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Nicaraguan Contra leader visits UT campus

By MARIA CIANFLONE
Assistant News Editor

"Every day in school, Nicaraguan children must sing the new national anthem, and I'm quoting it to you: 'Kill the Yankee, he is the enemy of mankind.'"

Dr. Henry Zelaya, medical commander of the Nicaraguan Contras, spoke at the University of Tampa March 17 before continuing to Washington, D.C., where he expects to address 120 congressmen at the invitation of Rep. Robert Dornan (R-Calif.).

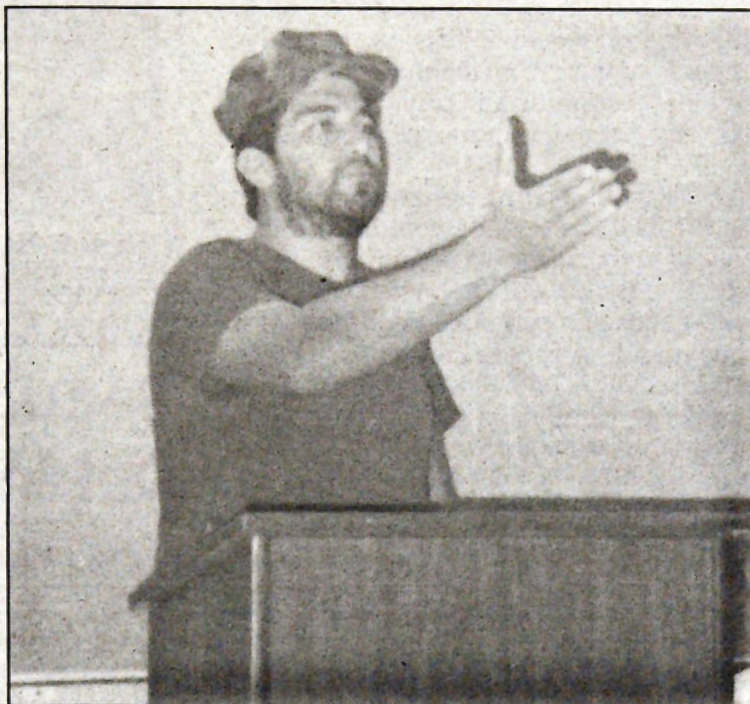
Zelaya, 31, was born in Jinotega, Nicaragua. He graduated from the medical school of the University of San Carlos, Guatemala, in 1982. Zelaya served a three-year residency in internal medicine at Roosevelt Hospital, Guatemala City, plus an intensive care residency in the United States. He gave up a \$60,000-a-year position in Guatemala to join the Contras three years ago.

"I have no military training, except what I have learned in the jungle," said Zelaya in a prior interview. "I'm not trained to be a surgeon, but I must do it." He cited one instance in which he was compelled to perform brain surgery without anesthesia on a 19-year-old Contra. "We have no anesthesia, no sterilization, no antibiotics, no blood. Humanitarian aid from the U.S. means bandages. People think because we have U.S. aid we have everything. Humanitarian aid means beans and rice."

"Mainly I care for the civilians. Most are dying from poor nourishment. In Nicaragua people lack food, protein, vitamins. This is the atrocity of the Sandinista regime. In Nicaragua, a little poor country, people are dying of hunger but we have 200 Mi25 attack helicopters. These are the best helicopters in the world. They cost \$25 million dollars each. How can we afford 200 of these helicopters? People are starving."

"In 1988 the Soviets gave Nicaragua \$515 million in military aid. Never do they give humanitarian aid. We cannot eat bullets. A little poor country spending \$515 million on the military! The Sandinistas have 100,000 men in arms and want to expand the army to 600,000. What can a poor country want with an army bigger than the U.S. has? The Sandinistas are not trying to fix our economy but to become a powerful Soviet base to destroy capitalism. And capitalism is the United States."

To a mostly student audience of about 50, Zelaya later expressed his belief that Nicaragua will be used by the Soviets as a pawn in an ultimate conflict between the U.S. and the U.S.S.R. "Why do we fight the Sandinistas? They want to involve us in a war between the U.S. and the U.S.S.R. We want no part of it. We want free elections. We want the release of 10,000 political prisoners serving 30-year sentences without trials. We want 24 clandestine jails banned. And we want the army



Maria Cianflone — The Minaret

Contra leader Henry Zelaya recounts some of his experiences battling Sandinistas in the Nicaraguan jungles.

reduced."

Zelaya does not believe the Contra/Sandinista conflict represents a Nicaraguan civil war. Rather, he sees it as a single battlefield in an ideological world war.

"You talk peace. But other countries, that's all they have in mind, war. You talk about how good Gorbachev is. What he is doing is giving us guns to fight you. The war with the Marxist-Leninists will not end until Gor-

bachev speaks from the Oval Office. The Soviets want to control Central America to control you. We are fighting for Central America and for you too. I'm sure of that."

"The Arab world has sent the Sandinistas \$100 million. The Sandinistas will send you people trained as terrorists by Iran and Libya. You will never live as you do now."

During a question-and-answer

period following the talk, Dr. Roy Kaplan, visiting assoc. professor of sociology, commented, "I hate to puncture your balloon, but I grew up in the Vietnam era... I've heard this before."

Zelaya replied, "(The communists) have used Vietnam so good that now everyone in the U.S. panics. But they invaded Cambodia after you left and slaughtered three million people. Although it was a painful experience for the United States, to me you were there protecting three million people who died because you left."

Afterwards, Stephen Stonewell, president of UT Democrats, commented, "Dr. Zelaya is a sincere, soft-spoken man who can best be described as a 'true believer.' His illogical deduction that the Contra forces are ultimately fighting for individual freedom in the United States is emotionally appealing, although completely irrational."

