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Don Rosenblum Appointed New Dean of Farquhar College of Arts & Sciences

By Rafia N. Chodhry
News Editor

President Ray Ferrero, Jr. describes him as a dedicated individual. His peers and colleagues acknowledge him as someone who is extremely hardworking and energetic, as well as a forward-thinking individual with a clear vision for the future. His students remark about his great listening skills. If you have not guessed by now who this impressive individual is, it is Dr. Dean Don Rosenblum, Ph.D., the new Dean of the Farquhar College of Arts and Sciences.

Effective September 20, Interim Dean Rosenblum was officially promoted to Dean Rosenblum. “In pursuit of a Dean, we had two choices,” stated President Ferrero. “We could have done a national search or looked within the university. I had worked with Dr. Rosenblum over the summer and I was satisfied. In addition, he has done a remarkable job over these past six and a half years, especially with establishing the Honors Program. After consulting with my colleagues, faculty, and balancing everything out, he was the right person for the job.”

NSU faculty and staff could not agree more with that decision. Dr. Ben Mulvey, Director of the Division of Humanities, lauded Dean Rosenblum as extremely professional, intelligent and dedicated. Director of the Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences, Dr. Allan Schulman said, “I just think he is a super guy. I have worked with him and he is a member of this Division [Social and Behavioral Sciences]. He brings a whole range of talents both administratively and intellectually to the College.” Naomi D’Alessio, Associate Dean of the Farquhar College of Arts and Sciences said, “Dean Rosenblum is a strong advocate for students and faculty. He is a teacher, a scholar, and will be a strong leader for our College.”

When asked about his promotion, Dean Rosenblum remarked, “I am honored, humbled, and appreciate the President’s confidence and support of me, and I say that as more of a statement than a testament to the entire College.”

As the new Dean, one of Dr. Rosenblum’s main goals is to improve NSU. “There is so much we need to do at NSU. I would not be here if there wasn’t anything to do. I would go somewhere else. I think we need to continue to improve our reputation and our quality. I think we are doing good things, but we are not doing a good job of telling our story.” Dean Rosenblum strongly believes the reputation of the faculty and students leads to the stronger reputation of the University. “A university’s reputation comes from many things, but first and foremost it comes from the quality of the undergraduate experience. That’s something we plan on improving.”

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Second Presidential Debate Lets Candidates Address Domestic Issues

Lone vice presidential debate held the same week

By Greg Kyriakakis
Staff Writer

President Bush and Senator Kerry met at Washington University in St. Louis on October 8 for the second of three presidential debates. With his ratings marred by a lackluster performance in the first contest, poll numbers suggested Bush had the most at stake, while Kerry had to maintain his momentum.

Charles Gibson of ABC moderated the town-hall style debate. The candidates answered questions from uncommitted voters.

Kerry answered the first question regarding his being "too wishy-washy." "The president didn't find weapons of mass destruction in Iraq, so he's really turned his campaign into a weapon of mass deception," the senator replied, adding that Bush has "bombarded" Americans with negative ads. He also addressed his positions that Republicans have attacked. One of these was his stance on the Patriot Act, which they claim he is against. He said, "I just don't like the way John Ashcroft has applied it, and we're going to change a few things."

Bush countered, saying that he understood the questioner's concerns, and in reference to the funding of troop support - noted that Kerry "said he voted for the $87 billion, and voted against it right before he voted for it." Bush then cited what he sees as Kerry's changing stance on Iraq. "He saw the wisdom - until the Democrat primary came along and Howard Dean, the anti-war candidate, began to gain on him, and he changed positions."

Environmental Issues

On domestic issues, environmental concerns were addressed. Bush told how he "proposed to the United States Congress a Clear Skies Initiative to reduce sulfur dioxide, nitrogen oxide, and mercury by 70 percent." He also mentioned an agreement to reduce off-road diesel engine emissions and expand protected wetlands areas.

Kerry said, "When it comes to the issue of the environment, this is one of the worst administrations in modern history." He went on to call the Clear Skies a reversal of the current Clean Air Act, and said the Bush administration "didn't even accept the science" of global warming, which is why they stopped supporting preventative measures.

Prescription Drugs

Importation of prescription drugs was another key domestic issue. Bush said he blocked importation because "when a drug comes in from Canada, I want to make sure it cures you and doesn't kill you." His concern is that the drugs "might be from a third world."

Kerry replied that the president blocked the importation with unsubstantiated concerns. "We're not talking about third-world drugs. We're talking about drugs made right here in the United States of America." The senator added, "The president sides with the power companies, the oil companies, the drug companies. And I'm fighting to let you get those drugs from Canada."

Vice Presidential Debate

Vice-President Cheney and Senator Edwards met on October 5 at Case Western University in Ohio for the lone vice presidential debate. Gwen Ifill of PBS moderated what would be a debate categorized by its harsh personal attacks.

Halliburton, Cheney's former company, was targeted by Edwards. "It was wrong to have a $20 billion fund, out of which $7.5 billion was going to go to a no-bid contract for Halliburton," he said. The vice president argued that the senator was using Halliburton as a "smokescreen" to "confuse the voters."

Cheney attacked Edwards' senate attendance record. He said that, as presiding officer of the Senate, he is "in the Senate most Tuesdays when they're in session." Cheney made his point by closing with, "The first time I ever met you was when you walked on the stage tonight." Upon review, it appears that Cheney and Edwards have met at least twice, including a National Prayer Breakfast in 2001 and during a ceremony to swear in a new senator.
Not Just a National Election
Florida Candidates Forum shifts voter focus to Florida elections

By Alaina Siminovsky
Arts & Entertainment Editor

When the presidential election coincides with state elections, two things happen: first, there is a much higher voter turnout than during state elections in years when there is no presidential election. Second, though there are more voters during elections that address national issues, the voters are less educated about state issues because of the intense focus on the national election.

The League of Women Voters hoped to educate the masses about local issues by sponsoring a forum in which candidates for the Florida election could share their views with members of the community. Candidates for the United States House of Representatives and the Florida House of Representatives responded to a series of questions from a panel composed of students and adults. Unfortunately, not all of the candidates in each race appeared at the forum.

