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Parking headaches continue

By MIA SCHAMP
Reporter

Due in part to the arrival of one of the largest freshmen classes ever, many student drivers are finding it increasingly difficult to locate legal parking spots, resulting in tickets and fines which can ultimately lead to the revocation of campus parking permits.

"The rules have changed since last year, and people need to know that. The fines have been increased, and this is our first year with freshmen decals," commented the security evening supervisor, who chose not to provide his name.

"What a lot of freshmen don't know is that they are required to park in the Martinez parking lot 24 hours a day, seven days a week. And really, the only place for upperclassmen to park is the parking garage and Martinez parking lot because all the street parking is for commuters during the days."

"The parking situation has never gotten to this level of frustration for all of the three years I've been [at the University of Tampa], and it really gets frustrating from time to time, especially during weekdays when most people are on campus," said one student.

Another added, "I've definitely parked illegally a few times, and I always get caught, so I'm try-

ing to veer away from that."

Thinking about parking illegally in a moment of haste? You may face having to pay the following amounts for the indicated offense:

*Failure to display or improper display of permit: \$20

there without notifying us," added security officials. "There's been one reported break in to a car in that area. We put flyers on the cars in that lot as a courtesy to Valencia, but there's nothing we can do beyond that."

The ongoing construction of the parking garage is expected to reach completion by the end of September, nearly a month later than the anticipated completion date. Once complete, approximately 200 additional vehicles are expected to be accommodated by the five level structure.

A zero-tolerance attitude is being embraced in the effort to combat moving violations, such as speeding, ignoring stop signs and failing to yield for pedestrians, which is reportedly an equally prevalent problem on campus. Some of the potential fines are as follows:

*Running a stop sign: \$50
*Driving the wrong way on a one-way street: \$50

*Failing to yield to a pedestrian in a crosswalk: \$50

"We're really cracking down on drivers who fail to obey the 15 mile-an-hour speed limit on campus. Our carts max out at 15 MPH, so we know who's speeding, and we take the matter very seriously. We've already handed out dozens of tickets for these types of offenses. It's just a matter of time before someone gets hurt or killed because of a speeding car," said officials.

"When it comes down to it, these rules really aren't difficult to obey."



Jody Link — The Minaret

Another unsuspecting victim of UT's parking woes

*Parking in a fire lane: \$50

*Moving, altering, defacing or destroying traffic and/or parking control devices, including traffic cones: \$75.

Aside from on-campus ticketing, some students have already found themselves in hot water after parking in the lot adjacent to ResCom and the parking garage, which is privately owned by the Valencia Gardens Restaurant.

"Residents in ResCom and Crescent [Place] are parking in the Valencia lot, but that area isn't patrolled — it's private property, and they have the right to tow cars from



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The Sykes Building: Seemingly worth the wait

Sykes Building opens for the fall

By GABRIELLE PERHAM
Reporter

From amid the rubble and dust of McKay Auditorium grew a modern, 21st Century building, complete with high-speed Internet access and networking available through more than 1,300 data ports. The John H. Sykes College of Business Building opened on Aug. 28 and, according to the Office of Public Information, opened a new era at the University of Tampa.

In 1997, philanthropists John H. and Susan Sykes donated \$10 million to the university of which \$7.5 million was to be used to convert the old auditorium into the modernized college of business building. The new facility is approximately 80,000 square feet, has 60 state-of-the-art classrooms, several conference rooms, numerous seminar and "breakout" rooms, computer labs, faculty offices and even showers.

The building houses the Huizenga Family Foundation Trading Center, where students can gain hands-on investment management experience, the Institute for World Commerce Education, the Naimoli Institute for Business Strategy, the Center for

Innovation and Knowledge Management, the TECO Energy Center for Leadership in a Global Economy and the Center for Ethics.

Economics professor Lee Hoke told the Office of Public Information, "Every room in this place is conducive to learning. The fact that we have hookups to the Internet already in some of the rooms, and eventually we'll have them in all the rooms, means that we are not constrained in terms of the use of technology in our classrooms. Every student's going to be able to plug into the Internet and a power source."

"We have small breakout rooms that easily hold four or six students. They have a project, they can go in there and again, there are hookups to the Internet. They can send e-mails; they can receive e-mails."

Associate Dean and Associate Professor of Information and Technology Management, Marcy L. Kittner, agrees.

"The technology opens up a lot of new capabilities," Dr. Kittner said. "We're able to conduct many more applied activities, especially with the trading center. It's letting students see what the real world is like."

Involvement card to help end apathy

By SCOTT GOLDBERG
Reporter

Due to a decrease in attendance of UT events, the Student Activities Office has devised a new and innovative way to get students involved. By attending campus events, you put yourself into a drawing to win up to \$500 in prizes and it's all possible because of the UT Involvement Card.

Sponsored in part by the Student Government, the UT Involvement Card works a lot like Subway's "Sub Club." You bring the card with you to all "UT Involvement Card approved events" and have it stamped by the event's sponsor. When you have all eight categories on your card stamped, drop it off in the Student Activities Office to be entered into the drawing. There is no limit on the number of cards that you can fill up during the year.

Event categories include: Cultural Activities, Leadership Events, Lecture Series, Performing Arts, Sports/Athletics and Student Government meetings. Once you have

a stamp for each of these categories, you have two "free choice" boxes which you can fill with any type of event you choose.

UT Involvement Card sponsored events are marked with an asterisk on the calendar of events, which can be viewed in *The Book*, Student Union, Plant Hall lobby, the Post Office and the *Minaret's* weekly event calendar. If you have questions as to what qualifies as an event and which category it falls under, you can check with the *Minaret* and the bulletin board in the Student Union.

Director of Student Activities Stefanie Russell said the main goal of the card is to "expand the horizons of students" and help them experience variety in their activities at UT.

The prize packages will be in denominations of \$100, \$250 and \$500. Possibilities for the content of the prize packages may include gift certificates to restaurants and such places as Busch Gardens and Barnes and Noble.

The drawing will be held in Fletcher Lounge at 6:45 p.m. on

Tuesday, April 17 at the Leadership Awards Night. So, instead of lying around your room thinking that you should be doing something productive, why not do something fun and win money at the same time?



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EDITORIAL

We begin another academic year at the University of Tampa. Things have changed around campus, as is obvious by the construction, both completed and in progress. We have a new business building, a new dormitory, a new freshman class.

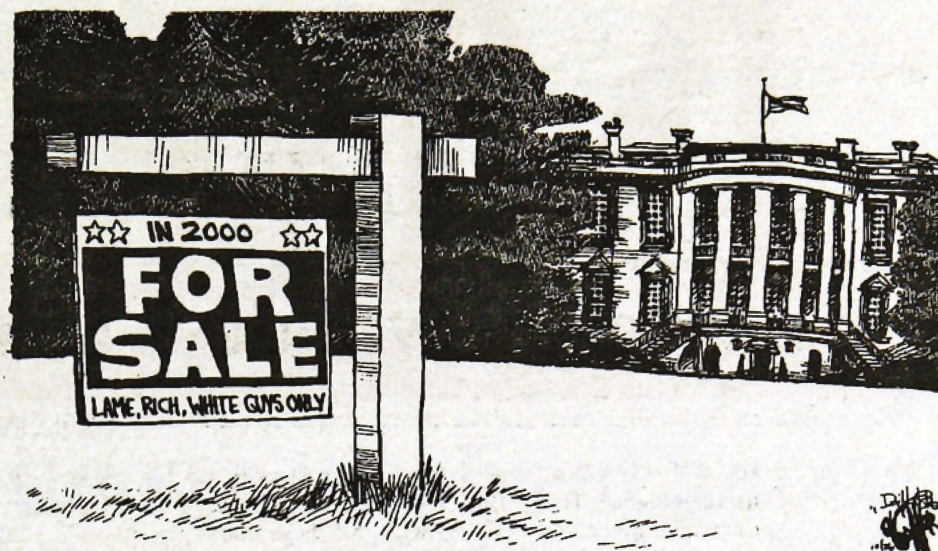
We have been pulled from near financial disaster. In 1994, UT almost was taken over by USF because practically no one went to this school. With enrollment now at 3,500 and growing, we won't be worrying about foreclosure for the next few decades.

But have the problems of the past been solved? Are upper classmen still being treated worse than prospective students? What about financial aid disputes, parking headaches, lack of course selection, growing class-size ratios and student apathy? Is this boom in student population good? We've been in class only two weeks, and already problems are coming out of the cracks in the floor. Or should we say from the broken elevators in Brevard? Maybe it's Delo's curse that has caused so many problems in the new residence facility.

Even before courses started, continuing students found themselves short on financial aid and were forced either to move off campus or not come back at all. With the depleted parking that once existed around Crescent Place and Delo, and half the parking garage taken up by construction, finding a space for your car is more difficult than last year, and the parking tickets are mounting. Even though we have added new and exciting courses, Latin and the classics remain absent from the fancy new catalogue. We may have a Center for Ethics, but we still have no philosophy or physics major, and that's unheard of for a university that touts a "strong academic reputation."

It's wonderful that we have an enthusiastic freshmen class of 800 students, but will they live up to what UT claims are standards of academic excellence or succumb to UT's reputation of booze before books? And even though we have the new Brevard Hall to coo over, how come more than 225 freshmen are still living in the Holiday Inn, which is connected to campus by a bridge on which two UT student were held at gunpoint last year?

Yes, we have made improvements to this campus, the most important being that we have been pulled out of financial disaster, but it's the problems of last year and years past that continue to detract from these improvements. Until we can take care of the big problems such as limited student housing, financial aid debacles, lack of student involvement and academic apathy, the shiny baubles of UT will have the impact of sunbeams during a hailstorm.



Fun is not a four-letter word

COLUMN

By SARAH MORGAN
Commentary Editor

My name is Sarah and I am straight-edge. Unfortunately, it feels like I am one of only a few on this campus. To clarify, straight-edges don't smoke, drink, use drugs or have promiscuous sex. Many are also vegetarians or vegans. In other words, many people think we don't have any fun.

Perhaps it is with this outsider view that I can speak about the "weekend" events in which students at UT participate in — weekends here referring to the period of time between last class on Thursday and sometime Monday morning, most likely after noon.

I like Ybor. Granted, I'm not regular there, but when I go every other month or so, I get my fill. Since I stay sober it's easy for me to see just how ridiculous UT students usually act in Ybor.

First of all, I don't dress like I work at Mons Venus. Maybe that's part of the problem. I am not a size three, I have hips and for some reason just can't bring myself to wear a pink sequined tube top. I can't comprehend how women can wear five-inch stilettos from 11 p.m. to 3 a.m., all while dancing and walking around.

Half the time, I'm lucky if I can keep my balance in a pair of Vans.

