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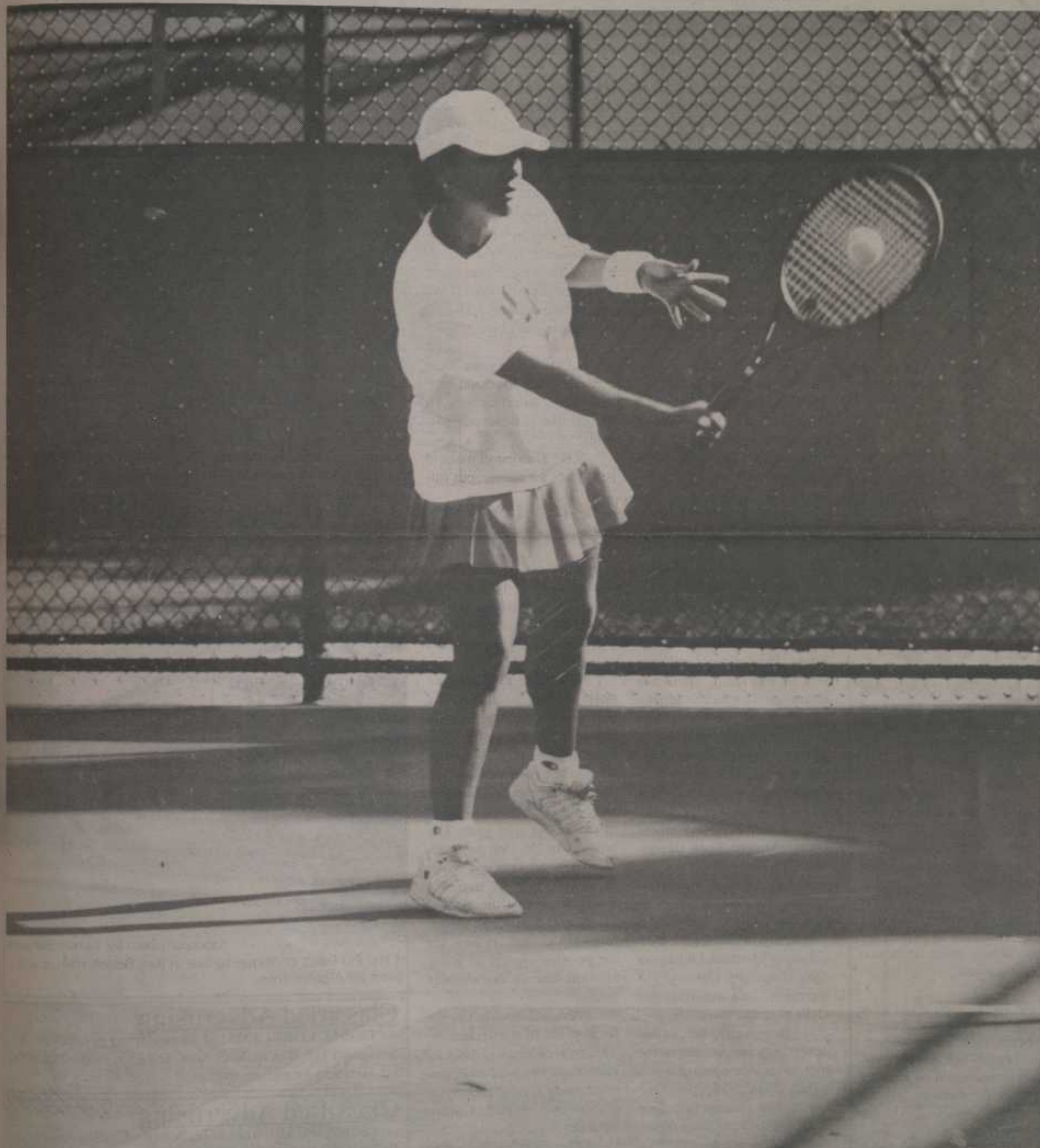


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New OCSA president: Nicolle Noguerras

Natalie Cuartelon
Co-Editor-In-Chief

Natalie Cuartelon: Where are you from?

