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Casting call for future leaders



Photo by Francine King

University of North Florida students exercise their right to vote March 30 in front of the UNF bookstore during Student Government elections. More than 1,200 students voted the first day to elect a student body president and vice president and fill 23 open senate seats. Voting will continue March 31 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Unofficial results will be posted at 1 p.m. April 2 in the SG offices in the Robinson Student Center (Bldg. 14), room 2605.

Honors students teach children how to watch TV

By Erin Trauth
Assistant News Editor

An average American child may watch as many as 40,000 television commercials each year, according to the National Institute on Media and the Family.

This semester, one group of students at the University of North Florida is earning credit for teaching them how.

The UNF Honors students are spending Friday mornings with a fourth-grade class at Atlantic Beach Elementary School as part of a Media Literacy course led by Marcia Ladendorff. The course fills a service-learning component required for all lower-level Honors students.

The group's aim is to assist the students in Laurie Stucki's fourth-grade class in becoming more critical of the information they receive from the media.

"We want to get them thinking about the things they see on television, including news programs and advertisements," Ladendorff said.

The UNF students meet twice weekly to create lesson plans for the elementary class, and then meet

each Friday with the children in the classroom. They teach the fourth-graders media-related vocabulary and to ask questions like, "Is this news important to me?" to prompt discussion about the media and advertising.

Clips of television news programs and advertisements are shown, and the children respond in their journals to what they view. There is also small-group interaction time.

The group will take a field trip to a Clear Channel news station and learn firsthand how news production takes place. Later in the year, the children will also take a trip to the UNF campus so they can learn more about their UNF "buddies."

"The fourth-grade students and the UNF students have established a close relationship in this process," Ladendorff said. "They're teaching each other valuable lessons."

Stucki said she has noticed many changes in her class as a result of the visitors.

"The children are more aware of what they're watching on TV," Stucki said. "They understand how advertisers are trying to trick them, and they will become smarter con-

sumers. I have also noticed that they often make connections to the lessons in other subjects in class. The kids have become really interested in this."

The UNF group continually creates strategies to keep

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Smoking on campus ignites debate

By Megan Schumann
Contributing Writer

A widely unknown and unenforced policy at the University of North Florida requires all smokers to be at least 12 feet from any doorways when smoking on campus.

Because of recent complaints voiced about second-hand smoke on campus, the Student Government senate proposed in a March 4 meeting to be tougher on campus smokers. Sen. Chivonne Thomas, who proposed the Smoking Outside of the Classrooms legislation, voiced her opinion on involving the University Police Department in enforcing the 12-foot rule.

"I would like to see a moving of all the ashtrays and getting UPD to enforce it," Thomas said. "I checked various doors, and pretty much what 12 feet came to was the edge of the walkways but not yet in the open."

Thomas said she thought smokers "most certainly"

Students hope for peace through religious exchange

By Francine King
Editor-in-Chief

Jewish and Muslim students exchanged more than religious ideas March 27 as part of the University of North Florida's Peace Awareness Day.

They also traded holy books.

Senior Farah Assiraj-Blackmon, vice president of the Muslim Student Association, received a copy of the Torah from graduate student Rebekah Bliss, president of



Assiraj-Blackmon

the Jewish Student Union. Bliss in turn received a copy of the Quran from Assiraj-Blackmon.

"The exchange of the books signified that there's so much similarity [between them]," Assiraj-Blackmon said. "People don't understand that the two books have so much in common. People always look at the difference or whatever conflict, but there is a lot of similarities within the two religions and the two holy books."

Bliss emphasized the similarities between the two religions, specifically the importance of belief in one God.

"We're more alike than we're different," she said.

Assiraj-Blackmon said the exchange was also personal for Bliss and herself because they will

keep the books in the hope that they might learn something about each other's religions.

Upua Seane, director of the Intercultural Center for Promotion, Education and Advancement of Cultures and Ethnicities, said he hopes the ideas behind Peace Awareness Day and the exchange between Muslims and Jews will spread outside UNF.

"Hopefully, that can spill over to the States and eventually to the Middle East," he said. "Peace cannot just happen with one person. It comes through compromise."

Before the exchange, Assiraj-Blackmon and Bliss each read a passage from their respective holy book.

After the readings, the women took turns reciting the names of children killed in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. Assiraj-Blackmon read the names and ages of Israeli children, and Bliss read the names and ages of Palestinian children.

During the presentation, the women had to pause to control their emotions — and their tears.

"Our concern is really just for the children that have no voice, that have no say, that have no political affiliation," Assiraj-Blackmon said. "It's like

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Bliss

"... I also have the right to not be under the influence of their smoke."

Chivonne Thomas,
student senator

had rights, too, "but I also have the right to not be under the influence of their smoke." She suggested perhaps marking the nonsmoking areas around campus doorways.

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DISCOURSE

Searching for peace

Editorial

Salaam.
Shalom.
Peace.

Students at the University of North Florida understand the value of these words and desire to see them realized throughout the world — particularly in the Middle East, where conflict and death daily run rampant.

During Peace Awareness Day March 27, one student representing the Muslim Student Association and one representing the Jewish Student Union participated in a symbolic gesture of peace and tolerance between their respective religions.

The students, Farah Assiraj-Blackmon and Rebekah Bliss, exchanged copies of the Quran and Torah, the holy books of their religions.

Bliss and Assiraj-Blackmon said the exchange signified their recognition of the similarities between Islam and Judaism, both in beliefs and history.

"We're more alike than we're different," Bliss said.

The Spinnaker praises these students for realizing what so many involved in the religious conflict seem to miss: that the two sides have an ancient common bond.

The Jews and Muslims both claim to be descendants of Abraham, who, according to the Bible, was chosen by God to inherit the land of Canaan, which makes up modern-day Israel, the West Bank and the Gaza Strip.

This land, only about 10,500 square miles, has become the center of major conflict and controversy.

The Israelis and Palestinians have spent more than 50 years fighting over control of the area.

Through all this discord — often more politically than religiously motivated — thousands of innocent victims have been killed in the crossfire.

Many of these victims have been children.

Since September 2000, at least 106 Israeli and 528 Palestinian children have been killed in the conflict, according to

RememberTheseChildren.org.

Bliss and Assiraj-Blackmon understand the importance of remembering these young, innocent victims. As part of their presentation, they read the names and ages of children killed in the conflict.

"Our concern is really just for the children that have no voice, that have no say, that have no political affiliation," Assiraj-Blackmon said. "It's like we're mourning for all of the children together."

Some of the students and faculty involved in the event expressed a desire to see it spread beyond UNF. Perhaps the exchange that took place here could be a spark for a new peace movement, like the ones Americans saw ignite college campuses during the civil rights era and the Vietnam War.

Regardless of how far it goes, the Spinnaker applauds all those involved in Peace Awareness Day for their efforts and their compelling desire for peace throughout the world.



Photo by Alaa Badarneh

Palestinians walk over the debris of houses April 10, 2002, that were destroyed by Israeli missile attacks in the city of Nablus in the West Bank.



Warrant ruling erodes rights

Editorial

A recent court ruling has weakened one of the rights guaranteed in the U.S. Constitution.

The 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled that police officers may make sweeping searches of private property without a warrant if the officers fear for their safety.

Granting police officers the ability to secure unsafe situations is not, in itself, a threat to constitutional rights, but the ruling also states that evidence found during these "cursory inspections" is admissible in court — even though it was collected without a warrant.

The ruling stems from the 2000 arrest of Kelly Donald Gould. Gould was arrested on federal gun violations after police found caches of weapons in his home. The police had gone to Gould's home to question him without any warrants and, when another resident invited in the officers, they searched the home for Gould and found the weapons.

Whether Gould was guilty of any crime is irrelevant. The officers' fail-

ure to obtain a warrant before searching his property denied him the due process promised to him in the Bill of Rights.

Amendment IV of the U.S. Constitution reads, "The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated, and no warrants shall issue, but upon probable cause, supported by oath or affirmation, and particularly describing the place to be searched, and the persons or things to be seized."

In other words, the property of U.S. citizens is protected unless a detailed warrant with good cause is issued.

The officers in the Gould case had no such warrant, and yet the courts construed the situation to offer an exception to this constitutional right.

In the court's dissenting opinion, the ruling is called "the road to hell," but such slippery-slope arguments are not necessary. This ruling does not lead to an erosion of constitutional rights — it is itself an erosion of constitutional rights.

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Approximately 1,271 students cast their ballots in the first day of Student Government elections March 30. Last spring, the first day of voting saw a turnout of 940 students, with a two-day total of 1,762 voters.

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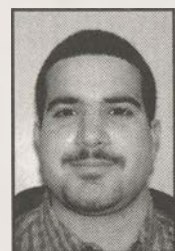
Lax enforcement of a rule banning smoking within 12 feet of doorways on campus led to a Student Government senate proposal March 4. The proposal may lead to stricter adherence to the rule, possibly involving the University Police Department.

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Taking care of business: Check your life inventory

As college students and young professionals, we sometimes find ourselves involved with too many things. These "things" are activities, events, thoughts, friends, physical objects, etc. that take up space in our life. They are not organized and have no set order to them. Much of this can be called clutter.

According to the Merriam-Webster Dictionary, clutter is "a crowded or confused mass or collection." Clutter slowly takes away your energy levels and cuts into your efficiency, causing you to be tired and waste time. If you constantly find yourself too busy to do anything that you want, if you are not accomplishing your goals, or even if you just want to improve and clear your mental thoughts, then it's time to check your life inventory.



Justin Bateh
Columnist

Going through your life to find clutter means more than just straightening your dorm room and getting things organized. You need to do a reality check and begin getting rid of unnecessary components that are involving your time. We'll take a look at some things that you can check for clutter in your life, and what to do with it:

1. Your circle of friends. Make a list of your friends and associates and start staying away from the ones who take up too much time, bring you down or just have an overall negative energy around them. You need to surround yourself with positive people only, and make sure the friendships are mutually beneficial. Don't feel bad; if a person is causing any negativity in your life, get rid of it.

2. Your social activities. Do you find yourself up to your limit with parties and get-togethers? If so, maybe you are over-socializing. Think about how draining it is on your energy levels to keep in touch with every person you know. Consider how much time you spend socializing and begin to get rid of the clutter. Once you've trimmed down your list of positive friends, associates and social activities, try to plan group gatherings to see many of these people at once, instead of at separate events.

3. Just say "no." You don't have to accept every invitation or opportunity you receive. It's all right to say no sometimes when you're past your limits or have other priorities. Take control of your time and life and you will feel more focused.

4. Prioritize. Remember not to take on more than you can handle. Check to see if everything you do is necessary.

5. Relax, refresh and clear your thoughts. Make your home relaxing and enjoyable. Clean up the place and keep things in order. You will see a dramatic change in your attitude if you keep your home in order. Make sure you eat well, sleep well and take care of your body. If you're constantly losing your temper, forgetting things and making mistakes, you are probably overloaded. Organize your mind so your life runs more smoothly.

Now that you have done a life inventory, you see where you can begin getting rid of all the clutter. Everything you do now has a distinct purpose. When you check your life inventory, you regain control and become more centered and balanced. Only then can you reach your full potential as a person, college student and young professional. Your mental health and energy levels are no longer drained, and you are at your best!

Contact Justin Bateh with comments or questions at JBateh@fdn.com.

Women, children unacceptable targets

It disturbs me that many world leaders have reacted with such outrage toward the assassination of Sheik Ahmed Yassin, spiritual leader of Hamas.

These same ministers have never lifted a phone to call the grieving families who took the brunt of this man's inspired atrocities. They've called Israel out for violating international law, but where are their relentless public condemnations of suicide-bombing civilians? Yassin was fully involved in a genocidal struggle to purge the land he lives in of Jews. He got what he deserved.

Many in the European and American left have adopted the Palestinian cause without fully understanding the complexity of the situation. As with many on the hawkish right, they willfully disregard the well-being of one of the parties to come to an easy conclusion that no one can live with. The propaganda on both sides is well-financed and riddled with hate.

It is unfortunate that so many of these people who associate themselves with the causes



Trey Menefee
Columnist

of global justice and peace haven't stood loud and strong against the most violent and ruthless killers of our time. Hamas, the al-Aqsa Martyr's Brigade and the Palestinian Islamic Jihad are no freedom fighters in the tradition we idolize in grade school textbooks. Instead they indulge in the purposeful bloodletting of civilians. There is nothing redeeming about choosing a target only because it kills the most Jews. As such, these groups must be obliterated for the good of humanity.

Many rebut that what the suicide bombers do and what the Israeli Defense Force does are analogous. There are very few similarities. Operation Grapes of Wrath and the Sabra and Shatila massacres are the only cases where one can find blatant noncombatant bloodlet-

ting by IDF forces. Although many noncombatants have died during IDF operations, it is unfortunate and unintentional collateral damage. When Hamas detonates a bomb, the end in itself is the collateral civilian damage. The IDF uses only guided weapons when attacking targets like Yassin — it isn't firebombing entire cities as Hamas would if it had an air force.

It is my belief that there is nothing inherently unethical about suicide bombing. It pervades many military legends — Marines charging pillboxes for certain death and the Japanese kamikaze pilots, for instance. My issue has always been with the targeting selection. Men with guns are appropriate targets, not mothers with infants.

I will pray for the destruction of any group, no matter how just their cause might be, that intentionally kills women and children because of their religion, genes or beliefs.

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Awareness month seeks end to sexual assault

Decide to End Sexual Violence is the national theme for Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

This is a powerful slogan that demands much more than the simple rhetoric of its utterance. It is a statement intended to produce profound thought and decisive action to energize humankind toward proactively collaborating to eliminate all acts of sexual victimization.

As we observe Sexual Assault Awareness Month this April, let us individually and collectively Decide to End Sexual Violence. Deciding to end sexual violence goes beyond wearing a teal pin in observance of the month. It is more than simply saying that sexual victimization is wrong. It is not only the knowledge that rape, sexual assault and date rape are criminal behaviors but also the recognition that individuals and communities suffer from this violation of trust and safety.

Deciding to end violence means that we acknowledge that sexual victimization does



Sheila Spivey
Women's Center Assistant Director

not occur in a vacuum. We must recognize that a continuum of behaviors exists and not limit the outcry of sexual victimization to one act. Therefore, any sexual behavior that causes someone to become uncomfortable or fearful must be addressed. Both girls and boys should be educated on sexually responsible behavior. Prevention and risk reduction must coexist and be addressed to the appropriate audience. This is the first step of the journey that includes a focus on all discriminatory and prejudicial thoughts, actions and practices that are offensive to any group. This includes acknowledgement of the role sexism, racism and all the other "isms" that

exist in our society plays and allows one group to have power over another. This will lead us to the realization that sexual assault is a crime of power, not sex, where sex is the tool.

