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## ΦΔΘ pledges shocked with stun gun

Potential 'hazing' incident puts fraternity on edge

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Four members of the Florida Theta chapter of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity allegedly shocked two other members in an apparent hazing ritual.

Last Thursday at 3:30 a.m., the pledges, both freshmen, were given an ultimatum—swim across the Hillsborough River blindfolded or be shocked with a stun gun. The men chose not to swim.

The alleged "hazers," also freshmen, stunned at least one of the men repeatedly in the back. One of those shocked then decided to swim the river. He jumped in, then climbed out to convince the other to swim as well. Once in the river, both cut their feet on the rocks, but no one has confirmed if these men

received any medical attention for their injuries. When asked by officials if they planned to press any charges, both men said they did not plan to.

Sources say the line of knowledge started with Phi Delta Theta president Rob Johnson, who called Angela Lauer, coordinator of Greek Affairs, Peer Education and Community Service to make sure she knew about the incident. After calling Lauer, Johnson contacted his national headquarters and a spokesman flew back to Tampa after returning home from the first annual Phi Delta Theta Duck Race this past weekend. Lauer then contacted her supervisor, Stephanie Russell, director of Student Activities, who then informed Dean of Students Bob Ruday. How the story was leaked to the *St. Petersburg Times* is still unknown.

This situation is being dealt with as both a Greek affair and a judicial matter. Monnie Wertz, head of Judicial Affairs, was set to meet with the four accused this week. After this initial meeting, they have from five to fifteen days to present their case at trial.

From the Greek standpoint, the fraternity faces sanctions from the Interfraternity Council for their group as a whole, not just for those involved. At the time of printing, this was not considered an official hazing. It will be ruled on as either a fraternity hazing or a regular hazing—the distinction being knowledge by the chapter or just four guys who made a bad decision, respectively.

Bob Biggs, executive vice-president of Phi Delta Theta Fraternity, International, verified all accounts of the story, with only one

exception: Biggs stated that the men were shocked and then told to jump in the river. Previous accounts stated the men had a choice and only after the shocking did the men willingly jump.

Presently, the four freshmen are suspended from the fraternity, facing possible expulsion. Other charges—non-Greek related—range anywhere from termination of on-campus housing to suspension to expulsion from the university.



A stun gun potentially similar to this one was used to shock two Phi Delta Theta pledges. The guns can send up to 500,000 volts of electricity per shock into the human body.

## Alumni donation refused by school

Future of student publications jeopardized

By SEAN MANNING  
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Evan Fetter, a UT alumnus and editor of the *Moroccan* from 1994-96, was just married last summer. Though his parents owned a thriving real estate business located in Dallas, Fetter wanted to pursue a business venture independent of family connections. So, the newly married Fetter established their own real estate firm, which is beginning to take rise in its east Texas home.

Despite the financial insecurities which typically threaten a young family and a business in its infancy, Fetter wanted to give back to the UT community of which he was such an integral part during his time as student. He decided to donate \$1200 over the next few years to be divided between the editors of the *Moroccan* and *Minaret*, resulting in an additional \$600 to be added to each student's \$6000 university stipend, awarded for their heading the student publications. Fetter was fortunate enough to have made it through his time as an undergraduate without the burden of



"One way or another, this [will] get done."

Evan Fetter, former Moroccan Editor

having to undertake costly loans and wished to provide those who followed him with an opportunity to enjoy a portion of that same financial security.

Yet, to Fetter's surprise, when he pitched the idea to UT administrative officials, the donation was quickly rejected. After correspondence via e-mail with university representatives Vice-President for development & University Relations Dan Gura and Director of University Relations Kim Sperling, Fetter was informed that such a donation

would prove unfair to editors of various other student organizations which received stipends similar to that of the *Moroccan* and *The Minaret*. In a Jan. 4 e-mail to Fetter on the issue, Sperling responded:

"When I contacted (Dean of Students) Bob Ruday to discuss it, he and Linda Devine, our VP for Operations and Planning, had just been reviewing student salaries. While your offer is very generous and reflects your obvious concern for UT, Bob is hesitant to move in the direction you suggested. In fact

he said, 'I don't think we can work with Evan on this one.'

The primary reason he shared for this is that the stipend for many student officers is based on this \$6000 rate. These include three editors (*Quilt*, *Moroccan*, and *The Minaret*), and the presidents of SG and Student Productions. So, the university would be expected to increase the stipend for others as well. They are not ready to do that now."

In fact, the university has not been ready to raise the stipends for quite some time. The last increase in editorial and organizational president stipends was in the Fall of 1994, when Fetter himself vehemently lobbied for and gained a raise from \$5400 to \$6000. For the 1994-95 school year, tuition and fees for a full-time student were \$12,984 (not including costs for room and board). In the six years since, UT tuition has, as a result of attempts at financial solvency and university expansion, risen steadily to its present level of \$15,190. While UT costs con-

tinue to inflate, stipends for the heads of such student-run organizations as the *Moroccan* and Student Productions continue to remain stymied at the enduring rate.

Frustrated with the university's refusal, Fetter increased his proposed donation from \$1200 per year to \$1500, provided the university would match the sum, therefore allocating the funds necessary to raise the salaries of the remaining student organizations. Again, the university declined the offer, and, again, Fetter devised a new proposal.

In his talks with Gura, Fetter mentioned the possibility of using his donation as a monetary prize for both the *Moroccan* and *Minaret* editors upon their selection to office each spring. Fetter even suggested that this award could be translated into a gift certificate to the UT bookstore to aid students in the purchasing of school materials. Fetter was told that these

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# Police Beat

By RAQUEL PITTIGLIO

Staff Reporter

**Mar. 20**

**Males on campus work for a company, don't know where, though.**

At 11 a.m., an officer was sent to look for "three well-dressed males soliciting on the steps of Plant Hall." When the officer met up with the three males, the officer told them that they would have to leave campus or else TPD would be called. The three males told the officer that they would leave campus. At 11:30 a.m., a dispatch call declared that the same three males were now in front of Brevard Hall. While one officer was responding, another officer radioed and stated that the three males were at the security office. The males were told they were going to be taken off the campus and TPD was going to be notified. The males stated that they were working for V.E.S. Marketing, yet they did not know the address. TPD was called to issue trespass warnings to the three men. Thirty minutes later, TPD was called again, and security was informed that "all their (TPD) units were busy, and they didn't know how long it would be before a unit could respond." At that time, the call was cancelled, and the males were told to leave campus.

**Mar. 21**

**Construction site has items stolen**

An officer received an assignment to go to the Beck construction trailer behind Brevard Hall to investigate a break-in that had occurred. When the officer arrived, he was met by a company representative. The officer was given a list of the items that were missing: one Nakita Grinder, two Milwaukee Sawzalls, three skill porter cable saws, and one electric Milwaukee impact saw. The estimated value of these items was \$940. After an investigation, it was learned that the trailer was locked at 3:30 p.m. on Mar. 20. When the employees came back to work at 7:30 a.m. on March 21, they found things missing from the trailer. It was also revealed that a small window was broken on the trailer, and a bolt cutter was used to cut a lock on the rear door. The representative was given the non-emergency number to TPD. At 9:50 a.m., an officer spoke to TPD about the burglary, and security was informed that a similar event had occurred at the Tampa Prep construction site across from the baseball field on March 19.

**Mar. 22**

**More items taken from the construction site**

Another call came in from the Beck construction site stating there had been another burglary. The officer met with the foreman and was told that another inventory check found more items missing. Three items were missing: two different brands of hammer drills and one cordless drill. The loss was estimated at \$660. The hasp (a hinged metal strap that fits over a staple and is secured by a pin or padlock) on the door had been pried open, but the lock was intact. There were no witnesses, and TPD is investigating.

**Vehicle vandalized while in the parking garage**

A student told an officer that her vehicle had been hit while it was in the parking garage. She explained that she had parked her car on the 3rd floor and left her vehicle there on March 21. She

returned to her car at 5 and 7 p.m., but did not notice anything wrong with the vehicle. While driving home, a friend, who was following her, noticed that she had damage to her tail light cover. The damages to the vehicle consisted of the tail light cover damage and a 3-inch dent on the rear passenger side panel. The student was informed to contact her insurance company. The officer checked the cameras in the garage but was unable to see the space where the car was parked.

**Driver verbally harasses officer, given trespass warning**

While on patrol, an officer saw a car exiting the wrong way from underneath the bookstore arch. The vehicle was coming toward the officer when he flagged for the driver to stop. The officer asked for the driver's license and explained why he had pulled the driver over. As the officer started asking questions about the license, the driver became hostile. The officer warned the driver that if he did not calm down that he would be removed from campus. After the officer wrote the ticket, the driver asked the officer questions and became even more verbally abusive. At this time, the officer called TPD to issue a trespass warning. Nineteen minutes later, TPD arrived and issued the driver a trespass warning, stating that if the driver came back to campus, he would be put under arrest.

**Mar. 23**

**Criminal mischief in Plant Hall parking lot**

While patrolling the campus, an officer noticed both of the traffic control arms in the Plant Hall faculty parking lot had been broken and were barely attached. For safety reasons, the officer turned off the power to the units. A work order was issued to have the arms fixed.

**Boyfriend breaks window, leaves campus**

At 5:10 a.m., a request was made for an officer to meet a male student at the rear of McKay Hall. The officer was told that a female student's boyfriend had broken the rear window of the RA office. The complainant told the officer that the boyfriend had broken the window with his fist after he became angry with his girlfriend. The boyfriend then left the area. The complainant stated that the boyfriend was bleeding badly and probably went home. The girlfriend explained that she did not know her boyfriend's address but gave security his phone number. When the officer called, he spoke to a female who stated that the male was in the house and that he was not seeking medical attention. When asked to come to the phone to answer some questions, the male declined. A work order was placed for repairs.

**Mar. 24**

**Homeless man escorted off campus after sleeping on school grounds**

Two officers responded to a call stating that a possible homeless person was sleeping on campus property. Upon arrival, the officers saw a white male sleeping on the student walkway just inside the university's gates. Before TPD arrived, the individual woke up and provided the officers with his identification card. He did not have a home address. The officers noticed that the man also was apparently intoxicated. He slurred his words and was unable to stand up. Security issued the man a trespass warning and told him never to come back to campus. Later the same evening, a student went into security stating that a white male was sleeping in one of the stairwells in the parking garage. The same two officers went over to check the parking garage. When the officers arrived, they found the same man sleeping in the stairwell. He was then taken into custody and TPD was called. An officer from

TPD escorted the man off campus without placing him under arrest.

**Student water running all night, soaks carpets and computer center ceiling**

At 2:15 p.m., officers went to Crescent Place's computer center. When the officers showed up, they spoke with the RA. The officers were shown the ceiling tiles in the computer lab, which appeared to be saturated with water. The RA also noted that the students living in the rooms above the center were complaining of wet carpets. The group then went to the rooms and found that the carpets were wet. The RA told the officers that another room was also experiencing a water problem. This student informed the officers that the water problems resulted from her leaving the shower on all night; however, she did not explain why she left the shower running. The RA filed an incident report form on the damage to the rooms.

**Mar. 25**

**Plant Hall window broken**

While on patrol, a call came in from a student who works in the ACE center in Plant Hall. The student stated that one of the windows in the hallway was broken. After inspecting the area, the officer concluded that the window had been broken from the inside. There was no evidence of any other attempted break in. Facilities was notified to replace the window.

**Door broken in the cafeteria**

Two officers went to the student union to check out the report of a student breaking a door. The officers met an employee of ARAMARK who stated that either a UT male student or a male student from a visiting crew had kicked the bottom plate of the south door of the cafeteria. The officers interviewed another employee of ARAMARK, who saw the male kicking out the bottom plate. Facilities was notified, and the broken plate was covered with plywood. The suspect was not found.

**Female harasses others in Brevard**

Officers went to Brevard Hall and met with a student who stated that there was a disturbance between a group of females and another female student. Earlier in the day, the group of females, who are roommates, were getting constant phone calls from the other female. They decided to leave campus, in an effort to not be bothered by the harassing female. The roommates told the female not to come over if she had been drinking. When the non-roommate got no answer on the phone, she went to Brevard and knocked on the victims' door. They refused to open the door and called security. While the officers were with the roommates, the phone rang about five times, and an officer answered it. The last time he answered it, he told the person not to call, and if she continued, she would be written up and referred to the judicial board. The roommates were also advised to go to Res-Life and discuss the problem.

**Mar. 27**

**Man found prowling in Plant Hall, possesses stolen checks**

Two officers responded to an assignment of a man "found prowling room 300 in Plant Hall." One officer went to interview the Studies Aboard Coordinator (SAC) who stated that she found the male standing behind the desk in the room. When she asked him what he was doing, he replied, "Just looking at the photographs." Using the description given by the SAC, the two officers detained a male until the female could identify him. She identified the male as the same one who was behind her desk. TPD was contacted and it was determined the male was residing at the Salvation Army. Before the

arrival of TPD, the man was searched, and in his possession were several checks belonging to other people. After an officer phoned one of the numbers on the checks, he learned that they had been stolen from a company some time that morning or the day before. The second officer responded and issued the man a trespass warning, and explained that if he returned, he would be arrested. Nothing was found missing from room 300.