Speaking of balance, it makes me sick how easy it is for underage people to obtain alcohol. I'm not naïve, I know how they get it, I just don't understand how they can get away with it. It's just as easy to have the upperclassmen down the hall to run across the street to Texaco and grab a 12-pack as it would be to use a fake ID to get drinks at Bar Tampa. The least those who drink could do is learn to handle their booze. I shudder at thoughts of last year, walking through vomit-laden hallways at 2 a.m. only to see another intoxicated entourage coming to pick up where the last bunch left off.

It's an all-too-familiar sight to see hoards of students piling into the taxis on "weekend" nights. If it weren't for Ybor, Tampa's cab services would be out of business. There is something to be said, however, about the fact that people DO use the cabs instead of trying to drive home with an incredibly high alcohol level. Who really wants to pay \$7 for parking anyway?

Do students drink because they believe alcohol provides a convenient excuse? I engaged in an enthralling conversation with a faculty member about this. We came to the conclusion that people use alcohol as an excuse for their behavior. "I was drunk. I didn't remember sleeping with him." or "I didn't get to class today because I was hung over," or "My paper didn't get turned in because I puked on it."

When you choose to use alcohol, you choose to accept responsibility for your actions, while inebriated or not. Don't come up to me and apologize for hitting on my boyfriend, or throwing up on my shoes when

you were drunk. I don't want to hear it. The minute that beer hits your lips, you become fair game.

In most newsworthy incidents that have occurred in Ybor, booze or drugs have played

a part. Shooting deaths, domestic abuse and harassment all fall under those terms. We've all heard the stories. Chances are many UT students were there when those events occurred.

I understand that these are my points of view, perhaps mine alone. I don't want to stand on my soap-box and call everyone who goes to Ybor a bad, sinful alcoholic, because you're not.

I sometimes wish I understood the reason behind getting smashed. Then again, sometimes I'm glad I don't "get it." I sometimes wish I could drown my sorrows or stresses in a plastic cup. But I can't. That's all there is to it.

I am not a size three, I have hips and for some reason just can't bring myself to wear a pink sequined tube top.



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Sarah Morgan
Commentary Editor

KATHY'S CORNER

The porcelain wonders of the new Sykes Building

COLUMN

Fall is in the air, and this young woman's thoughts turn scatological. This is the fault of a) my pending graduation and b) the John Sykes Building.



By
KATHY
PHILLIPS

When I think about graduating, the first phrase in my mind is, "Oh, shit." What am I going to do with myself? Grad school? I've been in school for 16 years now — I really don't want any more to do with instruction. But on the other hand, being a student is the only thing I really know how to do. The whole ordeal gives me intestinal problems.

But who has time to worry about the future when things plague me in the present, namely bathrooms? I'm lucky

enough to have a class in the John Sykes Building this semester. My God, what a monstrosity. All those nooks and crannies are perfect for surreptitious naughtiness.

As someone who typically has to urinate every 30 seconds, I was very impressed with the number of bathrooms in the Sykes Building. So many toilets, so little bladder failure! I don't know what the men's rooms are like, but the main problem with ladies' restrooms is the lack of necessary toilets to service the number of ladies who need to

rest at any given time. It did cross my mind that whoever drew up the plans for this place went a little overboard. Were they planning for some sort of urinary Armageddon? At

my last count, there are 379 toilets on the second floor alone. And I'm sure there are some chamber pots in secret passages that I haven't discovered yet.

The number of toilets isn't the only thing that baffles me. Will someone please explain why there is a shower in one of the ladies' rooms on the third floor? Are people in the college of business so devoted to the university that they don't bother to go home to shower? There's not even a curtain there so you can wash your privates in private.

I'm sure it's explained in some sort of informational packet that I didn't receive, or perhaps illustrated in one of those pictures in Plant Hall Lobby that describe all the things

that will happen to the school after I'm long gone. Maybe I'll learn about the shower when UT tries to hit me up for alumni donations.

Ugh, I can't get away from it. I'm going to be an alumna. The idea hounds me at every turn. I just wish the fork in this road didn't have so many prongs.

Wouldn't it be wonderful to be a simpering idiot with overbearing parents who have planned out my life until the day I die? Alas and alack, it is not so. My long-term goals require more personal reflection than should be printed in this column, but I have made up my mind about a short-term goal: I swear to you, all of you, that before I take to the platform and receive my degree, I will not rest until I befoul each and every shiny new toilet in the Sykes Building. Let the sound of flushing sing throughout that massive structure; let the toilet paper wipe me vigilantly into the future!

When you look, see me

COLUMN

By LISA CHOJNACKI
Staff Writer

Let me start by asking something I observe every day — not just at UT, but rollerblading on Bayshore or even buying groceries. Why do people not say hello to one another? Is it so hard to look at another human being and smile?

Even in church, when it comes time to say "Peace be with you," often as I shake hands with the person beside me, trying to connect with him or her on a personal, spiritual level, that person does not look in my eyes but instead glances at the ground.

What is wrong with us? Are we going through the motions of life, meandering through a labyrinth of stifled feelings and opinions that are never vocalized? Perhaps the real question is: "Do we have feelings or opinions to express?" I believe we do because, whenever something happens that does not suit us, we are quick to criticize it, whether it be our government or our own family.

Still, this refusal to engage with each others leads me to ask, "Why is there so much apathy?" Every time I drive onto this campus, I can practically smell the fetidness of indifference in the air. Because I arrive early in the mornings, I have the opportunity to see the campus at its finest state — when most of the Yborites are still asleep from the previous night's carousing.

Last Friday, as I sat in one of my morning classes, I noticed that the population had decreased by almost half. Wow, I thought, have that many people dropped this class already? Oh no, I remembered, silly me, Thursday night is Ybor night. How could I forget?

These students who slept through their class last Friday probably never picked up a newspaper to read about Thadeus Kubinski who was attacked by a shark in Boca Ciega Bay or about an Oklahoma state trooper, a police officer, and two suspects who died after a chase early Thursday morning in Oklahoma City.

But even if we did hear about these inci-

dents, do we care? Our society has become immune to natural disaster, crime, violence and hatred. Prejudice still permeates the air, and it controls everything we say and do. I am not just talking about prejudice toward skin color or ethnicity but about bias in socioeconomic status, self-expression and self-perception.

When a woman walks in a dimly lit park at night and is attacked, beaten and robbed, the question we ask is, "Why was she walking late at night by herself?" not "Why wasn't there adequate lighting in the park?" We do this so much in our society that we don't even realize it.

When someone commits a brutal crime and ends up on death row, we don't consider counseling as an option, especially in Florida. We execute them. When a kindergarten-aged child is sexually abused, typically it goes ignored for decades, and the child's emotional development is contaminated by feelings of inadequacy, shame and a

fear of developing close relationships with others. As a member of this society, I feel that it is not only my responsibility to better the world, but to ask questions. When I don't understand something, I seek out an answer. Sometimes, this even means tactfully but pointedly questioning authority. Authority needs to be questioned. Whether the authority is the financial aid office or the President of our country, they should be questioned when the people are unsettled.

How about instead of just sitting back and letting our student government run the show at our university, we as students actually attend their meetings and give our input? After all, it is our money they are spending. We all have a voice and we all have opinions; otherwise we wouldn't be complaining to one another.

Let's not be afraid to get started. Remind yourself if you have to, to simply smile at someone today. Look them in the eye, so they're really flabbergasted. Maybe even open your mouth and say hello. The quality of your world depends on it.

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What decoding the human genome means to you

FACULTY FORUM

By STEPHEN KUCERA

Over the summer you may have heard that the human genome was decoded. This represents a profound milestone in human history, the implications of which will unfold over the decades to come.

What is the DNA of our human genome? To use biologist Richard Dawkins' analogy, it is a recipe, not a blueprint (a blueprint is a scale model). This recipe directs a single cell and its descendants through about 50 cycles of division accompanied by cell specialization to produce the trillions of cells that make up a human being. Only 50 divisions, you may wonder? Put two raised to the 50th power in your calculator and see what number you get.

To put it succinctly, the human genome codes for a network of proteins that interact with each other and their environment and make the processes of life possible. A human being is composed of networks of cells in specialized tissues, and these networks interact with each other as well. While the genome may have been decoded, we are probably decades away from gaining deep insight into how the networks within cells and between cells produce a sentient human being. Understanding these nested networks will be a difficult challenge that will push the limits of science, bioinformatics and technology. We may never fully understand their complexity.

All of this complexity comes from a recipe written in the roughly six billion letters found in a genome which is packaged into our 46 chromosomes. The alphabet used in this

recipe is deceptively simple, just four letters found in the chemical subunits A, T, C and G. The order of these letters encodes information that specifies proteins, how DNA is packaged in cells, regulatory elements, etc.

DNA alone does not code for an organism. It is a recipe that exists in an environmental context and its function is sensitive to its environment.

Consider, for example, children who have Xeroderma Pigmentosum, an inherited disorder of a DNA damage repair system, can not be exposed to sunlight, even through a window. Ultraviolet light damages DNA and persons with this disorder repair this damage at a reduced rate. As a result of the accumulation of DNA damage in their cells, numerous skin can-

cers develop, greatly shortening their lives. To develop treatments, we must find the defective gene(s) [which has already been done], understand their role in cellular biochemistry, and seek therapeutic agents or somehow "fix" the defective genes. This has not yet been accomplished.

With this one example, we see the promise of knowledge about the human genome. If we understand the information, can we then "fix" or somehow compensate for a defect which causes disease? There are many medical conditions for which we do not know much about the underlying role of genetics, and the information from the genome sequence will greatly assist our search for these genes. There is tremendous potential in medicine to help people with an understanding of this knowledge. But what are some deeper issues of the human genome that don't always show seemingly clear-cut promises to benefit humanity?

Let's start with a basic question: Is each of our genomes the same? Better than about 99.5 percent the same! But differences exist that are responsible for or influence what we look like, who we are, longevity and many aspects of the quality of our lives. I believe that with the decoding of the genome, we must resist our general tendencies to oversimplify complex phenomena and issues when we lack understanding. Let me scratch the surface of some of the complex issues associated with genetic knowledge.

Consider a change in the code, a mutation, in one gene that is responsible for the

fatal disorder Tay Sach's disease that kills young infants. Human behavior can even be affected by genes. A person with an extra copy of chromosome 21 will have Down's syndrome.

This disorder affects development and causes mental retardation. Individuals with Down's syndrome also develop Alzheimer's later in life. In a small percentage of families throughout the world, early onset Alzheimer's "runs" in the family because of mutations, one of which is found on chromosome 21. Symptoms manifest themselves, on average, at about 50 years of age, with individuals even in their 30s and 40s developing the disease. The more common form of Alzheimer's that occurs in elderly persons has a later onset. Obviously, these are extreme examples, but you likely have met someone who has Down's or Alzheimer's. In this light, do you doubt that genes can influence behavior?

