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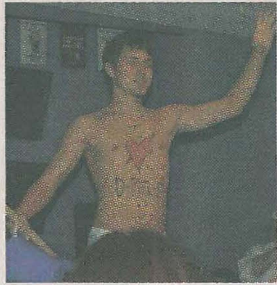
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NSU to Launch 1:1 Second Gallup Poll in October

Kristine Belizaire
Current Affairs Editor

*Opinions
that Count!*
**NSU is
YOU**

From Oct. 6-20, NSU will conduct the "NSU is You!" Survey, a poll designed to gather feedback on ways to improve the university.

"NSU is You!" allows all members of the NSU community to give their views on the university. All NSU patrons will be sent a message in October inviting them to participate in the poll. All responses to the questionnaire are anonymous.

The poll poses questions that range from campus safety, to student/faculty relations. The results are analyzed by NSU leaders, faculty and staff. Plans of action are then implemented to improve the overall quality of NSU.

An executive summary of the poll results will be available in February 2009. "The "NSU is You" poll is made to represent the opinions of all of NSU's constituents about the university," said Barbara Packer-Muti, Ed.D., Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) assessment director and Gallup Institute for Campus Engagement (GICE) liaison. "It is an opportunity to express your thoughts

and feelings about NSU in a variety of categories, not only academics."

The poll was initiated at NSU in October 2007 in partnership with the Gallup Institute for Campus Engagement. Last year, the completion rate for the Gallup poll was 80 percent for employees, 21 percent for students, and 7 percent for alumni. According to Packer-Muti, the university is very anxious to improve these numbers.

Incentives have been set in place for participants of the poll. Any university department with an employee participation rate of 80 percent or higher will be given a pizza party, courtesy of NSU. Students and alumni who partake in the survey have the opportunity to win prizes that include gas cards and airline tickets.

For more information, please contact the Gallup Client Support Desk at surveyhelp@gallup.com or 1-800-788-9987.

Parking Pileup

Tiffany Simoncini
Freelance Writer

High up on the list of NSU's campus complaints for 2008 lies the issue of parking on campus. As enrollment rises at Nova Southeastern University and the amount of campus residents drastically increases, students are urging that something be done to accommodate the rise in the number of cars brought with incoming students. This poses inconvenience as well as security problems.

According to undergraduate students, the major problem areas are the residence halls.

"Last year we had to park in the Mailman parking lot all the way across campus, and now this year the freshman are the only ones allowed to park there. They can even park in the Goodwin. This leaves us no options for parking and I usually have to park illegally and get a ticket," said Commons resident sophomore Sara Haas. "Nova needs to do something about this immediately."

Some students park in faculty lots overnight or even resort to parking in the Alvin Sherman Library public parking lot. This is wholly unnecessary and potentially costly to a student who accidentally oversleeps and wakes up to a costly

parking ticket.

"It's not fair; we need more spaces!" said sophomore psychology major Katherine Nadal. "I have already gotten two parking tickets this year. I feel like it's inevitable."

NSU students must realize that parking



on any college campus is an issue. As colleges expand their student body and begin to run short on space, parking availability is usually one of the first things to be sacrificed.

Parking is always a valid complaint. On the other hand, students must realize

that action is being taken to accommodate our complaints. The university has a long term plan for parking on campus. In the future, NSU plans to add a parking garage, and even has a master plan for a light rail system.

"I think campus arguably has a spot for everyone," says Dave Dawson, Executive Director of University Relations.

"Expectation?" seems to be a key word to describe the overall complaints of students. Although there may be an adequate number of spots, the inconvenience is what brings about discussion. As NSU is evidently growing, we as students may possibly have to sacrifice convenience until effective steps have been taken to improve the quality of parking.

In order to ease some parking stress, you may want to consider these suggestions. For off-campus students, try to arrive approximately 20 minutes earlier to avoid being late for class. For on-campus residents, remain parked throughout busy hours on campus and consider using the NSU Shuttle Service, which operates Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. until 10:30 p.m., to get from class to class.

Marriage Amendment

Alexis Irias
Staff Writer

Nov. 4, 2008, will be the day when Amendment 2, also known as the Florida Marriage Protection Amendment, will be determined. This amendment states that "In as much as a marriage is the legal union of only one man and one woman as husband and wife, no other legal union that is treated as marriage or the substantial equivalent thereof shall be valid or recognized."

If passed, the amendment will ban all recognition and benefits for unmarried couples, straight and gay. Civil unions and domestic partnership will lose existing protections and family benefits, which millions of Floridians rely on today.