"The College Republicans are sympathetic to his cause," said Adam Rouselle, senior, who invited Zelaya to UT after meeting him in Honduras. "We see this movement as one striving for at least some democratic principals."

While in the United States, Zelaya hopes to visit his wife and two young children, whom he sent to live here about four years ago. He did not dwell on the prospective reunion. "I will be in the United States for two weeks," Zelaya said. "Then I will go back to the jungle and fight."

VD scare sparked

By LLOYD CHATFIELD
News Editor

A University of Tampa health center official announced this week that an imposter had sent a letter to a female UT student telling her she had venereal disease and should seek treatment.

Dr. Joanne Trekas, director of the health center, said the girl had received the letter, in a University of Tampa envelope marked confidential, in her UT post office box. Trekas said she could not reveal the girl's identity.

"We did not send the letter," Trekas said. "We do not send those kinds of letters. Ever."

Trekas said she was con-

cerned that other students may receive similar letters. "We just want to inform the students that we are not sending these letters," Trekas said.

"If we see a student who does have a disease," added Trekas, "we advise them that they should tell their partners... If you get into too much policing, people won't tell you."

UT police sergeant Garrette Haskins said the police had not been notified of the hoax and could not pursue the matter without first reading the letter.

"It may even be just a prank," Haskins said. "It could also have been done maliciously. Without seeing the letter, I can't say."

Trustees study football

By LLOYD CHATFIELD
News Editor

The University of Tampa Board of Trustees has received the third football feasibility study and expects to reach a final decision on the issue as early as March 30.

The most recent study, conducted by the CPA firm Laventhol and Horwath (L & H), was discussed at a special board meeting Thurs., March 16.

The L & H study was requested as a result of two conflicting reports by the football feasibility committee, chaired by trustee Rick Thomas, and the UT faculty. Thomas and his committee offered a positive projection for a UT football program; the faculty report was skeptical regarding the financial viability of football at UT.

When compared to three existing Division II football programs in the L & H report, the projected total operating expense for UT football was more than twice as high as the most expensive Division II program listed. UT projections were also found to be high regarding ticket sales and fund-raising capabilities compared to averages for Division II programs.

The three Division I-AA football programs outlined in the L & H study reported enrollments of about 15,000 students each. Two of these schools estimated that 60 percent of the spectators at their games were students. With about 1,800 students, UT would have to depend on considerable support from the community to achieve the \$700,000 annual revenue projected for ticket sales.

The question of fund-raising capabilities for a UT football program was raised several times in

the report. The feasibility committee predicted UT football could raise \$520,000 in support revenue.

The L & H report asserted that the success of planned fund-raising efforts would directly affect the program's survival. If fund-raising efforts failed to generate enough capital, the report stated, the program could lose up to \$230,000 a year. If the fund-raising campaign succeeded and other projections held true, the program could earn up to \$400,000 yearly.

In the end, the L & H report shed some light on the football issue, but at the same time indicated the uncertainty of implementing football at UT.

"The Feasibility Committee's projections for the University of Tampa football program are achievable, but likewise, unpredictable and potentially could vary from year to year," stated the report.

Viral program recovered

By MARIA CIANFLONE
Assistant News Editor

A University of Tampa student who reported a missing virus disk March 15 now says the disk has been recovered and that the VAX and IBM systems at the Robert Jaeb Computer Center were not contaminated.

The 21-year-old sophomore, an MIS major, also says that his disk was not responsible for the recent SCORES outbreak in the Macintosh lab.

"On Saturday the 11th a friend of mine was using the computer in my room," said the student, who requested anonymity. "He took my virus disk without telling me. I didn't notice it was missing until

Monday the 13th. I spent a week tracking down everyone I could think of who might have been using my computer. I contacted this guy Saturday and found he had the disk."

The friend has been identified as a University of South Florida sophomore majoring in an MIS equivalent. The USF student stated that he had examined the viral program on his home system, but had not inserted the disk into any USF computer.

When asked why he owned a viral program, the UT student replied, "I'd heard a lot about viruses and I picked this one up off a bulletin board. I knew it was a virus when I picked it up. I just wanted to take it apart and see how

it was programmed."

The student said the SCORES outbreak in the Macintosh lab is unrelated to the theft of his disk. "The virus on my disk attaches to the Command.Com file," he said. "Command.Com is what boots up a computer. It's the disk operating system that allows you to manipulate files. Macintosh has no Command.Com file, so my disk could not have infected the Mac lab. It could only infect an IBM system."

In a related issue, Jim Hopstetter, owner of Datacomm Networks Incorporated, was contacted Wednesday concerning the twice-broken fiberoptic link between the Macintosh lab and the Jaeb Center. Hopstetter declined to comment.

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Editorial

Football feasible at UT, but only in future

On March 10, Laventhol and Horwath, a CPA firm in Tampa, released a feasibility study on the re-establishment of the football program at the University of Tampa. This independent study was prepared at the request of the Board of Trustees. The BOT met last week to discuss the report and will meet again next week and may possibly decide whether or not to return intercollegiate football to UT.

The L&H report states a football program would be feasible, but only if certain conditions are met. These include support from the students, administration, and Tampa community; intense marketing and promotion; annual endowments of at least \$450,000; and capital improvement of athletic facilities for the football program.

Rick Thomas, a member of the BOT and a Tampa businessman, spearheaded the move to return football to UT and remains optimistic these conditions can be met. With someone as enthusiastic as Thomas involved in raising the funds, the conditions quite possibly will be met. Thomas has already raised a considerable sum of money and garnered much support for the football program. And with good reason. A football program has many benefits; it would improve the visibility of the school, attract more students, and increase school spirit among students, faculty and staff. Who wouldn't want to be part of a successful college football team?