United States House of Representatives

District 20 Candidates: Margaret Hostetter, Republican and Debbie Wasserman-Schultz, Democrat.

Education Spending verses Military Spending:
Margaret Hostetter maintained that the regulation of education is not a role delegated to the federal government, and because national security is one of their fundamental roles, federal funding should provide security over education.

Debbie Wasserman-Schultz spoke about the two types of spending, discretionary and non-discretionary. Military funding makes up the bulk of non-discretionary funding. Wasserman-Schultz supports increasing discretionary funding and denoting it to education, which has not been adequately funded.

Abortion:
Wasserman-Schultz stated that she is absolutely pro-choice. She promotes privacy and the right to choose. Hostetter defines herself as "the voice for traditional values and freedoms." She believes that life begins at conception and is pro-life.

Outsourcing Jobs:
Wasserman-Schultz believes that companies should not be given tax breaks when they outsource jobs. To rectify outsourcing, the government must take a more active approach than simply cutting back the tax breaks. Wasserman-Schultz believes in an incentive method where companies would be given incentives to keep the jobs here, at home.

Hostetter agrees that jobs should be kept at home. She did say that unemployment is at a low, but maintains that she is concerned about outsourcing. She supports a plan where companies would receive benefits for keeping jobs at home.

Closing:
Wasserman-Schultz stated her record of having served Florida in the House of Representatives and the Senate. She describes herself as a grassroots legislator, who goes out and talks to the people in their environment. She plans to go to Washington and promote "the values that this community stands for."

Hostetter attacked Wasserman-Schultz as radical, saying that she represents a "gross misunderstanding of facts." She went on giving several examples, such as Wasserman-Schultz's support of gay marriage. Hostetter ended with a reference to her brand new healthcare plan.

District 22 Candidate: Jim McLain, Constitutional Party.

Jim McLain represents the Constitution Party, whose platform promotes a return to the fundamentals of the Constitution. When questioned on many issues such as funding for college education and equal rights, McLain referred to his party's platform, reaffirming that the Constitution does not delegate responsibilities for such issues to the federal government; therefore, the federal government should not address these issues.

On the issue of reinstating the draft, or "conscription," as McLain called it, the candidate noted that at the rate the government is going, a draft will be reinstated next year. McLain said he would be opposed to such a draft because he doesn't believe that we are in a legitimate war, due to the fact that Congress did not declare the war.

McLain gave a closing statement that restated his position as a candidate who represents a lesser-known party. He reminded the audience that he is concerned with the freedom of the Constitution and that it should return to those bounds.

Florida House of Representatives

District 96 Candidate: Ari Porth, Democrat.

Ari Porth dove right in and addressed each issue that the panel threw at him, beginning with the environment. Porth stated that a major issue facing Florida is water storage, and said that he is in agreement with the steps that Governor Bush is taking to secure water storage facilities. Porth turned his attention to the recent over-abundance of hurricanes that have struck Florida, speaking passionately about the deductibles that individuals are made to pay each time their property is a victim of the storms. In place of this, Porth supports a plan that would allow for individuals to pay a single deductible per hurricane season. Porth then turned to price gouging. Florida law only provides for civil punishment for price gouging, Porth backs a plan that would provide criminal penalties for such actions.

Turning to education, Porth agrees with many other candidates that funding is a major issue, but was the only one to give a specific plan to fund the programs. He stated that there are approximately 478 sales tax exemptions in Florida. Each should be reviewed and cut if not necessary. The 952 exemptions Florida has, the more money it will have to fund educational programs.

In closing, Porth strove to make one, specific point: Good can be done, and he will, if elected, strive to serve District 96 well.
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"I would advise [students] to take risks."

One-on-one with Dean Rosenblum:

Q. Please tell us a little about your background.
A. I was born in Washington, DC. After leaving Washington, DC, my three brothers and I grew up in suburban Maryland. I attended John F. Kennedy Senior High School. I have a bachelor’s degree from the University of Maryland, and Master’s and doctorate (Ph.D) degrees from The Ohio State University.

Q. What is your favorite cartoon character?
A. When you asked that question, the first thing that came to my mind was, when I was little, there was a cartoon TV show that I watched all the time, Jonny Quest. I really liked that show and the character.

Q. What is your favorite college experience when you were in college?
A. When I was an undergraduate . . . I served as a student manager of a recreation center at the University of Maryland. We organized programs and events and I can think of several of those events with 1,500 to 1,800 students and just enjoying the energy and the excitement and knowing I was contributing to students absolutely enjoying their experience.

Q. What advice would you give to any college student?
A. I think I would advise somebody to take risks. To push yourself, to test your ideas with others, with fellow students, with faculty. Not to take the easy path.

Q. Have you ever done anything against the rules while you were in college?

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-Raemi D’Alessio, Intern Associate Dean of the Farquhar College of Arts and Sciences

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District 97 Candidates: Susan Goldstein, Republican and Barbara Herrera-Hill, Democrat.

On Education:
Barbara Herrera-Hill, as a university teacher, sees problems with many students, some of whom cannot form basic sentences. To rectify this, she believes that Florida public schools should receive funding regardless of their scores on standardized tests.

Susan Goldstein believes that increased funding for education is necessary. With increased funding, teachers can receive higher pay, and this may fix the teacher shortage. Goldstein believes that standardized tests, like the FCAT, are good diagnostic tools for teachers.

On Funding for College:
Herrera-Hill believes that the state should not take away financial plans for higher education such as the “Florida Pre-Paid” plan and the Bright Futures scholarship program.

Goldstein believes that, after the government increased funding for the educational program, only part of it should go to university funding. Not all students will go to college, Goldstein says; therefore, some of the funding should go to other programs, such as vocational training and programs to identify children who are better suited for trade education.

Closing:
Goldstein spoke of her experience and her desire to make a difference in the Florida House of Representatives. She identified that education and access to healthcare for children and seniors are some issues most important to her.

