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New Undergrate SGA Announced

By Rafia Chodhry

News Editor

By Paul Saneaux

Staff Writer

The first NSUSGA 2006-2007 online elections came to a close last Friday after four days of voting. Davia McDonald, SGA Vice President of Judicial Affairs, announced thirteen winners to students gathered in the Flight Deck to meet their new senators.

Earl Tinsley, one of three Commuter Senator elected, was "ecstatic" about his win. "On the 2006-2007 SGA, I hope to assist in all needs that will better impact this campus," said Tinsley.

Akshat Bhargava, one of two International Senators elected, was very thankful to everyone who helped

him reach his victory.

"I am very grateful. I am going to work to the best of my ability to serve the international Community," said Bhargava. "I will always be there for International Students."

Terry Morrow, Assistant Director of Student Affairs and Leadership Development, said she was excited about the new board.

"The results are exciting," said Morrow. "We have a number of really talented future leaders."

Although he formerly served the 2005-2006 SGA as a freshman senator, elected SGA President Andrew Ibrahim said he was "eager to get started."

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Left to Right: Minority Sen. Drew Shalian, Commuter Sen. Robert Keever, VPL Rico Hernan, President Andrew Ibrahim, Commuter Sen. Sara Gama, International Sen. Akshat Bhargava, and Commuter Sen. Earl Tinsley. Photo by Paul Saneaux.

NSU Workers Go On Strike for Better Pay and Benefits

By Rafia Chodhry

News Editor

A day after President Ray Ferrero Jr. sent out a mass email addressed to NSU Trustees, Students, Faculty and Staff, UNICCO workers voted to strike. The letter came as a response to the worker's request for better pay and benefits the previous week.

"He did not even respond to us or the pastor, but to the students and faculty," was Steven McGonigle's reaction to the letter. "Right there he is showing no respect whatsoever," said McGonigle.

"Half of these people [referring to the UNICCO workers] don't even have a computer," said McGonigle. After learning of Ferrero's decision for inaction, over 75 NSU workers gathered in front of Luke's Liquor store in the University Park Plaza last Wednesday to decide on their next

measure.

"We are here today to take a vote about whether to go on strike because the strike at UM is producing results and we want results here too," said McGonigle.

Executive Director of University Relations Dave Dawson said that "to this minute, we have essentially not been notified of a strike. It's all hearsay" in response to a press release sent out the next day by Service Employees International Union.

Workers at UM receiving a 25 % pay raise was also mentioned in the release. "Our contract with UNICCO is negotiated separately from what the University of Miami does" Dawson added.

Union organizer Secky, who wishes not to express her surname, believes University of Miami workers succeeded in gaining a pay raise due

to support from the community.

"We are having success in Miami because we have so many people behind us—the church, students, and faculty," said Secky.

In order to get the community involved, Secky plans to present education materials to the university community.

"This will help faculty and students connected to the university understand why the UNICCO workers are forming a union," said



Margarette Nerette speaks to UNICCO workers at the strike vote. Photo by Nicolle Garber.

Secky.

"Students don't realize how much good they can do," said McGonigle.

Additional reporting by Alisha VanHoose.

Never Again: Survivors Share Their Stories

Colloquium on Rwandan Genocide Examines All Aspects of Tragedy

By Alisha VanHoose

Editor-in-Chief

There was a hush in the Knight Auditorium on March 30 as Amiable Munya stepped up to the podium, the first of two survivors of the Rwandan Genocide to share his story.

Pausing with emotion, Munya told of how he received a phone call just after the killing started from his brother, who said that he would hide

in the attic and call back when it was safe. "He never called back," said Munya, choking up. "And I never saw him again."

Marie Josee Marekatete, the second survivor to speak, shared a similar experience. "We're going to meet soon in heaven," she said her father told her over the phone the last time she spoke to him, dabbing her eyes as she quietly described to

the audience how he hung up a short time later, saying "they're here" as gunshots rang out in the background.

The Colloquium on Rwandan Genocide, the brainchild of senior

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SGA Report: Winding Down Literally

By Alisha VanHoose
Editor-in-Chief

The SGA Senate meeting on March 29 was uncharacteristically short, lasting less than an hour due to very few bills being presented. Those who did present bills, however, got the funding they requested in one of the few meetings left in this school year.

Announcements

VPJ Davia McDonald informed senators that the last two senate meetings would include the new senators sitting side by side with old senators so next year's SGA would be able to learn how things were run. She also reminded that the last senate meeting would take place on April 12, so any legislation would have to be in before then to be considered for funding.

Treasurer Diane Klein reported that there was \$5123.41 left in the senate reserve fund, although the unused funds swept from organization accounts would be available the following week. Organizations having their events after the sweep date would retain their accounts, while organizations holding their events up to two weeks before the sweep date would have an "umbrella" in which to turn in their receipts.

Old Business

The Psi Chi Achievements Dinner returned this week after having been tabled at the last meeting, this time asking for \$310 to cater the dinner through Publix rather than the \$2,025 requested last week to cater through Aramark. The bill passed with little discussion.

New Business

The Lambda Theta Phi National Convention was tabled so that it could be channeled through the fraternal senator and the LDC, and will likely return next week so that funding can be voted on.

The Surf Club asked for \$1,080 to fund a weekend surf trip for club members and interested students. Minority Senator Randy Rodriguez-Torres said that with only around \$5000 left in the fund, the money should be kept on campus to benefit more students. IOC Senator Jessica Boyd pointed out that the point of bringing bills to meetings was to give students money.

PR Director Danielle Garcia objected to the suggestion that the bill be tabled, saying that it had been tabled several times already. The bill was passed for the full amount requested.

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"I want to make it easier for clubs and organizations to get funding by better educating the constituents on how the budget guidelines function," stated Ibrahim.

He further outlined his party's platform by saying that Impact plans to throw larger events, make NSU's name known outside of South Florida, and "more closely work with the other SGAs to improve ours."

In light of the problems that this year's SGA experienced, Ibrahim said there will be "more focus on accountability."

"I want senators to be aware that they are fully responsible for their actions," he clarified. "The Student Voice did so much for the students and cared so much; they were the beginning of the transition and we

will continue it."

The only regret Ibrahim had was that the Impact party ran unopposed.

"It is unfortunate; the student population either did not have the initiative or was intimidated by the task."

The new board has a full year planned ahead of them. In April, the newly elected appointees will attend the American Student Government Association training in Orlando. Later in August, they will participate in a Student Government Reform coordinated by SALD.

"I am really proud of you guys," McDonald told the new senators. "I know it hasn't been easy, but I am happy to pass the torch on to you guys."

Starting Funds: \$5123.41

**Surf Club Weekend Trip- requested: \$1,080
received: \$1,080**

**Psi Chi Achievement Dinner- requested: \$310
received: \$310**

Ending Funds: \$3,733.41

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"If it passed 3 p.m. and you were not killed, you knew that you were safe for that day"

Careen Hutchinson, brought these survivors, as well as Jose De Silva Campino of the United Nations and Hon. Zac Nsenga, the Rwandan Ambassador to the United States, together to speak on the massacre of approximately 800,000 Tutsis and moderate Hutus over the course of 100 days in 1994.

Munya described returning to his home from the refugee camp when the massacre was over. "The homes were no longer there," he recounted. "Nothing." In three months of conflict, Munya lost 26 family members and friends.

Marakatete focused on an emotional account of how she and her mother hid inside a hospital for weeks, militia men coming every day to pick more people off before they grew tired of it. "If it passed 3 p.m. and you were not killed, you knew that you were safe for that day," she said, describing how they were lined up and whoever was in front died first.

"The international community, including the United Nations, failed the people of Rwanda ... [they] could have done much more, but simply did not," said Campino near

the beginning of his narration. He continued speaking of the political state of affairs before, during, and after the genocide, saying that "the consequences of what happened in 1994 continues to be felt in central Africa."

Partially illustrating how the genocides are currently affecting Rwanda, Nsenga explained the tribal trials still taking place for those arrested after the massacre, describing an outdoor court headed by tribal elders.

"There was so much pride in his presentation," said Hutchinson of the ambassador's speaking of the beauty and culture of Rwanda. "He showed where they're coming from and where they're going, and that really moved me."

Nsenga also informed of the history behind the genocide, telling how it was Belgian colonists who decided who was Tutsi and who was Hutu, creating a rift between people who lived together before the distinction was made. The Tutsi were treated as superior to the Hutu, which eventually led to a series of uprisings that reversed the positions.

"It was a great example of how we

create different identities for people," said Terry Morrow, who helped organize the event.

Before telling of her experiences during the genocide, Marekatete illustrated the discrimination with a story of her younger brother, who believed he was Hutu because the history books all portrayed the Tutsi as killers and bad people. "He began to cry," she said, "when he found out [he was Tutsi]."