But a fatal and potentially politically dangerous error arises if we make sweeping

generalizations about genes and behavior not derived from sound, independently corroborated scientific inquiry. People routinely hypothesize "genes for this" and "genes for that." I have heard: "My grandfather was an alcoholic, my father was an alcoholic, do I have the gene that means I will be an alcoholic?" No. Perhaps there are genes that increase the likelihood of becoming an alcoholic, in an environment where alcohol is available, and perhaps the person has inherited these genes. Or perhaps in the childhood environments of each of these persons, alcohol was abused and the alcoholism of each person is largely or wholly derived from environmental circumstances in which their parent was an alcoholic.

People often feel comforted if they can blame a gene for a problem (as they define it) that afflicts members of a family. Perhaps this is because we believe we are responsible for or can control the environment we exist in, but not the genes we received from our parents.

What does all of this have to do with the human genome? Nothing and everything. In a pure sense, the human genome sequence is just raw information. But as we learn how to decode and interpret this information, its context and meaning will, I believe, profoundly affect our lives and civilization. How it will do so depends on whether we are educated citizens who are sophisticated thinkers.

If Huntington's disease runs in your family, would you want to take a genetic test to find out whether you inherited this gene? If a couple with a family history of Tay Sach's disease becomes pregnant, prenatal tests can determine whether the fetus will be born with the disease. Should they be permitted to request this test be done? There is no treatment, should the fetus indeed have this disorder. Should an employer be able to conduct genetic tests on its employees? Employers and/or insurance companies could then screen out potential workers for pre-dispositions to develop, for example, cancer and save on health insurance costs. What about life insurance? In the UK, "insurers oppose a moratorium plea on use of genetic data."

These are some of the ethical issues associated with genetic testing and the dilemmas that it creates. Burying our heads in the proverbial sand will not cause these issues to go away.

What are the ethical considerations of genetic knowledge and testing? This philosophical question can be enlightened by rigorous application of philosophy, science and

the humanities. What are the demographic implications of genetic testing for society? Can you study demographic questions without a knowledge of math? Political and business questions can be asked. Fundamentally, can genetics and biology, philosophy, history, political science, psychology and so on weave a fabric of knowledge that draws from elements of each discipline to address and even anticipate pertinent issues related to decoding the human genome? Can informed opinions be made with bases in these pillars of knowledge missing from the minds of those addressing such ques-

tions, debating the issues, and ultimately forming policy that affects us all?

How often have you heard or thought: "Why do I have to take this math class? That science class?"

I want to be a doctor, why do I have to take classes in the humanities or a botany class? Why should I take poetry?" These questions reveal an ignorant and arrogant mind. Might these courses actually be a way to form or strengthen bases of knowledge in the mind that impact holistically how one views the world and contemplates the questions it thrusts upon us?

Poet Emily Dickinson wrote:

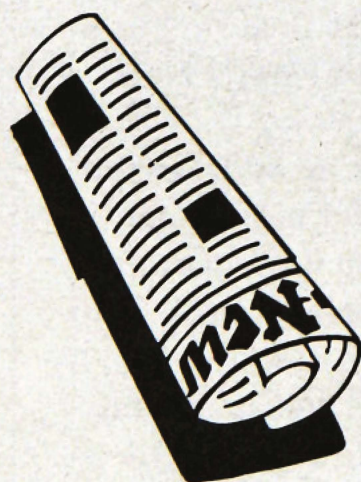
He ate and drank the precious words,
His spirit grew robust,
He knew no more that he was poor,
Nor that his frame was dust.
He danced along the dingy days,
And this bequest of wings,
Was but a book, What liberty
A loosened spirit brings.

Make the most of your time at UT by tapping the intellectual breadth of its faculty. Open your mind and embrace the challenges presented by unfamiliar bodies of knowledge. Demand of yourself that you pursue clarity in a complex world not through seductively simplistic explanations but through reasoned and imaginative thought that draws from the diversity of human knowledge. Be an idealist. Advocate for and become a member of an educated and intellectually sophisticated society. Seek out the knowledge and insight of other learned persons. Confront and challenge dogmatic rigidity in yourself and others. That is an enlightened and rewarding path to take as you journey through life and try to understand this world and your place in it.

Dr. Kucera is associate dean of CLAS and an associate professor of biology.

But as we learn how to decode and interpret this information, its context and meaning will profoundly affect our lives and civilization.

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Election 2000: One person, one candidate, one vote

COLUMN

By JOE LAWLER
Staff Writer

In 1996, I was chomping at the bit to vote in the presidential election. I was all ready to put an end to the Republican Revolution by voting some human being into office. Unfortunately, I was only 17 at the time and was unable to affect the election directly. I did, however, get involved. I volunteered. I stuffed envelopes, made phone calls and even directed human traffic at Senator Tom Harkin's steak fry.

At that time, I assumed that my excitement for politics would carry over to the next election. Instead, I now find myself having not voted in the primaries and forcing myself to the booths in November. While I'd originally lost my drive from a lack of interest, I now find myself so filled with disgust at the thought of my choices that neither seems like the best alternative.

What are the differences between these

two white, Southern, Ivy League educated politicians' sons? It's Coke versus Pepsi at this point. Which WASP do you want to win? While I despise George W. Bush, Jr., I'm not sure I want to vote against someone. It doesn't feel like I'm choosing between the lesser of two evils. It's more like the evil of two lessers.

This brings me to my candidate of choice, Ralph Nader. Nader is a long time consumer rights advocate. He's responsible for getting cars like the Corvair and Pinto pulled from the market.

Nader is running for election on the Green Party ticket for the second time. It could be argued that this is his first time "run-

ning" for President. He's actually trying this year. In 1996, *Roger & Me* director Michael Moore called Nader "the first man to walk for President." His numbers in the election

reflected his efforts, though he garnered a surprising number of votes in more liberal states, like California.

This time around, Nader is actually trying to get votes. He's not trying to win the election because that's not what a good

third party candidate is supposed to do.

What Nader will do is finish a distant third, hopefully with enough votes, five percent, to earn matching funds in the next election. Also, he's looking to draw enough votes from Gore to make the Democratic Party realize they're in danger of losing their core voting block, which is the liberals.

While I don't want Quayle Jr. to win, a Gore loss would send quite a message to the Democrats. Maybe they'll realize that it's time to re-evaluate where the party is headed. There are key issues that will keep many liberals from rushing to Nader: women's rights to a safe abortion, for instance.

The fact is, the majority of the nation supports a woman's right to choose.

No way are the Republicans going to overcome such public sentiment, even with the highest office in the land.

So, do we vote for Nader? Do we cost Gore the election? Is a Gore Presidency going to be that different from a Bush Presidency? Why else would corporation be donating equally to both sides? Does it matter who we vote for, when Microsoft and Phillip-Morris own either side? You'd think so, if you looked at the candidates for our future leaders. Their differences make Clinton and Dole look like Churchill and Hitler.

Campus Voice

What do you think of all the changes around campus?



"Parking sucks. Sykes is nice, but it's a maze."

Joe Tommasimi
Sophomore



"I don't like the fact there are so many freshman, they make the lunch line too long."

Jordan Brazner
Senior



"All the changes are nice. I just want to know why Vaughn Hall took so long to start this summer."

Adrian Carter
Senior



"I don't like all the changes. I came here because it was a small school. Now that UT is trying to be big, it's losing its atmosphere"

Ryan O'Leary
Senior



"Parking is terrible. I think residents should be able to park behind the halls."

Dune Davis
Junior



"Brevard would be great . . . if there was carpet in the rooms."

Patti Pan
Senior



Representatives from Delta Gamma speak to recruits at Open House.

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Sorority recruitment places more women than in years past

By JEN MILLER
Reporter

Sorority recruitment for Fall 2000 was a great success, according to Angela Lauer, new Greek director for The University of Tampa. Out of 244 women who registered for recruitment, 97 were placed within sororities, translating into a 40 percent retention rate, up from 35 percent from last year when 66 women were placed out of 186.

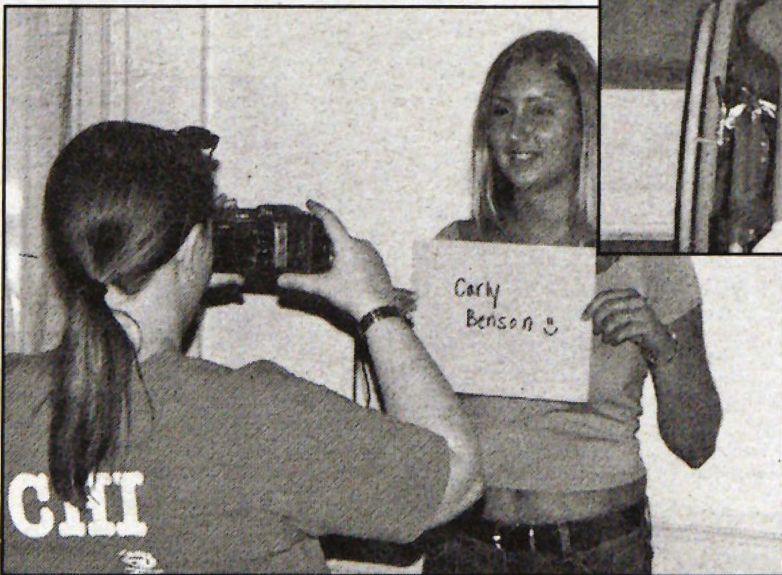
"The increase can be attributed to the increase in the fresh-

man class, but the retention rate was much higher this year," said Lauer, in regards to the high number of new members committed to sororities this year. While quota last year was 15-16 women per sorority, this year's leaped to 23-25 ladies per sisterhood, a number reached by four out of the five Panhellenic sororities after formal rush.

Recruitment first started last Wednesday when each sorority had the opportunity to display their paraphanelia and speak to recruits at Open House. On Friday night, the women attended Jersey Night, the

first of three formal functions where each sorority was allowed time to educate and get more familiar with recruits. On Saturday, the sororities held Skit Night, during which each group presented a short performance for those in attendance. Sunday concluded the week's festivities with Preference Night, at which point the final decisions on both the sororities and women's parts were made. The matches were revealed on Monday's Bid Day, when each sorority received their new member classes.

Open House Photos



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(Above) Rho Chi Shannon Lavergne photographs Carly Benson before Open House. (Above Right) Alpha Gamma Delta president Jen Brodsky prepares to speak during Open House.



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Police Beat: reporting the crime at UT

By RAQUEL PITTIGLIO
Reporter

On Wednesday, Aug. 30, a female student contacted Safety and Security stating that she had received three obscene phone calls in nearly fifteen minutes.

The suspect first phoned around 1:50 a.m. Though unfamiliar, the voice appeared to be that of a young male. The second call followed five minutes later. Obscenities were repeated, though this time the student noticed the voice to have a Hispanic accent. When the caller made a third attempt, the female immediately hung up the phone. While phoning campus security, her phone beeped twice, indicating an incoming call from off-campus. Fearing it might be the suspect, she refused to answer.