This April, join the Women's Center as we observe Sexual Assault Awareness Month. Throughout the month, we will be distributing information cards and teal ribbons to raise awareness of the issue. April 1, we will hold an Awareness Fair on the Green. And April 6 and April 12, our Peer Theatre Troupe will present an original performance, "Under the Sheets." This play focuses on his story, her story and the truth surrounding a rape on a college campus.

It is our hope that the theme for this year be a catalyst that propels each of us into action throughout the year. Only then can we say that we are true to the theme Decide to End Sexual Violence.

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Letters to the Editor

Election editorial not objective

I was surprised and disappointed to see the appearance of "SG presidential tickets weigh in before elections," [March 24], an opinionated summary of each candidate's platform campaign.

The platform summaries were prefaced with "...the Spinnaker presents the following pros, cons and general opinions about each ticket," and it is the "general opinions" part with which I have a problem.

The piece was presented as being done by the entire Spinnaker, and with statements such as "This ticket seems to lack substance," and "They definitely seem to be the best ticket," the respective platforms receive either the rejection or support of the newspaper, which is usually a respected source of objective information. What happened to the objectivity?

Some students may not take the time to read the platforms directly from the candidates themselves (which were given a less important placement on page 9), thinking that since a certain candidate has support from the Spinnaker, which is often the voice of the students, then that's the vote they should cast. Although that may be incorrect because it is students' responsibility to think for themselves and make their own decisions, it was also incorrect of the Spinnaker to publish its own opinions, especially placed before the official platforms themselves.

The Spinnaker needs to maintain its objectivity, or else it can no longer be respected as a newspaper but will be seen instead as 15 people telling us what to think.

Laura Rollings
Junior, psychology

Student thanks Spinnaker

[Ed.: To preserve the following letter's intent, the Spinnaker chose to run it exactly as it was submitted.]

About a week ago I started reading the Spinnaker! I would just like to say "Thank You" to whoever writes it, for making it the great source of student news it is. Your newspapers has completely changed the way I look at the world, and for the better. It reminds me a lot of my old school newspaper, "The Weekly Reader," only it is wrote on a college level. (I think that the spnaker would be much improved if it had a maze or picture puzzle section, but am afraid it may sacrifice the adult image you trying to foster, so forget about it!!!) "The Spinnaker newspaper" has introduced me to such issues as homcoming, skateboard prohibitoin, and even such complex and mistifying "hot" but-ton issues as the War of Iraque, and has managed to address almost all of them in about 200 words (even I can handle that!!!). The last edition (Volume 27, Number 25) was particularly eye-opening. The most astounding article was the one titled "Simply the B!

EST Part-Time Job in Jacksonville." I feel that having the best job is certainly an important issue for college students today. It's that kind of hard-nosed, to the point journalism I appreciate in a school news paper. I don't know what I would do without the spinnaker!!! I would encourage all UNF students to read the Spinnaker weekly. It has the power to change the way you look at the world. Trust me, I know.

Your biggest fan,
Ian Mouzon,
Sophomore, buisness

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Photos by Francine King and Jenn Edwards

Above, students picnic on the Green as part of Peace Awareness Day March 27. Right, Liz Valentine (left) and Heather Stafford drum to entertain students during the event.



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we're mourning for all of the children together. All of those emotions stir up when you're sitting there reading."

Bliss said her emotions were touched by the realization that some of the children were close to her son's age.

"I'm sure for the parents that lost their children it was unspeakable, and it would be unspeakable for me," she said.

She stressed the need for tolerance and understanding between the religions.

"We need to stop seeing each other as 'other,'" Bliss said. "So many times we are so used to seeing our own that it's very easy to demonize the other side — to make them somehow less than we are, that we're somehow superior, and we're not.

"[We need to] see them as fully human and as fully feeling as we are," she said.

Assiraj-Blackmon also mentioned the importance of tolerance and the strong relationship between UNF's Muslim Student Association and Jewish Student Union.

"We're going to continue to work together to show that tolerance and peace can exist," she said. "Maybe not within the Middle East, but [in] other parts of the world, it's an individual's responsibility, and I think today signified that."

Bliss said working with Assiraj-Blackmon toward the common goal of Peace Awareness Day offered her a new perspective.

"When we start to see each other for the wonderful gifts and the talents that we have and what we each bring to the table, we are more together than we could ever be apart," she said.

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Professors seek job security through tenure procedure

By Dave Strupp
Contributing Writer

At the University of North Florida, students are not the only ones expected to delve into the world of research and scholarly activity. Quite a bit of work outside of class is expected of professors if they wish to be tenured.

Tenure is in some sense job security, but it is also a guarantee that a professor will not be fired without just cause. Professors may be granted tenure only after their sixth year of teaching at UNF.

According to the UNF faculty handbook, tenure candidates must hold a degree in the field in which they are teaching. Professors also must demonstrate excellent teaching, competent scholarship and evocative service during their tenure-earning period, according to the handbook.

Dr. Judith Solano, Faculty Association president and a panelist on the Promotion and Tenure Committee, said continuing research keeps faculty current in their discipline and provides students with an opportunity to be involved in research activities.

"Often, [the] faculty is going to

need assistance in doing the work that they're doing," Solano said. "So it's just a perfect, natural tie-in to get students in the labs or out in the field conducting surveys and research. It gets students out there doing some of the work that they themselves might eventually be doing."

While continuing constant research and service in their field, professors also must be published in a peer-reviewed periodical or in a book. Dr. David Kline, provost and vice president for academic affairs at UNF, said professors must be published at least five or six times during their pre-tenure period.

"Very generally, we are interested in refereed work," Kline said.

The process of achieving tenure involves a number of steps. First, candidates must prepare a dossier presenting research, publications, student evaluations and other work they have completed during their six years. Candidates also must pass

evaluations from departmental chairs, the dean of their college, the tenure committee, the provost and finally the university president.

Solano said nearly 15 candidates on average are granted tenure each year.

"A lot of everyone who applies for tenure is granted tenure," Solano said.

Candidates denied tenure will be given a one-academic-year terminal contract, then a notice that further employment will not be offered, according to the faculty handbook.

Dr. Ronald Kephart, associate professor of anthropology and linguistics, said a faculty member with tenure has a reasonable amount of security in terms of academic freedom.

"It guards against you being dismissed for trivial kinds of things or trivial kinds of disagreements between you and administrators or

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Bilingual reading with poet

A bilingual reading and conversation with Luzma Umpierre, a Spanish poet, scholar and human rights advocate, will take place from 10 a.m. to noon April 1 in the Robinson Student Center (Bldg. 14), room 1700. The event is free and open to the public.

For more information, contact Renee Scott at 620-1288 or rscott@unf.edu.

Jazz it up with Bela Fleck and the Flecktones

The music department will present Bela Fleck and the Flecktones as part of the Great American Jazz Series from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. April 1 in the Lazzara Performance Hall. The University of North Florida Jazz Ensemble I will also perform under the direction of Dr. Keith Javors. This event coincides with the jazz ensemble's release of its album, *Through His Eyes*. Tickets are \$35 to \$40 dollars for adults and \$8 for students. The ticket box office number is 620-2878.

For more information, contact Javors at 620-3844 or kjavors@unf.edu.

The Legacy of Alexander the Great

Dr. Eugene Borza, professor emeritus of ancient history at Pennsylvania State University and author of "In the Shadow of Olympus, The Emergence of Macedon," will present "The Legacy of Alexander the Great" from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. April 1 in the Founders Hall (Bldg. 2), room 1131. The event, sponsored by the

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the children interested in the lessons.

"The group we work with is an inclusion class, which means some of the students are gifted and some of the students have learning disabilities," said Kate Cody, a senior English major and student facilitator for the class. "Sometimes we have to make accommodations, but often the gifted students help the others in the learning process."

For their final project, the Honors students will have the chance to develop a curriculum that would satisfy the Sunshine State Standards for media literacy in the fourth grade.

"This class is unique because the UNF students are educating themselves as they educate the children," Cody said. "I don't think there is a lot of opportunity for undergrad students to have an experience like this."

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department of history and Trustee Initiatives, is free and open to the public.

For more information, contact Dr. Philip Kaplan at 620-1863 or pkaplan@unf.edu.

What's the weather?

Dr. Pat Welsh, science operations officer of the National Weather Service, Jacksonville branch, will present "The NOAA Coastal Storms Initiative in NE Florida and the Weather Research and Forecast Modeling Project" from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. April 2 in Building 42, room 1020. The talk, sponsored by the department of chemistry and physics and the department of biology, is free and open to the public.

For more information, contact Mandy Stuck at 620-2729 or mstuck@unf.edu.

Discussion on autism promotes awareness

In celebration of Autism Awareness Month, the UNF Psi Chi Honor Society will sponsor an autistic disorder forum from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. April 2 in the University Center. There is no charge for this event.

For more information, contact Stephen Peterson at 962-2001 or s_cpeter@msn.com.

Media-rights panel to visit campus

The UNF Institute of Government, the Florida Public Relations Association and the Center for Advancement of Human Rights of Florida State University will present "The Media and Our Rights After 9-11" from 7 to 9:30 p.m. April 7 in the University Center.

A panel of local experts from print and broadcast media, law enforcement and advocacy groups will discuss the media's role in civil liberties after the Sept. 11 attacks. The event is free and open to the public.

For more information, contact Laura D'Alisera at 620-2844 or lidaliser@unf.edu.

Two for one open to

all

The department of music will present One Grand Piano, Four Great Hands, an evening of music by pianists Naoko Kadota and Laura Fitts from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. April 4 in the Recital Hall of the Fine Arts Center (Bldg. 45). The event is free and open to the public.

For more information, contact Dr. Gary Smart at 620-3856 or gsmar@unf.edu.

Spring Orchestra Concert

Dr. Simon Schiao will conduct student musicians in the UNF Orchestra Spring Concert from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. April 6 in the Lazzara Performance Hall. There is no charge for the event.

For more information, contact Schiao at 620-3835 or sshiao@unf.edu.

Constructing the future

The College of Computing, Engineering and Construction will present its second annual Symposium and Career Showcase from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. April 8 at the University Center. Food and beverages will be provided at the free event.

For more information, contact Jason Rupard at 403-2086 or rupj0001@unf.edu.

Free online learning for UNF community

UNF has partnered with Skillsoft to offer students, faculty and staff a free online learning program centered on business, professional and computer-related courses. The program, sponsored by the Center for Professional Development and Training and information technology services, can be accessed at <http://unf.skillport.com>.

For more information, contact the development center at 620-1707.

Compiled by Erin Trauth

SG UPDATE

Elections March 30 and 31

Elections were held in front of the University of North Florida bookstore March 30 and 31 to determine the student body president, vice president and senators for the 2004-2005 school year. Results will be posted April 2 in the Student Government offices in the Robinson Student Center (Bldg. 14), room 2605. The president and vice president will be sworn in at 7 p.m. April 17 in the University Center.

Senate passes second draft of budget

The SG senate approved requests March 25 from the National Pan-Hellenic Council and the UNF chapter of the Student Council for Exceptional Children. The NPHC requested funding for a step show to be held in the Lazzara Performance Hall. The Exceptional Children Council requested funding for travel to New Orleans for a convention. The senate also

approved the second draft of the 2004-2005 fiscal year budget.

Board of Trustees passes parking fee increase

The UNF Board of Trustees approved an increase of \$10 in parking fees for the 2004-2005 school year. The vote was 12-1 with Student Body President Jerry Watterson the only vote against the increase.

Student Government Judicial Day

SG invites students to converse with members of the student judiciary and enjoy free food from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. April 7 in the RSC (Bldg. 14), room 1603.

Student judiciary parking appeals

Last week, the Student Judiciary Parking Appeals Committee handled 144 parking ticket appeals. Of the 144 appeals, 16 were denied, 107 were changed to a warning and 21 were given reduced fee penalties.

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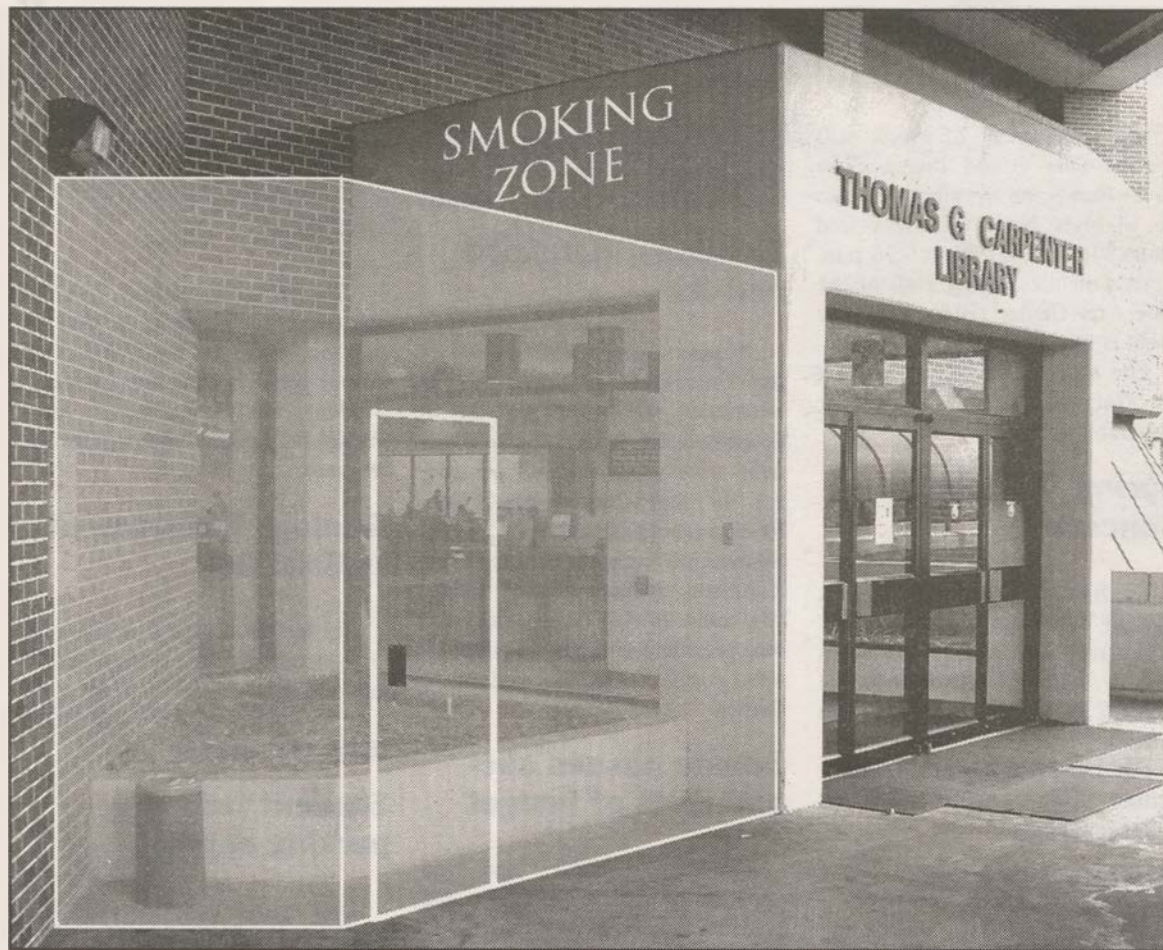


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NEWS WIRE

Rice will testify publicly, under oath before Sept. 11 commission

President Bush succumbed to political pressure March 30 and agreed to let National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice respond in public and under oath to allegations that he failed to confront the threat of terrorism before the Sept. 11 attacks.

