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Pastor: Rollins Kids Drunk, Rude

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Lynne Bumpus-Hooper and Jon Steinman
The Sentinel Staff

COCOA BEACH — Rollins College students celebrating a day off from school got way out of hand at a beach party this week, an angry preacher said Wednesday.

The Rev. Ken Babington, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Cocoa Beach, sent Rollins College president Rita Bornstein a letter telling her that some of the hundreds of students who parked at his church to go to a "Fox Day" party had urinated on the church building within view of a kindergarten class.

Babington also said students left trash in the parking lot and were rude, drunk and vulgar.

Babington's letter tells Bornstein that he intends to seek a court order barring Rollins students from using the church parking lot and to arrange for their cars to be towed.

"Your students showed no respect for anything or anyone," Babington wrote.

Bornstein said the school was investigating.

"I know we talked about trying to help police in the past," she

said, adding that trying to regulate student behavior off campus "would be quite a challenge."

Babington said the problem has existed for eight years, but that he had tried to work quietly with the school in the past.

Fox Day is an annual event at Rollins, occurring at the whim of the college president, who places a fox statue on the Winter Park school's campus green to let students know that classes have been canceled for the day.

A Cocoa Beach Police Department spokesman said there were no arrests in connection with this year's Fox Day.

"There were two students with glass containers on the beach who were advised to get rid of them, and one person was observed urinating in public although that was not at the church," said Officer Jay Harmon.

"The officer intervened, and the young man complied," Harmon said there was also a carload of students who appeared too drunk to drive. A Cocoa Beach city commissioner helped them move their car so they could wait for a ride from their parents, he said.

That commissioner, Albert Cleveland, said he was at the beach to observe in the afternoon after he received a complaint from a resident.

What he saw did not upset him. "There were 300 to 400 people

on the beach, just having a typical beach party, nothing out of the ordinary," Cleveland said.

He said the students were respectful and polite to him. After the party was over, he said he joined several of them who were picking up trash on the beach.

But Cleveland said several residents had told him that students had urinated and used vulgarities on the beach and threw trash into their yards.

For their part, several students at Rollins said Wednesday Fox Day is an easygoing event and they did not see any problems.

"You have people that are stupid, but the majority of people are intelligent and behave well," said Derrick Babb, a 19-year-old freshman from Orlando.

Several students said there was drinking at the party, but most felt like it was not excessive.

At least one disagreed.

"There were some people going a little beyond the limits on Fox Day," said Laura Ochs, 19, a sophomore from Pensacola. "There were some people I was really concerned for."

In fact, Babington said Tuesday's party was calmer than in the past when "we have had to stop students from having sexual intercourse in the parking lot."

He said he wrote a letter to parents of children enrolled in the church school apologizing for Tuesday's displays. In 1996, Robert Walker, then Cocoa Beach police chief, wrote the college a letter after Fox Day saying that he found the activities "reprehensible." He said residents told him students had been drunk and vulgar.

Professor Bersia Wins Pulitzer Prize

Alexia Brehm
The Sandspur

WINTER PARK, FL — John C. Bersia, adjunct professor of political science here at Rollins, has been awarded the coveted Pulitzer Prize. He earned this honor for *The Orlando Sentinel*, writing a year-long editorial about the outrageous rates that Florida car-title and paycheck-loan companies charge their customers. The series, entitled "Fleeced in Florida," informed readers about companies that would charge as much as 264 percent annual interest on loans to Floridians with bad credit or low incomes. Bersia has worked since January of 1999 on this plight, hoping to make a difference in Florida's double standard when it comes to loans. The entire

editorial series is more than a hundred articles combined. As a result of this exposure, many cities and counties in Florida started capping the interest charged by car-title loans at around 30 percent.

Along with his title of editorial writer for the *Sentinel*, Bersia also teaches political science at the University of Central Florida, as well as at Rollins. He has been on the *Orlando Sentinel* staff for fifteen years and has previously worked as an editor for the international affairs related *Global Perspectives Journal*.

Those interested can find pictures and real video of Bersia's reactions, as well as more information on the Pulitzer Prize winner's life, at <http://orlandosentinel.com/opinion/>

The Good Life, According to Alan Nordstrom


An Interview with *The Rollins College Sandspur*

SANDSPUR: Congratulations, Dr. Nordstrom, on your forthcoming book of essays, *The Good Life, According to Me*. How did it get that title?

AN: Thank you, Catherine. Well, that's the same title I've always used for the final essay topic I assign in my Personal Writing class, which I've been teaching at Rollins for the last 15 or so years. Two or three times I've decided to tackle the topic myself, and over the years "the good life" has become increasingly the theme of that course.

SANDSPUR: I see from your table of contents that your last essay has this same title. What about the (it looks like about 50) other essays? Do they all relate to the good life?

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April 19, 2000

Dear President Bornstein:

First I would like to put your mind at ease as this is not a letter of complaint. I trust this letter will give you a better perspective of the students at Rollins College after "Fox Day" and the correspondence you have received as well as inquiries from news reporters (both newspaper and TV). I am a City Commissioner and I want you to know that Rollins College is a very fine institution, have great alumni and students. I do welcome everyone to visit Cocoa Beach and the public beaches within our City.

