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SG crowned best in state

By AMY J. VANDAWALKER
Assistant News Editor

Florida Leader magazine released its Best of Florida Schools 1997 issue this month and the University of Tampa slicked its pages with the award for Best Student Government in a Private University.

According to Bob Ruday, dean of students, this is the first time that the members of SG have submitted their application to the Florida Leader's panel.

"In the past, many other executive boards talked about turning in the application, but this is the first time that I can remember them actually submitted the application."

"Winning this recognition has been a personal goal of mine all year long," said Amin, SG president.

Amin attributes SG's success to a variety of accomplishments. These achievements, highlighted in Florida Leader, include collecting an extra \$24,000 in student fees not allocated in their projected budget; Speak OUT, a forum for students to voice their concerns and problems; high attendance at meetings;



Shannon Whitaker — The Minaret

General Assembly packs Lecture Hall 1 every Wednesday to share new information.

the unity within the organization; and the good relationship that is maintained with the administration.

Vice President Dave Virgilio added, "SG doesn't just work as an appropriation board, it helps

contribute to all aspects of campus life." According to Virgilio, the trust between executive board members allows the group to work together in an efficient manner.

"This award shows that SG

has put a lot of work into the year," said Waylett.

She hopes SG's successes will provide other organizations with some incentive to make a difference. "This is a step in the right direction and I hope people will fol-

low our lead. This campus still needs changes and hopefully people will care enough to make them," said Waylett.

Right now, SG members are concentrating on the upcoming elections. However, Amin, Virgilio and Waylett all agree in one major goal left for the spring: to amend the Alert Cab program.

To revise the program, members of SG are talking to the University of South Florida and Lynn University to get ideas for improvements. SG wants to change the program so that instead of using a cab company to transport students, a university owned van will be used.

"We'd like to finalize the program in such a way that students will no longer feel intimidated to use it," said Virgilio.

The new Alert Cab program will need a lot of funds to get started, so the executive board is searching for ways to raise funding.

Besides the finalization of the Alert Cab program, Amin said. "Most of the things we've wanted to do, we've accomplished."

Lamps ignite safety concerns

By COLLEGE PRESS
SERVICE

Brown University wants students' halogen lamps out of dormitory rooms so much it's willing to pay. The university is offering students \$10 to turn in their lamps, said Tracie Sweeney, a Brown University spokesperson.

"Better to get 10 bucks for it than have it confiscated," said Sweeney.

That's because the popular lamp has been linked to a number of recent fires. Unlike regular bulbs, the halogen light burns at an intensely hot temperature.

"The tops are uncovered. It takes only seconds for a piece of paper, a bug—anything flammable—to catch fire," said Sweeney. "It poses a danger."

After halogen lamps were linked to two campus fires, Brown University banned students from keeping them in the dormitories. Halogen lamps also have been banned at Yale University and Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. A number of

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Garage construction to slash parking availability next fall

By SUSAN W. HUDMON
Opinion Editor

Over the past two years, increased enrollment at the University has resulted in a lack of on-campus parking for students. The topic of parking has been discussed at nearly every open forum, including the Student Government sponsored Speak Out, and the commuters' talk with the President.

With the demolition of the Krusen Building over winter break, and the new 70 spaces for students, the angry students have been quieted, but not quite silenced.

Although commuters are generally assumed to be the most in need of parking, the upcoming garage construction is likely to have repercussions felt all over campus.

According to Randy O'Kelley, construction manager, this summer, after the majority of students have left campus, construction is set to begin on a two phase project that will place a parking garage between Rescom and University West.

Based on a conceptual design by the Tampa-based firm of Robbins, Bell and Kreher, the parking garage is likely to have four, or possibly, five levels. The first phase of the project, not scheduled for completion before the fall semester, will eventually provide 500 new parking spaces



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Next fall instead of cars, cranes and jack hammers will fill the lot between ResCom and University West. Construction for the new parking garage begins this summer.

for students.

According to Paul Barry, director of facilities, the parking garage will be finished by the start of the 1998 Spring Semester. This may cause inconvenience to the residents of University West and ResCom for only the back entrances and side entrance to ResCom will be available for use. The construction will also block

one entrance to University West and the lot will close during the fall semester.

Many residents of these buildings are worried that the construction may cause problems like those with the building of the new residence hall, such as the flooding of the street in front of Howell and the loss of water just before Spring Break.

Some students, while happy that more spaces will be available, are afraid of what this garage will do to the look of the campus.

"You have to trade one for the other," said Kasey Molina, sophomore. "It will probably detract from the beauty of the campus, but people always complain about the parking."

Student Government: back on top of things

EDITORIAL

Student Government finally pulled its threads together. Winning the *Florida Leader's* Student Government of the Year award is not just an honor for our representatives, but a symbol of resurrection.

The accomplishments that earned them recognition would not have been possible for SG three years ago. Past executive boards spent too much time dealing with resignations, impeachments and controversy to get things done. With four presidents between 1993 and spring 1995, they changed hands more often than a fast food restaurant.

Fortunately now, SG operates more like a official body than a dysfunctional family. They give students a voice through events like Speak Out. They gave students power by fighting for the \$24,000 in student fees not allocated to them.

They created allies by strengthening communication lines between students, Trustees and Fellows. Because of SG, every month a Trustee actually eats lunch with students in the cafeteria — to listen.

Ongoing projects, though not finalized, include establishing a Safe and Sober ride on campus and upgrading the MacLab. And this year, seniors will vote on the senior gift. These elected officials don't just keep seats warm at meetings; they pound the pavement for their peers.

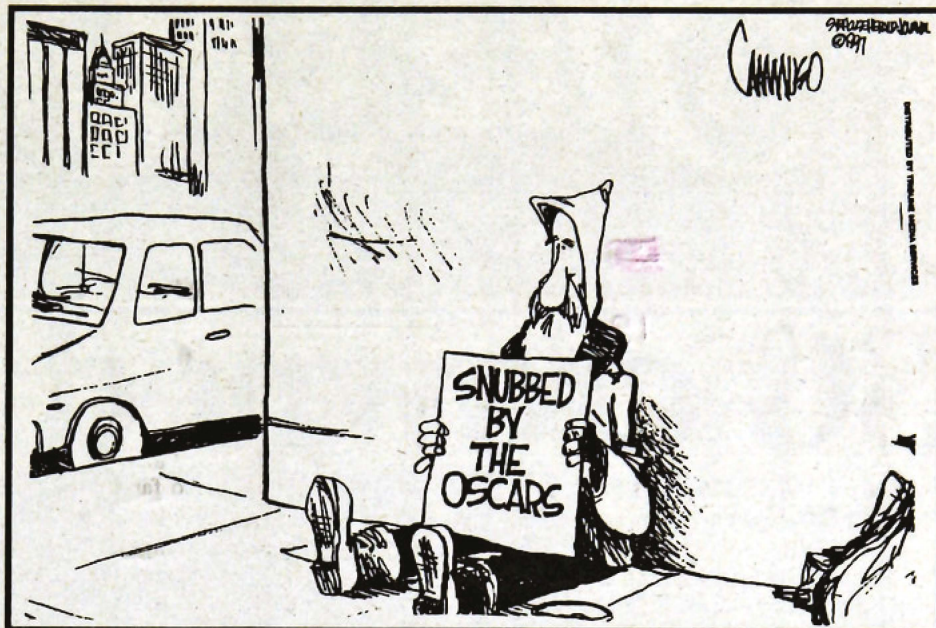
It looks as if the student body also approves of their hard work and respects their reputation, because five out of the eight candidates running for Student Government run uncontested. Three of those five, Dave Virgilio, Dan Cuneo and Iggy Hernandez, have at least one year of executive board under their belts.

Since no one stepped up to the plate, does this mean our student body feels these incumbents are doing a good job? Or, does the lack of candidates relate back to the University of Tampa's broken record — most students love to talk the talk but not walk the walk.

So if fall 1997 rolls around, and the campus is unsatisfied with our representatives, we better remember the choices were slim and stick our own necks out next time. And, taking a chance does not always necessarily mean running yourself, only that you are looking for and encouraging potential candidates.

Of course, the race is on for SG Secretary with two candidates and Senior Class Senator with three candidates. So, every one should still be at the voting booths this week and should arrive well informed.

Read the candidate profiles. Approach candidates. Consult your friends and neighbors about your options. And if a candidate running alone doesn't appeal to you, ask to abstain your vote. In some way, we must participate in Student Government — it's our money, it's our campus and it's our voices at stake.



