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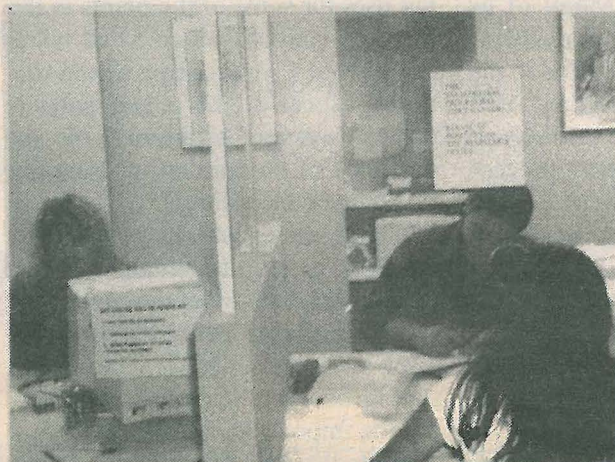


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Bursar Implements Universal Registration

by Althea Mease
Knight Writer

The Office of the University Bursar has implemented a new system regarding the payment of tuition and class registration. You may remember receiving a letter in November regarding a "Universal registration process" and the new fee payment system. The new fee payment system, already in place, aims to reduce the accumulation of student debt and encourage timely payment of tuition balances. The new registration process aims to unify the registration and payment processes for all programs. The old registration system was too confusing. Each of the different programs at Nova Southeastern University schools



Students will no longer have to pay their bills at the Bursar's office. Instead quicker payment can be made on the web.

Photo by M. Citron

throughout the world had a different registration process. All forms came to the central offices on the main campus, and there was difficulty keeping the system straight. In the future, all registration forms will be eliminated, replaced by convenient online registration.

Under the new tuition payment system, each stu-

dent is required to pay their tuition balance within 30 days from the start of the term, not the first day of classes. The two dates are often different, so check the schedule of classes to make sure. This term, day classes started on January 5, but the term started on January 4. If students do not pay their balance within the 30 days, they will incur a \$50 charge. If they do not pay by 90 days, they can expect to face a collection service hired by the University. If students' fees aren't paid in full by the registration dates for the next term, a hold is placed on their account. They cannot receive grades, transcripts, diplomas, or register for

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Volcano erupts and destroys zoo, home to 167 species of animals

by Angel Ali
Staff Writer

Banos, Ecuador is home to the San Martin Zoological Gardens and the NSU Biodiversity Project. San Martin reflects the abundance and diversity of wildlife in Ecuador and houses approximately 167 varieties of animal species, including mon-

keys, wolves, bears, pumas, ocelots, and capybaras. Orlando Vega, the zoo's owner, rescued many of the animals, which were once sick and in need of refuge. Vega almost single-handedly began the zoo through profits from his wood carving business.

The zoo, privately owned by Vega, delves into the steep side of

an ancient volcano. In fact, there are several volcanoes that lie in the area. One in particular, called Tungurahua, meaning 'Throat of Fire' in the Quechua Indian language, has been the cause of many tremors in Banos. Although the volcano's 600-ft. wide crater shoots ashes into the air several times daily, its last reported eruption was in 1944. This past October, the Tungurahua erupted once again, causing the evacuation of approximately

22,000 individuals in the surrounding area and endangering the animals of San Martin Zoo.

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Tungurahua, home of San Martin Zoological Gardens and the NSU Biodiversity Project

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Angelina Jolie and Winona Ryder star in Girl Interrupted, a film based on the biographical journal of Susanna Kaysen gets rave reviews. See page 7.

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Hidden Resource in the Modulares

by Alyson M. Dion
Editor in Chief

Where can you receive free tutoring in almost any subject and a quiet work environment? The Academic Support Center (ASC), located in the modulares directly south of the Parker Science Annex, offers tutors and other academic assistance in a number of subject areas for NSU's undergraduate students. ASC stands as part of the Academic Services along with the Testing Center.

Subject area specialists, some of which are professors while others are students, provide experienced guidance and support usually in one-on-one contact with students. Tutors aid students in the areas of math and language, covering topics ranging from Algebra to Statistics and Calculus and from computer literacy to Journey essays. The ASC also offers help towards developing study skills, test taking strategies and reading comprehension.

Freshman, Barbara Banks has not only utilized the tutoring services at the ASC, but she also occasionally visits between classes for a quiet place to read. She said, "I think that it is a good resource. It is definitely something that I will continue to take advantage of."

Take a break from the Parker Building and meander over to the Academic Support Center where help is always available. The ASC is open Mondays through Thursdays from 8:30 a.m. until 7:00 p.m., Fridays from 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., and Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Students may walk-in for tutoring help. However, it is strongly suggested that students set appointments.

A Day On, Not a Day Off: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

by Angel Ali
Staff Writer

The majority of us may have thought of January 17, 2000, Martin Luther King Jr. Day, as just an extra day off: extra time to study, to catch up on sleep, to relax. Many of us might not have even considered or even given a second thought as to the significance behind the day. Yet, there were actually some students on campus that did. For weeks preceding the event, flyers were posted around school exhibiting the slogan "A Day On, Not a Day Off." The flyers were distributed to inform students of the service project to be held on Martin Luther King Day at the NSU Medicinal Garden in front of Parker.

The service project was organized by S.C.O.R.E. (Service to the Community... Opportunity, Responsibility and Excellence for Students). This scholarship program is involved with community service, and for the past four years has dedicated itself to service projects at such locations as Treetops Park and Habitat for Humanity as a way of celebrating MLK Day. This year, S.C.O.R.E. students offered an open invitation for the Nova community to become involved.

Madeline Penna, Coordinator of S.C.O.R.E., stated, "The students enjoyed it tremendously." Approximately 22 individuals participated in the event. They met at the Medicinal Garden where they spent a few hours learning about the various plants, their place of origin and different uses, from David McLean, the garden's curator and Quan Pho, a research botanist for the garden. They also received instructions on techniques of planting. Many of the students found that being part of the event gave them a better understanding of the plants in the Garden. Roya Ghorsriz, a member of S.C.O.R.E., stated,

"It was very intriguing and educational. I learned a lot about the medicinal nature of plants." Kai Ling, another S.C.O.R.E. member said, "I gained knowledge about the interesting uses for some of the plants in the Medical Garden, which I had taken for granted." Aside from the educational aspect of the event, participants also helped to improve the appearance of the garden by cleaning up some of the clutter.

Thus, the event was a successful one, educating individuals on campus as to the nature of the Medicinal Garden and improving the garden's appearance. This service event should be commended for celebrating the importance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. It has become easier and easier to forget, especially amid the stress that accompanies our daily lives, the sacrifices of great Civil Rights leaders such as King. Instead of appreciating the individual, we have come to appreciate the day off.

"It honors King because he was a man very much involved in service to the community," Penna said.

Gender Issues Coffee House

by Alisonn Gardner
Contributing Writer

On January 13th, the NATURE club sponsored a gender issues Coffee House in celebration of Unity Month. Dr. Kate Waites presented this incredibly insightful and thought perpetuating event. The idea of a gender issues discussion is one which brings together individuals to discuss the notion of masculine and feminine.

Dr. Waites discussed the ideology that is placed on individuals of being biologically a definitive sex and the role one must play in society to be accepted as that particular sex. She also showed how applying a gender to a sex is a socially contrived concept that misleads people into thinking they are a result of being that particular sex. A very interesting twist to the usual gender topic, Dr. Waites discussed the expectations of male roles through social influences as well as what constitutes a "real" man. She exemplified this through a sociological video that provoked in depth dialog from the participants. There was a definite dichotomy of opinion on what roles individuals should play in society. Some people expressed a concern that if men did not "live up to" their

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Bursar Begins New Changes

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classes. Tuition bills are usually sent out of the Bursar's Office by the fifteenth of each month. Anyone with full financial aid and fully completed paperwork or those who have worked out a payment plan with the University Bursar will not be affected by this.

In the past, says Tamela Orefice, the University Bursar, fee collection policies were rather lax. Tuition balances were allowed to accumulate throughout students' educational careers, often leaving them with a debt too large to pay. Such a student could not receive a diploma until their fees were paid in full.