**Mar. 29**

**Males busted while trying to distribute illegal flyers on campus**

While writing a parking ticket, an officer observed people exiting from ResCom, carrying a stack of flyers advertising for Club Hedo and the Amphitheater. The student asked why the officer was writing him a ticket. The officer explained why the male was receiving a ticket and then asked to see the male's school identification card. The male produced his UT ID card, and the officer then asked to see the other person's ID card; he replied that he left it in his room. The officer looked inside the car and saw two large cardboard boxes filled with advertisements for Club Hedo and the Amphitheater. The officer told the one male to wait inside the car and took the other one into ResCom where the officer saw about 20 flyers on the ground advertising for Club Hedo. The officer returned to the car and told the two males that they would be put on judicial review for illegally posting unauthorized materials. The officer asked if he could have the boxes from inside the car. Both of the males willingly gave the boxes to the officer, and the officer told them that their employer could retrieve them from Security. When the officer went back to security, he checked school records and saw that one of the males is no longer a UT student, and if he is seen again, he will have his ID card taken away.

**Mar. 30**

**Parking lot arm broken in Sykes' parking lot**

The security night shift supervisor stated that while he was passing by the Sykes Building parking lot, he saw that one of the traffic control arms had been broken. When the officer arrived, he removed the damaged traffic control arm and put it on the side of the parking lot.

**Underage offenders given judicial review**

An officer was dispatched to go to Brevard Hall after getting a call stating several students were sitting on the overhang on the north side of Brevard Hall. When the officer arrived, he found three males and a female sitting on the overhang. The officer inquired as to why the group was sitting on the overhang, they stated that they were unaware that they were not allowed to be on the overhang. One of the students remarked that if "students weren't allowed to sit on the overhang why do the windows open as far as they do?" Officer Vayianos explained why the students are not allowed to sit on the overhang and asked for the students' ID cards. One student stated that it was in his room, and another person said that he/she was not a student here. The others said that they had their ID on them. The officer then told them to wait until another officer arrived. This is when the unknown person stated that he was leaving. The officer told him that he should stay where he was, but both the non-student and the other student from Crescent ignored the order. The second officer arrived about two minutes after both individuals left the scene. The officer went to Crescent Place to see if the unknown individual had returned. While the officer was outside of a room, he could hear noises and then announced himself. Another officer arrived and both officers went into the room. Once inside, there was no one there. While exiting, the officers saw one 5-liter container of Warsteiner Mini-

Keg on the counter next to the sink. The officer shook the keg to see if it contained any alcohol, the container had about 4 oz. left. The officers contacted dispatch and learned that the residents of the room were both under the age of 21. A search was conducted, which yielded a bottle of Vodka along with six cans of Natural Light. The items were confiscated and then disposed of. Both students are being referred to the judicial board for underage possession of alcohol. The other roommate is also charged with ignoring an officer's orders and being in a restricted area.

**Another fire alarm in Brevard Hall**

At 1:50 a.m., three officers went to Brevard Hall to respond to a fire alarm. While investigating the fire alarm, it was brought to an officer's attention by an RA that the suspect and another unidentified male were near the pull box right before the alarm was pulled. The unidentified suspect ran from the building before the officers could apprehend him. An officer from TPD responded and escorted the remaining person from campus.

**Apr. 1**

**Alert bystander helps thwart vehicle burglary**

At 12:30 p.m. a male, who stated that he was a member of the Tampa Rowing Club, flagged down a security officer. The male wanted to report that he thought he saw another man trying to break into a car in the Boathouse parking lot. The male described the vehicle, and the person trying to get into the car. Officer James then proceeded to the parking lot and checked the vehicles. He found a car with "obvious fresh pry marks around the left front door handle." The officer got in touch with the owner of the vehicle. The owner looked over her vehicle in front of the officer and stated that the lock was pried and the left front door was no longer operable. The female was given the non-emergency number to TPD.

**Brevard has another disturbance, chair gets thrown causing damage**

Three officers responded to a call at Brevard Hall concerning a Domestic Disturbance. When the officers arrived, they saw that the person was agitated, emotional, and pacing erratically. One of the officers tried to find out what happened while one of the other officers was checking the scene. The officer asked the male, "What's going on?" The male responded with threats. The male's girlfriend peeked out of her suite's room, and one of the officers watched the male while another interviewed the female. The female stated that she and the male were arguing in her room, and after a while the argument went into the common area where he threw a chair causing some damages. When the male threw the chair, the girl would not come out until security arrived. A month before this happened, these officers responded to the same room to investigate a similar problem. After the interviews, the male stated that he had called TPD "so they could get me up outta' here before I choke somebody." Due to the way that the male was acting, the officers decided to issue him a trespass warning. An officer from TPD came and told the male that if he were to come back he would be arrested. The girlfriend and the suitmates were told about the trespass warnings and what would happen if he violates this order.

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## ROTC competes in Spartan Challenge

By DAVID CROCKETT

Special to the Minaret

Last Saturday, the freshmen and sophomore members of the UT ROTC program reported in at 8 a.m. to take part in the Spartan Challenge competition.

The Challenge, a contest between two teams, was designed to give the lower level cadets more experience and more extensive training than they get during the usual ROTC training cycle.

There was an inspection of all equipment and gear, and then the cadets had a camouflage competition.

Once all the gear was packed up, the two teams, Alpha and Bravo, were taken down to Bayshore Boulevard where the road march portion of the competition was held. The team that first got eight of its members across the finish line was the winner of this event. However, the teams also lost points for leaving anyone behind on the march.

Once they returned to campus, the two teams dove right into the next portion of the competition. Training stations were set up where the cadets received instruction in such skills as first aid, radio communications, map reading, and using a compass. Following the block of instruction, the teams took tests to see how well they learned those new skills, and to get ahead of

the other team as well.

The last portion of the competition was the two timed events. At one, the cadets had to disassemble and reassemble an M-16 rifle in less than three minutes. At the other station, the cadets had to run through a rigorous grenade assault course that included lots of crawling and running. It also included difficult targets and even a wire obstacle that the cadets had to crawl under before they finished the course. Most of the cadets found the course strenuous and challenging, even though MS II cadet Luke Medvey turned in the best time at 2:12, and overall score, 27 out of 30 points.

While running through this last portion of the training, the Tampa sky opened up and

drenched the cadets in buckets of rain. The Army says, "If it ain't rainin', we ain't trainin'." And the cadets were eager to continue the course in the rain and mud, but the presence of lightning in the storm brought a preemptive end to the competition.

In the end, the Bravo team edged the Alpha team, but all of the cadets were better off for having taken part in the competition. They bonded through competition, and received some excellent training. "I thought this goal was accomplished very well," said Rob Johnson, an MS II cadet. "The Spartan Challenge was a good mix of tough physical work and practical skills training." It will also serve to lay a foundation for these cadets as they move up through the ROTC program and onto becoming officers.



--Courtesy of UT Army ROTC

An ROTC cadet attempts to assemble an M-16 during the Spartan Challenge last weekend.

## Housing selection is here, are you ready?

By ROBERT McCLELLAND

Staff Reporter

Now that we're in the final stretch of the semester, we must make decisions that we affect where we will be living next year. These include our schedule and room selections.

Our schedule is easier to take care of. After all, we have our faculty advisors, overload forms, and we can make last minute corrections in drop and add week. Our housing selection is a little trickier. Residence Life is not in the habit of overbooking rooms, and you have to choose where you'll live next year.

By now all students should have received the Housing Selection Newsletter from Residence Life. It may be tricky to understand at first, but you must read it. It gives you all the important deadlines and selection policies for housing selection.

First, I want to start with some bad news. If you wanted live in ResCom or one of the learning communities, you should have turned in your application by Wednesday. You can still get a room in ResCom, but you won't be able to select your roommates. Now the good news, you can still get a room in one of the other halls, and here's how to do it.

First you must pay a \$200 housing deposit. Keep your receipt, it's your lifeline into the room selection. Now, you'll need to take it to the Residence Life Office to get your lottery number.

This isn't like the Florida Lottery where you'll be winning a prize; rather, it is the order you'll be selecting your room.

You can draw your lottery number today, Monday or Tuesday from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. After you get your number, you'll go to the general room selection on Wednesday, Apr. 11. Check the hours in the Housing Selection Newsletter to find out what time you need to be there.

If you're not able to attend at your specified time, you can send a stand in. To get the details, you need to visit Residence Life to find out how to send an alternate.

If you're a commuter student, there's a commuter room selection on Thursday, Apr. 12. Since this will be your first time living on campus, you'll have to pay a \$125 Damage Deposit in addition to the \$200 room deposit. You'll still have to draw a lottery number, so you'd better hurry and pay your fees.

All fees can be paid to the Bursar's Office. Now where do you want to live? The most expensive halls are Crescent Place, Brevard Hall and the new Vaughn Hall. These are, of course, the newest halls. Also, if you want to live in Vaughn Hall, construction will still be going on the first few floors, so take that into consideration when choosing your new home.

If you have any questions, contact Residence Life by visiting them in the Student Union or calling 253-6239.

## "Did you know?"

By Vanessa Irizarry  
Staff writer

1. The American Museum of Natural History polled 1,000 adults and found that 92 percent of Americans do not want humans to be cloned. Many people also do not fully comprehend the process of cloning and its effects. Scientists say the majority of cloned animals die, generally during embryonic development, while others are stillborn with immense abnormalities. Many scientists are quick to point out that primates have yet to be cloned.
2. A major dinosaur during the Jurassic period was the allosaurus. The allosaurus died approximately 145 million years ago. Sunday at 9 p.m. on the Discovery Channel a one-hour documentary will air all about the allosaurus. The name of the dinosaur means strange lizard. A carnivorous dinosaur, the allosaurus measured approximately 38 feet in length, weighed up to 3,100 pounds, had three fingers, walked on two legs and roamed parts of Australia, Africa and the northwest part of the United States. In 1991, Scientists discovered the remains of the allosaurus they deemed Big Al in a dried river bed in Wyoming. Big Al can be viewed at the University of Wyoming Geological Museum in Laramie.
3. On Monday, April 2, a report by the Census Bureau showed that the 1990s was the greatest 10-year population increase in U.S. history. Over 32.7 million people were added in the 1990s due to a healthy birthrate, which exceeded deaths, longer lifespans and a boom in immigration. The South and the West were the two parts of the U.S. most affected.
4. Walt Disney Co. announced its plan to eliminate 4,000 jobs in an effort to lower their yearly operating expenses by as much as \$350 million to \$400 million. The majority of the job cuts will be done through a "voluntary program," offering employees benefits, outplacement services and severance pay, which in itself will total approximately \$230 million. Walt Disney World will also be undergoing a hiring freeze.
5. The National Sleep Foundation recently conducted a poll which found approximately two-thirds of Americans are not getting the suggested eight hours of sleep per night. Lack of sleep is leading many people to drive drowsy and fight to stay awake and not nap at their jobs. People are working longer hours which has caused the hours of sleep Americans get to decrease.

## Trying to win an administrative uphill climb

### EDITORIAL

In accordance with our article concerning the administration's refusal of alumni contributions, this editorial should naturally be angst-ridden and full of malice towards the powers that be. However, as editors of a struggling student publication, we're tired of fighting this unwinnable battle. Our pleas for restitution have gone unheeded for too long, or if they have been heard, they've been quickly ignored. We've attempted to reach out to the administration and settle our disputes in an amicable fashion. When such an agreement could not come to pass, we sought a more aggressive plan by which to state our respective cases. We've told them that the yearbook is in danger of folding as early as next semester. We've informed them of the graduating seniors who comprise the majority of the staff members on UT's student publications. We've stressed our exceeding devotion to our activities, which, due to labor shortages and lack of proper incentives, have recently become more of a reluctant responsibility than an anticipated pastime. And yet, to our concerns, the most the administration was willing to offer in the way of concessions were possibilities for internet accessibility and alternative discussions with the university's Publications Committee regarding any remaining "philosophical issues."

So, you can see why we've grown tired of voicing our complaints and crying out to an unsympathetic audience.

Yet, only a few weeks ago, there seemed to finally be an outlet by which to have our labors brought before people who actually gave a damn, or were supposed to anyway. Extended an invitation by the Dean of Students to the recent Board of Trustees meeting, I eagerly accepted in the hope that if I could find one person sympathetic to our cause, I could turn the tide of indifference which has stood firm against the various student organized publications of this university. As I walked into the Sword and Shield Room, I found myself to be the only student representative.