I want to help clarify some of the statements presented on the "trashing of the beach". I arrived home at 3:10 PM on Tuesday to find a message on the answer machine from a resident at S. Atlantic Avenue/S. 8th Street complaining about the students were here on Fox Day and Ken Babington at the church across the street were allowing them to park in the church parking lot. Her complaint was be allowed it to happen by allowing them to park in the church lot and turned his nose up to the neighbors because when he was finished he could go home and they had to put up with these bums. She requested I go down and talk to Mr. Babington, Pastor of the First Baptist Church, and do something about it. I immediately got into my car and drove to S. 7th Street to personally observe the situation arriving at 3:30 PM.

I walked down the beach from S. 7th Street to S. 8th Street and observed perhaps some 300 plus students having a typical college fun day on the beach. I noticed four Cocoa Beach Policemen standing on the crossover at S. 8th Street so I went up to the crossover and sat on the crossover and talked to the officers for some 30-45 minutes with the students going and coming from the beach. The students were very respectful to the officers and many greeted them as they passed. The officers left and I remained on the crossover. Some of the students had observed me talking to the officers and the officers left with me remaining so some asked me if I was an undercover cop. I told them I was not as I lived here and had received a complaint from a resident and came down to observe for myself. I told them I was a member of the City Commission which started discussion with several students about the beach, how much they enjoyed it and they liked Cocoa Beach. As the students brought bags of trash up to the dumpster, I thanked them for cleaning up the trash and told them we did appreciate them picking up the litter.

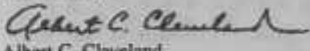
I remained at the beach from 3:30 - 5:45 and only observed one student urinating in public with his back to the people on S. 8th Street. I did see some students having a beer or two and some perhaps who had more. One car with four occupants appeared to have had a few and a policeman came by and told them not to drive the car or move it as they would be arrested if he saw them driving the car. The car was on the end of S. 8th Street and they were trying to find someone to move it over to the church parking lot as the student was calling his parents to come over and get the car. I talked to the students and told them they did not want to move it and get a DUI because it would hurt them for a long, long time. I volunteered to move the car for the owner. This is the reason for my moving the car as Pastor Babington had referred to in his letter to you. I did it out of concern for the students and to encourage them on playing it safe. The car was moved to a safe parking area and an easy location for the parents to locate the car. The students were very appreciative, courteous and polite and thanked me several times.

As to my cleaning up the empty beer cans and trash, the students were picking up all of this and had several partial bags filled and I went down for no more than 10-15 minutes and picked up some of the bags and put them in the dumpster. I did this thanking the students who were picking up the litter and to show them we did appreciate them cleaning up the beach. They were cleaning the beach and would have done what I did because when they left the beach where they had been was left with no beer cans/trash/litter.

I can only report what I observed during the time period of 3:30 - 5:45 which is the students were not bad all the time. I did not observe any unruly misbehaving or rudeness among the students. As I previously stated during this period, I only saw one public urination which is not too uncommon with 300 plus young people having a beach party. I did have a pleasant conversation with several of the students. I jokingly told some to be sure and study hard so they could come back next year.

As to the underage drinking, most people do not carry identification cards dressed in bathing suits and if the Cocoa Beach Police had gone down the beach asking for identification cards, it could have been a single out discrimination complaint. It is not a normal habit for the Police to cruise the beach looking into cups, determining what a person is drinking and asking for identification. I was more concerned about the safety of all the students and not getting a group "riled up" who was just trying to enjoy "Fox Day". I am glad the students all returned home safely and hope they will remember "Fox Day" as being a fun day on the beach.

I wanted to write you and give you my perspective and to say "Rollins College has great students, many of whom will be our future leaders". I would much rather work with the college students than against them and I do not want our City to get a bad reputation with Rollins College. After all, many of us were college students once and it was great to have a fun day as I am sure the tradition of "Fox Day" has been for students of Rollins College.

Respectfully,

Albert C. Cleveland
City Commissioner

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American Vets Return to Vietnam

Tini Tran

Associated Press Writer

HANOI, Vietnam (AP) — A prominent group of U.S. veterans returned to Vietnam today for the 25th anniversary of the end of the Vietnam War — and not just for the sake of nostalgia. The delegation of top business leaders and others plan to share expertise with a country trying to integrate into a global economy.

"They are coming back to do the job they were originally sent to do, which is to help the people of Vietnam," said Jan Scruggs, president of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund.

The delegation includes James Kimsey, founding chief executive officer of America Online; Herbert Allison, former president of Merrill Lynch in New York; and Marshall Carter, chief executive officer of State Street Corp.

They were given a red-carpet welcome at Hanoi's Noi Bai Airport, with gifts of flowers by girls in ao dais, Vietnam's traditional flowing tunic over trousers.

"You're in the unique position of working for friendship and cooperation between Vietnam and the U.S.," Vu Xuan Hong of the Vietnamese Friendship Society told them. "When veterans sit down together, how can others not follow their example? So I ask you to lend a helping hand."