Audience members were touched by the stories told, standing to applaud Munya and Marekatete when each finished their speeches. "They showed us a true life story of what these people faced during the Rwanda Genocide and brought the whole situation from the movie screen to the front door, so it gave you a sense of responsibility," said freshman Danielle Morvan, who attended the event. Andrew Rusatsi, a senior in the DCAR program, felt similarly. "[This is] something that should be continued, because given the world situation, we need to have such interactions so we can react."

"In Rwanda, we don't get much change to talk about our experiences," said Munya at the end of his story, adding that for the most part, others

are simply not interested.

"It's not good stuff to remember," said Marekatete, adding that the only reason spoke about it was to raise awareness.

"I really got an appreciation of the survivors, because as they were talking, they were very happy to see that someone cared," said Hutchinson. "I didn't know it would mean so much to them."

Julia Chaitin, a professor at DCAR, expressed told of the silence of survivors of mass trauma at the beginning of the program, describing a Holocaust victim she had interviewed many years ago. She asked him at the end of the interview whether he had shared his story before, to which he replied "no one ever asked." She went on to speak about that silence and how "the adage that time heals all wounds may keep those wounds from healing, and may even make them all the more insidious."

David Kilroy of Farquhar also spoke, analyzing the changing definition of genocide on the world stage.

With additional reporting by Rafia Chodhry.

Bizarre Briefs

Compiled by Greg Kyriakakis

Hungry Man Wants Meat, Cooks Self

All Mithailal Ram Sanjivan of Ahmedabad, India, wanted was some meat for dinner, but financial reasons—mainly Mithailal's lack of a job—limited what his wife, Geeta, could cook. As Reuters reported, the hungry, alcoholic man recently became enraged when his wife refused to prepare a delicious meal featuring meat. In a rather ineffective form of protest, Mithailal locked his wife in the house, "doused his body with an inflammable liquid," and set himself ablaze, resulting in his death, but also the cooked meat he desired.

Child Abductor Dresses Like Dad

A Raleigh, N.C., woman abducted her children from their father, and then costumed herself as him for two years without any suspicion from the youngsters. Shellie White kidnapped the children from her ex-husband, Ernest Karnes, and according to authorities quoted in an Associated Press article, "radically changed her appearance to that of a man" and told her gullible children, now six and eight years old, that she was their father. White is being held by authorities and the children have been returned to their actual father.

Woman Successfully Robs Restaurant with Deadly... Stick

An early morning robbery of a Sonic restaurant was carried out by a woman wielding a deadly stick. San Antonio KENS 5 news reported that the thief entered the establishment "as employees were closing up and threatened them with a stick." Harnessing the awesome power of the stick, the bandana-faced accused demanded money and forced employees to the ground. It was reported that the woman got away and "no one was hurt during the robbery," most likely because it was done with a stick.

Kids Jump on Skylight, Parents Sue

Noting a lack of frivolous lawsuits in recent months, the parents of two Coral Springs boys who trespassed on the property of an abandoned warehouse and jumped through the structure's skylight are suing because "Pan American Sites did not do a good enough job in preventing the boys from entering the property." Local10.com reported that Devon Manhold and Quincy Littles, age 11 and 10, respectively, thought it would be fun to repeatedly jump on the skylights, unconcerned with the fact that they may shatter. Surprisingly, they did, and the boys fell onto the concrete floor. Police and Pan American hold that the site was secured, which is understandable given that authorities "had to break down a fence in order to reach the boys after the accident."

Africa

Taylor returned to Sierra Leone on war crime charges

According to Reuters, war criminal and former Liberian President Charles Taylor was captured while attempting to flee into Nigeria with "sacks full of cash." Taylor was transported back to Sierra Leone on March 29 by U.N. helicopter to a guarded compound to be tried on war crimes charges. Taylor was reportedly captured at night by security forces nearly 600 miles from his villa in southern city of Calabar, where he supposedly disappeared. President Bush showed his gratitude for quick action of Nigerian forces. "The fact that Charles Taylor will be brought to justice in a court of law will help Liberia and is a sign of your deep desire for there to be peace in your neighborhood," Bush told Nigerian President Olusegun Obasanjo. Taylor is charged with "backing Sierra Leone rebels, including child fighters, who terrorized victims by chopping off their arms, legs, ears and lips."

For more information visit www.reuters.com.

News from Around the World

Compiled by Paul Saneaux

Middle East

Attacks on Iraqi civilians, businesses rising

According to the Associated Press, Iraqi insurgents have changed strategies. Rather than concentrating attacks on American and Iraqi forces, insurgents have been increasing kidnapping and killing business workers and Iraqi civilians. Before the shift in tactics, the conflict was thought to be "straightforward" with Sunni insurgents and al-Qaida terrorists using "car bombs, roadside bombs, suicide bomb belts and sniper rifles to target U.S. troops, Iraqi soldiers, and police." Military officials state that there is "a sharp decline in American deaths" due to "handing more duties to the Iraqi army." However, there has been an increase in civilian killings. Some Iraqi government officials believe that the terrorists have "switched their targets" in order "cause chaos or to fund their terror work." Major General Ahmed al-Khafaji, a deputy interior minister, said "all these operations have one aim: to freeze life in Iraq and sabotage the democratic process."

For more information visit <http://news.yahoo.com>.

Europe

Italy to help Afghan Christian convert

On Wed., March 29, Premier Silvio Berlusconi told the Associated Press that "Italy would be glad to give asylum to the Afghan man who faced the death penalty for converting from Islam to Christianity." Abdul Rahman, 41, began seeking asylum after he was released from the high-security Policharki prison on the outskirts of the Afghani capital. The court dropped charges of apostasy against Rahman, stating that there was "lack of evidence and suspected mental illness." President Hamid Karzai had also been "under heavy international pressure to drop the case." Muslim clerics, however, criticized Karzai, saying that the release of Rahman was a "betrayal of Islam" and threatened to provoke protests. Under Afghanistan's Islamic law, conversion is a crime. Rahman was arrested in February when police found a Bible in his possession and was tried for converting 16 years ago when he worked as medical aid worker for an international Christian group helping Afghan refugees in Pakistan.

For more information visit www.msnbc.com.

Asia

Activists demand U.S. take responsibility for Agent Orange

More than 100 activists and Vietnam War veterans that met in Hanoi, Vietnam concluded a two-day conference on Agent Orange "with a plea to the U.S. government and chemical companies to take responsibility for health problems linked to the wartime defoliant." At the end of the meeting on March 29, a statement was written that demanded the U.S. government and chemical companies make "contributions to overcome the consequences of toxic chemicals," according to the Associated Press. Records say that U.S. forces sprayed "about 21 million gallons of defoliant, mostly Agent Orange, over Vietnam" to destroy forests hiding communist troops. Agent Orange, among other dangerous chemicals, contains dioxin, which is blamed for causing health risks "ranging from cancer to spina bifida and diabetes." However, U.S. government officials claim there is "no scientific directly linking dioxin to the ailments." Tran Xuan Thu, head of the Vietnam Association of Agent Orange Victims, said "for the future of mankind, we must prevent the use of Agent Orange from being repeated in any other country in the world."

For more information visit www.worldnews.com.

Caribbean

Human skulls found in Haiti may be linked to voodoo rituals

The Associated Press reported on March 28 that "scavengers found 10 human skulls in a trash heap—the second such grisly find in as many days in Haiti's capital, where authorities speculated that the bone may have come from a Voodoo ritual." The skulls were found a day earlier inside plastic buckets in a ditch in the eastern district of Port-au-Prince, witnesses said. Two U.N. civilian police spent the day "trying to match the skulls with several sets of jaw bones also found in the dump." Marc Jacquet, U.N. civilian police spokesman, told reporters that experts may be called in to determine the age of the skulls. Seventeen other skulls were found inside plastic buckets were found in the woods of nearby Petionville suburb after witnesses said the buckets were thrown from a passing car. Haitian police spokesman Frantz Lerebours said "it's a possibility they're related to Voodoo, but we can't say definitively right now." Voodoo, "a faith that mixes Christianity with West African religions," contains the belief that human skulls "evoke or ward off evil spirits."

For more information visit <http://news.yahoo.com>.

Sports Blurbs

Compiled by Alicia Winslett

Men's Golf

March 27 and 28 the men's golf team competed in the NSU Spring Classic, finishing in second place with a final round score of 297. They played at Woodmont Country Club on the Cypress Course, a par 72 with 7,043 yards. CSU-Bakersfield won the tournament with a seven-over-par 871 (287-290-294). NSU freshman Constantin Schwierz finished in seventh place individually to lead the Sharks.

