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ΠΚΦ raises money for charity, finds flaws in accessibility

By PAUL RODRIGUEZ
Special to the Minaret

Pi Kappa Phi recently held events in an effort to raise money for its philanthropy.

The brothers of the UT fraternity took on this task to raise awareness and donations for their national philanthropy Push America. Throughout the week the members were promoting their final event titled "Push Day."

The brothers were seen across campus pushing themselves in wheelchairs. This turned out to be a treacherous workout that they were not accustomed to. Instead of an hour workout, it was a 14-hour workout that came along with many blisters and bruises.

When you go by someone they usually give a nod or say, "What's up?" This week, they were either trying to go out of their way to help you or they dismissed your existence entirely. That's enough to bring anyone's emotions down.

The Pi Kapps never felt special that they had confined themselves to wheelchairs, but did feel special that they found out the many problems that the university has in keeping the ground accessible to the disabled.

For example, the Sykes Building is supposed to be state of the art.

DAY, was the event's final day. While many saw friends' faces on the television news, or in the newspapers, the accomplishment was seen after the goals were achieved:

-Wheelchair 3 on 3 champs crowned. Congratulations to the Delta Gamma Demons.

-Wheelchair relay races com-



--photo courtesy of Pi Kappa Phi

The Pi Kapps showed the talent while playing wheelchair basketball.

While it looks great from the outside, only some are going to be able to look and enjoy the view on the inside. It was hard to get inside the building and many of the participants received cuts, bumps and bruises just getting through the door. According to the fraternity, not one door was accessible to the disabled.

Saturday, also known as PUSH

pleted.

-Money raised for the Moffitt Cancer Center—They made the most money the chapter has ever raised for the philanthropy.

-The UT community eyes were opened to problems disabled people face daily, and noting of changes that need to be made to better accommodate them.

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Egg hunt attracts hundreds to Plant Park

By RAQUEL PITTIGLIO
Staff Reporter

The first-ever springtime egg hunt was held in Plant Park on Monday, pitting nearly 200 students against each other in an effort to find eggs containing prizes.

Brevard Hall Council and RA's from Smiley Hall, Brevard Hall and Crescent Place sponsored the campus-wide event. Approximately 30 minutes before the event, five of the sponsors went into Plant Park and hid roughly 200 plastic eggs, some containing gift certificates for free food, video rentals and more.

Even before the 9 p.m. start time people were lining up, trying to scope out where the eggs were hidden.

Students looked all over Plank Park, and even after the coordinators yelled out that there were no eggs in the fountain,

some people actually jumped in to make sure the statements were true.

The most interesting part of the egg hunt had to be the ways students resorted to carrying the eggs. Some brought backpacks or plastic bags, while others resorted to more creative avenues. One female carried around a pretzel bag and put her eggs in there, while another female used her bra to hide her treasured eggs. A male at the hunt said, "Hey if I had a bra I would use it too!"

The event was advertised as having many prizes, including cash. Before the hunt started, the crowd was told that there were in fact no cash prizes.

Javier Hernandez, Brevard Hall Council co-chairman of advertising, exclaimed to the crowd, "No cash! The area coordinator told us we could not have any cash prizes, given that we cannot provide receipts for cash."

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Students win awards in art competition

By ROBERT MCCLELLAND
Staff Reporter

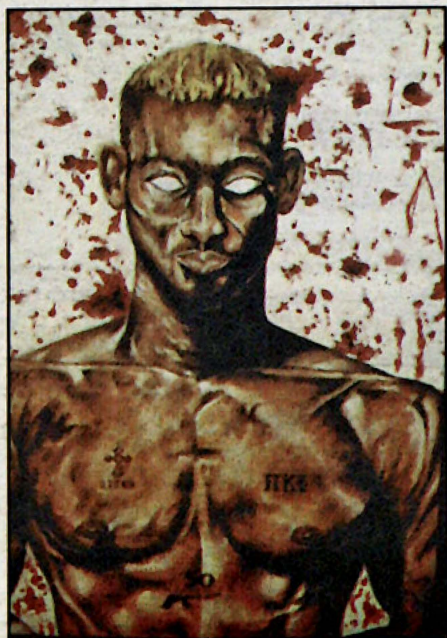
Student artists took the spotlight last Friday at the Scarfone/Hartley Gallery during the gallery's annual Juried Art Student Exhibition.

Every year this event provides fresh and innovative artwork, and nine artists were awarded for their bodies of work. The gallery distributed \$3,000 among the winners, who had pieces representing nearly all styles of art: painting, drawing, prints, ceramics, photography, mixed media and engraving.

Martha Miller, Joshua Margolis, Claudia Walder and Chalet Zell received a \$125 *Las Damas de Arte* award. Kelly Nasuta and Charlie Kelley each received a \$250 *Las Damas de Arte* Award. Jason Wightman received the \$500 Connie Newton Award and Jorge Diaz won the \$500 Friends of the Gallery Award. J. Preston Bokas walked away with the big prize though. He won the \$1,000 *Las Damas de Arte* award for his painting titled *Broken Heart*.

Even though the competition may be over you can still view the students' work. The Scarfone/Hartley Galleries will be displaying the show until Apr. 26. The museum hours are Tuesday through Friday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Saturday 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

For more information, please contact Dorothy Cowden at x6217.



(Left) Justyn Farano's artwork, *In the Eyes of the Beholder*, was presented among others at the student art exhibition last week. At right, Chalet Zell's acrylic painting of a chair won an award and \$125. The artwork is still on display in the Scarfone/Hartley gallery.

Photos by Robert McClelland

Police Beat

By RAQUEL PITTIGLIO

Staff Reporter

Apr. 2

Stolen items recovered

Around 1:40 a.m., an RA called security and stated that one of his students found stolen merchandise in another student's room. When the officer met with the student, she explained how she had found the stolen items. The suspect had asked the female to take care of an animal while she was away for the weekend. The female, not feeling comfortable with the animal in her room for the weekend, decided to take it to a friend's house off campus. When the female went back into the other girl's room to find the animal's food, she found a cardboard box containing items that were reported missing by other students. Based off of the information security received, they entered the room and found two white t-shirts. They also found a medium black and beige Victoria Secret shirt, and a black Guess shirt. These pieces of clothing were taken to security, and the proper owners were found. An officer spoke with a director as to which direction this case should be taken. He would have to confer with ResLife officials before any more action would be taken.

Apr. 3

Car causes damage to another

An officer responded to Plant Hall parking lot concerning a complaint about damage to a vehicle. Another car, which allegedly caused the damage, was parked directly in front of the complainant's. Two pictures were taken—one for the complainant and the other reserved for security. The picture showed how one car was parked across the lines of the parking space, and rested against the front of the other car. After examining the vehicles, only minor damage could be found to the front bumper of the complainant's car. No paint chips could be located on the ground, and there was no evidence of any transfer of paint. No further investigation was conducted.

Student receives harassing e-mail

A female student called security and asked to speak with an officer. When the officer arrived, he spoke with the student who stated that she received a threatening message from a screen name that was familiar to her, but she did not know the person personally. The student told the officer the same person had threatened her before. She gave the officer a copy of the message, and she was told to contact TPD.

Apr. 4

Student injures leg while playing soccer

Security was requested at one of the intramural fields at 10:45 p.m. Arriving at the field approximately three minutes later, the officer found a male lying on his back with his knee wrapped up. He stated that while he was playing soccer he attempted to kick the ball, and fell to the ground. When this happened, he heard a "pop," and then he was unable to move his right knee. The officer noticed swelling on both sides, and called 911 at 10:50 p.m. Paramedics arrived nearly 30 minutes later, and determined that the

male should be x-rayed and treated at the hospital. At 11:30 p.m., the male was taken to Tampa General. The male was told to alert security when he returned to campus. The student did as he was told, and at 4:15 a.m., the male stated that he was back at his room, and he had possibly pulled or torn some ligaments in his right knee.

Apr. 5

Student returns to find his room broken into

A student called security in reference to a break in at his room in the Holiday Inn. After arriving, the officer saw that the room was in disarray, and the student noted that his metal lock box's contents were missing. However, some small electronic equipment, including a laptop, was still in the room. TPD was called, and an investigation took place. It was taken into consideration that there were no signs of forced entry. Therefore, either someone with a card key or a door key entered the room. The male stated that he left the room at 7:50 a.m., and when he returned at 10:50 p.m., he found his room in disarray.

Apr. 7

Crescent Place fire alarm goes off twice

Around 5:15 p.m. the residents of Crescent Place were forced to leave the building after the fire alarm sounded. Approximately 15 minutes later the residents were allowed to re-enter the building. Less than five minutes later, the fire alarm sounded once again. The RA's ushered all of the residents out once again. The Tampa Fire Department returned to the hall, and the reason for the alarms sounding could not be determined; however, it was confirmed that it was not a student who pulled the alarm this time. Security contacted facilities about the faulty wiring, and facilities contacted the alarm company to fix the problem.

Apr. 8

Officer finds vandalized vehicle in parking lot

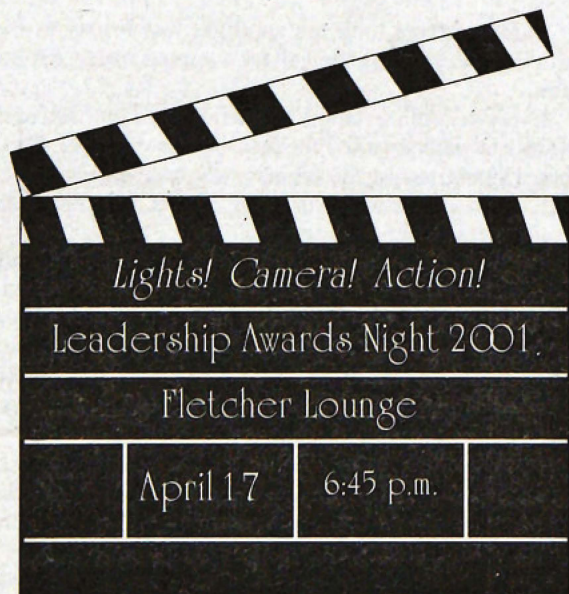
On routine patrol, an officer noticed broken glass on the ground in the parking lot behind Walker Hall. After investigating, the officer found that a "concrete type rock was used to break the left rear vent window" of a vehicle. The officer then notified the owner of the vehicle. The owner came to the scene and found that nothing was missing from her car and that the ignition column did not have any damage either. TPD was called, and the responding officer lifted prints from the car's window. There are no suspects or witnesses at this time.

Student harasses officer, gets judicial review

An officer was writing a ticket for a vehicle that was parked on N. B Street when a male came out and told the officer that he did not have to finish writing the ticket since he was leaving anyway. The officer told the male that he was to wait until he finished writing the ticket, and then he could move his car. The male stated that the officer could just keep the ticket, since he was not going to take it. Next, the officer asked if the male was a student. The male replied that he was. The officer asked if he could see his ID, and the student replied that he did not have to give the officer that type of information. The officer explained that he must carry his ID with him at all times, and any officer at any time can ask for it. The student replied, "[You're] making this shit up." After that, he gave the officer his name but refused to give any more information. The male then told the officer that he should hurry up and write the ticket. The student then "belittled" the officer for not being able to do more than one thing at a time. Concurrently, the officer then called the duty supervisor, who came to the location with another officer. Before the other officers arrived the student handed over his ID to the responding officer. When the other officers arrived, the student stated, "What did you do? Call the calvary?" Many other students also saw the male's behavior, and the officer decided that the best form of action was to have the student referred to the judicial board for violating three different articles in the student handbook.

Pick up Quilt!

Quilt, UT's literary magazine, will be available on Monday, April 16th. We'll have a table in Plant Hall all week, so stop by and pick up your copy. You can also pick one up in the Quilt office on the second floor of the Student Union. Call x3538 for more details.



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“Did you know?” By Vanessa Irizarry staff writer

1. When the last attempts at salary negotiations failed to bring about new contracts, public school teachers in Hawaii and faculty members of the University of Hawaii went on strike. Approximately 180,000 public school students and 42,000 university students have been affected by the strike. The teachers union has maintained they want a 13 percent salary increase. Teachers in Hawaii make between \$29,000 and \$58,000 yearly.

2. The U.S. Postal Service would like to see if eliminating mail delivery on Saturdays is a feasible plan. The Postal Service says it may possibly have a loss of revenue in excess of \$2 billion to \$3 billion this year. The plan would have to gain Congressional approval, but many lawmakers are not in agreement with the proposed plan. A slowing economy and a decline in mail volume have been two leading factors for the proposed plan. Postmaster General William J. Henderson said internal studies would have to be conducted to assess if the plan would bring savings to the Postal Service.

3. A federal mediator ruled in favor of Walt Disney World employees when they issued a complaint against the company saying that back in the fall of 1999 an estimated 3,000 employees, mainly from Epcot, the Magic Kingdom and Fort Wilderness Lodge, were no longer being paid for time spent changing into or out of costumes or uniforms or for time spent wearing their attire before reaching work. Disney announced they will appeal the federal mediator's decision through the federal courts. If the ruling stands, Disney will have to pay thousands of employees back pay.

4. General Motors Corp. announced a recall of not one, but three styles of 2002 midsize sport utility vehicles. An estimated 6,000 owners of the vehicles were immediately contacted by dealers. The 2002 Chevrolet Trailblazers, GMC Envoys and Oldsmobile Bravadas were recalled because of a possibly dangerous steering problem. GM has stated no reports of accidents or injuries have occurred.

5. “Choose the Ooze” is the new four-week campaign from the second-largest U.S. burger chain, Burger King. Green ketchup, green frozen drinks and green apple-flavored dipping sauce will be added to the children's menu.

Egg Hunt

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Since the cash was not available, the group had to find another way to produce prizes. Hernandez obtained sponsorship from local companies for the event. These included Blockbuster Video, Lenny & Vinny's Pizza, The Village Inn, The Meeting House, TMX, and free valet parking at Ybor City. Most eggs did not have eggs inside, but were filled with candy.

Thomas Scott stated, “All of the eggs are full, none of them are empty.” He added jokingly, “But next year it may be a good idea to put a few out that don't have anything inside them.”