Kimsey, an Army captain from 1965-66 who was promoted to major during a second tour in 1968-69, agreed. "Not only

should we look back, but mostly we should be looking forward," he said. "We need to talk about how we can forge a stronger alliance between our countries."

In an earlier interview, Kimsey said, "While veterans delegations to Vietnam are reflective in nature, these American corporate leaders will focus on forward-looking initiatives that will encourage Vietnam's growth and integration into a global economy."

Vietnam is poised at an economic crossroads as it debates the merits of moving toward a more market-oriented economy. Delegation members promise to provide economic advice, educational resources and other tools to the government and business leaders they meet.

"These are folks who wanted to come back and do something positive and forward-looking for the country and people of Vietnam," Scruggs said.

"Nobody wanted to do just a nostalgia thing."

"Most of these vets have become very successful men. They'll tell you that their success in business is attributable to their time in Vietnam when they learned to become leaders," Scruggs said.

"Their message to the Vietnamese is that if they follow their dreams, they can make things happen."



Iran Court Closes Reformist Papers

Afshin Valinejad

Associated Press Writer

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) — Iranian hard-liners closed down 12 pro-democracy papers, leaving only five in print today in a media crackdown that appears part of a bigger plan to weaken reformist President Mohammad Khatami.

The crackdown was a blatant display of the immense power the hard-liners still hold, despite their crushing defeat in recent legislative elections. The hard-liners control key institutions like the judiciary, which handed down the publication ban late Sunday.

"The power struggle in Iran is entering dire straits," said Saeed Leylaz, an analyst and writer for several reformist newspapers.

"The press has been the main instrument for Khatami to speak to the people, and if that is taken away from him, he is in serious trouble."

Khatami made no mention of the closures or the future of his liberal reforms during a speech today marking Armed Forces Day.

Eight major daily newspapers and four weekly or biweekly magazines were closed for "printing material against the lofty Islamic principles and commands," said a judiciary statement quoted by the official Islamic Republic News Agency.

Only four reformist newspapers — *Akhbar-e-Eqtesad*, *Sobh-e-Emrooz*, *Mosharekat* and *Bayan* — escaped the ban. It was not clear why they were not included.

Azad, which was banned, also was on sale today, because the daily already had gone to print before the ban. It is unlikely to appear Tuesday.

Newspaper vendors said they had to order extra copies of the popular *Sobh-e-Emrooz* daily because readers were snapping it up. The mood among Iranians heading to work was normal. There was no added security in the streets of the capital, Tehran.

White House Blames Miami Relatives

Will Lester

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The White House today blamed Elian Gonzalez's Miami relatives for forcing the government into the armed seizure of the boy, asserting that "none of this had to happen" if they had respected the law and allowed him to be reunited with his father.

The administration also said it was proper for federal agents to carry weapons when they stormed the house. "There was information that there might be guns in the house, out in the crowd," presidential spokesman Joe Lockhart said.

President Clinton felt the raid was "the right thing to do and was the only alternative remaining," Lockhart said. "All of this could have been avoided. None of this had to happen. This happened because the family did not respect the legal process here that dictated the father should be

reunited with the young boy."

Earlier today, Attorney General Janet Reno refused to second-guess the government's action. "I have no regrets whatsoever," she said.

"I tried my level best to make sure we avoided this situation if I bent over backward, so be it," she said on NBC's "Today." "I'm satisfied with the result."

Armed agents broke into the Miami home of the boy's relatives early Saturday only after negotiations with the family there produced mixed signals, Reno said. "We were told we would have a deal if we did certain things and we did it and it evaporated."

The federal government worked hard to make sure the young Cuban refugee was reunited with his father in a peaceful and voluntary way, Reno said. "We tried and tried." In the end, "We did what we had to do and we now need to move forward and to give this little boy and his father a chance to heal."

A longtime friend of Reno, Aaron Podhurst, was brought into the negotiations with the Miami relatives on Thursday and was on the phone with the attorney general just before the raid was carried out. "I believe a deal was within minutes or an hour away," he told NBC. "I was shocked. I was disappointed. I couldn't believe what I was looking at on TV."

Podhurst said he talked to Reno shortly afterward and told her of his disappointment. "She was as sad as I've ever seen her," he said.

The Hit Comedy with Absolutely Nothing to Hide: The Naked Guy

Special to The Sandspur

ORLANDO, FL — Every once in a while, an emotionally-charged, life-altering play comes along. A play that can only be described as the most important theatrical event... EVER. This ain't it.

This week at the Orlando International Fringe Festival, The OOPS GUYS Comedy Troupe presents "The Naked Guy," the hit comedy that gives a whole new meaning to "hanging out" at the Fringe.

The story revolves around Donnie, an anal-retentive, celibate homemaker, who has written an award-winning play about a gay male escort. His roomies — Rocky, the fish-out-of-water performance artist from the Philippines, and Blake, the aging boytoy from the south — share in the excitement of

collecting the \$10,000 playwriting award.

But Donnie's play was supposed to be based on a real-life person. Unfortunately, he made the whole thing up, including the main character of the gigolo. Before awarding the \$10,000 prize, the Orange County Arts Commissioner, Joy Janusak, has decided she wants to meet the callboy from Donnie's play... in the flesh.