Women's Golf

The women's golf team also competed in the NSU Spring Classic on March 27 and 28. They finished third with a two-day total of 635 (320-315). This is their fourth third place finish of 2005-06, and their sixth top-three finish in seven events just this year. Lynn University won the tournament with a two-day total of 614 (307-307). West Florida finished second with scores of 314 and 315. Lina Bjorklund, who finished in fifth place shooting 78-75, led NSU. Freshman Andrea Maldonado finished in eighth place, shooting 80-77.

Baseball

On March 28, the men's baseball team defeated the Florida Tech Panthers 15-11 at the NSU Baseball Complex. Every batter had at least one hit in this game for a total of 25 hits for the Sharks. Matt Mindick was 5-for-5 with 1 RBI and 2 runs scored. Greg Burrows had a double, triple, and a homerun to drive in 3 runs. He went 3-for-5 with 3 runs scored and a stolen base.

Women's Rowing

The Novice 4 crew was named the Sunshine State Conference Boat of the Week after winning its race at Rollins Spring Break Race over the weekend. The crewmembers included Kim Marona (coxswain), Cindy Fong, Rachel Garbaj, Jill Sims, and Christi O'Neill.

Women's Tennis

The Women's Tennis team overtook Florida Tech on March 25 in a Sunshine State Conference match in Melbourne, FL. The NSU women's team lost just three games in doubles action, then won five of six singles matches in straight sets to pick up their second straight win. Anna Schmidtmann and Jessica Homerlein didn't lose a game in their number four and five spot.

Softball

On March 25, the women's softball team competed against Lynn University, the defending National Champions. Lynn won the weekend series, but the Sharks split a game with them. In the first game, NSU won 8-3 and lost the second game 4-1. Valen Eberhard led the Sharks when she went 3-for-4 with one double and one run scored. Katie Veltri finished 3-for-6 with two doubles and one run scored. Pitcher Adrian Tuttle improved 9-8 on the season. She pitched six innings, allowing three runs on six hits, and stroke out two batters.

Women's Rowing Team Wins All Races at Rollins Spring Break Race

By Alicia Winslett
Sports Editor

On March 25, the women's rowing team swept all the women's events against Rollins College and the University of Central Florida at the Rollins Spring Break Race. "In the varsity 8 and the varsity four we raced against UCF and Rollins. It was a good race considering the conditions of the water, which were rough and choppy," said head coach John Gartin. The women performed in Winter Park, FL on Lake Maitland for this event.

Coach Gartin also said that this was a "solid regatta" for their team. "I think that we can build from this race and carry it into new races to come. We have some tough competition to come in the next races, but I think we're ready," he said.

The Varsity 4 boat was the closest race of the day as they won by only 0.4 seconds over UCF and Rollins, but the Sharks were able to hold off both the teams in the last 500 meters of the race. In the Varsity 8 boat, they beat UCF by almost 5 seconds, 6:31.3 to



From front to back: Cindy Fong, Rachel Garbaj, Jill Sims, and Christi O'Neill. Photo courtesy Gary Curreri

UCF's 6:36.6.

In the Novice 8, which finished second on the same course two weeks ago, came back to win against both of these teams. The Lightweight four, which included Cheyenne Poskey, Taylor Liput, Christy Fritch, Jennifer Moos, and Danielle Garcia, won their race 30 seconds in front of UCF.

"This weekend's performance was a true team effort. We were able to take first in every single event we entered into," said Senior Taylor Liput. "Winning gold medals against not only a Division II team, but also a

Division I team, was a great confidence boost. Our varsity rowers have done an awesome job setting an example for the novice.... And the novice have learned so quickly and become so strong, I get chills watching them come down that race course."

Everyone is welcome to come out and support the women's rowing team when they head back to the water on April 7 and 8 to race in the FIRA Spring Race on the new Krome Ave Quarry Course in western Miami-Dade County.

UPCOMING GAMES

Women's Golf

Event	Date	Location
Sunshine State Conference Championships	4/10	Lake Jovita, Fla.

Women's Rowing

Event	Date	Location
FIRA Spring Race	4/07	Miami, Fla.

Softball

Opponents	Date	Time	Location
Palm Beach Atlantic University	4/04	5:00 PM	West Palm Beach, Fla.
Palm Beach Atlantic University	4/04	7:00 PM	West Palm Beach, Fla.
University of Tampa	4/07	7:00 PM	Home
University of Tampa	4/08	1:00 PM	Home
University of Tampa	4/08	3:00 PM	Home

Women's Tennis

Opponents	Date	Time	Location
Barry University	4/05	3:00 PM	Miami Shores, Fla.
Florida Gulf Coast University	4/05	2:00 PM	Home

Baseball

Opponents	Date	Time	Location
Lynn University	4/07	6:00 PM	Home
Lynn University	4/08	1:00 PM	Home
Lynn University	4/08	4:00 PM	Home

Men's Golf

Event	Date	Location
Southeastern Collegiate	4/02	Valdosta, Ga.
Sunshine State Conference Championships	4/10	Lake Jovita, Fla.

NSU's Sports Stats of the Week

Overall Ranking

SPORT		RANK	
Team	SSC	REG	NAT
W. Rowing	N/A	1	T3
W. Golf	N/A	4	5
W. Tennis	4	5	12
Baseball	4	6	RV
M. Golf	N/A	9	44
Softball	8	NR	NR
M. Basketball	2	8	NR
W. Basketball	4	NR	NR
M. Soccer	7	NR	NR
W. Soccer	5	NR	NR
W. Cross Country	N/A	NR	NR
M. Cross Country	N/A	NR	NR
Volleyball	9	NR	NR

Baseball

SSC STANDINGS							
	SSC			OVERALL			
	W	L	PCT	W	L	T	PCT
Tampa	8	1	.889	26	4	0	.867
Lynn	6	3	.667	23	9	0	.719
Florida Tech	5	4	.556	20	12	0	.625
NSU	3	3	.500	20	11	0	.645
Saint Leo	2	4	.333	21	12	0	.636
Barry	4	5	.444	21	11	1	.652
Florida Southern	2	4	.333	21	14	0	.600
Rollins	3	6	.333	19	13	0	.594
Eckerd	3	6	.333	10	20	0	.333

Softball

SSC STANDINGS							
	SSC			OVERALL			
	W	L	PCT	W	L	T	PCT
Barry	9	3	.750	25	7	0	.781
Florida Southern	7	2	.778	30	3	0	.909
Rollins	8	4	.667	30	8	0	.789
Florida Tech	10	5	.667	23	10	0	.699
Saint Leo	5	4	.556	22	14	0	.611
Lynn	4	8	.333	20	12	0	.625
Tampa	4	8	.333	17	19	0	.472
NSU	2	7	.222	12	17	0	.414
Eckerd	2	10	.167	10	28	0	.263

Tennis

SSC STANDINGS					
	SSC		OVERALL		
	W	L	W	L	
Barry	6	0	8	1	
Lynn	5	0	10	0	
Eckerd	2	1	13	1	
NSU	4	2	13	3	
Rollins	3	3	9	6	
Tampa	1	4	5	9	
Florida Tech	1	6	2	15	
Florida Southern	0	3	7	6	
Saint Leo	0	3	4	9	

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Current Affairs

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Current Events Calendar

April 3

NSU Greek Week Begins
6 p.m. ASA Patio

April 4

Stuey Awards
6:15 p.m. Miniaci Center
Sponsored by Student Activities

Nova Singers Concert
8:15 p.m. Gloria Dei Lutheran Church

April 5

NAFDA/AAA Convention Begins
8 a.m. – 8 p.m. Location TBA
Sponsored by Student Activities

April 6/7

Substance Abuse Conference
NSU East Campus

April 7

Undergrad Student Symposium
1 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. Miniaci Center/Alvin Sherman Library
Sponsored by Farquhar College

April 7/8

Night of the Assassins
7:30 p.m. Mailman Auditorium
Sponsored by NSU Theatre



*Happy Belated
April Fool's Day
from those at
The Current*

*Compiled from the Student Affairs
calendar & NSU Shark Bytes.*

Nominees Prepare for the STUEY Awards

7th annual ceremony celebrates the best of NSU

By Greg Kyriakakis
Current Affairs Editor
By Judith Francois
Staff Writer

Candidates have little time remaining to prepare their acceptance speeches for the 7th annual Student Life Achievement Awards, scheduled for 6:15 p.m. on April 4 at the Miniaci Performing Arts Center.

James Doan, humanities professor at Farquhar College and contender for Professor of the Year, said that he is "thrilled" to be nominated. He attributes his success in the classroom to

involving students in important discussion that enables them "to come to their own decisions." After 25 years of teaching, 18 of which have been at Farquhar, Doan said that "I continue to be excited about the things I teach... and I hope this shows."

