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Rollins administration looks to teach responsible drinking practices.

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HURRICANE HAVOC



■ Orlando area regroups from unusually heavy hurricane season.

by John Ferreira

sports editor

Central Florida had not received a direct hit from a hurricane in over forty years. The last one to hit was Hurricane Donna in 1960, which crossed over the heart of Florida from the Gulf of Mexico. Over these forty years, Central Florida has become a hurricane haven, where residents fleeing storms on the coasts would come for safety.

First, it was intense Hurricane Charley that made landfall in Port Charlotte and Punta Gorda and ravaged the area. The

initial track had it going over Tampa and missing Orlando and Winter Park to the north, but a last minute shift placed the eye right over Rollins. The Winter Park area suffered hefty damage during Charley and parts of the campus were without power for four days.

Residents of Winter Park then started picking up the pieces, and life began anew. In a way, hurricanes are nature's way of saying, "It's time to start over."



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FRANCES AND HER FURY: Frances leaves her mark on Cocoa Beach as she ripped trees out of the ground and dealt severe property damage.

No one expected that Mother Nature would tell us to start over in less than a month's time. Coming in from the east this time was potent Hurricane Frances, which once packed 150 mph winds.

The storm slowed and weakened considerably to a category two by the time it hit land. The sheer size of this storm made it a considerable threat, with some stating it was the size of Texas. Frances will be remembered, at least here in Orange County, as the storm that never really was.

Although it caused considerable damage to the north and south of us, it just grazed Winter Park and luckily the area got a much-needed break. Frances pounded the locals with non-stop rain that ended only on Tuesday, three days after the storm made its initial landfall.

Most Rollins residents fled the storm, opting to go home. Those remaining were packed into the Archibald Granville Bush

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Russian Hostage Crisis

■ Militants take over Russian school leaving devastated families in their wake.

by Erika Batey

asst. news editor

On Wednesday, September 1, a crisis began in the southern Russian town of Beslan that became a nightmare for its residents, and would eventually turn into a tragedy felt around the world. Militants seized a local school in the region, taking over 400 people hostage. Most of the hostages were children between the ages of 7 and 17. Armed with guns and suicide-bomb belts, the attackers stormed the school as the children were about to begin their first day of the Russian school year. Around 50

escaped in the initial confusion. The rest were held hostage for a terrifying 62 hours in which they were denied both food and water.

Two and a half days later on Friday, September 3, the crisis ended in tragedy when troops stormed the school after hearing explosions and freed the remaining hostages. Throughout the confusion, part of the roof over the gym collapsed killing many people inside. After eventually securing the school, the Russian forces chased fleeing militants into the town, resulting



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GRIEVING MOTHER: Woman mourns for her child lost in the recent hostage crisis.

in shooting that lasted over 10 hours. The death toll rose in the days following the takeover, and it has now been reported that over 340 were killed, including over 150 children.

Most of the attackers were killed by Russian troops in the shooting that ended the crisis. They are

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Rollins Athletic Director Retires

■ Phil Roach announces retirement from Rollins College.

by Dean Hybl

faculty advisor

Rollins College Director of Athletics and Physical Education Dr. J. Phillip Roach announced last week that he will retire from his position at the end of the 2004-2005 academic year. Roach, 65, has been at Rollins since the spring of 1992 and his retirement marks the end of a successful 13-year tenure as director.

"I have appreciated the opportunity to be a part of the Rollins community for more than a decade," Roach

said. "I believe in this College wholeheartedly, and being part of the recent Campaign for Rollins, which enabled us to enhance our athletics and recreational facilities, was very rewarding."

"I am especially proud of our coaching staff and the direction they are taking our programs. I remain passionate about the contribution athletics makes to the overall educational experience. I leave knowing that our student-athletes are getting a great education and athletic experience."

Under Roach's guidance, the Rollins athletic department has developed into one of the model programs in NCAA Division II. Despite

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Rollins PR Office Receives Recognition

■ Our Office of Public Relations recently received numerous awards from the FPRA.

by **Shaun Cricks**

staff reporter

The Rollins College Office of Public Relations recently won three state awards from the Florida Public Relations Association (FPRA). Jeni Hatter and Ann Marie Varga won Judges awards and awards of Excellence for Rollins' "Annual Story Finding Expedition."

Jeni Hatter, Communications Coordinator, told *The Sandspur*, "We work hard to reflect the college's core values of Excellence, Innovation, and Community. It's extremely rewarding to be recognized for doing what we love, and we are thankful Rollins affords us the opportunity to be creative."

In addition to her duties at Rollins, Jeni serves as Vice President of Membership on

the Florida Public Relations Association (FPRA) Orlando Area Chapter board, which was named the "2003 Member of the Year" by FPRA and has received three local and state awards for R-Town, the Rollins College electronic newsletter.

