (4-5, 1-2 SSC) 3-0 on the evening of Friday, October 1, in a Sunshine State Conference match at the NSU Soccer Complex.

Eric Naples (So., Houston, Texas), Adam Ludden (Fr., Overland Park, Kan.), and Paulo Ribeiro (Fr., Belen, Brazil) all scored for NSU, while goalkeeper Steven Deering (So., Highland Village, Texas) benefited from strong defensive play to earn his first shut-out of the season (1-2-4).

Naples was the first to find the back of the net, as he scored off a corner kick from Matt Parry (Sr., Stevenage, England) in the thirty-ninth minute. The Knights defender rose above an Eckerd defender at the far post to perfectly place his header past Tritons keeper Chris Howe.

Ludden added to the Knights’ lead in the sixty-seventh minute when he scored his team-leading sixth goal of the season. The 6-5 striker took a through ball from fellow forward Loren Cronin (So., Dublin, Ireland) and slotted a shot under Howe for the 2-0 NSU lead.

Ribeiro scored his first career goal to put the game out of reach in the seventy-third minute. Defender Andrew Morris (Sr., Coventry, England) made a strong run into the Eckerd penalty area before hitting a shot that Howe could only parry. Ribeiro was there to pounce and round out a solid team effort for the Knights.

In all, NSU outshot Eckerd 16-5, and also held a 10-3 edge in shots-on-target. Howe kept the Tritons in the game with seven saves, while Deering made three saves to preserve the clean sheet for the Knights defense.

Sophie Friis Wins Individual Championship at SLU Fall Preview

Ninth-Ranked Knights Finish Second in Team Competition, as Sophomore Claims Second Career Title

By Eddie Kenny
Sports Information

Nova Southeastern University women’s golfer Sophie Friis (So., Vejle, Denmark) won the individual title at the Saint Leo Fall Preview on Tuesday, October 5. Friis, playing as an individual, shot a three-round total of 229 (79-76-74) to win her second career collegiate title by one stroke over Lynn University’s Ellie Brandt.

The ninth-ranked Knights finished second in the team competition with a total of 998 (332-336-330), as Lynn won the event with a 967 (331-315-312).

NSU senior Amanda Brown (Tampa, Fla.) was fourth individually with a 239 (80-81-78), while teammate Jenni Mostrom (Fr., Ljungsville, Sweden) finished one stroke behind with a 240 (82-83-75). Mostrom’s finish was her second top-5 in two collegiate events played.

Lyndsay Colbert (Fr., Denver, Colo.), Lina Bjorklund (Fr., Falun, Sweden), and Alicia Winslett (So., Greenville, S.C.) rounded out the Knights’ charge with eleventh, thirteenth, and fourteenth place finishes, respectively. Elizabeth Bond (Fr., Houston, Texas) finished in twelfth place as she participated as an individual.

NSU will host the NSU/Unico Fall Invitational on Sunday, Oct. 17 and Monday, Oct. 18 at Woodmont Country Club in Tamarac, Fla. The women’s tournament will consist of 18 holes on Sunday with an 18-hole final round on Monday.

NSU Women’s Soccer Takes Eckerd College Down 2-0

Vanessa Booth and Michelle Harris Tally for Knights to Bring Team Back to .500

By Eddie Kenny
Sports Information

In a Sunshine State Conference match at the NSU Soccer Complex, the Nova Southeastern University women’s soccer team (2-2, 1-1 SSC) shut out the Eckerd College Tritons (0-5, 0-2 SSC) 2-0 on Friday evening, October 1.

NSU midfielder Vanessa Booth (So., Miami, Fla.) scored the game-winning goal in the forty-second minute of the match, and Michele Harris (Fr., Kingwood, Texas) scored her team-leading second goal in the eighty-ninth minute to give the Knights the win. NSU goalkeeper Katie Wittle (Sr., Coral Springs, Fla.) improved her record to 2-1 on the year, as she recorded her second shutout of the season.

After few chances for either side throughout the first half, Booth opened the scoring with a thunderous strike. The Knights midfielder took a throw-in from Kelly Buster (Fr., Highland Village, Texas) and turned to unleash a shot from 25 yards that sailed past Eckerd ‘keeper Meghan Ibar and into the upper left corner.