Herrera-Hill spoke of her experience as a City Commissioner in Weston. She went on to talk about her experience as a teacher, and says that she hopes to bring this to the capital in Tallahassee.

District 98 Candidate: Franklin Sands, Democrat.

Franklin Sands began by talking about the issues of capital punishment for minors. Sands believes that crime starts at an early age with smaller issues such as truancy. His affirmation was that children are children and should be treated as such.

On the issue of overcrowding in Florida’s public schools, Sands took a stand, saying that the government needs to build more classrooms. His answer to this question also addressed the issue of mass settlement in Florida. Growth management should be regulated with legislation, Sands said. Schools must be built before homes.

When addressing the Equal Rights Amendment, Sands gave a unique response. He is in favor of passing the amendment, but does not regard the ERA as a “lady’s issue” and instead views it as a people issue. He supports the ERA, but thinks that a shame that women need an amendment to give them rights that they should have as humans.

In closing, Sands stated that he knows the processes of government firsthand and hopes to use his experience to serve his district. He stated that the role of a legislature is to vote for a balanced budget; he wants to expand this to include accountability to his constituents.

The Florida election coincides with the presidential election on November 2. For more information on the candidates, see the Florida Department of Elections website at http://election.dos.state.fl.us/cgi-bin/CanList.exe, and look for the correct district.

Holy Month of Ramadan
Annual celebration of spiritual and physical cleansing

Billions of Muslims throughout the world embarked on the first day of Ramadan Friday, October 15. For Muslims, that means waking up at either four or five in the morning, preparing food for the household and then consuming as much as possible before sunrise. For 30 days, followers of Islam will abstain from all food, drink, and certain other activities from dawn until sunset.

The holy month of Ramadan is an annual celebration of spiritual and physical cleansing. It pays tribute to the month that Prophet Muhammad is said to have received from Allah the first verses of the Qur’an, the holy book of Islam. Fasting is one of the Five Pillars of Islam. As with any other Islamic duties, all able Muslims are required to take part.

Through fasting, Muslims attain self-control and give up their personal comforts to become closer to God. Staying hungry and thirsty throughout the day reminds them the suffering of the poor. People are required to share their blessings by feeding the poor or giving charity.

Muslims are required to read the entire Qur’an during the month of Ramadan in addition to the five daily prayers bestowed upon them. After sunset, Muslims break their fast by eating dates and drinking something sweet. Soon after, they head off to pray. When they are done, they enjoy a meal known as Iftar.

Ramadan ends with the festival of Eid-al-Fitr, which literally means, "Festival of Breaking Fast." This year, it is set to occur November 14. On Eid-al-Fitr, people dress in their finest clothes, visit loved ones, and give treats or money to children. For Muslims, this is a very significant event in their lives.
William Romer Scholarship Awarded to two NSU Students

By Javeshine Aimee Rivera-Azua
Knightwriter

Two NSU students in the Registered Nurse and Bachelor of Science and Nursing program were awarded the William Romer Scholarship this past September. Michelle Bourie and Nancy Cabrera each received approximately $1,000 from the scholarship, funded by The Mathew Forbes Romer Foundation for Education & Research of Children's Genetic Diseases of the Brain.

In order to qualify for the scholarship, one must be a Pediatric R.N. and be in the process of continuing one's education in the specialization of genetic disorders, explained Dr. Sally Weiss, Ed.D., the R.N. coordinator of the Nursing Department.

Bourie and Cabrera both work at the Chris Evert Women and Children's Hospital located within Broward General Hospital. Bourie explained that she works with newborns and their mothers as an R.N. in the neonatal intensive care unit (NICU). "I'm a senior, and will finish in December of this year. This is a unique position; we are back to better our education," said Bourie.

Bourie aims to promote the Romer Foundation to families in need of emotional support. When asked how she felt about receiving the scholarship, she replied, "I'm very grateful.

The Mathew Forbes Romer Foundation has been providing support and genetic therapy for individuals with congenital genetic disorders since their founding five years ago. According to their website, the founding of their organization was "...inspired by the strength of a little boy [named Mathew Romer] with a fatal genetic disease to lead the fight for education, quality assurance, and research of children's genetic diseases of the brain." They advertise the research programs, scholarships, and grants that they distribute through the internet. Kevin Romer, Mathew Romer's father, is now the president of the foundation which is now a part of The National Tay-Sachs & Allied Diseases Association.

For more information about The Mathew Forbes Romer Foundation contact, Kevin Romer at (561) 477-0337, e-mail: MFRF@aol.com, or visit http://www.mfrrfoundation.org/ .

Advocates for Sexual Assault Prevention: A New Organization at NSU

By Nicolle Garber
Staff Writer

Advocates for Sexual Assault Prevention is a new student organization from The Center for Psychologi- cal Studies at NSU. Their main mission is to provide community outreach and comfort to those who have been sexually assaulted.

The organization was implemented during the summer of 2004 by co-chairs Campus Outreach Coordinator Jessica Parker, Ed.S., who is a board member of Students' Organization for the Advocacy of Psychology, and K. Bryant Smalley, President of Ethnic Minority Association of Graduate Students. The group, which recently received official standing, is only open to CPS and grad students; all established members have training in clinical fields.

The group is also an educational resource; it is always available to those who seek information on sexual awareness and prevention. "These issues affect every university in the country - people aren't that educated about protecting themselves and others," said Parker, who also provides counseling at CPS.

She and others in ASAP are concerned about educating people - especially college students - about keeping safe and not being a victim of sexual assault. "Someone is assaulted every two minutes in America, and it usually involves drugs, alcohol, or someone they know. People aren't armed with this type of information, and we want to be able to educate people," Parker said. Helping everyone to have a basic understanding of sexual assault is a key aspect of the group. "We want to be an advocate for those who have been assaulted. When they go to the hospital for help, the doctors and nurses are busy, and we want to be there to provide the support they need," Parker said.

Not only are women victims of sexual assault, but men are as well. One out of five men is sexually assaulted in his lifetime; a very small percentage of these sexual assaults are reported. One in four college women are sexually assaulted.
Intramural Sports: Undergraduates Wanted!