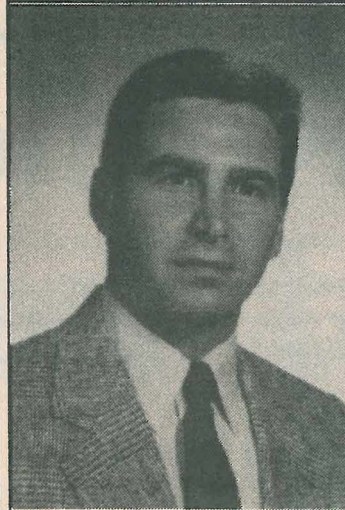
The registration system is still in development. In springtime the computer system will integrate a "tuition calc," which uses an online registration form to calculate how much each student will owe the University

for that term. Graduate students will be able to access this system and register for classes independently, but undergraduates will still need their classes individually approved by their advisor before they can register online. These changes are intended to move the University towards a "paperless office," with no physical paperwork to sort out.

Orefice does not foresee any problems with running such a vital university system completely over the Internet. She says that the computer technicians on campus work 24 hours, and she does not think that the server will crash. The system currently used to view financial aid information will be used for registration, with an individual PIN number for each student issued by the University. Unfortunately, even with all of these new online systems, students will still face bills to pay and mail back. "There are problems with the credit card payment on the web right now. I don't want any problems, so until we can get that secured... I don't even want to try it. I don't want anyone to get in trouble with a credit card."

If you have any questions about the universal registration process or new fee payment schedule, contact Tamela Orefice, 262-5212.

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Eruption Leads to Destruction

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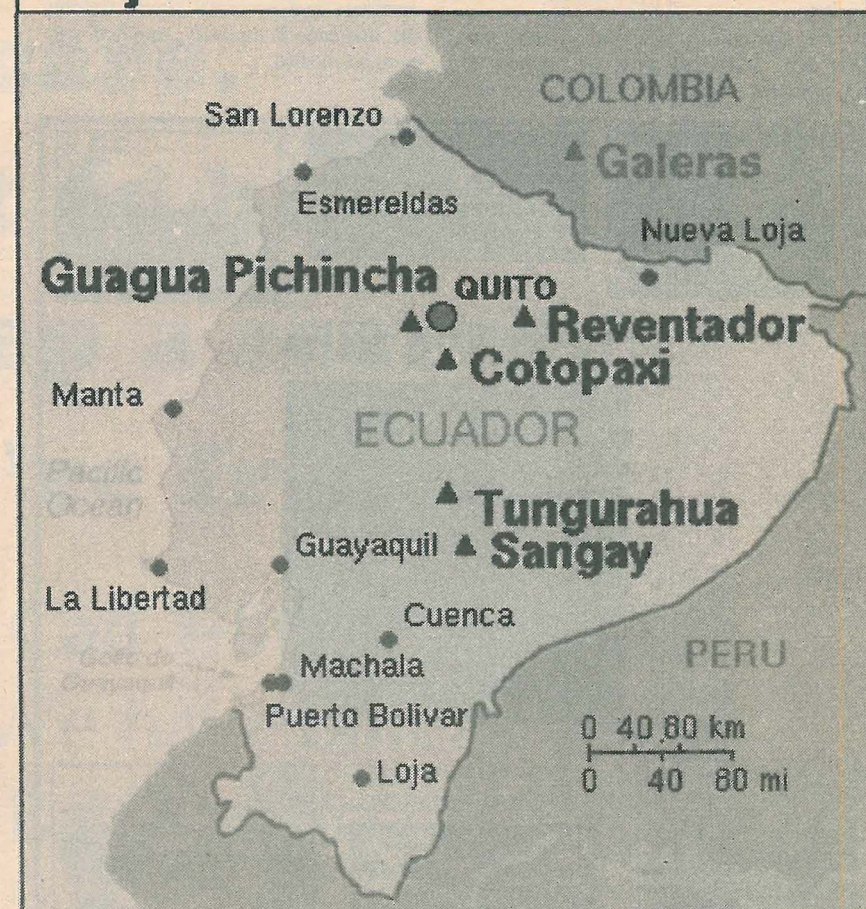
Of the animals that make their home at the zoo, about five were killed while still others were injured. The surviving animals were relocated to eleven different areas scattered throughout Ecuador. So, when will the animals be returned?

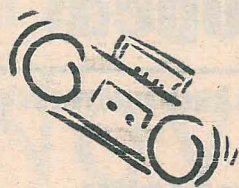
"They will probably be taken back two to three months from now," stated Dr. Barry Barker, Director of the Amazonia Cloud Forest Biodiversity Project. However, this will be no small task. The estimated cost of returning the animals to their home at the zoo is roughly



\$35,000. Unfortunately, Vega's business, which has up until now supported the zoo, is failing and so resources to feed, house and relocate the animals are scarce. In order to raise money for the cause, Barker plans to exhibit his photography of the Ecuadorian animals. "One of the art galleries in West Palm Beach has offered to put on an exhibition of my photography of the animals," he said. Barker, also involved with student trips to Ecuador, hopes to plan a trip sometime this spring after the government of Ecuador lifts the alert. "I would like to get a group of students together to go down there and help to relocate the animals as well as fix, paint, and clean up." So, for those students who are interested in becoming involved in the hands-on effort, keep updated on the latest news because the opportunity will soon be available.

Major Volcanoes in Ecuador





NSU's Radio X



Edited and prepared by Jen Birchfield, PR Director, NSU Radio X

NSU's Radio X is Nova Southeastern University's student run radio station, located on the first floor of the Rosenthal Student Center. You can listen Radio X during the day on 92.9 cable FM through Comcast cable and on 88.5 FM every night after 7 PM. For more information on the station, please call (954) 262-8457 or log on to nsuradio.com.

Working with the Local Scene

By Angelique Nixon,
Radio X Station Manager

Every Thursday night from 8 to 9 PM, Nova Southeastern University's Radio X hosts a local show, showcasing the hottest music of South Florida bands, as well as featuring interviews with these bands. The show is sponsored by Sonicsmoke.com, a site devoted to Florida bands. On Thursday, January 20th, Radio X was pleased to have in the studio members of four of the prominent bands in the local scene: Alex, Jaaybe, and Joe (Darwin's Waiting Room), Robb (Nonpoint), Craig (Gonemad) and Jose (Lost). These bands wanted to tell our audience about a very important show – Spankyfest at The Chili Pepper in Coconut Grove (held on Saturday, January 22nd). This show was organized by Darwin's Waiting Room in order to pay tribute to an important person in the local scene who died last year, Spanky from Mushroom Soup (all proceeds from the show went to Spanky's family).

During the interview, Robb, Joe, Alex, Jose, and Craig gave our listeners all the pertinent Spankyfest info, a current

update on their bands, as well as revealing the importance of supporting the local scene and local music. Radio X has continuously supported the local scene by more ways than just the local hour. The station plans benefit concerts featuring local bands, plays local music through out the week and runs local concert updates every night, which are sponsored by the West Palm based web site thehoneycomb.com. We strive to do all we can for local bands and the local scene. With over six hundred people attending, Spankyfest was definitely the most successful local show South Florida has seen in years!

The line up included eight local bands – Idol Minds, Debase, Gonemad, Al is Well, Lost, Darwin's Waiting Room, Groovenics, Nonpoint, and Endo. These bands all put on an awesome and powerful show, leaving the audience completely satisfied and even astonished.

Kittie Comes to South Florida

By Tiffany Gibeaut,
Radio X News & Sports Director

Kittie. When you see the word, you are bound to think of a cute little kitten, right? Well, not if you're talking about the metal band from Canada. These four chicks, whose songs include "Suck" and "Do You Think I'm a Whore," blow the little kitten picture right out of the water. When I heard the CD sampler from the band I was shocked. How could 15, 16 and 17 year olds, whose peers were bopping to the beats of the Backstreet Boys possibly be creating such hard core music? It was about the time that I began to discover that I liked the CD that I heard that the band was coming to South Florida's Chili Pepper.

When we arrived, I was obviously out of place in my trademark bib-overalls and my favorite Wisconsin hat. People were dressed in dark clothing, with dark make-up and some were wearing masks. It was then that I learned that the headliner, Slipknot, wore masks on stage and that these mask wearing individuals were dressing in like a band that they idolized. Weird, I thought. But, alas, I didn't care because I was there to

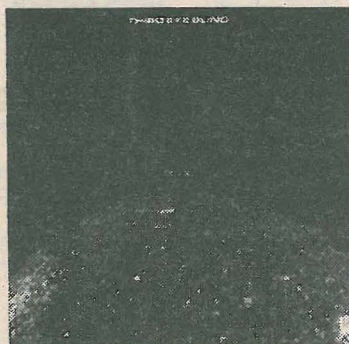
see Kittie.

Being that I have a rule to never be on time, I missed the first few songs that Kittie performed. We were not too late, however, for me to realize that the CD that I had heard was mostly production work. Although on the CD the band had great vocals and awesome instrumental work, they were lacking when it came to the live performance. Maybe it was because the crowd didn't seem to be into their music or maybe it was because the band was on its first tour, but whatever the reason, something wasn't there. The girls played a few tunes, which I recognized, but seemed to be struggling to keep tempo and to keep their voices in key.