As Eckerd attempted to find an equalizer late in the game, the Knights added a second goal for insurance in the eighty-ninth minute. A great individual effort by NSU midfielder Julie Radford (So., Garland, Texas) got her deep into the penalty area where she passed to Harris for the freshman’s second goal of the year.

Overall, NSU outshot Eckerd 16-4, including a 9-3 advantage in shots on goal. Ibar made seven saves for the visitors, while Wittle made three saves for the Knights.

Volleyball Swept by Saint Leo 3-0

By Eddie Kenny
Sports Information

The Nova Southeastern University volleyball team (2-11, 0-2) was swept 3-0 (30-20, 30-20, 30-22) to Sunshine State Conference opponent Saint Leo (8-11, 2-2) on Saturday, October 2, at the Marion Bowman Center in St. Petersburg.

The Knights were led by junior Melissa Munroe (Nassau, Bahamas) with nine kills, while Rachel Poe (So., Anniston, Ala.) tallied 26 assists and nine digs defensively.

The Lions set the tone in the first game as they jumped out to a quick 10-3 advantage. Saint Leo eventually stretched the lead to 25-14 and secured the first win.

Game Two was kept close early on, as the score was 9-8 in favor of the Lions, but a six point rally by SLU gave the Lions enough momentum to swing the game in their favor.

The Knights did not give up in Game Three as they carried Saint Leo to 20-20, but the Lions turned it on, as they scored 10 of the final 12 points to put the match away.

Saint Leo was led by Alison Baker with 13 kills and three service aces. Nikki Prack notched eight digs to lead the Lions defensively.
The Florida Home: Modern Living 1945-1969
Museum showcases architecture from the post WWII era

By Alaina Siminovsky
Arts & Entertainment Editor

Construction sites appear all over South Florida. No one bats an eye when driving by hundreds of newly built homes. While the continued production of new homes is a phenomenon that South Floridians have grown accustomed to, little attention is paid to the creative minds that brought the ever popular “porch home” to life. The Historical Museum of Southern Florida opened an exhibit called The Florida Home: Modern Living, 1945-1965, highlighting the achievements of these great architects.

After World War II, the real estate boom was revived in Florida. With its revival came new developments in architecture that can be attributed to the architects featured in this exhibit: Igor Polevitzky, Alfred Browning Parker, Rufus Nims, and many others. The first floor of the museum features intricate models of the “single-family porch homes” that these men created. The walls are covered with stills of the actual homes. While walking through the exhibit, one is transported into these homes, feeling the extreme openness that is a feature of this architectural style.

In order to better exemplify the style of these homes, the exhibit features a reconstructed house within the museum. The rooms – kitchen, bedroom, bathroom, and family room – come alive while people explore the exhibit. In every corner, one can find a symbol of the era. From the old style refrigerator and “new” color television set to the clothes hanging in the closet, it is clear that this home is recreated from a period long past.

The greatest feature of this home is the large porch that is found attached to the living room. One can move from inside to outside with a simple step. This outside addition is the hallmark of these new homes. The recreated model features a black and white façade of vegetation outside the screened-in patio. Home movies are played on a projector, giving the porch a further period feel. Though the porch is quite large, it can become quite crowded while museum goers eagerly watch the film.

Fans of architecture will not be disappointed if they make the time to see this exhibit. Schematic sketches, photos, and models of the homes provide accompanying explanation to the reconstructed model. The architecture of this period reflects "social and cultural trends," stated a press release by Claudia Vigil, the museum's media contact. The reliance on imported glass reflects the trend as the “porch home” large windows allow light to shine in, adding to the illusion of openness.

“The openness and beauty of these simple homes must be experienced first hand. Reflected in these buildings is the architectural innovation that resurrected the great real estate boom that South Floridians no longer notice. The Florida Home: Modern Living 1945-1967 reminds South Floridians of the great innovation behind their homes, paying special attention to the porch, a necessity of the South Florida home.

This exhibit can be found at the Historical Museum of Southern Florida and will be running until January 23, 2005. For more information about the exhibit, call 305-375-1492.
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#### Alvin Sherman Library Events

**Domestic Violence Awareness Program:**
This is a day-long series of events beginning with a 10 a.m. opening session hosted by domestic abuse survivors, panel discussions with legal and medical professionals, and information tables hosted by local and regional social service agencies and organizations. This event is co-sponsored by NSU’s Women’s Resource Institute and Broward Region Chapter of Hadassah. 10 a.m.-4 p.m., PLS Broward Center.