I slunk away to my reserved seat at a small foldout table in the back of the room next to Dr. Emilio Toro, the lone faculty representative. As Dr. Toro and I nibbled on complimentary cookies and stared on at the board's unfolding agenda, it suddenly occurred to me that perhaps this wasn't the proper forum in which to voice my concerns. My presence was obviously to be considered as a privilege and an honor, to be respected with both silence and humility. I looked to the mostly white, middle-aged, male members of the board and realized that they were perhaps too far removed from the struggles against indifferent authorities which we as young adults so commonly suspect and encounter. I looked upon these men and felt that they had reached a level of comfort long estranged from the struggle to stand up for something noble, no matter how perilous the odds were set against success. When I stood to inquire if the trustees were receiving their Minarets, I got a few polite smiles and nods, with eye contact here and there, before I was silenced and once again took my seat. When I intentionally delayed my departure at the close of the meeting, I was not approached by any of the board members.

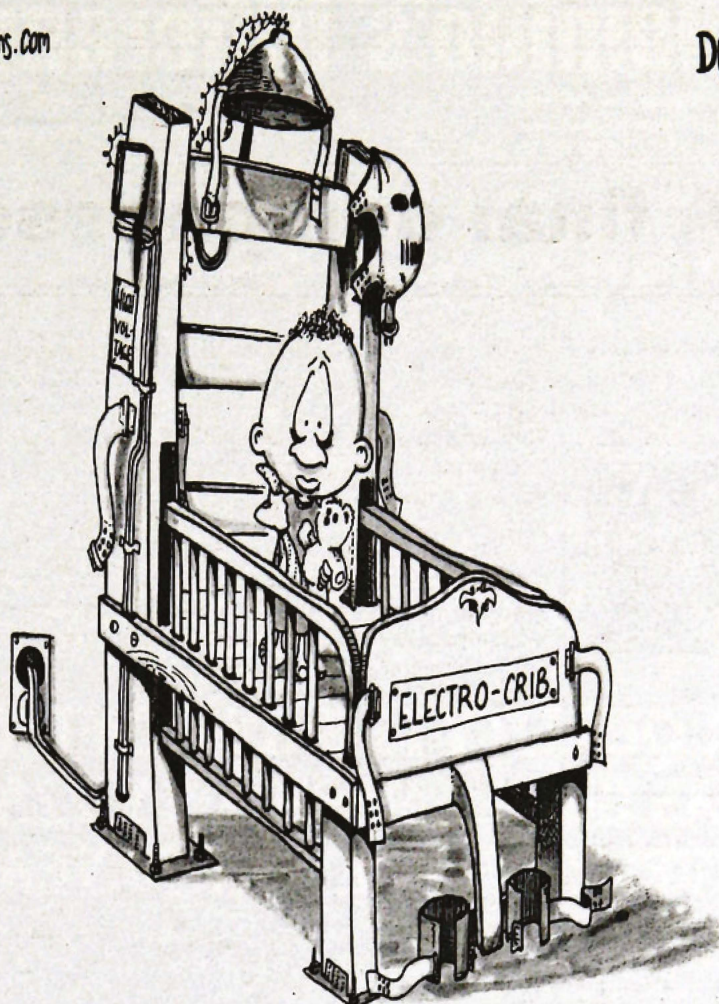
Yet, I cannot blame board members for our plight, especially as they are seemingly our last hope to earn vindication against the random implementing of antiquated university policy. I believe the governing body would certainly be eager to discuss our affairs if only they were made aware of our present condition, if only they were allowed access to students and their concerns other than that provided by the occasional cafeteria luncheon. The Board is the entity which dictates the welfare of our educational experience; we have no choice, and no reason not to trust them.

We're tired of it all. But we're not impressed by the university's seeming policy of "If you ignore them, they'll eventually go away." We've got only a few weeks left in the current semester before the college rids itself of the current troublemakers. But, as history is definitively cyclical, there is sure to be a new batch soon on their way to stirring up the pot.

In the meantime, we challenge the administration to act. If your ultimate goal is to rid this university of its newspaper, and thereby its right to constitutional liberties and a free press, go ahead and slit our throats. Don't play possum and attempt to starve us out. It's hardly the type of hardball we'd expect from good, sound businessmen like yourselves.

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## Take some time to stop

### COLUMN

In this fast-paced world, is there any room for a soul who merely wants to stop and smell the flowers? The answers I have

been presented with all say, "No." Not a day passes without someone making it rudely apparent that they have places to go and people to see, therefore all should gracefully step aside.

I realize we are in college, time is short and often sneaks up on us without much warning. You may be sitting in your room, watching a bit of t.v. before class, and before you know it, your lecture started ten minutes ago. You run out the door, trying to tie your shoes as you run up the stairs. You try to sneak in the back door of the classroom quietly, but since you are out of breath it's a hard thing to do. The professor glares at you and you sink in your chair and try in vain to catch up on the notes.

Sound familiar? This kind of behavior runs rampant on this campus. But not only in the classroom. At lunch, people insist on

cutting in line just to get a few inches farther in the line for stir-fry. But the worst example of this rush-on life is on the streets.

The posted speed limit on campus is 15 mph. Honestly, have you ever seen anyone actually obey this? I know I haven't. Some people don't even have enough patience to drive behind a golf cart for half a block without revving their engine and leaving the facilities workers in the dust.

Often time is of the essence and rushing is necessary, but so many wonderful sights may be overlooked, lots of opportunities lost because you were too busy rushing off to this thing or that. You never know when that person you meet in the library will end up on the 6 o'clock news being given some extraordinary award. You could have become that

person's friend, or acquaintance at least, but now you can only say, "Hey, I met that person" instead of, "Hey, that's my friend on t.v."

As hard as it will be, sometime this week, slow

down. Sit in Plant Park and watch the boats go by. Have a cup of coffee with someone you don't know very well. Look around you. Notice a small, perhaps insignificant detail about your life. Enjoy it. Smell the roses, you might just like the fragrance.

Some people don't even have enough patience to drive behind a golf cart for half a block without revving their engine and leaving the facilities workers in the dust.



By  
**SARAH  
MORGAN**



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## LETTERS FROM OXFORD

### A final comparisson of the U.K to the U.S.

COLUMN

Now that I'm back in the good ol' U.S. of A., I've had the chance to look back on my three months at Oxford. By



By  
JEN  
MILLER

flipping through my journal, re-reading e-mails and talking with friends both American and British, I've compiled a list of the top five differences between the United States and the United Kingdom.

These aren't the most obvious differences (such as they drive on the opposite side of the road and talk with funny accents) or even the most important ones (they still have a queen, even though she does nothing more than wave and smile). The five I have chosen stood out most to me.

1. **Bellies**. In America, obesity is an accepted physical state. You can't walk through any pedestrian area for more than two minutes before finding someone who is overweight. My own personal estimate is that only 1 percent of the population in England is obese, and rest aren't just of a normal build but skinny. The main reason for this, as far as I can tell, is not the food. England has its share of national greasy dishes (fish and chips, most of all) and also its McDonald's, Burger Kings and KFCs. The difference here is that people walk everywhere. I no longer think it's ridiculous to walk half a mile for a cup of tea. For an Englishman, it's only a

short jaunt. If I were to suggest doing the same thing in the United States, I might be committed. Granted, it's muggy and humid in Tampa, but then again, it's also very cold and frequently raining in England, and they walk just the same.

2. **The letter 'u.'** This may seem like a silly difference, something that is easily solved in spell check, but it was of keen importance to me since I was writing for one American and one English newspaper and two English tutors. Consider the words affected: colour, favourite, rumour, humour, and that's just a few. It's also a common argument I've had with Britons. I say that the added 'u' is a waste of space while the English argue that it is another example of American mangling the Queen's language.

But, as travel writer Bill Bryson puts it, she's not our queen.

3. **Mobile phones**. England is behind the U.S. in many aspects. They aren't as computer obsessed, don't treat women with the same equality, and plumbing in most places was an afterthought. However, they are more mobile than we. Mobile phones (cell phones) are more popular in the U.K. than in the U.S. Most children receive their first Nokia for their twelfth birthday. This may seem absurd until you consider that local calls in England are not free. On bus rides to and from London, I've amused myself for the entire two-hour trips by listening to other people's conversations.

4. **The BBC**. Since all of UT's dorms are linked up to cable, it's easy to forget the network channels we receive for free: ABC, NBC, CBS, PBS, FOX and the WB, six stations in all, plus a broad range of cable channels. The BBC has a number of channels, but the quality, unless it is an American show, is usually crap, and sometimes they even pick American crap (i.e. *Ricki Lake*). Their game shows are more vile than those in the U.S., and they originated such drudgeries as *Big Brother*, *Battle Bots* and *The Mole*. Their situation comedies aren't funny, and there isn't an SNL equivalent in sight. I couldn't see the Academy Awards or the Super Bowl on the BBC, which

may seem like an egotistical-American statement, but considering how much air time BBC news devoted to these two events, they might as well have shown the damn things. The only perk to the BBC, perhaps, is that I can see *Sex in the City*, and they show commercials only at the end of a show, so I can watch an episode of *The Simpsons* in an uninterrupted 22 minutes.

5. **Tea / tea shops**. I have always been a fan of tea and used it as a substitute to serve my caffeine dependence. I had heard that the English were tea maniacs, but I didn't understand the obsession until I lived here. Now I, too, have a cup of tea after breakfast, as a mid-morning drink, after lunch, before and

after dinner and sometimes while reading a book before I go to bed. Unlike coffee in the U.S., it isn't a form of legal addiction but a way of life, and it is an integral part of their culture. For example, for anyone who has seen the Guy Ritchie movie *Snatch* and wondered what a tea cozy is, it is a little dome-shaped cotton structure that is designed to sit over a tea pot in order to keep it at a delightfully warm temperature. The reason for this is that if two Britons sit down to have a cup of tea, they are sitting down for a conversation, not just a drink, and one pot can be drawn out for an afternoon. This is why teahouses are so popular in England. Unlike coffee joints, like the ever-popular Starbucks, which are piped full of 'hipster' music meant to accompany the brooding of their college tenants, English teahouses are designed to stimulate conversation and tea consumption. I tried reading while having a pot of tea in an Oxford tea shop and felt as if the whole house was gawking at me wondering why, even if not having tea with a friend, I wasn't engaged in a dialogue with myself.

I could continue this list past these five reasons, but it would take up too much space. I've also concluded that England and the U.S. are not that much different after all. I could probably find a tea house tucked away somewhere in the U.S., and I'm sure there are people who walk out of practicality just as I know that there are obese people in England. We are more alike that we think. Still, as much as I enjoyed my stay in the U.K., I'm glad to be home.

## Reflections on four years at UT

COLUMN

As graduation gets closer, I think about my past four years differently than how I reflected on my four years of high school.



By  
LISA  
CHOJNACKI

There are some very clear similarities in both eras, but this segment of my life was quite different from that one. I enjoyed my junior and senior years of high school the most, my freshman and sophomore years now a blur, as are most difficult times. I often wonder if anyone's teenage years are easy and carefree—at the surface some seem to be, but probably seldom are underneath.

As I think about the differences between now and then, I realize that there are many more than I had once thought. I no longer see myself as invincible, as my aching knee—in a perpetual state of recovery from surgery—constantly reminds me that my body is to be treated with respect, not to be abused by anyone, including me. My body is no longer something I am obsessed with dressing and grooming; it never really was something to obsess over, but in high school trendy

clothes were important to me; they helped me, so I thought, to fit in with everyone else.

There have been times when I thought that fitting in with others was more important than finding out who I really was. That's something I'm still working on, but I believe that every time I look in the mirror and feel good about what I see—not on my hips, but in my eyes—that I get one step closer to finding the answer. I only wish I had been strong enough then to value myself enough to not fall into the trap of thinking that someone's love had to come through my giving and their taking: taking your body, your energy or your spirit.

Now I know, or at least am coming to, that when someone really loves you, they want nothing but good for you.

I also know that if you really love yourself, you want nothing but good for yourself. You strive to succeed, and even though sometimes the world can seem like an enormous burden, it really isn't unless you let it be. Just recently, I took a test in the class of a professor for whom I have enormous respect. I had studied my average study-time for his tests, about 70 hours, and somehow still don't feel comfortable with my performance. Two years ago, I would have obsessed about the grade, and to some degree, it still both-

ers me because I care not so much about the grade but about his impression of what type of student I am.

Now, though, I realize that I did my best, and that's all I can ask of myself. Sure, it's hard to live with and I don't like it, but that's how the story has unfolded for me. I believe that life unfolds its own pages before our eyes, and we are merely players who follow stage directions from something greater than we can even conceive. This conviction has gotten me through some tough times. Why else would my father have suffered a serious car accident that left him permanently disabled?

Why else would my mother have married a man who is verbally and emotionally abusive? I sometimes find myself asking these questions, but I have yet to find an answer that even comes close to satisfying me. I guess it all just plays out eventually.

As I reflect on the past four years, I realize how different a person I am now from back then. I feel much more alive, I am no longer witnessing my mom being yelled and cursed at by my stepfather, no longer living in a house where I had no door on my bedroom, (which itself was smaller than my classmates' walk-in closets) and where we often went through winters without heat or

hot water. Life has been good to me, and I to life. I take as good care of myself as possible, and I try my best, though sometimes I fall short, to be kind to the people in this world.