Luckily for Kittie, they have a great production crew and can produce great CDs. Unfortunately, they cannot take that production work to the stage. I had gone to the concert with high hopes and was let down. So, the next time Kitty plays in South Florida, I'll be sitting at home, listening to my CD.



Third Eye Blind

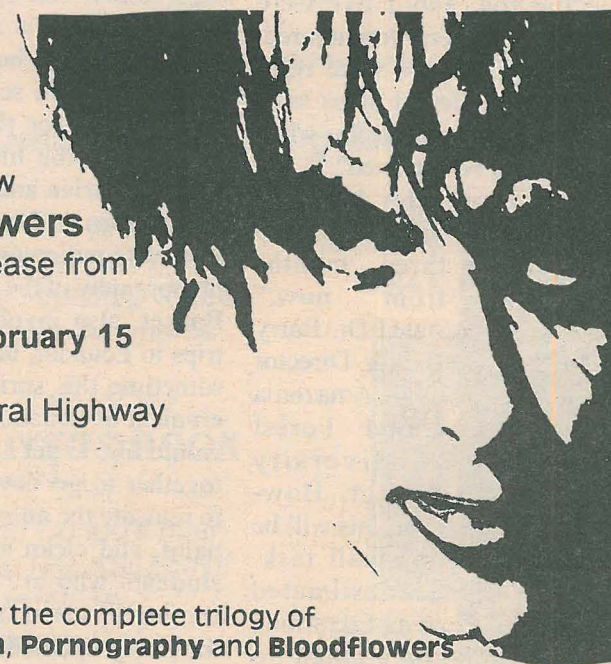


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Sigma Alpha Mu News

by Brother Sean Leahy

The brothers of Sigma Alpha Mu started the last school year of the century hungry for growth. Rush Week proved to be successful for the Sammy's as they gave bids to seven men whom were later initiated. The new brothers who were initiated on November 20, 1999 were Mike Ashton, Frank Galimidi, Ben Hammond, Sean Leahy, Mike Okun, Dennis O'Leary, and Angel Riguera.

The Sammy's first event of the year was their annual Bounce for Beats where the brothers bounced a basketball for 24 straight hours. The purpose of bouncing the basketball was to show how dedicated the brothers are to their national philanthropy. All proceeds went to The Pediatric Aids Foundation. After selling raffle tickets and having items donated by local businesses (and even an autographed football by Miami Dolphins defensive tackle Time Bowens), the brothers raised \$1010 for a good cause.

On the night of November 20, Sigma Alpha Mu and the NSUSGA Freshmen Senators co-sponsored a party called Two Can Sam benefiting Kids in Distress. To get in, students had to donate two cans of food or five dollars. Lefty's Bar and Grill donated and delivered chicken wings for the event. The brothers would like to thank everyone who attended two Can Sam and also the Freshmen Senators, Jessica Montes and Candace Carreno for helping us plan and pull off this event.

Upcoming events the Sammy's are planning:

- An alumni golf tournament in February at Arrowhead Golf course
- Traveling to Tulane University for their annual conclave in early February
- A year end formal

Fraternities Unite

by Alyson M. Dion
Editor in Chief

Off to a great start, the fraternities on NSU's main campus united for an Inter-Fraternity Council Meeting, where each fraternity described what it had in store for the rest of the year.

The Fraternities (Beta Theta Pi, Theta Delta Chi, Sigma Alpha Mu, and Lambda Theta Phi) are not only hosting activities during the remainder of this school, but are planning activities for next year as well. For example, they hope to present a Greek workshop during Orientation. As for this year, however, the various organizations are holding mixers with the new local sorority, Zeta Pi, and promoting Inter-Fraternism through a Greek Week and the Beta/Theta Bowl.

The fraternities have also begun filling the available IFC positions. Didier Dareilien, Lamba Theta Phi, was elected the new Vice President of Membership on January 19, 2000. Six committee positions are still open and IFC encouraged all fraternities to apply.

To date, there are no recognized fraternity houses on this campus. Unfortunately, it looks as though this will not be accomplished for quite some time. However, IFC plans to speak with the Office of Residential Life in hopes of obtaining a separate floor for Greeks (both sorority and fraternity members).

IFC is also working on improving scholarship within the Greek system by setting up a scholarship fund where one Greek will be awarded \$500 during the first semester and another \$1000 during the second semester.

Fraternities unite and update one another on upcoming events every Wednesday night at 10pm in the Flight Deck.

In addition to IFC activities, each fraternity will host it's own events. The following is a list of each fraternity and its plans for the remainder of this semester.

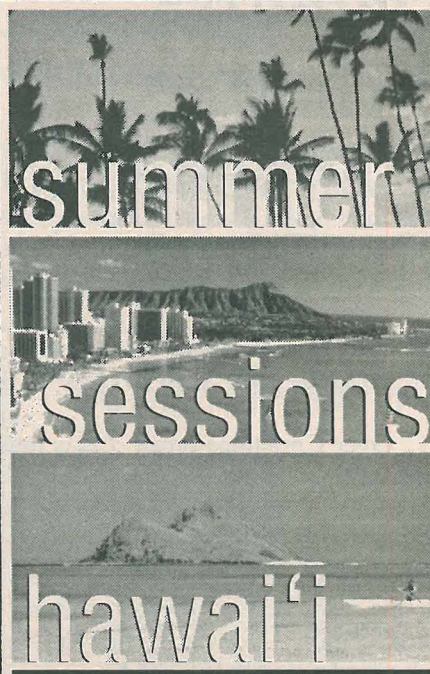
Theta Delta Chi will host the 2nd Annual Thompson Cup on April 8-9. They will initiate new members on February 17-20.

Sigma Alpha Mu is hosting "Screw your Brother" on February 12 and a mixer with Zeta Pi on March 10. They also plan to have a car wash on February 19.

Lambda Theta Phi are planning a Swing dance with SALSA. They also want to hold a peanut butter and jelly sandwich making philanthropy before year's end. Some members will attend a Convention on March 31-April 2.

Beta Theta Pi is also having a mixer with Zeta Pi on January 22. As is tradition, the brothers plan to volunteer all day at Love Jen on February 5.

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Any Given Sunday- What Happened to the Plot?

by Peter Salerno
Campus Life Staff Writer

Over Christmas break, I saw the movie *Any Given Sunday* starring Al Pacino, LL Cool J, ex-New York Giant All Pro linebacker Lawrence Taylor and a few other NFL players at the new Movico theater in Pembroke Pines. This was the first movie I had seen in the new stadium seats and surround-sound stereo theater.

Any Given Sunday is an awesome representation of the relentless pursuit of man versus human physi-

ology. Every Sunday when people tune-in to watch their favorite football teams play, they are oblivious to the pain and injury that the players must endure. Viewers never get to see the pre-game locker room activities as team doctors shoot Demerol and other various anesthesia medications. This movie shows the pain and injury that professional football players have to endure as they hit each other play after play, season after season. The surround stereo system makes the audience actually feel the pain of the hit as you listen to the sounds of helmets crashing into each other with bones breaking and cracking.

Although this movie is an excellent, sound representation of the game of football, there is no plot. During the entire movie, I felt like I was playing a Sony Playstation game on a very large television screen. In fact, several times throughout the movie it was hard to hear the actors' voices, because the sounds of the hits were so loud. For nearly three and a half-hours, that is all that the movie seems to be-hit after hit!

What happened to the plot? This generally new trend of movie making is what seems to draw people to the theaters. Nobody wants to try to solve a murder mystery or to

find out which character is cheating on the other. People want to be placed into a sort of a new dimension of bright lights and loud sounds. The ironic realization seems to be that people are happier if they don't have to think, and movie directors are supplying us with what we want. The type of "story" that attracts people to the theater is a plot surrounding a prolific love story like the *Titanic* movie, which sold several million tickets worldwide.

I think that the newer released movies center around general themes and not plots. For example, *Any Given Sunday* portrays the theme "out with the old in with the new." As one quarterback becomes injured, the team owners decide to ask for his resignation because his body simply could not suffer any more beatings



that the game of football has given him over the years. Even though this old-timer has developed an enormous insight into the game and his position, the team decided to replace him with a rookie with little experience. His experience is so little that the rookie quarterback vomits on the field on the first play of every new game.

For the future of the movie business, we can all expect to be placed into a new dimension for two or three hours. It is a good idea not to go into the theater thinking because that may hinder your overall experience from the fancy hi-fi sound systems and stadium style seating arrangements. Today's movies are essentially an eight to ten dollar per person escape from reality and any sort of thinking requirements.