Florida's large senior population would also be greatly impacted if this amendment is approved. Many of them form domestic partnerships instead of remarrying after they are widowed in order not to risk losing essential benefits.

Currently, Florida Law defines "marriage" as the legal union between one man and one woman and provides that the term "spouse" applies only to a member of such a union. Due to the fact that they are already denied the right to marry by law, same-sex couples will as well be impacted.

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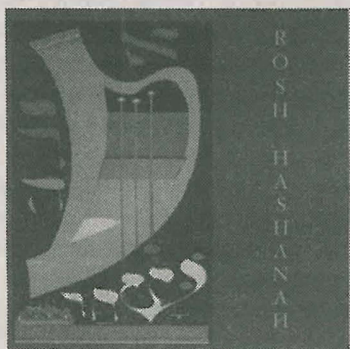
Monday
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Career Fair Prep Workshop

NSU students are invited to come learn the necessary skills to be successful at a Career Fair. This event is hosted by the Office of Career Development and will take place at 12 p.m. on the 4th floor of the Alvin Sherman Library. For more information contact, Carleen Pallante at pallante@nova.edu.

Tuesday
Sept. 30

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Wednesday
Oct. 1

Rotaract Documentary Screening

Come mingle with your fellow students as they view the documentary titled "Invisible Children." This documentary sheds light about obstacles that the children in Northern Uganda face on a daily basis. The screening will take place at 12 p.m. at The Flight Deck. The screening will also be shown Oct. 2-3. For more information, contact Philipp Kromer at kphilipp@nova.edu.

Thursday
Oct. 2

Career Fair Prep Workshop

NSU students are invited to come learn the necessary skills to be successful at a Career Fair. This event is hosted by the Office of Career Development and will take place at 4 p.m. on the 4th floor of the Alvin Sherman Library. For more information, contact Carleen Pallante at pallante@nova.edu.

Distinguished Speaker Series

Members of the NSU community are invited to hear research scientist Ralph Merkle Ph.D. discuss "Life, Death, and Cryo i.s." This event is centered on the college's 2008-2009 academic theme "Life and Death" and is hosted by the NSU-Division of Math, Science, and Technology. The event will take place at 7 p.m. at the "Mini-ad Performing Arts Center. For tickets and all other information, contact the Office of Public Affairs at atj>ubaffs@nova.edu.

Make Your Vote Count

Do you want to register to vote? Then stop by the University Center to get registered! For more information, contact tc568_@nova.edu.



Friday
Oct. 3

"Say It Somehow"

Join NSU Theatre for an evening filled with music, theatre and dance performances by NSU performers. The show will take place at 7:30 p.m. in the Performing and Visual Arts Wing of the University Center. For more information, contact NSU Theatre at nsutheatre@nova.edu or 954-262-8179.

NSU Ethics Bowl

Come out and cheer for your favorite team as they compete in a debate about current ethical issues. The event will take place at 5 p.m. For more information, contact Mark De Mello at demello@nova.edu.

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Mr. Fintastic

Tiffany Simoncini
Freelance Writer

NSU's 2008 Mr. Fintastic competition, held at The Flight Deck on Sept. 26, 2008, was organized by the ladies of the Delta Phi Epsilon sorority. The overall goal of this event was to promote awareness and raise monetary donations for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

Mr. Fintastic is an annual event in which male contestants' parade on stage, giving it their all, in hopes of being crowned champion. The contestants go through a number of "costume changes" during the event, demonstrating casual wear, sleep wear, and swim wear. Lastly, there is a talent portion followed by the contestants lining up in formal wear.

As this is a charity event, the winner is determined based on the total donations that person receives. After adding up the total donations for each person, that money then justifies the winner of the event as well as adds to the amount of money being donated to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

The event was hailed as a big success, yet again. The night was filled with fun, excitement and enthusiasm.

"It seems much bigger this year. A lot of people showed up, which is always great. Maybe next year, they can hold it at an even bigger place because I can see the crowd increasing year by year," said sophomore psychology major, Katherine Nadal. "School spirit, fun, plus all the free pizza you can handle; what's not to love?"

remarked junior business major, Steve Ross, when asked if he would attend next year's contest.