Same-sex marriages should be recognized

COLUMN

The current controversy over same-sex marriages is about more than homosexuality. It is also about civil rights and the treatment of gays and lesbians as second-class citizens.



By
JASON
KREITZER

Throughout this country's history, one group or another has always been singled out for oppression. African-Americans, women, religious minorities and Native Americans have all played this role, sometimes

at the same time. The violation of the rights of gay and lesbian American citizens is unconstitutional and should be opposed.

The Declaration of Independence and the United States Constitution hold that adult American citizens have the right to live their lives as they choose so long as they do not infringe on the rights of others to do the same. Gays and lesbians who live in the United States are full citizens whose rights are trampled on in the name of a phony political agenda.

The religious right's campaign against gays and lesbians runs against notions of American freedom, history and common sense. Those who call homosexuals immoral because of what is written in the Bible mistakenly view American law as rooted in religion. In truth, Washington, Jefferson, Madison, Thomas Paine and other founding fathers were cynical about religion and sought to keep church and state as separate as possible. The First Amendment's opening statements about "establishment of religion" meant that the government was not religious and can not establish a compulsory state religion.

When right-wingers talk about marriage as the "holy union between one man and one woman," it is another dumb, unin-

formed rejection of separation of church and state and individual liberty. It is also hypocritical, when you consider how many, such as U.S. House Speaker Newt Gingrich, Representative Dick Armey (R-TX), former Senator Bob Dole and Senator Phil Gramm (R-TX), have all been married more than once.

In a similar vein, it is phony and illogical to talk about gay rights and gays in general as being somehow antithetical to "family values." Pat Robertson's statement about how the Equal Rights Amendment would cause women to "kill their children, leave their families... and become lesbians" combines both elements, being both unfactual nonsense and hateful garbage. How gays and lesbians somehow threaten the stability of families often goes unexplained. This is because those reactionaries who denounce gays refuse to listen to reason, often appealing to hatred and fear. Robertson, Jerry Falwell and Pat Buchanan are all perfect examples.

Even the Democrats, normally assumed to be more sympathetic to gay concerns, have been no help. President Clinton's signing of the despicable "Defense of Marriage Act" was both wrong and grossly hypocritical. If you remember, the first issue Clinton tackled after his inauguration in 1993 was the one of gays in the military.

The deprivation of gay and lesbian United States citizen of full civil rights like their heterosexual neighbors is unconstitutional and should be stopped, on local, state and national levels. It is particularly significant here in Tampa, given the prominence of such bigots as State Senator John Grant and American Family Association leader David Catton.

In order to express your opinions on this issue, contact your state senators and representatives, as well as U.S. Senator Bob Graham, U.S. Senator Connie Mack and U.S. Representative Jim Davis.

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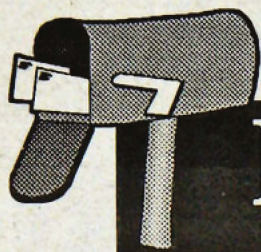
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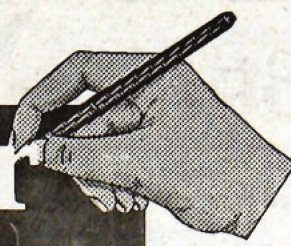
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Letters to the Editor



Modern rebels should protest with their votes

LETTER

Dear Editor:

In the February 28 issue of *The Minaret*, Jason Kreitzer very accurately explained a liberal viewpoint in which he favored a person's right to burn the American flag. I am not writing to discredit Kreitzer. In fact, I thought it was a very well written essay, but my stand on the issue is unfortunately not in agreement with his. Not to say that I am a conservative because this would be false, just as it would be unfair to label Kreitzer as a liberal because of his ideas on this one question. I will say, however, that my views favor a moderation of nearly all issues. Just as no one in the world is purely good or evil no stand on an issue can be completely ideal or completely inaccurate.

Is nothing sacred anymore in America? The same founding fathers who constructed our Constitution were also great patriots who would have died for the country. They considered the nation as an inviolable object, and they had a strong feeling of nationalism because of the struggle they endured to get what they wanted. The patriotic attitude has been replaced in America today with an amount of distrust of American governing abilities, thus the need to burn the flag in protest. If George Washington, Nathaniel Green, Nathan Hale or any of the thousands of revolutionary war soldiers were to burn an American flag, I would protect his right, and have an honest concern as to what had gone wrong with our country that would make such a patriot turn 180 degrees. But when I see such current "rebels" do it, I only wonder why.

I believe that the main instrument towards speaking against our government needs to be something more conventional than a violent revolution. Kreitzer says, "The suppression of ideas leads to tyranny

and chaos." Well, chaos and anarchy also occur when people stray too far from the mechanisms by which a nation was meant to work, and decide to take things into their own hands. The people who waive the right to vote because they don't like the way things are currently working, need to realize that they're not doing much good. If the entire 18-24 block voted for third-parties or independent candidates in protest, you would see a change in the workings of the government. I think that this is something that all of "Generation 2000" can agree would be an improvement, whether we are liberals, conservatives, or entirely uninter-

Will burning a flag make a difference to them?

—Keith McBride

ested and uninvolved.

My whole idea presented here has been that the best way to change government is from the inside. I don't really trust today's career politicians, but I will say that they know what counts, and what counts to them is gaining votes. Will burning a flag make a difference to them? Maybe, if you can say, "I trusted you, voted for you, and you betrayed me, so now I'm protesting the bad job you've done." But with the low percentage of voters in our age group, how many of us can actually say that?

Keith McBride
Freshman

You make the difference

LETTER

Dear Editor:

I would like to take this opportunity to inform all students about the upcoming Student Government elections. Currently, there are seven positions up for re-election. They are: Sophomore Senator, Junior Senator, Senior Senator, Secretary, Treasurer, Vice-President and President. Although the deadline is over to run for an above position, I want to remind students that their vote is needed not only to increase voter numbers, but to overwhelmingly decide which candidate is "right" for the position. In the past, voter turn-out has been embarrassingly low. This year we have more students, many whom are excited about UT; therefore voter turn-out should be much higher.

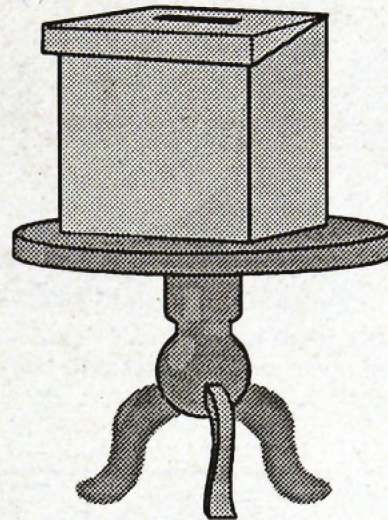
The Student Government Executive Board resolves many issues that most staff and administrative personnel cannot. This year alone, the board has re-gained control of the SG fees, heavily contributed to the newly opened McNiff Fitness Center and has worked to increase technology in the Student Union Macintosh Lab. The

1996-1997 Student Government Executive Board has also been chosen by Florida Student Leader as the best private school Student Government. These are only a few of the many SG accomplishments.

I urge students to place their votes on either Tuesday, March 25 or Wednesday, March 26, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., in Plant Hall lobby. The voting process is the same as in a public election. Students will be casting their votes in booths given to the university by the Hillsborough County Supervisor of Elections Office.

If you should have any questions regarding the elections, you may contact Bascom Bradshaw, Elections Committee Chair at x3768. Remember, when you vote for an SG officer, essentially you are voting a voice for the students. Don't forget to vote!

Dave Virgilio
Vice-president
Student Government



Dance program needs Senior class funds

LETTER

Dear Editor:

I am a senior and writing to urge my fellow 1996-97 senior class members to support the UT Dance Program's request for senior class funds, to be used in the rehabilitation of dance studio "B."

Currently, only one of the two studios available, studio "A," is fully functional. Studio "B," is in dire need of improvements. Once confiscated by the university for use as office space, studio "B" was stripped of its mirrors and its wooden floor was glued and then carpeted over. This year alone, the demand on studio "A" has increased significantly due to increased enrollment in the UT Dance Program and the newly created Musical Theater Program, respectively. The increased demand on studio "A" is adding excessive wear and tear to a dance floor that is now 24 years old. If this continues unabated, the result will adversely affect the UT Dance Program and, in turn, the Musical Theater Program.