Nicolle Noguerras: I'm originally from San Juan, Puerto Rico. I moved here to Orlando the summer between my ninth and tenth grade year. So I started tenth grade at Dr. Phillips High School, which is the school I graduated from.

N.C.: What is your intended major and your career plans after you leave Rollins?

N.N.: My major is politics, with my intended career plans to be a lawyer. Hopefully I will work in international law and work for the United Nations.

N.C.: Do you know where you would like to go for graduate school?

N.N.: Ideally I would like to go to either Georgetown or somewhere in D.C. or New York.

N.C.: What other activities are you involved in other than OCSA?

N.N.: Currently I'm involved in the Model United Nations. I'm the vice-president. Basically I just organize conferences and work with the finances. I'm also a member of the Honors Program.

N.C.: What are some of your goals for the Off Campus Student Association?

N.N.: My major goal is to get people interested and active in the organization. So far we have had a problem with lack of interest. A lot of the people don't even know where the off-campus lounge is located. So hopefully, we want to get the incoming freshmen involved and just have more activities to do for the off-campus student association.

N.C.: What are some of your upcoming plans for the rest of the semester?

N.N.: Well, right now I am working on restructuring the organization. There wasn't really a fixed structure, so we're getting officers in and establishing a committee. We're also working on having a better newsletter. As far as activities, we're going to start doing some community service. We don't have definite activities right now; our plans are just tentative.

N.C.: What are some of the ways you think you could form a communication link between the on and off-campus students?

N.N.: The first step would be to unite the off-campus stu-

dents. I want to encourage involvement of the on-campus students in off-campus activities. Perhaps we could co-sponsor activities with on-campus organizations. We want to let on-campus students know that [OCSA] is not segregating ourselves from the on-campus community.

N.C.: What can you tell us about the movement of the off-campus lounge?

N.N.: Currently due to the building of the new student center, the off-campus student lounge is going to be relocated. We're not sure of the exact location as of now. The possibilities are the Registrar's office, Casa Iberia, or the basement of Mills. I still have to meet Dean Nielsen, so we can work this out and hopefully not be stuck somewhere inconvenient.

N.C.: How do you feel about the representation of OCSA in SGA?

N.N.: As of right now, we really don't have that much representation in SGA except for our senators. Most of our senators, with the exception of Jeremy [Thadkurdin], have not been all that active. I think one major step we need to take is to elect good senators and representatives to serve in SGA.

As president I have a seat on the Cabinet. I would like to work more with SGA, perhaps in coordinating some joint activities.

N.C.: How prepared do you feel as a freshman taking on such a big position?

N.N.: At first I was tempted to be overwhelmed by being president, but in itself [being president] is a learning experience. It is a process. No one goes into a leadership position knowing exactly what the outcome is going to be. As far as being prepared, I feel that I have a lot of past experience, not only in fixed activities, such as VP of this or that, but life experience itself. I honestly do not feel ill-prepared for this position.

N.C.: Is there anything that you want the Rollins student body to know about?

N.N.: I just encourage them not only to take part in off-campus student association activities, but to also take part on on-campus activities because unification requires a lot of work. So far no one's been putting a lot of effort into it. If we all join in together, we can make this campus better and we can get more out of our college experience.

Phi Delta Theta to be alcohol-free in 2000

Natalie Cuartelon
Co-Editor-In-Chief

By the year 2000, one Rollins College fraternity will have adopted a new way of life-no alcohol in the chapter house. The national headquarters of Phi Delta Theta has unanimously voted to adopt a substance-free policy at their most recent winter meeting. There are already eleven chapters in the United States whose residences are alcohol-free. These eleven chapters are located at Ashland University in Ohio, Arizona State University, University of Colorado at Boulder, Colorado State University, Hanover College in Indiana, Indiana University, University of Michigan, University of Montana, Oklahoma State University, University of Vermont, and Westminster College in Missouri.

The reasoning behind this new policy can be seen in the high insurance costs of a fraternity allowing alcohol in the house. The average insurance cost per Phi Delta Theta fraternity brother is around \$120 a year. When compared to the mere \$18-\$20 each sorority sister must pay in insurance costs, the insurance cost is a big factor in deciding to go alcohol-free. Another reason that drove this policy into action is the increasing amount of alcohol-related lawsuits that occur per year in any given fraternity. By banning alcohol from the chapter house, the national

headquarters of Phi Delta Theta cannot be held responsible for any alcohol related incidents. The blame would be placed on individual chapters only.