I hope that the next four years will present even more opportunities for personal growth, as I'm sure they will. It's funny, I rarely give anyone advice, just try to be honest with them when they ask for my opinion. But this once, I'll make an exception: If you find yourself getting near the end of your four years of college and have not experienced some form of growth, take a good look at yourself. Are you following someone else's blueprint for happiness instead of your own? Are you in an unhappy relationship? If so, maybe it's time to move in a new direction. Are you considering moving back in with Mom and Dad? Please, reconsider. It may be the most liberating and exhilarating experience to live alone—sure it may be tough for a while, but if you don't know, you'll never try. If you are afraid of something, you are allowing it to have power over you; be selfish, keep that power for yourself, you'll need it for a rainy day.

And finally, never let go of your idea of what a whole, healthy person is, because if we don't use that destination to map our course, it's a surefire way to get lost in this great big world.

Join *The Minaret*, Mondays at 5pm for our meetings in the SG Office



## Letters to the Editor



Dear Editor,

As concerned students, we were wondering why the offices in our school do not recycle. We have, through research, discovered that recycling does occur in some remote areas, such as the library, computer center, and various residence halls. However, when doing our research, we also found out that in the past, administration had rejected the idea of recycling because they felt it would not work. As the environment is a growing concern we, as a part of the community of UT, feel that recycling is a possibility and should be a priority as it is in schools such as St. Leo, University of South Florida, as well as many others. Please inform us, and fellow readers of *The Minaret*, of your views of the possibility of recycling.

Phyllis Lubin and Megan Cogswell.

Dear Bob, President Vaughn, the staff and students at the University of Tampa,

We wanted to express our thanks to all of you for your many kindnesses to our family after the tragic loss of our dear daughter and sister, Cara.

To Bob, for all the phone calls, arrangements to come to the funeral mass, your help in arranging the memorial service with Gina and Gisele, and your heartfelt eulogy, and for the accommodations afterwards.

To Gina and Gisele, for all your efforts in putting together a beautiful memorial service for Cara.

To President Vaughn, for the beautiful flower arrangement sent to the funeral home on behalf of the University of Tampa, and for your assistance and attendance at Cara's memorial service.

To all the teachers and students who wrote to us, we cherish those thoughts and appreciate your taking the time to write to us about Cara. Thanks, too, for the beautiful keepsake box, the stained glass ornament and the glass picture frame.

To Ariel Gunn, Glenda, Megan and the *Moroccan* staff for taking the pictures, send them to us, and making sure we received a yearbook as well.

To Shirley Sanchez for the lovely memorial to Cara in the yearbook, and the note for us, too.

And, last but not least, to all of you for all your words of comfort and all your prayers that have surely helped to sustain us through this most difficult experience.

Cara loved being in Florida and enjoyed learning at the university. Although we missed seeing her around and wished we could've lived closer, we knew she was with people she loved and was where she wanted to be.

Cara was a wonderful daughter and sister and is very dearly missed. We feel blessed to have been her family and will treasure all the memories we have of her forever.

Thanks you all so very much for everything, we truly appreciate it.

God bless you,

Jerilyn, Marc, Sean, Annemarie and Michael Policelli



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Sarah Morgan  
Commentary Editor

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## Radio station hosts free concert

By JODY LINK  
News Editor

Tampa's newest rock station, WSUN 97.1, presented a free concert last weekend in Clearwater, Fla. before thousands of music fans.

Although the radio station has been on the air approximately five months, 97.1 (97X) believes it has the key ingredients in bringing listeners to its station. One of these flavors is the free concerts the station is producing in conjunction with its sponsors.

The first free concert, the "Spring Break Freebie Weebie," attracted over 5,000 rock-n-roll fans to see regional and national acts such as Big Sky and Dexter Freebish perform at Coachman Park in Clearwater.

The hometown band The Hazies got the show started at noon last Sunday under perfect weather conditions. The bright, clear skies were more than welcomed after Saturday's dreary, gray day full of showers.

While the crowd continued to grow larger by the hour, security did not have too many problems throughout the concert. Big Sky had the crowd jumping up and down, while American Hi-Fi proved it is more than just the "Flavor of the Week" with its performance halfway through the concert.

Bridget Jungman, 17, said she came from her Bradon, Fla. home "to see American Hi-Fi and Dexter Freebish. They should be great live if they're like the songs on the radio."

While the a couple of the bands are nationally known, some of the group members still find time to do the meet-n-greet with their fans. Jamie Arentzen of American Hi-Fi walked around the front of the stage for 10 minutes meeting and taking pictures with the fans who showed up to watch them play.

Security used a water hose during the

intermission between bands in an effort to keep the crowd cooled down from the warming temperature and packed attendance.

Dexter Freebish hit the stage after American Hi-Fi and put the crowd into a frenzy as they played songs from their current album "Life of Saturdays." Lead singer Kyle even braved the arms and muscles of the mostly teenage fans in the first few rows of the audience and crowd surfed above them while the band continued to play.

"I can't believe it's so packed," said 27-year old St. Petersburg resident Dawn Musgrave. "I came to see Our Lady Peace, and have enjoyed the show so far."

Adam Sterry of Largo, 14, agreed with Musgrave by stating, "Everyone is in a groovy mood and having fun. It's great."

Our Lady Peace jumped on stage at 4:45 p.m. and played for over an hour, many times encouraging the audience to sing along.

The only obvious problems that plagued the day were a teenager fainting during an intermission and people punching each other in a mosh pit during Our Lady Peace's set. Once Clearwater Police went into the crowd, lead singer Raine Maida stopped the band and commented, "Uh oh, the police have arrived." He stalled the continuation of the song until the police were out of the crowd and the scene was secured. Maida then asked if someone had been punched in the face in the pit and retorted back to the crowd to "stop punching each other."

The show continued without any other problems and was a huge success for the radio station. At the end of the show, the emcees announced 97X's "peepshow" that is happening on Monday, Apr. 16 at Frankie's Patio in Ybor City. The show will, once again, be free and will feature Eve 6.

## Donation Refused *Continued from Page 1*

lead photographer for the *Moroccan*. Similar instances of multiple positions can be witnessed in the instances of Joe Lawler, both editor of *Quilt* and technical assistant for *The Minaret*, and Dave Mace, *Minaret* sports editor, SID for the women's basketball program and fiction editor on the *Quilt* staff.

In their meeting with Devine, Triller and Manning (both graduating seniors) stressed that their push for editorial stipends was not a preferred course of action, but rather a last-ditch effort to retain the few staff members left handling the controls of these sinking publications.

Though students who are involved in such time-consuming campus activities are certainly not involved strictly for the monetary benefit, their loyalty to their positions is beginning to become outweighed by a need to meet rising costs in tuition and living expenses.

Triller averages over 30 hours a week in work related to the publication of UT's yearbook. At the current stipend rate of \$3000 per semester, Triller's weekly income totals around \$7 an hour, a wage slightly above the federal minimum. For Jen Miller, the Fall 2000 *Minaret* editor currently studying abroad at the University of Oxford, her editorial duties, while conducted with much pride and enthusiasm, were regarded as any other form of student employment.

"Being editor was my job," said Miller, "and without the stipend, I [could not] commit to anything but that position and still have time to

work. I tried it last year and wore myself out."

While Devine stated that individual financial aid packages (which may not exceed 100 percent of university costs) contributed to the administration's unwillingness to accommodate Fetter's contribution attempts, it is these same financial aid portfolios which jeopardize both the level of student participation in organizations and the longevity of the groups themselves. As most university aid for involved individuals falls under academic scholarships, students must first devote their time to getting high marks to secure their monetary awards before they can spare the remainder of their energy on extra-curricular activities.

In 1994, as Fetter first drafted his proposal (which was significantly revised and diminished before its eventual ratification), he included provisions for both himself and his associate editor, as well as for compensation directed towards four other assistant editors. Today, Triller is assisted by a staff of only two (herself and Carlyn Reagan, both set to graduate, leaving it still to be determined whether the *Moroccan* will be able to survive without willing and experienced leadership in the coming school year).

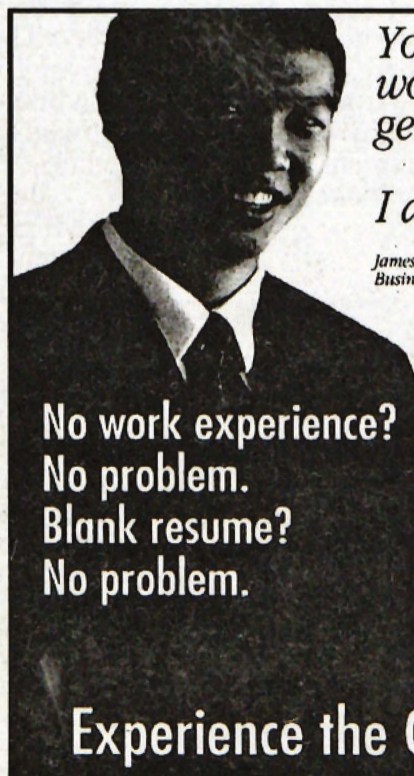
While the stipends are, in fact, significantly greater than those of some Florida institutions (the editor of Rollins student newspaper *The Sandspur* receives \$2000 in compensation), the stagnant

amount appears even more piteous in lieu of the fact that UT has in years past offered stipends which fully covered university expenses for leaders of student organizations. Full-tuition stipends were done away with in the early 1980s when the university faced financial collapse and necessary budgetary restrictions. According to the March 2 memo (which was not forwarded to President Vaughn) detailing her encounter with the publication editors, Devine commented, "it is unclear to me at this time that increasing leadership position stipends would encourage growth of publication staffing.... At the present time there is no initiative to increase institutional funding of positions that we discussed."

Ultimately, it is the sheer inanity of the school's refusal to accept his donation which upsets Fetter the most. "I explained to Dan [Gura] that one way or another this would get done and Ron [Vaughn] is right now making a big deal out of a \$1200 dollar donation," Fetter e-mailed *The Minaret* on Feb. 6, "and that I would not stop until I see it is done."

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## Phi Delta Theta Duck Race

Phi Delta Theta set 4000 rubber duckies afloat on the Hillsborough River this weekend for the first annual Phi Delta Theta Duck Race. For a mere five dollars, you could have sponsored a duck and had a chance to win a trip for two to Cozumel, Mex., a signed Tampa Bay Lightning hockey stick, or numerous other prizes.

Scott Popham, who was in charge of this inaugural event, said his fraternity raised a lot of money for their philanthropy, the Moffitt Cancer Center.

The Phi Delts would like to extend a big "thank you" to their sponsors: Ugly Duckling Car Sales (Grand Minaret Sponsor), 93.3 WFLZ, Time Warner Cable and the Tampa Tribune.



James Gianos fights off the attack of a raging duck squadron.

## SP hosts X-treme Air



A confident participant is unphased by the power of "X-treme Air."

Student Productions hosted "X-treme Air" last Saturday, while Plant Park was hopping with duck racers enjoying the carnival-style atmosphere.

X-treme Air is produced by Paradigm Entertainment and allowed onlookers the

opportunity to experience free fall and the feeling of weightlessness via the use of a huge fan underneath the flyers.

The fan pushes air at over 150 mph straight up while the flyers are allowed to float in the center.

Jennifer Blackwell, the SP programmer for the event, said over 50 people had participated within the few hours the event was held.

The operators were seen flying to the top of the safety tube and standing on the edge of it, making people gasp as they wondered if the demonstrators would be pushed through the tube and onto the ground.



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"X-treme Air" creates the illusion of the weightlessness incurred during skydiving.

## Pimps 'N Ho's in Crescent Place



Kristen Wilson reviews safety tips concerning the party drug GHB.

Crescent Place RA's Andy Zibell, Melissa Cote, Masonya Peterson, and Harold Haynes produced another "Pimp 'N Ho" extravaganza recently in an effort to promote safety and awareness while partying. Although the title



Pimps 'N Ho's chillin like, what else...Pimps 'N Ho's.

implies a strictly sexual theme, it serves as a advertising angle to get students to attend the event. This time the theme dealt with date rape drugs and how easily they can be slipped into an unsuspecting person's drink.

Roofies, GHB and other known date rape drugs were given a specific color, and when asked to get a drink for someone, the programmers would slip the food coloring into the drink. The "victims" were then told what just happened after they received the drink.

The purpose was not only to educate the

students, but to give them entertainment as well. Haynes acted as DJ to event, while Area Coordinator Ginger Holcomb took pictures and helped keep the party flowing.



"Pimpin' ain't easy, but it's necessary," says Harold Haynes.