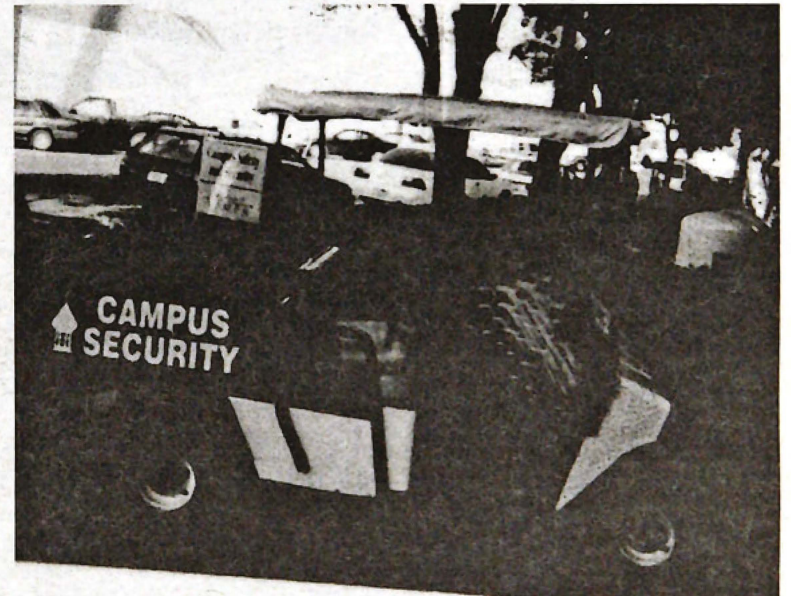
Security responded by placing a trace on the student's phone in case of a recurring incident.

sufficiently explained, one of the presiding officers made note that one of the males appeared to be under the influence of the drug.

On August 30, a student reported to the security building and claimed that the lens and bulb of his vehicle's right headlight were missing. When an officer examined the damage, he found several scratches along the right side of the car.

According to the student, at 4:00 p.m. on the previous day, the vehicle was parked on the fourth floor of the parking garage, before being moved to the east side of Plant hall at 6:00p.m. At 6:15p.m. he moved the car to a spot in between the two lecture halls. Around 7:00p.m. the student returned to his car, though it wasn't until 8:00p.m. when he noticed the damage, which he to have occurred on school property.

During the evening of August



At 5:10 p.m. on Aug. 30, security received a call from an RA reporting the suspicion of a resident smoking marijuana. Earlier in the evening, the RA was informed of an overwhelming smell coming from a student's room. Upon investigating, the RA found a towel shoved against the bottom of the door. When the officers arrived at the scene, they accompanied the RA to the student's room. Since no one answered their knocks, they were forced to key into the room. The group then gained access to a bedroom where they found two males playing video games.

The officers explained their reason for the visit, at which time the suspects both denied any existence of the illegal substance. The officers then completed a search of the bedroom, coming up with negative results. In the common area on top of a refrigerator a small match container was found which, though empty, smelled strongly of marijuana. At that time, a third male came into the room, identifying himself as the owner of the container. The student confessed that the container did at one time contain marijuana, though this was over the summer and off of school grounds. The container was then seized and destroyed. Though the existence of the towel was never

30, a female student visited a friend's room at a neighboring residence hall, where she retrieved fifteen dollars from her wallet, then placed the billfold on a desk. During this time, an unidentified person, believed to be a non-student, joined them to watch t.v. After visiting friends in the hall's common area, the students decided to leave, but not before one of the females noticed that the snap on her wallet was opened and \$175 was missing. The friend checked her own wallet and found that fifteen dollars was gone as well. The friends then tried unsuccessfully to locate the suspects.

On Sept. 1 an officer was stopped before a university construction site and notified that an ambulance had been called because one of the workers had become dizzy and fainted. The cause of the collapse is undetermined.

At approximately 7:20 p.m. on September 1, an RA called security stating that four smoke alarms were sounding. When the officers met the RA, the alarms in the common room as well as three bedrooms were audible, though, strangely, other alarms in the building were not activated. Security could not determine why the alarms were on, as there was no smoke in any of the rooms. By 7:30 p.m., the alarms stopped sounding.



Nicole Rodriguez was killed by a drunk driver while walking next door to play with her friend.

What should you do to stop a friend from driving drunk?
Whatever you have to.
Friends don't let friends drive drunk.



An alternative to urinating on your foot

Israeli scientists Amit and Tamar Lotan, in conjunction with the Israeli government, have developed a topical ointment which prevents the painful sting of the jellyfish. The lotion is derived from active compounds similar to those found in the Clown fish, a sea creature which lives unharmed among the jellyfish's paralyzing tentacles.

While the couple have tested the remedy on only ten of the more than three-hundred species, the marine biologists are confident that the solution will prove effective against even the most dangerous members of the jellyfish family, including the deadly boxfish and Portuguese man-of-war. The team is currently working to incorporate the cream into already existent sunscreen products. "Our long-term aim," Porat says, "is that people will one day automatically take sunscreen with an anti-jellyfish component when they go to the beach."

"Feed me, Seymour!"

Botanists visiting Central Florida's Archbold Biological Station discovered a carnivorous plant growing underground without the aid of direct sunlight.

The species known as *ultricularia*, a relative of the snapdragon, utilizes its low atmospheric pressure to sense the passage of underground insects, such as the

nematode, and, with the opening a nodule, ingests its unsuspecting victims. The white quartz sand of the site near Lake Placid allows sunlight to pass beneath its surface, thus enabling the plant to partake in the necessary process of photosynthesis. Other than a tiny yellow flower which blooms in Spring, the *ultricularia* is virtually undetectable above ground.

Weirdo wire

"Honey, can you take my phone to the cleaners?"

U.S. clothing manufacturer Levi Strauss and the Dutch electronics corporation Philips NV have teamed up to create a jacket equipped with a cell phone, an MP3 player for downloaded music, a headset and a remote control device. To operate the lightweight shell (a mere five ounces), simply speak into the collar. As the jacket is designed with GSM, a mobile communications system found primarily in Europe, it won't be available in the United States for some time.

The product is targeted at young people working primarily outdoors and weighed down by equipment essential to their occupation, such as filmmakers and "roadies." Other recent commercial ventures into wearable electronics include Nike's attempts to integrate MP3 players into athletic apparel and the development of wrist-watches enhanced by built-in phones from watch designer Swatch Group.

Florida student vows year's silence

By BUSINESS WIRE
Collegiate Presswire

As Brett Banfe, the 18-year-old college student who has vowed to not speak for an entire year, speaks his last words this past Thursday, the big question was: How is he going to communicate for an entire year without talking?

With the help of Motorola (NYSE:MOT), Banfe won't be tied to his PC e-mail or have to search for a pen and paper to get his point across. Instead, Banfe will use a wireless, two-way messaging device, his Motorola Talkabout(TM) T900 Personal Interactive Communicator (PIC), as one of his means of communication.

To help Banfe overcome the challenges of staying connected with friends and family during the next year without breaking his "vow of silence," Motorola is providing Banfe and his closest friends and family with Talkabout T900 PICs to use throughout the year. The T900 devices will allow Banfe and his family to text each other anywhere, any place, anytime.

The pocket-size device is able to communicate with any Internet address, including those associated

with PC e-mail and phones with messaging capabilities. This functionality will not only allow Banfe the freedom to communicate at any

"Motorola's relationship with Brett is not only a wonderful opportunity for us to demonstrate the reality of our 'Talk Without Talking(TM)' premise, but also allows us to show our support for Brett by putting the freedom of wireless communication in his hands," said Allan Spiro, marketing manager, Wireless Messaging, Motorola. "Brett's use of the T900 two-way messaging device provides the ultimate demonstration of this new evolution in on-the-go communications."

About Brett Banfe

Brett Banfe is an 18-year-old student who will be attending William Paterson University in Wayne, N.J. this fall. His idea to accept a "silent challenge" originated during a conversation with a friend, during which they discussed how long they thought they each could go without talking. Banfe said he could do it for a year, which led to the current start of his year of silence.



Photo Courtesy of www.entspeaking.com

Brett Banfe vows to stay silent for a year, starting last Thursday.

given time during his day, regardless of location, but it will also allow his friends and family to keep in touch with him regardless of their location too.

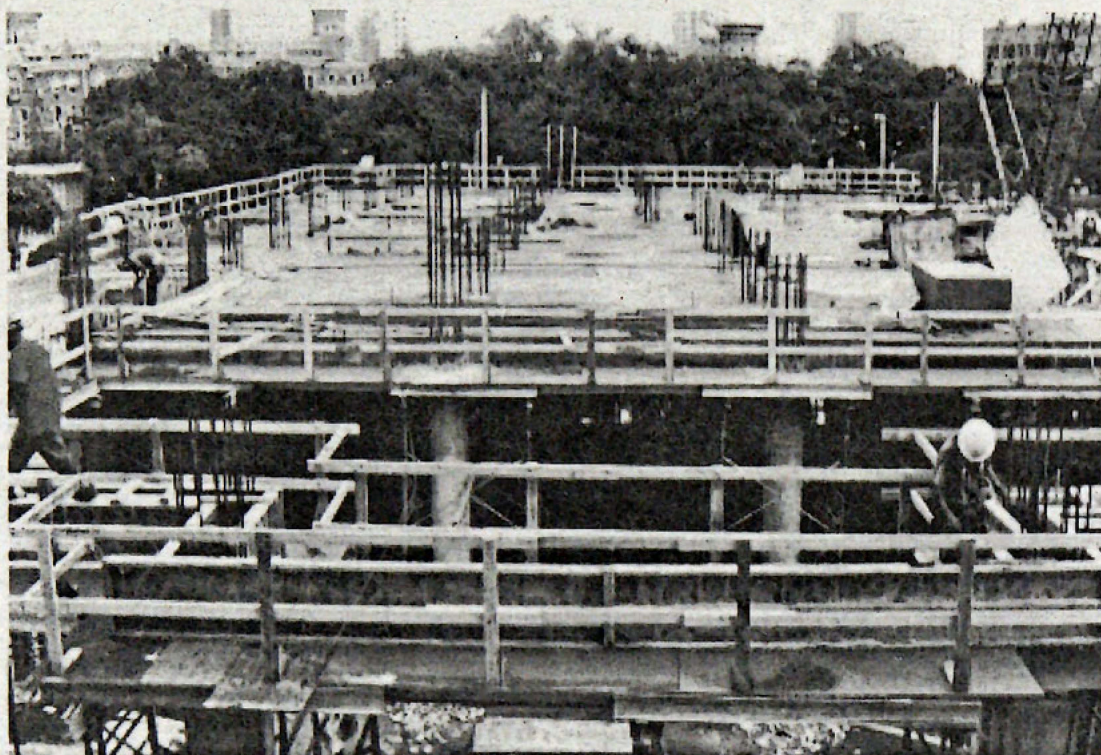
For more information about Silent Brett Banfe and his vow to not speak for an entire year, visit his Web site at www.entspeaking.com.

