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Friday Sept. 23	Saturday Sept. 24	Sunday Sept. 25
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Candidates prepare for election

ESAC plans for two polling places; 1,700-2,200 voters expected

BY ANTHONY DEMATTEO
COPY EDITOR

Thirty-one Student Senate candidates will vie for 20 open seats and two amendments will be on the ballot in Student Government elections Sept. 28-29 at the University of North Florida.

There will be 16 voting terminals at two polling places — one in front of the bookstore and one outside the Coggin College of Business. Polls are open both days from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Chair of the Elections, Selections and Appointments Committee, Brian Dunmire, said he expects 1,700 to 2,200 students to vote in the election.

"I'm very excited about this election," Dunmire said. "I think it's going to be a good election and I hope people get out there and vote."

Two parties dominate the tickets, The Students' Party, founded by Sens. Matthew Breidenstein and Blair Mitchelson, and the party endorsed by Student Body President Tom Foran. One student, Dennis Negrin, is running as an independent.



Campaign signs cover the campus as the fall 2005 Student Senate election begins Sept. 28 through Sept. 29. There are 31 candidates in the election, and all but one of them have taken the side of one of the two parties.

New rules instituted by Physical Facilities have prohibited billboard signs from being placed in areas with excess electrical wires, including an area between Osprey Landing and Osprey Cove, according to Dunmire.

Dunmire said signs must now

be secured at least 30 inches into the ground. The regulation was enacted in part to prevent incidents such as the one before last spring's election in which a smiling stick figure was depicted sodomizing another figure on a skateboard on Foran's sign.

One senator running on the

Students' ticket said this year's campaign has included less animosity than last spring's.

"It's been a positive experience and not the bitter rivalry some have experienced in past elections," said candidate Drew

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Administration hopes One Stop Shop will ease students' woes

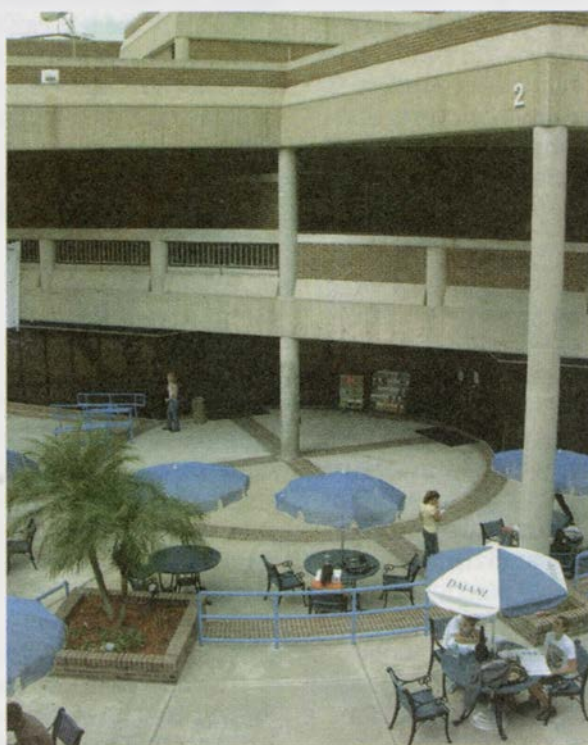
BY CHELSEY WACHA
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

A new program designed to help students avoid the frustration of being passed from office to office is currently in the works.

The One Stop Shop program will bring together financial aid, administration, registration and academic advising. When fully operational, students will be able to go to One Stop Shop and get all of their general issues with those offices taken care of.

"Basically, what we're trying to do is ease the process of being a student on campus," said Jim Owen, director of One Stop Student Services. "We're trying to stop the shuffle from office to office."

The foundations of the program are well under way. Staff began cross-training in the various sectors last spring. They coordinated registration this term and it went smoother than ever, Owen said.



The Courtyard entrance of Founders Hall will be the future location of the proposed One Stop Shop, an integrated office combining financial aid, registration and academic advising.

When students call records and registration or visit the registrar's office, they are getting One Stop. Staff can be identified by their red polo

shirts with the stop sign logos.

"Right now they don't know what to expect," said

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Student found murdered by roommate

SPECIAL TO SPINNAKER

"He had a love for life and learning."

A University of North Florida student was found dead on the floor of his Melrose apartment from an apparent murder.

According to the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office, Jose A. Sotomayer-Rivera, 32, was found dead on the floor of his home in Melrose Apartments Sept. 7. His roommate, Jeremy Douglas Smith, 25, has been charged with murder. Smith is not a UNF student.

As the JSO investigates the murder of Sotomayer-Rivera, those who knew him are mourning the loss of a promising criminal justice student.

"Jose was studious, dependable, enthusiastic and worked hard to get good grades," said adjunct criminology professor Joy Feria, who encouraged Sotomayer-Rivera to continue his education after he served in the Gulf War and Iraq as a National Guardsman.

According to Feria, Sotomayer-Rivera always sat in the front row of class and participated in discussions. "He was the kind of student most professors dream of having," she said.

"Jose's loss has rippled through our community near and far," said Dr. Michael Hallett, chair of the Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice. Hallett noted that a memorial service is in the planning stages and the department will award a posthumous baccalaureate degree at December's commencement.

According to the UPD, this was the first murder of a UNF student in nearly a decade.

The murder is the fourth death of a UNF student since the beginning of the semester.

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SPINNAKER'S BEST

Parking Lot 2 was opened this week after having been closed for more than a year because of construction to the new library addition.

SPINNAKER'S WORST

Unfortunately, the new Lot 2 doesn't utilize space efficiently, and university planners have decided to focus on landscape instead of adding more parking spaces.

SPINNAKER'S FIX

Landscaping should not be the main concern of university officials while parking has become increasingly inconvenient. If anything, the lot should have been left basic so as to add the maximum amount of parking spaces possible



QUOTE of the WEEK

"The only cure for grief is action."

-- George Henry Lewes

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Too late to turn back on mess made in Iraq

As the conflict in Iraq passes the two and a half year mark, the situation grows worse. President Bush has his lowest approval ratings ever and recent polls show that nearly half of Americans want U.S. soldiers to leave the country as soon as possible. Regardless of how much Americans want the war to end, removing troops now would be immoral and counter productive.

President Bush says that leaving Iraq now would further destabilize the region, embolden the terrorists and leave America vulnerable to terrorist attacks. The president was wrong about the weapons of mass destruction, but he may have gotten it right this time.

The situation in Iraq is America's fault. Prior to the U.S.-led invasion, the situation was stable. Saddam Hussein was an evil dictator, but he was the force that kept three different ethnic groups together. The country was not harboring terrorists, Hussein had no WMDs or any plans to imminently attack Americans.

Once the coalition forces removed Hussein, the situation changed dramatically. The country frantically tries to adopt a more democratic system. By itself, this change has been very problematic. The national assembly found itself stalled in writing a constitution that was agreeable to all sides and the

country's former defense minister is being charged with misappropriating or misusing hundreds of millions of dollars. The country is technically in a civil war. Different factions within the country are fighting each other for control. The mostly Sunni insurgency is battling the Iraqi Security Force comprised mostly of Shia and Kurdish militia members.

The greatest concern to Americans is the flow of Islamic extremists to Iraq. Most, if not all, of these terrorists came to the country after the war began — many came in direct response to the war. For example, the group Al Qaida in Iraq started as a Sunni insurgent group that formed in protest of the American occupation. Foreign fighters and weapons have flowed in from neighboring countries and insurgents are establishing strongholds along the Syrian border.

The situation in Iraq is worse now than when the war began. Some people seem to be assuming that the problems will fix themselves if the Americans leave. But this would not make things better for the concerned parties

First, if the ISF can't stop the insurgency with the help of 140,000 American troops, there is no reason to assume that they will be able to do the job on their own.

The same is true for the political process. The only reason that National

Assembly was able to produce a draft constitution was because the parties were being pressured by Americans to cooperate and compromise.

What it boils down to is that America hasn't finished the obligation we made to the Iraq people. We created the situation the Iraqi people now face and it is unfair for us to leave them saying, "Well, we took care of Saddam. You're on your own from here. Good luck establishing democracy and defeating the insurgency."

From a self-interest standpoint, leaving Iraq at this point is bad for America. The country is now a haven for terrorists, who would take credit they forced Americans to withdraw from Iraq. If we leave the situation as it is, the insurgents will turn the badlands between Iraq and Syria into a terrorist stronghold, much like the area between Afghanistan and Pakistan. And it won't take long for the terrorist to realize that airport security has gotten slack since the Americans left.

It's been almost two years since President Bush said "Mission Accomplished," but it should be obvious that the mission is far from complete. We have to remain in the country until it is stable enough to proceed on its own. Otherwise, America's unfinished business will return to bite us in the rear.

SG should consider election as time to show best face

Even though it seems like it was just yesterday that the Student Government at the University of North Florida had elections, another round of candidates are gearing up for another campaign season.

The spring 2005 SG election was filled with campaign controversy and party feuds that ended with a violations hearing, which was poorly managed and in the end was insignificant to the outcome of the election.

The fall Senate election, Sept. 28 - 29, will hopefully be a bit more professionally handled and will see candidates displaying tact and honesty in their actions. As the signs pop up around campus and the word of mouth grows louder, however, it doesn't seem as though this year will be much different from the last.

Consider the candidates, or more so,

the candidate groups. There is a dominant party that is notorious for their mammoth red signs and often-controversial issues. This group, endorsed by Student Body President Tom Foran, is a relic of past elections. Though the candidates are different, the campaign signs remain quite similar and the campaigning is still very effective.

The opponents of the "Big Red Sign" ticket go by the acronym the STUDENTS Party, which stands for Students Together Under a Diverse, Ethical, No-nonsense Ticket. The candidates on this ticket are mostly rookies to the SG crowd. Only two are incumbent senators.

When these two sides go head-to-head in the election next week, it will most likely come down to who has the bigger slices of pizza, the better candy and the catchier taglines. Campus poli-

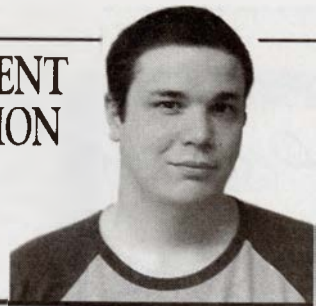
tics aren't something that students dive into headfirst.

If these candidates are lucky, students won't shove the campaign fliers back down their throats when they walk the gauntlet of candidates camped out near Outtakes.

For the candidates to draw students into the idea of voting, the two tickets need to realize that the election should not be won by tearing down the other guy's campaign. Students need to see that these candidates are going to act like mature, informed students who want to work their fellow students.

This election cannot be like previous elections. It will need candidates to display good ethical judgment and honesty in their actions.

If not, then it seems the student body will continue what has become a predictable, apathetic nature.

STUDENT
OPINION

Trey Menefee, UNF Alumnus

Suicides inspire understanding, not blame

I have spent a great deal of time attacking men in power for their lack of foresight and vision — and today it takes strength not to attack, for the same reasons, the weakest amongst my friends: the dead.

In the course of two months, two people close to me have killed themselves. The sense of realistic optimism I carry with me like a preacher does his Bible was assaulted both by my editor and a best friend.

By taking their own lives, they made some eternal stand that there is too much in this world worth letting go. One could not have attacked the core of my being with greater force.

The first suicide was my roommate of two years and friend for six. We had both been kicked out of our houses and made fast friends as we leaned on music, art, and each other's company to make it through those wonderful and metamorphic years entering adulthood still as teenagers. In all our years as friends, he never once wronged me.

I always had the silver-spoon trust fund, a car, good friends, good people willing to house me and point me in the right direction. Nick, so it seems, had only himself. He was a solitary man with a beautiful and expansive mind that few took the time to explore. He was too quiet and reserved to avoid perpetually being overlooked.

In a passing conversation in the final days in our apartment, I said that I needed to know that if he ever killed himself, it would be his only option. Seven months later, I mulled on those words for a time before I had any understanding of the underlying simplicity and truth in what he said: How could you not have any other option?

Now Richard has left us. And I'm stuck with the echo of Nick's few choice words of wisdom.

It makes sense now. I cannot stand and make judgment on a man's desire to terminate his existence — the ultimate exercise in free will. Both cases were not random acts, as senseless as they may appear on the surface. Both plans were thoroughly planned and pondered months beforehand.

The warnings they dropped in the months preceding were not for their own safety, but for our own peace of mind when and if that day should come. We must face the tough questions that Nick and Richard forced on us. Is it they who were fucked up or the world they lived in?

This world isn't meant for everybody — certainly not the kindest and most benevolent among us. If only our society rewarded the intellectually curious and ethically sound as much as it rewards the megalomaniacs, sociopaths, and the oceans of hollow consumers, perhaps this wouldn't even be an issue.

Instead, we must face a possible truth that this is something deeper than depression, something deeper than personal loss, that perhaps these men are self-martyrs burning at the crossroads of hypocrisy and horror in our modern world.

They chose to break rather than bend to fit the shallowness and horrors of our society. This world wasn't for them, and, as a friend, I respect their decisions to drop out instead of sell out. I wish you boys the best, and all my love. So long, farewell, goodnight Nick and Richard.

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Counseling Center not to be looked over

There are some events that will happen, or have happened to all of us that catapult our priorities into perspective.

Last week, for many of us, the value of life and the impact one life can have on many took center stage. Suddenly, petty arguments with friends or loved ones didn't seem so important, and we became happy instead just to have them alive.

In the midst of dealing with the death, and more specifically the suicide of a friend, I was deeply touched by the faculty and staff of this university who reached out to help me in return.

Last Monday, when we first learned that our friend Richard had chosen to end his life, most of us were in no state to accept it, let alone talk about it. But the faculty and staff of UNF put their days on hold so that they could be here for us if we needed them. And the day after he died they were available, and now a week later they are showing us they still care.

I found myself observing the way different people grieve in the past week. And while I was doing this, I couldn't help but think of the students of this university who have had to deal with death in the form of suicide, murder, accident or illness who might not have had it publicized, and had to learn to cope leaning only on themselves.

My heart goes out to these people, and I

STUDENT
OPINION

Megan Schumann, Senior, English

"I would argue that it takes a very strong person to recognize that there are things they can't deal with alone."

hope that wherever they are, they know that the people who were here for me at this university are also here for them.

The Counseling Center is located in Founders Hall, room 2068 and is chock full

of qualified people willing to lend an objective, compassionate ear.

Not only are they willing to listen, but they offer you their services free of charge. They are a fabulous tool for dealing with grief, and loss, but they are also a tool for prevention.

According to the National Center for Health Statistics — in 2001, suicide was the second leading cause of death among college students. Of these victims, 90 percent had at least one diagnosable active psychiatric illness at the time of death — most often depression, substance abuse and conduct disorders. According to one study, approximately 50 percent of these had a psychiatric diagnosis for two years or more. These numbers are too staggering to be coincidental.

In this age of prescription-drug mania, with commercials telling us what symptoms we have and what medicines we need, counseling has gained the stigma of being only for "crazy people."

I would now argue that it takes a very strong person to recognize that there are things they can't deal with alone, and an even stronger person to ask someone else for help. The faculty and staff of this university are here to help, take advantage of the resources available and the home we have here at UNF.

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Letter to the Editor

to walking. I have zero sympathy.