Also up for the award is Robert Hasty, Assistant Professor of Internal Medicine at NSU's College of Osteopathic Medicine. Calling the nomination "amazing," Hasty said that with today's ease of gaining information, "patients are empowered with facts and it is ever more important to train our physicians to have good judgment and be wise. My goal is to inspire and train [them] to focus on the details and get to this next level."

Student of the Year nominees Shruti Salghur from the Huizenga School and

pharmacy student Chrstine Chukhadzhyan are enjoying their nominations. Salghur, who participated in numerous groups including the business fraternity Alpha Kappa Psi, said that she is "very ecstatic, overjoyed and honored" to be in the running. "I have enjoyed supporting the vision of the school and their various initiatives because I have believed in them," commented Salghur.

Chukhadzhyan, also the Phi Lambda Sigma Pharmacy Leadership Society President, said that her nomination "means a lot to me, since I am being recognized for doing something that I enjoy."

Prospective Co-Curricular Advisor of the Year Gary Gershman, a humanities

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Students Learn Healthy Cooking Habits

By Kristine Belizaire
Distribution Manager

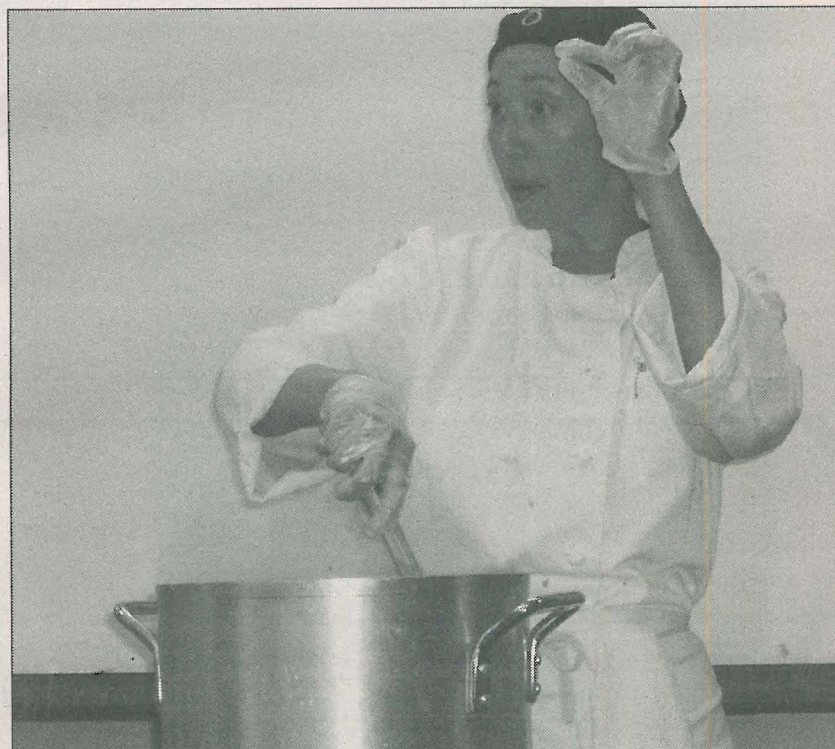
NSU students recently gathered in the Goodwin classroom for Let's Eat, an event where they viewed a cooking demonstration and learned nutritional information.

Jen Checkoway and Rachael Robinson, NSU nursing students, said that the event's mission was to get students eating healthy. Through the cooking demonstration, they hoped to "educate the college student population about making good food choices"

Chef Lynn from the organic health food store Whole Foods demonstrated how to create meals without fattening ingredients. The chef prepared a lemon poached chicken, green beans and couscous with olive and caper topping, and a yogurt with fruits and granola for dessert.

She explained the importance kitchen safety to avoid food poisoning and suggested buying a stem thermometer to measure the cooking temperature.

While much goes in



Chef Lynn explains to NSU students the key ingredients in perfecting a healthy meal. Photo by Kristine Belizaire

to making a meal, the most important thing to do while cooking is, according to Lynn, to "cook with love. It makes the food taste better."

Eating healthy, especially during the stress of college, requires portion control. Attendees were advised to visit Mypyramid.gov, a Web site guiding individuals about the foods and servings that are right for them, while providing them

tips for a healthier life.

Noting a lack of informational dietary seminars at the university, Breana Guerard, freshman at NSU, described the event as "awesome. I wish that we had more programs like this at NSU."

The event was sponsored by the Office of Health and Wellness. Food was provided by the Whole Foods Market located in Plantation, Florida.

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"I have enjoyed supporting the vision of the school and their various initiatives because I have believed in them"

professor at Farquhar, said that "I'm honored to be nominated," but also acknowledged the work of others. "I think in some ways it reflects the organization more than me, because if they weren't active, I would not be nominated."

Mark Jaffe, professor at the MST division of Farquhar, is nominated for the same award. "It is very touching when students recognize the value of what an advisor is offering," said Jaffe. In addition to providing guidance, Jaffe helped students gain experience within the medical field. "I have also arranged for many students to participate in health fair screenings over the past year," as well as workshops including for learning to suture and giving injections.

Dubbed "NSU's Academy Award" by Katie Blanco, Director of Student Engagement, the event allows the NSU community to recognize those who have contributed the most to the University.

Nominations are submitted by a committee representing each college and department of the University. Each committee member seeks out potential candidates from their departments and the group votes on the top five of each category.

Once the committee gets their top picks, the nominations are sent to the Selections Committee, which is mostly comprised of past Stuey winners.

The awards, nicknamed the "Stueys," are given to NSU's best who demonstrate "the core values" of the university including leadership, scholarship, integrity, and responsibility.

Other major award categories include Academic Dean of the Year, Administrator of the Year, Alumnus of the Year, Female and Male Athlete of the Year, and Graduate and Undergraduate Organization of the Year.

"It's an amazing production," said Blanco, citing "all the works that goes into" selecting honorees.

Tickets are being distributed in the Student Activities office on the second floor of Rosenthal. For more information, call 954-262-7290.

Bulletin Board Winner

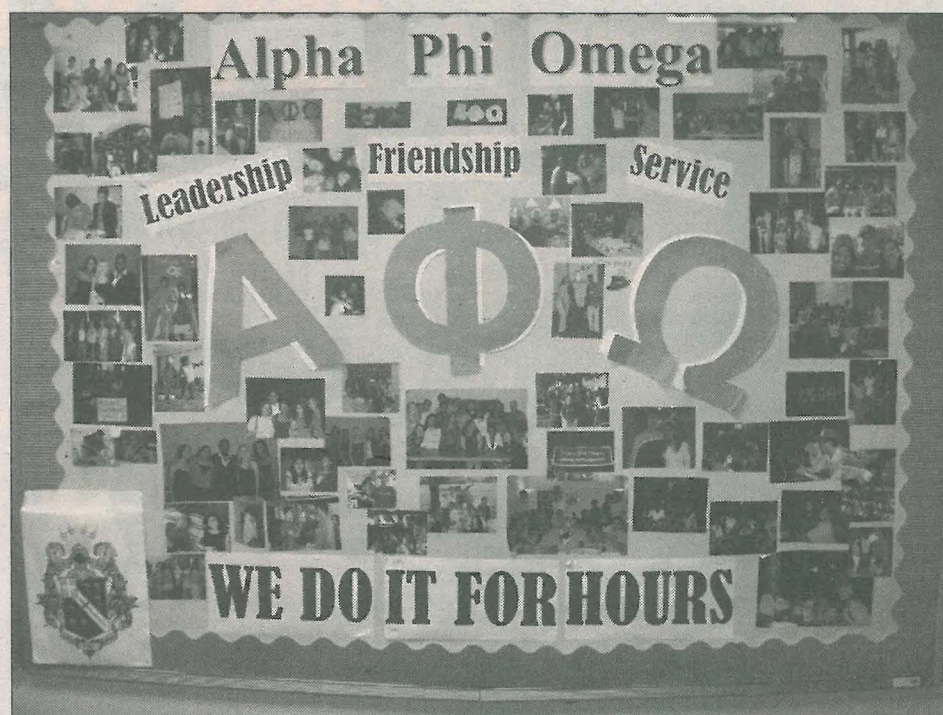
Alphi Phi Omega bulletin board chosen as the one best recognizing its organization mission

By Greg Kyriakakis
Current Affairs Editor

The Savvy Scrapbookers club recently held a bulletin board decorating contest to inspire NSU organizations to get the word out about their mission, said organizer Robin Furmanski.

The winner of the contest was service fraternity Alpha Phi Omega. Furmanski said that APO's board, located on the second floor of the Parker Building, won because it "shows the purpose of their club" through the use of pictures chronicling the various activities sponsored by the organization. The group was awarded a free scrapbook for its efforts.