UT Involvement Card: September Approved Events

September 8	Honors Program: Kennedy Space Center	Choice
September 10	Women's Soccer vs. Warner Southern	Sports/Athletics
September 11	Women's Soccer vs. USC	Sports/Athletics
September 12	Concert at Sacred Heart Church	Performing Arts
	David Coash Percussion Concert	Performing Arts
	ELITE Leadership Seminar	Leadership Events
	(Intramural Flag Football — Rosters Due)	
September 14	Women's Soccer vs. Barry	Sports/Athletics
September 18	Student Government Meeting	Student Govt.
September 18-Oct. 8	Part-Time Jobs and Internship Fair	Choice
September 19	Amy Collins/Obe and Friends	Performing Arts
	Intramural Flag Football	Sports/Athletics
	Honors Program: Corporate Revolution	
	Lecture	Lecture Series
September 22	Student Government Meeting	Student Govt.
	Volleyball vs. FSC	Sports/Athletics
September 23	Women's soccer vs. Northwood	Sports/Athletics
	Volleyball vs. Saint Leo	Sports/Athletics
September 25	Women's soccer vs. Florida Southern	Sports/Athletics
	SP Comedian Marty Putz	Choice
September 26	Five Star Brass	Performing Arts
September 27	Student Government Meeting	Student Govt.
	(Intramural Tennis — Rosters Due)	Sports/Athletics
September 29	Men's Soccer vs. Palm Beach Atlantic	Sports/Athletics
	SP Music Event	Performing Arts

Interested in getting involved? Call Student Activites at x6233

The opening of the



Contruction on the Ronald L. Vaughn center will continue throughout the year.

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The University of Tampa welcomes incoming students.



Jessica Lopez (left) and Brenda Seal (right) speak with Steve Dillion (far right) about the Spartan Commuter Organization.

Kristin Farabee — The Minaret



Freshmen are now required to park by the Martinez Sports Center.

Ginger Roncone — The Minaret



Students Participate in "Spartan Streets" as part of the new semester.



Robin Biziere (left) and Chis during Sorority Recruitment.



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The Bluest Eye started tradition

By ANDY BOTT
Staff Writer

The Bluest Eye
By Toni Morrison
Knopf
206 pages
\$15.00, (paperback)
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The Bluest Eye by Toni Morrison has a new found place in America's consciousness. Thanks in part to Oprah Winfrey's book club, Morrison's first novel debuted on the *New York Times* hardcover bestseller list earlier this summer.

Published in 1970, *The Bluest Eye* has, until recently, remained in the shadows of her later novels. These novels, such as *Song of Solomon* (1977) and *Beloved* (1984) are expertly refined masterpieces that gave Morrison widespread fame. *The Bluest Eye* has survived, however, and is now mentioned along with her greatest works. Indeed, it rivals them in originality, tone, descriptive prowess and heart-wrenching emotion.

The narrator is grown-up Claudia Macteer. She relates the story of her childhood experiences in the slums of Ohio. The narrative steamrolls along, relating childhood encounters with neighborhood gossip, whores, child molesters and Maureen, a green-eyed Asian girl. The book is all described with a lively, moralistic, yet tenderhearted voice.

The story's main character is Pecola Breedwater because. She wants blue eyes because she thinks hers are ugly. The bluest eye, the eye that Pecola seeks, symbolizes complete whiteness. It also represents a complete disassociation with "ugly" blackness.

Claudia, on the other hand, accepts her nature, her conditions and slowly finds what might be called her "blackness." She rejects the desire to be white at an early age.

The life of the Negro in the 1960s is an impoverished one. Morrison captures it in full detail. Pecola "walks down Garden Avenue to a small grocery store which sells penny candy. Three pennies are in her shoes—skipping back and forth between the sock and the inner sole. With each step she feels the painful press of the coins against her foot. A sweet, endurable, even cherished irritation, full of promise and delicate security." The grand feeling Pecola has when

possessing money is offset by the underfurnished abandoned store she calls home. All the girls are upset by Maureen. She has money, as do all others in the story with green eyes. Those without money were the ugly negroes, eyes too ugly to be recognized by the blue or green eyes.

Soon after Maureen stops associating with the "ugly" girls, we come to the part of the book labeled "Spring." Here, the travails of Pecola's mother (Pauline) and father (Cholly) are explicitly detailed, giving us further insight into the nature of Pecola's self-hatred.

Pauline has no definitive identity. At home, she is the woman who has survived life and found her place in it; she worships God, tends the house and cares for her children. However, she also works for

is minimal, but the consequences of his action linger in Pecola for almost nine months, and possibly forever. Pecola becomes even more ugly to the outside world, and the weight in her stomach becomes a weight on her shoulders. Now, she makes the commitment to finding blue eyes.

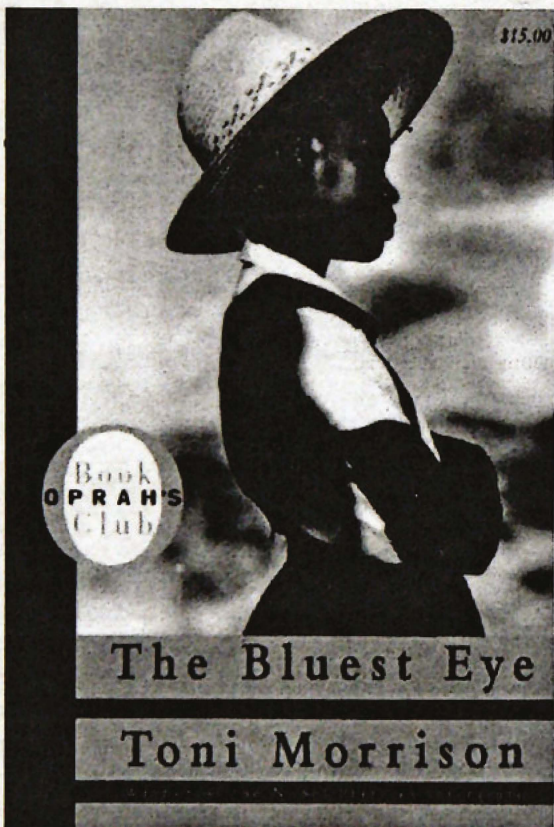
Despite all that happens to Pecola, she is not the story's subject. The subject is the Negro identity, and the morality surrounding it. This is a broad subject, and the way in which the subject is explained and moralized is this novel's weakness. Simply, it is too broad a subject. Morality is examined through black culture, prostitution, race relations, intra-race relations and family values. It is also covered through each of her characters; each character is judged. These individual messages register initially, but there are just too many moral lessons for the reader to give full attention to.

The flow of the story is also hurt by one major part of the book, "Spring." "Spring" thoroughly relates the histories of Pecola's mother and father. Some action is intertwined, but the section is mostly description. The action that is intertwined temporally differs; some action takes place along the storyline, some is flashback. This is confusing to the reader.

Morrison takes a better approach in the other sections. The story-line is clear, and action is mixed deftly with character description. There are no passages bogged down by unneeded description.

These problems are seemingly the result of typical over-ambitiousness on the part of a first-time author. Many of these ambitions are more fully realized in later novels. *Song of Solomon* successfully intertwines complex characters (Ruth, Freddie etc.) with a complex story. *Beloved* also looks at morality but without sacrificing the flow of the story. The bluest eye's ambitions and intentions are in their greatest forms here.

Still, *The Bluest Eye* is notable for its own moralistic look into African American life. Despite some shortcomings, it has already accomplished what few novels do — it has withstood the test of time. Thanks to its sheer greatness, it will endure, along with its author, in the American consciousness.



For information on letters-to-the-editor, see page 3.

Osteoporosis: how and why to prevent it

By CATHY KESSENICH

Many view osteoporosis as a natural consequence of aging. This outdated perspective is wrong on two counts. Osteoporosis is a disease that is commonly diagnosed in the elderly; however, it originates in childhood and adolescence. Secondly, it is a highly preventable disease for which there are now several effective treatment and prevention strategies.

Osteoporosis is a chronic debilitating disease characterized by low bone mass and increased susceptibility to fractures. While it is traditionally thought of as a disease of women, many men are at risk for the development of osteoporosis. Any bone in the body can fracture due to osteoporosis, but the bones most likely to break are those of the spine, hip, and wrist. According to the National Osteoporosis Foundation, there are more than 10 million American women currently diagnosed with osteoporosis. Another 18 million are at risk for the development of the disease.

Low Bone Mass

Researchers have discovered that bone mass depends on a variety of factors. Bones typically thicken and increase in strength during the teen years and reach peak bone mass around age 30. If you have been physically active and have been eating a calcium rich diet during this period, chances are you've built strong bones for your later years. Between ages 30 and 50, bone mass tends to stay fairly level before it starts to decline, around age 50. For women, menopause usually happens around age 50 and causes loss of bone because of the withdrawal of estrogen. The older you get, the more likely you are to be at risk for osteoporosis.

Risk and Prevention

In addition to the normal cycle of bone loss and growth, osteoporosis occurs for other reasons, such as genetics, family history of both osteoporosis and hip fractures, being thin and having a small frame (less than 127 pounds), certain medications, cigarette smoking, and excessive alcohol consumption. While health care professionals can effectively treat osteoporosis, you're better off if you work start working at an early age to prevent the disease from ever developing.

Like heart disease, osteoporosis is often called a "silent disease." People with osteoporosis

typically don't suffer from pain or symptoms until their bones become so fragile they can break under the stress of ordinary activities, such as bending down to pick up a child or a bag of groceries.

Osteoporosis prevention is appropriate for men and women of all ages. If you are caring for young children, be sure that they eat diets high in calcium so that they can develop strong healthy bones. This health habit should be carried over into adolescence and adulthood as men and women of all ages need diets rich in calcium and vitamin D. Most adolescents and young adults need between 1000 and 1200 mg of calcium per day. Additionally, 400 IU of Vitamin D per day is necessary so that the calcium can be absorbed.

The best way to obtain your daily calcium and vitamin D requirements is through your diet. Dairy products such as milk, yogurt, and cheese provide the largest amounts of dietary



calcium. However, the typical American diet does not usually provide enough calcium to build or maintain bone mass. Many types of chewable or ingestible supplements are available in the form of

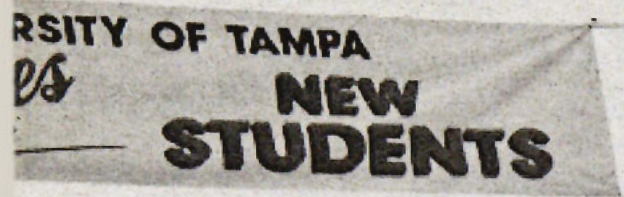
calcium citrate or calcium carbonate. These can be used to ensure adequate amounts of daily calcium consumption. Vitamin D can be obtained by drinking fortified milk, taking a multi-vitamin (that usually contains 400 IU units) or getting at least 15 minutes of sun exposure three times per week.