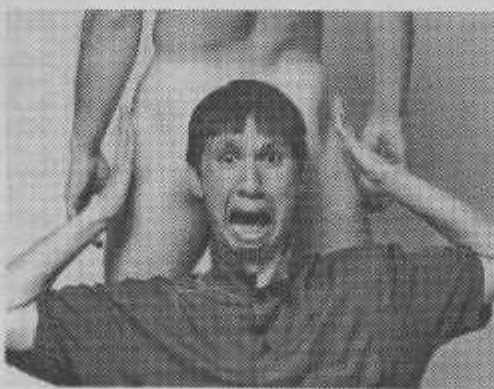
The comic trio must quickly devise a scheme to produce the fictional gay male escort. Enter Josh, a gay male stripper, to save the day. Too bad he's a straight novice who doesn't know how to dance.

Three gay roomies. One straight male hustler. Ten thousand reasons to get naked.

Among the cast are Dennis T. Giacino as Donnie and Doc Post as Josh, *The Naked Guy*. The sold-out, critically-acclaimed hit of the New York City International Fringe Festival 1999, "The Naked Guy" begins at the Fringe Festival in downtown Orlando on Saturday, April 29 at 2:10 p.m. Additional showtimes are as follows: April 30 at 7:05 p.m.; May 1 at 10:20 p.m.; May 4 at 12:40 p.m.; May 6 at 10:30 p.m.; and May 7 at 2:40 p.m.

Tickets are \$6 with Fringe Button and are available at Fringe Central in downtown Orlando or at the Purple Venue one hour prior to showtime. For interviews, reviews, or more information, call Dennis at (407) 827-0691.

Finally, the warning: This comedy contains FULL NUDITY.



Orlando Museum of Art Associates Present First Thursdays Event

Special to The Sandspur

ORLANDO, FL — The Associates of the Orlando Museum of Art present Cuatro de Mayo: Art of Freedom on May 4, 2000, from 6 to 9 p.m. This is the fourth installment in the First Thursdays series of evening programming.

Join the Orlando Museum of Art for a moving tribute to all those who, throughout the world and throughout the ages, courageously fight for freedom and live in times of political strife. Local artists' work will represent the Holocaust, the fall of the Berlin Wall (including pieces of the Wall), the Vietnam War, and much more.

Unveiled during this event will be the clay model for a bronze sculpture by Orlando artist Steve Piscitelli memorializing PFC Dan Bullock, the youngest American serviceman killed in action during the Vietnam War (and since WWI). The memorial will be installed in Brooklyn, NY in two years. Mr.

Piscitelli was a close friend of Private Bullock's and was with him in Vietnam when he was killed. Additional sculptures by Mr. Piscitelli of Vietnam troops make an emotional statement when viewed with Wolf Kahn's sculpture of WWII soldiers carrying Holocaust survivors.

Latin rhythm gets the party going with Adalberto Bravo y su Orquesta "La Identidad." Enjoy the exhilaration of an interpretation "fight to freedom" featuring Kiteman Production's Dove Kite (which were showcased at the Atlanta Summer Olympic games).

First Thursdays general admission is \$5, which includes free access to the Museum's galleries, including the exhibition *Twentieth-Century Still-life Paintings* from the Phillips Collection. OMA members are admitted free. First Thursdays is sponsored by Orlando Weekly, PUSH, and National Graphic Imaging Orlando.

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Arts and Sciences Commencement 2000

Friday, May 12

4:00 p.m. Commencement Rehearsal
Knowles Memorial Chapel

Saturday, May 13

6:00 p.m. Baccalaureate Service
Knowles Memorial Chapel

Note: Graduates sit with their families;
caps and gowns are not worn.

Sunday, May 14

7:00 - 9:00 a.m.

Bookstore open for caps and gowns

7:45 a.m.

Class of '00 Commencement formation

9:00 a.m.

The College Commencement Ceremony
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F. Duane Ackerman
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Reception following
ceremony

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Q & A's

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AN: I guess so, in a way,
though they weren't written
with a master theme in mind.
Most of these essays I wrote
for *The Sandspur* during the
last seven years. A few appeared
as "My Word" columns in the
Orlando Sentinel. They reflect
various interests or obsessions
of mine, topics I keep circling
around and writing about.
When I decided to choose
essays written since my last
sabbatical, I found they sorted
out into four general categories:
liberal education, the sane
society, spirituality (which I
call "soul searching"), and the
good life. It's been fun sorting
them out and sequencing them.
I hope they'll be fun to read.

SANDSPUR: Who would you
say your book is for?

AN: Well, it's only coming
out because George Grant, the
recently retired director of
Olin Library, who runs a small
publishing business, got after
me to collect some of my
Sandspur pieces that he'd been
reading over the years. He
thought that Rollins folks –
the extended Rollins family,
so to speak, students, alumni,
parents – might be interested.
He's quite a promoter and he
thinks he can drum up some
sales. I'm just happy to have
had the chance to look back
over some of my ephemeral
writings and maybe give them
an extended life. I have to say,
it's fun to make a book,
especially when you've
already just about written it
without knowing it.