APO members were pleased with their win and attributed their success to including attention



The APO bulletin board, located on the second floor of Parker, won first place by illustrating what the club is about. Photo by Greg Kyriakakis

grabbing visuals and information about the organization. "[Our board] has everyone grouped together. It's pretty cool," said Service Vice President Ann Hoang, who added that the interactive elements of the board, such as information pamphlets, may have helped give them the winning edge.

Efleda Orpilla, who along with other APO members, helped to create the board, said that she was "very happy" that their efforts were rewarded and is pleased to receive a scrapbook which can be put to

good use.

Furmanski hoped that more club awareness around campus would attract commuter students who have little incentive to spend time on campus. "The goal was to get clubs to update their boards and to get more interest in the students to join [organizations]," she said.

Furmanski said that "anyone with a board" was eligible to enter the contest and plans to continue the contest. "We're hoping that next year we'll have more people participate."

Gershman Gives His "Last Lecture"

By Kristine Belizaire
Distribution Manager

"You only have 30 minutes left. What would you say?" was the theme for the inaugural speech in the Last Lecture series given by NSU professor Gary Gershman.

Describing him as a man who loves to instill the love of education to his students, Dan Sullivan, Director of Campus Relations, introduced Gershman.

Gershman focused on the key of life, describing it as being able to die without any regrets. "The worst thing in life is to look back and say 'bleh, I haven't done anything.'"

Too many people are obsessed with money and ordinary goals that they allow life to pass them by, Gershman held. Because of the values instilled in him by his parents and the experience of losing his father to Parkinson's disease, Gershman realized that life is too short and important and does not allow himself to dwell on the mundane.

Gershman spoke of three

events that helped shape his life.

His experience with Camp Joseph and Betty Harlam in the Pocono Mountains of Pennsylvania, which he called the "glue in his life," helped him learn the meaning of friendship. While there, his eyes were opened to the outside world; he adopted principles and learned to make decisions without regrets.

A trip to Europe in 1987, where Gershman ran with the bulls in Pamplona, Spain, was another life-shaping event. As a child, he had always said that he would run with the bulls and the emotion he felt when he achieved his goal was indescribable.

The final influential event came as the lecturer visited Auschwitz and saw the cells where prisoners were held and entered the gas chambers that took countless lives. That experience forever changed his life and made him realize that he should not complain about anything.

Gershman concluded his remarks with a simple phrase, imploring the audience to "have no

regrets."

Following his remarks, Gershman was presented with an engraved clock plaque.

Many were moved by the speech. "I thought it was superb. Very inspiring," said humanities professor Christine Jackson.

Hayley Pierre, member of the Interfaith Council and NSU student said, "We chose Dr. Gershman because we know that he has a great story to tell and is very gifted. We just knew that he was the right fit."

The event, held in the Alvin Sherman Library, was hosted by the Interfaith Council. Students are encouraged to vote for the next speaker by submitting suggestions to April Eldemire, Graduate Assistant for Multicultural and Spiritual Development, at eldemire@nova.edu.

The Last Lecture series gives certain university members the opportunity to consider what they would say if they only had thirty minutes left.

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80's Spring Fling

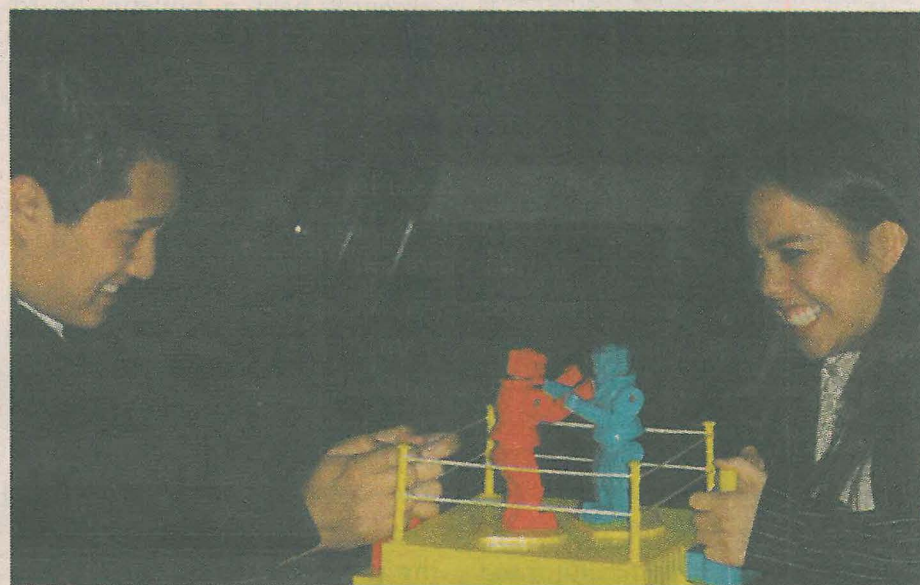
By Greg Kyriakakis
Current Affairs Editor

Hosted by the Student Union Board and the NSUSGA, NSU's 80's Spring Fling allowed students to relive the best parts of their childhood. The March 25 event, held at the University School Gym, featured 80's cover band The Breakfast Club, which performed hit songs from that era. Full size vintage arcade games including Pac-Man and Galaga were open for free play, while classic movies of the time were projected on large screens. The



Jay Stubblefield and Steve Reddy play a round of Pac-Man, one of three popular 80's arcade games present.

free party, which encouraged students to dress in their best 80's attire, also featured giveaways and refreshments.



Phil Bunyi and Melissa Austria fight to the finish during a game of Rock 'Em Sock 'Em Robots. Photos by Greg Kyriakakis

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Playing in the Past:

"Metal Arms: Glitch in the System"

By Michael Bergbauer
Staff Writer

If you find yourself bored or disappointed with new releases, perhaps it may be time for you take a step back and play a few oldies. "Playing in the Past" will reminisce on some of the beloved games of yore, covering titles that may have passed you by.

Albeit a bit aged, "Metal Arms: Glitch in the System" still holds up nicely in this "next-gen" age. It's a hilarious game that's tons of fun. To put it shortly and sweetly, "Metal Arms" scores excellent marks all around and you should really have as part of your gaming library if you don't already.

The game play in "Metal Arms" is really top notch and remains consistently fun through the whole game without getting repetitive. You play as a robot named Glitch, an unlikely hero aiding a small resistance group against the Mil-Bots — another type of robot attempting to rule your planet, Ironstar. Although the majority of the action is blasting apart Mils, there is always a strong focus on humor, story progression and the sheer variety enemies, weapons, and vehicles (with a couple racing levels thrown in) keep the game fresh.

Although "Metal Arms" is not a short game (there are about 40 missions), replay value is always important and an in-depth look at "Metal Arms" reveals oodles of it in a variety of ways. Most obviously are collecting the "secret chips" throughout the levels to unlock multi-player maps and collecting "speed chips" by completing a level quickly. Another more subtle reason includes enemy behavior. The AI is impressive in Metal Arms and, enemies often behave differently. Additionally, the several ways to get through a level and varying difficulty provides tons of replays.

"Metal Arms" really excels in the sound department. All the voice acting is top-notch, even employing big names like Dan Castellaneta ("The Simpsons") and Patrick Warburton ("Family Guy," "The Venture Brothers," and various movies). The music is catchy, but much of the game is quiet with music popping in to pump you up when you need it most; it's sort of like "Half-Life," but much more prevalent. The various clangs, bangs, and explosions are all good, but nothing too noteworthy.

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Bottom left: Some of the bigger 'bots add challenge to the game.



Album Review

The Sounds: Not Original, but Fun

By Marines Alvarez
A&E Editor

When bell-bottoms made a comeback (I was in middle school), I didn't really realize what was happening; all I knew was that big jeans were "cool." My mom was nostalgic and would occasionally point at my clothes and say, "I used to wear those." That was a little freaky. But the truth is that trends never die, they just hibernate. Yes, even the dreaded neon glow of the 80's is bound reappear. It's just a matter of time before we're all wearing leggings to class.

In an effort to give us a push in the 80's direction, I present to you The Sounds' sophomore album *Dying to Say This to You*. This quintet, which originally hails from Helsingborg, Sweden, debuted strong in their native country with *Living in America*. The recognition they garnered here stemmed from their almost unhealthy imitation of bands past, namely Blondie, coming awfully close to cover band status. Four years after their debut, their 35-minute release *Dying to Say This to You* stays locked in those same

stylistic parameters, but to their credit The Sounds do carve out their own (slightly) unique space.

From the opening notes, a sweet feeling of nostalgia swept over me. Sure, I barely saw the tail end of the 80's, but as soon as lead singer Maja Ivarsson forces out the first energetic 'heys,' it made me want to abuse primary colors and aerobic clothes. At first and to the untrained ear (namely mine), the jaunty keyboard lines, pop infused background vocals and repetitive guitar riffs were a bit odd. Two minutes into the first song, I



Photo courtesy GoMoxie

knew the only word that can really describe The Sounds is "fun."

