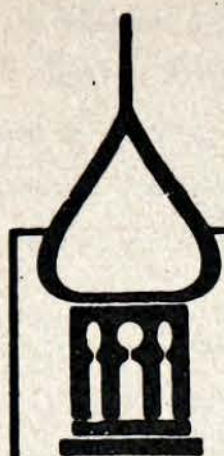


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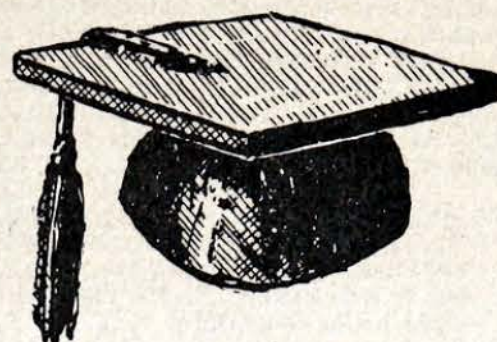
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"Journalism is literature in a hurry."

Matthew Arnold



### Thrailkill Graduates Summa Cum Laude With 4.0

(Diane Vallee, OPI) — Where does one go from perfection? University of Tampa senior Julie Thrailkill will face that question when she graduates summa cum laude on April 23.

This pinnacle of academic acclaim indicates that the 21-year-old coed has maintained a perfect score, 4.0 (all A's) throughout her college career.

According to UT records, Julie is the first summa cum laude graduate to spend the entire four years at the University of Tampa. Several others have been transfer students.

How does she feel? "Shocked, thrilled, grateful!" Julie recalled that there were moments of anxiety in striving to attain a straight A average for eight semesters.

But even though she also boasted a 4.0 score as a Brandon High School graduate, Julie claimed no one has prodded her to achieve such scholarly standards.

"I guess you could say the pressure has been self-inflicted," Julie explained, admitting that she never struggled to make good grades. "Memory work always came easy," she said.

Julie has excelled in a variety of extra-curricular activities as well. The striking blue-eyed blonde won the first and only pageant she ever entered, Miss Brandon of 1975-76. She went on to place in the top ten at the Miss Florida Pageant in Orlando, a preliminary of the Miss America Pageant in Atlantic City. An active and enthusiastic student at the University of Tampa, Julie found an outlet for her interest in music through Show Chorus, University Singers and as a dancerette with the Spartan Marching Band. She is a member of Alpha Chi, national scholastic honor society which taps juniors and seniors in the top 10 per cent of the dean's list for membership.

Julie hopes to teach in Tallahassee while her fiancé, Robert Blagojevich, pursues his master's degree in Yugoslavian studies at Florida State University.

Julie's ultimate goals are to earn at least a master's degree and perhaps teach English, her major, at college level.



Outstanding seniors Bob Iezzi and Virginia Covington.

## 1977 Outstanding Graduates Named

SGA president Robert Iezzi and Virginia Covington, an outstanding December graduate who will enter Georgetown University law school, have been named Outstanding Graduates for 1976-77.

Both were recognized at the 1977 Honors Convocation held April 14 at Falk Theatre.

Iezzi, whose career in student government has included service in the House of Representatives and as SGA treasurer, may best be remembered for his efforts to combine SPC and SGA into one viable organization.

But the Hamden, Connecticut business major has held a diversified hand in his activities since coming to campus. Just a few include service as IFC president, IFC intramural chairman, Sigma Phi Epsilon vice president and president, ODK membership and Rathskeller bartender.

Miss Covington, daughter of likeable political science professor, Dr. James Covington, is a magna cum laude graduate of UT. A member of Alpha Chi and ODK, Virginia also was named winner of the Pan Hellenic Scholastic Award.

Also diversified in her activities, the pretty blonde Tampa native has been president and treasurer of Alpha Chi Omega sorority, judge on the traffic court for three years, vice president of Omicron Delta Epsilon, secretary of both Club Latino and Delo Forensic Society and won the Panhellenic Scholastic Award last year, too.