There's no doubt that the free food was a big hit, but hands down, the people's favorite part of the night had to be those whacky outfits. To most students there, the most dramatic entrance of the night should have gone to Rob Vogel, who cruised into the competition on his bright red scooter and strutted through the crowd with his black, open leather jacket and hip shades. "I like to have fun and be creative, while still keeping the overall goal of the event in place. I think my outfit choice was awesome!" said Vogel, when asked about his unusual attire throughout the evening.

Last year's crowd raised over \$900, a number which has been left in the dust by this year's earnings. Due to the hard work and dedication put forth by the Delta Phi Epsilon sorority, approximately \$1,300 will be heading towards the Cystic Fibrosis foundation from donations alone.

As for a student who is highly active on campus and tries to attend every event possible, "I must add that this year's Mr. Fintastic has had one of the best student body turnouts of all events held on campus thus far. Keep up the good work Delta Phi Epsilon!"



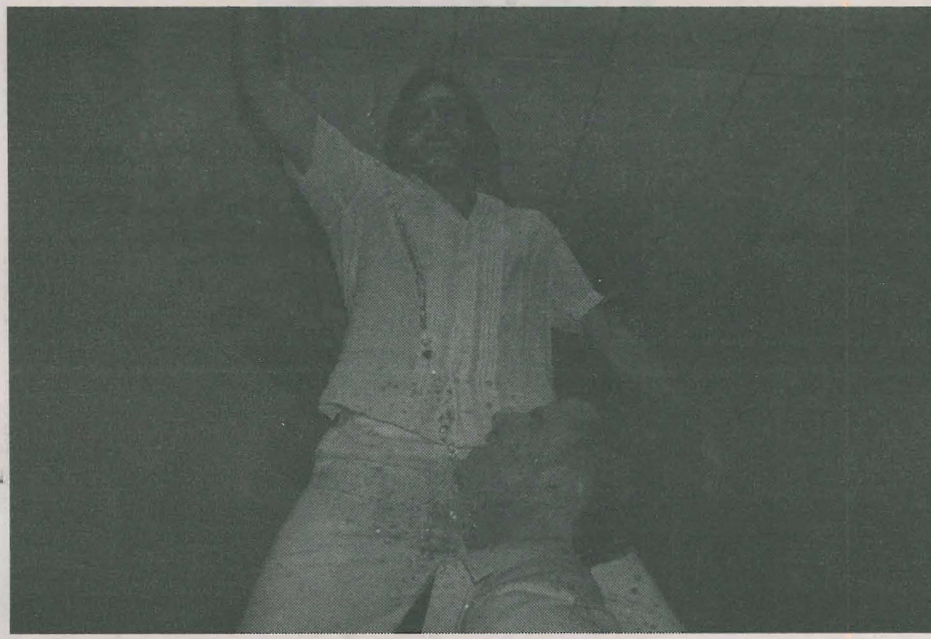
Without the girls of Delta Phi Epsilon, this event would not have been the success that it was.



Mr. Fintastic 2008 - Jim Sinkevich - showed his support for the girls of Delta Phi Epsilon!



The candidates for Mr. Fintastic 2009 in their formal wear for the evening.



Junior, Kosta Lagos and Mr. Fintastic candidate, Roberto Vogel got the crowd a little wet with their performance.



Pedro DaSilva with his samba routine.



The crowd greatly supported all of the candidates, of course with the help of these lovely girls on stage.

Women's Soccer

Tim Coenraad

Staff Writer

The NSU women's soccer team (4-0-3; 0-0-2 SSC) took on the Barry Buccaneers at the NSU soccer complex on Sept. 24 in their second conference match-up of the season.

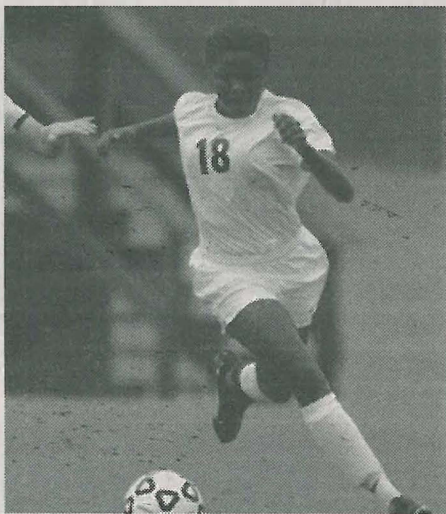
After battling to a 0-0 half time score line, in the 69th minute, two-time All-American and senior Stephanie Quinones (8) set up sophomore Alexis Hernandez (13) who wasted no time in rattling the back of the net for the first goal of the night.