**Florida Candidates Forum:**
This event, sponsored by the League of Women Voters, will serve as an avenue for students to get more information about the candidates for local positions in Florida. The ballot for the November election will have more on it than the presidential election and this program will allow students to gather first hand information for the other elections. 7 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Room 4009.

#### Broward Center of the Performing Arts Productions

**Rodger & Hammerstein’s "OKLAHOMA!"**
Presented by Broadway in Fort Lauderdale at the Au-Rene Theater, October 5-17. It is, quite simply, the show that changed the American musical forever — Rodgers & Hammerstein’s landmark musical OKLAHOMA! On the heels of the wildly-acclaimed London and Broadway revivals, this sparkling new touring production of OKLAHOMA! is adapted from the Cameron Mackintosh presentation of the Royal National Theatre production that won the hearts of a new generation of theatergoers. Tickets $21-64.

**Shall We Dance?**
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Radio X Testimonial Featuring:

Name: DJ First
Position: Host of the "Xtra-large" show
Favorite Band: Inner circle, Gap Band, etc. I have seen so many it's hard to decide.
What's in your personal CD player right now?
Best of Lenny Kravitz
Best of Luther Vandross
"Natural Mystic, The Legend Lives On" - Bob Marley
"God's Son" - Nas
"The eclectic" - Wyclef Jean
"Ready to Die" - BIG
What can you tell The Knight readers about local bands?
There are a few talented bands/groups in South Florida who are working on their upcoming albums, so expect some exciting music.
Where can these bands/groups be seen?
MVP, Culture Room, Club 84
What new artist do you recommend and why?
Rand Rover, Chaz, Calibe, Semokee, Fantasy Twinz. They were guests on my show.
Special Radio X Give-a-ways and Promotion:
If anyone would like to have a copy of a live mix from my show, email me at blackdat1@yahoo.com. I have a recording studio and also produce tracks, so if you are looking for music and a place to record, email me.

Radio X Promotions
Tune in to WNSU Radio X for a chance to win tickets to the following concerts.
Beastie Boys
Rent
The Cramp

To Hear DJ First, Tune into Radio X 88.5 FM for the Saturday Urban Block Party:
7:00 a.m. to 3:00 a.m.
Books over Biscotti
Adult-Student Exchange
Outside the Classroom

The college environment serves a greater purpose than playing host to the typical educational experience. The university serves to prepare students for the next stage of life — entrance into the "real world." Students often gain this preparedness from places other than the classroom. One of the most important aspects of this training is that ability to communicate with adults inside and outside the classroom. Nova Southeastern University offers this experience in various ways, through various programs.

Being able to engage adults properly is vital to getting and keeping a job after graduation. After entering the real world, interpersonal communication with peers and superiors becomes the indicator of work performance and grades become a thing of the past. This must be recognized in order to achieve success. Acting like a college student after graduation will not elicit respect from a boss or peers in the work force.

An on-campus program that allows students to encounter adults is Books Over Biscotti, which is offered at the Alvin Sherman Library. The novel of the month serves as a vehicle for intellectual exchange outside of the typical classroom setting. Instead of being instructed about the interpretation of a particular novel, each individual can share his or her thoughts without restraint. In this setting, a student can learn to respectfully engage adults. Personally attending this book club will be beneficial to any student. With coffee and biscotti, intellectual participants, and the shared experience of a great book, Books Over Biscotti offers the chance to learn good communication skills that are necessary for success after graduation.

If you would like to join the discussion, the next meeting is October 28 at 7 p.m. in the Con nections Café. The next selection is "The Known World" by Edward Jones, 2004 Pulitzer Prize winner.

Next Books Over Biscotti
"The Known World"
By Edward Jones

Thursday, October 28th
Meetings are held on the last Thursday of each month from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the Alvin Sherman Library!