Jeff Cooper, area coordinator

for Brevard Hall and ResCom, acknowledged, “We are definitely going to push to make this an annual event.” He affirmed, “There were around ten people who organized this event. It is amazing to see this many people come out for an event on campus that has no alcohol involved.”

“The success belongs to the organizers, who spent many hours trying to make this a good experience for all of the attendants,” Cooper added.

The final count of people at the end was roughly 200 students. Some advice for next year's participants: first, bring a flashlight. The people who had a flashlight found more eggs, and second, bring a bag. One final piece of advice is to show up early, as after only ten minutes the crowd was coming back to where the hunt started and not long after that the event was over.



--Jody Link

Some unlucky egg hunters walk away from the hunt empty handed.

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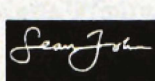
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Stop and Smell the Palm Trees

EDITORIAL

Four weeks can seem both an amazingly short or painfully long span of time. Walking the campus, students can be overhead both rejoicing, "Only a month left!" and despairing, "A whole month still to go." Since the recent resetting of the clock, a sense of rejuvenated spirit can be felt in the summer-like humidity. The days are getting longer and warmer and vacation is rapidly approaching, as can be seen by the rotating flock of pool-side students.

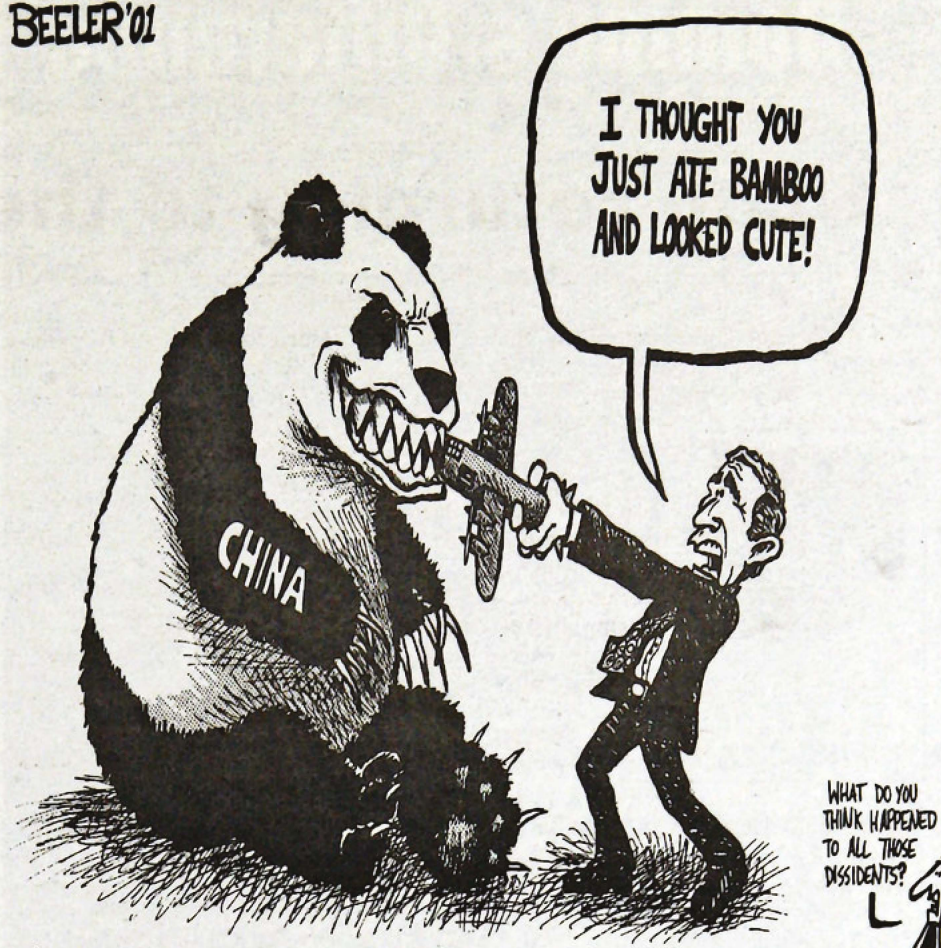
Yet, this is not an attempt at encouraging our readership to either keep thinking positive or simply keep studying. As we near less than 20 days until the end of the semester, an editorial is offered as a reminder of just how special this place is to those who will soon be leaving the UT community. While certainly graduation is highly anticipated, the preciousness and rarity of the past four years must be duly noted.

Though the days creeping towards graduation feel ever slowed, the past four years have seemingly zipped by, leaving many seniors to wonder just where the hell it all went. Having arrived from East and West coast, Mid-western and Southern regions, even claiming foreign parts of the globe as permanent residences, students every year come to this tropical paradise expecting limitless social and educational freedom, and receiving nothing less. The first time miles away from home. The first tattoo. The first hang-over. The first time sharing a bed (an extra-long twin bed, no less) with a member from the opposite, or maybe same, sex. In an area synonymous with hedonism, the University of Tampa has consistently offered its pupils the opportunity to live and learn and grow up at an astonishing rate, though it certainly takes more time for some than others.

But then there was a time when one's skin could only get so dark. When the newness of it all had worn off and reality started to slowly return. Grades and grad school and life after college began to loom in the near future. However, as long as one is enrolled at school at UT, it seems as if the cares and concerns of the world outside just drift past, this sheltered acreage so often impervious to the harsh effects of human existence. You're not an accountant or a financial planner or a biological research technician, but a student, assigned to all the privilege and understanding which such a status implies. Where else can a little piece of laminated plastic allow you to eat, have access to library books and workout facilities and grant discounted admission to local movie theaters?

So on the verge of graduation, when all this security will be swiped from under our confident feet, this is a reminder to those who are nearly gone to enjoy the next few days and try not to think about the struggle which is to soon follow. Go ahead and hit the snooze button a third time. Take a third serving of hash browns from the cafeteria. Stay up all night reading or smoking or talking with friends. Shortly it will come time for us to enter the workforce or military service or, once again, more schooling, where such luxuries will hardly be afforded. Adulthood is around the corner. But before we become like our parents and begin to long for the companionship and jovial atmosphere which symbolized their undergraduate experience, take a moment to stop and smell the palm trees. For many, winter snowfalls are just around the corner.

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College can change you

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Well here it is, practically the end of the semester. Preparations for the next academic term are already under way, and what have we got to show for it? A few slips of paper that will dictate our lives come August. Housing deposits, class schedules, room assignments and the like. Is this any way to keep our sanity?

This year seems to have come and gone but sure has taken its sweet time. Not so long, but then again, quite long ago, I was a mere section editor, and now here I am acting as Assistant Editor-in-chief and looking forward to the future.

My college career has now surpassed the halfway mark, and that absolutely terrifies me. In four short semesters (in theory), I will be a college graduate setting out into the real world to try to find a job. Not just a job but a career. A genuine 9 to 5-er. Get to work early, leave real late. That's how it's going to be. Business suits and rush hour and budgets and projects. The whole idea of being a real, live grownup is pretty scary in and of itself.

When people ask me what I'm doing or where I'm headed, I tell them I really don't know because I never really thought I would make it this far. Who would have believed that some shy, quiet little girl from the country would end up a writer for her college paper and majoring in classes she barely passed in high school? The fact that I am here, I am doing this and I am succeeding still escapes me sometimes, and I have to step back and re-examine things.

I'm a firm believer in personal meditation. The only way to know others is to truly know yourself. It wasn't until sometime last semester that I finally found the real me. I once thought I had the answers, but I was so far off, that only now can I laugh at the "me" that I knew.

It used to be that I was a lost little girl in a world full of women. Always the youngest and the shortest in any group—

save a class full of fourth graders—I had to mature quicker than most. Even in high school was I still little. I was surrounded by people who looked four years older and acted 15 years plus on top of that. They seemed so sophisticated and had no tolerance for anything besides the norm. I, of course, fell into that group. Because of this, I did not join any clubs or do anything extra-curricular. I arrived at school at the last minute—mind you, never being late—and left as soon as the bell rang.

Every day made life miserable and, come senior year, I found myself admitted to UT. All of my other friends were accepted to, and decided to attend UCF. For the first time in my life I would be attending a school alone. No one would know anything about me. I could be a smart, classy lady. I could be a sloppy, smart-ass punk. I could be a sorority girl.

I came to UT swimming all alone in the vast ocean of academia. Searching for friends proved relatively easy for me—thank heaven—and that I believe made the transition to college easy. Friends were found, classes were adapted to, it all seemed to be falling into place.

Spring semester I found myself bored with just classes and joined some organizations. It was beautiful. I found what my life was missing up until this point. Involvement! Alas! Meetings, deadlines and projects were the missing link. There was no looking back.

My UT involvement has been eclectic—at least to me—which also helped the situation.

For the first time ever, I am involved in honorary societies and interest groups.

The biggest change college has produced would be the fact I can now ask

strangers for directions, or also, asking a supervisor for assistance—two previously daunting tasks. I can go up to someone I barely know, or don't know at all, and strike up a conversation (thanks, O-Team training).

This is actually the first time I have ever explained my transformation on paper. What a great feeling. I love *The Minaret*!

Sometimes it may take a lot of soul searching to find who you really are, but every once in a while, some random event can make things crystal clear. It could be as simple as helping a child cross the street. Whatever the situation that makes your reason for life, it will be an amazing experience—too emotional and exciting for words.



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LETTERS FROM ~~OXFORD~~ AMERICA

Upon returning to the University of Tampa

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I woke up this morning to sunlight streaming in my Res Com room. I checked my alarm clock and almost threw



By
JEN
MILLER

it across the room when it read 7 a.m. After a long night of welcome backs and being suckered into helping someone with laundry, I wasn't doing all too well at such an early hour. My body is on a normal schedule where I would usually go to bed before midnight, not somewhere between three and dawn.

At least there was a glimmer of life to keep me company when 8 a.m. hit. Students

were headed to a cafeteria breakfast that I didn't know I missed until I returned to UT. Then, a half hour later, they filtered bleary eyed into Plant Hall for those dreaded early morning classes.

Even after being in England and seeing so many beautiful cathedrals, medieval structures and old monuments, Plant Hall is still a unique building, a piece of the Victorian age still standing in metropolitan Florida. It's a shame, though, that its beauty has been blemished. The greatest disappointment I felt as I drove to campus on Sunday, my nose pressed to the car window to catch

my first glimpse of the minarets in three months, was that they were gone. The monstrosity known as Vaughn Hall ruins the view

from both sides of the building. It's lost its charm all for a brick-stucco concoction, and in the process, another great building, Delo Hall, was sacrificed. That Most Beautiful Campus award we were given last year won't be coming back.

I also returned to a campus in a state of semi-turmoil. An evil part of me wanted to see what UT was like when swarming with camera crews and reporters bludgeoning students to talk about the hazing incident. I had

heard what happened thanks to the Internet and the good ol' UT rumor mill, and I was fully up-to-date when I stepped onto campus, but it still shocks me that such a thing happened. And we were complaining that there was no news.

Some students are new to me, but then again, I might have passed them around campus before and never took note of their faces. Eating in the cafeteria makes me realize how many people go to our school and how few are involved in on-campus activities. Some things never change.

Perhaps the most telling sign of all that I was back on a college campus is that I returned to my temporary room at 11 a.m. to a friend still in pajamas eating breakfast and wondering why I was up so early.

I forgot what it was like to be in college.

Americans and the Lottery Mentality

COLUMN

By CHRISTINA AGOSTO
Staff Writer

Recently one of my professors asked the question, "What is the American Dream?" and I jokingly responded: to win the lottery. The more I thought about it though, the more I realized I could be right. Americans used to dream of jobs good enough to support their families, providing enough money to buy a house and a car and retire comfortably at the appropriate time. Today what most Americans hope for, myself included, is to buy a lottery ticket and win the grand prize.

Gone are the days of earning what you want. Today, most of us would gladly sit on our butts all day and let someone else take responsibility for us. This has become increasingly obvious in the recent slew of lawsuits coming from all across the world. For example, in Toronto, McDonald's is once again being sued; the plaintiff in this latest case is the family of a nine-year-old girl suing for \$17.5 million.

The cause of this suit is the severed rat's head the girl found in her cheeseburger. After you get over the initial shock of a severed rat's head in a cheeseburger, ask yourself, "should an apology to this little girl really cost \$17.5 million?"

The girl has been diagnosed as suffering from separation anxiety disorder, features of post-traumatic stress disorder and acute adjustment disorder with mixed anxiety and depressed mood, the claim says. For one nine-year-old girl, that's a lot to swallow. What amused me most about the article, however, was that when the assistant manager approached the mother and attempted to discard the sandwich, she refused to turn it over. It was as if she could already see the dollar signs while her child is crying and vomiting.

Another example of lottery mentality in America is the ongoing debate over the last few years regarding slave reparations. This is the new American lottery. The theory behind slave reparations is we, the U.S., should give a monetary sum to the descendants of slaves, i.e. the African-American population.

A million questions pop into my head when people bring this up. First, who should pay this money, the Caucasian population? What if they weren't slaveholders? Should they be exempt? Should the U.S. government be responsible for this reparation and, if so, wouldn't the African-Americans be paying for it as well? This seems less like an act of contrition for the millions of slaves who lived in the U.S.

For example, in Toronto, McDonald's is once again being sued; the plaintiff in this latest case is the family of a nine-year-old girl suing for 17.5 million dollars.

and more like another quick way to get a buck. If respect is what you want, then go out and succeed on your own; what better way to honor your ancestors?

The bottom line is that we are a generation of people who want something for nothing. We are the now generation. Earning things the old fashioned way, the way our grandparents and their grandparents did, is a lost concept. We want everything given to us, and the sad thing is: we feel we deserve it too. We think the big bad boys of corporate America and the U.S. government owe it to us. If it seems racist to compare another frivolous McDonald's lawsuit to the very serious issues of reparation, don't worry, it's not. Issues like these affect us all. They are teaching the children of today the lesson that scheming for money you didn't earn is okay as long as, in your mind, you've been wronged.

Lisa Chonjacki's column will return next week.