Barry's offensive searched for the tying goal to keep their hopes alive and in the 86th minute Buccaneer Emily Bourgoine eluded the NSU defense and locked the match at 1-1.

As the two teams hunted for the winning goal, it would be the goalkeepers who would steal the spotlight denying both offenses on several occasions.

NSU's keeper junior Megan Kim (I) held strong through double overtime, producing

four saves in the first period of overtime as both teams could not capitalize on their opportunities settling for the 1-1 draw.



Senior, Shurell Bufton (Courtesy of Sports Information)

Hall of Fame 2008

Tim Coenraad

Staff Writer

NSU honored its second Athletics Hall of Fame Class, the Class of 2008, in a charming and prestigious invitation-only gala ceremony held in the University Center on Thursday, Sept. 25.

The following student-athletes and former head coach were the honored inductee guests for the evening: NSU student-athletes Claude Love (Baseball), Sherard Hernandez (Men's Basketball), and Sherri Waddell (Softball and Volleyball) along with NSU head soccer coach Thomas Rongen. Each new member received a Hall of Fame Jacket, classy ring along with a plaque.



Master of Ceremonies, NBC 6 News Anchor Tony Segreto, attracted over 200 guests for the evening which began with a social cocktail hour in the club room followed by a formal dinner.

NSU Athletics was represented by former "STUEY" recipient, senior rower Megankate McDonald, as she gave the invocation (nondenominational blessing) just before dinner.

"It was a really special evening for the four alumni being inducted," said McDonald, "I was glad to share it with everyone."

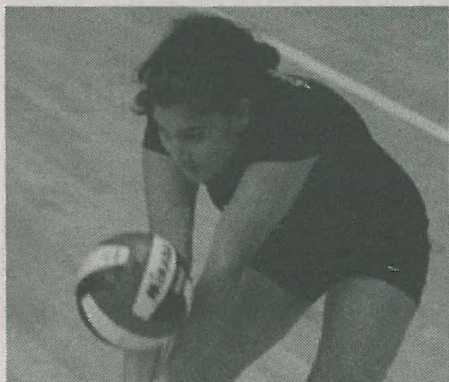
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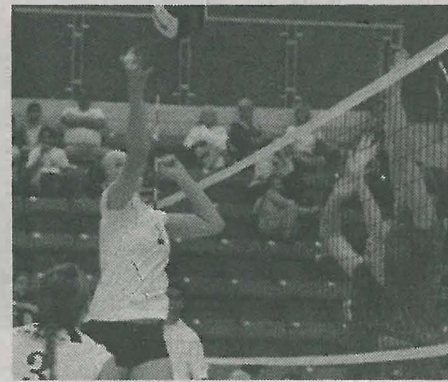
Sports Editor

Sharks Volleyball (10-4; 0-1 SSC) hit the road on Sept. 26 to take on the University of Tampa for their first Sunshine State Conference match up. However, the Sharks were unable to come away with a win, falling to the Spartans 3-0.

The Sharks never broke the 20-point mark as the No. 6 nationally ranked Spartans took control early in the match and maintained it for the sweep, 18-25, 17-25 and 18-25.



Sophomore, Kat Yony (Courtesy of Sports Information)

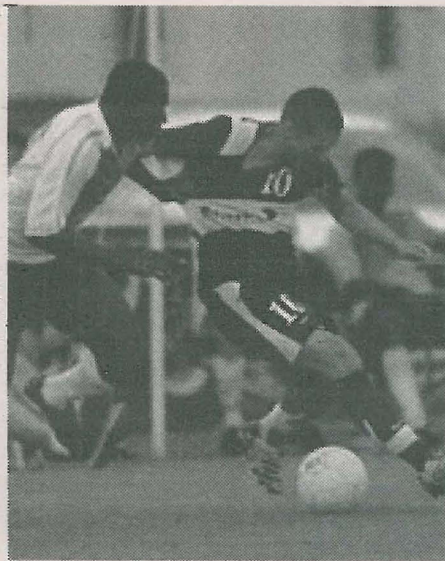


Senior, Emily Carle (Courtesy of Sports Information)

Men's Soccer

Tim Coenraad

Staff Writer



Junior, Romain Onteniente (Courtesy of Sports Information)

NSU found themselves down 2-0 while facing West Florida's Argonauts; however, the Sharks were relentless as leading scorer sophomore David Wahlberg (11) found the back of the net, giving NSU an extra shot of life. The Argonauts retaliated, scoring twice more to defeat the Sharks 4-1.