NOW HIRING

New Juice Bar opening across from NSU is now taking applications for Energetic Team Members. All shifts. Please Contact Ron @ 954-579-1311
Debate on Campus

Students view the first Presidential Debate at the Flight Deck

By Caroline Cullen
Knightlife Editor

NSU’s Young Democrats and Social Action/Social Awareness (SASA) clubs hosted a viewing of the first Presidential Debate on September 30 at NSU's Flight Deck. President of the Young Democrats Rachel Phipps said, "It is so important for young people to pay sharp attention to political issues, especially at this time. I am thrilled that so many students turned out to watch the Debate." Everyone in attendance at the Flight Deck viewing of the Debate was provided with free food and refreshments, while watching President George W. Bush and Senator John F. Kerry verbally duke it out. Senior Niki Pirone commented, "This is my first time ever watching a Presidential Debate. I now realize how imperative it is to hear candidates speak when under pressure - very enlightening." A panel comprised of members of SASA and the Young Democrats, Tiffany Goldwater, Liz Harbaugh, Rachel Phipps, and Marie Cueno - along with Professors Dr. Dixon and De Gershman - participated in a post debate discussion. Desmond Ford, a senior at NSU, explained that the Debate was "a good opportunity for Americans to see and hear the rhetoric of the two major political parties." The public viewing of the Debate enabled students join their fellow classmates and be a part of history, while gaining insight and getting involved with the 2004 Presidential Election.

Reactions of the participants display just how grand the event was. Student laughed, booed, cheered, and listened intently throughout the evening. Senior Shawn Webster, President of Theta Delta Chi and an admitted Kerry supporter, shared his concerns during the post debate discussion: "I wish Kerry had spent more time saying what he is going to do and not what President Bush should have done." The goal of the Flight Deck viewing, said Co-Chair of SASA Tiffany Goldwater, "is to foster students' awareness and understanding of the current political climate and of the respective positions of both President Bush and Presidential-hopeful Kerry." Goldwater concluded, "Overall, the event was hugely successful and all of the organizers were incredibly pleased with the turnout." For more information visit www.nova.edu/sasa/ and www.sald.nova.edu

Welcome English Majors!

The Division of Humanities hosts a "meet and greet" for NSU English Majors

By Caroline Cullen
Knightlife Editor

The Division of Humanities invited NSU’s English Majors to a casual meet and greet at the Flight Deck on Thursday, September 30. The goal of the get-together was for students to get to know their major professors, peers, and the administrators of the Division of Humanities at NSU. The program description of the English Major states that the major allows students to develop critical thinking, close reading, and analytical and creative writing skills. One of the first graduates from NSU with a degree in English, Senior Kenneth Kronstadt, stated, “I plan to use my writing and reading skills and apply them to the field of Clinical Psychology.”

The Dean of Farquhar College of Arts and Sciences Don Rosenblum, Ph.D., introduced himself personally to each individual and shared the goals of the Division of Humanities. "We plan to expand majors and develop honors programs," said Dean Rosenblum.

Director of Humanities Dr. Ben Mulvey, welcomed students with specially designed t-shirts and words of encouragement. Dr. Kate Waites, a professor of English and an advisor to student organizations on campus, explained the relevance of the English Major: "My experience opened my mind to the world, history, and life experience. The study of literature and language introduces the human experience, ideas, cultures, and connects you with the world around you." Dr. Lynn Wolf, Chair of the English Major, offered to assist all students with any questions or concerns they may have during the pursuit of their English degree at NSU.

Students enjoyed pizza and refreshments while getting to socialize with fellow English Majors. Junior Stephen Deck offered, "It was a fantastic opportunity to see the other English Majors again!" This event enabled those in attendance to share their thoughts and create a support system to enhance their experience of pursuing their degree in English. This event was organized by Professor Lynn Wolf.

For more information on the Division of Humanities go online to www.nova.edu keyword: Humanities, or call (954) 262-8200.
That Guy on the Stoop
Student leader Shawn Webster connects to student life through active involvement

By Taylor Anne Williams
Graduate Assistant for Student Media and Marketing

At any point in the day, Shawn Webster can be found within a one mile radius of the Rosenthal Student Center. Serving both as the Theta Delta Chi president and the Inter-Fraternity Council president can take an extensive amount of time and dedication. However, attendance at Nova Southeastern University goes deeper than that and is an illustration of finding a greater meaning in college.