I would hate to see how a lot of the student body would do at a school like FSU where it can take ninety minutes to find a spot that is still a thirty minute walk from class. All of the complaining in the world won't create any new spaces. Take a bus, you won't need a permit and you'll be dropped off in front of campus, minimal walking required! Park in a further lot. You'll save yourself some stress and get some healthy exercise! Or crucify the administration for a problem that faces almost every college campus in the state.

Director Smyth is correct, there are enough spaces, but like anything else in the world, you have to work for them. Having a garage pass doesn't mean you can show up ten minutes before your class begins and demand a spot, you have to plan to spend at least 30 minutes looking. If only one pass was sold for every spot in the garage, the facility wouldn't exist in the first place because it would take 100 years to pay off. I hope that the student body can gain some perspective and some maturity, because this really isn't the end of the world, just growing pains as UNF continues to expand. We're all going to be just fine.

Jay Bowen
UNF Alumnus

Katrina looters should be considered newsworthy

I am absolutely appalled at what I have just read. The article titled, "Katrina aftermath coverage unbelievable," has literally caused me to stare dumbfoundedly at the page trying to figure out what to think. The author claims that the television coverage of Hurricane Katrina was inaccurate as it focused solely on racial issues rather than the issue of human suffering. He claims that the news portrayed black people as the only ones guilty of the deplorable act of looting that occurred after the hurricane.

I would argue with that statement in that I did see many white people illegally taking what did not belong to them. Perhaps the reason it seemed that more black people were committing the crime is the fact that New Orleans' population is 67% black. However, to be honest, I couldn't care less what percentage of the population is black or white! The issue is that these looters were committing crimes. In the midst of a human tragedy, these selfish people thought of nothing but what expensive item they could get their hands on. (Please keep in mind, however, that I am in no way referring to those who were desperately searching for food or water) In fact, when help did become available, and rescue helicopters tried to save those in need,

Students put parking into context

Want to know exactly how bad the parking has gotten? I arrived to class on a Thursday afternoon and noticed in the parking garage a tall white mall going up to almost 15 cars trying to break in. I contacted the UPD and reported him. I also informed them that I was moving. I had to park on the third floor (though my parking pass only lets me park on the 4th) I told the police officer that I would be late for class so I had to move.

Who in their right mind will leave there car where they are getting broken into? Duh! Well after class I return to my car that has a ticket on it. "Unlawful parking". How bad is this going to get before students work together. There are many more of us than the Police Department and Ticketers. Voices need to be heard and students need to stop the Gouging of our money for parking tickets. What exactly is the UNF focus on campus? I think it is getting farther and farther from Education!

Amanda Barkey
Student, Arts and Sciences

Student complaints about parking seen as trivial

After reading the Sept. 7 edition of the Spinnaker, I couldn't believe the outpour of outrage over the current parking problems on campus. If I could tell those people most vocal about this situation two words, they would be "Grow up."

Paying for a parking pass doesn't entitle a student to the best spot on campus every day. It entitles a student the right to park on campus, in any lot that his pass gives him or her access too. That doesn't mean there will always be a warm, open spot waiting for you ten feet away from your class, but if there is it's yours to leave your vehicle in unharassed and unticketed. More often than not in close quarters where 15,000 people come and go, finding a parking spot proves to be a hassle. It's life, deal with it, there are far greater problems in the world. I routinely park in lots 14 and 18. It takes me no longer than a minute or two to ever find a spot, and then after a five minute walk I am where I need to be.

I can't help but chuckle at the red-faced students I see circling the closest lot to campus for thirty minutes, when if they weren't too lazy to walk five minutes across campus they could have found a spot and been in their classroom in a fraction of the time they spent driving in circles bitching. Welcome to the real world. If you live or work in an urban area or a place with high population density, you'll have to either work for parking or get used

these egotistical jerks shot at them in the air because they were not helping them! That is news! I'm sorry that the shooters just happened to be black, but that gives no reason for journalists not to report the facts.

It seems to me that the only ones who are focused on racial issues are the ones who cannot take their eyes off race to see that people, whether black or white or red or yellow, are in need of help. It's absurd that this political argument would even make it to publication when there are still people suffering. Perhaps the author needs to quit listening to what Hollywood is saying and get focused on lending a hand.

Raquel Manning
Junior, journalism

Long-time senator steps down

To Senate President Schmitt and the members of the 2005-2006 Student Senate,

I write this letter to inform you that I resign my position of Student Senator effective at the Monday, Sept. 12, 2005 Senate Meeting. Please put me on the agenda under resignations/removals, and if the Senate President will permit me, I plan to give a short goodbye to the senate at that time.

I am sad but also excited that this day has come, I have been in senate for almost half a decade now, and it is my time to move on to things more befitting my current student status and my involvement in the community at large.

The Senate has been an amazing experience for me, and I hope that it continues to serve the students that it represents.

Thank you all for your friendships, your guidance, your leadership, and your trust. If you ever need me, I'm a phone call away.
With Osprey Pride,

Charles R. Jordan
Graduate student, public administration

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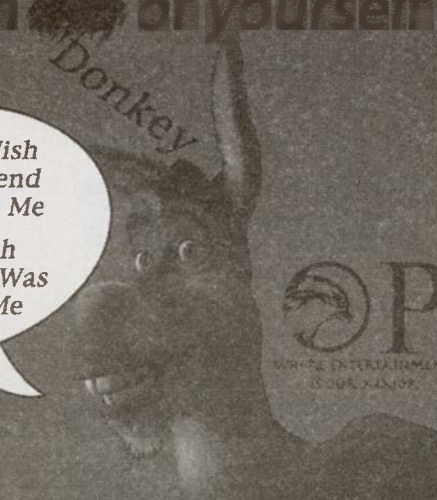

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QUESTION of the WEEK

“Do you trust senators to deliver on campaign promises?”



CHAS BECHT
SENIOR,
COMPUTER SCIENCE

“As a general rule, I don't trust people involved in politics.”

“In general, yes, for the most part. I'm a pretty positive person.”



LINDSEY WHITCHURCH
SOPHOMORE,
ENGLISH

“I would say yes, because they are students also and have the same desires we do.”



DANIELLE LEWIS
JUNIOR, FINANCE

“I don't know. These days, I don't know.”



MOLLIE CASSIDY
JUNIOR,
PSYCHOLOGY

“Oh, no. Are you kidding me? Anything involving politics is just to get votes and not for utilitarian reasons.”



SHARA CHIATELLO
JUNIOR, NURSING

“No. It's politics.”



MATT LITTLE
SOPHOMORE,
PSYCHOLOGY

Pageant winner steps down amid academic questioning

By RACHEL WITKOWSKI
NEWS EDITOR

Fifteen-thousand dollars in scholarship money may sound like a lot to most students, but when the cash has to go to tuition cost at four colleges — simultaneously — it might be enough to make a beauty queen turn in her crown.

Candace Cragg, 22, who was crowned Miss Florida in July — resigned Sept. 4 to pursue personal and professional goals, which may include attending the University of North Florida or four other Florida institutions where Miss Florida Pageant officials and several publications say she is enrolled.

According to The Florida Times-Union, The Associated Press and the Youth Service America Website — a national youth volunteer organization with which Cragg is involved — the pageant winner is a junior sports physiology major at UNF.

UNF officials, however, tell another story.

“She applied in 2002 but was not accepted at that time and she has never been a UNF student,” said Sharon Ashton, director of media relations and events at UNF. “She is currently not a student.”

According to the Miss Florida Website, Cragg attended the University of Central Florida in 2004 and the University of Florida this year. But representatives from the registrar's office at UF said there was no student enrolled at the school with that name.

“She definitely is going to UNF, not UF,” said Mary Sullivan, executive director for Miss Florida Scholarship Pageant Inc.



Cragg

Cragg received an associate degree from the Florida Community College at Jacksonville and is expected to attend UNF sometime during the 2005-2006 school year, according to Sullivan.

Cragg was also crowned Miss Jacksonville in January, was previously named Miss St. Augustine and is the 2003 Miss Ocala/Marion County titleholder. She attended Florida State University at 19 years old, according to Ocala Pride Magazine and the website Turn for the Judges, which covers pageants worldwide.

A representative with the registrar's office at FSU said a person with the same name and age as Cragg was registered in fall 2001 to spring 2003, but did not receive a degree.

Cragg was contacted by the Spinnaker and agreed to an interview, but subsequently did not return phone calls. Her resignation went into effect two days after the day of the scheduled interview. Her phone was disconnected less than a week later.

In addition to the crown and the \$15,000 scholarship she received for winning Miss Florida, she received a 2005

Saab, clothes, jewelry and beauty products. After her sudden resignation, the car was returned to the dealership from which it came, but Cragg is keeping the scholarship money unless the board of directors makes a decision to withdraw it, Sullivan said.

The requirements to compete in the Miss Florida include a high school diploma or a G.E.D. Contestants are not required to have a college degree or to be enrolled at a university.

“They're able to keep it [the scholarship] as long as they fulfill their education in the future,” Sullivan said.

Miss Florida first runner-up, Mari Wilensky, 21, accepted the title Sept. 8 and will compete in the Miss America Pageant in January. Wilensky is a senior at UF, majoring in exercise and sport sciences and will graduate in December, according to UF officials.

“I'm obviously extremely excited and I'm ready to work hard,” said Wilensky, a Jacksonville resident.

Wilensky received a \$5,000 first runner-up scholarship and Sullivan said she is working with a car dealership to obtain her car during her reign as Miss Florida.

Though Cragg stated in her resignation letter that she wanted to pursue personal and professional goals outside of the pageant, Sullivan said she is not sure if those goals include attending UNF.

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Make-A-Wish to come to campus with Hollywood stars

By RACHEL WITKOWSKI
NEWS EDITOR

If watching *Napoleon Dynamite* or *American Idol* was not exciting enough, University of North Florida students will be able to party with celebrities on campus Oct. 2 in an effort to make children's dreams come true.

“An Evening with the Stars” will feature more than seven celebrities, including Efrén Ramirez who played the character Pedro in *Napoleon Dynamite*, and *American Idol*'s Diana DeGarmo, who will perform in the Fine Arts Center in the Lazzara Performance Hall to raise money for the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Event coordinators said they hope the foundation, which grants wishes to children with life-threatening medical conditions, will raise \$30,000 from the concert.

“It takes an average price of \$5,000 per wish to be granted,” said Jonathan Jaxson, host and event organizer.

Tickets went on sale last week and range from \$20 to \$125 for a VIP backstage pass and seating in the first two front rows. Ticket sales are open to the general public and are available at UNF ticket box office. Proceeds will go to the Make-A-Wish chapters in Florida.

“It's about uniting children with a cause,” Jaxson said.

Additional celebrities scheduled to perform are Justin Barfield, who plays Reese in *Malcolm in the Middle*, two actors from *One Tree Hill* and two actors from *Summerland*.

“I like to work with children. They're our future,” DeGarmo said.

Celebrities will arrive on the Red Carpet at 5 p.m. following a celebrity memorabilia silent auction. The two-hour concert will begin at 6 p.m. and will feature each celebrity reading a “Wish Story” and several musical performances. Performers will sign autographs for the public after the event, Jaxson said.

A “Vote for Pedro” after-party with the celebrities will take place at the Twisted Martini and is open for anyone with a ticket from the event. An entrance fee of \$15 to support the Make-A-Wish Chapters along the Gulf Coast is required. It will also be Ramirez's 22nd birthday, Jaxson said.

“We will be taking donations at the concert and starting now to the end of the year,” DeGarmo said. “If you come, it's going to be a lot of fun. We promise that.”

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Coleman awarded distinguished professor

By RACHEL BOWLIN
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Dr. B. Jay Coleman never thought he would be a teacher. But the University of North Florida had everything he and his wife were looking for.

After 17 years of teaching at UNF, Coleman was given the 2005 Distinguished Professor Award in August at the fall convocation, making him the 28th faculty member at UNF to receive this title.

“I am deeply humbled and deeply honored,” said Coleman, regarding what he considers his greatest award.

Coleman joined the faculty of the Coggin College of Business in 1988 and is currently the Richard deRaismes Kip Professor of Operations Management and Quantitative Methods.

He obtained his Bachelor of Business Administration at Augusta College in 1984 and then his Master of Science and Doctorate in Industrial Management from Clemson University. In 1990, he became a UNF Business Affiliates Professor for a two-year appointment. He received Undergraduate Teaching Awards in 1991 and 2000. Three years later, Coleman received the University Outstanding Scholarship Award and the University Outstanding Service Award.

His recent research involves applying techniques used in business to sports. “I'd like to see some of the stuff I've done used by the major sport industries,” Coleman said. His work includes modeling the decisions of the National

Collegiate Athletic Association Tournament Selection with Allen Lynch, an assistant professor of Economics and Quantitative Methods at Mercer University. “It's a heck of a lot of fun,” Coleman said.



Coleman

While serving on more than 50 different committees, Coleman has held 17 leadership positions including chairman for Intercollegiate Athletics and University Promotion. His research has been featured by many newspapers and magazines including The New York Times, CNN, ESPN Magazine, BusinessWeek and USA Today. In 1996, the Journal of Operations Management placed Coleman's research among the top 75 productions in the field of operations management in the United States.

The most important part about his job is what goes on in the classroom.

“He is very precise with information that he gives to his students,” said former student Cheryl Campbell. “He has a way of getting his point across and getting it into the minds of his students so that he can apply it in real life.”

Coleman advised students at UNF to “take responsibility for your own actions, where you are in life. If you're waiting for someone else to do it for you, you'll be waiting a long time.”

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Rain: 40%

21 grams of herb found in oatmeal box

Sept. 8 — Burglary — A UPD officer was dispatched to Lot 17 in reference to a burglary of a vehicle. The officer met with the victim, who said she parked her car in Lot 17. She and her friends exited the car and she thought they had locked all the doors. Upon returning to her car, she noticed the hood of the car was up and the doors were unlocked. She stated her CDs were scattered around her car and her sound system was missing from her trunk. Her gas credit card was stolen from her center console. The officer has requested camera tape from lot 17 to review.

Sept. 8 — Lost Property — A professor teaching in the Mathews building reported his educational credit union checkbook and an address book were missing. He stated the he last observed the items in the pockets of his pants. The man immediately returned to the room to search for the items and he discovered the address book but not the checkbook. A canvass of the vicinity was conducted but no checkbook was found.

Sept. 10 — Possession of Alcohol by Person Under 21 — While on routine patrol, a UPD officer observed a white 2001 Ford Explorer parked in a loading zone with the headlights on and the windows down. The owner was contacted and advised to come turn off the headlights and secure the vehicle. While waiting for the owner to arrive, the officer observed 12 Miller Lite cans of beer in plain sight in the rear-cargo area of the vehicle and one bottle of Coors beer on the floor behind the passengers seat. The suspect was read his Miranda rights upon his arrival. The officer noticed the smell of alcohol on



the suspect. The suspect was ordered to pour out the alcohol and he was issued a notice to appear. The case was referred to student conduct due to the suspect having received a notice to appear the week prior for an open-house party.

Sept. 12 — Possession of Marijuana/Paraphernalia — A UPD officer was dispatched to an undisclosed dorm building in reference to a drug complaint. Upon arrival, the officer met with the RA, who advised that during room checks of the residence, he and another RA smelled the odor of marijuana in the room. The officer made contact with the residents, who proceeded to give permission to enter the premises. Upon entering the residence, the officer noticed the odor of marijuana. One of the residents advised that he did have a bong behind his computer. He advised that he purchased the bong with his roommate. The roommate consented to owning the bong but denied smoking marijuana that day. The officer retrieved a glass water bong from behind the computer and a marijuana pipe from underneath one of the residents' beds. A search of the roommate's area revealed a Quaker Oats oatmeal box that contained 21 grams of marijuana under the bed. Both residents were advised of their Miranda rights and both provided written

statements. One roommate stated that he stashed the oatmeal box of marijuana under his roommate's bed without his roommate's prior knowledge. The man was arrested for the marijuana and paraphernalia.