Make it a Blockbuster Night with 13 Warriors

by Caleb Kennedy
Contributing Writer

I thoroughly enjoyed the movie *The 13th Warrior*, but I wish the movie spent more time on the plot than the scenery. Antonio Banderas plays Ahmed Ibn Fadhlán, once a Muslim poet, now an exiled ambassador from Baghdad turned medieval asskicker. This movie is basically the result of merging Beowulf and a story from Arabian Nights. Ahmed journeys north through Eastern Europe and eventually ends up in modern day France, where he meets friendly Vikings. Messengers from another settlement, in what I assume is England, come and alert the Norsemen of what they believe are demons who are massacring their people. The village shaman says that thirteen warriors must go to the village and help battle the demons.

Ahmed goes with the warriors and slowly becomes friends with the Vikings. In a cool sequence over many campfire talks, Ahmed learns English, which at first sounds like gibberish, but later becomes intelli-

gible to him. His first sentence in English is memorable, as he insults one of the warrior's mothers. The warriors help beat the demons, and Ahmed leaves the Vikings having gained brothers in arms. If anyone wants to find out more about the movie, he/she will have to rent it. The movie was confusing, so do not get lost. It was as though the director cut and pasted the scenes he wanted. I liked the battle scenes, the characters, and the scenery. This was one of those movies in which I walked away thinking it was not a great movie, but I still enjoyed it.

Banderas played a believable Muslim. My Muslim friend, Khadija, informed me that his Arabic pronunciation was excellent, and he wrote the main Sura (the prayer people say to convert to Islam) in Arabic perfectly. I liked the Vikings because they were believable "badasses." If anyone sees this movie, pretend you are going to see an Adam Sandler movie...basically expecting to be entertained, but not expecting an Academy Award winning movie.



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Girl, Interrupted: Susanna Kaysen's Poignant Journal is Brought to Life

by Deana Daneau
Staff Writer

A pivotal moment in Susanna Kaysen's 18 year old life came when she decided to swallow a bottle of aspirin—and wash it down with a bottle of vodka. But perhaps the most critical moment came a short time later when she visited a psychiatrist she had never before seen to discuss her depression and “increasing[ly] patternless life.” This doctor could surely see that Susanna was in need of a rest—one that lasted almost two years—in a costly mental ward for disturbed teenage girls.

Girl, Interrupted is Kaysen's poignant autobiographical account of her unusual rite of passage into adulthood through baptism by hospitalization, the trials of a motley crew of friends, and a diagnosis, “Borderline Personality Disorder,” worn ambiguously as a badge of honor. *Girl, Interrupted* can now be seen on the silver screen, nicely adapted from Kaysen's story, and brought to life by the insightful talents of Winona Ryder and an amazing supporting cast headed by the mesmerizing Angelina Jolie.

In 1967, Susanna (Ryder) finds herself in an almost dazed mental state as she signs herself into the Claymore mental institution upon her new doctor's forceful recommendation. Although brimming with a common pre-adult angst and lacking

any motivation, this clearly sane girl enters a “parallel universe” that eventually calms any ambivalence and welcomes her in. Soon, Susanna is a part of the universe, choosing her new friends over her boyfriend and awaiting future explaining, “If they're insane, I'm insane.” Not true but within the system she, along with her detached therapists (Jeffrey Tambor and Vanessa Redgrave,) believe that something must be wrong.

The same thing goes for some of Susanna's fellow Claymore residents, particularly Lisa (Jolie). The consummate rebel, Lisa's strong and determined personality is labeled as sociopathic, a term Lisa flaunts. Having nowhere to direct her forcefulness in a socially turbulent 1967, Lisa can not be an activist, a born leader, or counter-culture revolutionary; no, Lisa is a sociopath and uses her badge to validate her every whim while suppressing her pain.

To say that the film fails in any way would be unfair; with the exception of minor details, the film does depict the honest memoir that Kaysen published. However, as with most film adaptations, the book author's soul—which lay bare in the words of her testimony—is not adequately expressed on screen. The attempt is recognizable, but the utter wit, clarity, and intelligence with which Susanna pens her memoir is tarnished. The only other complaint that should be made is that an abyss of uncertainty resides with the char-

acters at the film's conclusion rather than a sense of closure as in the book. Perhaps my perceptions of the film are slightly spoiled by having read the book a few times.

Girl, Interrupted is a story of what happens when one behaving outside the confines of “normalcy” is labeled and subjected to the confines of authority. Kaysen questions authority, with no answers given—particularly when her confusing diagnosis is involved. Kaysen's written word offers vivid details and vigilant accounts of the trials of mental illness and recovery while the film's representation puts a face with the emotion and ownership to the self-awareness. If for no other reason, see *Girl, Interrupted* for it's display of dramatic brilliance which has been receiving rave reviews, particularly that of Angelina Jolie to whom a Golden Globe for best Supporting Actress was justly awarded.

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Jimmie's Chicken Shack: Not What You Expect

by Althea Mease
Knight Writer

People love to place musical groups into categories. Every band out there is classified by the consumers. Before classifying Jimmie's Chicken Shack, however, listen to their albums, not their singles. The only category they fit into is "mutt rock," a little bit of everything.

Their debut album, *Pushing the Salamanilla Envelope* featured songs driven by "discontent and anger," which may have given some fans the wrong idea about JCS. Many of the songs *Bring Your Own Stereo*, their latest album, were written at the same time as their first album, but were not recorded until now because "the band just wasn't ready to record it until this record."

The first song on *Bring Your Own Stereo*, "Spiraling," is an emotional acoustic song, with powerful vocals and a strong rock beat. The second song, "Lazy Boy Dash" is an entirely different story. It starts out with a quick swing beat and quiet vocals, but by the time it goes into the first verse, the beat, guitar, and vocals have changed to reggae. When that change is comprehended it turns rock. After that comes the poppy "Do Right," their first single off the album. As Jimi says, it's "music for ADD."

I like the album. If you like the idea of all kinds of music thrown into a blender and poured out into a random, yet creative music smoothie, this is the album for you.



Jimmie's Chicken Shack Answers Questions

Students from around the world took the opportunity to ask Jimmie's questions about the band. Here are some of the questions and answers.

Where did you come up with your name and the name of the band?

"When I was 13, I wanted to be Jimi Hendrix, so I spelled my name 'Jimi.' At that time I was doing it, I knew it was funny and stupid, but I liked it. Then years later, I was playing pool and this big orc-like guy called a safety and ended up scratching. I burst out laughing at the guy and he got immaturely very angry about it. The next time a friend of mine saw him, the guy said, 'Where's your friend, Jimi HaHa?' I thought that was great and the name kind of stuck. Jimmie's Chicken Shack was the shady blues restaurant in Harlem where the likes of Charlie Parker washed dishes and where Malcom X hung out before he became a Muslim."

Do you feel that music today is losing its message and its artistic creativeness?

"I would never be so presumptuous to make that broad a statement about music in general—there's stuff I like and stuff I don't like. Some things I like that I don't even know what they're about because it's a fun listen and it works. And some things really spark my interest because there's something deeper to it. I think they all have their own purpose. I can only be what we feel compelled to be. Other messages and non-messages are probably just as important."

Why do you feel that this record is more representative of the overall things the band can do and it's not as one-dimensional?

"Yeah, and it enables everyone to realize that no matter what we do there's always going to be different things. All my favorite records went everywhere—when you listen to Led Zeppelin 4 or Pink Floyd's 'The Wall.' I mean, how many different kinds of music are on 'The Wall?' I would hope that we continue to do stuff like that."

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Lord X Dyron: Nova Basketball Star Dyron Curry

by Michael L. Citron
Associate Editor

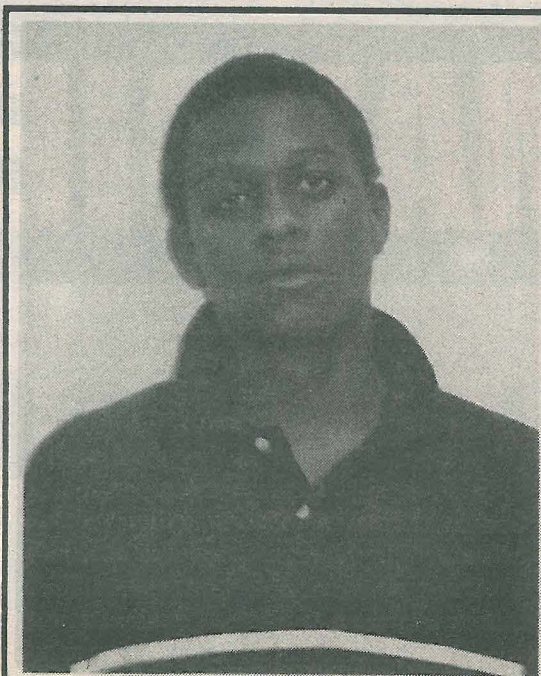
With midseason right around the corner, there is much to celebrate with NSU's men's basketball team starting off their season 9-10 and 3-2 in the conference. Much of Nova's winning ways can be attributed to the leadership of senior Dyron Curry.