Implementing a football program would be a bold move. However, it would also be premature. Right now, there are too many concerns have been raised.

•What would the effect be on other athletics, including intramural sports? The soccer team plays during the same season. Will the soccer team and the IM teams have to share the practice field with the football team? Will swimming, cross country, tennis and crew fade away due to lack of attention?

•Where would the University house the 100-plus football players? This year, residence life lodged several students at the Hilton downtown because of a shortage of housing. Talking to students before Spring Break, Thomas suggested building another residence hall, but had no inkling how to pay for it or where to build it.

•The football feasibility committee of the BOT, of which Thomas is a member, projects 35 percent of revenue for the football program will come from alumni contributions. The L&H report shows Division II schools receive, on the average, 11 percent of revenue for football from alumni. Thomas may be a resourceful man, but can he really get alumni to chip in for 35 percent of the cost? If not, where will the money come from? Logically, student fees would be a possible future source of funds.

•A marching band would be an added highlight to the half-time shows. Thomas said, however, he would not pursue the formation of a marching band; someone else would have to worry about it. He did suggest raising student fees to pay for a band.

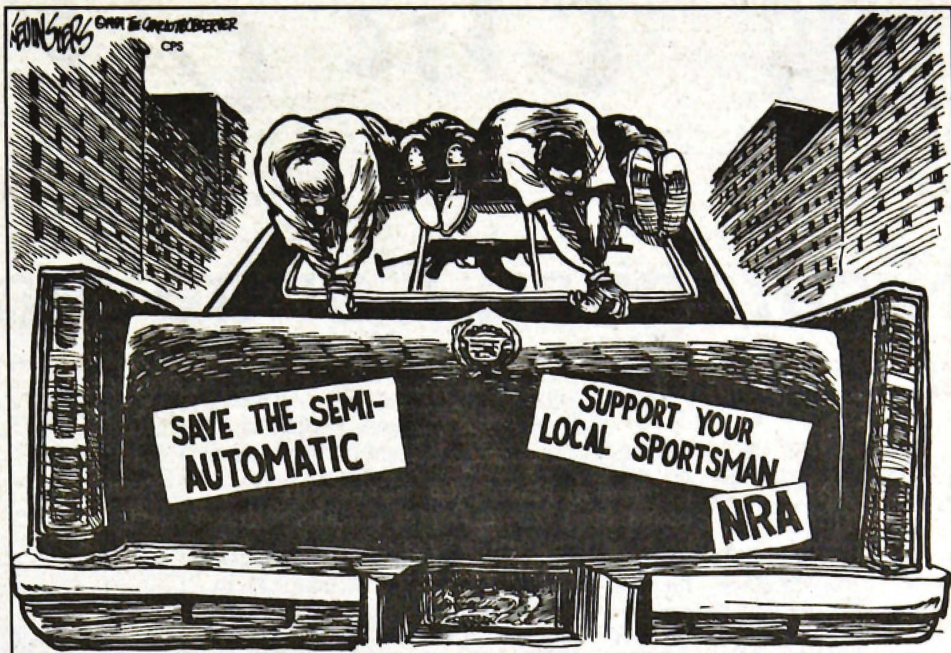
•Rumor has it the University of South Florida is gearing up to start its own football team in a few years. How would this affect UT's football program? Thomas said the Tampa community would support another football program, but would it support two more? One of the reasons UT dropped football in 1974 was because Tampa Bay had just been awarded a National Football League franchise. Could the Spartan Division II program compete attendance-wise against the Division I Bulls drawing in schools like Florida State University, University of Miami, and University of Florida?

•According to the L&H study, the football program could run a surplus of \$400,000 or a deficit of \$230,000. That's a lot of money to gamble with. Especially after the University has just recently pulled itself out a financial slump. Why risk plunging the school back into debt?

Football advocates argue now is the time to start a program at UT, while the money is available and the interest is rising. Now is the time, they say, because it may discourage USF from the entering the game.

But now is too soon. Ten years from now, when the University is strong financial ground, football would have a better chance for survival. Right now, too many questions and too many important conditions have to be met for football to succeed.

We strongly urge the Board of Trustees to vote "no" on the return of intercollegiate football to UT.



Guest Commentary

Security through Strategic Defense Initiative

By Steve Rodriguez

Far removed from the jungles of Central America, or the desert sands of the Middle East, a 21-year-old soldier in the Strategic Air Command awaits orders from the president to end the human race. The ultimate paradox of the nuclear dilemma is that the free western societies fear a massive first strike by the iconoclastic monolith, the Soviet Union, and by sheer numerical superiority, believe that our society as we know it would cease to exist, and we would be unable to sufficiently retaliate. As the week of the Strategic Defense Initiative's sixth birthday comes to a close, it seems an appropriate time to discuss the above nuclear scenario and other feasible possibilities within the realm of the great power conflict.

"Why do we need SDI?" most would ask. Surely, the exorbitant cost of such a weapons system would deter it from even being a consideration. With a trillion dollar budget deficit, eroding infrastructures in our cities, people without homes, and children without food, how can the United States afford such a system? Yes, the cost of such a system would incur a great sacrifice on the part of the American people. But consider SDI as a long term investment. If the Star Wars missile defense system is successful, think of the enormous amount of funding freed for such necessary domestic troubles. Think of it; no more funding for nuclear weapons production or maintenance, long-standing military commitments could be lessened, millions of dollars would be freed from the defense industry!