Many of the students in the program are not aspiring dancers or even performing arts majors. They are just UT students, majoring in various subjects, who have a common love for dance and enjoy the benefits they gain from it! Interestingly, four of UT's

1996-97 "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities" recipients have been involved in the UT Dance Program to one extent or another, either as dancers or dance production crew member.

Bascom Bradshaw has decided that the senior class gift issue will be settled by a mail-out ballot to our UT boxes. I believe it is a bad idea to vote on important issues without group discussion or debate, especially when voting on an issue via a "mail-in" ballot! As seniors, it would be nice to at least come together once, as a whole, and decide on something substantial. In doing so, I believe senior class members would feel more closely knit and more connected with each other.

In light of what seems to be transpiring, I thought it best to make this open appeal to the senior class to support the UT Dance Program's request for funds. Now, I am urging you, seniors, to examine each request for yourselves and to determine how each request in particular stands out above the rest. Please, vote in favor of the UT Dance Program's request for the full amount stated. Thank you.

John Walker
Senior

Worker defends post office

LETTER

Dear Editor:

I'm a student who works at the University's post office. I understand that there has been some confusion about how the post office is being run. I want to inform *The Minaret's* readers that all the mail, including packages, which enters the post office is processed and placed in the boxes on a daily basis. The process of delivering the mail and packages is not simple when you have about 2,600 students, staff, faculty and many different organizations. To make the process faster and more efficient, I would like for students, friends and family to follow a few guidelines for both mail and packages.

1. Print correct address on mail:

The address should look like this:

First & Last name
The University of Tampa Box #
401 W. Kennedy Blvd.
Tampa, FL 33606

a. Print first and last name clearly on envelope or box.

Do not use AKA or any pet names. Mail will not be delivered if the name on the package does not match the name on box.

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Don't write P.O. Box; this might cause a 2 to 3 week delay in reaching the University's post office. Do put the box # so we don't have to look up your box.

2. Don't call the post office to have your box checked.

Our staff is limited. We don't have the personnel to check individual boxes. This takes time from our work.

3. Check your box at least once a week.

When a package comes in for you, you will receive one of three notices:

Pink slip for U.S. Mail

Blue for UPS

Yellow for everything else

After three notices and 15 days the package will be returned to its sender. If a problem does occur:

1. Call whoever sent the package and find out when and how they sent it.

2. If possible; have the package traced. The tracer begins from the post office of mailing, not at the destination.

3. If mail has been traced to the University, then come in and speak to the manager, Ed Parker. Don't come in with a bad attitude, this will not help find the package any sooner.

By following these guidelines, your mail won't fall into the "black hole of lost mail." Please remember, we have only limited control over your mail. It begins only after it reaches our dock. Thank you for your support. Sincerely,

Anna Molenaar
Sophomore

No one to yell at?
Write *The Minaret*!
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Global Village brings the world to campus

Photo essay by Nikki Teigen



Jeff Yorns, a snake herpetologist from Lowry Zoo, controls an exotic lizard so students can observe its striped skin and smooth tail.



The British exhibit of clothes, tapestries and delicacies enlightened the eyes and taste buds of passer-byes.



Many students wore clothing native to their countries in order to enlighten peers of their culture.



A booth of Latin exported pottery lines Plant Hall lobby. Vendors covered the campus with international items.

By JOANNE BEN
Assistant News Editor

On Friday, March 7, at 3:45 p.m., the head resident in Delo reported that a fire alarm was going off. UTCS evacuated the students in Delo, and a search of the building was done. On the sixth floor, UTCS recovered a fire extinguisher with the chemical turned on. The Tampa Fire Department arrived moments later to find out what caused the alarm to go off. UTCS also got a call from CBS Alarm, who stated the alarm was set off. The fire extinguisher was replaced.

On Sunday, March 9, a student in Howell reported that a man's gold ring was stolen from his room. The student assumed the ring with design "X" and diamond chips valued at \$350 was stolen between 12:30 a.m. and 10 a.m. The student reported that the only person whom the student has knowledge of being in the room was the student's roommate. The roommate said he had no knowledge of the whereabouts of the ring. The

student was told to contact the Tampa Police Department and file a report.

On Tuesday, March 11, a student in ResCom reported that his truck had been broken into. The student guessed that the break-in occurred into the front passenger side of the white Chevy Tahoe between 12:15 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. A search was done for the cause



of the damage, but nothing was recovered. The student was advised to contact the Tampa Police Department.

Lamps, from page one

schools, including Northwestern and Columbia universities, have sent fliers to students warning of the fire hazards.

So far, 186 students have taken advantage of Brown's program, while other students have sent the lamps home to their parents' house, said Sweeney. When the university conducts its annual spring sweep of dorm rooms for health inspections, all halogen lamps will be confiscated. Next year, students will be fined if caught with a halogen lamp in their dorm room, she said.

The halogen lamp, which contains a light fixture mounted on a 6-foot pole, was first manufactured in 1983 but only recently rose to popularity on college campuses.

"Many students have them because, No. 1, they're inexpensive, and No. 2, they're very bright," Sweeney said.

But its hazards were underscored in January when a fire caused by a lamp destroyed an apartment in a Manhattan high-rise. In October, a Kansas State University fraternity house sustained \$11,000 in damages when a plastic pumpkin on top of halogen lamp

melted onto a couch, igniting it. At Brown, the fires caused by halogen lamps damaged a campus art studio and a dorm room.

"Many people don't realize that these tubular halogen bulbs operate at temperatures much hotter than the incandescent bulbs we are used to," said CPSC chair Ann Brown.

Halogen bulbs can reach temperatures of 1,000 degrees Fahrenheit or more. On the other hand, a regular 75-watt light bulb generates temps of about 260 degrees.

Attention Students!

Take advantage of an excellent career opportunity by volunteering for the Career Expo in Orlando on Wednesday, April 2.

You'll work side by side with members of corporations and businesses, while picking up tips for your future.

For more information contact the Career Services Center at 253-6218 or Jean Keelan at 253-3378.

SG candidates introduce themselves

Students hit the voting booths March 24 and March 25

President



DAVE VIRGILIO
(uncontested)

Dave Virgilio is a junior marketing major. His leadership experience includes three years on SG as freshman senator, sophomore senator and SG vice president. Virgilio also works as a diplomat where he deals regularly with the public, politicians, parents and incoming students.

Virgilio listed his potential responsibilities as president: 1) to run an organized executive board in which he works with representatives to achieve their goals 2) to ensure that SG keeps implementing new and different programs. 3) to uphold the voice of the student body.

According to Virgilio, as president he would continue work on the already existing Safe and Sober program to create an operational, finalized program.

"A campus van for the program would be ideal, but no matter what, I just want the service to be working 100% and I'll do everything in my power to get that done," said Virgilio.

Virgilio said his best qualities are his experience and dedication.

VP



DAN CUNEO
(uncontested)

Dan Cuneo is a sophomore majoring in political science and minoring in psychology.

He is currently SG sophomore senator and has served on executive boards for Panhellenic, Interfraternity Council, and Student Productions.

Cuneo acts as Phi Kappa Phi president and volunteers with the Host Program.

As SG vice president, Cuneo would encourage student suggestions and problems and bring them to both the executive board and general assembly.

He wants to see SG more involved with organizations, working on more of a one on one basis with them.

Cuneo said his best qualities include his leadership experience and ability to be open to others' ideas and problems.

"I feel like I'm a good listener," said Cuneo.

Treasurer



ANDREW SATTERLEE
(uncontested)

Andrew Satterlee is a freshman business and management major. In February he became the Associate Director of Finance for the Florida Association of Residence Halls State Board of Directions. This position entails helping Residence Hall Associations (RHAs) across the state coordinate their programs and produce budgets. He also consults RHAs on financial planning, recruits and handles the association's own budget.

His activities on campus include participation in the Student Government Finance Committee, Host Program, McKay Hall Council, ROTC and the Florida Legion Boys and Girls Program.

According to Satterlee, as treasurer he would work with organizations in a nonbais manner. "I would make sure to distribute money fairly and without favoritism," said Satterlee.

If elected, Satterlee would like to incorporate RHA into SG, in order to give residences and commuters a voice on the board and within the university.

Satterlee said his best quality is determination because he strives to achieve every goal he initiates.