SANDSPUR: Now that you've
done this one, do you have
any more in mind?

AN: I'm about to take a
sabbatical, next fall term, and
that's my goal. For a long while
I've stashed away a lot of
writing – lots more essays and
many poems. I feel encouraged
now to see what I can harvest
of them, how I can arrange
them into other books I might
be able to publish.

SANDSPUR: Anyway, before
we end, can you give us any
hints about "the good life," I
mean, according to you?

AN: It's a continual quest, I'd
say. Maybe it's our Holy Grail,
what we spend our whole life
pursuing, hoping that by the
time we die we can say we've
seen it or found it or lived it.
There may be some common
or universal elements in it, but
everyone will probably come
to his or her own conclusion
about how they ought to live,
or ought to have lived.
Remember Thoreau's desire
to avoid a life of "quiet
desperation" – "and not, when
I came to die, discover that I
had not lived"? It's a quest.

SANDSPUR: Thanks, Dr.
Nordstrom. When will your
book be available?

AN: By the time of final exams,
I'm told. In the bookstore.
And thank you, Catherine, for
the interview.

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Dear Dea

Dear Dea,

I'm a very shy person and have had trouble meeting people this year. I kept hoping it would go away on its own, but I'm just as shy now as I was in August, maybe even more so. What can I do to feel more comfortable around others?

- In Hiding in Holt

Dear In Hiding,

Consider these 6 tips:

1) Adjust your attitude - It is important to change your unrealistic expectations of your own behavior and to change your incorrect assumption that others will condemn you if you aren't perfect. Practice replacing self-critical thoughts with more positive self-affirmations.

For example, instead of saying to yourself, "Everyone is looking at me and they all know how nervous I feel and they think I'm a freak," say "It would be nice if I felt more comfortable, but it's not the end of the world," or "No one else is perfect and I don't have to be either."

2) Start small in logical places and build - Try smiling, nodding, and saying hello to others as you pass by them for the next week or so. Make a

brief comment to a classmate sitting near you this week. Next week, say something to the same classmate and try to include another classmate in your discussion. Keep repeating this process until a handful of people start to feel more familiar to you and it seems more natural to talk to them.

A next step would be to get together with some of them for a study session or to do something recreational. Consider joining a special interest group on campus. Nothing helps people get to know each other better than working together on a common project.

3) Speak up - Talk in a moderately louder voice and don't be afraid if your statement overlaps the previous speaker a bit. Also remember to maintain eye contact as you talk to others. Try to show a relaxed and alert posture without being too stiff or rigid.

4) Have something to say - Learn more about campus news and current events. If you have a particular interest, learn to talk about it so beginners and experts will understand you. Try to remember jokes when you hear them so you can tell others.

5) Be a curious listener - Ask open-ended questions

(questions not answered with a "yes" or "no") that start with "why, how, when, and what." Give compliments to others. In social situations, take a risk and talk to someone else who looks shy.

6) Practice - Take every opportunity to practice and improve your skills. If you feel scared to take a risk, try to ask yourself, "What is the worst thing that could possibly happen here?" You will very likely find that most of your fears were exactly that - just fears.

Dear Dea,

The end of the year is coming soon and I have so many papers to write (Okay, I'll admit it... I've been procrastinating)! What can I do to help write good papers?

- Running Out of Time in Ward

Dear Running,

Try to think of each paper you write not as a final product in itself, but as a step towards developing the writing skills you will need in life. Consider using the following 10 tips as a checklist for papers:

1) If there is anything about the assignment that seems unclear, clarify the details with your professor before you begin working on it.

2) Think of writing as a process and make a realistic time schedule for accomplishing the three steps of planning, writing, and revising.

3) Part of planning is brainstorming. Remember that spending some time planning your paper will save you time and agony in writing it.

4) If possible, get feedback from your professor early in the semester about your topic of choice and proposed method of addressing that topic.

5) Try to write your first draft in one sitting, without agonizing over every sentence and without editing as you go along. The first draft is to get your ideas on paper so you can see how they look. Do not worry about grammar and punctuation while you work on your first draft. That is what the revising stage is for!

6) Put aside your first draft for at least one full day before you begin revising. The longer you can leave it before revising, the more objective you can be about it and the more effective you will be at detecting problems.

7) Put some time, effort, and thought into the revising process. Remember that revising doesn't just mean

printing it out again. Several drafts are usually necessary before any paper is really finished.

8) Proofread your final draft carefully before turning it in. Use spell check and grammar check on your computer! If you catch a typo just before turning in your paper, go ahead and correct it neatly with a pen. Most professors would rather see that you corrected a mistake by pen than to assume you were careless enough not to catch it.

9) When your paper is evaluated and returned, read the comments thoroughly. Ask your professor to explain any comments that you don't understand.

10) Try to pick out one or two consistent errors on each paper and aim to improve them on your next paper. If you can recognize and eliminate even one type of problem each time you write a paper, you are well on your way to becoming a more effective writer.

- Dea

*Please send your questions to "Dear Dea" at Campus Box 2637!