Active, weight-bearing exercise is an important component of osteoporosis prevention. Exercises such as walking, running, or dancing at least four times per week for 30 minutes can help to build and maintain adequate bone mass and reduce the risk of osteoporosis.

Last, you should attempt to limit your exposure to substances known to be toxic to bones. Many clinical trials have demonstrated that cigarette smoking is strongly correlated with the development of osteoporosis and fractures. The consumption of more than two alcoholic drinks per day has also been linked to the disease.

Dr. Cathy Kessenich is the Associate Professor Department of Nursing and Nurse Practitioner, Osteoporosis Testing Center, Temple Terrace, FL

2000-2001 year



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freshman and transfer students.



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The new Brevard Hall is now open for junior and senior housing.



Angela Lauer-SAO

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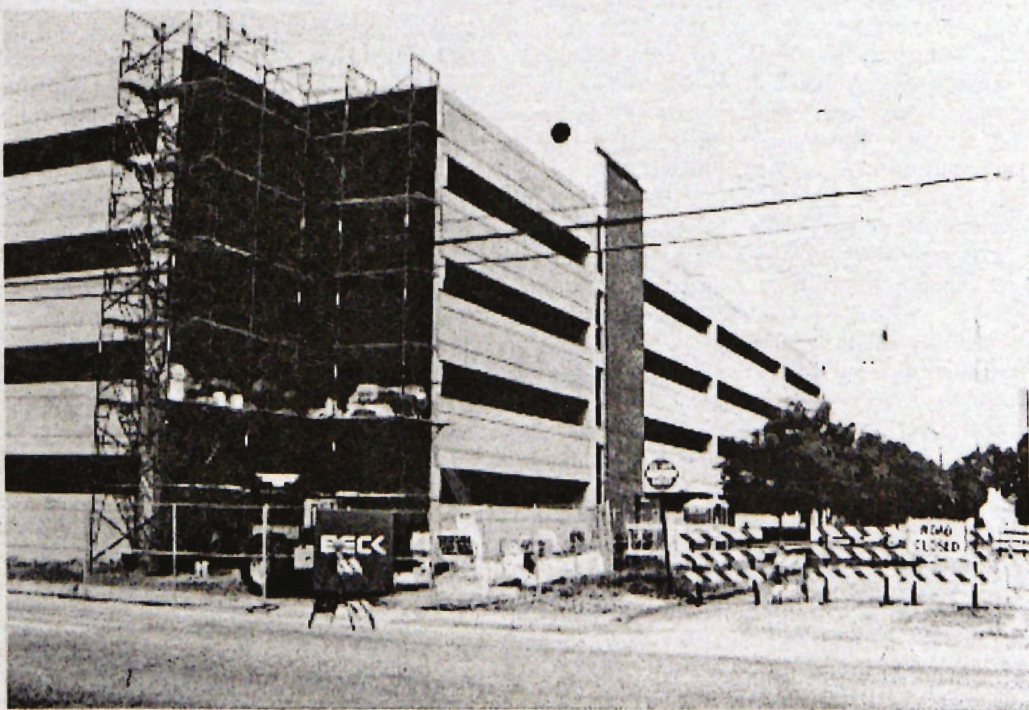
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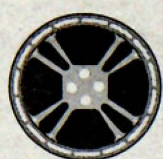
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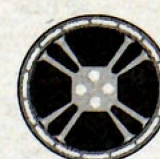


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The yet unfinished garage is playing a roll in this fall's parking headaches.



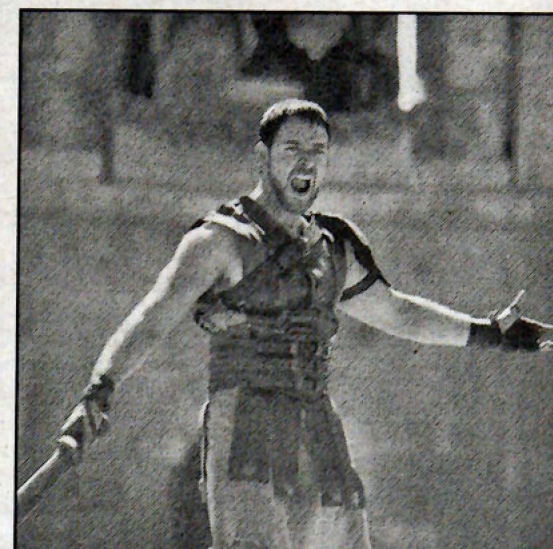
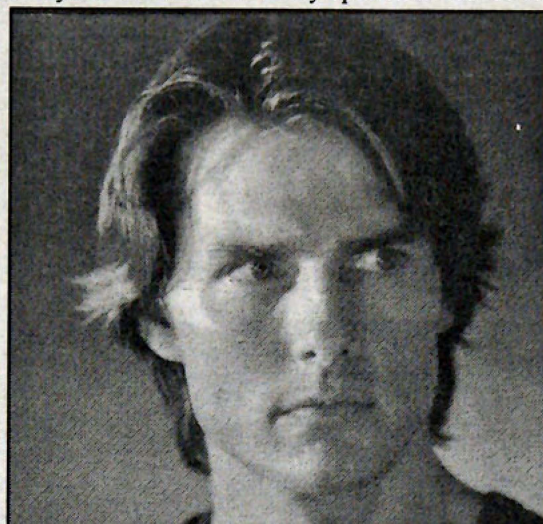
Best Movies of the Summer



MI-2



This suspenseful sequel to the popular spy flick, *Mission Impossible*, has a surprising plot that will leave you twisting in your seat. In some of the scenes, the Director tends to show off a little too much. How long exactly did that fancy ballet on motorcycles have to last? In my opinion it was too long.



Gladiator

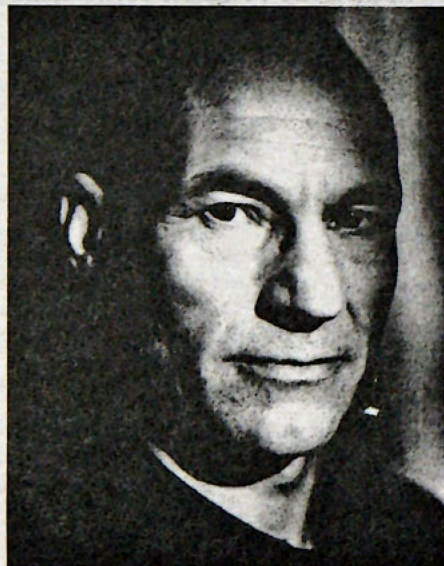


A Roman general's life is taken away when he is sold into slavery and trained as a gladiator. Every day, Maximus (Russell Crowe) has to fight simply to stay alive. His incredible struggle for freedom will inspire you to reach whole-heartedly towards your dreams.

What Lies Beneath



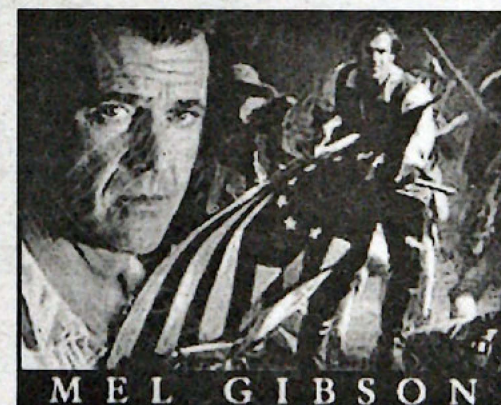
This thriller starring Harrison Ford and Michelle Pfeiffer will send chills up your spine if it doesn't scare you to death. Together this duo fill the air with suspense and acting that will leave you breathless. Don't forget to breath when you find out what lies beneath.



Scary Movie



There is really nothing scary about this funny flick. It's definitely the summer's most hilarious movie, not to mention the sickest. It's hard to believe that bad acting and a parody of *Scream* could actually be one of the most entertaining movies of the summer.



The Patriot



This heart felt representation of the American Revolution is suspensful and gripping. Scenes of war and blood are portrayed realistically to the point that it will baffle you. I do, however find it ironic that Mel Gibson is fighting for freedom in America when he already did it in Scotland (*Braveheart*).

X-Men



Comic book heroes take on the silver screen in this action filled adventure. Special effects combined with an appealing cast bring this comic book story to life in one of the best super hero films since *Batman*.

These rankings are the opinions of *The Minaret* staff. If you would like to argue our rankings, write us at e_minaret@hotmail.com.



Outstanding



Excellent



Better than *Waterworld*



Worth watching if on cable



THE SPARTAN GAY/STRAIGHT ALLIANCE
welcomes
new & continuing students, faculty & staff
to our first meeting/social gathering
for the Fall Semester

Falk Theater Lobby Tuesday, Sept. 12

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Friends Forever Photos

Want to commemorate your friendship for years to come? We will be taking Polaroids to be placed in the back of the Moroccan. \$10 a photo, maximum 10 people. Please direct all questions to ext. 6263. Pictures will be taken Mon. Sept. 11th - Fri Sept. 15th from 9am -4pm in Plant Hall Lobby.

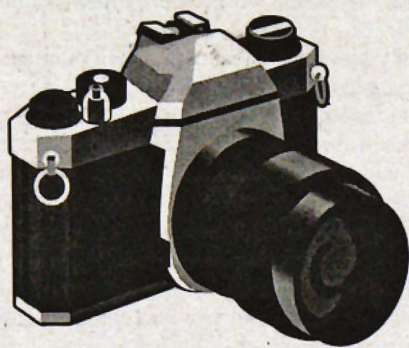
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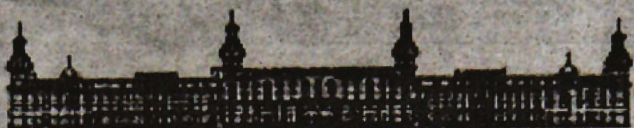


When: Mon. Sept.11th - Thursday Sept. 14th (everyone)
Fri. Sept. 15th (SENIORS Only)

Where: Plant Hall Lobby

Time: 9am - 4pm

Seniors must make appointments by siging up outside the Moroccan office located on the second floor of the Student Union. Seniors have a \$5 sitting fee and must be dressed appropriately. See your mailbox for details. Please contact the Moroccan at ext. 6263 with any additional questions.