Secretary



MARTHA GELY

Martha Gely is a junior international studies major with a minor in women studies. She is a diplomat, coordinator for PEACE and currently works with the International Student Organization, Alpha Chi Omega, Traffic Board and Food Service Committee. She sat on the Homecoming and Family Weekend Committee this year.

According to Gely, being a representative means being approachable for any suggestions and comments. She said that SG should serve students by acting on what they want or need. As secretary, she would act as a voice for student concerns, by getting solutions to or advising their problems.

A main objection for Gely would include increasing meeting and activity attendance by all students.

"SG serves everyone not just organizations. More student participation and involvement is needed in student government," said Gely.

She describes herself as dedicated, hard working and responsible — a team player who loves UT.

Secretary



STACEY ZIMMERMANN

Stacey Zimmermann is a junior marketing major. She presently holds a command position in the Airforce Civilian Auxiliary. She participates in Phi Beta Kappa and works for Budget Marketing in Carrollwood as a customer service representative. At her previous university, she worked as a SG senator was president of Sigma Sigma Sigma.

As secretary, Zimmermann would listen to student complaints and problems, then help those students by communicating their needs to faculty, staff and administration.

If elected, she wants to get more involvement out of the 70 organizations on campus. "More students should attend meetings out of interest rather than just to vote for a cause," said Zimmermann.

Zimmermann added that participation in all campus areas such as SG, activities, events and sports needs to improve. She would strive to increase spirit and interest campus-wide perhaps with more spirit awards and publication of events.

Zimmermann describes herself as outgoing and hard working, someone who never leaves anything undone.

Student Productions



STACEY CHMURA

Stacey Chmura is a junior biology major. She presently serves as vice president of Student Productions. She has worked with Student Productions since her freshman year.

Student Productions



AMY STANKO

Amy Stanko is a sophomore elementary education major. She presently serves as chair of the recreation and film committee for Student Productions. She has worked with SP for two and a half years.

Senior Senator



BROOKE MATHERLY
(uncontested)

Brooke Matherly is a political science major with a history minor. Her campus activities include ROTC, the Host Program and Alpha Chi Omega. She serves as Panhellenic president and a diplomat.

As senior senator, Matherly would work to unite the senior class by using their own opinions to organize events. "And I think it's important not to forget December graduates" said Matherly.

If elected, Matherly would make senior meetings more accessible and publicized. She would like to smooth the transition for seniors from students to alumni. She would consult the present senior senator for ideas and suggestions. Matherly wants to emphasize fun as well as preparation by supporting job fairs.

In terms of the senior gift, Matherly said the gift will depend on the senior class's personality. She would form a committee for the selection to ensure it would benefit the whole campus.

Senior Senator



SEAN HOOVER
(uncontested)

Sean Hoover is a criminology major with a minor in speech. He owned his own business and sold real estate for six years. He is a diplomat, member of Phi Kapp Phi and sits on the Interfraternity Council's Public Relations Board where he organizes large events.

If elected, Hoover would talk to seniors graduating in both the fall and spring to find out how to make their last year more memorable. He would plan more activities in which the whole class could participate in such as beach days or trips to theme parks. "There's so much to do around here. Graduation events should utilize the area," said Hoover.

In terms of the senior gift, Hoover said it must stand out on campus and leave a lasting impression that "five, ten, fifty years down the road alumni can come back and see as something they've done, something memorable and rewarding." He added that the senior gift is a part of seniors' history at UT.

Junior Senator



CRAIG YERGER
(uncontested)

Craig Yerger is a business and marketing major. He spent five years in military where he undertook various leadership positions. His activities on campus include membership in ROTC, Pershing Rifles and Sigma Phi Epsilon.

If junior class senator, Yerger would work to build class and university spirit. He wants to inform students about events on campus with an unbiased opinion.

According to Yerger, his position would require deciding where money is spent. He would want SG money to fund activities benefiting the whole campus rather than individual groups.

"I would bring the campus together, beefing up events like UT Fest for everyone's enjoyment," said Yerger.

Yerger added that his best quality lies in his ability to rationalize clearly and stand up for what's right without fear or hesitation.

Sophomore Senator



IGGY HERNANDEZ
(uncontested)

Iggy Hernandez is a freshman international business and performing arts major.

Hernandez currently serves as freshman senator. He is a member of ROTC, the Collegiate Chorale; Opus One, a specialized performance group on campus; and Kappa Sigma. According to Hernandez, his diverse activities allow him to see student issues from different aspects.

If elected, Hernandez wants to establish a clear link of communication between Student Government and the rest of his class. He hopes for continued focus on attendance at sports events and other campus activities. He feels more events for the entire campus need to be organized.

"I also want to reiterate the fact that SG involves everyone on campus. Representatives can't change things alone," said Hernandez.

Hernandez added that his best qualities are versatility and holding a variety of views.

They've come out, now they want in

BiGLAS wants some attention, and a little bit more

By DEANNA MASON
Staff Writer

With so many larger organizations on campus, it's sometimes easy for a club to be overlooked. And when that organization is named "Bisexual, Gay and Lesbian Activists and Supporters" (BiGLAS) the possibility for anonymity increases.

BiGLAS was founded in 1991 by Michael Gagne, then a UT student. He was aided by Kevir Dove, a math professor, and Suzanne Nickeson, who worked as a counselor at the time.

According to Gagne, he started BiGLAS in response to a disagreement with UT's administrators. The conflict drew national attention. Gagne, who is openly gay, had signed up for an ROTC leadership course but was refused admission. When Gagne showed up for the field drills, he was escorted off the field.

Gagne contested that the university was in violation of its own policy against discrimination based on sexual orientation.

Finally, UT compromised with Gagne. He was offered a "separate but equal" leadership class taught by two physical education instructors. He was not allowed to enroll in the ROTC course.

Gagne said his dorm room in McKay Hall was vandalized and students threatened to beat him with baseball bats.

He created BiGLAS as a support group for other students who faced the same prejudice.

Despite its purpose, BiGLAS remained out of the spotlight.

"Until last year no one knew about BiGLAS," said Shareef Khatib, BiGLAS president since



Jennifer Wolfson — The Minaret

Shareef Khatib has been president of BiGLAS since last year. He believes UT is a very open-minded campus concerning homosexuality but that, still, "Some people just need to wake up."

last year. "Now we've become more well-known on campus."

One way in which BiGLAS has tried to become a more visible part of the university is by sponsoring events. Members set up an information table during freshman orientation. They built a float for the homecoming parade.

BiGLAS has also invited guest speakers, shown films and done volunteer work.

Khatib says BiGLAS's main purpose is to provide a safe community in which to learn.

The topic of a recent meeting was marketing trends in the gay community. Another focused on gay and lesbian stand-up comics.

Gary Luter, faculty adviser to BiGLAS, says the

organization's meetings are a place where gay and lesbian students can interact.

At each meeting, the members are given the opportunity to discuss any harassment or discrimination they have faced.

"Generally, things seem to be going well," said Luter, noting only a few harassing phone calls.

Khatib agrees UT is "a very open-minded campus."

In spite of the general acceptance, Khatib admits BiGLAS has difficulty attracting and retaining members. He says that, of the 17 people on the organization's

mailing list, only four attend meetings regularly.

"It's not like we're harassed or discriminated against," said Khatib. "But it is difficult to motivate people in the group who don't want to be too 'in your face.'"

"We have students who are not out to their parents yet," said Luter.

To that end, BiGLAS sponsors events on Nov. 11, National Coming Out Day.

"Recently, the world has become much more aware and (other sexual orientations have) become much more accepted," said Khatib.

Khatib feels the most important social issues by contemporary gays, lesbians and bisexuals are still those based on

lack of equality. He feels there is still discrimination despite the progress of the Gay Rights Movement in past years.

As an example of that remaining prejudice, he points to the uproar that ensued when it was announced that Greg Louganis, a gay Olympic gold medalist, was scheduled to speak at the University of South Florida (USF) this spring.

Some Florida politicians were angry that tax payer's money was being used to fund the \$14,000 speaker's fee charged by Louganis.

Senator John Grant was one of the most vocal opponents of Louganis's appearance. In a letter to the president of USF, Grant said that inviting the athlete to speak would, "promote homosexuality." He wrote that, "such a presentation represents moral decadence and . . . (constitutes an) abuse of funds."

"This is typical of his ignorance," said Luter. "If all gay people were out, Grant would probably realize he has close friends and family members who are gay."

"Some people just need to wake up," said Khatib.