Curry attended American Senior High in Miami, Florida. He went to Miami Dade Kendall Community College and eventually wound up at St. Thomas University. Unfortunately during Curry's junior year, St. Thomas University dropped their men's basketball program due to Title 9, which prohibits the uneven proportion of women to men's college sporting teams. With Nova trying to revitalize the basketball program, Curry and fellow teammate Forrest Snell took advantage of the chance to come play here at Nova. With Curry's 6'5 inch body, the team size and strength in the key improves dramatically. He also is the leading scorer of the Knights averaging about 17.5 points a game.

Curry feels that his experience provides the team with an edge over rival schools. "My biggest attribute to the team is my rebounding skills and toughness." Curry's motto that he lives by is "no guts, no glory."

Making the transition from St. Thomas to Nova was very easy for Curry. "I thought that it would be difficult at first, but most of the students and my fellow teammates have been very helpful," stated Curry. Curry is a psychology major aspiring to go into law enforcement. He also hopes to be married with at least two children. Curry believes that everything he has learned from his coaches during his basketball career will enable him to become the best father that he can be.

Curry speaks highly of his coach, Tony McAndrews. "He helps bring out the very best in each and every player by working us to the max," Curry said. He has enjoyed playing here at Nova during his senior year. "Everyone gets along with one another with little conflicts."



Dyron Curry transferred from St. Thomas Univ.
Photo by M. Citron

The team's success will depend on how the players perform down the stretch. Curry has a very confident outlook on the team's future. He stated, "I plan to graduate from Nova in the summer and celebrate as we win the conference championship." The Knights have a long road ahead of them. Playing hard and complimenting each other's game with unselfish play will enable the team to reach the conference finals. With the overall confidence and leadership of Dyron Curry, the Knights are in good hands come playoff time. Let's hope that Dyron and the rest of the team can keep up their winning ways!

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Sports Updates

Press Release

January 14, 2000

Men's Basketball:

The Nova Southeastern University men's basketball team dropped to 1-1 in Florida Sun Conference play and 7-9 overall after a tough 71-73 home loss against Warner Southern College (10-8, 3-0) Friday night, January 14.

Down by two with the ball under their own basket and less than eight seconds left to play, the Knights failed to convert. A quick foul sent Warner Southern College to the line where leading Runnin' Royals scorer Anthony Brown (Vernon, FL.) missed both free throws. When the Knights desperation mid-court shot failed, the Knights were handed their first loss in the conference.

Despite the loss, senior Dyron Curry (Miami, FL, American Senior High) continued his exceptional play this season posting a game high 24 points and 6 rebounds. For the Runnin' Royals, Anthony Brown led the way scoring 22 points and grabbing 6 rebounds.

January 15, 2000

Men's Basketball:

Senior Dyron Curry (Miami, FL, American High School) paced the Nova Southeastern University men's basketball team as the Knights (7-9, 2-1) defeated Webber College (5-19, 1-3) 66-62, in a home Florida Sun Conference match Saturday afternoon, January 15. Curry led all scorers with 19 points and added seven rebounds. Junior guard Troy Railsback (Ft. Lauderdale, FL, Western High) contributed 12 points, 10 rebounds, and 5 assists in the Knight's victory.

For Webber College, the leading scorer was Bryan Woods (Tavares, FL.) who scored 10 points. Woods was the lone Warrior in double figures.

January 21, 2000

Women's Basketball:

The Nova Southeastern University women's basketball team lost its conference opener at home against Palm Beach Atlantic College, 64-76, Friday night, January 21.

Despite the Knights (3-13, 0-1) posting three players in double figures with freshman Tahaji Felder (Fort Lauderdale, FL, Cardinal Gibbons High) scored 17, senior Telesicia Nash (Tampa, FL, Leon King Senior High) adding 15, and sophomore Meghanne Hickey (Casselberry, FL, Lyman High) contributing 11, the Sailfish (8-9, 3-0) answered with solid play from the starters. Sophomore guard Jill Sansbury (Sheperdsville, KY, Bellarmine College) set the tone for the Sailfish leading all scorers with 24 points and adding 9 assists while sophomore Jo Jo Vital-Herne (Miami, FL, North Miami Senior High) pumped in 20 points and grabbed 7 rebounds.

Men's Basketball:

Senior Dyron Curry's (Miami, FL, American Senior High) 24 points and 9 rebounds wasn't enough to lift the visiting Nova Southeastern University men's basketball team past Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Friday night, January 21.

En route to their second conference loss of the season, the Knights (8-10, 2-2) were blasted for 57 points in the second half. Leading the Eagles (18-4, 3-1) were senior Jason Cruse who scored 27 points and had 8 rebounds and freshman Harold Pierson who added 24 in the win.

January 22, 2000

Men's Basketball:

The Nova Southeastern University men's basketball team picked up a crucial road conference win Saturday night, 65-64, against Flagler College.

Senior Dyron Curry (Miami, FL, American Senior High) scored a game high 24 points and added 8 rebounds to pace the Knights (9-10, 3-2). Juniors Andy Platt (Ashland, OH, Ashland High) and Eric Windell (Coral Springs, FL, Douglas High) contributed 14 and 12 points respectively, in the win.

Marion Allums of Flagler scored 16 points and grabbed eight rebounds for the Saints who, despite outscoring the Knights 41-28 in the second half, fell short in their first meeting with their conference rival.

Women's Basketball:

The Nova Southeastern University women's basketball team won their first conference game of the season Saturday night, 62-56, over

Webber College.

Senior guard Telesicia Nash (Tampa, FL, Leon King Senior High) and freshman guard Tahaji Felder (Fort Lauderdale, FL, Cardinal Gibbons High) led the way for the Knights (4-13, 1-1) scoring 16 and 13 points respectively. Senior center Sharnel Carr (Tampa, FL, Leto High) also added 10 points and 5 rebounds in the victory.

Pia Anderson led all scorers by posting 17 points for the Warriors (10-13, 2-2).

January 25, 2000

Men's Basketball:

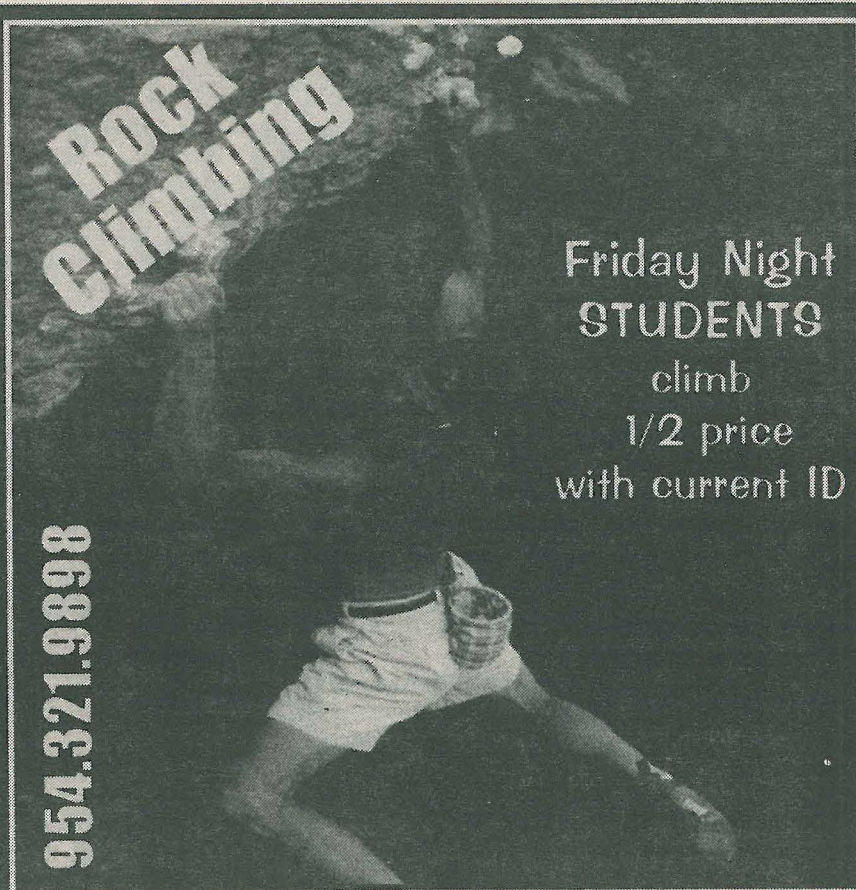
The Nova Southeastern University men's basketball team had a big conference win at home tonight beating Florida Memorial, 76-62. The Knights (10-10, 4-2) played strong offense and defense to come out on top. Junior Eric Windell (Coral Springs, FL, Douglas High) and senior Dyron Curry (Miami, FL, American Senior High) led the team in scoring with 22 points each and had four and five rebounds, respectively. Curry continues to be impressive averaging 24 points in his six

conference games this season. Troy Railsback (Ft. Lauderdale, FL, Western High), a junior, pulled down a game high seven rebounds and added 18 points to help the Knights defeat the Lions. The Lions had three players in double figures, and four Knights had four or more rebounds showing that tonight's victory was definitely a team effort. The next time the Knights will play will be Friday, February 4, at Warner Southern College with tip-off time being at 7 p.m.