How does this extreme policy change affect the Rollins College chapter of Phi Delta Theta? Phi Delta Theta President Emeritus Jimmy Ritman said that since Phi Delta has been on probation anyway, alcohol has not been allowed in the house this year. The brothers of Phi Delta were obviously a bit shocked when they were told by national headquarters that the alcohol policy was going into effect. Most of the brothers now see the positive aspects of going alcohol-free in the chapter house.

"Alcohol shouldn't be the focal point of the fraternity. This new policy will help us encourage the academic and community service end of the fraternity," stated Jimmy Ritman.

Other Florida schools that will be affected by this policy change are the University of Florida, Florida State University, University of Miami, University of South Florida, Jacksonville University, University of Tampa, University of Central Florida, Florida International University, Ringling School of Art and Design and Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University. The Rollins chap-

ter of Phi Delta Theta is comprised of thirty-two members. Will this new policy cause

a chain reaction of other fraternities to go alcohol-free? Only time will tell.



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If the Phi Deltas continue to live in Rex Beach Hall, it will soon be Alcohol-free.

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Robert Theobald Comes To Rollins

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As a Thomas P. Johnson Distinguished Visiting Scholar, the socio-economist Robert Theobald spent April 9th and 10th at Rollins. During his stay

he met with administrators, held a symposium and a round-table discussion, and spoke to students, faculty, and the community about "Learner-Centered Education in the Compassionate Era." He stressed

that climatic stability, effective decision making and social cohesion are a must for this new "era." However, he offered no advice on how to achieve these goals.

An interesting point he made dealt with how fed up he is with political correctness. He told the audience that people should touch each other without the fear of a lawsuit.

Some of his suggestions on how to improve Rollins' education are to eliminate fifty minute classes and to provide a safe space for people on campus to discuss today's problems.

The SGA took the first step toward this recommendation by inviting Theobald back today from 1-4 PM in the Galloway Room to discuss "Reviving the Spirit of Community at Rollins". There is also a possibility that Theobald will spend Winter Term here working with those interested in improving the Rollins' community.

Response to Theobald's visit was mixed ranging from those who felt that he is an idealist who lacks practical solutions to those who are genuinely interested in working with him to "better" Rollins.

Poet Allen Ginsberg Remembered At Rose Garden Memorial

Jonathan Titone
Sandspur Staff

This past Saturday, the Student Government Association sponsored a memorial tribute to American poet, Allen Ginsberg. Ginsberg died April 5th at the age of seventy. His works spanned five decades, during which time he established himself as a counterculture guru and unmistakable cultural icon. This man's influence in social, political, and academic thought is simply inestimable.

Among attendees at Saturday's memorial service in the Rose Garden were Professors Steven Phelan, Hoyt Edge, and Alan Nordstrom, joined by Reverend John Langfitt and approximately twenty students. Professor Phelan gave a highly personable account on how Ginsberg's work continues to influence his life. He proceeded to read a selection from Walt Whitman's *Leaves of Grass*. Professor Edge spoke of his witnessing Ginsberg's performances at Vanderbilt University and his conversa-

tion with Ginsberg at a sidewalk cafe in Paris during the Summer of 1967. Professor Nordstrom also participated by reading Ginsberg's *Supermarket in California*. Students participated in spontaneous memorial celebration, reading Ginsberg's works and a wide range of other related literature.

The Student Government Association looks forward to sponsoring more events of this nature which contribute positively to an intellectual climate at the College, allowing students and faculty to socialize and interact outside of the classroom. They have begun discussions with faculty about the possibility of starting a student/faculty literary society which will meet regularly and be sponsored and organized by SGA. SGA has also brought back speaker, consultant and author Robert Theobald for a continued discussion on "Reviving the Spirit of Rollins." The gathering will take place today, April 17th from 1-4pm in the Galloway Room.



photo courtesy of Alan Nordstrom
Thomas P. Johnson Distinguished Visiting Scholar, the socio-economist Robert Theobald.