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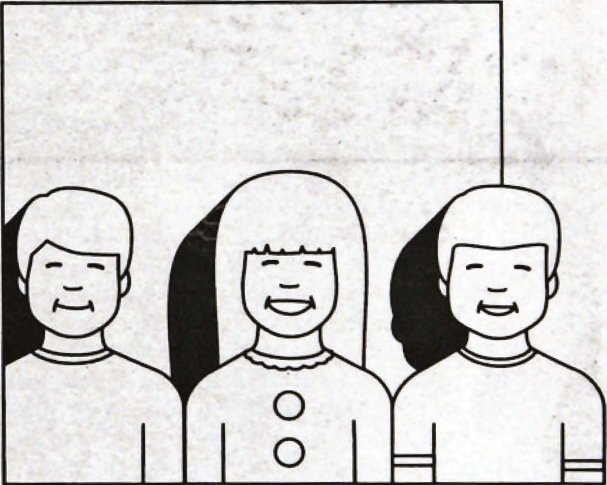
Thursday, September 21, 2000
4:30 to 5:30 p.m.

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September 2000

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Sorority Recruitment, Aug. 30-Sept. 4 Fraternity Recruitment, Sept. 6-10					Sorority Recruitment Jersey Night , 5-11pm, Plant Hall	Sorority Recruitment Skit Night, 4:30-10pm, Plant Hall
*UT Involvement Card Approved Event					* Honors Program: Salvador Dali Musuem 3-7pm, Fountain East Verandah	Zeta Phi Beta: Party, Music, 8pm
					*W Soccer UT vs. Univ. Missouri, 7pm	
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Sorority Recruitment Preference Parties, 2-5pm	Labor Day No Classes	SP Lightening Ticket Sale, PH Lobby	SP & Global Issues Present: Lecturer Luang , Landmines, 8pm	Fraternity Recruitment On -Campus Events (evening)	Zeta Phi Beta Party, 6pm/Gospel Concert	* SP Presents: Sisco Blowout Pool Party, 11am, pool
Zeta Phi Beta Concert	Sorority Bid Day, 10am	Fraternity Forum 10am-5pm, PH Lobby	SP Lightening Ticket Sales, PH Lobby		* Honors Program: Kennedy Space Center	Fraternity Recruitment Off-Campus Events (all day)
Hillel Brunch	Zeta Phi Beta Cook-out	* SG meeting, 7:00pm, Lecture Hall I	Fraternity Recruitment Smokers, 8-11pm	Pi Kappa Phi event, McNiff Volleyball Courts 6-9 pm	Fraternity Recruitment Off-Campus Events (evening)	
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Grandparents Day	SG Funded Organizations Budget Workshop, SG Office, 4pm	* Leadership Seminar, 8pm, Grand Honors Council Meeting, 5 pm, PH 209 Honors Council meeting, 5:00pm, PH		Part-Time Jobs and Internship Fair	Zeta Phi Beta Family Fued, 8:30pm	
Fraternity Bid Signing		Intramural Flag Football Rosters Due		Anti-Hazing Seminar	SP Presents:Swing Night, 8pm, Grand	
* W Soccer UT vs. U.S.C. , 7pm	* 7:30 pm, Gdand Salon; David Coash, Percussion	W Soccer UT vs. Barry, 7pm				
* King of Instruments I "Fanfare", 4pm, Sacred Heart Church	P.E.A.C.E. Volunteer Days, PH Lobby					
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
* SP Presents: Lighting Game, Ice Palace	Last day for withdrawing at 50% refund	Delta Gamma Theme Event, Student Union		Delta Gamma Theme Event, Fletcher	* SP Presents: Movie Night, Old Hyde Park Theater	Delta Gamma Theme Event, Pool
	* Intramural Flag Football Begins	* Honors Program: Dr. Lombardi "The Corporate Revolution: Consumerism v. Democracy," 4:00pm, A-V 2			Organization Registration Form Due	* Volleyball UT vs. St. Leo, 7:30pm
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	* 7:30 pm, Grand Salon; Amy Collins, Oboe, and Friends	* SG meeting, 7:00pm, Lecture Hall I			* Volleyball UT vs. F.S.C., 7:30pm	* W Soccer UT vs. Florida Southern, 7pm
	Phi Beta Sigma: PJ Party, Music, 9pm	* SG meeting, 7:00pm, Lecture Hall I	Intramural Tennis Roster Due	Pi Kappa Phi Theme Event	* SP presents: 5 O'clock Shadow, Dome, 8pm	Pi Kappa Phi Theme Event
	* SP Presents: Marty Putz-Prop Comic, 8pm		UT Men's Soccer, 5 pm, Palm Beach Atlantic		Rosh Hashanah	
	* 7:30 pm, Grand Salon; Five Star Brass					
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
					ROTC Ranger Challenge Competition @ ERAU	



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Division II Top 25
Sept. 5, 1999

School	Pts.	Rec.	Pvs.
1. Hawaii-Pacific	625	7-0	1
2. Augustana	570	7-0	6
3. N. Kentucky	564	5-0	3
4. Neb.-Omaha	548	7-0	5
5. W. Texas A&M	515	7-1	4
6. Tampa	466	3-1	7
7. C.S.-Bakersfield	454	5-0	8
8. BYU-Hawaii	439	3-3	2
9. S. Dakota St.	394	8-0	12
10. N. Colorado	361	7-2	9-tie
11. C.S.L.A.	358	5-0	14
12. Northwood	353	5-2	20
13. Minn.-Duluth	347	5-2	19
14. Neb.-Kearney	346	5-1	9-tie
15. Barry	309	4-3	11
16. C. Missouri St.	242	6-2	16
17. N. Dakota St.	201	5-4	15
18. Regis	183	5-4	13
19. N. Alabama	170	5-2	18
20. Truman	152	7-1	23
21. Grand Valley St.	128	8-0	24
22. Rockhurst	81	7-1	22
23. Cameron	63	3-5	21
24. Metro St.	60	4-4	25
25. C.S. San Bern.	59	6-1	NR

Rupp and North head to Division 1

By STEVE CHAMPLIN
Reporter

There are more than just cosmetic changes that have taken place on the UT campus this summer. The Spartan baseball program underwent a serious upheaval as both coaches of the varsity team have switched schools.

Former head coach Terry Rupp, a Tampa area sports legend and former Spartan star in both basketball and baseball, has taken over the head coaching job at the University of Maryland. Pitching coach Nelson North has moved across town to take over the pitching staff of the University of South Florida Bulls.

Under the guidance of these two coaches, the Spartans' baseball team has been to the Division II College World Series three times in

the last five years. Equally impressive is the 215-80 record (.729 win percentage) that could easily be the envy of many Division I schools.

Indeed, that's probably one of the main reasons why the University of Maryland hired Rupp. Rupp has shown that he can take a program with minimal resources and turn it into a proven winner.

Last year, the Spartans were ranked second in the nation heading into post-season play. They accomplished this while having only 40 percent of the NCAA allowable scholarship dollars.

At this time, no replacement has been named to take over the program. Interviewing for the new coach began last Friday.

Women's Tennis Tryouts

UT women interested in trying out for tennis please contact
Coach Al DuFaux
Ext. 3188

McNiff Center to offer aerobics

The McNiff Fitness Center will be offering an array of fitness classes throughout the semester. These weekly fitness classes will be offered with a certified instructor. All classes will be one hour in length, and will begin on Sept. 5th.

20/20/20: This class is the best of everything in a quick and challenging hour — 20 minutes of aerobics, 20 minutes of step and 20 minutes of strength training. Participants will enjoy the benefits of three different training activities.

Cardio Kickboxing: High impact, energetic, vigorous, awesome workout. Includes a combination of boxing, self-defense, and kickboxing.

H.E.A.T. (High Energy Athletic Training): Come test your athletic ability in this high intensity athletic workout. Come ready to sweat your body into shape. No dance moves included.

Power Step: A one hour cardio (intermediate to advanced step class using 16 and 32 count movements based on current choreography trends in the step industry, to maintain an increased heart rate for 40-45 minutes. The class ends with a brief abdominal workout and stretch. This class is not for beginners.

Saturday Surprise: This 75-minute format is chosen by the instructor in an effort to give a total body workout. Come be surprised during this high intensity weekend workout. Modifications will be given so that all fitness levels are welcome.

SSI (Super Step Interval): This class combines hi/low step and weight training moves in an exciting interval format. SSI is designed to give participants a total body workout while keeping an elevated heart rate for an extended period of time. All fitness levels are welcome.

Class	Day	Time
20/20/20	Monday	5:30p.m.
SSI	Tuesday	5:30p.m.
Power Step	Wednesday	5:30p.m.
HEAT	Thursday	5:30p.m.
Cardio Kickboxing	Monday, Friday	4:30p.m. and 5:30p.m.
Saturday Surprise	Saturday	Noon

The birth of a new era for cross-country

By FRANK LAPORT
Student SID

This year if you want to work out with the cross-country team, good luck. Coach Slaven's soldiers are stronger and faster than ever. Slaven, coming back for his second year as the Spartans cross-country coach has high hopes: to be one of the top two teams in the conference this season.

This season will be a fast one for the men's squad. There is no

number one guy because Slaven feels that Jamal Razavian, Brian Taylor, Brant Speed and returning Charlie Moores look like they are going to take the team to victory. Moores, one of six returnees, finished first last season for the Spartans four times. Slaven also shows interest in Michael Bowen, a 38 year-old studying to be a teacher, who brings stamina and experience.

The women's squad this year looks like it is going to be

on top also. Tracy Buxton and Katerina Ferraiuoli are looking like they are going to head the team this season. Returning from a semester in Europe is veteran Oriana Souers whose experience will be able to help the younger runners.

This is Slaven's first look at his team this season. When the season goes on he will then know what to expect from them. The Spartans' first race will be Thursday at the University of Florida.

INTRAMURAL SPORTS

FLAG FOOTBALL

Flag football team sign-ups are OPEN. Please have a team representative pick up a roster from the Student Activities Office. Rosters are due to Charles Yezak, coordinator of intramurals and McNiff Fitness Center, by Sept. 12 at 4 p.m. Team captains meeting will be on Wednesday, Sept. 13 at 8 p.m. at the McNiff Fitness Center. Play begins on Sept. 18. Please call Charles Yezak at 253-6233 ext. 3615 if you have questions.

TENNIS SINGLES

Sign up between Sept. 11 and Sept. 27 in the Student Activities Office. Play begins Oct. 1.

STUDENT OFFICIALS WANTED!

If you are interested in officiating flag football, softball, 3-on-3 basketball, and/or volleyball this semester, please contact Charles Yezak at 253-6233.

McNiff Fitness Center hours

Monday	7a.m. - Midnight
Tuesday	7a.m. - Midnight
Wednesday	7a.m. - Midnight
Thursday	7a.m. - Midnight
Friday	7a.m. - 7p.m.
Saturday	10a.m. - 7p.m.
Sunday	10a.m. - 10p.m.