Other winners were Martha Wooten, Delta Sigma Pi Scholarship Award; Kenton Colwell, Wall Street Journal Achievement Award; Phi Gamma Nu Scholarship Key Award, Miss Wooten; Phi Alpha Theta International History Award, Robert Kandler; Chemical Rubber Company Science Achievement Award, Janet Hocko and Steve Rhode; Sigma Tau Delta English Club Awards for Outstanding Academic Achievement, Julie Thrailkill and Jeffrey Emanuel; Master of Business Administration Outstanding Student Award, Robert E. Taylor; Master of Education Outstanding Students, Eleanor D. Partridge, William J. Starr and

James B. Masciocchi; Music Faculty Scholarship Award, Marvin Luse; Colony Shops art prizes for the recent student competition, Marcia Buch, Clovis D. Rusk and Hugh Richart; University of Tampa Woman's Club Award, Miss Thrailkill; Sumter L. Lowry Freedom Award, Louise Loy Hunter Award to Outstanding Faculty Member,

The newly created University of Tampa Drama Club was cited for outstanding service by Sigma Tau Delta.

Students named to the "Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities" publication were Robert Blagojevich, John Bowler, Becky Burnett, Kenton Colwell, Virginia Covington, Elizabeth Demarest, Lawrence DeVos, Otto Von Eilbergh, Lori Evers, Robert Iezzi, Jeffrey Moledor, David Thomas and Linda Ventura.

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## Outstanding Athletes Honored

Irv Edelson (OPI) — Frank Swope, Tampa Hillsborough graduate and four-year veteran of University of Tampa tennis star, and Jackie Langley, basketball star and super woman athlete, were named the Outstanding Athletes of the Year at the annual University of Tampa Sports Awards Banquet Monday night in Fletcher Lounge. Awards were announced by Dr. Robert Birrenkott, UT athletic director.

Although he didn't have a great year, Swope, the 1976 men's tennis MVP, kept the team together in his morale-building Mr. Good Guy role. A 1973 graduate of Hillsborough, Swope has been the No. 1 player on the Tampa team.

Miss Langley, the first woman basketball player to score more than 1,000 career points at the University of Tampa, and a natural athlete who has played college varsity volleyball and softball and high school tennis, is a Milton, Mass. native who now makes her home in Naples, Fla. A 5' 10" junior, Jackie will return next year in hopes of launching an attack on the 2,000-point mark.

Miss Langley won the Outstanding Athlete award last year when it was opened to women, and this year took the MVP in basketball for the third straight year.

The baseball MVP award this year went to Claude Caruso of Bound Brook, N. J. Also a junior, Claude is currently hitting .470 with 63 hits. That total includes 17 doubles, three triples and five home runs. He has knocked in 50 runs this year for the Spartans.

Other MVPs are: Women's crew - Margaret McNiff, a dedicated, hard-working freshman who makes up for her size with desire; Men's crew - Randy Ruditz; golf - Jon Seavey, a senior; Rifle - Dale Allen; Soccer - David Schultz of St. Petersburg; Swimming - Dan Hepplewhite of Des Moines, Ia., sprint free style, and Kris Lenz of Fort Lauderdale, breast stroke.

Other winners: Women's tennis - Mary Lo Presti, last year's MVP, with a 9-4 record, and Gregg Goldberg, a senior from Cleveland, Ohio with a 13-5 mark; Volleyball - Linda Frizzell of Columbia, Md., a senior who was MVP in 1975; Water Ski - Linda Luizza of Tampa, and Kevin Binau of Tampa, both repeat winners from last year.

Special plaques were presented to athletes who have earned four letters at the University of Tampa. Recipients were: Baseball - David Prigge, David Pulver, Gary Lowen and Mike Randle; Volleyball - Linda Frizzell; Basketball - Debbie Wilcox; Water Skiing - Sandy Pritchard, Linda Luizza and Kevin Binau; Soccer - Al Fainblatt.

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## Outstanding Greeks Named

By DEBBIE EVERHART  
Editor

The fraternities and sororities play an active part at UT. The Interfraternity Council honors the outstanding fraternity, sorority, and Greek Man and Woman of the Year.