Intramural sports bring together men and women of all athletic ability at NSU

By Alicia Winslett
Sports Editor

Would you like to be a part of a team? Or would you just like to play sports, be involved, and have fun? Well, here at NSU there are plenty of intramural sports to compete in. As long as you have a blue NSU ID card, you can play, which includes both students and faculty. “We get a lot of people from HPD and the law school,” said Joel Sanderson, one of the graduate assistants at NSU.

This fall, the intramural sports offered will be flag football and volleyball.

For football, there are six weeks of play, including playoffs. If you want to start a team, you have to have at least seven people. “So far there are 30 teams that play flag football, but we’re always looking for more people,” explained Sanderson.

Included in the volleyball season are six weeks of play and playoffs. You need to have to have at least have four people to start a team. Captains’ meetings were the October 18 and 19, so now’s the time. The season started October 25.

In the winter, there will be basketball, soccer, and softball.

The dates for basketball are January 17 through February 24, 2005. Soccer will run March 7 through April 14, 2005. Softball will be played March 14 through April 21, 2005. Said Sanderson, “We would like to see more undergraduate students, because most of the people come from fraternities, the HPD, and law school. The more we have, the merrier.”

The people that usually compete in the intramural sports are semi-high school athletes, but you do not have to have any experience in playing the sport if you want to come out and play. “This program gives people the opportunity to stay involved, so get outside and play [your favorite] sport,” said Sanderson.

Nova Southeastern University Men’s Soccer Team Defeats American International 7-0

Knights improve to 8-2-1 as five different players contribute goals in dominant team effort

By Eddie Kenny
Sports Informationist

The men’s soccer team blanked the American International College Yellow Jackets by a 7-0 score on the afternoon of Sunday, October 10 at the NSU Soccer Complex.

NSU midfielder Joe Clancy and forward Adam Ludden scored two goals each, while forward Paulo Ribeiro and midfielders Matt Parry and Rasmus Jespersen each contributed goals in the Knights victory.

Clancy got the Knights on the board in the third minute when forward Lorcan Cronin crossed a ball into the area from the right flank. Clancy collected the ball at the far post and easily slotted it past AIC ‘keeper Phil Torres for the eventual game-winner.

Cronin factored in the Knights’ second goal when he penetrated deep into the AIC half and was hauled down in the box by an AIC defender. Parry stepped to the line for the resulting penalty kick and drilled the ball past Torres into the upper left corner of the goal.

Ludden doubled the lead for NSU with two strikes in a 47 second span to open the second half. In the forty-sixth minute, Ludden headed a cross from Clancy into the back of the net, and in the forty-seventh minute he was sent in by Cronin to blast a 25 yard strike past Torres.

Clancy notched his second goal of the match in the sixty-fifth minute when he nodded home a service from the right side by Jespersen. Three minutes later, Jespersen broke down the right flank and threaded a shot from the end line past substitute AIC ‘keeper Matthew Marcoux.

Ribeiro rounded out the scoring when gathered a pass from Jespersen and placed the ball behind Marcoux for the final 7-0 margin.

The NSU backline rotation of Andrew Morris, Trey Gillette, Tom Gillette, Eric Naples, Secquay Gordon, and Arman Sarkisian combined with goalkeeper Jarod Rennick to extend the NSU shutout streak to 355 minutes.

Rennick made three saves in the match to record his second shutout in as many starts. NSU out-shot AIC 27-9 and held a 6-2 advantage in corner kick.
The men's and women's cross country teams have been alive at NSU for three years. Two of these years have been spent in NCAA Division II competitions, and a lot of talent on both teams brings hope for Head Coach Bruce McCrea. He said, “Our goal is to break into the top tier in the Sunshine State Conference. So far, the men's team has taken a big step forward. Our five freshmen runners have stepped up to the challenge.” As a coach, he already has twenty years of running experience behind him, has competed in fifteen marathons, and spent two years as a competitive CAT 3 cyclist in the early 90s.

McCrea said, “They [the men’s team] have a second place trophy from the first meet of the year and have been consistently improving against conference competition.”

In the first race, the men took second place. The team totaled 75 points to finish behind Florida Southern. The men's team was led by freshman Allen May, who finished in twelfth place with a time of 30:28.

Aaron Kolterjahn led the way for the men's cross country team in the runners.com Invitational on September 24, 2004. He ran the 5K course in 17:20.16 to finish in thirty-sixth place.

“We have the same goal for the season [for the women] and we had one returning runner, senior Kara Baca,” said McCrea. The women's cross country team has already won second and third place trophies. In the recent races on September 24, Maria Cevallos led the women’s team. She finished in thirty-sixth place at the runners.com Invitational, running the 5K race in 21:11:20. Five seconds behind Cevallos was Kara Baca, finishing in fortieth place. On October 2, 2004, the women's team competed at the Embry Riddle/Smoothie King Invitational Meet in Daytona Beach, FL. Leading the Knights was Heather Sternau, who finished in eleventh place with a time of 21:59:78 in the 5K event.

So far, the Lady Knights have set themselves up for a strong race at the Conference Championships on October 23, 2004 in Melbourne,” said McCrea.

Women’s Team
Kara Baca- Dania, FL
Angela Schaeck-Sevem, MD
Danielle Garcia- Pembroke Pines, FL
Dayliss Oliva-Tampa, FL
Heather Sternau-Freeburn, IL
Jamyle Brooks- Hollywood, FL
Maria Cevallos- Tampa, FL
Chelsea Gilbert- Miami, FL

Men’s Team
Allen May- Flower Mound, TX
Aaron Kolterjahn- Sturgeon Bay, WI
Brandon Petersen- Hollywood, FL
Kyle Botts- Davie, FL
Chad Turnipseed- Hollywood, FL

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Nova Southeastern Women’s Soccer Team Downs Spring Hill College 4-1
Katya Delgado’s two-goal performance leads Knights to road victory

By Eddie Kenny
Sports Informationalist

On October 10, the women’s soccer team downed Spring Hill College 4-1 in a rain-swept Mobile, Ala. Fighting poor weather conditions caused by Tropical Depression Matthew, the Knights raced to a 3-0 lead in the first 16 minutes of the match and never looked back as they evaded their record at 4-4.