## Freebie Weebie



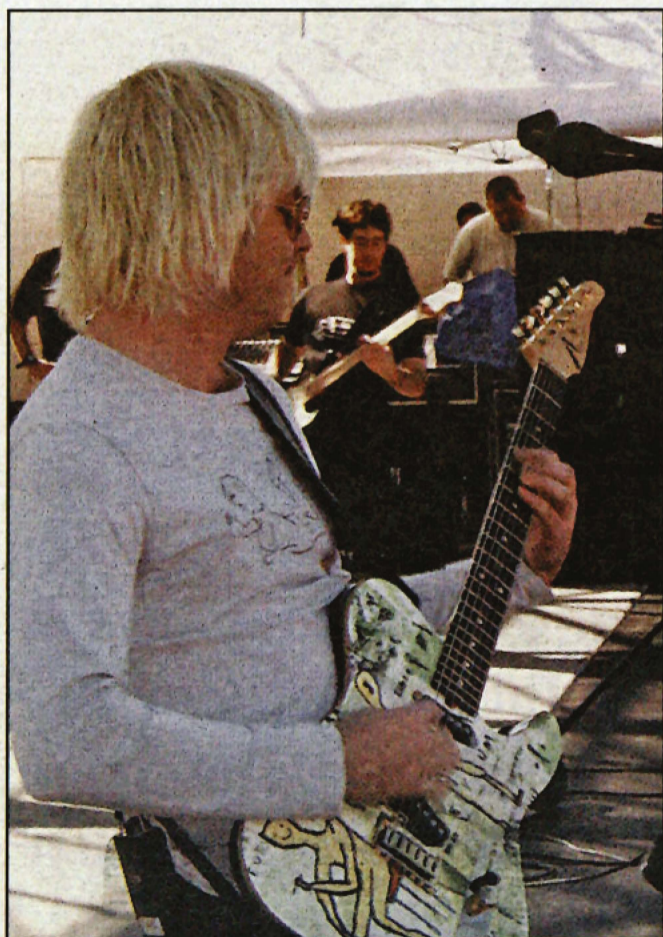
Jamie Arentzen of the band American Hi-Fi takes time to meet and greet enthusiastic fans.



Dexter Freebish's Kyle navigates the rough waters of Coachmen Park.



With his inspired vocal range, Raine Maida leads Our Lady of Peace.



Our Lady of Peace's Mike Turner rips off a killer riff.



An overheated fan receives a much welcomed spray.



Six-year old Savannah and mom Faith Outten turned out to view the day's various events.

# Otto discusses risks of genome project

By RAQUEL PITTIGLIO

Staff Reporter

G, T, A, and C are four letters that make up you and me. Imagine writing a book with only these four letters. It is hard enough just writing a coherent sentence, but these four letters are those which make each person a unique individual.

On Monday, April 3, Dr. Karin Otto, Assistant Professor of Biology, presented an honor symposium on the Human Genome Project. Students who were not science majors, would be able to understand the subject in the way that it was presented. Dr. Otto gave a history of DNA, from Mendel, to Watson and Crick, to the current day research.

Last June, 90 to 95 percent of the human genome project was completed; however, this is only a rough draft. Many things must be completed before the genome is 100 percent complete. You can view the research now as it was just published in February's issues of *Science*, and *Nature*. If you were at the symposium you would understand why there are two different journals.

The Human Genome Project is possibly misnamed, according to the presentation because some scientists think it should be called the Western Nation Genome Project. The di-

versity between different groups of people is not really addressed; in fact, some nations will not let scientists take DNA out of the country. However, in Iceland the entire nation is being tested to figure out their genome.

Some of the positive possibilities that could occur when the human genome is completed include finding the genes that cause specific illnesses, helping you to change your life cycle, and having unique therapy to help minimize the side effects of medicine.

On the other hand, one's DNA code may be put to negative use. Many are afraid that once someone has their code that insurance companies and employers may start to discriminate against people who are genetically predisposed to certain illnesses.

Cloning was also brought up during the symposium, but not much time was spent on this subject. The other main misconception that Dr. Otto related to the audience was that parents may be able to choose what their child will look like. In a sense this is already happening; if a couple is going through in vitro fertilization they are able to pick the embryo that does not have any known genetic defects.



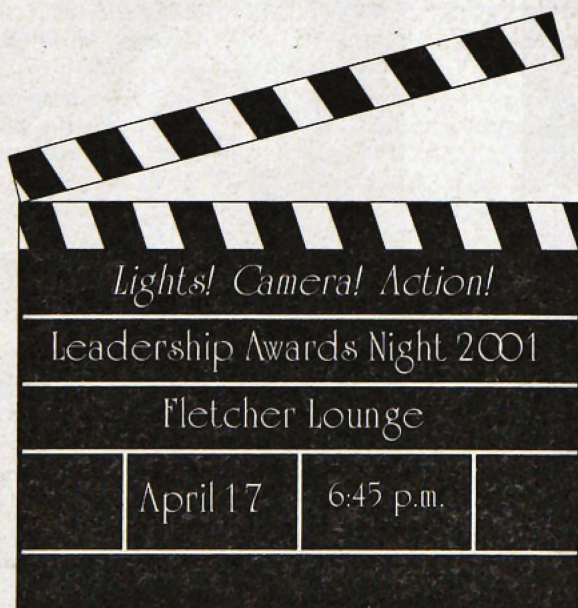
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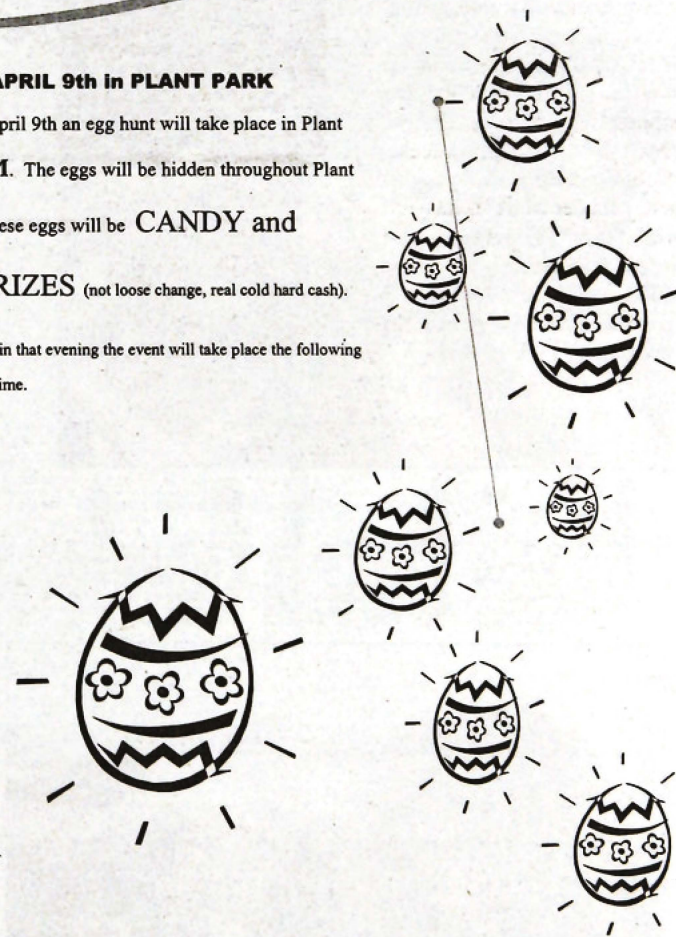
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# Through TiVo, "Big Brother" could be watching closely

By SAMANTHA HORVATH  
Staff Reporter.

Is your privacy being compromised while watching your favorite television programs? Local privacy officials say, "Yes." The Privacy Foundation explains that the leading TV recording service



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(TiVo) has collected information about its viewers through the programs that they watch or record just by the buttons that are pushed on the remote controls, and they do so without adequately informing them.

TiVo is a personalized TV system that allows viewers to program, record, and watch their favorite shows with ease. The recorders work just like regular VCRs but have a hard-drive type of computer board that allows people to pause live television, skip commercials, and record their favorite programs using an interactive television schedule. Customers buy the recorders and then pay the subscription fees.

Interestingly enough, the Industry leader of TiVo has admitted that "[TiVo] has collected information for its 154,000 subscribers for an anonymous database to be sold to advertisers and TV networks."

Matt Zinn, TiVo Chief Privacy officer, quickly adds, "the information is valuable for targeting ad and marketing efforts and gauging the popularity of shows . . . we don't disclose personally identifiable information as a matter of policy, and we won't as a matter of policy."

There is a concern about the lack of laws that govern the rights of companies and consumers. Without the appropriate laws who knows where our social security and credit cards numbers will be going. Supposedly, however, in September TiVo will be changing its policies. TiVo promises, "no one outside [our] homes, not even the TiVo staff or any of TiVo's computer systems, will ever have access to any of your personal viewing information without your prior consent." Nevertheless, subscribers are promised that, at any time, they

from their tallies. If you call in don't they have caller-ID, and wouldn't that identify your private information? Apparently not!

Oddly enough, World Wide Web companies also keep informational tabs on their parent corporations, allowing them to know which items that consumers would like to see and buy on their websites. Privacy groups are trying to change this as well, especially if the company closes down; these groups don't want that information to go public.

This is just the tip of the proverbial iceberg. The privacy issue is obviously a major concern for consumers, but this type of stuff has been going on without our knowledge. Who knows what other information countless companies have about us? I will personally think twice

about filling out some consumer questionnaire that is included with my new stereo, but in the same light this information is still valuable. Hopefully, there will laws to regulate just what type of information is collected, where it is stored, and how it will be used.

Anyway, I won't be able to look at my VCR again when I program it for my favorite show, and you probably won't be able to either!

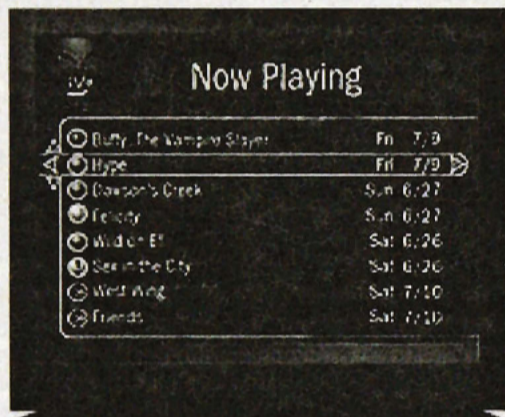


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Los Lobos, even after 27 years of performing together, still consider themselves a "garage band."

## Los Lobos ignites Blues Festival

By STEVE CHAMPLIN  
Staff Reporter

It's probably one of the better kept secrets of the Tampa / St. Pete area. Without knowing somebody who can introduce you to it, or without a deliberate search on your own, it would be very easy to miss. But the blues scene in Tampa is probably on of the best in the country.

The focal point of this music scene in Tampa is the Suncoast Blues Society ([www.suncoastblues.org](http://www.suncoastblues.org)). Founded in 1997, the Suncoast Blues Society is dedicated to supporting the traditions of Blues on Florida's Suncoast. Society President Larry Lisk leads the organization (which boasts more than 850 members) in its quest to keep all those interested in the goings on of the local blues scene.

One function of their website is to keep a current listing of play dates for local bands. For instance, followers of the local band Josh Magwood and the Underestimated Band will be able to go over to Jimmy Mac's Restaurant in Tampa to catch them playing this evening. But if you're more into The Accelerators, then you'll have to drive all the way to Orlando to see them in action tonight. However, if you're really not into traveling after a band all that much, then there are places in town which book blues bands on a regular basis. Jimmy Mac's is one, The Blue Shark is another, and there is also Dave's Bar and Grill in St. Pete. But perhaps the best place to catch some blues is at Skipper's Smokehouse, which is a just a short drive from the UT campus.

I've had the pleasure to see and hear a couple of the bands that are listed on the Society website. The ones I have heard do know some cover tunes, but overall, most of them stick to their own original music. So if you like to listen to a band play the same songs you hear on the radio all night long, then this scene is probably not for you. However, if you're into good, original soulful music, then the Blues scene is where you need to be.

Another benefit which the Blue's Society bring to the Suncoast is the annual Tampa Bay Blues Festival. Last year's lineup included Taj Mahal and Ani DiFranco as it usually tries to keep

in a theme of combining traditional blues with a more modern style of blues.

This year's festival kept in the same general theme. Several bands playing several styles of blues, from the modern (Indigenous and Johnny Lang) to traditional (Walter Trout and Marcia Ball), even zydeco (Chubby Carrier), which has its roots in blues music.

The featured act of the first night was Los Lobos, another band that stretches the definition of blues music. They came onto the national scene in 1987 with a smash remake of the La Bamba. The band, whose members all grew up together, had already been playing as a group for nearly fifteen years when this wave of success came upon them. To most people who weren't familiar with their previous work, they were viewed as a Richie Valens tribute band. That had never been the case.

From their inception, Los Lobos had sought out and recorded traditional Mexican music. It was only natural that they would sooner or later record "La Bamba". Following the success of their smash hit, Los Lobos immediately returned to their traditional roots with the acoustic *La Pistola y el Corazon*. Needless to say, their new fair-weather fans were disappointed. But, sticking to their own original sense of purpose, the band kept making music in the vein with their next release, *The Neighborhood*.

The 90s proved difficult for Los Lobos, as bands like Nirvana and Pearl Jam took grunge music and made it the thing to play and listen to. Still the persevered and fans were rewarded with *Kiko* and *Colossal Head*, both of which were critically acclaimed and won Grammy Awards for the band.