Fantasy? Folly? In the biography of Winston Churchill, *The Last Lion*, the author states that in 1933 Churchill was denounced by Neville Chamberlain on the floor of the House of Commons: "We do not need radar! It is a fantasy! Besides, we

cannot afford it. Hitler's planes will never reach our soil." History has shown us what happened to Britain in World War II and the price they paid for listening to leftist talk of appeasement. Funny, on March 15, 1988, Speaker of the House Jim Wright was quoted as saying virtually the exact lines as Chamberlain was quoted, "SDI is a fantasy that will not work! We don't need it and can't afford it!" Oh, how the left is blind to the realities of world politics and great power struggles. You would think that history would provide enough of a lesson to the liberals.

Radar was a fantasy in 1933, but not in 1941. And it was effectively used by the allies as an advantage in turning the tide of the war. SDI is not a fantasy, but an advanced technology waiting to move forward in the research and development stage. In July of 1986, SDI's first particle beam experiment ended successfully with a high-intensity laser proton beam destroying an unarmed nuclear re-entry vehicle. On May 21, 1987, guidance technologies were tested through Operation FLAGE, which was again successful in tracking 952 targets re-entering the atmosphere out of a possible 1000. Even Gorbachev, in a November 30, 1987 speech, admitted that an 80 percent affectability ratio is enough to deter a pre-emptive first strike. While the liberal congress continues to follow a strict interpretation of the Anti-Ballistic Missile (ABM) Treaty, the USSR continues to "non-comply" with the treaty they signed as a co-partner. In a Jan. 23, 1984 report to Congress, 15 violations of the ABM civil they have spent over \$200 billion in strategic defense. U.S. expenditures in the five years of the SDI program \$11 billion.

To be sure, nuclear conflict presents a
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Letter to the Editor

Student Government Executive Board sounds off

Editor,

Let me now take this opportunity to set the record straight. The fact is that the first and only successful Minaret Run was organized by an independent, and Jeff Goss, then S.G. president, has said that if it wasn't for this independent, the run would not have been such a success. You were wrong about how much money was collected. SG spent twice as much out of their budget than the amount that was donated for the minarets. Attendance, in addition to cost, was so dismal last year that we still have over half of the trophies from last year for certain age groups and genders. In looking at our budget and other programs that have guaranteed success for us, we stand firmly behind our decision. Why have a program which could again prove to be bad for community repertoire and student attitude?

How can we enhance the college experience of our constituents if we are constantly plagued by narrow, one-sided publicity? According to our constitution, *The Minaret* is to be represented at our Executive

Board meetings and promote a solid, positive working relationship which promotes fairness and provides a conduit for reliable, valid information. Why then is *The Minaret* constantly presenting pieces which provide only half the story? Is it not true that once something has been said it cannot be unsaid? *The Minaret* has done irreparable damage, not only to an executive board, which, regardless of performance, receives negative coverage, but also to the student body which relies on *The Minaret*'s truthfulness. Ultimately this conveyance of unfair information has damaged the reputation of *The Minaret* as a valid and reliable news source. We believe that freedom of the press is essential to our society; however, with freedom comes responsibility. *The Minaret* must come to terms with this responsibility and present the students with the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth.

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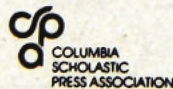
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Letters to the Editor

Librarian thanks University family

Editor,
While there has been some talk recently about the lack of resources and school spirit here at UT, there has been an abundance of understanding and good will.
I refer specifically to the responses of many people upon the birth of my first child, Chelsea Marie, on Jan. 29, 1989.
My gratitude is extended to, but is not limited to: my three supervisors, who allowed me a week's paternity leave; my co-workers, who gladly took up the extra workload my absence created; the human resources office, which, on behalf of the "University Family," sent an attractive bouquet of flowers to my family; the many students, staff and administrators who spon-



taneously and heartily wished the new-comer well.
Thank you for your genuine generosity and for your patience.

Art Bagley Jr.
General Librarian

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defense code were listed by the USSR, including a large radar station, used in detecting the launch of nuclear warheads, being constructed at Krasnoyarsk. By their own estimate listed on December 12, 1987, immediately following the Reagan-Gorbachev Washington summit, the USSR stated that within the last 10 years, contradiction in military strategy. It is a weapon built NOT to be used. A bluff, if you will. A giant "doomsday" device. But the power of destroying humanity in the hands of those unable to grasp the realities of that power is a dangerous notion. Will Rogers once said, "You can't say that civilization doesn't advance, for in every war they kill you in a new way." A nuclear war will not just kill, it will exterminate. We still need not over dramatize, however. U.S. "black projects" include "smart rocks," intended to be spewed into the atmosphere during a nuclear attack, and strafe the casing of nuclear missiles, destroying them during re-entry, thus serving us as a limited defense at this

juncture. Our retaliatory capability through naval and Western European stockpiles also helps keep the MAD theory of Mutual Assured Destruction intact. But what of the Guaddafis, the Khomeinis and the other madmen who obtain their own nuclear weapons? Or perhaps a conventional conflict in which the side facing defeat chooses complete destruction rather than subjugation? SDI is necessary to protect our homeland, and to protect our freedom. Support SDI; help make nuclear weapons obsolete. Help make Ronald Reagan's statement come to fruition, "What if free people could live secure in the knowledge that their security did not rest upon the threat of instant retaliation to deter a Soviet attack, that we could reach our own soil . . . we must achieve our ultimate goal—the elimination of the threat posed by strategic nuclear missiles."

The technology is there, it only awaits the will of the American people to back it.
Steve Rodriguez is a junior at the University of Tampa.