Led by forward Katya Delgado’s two-goal performance, the Knights scored a season-high four goals to clinch their first road win of the campaign. Freshman midfielders Stefany Knight and Michelle Harris also scored for NSU.

The Knights jumped to the early advantage in the second minute when Knight took a distance shot that eluded Spring Hill ‘keeper Liz Hall for the 1-0 lead. Harris doubled the advantage in the fifth minute when she let loose a shot that also found the back of the net for her third goal of the season.

Delgado made it 3-0 in the sixteenth minute when she took a feed from Eyrun Hardardottir and rounded Hall before slotting into an empty net for her first goal of the match.

The home side pulled a goal back in the twenty-second minute when a corner kick from Erica Strachan was headed past NSU starting goalkeeper Katie Wintle to make it 3-1.

The Knights iced the win in the eighty-fifth minute when midfielder Julie Ralfford played Delgado in behind the SHC defence and the NSU striker fired past Hall for both her team-leading fourth goal of the season and second goal of the match. Delgado now has 15 goals in her NSU career, tying her for fifth all-time on the NSU goal-scoring list.
Psychopaths Invade NSU
A continuing film discussion series focuses on Jack Nicholson
By Greg Kyriakakis
Staff Writer

Psychopaths have been a staple of horror films for decades, terrorizing unsuspecting victims and audiences alike. No one has influenced the genre more than Jack Nicholson, who has brought many macabre characters alive on screen. The Thursday Movie Series, held by the Institute for Learning in Retirement (IRL) on October 7, undertook the complex task of determining what makes Nicholson a master of lunacy.

Public Library Services Librarian Dr. Candace McKinniss led the discussion. She began by giving a brief history of the horror film and explaining how it has evolved over the years. She said that the 1920s was a period fascinated with mad scientists, and the 1930s and 1940s saw a movement toward alien villains. It was in the 1950s and 1960s that the psychopathic killer, who is still prevalent in film today, was introduced.

The analysis of Nicholson's career began with his first attempt at a psychopathic role in the 1960 film The Raven. Dr. McKinniss showed an excerpt of the film and asked the audience to note the ways Nicholson manipulates his facial expressions to make himself appear psychopathic. The audience consensus determined that his evil smile was the key component to his performance.

Nicholson's more notable psychopathic roles were then observed. A scene from the 1975 film One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest was shown to demonstrate how the actor matured since performing in The Raven. The next clip came from The Shining, produced in 1980. In it, Nicholson's character is becoming increasingly angrier with his wife as he rushes up a staircase in her pursuit. Dr. McKinniss wanted to know, "What makes Jack so scary in this?" The audience concluded that his "wild eyes," sarcastic tone of voice, and gradual slurring of speech indicated his intense anger and imminent threat. Dr. McKinniss also compared the film to modern horror films and found that the buildup was too long and the use of music was almost "insulting" by today's standards.

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Historical truth versus a leader’s personification
By Alaina Siminovsky
Arts & Entertainment Editor

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Motorcycle Diaries transports the film's audience to another time and place. The people Che and his friend Alberto (Rodrigo De la Serna) encounter teach them something about a life they had never known, a life of suffering and rising above. The boys' experience begins with them riding their motorcycle and remaining uniformed about life's realities, but when Che and Alberto are forced to walk, they are immersed in the Latin American experience. The people they meet are either desperate with poverty or ostracized from the elite sector of the population where the boys originated. For these people, the boys learn compassion rather than pity. While interacting at the Leper Colony in San Pablo, Peru, their transformation is completely apparent. Instead of shying away from the lepers at the colony, the two shun the rules and reach out to them. Slowly, others follow their lead as they improve the quality of life at the colony: This compassionate characterization of Che is what many critics cite.

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Reality TV

Where the prize is the "name of the game"

Over the past few years, the so-called phenomenon of "reality TV" has dominated television programming. From "Survivor" to "Big Brother," shows of this type exploit non-actors, thus "earning" the name "reality TV." However, they do not mimic reality in any way. Often, contestants are put in extreme conditions. For example, "Big Brother" looks 14 people in a house, cutting them off from all outside communication. "Fear Factor" clearly does not reflect the average real-world experience by forcing its participants to perform extraordinarily disgusting actions, such as ingesting shakers made of common house flies and maggots or other "delicacies."

So, if these shows in no way demonstrate reality, do they deserve the name "reality TV?" The answer is a simple no. Television viewers typically watch TV to escape reality. This is the reason that prime time dramas and comedies are so popular. If viewers tune in to escape reality, why have so-called reality TV programs become so popular? Again, the answer is simple; it is because these shows do not portray reality. The gruesome exploitation of fellow members of the human race seems to fascinate television viewers. From broken spirits and broken hearts to broken bones, viewers like to witness the ambition and immense pain of their fellow humans. Women tune in to "The Bachelor" to witness a love story, but only one woman can win in the end and the others are sent home with their heart in tow. This same applies to such shows as "Survivor." Viewers tune in to watch the exploits of the "castaways." In what way does this show approach reality? The show does force the castaways to live without the comforts of the modern world, but instead of replicating the processes of early civilizations and actually developing real settlements, the castaways participate in challenges. Mimicking the developments of early society would open a window to a forgotten real world and truly duplicate an aspect of society, instead, the castaways compete to see who can stand on stamps for the longest amount of time in the heat of a tropical day. The object of the show is the reward, not a portrayal of the real world.

Maybe reality TV portrays another reality — the bloodthirsty hunt for life's rewards. All reality TV programs offer a prize to their winners, and this prize is the "name of the game." If life is in fact a rat race with the purpose of obtaining the greatest wealth or the objects of one's desires, then reality TV programs do show reality. If women only live to find their perfect match and can do that by the end of the rose ceremony, then "The Bachelor" is reality. If gaining wealth is the point of life, then any show with a cash prize reflects reality. When society's true nature can be reflected through the objectification and torture of some of its members for money or TV ratings, rock bottom has not only been felt — it has been surpassed.