Letters to the Editor



Dear Editor,

When I picked up the April 6 edition of *The Minaret*, I was shocked to see that our school had turned down an offer of money. In my four years here I've seen the school more or less pimp itself out on various occasions in its quest for the almighty dollar. This article hit a particularly close nerve; former *Moroccan* Editor-in-Chief Evan Fetter had made a donation to provide a small stipend increase for *The Minaret* and *Moroccan* editors.

Incredibly, the school declined to accept this offer, ostensibly because it seemed to be unfair to the editors of the other publication, *The Quilt*, as well as positions with stipends on Student Government and Student Productions. I can only speak for my organization, vNd while it would have been nice if the gift had encompassed all of these organizations, I certainly would not begrudge the *The Moroccan* or *The Minaret* if they received such an increase. I was assistant editor of *The Minaret*, and I know that it is a time consuming job with little pay. It's nice to see someone giving us a little recognition, and the improvement of these publications

will only improve the position of the other organizations as well.

These positions consist of hard, often thankless work. The \$6000 offered apparently isn't enough to interest any students in running for editor of *Moroccan*, and, as a result, the yearbook may shut down after this year. This year's editor, Megan Triller, even deferred a portion of her stipend to her assistant editors, which she didn't have to do, and while not a lot of money, much like the \$600 raises Evan Fetter offered, it was at least a token of thanks for their efforts.

This school had no problem accepting millions of dollars from John Sykes for the College of Business. Why didn't they refuse his offer, since it wasn't split with CLAS? Are all our professors paid the same salary?

Evan Fetter's was a generous offer from an alumnus which could have helped to better our student publications. Instead, we will continue to see the stipends stay the same while tuition increases, and student involvement will continue to dwindle, if dwindling from nearly nothing is possible.

Joe Lawler
Editor-in-Chief, *Quilt*

Dear Editor,

Unlike many people across campus, I was not shocked when the article regarding Evan Fetter and his publications contribution hit the stands last week, mostly because I have been directly involved in the whole situation for quite some time. As Editor-in-Chief of the *Moroccan* I was one of the first people contacted when Evan wanted to make this donation. And I was not contacted just this semester; I was contacted during the Spring 2000 semester.

Evan had always kept in contact with the subsequent editors and last Spring he was assisting Ariel Gunn and myself in our fight for larger stipends. He was able to help us with numbers from several years back that we were denied by the administration. I believe that it was at this time that he started working on some sort of scholarship that he could donate for the editors.

This issue has been dragged out far too long. As a school that at one time was on the brink of bankruptcy I see no reason why

we're suddenly so prosperous that we can turn down money, especially money that will directly benefit the quality of student life. I sympathize with the words of Sean Manning's editorial. I too have grown weary of being jerked around by the administration. I even had to ask to be set apart from this resurgence of the stipend issue because it was so heavily effecting my studies, my publication, and my life.

As students our job is to learn. As editors our job is to put out a quality publication. As young adults our job is to enjoy life. Sadly, money plays an important role in each of our occupations. To that end, the university should be more concerned with making these things happen, whether that involves changes in policy or matching funds, than in improving only those things it finds to be economically beneficial.

Megan Della Triller
Editor-in-Chief, *Moroccan*

David Horowitz and his ad bolster his incendiary reputation

By EILS LOTOZO

Knight-Ridder Newspapers

David Horowitz has been described as a man who likes to play with fire. And in the last month, the conservative author and activist has bolstered that incendiary reputation by provoking an uproar on college campuses over the issue of reparations for slavery.

Horowitz submitted a full-page advertisement "Ten Reasons Why Reparations for Slavery Is a Bad Idea — and Racist Too" to 47 college newspapers. Twenty-three rejected it. On three campuses where it appeared, students were so riled that editors apologized.

At Brown University in Providence, R.I., 4,000 copies of the Brown Daily Herald containing the ad disappeared, which prompted an emergency forum on freedom of the press (from which the media were banned). At the University of Wisconsin, students stormed the offices of the Badger Herald demanding the editor's resignation.

On the phone from a hotel room in Austin, Texas, where he was on a speaking tour, Horowitz sounded like a man basking in the glow of attention.

"I had one of the craziest days I've ever had yesterday," said Horowitz, 63, whose latest book is *Hating Whitey and Other Progressive Causes*. "I did MSNBC twice, some ABC radio show, and NPR," he said.

National Public Radio made him nervous. Horowitz, who has

written in detail about the slights he has suffered from the mainstream media, was worried about how his words would be edited. "I was kind of punch drunk at the end of the day and I was doing this riff," he said, "and in the middle of it I started mocking someone of the PC crowd."

Political correctness — particularly the "gulag of the PC university," which he says stifles free speech — is one of Horowitz's obsessions. The gleeful provocateur, who used to publish a monthly journal that lampooned left-leaning academia, has run paid advertisements in campus publications in the past, including attacks on Betty Friedan and Nobel Peace Prize winner Rigoberta Menchu.

Horowitz swears he is as surprised as anyone at the flap over the reparations ads — and says its placement during Black History Month was coincidental. "People think I foresaw this. But all I can say is the stars were in alignment," said Horowitz, who runs the Los Angeles-based Center for the Study of Popular Culture, which has a staff of 17 and a budget of \$3 million.

He first aired his anti-reparations argument in his regular column in the online magazine *Salon*. In the ensuing debate, one writer dubbed him a "white Al Sharpton," and his own *Salon* editor declared him a publicity hound. End of story — until the thin-skinned Horowitz saw a notice for a reparations conference at the University of Chicago.

"I didn't get an invitation," he

said. "I thought, I'm going to give the students at the University of Chicago a chance to see there is another side of this issue."

When his ad ran in the University of Chicago *Maroon* without incident, Horowitz decided to test other campuses.

He was not disappointed. "It's like a Gallup poll of campus editors," he said. "How will they respond to provocative dissent? I'm demonstrating for the nation that you can't talk about certain issues on campus."

The coalition of students at Brown that snatched the school paper from campus called Horowitz's ad "a direct assault on communities of color." A Brown professor declared, "This is not a free-speech issue. It is a hate-speech issue." At Berkeley, where the ad inspired protests, the newspaper's mea culpa said the ad had become "an inadvertent vehicle for bigotry."

"He certainly is not a racist," said his friend Ward Connerly, a black conservative and Berkeley chancellor who pushed for Proposition 209, the initiative that repealed government affirmative action programs in California in 1996. "But he can inflame people. He is prone to an in-your-face style and he does not back down."

Said Horowitz, "The black left pretends to speak for all black people, but there is nothing in my ad that hasn't been already said by black conservatives Walter Williams and William Sowell."

Well, not quite. Even Connerly, who generally agreed with

Horowitz, took issue with one of the ad's arguments: that reparations have already been made in the form of welfare and affirmative action. "I was offended by that," Connerly said. "Most of the people who receive welfare aren't black, and blacks aren't the only ones who benefited from affirmative action."

Whether attacking racial politics ("We live in a time of McCarthyism. Who wants to be defending themselves against a charge of racism? That's why everyone keeps their mouth shut.") or addressing election strategy (in last year's book "The Art of Political War: How Republicans Can Fight to Win"), Horowitz comes across as a loudmouthed eminence grise of the right. But he wasn't always a conservative.

In one of the strangest stories of political conversion around (recounted in his 1997 memoir "Radical Son"), he began life as a red-diaper baby, attending Communist summer camps and May Day celebrations. As a grad student in English lit at Berkeley in the early '60s, he became an architect of the New Left and later an editor of its journal *Ramparts*.

Allied with the Black Panthers, he once called Huey Newton "a political soulmate." But after the body of Horowitz's friend Betty Van Patter was found in San Francisco Bay — evidence pointed to the Panthers, though no one ever was charged — his world shattered. For he had recommended Van Patter to work for the

Panthers as a bookkeeper.

Tortured by guilt, he later admitted, for his failure to warn his friend about the potential danger, Horowitz struggled with depression and began his shift rightward. "We called ourselves 'Second thoughts' at first," said Horowitz, who was joined in his change of politics by former *Ramparts* colleague Peter Collier. Collier became his collaborator on biographies of the Kennedy, Ford and Rockefeller dynasties.

His transformation was complete by 1987, the year Horowitz traveled on the U.S. government's dime to Nicaragua to exhort an anti-Sandinista group to keep the faith.

But these days, the man who has been called the right's very own obsessive Ahab, the guy who has regularly thrown the label "communist" at his enemies, is sounding decidedly mellow. He professes to be pleasantly surprised at the evenhanded press treatment of the campus tumult.

Horowitz, father of four and grandfather of four, remarried three years ago, to April, a professional photographer. They wed in the home of Arianna Huffington, another political changeling — only one who recently transformed herself from conservative Republican to progressive activist.

"Arianna and I have a special bond," Horowitz says. "They say there are no second acts in American politics. But we've both had second acts."

Bush's budget gives more money to higher education

By MATTHEW MCGUIRE

TMS Campus

While President George W. Bush's recent budget proposal has focused on slashing the federal budget over the next 10 years, education programs affecting colleges and universities saw increases in funding, or at the very least, went untouched.

The bulk of Bush's proposed increases in education spending will go to elementary and secondary education programs, while college students will benefit from increases in financial aid and programs to promote success among disadvantaged students.

Under the new budget, Bush proposes spending an extra \$1 billion on Pell Grants to provide disadvantaged students with financial assistance for college. The increase would boost the maximum award by \$100 to \$3,850, the highest amount ever awarded.

Federal student loans also get a \$37 billion increase through two programs — the Federal Family Education Loan (FFEL) and the Federal Direct Student Loan (FDSL).

While the House approved the Bush plan unchanged, the Senate voted last week to reduce his \$1.6 trillion tax cut by more than one-quarter and add \$250 billion to Pell Grants and other education programs over a 10-year period.

The American Council on Education was dissatisfied with Bush's recent budget proposal, but applauded the Senate's budget proposal with the additional funding.

"We are disappointed by this budget proposal, particularly the funding for need-based student aid," the American Council on Education said in a

statement. "...As this process moves forward, we will work to see that the final spending levels match the Senate's budget resolution as closely as possible."

Other post-secondary programs that typically service students with "demonstrated financial need" received no increase in funding.

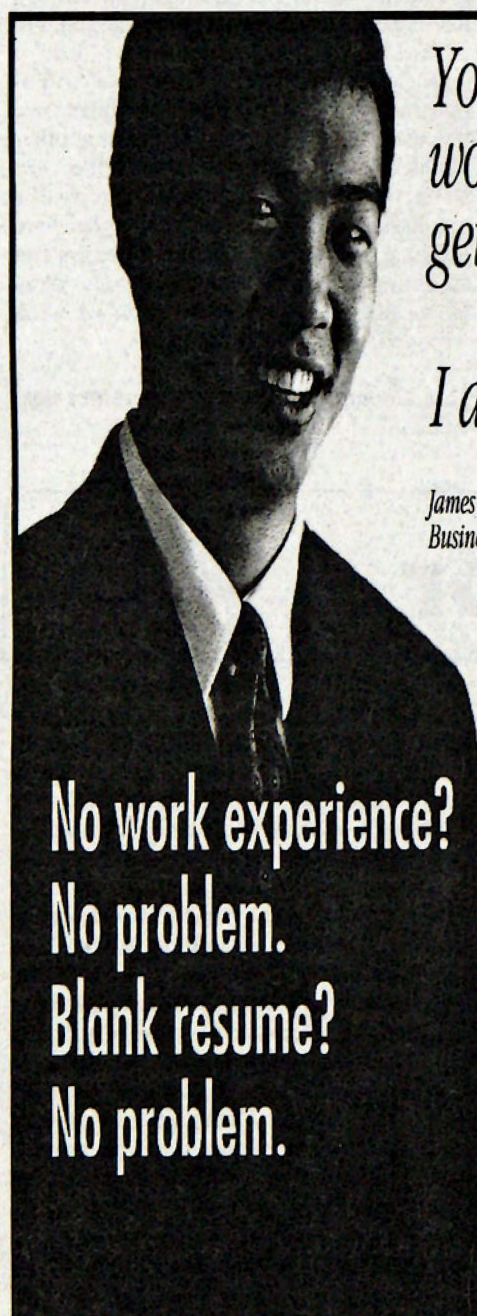
The work study program, which provides grants to pay wages of students to pay college costs, and the Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (SEOG) program, which provides grant assistance of up to \$4,000 for students, will keep the same amount of funding in Bush's proposed budget.

The Perkins Loan, which provides loans to students with financial needs, also received no additional funding along with the Leveraging Educational Assistance Partnership (LEAP) program, which provides federal funds for state grant programs and provides community service programs to help financially needy students pay for college.

Other financial aid programs, however, were given a boost.

The proposal calls for an increase in the amount of money the federal government will forgive teachers employed at high-poverty schools. Currently teachers may have up to \$5,000 of their federal loans forgiven after teaching for five years, however, under Bush's plan students who majored in math and science and teach those subjects in high-need schools could have up to \$17,500 forgiven.

Outreach and tutoring programs, such as TRIO, which helps disadvantaged individuals enter and complete post-secondary education programs, will get a \$50 million increase. Bush's plan also calls for a \$15 million increase in aid to colleges and universities that primarily serve black and Hispanic populations.



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A novice's guide to the world of *Harry Potter*

By JEN MILLER
Staff Reporter

We've heard the hype. We've seen the merchandise. We know it's made some people in the book industry very happy, but have any of us really read or know what the *Harry Potter* series by J. K. Rowling is all about?

Harry Potter has been raised by his aunt and uncle since his parents died in a car crash. They do not want him in their home, but they grudgingly take him in, making him live in the cupboard under the stairs. Harry is a typical underdog. He is bullied at school, does not have any friends, and can't seem to do anything right. Then one summer, mysterious letters start appearing addressed to him, and something inside is so dangerous that his aunt and uncle do everything possible to prevent Harry from reading them, even moving. Eventually, though, with the help of a magic giant, Harry finds out that he has been selected to study at the Hogwarts School of Witchcraft & Wizardry. He also learns that his parent's did not die in a car crash but were murdered by the evil Lord Voldemort, and when Voldemort tried to kill baby Harry, Voldemort lost his powers, leading those in the wizarding world

to believe that Harry is the chosen one and will someday become a great wizard himself.