Tau Kappa Epsilon was named outstanding fraternity for the 1976-1977 school year. TKE was busy with both social and charitable activities this year. They sponsored the Blood Bank on campus spring and fall semesters. In addition to that, they took runaways from Beach Place to a Cincinnati Reds baseball game. On campus the 24 TKE brothers and 12 Little Sisters were busy participating in, and winning, intramurals, as well as Homecoming Skit night. Greg Brown was president the spring semester.

It is quite fitting that a member of the outstanding fraternity would get Greek Man of the Year. Bruce Fendell, the recipient of this award, has been an active member of TKE for the past four years. He is a past president of the Interfraternity Council and is currently Attorney General for SGA.

Sue Scaglioni, a member of the Zeta Tau Alpha sorority, is this year's recipient of the Greek Woman of the Year Award. Sue is a past president of Panhellenic and was just elected Senior Representative to the House.

## Forward Fund Leaders Expect To Meet Goal

With nearly \$400,000 accounted for at its final report meeting Thursday in the University Club, Forward Fund '77 leaders expressed optimism the \$500,000 goal for the annual University of Tampa fund drive would be met before the end of the year.

Fred Rothenberg, general chairman of Forward Fund '77, said: "I'm very pleased with the results."

The total reported at the formal wrap up of the Special Gifts Division drive was \$396,633.88, which takes in all phases of the drive — Advance Gifts, Special Gifts and Campus Division.

Carl W. Johnson, director of annual giving at UT, said there are many individuals expected to follow up on calls, and when they are through, the "clean up" crews will take up the slack and finish the campaign.

"If past years are any indication, the goal will undoubtedly be met by the end of the year," Johnson said.

Robert Thomas, president of Port Sutton and a UT trustee, told Counselors the University of Tampa is very much a part of the Tampa community. "The University has come a long way. It is an important part of the community and deserves our support."

Forward Fund money is used both for the general operation of the University and for specific functions, when the gift is so designated.

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The American Association of University Women, AAUW, invites all graduates and prospective graduates to its annual membership tea Saturday, May 14, 1977 from 3 to 5 p.m. at 2604 N. Dundee. The AAUW is a national organization for educated women and has an active interest in cultural, political and community affairs. For further information call 886-1555 between 6 and 8 p.m.

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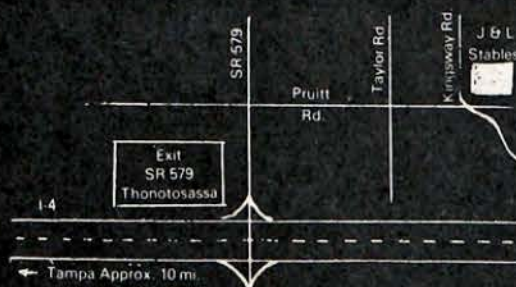
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# letters

## In Search Of An Egg

I'm sure that anyone in search for a magazine or other materials in our beautiful, but less than efficient library, was well prepared for the Easter egg hunts. When one tours our "Landmark of Learning," it's quite possible that he is eluded away from our library, or at least its academic aspects.

I find it disgusting to go to the public library or even the USF library, in order to seek materials that should be available in our own. I pray that even a fraction of our increased tuition will do more for our education that just mere public visibility.

A possible alternative to our tuition situation would be selling the UT library to the city of Tampa which would probably be much more effective to the skidrow on Kennedy Blvd. I'm sure this proposal will never confront the Board of Trustees, but of course they are only in search of a golden egg.

We just want an education

John McLendon  
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Dear Editor,

I'm an inmate in an Ohio prison. Since my incarceration I have lost contacts with both friends and family. I would like to ask if you could do me a favor and publish my letter in your college newspaper. I am sure that someone out there would be kind enough to write me a letter, as a single letter would brighten my dark and lonely days.

I am 21 years old and a Taurus. I am 6'1" and weigh 185 pounds. I have light brown curly hair and blue eyes. I enjoy biking, water skiing, tennis, wildlife, boating, and creative arts.

I thank you for taking the time out of your busy day to read my letter. I just hope you can be of help to me.

Sincerely,  
John

Faculty, Staff and Student Body,

My family and I wish to express our heartfelt thanks for the financial and moral support bestowed upon me during my recent illness and hospitalization. It was very comforting to know I did not have to make recovery. Your many cards and visits were excellent therapy, but your recent acknowledgement for a fellow student is beyond comparison.