In an abrupt reversal, Bush dropped his insistence that Rice meet behind closed doors with the commission that's investigating the attacks. In another turnabout, he agreed that he and Vice President Dick Cheney would meet privately with all 10 panel members, not just the commission's chairman and vice chairman.

The White House retreat reflected concern among Bush's advisers about the political impact of criticism leveled against the president by former counterterrorism adviser Richard Clarke. Clarke, who served as Bush's top adviser on terrorism, told the commission last week that the president failed to heed his warnings about the possibility of a catastrophic terrorist attack.

Clarke's allegations, aired in an interview March 21 on CBS's "60 Minutes," called into question Bush's performance in the war on terrorism and attacked the central theme of the president's re-election campaign. Aides said Bush decided over the weekend that he had no choice but to let Rice respond in public.

"The circumstances of this case are unique because the circumstances of Sept. 11, 2001, were unique," the president said in a hastily arranged visit to the White House briefing room March 30. "Our nation must never forget the loss or the lessons of Sept. 11, and we must not assume that the danger has passed."

Commission members declined to predict when Bush, Cheney and Rice would appear before the panel.

- From Knight Ridder Newspapers

Kerry, Bush seize upon record-high gas prices as campaign issue

With gasoline prices rising, Sen. John Kerry and the Bush campaign blamed each other March 30 for backing policies that hurt motorists and the economy.

Kerry, noting that gasoline prices have increased by 11.5 percent during the Bush administration, called on President Bush to quit storing oil in the Strategic Petroleum Reserve and divert it into U.S. markets. He also called for Bush to pressure the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries to increase production, and said he would promote U.S. oil production in areas such as the Gulf of Mexico, but — unlike the president — not in the Alaska National Wildlife Refuge.

The Bush camp replied with a new TV ad accusing Kerry of having "wacky ideas" because he supported gas-tax increases in the past to promote energy conservation and cut the federal deficit. Bush, in Wisconsin, said "some in the other party" wanted to raise gas taxes, but that he opposed it because it would hurt the economy. Kerry isn't proposing to raise gasoline taxes.

Gasoline prices average approximately \$1.80 a gallon nationwide and are more than \$2 a gallon in California. Although these are record levels nominally, they aren't when adjusted for inflation; in today's dollars, gasoline cost about \$2.80 per gallon in 1980.

- From Knight Ridder Newspapers

Bremer: Iraq will suffer police shortage for at least a year

In an uncommonly downbeat assessment of Iraq's security challenges, U.S. Iraq administrator L. Paul Bremer told local officials March 29 that it will take at least a year for the country to hire, equip and train enough police and border guards to meet its needs.

"There is no way to speed it up; it simply can't be done," he said. "And it's going to take another

year. We just have to be honest about that."

Bremer's comments, just three months before the American-led coalition is scheduled to return power to an Iraqi government, made it clear that U.S. troops will continue to play the key role in maintaining security in Iraq even after the hand-over of power, scheduled for July 1.

At least 100,000 American troops will remain in the country after Iraqis take over.

- From Knight Ridder Newspapers

Shiite cleric's newspaper shut down, sparking protests in Baghdad

The U.S.-led occupation authority dispatched soldiers to shut down the newspaper of an extremist Shiite cleric March 28, charging that the paper repeatedly published misinformation designed to incite violence against U.S. troops.

The closure prompted as many as 3,000 followers of the cleric, Moqtadr Sadr, to assemble for an angry demonstration that blocked traffic on a main Baghdad thoroughfare.

The protesters chanted "Long live Sadr" and "America is just infidels," and some burned an American flag. Iraqi police were nowhere to be seen, and U.S. troops looked on from a distance.

The newspaper closure and the protest illustrated the coalition's dilemma as it tries to promote democratic values in Iraq while also combating what it sees as dangerous extremism.

Alaa-eldin Elsadr, a spokesman for the U.S.-led coalition, said he accompanied approximately 50 U.S. troops to the offices of the Sadr organization's weekly al Hauza newspaper. The soldiers ordered employees out of the building and sealed it. The paper will be closed for at least 60 days, Elsadr said.

Elsadr gave newspaper officials a letter from U.S. Ambassador L. Paul Bremer that said the paper published misinformation, including articles blaming terrorist attacks on coalition forces.

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Smoking: Students discuss campus rules

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"It would be ideal to draw lines, but I think we will have to depend on UPD," she said.

Jerry Watterson, UNF's student body president, commented on the concerns of students who have breathing difficulties.

"Smoking on campus is an issue that has been brought up," Watterson said. "A number of our students at UNF have asthma, and the concern is how the secondhand smoke affects theirs and other nonsmokers' health. Some of our student senators picked up on the issue and put legislation in the senate to tackle it."

The American Lung Association reported that 20 percent of the population is at risk of developing lung disease from secondhand smoke. Smoke is known to contain more than 4,000 chemicals, at least 40 of which are known cancer-causing agents. Only 15 percent of smoke is inhaled by the smoker, with the other 85 percent going directly into the air — possibly to be inhaled by nonsmokers.

In an anonymous posting on the All-Students Blackboard site, a UNF student with asthma voiced his concern.

"For some, the smoke could just be bothersome, but for others like myself, it can be painful," the student wrote. "Even if you are smoking and nobody is around you, your smoke stays there long after you stop. So in conclusion, please respect your fellow students and find a more open area to smoke where it can disperse in the air."

There have been no moves made to ban smoking from campus, only to keep smokers at least 12 feet from the doorways of campus buildings. At least one student smoker seems wary of the policy.

"There is nothing wrong with asking people to be considerate," said Nicole Living, a senior political science major and smoker. "But you're not putting me off campus."

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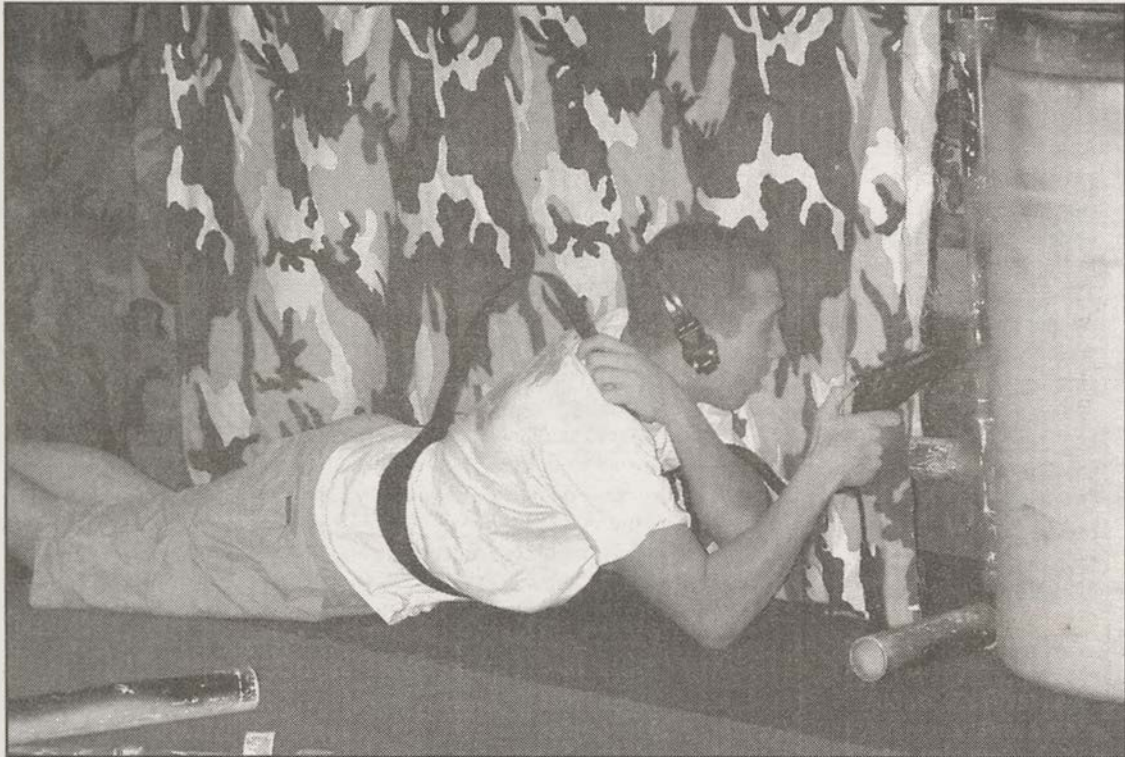
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Playing tag



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Above, sophomore Daniel Mullin, an art major, fires from a strategic location during a game of laser tag March 29 in the Robinson Student Center (Bldg. 14). Right, freshman Michael Salvato, an elementary education major, battles for the Green Team in a laser tag competition. The free event was sponsored by Student Government and Osprey Productions.



Women's center sponsors 'great debate' on health

By Erin Trauth
Assistant News Editor

There are many diets available for long-term weight loss and health benefits, but for many Americans it can be unclear which one is right for their body.

"I hear so much information about all these different diets," said Kyla Ayers, an undecided freshman. "But I still don't know which one is really the best."

Several University of North Florida students had the opportunity March 25 to decide for themselves which diet suited them as they viewed a live video feed of a debate among four creators and representatives of popular diet and health programs.

Dr. Stuart Trager, chief representative for the Atkin's Nutritional Approach; Dr. Barry Sears, author of "The Zone Diet"; Dr. James Kennedy, chief physician at the Pritikin Longevity Center; and Joel Fuhrman, author of "Eat to Live" participated in a live discussion at The Great Health Debate, Part II, a Society of Success and Leadership program.

At the presentation, sponsored by the UNF Women's Center, the basis of each diet or health program was revealed and then challenged.

Fuhrman promoted his "Eat to Live" diet, which relies heavily on eating foods that have a high nutrient-per-calorie density.

"Fifty-one percent of Americans will have a heart attack or stroke, and 35 percent will develop cancer sometime in their life," Fuhrman said. "The foods

"If there were to be a terrorist plot against the American diet, it would be making us follow the USDA food pyramid."

Dr. Barry Sears,
author of "The Zone Diet"

you eat can affect whether you live a long life or die prematurely. You must 'Eat to Live.'"

Sears spoke of "The Zone Diet," which encourages the consumption of low-density carbohydrates, dietary fat and protein, with the goal of controlling the body's insulin level.

"If there were to be a terrorist plot against the American diet, it would be making us follow the USDA food pyramid," Sears said. "We have all been misled as to what a healthy diet is."

Kennedy presented the Pritikin Approach, which chooses foods using a calorie-density system.

"Nathan Pritikin, the founder of the Pritikin Approach, was diagnosed with heart disease at age 41," Kennedy said. "He then created the Pritikin Approach, followed the plan, and when he died at age 69, his arteries were found to be virtually clean."

Trager spent much of the debate defending the healthfulness of the Atkin's Approach, which involves controlling carbohydrate consumption. When the debate was opened to questions from the audience, most were directed toward Trager.

One thing the four did agree on was that most Americans do not follow a nutritious diet.

"If you eat the American diet, you're going to get American diseases," Fuhrman said. "You have

to make a change, no matter what diet you choose."

Dr. Leslie Kaplan, assistant director of the UNF Writing Program and a professor of English, commented on the event.

"It was really informative to see advocates of the entire spectrum of diet approaches, from the high-protein/low-carb Atkins to the high-carb/low-protein 'Eat for Life' approach — and two in the middle," Kaplan said. "By seeing the whole spectrum, the differences between the four approaches were highlighted. The only thing missing was some independent experts to help clear up some of the questions about the validity of the various health claims."

At the end of the program, Trager stated that, in actuality, no short-term diet is successful in the long run.

"Ultimately, no diet works," he said. "It has to become a lifelong program."

After witnessing all of the information, Ayers agreed with the concept of a lifelong nutrition program.

"I think the best way to stay healthy is to exercise and to eat balanced foods all of your life," Ayers said. "You shouldn't really need diets like that."

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Tenure: Professors must balance research, teaching

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other faculty," Kephart said. "Tenure gives you the opportunity to protect yourself from the popular culture and at the same time allows you to turn around and spend more productive time thinking about your teaching, research and service."

Kline said with the workload of classes, field research and publishing, tenure work can take a professor's focus away from the students.

"It certainly is possible," Kline said. "But what we try to do is get the right balance. We want to tenure people that can find that right kind of balance."

UNF is not a major research university, Solano said, so the research expectations for tenure are much lower than at other state universities.

"Their [professors'] research and scholarship obligations are balanced pretty nicely with the expectations for instruction," Solano said.

With its focus on instructional work, the tenure committee tends to seriously consider the evaluations students are required to fill out at the end of each semester. Solano said it varies from college to college, but in her college — the College of Computing, Engineering and Construction — student evaluations are weighed heavily.

"Ultimately, if they aren't making an effort to improve, they aren't improving, and they continually get poor feedback from students," Solano said.

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Mystery produce shatters 3rd-floor dorm room window

March 15 - Burglary to Auto - An automobile was burglarized in Lot 12. When the victim went to his car to retrieve some items, he noticed two of his compact discs on the ground near the driver's side of the car. He also noticed his shoes were missing from the back of the car and that the right rear wing window had been smashed and was sitting in the backseat. Multiple pairs of shoes, a digital camera, a portable CD player and a radar detector had been taken from the vehicle, along with \$10. There are no suspects at this time, and the investigation is pending.

March 18 - Coin-Operated Device Vandalized - A sandwich machine on the first-floor lounge in Building Q of The Crossings was vandalized. The officer observed pry marks on the lock and attempted to open the door but could not. A vending employee brought to the scene said the machine had not been entered but that the locking device had been broken. He moved the machine's product to its storage compartment and also emptied the machine of money.

March 22 - Theft/Fraudulent Credit Card Use - A student left his wallet, sweat shirt, keys, student identification card and other items on the bleachers while playing basketball at the Arena. When



he went to leave, he noticed his wallet was gone. He searched the area but could not find it. Upon contacting his credit card company to cancel his cards, he was informed of possible fraudulent charges on them. One credit card was used at Walgreens for \$11, one credit card was used at McDonald's for \$11, and one was used at an unknown gas station for an unknown amount. There was also an attempt to withdraw \$140 from one of the cards, but the credit card company declined it. There are no suspects at this time.