Football: a good idea, but could bankrupt school

Editor,
I have been at wit's end over this football thing. I have looked at the options put before us and I have been thinking of long term effects. Before I show my deepest concern, I would like to point out that I was a great supporter of my high school football team but never a real major league fan.
Football would be a great added attraction to our university in the way of enrollment. The problem with higher enrollment is that at the beginning of last semester we didn't even have room for the amount of resident students enrolled. How are we to accommodate an even larger enrollment? We don't even have enough parking for our residents, especially the freshmen. We as freshmen are told we can bring our cars but

the commuters come first. Soon everyone on campus will have trouble finding the ever sacred parking spot due to higher enrollment.
It is also my feeling that even if a football team was formed, the university community is not thinking about how much it will cost in the long term to run a football team. First you must have enough money to pay the coaches. Second you must pay recruiters and send them all around the country. You must buy equipment and maintain it. And last you must be able to send the team on away trips. Even though those who are for the teams say that boosters would contribute to these funds, they (the boosters) must be willing to fund these activities for the life of the University or the

football team.
My main concern is that the emphasis on academics will be replaced by an emphasis on sports. And that the already low academic standards will be decreased and more academic scholarships will be taken up to fund athletic scholarships. This has been done before at other colleges, why wouldn't UT do it?
My last concern is that we as a university hardly support the sports teams that we have. I hardly hear about any basketball games until the day after a game. My fear is that the athletic organization that we have now just might suffer due to further lack of interest and bigger interest in football. With this the University could turn in deplete a particular sport and all the money used to fund that

sport to aid the football team. I sure would hate to see such programs as girls basketball, soccer . . . etc. suffer. Look at the facts: the rowing team has to go out and work hard for the money to keep their organization afloat. Why? Because the school would not have the money to support them. What will happen to other small athletic organizations when a big football team comes in and drains all funds?
I am fully against a football team and will express once more that I feel that a financial burden such as a football team could ultimately close this school. These are my views.
Phillip Foster
freshman

Campus Voice

How do you feel about the northern rowing teams being at UT?



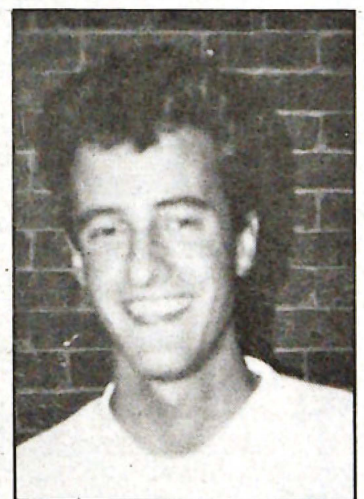
Jodi Smith (f) —
I think it's a benefit. We get to meet them and see how northern schools are.



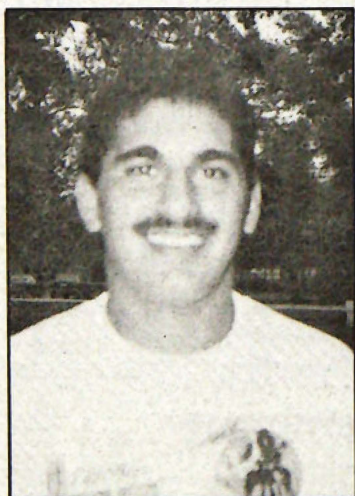
Giselle Titus (so), Natalie Busby (so) —
The cafeteria space is too small, there's hardly any room. It's ridiculous. They take advantage of our facilities.



Sue Costello (f) —
I think it's good that they're here. It brings more business to the Rat.



Evan Crook (f) —
They don't really bother me. The only thing is in the cafeteria, it's twice as crowded.



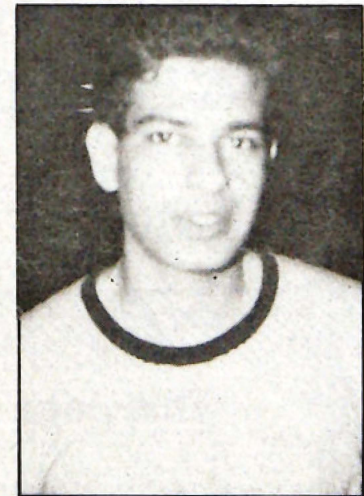
Joey Resnick (f) —
It's good and bad. The school makes money off it, but it's a pain eating in the cafeteria.



Brian Nordheim (so) —
They eat too much. I don't mind them; I think they add to the atmosphere of the school.



Andala Schumacher (so), Helen Powell (f) —
People who aren't on the crew team don't understand — their being here pays for the boathouse.



Farid Hode (f) —
It's great. We get to see them practice. I eat in the cafeteria everyday and they don't bother me.

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March 28 — debate, Plant Hall porch

March 29 — speeches, 9 p.m., UU
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All students are welcome to attend.

UT students to shine in spotlight

Division of Fine Arts kicks off spring production

By MAYA LOTZ
Assistant Features Editor

The University of Tampa's Division of Fine Arts will present next week a double bill of one act plays, "The Collection" and "The Lover," written by British playwright Harold Pinter, as their annual Spring production.

Both plays offer a look into the complexities of personal relationships. Two men's complacent existence together is disturbed by an anonymous phone call in "The Collection", and an interesting relationship develops between the men, and the phone caller, who turns out to be a jealous husband. "The Lover" concentrates on the end

and the beginning of a relationship between a husband and wife when the wife's lover comes into the picture. Gary



Luter, University of Tampa's theater director, in a press release stated "the plays are provocative drama, unusually funny and disturbing at the same time. Also the spatial relationship will be unusual for

these plays. The audience will be seated on stage with the actors. I feel that intimacy between actor and spectator is an important ingredient in producing "The Lover" and "The Collection".