Your gesture of friendship and understanding only proves that a person is never alone. It is a great feeling to realize that there are so many people who still care for one another during these trying times.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you individually and collectively and may your endeavors in life be accomplished to the fullest.

I am looking forward to returning to school in September as the doctors will be releasing me soon.

For all of this, I am sincerely indebted.  
(Tony) George A. Buchieri

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## Gregg Bartlett UT's Campus Critic

Gregory K. Bartlett



## UT Standout Marsano Comments On School

By GREGG BARTLETT  
Minaret Columnist

Andrew Marsano, a UT fixture, one of the big men on campus and one of the most human, is leaving us. Andy is a business major and an economics major from Port Washington, New York. He has completed his requirements in three years by attending college for eight straight semesters. He was the first non-military student to be inducted into the Pen & Sword Society. He is a member of the American Society of Personnel Administration. He has been on the Standard's Board, Judicial Board, and Advisory Board.

He was appointed to the Special Admissions Committee by Dr. Owens and has been nominated to appear in "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities."

Andy was Gasparilla King and was UT's official MC at campus functions such as the Gong Show and Skit Night. He is also RA at McKay.

How would you evaluate UT?

Marsano: I could have never made it in a big school. I'm outgoing. I like to meet people. The one to one relationship with faculty is good also. Personal attention from professors has helped me. UT has a reputation as a stepping-stone college. People come for two years to transfer. The reason is the school offers nothing as far as athletics, intercollegiate sports, etc. Students don't want to hike a mile to go to a gym when it is not a gym. It has poor wrestling facilities, poor weight lifting facilities, etc.

SGA is a problem also. The only thing I got from SGA was a directory.

Academically, UT has an abundance to offer. As

far as sports, with intramurals we have started our way up, but we have a long way to go.

Students put too much emphasis on beer. Functions such as Skit Night, the play, "Come Blow Your Horn," and the dance for Tony Buchieri should have been three of the greatest activities on campus, but they were not because there was no beer.

What do you have to say to those students who sit around in their room and don't do anything? Marsano: People are complainers. That's one thing, as RA I've heard so many complaints. An example, everybody wants alcohol in the dorms. When there was a meeting to present this to the administration, 13 people showed up and they were all from McKay. That tells the administration McKay wants alcohol. What about the rest? Silence to them means everything is going great. In order for students to obtain what they want from the administration, 1978 has to be a year of unity.

Can something be done about student apathy?

Marsano: Something definitely can be done about apathy. There's a little over 2000 students that attend UT, which comprise many groups and cliques. Feedback from the students is the answer. If students want to go to the beach, then bus them to the beach.

Who is Andy Marsano and how does he do it?

Marsano: There's a joker in every class and I just happen to be a joker. I don't think I ever played the straight man. I like to make people laugh and people like to laugh. It's a sure combination.

If I run up against a wall and I find I can't go through it, I just go around it.

Whenever I feel like I'm being run out of town, I walk to the head of the crowd and make it seem like a parade.

Any parting words?

Marsano: I think UT has set unrealistic goals for the present. UT wants to be a Harvard on the Hillsborough River. But first it must take a good hard look at its students' wants and needs. College is a maturing process for all students, socially as well as academically. I have no complaints about UT academically, but socially it has a long way to go. I enjoyed myself at UT and will be an active alumni and help UT grow to its ultimate goals.

Overall, the thing that has changed the most has been the Residence Life System. Director Herman Bips is one of the finest assets to come to UT.

Dean Johns is "something else." She is a woman always fighting for the betterment of the student, and is the most student oriented person I have met at UT. Bob Iezzi is the first president since I have been here who has involved more students and has paved the way for next year's president so he can efficiently represent the student body.

Dave Jackson and Barry Lydon deserve special note in my book. Dave for his outstanding performance with SPC and the extra hours he puts in to get the show on the road. Barry for all the activities and programs carried out by the Rat.

Something I have learned at UT is that you can't always have it your way. Have it your way some of the time and enjoy someone else's way, too. I hope UT misses me as much as I am going to miss UT.

To Steve,

Have a good summer and watch what you swallow when singing.