March 24 - Burglary to Auto - A 1994 Toyota Corolla was burglarized in Lot 11. The detachable faceplate was pulled off the CD player and thrown onto the passenger seat. The thief then attempted to remove the rear speaker but was unsuccessful. No fingerprints could be taken because the exterior of the car was dusty and had pollen on it. No damage was done to the vehicle. There are no suspects at this time.

March 26 - Disorderly Intoxication - A student was handcuffed and taken to Duval County Jail after another student and a campus police officer subdued him in the lobby area of Building R of The Crossings. The officer reported that the student was belligerent, was yelling obscenities and smelled strongly of alcohol. According to a witness, the student had been wrestling with another student and had become violent. One officer reported that the suspect remained belligerent and continued yelling obscenities through the entire booking process.

March 27 - Criminal Mischief - An unidentified piece of produce, possibly a sweet potato or pumpkin, was thrown through the window of a dorm in Building S of The Crossings sometime between 11:30 a.m. and noon. The broken window was noticed the day after by a campus police officer who brought it to the attention of the dorm's resident assistant. When asked why they had not reported the broken window, the three residents of the room said they thought another roommate had reported it. There were no witnesses to the event and no evidence because the residents had already cleaned up the broken glass.

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Ambassador addresses world affairs

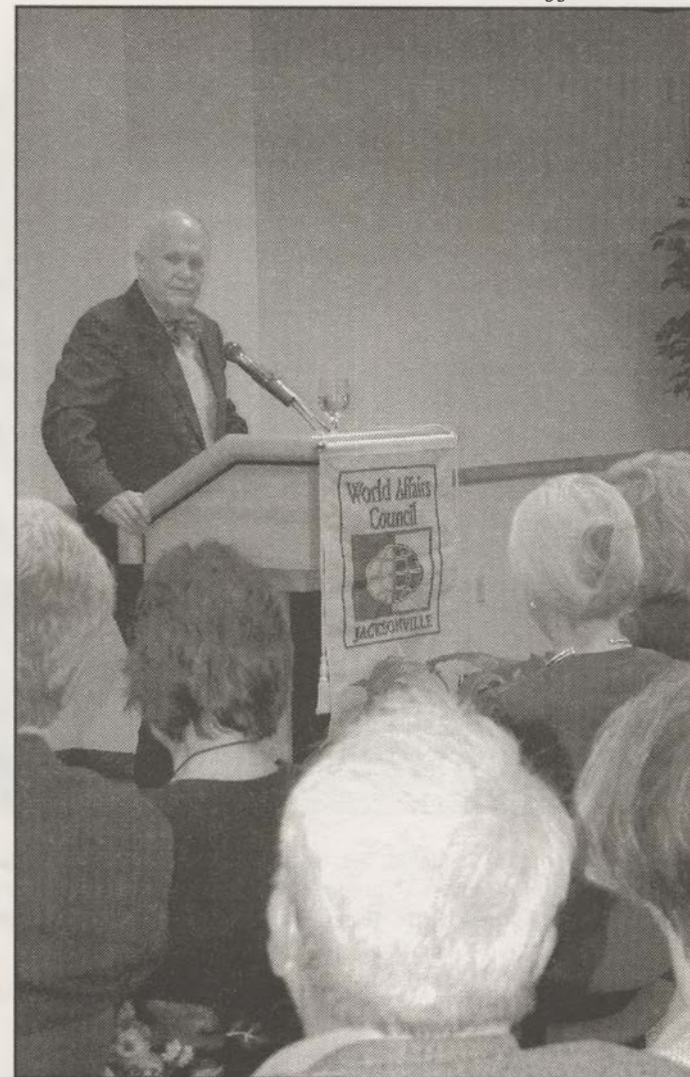


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Ambassador Peter Burleigh speaks before a group March 29 at the University Center. Burleigh, who served as the ambassador and deputy representative of the United States to the United Nations from August 1997 to December 1999, discussed the state of affairs in India, Pakistan, Afghanistan and Iran. He is currently acting as distinguished visiting professor at the University of Miami.

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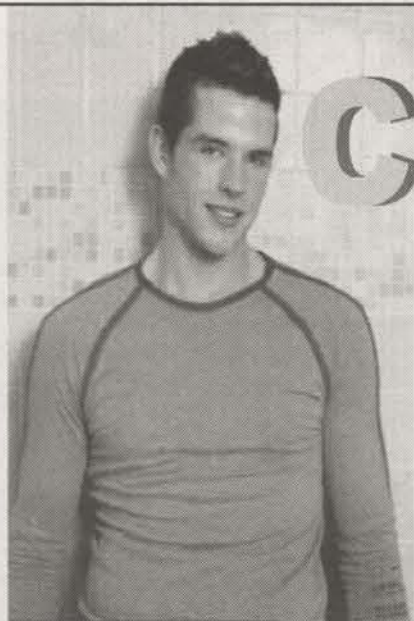
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Name that building: A history

By Saman Quraeshi
Contributing Writer

The buildings on the University of North Florida campus are named to exemplify the characteristics of the people whom they honor.

"Some of our buildings are named after donors, and other buildings are named after someone who had an impact on the university," said Richard Crosby, associate vice president for administration and finance.

Pierre Allaire, vice president for institutional advancement, said buildings are not the only structures named after contributors. Classes, offices and auditoriums also can be named after someone.

In the Coggin College of Business building (Bldg. 42), many of the classrooms are designated for local businesses. A few of the contributors are SunTrust Bank, The Florida Times-Union, the PGA Tour and the Florida Rock Industry.

There are no specific donation requirements to get a building named after someone, Allaire said, but there is an approximation.

"The approximate range is about one-third of the cost to build the building," Allaire said.

There are a number of named buildings on the UNF campus, each with a history behind it.

The first building to be named was the Thomas G. Carpenter Library (Bldg. 12). It was dedicated in August 1981 to honor the first UNF president.

"As the founding UNF administrator, he personally directed the

physical development and initial academic organization of the university," said Eileen Brady, university archivist.

The Andrew A. Robinson Jr. Student Life Center (Bldg. 14) honors the long tradition of service Robinson provided the university. Starting first as a faculty member, Robinson became dean of the College of Education and Human Services. Four years later, he was appointed the interim president of the university.

The computer science building was named for John E. Mathews Jr., an influential Florida legislator and a one-time president of the Florida Senate.

"The conception of the university is largely due to the perseverance and vision of Mr. Mathews," Brady said. "As a lasting tribute to Mathews, the university's new computer science building was named after him in 1987."



J.J. Daniel

Jaquelin James "J.J." Daniel, a Jacksonville attorney and businessman.

"His legacy shows he was a leading advocate of accessible public university education and academic freedom," Brady said.

The College of Education and Human Services building (Bldg. 9) was named after Frederick H. Schultz.

"Schultz's distinguished public service career included a long tenure in the Florida House of

Building 2 was named Founders Hall in 1989 to recognize all of the founders of the university.

The UNF administration building, (Bldg. 1), was named in 1991 after

Andrew A. Robinson.

The College of Health Building (Bldg. 39) was named after Dr. J. Brooks Brown, a retired Jacksonville physician and current chairman of Brooks Health System. Brady described him as a "UNF benefactor who has been a leader in health care education and innovation."

Representatives from 1963 to 1970, where he was instrumental in drafting the legislation establishing UNF," Brady said.

In 1987, Schultz also established a \$1 million-endowed chair named after UNF Interim President Andrew A. Robinson.

In the late 1990s, donations from Genesis, now Brooks Health System,

resulted in the establishment of the Genesis Distinguished Professorship, the Genesis Health Scholars and four COH research professorships.

Luther W. Coggin, chairman and chief executive officer of the Coggin Automotive Group, is well-known for his philanthropy. In 1997, Coggin made a \$350,000 gift to UNF.

"In 2002, the Coggins took advantage of the leverage of the state's Major Gift Challenge Grant Program to reach the \$10 million level required to name a college at UNF," Brady said. "In recognition of a \$5 million gift, the university named the college of business in their honor."

There are currently two new buildings that have not been named: the Fine Arts Center (Bldg. 45) and the Science and Engineering Building (Bldg. 50).

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The University of North Florida's first president, Thomas G. Carpenter, surveys early construction on campus. The UNF library was named for Carpenter.



Luther W. Coggin

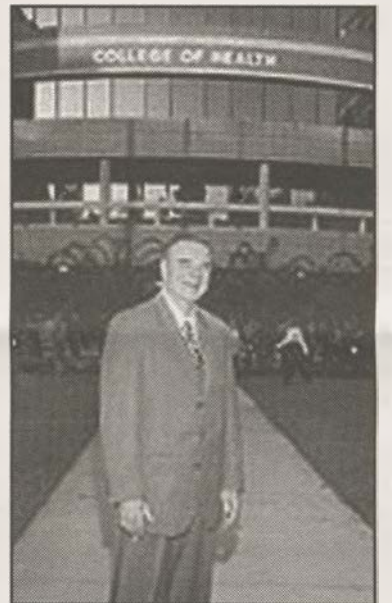
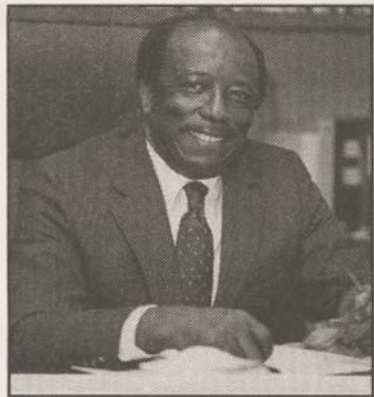


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Dr. J. Brooks Brown poses in front of the College of Health building, which was named for him.



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John E. Mathews Jr. participates in the groundbreaking of the computer science building named for him.

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EXPRESSIONS

AIDS Quilt brings awareness

By Lauren Palermo
Contributing Writer

Chances are at least once in your lifetime you will meet or be close to someone who has HIV or AIDS.

With the number of AIDS cases on the rise, many of those affected are striving to make others aware of the impact of the disease. To promote such awareness, a portion of the national AIDS Memorial Quilt is coming to the University of North Florida Arena March 31 through April 4.

The quilt is a memorial to those who have been diagnosed with AIDS. The full quilt is made up of more than 45,600 3-by-6-foot panels, which personify almost 90,000 Americans who have died from or are living with AIDS-related complications.

Kevin Modglin, the supervisor of the UNF Campus Alcohol and Drug Information Center, is one of those responsible for bringing the AIDS Quilt to UNF.

"This isn't a gay disease; it's not a hemophiliac's disease; it's not an IV and drug user's disease," Modglin said. "It's a disease that affects all of us. We all need to come together as a community, and as a nation, and even as a world to do something about it."

The AIDS Quilt was started in 1987 by the NAMES Project Foundation, which now has more than 67 chapters in the United States and around the world. The

foundation has raised at least \$3 million for AIDS service organizations all over North America. Currently, the quilt is the largest community art project in the world, and it continues to grow every day.

Opening ceremonies at UNF March 31 will feature speakers such as Dr. Pam Chally, dean of the College of Health; Shelly Purser from the department of health promotions; and Frieda Saraga from Planned Parenthood.

"The best gift is to bring family and friends to view and support this," said Modglin, who will be giving closing comments at the opening ceremonies.

The 30 panels of the AIDS Quilt being shown at UNF will take up the entire gym floor and some of the walls.

"One of our main goals is to make students aware that this [AIDS] hasn't gone away," Modglin said. "There are people still dying of AIDS-related complications."

Viewing times for the quilt are: March 31 from 6:30 to 9 p.m.; April 1 from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.; April 2 from 9 a.m. to noon and from 2 to 9 p.m.; and April 3 and April 4 from noon to 5 p.m.

For more information about making a panel for the AIDS Quilt, visit www.aidsquilt.org.

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Photo courtesy of the Volunteer Center

The Aids Quilt will be on display 6:30 p.m. March 31 to 5 p.m. April 4 in the UNF Arena.

Free HIV testing is available on campus for students. The test is given with a mouth swab, and so requires no blood. Results are completely confidential and generally back within two weeks. To make an appointment, visit the Robinson Student Center (Bldg. 14), room 1520, or call 620-1570.

Indie film guru stretching out

By Angela Dryden
Features Editor

For connoisseurs of independent films such as "Clerks" and "Chasing Amy," Kevin Smith is a well-known name in the industry. With such a wide range of movies, fans may be wondering what to expect from his newest film, "Jersey Girl," released March 26.

The movie centers on Ollie Trinke (Ben Affleck), a self-involved music publicist in bustling Manhattan who is cast into the role of single parenthood when his wife, Gertrude (Jennifer Lopez), dies during childbirth.

"Jersey Girl" depicts the changes Ollie is forced to face after he loses his wife and the life he used to know, and then follows his transformation once he moves to the suburbs of New Jersey. There he meets Maya (Liv Tyler), who gives him a new way of looking at his life and the people in it.

George Carlin plays Ollie's father, Bart. Ollie's daughter, Gertie, is played by Raquel Castro, a 9-year-old actress making her debut. Lopez has a brief appearance, along with Will Smith, Stephen Root, Jason Biggs and Mike Carr, who are featured throughout the film. Scott Mosier is again on hand as the producer.

Recently, writer-director Smith took time to talk about his dramatic comedy, "Jersey Girl." For such a big name in the indie film world, Smith was extremely laid back and open, insisting on being referred to as Kevin, not Mr. Smith, as he answered questions for almost an hour.

Given classics like "Clerks" and "Jay and Silent Bob Strike Back," many fans might be curious as to why the director is moving in a

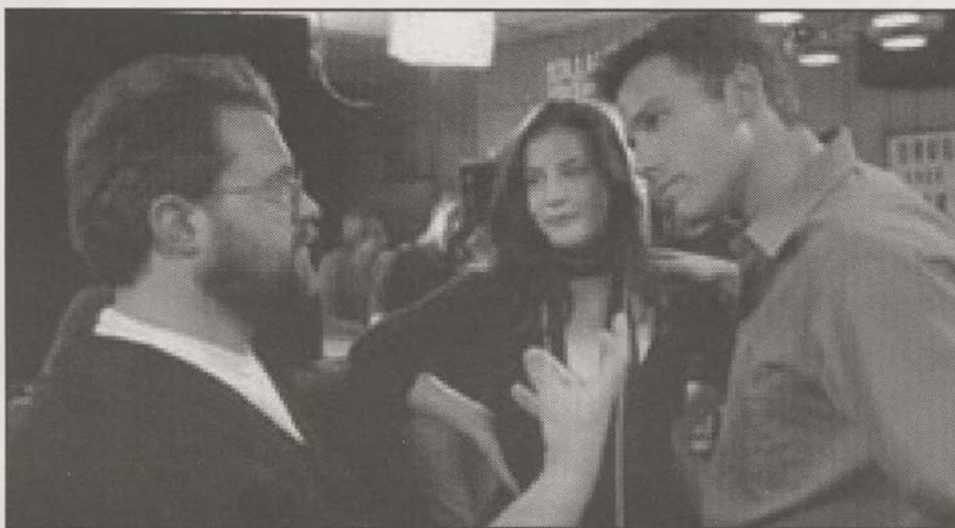


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Writer-Director Kevin Smith, Liv Tyler and Ben Affleck of Smith's newest movie "Jersey Girl," which opened in theaters March 26.

direction different from his previous films.