The productions are directed by Tampa area director and performer David O'Hara and features University of Tampa students Andrea Aptecker, Rick Brochetti, Vince Harper, Joseph Musselman, Mark Gadbois, and Chris Rudolph.

The plays will run from March 30 through April 2 at the Falk Theater. Admission is free, but since seating is limited, audience members will be admitted on a first-come, first-served basis.

Supercross '89 spins into action Saturday

By MARK GADBOIS
Staff Writer

The Coors Extra Gold Supercross Challenge promises to be an even bigger thrill than last year's supercross event. This year's attraction marks the third time that Tampa Stadium has hosted this gigantic off road motorcycle event.

For most people, motocross racing is not the first thing to come to mind when one thinks of a sporting event to be held in a stadium. For instance, how do they go about preparing a football field for such an event. The task is not easy, but it can be done with the aid of about six hundred dump trucks full of 12 million pounds of dirt to make the track.

This is by no means an ordinary off road race. Only the best riders can compete in the supercross, and factory riders such as Jeff Stanton from Team Honda, Jonny O'Mara from Team Suzuki, and Shaun Kalos from Team Yamaha will be competing.

The race promises to be loaded with action as these riders along with 17 others battle to be the best this Saturday at 7:30 p.m. Tickets for the event are available at Ticketmaster for \$18 and \$16, and also available at the door for an additional \$2. The event will be covered by ESPN for those who can't make it to the race. The Coors Extra Gold Supercross does promise to be an action packed happening that should not be missed.

Biology News

Science professor receives grant for rotifer research

By BRIAN BOWMAN

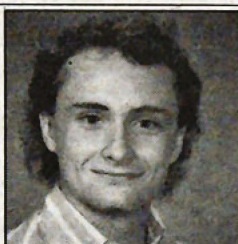
In recent years, basic science research has become commonplace at universities all over the world. At The University of Tampa, research has extended classroom experience to provide excellent educational opportunities. Dr. Terry Snell, associate Professor of Biology at UT has had his share of success in this area. Both he and UT students who work for him have been published in a variety of research journals and have presented their work at biology conventions. This research is expensive, however, and would never occur without the aid of research grants given by governmental agencies.

In December, Dr. Snell received a grant from the US Army Biomedical Research and Development command for \$110,391. A large portion of this money will be used to purchase equipment and supplies critical for the research, and for paying the salaries of UT students who will assist him in the lab.

The aim of the research is to develop methodology for assessing toxicity levels of cer-

tain products that may be entering the water near army facilities. The assay will use rotifers, which are animals that live in water. Snell, in recent years has developed tests using rotifers, because they are cheap to grow and maintain, they are sensitive to many toxicants, and because they are easy to manipulate. These factors were very attractive the Army Corps of Engineers, who direct the USAMRDC.

Two types of tests will be developed on these microscopic animals. The first, an acute test, measures animal death after being exposed to toxicants for 24 hours. The second, a chronic test, assays the animals' ability to reproduce after being exposed to smaller concentrations of toxicant. Snell is very excited by his research. "We're working very hard on this. There are five of us who are devoting a large part of our lives to these projects. This also gives undergraduates at UT an outstanding opportunity to learn about aquatic toxicology first-hand. This field is wide open for career opportunities."



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Cagers finish second in South Region

Spartans surprise many with championship season

By CARY BOGUE
Sports Editor

Basketball season is over for the University of Tampa 1988-89 men's basketball team. After defeating Florida Southern 90-86 in the first round of the NCAA South Region Saturday, the Spartans ran out of gas after 25 minutes against tournament host Jacksonville State. So while the Spartans return to classes, the JSU Gamecocks will go on to join the Elite Eight in Springfield, Mass., the home of the Division II National Championship.

Although the Spartans will not be traveling to Springfield their accomplishments this year have been nothing short of amazing.

Tampa was picked to finish third in the conference this year before the loss of Roscoe Brown to a season-ending knee injury. With the loss of Brown some picked the Spartans to finish fifth.

Instead, the Spartans went on to become regular season conference champions in the nation's toughest Division II conference. In addition they made an unprecedented sixth consecutive NCAA tourney appearance while sitting in the top twenty in the Division II national rankings with a final ranking of ninth nationally. Sophomore Bryan Williams garnered First Team All South honors as well as First Team All-Conference, NCAA South Regional All-Tournament team, and was the

SSC's leading scorer. While Drexel Deveaux was All-South honorable mention and also earned a spot on the All-Conference team as well as the NCAA South Region All Tournament team.

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Deveaux scored a career high 30 points in Tampa's South Re-

gion victory over Southern, while Williams tallied for 30 the following night. Senior Terry Rupp made the SSC conference team and finished his career at UT as the fourth all-time leading scorer.

An unfortunate final note to Rupp's collegiate basketball career occurred when he was asked to leave a Tampa bound Delta flight due to intoxication, forcing UT coach Richard Schmidt to remain overnight with him.

"The gentleman in question was denied boarding," said Delta spokesman Neil Monroe. "There was no police involvement and no charges of any kind."

"I apologize for my poor judgement," said Rupp. "The loss to JSU really hit me hard and


obviously the alcohol hit me harder than I expected it to."

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The Tampa Tribune ran a full length, front page story on the incident, while the Lakeland Ledger, who's sports editor was aboard the flight, briefly mentioned the incident in an article on Southern basketball star Kris Kearney.

Next year's team holds promise, with Rupp the only player not returning. Schmidt has three scholarships available and has already signed 6'6" Bobbie Canatser. Canatser currently plays for Jesuit High School and averages 19 points per game.

"I'm really proud of this year's team," said Schmidt. "We weren't even expected to get out of the conference and we end up coming in second in the South Regional tournament. That says a lot about the character of this team."