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fronts his old boss and urinates on his shoes after telling him off. Later, he deals with his adulterous wife and refuses to take her back in a scene marked with a subtle, yet powerful, anger. Dr. McKinniss again noted that during these scenes, the actor conveys his emotions through his eyes. Citing these cinematic examples, she concluded that Nicholson "seems to do well with crazy characters."

The program ended by shifting the focus to another actor skilled in playing the role of a psychopath, Anthony Hopkins, known for his portrayal of Dr. Hannibal Lector, was highlighted with an excerpt from the 2001 production of "Hannibal." An attendee of the program commented that Hopkins is skilled at these types of roles because of his "very laid back character" that makes him appear harmless, when the reality is exactly the opposite.

Dr. McKinniss said these film discussions are a great "teaser" in order to get people to come to the library and borrow the full film. She hopes that the program will entertain as well as inform. Ed Aqua, Director of IRL, explained that he wants to encourage more undergraduate participation in the program, with the possibility of holding it in the Flight Deck in the future.

The Thursday Movie Series is held once a month in University Park Plaza. Each month, a different topic is selected; for example, in September the theme was sports. For the next date, please check the Arts and Entertainment calendar or call the Dr. Candace McKinniss at the Alvin Sherman Library at (954) 262-5477.

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Alvin Sherman Library Events

Women’s Health Program
October 27 6-8 p.m.
PLS Program Room

Presentation and demonstration on Thermography, a tool for early cancer detection. Current research has determined that the key to breast cancer survival is early detection. If discovered in its earliest stages, there is the possibility of cure rates of 95%. Breast thermography has the ability to give a warning signal far in advance of invasive tumor growth. Combined with an unprecedented role in prevention, risk assessment, and screening for younger women, breast thermography offers women an advanced and more sophisticated form of information.

Movie Openings
Ray

Saw
Opens to audiences nationwide on October 29. This suspense/horror film is rated R. Distributor: Lions Gate Films. Director: James Wan. Producers: Gregg Hoffman, Oren Koules, Mark Burg. Cast: Cary Elwes, Danny Glover, Leigh Whannell, Monica Potter, Michael Emerson. Movie Tag: Every piece has a puzzle. How much blood would you shed to stay alive? With a dead body laying between them, two men (Whannell and Elwes) wake up in the secure lair of a serial killer who’s been nicknamed “Jigsaw” by the police because of his unusual calling card.

It's All About Love
Opens in select theatres on October 29. This romance/drama is rated R. Distributor: Focus Features. Director: Thomas Vinterberg. Cast: Claire Danes, Joaquin Phoenix, Sean Penn, Alun Armstrong, Harry Dilton. Movie Tag: "It's All About Love" is a fresh take on modern love and future life as two lovers struggle in a conspiracy of epic proportions.

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Calendar graphics by Alisha VanHoose
Greek 101: STDs and Date Rape

By Caroline Cullen

On October 7, Ricky Seigel, a sexuality educator and sex therapist, took the floor of the Carl DeSantis Auditorium to educate NSU's students on topics such as STDs, date rape, and basic sexual health during college life in "Greek 101: STDs and Date Rape."

Greek Life, along with Recreation and Wellness, presented the second in a mandatory education and wellness series for freshmen Greeks on real-life issues. Although the events are targeted to Greeks, all students are invited and encouraged to attend.

The presentation focused on STDs in context of sexual health during college life. "We need to do more and be bold. It is so silly to be afraid to talk about sex; it is not talking about sex that is the problem," said Seigel. He enlightened students on not only the clinical side of STDs, but also the mentality of acquiring and dealing with a chronic STD and how it will affect their college life. Seigel created the scene of the "shotgun-yielding" father on the front porch, the "sexual predator," and the "stupid female" as he educated students on date rape and its associated gender stereotypes.

Students did not have to sit through a boring lecture; the presentation was an open forum with interaction between the speaker and the students. Greek Advisor Gina Marchando said, "Many freshmen are away from home for the first time."

Occasionally, I have this nightmare that all of the American ideals that I value have been thrown aside for partisan gain. In this dream, men of great power use foolish women as their pawns in the unending game of politics. The nightmare does not begin when I fall asleep at night; it starts when I wake up.

As a result of the 2008 voting debacle, Florida has become the butt of every election joke. When Mister Light challenged Bud Light to a contest for the "President of Beers," voters were asked to touch screen vote for their favorite candidate. However, Floridians were swindled out and intuition pronounced really hard.

So, why are the people of Florida seen as just a bit dim come election time? Does Florida lack enough funding for public education, thus causing the confusion in reading the ballot? Is it more likely that the biased actions of former Florida Secretary of State Katherine Harris allowed for thousands of votes to be thrown out in the 2000 presidential recount?

At the time that she served as Florida's Secretary of State, Katherine Harris also worked as co-chair of the 2000 Bush/Cheney Florida campaign. So, the woman delegated to run the Florida election was also working to aid a specific outcome of that election. In a polarized state where the difference in winning was determined by 537 votes, wouldn't you consider that a conflict of interest?

Granted, not every politician lacks the ability to fairly do her or his job because of political affiliations. The party system has been the foundation of this country, and it is vital for basic checks and balances. However, partisan should never be the primary interest for someone appointed to do history-changing work.

Documents from Harris' computer were released in response to the press' allegations of improper political maneuvering. According to CBSNews.com, one document included the following quote: "I am a bit biased. I co-chaired the campaign efforts of George W. Bush... I hope it will be [Dole]." If you are still unsure that she had a conflict of interest, rest assured in the knowledge that she was well aware of the situation's implications.

Flash forward four years later, and our nightmares are still very much alive. It seems as though this question of character will be tested again when our current Secretary of State Glenda Hood presides over November's election. This former mayor of Orlando was picked by Governor Jeb Bush, and she is known to be an avid financial Republican Party supporter.