Sept. 12 — Possession of Drug Paraphernalia — A UPD officer was dispatched to Osprey Landing in reference to a student having drug paraphernalia. Upon arrival, the officer made contact with an RA and an AC. The RA stated that while he was conducting a health and safety check, he discovered a pipe with a small amount of marijuana residue in a drawer belonging to a resident. The resident admitted that the pipe was his and agreed to allow a search of the room. UPD discovered a small pill bottle with a trace amount of marijuana. The items were confiscated and placed in the JSO property room. The student was referred to student conduct and university housing due to the fact that the suspect was cooperative and the small amount of contraband found.

Sept. 13 — Information — A UPD officer responded to a call at The Crossings in reference to a smoke alarm. Upon arrival at the room, the officer noticed an odor coming from the room. The officer contacted an RA and an AC who gained access to the room after there was no response at the door. The residents were not in the room, however, another student who resides in the building advised that he saw a group of girls leaving the room prior to the officer's arrival. Once inside the room, the officer noticed a strong odor of marijuana coming from the restroom. An inspection of the room was conducted by the RA

and AC. No illegal substances were found but they did find an empty rum bottle on the floor and several candles in various locations throughout the room. These items were not removed but were noted by the RA as housing violations.

Sept. 14 — Petty Theft — An SG official informed UPD that a sign placed on UNF Drive was missing. The sign was a 4x8 red sign with black letters. The SG official stated she noticed the sign missing, then she and several other students went to the area and checked the woods but were unable to find the sign. There are no suspects at this time.

Sept. 15 — Alcohol Investigation — Two UPD officers were dispatched to Osprey Landing in reference to a reported alcohol violation. Upon arrival, the officer met with an RA and AC who advised that two residents were drinking alcoholic beverages from a cup while walking around on campus. The residents were advised to pour the drinks out. The officers met with the residents and both conceded to a search of the room. The officers discovered an empty beer bottle. Both residents were given a verbal warning in reference to having alcohol in the housing area and being underage.

Sept 16 — Criminal Mischief — While on patrol at The Crossings, a UPD officer contacted an RA in reference to damaged property in the common area of Building Q. The RA stated that an unknown person had thrown a chair from the second floor onto a table on the first floor. The officer talked with several students who were on the second floor at the time. None knew anything about the broken

chair and table. The officer removed the damaged property from the area to prevent any injuries. The RA stated that she would inform the housing department about the damages.

Sept 16 — Alcohol Investigation — A UPD officer was dispatched to Osprey Landing in reference to an alcohol investigation. Upon arrival, the officer spoke with a resident who advised around midnight that he observed his roommate take an unknown number of pills before he left, then advised when he returned at approximately 4:30 a.m. that he observed approximately one-third of liquor left in a liter bottle of Captain Morgan's rum. He also advised of the smell of urine coming from his roommate's bed where he was sleeping. The man advised that shortly after returning, his roommate got up and took a shower, flooded the bathroom and messed up the bedroom by kicking some things around on the floor. The man left the area. The incident was reported to student conduct.

Sept. 16 — Alcohol Investigation — A UPD officer was dispatched to Osprey Landing in reference to an alcohol investigation. Upon arrival, the officer met with an RA of the building who stated that while he was performing a walk-through of the building, he noticed a subject with two bottles of beer through an open window. The officer made contact with the subject who was not a student or resident. The subject stated he was unaware that it was a violation of housing policy to have alcohol on the premises. The alcohol was disposed of in the sink and the subject was escorted off the premises.

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Virulent algae creates deadliest red tide in years

By CARA BUCKLEY
KNIGHT RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

LONGBOAT KEY, Fla. — The sea looked too beautiful to be a morgue, stretching outward in undulating molten ripples under the summertime glare. But here, just outside the mouth of Tampa Bay, signs of trouble were everywhere.

Seabirds were circling endlessly without dipping. A captain scoured his scanner and his heart broke, because after hours of boating he hadn't come upon a single living fish. On the way back to shore, his passengers began pointing with one hand and covering their mouths with the other. A long ribbon of dead horseshoe crabs bobbed before them, interwoven with dozens of belly-up rotting fish.

"There's not one living thing out here — nothing," sighed the captain, Wayne Genthner. "The only thing I see breaking the surface is dead fish."

The culprit behind this patch of lifelessness is an ocean-borne algae known as red tide, and this summer it has come to redefine life along Florida's Gulf Coast. The toxic, single-cell algae exists naturally, but scientists are divided over whether humans' irreplaceable urge to pave Florida's paradise is making this current outbreak worse.

Red tide sucks oxygen out of the water, suffocating sea life, and contains poisons that impair the nerves. Eighty-one lumbering sea turtles have been killed by red tide in less than three months, a four-

"When it gets going, everyone is coughing and hacking, everyone's eyes are watering."

Debbie Hodges,
Toll collector,
St. Petersburg, Fla.

fold increase over the usual amount, and another eight are gravely ill. Last week, the algae bloom was blamed for a newly discovered "dead zone" off Tampa that extends along 2,000 square miles of ocean floor, a soupy underwater graveyard the size of Delaware filled with dead sponges, sand dollars and reefs.

Florida's red tide is different from the strain, deadly to humans, that ravaged New England's shellfish beds earlier this summer. Still, people in the Sunshine State are adversely affected in ways both marked and mundane.

Eating infested shellfish can trigger vomiting and other unpleasantities. The algae also produces an aerosol-like toxin that

irritates throats, bloodies noses and triggers asthma fits. Red tide has forced the cancellation of Little League games and summertime bluegrass concerts, and prompted residents of tony Gasparilla Island to don white surgical masks. During particularly intense blooms, visits to a Sarasota emergency room for pneumonia, bronchitis and respiratory complaints spiked by 50 percent, a University of Miami biologist, Lora Fleming, found.

"When it gets going, everyone is coughing and hacking, everyone's eyes are watering," said Debbie Hodges, a toll collector at the Skyway State Fishing Pier near St. Petersburg. She keeps a can of Lysol in her booth to mask the red tide smell.

Because this algae strain occurs naturally in the Gulf of Mexico, with reports of its existence dating back 200 years, many scientists and Florida officials have long characterized its ill effects as lamentable but unavoidable, the price of living along Florida's left coast. Toxic algae blooms are rare on the Atlantic side, scientists say, because the water is faster running and lower in algae-feeding nutrients.

"This is a serious event, that's without question," said Cindy Heil, senior research scientist at the Florida Fish and Wildlife Research Institute. "But it's completely natural, yes."

Yet the virulence, longevity and breadth of Florida's bloom this year has caused other scientists, environmental activists and residents to question just how natural

such an intense red tide could be.

Red tide blooms are usually seasonal, and in Florida typically last just a few months over the fall. But this year's red tide bloom began in January, crested in March, and never died off. It now extends from north of Tampa south past Sarasota, and will likely push farther south.

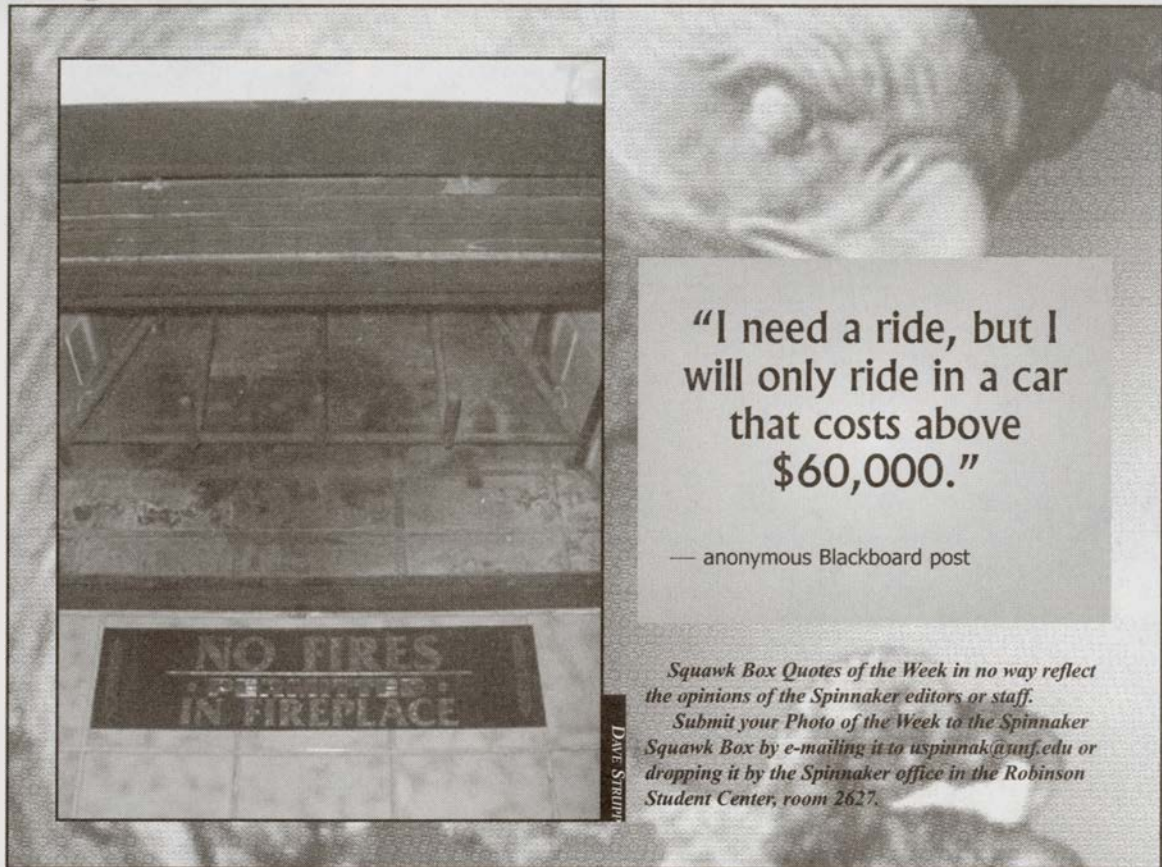
While scientists have been unable to forecast when red tide will strike, they do know the algae requires a steady diet of the nutrients nitrogen and phosphorus to live and thrive.

Both are found in abundance in fertilizer, storm runoff and sewage, fueling speculation that Florida's explosive growth is more than partly responsible for the noxious algal blanket currently choking life out of the Gulf.

"The size of the blooms and the length they're lasting and the damage they're doing is far from natural," said Lori Glenn, chair of the Sierra Club Calusa Group in Southwest Florida. "I personally think it's nature gone wild."

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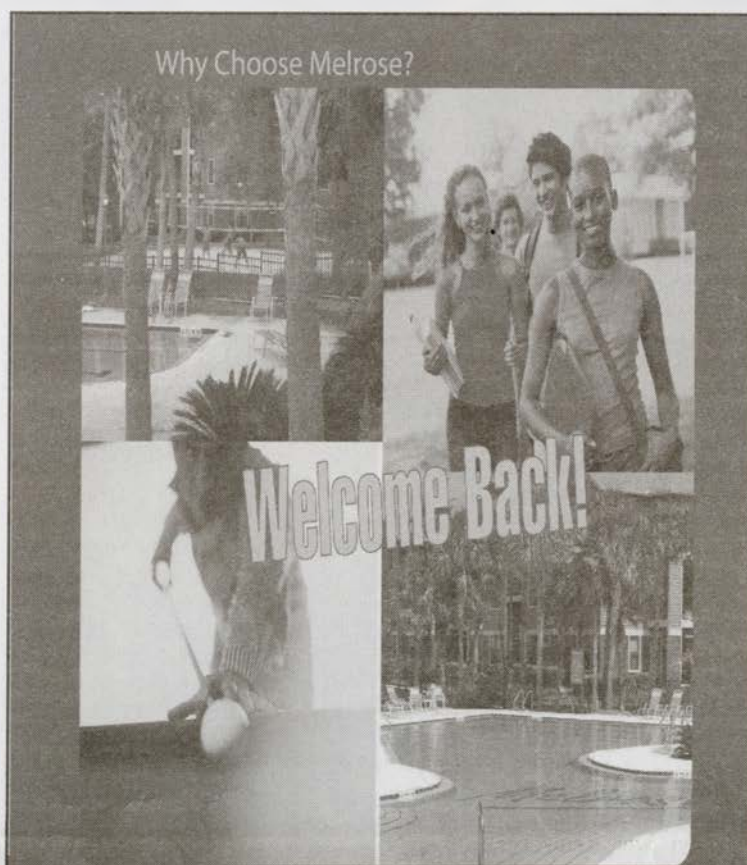


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— anonymous Blackboard post

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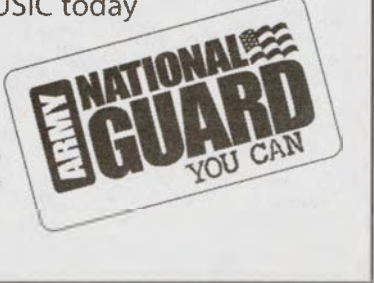



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SG: tickets find similar issues

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Hambidge.

Hambidge said among his priorities, if he is elected to a senate seat, will be installing parking space indicators in garages and adding change machines to campus. He said the parking indicators would be similar to those at the Jacksonville International Airport, flashing green and red lights to indicate space availability.

"Indicators would quickly and accurately assess the number of parking spaces on every floor," Hambidge said.

Candidates on Foran's ticket are also concerned about the parking situation at UNF.

"Since we can't cut salaries and hourly wages from parking service employees, then we should at least force them to extend the time we have to pay our tickets before they charge us with ridiculous late fees," said Sen. Kelly Hunter, who is running for re-election.

The amendments on the ballot are to raise the grade point average requirement of SG members from 2.0 to 2.25 and the question of limiting powers of the judicial branch to those listed in SG's constitution and statutes.

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Campaign signs line the Green as the fall 2005 Student Government Senate elections begin Sept. 28 through Sept. 29.

STOP: center fully functional by spring

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Megan Kuehner, an Enrollment Services coordinator. "Our focus now is education of students and faculty campus-wide on what the goal and overall focus of the new service will be."

Once the program is complete, it will encompass the first floor of Founders Hall, building two. But that is projected to take years and a lot of funding, according to coordinators. The \$200,000 allotted monies to build up the program includes the creation of a prototype center in the area of admissions and financial aid.

The center will feature staff desks and new kiosks that will be placed along the counters. Students will be able to receive one-on-one service by visiting the staff housed in the old financial aid offices.

The prototype is expected to be complete during winter break and operating by January, according to coordinators. One Stop staff will be on hand in November to help with spring registration.

One Stop is also online through myWings Portal. Program coordinators are working closely with the Information Technology Services to make the portal user-friendly, said Deborah Kaye, associate vice president of Enrollment Services. Eventually, she said they

hope to make it so when a student logs on to the system, he or she will find a virtual tailor-made One Stop that will take care of most affairs immediately.

"I knew we needed to improve Enrollment Services," Kaye said. The idea evolved when she attended a conference where the University of Cincinnati presented its One Stop Student Service. I knew that's exactly what we needed, Kaye said. After the conference, a Building Enrollment Services Team (BEST) task force spent two years researching different aspects of the program and how it could be implemented at the University of North Florida.