The concept of *Harry Potter* may seem a bit far-fetched, but that is the point. It follows classic storytelling guidelines of good versus evil, a series of adventures and the underdog becoming great, but Rowling also combines it with typical issues in a grade-schooler's life: nasty teachers, trying to break school rules, sports and detention.



The Maurader's Map: Harry uses this map to sneak around Hogwarts and find the hidden passageways in the castle. It also shows the position of professors, so he never gets caught!

There are flying cars, transformation spells, secret passageways and invisibility capes. A combination of these elements almost guarantees *Harry Potter* to become a hit. *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone*, the first book in the series, won the British National Book Award for Children's Book of the Year. *Harry Potter and the Goblets of Fire*, the fourth and newest book, is the fastest selling book of all time, and it's no simple task. At over 700 pages, it's a long read for both parents and

children, but, as with the others in the series, it is well worth the time and effort.

Rowling, who wrote the series as a broke, single mother, has come under some fire for the series. Some schools have banned the books because of the violent content. Indeed, there are fantastic battles and a strong rivalry between Harry Potter and another group of students, but it is not uncommon to find the same in regular elementary schools (except for the magic battles, that is). Also, because of the length of *Goblets of Fire*, many now see Rowling as catering more to her adult audience. Indeed, the *Harry Potter* series is popular with adults and children, which also has helped its success. Many parents become enthralled in the story while reading it to their children.

There doesn't seem to be an end to the *Harry Potter* phenomenon. Rowling originally did not want the series to be merchandized, but once it was, stores stocked up as did avid fans. The *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone* movie is due to come out on Nov. 16, and already the hype has begun. Because each book represents a year of school, the series is set for seven books, and with only four written as yet, the *Harry Potter* series is set to continue well into the future.

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By JESSICA CASTILLEJA

Astrologist



ARIES *Lucky Number: 31*

You need to look into new ways to pass idle time. New friendships and love relationships will develop if you are willing to join groups of interest. You should be looking into making adjustments to your personal financial investments.



TAURUS *Lucky Number: 12*

Don't jump the gun and blame your lover for something of which you really don't have any proof. You must be accommodating and refrain from making hasty emotional decisions. This is a wonderful day to spend with children, friends or relatives.



GEMINI *Lucky Number: 18*

You need to get involved in group activities that will get you out of the house and moving in new circles. It's time to spread your wings and get on with life. Don't take on the weight of the world. Getting involved in the personal lives of colleagues will be a big mistake.



CANCER *Lucky Number: 22*

You need to get away and enjoy yourself. Time spent with close friends or relatives will be relaxing and rejuvenating. Your progressive mind will be admired by others. You need to concentrate on getting ahead. Help those less able to take care of their personal papers on their own.



LEO *Lucky Number: 2*

Don't let your emotions run wild. You are best to deal with your personal life behind closed doors. Your partner may not realize that they are making you feel insecure. Don't let anyone push you beyond your limit. Haste makes waste, whereas a steady pace will pay off.



VIRGO *Lucky Number: 36*

Insincere gestures of friendliness are likely to occur if you allow others to find out about your private life. Don't get involved in a love triangle. Keep your reputation as spotless as possible. Underhandedness with coworkers is apparent. Do not reveal secret information to those you feel may be untrustworthy.



LIBRA *Lucky Number: 5*

Your ability to communicate eloquently will aid you in capturing the heart of someone of whom you are interested. Don't be afraid to stand up and voice your opinions at group meetings. Don't let minor mishaps put a damper on your spirits.



SCORPIO *Lucky Number: 14*

Take positive action in order to alleviate any worries you have about aging. You can make changes that will not only improve your looks but help your self-confidence. Your mate is likely to be overly self indulgent, resulting in disputes.



SAGITTARIUS *Lucky Number: 27*

Spend time at home. Relax or get busy making some changes that will benefit the whole family. You will be upset regarding your financial situation if you have spent too much money lately.



CAPRICORN *Lucky Number: 7*

You won't handle criticism well this week. You will take offense if your family complains about the way you take care of your household responsibilities. Stick to your chores and avoid confrontations. Get together with friends or relatives.



AQUARIUS *Lucky Number: 21*

New relationships will develop with people you meet at a wedding or social gathering. Don't let others sway your opinion. Follow your heart and see where it leads you. You will overreact to personal problems.



PISCES *Lucky Number: 34*

You can come up with good ideas that will help turn around your financial situation. Don't allow a lack of self-confidence to hold you back. Your active imagination may take over if you let it. Dreams of distant lands and foreign peoples will lead you to organizations that can offer knowledge of such cultures.

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MOVIE REVIEWS

Josie and the Pussycats takes cartoon rock to the big screen

By STEVE CHAMPLIN
Staff Reporter

There is always a fine line to walk with movies about comic book characters. If there isn't the right balance between seriousness, comedy and just plain fun, then you're stuck with a horrible movie (*Captain America*, and Roger Korman's *Fantastic Four*). On the other hand, if it's done right, then you've got a great movie (something along the lines of *Mystery Men* or *Blade*). Granted, most of these deal with superheroes and supervillains, but a movie about some relatively ordinary comic book characters should be able to have an easier time of it.

Josie and the Pussycats is about a trio of girls with their own band. The characters (Melody and Val make up the other parts of the band) come from the Archie comics which also brought us *Sabrina the Teenaged Witch*. The girls live in Riverdale (state unknown) and are focused solely on making their band The Pussycats a success. This task gets pretty hard to do since all their friends and everyone else in the free world is focused on the latest boy band sensation, DuJour.

As the film opens, we see DuJour putting on an impromptu concert at an airport filled with screaming fans who can't get enough of the band's latest single, "Back Door Lover." They're riding high on a wave of instant success, but behind the scenes, the band members are ready to rip each other apart. It is pretty obvious that this collection of individuals was put together and packaged for success, and the instant they question their manager, Wyatt, about a new track on one of their songs, the band is dropped

from the record company in a rather dramatic fashion. Wyatt then has to fill the space left by their huge money making success, and that's when he comes across Josie and her friends.

This film is a send-up of the pop music industry. Rather than a tale of the rags to riches success of one band, we've got a story about the government planting subliminal messages into pop music forcing children to spend money, so the general state of our economy will be a prosperous one. Apparently, they've been doing this for years and are ready to branch out into other countries. After discovering this ploy, Josie and the Pussycats set out to expose the conspiracy and regain their reputation.

The plot's not that original, but the film maintains its freshness by constantly taking shots at today's pop-culture, which gives us plenty of targets for ridicule and satire. One of the aspects of today's

when the movie provides an explanation to the popular series *Behind the Music*.

Overall, *Josie and the Pussycats* was much better than I expected it to be. Springing from the pages of comic books, the main characters are made to be as complete as possible without forgetting from where they came. For example, Melody's (Tara Reid, *American Pie*) overly simplistic way of dealing with life is a bit much sometimes, but when Alexandra (Missi Pyle, *Galaxy Quest*) is asked what she's doing in a scene, her response is "'Cause I was in the comic book,'" and Josie, Melody, and Val balance each other very well. Each has a main personality trait that makes each girl important to the other two in the band. Without one, the other two are incomplete.

This movie is director Harry Elfont's (*Can't Hardly Wait*) second feature, and he does a great job of balancing the cast. Though

Rachel Leigh Cook (*Get Carter*) has the lead role, she doesn't carry the movie. All of the supporting characters contribute significant parts of the story and push the film along. Notable among them are Parker Posey (*The Sweetest Thing*) and Alan Cumming (*Goldeneye*) as the villains, Seth Green (*Austin Powers*) in a small role, and brief cameos by Carson Daly, Chrissie Hynde, and Babyface. *Josie and the Pussycats* is an enjoyable, pleasant film, but it might not do well with audiences. It is a movie that is targeted for the same fans it makes fun of, and many people might not see the joke in that.



entertainment industry, which is parodied, is the constant product-endorsement by celebrities. There are many recognizable brands throughout the film that it just about assaults the senses. Another is the public's fascination with music stars which we see



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Spade dishes *Dirt* on new movie

On Tuesday, April 3rd, David Spade talked with AllCampus Media about his new movie, Joe Dirt.

What do you look for in a movie script? A good story and naked extras.

What gave you the inspiration for this film? Just some dirtballs hanging out in front of 7-11 and people carrying gas cans with their sleeves cut off on the expressway.

Who came up with the character Joe Dirt? How? Fred Wolf and myself. It's based on people we grew up with that hung out in front of autoshack or NASCAR races and they always had that early Maguiver haircut, better known as "the mullet."

You grew up in Scottsdale. What high school did you go to? Saguaro, Class of '97.

Have you always wanted a mullet? I wish I could grow one, but my little hairs are too soft and fragile, so I have to settle for the wig and that's fun to wear. It's a real stocking stuffer.

What was it like working with Christopher Walken? He's a very interesting, talented and cool guy.

How did you become a comic? I just started doing amateur nights after high school because I desperately needed attention.

What was it like leaving SNL and going on your own in movies and tv? A little scary, but it was time to go, writing every single week got to me.

How much longer do you plan on juggling "Just Shoot Me" and your budding film career? As long as they'll have me. If I can do one funny movie a year, I'd be in great shape, and I still really like the show.

How was it working with Kid Rock? Kid Rock is a crackup. He's really funny, and he's overly cool, so we just let him do his thing out there in the movie. We'd have to spray his hair with 409 to get the grease out.

What was your favorite scene, and why? I really liked the carnival scene with Jaime Pressley because I get to be even more of an idiot than in the rest of the movie.

What was it like working with Roseanne? It was fun while she was in the movie. She's not in it anymore. We cut 45 minutes out of the movie and unfortunately she was in all 45.

Are there any movies you will watch over and over again? There are a lot: Butch & Sundance, The Sting, Caddyshack, Stripes...the list is too long.

Have you ever considered writing a book? Yes, but I think America has had it with me after this movie, so I will spare them the book.

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BYU suspends student for "homosexual conduct"

By BILLY O'KEEFE

TMS Campus

Brigham Young University has suspended one of its students for allegedly practicing what it calls "homosexual conduct," and a second student has withdrawn from the university to avoid a similar fate.

Sophomore Richard Escoto received a two-semester suspension earlier this month after university officials charged him on four separate counts of homosexual conduct—actions which, under the school's honor code, are prohibited by the university.

Among the allegations: That he received gifts from other men, was engaged in homosexual activities on the Internet, and was seen kissing another male student in his apartment. Escoto, in an interview with the Salt Lake Tribune, denied all charges.

University spokesperson Carri Jenkins said that all students are required to sign the code, and that those who fail to adhere to the code must face up to their actions.

"Students should be able to understand what they're signing without anyone walking them through it," she said.

The code, which reflects the affirmations of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, prohibits homosexual conduct, and lists it, along with soliciting sex, cross-dressing, adultery and predatory behavior, under a section entitled, "Sexual and similar misconduct."

"Any level of sexual or similar misconduct at BYU is significant and may lead to a separation from the university," states the code, which does not elaborate on any of the given examples.

Escoto, 21, told the Tribune that the university has no basis on which to suspend him, and that it has relied on the testimony of "bigoted" roommates. His only crime, he said, was discussing his sexual orientation with a roommate.

Matthew Grierson, 21, who faced similar allegations, was told by the university to either withdraw from BYU or face a similar suspension. He chose to withdraw.

It's that time of year again. Time for singing, acting and dancing. The University of Tampa musical theater department is putting on their spring production next week in the David Falk Theater. Completely different from the last musical (*The Mystery of Edwin Drood*), *Company*, by Steven Sondheim, takes place in modern day New York City. The story revolves around the character Robert and his interaction with various married

COMPANY

friends and his three girlfriends. Although *Company* is a comedy, it also covers deeper topics such as loneliness, denial and discovering oneself. *Company* is sure to provide a good laugh at the least. So bring a date for funny, thought-provoking and free theatre! *Company* will be performed in the David Falk Theater on Thursday, April 19 and continues thru Sunday, April 22. The show starts at 8 pm every evening except Sunday, which concludes the performance's run with a 2 pm matinee. Remember, it's free for all UT faculty, staff and students.

Father of aerobics encourages tax breaks for healthier lifestyles

By JOEY HOLLEMAN

Knight-Ridder Tribune

The man who brought you aerobics wants to bring you a more healthful all-around lifestyle — and have the government pay you for it.

The Texas physician who is a candidate to become the nation's next surgeon general is endorsing federal tax breaks to encourage more healthful behavior.

Call it an aerobics-and-veggies deduction.

"We need a financial incentive to encourage Americans to take care of themselves," Dr. Kenneth Cooper said of the proposed tax deductions.

Cooper, friend of President George W. Bush and the man who coined the term "aerobics" 25 years ago, spoke to a conference of health officials in Columbia Friday. On Thursday, he was in Washington talking with Bush administration officials about the surgeon general post.

Current Surgeon General Dr. David Hatcher intends to serve out his term, which expires in February. Cooper said he has been asked to consider the post at that time.

The Dallas Morning News reported last week that Cooper was a candidate for the job, but offered few details. A Bush spokesman said Friday that the administration doesn't comment on possible appointments.

Cooper said the discussion has reached the point where he is investigating the alternative of divesting his business, the Cooper Health Institute, to prevent a conflict

of interest.

The lean, 70-year-old physician is full of ideas to push from the bully pulpit of the surgeon general. He said he presented a 15-point plan to Bush officials Thursday, including the innovative tax proposal.

His plan would give tax deductions of up to \$1,000 per person for taking care of yourself. Keep your body mass index under 25, and you get a \$250 deduction. You also would get \$250 deductions

prove troublesome, some of Cooper's other proposals might be easier to implement.

He would like to see: n 7/8 tax breaks for companies that offer employee wellness programs; n 7/8 tougher mandates on school meal programs — requiring more fruits and vegetables and less fatty foods; n 7/8 and tougher regulation of the vitamin and dietary supplement industry.

He thinks the cost of these

reverse," Cooper said.

Cooper's groundbreaking book "Aerobics" came out in 1968 and sparked an exercise boom. Before his book, exercise programs focused on building muscle mass through isometrics — mostly weight-lifting. He detailed the health benefits of aerobic exercise, which is based on endurance more than strength. Running is the leading aerobic exercise.