In the end, Grant lost the fight to keep Louganis away from USF. The athlete will appear April 3 as part of the annual University Lecture Series.

But, as Luter points out, this is just another case which shows that, "the people in power are homophobic."

"There is still government-sanctioned discrimination against gays and lesbians," said Luter. "They don't sanction discrimination against blacks and Jews."

Luter mentions two aspects of gay rights making national headlines — same-sex marriages and military duty.

"Our forming a relationship which is the basis for a home will not be recognized by the government," said Luter.

Same-sex partners are barred from 320 benefits granted to heterosexual couples. Those benefits include rent control, hospital visitation and social security benefits.

Concerning gays in the military, Luter said, "We are excluded from that sense of who you are in connection with the government."

Already, 17 states have stated they will not recognize same-sex marriages. Similar legislation is pending in Florida and is being sponsored by Senator John Grant.

It is to fight such discrimination on campus that BiGLAS was founded.

Continuing its focus on important issues for the gay community, the organization is already planning future events.

They are trying to bring a one-acre section of the AIDS Quilt to campus next year when the entire quilt visits the Tampa Bay area.

Alex Lobisch, a member of BiGLAS since last year, said he would like to see the members go to Louganis's speech next month as a group.

In the Fall semester, Luter will instruct a class, open to all students, entitled "The New Gay 90s: Gay and Lesbian Culture in the 20th Century."

The last time the class was taught it included visits to a gay and lesbian art exhibit, a film festival and guest speakers.

Although Michael Gagne later transferred to the University of North Florida, his organization remains at UT as a distinct voice in our community.

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ACCENT

Young and drunk in America

Does the drinking age help young people, or does it pour the stuff down their throats that much faster?

By GUILLAUME LENOIR
Staff Writer

The first time I put a foot on US ground was last summer in Detroit. We had been served Californian wine on board, which was not that bad, so I decided to have another glass at the airport. It would help kill the seven hours before I took off again for Tampa. And there I experienced my first cultural shock (honestly I did not think I would feel the change so quickly): A paper on the wall said you had to be 21 in order to be served alcoholic beverages.

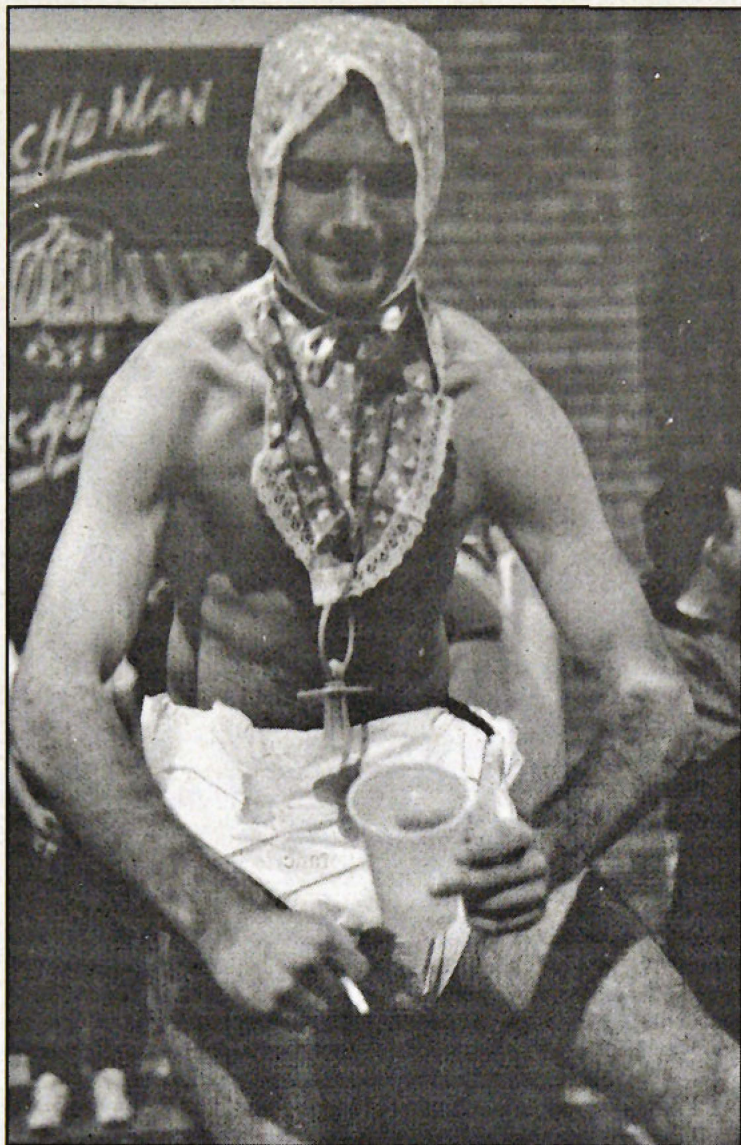
So I spent the next few hours trying to convince myself that Coke was not so bad, that maybe after ten years spent here I would start getting used to it and the next plane to go back to France was very very late. After all, I thought, this is just a law, things are probably different in reality.

Once I arrived at UT, I was given *The Book*. I realized that you guys were considering this pretty seriously. Fines, expulsions, judicial board, imagine my surprise. I had always thought that prohibition was during the 1920s. So against my will the course of treatment had begun; Dr. Pepper was here to help me.

But I was soon reassured. American students are not so different from French ones. They also know what is good for them, and even better they know how to get it.

It was already hard for me to remember all these new names but it becomes even harder when people have two different names: one for school and one for Texaco. Acquiring a fake ID actually seems to be as great an achievement as the Dean's list here. Each time I saw one, the photo had really nothing to do with the subject it was supposed to show; but on the other hand I never saw a cashier who noticed that. After all, why should blind people be refused the right to work at Winn-Dixie?

So if you know someone who is 21 or who can turn 21 instantly just by reaching in his



Nikkie Teigen — The Minaret

Even with diapers and a sucker, Erik Hildebran secures beverages at last year's Guavaween celebration in Ybor City.

wallet, and if you take your school-bag with you as camouflage, it should not be too difficult to come back to your room in possession of the golden liquid. Don't forget to use the back doors of your dorm and avoid elevators. Even if it is a great place to socialize, sometimes stairs are a good thing for working out. Imagine you get stuck in the elevator (the probability being about 70 percent), you would feel obliged to offer a drink to your RA who himself would have to put into practice what his title is all about: Resist Alcohol.

However, the university

takes the issue pretty seriously. So in case you did not even know that there was a drinking policy on this campus (after all it is good to think so), let me remind you of the sanctions.

WARNING: If you plan to drink tonight, skip ahead because it might prevent you from fully enjoying your party. Actually I'm going to do the same. If you really want to know, go to The Book (probably behind your desk or under your mattress) and have a look at page 63. The thing is that there are so many rules, that by the time you finish reading them, you may feel very thirsty and rush to Texaco.



Minaret file photo

A new way to blow bubbles? We don't think so. You can almost hear the liver cracking.

"I don't have any problem with the present rules. I think they are really efficient" said Mike Campbell, director of campus security.

"We have to intervene more at the beginning of the year, but once students find out that we are really serious about this, they become serious too" says Debbie Dervae, a security officer. I had personally noticed the willingness of security services to have these rules applied but not any real change in the students' customs. That is probably because as time goes by they learn how to drink responsibly, that is not in front of everybody but rather in the privacy of a room.

But as many T-shirts here say: "Life is full of important choices" and when 7 p.m. arrives all these rules may become foreign language.

As security officer Charlie Mascenik rightly admits, "You'll never be able to prevent someone from drinking if he wants to".

Next stop: Residence Life office to get a few statistics. The first thing I was told is that there had not been that much of drinking policy violations this year. Wouah!!! It is hard for me to imagine how it must have been last year. Was UT one of

the many Anheuser-Bush owned theme parks? I wish I could have come here earlier.

The computer says that 35 violations of the alcohol policy are recorded. There it becomes funny. That is not, as I thought and as many others may have thought, the figure for last week but since August. And I was told that this did not mean that the students were guilty. Honestly, I find it hard to believe that someone with beer in his fridge has it only in order to fill the void and convince himself that he did not buy the fridge for nothing.

I do not pretend to judge American laws but from my experience here I can perceive it is somehow perverse. Considering all the risks, the students do not want to do it for nothing. The result? Instead of enjoying just a couple of beers, they don't stop until they develop cirrhosis of the liver. Is that better?