Women's Basketball:

The Nova Southeastern women's basketball team defeated Florida Memorial College, 42-35, Tuesday night in a Florida Sun Conference match. The victory gave the Knights (5-13, 2-1) their first conference road win this season. Junior Heidi Turczynski (Naples, FL, Barron Collier High) led the Knights with 13 points in addition to her 5 rebounds. Senior Tajuana Lee (Orlando, FL, Evans High) added 8 points and a team high 6 rebounds. For the Lions, Judith Jean-Jules scored a game high 15 to go along with 7 rebounds.

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by Peter Salerno
Campus Life Staff Writer

On Thursday January 13, 2000, the company *E-Campus.Com* visited the undergraduate campus, driving a brand new bright yellow convertible Hum-V (all-terrain vehicle). The Hum-V, driven by Drew and his assistant Jennifer Harris, parked the truck in front of the Parker Building to hand out t-shirts and key chains. *E-Campus.Com* is one of the largest on-line college bookstores in North America supplying students around the country with textbooks at considerable costs. The company is very dependable and will have your books sent to you usually in time before the beginning of each semester.

Nova was not the only campus they visited on their East-coast trip. The company owns two yellow Hummer trucks that travel to colleges and universities all over the country advertising. We were a part of the East coast trip that started from Kentucky. They visited schools such

as the University of Florida, Florida International University, and Florida Atlantic University at the same time as the second Hummer truck was visiting the schools in Arkansas.

During the advertising trips, the company raffled off all sorts of items. These included a brand new Hummer last semester, as well as winter vacations, computers, money, and much much more! This semester *E-Campus.com* will be giving away a paid trip to Ocho Rios, Jamaica. The trip will be done during Spring Break where Kid Rock, Morris Day, and The Time are planned to play for a relaxing well-deserved Spring vacation. The winner will be given front row seats and back stage passes to share with three other friends of his/her choice. The four students will be sent for by a helicopter and airlifted from their campus to a local airport for their escape to Jamaica, Mon! For more details on becoming a contestant please feel free to visit their World Wide Web site at ecampus.com.

The Cancer Genes

by Piper Griff
Layout Designer

Killer of 563,000 Americans last year, cancer plagues our culture with no mercy. Last summer, my uncle's struggle with cancer ended after years of suffering. In addition, this past winter break my sister's boyfriend of six years was diagnosed with Hotchkisson's Lymphoma. These two particular cases are just two of many that I have been confronted with, and I'm not alone.

Individuals all over the country are faced with cancer; within either themselves or those they are close to. The overwhelming thoughts that run through everyone's mind are about a cure. Is there one? Can cancer be prevented? And, perhaps most interestingly, are the current approaches to cancer patients truly working?

Recently, doctors have begun to decipher the human genetic code to help research cancer in a new light. Rather than attacking entire organs,

the new approaches attack cancer in individual molecules, genes, and cells. Instead of poisoning patients with chemotherapy burning them with radiation or cutting with surgery, scientists are focusing on the body's defenses against malignant tumors.

It is now clear that at least three types of genes are involved in cancer. The first promotes cell growth, the second controls growth, and the third repairs or destroys damaged cells. Finally, doctors will be able to find the root of the cancer, within the cell's genes. This spring, researchers plan to have a complete layout of the 100,000 genes in the human body. Other approaches are focusing on DNA and are quickly gaining attention in the medical world.

Gene patterns differ just as humans do: completely individual and special in their own particular ways. Now, instead of looking at cancer the same within every patient, it will be examined on a personal gene level. Dr. Daniel Van Hoff, president of the American Association for Cancer Research said this new revolution in medical technology will, "fundamentally change cancer therapy." Only time will tell.

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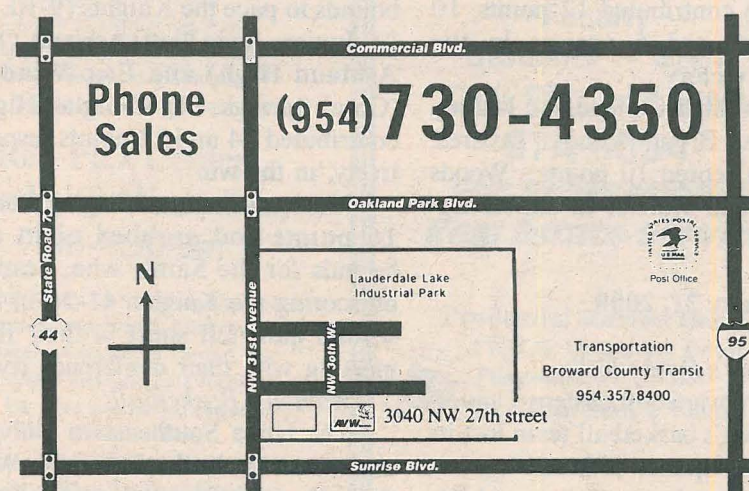
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Stress Factors

by Jamie Steinberg
Contributing Writer

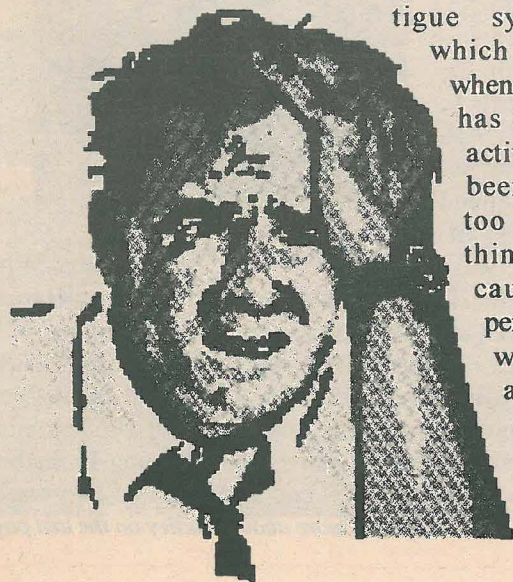
Stress plays a major part in our daily lives. It is present within everything we do. Stress is the cause and effect for many things, such as bodily strain and over exertion. Different amounts of stress have separate consequences that can take its toll on you physically, mentally, or emotionally. Stress can cause sleep deprivation, ulcers, migraines, and much more.

Different people have different reactions to stress. Some experience the stress factor that causes upset stomachs and ulcers. If a person has too much to deal with at work or at home, he or she's stomach starts to act up. When this occurs, you should help them relax and try to be less aggravated. Stress can cause serious illnesses and can be detrimental to your health.

The effects of stress can cause such problems as heart attacks, heart failure and strokes. Someone can be so overwhelmed or have so many responsibilities that their heart muscle can be destroyed. Doctors treat cases such as these every day. Everyone has a line that is drawn to protect them from being overloaded, overwhelmed, and over worked. If this line is crossed a person can experience such unhealthy and such harsh effects.

When there is too much stress in your life you may have trouble sleeping. If something is worrying you or if you have something important on your mind you may not be able to sleep. This effect may cause you to exhaust yourself and can cause major health problems. Stress can also cause you to sleep too much. A person may not be able to fall asleep as quickly as they usually would, so they are unable to get up when they are supposed to awaken. Stress can even cause chronic fatigue syndrome,

which occurs when someone has been too active or has been doing too many things. This causes the person to be worn out and extremely tired all the time.