If you are a freshman, what do think of your first year here?
If a sophomore or junior, do you plan to transfer out of Rollins?
Why or why not? If a senior, what are your plans after graduation?

VOICE FROM

It was interesting to discover students' feelings about Rollins and their years here as well as what they thought they got out of those years. Their replies reflect their satisfaction, feelings of accomplishment, and comfort with Rollins College. From the looks of the answers, we see that a majority of students are quite happy with Rollins in various aspects.

By Susan Herrada

"I'm a senior, and I plan on teaching at an elementary school after I graduate."

- Colleen Arcand, senior



"I'll be employed by State Farm as a property claim's representative."

- Shantell Richards, senior



"No, we're not transferring because of the big strong men - OBVIOUSLY!"

- Lynzie Saur, junior and

- Carrie Ross, sophomore



"No, I'm not transferring... because I like it here."

- Ashley Gasa, junior



What A Girl Wants

Name Withheld
at Author's Request

Everyone I know wants to get married, including me. My friends and I fantasize on our own (and sometimes when we are together) about the big day when our future mates will say their unforgettable

vows of fidelity to us. But it's a little different for me. I am ready to say, "I do," right now.

I have talked to a lot of married people, many of whom say that marriage is not all it's cracked up to be. They say that at first it's all lovey-dovey fun. And by the time you realize what you've

done, it's too late. But I don't believe that. I see my parents and how they have survived through so much in the last thirty years, and their relationship gives me hope that my marriage will be a wonderful one, just like theirs.

I do think, however, that some people get married for the wrong reasons, or maybe before they are ready – and that's why they have such negative views of marriage. But that does not mean that my marriage has to turn out the way their marriages have.

Marriage crosses my mind at least once a day, everyday. I picture the way my future hubby will propose to me, and the ring he'll buy me. I picture the dress I'll wear and the color of my bridesmaids' dresses. I picture my fiancé's face when he sees me walking down the aisle. I picture the moment when my new hubby plants a big, wet one on me at the altar. But, most of all, I picture my wedding night and all the FIREWORKS that will be flying out of that hotel room!

I know I don't have a fiancé or even a boyfriend right now, but that does not stop me from dreaming. I guess what I truly want is someone loving to come home to, someone caring to cuddle up with, and someone special to cook for and to spoil rotten! (I do have a particular Rollins boy in mind when I write this, but I'll keep that to myself, thanks for asking!) I want to be barefoot and pregnant in the kitchen – is

that so wrong?

Ever since high school I've had a boy or two interested in marrying me, and, believe it or not, I almost got hitched once (but that's another story). So I guess it's fair to say that wedding bells have been ringing in my ears for quite some time, and I really do not mind. I just wish they were real.

I don't think any of my close friends, or even my mother, know about this desire of mine. I fear that if they even suspected I was ready to fall in love and tie the

knot anytime soon, they would lock me up and throw away the key! Sure, they want me to get married... eventually. But right now, they want me to explore the world as a single woman and do everything possible before being "tied down."

But that's not what I want. I want to get married. Right now, I am ready to meet the man God has picked out for me, and I am ready to love and honor him forever. All I want to do is stand at the altar and look my man straight in the eyes and say, "I do."

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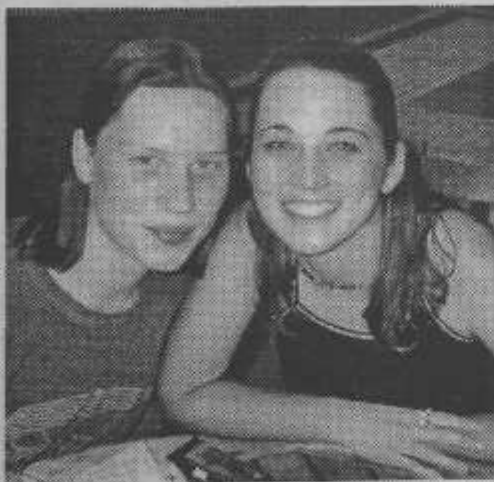
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THE STREET

"My first year here at Rollins has been very eye-opening."

— Rachel Tyner, freshman



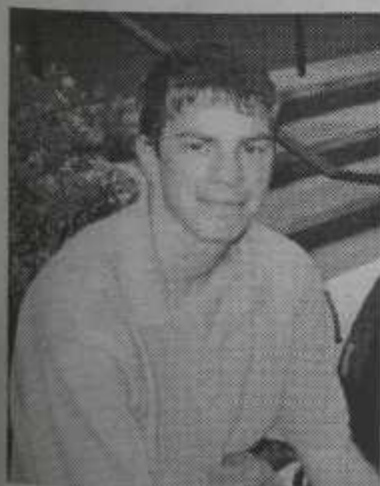
"My first year here has been fun."

— Steffenie Widows, freshman



"I'm moving to Los Angeles after graduation. I have an internship at the Falcon Theatre in L.A."

— Bart Bishop, senior



"I'm a sophomore, and I am not transferring. Actually, I'm going to study abroad next year."

— Andrea Frederic, sophomore



"For the summer I'll be working as a director at a camp in Miami. I do hope to procure a career teaching overseas with the government."