The album opens with "Song With a Mission," a perfect example

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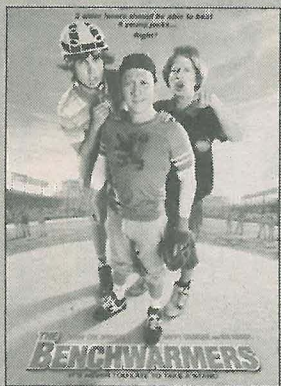
The Benchwarmers

Starring: Rob Schneider, David Spade, Jon Heder

Director: Dennis Dugan

Genre: Comedy

Rating: PG-13



Gus and his nerdy buddies, Richie and Clark, are scouted by a millionaire nerd, Mel, who wants to form a baseball team and compete with the meanest Little League teams in the state. A stellar ballplayer, Gus becomes a role model for nerds and outcasts everywhere. But when his fans learn that Gus was once a school bully himself, they feel outraged and betrayed.

Take the Lead

Starring: Antonio Banderas, Alfre Woodard

Director: Liz Friedlander

Genre: Drama, Family

Rating: PG-13

A former professional ballroom dancer volunteers to teach dance at a New York public school. The hip-hop instincts of his students soon clash with his ballroom methods, so he teams up with them to create a new style of dance. Eventually the students trust him and he becomes their mentor.

Album Releases

Available April 4

Me & My Gang by Rascal Flatts

I'm Not Dead by Pink

Every Day is Exactly the Same EP by Nine Inch Nails

Karmacode by Lacuna Coil



Book Releases

Available April 4

Two Little Girls in Blue by Mary Higgins Clark

Before leaving for a black-tie affair in New York City, Margaret and Steve Frawley celebrate the third birthday of their twin girls, Kathy and Kelly, with a party at their new home in Ridgefield, Conn. Later that night, when Margaret can't reach the babysitter, she contacts the Ridgefield police. The frantic couple returns home to find the children missing and a ransom note demanding \$8 million. Though the Frawleys meet all the conditions, only Kelly turns up in a car, along with a dead driver and a suicide note saying that Kathy has died. But Kelly's telepathic messages from her sister keep telling her differently, and Margaret won't give up hope.

Don't Look Down by Jennifer Cruise

Lucy Sullivan is a director of television commercials who's just been offered her big break: a chance to direct an action movie. But she arrives on the set to discover that the entire directing staff has quit, the stars are egomaniacs, the stunt director is her charming ex-husband, and the lead actor has just hired a "military consultant" who has the aggravating habit of always being right.

DVD Releases

Available April 4

Heath Ledger in *Brokeback Mountain*

Richard Gere in *Bee Season*

Tilda Swinton in *The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe*

Matt Dillon in *Crash*

Entertainment

April 3

The Go-Go's at the Hard Rock Live in Hollywood

April 6

Rotterdam Philharmonica at the Jackie Gleason Theater in Miami Beach

April 7

Kenny G. at Centennial Park in Ft. Meyers

April 8

Champions On Ice 2006 Tour at the BankAtlantic Center in Sunrise

Movie synopsis and photos courtesy of www.movies.yahoo.com

Book synopsis courtesy of www.barnesandnoble.com

Compiled by Marines Alvarez

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Finally, there's the farting. Yes, the farting. When Mils are about, not having noticed you, they will often let out exhaust with a fart noise. It can even warn you of hidden enemies! And nothing is funnier than getting the drop on a Mil, who throws up his arms and yells with surprise as he lets out a squeaker. It's pure gold, I'm telling you!

Metal Arms is also graphically pleasing. Many of the levels are huge and offer up a plethora of exploration options and destructible objects. And despite the multiple enemies and large environments, there is nary any slowdown in sight. As for aesthetics in general, they're okay. No complaints, I guess.

As if its single player wasn't good enough, Metal Arms also boasts an incredible multi-player mode. There are 14 maps in total, all of which are satisfying. Game modes include standard variations of "death match" and "king of the hill" modes, along with tag and possession melee – in which the only weapons are the Control Tether and Recruiter Grenades

so that kills must come from other Bots that you control. Did I mention that you could take control of your enemies in this game? How cool!

Of course, all the game modes are customizable, allowing you to select weapon, vehicle, and bot preferences. There is a problem in that sometimes it's possible for players to abuse the power of certain vehicles and bots- they're stoppable, but it can be really hard, especially for the inexperienced. Besides, you can turn that stuff off. As an experience, multi-player really delivers.

Metal Arms' challenging difficulty, hilarious enemies, intense action, entertaining multi-player and engaging story with memorable characters provide for a superb third person shooter. The developer, Swingin' Ape Studios, has since been absorbed by Blizzard Entertainment and I believe they are working on Starcraft Ghost, but that's it. So no one can tell if Metal Arms will have a sequel. We can only hope. I give Metal Arms: Glitch in the System eight lost hours of sleep out of eight.

Platform(s): Playstation 2, Gamecube, Xbox

Genre: Sci-fi, Action, Third-person Shooter

Original Release Date: 11/18/03

Rating: 8/8

GAME REVIEWS

Z^{ZZZZZ} - You'll probably play it through class, come morning.

ZZ^{ZZZZ} - Great game. Make sure you have coffee for the day.

ZZZ^{ZZZ} - It's pretty good, but you won't lose much sleep.

ZZZZ^Z - An average game. Don't bother with it during finals week.

ZZZZ - Not that great. Those with particular taste may find something here.

ZZZ^Z - Overall, disappointing, but with redeeming qualities.

ZZ - Bad. This has been brought to your attention to save you sleep.

Z^Z - The hour is actually lost from nightmares about the game.

SOUNDS

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of how The Sounds add overdriven guitars and raucous hooks onto a new wave foundation to make simple, fun songs. Other highlights on the album include "Tony the Beat," "Queen of Apology" and "Painted by Numbers."

Ivarsson is definitely The Sounds biggest advantage. With a sound that could easily get lost in the shadow of bands

that topped charts 20 years ago, Ivarsson's edgy voice is what makes the band. She has a charismatic delivery and she makes us believe what she's singing, even if it is horrible lyrics like, "Fragile, handle with care/You fall in love then you lose you hair." Not poetry, I know, but Maja sings it like it is.

In the middle of the album, all the synthesizers are silenced in favor of a piano accompanying Ivarsson in a ballad-like song. As much as I like her, this song felt out of place and awkward to me. One minute I was literally bouncing in my chair, and the next I wanted to turn off the CD. Thankfully, The



The Sounds are promoting their new album "Dying to say this to You" with several shows, including on at Miami's own Culture Room on April 6. Photo courtesy GoMoxie

Sounds don't make many mistakes and this one is an easy one to skip over.

Dying to Say This to You is not for everyone, namely those who had a bad experience with the 80's. For everyone else, there is something about this album that screams to be played over and over again. It's the album you play with the car windows down and your (possibly rickety) system shaking. It's the album you play while you're getting dressed on a Saturday night or when you want to dance around your house in your underwear. If you haven't already, I suggest you check this band out for yourself.

Rating: \$14.50

The Sounds

Artist Website: www.the-sounds.com

Record Label: New Line Records

Street Date: March 21, 2006

1. Song With a Mission
2. Queen of Apology
3. Tony the Beat
4. 24 Hours
5. Painted by Numbers
6. Night after Night
7. Ego
8. Hurt You
9. Much Too Long
10. Running Out of Turbo
11. Hidden Track

CD REVIEWS

\$16 – Snatch this release up as soon as possible.

\$12 – Wait until the buzz dies down and then buy it.

\$8 – Hey, it'll be on sale eventually...

\$4 – Buy a few of the better songs from iTunes.

\$0 – Skip this one. It would just take up room in your already cluttered collection.

Showbiz Bits

By Marines Alvarez
A&E Editor

I'm Too Sexy for My Clothes

Scarlett Johansson, the pale actress of *Lost in Translation* fame, was named the world's sexiest woman in a recent FHM poll. Johansson, who topped Angelina Jolie and Jessica Simpson for the honor, released a statement saying, "One of the best things for a woman to hear is that she is sexy. I'd like to thank FHM's readers for the huge compliment." Yeah, she would like to thank the readers but if she wanted to be honest and fair here is who she should be very grateful to: Isaac Mizrahi for grabbing her breast at the Golden Globes, that red number she was wearing at the Golden Globes that gave said breasts such a prominent stance, Vanity Fair for featuring her pale rear end on their cover, and, of course, her acting skills, great personality, stunning intellect and sweet disposition. Just kidding about that last part because... well, who cares about that stuff?