Rollins Counter-Cultural Alternative: O.O.O.O.

Alan Nordstrom
Sandspur Staff

Join "4-O" and stand against the dismal, decadent, dominant collegiate culture that

- exalts
- drunkenness
- drugs
- predatory sex
- anti-intellectualism
- vapid entertainment
- status-consciousness
- hedonism
- heartlessness

Is anybody left? Is there anyone at Rollins who prefers an alternative culture that exalts

- good talk?
- good food?
- good games?
- good music?
- good theater?

- good ideas?
- good sport?
- good spirit?

Yes, such a subculture does exist at Rollins, but it's scattered and diffuse. The time has come, however, for folks like us to discover each other. The time has come for the RETURN OF OSCEOLA!

The defunct OMNIPOTENT ORDER OF OSCEOLA (O.O.O.O.)—a once venerable but oft-maligned secret society at Rollins—is resurrecting itself in a new, attractive incarnation as the

OPEN ORDER OF OSCEOLA

O.O.O.O.
"4-O"

We are a society that anyone can join, a society dedicated to the good of Rollins, to

a Rollins College that reaches its highest and best potential by cultivating a campus community of care, concern, conscience, and camaraderie.

We're here! We're here for you if you're one of us, and you're one of us if you think you are.

First, we must find each other.

Second, we must find ways to communicate and commune.

Third, we must clarify our mission and our aims as a society that means to make the best of Rollins by making the best of ourselves and each other.

As a counter-culture, we know what we're against—mindless partying, cliquishness, snobbery, coldness, reck-

less negligence, boorishness, and stupidity. But we need to define and encourage all that we favor.

We need to stand together in standing for what the mature, significant, and proud college—the Rollins College you expected to find—is all about.

To discover more about "4-O" and to register your membership as an Osceolan, click on the O.O.O.O. icon on the Rollins website. To communicate with other 4-O's, subscribe to our listserv by posting

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The Rollins baseball team found out this week why the Sunshine State Conference is considered the strongest league in Division II. A week after dropping three games to third ranked Florida Southern, the Tars had to look to return to the win column facing the University of Tampa, who came into the weekend as the top ranked team in Division II. The Spartans proved worthy of their ranking in the series opener, overwhelming Rollins 16-0. The young Tars were resilient, however, as they took Tampa to ten innings before falling 8-4 on Saturday and then snapped their six game losing streak with a 10-6 victory on Sunday. Earlier in the week, Rollins fell 7-6 to Webber.

In Tampa on Friday, Bo Donaldson shut down the Rollins offense, allowing just three hits over nine innings, and the Spartans broke the game open with a 10-run inning off three different Tars pitchers.

Rollins fought back on Saturday at home as the Tars put together three consecutive hits in the sixth inning to score a pair of runs and take their first lead of the series at 4-3. Freshman Bryan Welch scattered eight hits over the first nine

innings in limiting the potent Spartan offense. A leadoff walk in the eighth, however, allowed Tampa to tie the score at 4-4 and send the contest into extra innings. In the tenth, the Spartans registered six singles to pull away for the 8-4 victory.

Despite the tough luck loss, Rollins continued to battle on Sunday at Tampa until their

big bats took over. The Tars came back from 2-0 and 5-2 deficits with the help of two solo home runs from freshman Justin Sherrod and took over the lead for good in the eighth on a two-out, two-run home run by Marc Pellicciotta. Dave Costantino gave Rollins their final 10-6 margin of victory with a two run shot in the ninth.



photo courtesy of SID's Office
Rollins pitcher Bryan Welch prepares to pitch a strike.

Tars Men's Tennis Places 4th, Doubles Teams Places First

SID's Office
Special to the Sandspur

After defeating Saint Leo 7-1 in the first round of the Sunshine State Conference Tournament, the Tars were unable to maintain that success, as they dropped 5-1 decisions to North Florida and Florida

Southern to finish the tournament in fourth place.

One bright spot for the Tars was the play of the doubles team of Michael Anderson and Tim Videnka. The pair combined to win all three of their matches at the number one doubles spot.