The next step to completing the program is funding.

"They [the Florida Board of Education] have moved us up the list," Owen said. "We're not at the top, but we're in the top five."

Both Owen and Kaye said they agree that in the best case scenario of receiving funding by next school year, the extent of the project is such that One Stop won't be operating at full capacity for another two-to-four years.

"We're going to make it work without the funding," Kaye said. "We want it to be a really fabulous place for students to come, not just the same old."

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Colleges step up battle against student suicide

By JENNIFER PELTZ
SOUTH FLORIDA SUN-SENTINEL

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. — In the minds of many Americans, college students are having the time of their lives. So how come Congress is starting to channel money to psychological counseling on college campuses?

Colleges across and country say more students — and more troubled ones — are seeking help. Student surveys show rising reports of depression and other psychological problems. And some high-profile campus suicides, and related lawsuits, have caught academia's attention.

In Tallahassee, Florida State University is straining to keep up with a demand for counseling that rose more than 22 percent between the 2003 and 2004 academic years. At Lynn University, a small private school in Boca Raton, Fla., counselors' appointment logs spiked at least 35 percent during the 2003 academic year alone.

And the heat isn't on only at colleges with large numbers of students in their teens and early 20s living on campus. Nova Southeastern University, an institution known for far-flung and online classes, opened a full-time, \$600,000-a-year counseling center last year at its home base in Davie, Fla.

Melissa Noya has seen firsthand the tensions that can build to a breaking point on college campuses, and not only because she's pursuing a doctorate in psychology at Carlos Albizu University near Miami.

As an undergraduate, she was on Florida Atlantic University's Davie campus one day in January 2002 when gunshots erupted near a Broward Community College

building next door. In front of hundreds of students, a Florida International University student killed his former girlfriend, a BCC student, and then himself.

"You sit in a classroom," Noya said, "and you don't realize the person sitting in front of you is contemplating suicide."

Why? Counselors suggest that psychiatric medications are allowing students who once might not have attempted college to do so, bringing potentially serious psychological problems with them. But psychologists also point to external forces — rising pressure for students to succeed as college becomes more competitive and expensive, an era of uncertainty, and the increasingly common challenge of balancing school, work and family responsibilities.

Add that to a base of academic anxieties, the struggles of adjusting to adulthood and the tendency of some major mental illnesses to emerge in patients between 18 and 24, and perhaps it's little surprise that the proportion of college students who say they have been formally diagnosed with depression has risen almost 5 percentage points since 2000, according to the American College Health Association.

"There are a lot of good experiences that come out of the college years, but we are understanding that there are a lot of (stresses), as well," says Jaquelyn Liss Resnick, who heads the University of Florida's counseling center and the nationwide Association of University and College Counseling Center Directors.

In part, students' thirst for counseling may simply reflect growing societal acceptance of it, counselors say. But studies also hint that many students have

pressing reasons to seek help. Nearly one in 10 say they have seriously considered killing themselves, according to the college health association's 2004 survey of more than 47,000 students. Every year, an average 1,100 students nationwide do end their own lives, researchers say.

Still, suicide is less prevalent among college students than among their peers who aren't in higher education, according to a 1997 research project led by a University of Chicago psychiatrist. But student suicides have drawn intense focus in recent years, perhaps because they occur in the folds of institutions that are, increasingly, being held accountable.

Ferrum College, a Methodist school in Virginia, admitted "shared responsibility" for a suicide in 2000. Two ongoing court cases accuse the Massachusetts Institute of Technology of doing too little to help suicidal students.

In part, too, student suicides reverberate because each is a seemingly counterintuitive end to a story of promise and anticipation.

Garrett Smith's was. He was an Eagle Scout, an active Mormon and a son of a U.S. senator, Gordon Smith of Oregon.

Being dyslexic, Garrett Smith had a hard time in school and sometimes suffered from depression. But he graduated from high school, completed his faith's traditional two-year mission abroad and went to college in Utah.

During his first semester, his state of mind darkened precipitously. His parents persuaded him to see therapists and try medication. They underscored that his family and church were there for him.

During his second semester,

Garrett Smith killed himself in his apartment. He was 21.

"That Garrett eluded me haunts me every day," his stricken father told fellow senators the following spring, in March 2004.

Smith persuaded legislators to make money available to improve college mental-health services, among other suicide-prevention efforts. The law, which President Bush signed in October, is thought to mark the first time Congress has set aside money specifically

for campus psychological programs.

Congress has OK'd \$1.5 million for the college programs for this budget year, according to Smith's office. The federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration expects to have guidelines by June for colleges interested in applying for the money.

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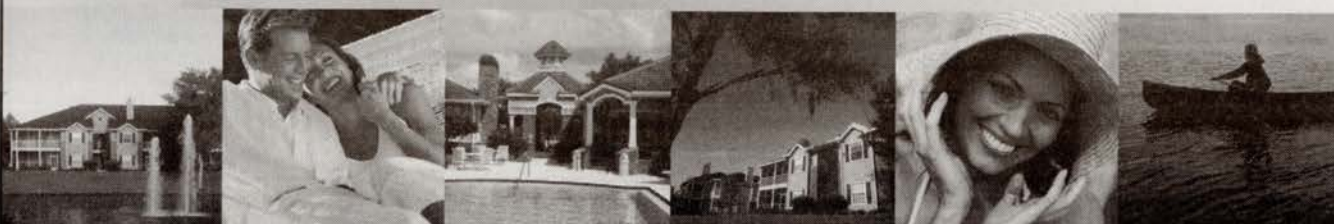
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Possibility of draft remains relevant among draftees

By TOM DAVIS

THE RECORD (BERGEN COUNTY, N.J.)



Andrew Darata wants to graduate college, not go to war.

Someday, however, the Bergen Community College freshman believes he will have no choice.

President Bush says there will be no military draft. But Darata believes Eminem, the rapper, when he says that Bush is "lying to us."

"When you're talking about a military draft, a lot of people listen to what others have to say," said Darata, 18.

More than 1,800 American soldiers have died in Iraq. Recruiting numbers are sagging. National Guard troops serving in the Middle East and in hurricane-ravaged areas are stretched thin.

For those who are draft-age, the question has emerged: Will they have to trade their T-shirts and baggy jeans for desert camouflage-fatigues and machine guns?

As classes begin at New Jersey colleges and high schools, a number of men and women are preparing themselves for that possibility.

Even those who doubt it say anything's possible. Another Sept. 11 — or another Hurricane Katrina — could change everything, they say.

"My mom is fearing it. She is always fearing that something can happen," said Dan Libro, 22, a Bergen Community College sophomore. "My dad says, 'If it happens, I'll help you get out of it.'"

Many believe it would be wrong to reinstate the draft for the first time in 32 years. An Associated Press poll in June said 70 percent of Americans oppose bringing it back.

Lt. Col. Ellen Krenke, a Pentagon spokeswoman, noted that Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld opposes the draft. The all-volunteer military does the job better, she said.

"They put their lives on the line in the name of freedom," she said.

Jonathan Kazemai, 19, said troops who are forced to fight wouldn't work as hard as those who volunteer.

"I trust the president," said Kazemai, a Bergen Community College sophomore.

U.S. Rep. Charles Rangel introduced a bill in Congress two years ago to reinstate the military draft, saying fighting forces should more closely reflect the economic makeup of the nation.

Minorities make up more than 30 percent of the military, Rangel said. Many of the poor are enticed by promises of employment and free college tuition, he noted.

On its Web site, however, the Selective Service System prints a disclaimer that says the House of Representatives, by a 402-2 vote, defeated the bill. Opposition to the draft is nearly complete, the site says.

Others, however, say rumors spread by Internet bloggers that a military draft is imminent are justified.

Edward Rhodes, an associate professor of political science at Rutgers, said the president has a "credibility gap" with his draft-age students. He said the Bush administration misunderstood the political climate in Iraq.

If there were a national emergency, the Bush administration could expand the active-duty military, Rhodes said. But the additional salaries would be too expensive, he added.

"They [students] can do the math," Rhodes said. "They [the administration] can't keep doing this forever."

Some parents say the political

atmosphere reminds them of the Vietnam War, and the false beliefs that the conflict would soon be over.

Some recently formed a non-profit, national organization called Mothers Against the Draft, saying they don't believe the government's denials. Facing war and natural disasters, Congress has few choices, they say.

Dixie Lee Patterson, who heads the organization's New Jersey chapter, said she believes the federal government is "greasing the skids" for bringing back the draft.

"The TV media is bringing up the subject with spaced regularity, always speaking of the eventual necessity of a draft," Patterson said. "So the government propaganda machine is alive and well."

Women are thinking about it, too.

Men ages 18 through 25 still must be registered with the Selective Service, and more than 15 million currently are eligible to be drafted. Women are not required to register.

But Katie Miglia, 19, of Hillsborough, noted that women are now serving in a number of

combat-oriented positions in the military. If there were a national emergency, the military may need the additional resources, she said.

"It's scary. Women have never been in that position," said Miglia, a Rutgers sophomore. "I

don't have the heart to step on a bug."

Those who are draft-age are even considering what they would do if they were called to duty. College students don't want their lives disrupted.

"It would be like a culture shock. It's not something we're used to," said Eric Barone, 19, of River Edge, a Ramapo College student.

Some say they'd find a way out — even if it means fleeing to Canada. Others oppose the Iraq war but say they'll serve if called.

James Williams, 19, of Newark, said his registration card came a week before his 18th birthday.

He wants to be a federal agent, but he doesn't want to go to war.

"My mom said, 'You've got a present,'" said Williams, a sophomore at Fairleigh Dickinson University. "I thought about not filling it out."

"But my mom said, 'You'd better.'"

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Meet your STUDENT SENATE CANDIDATES



Keeping track of the 31 candidates on the ballot for student Senate this spring is not an easy task. As such, here are the names, pictures and platforms of the students running for seats. The names of the candidates are spelled as they appear on the ballot and the platforms are in the candidates' own words and have not been edited for spelling, punctuation, style or grammar. The only changes made were to keep the platforms within the 50-word maximum requested.

The Spinnaker in no way endorses any candidate over another. All platforms that were e-mailed to the paper by the deadline of 5 p.m. Sept. 16 are printed here.

Fall 2005 senatorial candidates whose platforms were not received by deadline

Nicole Channing
Megan Fitzpatrick
Hardy Harrell
Stephen Horne
Justin Damiano

Fall 2005 Constitutional Amendments

CA-05SB-1930

GPA Requirement

Should the minimum requirement of all Student Government members be raised from 2.0 to 2.25?

YES
 NO

CA-05SB-1931

Judicial Powers

Should the powers of the Judicial branch be limited to those listed in the Student Government Constitution and Statutes?

YES
 NO



Jennifer Abikhalil
Senior, Real Estate Finance

I have served as Student Senator for the past year and continue to be involved in numerous clubs and organizations. This enables me to voice the opinions of countless students. I support the platform ideas associated with "Be of Part of Something", and will work diligently to address these issues.



Jerry Barthelus
Senior, Sociology

My name is Jerry Barthelus, I am a senior at UNF and I am majoring in Sociology. I am running under the student party, and together we plan on making some positive changes around the campus.



Patrick Bennett
Freshman, Political Science

As your senator I pledge to properly represent the student body of UNF and address issues objectively. Parking is obviously a big problem on campus, so I will work to find the best solution. I also will seek to provide fair funding for all clubs/organizations. Please vote for



David Boston
Freshman, Political Science

Hi, my name's David Boston, and I stand for the elimination of the \$15 convenience fee required to make online payments. I'll also push to have lights added to the tennis courts, drinking fountains for the athletic fields, and parking spot indicators to greatly improve navigation through our parking garages.



Nicodemus Cantave
Junior, Finance

Fellow students, let us not graduate just to obtain a degree, but to make a difference in our community, and in our world. I want the opportunity, by the grace of your votes, to change UNF students of today into good leaders of tomorrow.



Raymond Dailey
Sophomore, Accounting

I Raymond Dailey as senator will represent the best interests of the student. I plan to strengthen the relationship between SGA and students by improving communication and pursuing expressed needs. I plan to revive campus life and outreach to ensure academic success. As your senator, I will restore school spirit!



Nicole Demoya
Freshman, Communications

Hello, I'm Nikki DeMoya and I would like the opportunity to be apart of the Student Government Senate. The students are the most important part of this school and therefore, I plan to listen to the views of UNF students and bring their concerns to the Senate.



Vanessa Gooden
Freshman, History

[Platform not received]



Sarah Grafton
Junior, Political Science

Because the University of North Florida has given so much to me, I am always eager to give back. That is what prompted me to run for your senate. I want to improve your life as a student and fight for your values. I would love to represent you, but



Krystin Greene
Junior, Psychology

If you allow me the opportunity to represent you as Senator, your interests and needs will be top priority. I intend to work for you and be your voice when making decisions. I plan to improve customer service on campus, and bring more funding to Clubs.



Drew Hambidge
Junior, Political Science

My name is Drew Hambidge. My goal is to represent the student body, in Student Government in the Student Advocate Committee. As a member of the Student's Party, two of our goals are to improve parking by installing parking spot indicators and to install change machines in laundry rooms.



Heather Hambrecht
Freshman, Sociology

Hello Students of UNF. My name is Heather Hambrecht and I want to represent you in Student Government here on campus. I support new clubs by getting them more money to start out on. I support free video game rentals on campus. Come out and vote for me, Heather Hambrecht.



Kelly Hunter
Senior, Business Marketing

It's important to have the right people serve you. For three years I've been voting on concerts, on-the-green activities, and club funding to ensure that UNF has events that attract all students. I want you to be a part of something!



Brandon Jasmin
Freshman, Political Science

As a senator I plan to improve minority recruitment/retention, parking, financial aid office, and events on campus. My overall goal as a senator is to make UNF feel like home for each and every student. I encourage everyone to be known, feel at home, and be apart of something.



Johnathan Jordan
Senior, Jazz Studies

Hello fellow Ospreys, My name is Johnathan Matthew Jordan and I'm running for Student Government Senate. As your student senate representative, it will be my honor to unify our spirits and diversify our thoughts through various Greek and club sponsored events.



Alex Koby
Junior, Information Sciences

Hello, I'm Alex Koby and I'm running for senate reelection. If reelected, I'll work toward improving the quality of campus life by strengthening wireless internet access, having clearer maps & building numbers, lobby to make Banner more user friendly, and continue pushing for a coffee shop at UNF. Happy Voting!



William Loperfido
Junior, Management

I would have ice machines and coin machines installed in all housing laundry rooms, to provide coverings for smoking tables, improve week of welcome and expand it to include transfer students. Install a recording studio for UNF Music Department and students. Improve parking, awareness of events, organizations and clubs. Senate



Jessica McQuade
Junior, Political Science

My name is Jessica McQuade and I'm running with The Student's Party for Senate. A Couple of our goals, among many, are to improve parking and improve operation of the Cashier's Office making it faster and more efficient. Our goal is to get students actively involved, so join the party!



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Jason Monsorne
Freshman, Engineering

Hi, I'm Jason Monsorno and I'm running for senator. I'm running in the fall '05 elections occurring on September 28th and 29th. I'm part of the Students' Party here at UNF. My platform includes parking garage indicators, eliminating online convenience fees, extending parking ticket appeal time, and fishing rod rentals.