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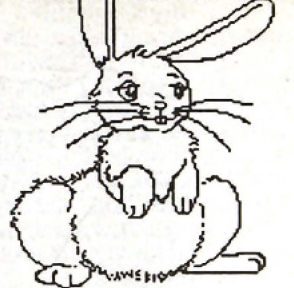
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Spartan baseball team improves to 17-7 with win over St. Leo

By ROBB SALMON
Assistant Sports Editor

The University of Tampa baseball team crushed the Monarchs from St. Leo Wednesday afternoon 9-1. A day earlier they opened their conference schedule, against the same St. Leo squad, with a 7-4 victory.

The UT offense had a field day while pitcher Mike Simmons kept the Monarchs off the base paths by striking out seven.

St. Leo lost their coach midway through the game after he was ejected for arguing an inning ending put out which, if the runner had been called safe, would have given his team runners in scoring position.

UT broke the game open in the bottom of the sixth inning. Third baseman Glen Finnerty led off the

inning with a double. Finnerty finished the game with three hits. Catcher Kevin Langiotti followed with a grounder to first, which the first baseman botched, allowing Langiotti to reach first and a hustling Finnerty to score. Center fielder Steve Mauldin then executed the hit and run putting runners on the corners. Shortstop Joe Roark delivered a one out single bringing the score to 3-0 and still runners on the corner.

With two outs, Roark stole second. The throw from the catcher went into centerfield allowing Keith Hopkins to score and Roark to third. Second baseman Joey Urso followed with a single scoring Roark. First baseman Paul Russo completed the scoring for the inning by doubling home Urso. When the dust had cleared, UT had a 6-0 lead.

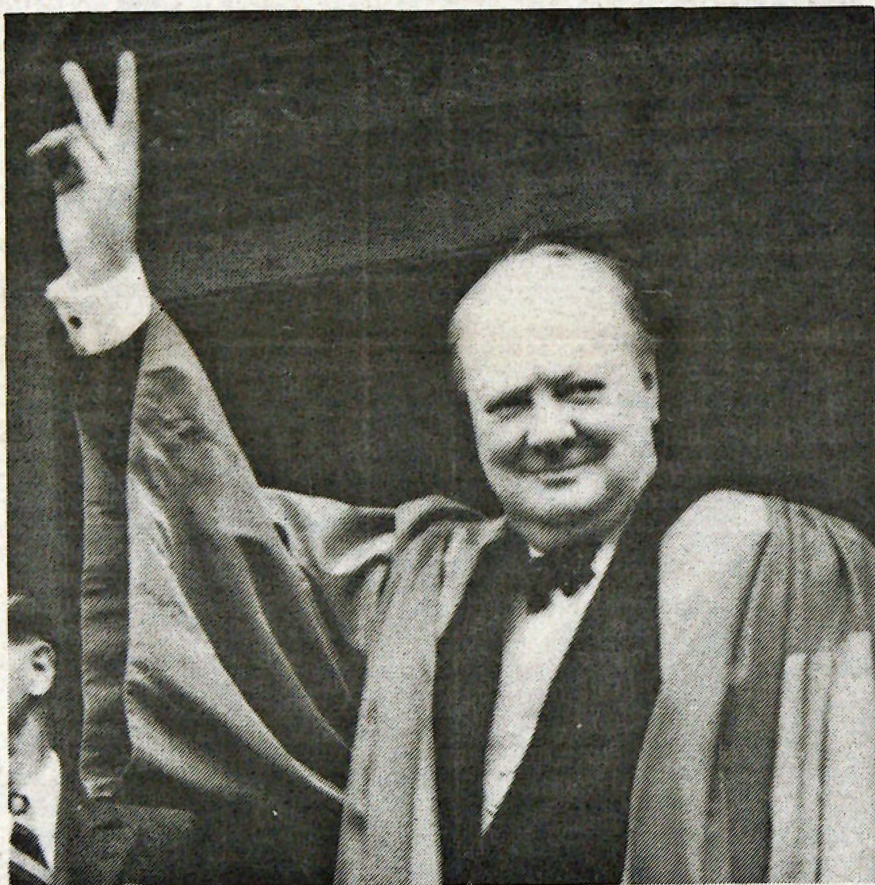
Simmons kept the Monarchs quiet by not allowing a run until the seventh inning when he surrendered a one-out, solo homer. St. Leo then cracked a double off Simmons but the spark for St. Leo was soon extinguished as Simmons fanned the next two batters to end the inning.

The Spartans added two more in the bottom of the eighth when Roark delivered a two out, two run double down the first base line.

The final Spartan run came when Urso led off the eighth with a double then was given a free pass to score as the St. Leo pitcher threw two consecutive wild pitches.

The Spartans are now 17-7 and 2-0 in the Sunshine State Conference. They host Toledo University this afternoon at Sam Baily field at 3 pm.

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On the Front Row with Cary Bogue



Basketball teams are prepared to deal with many things: opponents, injuries, opposing teams' fans, poor officiating, but being attacked by your own beat writer (the reporter assigned by the local paper to cover your team) is something few prepare for. I'm sure no one on the UT basketball team was prepared for last week's unwarranted attack on them by Chris Harry, the writer, and I use that term loosely, for *The Tampa Tribune*.

Mr. Harry is a graduate of USF and has made it no secret that he is unhappy with being assigned to cover the Spartans. The contempt and sarcasm he shows for UT as well as its *menial* opponents makes it clear that he feels he is above covering such a *small-time* Division II program.