Hood is already being sued for her unconstitutional voting politics. According to the Tallahassee Democrat, Hood's office restricted Florida's counties to disqualified voter registrations that did not have the citizenship box marked. The information in the box is completely unnecessary, though, because all who apply for registration signs an oath that they are American citizens. In response, some counties are saying they refuse to use Hood's instructions. Only the November elections will bring an end to the nightmare uncertainty of dirty politics.

Psychological Services Center Serves as Screening Site for National Depression Day

By Caroline Cullen

What is National Depression Day? According to the Screening for Mental Health, Inc., "National Depression Screening Day (NDSD) is the first and largest nationwide, community-based mental health screening program that provides in-person and online screening for four of the most common and frequently co-occurring mental disorders: depression, bi-polar disorder, generalized anxiety disorder, and post traumatic stress disorder."

NSU's Psychology Service Center participated in NDSD by serving as a screening site on Thursday, October 7 in the Maltz Psychology Building. Adults and children were welcomed to partake in the screening, which was open to both students and the public. The coordinator of the event, Jessica Garcia, explained, "The screening consisted of a two-page form with yes or no questions. The client then sat with a psychology student to go over responses and receive feedback about at-risk services." This was NSU's first year participating in the screening, but they plan to continue the screenings each year.

Interested in therapy?

NSU offers free counseling for students in the Parker Building, Suite 150. Office Manager Mirna Gonzalez states, "We offer 10 sessions [per student] that are free and confidential." The center provides a professional staff with both a Psychologist and a Psychiatrist on hand. Students can call to set up an appointment by phone at (954) 262-7050 or take advantage of the walk-in hours Tuesdays 12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. and Wednesdays from 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
GSSA and NPC Halloween Party

Student Organizations to host a costume party with special invited guests

By Jason Peebles
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The Gay/Straight Student Alliance and the National Pan-Hellenic Council are throwing a crazy Halloween party for everyone from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. on Friday, October 29 in Mailman 309. Because of the activities involved, including the costume contest, this is sure to be a historical event.

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Dear Therapist...

Dear Therapist:

I am a few months into my first year at NSU. College life is okay, but the separation from my family and all the new changes have been tough.

More specifically, I hate the way I look more than ever. Every time I look in the mirror, I see a fat, ugly girl. A few months ago, I started dieting. I cut out all junk food and started doing 400 sit-ups a night. That month, I lost about 6 pounds. I was still dissatisfied with the way I looked, so I only allowed myself to eat one piece of bread a day with some fruit and water to drink. I decided that I needed to exercise more, too, so I started running. Now, I run about 5 miles a day and do 575 sit-ups. As of right now I have lost 23 pounds, but I have to lose a lot more.

The compliments are great. Everybody makes comments on how skinny I am. But I am not happy. I am so afraid that I will gain weight, and I just can't weigh any more than I do right now. A few of my friends started making comments on my "routine." They say that I am anorexic. I don't think there is anything wrong with what I am doing, but it has taken up all my spare time and I feel miserable. I don't want them to worry about me, so I decided to keep this my little secret.

Is all of this normal?

-Dying to be Thin

Dear Dying to Be Thin:

After reading your story, I can see that you most feel 

It seems you are ambivalent regarding the recent comments about yourself. On one hand, you see your weight loss as a great accomplishment, yet you also continue to experience a lot of emotional pain.

I am glad that you are giving serious thought into your new behaviors, since they have the potential to become life threatening. Also, it is clear that several people are concerned for your well being. I hope you will continue to let them be a support to you.

Many women (and men) experience what you are going through. In fact, college women are a high-risk group for eating problems. Research suggests that 5 percent to 20 percent of college females experience an eating disorder.

There is hope for those who struggle with body image, excessive dieting, and exercise. A variety of treatment approaches have been effective in helping women who experience the behaviors you described. An important idea may be with you is speaking with a professional who is experienced in this area. Many students speak to a counselor to discuss a wide-range of topics. So please do not feel bad or awkward about seeking professional support.

Treatment for eating problems can be composed of many elements, including medical monitoring, nutritional counseling, exercise, and individual and/or group counseling. Not only may you experience relief from sharing such important issues that were once a secret, these professionals can help you improve your self-esteem, as well as guide you toward a healthier lifestyle. I hope you consider the avenues that I have suggested. Please remember that you are not alone and that there is hope.

The Therapist

NSU Student Counseling (954) 262-7050 (available 24 hours)

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Howlin’ Bluez Nite

By Erika Dudi Morgan
AKPsi VP of Finance

Alpha Kappa Psi, The Co-Ed Professional Business Fraternity at the H. Wayne Huizenga School of Business and Entrepreneurship, is inviting all students, faculty, staff, and community friends to enjoy a Howlin’ Bluez time. Come celebrate Halloween with an exciting live performance from Blak ‘N’ Bluez, a well-known local South Florida blues band. A special guest performance will be presented by Dr. Randy Pohlman on the guitar and Dr. Robert ‘Bob’ Sellani on the drums.

Refreshments will be provided throughout the night and a costume contest will take place for those who are dressed to impress! So come help us calm the chilling cries of the dead at Howlin’ Bluez!

For directions or group discount ticket sales, please contact AKPsi President Julio Thompson, at akpsi@nova.edu or visit www.nova.edu/ AKPsi.

When:
Saturday, October 30, 2004
Where:
The Flight Deck (located next to NSU Bookstore)
Theme:
Howlin’ Bluez Nite
Time: 8 p.m. – 12 a.m.
Cost: $10.00

South Florida blues band, Blak 'N Bluez. Photo by Erika Dudi Morgan.
The Student Government Association’s Weekly

By Jason Peebles
Non-Traditional Senator

Welcome to the Student Government Association’s Weekly. We at the SGA have decided that the student body needs to have better access to the event that transpires at the SGA meetings. On a special note, I would like to welcome the new Senators who were voted in on Monday, October 11, 2004:

Commuter Senator: Julie Testa
Minority Senator: Giselle Gaviria
Freshman Senator: Britine Tribble
Freshman Senator: Robin Furmanski
Athletic Senator: Danielle Garcia

We are still looking for two International Senators. According to the SGA constitution, the International Senator would represent all undergraduate non-US. citizens. If you are a non-US. citizen and wish to become more involved on campus, join the Student Government Association!