"The moment I started writing ['Jersey Girl'], I figured I was going to lose some of the hardcore 13- or 14-year-old boys that are the big Jay and Silent Bob fans," Smith said. "Thankfully, the fan base seems wide and diverse enough, and varied, where the people who were fans of 'Chasing Amy' and 'Dogma' will find it's more up their alley. Everyone keeps going, 'Hey, man, you're gonna lose your fan base,' but I said, you know, some of the hardcore fans actually grew up with us. Some of those cats are forward thinkers who can appreciate more. They really don't give the audience enough credit, which is a shame."

Smith had specific reasons for why Jay and Silent Bob don't make an appearance in

"Jersey Girl."

"It was two-fold, really," Smith said. "I wanted to see if I could make a movie that stood on its own, and I hadn't done it since 'Clerks.' 'Clerks' was the only movie I made where it didn't actually lean on something that had come before it, whereas 'Mallrats,' 'Chasing Amy,' 'Dogma' and 'Jay and Silent Bob Strike Back' had the benefit of leaning on movies that had come before them. So I wanted to see if I could do it, to see if I could work without a net, to tell a story that stood on its own."

Another reason for the lack of Jay and Silent Bob in the film was the actor who plays Jay, Jason Mewes. Smith said Mewes' drug addiction was an obstacle to his inclusion in "Jersey Girl," but one that allowed the writer

to broaden his script toward new characters and situations.

"Mewes was so knee deep in heroin and Oxycontin post-'Jay and Silent Bob Strike Back' that I reached a breaking point, a frustration point, where I was like, 'I can't do it anymore,'" Smith said. "The good news is Mewes has cleaned up. April 6, it will be a year since he's done drugs or even drank, which is kind of huge around our little neck of the woods. We fully expect the moon to turn into a sackcloth and the four horsemen to ride the apocalypse, because Mewes cleaning up is right up there with all that kind of stuff."

Smith said he may even have a part available for Mewes in his next film, "The Green Hornet."

"I told him I wanted him," Smith said. "[I told him], 'Hey man, I want you to be in 'The Green Hornet,' and he said, 'I knew it — you want me to play the Hornet.' I told him, 'No, dude. I just want you to be in *The Green Hornet*.'"

Smith gave the recent loss of his father as one of his reasons for writing "Jersey Girl." Another is that he is now a father himself, and he began thinking what it would be like if his current wife had died in childbirth.

"'Jersey Girl' is kind of the most personal [film I've done] because it's really my feelings and thoughts about being a father," he said, "and how you kind of start to appreciate your own father once you become a father, and how important my wife is to me and how much I lean on her in real life, and how absolutely devastated I would be if she had died in childbirth — which, thank God, she didn't."

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Film: Kevin Smith strays from Silent Bob

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Smith said his daughter, Harley, was still a baby when he was writing the film, so he had to imagine what life with a 7-year-old would be like.

"I have to extrapolate a lot on most of the Gertie-at-age-7 stuff, which is the lion's share of the movie, because when I was writing it my kid wasn't very old yet," he said. "My kid was still an infant, and infants really aren't that interesting. They just kind of look up to you, wave their arms around, sh— and eat."

Working with a child actor was another first for Smith in "Jersey Girl."

"I certainly couldn't smoke as much on set as I usually do because there was a 7-year-old kid around," Smith said. "Also, I couldn't swear as much as I normally do. While I'm comfortable swearing around my kid, I don't know how Raquel's parents would have felt about it if I was just kind of hurling expletives left and right casually."



Unlike in many of Smith's films, dialogue was not the main focus in "Jersey Girl." Vilmos Zsigmond, a big-name director of

photography, teamed up with him and shed some light on shooting a visually pleasing movie.

"I remember after the first day of dailies, Affleck came up to me and was like, 'Did you see the dailies, dude? For once I actually look good in your movies, not like I was hit in the face with a f— shovel,'" Smith said. "So, you know apparently that's a big deal, particularly to actors — looking good, being lit well. To me, I've always kind of been like it doesn't matter what anyone looks like, it's really about what's being said. And you know, since it's a visual medium, I guess it's a combination of both."

"Jersey Girl" may not have been a fiesta to film like "Jay and Silent Bob Strike Back," but Smith said the crew did have an interesting run-in with the paparazzi during the whole Lopez and Affleck romance that crept up at the end of the shoot.

"All of the Bennifer stuff just kind of crept up or exploded," he said. "I guess it hadn't really gotten out there yet that those two were dating, so we didn't have to deal with that a lot. It wasn't like you'd step outside and there was a zillion paparazzi that would be surrounding you — until we got to Manhattan for the last two days of the shoot, and that's when the paparazzi came out thick and fast."

Overall, Smith's movie may not be what his Jay and Silent Bob fans might have expected, but it looks to have a touch of something for all tastes, especially since most of his long-term fans might, like Smith, have started families of their own.

"You know, even the people that have been around since 'Clerks,' the hardcore fans, have kind of grown up with us, and some are married and have kids," Smith said. "So I knew there was a certain section that wouldn't do good [with 'Jersey Girl'] because nobody's running around yelling 'cocksmoker' and 'snoogins,' but I felt pretty good about everyone else coming along."



Photo courtesy of View Askew
Left to right, Ben Affleck and Raquel Castro, who makes her debut performance as Gertie in Kevin Smith's newest movie "Jersey Girl."

And Smith had advice for struggling moviemakers of the digi-video age about what he wishes he knew when he started out — beyond the benefits of student discounts.

"[It's] kind of lame advice, and it's just blanket advice that I always give, but don't try to figure it out," he said. "Don't try to figure out what's marketable or what's commercial. Just make the movie you want to make. Chances are, it's going to be interesting because it's your voice and nobody else can tell your story. The audience will find you; just kind of tell your story."

With upcoming film projects based on comic

books like "The Green Hornet" and "Superman," Smith shared his own wish for a superhero identity.

"Mr. Fantastic," he said. "I could expand and get a really big — a bigger dick."

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Spring of strings at showcase

By Stephanie McCormack
Contributing Writer

Students and faculty will have the opportunity to see the University of North Florida Orchestra string players present their Spring Concert at 7:30 p.m. April 6 in the Lazzara Performance Hall.

The free concert will feature a wide repertoire, from early baroque to contemporary music, with an emphasis on performing and promoting the great American composers of the past.

"This concert in April is very ambitious with a lot of difficult music," conductor Dr. Simon Shiao said.

Pieces to be played include music from Sergei Rachmaninoff, Nicolo Paganini, Dmitri Shostakovich, Sergei Prokofiev and Igor Stravinsky.

The concert will also feature guest artist Yung-chiao Wei, an assistant professor at Louisiana State University, who will perform on the double bass. Wei has been playing piano since the age of 6 and studying the bass since age 12. Granted several honors and awards, Wei has performed at numerous concert halls around the world.

The orchestra comprises students, faculty and musicians from outside the UNF community.

"The UNF Orchestra has grown tremendously in just a short time," Shiao said.

Members of the orchestra seem to form an ambitious, dedicated musical group. Many of the stu-



Photo courtesy of Dr. Simon Shiao

The UNF Orchestra, led by Dr. Simon Shiao, will have its Spring Concert at 7:30 p.m. April 6 in the Lazzara Performance Hall.

dents have a tremendous amount of experience playing and participated in other musical groups and performances before joining the UNF Orchestra.

"I transferred from the University of Kentucky to UNF to get my B.A. in music," senior music major Brandi Amadio said.

Amadio has played the cello for 13 years, both in her city's youth symphony throughout high school and in the orchestra at the University of Kentucky before attending UNF.

"I plan to graduate this year and transfer to Cleveland State where I will work on my master's," Amadio said.

Natasha Young, a junior music education major, has been playing the violin for 12 years. Before attending UNF, she went to the Interlochen Center for the Arts in Michigan.

"When I applied to UNF, I knew I wanted to be a part of the orchestra," Young said.

The UNF Orchestra is also committed to reaching out to Northeast Florida communities. In addition to UNF, it performs at other area schools and venues throughout Jacksonville.

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No need to fake Whale-like portions no fish tale laughs with Chicago improv

By Ann Pahlic
Contributing Writer

If you ever wondered what it would be like the day the Spice Girls came to play tennis, just ask the improvisational troupe Chicago City Limits.

The comedy team brought laughter to the University of North Florida's Lazzara Performance Hall March 26-27 for the entire two hours it took over the stage.

"The show was a lot of fun," sophomore communications major Adrenia Kemp said. "It was absolutely amazing. Everybody should go see Chicago City Limits if they have a chance."

Students and local residents from as young as 7 to as young at heart as 90 directly participated in the comedy, offering ideas for the performers to act out. The comedians then made those ideas into off-the-wall skits.

One audience member told the troupe he had recently fallen off his bicycle. The performers turned that into a Broadway musical, improvisational style, with each taking a different role in the singing.

There was even a joke in the skit about President Bush being the devil's archangel.

In another skit, the actors had to change the last thing they said if they heard a bell. This created some funny situations and kept the comedians on their toes.

Other skits consisted of sock monkeys, pickle juice and cows. One apparent audience favorite was the "torture the actor" skit. In this session, a troupe member goes outside while the audience hollers out ideas to be acted out. An idea is picked, and the actor then has to guess what the audience has said based on clues from the rest of the cast.

The first idea in this session was "The Day the Spice Girls Came out to Play Tennis." Comedian Kimmy Gatewood, who tours nationally with Chicago City Limits, quickly guessed this scene correctly, but the next one — "My Mom Used to Be a Yo-Yo Champion" — really stumped her.

The actors all seemed to have fun with the second idea, and even played tricks to confuse Kimmy as she tried to guess the statement. In the end, she finally figured it out — a satisfactory ending to the show.

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By Richard O'Bryant
Copy Editor

Deciding whether a restaurant is good or bad comes down to one thing in the South: its sweet tea.

And the sweet tea at Whalebone Grill in Five Points was fantastic — all seven glasses of it.

Also, like any good Southern surf-'n'-turf restaurant, people are welcome to drop in without calling ahead. Whalebone Grill does accept reservations, but doesn't require a credit card up front.

Once a table — which are a bit on the bare side, with only a generic red candleholder and salt and pepper shakers for decor — has been hooked, one look at the menu will be enough to reel anyone in.

For those who aren't strict seafood lovers (a blasphemy here on the First Coast), Whalebone Grill offers a wide selection of pastas, sandwiches and more — a couple of them vegetarian. The menu is also packed like a can of sardines with chicken dishes, including Whalebone pot pie (\$8.50), chicken marsala (\$10.25) and chicken parmigiana (\$10.25). Those who order the chicken parmigiana should be prepared to take some home because the two large breast filets on a bed of al dente pasta is enough to feed a school of piranhas — or hungry children. And after eating an appetizer like the crab-stuffed mushrooms (\$5.95) with their buttery, delicate flavor, there won't be nearly enough room for the whole dinner.

As for seafood, Whalebone Grill has quite a catch with its signature almond-crusting grouper (\$13.95), which takes up half the plate. Although one of the more expensive entrees, it's well worth it for the melt-in-your-mouth texture of the fish itself, complemented by the earthy flavor of the almond stuffing. The dish comes with two sides: roasted halves of baby red potatoes and a medley of zucchini, squash, carrots and broccoli prepared in a garlic and white-wine sauce.

The subtle blend of flavors in the entree was a treat, but there was disappointment in the dessert. What was temptingly billed in the menu as "chocolate seduction" turned out in reality to be a piece of triple-layered chocolate cake with fudge frosting sprinkled with miniature chocolate chips. It was rich, but about as seductive as Slappy, the bait-store guy.

To wash down the meal, don't think there's only saltwater to drink at Whalebone Grill. The restaurant offers bottled beer, both domestic (\$2.25) and import (\$3.50). There is also a decent wine list with glasses available starting at \$3.50 and bottles from \$17.00. The list lacked descriptions of the wines but had a good selection of reds and whites from France, California, Australia and Italy.

Whalebone Grill is the perfect place to bring friends and family (yes, they have a children's menu) for a leisurely meal without having to feel rushed. In fact, it might be best not to eat there if one is in a

hurry because the quality of service can tend to drop off about the time dessert is served. Waiting for the check is annoying when one is late getting back to work or school, and it could take a good 10 minutes from the time the meal is finished before a server finally drops off the bill.

And the lack of interesting decor to look at doesn't help pass the time. The restaurant resides in one of the oldest buildings in Five Points, but the nicotine-yellow walls and cafeteria chairs don't nearly live up to its potential.

Overall, Whalebone Grill is affordably priced. Appetizers hover between \$6 and \$7 dollars, and entrees range from \$8.50 for gumbo to \$16.95 for boiled shrimp, clams and lobster. It's moderate enough to feed a decently sized group without having to shell out too much money.

And, of course, refills on the sweet tea are free.

Lunch is served 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Monday through Saturday. Dinner is served 5:30 to 9:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 5:30 to 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

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More than 5,000 rock out at Audio Revolution



Photo by Angela Dryden

Something Corporate rocked out to Outkast's "Hey Ya!" in between romps and stomps on the piano March 26 in the UNF Arena.



Photo by Angela Dryden

Yellowcard closed out the Audio Revolution and got the crowd surfing at the sold-out concert March 26.



Photo by Angela Dryden

Security had a busy night of plucking crowd surfers before they went over the barrier. One surfer was singled out and caused a break in the show as Yellowcard ran off the stage after him, leaving just the drummer, L.P., to cover the show. The surfer was brought on stage to flail for a moment with Yellowcard.