In game two for the week, the Sharks faced a fast paced match up which saw a total of 49 combined shots on goal. The Sharks dropped their first-conference match of the season to the No. 12 nationally ranked Tampa Spartans.

Tampa struck first in the 8th minute when Lister Warren avoided the NSU defense putting the Spartans up 1-0. However, the reigning SSC Player of the Year junior Romain Onteniente (10) locked the score up at 1-1 as he sliced his way through the Tampa defense to score an unassisted goal.

With both teams scrambling to score the game winning goal it would be the Spartans whose prayers would be answered in the 80th minute when Greg Sasser found the back of the NSU net, giving the game its final score of 2-1.

It's been a tough week for the NSU men's soccer team (5-3-1; 0-1-0 SSC) as the Sharks dropped games to both West Florida on Sept. 21 and the University of Tampa in the Sharks first conference game of the year on Sept. 24.



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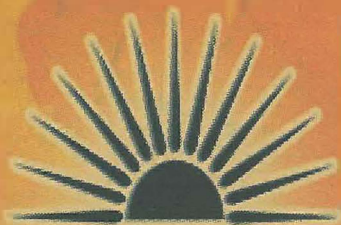
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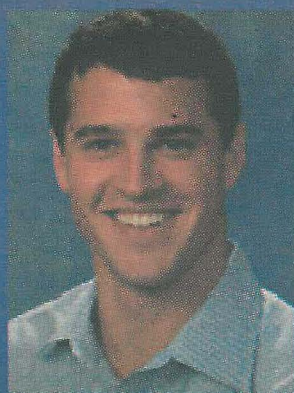
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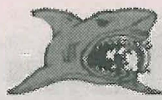


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Not Your Typical Murder-Mystery

Stefani Rubino
Opinions Editor

There is no doubt the French have mastered the art of creative filmmaking. There seems to be something missing from American filmmakers, when compared to the way French films are written and created, especially when it comes to thrillers. When it comes to thrillers these days, the American cinema is a "bumbling idiot". So it becomes increasingly easier to look abroad for a fix of seriously engaging films.

"Tell No One" is based on a Harlan Coben novel of the same name and tells the story of Alexandre Beck (Francois Cluzet), a pediatrician with intense psychological damage from the murder of his wife eight years ago. Margot (Marie-Josée Croze) is believed to have been killed by a serial-killer who confesses to eight murders but insists that he has nothing to do with Margot's death. When two new bodies are discovered where the authorities believed Margot was murdered, the case is reopened and Alexandre is dragged back into the nightmare once again. Out of nowhere, Alexandre gets an anonymous e-mail linking him to a video surveillance site, id telling him what time to watch. On the video he sees his wife Margot in real-time, but is instructed to tell no one about what he has seen.

Cluzet ("Rivals" and "Paris") is astonishing as Alexandre. He plays the perfect hero: lovelorn and brave, with an extremely powerful presence on screen. Cluzet presents us with acting at its best. He makes everything seem as if it is truly happening, as if the fact that we're watching a film in a theater is really some illusion set up to make us believe that these things are not happening to him. Not only that, but in the few scenes there are between Alexandre and Margot, it is unmistakable that he is

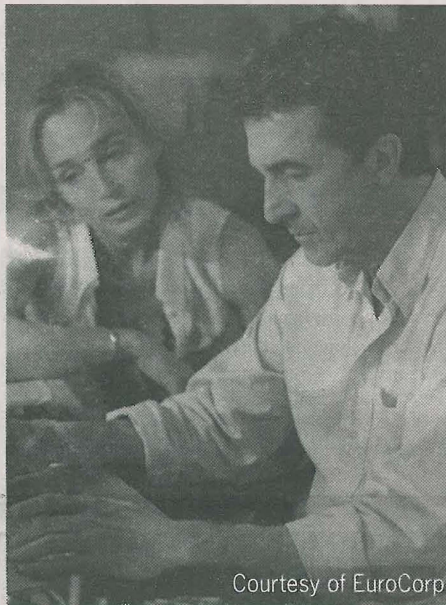
absolutely in love with her.

On top of all of that, Maria-Josée Croze's ("The Diving Bell and the Butterfly"

and "Love Me No More") small amount of screen time makes you feel as if she is there when she is not. Obviously aided by Cluzet's acting, throughout the entire movie you can feel Margot's presence in almost every scene, even the one that Cluzet is not in.