The year his book came out, studies showed 24 percent of American men exercised regularly and about 100,000 jogged. By 1984, those numbers were up to 59 percent exercising and 34 million jogging.

Cooper said he doesn't want all of the credit, but he noted the incidence of heart attack deaths in this country began to drop the same year his book came out, while they were rising in other countries.

Cooper started his medical practice in Dallas in the early 1970s with an unusual attitude: Rather than healing the sick, he would take healthy patients and maintain or improve their conditions.

Other physicians thought he was crazy, he said. Thirty years later, his operation has 450 employees and a six-month waiting list for fitness exams.

"We've proven it's cheaper and more effective to maintain good health than to regain it," he said.

As he spoke Friday to the annual health conference sponsored by the Governor's Council on Physical Fitness, Cooper rattled off statistics, studies and lists.

His program is based on four principles: (1) Examine

patients thoroughly to start out; (2) Educate and motivate them toward healthy lifestyles; (3) Use programs that are safe, effective and realistic; (4) Bring the patients back for re-evaluations.

All of the studies his staff has conducted point to a few generalities: The most important things people can do to improve health are to lose weight, exercise regularly, improve diet and quit smoking. The most important of those is losing weight, and the best way to do that is to exercise.

Study after study has shown that overweight people who drop pounds also reduce their risk of heart problems, high blood pressure, diabetes and certain cancers, he said.

A study conducted at Cooper's institute by University of South Carolina graduate Dr. Steve Blair in the early 1990s found that the benefits of exercise take effect quickly. Moderate exercise prompts tremendous reductions in health problems. The benefits increase only slightly when the level of exercise increases to extreme.

Cooper also sings the praises of modern medical equipment, vitamin supplements and old-fashioned fruits and vegetables. A new-generation CAT scan can spot certain cancers and plaque buildup in heart valves much earlier. Vitamin supplements and vegetables can help reduce blood pressure and lower cholesterol.

Combine exercise, diet and technology, and miraculous changes can happen.

"Heart disease might go the direction of smallpox in the



photo courtesy of The Detroit News

President Bush doing STEP? Perhaps not. Yet, even the leader of the free world can't deny the benefits of good health by way of routine exercise.

for keeping your blood pressure under 140 over 90, your cholesterol under 200, and for not smoking.

"Up to 73 percent of diseases in this country are the result of an unhealthy lifestyle," Cooper said. "That will only change if people do it themselves." While the logistics of providing such deductions could

proposals would be offset by the improved health and productivity of the country. He cites studies at his Cooper Institute in Dallas, where the average age of death for male patients is 84, compared to the national average of 73.

"One can grow healthy as one grows older, instead of the

Someone Like You not worth listening to

By SAMANTHA HORVATH
Staff Reporter

While riding in the car this past Friday with a couple of my friends, I decided to pop in the soundtrack from *Someone Like You*. It was awful! I was ashamed to let my passengers listen to such "music." It was so bad that I couldn't even listen to one entire song. I had fast-forwarded through song after song in the hopes of finding one that was "semi-enjoyable."

Later, my shotgun passenger decided that it was time to take control of the radio buttons and did the fast-forwarding, much to the delight of the other riders. My other friend, seated in the back, was quiet the entire time. I was beginning to wonder if the music had put her to sleep or killed her. Only after we got out of the car, did I realize that she was, in fact, not deceased.

My button-controlling friend wanted to look at the CD case, hoping to see if she could recognize any of the songs from the soundtrack. She finally found one, an Annie Lennox song. As she cruised through song numbers four and five, we began to hear the techno beat of "Train in Vain." By the middle, she could not take it anymore, so, once again, we had passed through the remaining four songs. Luckily, my friends have not held this error in judgment against me and are still speaking to me. In fact, they even

pity me, since I had to review it. Even though I have listened to the soundtrack from *Someone Like*

my friends by taking them to see the movie. If they stop speaking to me after the movie, I'll let you know. Hopefully, the movie will have much more to offer besides some attempted come-backs from Tom Jones and The Cardigans. This movie hit theaters on March 30th. It is a romance comedy about the trials and tribulations of love, starring Ashley Judd (*Double Jeopardy*), Greg Kinnear (*As Good As It Gets*), and Hugh Jackman (*X-Men*).

"In conclusion, this was one of the worst soundtracks, let alone CD in general that I have ever listened to. Please, if you value your sanity, do not buy this CD. Unless, of course, if you are a masochist, then by all means, run out to a Best Buy near you and buy the CD. On second thought, I think I will. Goodness knows that I couldn't sell it or give it away!!"



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Tom Jones attempts to burn down the house, but can't find a match.

You, I am not discouraged in wanting to see it. The promos still catch my eye. Maybe I can make it up to

Smoke-free dorms work, studies show

By TIM HIGGINS
Knight-Ridder Tribune

It's ammunition for those pushing for smoke-free dorms: Students in smoke-free dorms are less likely to take up such tobacco habits.

Researchers at the Harvard School of Public Health released a report yesterday that said nonsmoking incoming freshmen are 40 percent less likely to begin smoking if placed in a smoke-free environment, according to a prepared statement from the school.

In an additional report from those same researchers, a survey of 604 higher education institutions found that only 27 percent provided nonsmoking dorms.

To Sharon Feltman of Breathe Easy, an anti-smoking group, this is proof that her group's efforts to combat smoking at the University of Missouri-Columbia are worthwhile.

"It seems that" the reports "do confirm that living in a smoke-free dormitory really helps change smokers' behavior in college students," she said.

In past months, Breathe Easy MU has pushed for a smoking ban in residence halls on the MU campus.

The Residence Hall Association's legislative body voted in January to support such

a plan. A survey later of slightly more than 6 percent of MU's residence hall population indicated a majority of students supported tighter restrictions on smoking. Currently, students are allowed to smoke in their rooms.

University officials and students asked have been wary of such a ban.

In a prepared statement, Henry Wechsler, the main researcher in both studies, said, "These findings suggest that smoke-free dorms may help incoming college students who have not yet taken up smoking avoid tobacco addiction during college. While the difference in smoking rates may be, in part, due to self-selection by students into smoke-free housing, these residences appear to be protective. They also prevent nonsmokers from being exposed to the harmful effects of second-hand smoke and the risk of dormitory fires."

The news came in two reports. The first appeared in the American Journal of Preventive Medicine and looked at the habits of 4,495 students at 101 schools in the spring of 1999.

That study found students were less likely to begin smoking if placed in more restrictive environments than their counterparts in unrestricted ones.

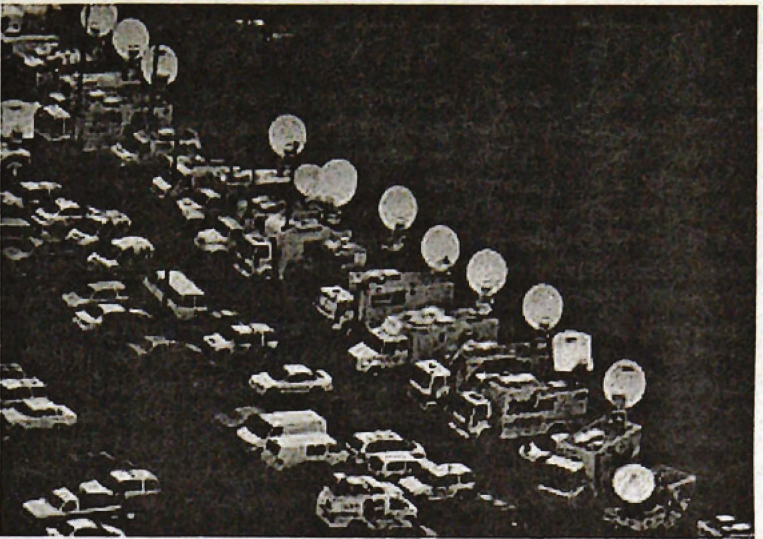
The second, which found



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few schools provide smoke-free residences, was published in Journal of American College Health and supported by The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.

Feltman hopes these reports will help in her group's push for increased smoking scrutiny. "Things are moving in our direction," she said.



Exhibiting the sensationalism surrounding the case, media crews gather to cover Earhardt's memorial service. (photo courtesy Orlando Sentinel)

Website loses advertisers in conjunction with Earnhardt autopsy photos

By SEAN MUSSENDEN
Knight-Ridder Tribune

Amazon.com and another Web company have pulled advertisements from the DeLand-based Web site that posted autopsy photographs of two dead NASCAR drivers.

The companies said they wanted nothing to do with the Web site, which has been virtually inaccessible all week. Operator Michael Uribe said Wednesday that visitors overloaded the site trying to see pictures of Rodney Orr and Neil Bonnett, who died at the Daytona International Speedway in 1994.

Uribe continues to seek access to recent autopsy photos of NASCAR great Dale Earnhardt, although he refuses to say whether he would post those pictures online.

A judge in Volusia County has scheduled a hearing today on whether Uribe and the University of Florida's student newspaper can argue for an opportunity to see the images.

A Texas-based company that hosts Uribe's site blocked access to it beginning Friday, saying too many people were trying to get in, Uribe said. The volume of visitors clogged up the company's giant computer, called a server, that stores his and other sites.

Uribe said he didn't know how many people had viewed his site. The company, Houston-based Advanced Web Creations, and its parent company,

Interlian, did not return e-mails and phone calls Wednesday.

Regardless of whether people can see the site, "That's not something we wanted to be associated with," Amazon.com spokeswoman Patty Smith said about the decision to pull the ads.

Uribe said his arrangement with the company would have paid him a percentage of all Amazon sales that came through his site, but that he hasn't been paid anything. Smith declined to comment on that claim.

A second Web company that advertised on Uribe's site, Commission Junction, also terminated its agreement with Uribe Wednesday. In an e-mail to Uribe, the company called his site, "obscene."

He said he has been contacted by other advertisers.

Uribe said he was in talks with another Web company to get his site back up and running as soon as today. He would not identify the new company.

Although a new law passed by the Florida Legislature requires permission of a judge or the family of a dead person to gain access to autopsy photos, Uribe acquired photos of Orr and Bonnett when anyone could request them under the state's open-records law.

Earnhardt's photos were sealed at the request of his widow, but the *Orlando Sentinel* reached an agreement that allowed a medical expert to study them for clues to what caused the racer's head injuries during the Feb. 18 Daytona 500.



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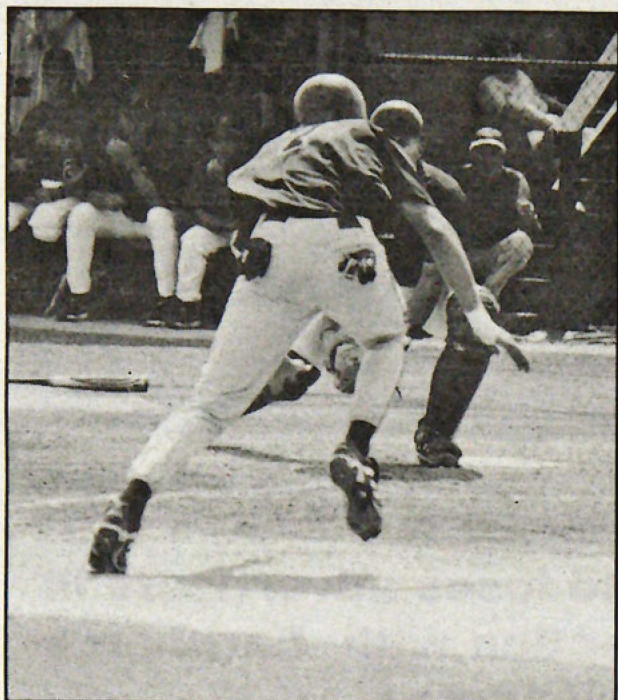
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When: Friday, 27 April 2001 at 5:00 PM
Where: Fletcher Lounge
Who: Everyone is welcome
Cost: \$25 per person
Why: Celebrating the UT Army ROTC department's 30th year, to recognize the outstanding achievements of our cadets and to increase the awareness and recognition of our program.

Tickets will be on sale at the Army ROTC building from 2 April-16 April, 2001.

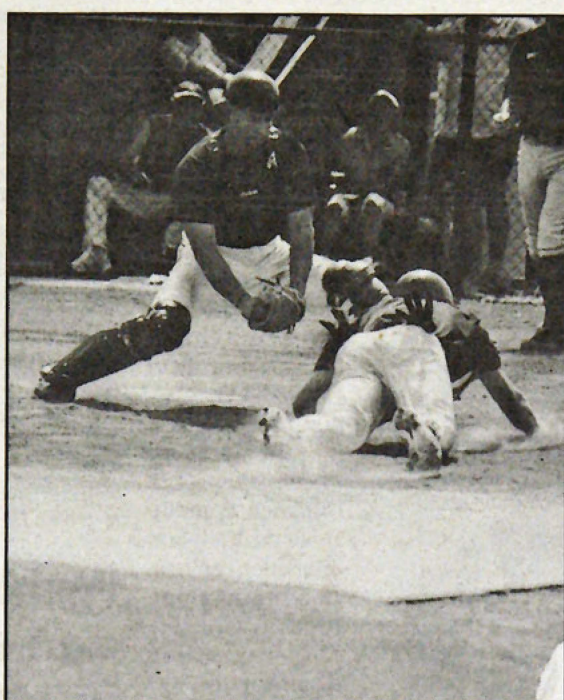
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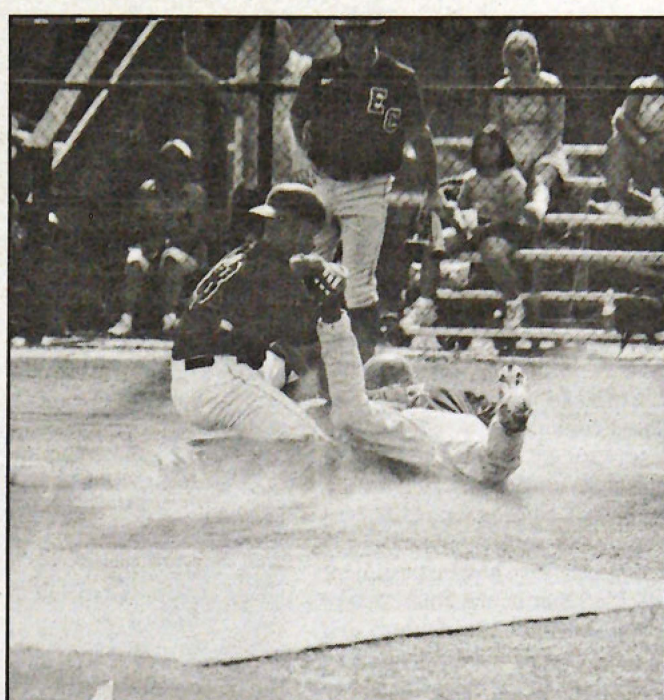
Mike Rabelo: The next Ivan Rodriguez or beyond?