You Killed My "Friends"

"Friends" alum Lisa Kudrow has confirmed that plans for a reunion special were halted when a male cast member refused to participate. Could it be Joey, with his obviously bright and shinny career (is his show still on?) Could it be Chandler, who is currently enjoying dating Piper "Way Out of His League" Perabo? Or maybe it's Ross, who was played by that guy... what's his name again? I can't understand why any of these guys would refuse the million dollar paycheck to play the characters they played for, like, 10 years. It's a *million dollar paycheck*. On the other hand, is a reunion really necessary? Didn't this show end... yesterday? Actually, I think they are showing an episode right now. Go check. It doesn't even matter when you read this. You'll find it.

How Do You Say "Ow" in Silent?

MSNBC reports that Katie Holmes will be following Scientology's silent birth policy, wherein the mother cannot express any pain during childbirth, no one can talk, there can't be any mood music, and no one speaks to the kid for a week after he is born. Katie, Katie, Katie. Remember that character you played on "Dawson's Creek" who would never shut up? I'm just saying that maybe this whole silent birth deal is some kind of penance for all her yapping. Giant posters reading, "Be silent and make all movements slow and understandable," are being plastered around the Cruises/Holmes mansion, suggesting the big day is on its way. Do you think knocking out the guy waving the poster while this girl is undergoing one of the most painful experiences of her life is understandable? How about if she does it real slow?

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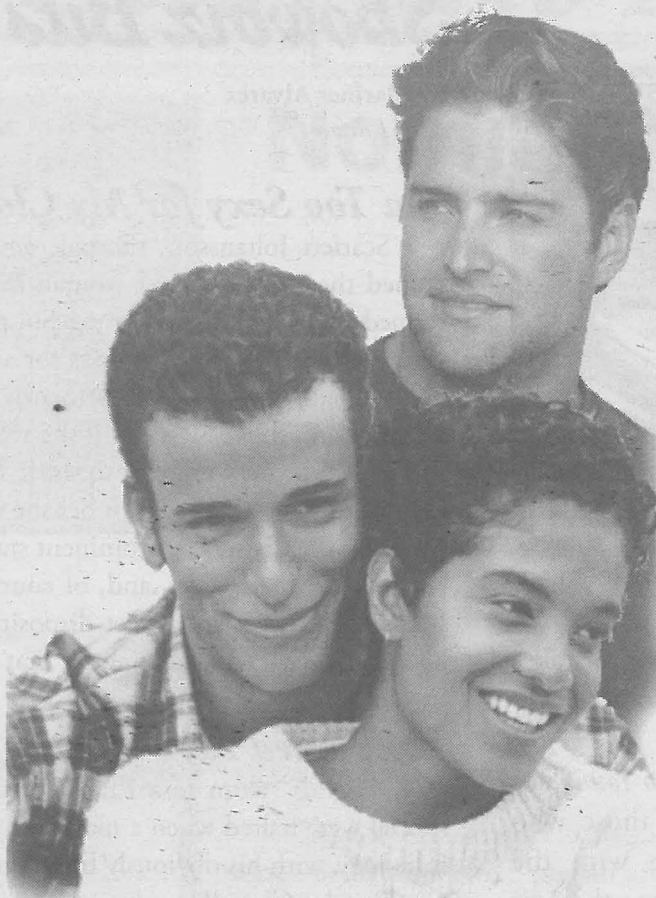
Sorry. Can't finish. I think I just threw up a little in my mouth. That's what happens when Teri Hatcher is photographed kissing Ryan Seacrest. The pictures, featured in "US Weekly," show Hatcher and Seacrest getting friendly on a beach. Yeah. I know. And if you can get over the shock that Seacrest isn't gay, then it takes you a while to understand what the heck Teri is wearing. And wasn't Teri being linked with perpetual but aging cutie George Clooney? How do you go from Clooney to Seacrest? On the other hand, if any of you have ever seen Teri on high definition TV, you're probably wondering how any man can stand the sight of her. Excuse me while I try and scrub my brain in an attempt to free it from the filth that I have encountered.

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Alisha VanHoose
Editor-in-Chief

Dear NSU Community,

I sat in the Knight Auditorium with tears pricking at my eyes as I listened to Marie Josee Murekatete and Amiable Munya tell their stories of survival in Rwanda.

Those who were unable to attend the Colloquium truly missed out on an eye-opening experience, where the topic of genocide, particularly that which happened in Rwanda in 1994, was explored by those who were closest to it.

Careen Hutchinson, who initiated development of the event, said afterward how happy the survivors who shared their stories were to see that someone cared about what happened, adding that she "didn't know it would mean so much to them."

The fact that people do care about these kinds of atrocities and the people they happen to should not be a surprise to those who endure them. We, and many other countries across the globe, often show indifference or a reluctance to involve ourselves while the problem is in its early stages, and even at its peak. Only after much of it is over do those who are yet uninvolved often show interest in things they have previously been aware of.

The world reacted to the Rwandan genocides largely by doing nothing; we continue this trend even now, with the killings happening in Darfur, Sudan. While each of us, personally, are certainly not in a position to put together a strike force and stop it ourselves, there are other things we can do to at least get the point across if we want something to happen.

Gary Gershman's students are (or were, when this was written, and may still be) collecting signatures to send to President Bush requesting that something be done about what's happening. I would encourage anyone who is even remotely interested to sign one of these petitions. If a student with a petition isn't immediately available, you could always write a letter, or if you're so inclined, even start your own.

As Margaret Mead said (and several people I know are fond of including in their email signatures), "Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has."

You know what? We're a small group of (hopefully) thoughtful citizens. Anyone up for changing the world?

Sincerely,

Alisha VanHoose

Reflecting on Good and Evil

By Beth Bailey, JD Ph.D.
Contributing Writer

As this semester begins to wind down, I have started to reflect on my first year teaching criminal justice in the Farquhar College of Arts and Sciences, Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences at NSU. Upon my arrival here, I was thrilled to find that the theme for this school year is "Good and Evil." The field of criminal justice has historically been, and currently is, one of the most prominent areas for a discussion about the concepts of good and evil. Although law defines neither concept, both are inherent parts of the system. Both are evident in the behavior and actions of the many players involved and bystanders watching the human drama of illegal behavior play out. Historically, crime has been blamed on such beliefs as demonic possession, genetic reversal

to a more primitive and brutish state and many other theories that have come and gone as research and science forge into the future.

Good and evil are concepts, ideals, and beliefs that are bandied about in conversations about law enforcement and criminals. The public is inundated with bloody images of violence and illegality on the nightly news and, although crime rates are actually dropping, public fear of crime and criminals is at an all-time high in America. Further, the old-time image of the helpful trustworthy law enforcer is increasingly being questioned as scandal after scandal rocks police departments nationwide. The definitions of good and evil become more elusive as time changes acceptable forms of behavior in society. The media often brands the accused as evil, a public verdict without a trial. The

highly publicized criminal defendant, such as O.J. Simpson, Robert Blake, or Michael Jackson, is left to live with the consequences of media branding and public scorn, although they were found not guilty in a criminal trial. In many ways, *perception effectively becomes reality*.

I have been delightfully surprised by the large number of speakers and events planned on the NSU campus to highlight the philosophical and common-sense differences between good and evil. Many of these programs have emphasized the "GOOD," and I believe we as a nation should do that more often. Therefore, I ask you, the reader, to email me and tell me the "Good" that you have in your life and that you have experienced here at NSU. Please email me at maldine@nova.edu.

In T.V. Land

I'll Take Game Shows for Three Hundred

By Marines Alvarez
A&E Editor

My co-workers (the lovely people who bring you this newspaper) are currently discussing war and UNICCO workers and all sorts of smart things. I? Get to write about TV. Sometimes I feel bad about this, but I think therein lies the fun of TV. It's an escape from all the crap we have to put up with in real life. One of the best escapes ever? Game shows. There is something about becoming an instant millionaire (or thousandaire...) that resonates with everyone who has a pocket.

I think my consideration of game shows began when I (accidentally) caught "The Price is Right" a few weeks ago and was fueled by NSU's own Hollywood Squares game, sponsored by Student Activities and Leadership Development. The truth is, people have always been willing to play silly games to win money. Granted, there is a big difference between 1973's "Match Game" and the gory phenomenon known as "Fear Factor." It seems that nowadays, game shows have morphed into this new genre of competitive reality, making them endangered species.

That being said, they just don't make them like they used to. Then you had "Family Feud," and now you have "The Amazing Race." Before, a drunken Richard Dawson kissing up on the whole family (even old ladies) entertained us. Now said family has to run across the world on one foot in order to

elicit interest.