If you rebuild it, they will come

By DARRYL HALL
Correspondent

Coming off an injury-plagued 6-8-2 season, Tampa's first losing campaign in 23 years, Coach Keith Fulk is into a total rebuilding job and has 15 new players to show for it while 10 survivors return from 1999.

Last season, the Spartans mustered only one honorable mention all-conference pick, defender Robby Salvog, and he graduated. The team may have been doomed from the first day of camp when the projected starting keeper decided not to return. The second keeper, Roy Swartz, suffered a season ending injury in game four. The third keeper Nick Iliff, started

10 games until getting hurt and UT finished the season with its fourth keeper, Ty Christian, who actually recorded a 4-0 shutout over Indianapolis in the next-to-last game. Overall, the team GAA was 2.05 with three shutouts. All three keepers return and based on spring performances, are ready to compete.

Secondly, the Spartans couldn't score. The departed Roger Kennedy led Tampa with 11 points. "Speed and goal scoring were our top priorities in recruiting," said Fulk.

Among the newcomers are four all-state players and two foreign national team players.

Three of the top four forwards who will be put in scor-

ing position are freshmen Kareem Escayo, Mario Lara and Chris Zayas who join senior letterman Mario Rodoni (11 games) up front. Escayo is an all-state performer from Lehigh Acres, Fla., Lara is a native of Honduras who graduated from Tampa Bloomingdale and Zayas is from Tampa East Lake. Fulk says all three are athletic and were good high school scorers. Rodoni was Tampa's top offensive producer during spring training and thus moves up.

The top midfielders are lettermen Chris Mitchell (15 games, 8 starts) and Ryan Godfrey (7 starts/injured) who scored two goals including the game winner against India-

napolis. Also expected to start is former U-18 national team players Robert Folbrycht of Sweden and Roy Fink of Israel. All-state players Rusty Roush of Brandon and Chris Nietubye of Melbourne are among six additional midfielders providing depth.

Fulk says he has eight solid defenders who are quick, versatile and can attack. Returning starters Maurice Lorengard (16 starts, 2 assists) and Per Anders Eliasson (15 starts/two assists) are the team leaders. Redshirt senior Ryan Smiley, coming off of two injury seasons and Tampa Jesuit all-state pick Earl Belli are penciled in as probable starters. Part-time starter Will Hltzelberger (15 games/8 starts/

1 goal) and freshmen signees Mehran Mostafavifar (Tampa King), Tommy Wright (Houston, Tex.) and Jason Bell (Lufkin, Tex.) could be inserted anywhere in the back line.

"This is a rebuilding year for Tampa," said Fulk. "Our freshmen are talented and we should be able to compete this season, but we are probably a year away from being back to where we are accustomed to being."

**Tampa's first
SSC game
is against
Florida Southern
at Lakeland
Sept. 13 at 7p.m.**

Spartans sport shutout

By BEKAH WYMAN
and BECKIE LOISELLE
Student SIDS

The University of Tampa Spartans (1-1) play at Miami Shores this weekend on Sept. 8 against Southern Connecticut State, and Sept. 9 against Seattle Pacific, both games begin at 4:30 p.m.

THE SERIES: Tampa is 2-4-3 vs. S. Connecticut, and 3-5-1 vs. Seattle Pacific.

LAST WEEK: Tampa played at Webber on Wednesday Aug. 30, with a 3-0 win. The men also played St. Thomas in Miami Friday Sept. 1, with a 4-1 loss.

LEADERS: Roy Fink, Kareem Escayo and Jason Bell were standout goal scorers in the two games last week. Fink

(one goal against Webber, and the assist against St. Thomas), Escayo (one goal and two shots against Webber), Bell (one goal against Webber, one goal against St. Thomas), and Chris Nietubye (assist against Webber) played well with each other through communication and passes.

FEATURED PLAYER: Chris Nietubye, freshman, number 18, from Melbourne, Fla. Nietubye's honors consist of two time Rookie of the Year (freshman and sophomore year in high school), Texas State Select Team (1996-97, 1997-98) and Florida Select Team (1998-99). Nietubye's pre-game superstitions are kissing his soccer ball charm before game time, spitting water on the field, then stepping on the

water with each foot twice. His personal goal for the year is to give 100 percent towards everything he tries.

QUOTING COACH FULK: "I was very impressed by the new players (in the first week), and the guys played well for such hot weather. They dominated the game (against St. Thomas) until about the 32nd minute, until they lost. They made 'young team' mistakes. Roy Swartz (goalkeeper) played well against St. Thomas. The game was definitely a goalie game, back and forth. Roy stepped up and solidified the hold on number one, for the time being."

Editor's note: complete game summaries of the men's soccer games will be updated in next week's issue.

Entlich's journey begins with a tough challenge

By JOHN OATES
Correspondent

Two winning seasons in two years of existence for Tampa women's soccer has created high expectations, however first-year coach Jay Entlich says this may be a year where the program takes a step back to go forward.

Entlich inherits seven returning starters and 14 total letterwinners from last year's 11-7 team, but had a couple of key defections to Division I which could be a setback.

Despite not having any seniors, Tampa lost SSC Freshman-of-the-Year Stephanie Keating who led the Spartans with 47 points on 18 goals and 11 assists and freshman keeper Becky Tolzman who started all 17 games recording a 1.45 GAA with four solo shutouts to Division I programs.

Top returning players are sophomore defender Ginger Lynn, who held SSC co-Players-of-the-Year Karah Smith and Jenny Nilsson to a total of two shots and no goals; sopho-

more midfielder Emma Carlsson and junior forward Tai Kirklin.

Lynn (17 starts) and Kirklin (32 career starts/ 22 career goals/ 19 career assists) were both 2nd-team All-South and 2nd-team all-SSC selections. Carlsson (16 starts/ 11 goals/ 11 assists) was Second team All-SSC as well.

Additional returning defenders include junior Heather Rocha (31 starts/ 1 goal/ 2 assists), sophomore Erica Murphy (13 starts/ 1 goal), and junior Angela Gilles (17 starts in two years).

Top returning midfielders besides Carson are junior Stacy Estes (34 starts/ 1 goal/ 3 assists), sophomore Lori Basso (10 starts/ 1 goal/ 1 assist), junior Desiree Voice (25 games, 1 assist) and junior Mind Simmons (28 games/16 starts/ 4 goals).

Sophomore Tovan Willey (9 games/ 1 goal) is a projected forward with Kirklin.

Junior Susan Vaughn, who appeared in 14 games, starting six as a midfielder, looms as the

top keeper candidate after serving as a backup there two years ago.

Top recruits are freshmen midfielders Tracie Blizzard, from Royal Palms, Fla., and Erin Polselli of Rhode Island, while Orlando redshirt Melanie Moody should be an impact newcomer.

Tampa defeated its first ranked opponent last year with a 3-2 win over No. 12 Catawba and lost to top ranked Barry 3-2 in overtime as sure signs of progress, but the loss of their top scorer and keeper leave huge holes for someone to step up and fill.

Editor's note: complete game summaries will be updated in next week's issue of The Minaret.

**The Spartans first
Sunshine State
Conference
game is
Sept. 12, 2000
at 7:00p.m.**

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Femme footales

By T.D. ROACH
Student SID

Last Week: The Spartans went 2-1 on the week, beating Webber 1-0 and Missouri-St.

Louis 4-3 and losing to California State- Bakersfield 6-1. For the first time in the program's history, the Spartans are lacking a dominating offense. Tampa has only had 32 shots on goal so far this season.

Surprising Sophomore: Tovan Willey has stepped up and provided some scoring for a suffering offensive unit. Willey has two goals in three games. She scored only one goal in all of 1999. Willey scored the game winning goal last Wednesday versus Webber and the goal that gave UT the lead for good last Friday against UMSL.

Void in the midfield: With the loss of Stephanie Keating to Division I, Stacy Estes has

moved to midfield from her usual defense position. She has done a good job distributing the ball but has only one shot through three games.

No Fear: The most apparent change under the Entlich regime is the Spartans newfound aggressiveness and toughness. During the George Fotopolous years, Tampa played more of an up-tempo, finesse style. Now, under first year coach Jay Entlich, UT has a shown to be very physical and aggressive which is why they're 2-1 and not 0-3. Tampa's aggressive play wore down Webber and UMSL and made the difference in close games. This week: The Spartans will host Warner Southern on Friday, Sept. 8 at 7p.m. and South Carolina-Spartanburg Sunday, Sept. 10 at 1p.m.

Sunshine State Conference serves up talent



By DAVE MACE
Reporter

Once again the University of Tampa is the team to beat in the Sunshine State Conference. Even though the Spartans lost three key starters from last year's team that finished as runners up to the Division II National Championship, Tampa looks to win the SSC crown for the fifth straight year behind returning starters Kam Gillispie (All-South Region and second team All-SSC) and last year's SSC Freshman-of-the-Year Tiffany Boatwright (first in SSC with attack percentage and blocks).

Tampa, however, lost three key players to graduation (All-American setter Danielle Faggion, Becky Hart and Chervara Smith) and lost phenom Jolene Patton to transfer. UT coach Chris Catanach

believes that his team can rebound from these key losses with the addition of three freshman; setter Gretchen Naruta and outside hitters Sandi Fox and Ania Ruiz.

Naruta, a highly regarded freshman from Winter Springs, Fla., was a class 6A All-State selection last year and with the aid of Faggion as an assistant coach, Naruta should learn the system real well.

Fox becomes Tampa's first Junior Olympic All-American. She was also a Florida class 3A All-State selection.

Ruiz is also a huge addition to the team as she is a member of the Puerto Rican junior national team to culminate this recruiting class as possibly Tampa's best ever.

Giving Tampa a legitimate run at the SSC crown and most likely insuring a return trip to the NCAA South Regionals, is Barry University and Florida Southern. The Barry Buccaneers went 18-7 last year while beating Tampa in their first meeting of the year, and eventually made it to the NCAA tournament.

The Florida Southern Mocs failed to beat Tampa in three meetings (once in the NCAA regionals) but was able to compile a 28-8 record.

The Bucs will be a formidable



photo courtesy of FSC

The Florida Southern squad looks to sneak into the NCAA tournament this year.

foe by returning key players Jade Harper (first team All-SSC), All-Freshman selection Rochelle Magil, and SSC-Second teamers Meghan Clarke and Angie Matzen.

The Mocs will make a tough run for a second place finish. The team returns two All-SSC first teamers in Sara Stewart and Christie White.

Stewart set the conference record for digs in a season last year en route to leading the Mocs to the South Region championship against Tampa

last season.

The Mocs also bring back to the net serving specialist Jennifer Woerner and defensive expert Misti Neutzling. The Mocs, however, join Tampa in their search for a replacement setter as they lost Neeley Meggs for personal reasons. She has been nationally ranked in the assists per game category for the past two seasons.



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The Bucs will make a valid run at the SSC.

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