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Mike Rabelo guards the plate showing his defensive prowess.

By RAQUEL PITTIGLIO

Reporter

Mike Rabelo catches for the UT baseball team. He has an obvious impact on the field and is a devoted player, which can be seen since he has started and played in all of their games.

Rabelo started playing baseball when he was young. "I started playing T-ball to consume my time. I just stuck with it because I liked to play."

Rabelo is a junior from New Port Richey, Fla., which is one of the reasons why he chose UT; it was close but still far enough away from home. Since it is close enough to home, his family comes to his games.

"My father has made it to everyone of my games, including the away games too." Another reason why UT was his choice was that he was a starter for the varsity when he was only a freshman and the school had a good baseball program. He is majoring in sports medicine and is planning on working with one of the professional teams.

Rabelo is set to graduate next

year; however, he is able to enter the MLB draft as a junior. His chance of being drafted is extremely high. If he had the choice, he would go to either the New York Yankees or the Chicago Cubs. So far, he has talked with scouts from almost all of the 30 teams.

Being here for the past three years, Rabelo has had the opportunity to play under two different coaches. "Urso is great! I love playing for him and Sam [Militello]. They have been very beneficial. They have helped me with so many little things to get me to the next level as soon as possible. They have both played and coached, so they have told me what to expect."

The hardest thing about being the catcher, in Rabelo's opinion, is, "You get physically beat up. Your knees become a problem, and you get a lot of hits from foul balls. Also, I have to take care of my pitchers, trying to make the game flow well is one of the most challenging aspects of being a catcher."

He would like to follow in the footsteps of Major Leaguer player Jason Kendall, catcher for the Pittsburgh Pirates. "Kendall plays hard

every day with 100 percent intensity." Playing with 100 percent intensity is something that Rabelo knows about first hand.

Coach Urso stated earlier, "Mike is having a terrific year and is one of the many reasons why we are doing so well this season."

Rabelo has the stats to back up this statement. This is his first year switch-hitting and he has an average of .358. He has had three home runs, 25 RBI's and 25 runs scored. He also has 40 hits, and the season is not over yet. Even though he is producing big numbers on offense, he is even happier with his defensive game.

UT is once again ranked number one, but this ranking doesn't faze Rabelo. "Every year for the past three years, we have been ranked number one at least once in the year." Being in the SSC, the Spartans have to face-off against many other nationally ranked teams.

So, the rivalries that occur are only increased when they play against UT.

"Florida Southern, St. Leo and Rollins are our biggest rivals. Everyone hates you when you're num-

ber one. Each team that shows up wants to kill us; we are facing every team's number one pitcher." The team is having a great year, and as of Monday (April 9), the team was 34-3. This team does not celebrate each win: "We move on after each one. We just want to get better. The only thing is that we hope we don't bloom too early in the season." By the looks of the way the team is playing that is not going to happen.

The impression that he wants people to see when he is on the field is that of a guy who has a great amount of love for the game and enjoys playing hard. Baseball has changed his life: "I get to associate myself with a great group of guys. I have learned to carry myself in a certain way, to bring pride to myself and to my school. Whatever I do, it is not Mike Rabelo, the student, but Mike Rabelo, a baseball player from UT."

He feels that he brings fun, leadership and knowledge of the team's ability to win the game each time he steps out onto the diamond. Unlike many of his fellow players, Rabelo does not have any strange

superstitions. "People are looking for a good luck charm, and it can get crazy, such as 'I had two hits with this shirt on, so I better wear it again.'"

Although baseball and school take up most of Rabelo's time, he does find time to go fishing, and he likes to weight lift. He loves it when he is able to sit and eat microwaveable popcorn, Airheads, and some Mountain Dew. If he could change anything concerning baseball, he would prefer if pitchers did not throw him curve balls, but in life, he wishes that there weren't any speeding tickets or taxes.

Rabelo is looking forward to the remainder of the season, since it will be his last at UT. However, he declared, "I really don't care what people say about how we are doing right now. I just care about what they say on June 2, the World Series." Many people have many positive things to say about Rabelo. With his attitude and perseverance, Rabelo will more than likely make it to the World Series; if not here, then in MLB.

Joe Urso: The Ray Kinsella of the University of Tampa

By RAQUEL PITTIGLIO

Reporter

"If you build it, he will come." Ray Kinsella heard this phrase throughout the movie *Field of Dreams*. They built it, and he did come, to UT in fact. Joe Urso, a UT graduate, took the already highly ranked baseball team and made it number one in the nation. The story does not start here; however, it starts back in the early '90s when Urso was a second baseman for the UT baseball team.

Urso, a member of the NCAA Division II championship team from 1992, brings an impressive resume. He was voted MVP of the Spartans' in 1992. Urso held the NCAA career record for runs, 258, which was broken by Ronnie Merrill, also a Spartan, with 262. Urso had the school record for most runs in a season, 76, which was just broken by Eric Sims, 78.

Although some of Urso's records have been overturned, he still holds records for walks in a season, 54, and career, 176, and holds several other records where he has positions in the top five for the school. When Urso was a senior, his batting average was .377, and he

stole 11 bases out of 11 attempts against Division I ranked teams.

Urso was drafted by the California Angels where he played in their association for four years, winning many more titles, and later he became a manager of the Angels' minor league affiliate.

After being a part of the Angels organization, he felt that it was time to give up his fast-paced lifestyle. Despite his exciting career as being a manager of a minor league team, Urso felt that family came first. When he and his wife Julie learned that they were expecting a child, it was time to end the life of constant travel and settle down. They wanted a place where they would be in one area, so they could both raise their son.

Luckily for Urso, the position here had just opened up. He applied and became the new head baseball coach of the University of Tampa. It is no surprise that the baseball team is doing so well this season.

"The talent was here, the players responded well to the attitude that we, (the coaching staff), bring every day to the field." Being so successful on the field has helped Urso and the players become more acquainted. He knows what it takes to win a national title, and he has

his players preparing daily to accomplish this goal.

Urso and assistant coach Sam Militello, who played with the Yankees, enjoy being able to talk to players who have questions about being drafted. "The players appreciate it. Each one has dreamed about playing professional ball, and we tell them like it is."

Trust is a key factor that Urso stresses with his players: "I treat them like men, which has worked out real well. Many college coaches don't treat their players in this manner." His goals are to win a national title include improving each player. "Sam and I are out for the best for each player. We will do anything to help better them. The first thing they say to us is, 'I know you will be honest with me'...I am glad that the kids see us as being very honest, which will hopefully make more come."

Looking into the future, Urso says that he has found what he wants to do with the rest of his life. Only 30, he hopes to retire as a coach. "I love coaching and working with kids, having some influence in their lives. I am doing something that I love to do. When you go to work happy and are happy all day long, it makes [you] a better father and hus-

band when [you] return home."

However, Urso realizes that there is no guarantee: "you have to play the hand you're dealt. I would love to stay here forever. I would particularly like it if we were able to move up to Division I status. We already play on a Division I level, and we are having a lot of success. It would be nice to be seen as an official Division I team."

Like many coaches at UT, Urso feels disappointed that the coverage of our athletics by major newspapers is next to none. "There are great things occurring on the fields and on the courts this year. The baseball team has wonderful things happening; we're number one right now. There could be a different story every week. The reporters should want to cover this stuff. Maybe if we had more coverage, the community support would increase, and the program [would] become what it should be. How do they [local papers] not make room? We should have a whole page on top, not buried underneath all of the stuff about Florida. We are local! It's an on-going battle. If it wasn't for *The Minaret's* Sports section, we wouldn't have any coverage at all."

The pressure that the entire team is under, being number one,

could make us wonder how they are able to perform so well? Urso believes that this is something that every athlete lives for. "It is the good type of pressure; this program is expected to win. Each of the players has a role, and the pressure plays a part of making them even more successful on the field."

Urso enjoys being back at home. Tampa is where he grew up. It is even better because his family can share in these accomplishments. "It's a very special year, good players [achieving] great stats. We would love to see the whole school rally around us as we try to win a national title."

As in *Field of Dreams*, the team has been built Urso came, now are you going to come?

You probably keep asking yourself how you can become a photographer for *The Minaret's* Sports section. Well ask no more, call X3462 for details.

The Spartans' year-in-review

By DAVE MACE
Reporter

Strong November- The Spartans finished November with a 5-1 record. Freshman Yushonda Morse led the Spartans in their 73-71 opener against Truman State with 18 points and ten rebounds. Fellow freshman Amy Holmes added 12 points, and junior-transfer Nichole Blair added 14 points in the win.

Jessie McDowell then led the charge with 20 points in a 65-62 loss to Ashland. Morse added 16 points in the effort.

Tampa got back on track with a 83-73 win over Florida Memorial. Morse scored 21 points and snatched seven rebounds, while McDowell added 13 points and nine rebounds. Nichole Blair led Tampa in a 91-64 win over the Puerto Rico-Bayamon Hawks shooting 10-12 from the floor including 2-2 from three-point range for a game-high 23 points.

Tampa continued rolling with a 76-67 win over Benedict. April Hinto led the team with 11 points and 13 points for her first career double-double filling in for an injured Yushonda Morse. McDowell added a team-high 15 points in the win.

Tampa finished the month a four-game win streak with a 70-57 win over Otterbein. Nichole Blair led the squad with 17 points and Kara Bowman had a career night with 16 points and seven rebounds in the win.

Destroying December- The Spartans tore through December and finalized a nine-game winning streak and had a 5-1 record in the month to put the team at 10-2.

Tampa destroyed Benedict for the second time of the season with a 68-52 win. Yushonda Morse had 17 points and Kara Bowman had a team-high nine rebounds in the win.

Morse led the squad again as they defeated Elizabeth City State 71-62 as she nailed home 21 points.

Chandra Holden led the Spartans in their second win over Florida Memorial with a seven points and five rebounds. McDowell added a team-high 12 points and Morse added 11 points in the win for Tampa.

Tampa then faced New Hampshire College for a 81-71 victory. Nichole Blair led the team with 21 points and Morse had 14 points and a team-high seven rebounds.

Tampa won a convincing 83-68 win over Culver-Stockton to conclude their nine-game winning streak. Blair led the team in scoring for her third straight game as she nailed down 18 points. Laurie Hayes had a season-high in the win with 12 points with McDowell and Morse coming close to double-doubles. McDowell had 11 points and nine rebounds while Morse had ten points and eight rebounds.

Tampa concluded the month with a 57-54 loss to Michigan Tech. Nichole Blair had 18 points and scored a total of 92 points and averaged 15.3 ppg. in the month of December.

Entering the New Year- The Spartans opened up the New Year with a four-game winning streak in January and finished the month with a 6-2 record for an overall record of 16-4. Tampa defeated Eckerd College 76-63 in their conference opener. Chandra Holden scored a season-high 19 points connecting on 3-6 three-pointers.

Tampa then hosted St. Leo for a 79-65 victory. Jessie McDowell played a spectacular game, scoring



The Spartans finished 19-9 on the season.

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a career-high 28 points on 13-19 shooting from the field and pulling down 15 rebounds.

Tampa upset Florida Southern in Lakeland 61-56 which shook up the conference. Nichole Blair led the Spartans with 20 points connecting on 11-12 from the free-throw line.

The Spartans finished their four-game win streak with a 73-56 victory over the Lynn Knights. Yushonda Morse led the attack with 17 points and eight rebounds for the Spartans. Andrea Nordholt added ten points, five assists, four rebounds and two steals in the win for Tampa.

Tampa lost a heartbreaker to Barry in overtime 79-73. Yushonda Morse hit a put-back jumper with .08 seconds left in regulation to send the game into overtime. Morse finished with 26 points and nine rebounds. Nichole Blair added 19 points and Jessie McDowell added ten rebounds in the loss.

Tampa rebounded from the loss with a 63-57 win over the Florida Tech Panthers. Blair led the Spartans with 16 points. Chandra Holden added nine points and eight rebounds, while Morse came close to a double-double with ten points and nine rebounds in the victory.

The Spartans lost their second game in three tries with a 87-71 loss to top ten ranked Rollins College. Freshman Amy Holmes and center Jessie McDowell each had 12 points in the contest. McDowell also added seven blocks.

Tampa closed out the month with a season-sweep of St. Leo with a 80-61 win. Jessie McDowell led the Spartans to victory with 19 points on 9-12 shooting from the floor. Nichole Blair added 17 points and Yushonda Morse added 15 points in the win at St. Leo.

Valentine's Day Massacre- Tampa destroyed Florida Tech in a season-sweep 63-57 on Valentine's Day, but was only 3-5 in the month of February.

Tampa opened up the month with a 55-54 loss to Florida Southern at home. Yushonda Morse had a double-double in the loss scoring 15 points and grabbing 15 rebounds.

Tampa countered, however, with a season-sweep over Lynn with a 56-48 win. Jessie

McDowell led the team with 13 points and seven rebounds, while Yushonda Morse added 12 points and nine rebounds in the victory.

Barry completed a season-sweep over the Spartans with a 72-69 win in Tampa. Chandra Holden led the Spartans in the defeat with 17 points, four steals and three assists. Jessie McDowell had a double-double for the Spartans with ten points and 16 rebounds.

Tampa was swept by their second conference foe as Rollins defeated the Spartans 81-68. Nichole Blair had 18 points in the game and Yushonda Morse had a team-high nine rebounds. Tampa lost their season finale at home to Eckerd 80-73. Yushonda Morse played stellar in the loss however, as she notched 20 points and 15 rebounds.