The Career Corner

Have you been wondering what the latest forecast is for your future career? Getting information for the career you are interested in is an important step you can take so that you aren't left in the dark when graduation arrives. Here is a list of the top occupations requiring a four-year degree or graduate degree as posted by the Florida Department of Labor and Employment Security. For more information about careers and job outlooks for the millennium visit the Career Resource Center located in Modular 1, call us at (954) 262-7201, or visit our web site at www.nova.edu/cwis/crc

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5.	Management Analyst	39.78	806	20.04
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10.	Speech Pathologist, Audiologist	46.19	193	24.20
11.	Teacher, Vocational Education	33.48	408	20.84
12.	Teacher, Elementary	25.04	2,258	19.36
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15.	Social Worker, Medical and Psychiatric	42.84	615	12.64

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Stress is a very powerful and harmful part of life.

Stress can cause you to have serious emotional trouble. It is so potent that it can cause such problems as mental breakdowns and instability. The pressure that people, work, and life put on a person can be so forceful that they can cause a person to have trouble understanding and comprehending things as they normally would. People may have

fits of madness and can become easily enraged by the pressures of stress. If too many things are going on at one time, stress can cause someone to snap. There have been many cases of people harming innocent people, their families, and themselves. Stress can break a person's will and can ruin someone's life.

Stress sticks its pointed little head into everything we do. Stress can crush the strongest

man; it can harm the healthiest person, and can tear a person in two. In today's society, stress is a major factor in everyone's life. Too many expectations and work are put on a person. Those of us who can handle the pressure walk around with a heavy weight on our shoulders. Those of us who cannot handle the strain of stress must suffer in silence with our pain.

First President of the Millennium

by Kyle B. Washburn
Staff Writer

As the Presidential primaries begin to invade our homes and our everyday lives many of us will be voting for the first time in our lives. This is our opportunity as Americans to truly become intrical parts of the democratic process. College students around this nation will vote for the canidates they see fit for govern. Many of us are uniformed of the issues, so I will do my part till November 8th to inform you to the best of my ability of the issues at hand. If you have anything to add to my commentary please respond to "The Knight" at theknight@list.nova.edu or kyle1378@hotmail.com. Below is some background information about each of the four major canidates. Hopefully, the information presented will make you an informed voter.

George W. Bush (Republican)

Biography:

George W. Bush was born July 6, 1946 and grew up in Midland and Houston, Texas. He received a bachelor's degree from Yale University and an MBA from Harvard Business School. He served as an F-102 pilot for the Texas Air National Guard. He began his career in the oil and gas business in Midland in 1975 and worked in the energy industry until 1986. After working on his father's 1988 presidential campaign he assembled the group of partners that purchased the Texas Rangers baseball franchise in 1989 and which later built the Ranger's new home, the Ballpark at Arlington. He served as managing general partner of the Texas Rangers until he was elected Governor on November 8, 1994, with 53.5 percent of the vote.

Political Career:

George W. Bush is the 46th Governor of the State of Texas. Now in his second term.

Notable Political Accomplishments:

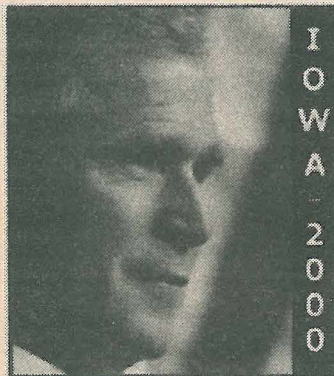
Legislation signed by the Governor during the 1999 Texas Legislative session included a sweeping proposal to end social promotion in Texas schools, the largest funding increase for public education in the state's history and \$2.1 billion in tax cuts and relief, the largest tax-cut in Texas history. These cuts are in addition to \$1 billion in school property tax cuts enacted in 1998.

John McCain (Republican)

Biography:

John Sidney McCain was born in a Naval hospital on August 29, 1936 in the Panama Canal Zone. At the age of 17, young John followed in his father's and grandfather's footsteps to the

Read more about McCain on the last page



Al Gore (Democrat)



Biography:

Vice President Gore was born on March 31, 1948, and is the son of the late U.S. Senator Albert Gore, Sr. and Pauline Gore. Raised in Carthage, Tennessee, and Washington, D.C., Gore received a degree in government with honors from Harvard University in 1969. After graduation, he volunteered for enlistment in the U.S. Army and served in Vietnam. Returning to civilian life, Gore became an investigative reporter with The Tennessean in Nashville. He attended Vanderbilt University Divinity School and Vanderbilt Law School.

Political Career:

Vice President Gore began his career in public service in 1976 when he was elected to represent Tennessee in the U.S. House of Representatives (1977-1985). He was elected to the U.S. Senate in 1984 and was re-elected in 1990 (1985-1993). Al Gore was inaugurated as the 45th Vice President of the United States on January 20, 1993. President Clinton and Vice President Gore were re-elected to a second term in 1996. Vice President Gore serves as an advisor to President Clinton, a Cabinet member, President of the U.S. Senate, a member of the National Security Council, and head of a wide range of Administration initiatives.

Notable Political accomplishments:

He sustained economic growth marked by 16.7 million new jobs, and the lowest combined rate of unemployment, inflation, and mortgage rates in 28 years. Vice President Gore has taken the lead on the Administration's education technology initiative to ensure that classrooms and libraries get connected to the Internet. To help create a federal government that works better and costs less, Vice President Gore heads the National Partnership for Reinventing Government. The initiative has saved taxpayers more than \$137 billion.

Bill Bradley (Democrat)



Biography:

Bill Bradley was born on July 28, 1943, in Crystal City, Missouri. In high school basketball he won All-American honors his junior and senior years. He then decided to attend Princeton University. As Bill's college career came to a close, he was drafted by the New York Knicks of the National Basketball Association. But Bill opted for Oxford University and a Rhodes Scholarship. Bill eventually received a master's degree in politics, philosophy, and economics. Bill joined the Air Force Reserves. Bill's reserve unit's home was McGuire Air Force Base in Wrightstown, New Jersey, and he served on active duty for nearly six months in 1967, joining the Knicks in midseason. For the next five years, while playing basketball full-time, Bill joined his reserve unit one weekend a month and two weeks

Find out more about Bradley on the last page

Does Gender Issues Mean Female Issues?

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tough guy, hard exterior, care taker, bread winner expectation, then they would divulge themselves into a feministic role that would not seem natural. The opposing opinion was that to not have these masculine fronts would not mean that he was feministic, but it would mean that he could be an individual living outside of the gender box that constrains one's actions.

Dr. Waites made a supporting point to this argument by asking the audience if they thought personality characteristics and gender were one in the same. She further asked if we could imagine the person we would be if we let all of our gender roles escape us, existing as pure individuals. What would be left? Would there be anything there to define who we are?

This question is one that is truly introspective and perplexing for most people; for, to decide on one's character, individuals look around them and take pieces of what surrounds them, what influences them, and if all of the influences are negated, where does the core of one's person derive from? Is it an existential intrinsic quality that exists in us all that we must simply stop looking at what surrounds us and look at what is within us? What is within is what endures. The world is in constant social flux; however, one's true being persists and is always an eminent, an integral part of the persona. We can either choose to follow social definitions of who we should be as men and women, or we can pull from within our own driving force, our own personal traits that make us unique entities.

To close, Dr Waites explained that to be a woman does not necessarily equate to femininity, likewise to be male does not necessarily equate masculinity. We all have the capacity to be who and what we want to be, we can continue to follow the trends of the social world or we can, on person at a time, define ourselves for ourselves, by ourselves.

N.A.T.U.R.E.'s Coffee House was, as always, a success and a wonderful experience. The N.A.T.U.R.E. Club promotes these activities as well as many other environmental activities to reach out to the student body and promote balance, a balance that is so easily lost if we, as the future generation, choose not to be an active part in maintaining it. If you are interested in joining, e-mail Angilique Nixon, N.A.T.U.R.E. president, at nixonang@polaris.nova.edu. On behalf of the N.A.T.U.R.E. club we would like to thank everyone who attended the Gender Issues Coffee House, and we would like send our utmost gratitude to Dr. Kate Waites for her wonderful and powerful knowledge that she shares, and for helping shape our minds to see what is there if we choose to look.

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Foreign Languages at NSU?

by Peter Salerno
Campus Life Staff Writer

As another semester embarks upon us all, I begin to look over some of the less than interesting classes that I have to take. And I wonder why more classes that benefits us, the students, are not offered here at Nova. Many Liberal Art professors will argue for the system that is currently running, saying that it is important that students in every program take the general education classes. I would have to agree with the idea that liberal art classes are important to the overall completeness of any major. The problem lies in deciding what classes are important and beneficial to us.