— Jamila Wiltshire, senior



"No. I won't be transferring, because if I do, I won't be able to graduate next year."

— Glenn Fleming, junior

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American Cancer Society Reaches More Floridians

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TAMPA, FL — For the 88,100 Floridians diagnosed with cancer this year, the Internet will be a key resource for local cancer programs, events, and patient services. Floridians can now get accurate, local cancer information 24 hours a day, seven days a week on the American Cancer Society's Florida Web site. Floridians can gain courage from cancer survivors, find opportunities to participate in local fund-raisers, learn ways to reduce the risk of cancer and even inquire about jobs by visiting www.cancer.org and clicking on Florida.

"Between our national and Florida Web sites, we have put cancer information at your fingertips," said Gina Jones, chairman of the American Cancer Society Florida Division Media Subcommittee and freelance television producer.

"Personalizing information is a vital tool when serving the public. We think that cancer is a very personal disease and that everyone affected by it deserves the

opportunity to learn as much as possible."

In recognition of April as Cancer Control Month, the American Cancer Society in Florida is making every effort to let every Floridian know about this web site. "We are continuously adding new information we believe is crucial to the good health and well-being of all Floridians," said Jones.

The Web site has been designed around the principles of the "Hope. Progress. Answers." logo. Hope means instant access to a survivor story about overcoming cancer, a place to find an American Cancer Society Winn-Dixie Hope Lodge in Florida, relief through a college scholarship for an already financially burdened family, or information about R.O.C.K. Camp, the American Cancer Society's free summer camp for children with a history of cancer.

Progress may mean the latest news on the Florida Division Research Program and how it is funded, or volunteer opportunities. The Web site also provides Answers on ways for Floridians

to reduce their risk of cancer, utilize local patient services, and learn about legislative issues addressed by the American Cancer Society to make Florida a cleaner and safer place to live.

Cancer respects no age, race, gender, or nationality. "Until the fight against cancer is won, the American Cancer Society will continue to offer hands-on, patient-to-patient programs and services that reach deep into every Florida community," said Jones. "We want all Floridians to know that the American Cancer Society is here all the time to help with hope for the future, continuing progress in the fight against cancer and answers to help each individual in his or her fight against cancer."

The American Cancer Society is the nationwide, community-based voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives from cancer, and diminishing suffering from cancer through research, education, advocacy, and service.

Six Runs in Fifth Inning Puts Finishing Touches on Panthers

WINTER PARK, FL — The #28 Rollins College Tars (29-20/11-7) scored six runs in the bottom of the fifth inning to complete the three-game sweep of the Florida Tech Panthers (22-22/6-14), 10-5.

Cody Nesmith had two hits for three RBI's. Justin Sherrod had two hits, one a double, for two RBI's while Kevin Davidson went three-for-five with two RBI's. For the Panthers, Orly Tellado had one hit for two RBI's with Rolando Richardson recording two hits.

Mike Bridges (4-2) picked up the win for Rollins, going 5.1 innings and only allowing three earned runs on five hits. David Taylor was the middle reliever and pitched one inning before Joe Sapp came in to pitch the final 2.2 innings, striking out six and only giving up one hit, for the save. Matt Slate dropped to 1-5 going the distance for the Panthers.

The Panthers put the first run on the scoreboard in the third inning. After a walk and a Tars error to load the bases, George Cox hit a sacrifice fly to right fielder Ryan Park, scoring Rolando Richardson.

Mike Bridges went 5.1 innings to improve his record to 4-2. He also struck out five batters.

Rollins fought back quickly to take the lead with two of their own runs in the bottom of the

third inning. Steven Castino walked to start off the inning and advanced to second on Pung Jeffers sacrifice bunt. Two batters later, the bases were loaded when shortstop Dan Nungesser over threw the first baseman trying to turn a double play on a Barton Vaughn fielder's choice to score both Brad Vaughn and Steven Castino for the lead.

In the top of the fourth inning, Florida Tech retook the lead, 3-2. Derek Wolske came in for the first run on a throwing error by the Tars on Jeremy Polcyn's hit. After a walk and a single, Tars pitcher Mike Bridges nailed Dan Nungesser with the bases loaded.

Once again, the lead did not last for Florida Tech. Rollins swamped the Panthers for six runs, five unearned in the bottom of the fifth inning. Steven Castino led off the inning with a single through the left side and then Pung Jeffers reached base on a Panther's error.

Brad Vaughn's sacrifice bunt put the two runners into scoring position for Kevin Davidson's single up the middle that scored two runs. After another Florida Tech error let Barton Vaughn on base, Justin Sherrod doubled in Davidson and Barton Vaughn for the 6-3 advantage. Two batters later Cody Nesmith singled into left field for two more Tars runs and a five-run lead, 8-3.

Florida Tech shortened the Tars' lead to three in the sixth inning. Jeremy Polcyn doubled down the left field line to start off the inning. After Bridges walked John Kunkle and struck out Ronaldo Richardson, he was relieved by David Taylor. Taylor got the first batter to ground out, but then gave up a single through the middle to Orly Tellado for two runs. The Panthers were now only behind by three, 8-5.