I am going to stop here because after writing all this stuff I feel very thirsty and I must start thinking about what I am going to drink tonight.

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Brady helps us remember



THINGS REMEMBERED By Rowena Ferrell Brady. University of Tampa Press. 216 pp. \$34.95

By **ROSIE VERGARA**
Assistant Accent Editor

Rowena Ferrell Brady is not a historian or a writer. She is an African-American woman who grew up in Tampa while the city itself was growing up. In her book, *Things Remembered*, she traces Tampa's 130 year history beginning with her own memories and the memories of her family and friends.

Things Remembered is not a novel or even a journal. It is a scrapbook filled with photos ranging from the late 19th century to the present. It is a scrapbook filled with hope and aspirations, fears and dreams, life and death.

In the first chapter, "Before the New Century," Brady focuses on the late 1800s. She shows family portraits and even a hand written letter signed 1885 by the sheriff of the time acknowledging an African-American as a deputy police officer. Various photos depict the soldiers of the Spanish-American War in training before their departure to Cuba. Some of the most famous soldiers during that war were part of the Ninth Calvary, also known as "Buffalo Soldiers."

In chapter two, Brady highlights the early twentieth

century. The advancement of African-Americans in Tampa during that time is apparent in the photos. They were finding jobs and gaining respect in various fields. Brady's father, for instance, is shown standing at his station as Customs Inspector. Population growth had a development of new community institutions during this time.

In chapters three and four, Brady shows us the "Roaring Twenties" and the Great Depression through the camera lens. The desire for a proper education pulsed within the African-American community. The government provided little help, so Kindergarten nurseries provided more opportunities for them.

Chapter five focuses on the World War II era. Brady shows a photo of her graduating class of 1945. There are various photos of Apollo Ballroom performers such as James Brown, Ray Charles, and Cab Calloway.

By chapter six, the 50s, we see a segregated Tampa. Not until 1959, did the mayor of the time establish a biracial commission to begin the slow process by which the Jim Crow segregation laws would be removed. We see a group of African-American children looking through the fence of a playground for whites only. Segregated schools remained, yet more blacks had registered to vote.

In Chapter seven, the 60s, Bob Saunders enrolled his

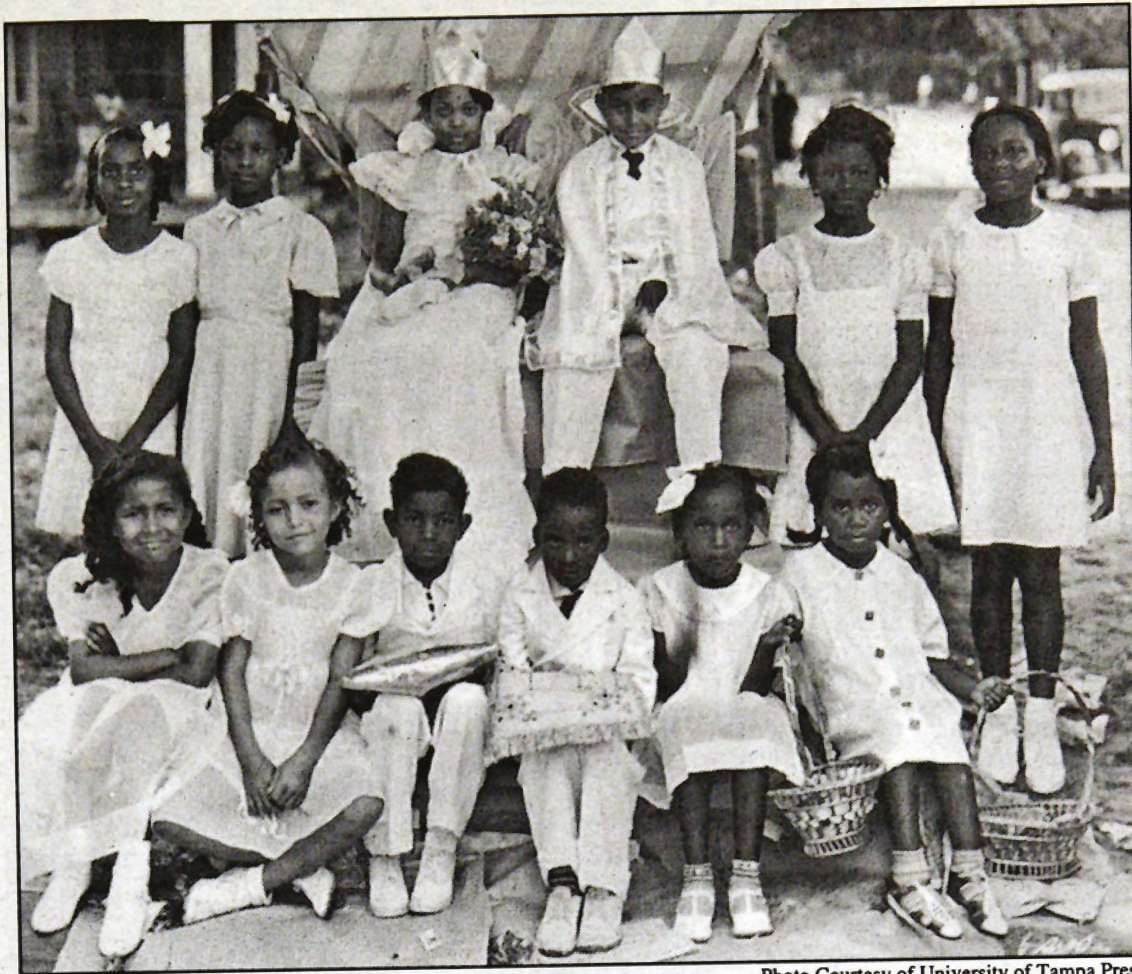


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The Dobyville School King, Queen and Court dress up for May Day festivities.

African-American son in an all-white school. The boy is pictured in his class with a large grin on his face. Also, the Belmont Heights little league was founded in 1967. It provided an opportunity for the black children to get together in a peaceful environ-

ment and play baseball. Some stars emerged from that league including baseball great, Dwight Gooden.

By Chapter eight, she begins to wrap it all up. Brady combines old photos as well as recent ones. There are photos with her and

Governor Lawton Chiles and President Bill Clinton, and of the first African-American chief of Police. They were photos of things remembered.

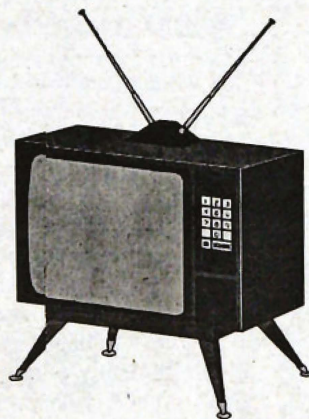
Trivia Question:

The answer to last week's trivia question — How many different vessels named "Enterprise" have appeared in the eight *Star Trek* movies, and in which movie did each vessel first appear — is five: the original one in *Star Trek I*, the second in *Star Trek IV*, the original *Next Generation* ship in *Star Trek VII*, their second in *Star Trek VIII* and a twentieth century battleship in *Star Trek IV* named "The Enterprise." Once again, no one claimed the prize. Wake up, people!

Trivia Question:

Since no one's gotten the last two, here's an easy one: In *Better Off Dead*, what does the paper boy want?

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	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
9:00	Student	Student	Student	Student	Student
9:30	Program	Program	Program	Program	Program
10:00	Burly	Burly	Burly	Burly	Burly
10:30	Bear	Bear	Bear	Bear	Bear
11:00	The	Coffee	The	Coffee	The
11:30	Edge	Shop Show	Edge	Shop Show	Edge
12:00	Under The	Under The	Under The	Under The	Under The
12:30	Minarets	Minarets	Minarets	Minarets	Minarets
1:00	"Last	"The	"A	"Chain	"Island
1:30	Man	Great	Very	Reaction"	Of
2:00	Standing	White	Brady		Doctor
2:30		Hype"	Sequel"		Moreau"
3:00	Student	Student	Student	Student	Student
3:30	Government	Government	Government	Government	Government
4:00	Spring	Fall	College	Fall	Fall
4:30	'96	'96	Music	'96	'96
5:00	Dance	Graduation	Videos	Graduation	Dance
5:30	Concert				Happenings
6:00	Western	Western	Western	Western	Western
6:30	Winds	Winds	Winds	Winds	Winds
7:00	Groove	Groove	Groove	Groove	Groove
7:30	Tube	Tube	Tube	Tube	Tube
8:00	Under The	Under The	Under The	Under The	Under The
8:30	Minarets	Minarets	Minarets	Minarets	Minarets
9:00	Disco	Creeping	Coffee	The	Masquerade
9:30	Inferno	Death	Shop Show	Edge	Dance Show
10:00	"Chain	"Island	"The	"A	"Last
10:30	Reaction"	Of	Great	Very	Man
11:00		Doctor	White	Brady	Standing"
11:30		Moreau"	Hype"	Sequel"	

Pieces coming together for baseball team

By MIKE PRIDGEN
Staff Writer

All the pieces of the puzzle have suddenly started to fall into place for the UT baseball team. As of late, the team has been outplaying their opponents in every facet of the game.