Softball Team Threatens Rollins Record For Most Wins

SID's Office
Special to the Sandspur

In a busy week of action, the Tars posted four wins in six Sunshine State Conference games and are now within reach of breaking the school record for victories in a season. Currently 20-10 on the season, the Tars are on target for the best season in school history and should easily eclipse the school record of 22 victories set last season.

The week did not start on a positive note as the Tars dropped the opening game of a doubleheader with Florida Tech by the score of 7-2 and trailed 8-2 in the sixth inning of the second game. Just when it looked like the Tars were to be swept away, their bats finally awoke from their evening slumber. Melissa Brantz led off the six inning with a double and the Tars posted six consecutive hits and scored five

runs to cut the Panthers lead to a single run. After FIT scored an additional run in the top of the 7th, Brantz singled and Christine Liberato walked to put two runners on base with two outs. Junior standout Liz Bartels then blasted a three-run game-winning home run to deep center field to give the Tars a dramatic 10-9 come-from-behind victory. Brantz was 3-4 in the game and Paige Krul was 2-3 with a two-run home run.

The Tars continued their hot play in sweeping a doubleheader from Eckerd College. Jennifer Isaacs limited Eckerd to only four hits and no runs as Rollins claimed the first 2-0. Tina Leman drove home the game-winning run with a sac fly in the second inning. In the second game, Eckerd led 3-2 before a Jill Mitchell triple scored the tying run in the third inning. The game remained tied until Mitchell

drove home Liz Bartels with the game-winner in the bottom of the seventh for a 4-3 Tar victory. Mitchell finished the game 3-4 and drove three runs in the contest.

Rollins finished the week by splitting a doubleheader with Saint Leo. The Tars banged out twelve hits to win the first game 5-2. The Monarchs led 2-1 before Rollins scored four runs in the sixth inning. Bartels allowed only an unearned first inning run, but the Tars were limited to only six hits and no runs as Saint Leo came away with a 1-0 victory.

Already the leading hitter in the Sunshine State Conference, Bartels hit .619 for the week with five doubles, a home run and seven RBI. She was also 2-1 on the mound with a 3.15 ERA. She is currently hitting .532 on the season.

Women's Tennis Reaches Finals At Sunshine State Tournament

SID's Office
Special to the Sandspur

The Tars reached the finals of the Sunshine State Conference Tournament before dropping a tough 6-2 decision to North Florida. Currently ranked #4 in Division II, the Tars will compete in the NCAA Regional the first week of May.

The Tars reached the finals by whipping Tampa 9-0 and then defeating Barry, ranked #5 in Division II, by a convincing 5-1 margin. Rollins received a strong play at the top of the lineup from

Christie LeMieux and Monica Bonilla, as they each claimed single victories in both matches and combined to win at the number one doubles position. Against UNF, the pair again won their doubles match and Bonilla claimed a singles victory. LeMieux, ranked #2 in Division II, injured her elbow during the doubles match and was ineffective in losing her singles match.

Sophomore Amy Will won at #5 singles against Barry and teamed with Rebecca Spears for a victory at the number three doubles spot.

Rollins Crew Team "Impressive" At Florida State Championships

SID's Office
Special to the Sandspur

The Rollins rowing team traveled to Tampa for the Florida state championships on Saturday in the first meeting of all the top teams in the state. The team focused their efforts on the top event, the Varsity eight, and came away with impressive results.

The men's Varsity eight came down to a two boat race between Rollins and Florida Tech as they pulled away from the seven crew field. Led by senior coxswain Dan Kempinger and senior stroke Andy McGinnis, Rollins was edged out by 2.7 seconds in

their attempt to capture the event for the first time in 21 years.

On the women's side, the Varsity eight led by the senior coxswain Julia Jerome jumped out to an early lead before finishing fourth in a strong field. The University of Central Florida captured the victory in the event.

In aiming for strong showings in the major races, Rollins did not enter many events and finished sixth out of ten teams for the overall points trophy. The crew did provide solid performances in the men's novice four and women's pair, each placing second.



photo courtesy of SID's Office
Softball player Paige Krul takes a big swing.