Rollins put the game away in the seventh inning when they scored two more runs to make it, 10-5. The inning started with three straight Tars reaching base. Both Barton Vaughn and Justin Sherrod singled with Ryan Park being walked. Ryan Hanigan then hit into a double play, Barton Vaughn being thrown out at home, but moved both Sherrod and Park to up another base.

A bloop single to short right field by Cody Nesmith brought in Sherrod for the first run. Rollins final run came in when Ryan Park stole home while catcher John Kunkle tried to throw out Mike Reese, who was pinch running for Nesmith, at second base.

Joe Sapp came in for relief in the seventh inning when Rollins was up 8-5 and did not allow a single Panther to score. He finished out the game for his second save on the season.

Oppenheim Named Rollins Athlete of the Week



Athlete of the Week,
Rob Oppenheim
courtesy of SID

WINTER PARK, FL — Sophomore standout golfer Rob Oppenheim has been honored as the Rollins College Athlete of the Week for his performance in the Sunshine State Conference Championship Tournament held in New Smyrna Beach, FL. He shot a final round of 69 to claim the medallist award for the Sunshine State Conference and finished with a two-day total of 139, four shots better than second place finisher Jeff Klauk of Florida Southern. He also helped the Tars to their second place finish, just four strokes behind #1 Florida Southern.

For the spring, Oppenheim is leading Rollins with a 73.7 stroke average and was the top

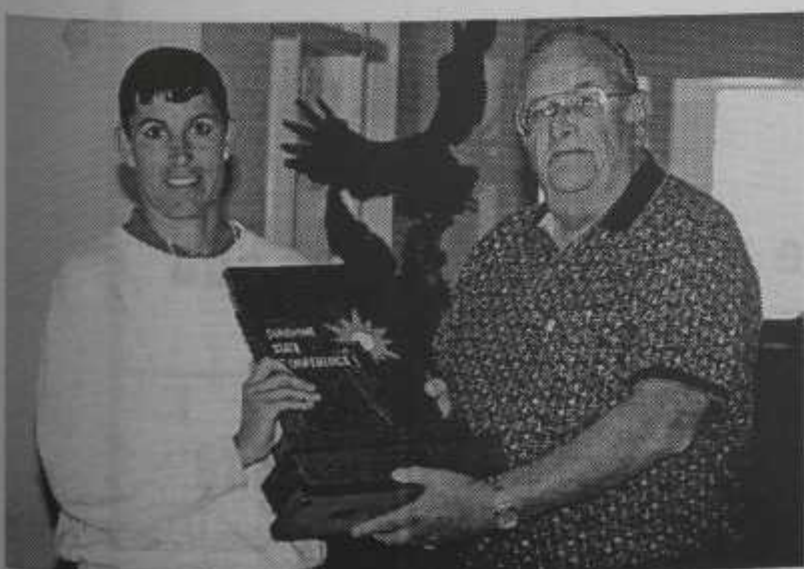
finisher for the Tars this spring at the Silver Springs Shores Invitational, finishing fifth. For the year, he has a 73.4 stroke average, seven Top 20 finishes, five Top 10 finishes, three Top 5 finishes, and was medallist once.

Rollins Softball Team Battles Florida Tech

The Rollins softball team struggled losing both games to Florida Tech. In the Tars first match, the game was scoreless until the third inning when the Panthers scored three runs. Florida Tech added another run in the fourth inning to take a 4-0 lead. Rollins would score their only run in the seventh as Jill Mitchell doubled and came in to score on a Melissa Barney single. Florida Tech had 11 hits Rollins managed just five.

In the second game, Florida Tech erupted in the third inning

scoring five runs on five hits, including three doubles. Rollins threatened to score in the fourth as they loaded the bases but failed to put across any runs. The Tars started the fifth with a double by Amber Riley. Riley scored on a Miranda Watford RBI. Lora Bonifacio's, RBI single cut the lead to 5-2 Panthers. Florida Tech scored five runs on three hits in their half of the fifth to claim a 10-2 victory.



Beames Names SSC Golfer of the Year; Weeks Named Co-Coach of the Year

WINTER PARK, FL — Rollins College freshman women's golfer Jennifer Beames has been honored as the Sunshine State Conference "Player of the Year" as well as the SSC "Freshman of the Year." In addition, head coach Marla Weeks has been named SSC co-Coach of the Year. She shared the honor with Robbie Davis of Florida Southern. Beames and junior Karen Calvesbert were named to the all-conference team.

Beames, from Pinecrest, Florida, was the medalist at the

Sunshine State Conference Championships after shooting a final round 68 to lead the Tars to a two-stroke tournament victory over Florida Southern. She had the lowest scoring average in the conference this season with a stroke average of 77.54. She had eight top twenty finishes during the season, including six in which she placed in the Top 10.

In her third season as head coach of the Tars, Weeks led the Tars to their first SSC Tournament Championship. Rollins finished second to Florida Southern in the

first-ever SSC Women's Golf Championships a year ago.

Calvesbert earned all-conference honors for the second straight season after being named co-player of the year a year ago. She had a season stroke average of 79.80 and finished third at the SSC Championships.

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