After playing together for 27 years, the members of Los Lobos still describe themselves as a garage band. And that just may be the best way to describe them. After taking the stage at the Blues Festival, they played to a crowd that had already heard three previous bands, but became totally enraptured with them. They played what the fans wanted to hear from them, touching on music that came from just about all of their albums, and even some new tunes from an album that is currently in the works. And when they left the stage, the fans stayed and screamed for more, but it was only a few people who wanted to hear "La Bamba".

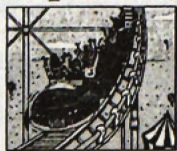
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# A little piece of our childhood dies

By SAMANTHA HORVATH  
Staff Reporter

On Thursday, March 22, William Hanna, of that fabulous cartoon duo—Hanna and Barbera—died at the age of 90. With his partner, Joseph Barbera, he created such favorite childhood cartoons as *Tom & Jerry*, *The Flintstones*, *The Jetsons*, *Scooby-Doo*, *Yogi Bear* and many more that I could name that you probably have never even heard of.

William Denby Hanna was born in Melrose, NM, on July 14, 1910. Although having been trained as an engineer, he began his



*Bill Hanna  
Joe Barbera*

animation career at Harman-Ising Studios. In 1937, Hanna met Barbera at MGM Studios; their partnership would last for more

than 60 years. At MGM, they revolutionized the cartoon and movie industries by mixing live action with animation: *Tom & Jerry* danced in "Anchors Away" and "Invitation to Dance" with Gene Kelly and in "Dangerous When Wet" with swimming sensation, Esther Williams.

*Tom & Jerry* earned seven Academy Awards for MGM Studios, and when MGM closed their cartoon division in 1957, Hanna-Barbera went on to start their own studio, producing more than 3,000 animated half-hour television programs. After just three years of their own studio, *Huckleberry Hound* won the first Emmy Award given to an animated series, which launched the first prime-time cartoon, *The Flintstones*. As a tribute to their success and initiation into American Pop-Culture, they received stars on the Hollywood Walk of Fame in 1973 and were inducted into the Television Academy Hall of Fame in 1993.

For nearly 70 years, we have enjoyed the shows created by Hanna-Barbera, from *Quick-Draw McGraw* to *Scooby-Doo* (the longest-running animated series ever, produced for 17 years), *Yacky-Doodle* and *Snagglepuss*, *Pixie & Dixie* and *Tom & Jerry*.



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They have been there to wipe our tears, to make us laugh, and to make our childhood a little brighter. Every time I watch one of my favorite oldies, I get a little nostalgic and a little misty-eyed. These memories of our carefree days gone-by are what Hanna-Barbera had given us. I don't know about you, but I'm just a little sad to know that such an important part of my life is gone. Oh well, I guess that we will just have to watch the classics on Cartoon Network. His memory will live on forever in the shows that he has brought us and in the hearts of those who love them.

## HOROSCOPE

April 6 - April 12, 2001

By JESSICA CASTILLEJA  
Astrologist

- ARIES** *Lucky Number: 7*  
Emotional madness. Make love, not war. A trine between the Sun and Pluto makes it possible for you to make a few changes in areas of your life that you have been feeling indecisive about lately. It is as though a light goes on within you, and you realize that now it is time to move.
- TAURUS** *Lucky Number: 14*  
If you have been resisting the end of something, you may not be able to hold off any longer. It is because you have a tendency to dig in your heels and to hang on to the tried and trusted that this could be a problem. Don't be afraid to speak your mind.
- GEMINI** *Lucky Number: 9*  
A trine between the Sun and Pluto brings a very radiant glow into your life this week, especially where your social life is concerned. This will certainly make you smile. Take care of matters that you consider to be of a secret nature. Do not trust others to do your work for you. Deception will result in a no-win situation.
- CANCER** *Lucky Number: 5*  
You may feel very apprehensive for no apparent reason this week, with a trine between the Sun and Pluto. Something quite positive is about to happen, which could mean that you need to change certain aspects of your life around in order to accommodate the difference.
- LEO** *Lucky Number: 3*  
You will be able to swing into action knowing that the results you had secretly hoped for will not only come about, but will also bring you a great deal of fulfillment. Investments will be deceiving this week. Dig deep and find out how much this venture will cost before you sign your life away. You may not be hearing the whole story.
- VIRGO** *Lucky Number: 24*  
It is best to allow everything to flow as it should without thinking endlessly about all the details. You cannot really intellectualize about how the changes that are due to come about this week are going to do so. Look before you leap.
- LIBRA** *Lucky Number: 32*  
Take care of small but important details. You need not be rude or appear too pushy, both of which you find distasteful. All you need is to know exactly what you want, and although this tends to be one of your major problems, you will at least realize exactly what you don't want. Stay calm, and so will everyone around you.
- SCORPIO** *Lucky Number: 13*  
There is great hope for the future, and you will find that obstacles that previously seemed to dog your path now begin to disappear as if by magic. You should get back to doing some of those creative things that used to occupy so much of your time.
- SAGITTARIUS** *Lucky Number: 16*  
You will need to keep both feet on the ground as you negotiate the various changes, and put into motion some of the ideas that seem to be affecting you so profoundly. The common thread that runs through all your affairs really involves making a fresh start at some level.
- CAPRICORN** *Lucky Number: 46*  
With a few adjustments you will find that things slide into place quite beautifully, and that you are firmly on track. Don't look back. This week you begin to understand how it could be done, but also see that up until now you have been your own worst enemy.
- AQUARIUS** *Lucky Number: 19*  
You must not make hasty decisions that will end up costing you emotionally. Whatever decisions you come to, you just need to exhibit real enthusiasm, and show by your attitude and your actions that you mean business, even if you are not so certain within.
- PISCES** *Lucky Number: 27*  
A trine between the Sun and Pluto may give you the feeling that you are being pushed by circumstances and events to make a drastic decision. This is where you need to put a halt to imaginary fears and just take the plunge. The cosmos is providing you with more courage and determination.

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# Exizian and Schmidt combine for no-no against Panthers

By HARRY REAMS

Reporter

The Tampa Spartans swept the Florida Tech Panthers in heroic fashion this past weekend after facing a rainout in the anticipated series against the Rollins Tars.

## Tampa 5 Florida Tech 1

Tampa scored a five-run second en route to an amazing victory. Christ Exizian pitched a six-inning no hitter, but managed to allow one unearned run in the fourth inning. Holly Schmidt came in relief to seal the no-hitter

as she pitched a hitless seventh inning.

Megan Towne led the Spartan attack going 1-1 with a run scored and an RBI.

## Tampa 1 Florida Tech 0

Tampa scored the game's only run behind a solo home run by Kristen Abbott the first. Laci Tiarks pitched a one-hitter to improve to 10-9 on the year. "General" Custer pitched a spectacular game for the Panthers in the loss as she scattered eight hits and allowed one run in a complete seven-inning game. Custer is now 14-5 on the season.

## This Week in Spartan Softball

By BECKIE LOISELLE

SID

**Last Week-** The University of Tampa (21-12, 8-4 in SSC) continued its battle for Sunshine State Conference leadership as the Spartans were expected to play two teams in the South Region. Saturday, March 31, Tampa was scheduled to play the Rollins College Tars (20-10, 2-8), but the game was postponed due to a rain out. A make up game is scheduled for April 28, when Rollins travels to Tampa. The teams will play a triple-header to make up for the lost game. Sunday, April 1, Tampa swept the Florida Institute of Technology Panthers (22-12-1, 3-10-1) with scores of 1-0 and 5-1.

**This Week-** The Spartans are on the road this week when they travel to Boca Raton to take on Lynn University (25-7, 8-4) on April 7, and on April 8 they travel to Miami Shores, Fla. to face the Barry University Buccaneers (21-14, 8-6).

**First is Always the Best-** Freshman outfielder Kristin Abbott had the honor of having the game-winning hit of game one versus Florida Tech. Not only was it the first hit of the game, it was a homerun! Being the first recorded college homerun for Abbott, it was also the only run scored in the game, which enabled Tampa to win 1-0.

**Tiarks Fires Another Gem-** Senior pitcher Laci Tiarks pitched a complete game against Florida Tech and allowed just one hit, with strikeouts and no walks. This allowed Tampa to win 1-0.

**Extemporary-** Junior pitcher Christy Exizian posted a 9-1 record in March, including a no-hitter against Northwood and seven complete games. She is 5-0 against SSC teams.

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# The Spartans' year-in-Review

By TOM KOLBE

Reporter

**SEASON RECAP:** Tampa enjoyed one of the most successful seasons in the history of the program as the Spartans won the NCAA South Regional for the first time in school history and advanced to the NCAA Elite Eight for the first time. The Spartans traveled to Bakersfield, Cal., and defeated top-ranked Adelphi in the quarterfinals of the Elite Eight by a score of 82-68 and then fell to second-ranked Kentucky Wesleyan 85-84 in overtime. Kentucky Wesleyan defeated Washburn to win its seventh national championship, as the Spartans were one game from the final game. Tampa finished the season with a 25-7 record.

**NCAA FINAL FOUR:** The Spartans' bid to defeat the top two teams in the nation in consecutive days came up one point short as Tampa fell to Kentucky Wesleyan 85-84 in overtime. After trailing most of the game by as many as 14 points, Tampa came back to take the lead with under nine minutes remaining where they held the lead until just under the one minute mark. Tampa trailed by two with five-seconds remaining when Jon Brown was fouled. Brown went to the free-throw line where he made both free-throw shots to send the game into overtime. Brown scored the first five Tampa points in overtime as the Spartans held the lead for the majority of the overtime period.

Tampa led 83-81 when Kentucky Wesleyan scored and stole a Sylvere Bryan pass intended for Elijah Piazza. Piazza was then charged with an intentional flagrant foul and was ejected with teammate Leonard Kelly, who came off the Spartan bench when a group of Kentucky Wesleyan players confronted Piazza. Kentucky Wesleyan scored four points off the fiasco, and a Gecarri Freeman three-pointer with two-seconds remaining was not enough for the Spartans. Sylvere Bryan led Tampa with 19 points and 13 rebounds.

**NCAA ELITE EIGHT:** Tampa came up with one of the biggest victories in its history as they knocked off number one ranked Adelphi, who was 31-0 and the only team of 992 total NCAA teams to be undefeated. The Spartans 82-68 victory ended the career of Division II Player-of-the-Year Ryan McCormack, who led Adelphi with 22 points. Elijah Piazza led Tampa with 19 points and seven rebounds off the bench. He enjoyed his hot streak after being named the South Regional MVP. James Mereus scored 17 points and grabbed nine rebounds for the Spartans.

**ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAM:** Sylvere Bryan was named to the all-tournament team for his play in the two games in Bakersfield. Bryan scored 12 points and grabbed five rebounds while blocking one shot against Adelphi. He then scored 23 points and recorded 14 rebounds, five offensive, and five blocks against Kentucky Wesleyan. Bryan also made 8-10 field goals and was a perfect 4-4 on three-pointers.

**NCAA SOUTH REGION FINAL:** Tampa advanced to the Elite Eight for the first time in school history as the Spartans defeated Henderson State (22-10) 60-51. As the number three seed, Tampa came back from a 10-point deficit as the Spartans trailed 10-0 to the fifth seed to begin the game. With just over nine minutes remaining, Tampa took

the lead and held it for the rest of the game. Jon Brown led Tampa with a game-high 21 points. Elijah Piazza came off the bench to score 14 points and grab six rebounds.

**NCAA SECOND ROUND:** The Spartans earned the right to play for the NCAA South Region finals as they defeated Eckerd (22-8) 67-56. Tampa defeated the Tritons after losing in two previous attempts during the regular season. Tampa was led by Jon Brown, who scored a team-high 18 points. Brown also added four rebounds and three assists. James Mereus, Gecarri Freeman and Elijah Piazza all added 11 points for Tampa as Freeman led the team with eight rebounds.

**NCAA FIRST ROUND:** Tampa opened NCAA II South Region play with a first round 83-68 victory over SIAC Tourney champions Kentucky State (16-13). The Spartans got 19 points, 13 rebounds and five blocks from 6-10 junior center Sylvere Bryan, along with 18 points and seven boards from 6-4 junior forward Gecarri Freeman.

Tampa dominated the boards, outrebounding KSU 49-29, totaling eight blocks and outshot their opponents 46-36 percent from the field. UT led 43-34 at the half, saw a 13-point second half lead of 57-44 dwindle to 65-62, and then led by as many as 18 points, 83-65, just prior to the end.

**ALL-SOUTH REGIONAL TEAM:** Tampa's Gecarri Freeman and Jon Brown were part of the South Region all-Tournament team, along with Henderson State's Brian Woodland and Niki Arinze. Elijah Piazza was named the tournament MVP as he scored 11 points against Kentucky State and Eckerd followed by 14 against Henderson State. Piazza came off the bench in every game as he played a career high 33 minutes against Eckerd.