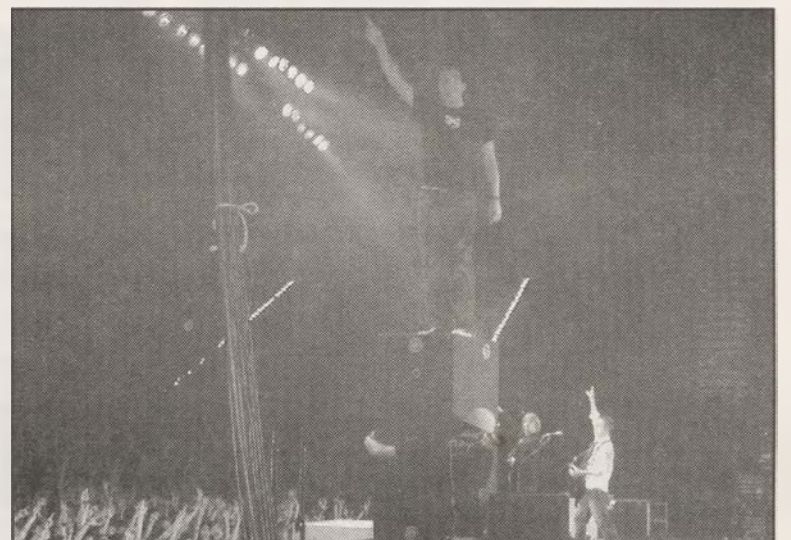


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Violinist Sean Mackin prepares to perform one of his many backflips of the night.

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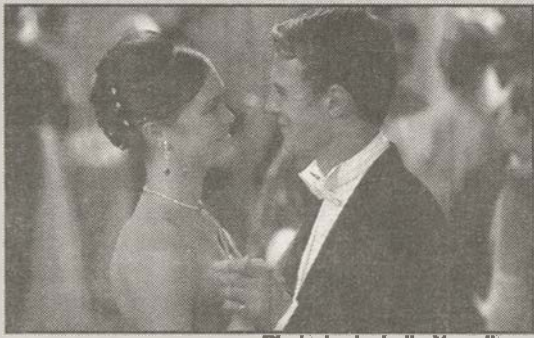


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Julia Stiles as Paige and Luke Mable as Eddie in "The Prince & Me," which opens April 2.



Photo by Bob Marshak

Left to right, Diane Keaton, Keanu Reeves and Jack Nicholson in "Something's Gotta Give," from Columbia Pictures.

Dining Out:

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In Theatres:

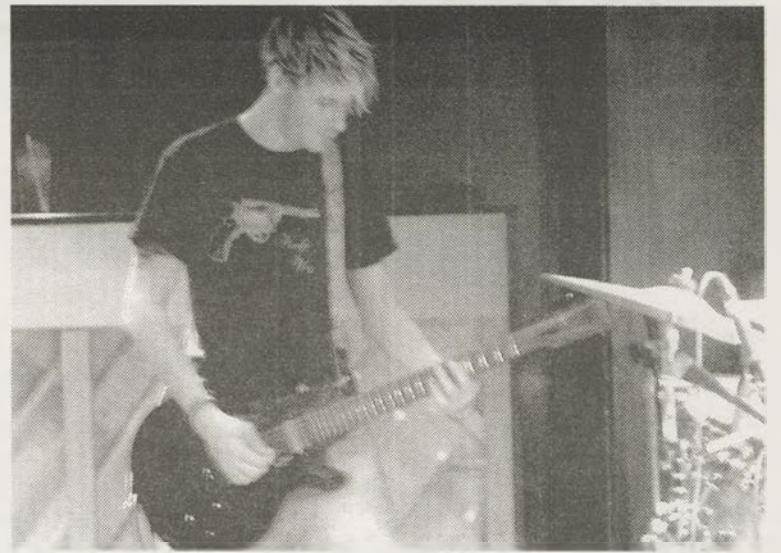
- "Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind" by screenwriter Charlie Kaufman, with Jim Carrey and Kate Winslet

On DVD:

- "Something's Gotta Give" with Jack Nicholson, Diane Keaton, Keanu Reeves and Amanda Peet, romantic comedy

In Concert:

- UNF Orchestra Spring Concert, 7:30 p.m., April 6, Lazzara Performance Hall



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March 31 - April 7

Wed. 31

- University Disability Awareness Day, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m., UNF Green
- AIDS Quilt, Arena
- Violinists Henry and Seamus Flory, 7 p.m., Ponte Vedra Branch Library, free
- "Honey," 8 p.m., Robinson Student Center (Bldg. 14), room 1700
- Indigo Girls, Freebird Live

Thurs. 1

- AIDS Quilt, Arena
- Hispanic Lecture Series: Luzma Umpierre, RSC (Bldg. 14), room 1700
- Halo 2 vs. 2 Tournament, 7 - 11 p.m., RSC (Bldg. 14), room 1606
- Great American Jazz Series: Bela Fleck and the Flecktones, 7:30 - 10:30 p.m., Lazzara Performance Hall
- The Legacy of Alexander the Great, 7:30 - 8:30 p.m., Founder's Hall (Bldg. 2), room 1131

Fri. 2

- AIDS Quilt, Arena
- Sawmill Slough Environmental Conservation general meeting, 12:30 - 1 p.m., the Green
- UNF First Fridays, 3 - 5 p.m., Building 15, room 1304
- Madgnap, Five Star Iris, Crescende and Johnny Danger, Jack Rabbits

Sat. 3

- AIDS Quilt, Arena
- Springing the Blues, noon - 10 p.m., SeaWalk Plaza
- Big Sky, 8:30 p.m., Jack Rabbits

Sun. 4

- Palm Sunday
- One Grand Piano, Four Great Hands, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m., Recital Hall
- Hoobastank, Lost Prophet and I M A Robot, 7 p.m., Plush
- Aerial Tribe, 9 p.m., Square One

Mon. 5

- Dining for Success, 6 - 8 p.m., University Center

Tues. 6

- Forest Music from Savannah, 9 - 11 p.m., Wackadoo's
- yoU U/UNF meeting, 11:55 a.m. - 1 p.m., RSC (Bldg. 14), room 1605
- UNF Orchestra Spring Concert, 7:30 - 9 p.m., Lazzara
- UNF Women's Center Peer Theatre Presents: Under the Sheets, 8 - 9 p.m., RSC (Bldg. 14), room 1700

Wed. 7

- Jazz Combo, 9 p.m., Wackadoo's
- Karaoke, Harmonious Monks

In Review

Artist worth tuning in to

By Angela Dryden
Features Editor

With all of the television programs showcasing hopeful vocalists, and the albums and movies America has been subjected to, can the public be expected to give another soul-singer a chance at stardom?

Perhaps, if the artist is someone like Brooklyn, N. Y., musician Kieran, who has been performing, writing songs and playing his own instruments for the past 10 years, recording his first album at the age of 16. And, at the young age of 20, he is releasing a full-length album on Black Rain Records next month.

Osprey Radio is currently playing his single "R U Awake" from the upcoming self-titled album. The song, for those who have not been tuned in, is definitely the catchiest tune in the bunch.

With the stanza, "She's dreaming of me/ didn't really know what was going on/ it was hard for me when I heard you moan/ I could not believe/ didn't really know just what to say/ don't really matter now you're awake/ you gave it all away from talking in your sleep/ can't believe you're having dreams about me," Kieran's euphonious voice, controlled tempo and upbeat rhythms are sure to keep this track in circulation.

His third track, "Bump," is equally hypnotic. A flute and strong bass beats make this an original sound, complemented by the unforced harmonies of Kieran's smooth, rich voice.

The rest of the album is uniquely mixed with a Spanish-sounding influence, plus a hip-hop cadre of underlying dance beats. Although the track "Can I Have My Cake (and Eat It Too)" is the weakest part of the album and can be skipped, the other songs are a good mix of slow rhythm-and-blues ballads with more upbeat tempos. The combination makes Kieran great for clubs, house parties or relaxing, candlelit dates — or just as inspiring music for writing papers and studying for finals.

Just make sure to leave time and make room to bust



Photo courtesy of Susan Blond, Inc.

Kieran will release his premiere self-titled album this May, and his single "R U Awake" is currently being played on WOSP.

a chair dance or two if listening to the album while studying at home or in the library, especially for track 10, "One More Night," and the last track, "Runaway Girl."

At such a young age, expect poet, model and dancer Kieran to be getting much club and radio play for maximum aural and dancing pleasure once his debut album hits the airwaves May 25. In the meantime, catch Kieran's single "R U Awake" on WOSP at ospreyradio.tk and channels 12 and 25.

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HOROSCOPES

March 29-April 4, 2004

Aries (March 21-April 20). Facts, figures and past documents create workplace controversy over the next few days. Early Tuesday, expect key officials to review progress and ask for faster results. Team leadership or vague instructions may be strong concerns. Avoid group discussion, if possible, and wait for added help. Social relations are also bothersome. After Friday, watch for new friendships to be mildly strained. Competing family values are highlighted; remain diplomatic.

Taurus (April 21-May 20). Over the next few days, watch for unique social proposals or unusual declarations of love. Friends and lovers may reveal their private ideas, feelings or needs. If so, expect the next nine days to bring detailed romantic discussions, fast social changes and complex home decisions. Rekindled love or new promises are needed; remain attentive. After Saturday, home finances may require revised legal agreements or detailed property negotiations. Be consistent.

Gemini (May 21-June 21). Use your own talents to further the knowledge or vision of a fellow worker this week. At present, positive contacts and worthwhile ideas will arise from business cooperation. Watch the medical fields, community services or public relations industries for fast advancement. Wednesday through Saturday, close family members may ask for greater freedom. Restlessness and social boredom are key influences in home relationships. Take time to finalize new group plans.

Cancer (June 22-July 22). Outdated friendships or business partnerships may reappear over the next few days. Although new proposals are promising, clearly state your present-day plans, accomplishments and aspirations.

Before next week, firm boundaries will be needed in social and workplace relationships. After Saturday, some Cancerians, especially those born in July, will experience a surprising romantic invitation. Go slow. Unexpected social or family information may soon arrive.

Leo (July 22-Aug. 22). Before Wednesday, loved ones may reveal unexpected opinions, ideas or expectations. Areas strongly affected are relations with older relatives, siblings or long-term family friends. Encourage an atmosphere of positive discussion. Progress and shared understanding are difficult, but available. Thursday through Saturday, financial restrictions will steadily fade. Almost five weeks of limited resources or strained work relations are due to end; plan wisely.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Social politics or minor differences between friends may be draining over the next few days. Before Thursday, expect friends or loved ones to appear emotionally distant. Allow others their needed private time. Deep thoughts and new revelations will soon lead to sustained growth. Wednesday through Saturday also accent rare business discussions. Authority figures or older relatives may demand serious revision of long-term plans. Remain patient; passions will be high.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Business and social contacts may lead to surprising opportunities. Remain open to all invitations, comments or proposals. Group activities will soon provide a new level of career

growth. Expect friends and co-workers to provide valuable advice. Later this week, romantic or social plans may be quickly canceled. Unusual family demands and forgotten obligations are prime concerns. After Friday, watch for rare emotional triangles to become temporarily annoying.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 22). Colleagues and older officials may request special advice or assistance. Joint ventures and delicate projects will bring a steady stream of compliments or opportunities. Early Wednesday, discuss new business or job plans with loved ones. Shared ideas will be helpful. Thursday through Sunday, a close friend may announce a group event or planned celebration. Marital status and family decisions are highlighted. Expect sudden announcements.

Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21). Early this week, ask friends or close relatives for detailed explanations of past events, family gatherings or emotional decisions. Important insight is available. After midweek, watch for key relationships to experience peaceful discussions or renewed intimacy.

In the coming weeks, many Sagittarians will rekindle affections with loved ones or resolve past family disagreements. Late Saturday, your ideas, needs and expectations will be taken seriously; don't hold back.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 20). Romantic attraction and flirtation are strong influences. After Tuesday, watch for new friends or co-workers to offer rare invitations or sultry comments. Use your best judgment. Over the next six days, emotional proposals may be purposely vague or easily misinterpreted. Remain patient, however, and expect clarity by early next week. Wednesday through Saturday, business and financial resources expand. Carefully study new legal documents. Job proposals are genuine.

Aquarius (Jan. 21-Feb. 19). New projects or a secondary application for recent research, paperwork or policies changes may inspire lengthy discussions. Share all suggestions and ideas. Over the next three days, older colleagues

will expect active participation. Career options may expand in the coming weeks. Remain attentive to minor legal details. After Thursday, a friend or lover may reveal private social fears. Public embarrassment or family isolation may be key issues; offer heartfelt support.

Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20). Loved ones may request special advice concerning family relations, financial diplomacy or changing roles in the workplace. Don't avoid difficult subjects. Others may need to rely on your awareness of group politics or emotional guidance. After midweek, delightful flirtations and rare social overtures arrive without warning. Someone close may soon offer controversial romantic options. Remain open to sudden love affairs and renewed sensuality.

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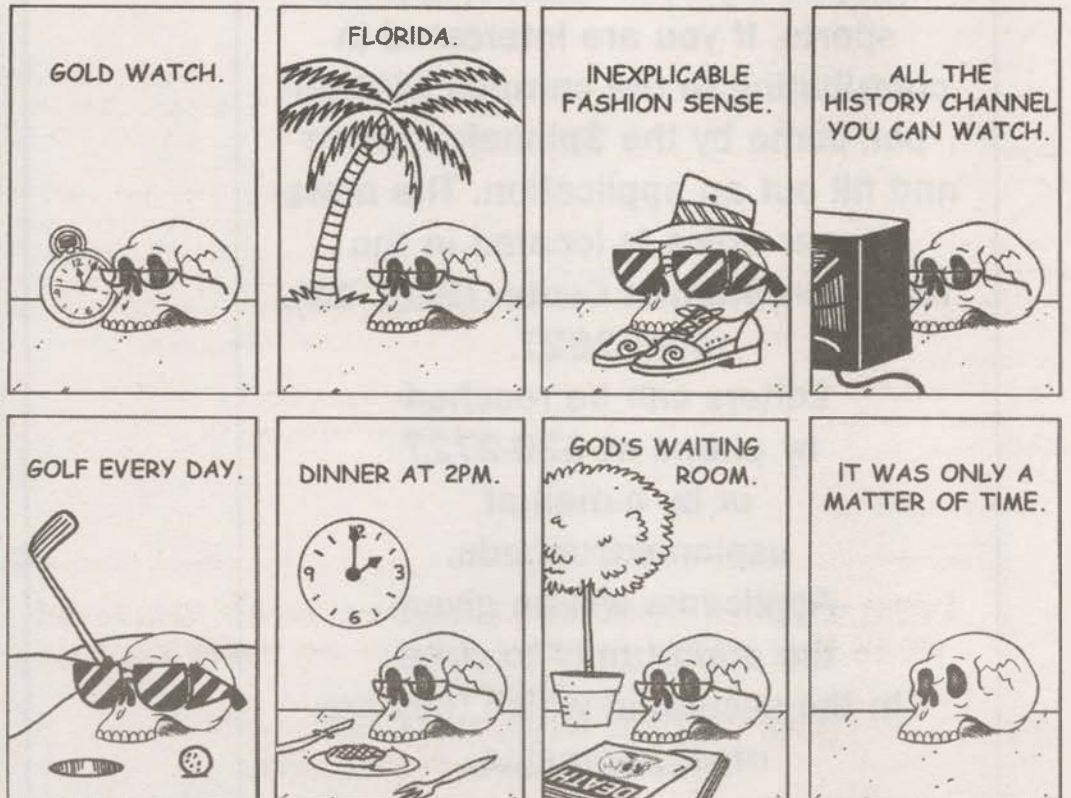
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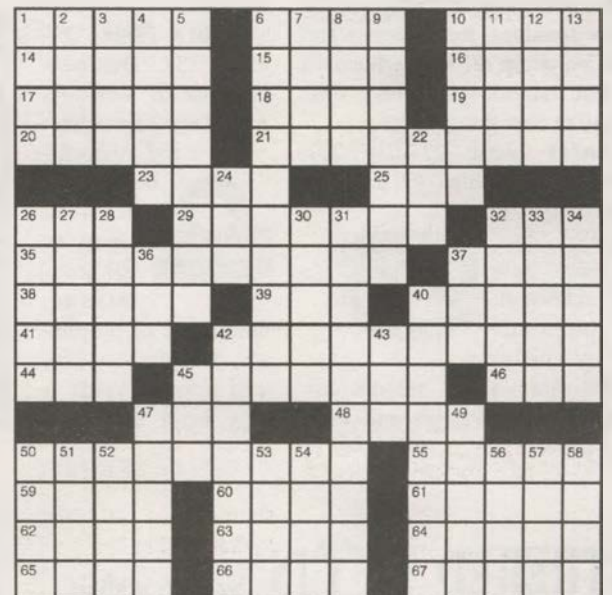
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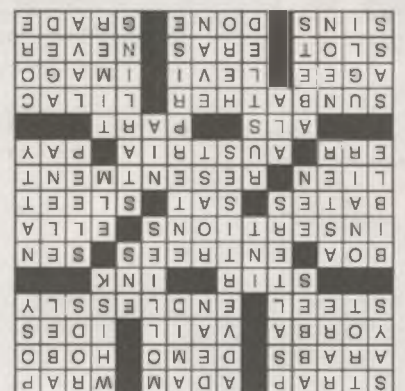
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SPORTS