Dennis Negrin
Sophomore, Jazz Studies

No politics, no red tape, just common sense. Each and every one of us is already a part of something; imagine that. No party affiliation, just a positive attitude, a chain reaction and simple servant leadership. Vote yellow. Vote independent. Vote Dennis Negrin.



Nicholas Peres
Junior, Finance

As your Student Government Senator, I promise to work toward improving the current financial aid situation. The vouchers issued by the University should be good at more locations than the UNF Bookstore. Customer service is also lacking in several University departments; as customers, the University should better serve us!



Frank Pierorazio
Junior, Criminal Justice

I am an appointed senator seeking re-election. I would be honored to have the opportunity to continue supporting the students, listening to their concerns, and aid them accordingly. I would like to share new ideas and programs to benefit all at UNF and I need your support to accomplish this.



Anele Roberts
Sophomore, Political Science

As a senator I want to promote the involvement of the student body in getting their voices heard. It's important to me to see that what is in the student's best interest is carried out. I hope to support campus organizations, campus events, and club advancement through responsible funding.



Alexander Schibuola
Freshman, Communications

Dear Students, My name is Alex Schibuola. Previously, I was a senator and the senate secretary for a year. Presently: Candidate for Senator with the STUDENTS PARTY. Future: Will restart work on instituting a FALL BREAK and start lobbying to state representatives regarding the exorbitantly high TEXTBOOK PRICES.



Jacqueline Simard
Freshman, Communications

As Senator, I'm excited to serve the Student Body and the issues we'll be facing this upcoming year. I'm in strong support of helping to make UNF reach its highest potential. Remember, "there is no place like you and no place like this" and no better time to impact UNF!



Chivonne Thomas
Senior, English

As an individual speaking for the voices of many, I will work to ensure that students that live on and off campus will have the opportunity to have their opinions heard. There is so much that Student Government can do for you: scholarships, events, and parking. Chivonne Thomas for Senate.

The memory lives on by way of words

Richard O'Bryant will always be remembered in our hearts and minds. The Spinnaker will continue printing the memories and words of our readers and of those who loved him.

ANGELA DRYDEN
FORMER FEATURES EDITOR 2004

Late one night while preparing the first issue of the Spinnaker for the spring semester, Richard was patiently listening to the many ideas I had for the Features section. After the fourth or fifth debate on whether or not having a word or quote of the day was really Spinnaker worthy, Richard joked that he had always wanted to do an advice column, and that no one would let him. And the following week, the first "Ask me if I care" column was printed, and became the thing for Features that got the most response from readers.

We shared many laughs about what students would write in about, especially when one turned out to be about someone on the Spinnaker staff — a roommate tired of sharing a stinky dorm. Richard knew what he was talking about and was great at what he did, no matter if it was copy editing, writing a restaurant review, giving advice, listening or being a friend.

He was always patient, even though I barely had my stories to him in time, and he never complained. I enjoyed his witty banter and humor, and can hear his voice telling me how he changed (or cut) the words that took me an entire day to come up with. Richard, I miss you and hope you know, I care.

Richard's first "I Care" column:

"This is not your grandmother's advice column. Mostly because your grandmother loves you and the best I can do is tolerate you.

Still, those who run the paper have decided that I don't have enough to do, what with deleting unnecessary commas from simple series and such, so they've assigned me the task of fixing your miserable little lives. They think it will boost readership or something. So, if you have a crisis that makes you want to cry, don't be afraid to drop me a line. I promise to glance briefly at your letter while trying to watch "Passions."

If you have a fiasco from which you feel you must flee, don't be afraid to come to me first. I may need you to pick up a few things from the store on your way out. If you're in a rut where nothing you do is right, don't be afraid to pour your heart out in an e-mail. I'm always happy to correct your abysmal spelling and punctuation.

In fact, if you have any kind of query, quarrel or complaint at all, go ahead — ask me if I care."

By ASHLEY BURNES

MANAGING EDITOR, CENTRAL FLORIDA FUTURE

To the staff of the Spinnaker and friends and family of Richard:

On behalf of the entire staff of the Central Florida Future, the student newspaper serving the University of Central Florida, I would like to wish my deepest and sincerest condolences in the wake of Richard's passing. I woke this morning and checked my e-mail as always, and someone had e-mailed the story from the Gainesville Times and I have spent the better part of my day grieving for someone I never even knew.

Many people will never understand the trials and tribulations of running a student newspaper and the heavy levels of stress and emotional turbulence people can suffer from it. I've had my ups and downs running the Future and I know how hard it is to love your work so much and to allow a deep devotion and passion to grow. I also understand how the people you work with — some you barely even know — can become your family in such a manner that there is an unspeakable bond within the office environment.

I can't for one second imagine the horror and suffering Richard's co-workers and friends are feeling right now and I can only pray that you all fight through this and remember him as the excellent leader and reporter he has been so passionately described as in all of your touching and heartfelt letters posted on the Web site. I hope my words and those of the many oth-

ers who have expressed their sadness and compassion can help ease you through this time. God speed.

By CHAS JORDAN

GRADUATE STUDENT, PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

I write this in fond memory of a good man, Mr. Richard O'Bryant. Richard and I shared a unique friendship, if we could quite call it that due to our conflict in interests. You see, Richard was Editor-in-Chief of the Spinnaker at the same time I was the Senate President, which meant that everything I did was scrutinized, usually by Richard himself. The great thing is, that was his job, that was his purpose, and for doing it well I respect the man wholeheartedly. I saw him go from being a reporter to the editor in chief, and with him he grew the Spinnaker as well. I myself became one of the more outspoken fans of his horoscopes. I even was granted the distinct privilege of being in the "Squawk-Box" on occasion. He was a gifted, talented, and extremely brilliant man who left us, UNF, far better than it was before he was here.

Last Monday, I did not know what to feel, whether I should be sad, angry, fearful, or merely upset. I guess the reason I was so confused was because Richard had a life in front of him that we all only dream about, and memories behind him that some of us could only hope to one day make. But, it is neither my place nor my prerogative to argue his wisdom or his wants. So, how should I feel? I guess the best I can come up with is this:

This University has changed considerably in the last few years, to a community of diverse students. In every community there needed to be someone who would present the facts and not hide from the truth, and that was Richard O'Bryant. So I am sad for the peers, the family, and the friends of this man, for the grief this tragedy has caused. I am angry at fate, for taking our dear friend away too soon. I am fearful of how this could affect our university, and whether we will ever have another soldier of truth to take his place. I am upset, because as we are all mortal, death is never something we can quite fathom, especially in regards to someone close to us. But, I am also happy, because I was blessed with the privilege of knowing and sharing my life with Richard O'Bryant, and mortality will never take that away from me.

Godspeed, Richard, to you I send my respect, my appreciation and my farewell.

By KAMELE "OUPA" SEANE

DIRECTOR, INTERCULTURAL CENTER FOR PEACE

My deepest, deepest condolences for the passing away of our brother Richard W. O'Bryant. Unfortunately, I never had the honor and privilege to meet him but I also feel a strong sense of loss. After hearing about the news on Monday the Intercultural Center for PEACE staff were enfeebled. Before the name was announced, we patiently and quietly waited to find out if it was someone that we knew after the announcement none of us knew him but that did not ease or soften the pain.

We asked ourselves then and now, "what could we have done to save our brother's life." Your loss is our loss, I am looking at the picture on the front page of your paper, what a fine, handsome young man. Your article has eloquently put the person behind the name. We are told there is a silver lining behind every dark cloud but in this case, it is hard to see it.

From your article one can tell that he really loved "Spinnaker," for him to make preparation on his way out for assurance of success shows true dedication to the publication. May our "Spinnaker" family members be strong and continue their adroitness. Richard's name will forever be blazoned in letters of gold in the annals of our hearts.

I wish you well dear friends.



Memorial planned for Richard

A memorial for Richard W. O'Bryant will be Thursday, Oct. 6 at 3:00 p.m. in the Recital Hall of the Fine Arts Center. All are welcome to attend the event and are encouraged to participate in the remembrance of our dear friend. For further information, please contact Sharon Ashton, director of media relations and events at sashiton@unf.edu or at 904-620-2115.

Thank you.

By MATT SCHMITT

SENATE PRESIDENT

I will miss you, man. You are an artist and revolutionary in your own right. You always transcend the ordinary to reveal the comedic and unexpected.

By MICHELLE (DEARING) SYKES

FRIEND OF RICHARD

Hi, I am an old friend of Richard's from when he worked for Sprint Long Distance (maybe he has told you some funny stories of himself back in the day). We started in the same training class and became close friends. We wouldn't go to the bathroom without telling each other! Since we were on the phones taking calls, writing notes back and forth was our main form of communication while at work.

However, we were able to spend many, many long nights together laughing, watching movies (he had an eclectic taste in everything), baking, and best of all, talking. He was an amazing baker and was always coming up with a new cookie! I smile every time I think of his humor and dry wit. It sounds like some things never change!

He began to go through some hard times and pushed most of his friends away. There was nothing I could do to help him. I felt it was better to let him go as a friend rather than having him hate me. He has been struggling with a lot of things for many

years and now he's finally at peace. I tried to get in touch with him but his number was unlisted and no one else knew how to contact him since we all lost touch.

I learned about his death on Monday (knowing that his birthday was just 6 days earlier!) and was extremely saddened. I recently had a baby and tried again to locate him to share the news, hoping he would like to get together sometime. When I learned that he wrote for the Spinnaker (a little too late) I immediately logged onto the Internet to see if there was any information on your site.

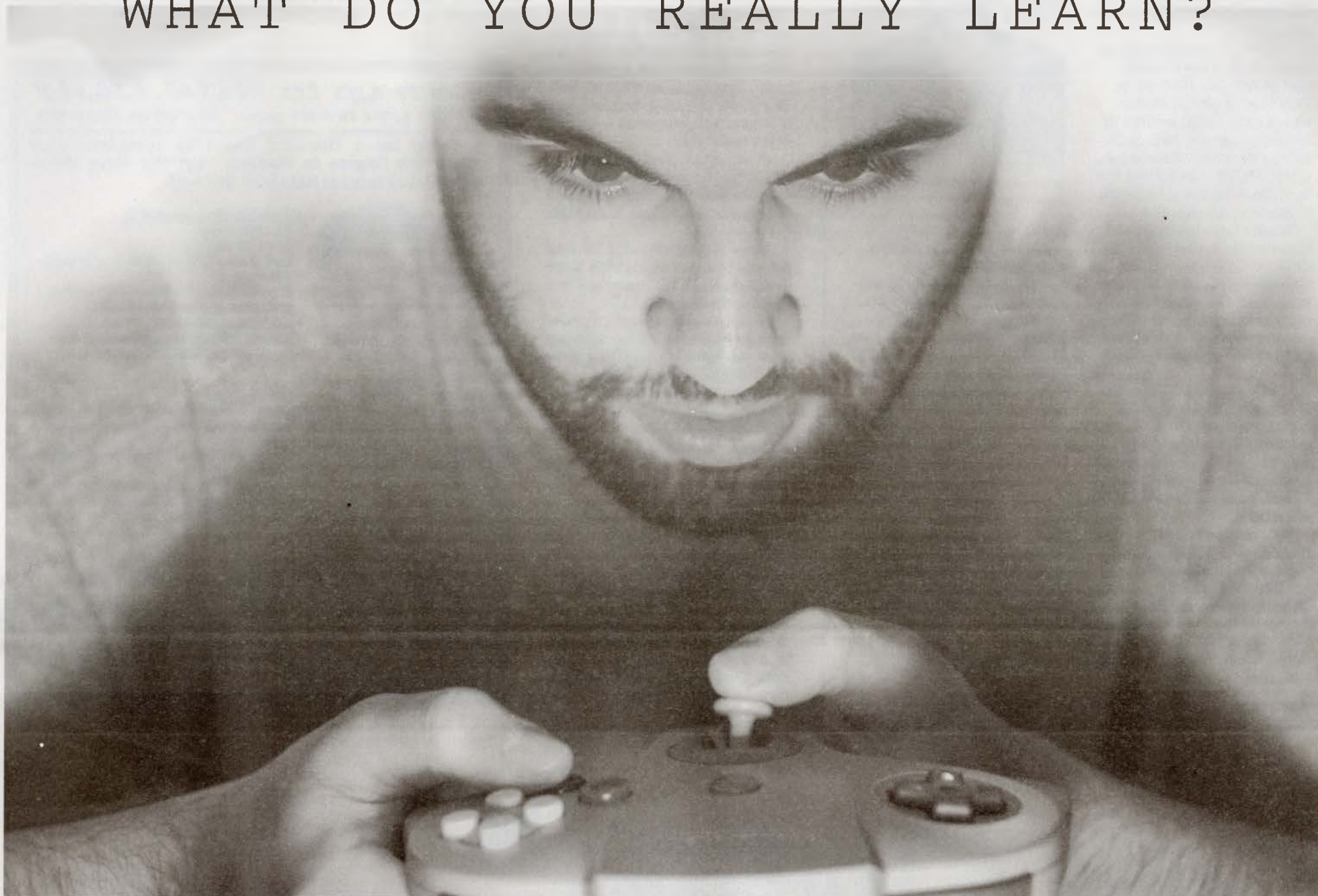
I read that there was going to be a special edition to remember Richard so I logged on every day to see if it was published yet. When I logged on today, it was like a bowling ball to the chest when I saw Richard's picture. He looked exactly like he did when I knew him. I drank in all the wonderful things people wrote about him, thinking that he hasn't changed a bit. I often told him he should go back to school and become a journalist. He had an AMAZING talent and I did not want him to waste it.

I wanted his friends and family at The Spinnaker to know that Richard will be missed by many others who he touched with his open heart. Thank you for dedicating your recent issue to him. It was very touching and it made me happy to know he was doing well... and he was a journalist! Thanks for your time and allowing me to share my memories of Richard.

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EXPRESSIONS

VIDEO GAME EDUCATION WHAT DO YOU REALLY LEARN?



BY DONALD POSTWAY
FEATURES EDITOR

For years, parents have been telling their children that video games will rot their brains. Well, not only is the jury still out on such claims, but there is evidence that suggests video games may be beneficial.

The bulk of research on the effects of video games has focused on negative aspects of playing them. Researchers, politicians and parents alike have been concerned about violence, sexuality and anti-social behavior that may result from excessive gaming.

Sen. Hillary Clinton voiced such concerns when it was discovered that online modifications of *Grand Theft Auto: San Andreas* would show sex scenes.

"There is no doubt that the widespread availability of sexually explicit and graphically violent video games makes the challenge of parenting much harder," Clinton said at a meeting of the Federal Trade Commission.

Scientific studies have supported the correlation between video games and violent behavior. In a paper written for Psychological Science Agenda, a journal for the American Psychological Association, Dr. Craig Anderson identified five trends that researchers have noticed.

"Violent video games are significantly associated with: increased aggressive behavior, thoughts, and affect; increased physiological arousal; and decreased prosocial (helping) behavior," Anderson wrote. "Average effect sizes for experimental studies (which help establish causality) and correlational studies (which allow examination of serious violent behavior) appear comparable."

Despite the amount of research on neg-

ative effects, evidence is emerging that video games can have positive effects. Researchers at Tohoku University in Japan did an experiment to determine what areas of a child's brain are affected when playing a game. They reported that areas involved in movement and vision were affected the most. The frontal lobe of the brain, which is responsible for developing memory, emotions and behavior, is not affected.