Now there is "Blind Date," and then there was "The Dating Game." Just watching "Blind Date" might give you herpes and any other number of STDs (it's that dirty). Sure the people on "The Dating Game" were sort of old and sort of ugly, but it was fun. Then you picked one girl from three, and now you date 12 women at once (I'm looking at you, "The Bachelor"). How about the "Newlywed Game?" I found it incredibly funny anytime the host referred to sex as "whoopee." I think we need to go back to a time when everyone regularly uses the word "whoopee."

I can't mention game shows without mentioning the Nickelodeon monopoly on the genre in the early 90's. "Legend of the Hidden Temple" anyone? The kids had to run through this gigantic maze and scary people would jump out at them and steal the keys they kept around their necks. I clearly remember thinking, "hey idiot, just kick the next guy that jumps out at you and book it." Okay, how about "Wild and Crazy Kids?" This was about the most bootleg show ever, and this was before I knew what bootleg was. They filmed this outside in a backyard somewhere with one hand held camera and a whole mess of kids. But I'll tell you what; I *always* wanted to be invited to that party. "Double Dare," "What Would You Do," and "Guts?" I'm telling you that they don't make them this way anymore.

One last example: "Deal or no

Deal." This show makes me mad. I don't really know what the premise is and I've never really watched more than four minutes of it, but I know that it annoys me. What's the point of all those people screaming "no deal, no deal, no deal?" It's like "The Price is Right" audience on speed. Take notes from granddaddy game shows like "Wheel of Fortune." I'll spin that giant wheel any day before I have my family scream at me on national television.

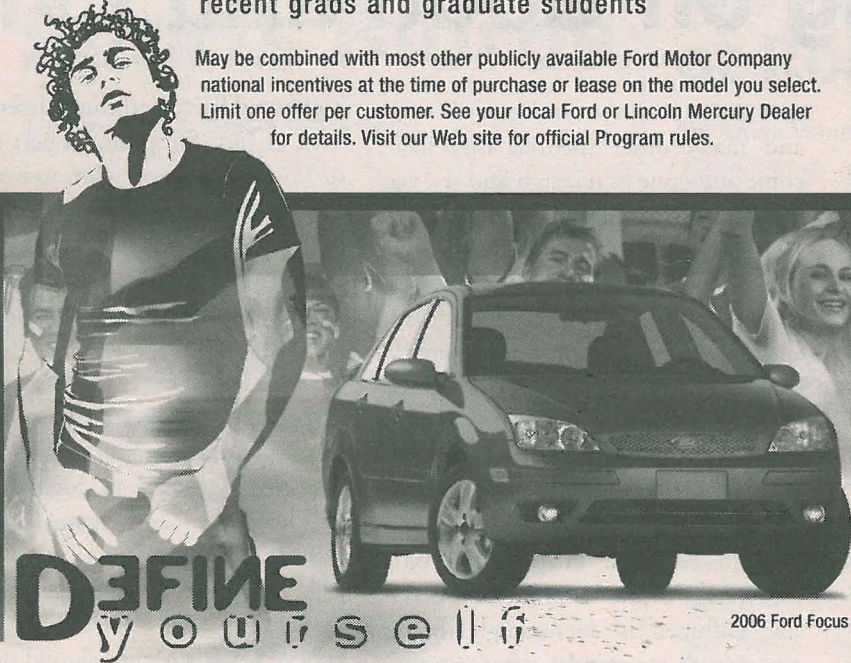
As for me, sign me up for "The Price is Right" and tell that announcer guy to say I get a new car if I only guess the price of hemorrhoid cream. Also, you'd have to pay me a hell of a lot more than ten thousand dollars, "Fear Factor," for me to eat any part of an animal that isn't on a McDonalds menu. Oh, and FOX, watching people sit and around and unanimously vote for who will get a million dollars... not fun.

It has to be said, in closing, that as I wrote this column everyone stopped talking about nuclear bombs and started talking about game shows, mostly remembering the games of yonder year. They should just spell TV, D-I-S-T-R-A-C-T-I-O-N. Which happens to be the name of a horrible game show on Comedy Central, but I'm done now. I promise.

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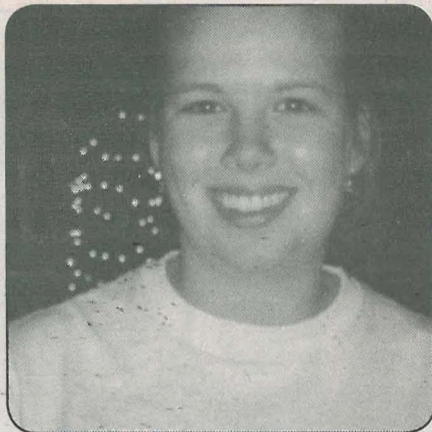
NSU On The Scene:

"What do you think about NSU's UNICCO workers asking for a raise and benefits or possibly going on strike?"



Dave Larey
Psychology
Graduate school
Moncton Canada

"Give them a raise"



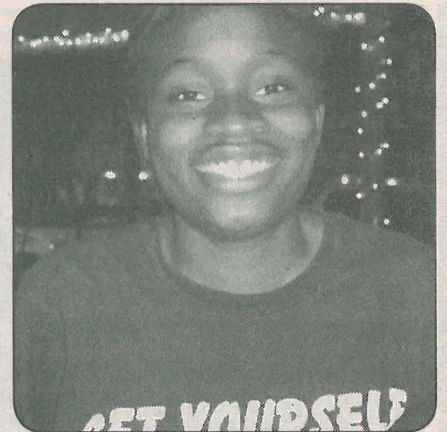
Breana Guerard
Freshman
Nursing
Apopka, FL

"I see them around campus a lot working really hard. They do a great job. I do think they deserve a raise. I make more money than they do and they work a lot harder than I do."



Kyle Linsey
Senior
Biology
Tampa, FL

"When I came to Nova, the streets were dangerous, but because of the UNICCO workers, I now feel safe on campus. Thanks UNICCO"



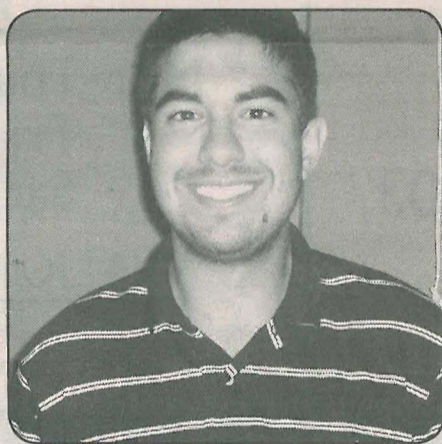
Hayley Pierre
Legal Studies
Junior
West Palm Beach, FL

"If going on strike will result on a pay increase, then I support their cause."



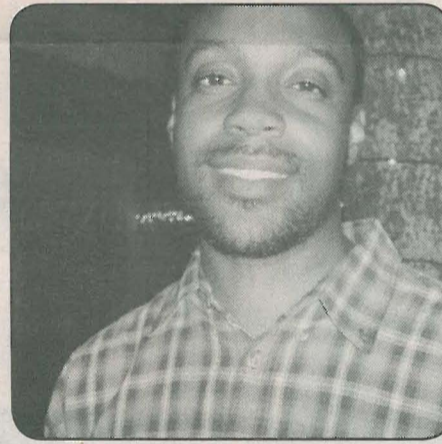
Tajhira Omphroy
Junior
History/legal studies
Weston, FL

"I work at a coffee shop part time where the employees start at \$6.75 and have full benefits. Their job is much harder than mine, so they should be adequately compensated."



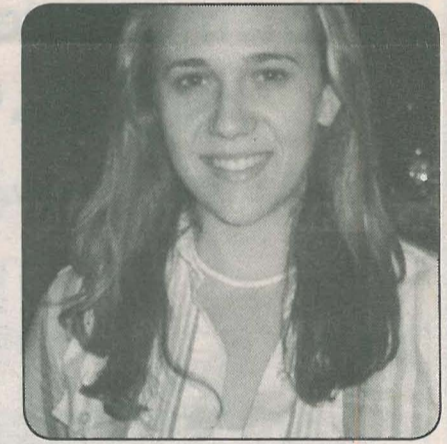
Neil Mayer
Biology
Senior
Jacksonville Florida

"I think that the UNICCO workers work hard and that they should be compensated fairly for the services they provide Nova's students."



Shawn Jackson
Masters of Business
Administration
2nd year
Atlanta, GA

"I don't know too much about the situation, however if they have taken the proper steps (going to the appropriate chief of command), then they should take the necessary steps to make their voices heard."



Cherie Paul
Junior
Elementary Education
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"They certainly have reasons to go on strike. No one wants to be over worked and underpaid."

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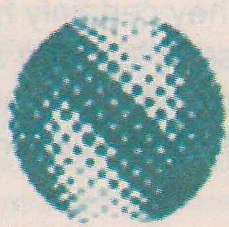
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