Baseball stays on top of PBC

By Charles Broward
Sports Editor

It came down to the final inning, but the University of North Florida baseball team took another Peach Belt Conference series, winning two of three games against Francis Marion University.

The Ospreys launched into the home series March 27 with a six-game winning streak on their shoulders and extended that to seven with an 8-0 opening win.

Closing in on his 10th win of the season, junior Travis Stanton pitched a complete shutout game for record win No. 9. Stanton allowed six hits and one walk while delivering five strikeouts on the day.

Stanton's win was good enough to be honored as the PBC's Pitcher of the Week for the second time of the season.

"It was a good game," Stanton said. "It was just good enough to win, but nobody else [in the PBC] did much better."

The UNF offense, which seems to be in full swing as of late, started out quickly by scoring single runs in three of the first four frames. A five-run eighth inning, beginning with a solo home run by senior Jeff Millsaps, sealed the deal in game one.

Millsaps helped lead the Ospreys at the plate with two RBIs and a run scored during a two-for-five effort. Junior Marion Knowles scored twice and knocked in another while going two-for-three from the batter's box.

However, the Patriots answered in the second game of the doubleheader, ending the Ospreys' winning streak with a 5-3 win for

Francis Marion.

It was the Patriot bats that got out to the early start, taking a 2-0 lead after three complete innings. Things started looking grim for UNF after the Ospreys watched three more runs come in during the fifth in the nightcap scheduled for seven innings.

Junior Robert McNeal took his first loss of the season, though he pitched all seven innings. McNeal surrendered eight hits and one walk while allowing five runs on the day.

McNeal got some help from his offense in the final inning, but it proved to be too little, too late. A couple of walks, a wild pitch, a single and a groundout put up three runs in the seventh but left UNF with the 5-3 loss.

Late inning rallies seemed to carry over into March 28 for the Ospreys, whose four-run ninth inning propelled them past the Patriots 9-8 and gave UNF the series.

However, the game didn't look too good for the Ospreys in the first three frames, where they found themselves down 7-1 after the Patriots jumped out with four runs in the first inning, one in the second and two more in the third.

UNF added single runs in the fifth and sixth innings, but was still down 7-3 heading into the eighth.

That's when things began to change.

In the bottom of the eighth, the Ospreys cut the lead to two with two more runs beginning with sophomore Matt Oxendine's RBI single down the left-field line. Junior Sadry Cafe brought Oxendine in two batters later with a sacrifice fly to left field.

The Patriots scored once in the top of the

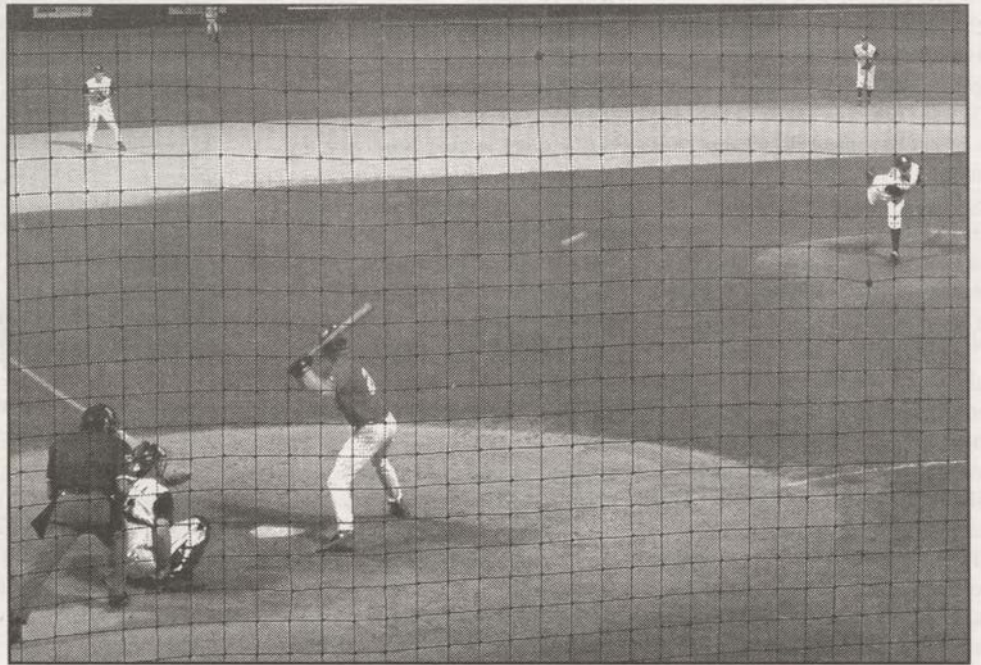


Photo by Charles Broward

Junior pitcher Travis Stanton delivers a pitch during the Ospreys' 6-4 win over FIT March 30.

ninth, bringing the lead back to three — not enough to clip the Ospreys' wings.

UNF got its first run of the inning off a wild pitch with the bases already loaded after a pair of walks and a hit batter. Senior Joseph Russell then tied the game with a single to left field that brought home two Osprey runners.

That set the stage for the following batter, Oxendine, who needed a single to try and score Russell. The shortstop did just that, belting one down the left-field line to bring in the game-winner.

"That was probably the biggest game of the year for us," Oxendine said. "Knowing you can come back on a team that's that good and then actually doing it—that's just a big lifter."

The Ospreys travel to St. Augustine March 31 to play Flagler College before heading to Lander University April 3-4 for another pivotal three-game conference series.

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SPORTS IN BRIEF

Outdoor in Raleigh

The University of North Florida outdoor track teams competed in the Raleigh Relays March 26-27, taking away a few top-10 finishes in a field full of major teams.

On the men's side, senior Jerry Reckart took ninth-place in the 800-meter event with a time of 1:53:30.

Senior Romy Krueger again led the women, placing seventh overall in the 800-meter event. Krueger finished with a time of two minutes, 11.11 seconds.

The outdoor team will next compete in the University of South Florida Invitational April 2-3.

Compiled by Charles Broward

Getting back up from injury

By David Rosenblum
Assistant Sports Editor

Many athletes who encounter career-threatening injuries never seem to bounce back.

For University of North Florida junior softball player Laura Hanstein, such an injury made her want to play more.

"When I got hurt at Florida International University, they told me I was going to have to have surgery," Hanstein said. "I didn't want that. I wanted to play."

An active player since age 5, Hanstein said she has had nothing but love for being out on the diamond.

In her first season at UNF, Hanstein, a transfer from Indian River Community College, has made her presence felt around the Division II ranks.

"The Hammer," as she's been known since she was 12 years old, was recently honored as the Peach Belt Conference Player of the Week.

Hanstein has won numerous awards, including First Team All-Conference and Second Team All-State as a high school player at Deerfield Beach High School. At Indian River, she was a Second Team All-State selection in her sophomore year.

But she lists the opportunity of being able to play each day as her biggest honor.

"After I got injured at FIU, I lost my starting job," she said. "I decided I didn't want to sit there

and watch softball — I wanted to play. I had to start all over and go somewhere else to play. Coming here and being able to play every day, that's huge to me."

Hanstein played at the Division I level before injuries forced her to move on.

At Indian River, she was part of a top-ranked team that went 50-1 during the season. Following her transfer to UNF, Hanstein was awarded a starting position on coach Sonya Wilmoth's squad.

"She's a tough player," Wilmoth said. "She's had to battle some chronic injuries, and she played through them. She's a solid defensive player and offensively she came into her own lately. She's made an impact."

Many players' careers end after their college days, but Hanstein said she plans to continue with life on the softball diamond as a coach.

She currently coaches an under-18 team during the summer, looking over Wilmoth's shoulder for inspiration.

"As a coach, she'll be all right," Wilmoth said. "Kids think it's a lot easier than it seems, a lot of other things than it really is. She comes here and picks my brain every once in a while, or I'll go about saying, 'Is this what you want to do?'"

Hanstein said coaching will keep her close to the game she loves while letting her pursue her degree.

"That's what I go to school for, to learn to coach," Hanstein



Photo by Charles Broward

Junior transfer Laura Hanstein stands in front of the scoreboard at the UNF softball field March 30.

explained. "In the summer, I coach an 18-and-under team; I'm an assistant. I want to be a graduate assistant somewhere, a job that will pay for my master's. Hopefully, I'll get an assistant job somewhere and work my way up from there."

"I feel myself getting old. I'd love to keep playing, but I feel coaching is what I want to do. I feel like I think the game better than I play it."

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FLIGHT SCHEDULE

MARCH 31
Baseball at Flagler College,
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Men's Tennis at Armstrong
Atlantic, 2 p.m.

Women's Tennis at Armstrong
Atlantic, 2 p.m.

APRIL 3
Baseball doubleheader at
Lander University, 1 p.m.

Golf at Cleveland/Augusta
State Intercollegiate in
Augusta, Ga.

Softball doubleheader vs.
Georgia College and State
University, 1 p.m.

Men's Tennis vs. Barry
University in Savannah, Ga.,
2 p.m.

Women's Tennis vs. Barry
University in Savannah, Ga.,
11 a.m.

Outdoor Track at USF
Invitational in Tampa

APRIL 4
Baseball at Lander University,
1 p.m.

Golf at Cleveland/Augusta
State Intercollegiate in
Augusta, Ga.

Softball at Rollins College,
3:30 p.m.

Outdoor Track at USF
Invitational in Tampa

APRIL 6
Women's Tennis at Rollins
College, 3:30 p.m.

APRIL 7
Men's Tennis at Rollins College,
3:30 p.m.

Compiled by Charles Broward

Weightlifting club pumps up

By Charles Broward
Sports Editor

Although many people put weightlifting and bodybuilding in the same category, a look at some of the guys from the University of North Florida Weightlifting Club might change their minds.

These athletes aren't training two hours per night to get that nice "beach" look. Instead, weightlifters like club president senior Jesse Reynolds are more concerned with maximizing their strength and techniques to compete in a sport they've come to love.

"We're just trying to make UNF kind of this stepping stone for any Team Florida high school lifter that wants to continue their career," Reynolds said. "Because that is the really tough part about it, is being able to lift after high school."

That perspective is something Reynolds and the rest of the club would like to see grow in popularity among students who take their bodies seriously. After all, the two lift events in which the club competes form the fundamental basis for almost all other athletic motions, particularly jumping.

"It mimics any athletic movement that an athlete does in any other sport," Reynolds said. "That's actually why it's the best form of strength training for athletes of any sport outside of weightlifting."

The two events in which the team competes are known as the

"snatch" and the "clean and jerk." Much like in Olympic weightlifting, lifters must bring the bar from the ground to above their heads.

The difference between the two lifts is simple. In the clean and jerk, competitors must lift the weights to their chests before thrusting them above their heads. The snatch is basically the same, but is done in one fluid motion.

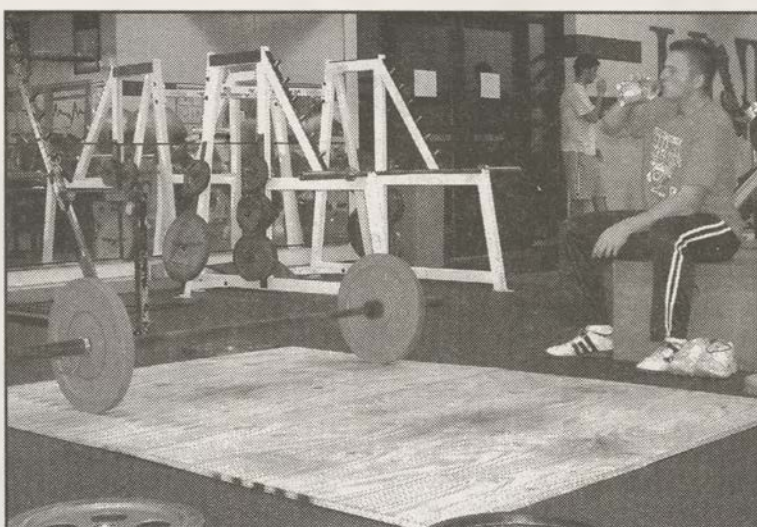
In competition, lifters must lift at least the qualified weight for each weight class in both events to get a score. The trick is that once the weight is put on, more can be added but none can be taken away. The best of three lifts counts for points.

This means if a competitor adds more weight than the qualified amount in either event, he must be able to lift it or the team receives no points.