Last week the Spartans went a perfect 5-0 at home beating three Division I teams and making it look easy. The defense was solid again, not committing one error all week. The offense seemingly scored at will, and the pitching looked to be almost championship material.

The Spartans started the week on Sunday, soundly defeating a visiting Temple team 12-0 during a matinee game. Senior Tom Cray, gave Tampa their best pitching performance of the season, throwing a complete game shutout allowing only 5 hits while striking out 7. Cray improved to 2-0 on the season.

"The pitching is starting to come around. They are starting to get the ball down," said Head Coach Terry Rupp. "I feel the defense is strong behind them, so just throw strikes and make them beat us with the hit. Our guys are making the plays."

Junior centerfielder Erik Mirza led all Tampa hitters at the plate going 4 for 5 (including 3 doubles) with 3 RBIs. Jason Barker was a perfect 3 for 3 at the plate with 2 RBIs and 4 runs scored. He also hit his third homer

of the season. And Angel Diaz went 2 for 3 with 3 RBIs and also connected on his third homerun of the year.

On Monday, it was more of the same for Temple as they were once again bombarded by the Spartans, 14-2. Jack Koch picked up his third win of the season (3-1) throwing 5 innings and allowing 3 hits and one run. The bullpen for Tampa did a nice job in relief giving up only two other hits in four innings.

In this game, the offensive attack for Tampa was one that was more of a team effort. Many players contributed to the onslaught. For the second time in as many games, Barker posted big numbers from the plate. He went 2 for 3 with 1 RBI and 3 runs scored. Miguel Menendez went 3 for 5 with 3 runs scored.

The second victim of the week was Wagner College who actually gave UT a close game throughout, but a few costly errors gave Tampa the 10-6 win. Todd Minett picked up the win going five innings and giving up 7 hits and 4 runs. The bullpen again came in and finished up business.

And for the second straight game the Spartans managed a balanced offensive attack with all nine starters managing at least one hit. Mike Zerbe hit the lone home run of the game.

The Spartans closed out the week beating up on the cadets from West Point. Army hasn't been in a battle that was this one sided

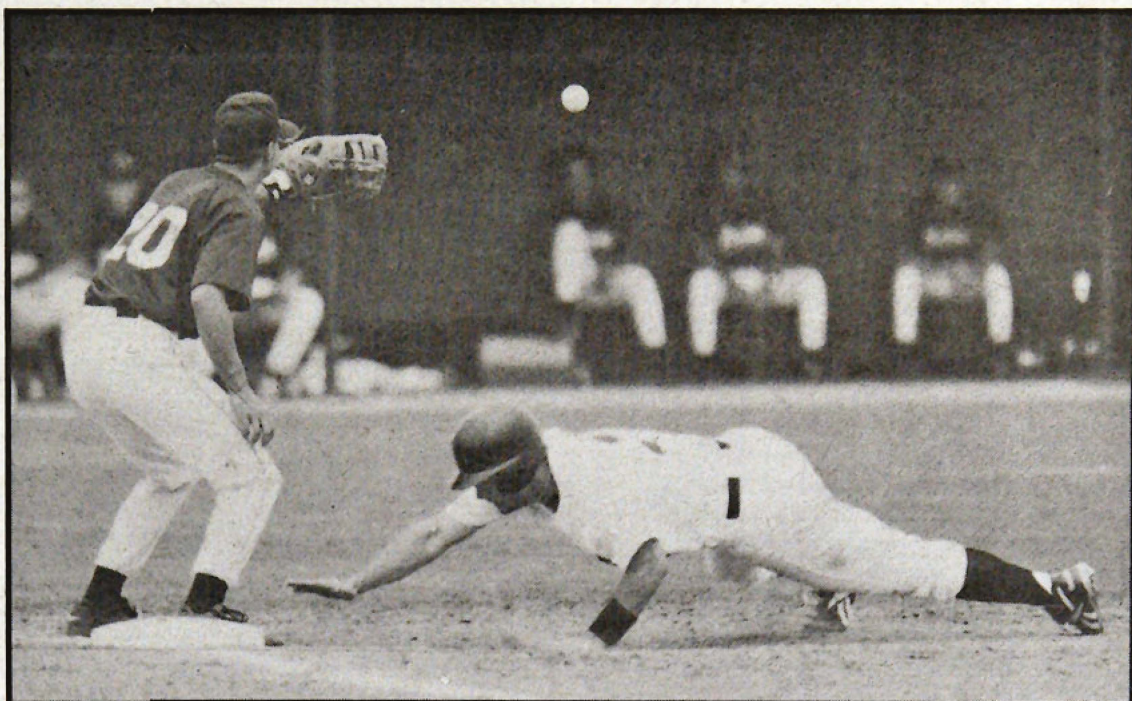


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Senior Mike Zerbe dives safely back to first during a recent Spartan victory. The team has won five straight games against Division I schools and are ranked first in the nation.

since the Gulf War.

In the first game Tampa set a team record for doubles in a game with eight on their way to a convincing 19-5 win.

Senior leftfielder Brad Wakefield had three of those doubles as he went 3 for 5 with 2 runs scored and Ron Merrill had two doubles to go with his 4 for 6 effort with 3 RBI and 3 runs scored. Menendez also went 4 for 6, with 2 RBIs and 1 run scored. Diaz, Ducharme, Pestalozzi, and

Satinoff all hit home runs for Tampa.

Bo Donaldson (4-3), picked up the victory with his 4 inning effort, striking out eight.

The Spartans ended the week much the same way that they began it; with a strong pitching performance. Sophomore Mike Valdes picked up his sixth straight victory of the season going the distance giving up 10 hits and three earned runs, improving his overall record to (6-0).

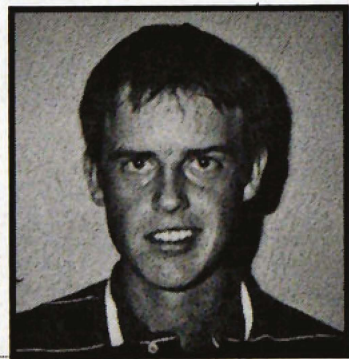
Russ Ducharme was a perfect 3 for 3 at the plate as the designated hitter, driving in one run and scoring one himself. Zerbe went 2 for 5 with two runs scored and a double.

The win was the Spartans sixth in a row, raising their record to 19-6. They start their conference play next week with plenty of momentum and confidence. Tampa will be prove to be a tough team to beat throughout the rest of the season.

Spartan Profile

By PHIL BACON
Staff Writer

James Thompson



Sport: Golf
Age: 21
Birthday: Sept. 5, 1975
Height: 5'8
Weight: 145
Class: Sophomore
Major: Management
Hometown: Manchester, England

Career Aspirations: To make it to the professional tour.

Favorite thing about UT: Weather, small campus

Role Model/Mentor: Eric Cantona (Manchester soccer player)

Favorite song: *Supersonic* by Oasis

Favorite movie: *Trainspotting*

Pet Peeves: "People who don't give their best."

Superstitions: Never uses a golf ball with the number three on it.

What people should know about James: "He is a very calm and stable person. That personality carries over onto the golf course. He is a popular person whose jokes keep the morale of the team up," said Rich Hansson, teammate and roommate.

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Softball shows signs of rebirth

By LLOYD THOMAS
Staff Writer

Last Saturday the UT Softball team won both games of a double-header over the University of St. Thomas. The Spartans improved their record to 9-13 overall and 2-8 in the SSC with 7-2 and 5-4 wins over the Bobcats at the UT softball diamond.

In the first game, junior Missy Agnitsch and freshman Lisa Weinberg each had three hits and an RBI to lead the Spartans to their eighth win of the season. Freshman Robyn Markley pitched a complete game, giving up only two runs while improving her win-loss record to 5-3 for the season. Junior Amanda Bedford added two hits.