More games are beginning to address the concern of psychological aspects in playing them. Recent games such as *Knights of the Old Republic* require the player to choose between good and evil, with the choices the player makes directly affecting the flow, appearance and outcome of the game.

In an article for Discover, Stephen Johnson explained the multiple levels of brain function involved in gaming. First, there is the manual interface: Players must orient themselves with the controls. Second, the environment must be considered while playing.

Third, gamers must develop an internal map of the game's layout. Finally, there is a balancing act performed when the player shuffles through multiple objects and different possible means of accomplishing the game's objectives.

Other recent experiments have shown the educational value of playing games. Professor James Gee of the University of Wisconsin has tried to link gaming to a cognitive psychological phenomenon called the "regime of competence."

Gee suggests that the reason people are able to learn so much from games is that games challenge players at the edge of their abilities. The games aren't so hard that they are frustrating or so easy that they are boring.

This concept is seen in the classic game *Tetris*. The game starts off slowly, which gives the player time to learn the way it is played. Then, as the game progresses, it steadily becomes faster, making the player work quickly to find the best way to arrange pieces.

Similarly, the human brain has the ability to increase its capacity to perform do a task by repetition. This phenomenon is known as neuroplasticity. So the more a person plays a puzzle game like *Tetris*, the better the brain gets at object manipulation. Considering the possibilities, scientists and educators are trying to think of new ways to integrate games into the classroom.

The idea that games can be used for teaching has resulted in several groups devoted to creating truly educational games. One such group is the research organization The Education Arcade.

The team was established two years ago by a collaboration of Microsoft and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Two of its prototypes are *Mystery at the Museum*, in which a technologist, a biologist and a detective work together to solve a crime, and *Environmental Detectives*, in which teams investigate a toxic spill in a simulated real-world environment.

Video games have taken criticism since their creation, but this has been the case with most forms of mass media. At one point, novels were considered too lowbrow to be considered seriously on college campuses, and people declared that television would destroy American society.

As more people begin to play video games, they may become more inclined to understand their beneficial qualities and seek out better ways to use them in society.

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Learning Experience Games

- **Myst (PC/XB)**- A simple game that mostly involves moving through areas and clicking on objects, *Myst* is filled with challenging and complex logic puzzles.
- **Tetris (PC/Most consoles)**- This classic game requires the player to develop object-manipulation skills.
- **SimCity (PC)**- Urban planning is the name of the game in *SimCity*. Construct a virtual metropolis with bridges, highways, crime, traffic, taxes and zoning laws in what is essentially a computerized civics lesson.
- **Knights of the Old Republic (XB)**- Besides teaching players how to use the Force, *KOTOR* requires the player to make moral decisions. Responses will mold the story, the character's appearance and abilities.

'New Rules' breaks political boundaries

By DONALD POSTWAY
FEATURES EDITOR

Bill Maher breaks all the rules of political satire in his recent book *New Rules: Polite Musings from a Timid Observer*.

The book is a collection of segments that have been a part of Maher's HBO show, *Real Time with Bill Maher*, with a substantial amount of original material. *New Rules* follows the form of the show where Maher uses his wit and sarcasm to berate politics, big business and pop culture.

Maher has alphabetized his musings by the kooky titles he's given them. The arrangement keeps the book surprising as he talks about celibate priests, Texas cheerleading laws and serial killer nicknames — all in one chapter.

For its variety, *New Rules* is at its best when Maher is tackling politicians. His book certainly has a liberal leaning, but the comedian normally insults both Democrats and Republicans when he takes on a subject.

In a section called "Panned Parenthood" Maher writes, "Moms and dads these days are like the Democratic Party: lame, spineless and not holding up their end of equation. And kids are like the Republicans: drunk with



Bill Maher remains humorously politically incorrect in his book, *New Rules*.

power and out of control."

One of the few problems with *New Rules* is that, despite its title, Maher is neither timid nor polite. There are a couple of times when Maher seems to cross the line. In one case, he uses a historic picture from the Vietnam era in a reference to people being too skinny. The picture of a girl running from a napalm attack shows the horrors of war and feels inappropriate in a comedy book.

Lapses of decorum aside, *New Rules* succeeds in being funny while providing a different way to look at many topics. Fans of Maher and those who like political humor won't regret getting this book.

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Getting back into shape after being out of routine

Dedication to keeping routines simple and focused, keys to getting back on track to healthful life

By NANCY COLE
KNIGHT RIDDER NEWSPAPERS
(KRT)

The first day back to school can be filled with anticipation and apprehension. The first day back to the gym after a summer's break can cause anxiety as well. You know you've gotten soft, out of shape and worse yet — you're going to get sore.

If it's your first time to the gym ever, the thought of gripping weights can grip you with fear. Will you really be able to get your act in gear?

Even if you've never trained before, you can start with some simple body weight exercises and work up to weights.

And while training without weights may seem like cheating, you won't get expelled from the gym. Athletes at all levels incorporate body weight exercises into their routines.

A great one to strengthen your glutes is the donkey deluxe. Kneel with your palms on the ground, arms straight and wrists in line with your shoulders.

Extend one leg behind you so that it is parallel to the floor with your foot flexed. Contract your abs so that your body forms a straight line from head to heel.

While maintaining this position, lower your leg and cross it over the other leg, tapping the toes of the working leg onto the floor. Then, raise your leg straight back up behind you again.

Try 15 repetitions to start and then switch legs and repeat. Easing back into your routine can be as easy as ABC. It's the homework of daily cardio and

proper nutrition that's going to pull it all together.

If you show up, work hard and refrain from too much goofing off, by the end of the semester, you'll wear your report card proudly.

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FAC season opens with Tex-Mex flavor

By DONALD POSTWAY
FEATURES EDITOR

The Fine Arts Center will start its 2005-2006 season with the historic music of Los Lobos.

The Hispanic rock and Tex-Mex group will be playing at the Lazzara Performance Hall Sept. 22 at 7:30 p.m.

Besides being the opening act for the new FAC season, the concert begins the second phase of Los Lobos' Cancionero 2005 tour.

The tour has received positive reviews in the other cities the band has played. The Los Angeles Times likened the show to a "backyard barrio party" at which "the Lobos were howling with joy and the fans were dancing to a cookin' cumbia."

Los Lobos has been playing together for more than 30 years. The group is best known for its cover of the song "La Bamba" in the 1987 movie of the same name.

"We want to give the people of North Florida new and unique entertainment experiences at the Fine Arts Center this season by bringing one-of-a-kind musicians such as Los Lobos to the Lazzara Performance Hall," FAC marketing director Danielle Deyton said. "Their history and presence in the industry is as distinctive and spontaneous as the music they perform on stage."

The performance will feature



Los Lobos will play at the Fine Arts Center season opening on Sept. 22.

new arrangements of classic Los Lobos songs as well as folkloric songs from countries like Columbia, Cuba, Puerto Rico and Mexico.

After 12 albums, the group is still busy. It released its latest album in March with an accompanying DVD titled *Live at the Fillmore*. Los Lobos has also contributed songs to a Queen and Sublime tribute album.

In addition, Los Lobos is entering the Hollywood scene again. It recorded *The Simpsons* theme for an episode and is working on theme music for a new Disney cartoon called *Handy Mandy*.

Tickets to the FAC show will be \$10 for students. For others, the prices are \$21 for balcony seats, \$28 for the mezzanine and \$35 for the orchestra. As a feature for the 2005-2006 season, tickets are available on the center's new Web site at www.unf.edu/fineartscenter.

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Through the looking glass..

By MIKE PINGREE
(KRT)

Heh, heh, they'll never catch us ... Sputter, sputter

In an attempt to catch thieves who had been stealing gasoline from his storage shed, a farmer in remote Pendarves, New Zealand, put sugar into a barrel of fuel and waited.

A car pulled up in the dead of night, and the occupants poured the spiked gas into their vehicle and drove off. The car sputtered to a stop a short distance later, and the farmer caught up with them and held them for police.

Don't worry, I think we can make a deal

Workers at Florida Memorial University were charging students \$100 to \$150 to hack into the school's computer and improve their grades. At least one young lady had sex with one of them.

A police spokesman said,

"Apparently, she didn't have the financial means to pay for the grade change."

Oh yeah? Well, take that, buddy

A man broke up with his girlfriend and went on eBay to sell a dress she had left behind. He posted a picture of her wearing the dress, and said you could buy it "skank not included." The woman responded by linking the image to nude pictures she had taken of him.

And I thought we were such good friends

A male and a female FBI agent spent years infiltrating the highest levels of an international crime syndicate based in Asia. They pretended to be romantically involved, and then, to get the criminals to come to the United States, staged a luxurious wedding aboard a yacht in Atlantic City, N.J., and invited them all.

Dozens of them were arrested

as they entered the country, some as they pulled up to the "wedding" in limos dressed in their Sunday best. They were shocked.

Get your chips, heah!

Bargain prices
A heavily intoxicated man stole a truck full of potato chips in Michigan and then tried to sell the entire load for five dollars so he could buy more beer. He attempted to flee the scene in the vehicle when the police showed up, but he crashed it and was arrested.

Was it after the bars closed, perchance?

Hundreds of people in Ljubavna, Serbia, have reported seeing a man wearing a cape flying over their village. Authorities have been unable to come up with a "rational explanation" for the sighting.

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Men in 'The Man' pretty weak

Levy and Jackson talk the talk but are unable to walk the walk

By DONALD POSTWAY
FEATURES EDITOR

Samuel L. Jackson and Eugene Levy give an admirable attempt at a buddy comedy in *The Man*, but neither of these big stars manages to live up to the movie's title.

Part of the movie's problem is the lack of plot. Comedies are normally pretty short on story development, but the writing for *The Man* almost seems lazy. There are no plot twists, no surprises and the stakes are never raised. The situation at the beginning of the movie remains the same throughout the film.

Jackson plays federal agent Derrick Vann, a member of the Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Agency whose partner was murdered during a robbery of an ATF armory.

Vann tries to arrange a buy from the thieves, but his efforts are stymied when Andy Fiddler (Levy), a traveling dentistry supplier, mistakenly takes the package.

This part of the story is set up within 15 minutes. The remaining hour of the movie involves a redundant series of events in which Agent Vann must use Fiddler as an unwilling mediator in the arms sting.

But the unlikely crime-fighting duo meets with the enemy several times. At each meeting, the characters give some reason why they will have to meet again: the first time was a "taste", they need to get more mone; the arms dealers don't want the guns and the money in the same place; Agent Vann wants to catch the big boss; and so on. The story started off with so much potential—but it never goes anywhere, except in circles.

This doesn't mean that *The Man* isn't funny. Jackson and Levy work well together and perform a very classic straight-man routine. Vann is a hardened federal agent who doesn't play by the rules and never trusts anyone. Fiddler is an overly talkative dental supplies retailer who is always polite.



Agent Derrick Vann (Jackson) and dental supplies retailer Andy Fiddler (Levy) ride around Detroit as the pair of opposites try to find out who is selling stolen weapons in *The Man*.

As is normally the case in such comedic foil movies, whenever one character says something, the other person uses it as the foundation of the joke. Even though the joke quality is mediocre at best, the movie remains enjoyable.

An unfortunate side effect of this classic comedic style is that the movie doesn't make good use of visual elements. Much of the film takes place inside Agent Vann's car as the team traverses the city while trying to catch the arms dealer. So much of the humor is based on what the characters are saying that *The Man* almost feels like an old radio drama.

The Man is by no means the funniest movie of the year, but it remains humorous throughout. Jackson and Levy give a good attempt at an old form of comedy, managing to score a laugh or two despite rather serious script problems.

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The Man

Sheets to the Wind:



Good: Good chemistry between Levy and Jackson in comic foil routines

Bad: Poor use of cinematography, nothing in movie is really visually stimulating

Fugly: Long and drawnout fart jokes makes the film seem juvenile

Worth seeing the credits? No. There is nothing in the movie worth watching. The humorous wordplay makes movie feels like an old radio routine.

OSPREY DIVERSIONS

Wed., Sept. 21

• Little Shop of Horrors, 8 p.m., Robinson Student Center, room 1700

• Volunteer Fair, 10 a.m., The Green

Thurs., Sept. 22

• Karaoke, 8 p.m., Wackadoo's

• Los Lobos, 7 p.m., Lazarra Performance Hall, \$10

• Women's Center Open House, Noon, RSC, room 2623

Fri., Sept. 23

• LAN Party, 3:30 p.m., RSC, room 1601

• Dirty Dancing, 10 p.m., RSC, room 1700

Sat., Sept. 24

• Restless Leg Syndrome Forum, 2 p.m., RSC, room 1700

Sun., Sept. 25

• Jacksonville Christian Life Sunday Worship, 8:30 a.m., RSC, room 1700

Mon., Sept. 26

• Into the Blue, 8 p.m., Regal Beach 18, Free with ticket from Osprey Productions

Tues., Sept. 27

• Chasing Yesterday, 9 p.m., Wackadoo's

• Jacksonville Christian Ministry Food for Thought, 6 p.m., RSC, room 1601

discovered

By Donald Postway



Fever Pitch (Boston Red Sox Collector's Edition) (DVD)—

Jimmy Fallon plays a guy whose love of baseball threatens his new relationship. Any guy who can't choose between the Red Sox and Drew Barrymore is battling for the other team, and I don't mean the Yankees.



Smallville: The Complete Fourth Season (DVD)—

A young Superman has his hands full as he battles evil in a series that seems to suggest that rural America isn't as peaceful as you would think. And while we're on the subject of things not being as you would think; why are Lex Luthor and Lois Lane in Kansas?



One Tree Hill: The Complete Second Season (DVD)—

Hormones run high in this WB

series in which teenage kids change lovers about as often as their underwear. Come to think of it, the show's title may be a phallic symbol.



Purified - CeCe Winans (CD)—

Not sure if they really used holy water, but this will probably be one of the few pure and wholesome albums Sony will produce this year.



Burnout Revenge (PS2, XB)—

Despite the title, this fast-paced, crash-based racing game is not something you can play after you've spent your days in the purple haze.

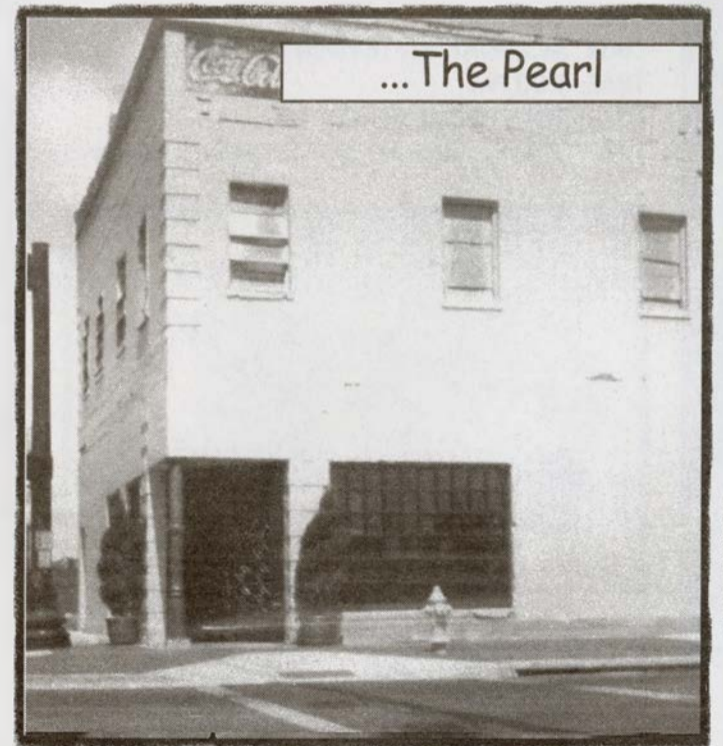


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By DONALD POSTWAY
FEATURES EDITOR

At The Pearl, a night on the town doesn't mean listening to a disc jockey spinning the top 40 hits.