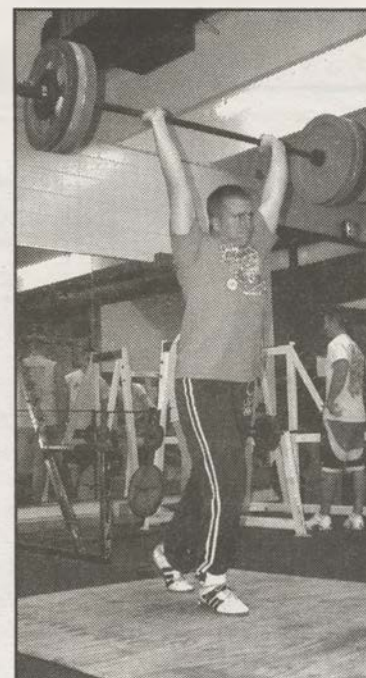
No one may know this better than UNF graduate Trey Southwood, an athletic trainer at the Dottie Dorion Fitness Center who serves as the lifting team's faculty sponsor.

Southwood competed at the USA Weightlifting Senior National Championships in March, the biggest national event of the year, taking seventh place overall in the 62-kilogram class. However, it was his gutsy finish with an ongoing back injury flaring up that made the difference in the meet and gave the Florida team its first-place finish by just one point.

"I do what I have to,"



Above, Senior weightlifting club president Jesse Reynolds rests at the Dottie Dorion Fitness Center March 29 after a few clean and jerks. Above, right, Reynolds completes another one of his practice lifts.



Photos by Charles Broward

Southwood said. "I do whatever's needed of me. They needed me to make a certain total to get points and that's what I tried to do, one way or another."

His desire to put the team first and his extensive knowledge of the sport have made Southwood a mentor to the weightlifting club's four members.

In fact, though the university is paying for the team's first trip to the Collegiate National Championships in Bloomington, Ind., Southwood is paying money from his own pocket to accompany his younger weightlifting companions.

The championships, scheduled for April 17-18, will be the team's

first trip, but Reynolds expects a top-five performance — at least.

"Hopefully, top-three is what we're looking for as a team," Reynolds said. "There's two very strong competitors that we probably won't fare [well] against this year."

After the summer meets, the club will have its second annual Joe Dube Meet at the UNF Arena in September. The event is named in honor of Dube, a legend in the weightlifting community who grew up in Jacksonville.

Dube, who attended Terry Parker High School, was the last American to win the Weightlifting World Championships, which date back to 1969, according to

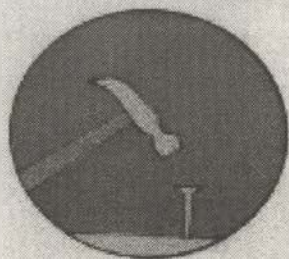
Reynolds.

It's these types of events that club members said they hope will raise some eyebrows and allow them eventually to grow into a major recreational club on campus, though weightlifting is not recognized as an official NCAA sport. The club is also planning to petition the university to give scholarships for the lifters, as some top collegiate teams do.

For more information about the weightlifting club students can contact Reynolds at (386) 212-9112 or ironman545@hotmail.com.

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Softball splits against No. 1

By David Rosenblum
Assistant Sports Editor

The softball players at the University of North Florida earned a week off and a shot at the Peach Belt Conference lead following wins against No. 1-ranked Kennesaw State University and the University of South Carolina Spartanburg.

The Ospreys battled Kennesaw State, then the top team in the nation, splitting the doubleheader March 26. Kennesaw State won the opening game 2-0 and appeared ready for a sweep until fourth-ranked UNF, riding the long balls off Kim Graham's bats, stopped Kennesaw State's winning streak at 38 games.

"Last year we beat them four times, so we were confident that we could beat them," coach Sonya Wilmoth said. "Knowing they were undefeated, that's a little intimidating. But with the kids we have, the staff and the hitters we have, we were confident enough."

Senior Cari Chewning made mound appearances in both games, the second in relief for sophomore Alisha Phillips, who left the game after fouling a ball off her face.

Graham hit a two-run home run

in the fourth inning of game two to give the Ospreys the lead and drove in the final run. She also broke a potential no-hit game by Kennesaw pitcher Lisa Macki in the first game. Macki held UNF hitless for 6 1/3 innings.

"That's the first time they got beat all year," junior Laura Hanstein said. "There wasn't a lot of people who believed we could beat them, besides us. We came back from the first game and beat them 4-1 in the second game. That was huge."

Wilmoth said the Osprey win reflects the quality of conference competition.

"We beat them at their place, their new ballpark," Wilmoth said. "It shows the PBC's potential; two PBC teams that were ranked high played two very good games. It shows the type of competition we have to face."

Following the Kennesaw games, UNF traveled to USC Spartanburg for yet another conference matchup. The Ospreys swept Spartanburg with scores of 2-1 and 5-2. The second game gave the Ospreys their 40th win of the season.

Graham hit a three-run home run in the fourth inning of the second game, giving her a total of six for the

season.

"If she controls herself at the plate, she's a good hitter," Wilmoth said of Graham's performance. "This past week she has been more confident at the plate. She gets weird with certain pitches, certain speeds. She gets frustrated with her defensive performance and takes it out at the plate."

Chewning raised her record to 22-2 this season with a win in the first game. Phillips improved to 16-2 after UNF won game two.

The Ospreys get a week off before paying host to Georgia College and State and Armstrong Atlantic University, the No. 1 team in the PBC.

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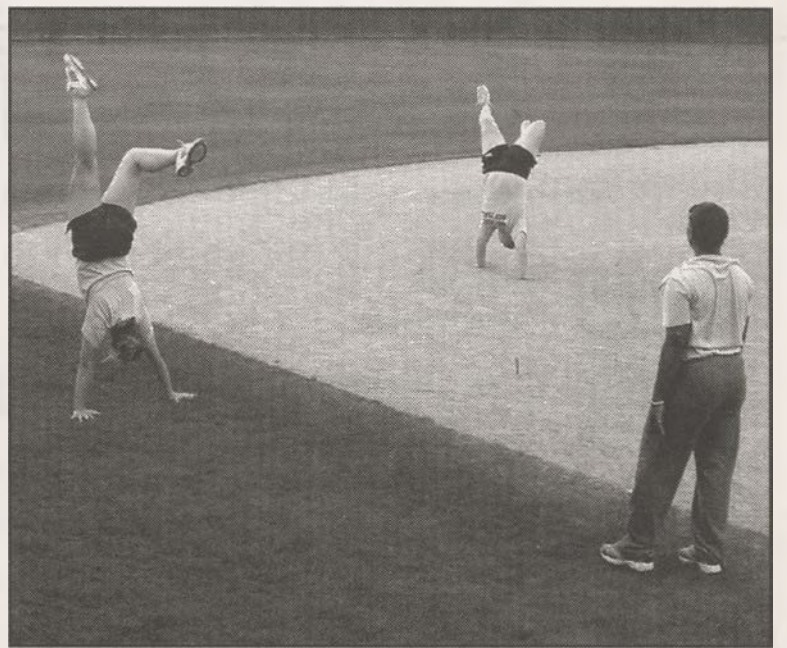


Photo by Charles Broward

Senior Kim Graham and sophomore Danielle Weaver practice their handstands as a March 30 practice comes to an end. The Ospreys have a week off to prepare for yet another pair of weekend conference tests.

“ It shows the PBC's potential; two PBC teams that were ranked high played two very good games. It shows the type of competition we have to face. ”

Sonya Wilmoth,
softball coach



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Ospreys of the Month

For their exemplary performance during the month of March, the Spinnaker recognizes the following players as Ospreys of the Month:



Stanton

Baseball Travis Stanton

One of the most consistent pitchers for the Ospreys this season, junior Travis Stanton went undefeated in March, earning one complete game shutout and combining with teammate Josh Papelbon for another.

Stanton threw 24 strikeouts this month, allowing only 16 hits in the four games he pitched.

Stanton's record for 2004 stands at 9-0 and his team-leading ERA is at 1.43.

Women's Basketball

Skye Barber

Finishing her last season with the Ospreys, senior Skye Barber ended strong with 42 total points in three games for the March playoff season.

Barber earned 20 points March 6 against Georgia College and State University in the Ospreys' Peach Belt Conference Semifinal loss.

She also scored 15 points and earned a game-high 12 rebounds March 12 in the team's South Atlantic Regional loss to Armstrong Atlantic State University.



Barber



Brown

Golf Tyler Brown

Freshman golfer Tyler Brown led UNF in individual scores for both the Ospreys' March tournaments.

Brown earned a tie for 24th-place in the Seminole Intercollegiate March 1-2 with a three-round score of 229.

He followed that with a 21st-place tie at the Conrad Rehling Spring Invitational March 12-14 in Tuscaloosa, Ala. Brown finished the tournament with 224 strokes.

Softball

Kim Graham

Senior Kim Graham has consistently made critical hits during the month of March, including numerous game-winning hits.

Graham currently leads the team with 13 doubles and six home runs and is second in runs batted in with 28.

Graham hit three home runs in an eight-game span for the Ospreys and kept the team from going hitless in a game against Kennesaw State University.



Graham



Gomes

Men's Tennis Leonardo Gomes

Osprey freshman Leonardo Gomes performed well in March, earning the men's team 11 singles victories in 12 matches.

His only loss this month was to Lander University's Nicolas Legros March 6.

Gomes also combined with teammate Elliot Wood for 10 wins in 12 doubles matches in March. He and the Osprey men are out to one of the school's best starts ever at 16-1.

Women's Tennis

Melanie Eng

Junior Melanie Eng played well from the No. 6 spot for the Ospreys in March, earning nine victories of 11 singles matches.

She also combined with teammates Yevgeniya Barysheva and Camilia Sagae for 10 wins on the doubles side.

Eng was the only Osprey from the women's team to earn a singles win against West Florida March 7, defeating Diana Olave 1-6, 6-4, (10-8).



Eng



Reckart

Men's Outdoor Track Jerry Reckart

Senior Jerry Reckart showed his continuing ability in outdoor track with a win in the 800-meter run at the Snowbird Invite March 5-6 at Florida State University.

He also earned a third-place finish in the 1,500-meter race at the Florida State Relays March 19-20 with a time of 3 minutes, 49.08 seconds.

Reckart represented UNF at the Raleigh Relays March 26-27 in Raleigh, N.C., with a ninth-place finish in the 800-meter run.

Women's Outdoor Track

Amber Littleton

Sophomore Amber Littleton represented UNF with a second-place finish in the 800-meter race at the Snowbird Invite March 5-6 in Tallahassee.

She also earned the Ospreys a win in the women's distance medley, along with teammates Romy Krueger, Nicole Posey and Amber Smith.

At the Florida State Relays March 19-20, also in Tallahassee, Littleton placed seventh in the 1,500-meter race with a time of 4 minutes, 45.53 seconds.



Littleton

Ospreys' tennis sets for ending

By David Rosenblum
Assistant Sports Editor

The University of North Florida tennis teams had plenty of success in the past week, with the men's team on the verge of clinching the Peach Belt Conference.

The men had little trouble in their match against Drury University in Orlando March 25. The Ospreys won the match 6-3 with the help of three powerful doubles lineups. Although the top two seeds lost their singles matches, the rest of the Ospreys played well enough to secure UNF's 14th win of the season.

No. 2 senior Stephen Moros, who suffered his first loss of the season, and No. 11 senior Elliot Wood lost their singles matches but got their revenge during doubles. Wood and partner freshman Leonardo Gomes defeated Drury's Mattias Oddone and Dante Bottini 8-4.

Moros teamed with freshman Anders Berger to defeat Javier Llames, who defeated Moros in their singles match, and Tony Kiruki 8-6.

In conference action, UNF traveled to No. 33 Francis Marion University March 28, where the Ospreys won 6-3.

"I have high expectations for these guys," coach Tom Schrader said. "If I have a chance to beat them 9-0, I want to win 9-0 — 6-3 was not good enough."

Moros helped pave the way for the Osprey win, taking both his singles and doubles matches in the event.

When Valdosta State University came to town March 29, the men held their court with a convincing 6-3 victory. Moros took on No. 3-seeded Eduardo Rincon and won the long match 6-7 (5), 6-2 (10-7). Wood, Gomes and sophomore Jose Terrera each contributed with singles wins.

The women's team was not as fortunate, losing two of its four matches.

The women had trouble handling cross-town rival Jacksonville University, losing the match 8-1. Junior Lilianna Hung defeated JU's Kim Packer 6-4, 6-2 for the Ospreys' only win.

"I don't think we came out as intense as we should have," Hung said. "Our minds weren't there, and that's not good."

The Ospreys had no trouble with PBC rival the University of North Carolina Pembroke March 27, shutting out the Braves 9-0. Tenth-ranked UNF added to its conference totals, winning its sixth PBC match this season.

All six Osprey singles players won their matches in consecutive

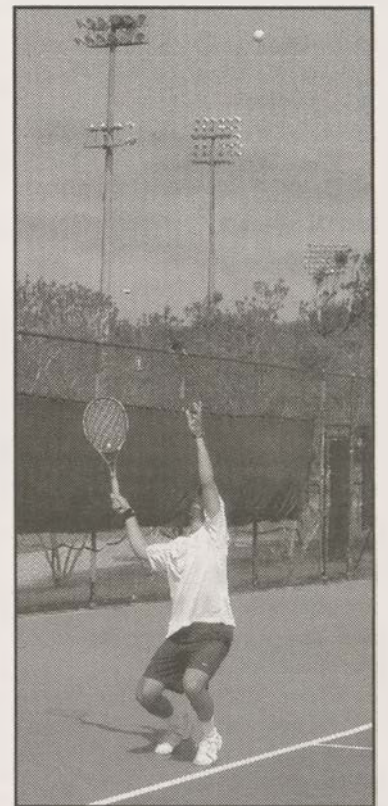


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Freshman Leonardo Gomes tosses up a ball to serve in his doubles match against Valdosta State University March 29. Gomes and his partner, senior Elliot Wood, defeated Eduardo Rincon and Norman Weidle in a grueling 9-8 tiebreaker match.

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In more PBC action, the women's team bested the men's results against Francis Marion University March 28, shutting it out 9-0. Junior Yevgeniya Barysheva had the most trouble but came out on top in her match against Kamini Murugaboopathy, winning 6-4, 5-7 (10-6). The win put the women at 10-4 for the season.

Valdosta State University proved to be trouble for the women's team March 29. Hung, senior Camilia Sagae and junior Melody Le Goff all lost their singles matches.

The doubles teams of junior Julie Stoppelli and Hung alongside Le Goff and Sagae produced losses as UNF dropped its fifth match of the year.

However, the UNF women have won seven of their last nine matches, something Hung said she hopes they can carry into the postseason.

"Towards the end is what really matters," Hung said. "The conference, the tournament, that's what we're preparing for."

The UNF men and women prepare for a March 31 date at Armstrong Atlantic State University, with the men looking to clinch the regular season conference championship.

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"I have high expectations for these guys. If I have a chance to beat them 9-0, I want to win 9-0 — 6-3 was not good enough."

Tom Schrader,
men's and women's tennis coach