Unfortunately the University, as well as the players, are the ones who suffer. Recently Harry wrote that the best way for UT to avoid the humiliation of losing to Southern again was "just don't show up," "stay home," "you can't win" (a game UT won, by the way). Other similar references to the coaching staff provide further evidence of his obvious disdain. "Coaches have resorted to blaming losses on — spare me, please — the officials."

Mr. Harry — spare me, please — but in Sunday's post game press conference, when Richard Schmidt was asked if he blamed the officials for the loss, he replied: "No, I don't blame the officials [for this loss], and I never have."

That statement was left out of Mr. Harry's story.

How convenient.

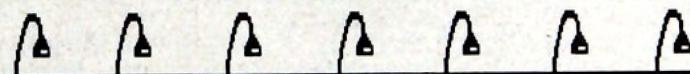
Perhaps the most ludicrous part of this whole situation is that Harry told one of his colleagues that he had written the article to get the team mad in the hope that would motivate them. Is that supposed to be a joke or what? Are we expected to believe that? And if this is true, why in the hell is a sports writer attempting to take over the role of the coaches and motivate the team. More importantly, if he wrote this purely to motivate them then what happened to a reporter's responsibility to his readers? Is it fair to the people of Tampa to write something you don't entirely believe just to sell papers? What happened to journalistic integrity?

In his March 16 column, Harry described an incident with Donolly Tyrell, one of the Southern players Rupp verbally "engaged" later at the airport. Harry's description went like this: "In the insult to injury category, Tyrell emphasized his buzzer-beater by sprinting to Tampa's bench and taunting the Spartans, particularly Terry Rupp, UT's fiery center." While in no way does this justify Rupp's action, it certainly sheds some light on his uncharacteristic behavior. The fact this wasn't mentioned in Harry's subsequent article concerning the incident at the airport must have been just an oversight on his part.

There is little question the Rupp incident was undeserving of a full-length, front page story. The sports editor of the *Ledger*, a Lakeland paper which, due to its proximity to Florida Southern, would be the most likely candidate to sling mud at the Tampa basketball program, apparently felt Rupp's expulsion was no big deal. He mentioned the incident only as a note to a story on FSC All-American Kris Kearney. "If I had more to write on Kearney, the Rupp thing wouldn't have even been mentioned till the [back] page," said John Valerino, sports editor of the *Ledger*.

Mr. Harry, who has lost all credibility with the Tampa players, has shown us that he doesn't want to cover UT basketball. Sort of the way a kid would act when told to clean his room; he threw a temper tantrum. He'll probably get his way and get assigned elsewhere which is certainly to UT's benefit, but what an irresponsible, unprofessional way to do it.

The fraternity and sorority who showed the most spirit at the last three home basketball games was no contest. Congratulations on your fine school spirit.



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Peace film

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Scholarship

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junior.) Students will be judged on scholarship and financial need. Letters of application should be turned into Mindy Greer, UT box E, by Friday, April 7, 4:30 p.m. Winners will be announced at the Honor's Convocation, April 19.

Housing

Summer housing sign-up will start April 3 in the residence life office, room 9 of the union on a first come, first serve basis. Fall housing is happening now. For more information, call 253-6239 or stop by residence life.

Financial aid

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Great Minds

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Personals

The Dee Gee shipwrecked sailors would like to thank all the Sig Ep surfer dudes for a way cool social! We all knew you'd save us! Thanks again — we'll have to get "wrecked" again sometime soon!
Love, Delta Gamma

Anchors Away —

The sisters of Delta Gamma would like to extend a warm welcome to their four new spring pledges. Congratulations to: Wendi Kauppi, Ester Deitch, Andrea Macmillan, and Terri Wollovetz! We're very proud to have you aboard!

The sisters of Delta Gamma would like to thank the Panhellenic Council for a great Greek Week! A special congratulations would like to be extended to the brothers of Sigma Phi Epsilon and to the sisters of Alpha Chi Omega for placing first in overall in Greek Week.

Sincerely,
Delta Gamma

The sisters of Alpha Chi Omega would like to thank everyone who participated in our second annual Hawaiian Bash. Congratulations to the overall winners — Theta Chi.

Also, congratulations to Scott Schneider and Lori Reith who won King and Queen for Delta Gamma. Also, congratulations to our new pledge Meg Dols. Best of luck during your pledge period. Good job Angela on the week! Happy belated birthday to Angie Dennis and Angela Lubrano. Have a nice Easter.

Thank you to Sigma Phi Epsilon for a great social Friday night. Sporto and Ange Gios Baja and somewhere else is calling our names! The weekend will soon be upon us!

Love, Carol

To Pinocchio

I found out what real men wear under their borrowed bathrobes! Wow!! How was the race? The party after? Screwdrivers, anyone?
Love, No Fun!

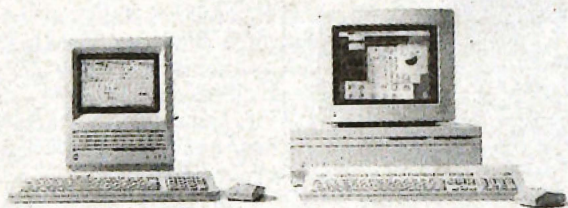
Attention Acapulco Cliff Divers —

We lived through language and food barriers, optional street lights and stop signs, crazy crab men, revolving doors, Mexico's subway, chickens on the bus, black heads and no water! I'll remember the view from the condo forever!

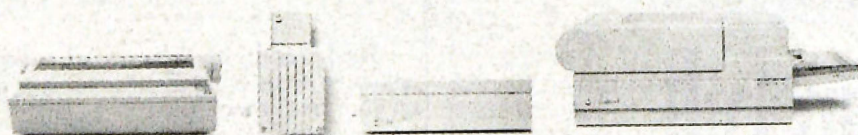
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