“It’s a wonderful balance between still being a social college student, as well as keeping life going in an appropriate direction,” Webster said.

Webster’s collegiate history of involvement sounds like a wild road trip. After graduating from a preparatory school in Alabama, he attended Hampton City College in Virginia. In search of a more diverse atmosphere, Webster moved to Florida and enrolled at NSU. He pledged Theta Delta Chi, and officially became a brother on October 31, 1999.

“Being a brother of Theta Delta Chi was one of the best things that I have ever done,” Webster said. “I have always excelled when I am around my fraternity, because I am a task-oriented person.”

With a desire to branch out, Webster became a Student Government Association senator. He also worked for Student Activities in 1999, under the direction of NSU legend and two-time SGA president Cleveland Ferguson III, Esq. During a visit to Florida State University, Webster fell in love with the school and decided to transfer.

During his time at FSU, Webster was elected Commander-in-Chief of the SGA’s lobbyist group called the War Department. He also co-founded FSU’s renegade political party, Tribe, which took 22 of the 26 senate seats in its first election. Later, Webster began managing bands in the Tallahassee music scene, but grades became secondary.

After working for over a year, he decided to return to NSU. In addition to his current responsibilities, Webster was elected Theta Delta Chi’s Grand Lodge Council Undergraduate Treasurer. He was awarded this honor at the fraternity’s national Las Vegas convention in July.

Currently, Webster is starting a pseudo-political party to bear influence upon student government. He hopes to inspire SGA action outside of funding student organizations. Webster will generate interest in this venture in the same way that he connects to much of the NSU community: over a cigarette and a conversation.

For more information, e-mail w.taylor@nova.edu.

Free Food, Fun, and Games

By Caroline Cullen
Knightlife Editor

The Office of Recreation and Wellness treated students to an afternoon of free food, fun, and games. Students feasted on two foot subs, cookies, and other refreshments outside of the Parker Building on Thursdays, September 30. The Office of Recreation and Wellness had a goal to get students outside in the sunshine, promote student organizations, and get students involved in Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

“Students received complementary goodie bags filled with candy, deodorant, literature on self breast exams, and were encouraged to get involved in the upcoming Cancer Walk on October 24,” stated Recreation and Wellness staffer Nicholas Makenzie.

Radio X DJ Dani was spinning at the event, while student organizations promoted their clubs and invited fellow students to stop by and learn who they are and what they are about. Lambda Theta Phi members took advantage of the event by inviting the student body to attend the Second Annual Unity Jam that they plan to host in celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month.

Luis Nicola Aguilar and fellow members of Lambda Theta Phi passed out flyers and sold slices of pizza to help promote the fraternity’s future events. The Alpha Omegas were also in attendance, providing students with information about their club; they provided free pens and pencils sporting the organization’s logo. President of NSU’s Caribbean Student Association, Jeneise Makenzie offered, “The crowd supports us and we had a chance to promote the CSA.” According to their mission statement, “The CSA seeks to appreciate, promote, and maintain the culture and tradition of the Caribbean.” The Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship at NSU also handed out literature and lollipops while inviting students to “encounter” God.

The Office of Recreation and Wellness will present “Tattoos, Body Piercing, and Pizza” on October 26 at the Goodwin Hall classroom. Check online at www.rec.nova.edu for future events hosted by the Office of Recreation and Wellness.

For further inquiries about student clubs and organizations at NSU, go online to www.sald.nova.edu
On a brilliantly sunny Saturday, 38 members of the NSU community enjoyed a great day of golf at the Jacaranda Golf Course. Some exceeded expectations, and others threw their clubs in desperation. However, winners Dennis Dannacher and Pya Chanyanuwa get to do it all over again with the day's top prize.

Affiliates from all corners of the university participated in the fifteenth annual event on October 2. Two-person teams squared off in competition for the lowest score and a variety of other titles. Dannacher and Chanyanuwa's winning score of 68 was a record unparalleled in the tournament's history.

The title of "Longest Drive" and a prize of greens fees went to Pedro Lopez's shot on hole one and Daron Olmstead's on hole 10. "Closest to the pin" awards went to Brian McGrath and Robert Wagner. The "Longest Putt" awards and two HP Inkjet Printers were taken home by Ethan Wall and Ron Mied.