Kristin Scott Thomas ("The Golden Compass", "The Other Boleyn Girl") is also incredible as Alexandre's only real friend, Helene. As she helps him through the rut he is stuck in, Thomas glides through each tough scene with ease and confidence.

"Tell No One" is one of the best thrillers I have seen in a long time. It is engaging and interesting, which is hard to accomplish with this sort of story. "Tell No One" is filled with twists and turns that will keep you at the edge of your seat for the entire film.



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"Trials and—Crosses"

Racquel Fagon
Variety Editor

After our chunky chocolate cake, Fabian and I said our goodbyes. We exchanged numbers and he said he would call me on Monday night, so we could make another date.

"Maybe a movie next time," he said before he opened my car door for me to get behind the wheel.

On my drive home, I reminisced on the awesome night I had with Fabian. He was funny, charming, conversational, not to mention gorgeous; a really great guy. His uncanny resemblance to Suzie still bugged me, but it could be one of those strange look-a-likes. The fact was I didn't care. He was starting to look like that thing I always wanted, the satisfaction I was yearning for. He was a winner.

When I arrived home, for some reason, my instincts led me to Suzie's bedroom. I quietly opened the door and was immediately slammed with an unidentifiable fear. Suzie's bedroom was in complete darkness. Her "Dora the Explorer" nightlight was off, but I could still make out the outline of her bed.

"Suzie? Are you sleeping sweetheart?" I asked, somehow knowing I wouldn't get an answer. As I inched closer and closer to the bed, my heart pounded in my ears: the rumpled "Dora the Explorer" comforter and sheets, one pillow on the floor, the other missing. I was about to lose my mind.

"Suzie!" I shouted.

I scrambled from Suzie's bedroom, yelling out her name as I went from room to room. I didn't even bother to look in my mother's bedroom because I knew that

would be the last place Suzie would be. Or would it?

I got to my bedroom and shoved the door open. I was startled by a sleepy voice asking "Tina come back?" Suzie was on the floor, beside my bed, curled up with her pillow.

"Pumpkin, what are you doing here?"

I asked as I swooped down to take her in my arms.

"Monster in the dark Tina." She whispered and began to sob.

"I'm sorry pumpkin. You were afraid?"

"Umhmm."

"Oh pumpkin, I'm sorry I left you alone. I should have taken you to Auntie Pam's house."

"Mommy said to sleep but monster."

"Well, I'm here now, so no monster can hurt you. Okay?"

She nodded her head.

I made her sleep with me that night because she wouldn't sleep anywhere else and I wanted her near to me. Suzie was like my daughter, my responsibility. Whatever plans I made or intentions I had, she had to be a part of them. I wondered what Fabian would think of my Suzie? Of course he would think she was cute, but would he care about her, pay special attention to her?

"What's wrong with me? I'm thinking about this guy as if he's mine, body and soul." I tried to get a hold of myself. But instead of closing my eyes and going to sleep, I laid there, wide awake with Suzie tucked under my arm and thought about a new, wonderful life with Fabian and Suzie.

A Ghost Story with a Twist

Stefani Rubino
Opinions Editor

The American interest in the paranormal and otherworldly has never ceased to help create story ideas for filmmakers all around the world. In fact, "ghost stories" have become so popular in this country that every other horror film involves some sort of paranormal activity. Finally though, the comedians have taken the reigns and produced a paranormal romantic comedy that will have you laughing until the very end.

In "Ghost Town," Bertram Pincus (Ricky Gervais), a busy dentist and man with little people skills, dies all of a sudden and is miraculously revived after being gone for seven minutes. When he wakes up from the dead, he discovers he has a new ability—the annoying privilege of seeing ghosts. After a while, he actually begins paying attention to the visions, and learns that not only can he see ghosts but the ghosts actually expect him to do things for them. Frank Herlihy (Greg Kinnear), in particular, has an extreme request for Pincus—to break up the coming marriage of his widow Gwen (Tea Leoni). Not realizing exactly what he is doing, Pincus takes up the task and finds himself in the middle of a bizarre love triangle.

Although it is completely unexpected, Ricky Gervais (from the British TV series "The Office" and "Extras") is perfectly cast as Pincus. Gervais is one of those actors who does not know how to turn the "funny" off and because this film does have many flaws, Gervais' wit and sarcasm improves the film on a whole. In everything from his annoyance with Herlihy to his bumbling interactions with Gwen, Gervais brings that hilarious cynicism everybody loves him for.