Sunshine State Conference Tournament- Tampa avenged their season-sweep by defeating the Barry Buccaneers 73-61 in the first round of the SSC Tournament. Yushonda Morse had nine points and 15 rebounds for Tampa, while Jessie McDowell added 18 points, ten rebounds, four blocks, three assists and two steals in the win.

Tampa finished their season as they lost to Rollins College for the third time this season in a 81-75 loss. Yushonda Morse led the Spartans in the loss with 25 points and 16 rebounds. Morse ended the season by scoring 54 points and grabbing 46 points in her last three games.

Nichole Blair- The junior-transfer averaged 13.7 ppg and led the team with 64 steals. Blair's best game came against Puerto Rico-Bayamon on 11-24-00. In just 17 minutes, Blair scored a season-high 23 points on a season-best 10-12 shooting for a .833 field goal percentage.

Kara Bowman- The junior-transfer from Herkimer County Community College averaged 4.3 ppg. and 3.7 rpg. in just 12.3 minutes a game. Bowman was third on the team with 11 blocked shots. Bowman scored a season-high 16 points twice (Otterbein 11-28-00 and Elizabeth City State 12-2-00), with her best game coming against Otterbein on 11-28-00 in which she shot 5-9 from the field, 6-9 from the line and grabbed seven rebounds. She also added two assists and a steal.

Laurie Hayes- The junior averaged 3.1 ppg. in just 9.5 minutes a game. The three-year letter winner saw her best game against Culver-Stockton on 12-29-00. Hayes scored 12 points in 11 minutes on 6-11 shooting from the floor. She also added a rebound and an assist in the game. Hayes had a sea-

son-high nine rebounds against Benedict on 11-25-00 in just 15 minutes of play.

April Hinton- The second year walk-on candidate played like a scholarship player in her much improved second season. She recorded her first career double-double against Benedict on 11-25-00, scoring 11 points and 13 rebounds in 25 minutes. Hinton had a pair of "13's" as she scored 13 points in 13 minutes twice this season; the first coming against Rollins in the regular-season finale and the second coming against Barry in the opening round of the Sunshine State Conference Tournament. Hinton averaged 3.6 ppg. and 3.4 rpg. in 19 games this season.

Chandra Holden- Returning for her senior season after missing most of last season, Holden played in all 28 games and started in the final seven games of the year. Holden led the team in scoring in three games this season, including back-to-back games against Barry on 2-20-01 (17) and Florida Tech on 2-14-01 (18). Holden's most impressive game came against Florida Tech on Valentine's Day in which she recorded a double-double with 18 points and ten rebounds. She also recorded three steals and one assist. Holden averaged 7.6 ppg. and grabbed 100 rebounds to complement her 54 assists.

Amy Holmes- the true freshman played in all 28 games and started in the final seven games of the season. She averaged 6.2 ppg. and shot .691 from the free-throw line. Holmes opened up the season with 12 points against Truman State on 11-17-00 and matched the season-high two other times (Rollins 1-27-01 and Barry 2-10-01).

Melissa Leonard- The freshman played in 21 games this season and averaged 1.3 ppg. Leonard had a career-high five points against St. Leo on 1-10-00 in which she was 2-2 from the field with a three-pointer.

Jessie McDowell- The sophomore center set a school record and possibly a conference record (the SSC does not record blocks in the record books) for blocked shots in a season with 89. McDowell started in all 28 games averaging 11.0 ppg. and 7.0 rpg. en route to making the All-SSC Second Team. McDowell scored over 20 points twice this season with 20 against Ashland on 11-18-00 and season-high 28 against St. Leo on 1-10-01. McDowell also re-

corded a season-high 16 rebounds against Barry on 2-10-01 and a season-high nine blocks against Culver Stockton on 12-29-00. She recorded six double-doubles this season, twice recording back-to-back double-doubles.

Yushonda Morse- The freshman phenom won SSC Freshman-of-the-Year, was named as an All-SSC Honorable Mention and named to the All-SSC Tournament team in which she scored a combined 34 points and 31 rebounds in two games. Morse led the team in scoring (14.7 ppg.) and rebounding (8.2 rpg.). She shot .465 from the floor and .656 from the line. Morse recorded a double-double in her first game as a Spartan with 18 points and ten rebounds and recorded two more over the course of the season. Morse came within one rebound of a double-double six times and came within one point of a double-double once. She scored 20 points or more in five games including a career-high 26 points against Barry on 1-20-01.

Andrea Nordholt- The sophomore defensive specialist played in all 28 games and started in 21. Recorded at least one steal in all but five games and was second on the team with 62 steals. Played her best game against Benedict on 11-25-00 in which she scored 13 points and nine steals in the victory. Nordholt averaged 5.5 ppg. and shot .763 from the free-throw line in just an average of 19 minutes per game.

Tiffany Pope- The walk-on candidate played in four games and scored one point against Puerto Rico-Bayamon on 11-24-00 by connecting on a free-throw. She also had three rebounds on the season.

Megan Sanford- The freshman appeared in four games this season for a total of eight minutes. She scored one point on the year coming via a free-throw against Puerto Rico-Bayamon Hawks on 11-24-00. She also had two of her three season total of rebounds in the game.

Katie Seelie- The freshman saw action in 12 games this season. She scored two points this season coming against Florida Memorial on 11-21-00. Seelie also had three steals, two rebounds and one assist on the year.

Jill Terry- The freshman played in four games this season and scored three points. She scored her first point via free-throw against Puerto Rico Bayamon on 11-24-00, and scored her first field goal on 1-31-00 against St. Leo.

Liz Wetenkamp- the sophomore point guard started in all 28 games this season. She led the team in assists with 84 and also added 44 steals. She averaged 3.4 ppg. and scored as season-high 11 points against Florida Tech on 2-14-01.

Watch Under The Minarets featuring Sports Editor Dave Mace on WUTV 23.

Conference Standings

Team	SSC	Overall
FSC	12-3	27-8
St. Leo	12-6	26-13
Tampa	11-5	24-13
Lynn	11-5	28-8
Barry	10-8	23-16
Rollins	6-10	26-12
FIT	4-12	23-15
Eckerd	0-17	11-29

Tampa Leaders in the SSC

Batting
9. Abbott .346

Triples
2. Tapia 5
3. Glover 4
4. Wallace 3

Stolen Bases
8. Katz 10

ERA
4. Exizian 1.03

Wins
3. Sullivan 6-0
4. Manning 6-1

Saves
1. Sutton 12

Exizian attacks with arm and bat

By RAQUEL PITTIGLIO
Reporter

Tampa 4 Barry 2

Tampa had a come from behind win against the Buccaneers of Barry. The Bucs started the bottom of the second off with a shot from a cannon. Lindsay Anderson had a single, which was followed up by Hillary Hamilton who made it to first on a fielder's choice to the catcher. However, Anderson was out at second. Kara Reed had a single, which advanced Hamilton to third. An error by the pitcher allowed Sue Karaskiewicz to reach first, and Hamilton to score. Bouchard singled and that brought Reed home.

No action took place until the top of the fourth when Dawn Wallace started the Spartan come back with a single. Christy Exizian reached first, since the outfielder sent the ball to the shortstop to get Wallace out. Exizian was able to steal second, Michelle Stark was walked and Melissa Tapia got on base when the fielder threw Exizian out at third, bring Stark to second. Sabrina Demsky became the pinch runner for Tapia, and Katy Bailey singled, which brought Stark in for the score and Demsky also advanced to second. On an error, Norman reached second base, Bailey went to

third and Demsky scored an unearned run. With a single by Kristen Abbott, Bailey scored giving Tampa a 3-2 lead.

Continuing to beat up upon the Buccaneers, Tampa added another run in the top of the sixth. Bailey scored her second run of the game.

Barry tried to muster a comeback but was unable to score any more runs against the tough Spartan defense.

This win brings the Lady Spartans to a record of 24-13. Bailey led the team being perfect with her attempts at bat and earning the only RBI of the game.

Tampa 1 Barry 0

The teams were dead even at the start of the eighth. Neither team had been able to score, until Exizian hit a homerun to lead off the inning. No further scoring would take place in the game for either team.

Barry had two hits in the eighth, and had two players reach second base, before their attempts were thwarted when Lindsay Anderson grounded out.

Exizian was the main reason for the win with her homerun and pitching yet another shutout. Three Spartans players had hits in the game. However, Barry was able to produce two more hits.

Tampa 1 Lynn 2

The game started out well for the softball team. Nikki Katz doubled and then was able to advance to third after a wild pitch. Dawn Wallace was walked. After another wild pitch Katz went scored, and Wallace was able to advance to second. The inning was then brought to a close after Melissa Tapia struck out.

Tampa was able to keep their lead until the bottom of the seventh. Amanda Prokop hit a homerun off of Exizian, which was the only scoring that happened during the seventh inning.

With the score tied at one all, the game went into extra innings. No action was occurring until the bottom of the 11th, where Lynn snatched the win away from the Lady Spartans' grasp. Mathis singled, which was followed by Klaus' single. Mathis advanced to third on an error. Miranda Schultz singled and had the game winning RBI, leaving two players on base.

Even though Tampa lost they had one more hit the Knights. Katz led the team with two hits in the game, which was then followed by Glover and Exizian. The costly factor of this game was the error in the 11th inning.

Tampa 4 Lynn 0

The Spartans started the game off on the right foot against the Knights, Kristen Abbott reached first base. However, she was thrown out at second, which allowed Nikki Katz to reach first. Dena Glover had a triple, enabling Katz to score. Wallace bunted letting Glover make her way home.

The Knights and the Spartans were unable to producing any runs during the next four innings. At the top of the sixth Katz once again scored.

In the final inning of play, Tapia hit a homerun for the Lady Spartans. When Lynn was back at the plate in the bottom of the seventh, the players either struck or fouled out handing over a win to Tampa.

Laci Tiarks pitched a shut out against the Knights. The Knights only had four hits, compared to Tampa's seven. Katz had three at bats and produced one hit, as well as two runs. Wallace, Exizian, Demsky, and Tapia all had a RBI. As for the Knights, the center fielder Jeannie Manz had the best game with two hits.

Baseball mourns the loss of a true legend of the game

By STEVE CHAMPLIN
Reporter

He was a person who came to work and put on his uniform like he was a 16 year-old rookie, even when he was in the twilight of his career. He was a commanding presence who brought his teammates together and was the consummate leader on and off the field.

He was a man who loved to bring fear to opposing pitchers by standing in the on deck circle and twirling his bat to match the rhythm of the pitcher's delivery. He was a player whose impressive stats (two World Series Championships, six division championships, seven All-Star appearances, 475 homeruns, 1540 RBI, and a first-ballot Hall of Fame selection) do not match his great sense of timing for the dramatic moment.

Willie Stargell burst into the Major Leagues in 1962 as a lanky outfielder, but was soon converted to a first baseman. At that time, the Pirates were playing in cavernous Forbes Field, one of the deepest ballparks in all of Major League history. In its 61-year history, only 18 homers had been hit out of Forbes Field. Stargell had seven of them. Indeed, if it hadn't been for playing in Forbes Field for the first 8 1/2 seasons of his career, some estimates have him hitting more than 600 homeruns. His first wife kept diligent track of all of Stargell's numbers his first year in the Majors. By her count, if he'd been playing in a smaller park, Stargell would've had 22 more homers that year. Pretty impressive when you add it to the 29 he did get credit for. By comparison, he hit 48 his first year at Three Rivers Stadium.

Just about every Stargell homer seems to have a story attached to it, or a remembrance by some player. In Montreal, he hit a ball so far into the Olympic Stadium seats that they painted the seat it landed on gold. He hit one into the seats of the upper deck in Philadelphia that many people say was still rising when it started to rattle around. For nearly three decades, he was the only person to hit a ball out of Dodger Sta-



A model of the Willie Stargell statue honoring him at PNC Park in Pittsburgh.

dium, and he's still the only one to do it twice. Said former Dodgers pitcher Don Sutton: "He didn't just hit pitchers, he took away their dignity."

And for Stargell, it didn't matter if the pitcher was a Hall of Famer or journeyman, a power pitcher or a junkballer; he would take anyone deep. He hit eight off of both Tom Seaver and Phil Neikro.

His best year on the field was in 1971, when he led the Pirates to the World Series behind his 48 hom-

ers and 125 RBI, but it was a 38 year old Clemente who made the Series his personal stage that year.

Fourteen months later, Clemente was dead, and it became Stargell's turn to lead the team. "Sometimes you just got to be a man," he said about the situation, taking over for a man who was a superstar.

His leadership got the Pirates into the playoffs five more times during the 1970s, but it was during the 1979 campaign that he cemented

his own legendary status. It was he who adopted the "We Are Family" song as a rallying cry for the Pirates.

"Whenever we needed a big hit, whenever we needed a big play, he was the guy who did it. At 39, it was incredible," said Chuck Tanner, Stargell's former manager. He hit 32 homers that year. "Every one of them was giant." Teammates credit Stargell's enthusiasm and encouragement of them as being one of the key factors that got them to the World Series that year. He gave out gold stars to players who had shown extra effort during games. "We fought for those stars," said former teammate Bill Robinson. "Those were precious."

And just like Clemente had done nearly a decade before, Stargell turned the World Series into a showcase for an aging star. After falling behind three games to one to the heavily favored Baltimore Orioles, Stargell rallied his team to an improbable come from behind Series victory and hit three homers that Series, including the decisive shot in game 7 to give the Pirates the victory. Afterward, Stargell completed the trifecta of MVP awards. He shared the regular season honors with Keith Hernandez (then with St. Louis), and also earned the NLCS MVP and World Series MVP awards. It is a feat which no one else had ever matched, before or since.

The last time he was in Pittsburgh, Stargell was throwing out the final pitch to end the era of Three Rivers Stadium. His health had been declining for years due to a kidney disorder, and he had to be helped to the mound. For opening day at the Pirates new park, PNC, the organization unveiled a 12-foot statue of Stargell in all of his youthful glory.

Unfortunately, Stargell died of a stroke that very morning. As thunder boomed through an early morning storm, Pirates manager Lloyd McClendon said, "That's just Willie talking to us." Well, he always did have a sense for the dramatic.