Before the group headed out to the course, each team member was asked to guess their score. A two-night stay at the Turnberry Resort was also awarded to Pedro Lopez, who correctly guessed his score of 82. Random drawings sent 12 other players home with rewards for an already rewarding day.

Though some found their niche and others could only exhale in exasperation, the event provided quality connection time for those that attended. Now, many are planning their comeback for the Recreation and Wellness spring golf league. Only time and practice will tell how well they do.

Above right: Golf tournament winners Dennis Dannacher and Pya Chanyanuwa.
Right: Tournament players Al Hancock and Todd Jackson. Photos by Taylor Anne Williams.

Political Rhetoric: Reality or Fantasy?

Rhetoric is the greatest communicative tool ever to be used in the art of persuasion. In the nineteenth century, Abraham Lincoln told citizens, "United we stand; divided we fall." Though initially marking the Civil War as one for Union solidarity, Lincoln changed its meaning with the Emancipation Proclamation. Words waged the war, but humanity overcame its presence.

In fact, it was words that were the weapon of choice for the September 30 presidential debate. With modern technology, every misspoken word is brought forth for public judgment. However, has the message become lost within the fight for the public floor? Seemingly, the candidates perform an eccentric dance of wits, sharing quips and reticent indignation as a means of enticing voters.

During the lengthy debate, President Bush made 22 references that connected Al-Qaeda/Osama Bin Laden with Iraq/Sadaam Hussein, despite the fact that the 9/11 Commission found no connection between the brutal September attacks and Sadaam Hussein. However, a significant amount of Americans still believe the events are related. The White House is fully aware of this.

However, the G.O.P. is not the only team guilty of abusing the American psyche. Democrats have also made exorbitant statements in times of desperation. While on the campaign trail, John Kerry proposed to the media that he could bring the troops stationed in Iraq home in six months. At the debate, he clarified by adding the simple word "start."

"Many of the greatest political figures have misconstrued the rules of rhetoric. In an attempt to cover up an affair with White House intern Monica Lewinsky, Bill Clinton told America, "I did not have sexual relations with that woman, Ms.Lewinsky." The president later explained that he did not believe that oral sex was included within the context of "sexual relations."

Recently, one issue has been politically skirted around more than others. According to Time magazine, Secretary of State Colin Powell addressed Congress on the state of Sudan's Darfur region. "We concluded - I concluded - that genocide has been committed in Darfur, and that the government of Sudan and the janjaweed bear responsibility, and that genocide may still be occurring," Powell said. "No new action is dictated by this determination." How can blatantly known genocide not "dictate" any action from a nation that belongs to the international Genocide Convention? We watched idly as religiously-based massacre was the order of the day in Rowanda, Kosovo, and now we are doing the same thing with more innocent victims.

Political statements are constructed to bring Americans to simple conclusions. They are prepackaged and ready to heat on site, but often become confused within the communicative process. It is up to Americans to sift through the overcooked fat and grasp on to the meaty morsels of substantial truth.
On the Scene
How are you handling all the campus construction?

Pedro Lopez
Senior
Miami, FL
Biology
In the end it will be good, but right now it is just something they have to do.

Jennifer Haselberger
Sophomore
Plantation, FL
Psychology
I am a commuter student, so I don't mind. I realize that things take time and I am looking forward to the University Center.

Kevin Hanlon
Freshman
Citrus County, FL
Pharmacy
It's a pain; we have to walk a lot to class, but the outcome will be pretty incredible.

Neil Mayer
Sophomore
Jacksonville, FL
Biology
I think it's good that the school is expanding and trying to provide better facilities for students. I am willing to deal with this temporary annoyance for the betterment of campus.

Courtney Graves
Freshman
Miami, FL
Psychology
It is a major detour to get back to Goodwin, and it's harder to get around.

Mike Kuhar
Freshman
Eire, Pennsylvania
Financing
It's a pain in the ass; it will be nice when the new center is built.

Amanda Beretta
Freshman
Birmingham, AL
Biology
I feel that it has taken away from NSU's safety, particularly when I am walking back from class at night.

Evetta Ponder
Freshman
Pensacola, FL
Biology
I feel that it is confusing and should be better marked.