Courtesy of Paramount Pictures

Like Gervais, Greg Kinnear ("Little Miss Sunshine" and "Baby Mama") knows how to deliver a line and "Ghost Town" is one of the prime examples of that. The chemistry between him and Gervais is incredible to watch, especially when they're bickering at each other. However, the best chemistry is seen when Gervais and Tea Leoni ("Spanglish" and "Fun with Dick and Jane") are on-screen together. Leoni is so charming as Gwen, that her adorable demeanor is hard to watch sometimes.

For the most part, this film is a big risk for everyone involved. It is dubbed a romantic comedy and it is, but not like the kind we're used to. "Ghost Town" redefines what a romantic comedy is and can be, if people only cared enough to make it that way. "Ghost Town" represents a step in the right direction for films of this genre and a new horizon for all comedies in general. Both actors and screenwriters alike have proven through "Ghost Town" that you can have all the comedy and romance without it ever being another Kate Hudson/Matthew McConaughey movie.

"EndLess"

Nancy-Danielle
Student Submission

We made beautiful works of words together.

Mixing in undertones,
in between phrases,
no one understands,
but us.

You caught me,

then added the last letter to my first word.

The curves of my L to your O to the V to my last E.

We made LOVE,

and it went beyond your S to my E because we didn't add the X.

We were beyond our time;

yet in the Now, to know how to create
what our bodies could not comprehend.

We connected in our spiritual sense.

Flowing through words,
across, subliminal planes,
mixing in colors,
only HEAVEN can see.,

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Answers to Previous Week's Word Find

ACROSS

I am a sophomore on the men's soccer team. You will see me on the field wearing the No. 5. I am a biology/pharmacy major. I love comedy.

I am a senior on the women's soccer team. You will see me on the field wearing the No.14. I transferred to NSU as a sophomore from-Division I Jacksonville State University.

UP/DOWN

I am a first year head coach of the men's and women's cross country and track teams here at NSU. I previously coached at University of Louisiana-Lafayette.

I am the assistant coach for the volleyball team. I played volleyball at the University of Tennessee and professionally upon my graduation in Austria and Puerto Rico.

UP/DOWN:

I am a member of the men's cross country team. I am from Argentina. When I grow up I want to be a surgeon.
Answer: Sophomore, Agustin Rey

I am a member of the women's cross country team. I am a biology major and one day want to become a dentist.
Answer: Freshman, Brooke Hurley

ACROSS:

I am a member of the men's soccer team. I am from France but was born in Hong Kong. I am a forward and you will see me on the field wearing No. 18.
Answer: Senior, Edouard Mason

I am a member of the women's soccer team. You will see me on the field wearing No. 18. I scored the first and only goal against Lynn University in our SSC game opener.
Answer: Senior, Shurell Burton

I am a member of the volleyball team. You will see me on the court wearing the No. 1. I am a defensive specialist and a sports management major, one day I hope to work for a professional sports team.
Answer: Junior, Alison Kalish

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FACEOFF

Who Should Pay for College Education?

Government

Stefani Rubino
Opinions Editor

Let's face it; even though the United States is dubbed as the land of opportunity, not everybody gets those same opportunities, especially when it comes to education. In fact, as you are reading this, it's possible you are sitting by someone who had to struggle two, three, or four times harder to be in the same spot you are. There are plenty of people all around the country who work hard in high school with hopes that one day they will make it to that big university somewhere far away; and then they hear the news that they did not get that scholarship and their parents cannot afford to pay.

If it is the goal of a democratic society to make sure that everyone within it has the same rights and benefits, then it should be the government's responsibility to pay for all education, higher education included. Not only that, but there should be increased spending on said education. Everyone should be given a chance to take advantage of everything this country has to offer.

Not only that, but if the government did pay for college education, all Americans would be assured that their future leaders, doctors, lawyers, artists, and professors would be getting the education they need to be truly great in their field. Instead of being concerned with how they are going to pay off their debt, they can be concerned with knowing the material they are learning in its entirety. People can be more dedicated to understanding the workings of their field of study without having the distractions of that dead-end, full-time job they are forced to work at just to live.

With the average cost of a college education soaring, it is likely that more and more people will not be able to attend even the least expensive technical schools. At the very least, students should be given a chance to get a bachelor's degree, since you cannot really do anything without it these days anyway. That way, graduates are almost guaranteed a way to provide for themselves and the American people are guaranteed that even the people changing our tires have been trained comprehensively on how to do so and may even be able to calculate how long that new tire will last according to our driving habits.