**TAMPA'S NCAA HISTORY:** This was Tampa's 13th appearance in the NCAA Tourney in 18 years of basketball since Coach Richard Schmidt resurrected the program after a 13-year hiatus. Tampa's four victories in this year's tournament gives the Spartans a 15-14 ledger in NCAA Tourney games.

The Spartans have now advanced to the South Region championship game eight times. This marks the first time they advanced to the NCAA Elite Eight and Final Four in the history of the program. Last year, Tampa lost to Florida Southern 67-53 in the South Region Championship in Lakeland, Fla., as they finished the season 24-5.

## THE STARTERS

G Chuckie Powell (6-0, 175, Sr., Tampa, Fla., 5.1 ppg, 4.4 apg)  
G Jon Brown (6-1, 190, Jr., Belle Glade, Fla., 10.9 ppg, 3.0 rpg)  
F Gecarri Freeman (6-4, 210, Jr., Titusville, Fla., 12.9 ppg, 4.7 rpg)  
F James Mereus (6-8, 210, So., Fort Pierce, Fla., 10.6 ppg, 5.7 rpg)  
C Sylvere Bryan (6-10, 230, Jr., Portsmouth, Dominica, 10.8 ppg, 7.2 rpg)

## THE RESERVES

F/G Jason Amos (6-4, 190, Fr., Stratford, Ct., 0.8 ppg, 0.8 rpg)  
F Will Gregory (6-4, 215, Jr., Willimantic, Ct., 0.5 ppg, 0.9 rpg)  
G/F Peter Howard (6-4, 190, Jr., Lexington, Ky., 5.1 ppg, 2.2 rpg)  
G Joe Jackson (6-0, 195, Sr.,

Tampa, Fla., 1.1 ppg, 0.5 rpg)  
G Leonard Kelly (6-0, 170, Jr., Titusville, Fla., 3.6 ppg, 1.3 apg)  
G Jon Norris (6-1, 190, Fr., St. Louis, Mo., 2.3 ppg, 1.0 rpg)  
F Elijah Piazza (6-6, 225, Jr., Tampa, Fla., 9.4 ppg, 5.2 rpg)  
G Earnest Williams (6-3, 180, Fr., Fort Pierce, Fla., 3.0, 1.7)

**RANKINGS:** Tampa was unranked in the final NABC poll after opening the season as the number 12 team in that poll and has been ranked as high as number seven, a spot it held for one week after holding the number nine ranking for two weeks. The pre-season pick to win the Sunshine State Conference, the Spartans were ranked No. 1 in the South Region for several weeks before a first-round upset in the SSC Tourney and held a number two ranking in the final South region poll and a number three South region Tournament ranking.

**STREAKS:** Tampa's longest winning streak this season was 11 games, four wins short of the school record 15.

## ALWAYS IN THE GAME:

Tampa has been in a position to win every game this season as their seven losses have come by a combined 27 points, an average of 3.9 points for each game they have lost. Tampa's worst defeat this season was a six-point loss, which occurred twice, to Carthage (overtime) and Rollins. Tampa has outscored its opponents this season by an average of 78.5 to 64.5, a 14.0-point margin. In Tampa's 24 victories, the Spartans have won by an average of nearly 19 points a game.

**WHO WILL IT BE:** The hardest thing to predict about this season's squad was which player would step up and be the team's top performer. Several players, including Gecarri Freeman, Jon Brown, Sylvere Bryan, James Mereus and Elijah Piazza, all stepped up at key times and provided the team with a lift when it needed one.

Freeman was the team's leading scorer, while Brown led the team in minutes as he played for most of the game and answered with points and good court knowledge. Nineteen year old Bryan continues to improve, leading the team in rebounding and blocking.

Mereus has the ability to dominate the boards, especially on the offensive as he showcased his immense talent with 17 points against Adelphi and 13 against Kentucky Wesleyan to end the season. Piazza came off the bench to score and rebound for the Spartans in relief of Bryan and Mereus where he developed into one of the nation's best sixth men.

**THE UNKNOWN:** A key contributor of the team this year was senior Chuckie Powell. The captain of the squad led the team in assists (140) and steals (66). His veteran leadership and solid defensive skills have helped Tampa in every game this season.

Powell is also one of four players (Brown, Freeman, Mereus) to score in each of Tampa's 32 games this season. Peter Howard has been used off the bench after starting 27 games last season. Howard is a streaky three-point shooter who is also a fiery competitor with a good work ethic and he expects to step into Powell's role as the team leader next season.

**DELIVERING ON TIME:** Elijah Piazza provided his team with tremendous play in the five games of the NCAA Tournament. Piazza scored a career high 19 points against Adelphi. He grabbed seven rebounds while leading his team to a victory over the nation's number one team. The MVP of the NCAA South Region scored 11 points against Kentucky State and Eckerd, followed by 14 against

Henderson State while coming off the bench. Piazza has thrived this season as a sixth man by scoring in 31 of the team's 32 games. Piazza averaged 13.0 ppg and 6.7 rpg in the Regional as he was also named the SSC Player-of-the-Week on March 12 for his NCAA South Regional play. He has registered double figures in 16 games this season.

**PLAYER NOTES:** Senior guard Chuckie Powell is fifth on the school season assists chart at 135. Powell has 341 career assists.

Sylvere Bryan has 193 career blocks with a chance next year to surpass Nate Johnston's 14-year old record of 230 (1983-87). Bryan has recorded six double-doubles this season as his most recent came against Kentucky State on March 8. He has blocked at least one shot in the past nine games and in 25 of 30 games this season.

Gecarri Freeman has scored in double figures in 20 games this season as he has failed to go two consecutive games without scoring double figures. He has also surpassed 20 points six times this season, including a career high 29 twice.

**HONORS:** Sylvere Bryan and Gecarri Freeman were named first-team all-Sunshine State Conference while Bryan was the league's player-of-the-month in February. Bryan was also named SSC Player-of-the-Week for the week leading up to the SSC Tournament. This is the first all-SSC honor for both players. Bryan was a member of the SSC all-Freshman team two years ago.

**TEAM LEADERS:** Tampa's team leaders for the 2000-01 in specific categories include: James Mereus, .541 (124-229) field goal percentage; Sylvere Bryan, .421 (24-57) three-point percentage, 230 rebounds, 7.2 rpg, 76 offensive rebounds, 154 defensive rebounds, 71 blocked shots, 2.2 bpg; Elijah Piazza, .734 (102-139) free-throw percentage; Gecarri Freeman, 413 points, 12.9 ppg, 49 three pointers made; Chuckie Powell, 140 assists, 4.4 apg, 66 steals, 2.1 spg; Jon Brown, 991 minutes, 31.0 minutes per game.

**WHITE OUT:** Senior starting forward Percy White was declared academically ineligible prior to the beginning of the second semester. White was leading the team in scoring (14.5) and rebounding (7.4). He started the first 12 games for the Spartans this season after starting 27 of 29 games last season and being a first-team all-SSC selection. White accompanied the team to Bakersfield, Cal., and remains in school as he is still pursuing a degree.

**SIGNIFICANT NON-CONFERENCE VICTORY:** Tampa defeated then ninth-ranked Salem International 97-75 on Nov. 25 as Salem International to the NCAA East Region Final before falling to Queens (N.C.) 81-67. Salem International was the only NCAA qualifier on Tampa's schedule this season outside the South Region.

**BRIGHT SPOT:** An unexpected, yet pleasant surprise in the previous two games of the season came from junior point guard Leonard Kelly.

The reserve point guard provided some big shots in both games as he scored seven points on 3-3 shooting against Adelphi. During an Adelphi run in the second half, Kelly hit a three-pointer to spark a Tampa streak. Against Kentucky Wesleyan, Kelly played 24 minutes and scored nine points and recorded three assists while making 2-4 field goals, including 2-3 on three-point-

ers. Kelly also made 3-4 free-throws. With the departure of starting point guard Chuckie Powell, Kelly may now have the inside track on the starting point guard spot for next season.

**LOOKING FORWARD:** With the 2000-01 season in the books, Tampa is now looking forward to next season. With four of five starters returning, Tampa's three junior starters will be intact for the third consecutive season in the starting lineup as Tampa has lost one starter in the past two seasons.

Gecarri Freeman, Jon Brown, and Sylvere Bryan all expect a great season, as all three have the potential to dominate. James Mereus could enjoy a breakout season, as he continues to develop into a player who will eventually dominate.

Elijah Piazza will be counted on to be a big-name player off the bench once again as he could put up big numbers as the sixth man once again. Leonard Kelly, Earnest Williams and Jon Norris will all challenge for the opening spot in the starting lineup as Kelly is the most polished of the three.

Norris looks to improve his ball-handling skills and offense as Williams shows immense talent and is filled with potential. Williams could enjoy a huge season next year. Peter Howard will be back for his senior season and will be counted on to score and provide leadership. He could also sneak into the starting lineup or be successful off the bench as he did this season.

**IN AND OUT:** With the departures of seniors Chuckie Powell and Joe Jackson along with Percy White, Tampa will attempt to fill the void of those leaving with a premier point guard and big man. Powell was a mainstay for four seasons with the Spartans, while Jackson was a good mentor to the other players by answering off the bench whenever he was called upon.

Tampa's biggest need, however, will be a replacement for the spot formerly held by White. After White's departure, Tampa was extremely thin in the post, especially when Sylvere Bryan and James Mereus got into foul trouble. While Elijah Piazza and Will Gregory filled the void quite well off the bench, a top big man will be a welcome addition.

**GAINING EXPERIENCE:** After showing some reluctance to play Jon Norris and Will Gregory early in the season, Schmidt gave the two newcomers some time on the floor. Norris came through as one of the team's top defenders that was used to stop the opponent's top guard. Norris was a key situation player at the end of close games for the Spartans.

Gregory stepped up as a reserve post player when he was called upon to spell Sylvere Bryan or James Mereus. Both added solid depth, and produced when the regulars came out of the game.

**RECORD BREAKDOWN:** Here is a look at how Tampa fared in specific situations this season, while finishing 25-7 overall. Tampa was also: 10-4 in Sunshine State Conference play, 4-3 at home in SSC play, 6-1 away in SSC play, 15-3 non-conference, 11-4 at home, 7-1 away, 7-2 at neutral sites, 3-1 against ranked teams, 4-1 in the NCAA Tournament, 0-1 in the SSC Tournament, 7-1 in non-conference home games, 1-0 in non-conference away games, 7-2 in non-conference neutral games.

# Spartans SWAT Panthers; shoot down pair of Eagles

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out seven for the Spartans.

Peterson led FIT as he was 2-3 with a run scored. D'Esposito fell to 4-4 on the year for the Panthers as he gave up seven runs (two earned) in the loss.

## Tampa 14 Florida Tech 5

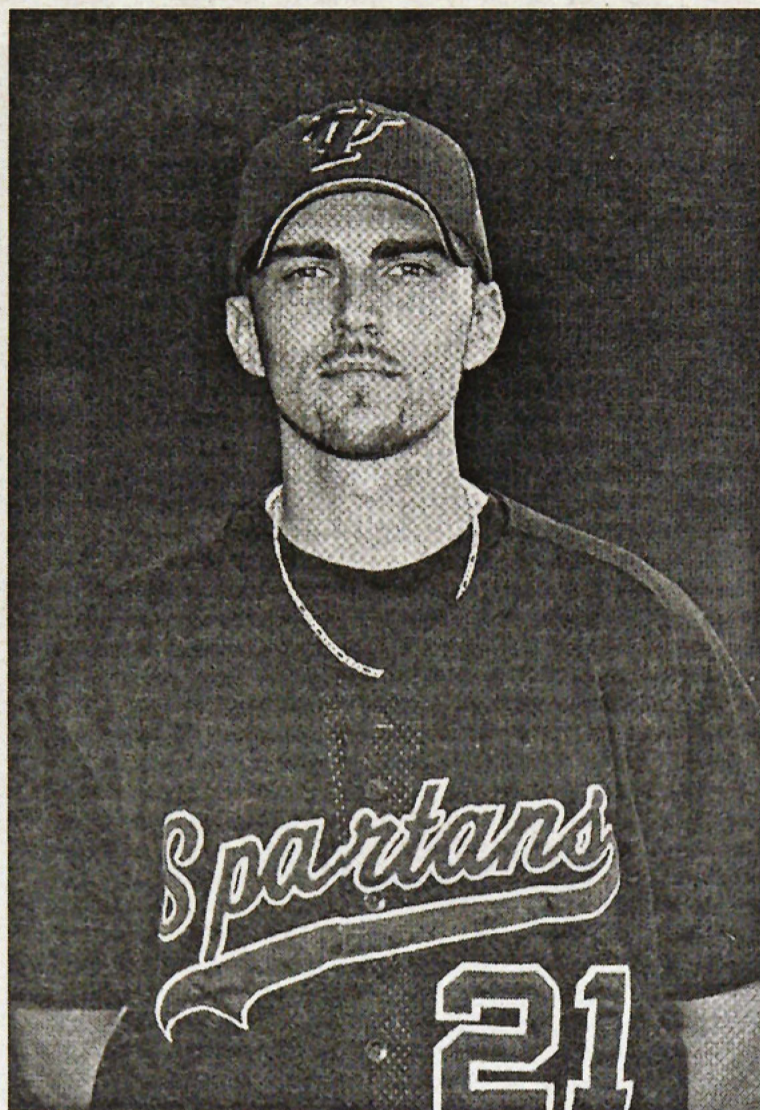
The Spartan bats came out swinging fiercer than Ike Turners fists, as they assaulted the Panthers with six runs in the first inning.