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## Intramural Sports Roundup

By RUSS IKERD  
Minaret Staff Writer

Following Athletic Director Dr. Bob Birenkott's invitation to "reap the harvest" of their efforts this past year, several University of Tampa intramural sports participants walked away from the Lykes Building last Thursday with accolades and beer-filled whistles.

While the lager connoisseurs drank to the tune of two kegs, Birenkott cited the strides made during the fall and spring seasons. "We tried several new sports," he said, "including the successful floor hockey and water polo programs."

"We had excellent support in the intramural program," he said in speech preceding the award presentations.

Birenkott was exceptionally pleased with the growth of a competitive housing league, which had not existed in previous years. "This will continue into next year," he predicted.

Birrenkott hopes to improve the intramural program by balancing the fall and spring schedules, eliminating the emphasis put on the tug-o-war competition, and possibly increasing the facilities with the addition of a new football field. Also, Birrenkott sees the possibility of an intramural track meet for next spring.

Team plaques were presented to the champions in each respective sport and the first three finishers in both the housing and organizational leagues. The final point standings were as follows: Housing, Delo 7, 8, 9 - 1010; Delo, 1, 2, 3 - 946; McKay, 2 - 919; Delo, 4, 5, 6 - 848; Alumni Building, 879; McKay, 3 - 757; McKay, 4 - 651; Village - 650; and McKay, 1 - 639. Organizational - TKE - 1027; AETT - 884; Pi Kapp - 852; ZBT - 803; TEP - 715; Pen & Sword - 400; and OX - 177.

## Spanish Little Theatre Guild Plans Dinner-Dance

(Diane Vallee, OPI) — Fun and fund raising are the reasons behind a gala dinner-dance, "Noche-cita Madrileña," scheduled May 13 in the Siboney Room of the Columbia Restaurant. Party planners are members of the newly organized Spanish Little Theatre Guild who promise their first social will be "A red carpet event . . . all the way." The function is open to individuals interested in the Spanish Little Theatre, a musical troupe which was founded in 1958 at the University of Tampa. This year the theatre has returned to UT's campus as a resident company.

Spearheading plans for the dinner-dance are Mrs. Mary Sachs, acting president, and committee members including Mrs. Leonard Anton, Mary Gonzalez, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Webster, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Menendez, Arline Pasetti, and Rene Gonzalez - founder and artistic director of the Spanish Little Theatre. Mrs. Cesar Gonzmart is selecting a special menu for the event and Joseph Testasecca is in charge of festive decorations themed to Madrid, Spain, in the 1890 period.

The evening will include dinner, dancing to La Riviera Orchestra and a performance by Spanish Little Theatre entertainers. Guests will be reminded of the troupe's closing production of the year, "La Verbena De La Paloma," scheduled May 15 at McKay Auditorium. Reservations for the dinner-dance and the production may be made by calling 248-3594 or writing Spanish Little Theatre, 1704 7th Ave., Tampa 33605. Dinner-dance reservations are requested by May 1.



## UT Show Chorus To Perform At Tampa Theatre

Broadway's their beat! The popular University of Tampa Show Chorus will appear in concert on April 16 at the Tampa Theatre. Curtain time is 8 p.m.

Songs from "Once Upon A Mattress" and "The Unsinkable Molly Brown" will be performed by the college singers who have shared their love of Broadway music with Tampa bay area audiences since 1973.

Specialty selections will be presented by The Travellers, a group from within the chorus which entertains by invitation for church, civic and social organizations.

Show Chorus was founded by Malcolm Westly. An associate professor of music at the University of Tampa, he now serves as musical director for the troupe.

Professional actress/teacher Mary Ann McCulloh, whose theatrical background extends from sum-

mer stock and Broadway to Tampa Community Theatre, is stage director and choreographer.

Recreating vivid scenes from original Broadway musicals is the goal of Show Chorus. Through the years, more dialogue and costumes have been added to enhance the productions.

Their first public concert at the Tampa Theatre is proof of the troupe's growing popularity, according to Westly. "Each semester, we get more and more requests for Show Chorus to entertain," he said.

There will be no reserved seats for the April 16 production. General admission tickets are \$1.

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