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The bar opens seven days a week at 9 p.m. Each night features a different musical theme. Monday nights are indie rock nights and Sunday features live acoustic music.

All of this diversity is wrapped up in an eclectic atmosphere. Trees adorn the venue and there is an outside deck as well.

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ARIES
March 21 - April 20

Minor romantic attractions will prove distracting over the next five days. Workplace flirtations are positive but short-lived. Enjoy fresh activities with trusted friends or colleagues but avoid serious emotional promises. In the coming week, loved ones or close relatives need and deserve your continuing support. A legal or financial mistake will require bold decisions. Remain determined: Your first instincts are valid.

TAURUS
April 21 - May 20

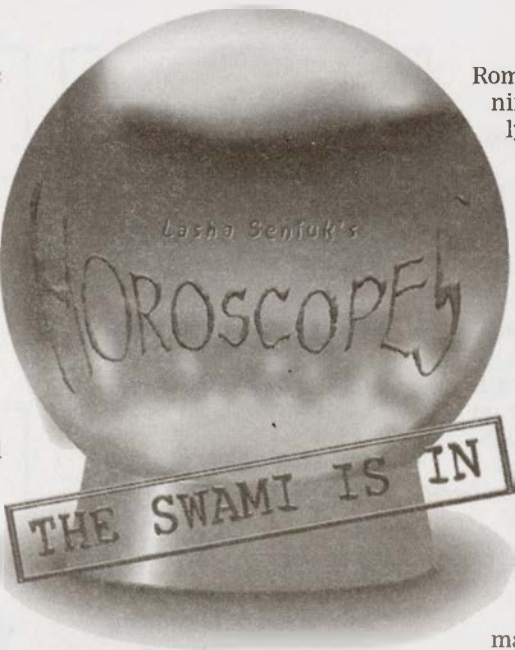
Previously silent family members may offer a candid description of their long-term aspirations. Stay focused on short-term gains and expect home relations to steadily improve in the coming week. After midweek, loved ones are willing to address private concerns, debate controversial decisions or take on greater home responsibilities. Your response to unusual suggestions will be carefully scrutinized.

GEMINI
May 21 - June 21

Employment contracts and temporary assignments will require careful diplomacy over the next five days. Workplace ethics, relations with younger colleagues and public information may be key concerns. New suggestions or ongoing mistakes will not be tolerated. Remain loyal to established procedures and avoid creative speculation. After Friday, a long-term relationship may experience new levels of trust or intimacy. Encourage loved ones to express their private feelings.

CANCER
June 22 - July 22

A recent wave of isolation or private doubt will now fade from long-term friendships. Although key relationships are emotionally scattered, expect friends or lovers to provide reassurance and consistent short-term support. Public displays of affection, new suggestions and sincere discussions will prove rewarding. Remain open to rare romantic overtures. Highlight employment options and new sources of income. Stay alert: Much is changing.



LEO
July 23 - Aug. 22

An insecure or shy colleague may request special assistance. Complicated relations with customers, public relations or difficult clients may central themes.

Encourage independent problem solving. At present, your guidance and emotional support will prove invaluable. Remain dedicated to individual accomplishment and all will be well. A new era of social expansion and group optimism arrives. Carefully consider all new options.

VIRGO
Aug. 23 - Sept. 22

Many Virgos will experience a resurgence of physical fitness and emotional vitality. Over the next few days, expect digestive ailments, skin irritations or minor infections to fade. Plan unique social events and ask family members for special permissions. Home obligations and long-term friendships will soon expand. An unexpected flirtation or new attraction may quickly escalate. Avoid social triangles, if possible: Competing loyalties may be bothersome.

LIBRA
Sept. 23 - Oct. 23

Sudden job assignments and team mistakes will demand special planning. Over the next five days, authority figures will defer to your judgment but avoid offering meaningful credit. Close colleagues will soon respond well to new instruction, group dedication and a genuine display of loyalty. Someone close may reveal unusual family or romantic problems. Remain silent. Your insights and advice will not inspire change.

SCORPIO
Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

Romantic planning, new family ideals and improved home relations will soon offer powerful rewards. Loved ones may ask for your full attention and daily devotion. Don't disappoint. Although emotional obligations are intense, long-term commitments are promising. Respond positively to sudden proposals. After midweek, work discussions may cause tension. At present, older colleagues may feel mildly threatened by new ideas. Remain quietly detached.

SAGITTARIUS
Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

Financial mistakes from approximately 10 weeks ago may now reoccur. Expect key officials to ask for detailed records and timely explanations. Study documents thoroughly for missed deadlines or faulty calculations. In the coming week, errors left uncorrected will escalate quickly out of control. Finalize all postponed agreements. Accent compelling dream images and fast intuitions. Romantic insight is on the rise: Stay open.

CAPRICORN
Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

Early this week, long-term relationships begin an intense phase of emotional negotiation. Close relatives or romantic partners may feel emotionally isolated. Much of this is a passing mood, so not to worry. Do, however, expect minor dramatics and quick outbursts in the home. Remain calm. New rules will soon be established. Through Saturday, job and finan-

AQUARIUS
Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

cial resources increase. Pay attention to new partnerships. Rewards will prove meaningful. A close colleague or long-term friend may ask for private loyalty. Delicate relations with officials, costly mistakes or workplace triangles may be involved. Offer quiet encouragement and avoid group discussions, if possible. Your respect for the sensitive emotions of others will be greatly appreciated. Stay balanced. A romantic partner or close relative may probe for concrete promises. Passions will be high.

PISCES
Feb. 20 - March 20

Business advancement, revised contracts and sudden promotions are accented over the next few days. Reluctant managers or pessimistic co-workers may relinquish control of key projects. Offer assistance and expect new assignments in the coming weeks. Hidden politics or private decisions soon will be revealed. A close friend or new romantic partner may propose a rare celebration or unexpected travel plans. Stay focused: Your response is important.

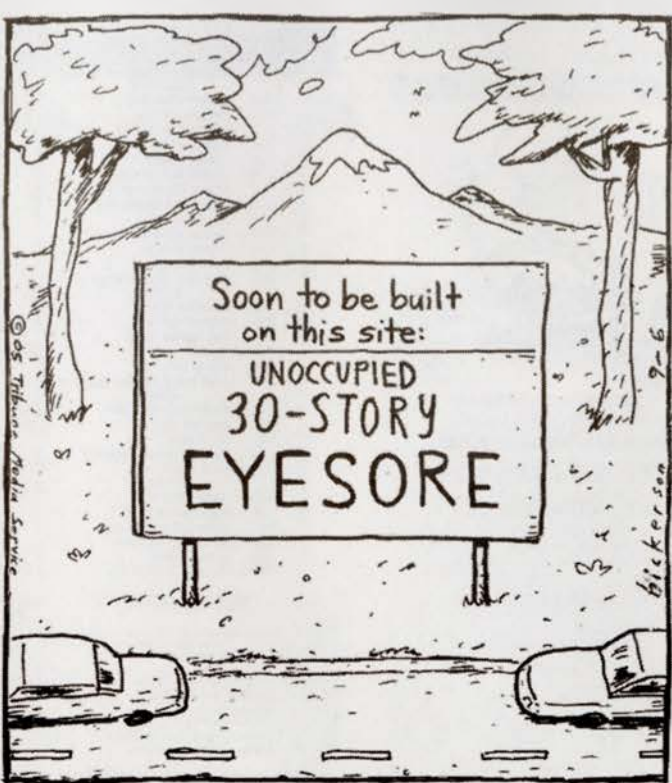
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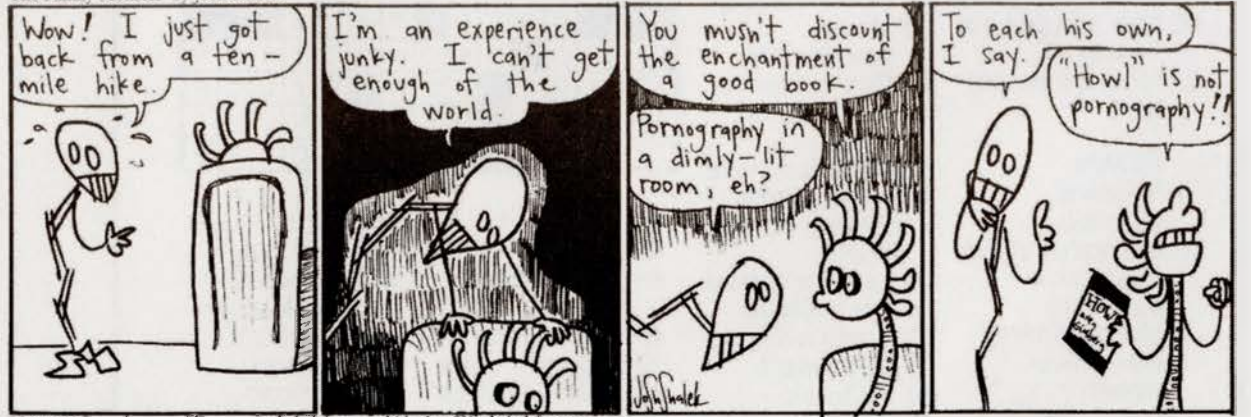
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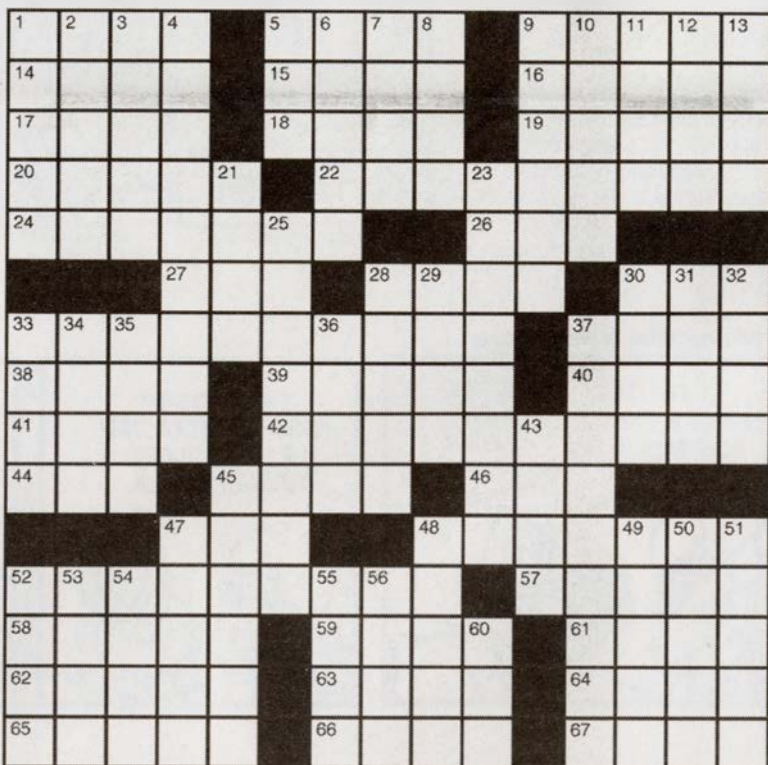
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Sports

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2005



Mark VanAlstyne is in his 16th year as the head coach of the cross country and track programs. VanAlstyne, who also ran for UNF, holds a couple of school records. Now he enlightens students on the origins of cross country and some of the things its athletes must take under consideration.

FLIGHT SCHEDULE

Sept. 23
Women's soccer vs. Kennesaw State, 4 p.m.

Volleyball at Stetson, 4 p.m.

Sept. 25
Women's soccer vs. Eastern Tennessee State, 1 p.m.

Men's soccer vs. UCF, 7 p.m.

Sept. 27
Volleyball vs. Bethune-Cookman, 7 p.m.

OSPREY SCOREBOARD

Sept. 7
Volleyball 0, Eastern Washington University 3

Sept. 9
Volleyball 0, Indiana University 3

Men's soccer 1, Georgia Southern University 1

Cross country finished 6th

Sept. 10
Volleyball 0, Winthrop University 3

Volleyball 1, Furman University 3

Sept. 12
Golf finished tied 9th

Sept. 13
Golf finished 5th

Sept. 16
Women's soccer 0, Florida Atlantic University 4

Volleyball 3, University of Southern Alabama 1

Sept. 17
Women's cross country finished 8th

Men's cross country finished 7th

Volleyball 3, University of Mississippi 1

Volleyball 3, University of Southern Mississippi 1

Sept. 18
Men's soccer 2, Wofford College 3

Women's soccer 0, University of South Florida 1

UNF Intramurals

Sept 24
Rugby match on the Crossings field 2 p.m.

Sept 27
7-on-7 flag football captains meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the Arena.
Officials meeting at 8 p.m. in the Arena.

FACTS ABOUT CROSS COUNTRY

...WITH COACH MARK VANALSTYNE

1 Scoring

In cross country, like golf, the lowest score wins. In a championship meet, seven athletes run, with the top five scoring for the team. During the regular season, teams can run as many athletes as they want. Each athlete's place in the race is his or her score, and the total of the top five scorers becomes the team score. For example, a team that sweeps a meet with the top five places would post a perfect score of 15. Ties will only be broken in regional championship meets for the purpose of advancement to the championship finals. In this case, ties will be broken by comparing the place-finish of team members one through five versus their respective competitors on the opposing team. The advancement advantage goes to the team winning the majority (best-of-five) of the comparisons.



2 Distances

Most regular-season meets include race distances of 8K (5 miles) for men and 5K (3.1 miles) for women. Rounds of the NCAA Championship, and some conference meets, are 10K (6.2 miles) for men and 6K (3.7 miles) for women. The courses range from fairly easy "golf course" terrain to extremely muddy and hilly courses that are better suited to animals with four legs. Having said that, the top men are capable of covering the 10K distance in better than 30 minutes (4:48 per mile) and the top women will finish the 5K in less than 17 minutes (5:30 per mile).



3 Diet



Cross Country athletes will burn around one calorie per pound of bodyweight, per mile run. In other words, a 150-pound male logging 15 miles a day will burn at least an additional 2250 calories, not counting all the other activities in which they are engaged. An ideal diet would include around 70 percent carbohydrates for energy, with fats and proteins making up the remaining 30 percent. Even with all these calories coming in, it's not unheard of for men to have less than 5 percent body fat and women to have less than 15 percent.

4 Did you know?

Cross Country was one of the original "extreme" sports with races sometimes spanning days and traversing mountainous terrain, fences, creeks and other natural and man-made obstacles. Collegiate cross country, as run in the American system, has morphed into more of a speed event with courses often being well manicured. European cross country has stayed more true to its roots and typically involves many more obstacles. Even one track event, the steeplechase — a race run over barriers and water jumps, traces its lineage back to cross country events where the participants would race over rugged terrain from one church steeple to another.



5 Training

The typical cross country athlete will cover upwards of 50 miles per week in training with the elite men logging well over 100 miles. Elite women totals are typically in the 70- to 90 mile range. In addition to the six to 12 hours a week of running, they will spend another five to eight hours of weight lifting, stretching, and engaging in recuperative activities, all of which allow them to do more training of a higher quality.



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OFF THE COURSE WITH...