This Week in Spartan Softball

By BECKIE LOISELLE
SID

Last Week- The University of Tampa (24-i 3, 11-5 in SSC) continued the battle for Sunshine State Conference leadership when they faced two teams in the South Region. Saturday, April 7, Tampa split with the Lynn University Fighting Knights (28-8, 11-5). The Spartans lost 2-1(11) and won 4-0. Sunday, April 8, Tampa swept the Barry University Buccaneers (23-9, 10-8) with scores of 1-0 (8) and 4-2.

This Week- The Spartans are home this week when they play a double header against the Eckerd College Tntons (11-29, 0-17) on Wednesday, April 11 at 6:00PM at the University of Tampa Softball Complex.

Exizian Strikes Again- In game one versus Barry, junior pitcher Christy Exizian pitched a flill game allowing 5 hits, with 5 strikeouts and 2 walks. Not only did Exizian toss the winning game, she also had the winning hit! In the bottom of the eighth inning, Exizian hit a homerun that ended the game giving Tampa the win with the score of 1-0.

Always a First Time for Everything- When traveling to Barry this past weekend, it was the first time Tampa has ever beaten Barry twice on their home turf

Series Against Eckerd- This season, Tampa has defeated Eckerd twice; both were home games. The overall record against the Eckerd College Tritons is 30-16. The last time Tampa was defeated by Eckerd was in 1999 when they lost with a score of 9-1.

Who Leads the Team- Freshman Kristin Abbott has led the team the whole season in batting. With an average of .346, she has contributed 16 runs. She leads the team with hits (36), also has three doubles, two triples, one homerun and eight RBIs.

Conference Standings

Team	SSC	Overall
Tampa	7-1	33-4
Barry	9-3	25-17
St. Leo	9-3	27-17
FSC	6-3	25-10
Lynn	6-6	23-17
Eckerd	3-9	19-23
Rollins	2-7	25-16
FIT	2-12	12-28

Tampa Leaders in the SSC

Batting

1. Carrow	.443
4. Smith	.407

Triples

3. Smith	4
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Stolen Bases

4. Bragg	15
9. Edge	11
White	11

Runs

7. White	39
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Doubles

1. Carrow	17
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ERA

2. Watts	2.14
3. Figueroa	2.22
5. Manning	2.36

Wins

3. Sullivan	6-0
4. Manning	6-1

Saves

1. Sutton	12
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Tampa continues to tear through conference

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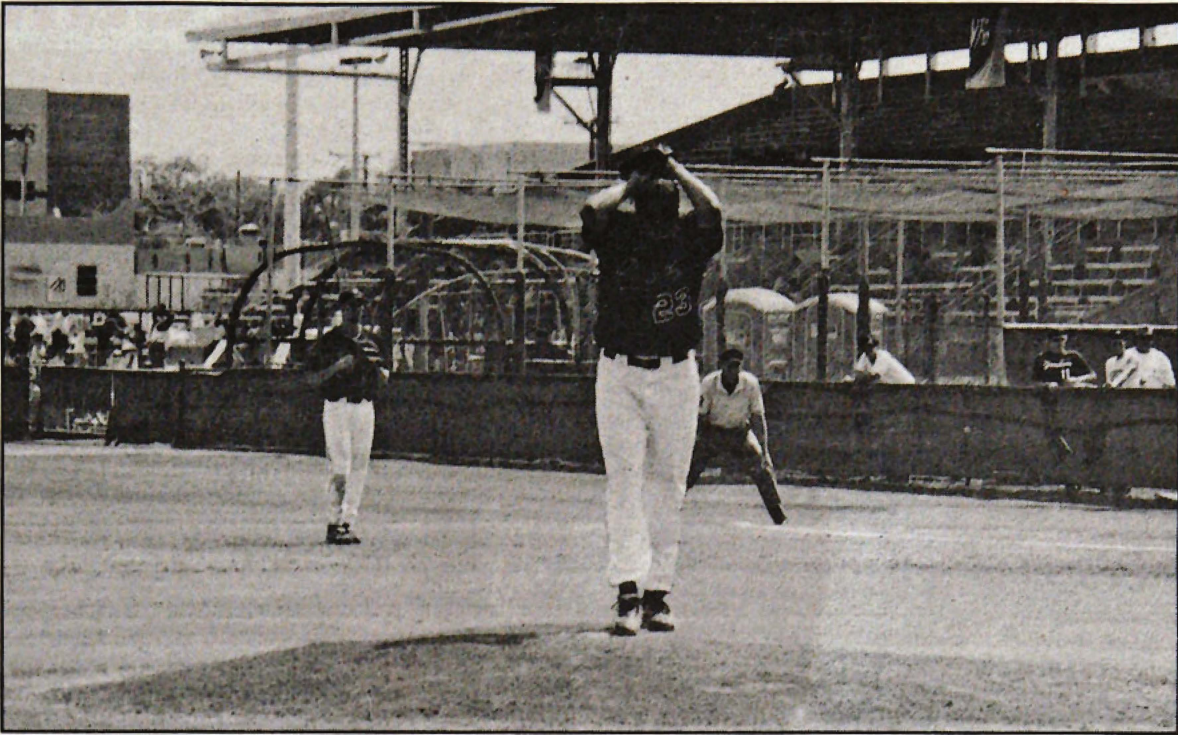
ond and making it to third base on a wild pitch. It took little effort for him to score as Angel Cruz doubled to right-center field. Matt Smith then came back with a double down the right field line score Cruz. Thomas Carrow continued the assault on the Tritons with a run-scoring single to center. Neal Maybin then reached on a fielder's choice that put Carrow at third base so he could score on a wild pitch. Dwight Edge then singled home Maybin. Burruezo singled to left and advacned Edge to third, but on the ensuing at-bat Burruezo was caught stealing. This, however, allowed Edge to accomplish the rare feat of stealing home to take a 6-0 lead.

Tampa did not stop there. The Spartans scored three more runs in the second inning behind an RBI double by Carrow and a two-run double by Maybin.

Eckerd finally put a run on the board in the top of the fifth inning on an RBI single by Loop. This did not phaze the Spartans in the least as they added two more runs in the bottom of the inning. Once again Carrow hit a two-run double for Tampa, this time giving them an 11-1 lead.

Tampa was led by Carrow as he went 3-5 with four RBI's, two doubles and two runs. Matt Smith also had three hits including a double, two runs and an RBI in the win. Sam Figueroa improved to 5-0 as he scattered nine and allowed one run in six innings for the Spartans.

Loop led Eckerd as he was 2-4 with an RBI in the loss. Pincus fell to 3-5 on the season for the Tritons as he surrendered eight hits and nine runs in just 1 2/3 innings.



--Aron Livingston

Sam Figueroa improved to 5-0 and has a 2.22 ERA in nine games this season for the Spartans.

Eckerd 6 Tampa 0

Tampa ended their Division II record of 287 games without being shutout as Eckerd upset the #1 Spartans in a shocker.

Eckerd used a four-run fifth inning to ensure the victory for the Tritons. Eckerd was led by Cooper who was 2-4 with two RBI's, a double and a run. Lamping also had two hits in the win and Leonard had a triple that led the scoring attack for the Tritons in the fifth inning. Dion went the full nine innings to improve to 5-1 on the season for the Tritons. He allowed only two hits and struck out seven.

Mike Rabelo and Neal Maybin were the only Spartans with hits. Thomas Carrow, Angel Cruz and

Bragg did each steal a base in the losing effort. Joey Watts fell to 5-2 for Tampa as he gave up five hits and five runs in five innings.

Tampa 6 Warner Southern 0

Tampa jumped out to a 1-0 lead in the first inning as Thomas Carrow scored o an error by the Royals' third baseman. Tampa then added another run in the fourth inning behind a solo shot to deep left field by Neal Maybin to take a 2-0 lead.

Tampa finished up their route with a four-run seventh inning. Burruezo led off the inning with a single to center and was followed by a single to left by Jason

Chehova. With one out Angel Cruz nailed an RBI single to left. With two outs Mike Rabelo hit a three-run RBI to left field to conclude the Spartan attack and finish off the 6-0 shutout.

Rabelo led Tampa 1-3 with three RBI's coming from a three-run jack. Carrow and Maybin each added two hits in the iwn. Mike Sullivan improved to 6-0 as he picked up the win pitching three innings of relief. He struck out three in three innings and allowed four hits. Kris Sutton earned his 12th save as he struck out two and allowed just one hit in three innings.

This Week in Baseball

By MARK JOHNSON
SID

The Streak: The University of Tampa, ranked first in NCAA Division II, owns the record for consecutive games played without being shutout. On Friday, April 6, Eckerd College halted that streak at 287 with a 6-0 victory over the Spartans. Tampa holds the division II record and ranks sixth all-time behind Georgia Tech at 302. Coastal Carolina holds the record at 349 games, set in 1989. Tampa's streak started in April 7, 1996 after a 2-0 loss to Florida Tech on April 6. The streak lasted exactly five seasons.

This Week: Tampa will face Embry-Riddle at home at 6 pm on Tuesday. On March 27, the Spartans traveled to Daytona Beach and won 5-4. Casey McKenzie started that game and was relieved by Dave Muley, Adrian Goas and Kris Sutton. Tampa won that game by scoring three runs in the final three innings. On Friday, Lynn comes to Sam Bailey Field for a three game series. Tampa swept Lynn in the opening series of the season with scores of 10-5, 2-1 and 9-3.

Last Week: Tampa defeated Warner Southern, ranked fourth in NAIA, 6-0 on Tuesday. Mike Sullivan picked up his sixth win in relief Kris Sutton earned his 12th save of the season setting the new Tampa record for saves in a season and adding to his career saves record. Sutton will now aim for the single season NCAA Division II record of 17 saves. On Friday, Tampa lost 6-0 to Eckerd to stop the consecutive games without being shutout streak at 287 games. Joey Watts (5-2) pitched five innings while picking up the loss. Tampa's only hits were a Neal Maybin single and a ninth inning double by Mike Rabelo. The Spartans bounced back on Saturday to crush the Tritons in the first game 11-1. Tampa had six runs in the first inning and three more in the second. Tom Carrow and Adam Bragg led the offense. Carrow was 3-5 with two doubles, four RBI's and two runs. Bragg was 2-4 with three runs and two stolen bases. In game two, Eckerd jumped ahead early with two runs in the first and third innings for a 4-0 lead. Tampa scored one in the fourth only to have the Tritons add runs in the fifth and seventh innings for a 6-1 lead going into the bottom of the seventh. Tampa then reeled off four consecutive hits, including a Papo Burruezo double and a Mike Rabelo game-tying homerun. Bragg would single, steal second and move to third on a wild pitch. Angel Cruz would then knock in the winning run with a sac fly to right field capping off a six-run Spartan rally.

The Stats: Tom Carrow leads the team in batting (.443), hits (51), doubles (17), slugging (.757) and is tied in homeruns with Mike Rabelo with five. Carrow and Rabelo are also tied in RBI's with 32 behind Matt Smith's 33. Smith is second in batting at .407 and leads the team in on-base percentage with .482. Freshman Joey Watts leads the team in ERA (2.14), innings (54.2) and strikeouts (51). Charlie Manning and Mike Sullivan each have six victories. Watts, Manning and Sam Figueroa rank among the Sunshine State Conference's top pitchers in BRA.

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Actually, he had a very good reason...you. The Bible describes what many of us feel: "Your iniquity [sin] has made a separation between you and your God" (Isaiah 59:2). God feels distant to us—we don't know him and engage in a daily relationship with him—because of our sin.

Our primary sin was that we estranged ourselves from God. Each of us has told him to take a hike. "We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way" (Isaiah 53:6). We've all tried to live our lives apart from God.

The penalty for that sin is death. Therefore, Jesus came to die in our place, so that our separation from God might end.

"The LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all" (Isaiah 53:6). God, in Jesus, fully paid for our sin and now offers us complete forgiveness and eternal life.

We needed a Savior. That's why God bothered to come to earth as a man and die for us. Then he rose from the dead three days later, just as he said he would. Maybe that was God's way of showing us that Jesus alone can offer us life. He is the only one who has conquered death.

Would you like to learn more about Jesus Christ, and how to know God and receive eternal life? If so, read the section of the Bible called "John." You can also learn about Jesus' death and resurrection in the feature article BEYOND BLIND FAITH at EveryStudent.com.

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Spartans end streak, but still #1



The Spartans end their streak of 287 games without being shutout, but still remain atop the Division II polls.

--Jody Link

By DAVE MACE
Sports Editor

Tampa 7 Eckerd 6

Tampa came back to win their final at-bat with a six-run seventh inning against the Tritons. Eckerd led off the scoring in the first inning with two runs behind a wild pitch by McKenzie and an RBI single by Loop.

Eckerd then tacked on two more runs in the top of the third inning as Cooper scored on an error and an RBI single by Nugent. Eckerd compiled a 6-1 lead as they added a run in the fifth and seventh innings.

The Spartans came back, however, with their never-say-die attitude in the bottom of the seventh down 6-1. Thomas Carrow and Neal Maybin led off the inning with singles. Dwight Edge then nailed an

RBI single that scored Carrow and Maybin followed home an on errant throw.

Burruezo then doubled to left scoring Edge. With one man on, Mike Rabelo homered to deep left field to tie the game. With one out Bragg singled and then put himself in scoring position by stealing second base and then made it to third on a wild pitch. Bragg then scored on a game-winning sacrifice fly by

Angel Cruz.

Matt Smith led the Spartans going 2-3 with a double, triple and a run scored, and Mike Rabelo hit a two-run dong in the victory for the Spartans. Kris Sutton picked up the win in relief to put the Spartans at 33-4 on the season.

Nugent led Eckerd in the loss, going 2-3 with two RBI's. Gonzalez pitched a complete game for the loss for the Tritons as he gave up seven

runs and nine hits to the Spartans.

Tampa 11 Eckerd 1

Tampa avenged their 6-0 loss to Eckerd with a blowout over the Tritons. The Spartans returned to their usual selves by jumping out to a huge first inning lead.

Bragg led off the inning with a walk with his fleet feet stealing sec-

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