The following includes some of the Legislation SGA has voted on.

September 20, 2004
Bills:
- Phi Sigma Sigma Car Show
  - Approved for $865
- Psi Chi Honor Society Workshop Series 1
  - Approved for $75
- Psi Chi and Psychology Club Meet the Faculty Dinner
  - Approved for $350
- PASA’s Sixth Annual Show Time at the Apollo
  - Approved for $685
- GSSAS Safe Zone Program
  - Approved for $500
- N.A.T.U.R.E. Bill for Volunteerism
  - Approved for $50
- Spanish Club Budget
  - Approved for $500

Please note that all of the above bills were approved unanimously.

October 4, 2004
Bills:
- N.A.T.U.R.E. Club
  - Approved
- Campus Entertainment Director’s Budget
  - Approved for $19,000

October 11, 2004
Resolution:
Waterlogged with no Walking Space
Presented by:
Residential Senator Soave

The Seventeenth Student Senate
Resolution: 04-1011-01
Sponsored by Lisa Soave (Residential Senator)
A RESOLUTION TO BE ENTITLED: ‘Safety for Residential Parking Lots’

Whereas: It has come to the attention of the Seventeenth Student Senate that there have been some recent acts of vandalism to students’ vehicles in the Goodwin Parking Lot.
Be it resolved: We, the Seventeenth Student Senate strongly feel that NOVALERT should more frequently patrol the parking lots in front of all residence halls. This Senator feels patrols every five minutes or the installation of closed-circuit cameras is a reasonable solution.
- Approved Unanimously

As there was so much information, charts on how each Senator voted were not included. I also did not include the attendance roster, as I plan to do in the future. If you have any suggestions concerning this weekly column, please feel free to contact me at pphillip@nova.edu. Thanks and have a great week!

The 2004-2005 SGA Board

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Robin Furmanski
Victims’ Rights: Whose Right is it Anyway?

The purpose of the presentation, stated Dr. Boersema, “is to try and find a balance between the appropriate support of a victim of crime with due process of the criminal trial.” Dr. Boersema plans to cover a broad area of the criminal justice process of the critical trial. Dr. Boersema earned his Ph.D. at Michigan State University and has been a professor at Pacific University in Oregon for over 20 years. Dr. Boersema is also the chairman of the Humanities Division at Pacific University, where he teaches both philosophy and history of science. In addition, he is the chair of the Peace and Conflict Studies program at Pacific University. Students are welcomed to get educated on the subject of Victims Rights and form their own opinions on Tuesday, October 26. For more information, contact the Division of Humanities at (954) 262-8200.

The Office of Volunteerism hosts Volunteer Fair at Parker Building

The Office of Volunteerism will host its annual Volunteer Fair Wednesday, October 26 from 11 a.m. till 2 p.m. under the green overhang. Along with Radio X and NSU’s Volunteer Club, community organizations will provide students with the opportunity to connect to extracurricular service.

"The purpose of the volunteer fair is to connect students to areas of interest on a personal level," Graduate Assistant for Student Development and Volunteerism Jen Bowman said. "The community's outreach for help perfectly combines with a student's need to give time."

The Office of Volunteerism is anticipating participation from 15 community organizations, and is hoping to impact at least 100 students. The diversification of organizations will help to piqué student interest, focusing on senior citizens, children, and environmental concerns. These are just a few of service opportunities available through next Wednesday's Volunteer Fair.

- Town of Davie Senior Program
- Recreational activities, social events, field trips, community programs, volunteer services for the seniors of Davie.

- Neighbor for Neighbor — Provides information and referrals. Matches people with needs to people willing to provide for those needs. (305) 593-0244. Neighbor for Neighbor's hours are Sunday 6 p.m. — midnight and Monday through Friday 11:30 a.m. - 11:30 p.m. Closed Saturday.

- Kids in Distress — This is a comprehensive residential treatment program for those affected by abuse. Hours of operation are 7:30 a.m. - 9:00 p.m., everyday.

- National Save the Sea Turtle Foundation — To promote education, protection, and awareness of the sea turtles and all marine life.

- Center for Vision Impaired Seniors — Informs and educates legally blind seniors about programs and services available in the community via lectures and group discussions.

In addition to these and other outside entities, the NSU Volunteer Club will also be on hand to help students find a service opportunity. This 15-member student group will host its own table, and is hoping to generate membership interest at the event. The group meets every other Monday at 12 p.m. in the Flight Deck, and all students are welcome.

"This is a great opportunity to have one-on-one interaction with an agency or area of interest," Bowman said. "Plus, you might find an opportunity you never imagined before; one that applies to academic progression outside of the classroom."

For more information regarding the Volunteer Fair or Volunteer Club, contact the Office of Volunteerism at (954) 262-7207 or e-mail jbowman@nsu.nova.edu.

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Area college student dating self

THINGS ARE REALLY STARTING TO HEAT UP

Eric Peterson, top, has one of many romantic dinners with himself at his favorite restaurant.

By LISA CHENEY

Local college student Eric Peterson recently announced that he's entered a committed relationship...with himself. Peterson vehemently denied rumors that the two were dating other people. "We're totally committed to each other. We've never been happier."

When asked what prompted the campus heartthrob to take himself off the market, he chalked it up in large part to his current financial situation, claiming that monthly fees from his checking account were making it too expensive for him to date around. "It was partly a cost-effective decision on my part, but it's been really nice for us to spend more time together," Peterson was apparently unaware of Free Checking from Washington Mutual. It's an account with no monthly fees and the option to add Deluxe services like free online bill pay. And he could have gotten Free Checking just by visiting a Washington Mutual Financial Center, then signed up for online bill pay at washmut.com. "Dang," said Peterson, "if I had known about Free Checking Deluxe, my current dating situation would be different. I probably wouldn't have settled down with someone so soon."
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