Amanda Davey,

sophomore runner for women's cross country



BY JENNA STROM
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Sophomore Amanda Davey discovered her knack for the track in junior high school when she was told to run a mile in gym class. After noticing her enthusiasm and natural rhythm, her coaches urged her to join the track team, and she began training as a distance runner.

Davey graduated in 2004 from Middleburg High School as a leader, after serving as captain of both the cross country and distance track teams. She finished in the top 10 percent of her class academically, and walked away with Most Valuable Runner awards.

Davey was recruited by Mark VanAlstyne, head University of North Florida cross country and track coach.

As a freshman, she blew by her competition to better her 5-kilometer time to 18 minutes, 6 seconds — a two-minute improvement from high school.

Early in her Osprey career, Davey earned all-conference honors after finishing fourth on the UNF women's cross country team at the 2004 Peach Belt Conference Championship.

By spring 2005, she had qualified provisionally for the NCAA in the 3,000-meter run, a feat only one other on the UNF women's track team had accomplished that season.

At the University of South Florida Invitational, Davey was the top Division II finisher in the 1,500-meter race. At the Seminole Invitational at Florida State University, she grabbed second in the 3,000-meter.

Davey is recovering from a



SPINNAKER STAFF

After eating her Grape Nuts, runner Amanda Davey leads the pack but not necessarily in the same socks she wore in the last race.

stress fracture and hopes to be running by the end of the week.

If she cannot fully recover in time to run this season, she will red shirt and start preparing for the 2006 indoor and outdoor track seasons.

In the meantime, she is stocking up on Grape Nuts, resting her legs and strategizing her next plan of attack.

Here's your chance to peer into the mind of a champion.

VITALS

Team: Cross country
Birthdate: Nov. 5, 1985
Height: 5 feet 7
Hometown: Middleburg
High School: Middleburg HS

Where do you like to spend your money?

Family Christian Bookstore; they have all of my favorite bands.

Which do you think is the cutest men's team at UNF?

I think it's nice that the soccer team has a lot of people with accents.

If you could go anywhere, where would you go?

Scotland; it's so nice and grassy. I love the landscape and the trees.

If you had to get a tattoo, what would you get?

Vines and flowers around my bicep.

Do you have any pre-race rituals?

I like to have Grape Nuts with honey, bananas and a little milk. I also like to make sure I've stretched and done the appropriate warm up. And in high school I had to wear the same socks at every race.

What is the best thing about running two-a-days?

I get to eat more because I'm so hungry. Eating is one of my favorite things to do because there are so many delicious foods. I like to cook and I like to eat.

How many hours of sleep do you get at night?

About six or seven hours, but I always take a three- or four-hour nap.

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SPORTS TRIVIA

Throughout the fall semester the Spinnaker will be hosting 'Sports Trivia' with the help of UNF sports promotions. The first person to submit all the correct answers wins a prize pack. Good Luck!

- 1) What place did Sarah Coghlan finish in the Covered Bridge Open?
- 2) Martin Pettersson plays what position for the men's soccer team?
- 3) Which sport opened their season with body-painted fans?
- 4) Who is the starting goalkeeper for women's soccer?

Last week's winner

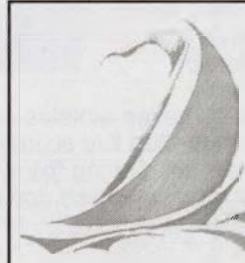
Michelle Garcia



Sep. 7 Answers:

- 1) 15 minutes, 30 seconds
- 2) Trojan Spiketacular
- 3) Tessa Heer
- 4) Webber International

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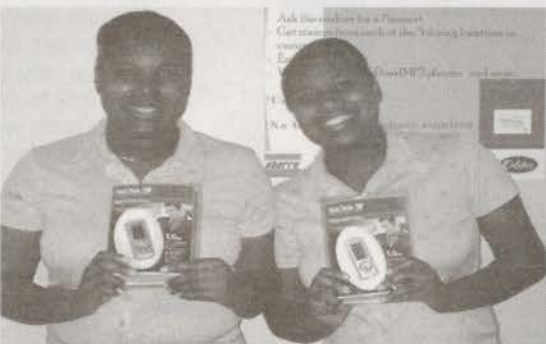
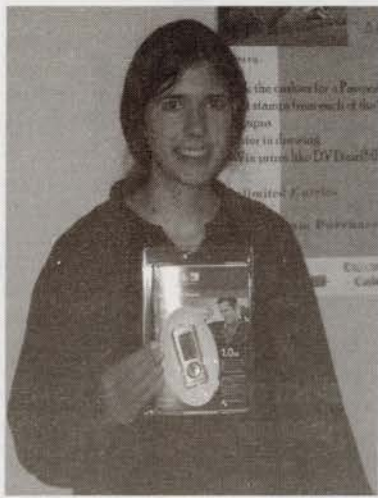
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Golf tees off with 5th-place finish

BY KRISTIAN MARTIN
SPORTS EDITOR

again Sept. 26 for the Shoal Creek Invitational hosted by the University of Alabama at Birmingham.

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In its first tournament of the season Sept. 12-13, the University of North Florida golf team finished the Coca-Cola Tournament of Champions in fifth place.

The Ospreys began play Sept. 12 receiving help from senior transfer Chase Baldwin, who led the team opening with a par 70, finishing at 2-under par 68.

Freshman Jeff Dennis finished the day two strokes behind Baldwin in the individual race.

The final round of competition saw the Ospreys move from ninth place to fifth place after several team members shot 71 and senior Miguel Ordonez shot 72.

Baldwin once again led UNF individually, ending the tournament tied for sixth place, which was his best finish in college. Baldwin finished with 209.

Dennis received his first top-ten finish collegially after finishing 2-under par 211.

Ordonez finished the day with 72, which tied him for 25th individually.

Sophomores Michael O'Neal and Michael Giammaresi rounded out the scoring, both shooting one over par 70.

O'Neal tied for 63rd individually, while Giammaresi finished in 73rd place.

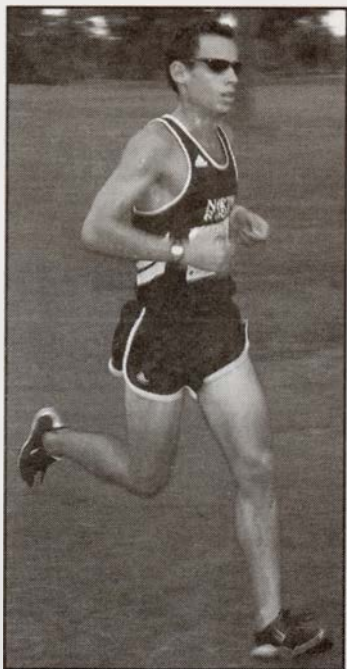
North Florida finished just behind defending champs, the University of Tennessee, which finished with a team score of 818.

Second place was the University of Alabama (850), followed by Florida State University (853) and Virginia Tech University (855).

North Florida hits the course



Sophomore Michael O'Neal tied for 63rd Sept. 13 at the Coca-Cola Tournament of Champions.



Senior James Kirsch helped UNF earn 212 points and a top 10 finish at the FSU Invitational.

Cross country remains competitive

Teams retain 5th place in second conference poll

BY BEN WOLFSON
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

At the Gator Invitational Sept. 9, the University of North Florida cross country teams finished in sixth place.

Juniors Sarah Coghlan and Amber Smith again led their team with 144 points in the 5-kilometer race. Coghlan placed seventh with a time of 18 minutes, 12.54 seconds. Smith placed 17th with a time of 18:34.56.

For the men, junior Brandon Anderson led the team, finishing 27th with a time of 26:16.35. The men earned a total of 178 points with the help of senior James Kirsch (27:10.82, 52nd) and sophomore John Bruno (27:24.79, 59th).

The University of Florida won the Gator Invitational, earning a total of 15 points for the men and 44 points for the women.

In the latest Atlantic Sun Conference poll released Sept. 15 the Ospreys remain in fifth place among the 11 teams.

At the Florida State Cross Country Invitational in Tallahassee Sept. 17, the University of North Florida cross country women finished eighth, while the men finished seventh.

Juniors Sarah Coghlan and Amber Smith led their team with 187 points. Coghlan placed 16th with a time of 18:37.93. Smith placed 29th with a time of 19:10.95.

For the men, junior Brandon Anderson led the way finishing 42nd with a time of 27:17.63.

Sophomore Bryan Gering finished only two seconds behind Anderson, finishing 43rd with a time of 27:19.22. Senior James Kirsch finished 96th with a time of 28:46.94. The team finished with a total of 212 points.

Florida State University came in first place, with the men earning a total of 26 points and the women earning 33 points.

On Sept. 30, the North Florida cross country teams will compete in the Florida Runners Invitational in Dade City, Fla.

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Volleyball reaches .500 after winning South Alabama Classic

Senior Kelly Kazmierczak named tournament MVP

By JOSHUA BAKER
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The University of North Florida traveled to Alabama Sept. 16-17 to participate in the South Alabama Classic, where it was victorious in three games at the two-day tournament.

The Ospreys opened the tournament against host University of Southern Alabama on Sept. 16 with a 3-1 victory (30-24, 27-30, 30-17, 30-28).

"We played good and we hit the ball really well," coach Brian Bunn said.

North Florida's senior outside hitter Kelly Kazmierczak and junior opposite hitter Emily Kohler combined for 29 kills in the first match.

The Ospreys freshman setter Heather Kendrick accumulated 52 assists against University of South Alabama.

Junior middle blocker, Magen Wood, also had 10 kills, and the Ospreys got a boost from return-

ing sophomore outside hitter, Amy Stroder, playing in her first game in nearly two seasons after multiple knee injuries.

North Florida hit .193 for the match, however, in the final two games it hit .361 and .238 respectively.

The Ospreys opened the Sept. 17 portion of the classic with a win against SEC foe University of Mississippi in 3 games to 1.

UNF had to rally back from a one-game loss (23-30) to Ole Miss by winning the next three matches (30-19, 30-25, 30-24). The Ospreys hit .293, making this their first ever win against an SEC opponent.

North Florida received help from both junior middle blocker Allison O' Neill and sophomore middle blocker Jennifer King, each recording 13 kills.

The Ospreys received hitting from O' Neill as well as she had a .476 hit percentage in the match with King hitting .242. Kendrick had 51 assists as well.

The Ospreys ended their trip to Alabama on a positive note winning the South Alabama Classic on Sept. 17 by upending the University of Southern Mississippi 3-1 (30-22, 21-30, 32-30, 30-27).

UNF opened game one with a 30-22 win, assisted by King who had six kills.

After losing game two to



Junior opposite hitter Emily Kohler (left) combined with senior outside hitter Kelly Kazmierczak for 29 kills in the Ospreys first match in the Sept. 16 game against the University of Southern Alabama.

Southern Mississippi, hitting .091, the Ospreys came out with wins in games three and four to bring the championship back to UNF.

King and O' Neill had 19 and 14 kills, respectively, against Southern Miss., with junior setter, Jenna Thomas adding a season-high 27 digs as well as three aces. Kendrick finished with a season high 58 assists.

Kazmierczak was named Most Valuable Player of the tournament after recording 16

kills in the Ole Miss game and then following that with nine kills against Southern Mississippi.

Next up, North Florida travels to Deland Sept. 23 for a date with Atlantic Sun Conference rival Stetson University.

The game is set to begin at 4 p.m.

"We are excited and looking forward to it," Bunn said.

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Freshman forward Elizabeth Gowan chases down the ball during UNF's Aug. 21 match against Armstrong Atlantic University.

Sun disappears in first conference game loss

Women's soccer travels south; drops 2 games

By KILEY BOLAND
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The University of North Florida Ospreys traveled to South Florida last weekend to take on the Florida Atlantic University Owls out of Boca Raton and the University of South Florida Bulls in Tampa.

The Ospreys lost to the Owls Sept. 16, by a final score 4-0. Freshman forward Elizabeth Gowan recorded the one shot for the Ospreys. Forward Denise Brolly scored two goals for the Owls, one on a penalty kick.

Freshman goalkeeper Rachael Howard recorded seven saves during the match. Both Howard and sophomore goalkeeper Heather Gosselin split time in the net for UNF.

The Ospreys were outshot by the Owls 15-1. The goalkeeper for the Owls, Jessica Badders, did not let one ball slide past her. Badders recorded the win for the Owls.

The Ospreys went to Tampa Sept. 18 to take on the South Florida Bulls. The match came down to the 90th minute when the Bulls defender, Danielle Malkin, tallied a goal with 28 seconds remaining. The Ospreys lost 1-0.

"We played much better today, we didn't play well at all Friday, so I was glad to see us come out and compete. USF made a great kick on the free kick at the end of the match and that was the difference. We need to continue to play at this level," head coach Mike Munch said in a press release.

UNF came up with three shots, while South Florida had 19, seven of them being on goal.

Junior midfielder Courtney Forson, sophomore forward Lisa Weber and freshman forward Ali Canton led the Osprey offense. Howard came up with five saves in the match.

The Ospreys will host Atlantic Sun Conference rival Kennesaw State University Sept. 23 at 4 p.m.

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Sophomore forward Martin Pettersson tallied two shots in the Ospreys 3-2 loss Sept. 18 to Wofford College.

Struggles continue for men despite improvement

Soccer grabs early lead but can't keep up with Terries

By MANDY PARKER
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Sophomore midfielder Mark Sergio recorded his first goal of the season for the men's soccer team Sept. 9 in a game against Georgia Southern University.

The game ended in a 1-1 tie after the regulation period and two overtime periods.

The Ospreys led the match until the 69th minute of play, when Georgia Southern's Justin Elie scored to tie the game 1-1.

UNF sophomore goalie Michael Frost recorded 10 saves with 110 minutes in the net.

Despite being out shot 21-9, the Ospreys battled to secure the tie — and without the help of sophomore midfielder Martin Schuhte, who separated his shoulder during the match.

"Losing Martin hurt us," coach Ray Bunch said. "He's a big part of what we try to do, but we still had our chances."

Schuhte is not expected to return until the teams Sept. 25 match up with the University of Central Florida.

Bunch said he is encouraged by his team's play and has seen an obvious improvement from the last few games.

The University of North Florida men's soccer game began with high hopes but ended in disappointment with a 3-2 loss to Wofford College.

The men began the game with two goals within the first 20 minutes from freshmen forwards Rohan Culley and Shareef

Rajkumar, giving UNF the lead at halftime.

Culley scored in the 14th minute while Rajkumar's goal came a minute later.

A pair of penalty kicks and a goal in the final two minutes of play sealed the win for Wofford and sent UNF home without its first win of the season. The loss dropped UNF to 0-3-1.

UNF recorded a season-high 17 shots, but Wofford outshot them with 28 shots, 15 on goal.

Culley and sophomore forward Martin Pettersson each tallied two shots on goal, while junior midfielder Cole Chancellor recorded three shots in the match.

UNF sophomore goalie Michael Frost had five saves for the Ospreys. Frost is averaging 3.55 saves a game.

"I thought we played really well against Wofford," Bunch said. "We were unlucky there at the end, but we dominated for 80 minutes of the match."

The Ospreys hit the road looking for their first win as they travel to Rock Hill, S.C. Sept. 20 to play Winthrop University. The game will be UNF's fifth straight on the road.

Sept. 26, the men will be holding open tryouts at the soccer field at 3 p.m. for all those interested. All participants must bring a proof of insurance and a medical physical from within the past six months.

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