The nightcap provided a closer game. In the fifth inning, trailing 3-2, the Spartans displayed their perseverance with an exciting rally.

With two outs and no one on base, the Spartans produced two base runners with Weinberg being bit by a pitch (replaced by pinch-runner Maria Pirone) and a base hit from sophomore Jessica Plante.

The Spartans took the lead for good with a line-drive base-hit by sophomore Amy Christiansen, driving home Pirone and Plante. Freshman Jodie Patee earned the victory while holding off a late inning scare.

This year's team has a youthful look. Only six players return from last year, none of which are



Photo Courtesy of Ernest Olds

Junior Missy Agnitsch beats out a throw at first base. She is one of three juniors on this year's much improved softball squad. The team has won seven of their last ten games.

seniors. Three juniors and three sophomores lead the freshman abundant squad. But nowhere does it say that it takes seniors to win. The Spartans have proved that so far this season.

In fact, a few freshmen have stepped up as major contributors. The pitching staff consists primarily of first-year players in Markley, Weinberg and Patee. Freshman Kelly McKendree has provided solid defense in the middle infield at the shortstop position.

The ladies hope to continue the winning trend as the team heads into the second half of the season. Winners in seven of their last ten games, the nine victories so far have almost doubled last year's total.

But the team isn't satisfied with just doing better than last season's record.

At the beginning of the year, Head coach Leslie Kanter set the goal for a winning season. When asked if they'll reach that goal, Kanter enthusiastically said, "Ab-

solutely."

It seems as if her enthusiasm has rubbed off on her players.

"We just have to stay positive," said Junior Chrissy Holden. "We play in a tough conference and we're looking forward to the challenge."

The softball team plays tonight at 6:00 against cross-bay rival Eckerd. Come check out the newly renovated softball field featuring the first year of Spartan softball under the lights.

SSC Softball Standings

	W - L
Fla. South.	7 - 1
Barry	4 - 0
North Fla.	4 - 0
Fla. Tech	3 - 1
Rollins	0 - 2
Saint Leo	1 - 3
Tampa	2 - 8
Eckerd	1 - 7

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2. Fla. Southern
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14. N. Florida
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Spartans host the President's Cup

By SUZI MARTENY
Staff Writer

Last Saturday, crowds gathered as Yale lead the pack at the University of Tampa's 21st Annual President's Cup Regatta. UT hosted the event which could be observed at Tampa's Harbor Island water walk.

The President's Cup is the biggest crew regatta in Florida and is UT's chance to play host to some of the country's most prestigious universities. Yale, Georgetown, Clemson, University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, Florida State, Central Florida, and Purdue Universities, among others.

The races for this event started at 9:00 a.m. and continued throughout the day, with races beginning at regular intervals until around 6:00 p.m.

The 1500-meter course started at the southern tip of Harbor Island with the finish being near the harbor master.

The weather was perfect as it could've been and all who turned out for the event seemed content.

"The turnout seems pretty good... the atmosphere is festive..." said Andrew Greenberg, spectator.

Not surprisingly, Yale, with the largest team of 150 rowers, clobbered all competition with a grand total of 418 points, far and away from the second place team, Georgetown, who came in with 109.6 points.

Third and fourth place were taken by North Carolina with 96.2 and University of Central Florida

with 93. UT who had 30 rowers competing finished 11th with 41.8 points.

Although UT came in eleventh at the President's Cup, they are not without accolades.

In the fall season, UT competed in two events, the Head of the Chatahoochee River Regatta in Atlanta, and the Head of the Tennessee River in Knoxville. The women's varsity lightweight four medaled at both, taking first in Tennessee and second in Georgia.

The women's varsity lightweight four, which consists of Julie Tremmel, Kim Laughlin, Carolyn Berkte, Tracey Beauregard and coxwain Liz Castellano did well at the President's Cup finishing on top in the first heat of their lightweight event. They took third place for a bronze medal in the final heat of the 1500-meter race.

As they get more experienced we can undoubtedly look for stronger finishes.

Also, the men's novice heavyweight four took second place in their race.

The boat consisted of Jason Matthews, John Morrison, Andres Castaneda, Casey Freeman and coxwain Jessica Wiig.

The group was very happy with their finish as it was the first sprint race that they had ever rowed in.

The novice women's lightweight four took second place in their race, an excellent finish being that it was their first sprint race as well.

Spartan swimming ends season in San Antonio at NCAA finals

By JULIE K. TREMMEL
Assistant Sports Editor

After qualifying for a trip to Nationals during their regular season, four UT swimmers added an extra sparkle to the water of the San Antonio pool where the meet was held.

Two swimmers won the title of All-American at the meet which was held from March 12-15 in San Antonio, Texas. Twenty-four men's teams and 23 women's teams from across the country were represented at this prestigious event.

UT star Chris Plaisted shined for the Spartans. Plaisted, a junior, took second place in the nation in the 200-yard butterfly finishing the event in 1:51:39, missing first place by only nine-hundredths of a second.

Plaisted also took fifth in the one mile (1650-yard) freestyle and ninth in the 500-yard freestyle events.

"Next year I plan on going there and winning the 200, 500 and the mile," Plaisted said. "I know that I could have won those events (this year) but I just didn't have the training hours behind me."

Plaisted not only returns to Tampa with two plaques recognizing his outstanding performance in the 200-yard butterfly and the 1650-yard freestyle, but comes back having gained the notoriety of being named an



Photo Courtesy of Ernest Olds

Junior swimmer Chris Plaisted strokes his way through a butterfly event at the national finals in San Antonio, Tx. Plaisted finished second place in the 200-yard butterfly. He and junior Joanne Bellard were named All-Americans.

All-American.

Senior Joanne Bellard took sixth place in the 200-yard breast stroke and ninth in the 100-yard breast stroke.

Bellard took home one plaque and joins Plaisted as Spartan All-Americans.

Sophomore Laurie Deaton was an unexpected addition to the list of swimmers making the pilgrimage to the national meet.

Deaton made her qualifying time with only two weeks remaining in the regular season in order to secure her place at the meet. Deaton placed 10th in the 200-yard butterfly and 14th in the 100-yard butterfly events.

Freshman superstar Jen McLeod took 10th in the 100-yard freestyle, 11th in the 200-yard freestyle and 13th in the 200-yard freestyle events.

Overall, the men's team finished 16th out of 24 teams and the women came in 17th.

"I was very pleased with the way the team did at the meet," Coach Ed Brennan said. "We didn't qualify anyone in the relay events. We had three women and one man each in individual races. Because the big points are in the relay races, the team is in big trouble if they don't have anyone entered."

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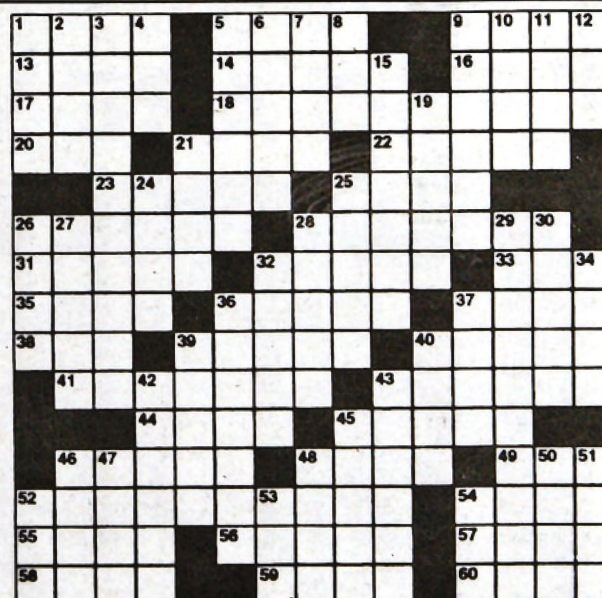
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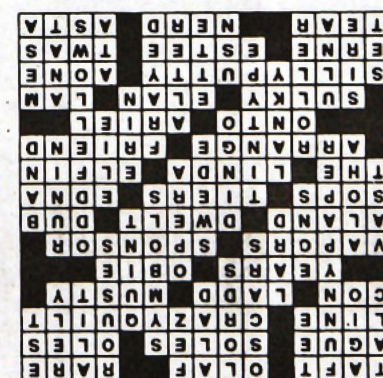
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