Students should be encouraged to pursue something that interests them after high school. Whether it's medicine, law, literature, history, behavioral sciences, or mechanics, the government should fund that education and make sure that the quality of education everyone is getting is up to par. At universities, they're not just training teachers, doctors, and they're training the future leaders and the future foundations of this country. So, it is extremely important that we view it as such and rethink our current system of education.

-Individuals

Racquel Fagon
Variety Editor

Tertiary education is not mandatory for many people. It's more a privilege than anything else. Most people usually choose to go to college to accomplish a greater good in their lives or the lives of loved ones. So how can this be the responsibility of the government to provide for this self-interest? This would be like asking the government to pay for your child's braces or to make the monthly payments on your new car.

Tertiary education is a personal choice that requires personal responsibility. It ranges from very basic education to advanced post-graduate work. It takes in general education and education that is related to a specific trade or profession. An individual who has two master's degrees and chooses to do a third, just for the fun of it, should be given governmental reimbursement? We would be blessed with such a utopian government?!

Think about it. Everyone who has a desire to go to a tertiary institution would just be given money by the government, irrespective of the individual's intellectual capability, long-term interest, and commitment. But the reality of the situation is, when the government invests dollars into anything or anyone, there must be a 'spill-over' of benefits. The wider society must benefit from this investment, either in the near or distant future. The utopian government must be within a utopian society.

Subsidizing tertiary tuition costs is a whole different affair from covering total tuition costs. Covering total tuition cost, frankly, will be impossible. The fiscal responsibilities for undertaking such a huge bill will use up most of the government's funding. I agree that the money used to fuel wars and other unproductive investments can instead be used in other, more productive areas, such as healthcare. For that level of education, covering the total cost, with the risk of students dropping out, not graduating or graduating and then deciding to stay home, will be similar to funding a never-ending war.

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Editor's Note

Laura Starr
Editor-in-Chief

Since Election Day is steadily approaching, I thought I would remind Americans, including myself, what this election is really about.

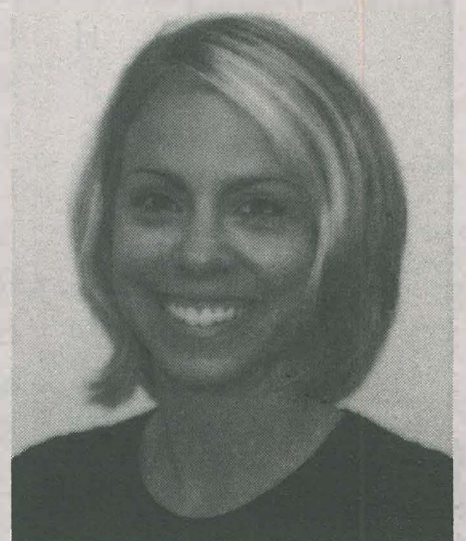
Despite party lines, one of the founding and essential rights we have as Americans is the right to vote. Voting is essential because America is a melting pot of different beliefs and perspectives that guide our actions. In order for such diverse id plogy to receive fair representation, each p=HUST stand up and show his or her support for the side that most commonly represents his or her system of beliefs.

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, only 64 percent of Americans voted in the 2004 election. While not surprising, with only slightly more than half of our people voting, despite the party in office, only half of Americans will agree with any policy implemented.

"United we stand, divided we fall," is a motto that many in this country have forgotten. With only a little more than half of the population exercising their right, it creates a government where only half the people are heard. Thus, division from non-representation occurs.

Once the dust and attack ads clear, this election is not about winning, proving a point or even which party is in the winner's circle. It is about the freedom of choice and proper representation.

It's not about "your guy" or "the right person" in office; it is about having your



hand in creating the bouquet that goes around the winner's neck even if it wasn't the horse, donkey or elephant that you wanted to win.

When it comes down to it, we will never all agree on everything. But the beauty of this country is that we have the freedom to come together, express our views and responsibly accept whichever way it goes. So whether it is Obama support or McCain love, just make sure you pull that lever on Nov. 4.

On The Scene

Kristine Belizaire
Current Affairs Editor

What do you think of SharkLink?



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Adrian Eagles, a senior sports management major.



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Thea McComisky, a junior education major.



"Personally, I've never used it. I saw that it waS available but I have no idea what it is for."
Rafael De La Rosa, a junior finance major.



"I haven't used it much but it seems that it is much easier than going to all three sites."
Sara Gallie, a sophomore biology major.



"What is that? This is the first time that I've heard of that."
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