Kenny "The Kid" White led off with a walk, but soon advanced to third on a Cruz blast down the leftfield line that landed in for a single. Thomas Carrow then stepped to the plate in Ruthian fashion as he sent a shot to the leftfield sky for a three-run homerun.

Mike Rabelo then followed up with a double and Neal Maybin reached base on an error by the second baseman that allowed Rabelo to score. Maybin then stole second base and advanced to third on a groundout hit by Adam Bragg. Jason Chehova capped off the six-run inning as he singled home Maybin.

Tampa added another run in the top of the third on a sacrifice fly by Jason Chehova that scored Bragg, but the Panthers countered in the bottom of the inning to score their first run of the game. Peterson hit a one-out triple and then scored on a groundout by Richardson to bring the score to 7-1.

Tampa then outscored the Panthers 6-2 in the next three innings to gain an incredible 12-3 lead. With one out, Jachimczyk walked, and Carow singled. Both runners were placed into scoring position on an errant pitch. Rabelo followed up with an RBI groundout. Maybin completed the fourth inning attack with an RBI single to centerfield.



Mike Sullivan remains undefeated for the Spartans as he improved to 5-0 on the season.

Both teams scored in the fifth inning. The Spartans' Bragg scored on a fielder's choice by White. The Panthers two runs came on a two-run single by Staples.

Tampa's three-run sixth inning

consisted of runs produced by an towering three-run homerun over the rightfield fence by Bragg that scored Rabelo and Carrow.

Tampa added another run in the eighth and Tech added two more to

close-out the game.

Carrow, Rabelo and Cruz all led the Spartans into victorious battle. Carrow was 3-6 with three runs, three RBI's and a homerun. Rabelo was 3-4 with two runs, a double and an RBI, and Cruz was 3-6 with a run and a stolen base in the victory. Charlie Manning earned his sixth win of the season as he pitched six innings and struck out nine batters.

Tellado led the Panthers as he was 3-4 with two RBI's, a double and a triple. Withers withered to 3-6 on the season with the loss for FIT. Withers gave up 14 hits and 13 runs in just six innings.

## Tampa 4 Felician 0

Mike Sullivan improved to 5-0 for the Spartans as he struck out four Golden Eagles and scattered two hits in 6 1/3 innings.

Tampa led off the bottom of the first inning with two runs. Kenny "Snow" White led off with a walk and was soon put on the hot corner behind a single by Matt Smith. Thomas Carrow singled home White, and with two outs Neal "The Real Deal" Maybin singled home Smith to take a 2-0 lead.

The Spartans added a run in the third and the seventh to complete the shutout.

Carrow led the Spartans as he went 3-4 with a double, run scored and an RBI. Jason Chehova also played well with his fleet feet. Chehova was 2-4 with stolen bases in the winning effort.

Kreischer picked up the loss for the NAIA Felician College. He allowed eight hits and three runs in six innings. Felician fell to 4-8 on the season.

## Tampa 5 Embry-Riddle 4

Tampa etched out a close vic-

tory over the Eagles in a come-from-behind-win.

The Spartans scored a quick two runs in the top of the first inning, but Embry-Riddle scored a run in the bottom of the inning to keep it close. Mike Rabelo allowed Angel Cruz and Carrow to score as he hit a scorcher o the shortstop that was unable to handle the ball. The Eagles scored behind a single from J. Smith that allowed Hannah to score.

Down 2-1, the Eagles had a productive three-run sixth inning to take a 4-1 lead. With one out, Hannah was hit by a pitch and Hagestad reached on an error. J. Smith singled to load the bases, and A. Smith followed up with a huge two-run single to take a 3-2 lead. D. D'Antonio then scored on an error by the Spartans to finish the game with a 4-2 lead.

Tampa then scored in the top of the seventh inning on an RBI double by Kenny White, and then scored again in the eighth to tie the game on a wild pitch. With the score tied 4-4, Jason Chehova scored on a passed ball for the eventual game-winning run.

Cruz led the Spartans going 2-5 with two runs, and Kenny White recorded the only RBI in the win. Adrian Goas improved to 4-0 as he picked up the win by pitching one inning of relief. Kris Sutton earned his 11th save of the year as he struck out two gave up no runs in a perfect ninth inning appearance.

J. Smith and Jones each had two hits for the Eagles, while A. Smith led the squad with two RBI's in the defeat. Hawkins fell to 4-2 on the season as he blew a save opportunity for the Eagles as he gave up two runs in two innings of work.

## This Week in Baseball

By MARK JOHNSON

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**This Week:** The Spartans will do battle with Warner Southern at home on Tuesday at 7:00. Tampa is 6-2 against Warner Southern all-time. Last year the Spartans lost 6-3 at home. On Friday, Tampa visits Eckerd College for a 7 pm game and on Saturday Eckerd comes to town for a 2 pm double-header. The Spartans hold a 50-25 record against the Tritons all-time and last year Tampa swept Eckerd in the three game conference series.

**Last Week:** Tampa won all four games against Embry-Riddle, Felician College (NJ) and two games at Florida Tech. At Embry-Riddle, Tampa battled back from two runs down to win 5-4. The Spartans scored one run in the seventh, eighth and ninth innings. On Wednesday, against Felician College, Mike Sullivan led the Spartans in a 4-0 victory. Sullivan pitched six innings of no-hit baseball before surrendering a hit in the seventh. Rain delays caused an early Sullivan exit and the bullpen had to shut the door. Tampa was in SSC action on Friday against Florida Tech. The Spartans blasted them 14-5. The Spartans first six batters of the game scored. Charlie Manning struck out nine batters in six innings and picked up his sixth win of the year. Joey Watts won his fifth of the year on Saturday in a 7-2 win. He pitched five innings and struck out seven batters and allowed one earned run. Tom Carrow was 3-4 with a double, run and RBI to lead the Spartan offense. The second game of the doubleheader was halted in the fourth inning. Tampa was leading 1-0 behind the strong pitching of Sam Figueroa. The game has yet to be rescheduled.

**It's a Numbers Game:** Tom Carrow leads the team in hitting with a .455 average, slugging percentage with .788, on-base percentage with .486 and homeruns with five. He has 28 runs, 14 doubles and 27 RBI's. Matt Smith leads the team in RBI's with 32 and is second in hitting at .404. Kenny White leads the team in stolen bases with 11 and runs with 39. Charlie Manning leads the team in wins (6), innings (49.2) and strikeouts (49). Joey Watts is tied with Manning with 49.2 innings and leads the team with a 1.81 ERA. Kris Sutton has tied the school's record with saves (11) and owns the school's career record (17). David Muley has moved up to fourth place in the school's all-time appearance list. He now has 69 appearances in four years. The record is 80 set by Steve White in 1992. Dave has 14 appearances this season.

## JV baseball team ends strong season

By MARK JOHNSON

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*Editor's note: Raquel Pittiglio also contributed to this article.*

The junior varsity baseball team has ended their season at 11-13. That is their most wins in the last five years. The team beat powerhouse Saint Petersburg Junior College and Hillsborough Community College.

They split with Stetson University's junior varsity team. Lincoln Land Community College visited Tampa and also split with them in a double header. Lincoln Land won the Division II Junior College World Series last season.

The Spartans also won three out of four from conference rival Florida Southern and split with Eckerd.

The team saw freshman pitcher Josh Weis move up to varsity and win his first start. Weis finished the season at a 4-1 record with a 2.45 ERA. He appeared in eight games and pitched 38.1 innings. Weis pitched a complete game against Penn State-Beaver in a 4-3 win. The offensive star was freshman outfielder Mike Pellicci. Pellicci hit .410 with 25 runs scored and three doubles and a triple.

"We proved ourselves this year on the field; we are not a team to be taken lightly. We all would have liked more people to come out and support us this past season," states Pellicci.

He knocked in 16 runs and had an on-base percentage of .505. Mike also stole 24 bases on 26 attempts. Other highlights include Chris Rucci leading the team with 20 RBI's and second in hitting at .360. Jimmy Wilkinson pitching a complete game against St. Mary's College, an NAIA team, in a 6-2 victory.

Coach Shone says, "This team won some big time games against big time opponents this year and I am really proud of them. We had a number of guys step up through out the year. We look forward to having many of these athletes back for next season and hopefully a few more can move up to the varsity level."

## WUTV-23 Movies Showing April 9 - 15

**Thursday 12**  
12:00 a.m. - Dude, Where's My Car?  
2:30 a.m. - Magnolia  
6:00 a.m. - Twin Falls Idaho  
2:00 p.m. - Life Is Beautiful  
5:00 p.m. - Snow Falling On Cedars  
7:30 p.m. - Men Of Honor  
10:00 p.m. - St. Francisville Experiment

**Monday 9**  
12:00 a.m. - Dude, Where's My Car?  
2:30 a.m. - Magnolia  
6:00 a.m. - Twin Falls Idaho  
2:00 p.m. - Life Is Beautiful  
5:00 p.m. - Snow Falling On Cedars  
7:30 p.m. - Men Of Honor  
10:00 p.m. - St. Francisville Experiment

**Friday 13**  
12:00 a.m. - Twin Falls Idaho  
3:00 a.m. - Life Is Beautiful  
6:00 a.m. - Snow Falling On Cedars  
2:00 p.m. - Men Of Honor  
5:00 p.m. - St. Francisville Experiment  
7:00 p.m. - Dude, Where's My Car  
8:45 p.m. - Magnolia

**Tuesday 10**  
12:00 a.m. - Twin Falls Idaho  
3:00 a.m. - Life Is Beautiful  
6:00 a.m. - Snow Falling On Cedars  
2:00 p.m. - Men Of Honor  
5:00 p.m. - St. Francisville Experiment  
7:00 p.m. - Dude, Where's My Car  
8:45 p.m. - Magnolia

**Saturday 14**  
12 a.m. - Walk In The Clouds  
3 a.m. - U571  
6 a.m. - Drive Me Crazy  
9:00 a.m. - Men Of Honor  
5:00 p.m. - St. Francisville Experiment  
7:00 p.m. - Dude, Where's My Car  
8:45 p.m. - Magnolia

**Wednesday 11**  
12:00 a.m. - Men Of Honor  
3:00 a.m. - St. Francisville Experiment  
6:00 a.m. - Dude, Where's My Car  
2:00 p.m. - Magnolia  
5:30 p.m. - Twin Falls Idaho  
7:30 p.m. - Life Is Beautiful  
9:30 - Snow Falling On Cedars

**Sunday 15**  
12:00 a.m. - Men Of Honor  
3:00 a.m. - St. Francisville Experiment  
6:00 a.m. - Dude, Where's My Car  
2:00 p.m. - Magnolia  
5:30 p.m. - Twin Falls Idaho  
7:30 p.m. - Life Is Beautiful  
9:30 - Snow Falling On Cedars

# Carrow and company still #1



Thomas Carrow wins Sunshine State Conference Player-of-the-Month as the Spartans remain atop the nation's Division II polls.

--Jody Link

By DAVE MACE

Sports Editor

## Tampa 7 Florida Tech 2

Tampa completed yet another sweep as they defeated Florida Tech in a weekend stint.

The Panthers jumped out to a 2-0 lead in the second inning. With two outs Spearman walked and later scored behind singles by Richardson and Peterson. Peterson

then scored on an error by Angel Cruz.

The Spartans would soon take a 3-2 lead in the fourth inning. Bragg led off the inning with a single to centerfield and then, with the grace of gazelle, he stole second base. Cruz then followed up with a single to put two men on for Thomas Carrow. Carrow doubled home Bragg for the Spartans' first run of the game. Mike Rabelo then reached

base on an error by the Panther's firstbaseman allowing both Cruz and Carrow to score.

Neal Maybin took a hard one that would cause the mightiest of the mighty to cringe as he was nailed by a pitch, as once again two more were aborad for the Spartans. Burreuzo grounded into a double play in the following at bat, but it did allow Rabelo to advance third base. Rabelo's advancement was all

for naught as Jachimczyk struck out to end the inning.

The Spartans continued their attack by in more of a relaxed fashion as they scored a run in each of the next two innings. Kenny White scored on a groundout RBI by Adam Bragg in the fifth inning, and Carrow scored in the sixth inning behind an RBI single by Rabelo.

Tampa added two more runs in the top of the eighth inning to cap

off a 7-0 run to improve to 30-3 on the season. Florida Tech fell to 12-24 on the year.

The Spartans were led by Carrow who went 3-4 with two runs a double and an RBI, along with Cruz who was 2-5 with two runs in the victory. Joey Watts improved to 5-1 on the season as he gave up one earned run in five innings and struck

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