One major area of study that seems to be overlooked by many universities in this country is foreign language. This is an important area to be considered when developing a general education curriculum because of the large influx of immigrants that seems to be occurring everywhere, especially in South Florida. For example, people who live in our area and cannot speak Spanish may be at a disadvantage. The growing numbers of Latin people immigrating into our area makes it all the more meaningful to learn another language. A profession such as business or medicine, which requires a large degree of interaction between people makes speaking another language helpful.

Not only is it a great asset to learn another language, it is quite interesting to be able to learn about your own heritage. For myself, knowing Italian is not really needed, but I would

enjoy the opportunity to learn more about my family. In a country that is suffering from many lost traditions and cultures, learning another language would be a great way to recovery some of our losses. And it can start with the study of different foreign languages right here at our university.

The study of foreign languages would fit very nicely into the general scheme of the current general education studies. We are required to take *Human Nature/Human Behavior*, *Other Voices/Other Visions*, and *Individual and Social Systems*. These courses serve the same basic function, and that is to open our minds up to different people and different ways of living life. Learning about different cultures makes a better-rounded individual to enter the world, and it starts with learning a new language. After all, we are all

exposed to classical and other forms of music in the *Music through History* course. Why would it not make sense to learn the language that many operas were written in many centuries ago.

The important message here is to design classes that benefit students in the long-run,

rather than produce time wasting, unimportant classes. The nature of college is to learn new things and become exposed to new ideas. From this, great minds are generated and persuaded to enter the workplace ready to make a difference in people's lives. Although you may not be able to recognize the connection, it starts with the learning of new languages during the time when we are most influenced-college! Consider another important issue, if not in the confines of a college campus then when will we want to learn new things? In the future a job and a family will probably consume most of our time. College is the only time when we will have the freedom to learn anything we choose to in an environment designed for learning.

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Are There Any Classes to Take Over the Summer?

by Michael L. Citron
Associate Editor

When most people think about summer, they envision the beach or going on vacations. But, many students have thought about easing the burden during the year or graduating from Nova early and moving on to the next level by taking some classes over the summer. With Nova not offering a lot of classes this summer makes this goal very difficult to attain. What are the problems and some possible solutions?

Trying to graduate early has been a real problem for me. For the past two summers, I have tried to take courses for my major, but Nova practically "closes shop" for the summer term. Two years ago, five CORE classes were offered, and just last year, only three were offered. Also, these CORE classes were only offered during the first 8 weeks of the Spring/Summer

term. The classes I need are not available over the summer. I have been even forced to take a Philosophy class at Broward Community College in order to graduate this summer. Furthermore, I had to fill out a student action form in order to take a Philosophy class at Broward Community College in order to graduate this summer. Only two philosophy classes have been offered in the last two years and none will be offered for this summer due to the lack of philosophy teachers available.

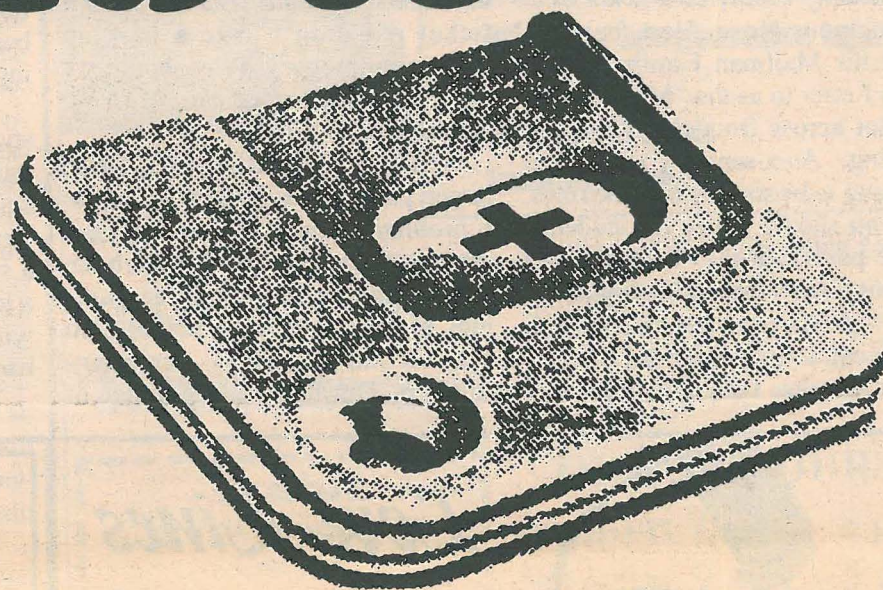
I have heard a lot of faculty members saying that no one wants to take classes during the summer because most students go on trips and many leave the dorms to go home. However, approximately 70% of undergraduate students are commuters. If more classes were offered, don't you think that a lot of Nova's students would take advantage of this opportunity?

Another problem is the cost of

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Is There a Purpose for Nova Stickers on Cars?

by Michael L. Citron
Associate Editor

Recently I received a ticket from the infamous Nova Alert for parking at the Mailman Family Center, which I refer to as the "Mommy and Me" lot across from the Rosenthal Building. As a senior, I feel if you are going to be stricter with the rules, then you should notify the students. I have parked at the "Mommy and Me" lot since I was a freshman because the rule was never enforced. As I went to pay my ticket at the Bursar's Office, I thought about why

students need a parking sticker in the first place. Could it be that we only need them so Nova Alert can give us tickets? Would I have gotten a ticket if I didn't have a parking sticker on my car? Why should we even put them on our cars when we are not required to?

With Nova getting larger and larger, parking has started to become a problem. Since the start of this semester, people have even been parking their cars on the "no parking" strip where the buses used to drop off and pick up the elementary children. During the construction of

the new library, even more of this area will be blocked off. It seems that this will cause a major commotion for students and faculty members. Where will people find parking spots to park in?

Requiring students to put the sticker on their cars is a good idea, but only if you allow students and students ONLY to park in the student lots. I do not see Ms. Mommy with a sticker on her car. However, I see a lot of Mercedes Benzes and Lexus' with little kids sticking out of the back seat in our lot.

I have seen Nova Alert giving out a lot of tickets lately. Shouldn't they make up their mind? Either enforce the rule or don't! Students have enough things to worry without having to read Nova Alert's mind. A rule is only a rule when it is enforced. Make it where everyone is required to put a sticker on their car to park in their assigned area, or allow everyone to park anywhere on campus.

I am sure that students as well as faculty members would like to hear a response to this editorial from Public Safety.

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Summer Studies?

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classes over the summer. Each three-credit class is around one thousand dollars. Scholarships are unavailable over the summer as well. Of course students will be turned off when the cost is so high. Can't something be done?

Adding more CORE classes at both day and night will enable more students to fit school into their busy work schedules over the summer. Also, if Nova could get more professors, as well as adjuncts, to teach more CORE classes, students would have a diverse selection to choose from. With these improvements, Nova Southeastern University can continue to grow not only during the Fall and Winter terms but also during the Spring/Summer as well.

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John McCain

U.S. Naval Academy at Annapolis. Graduating in 1958, John was commissioned an ensign in the Navy. Lt. Commander McCain was assigned to the aircraft carrier USS Forrestal off the coast of Vietnam. In the early morning of October 26, 1967, John was taken as a prisoner of war (POW) after his plane was shot down. McCain refused early release, citing the code of conduct that prisoners of war should be released in the order in which they were captured. Before it was over, John McCain spent 5 years as a prisoner of war, two of them in solitary confinement.

Political Career:

By 1982, an Arizona House seat opened up. John, sensing a new way to serve, announced his candidacy. He went on to win the election. By 1986, Barry Goldwater announced his retirement from the U. S. Senate. John was elected to succeed him and continue Goldwater's tradition of independence and plain-talk conservatism. Now in his third term in the Senate, McCain was re-elected in November 1998 with nearly 70% of the vote.

Notable Political Accomplishments:

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Bill Bradley

during the summer, augmenting the Military Airlift Command's active-duty forces. He attained the rank of first lieutenant. When he retired from basketball in 1977, Bill had scored 10,439 points in 742 regular-season games and 95 playoff games. He would be elected into the Basketball Hall of Fame in his first year of eligibility.

Political Career:

At age 35, Bill was sworn in as the youngest member of the U.S. Senate. He was assigned to the powerful Finance Committee and the Energy and Natural Resources Committee, seats he held throughout his eighteen-year Senate tenure. Bill was reelected in 1984 with the largest plurality ever achieved by a New Jersey Democrat and escaped a hard-fought challenge in 1990. For eighteen years, Bill represented New Jersey. Bill announced his retirement from the U.S. Senate when his third term ended.

Notable Political Accomplishments:

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