Assistant Vice President Ann Marie Varga has more than 20 years of experience in the field of public relations and media relations. FPRA named Ann Marie as Central Florida's 2004 "PR Professional of the Year," which honors the very best public relations work for the year by an individual.

In addition, 2004 FPRA Awards of Excellence were awarded to Suzanne Baranek, Jeni Hatter, Anne Marie Varga, and Mary Wismar-Davis for the 2003 Winter Park Observer "Welcome Back Rollins!" issue.

Suzanne Baranek, the Director of Communications, has more than 12 years of experience in the field of public relations and marketing. Suzanne Baranek has received eight awards in

public relations and publications during her career, and she holds the professional credential Accredited in Public Relations (APR). Suzanne was awarded a Bronze Charlie Award for Writing Excellence in the "Best In-Depth Reporting" category.

In her 21 years as editor of the Alumni Record, Mary Wismar-Davis, Manager of Publications, has garnered more than 50 awards of excellence for writing and design from the Florida Magazine Association and the Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE). She has served on the board of directors of the Florida Magazine Association and the Parent Resource Center.

When contacted by the Sandspur fifteen minutes before a mandatory hurricane closing of her office, Jeni provided a quote, R-town copy, photo, and her cell phone number, evidence that Rollins PR applies its standard of excellence across the board. Congratulations to Rollins PR members for their well deserved awards!

Russian School Attack

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believed to have been Chechen rebels with links to terrorist organizations, including al Qaeda.

Chechnya is a republic near the Russian town of Beslan. Rebels and Russian forces have been fighting there for over a decade. This most recent attack is the latest in a long, tragic series of attacks through which rebels have attempted to draw international attention to their demands for independence.

The republic officially declared independence from Russia in November

1991. However, the Russian government waited until 1994 before sending in troops to restore authority to the area. The violence that ensued became known internationally as the first Chechen war and resulted in the defeat of the Russian forces in 1996. Most Chechens long for peace and stability in the area, but rebel fighters are still struggling for independence.

Throughout the struggle for independence, attacks have occurred frequently, mostly in recent years. In October 2002, 50 rebels seized a Moscow theater and took 800 hostages. After 3 days, Russian forces stormed the building using poison gas, which resulted in the death of many of the attackers and hostages. In February 2004, a bomb attack killed at least 39 people on a Moscow Underground. In the past few years, there have been many more incidents with an increase in suicide bomber attacks.

The reported demands of the rebels in this latest school hostage crisis were the release of fighters in the Ingushetia prisons, the withdrawal of Russian troops from Chechnya, and negotiations with top regional officials. The withdrawal of troops has often been the main concern of rebels.

Russian President Vladimir Putin flew to Beslan the morning after the crisis ended. "Even alongside the most cruel attacks of the past, this terrorist act

occupies a special place because it was aimed at children," he said. He referred especially to the cruelty with which the children were treated. Throughout the three and a half days, militants denied them water and food. When they were released, many were so weak they were unable to stand. "They were marched



photo / REALCLEARPOLITICS.COM

YOUNG VICTIM: The Russian community mourns the violent act that affected so many.

to the toilet and if the toddlers started to cry, the fighters would fire blanks in the air and shout for them to keep quiet," a witness said.

The school hostage tragedy followed an already violent few weeks in Russia. A female suicide bomber killed nine people outside a subway station in Moscow just one day earlier. The previous week, two female suicide bombers, killing 89 people, brought down two airlines. These terror attacks have prompted further investigations into the possible connection between Chechen rebels and al Qaeda. Along with sending condolences and prayers to the people of Russia, President Bush reminded the world that these attacks were "another grim reminder of terrorism."

One week after the tragedy, tens of thousands of Russians held a demonstration in Moscow's Red Square. Organized by Russian trade unions, the gathering of people is said to be one of the largest gatherings ever staged there. Shocked, saddened, and angry, they held up banners and signs saying "Bring the terrorists to justice," and "Down with terrorism." People around the world are mourning this latest and tragic attack, and many feel it is especially horrific and painful because its victims were innocent children. For the people of Russia it will never be forgotten.

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Probe Crash

■ NASA's returning space probe crashes into the Utah desert.

by **Brittany Lee**

news editor

Failing to deploy its parachute, NASA's 264 million dollar *Genesis* mission turned into a disaster on Wednesday, September 8th when a capsule returning from the sun slammed into the Utah desert at 200 mph. The space probe fell near the original landing area in the Air Force's Utah Test and Training Range. Following this landfall, officials were grateful there was no concern for the safety of onlookers or buildings.

The probe's return had appeared to be on target since the capsule had separated normally from the spacecraft that morning and continued on a path to the Earth's atmosphere. Hollywood stunt pilots hovered over the area waiting for its smooth arrival on that peaceful Wednesday morning, but as soon as the image of the capsule appeared on

more than two years in space collecting particles of solar wind, lay shattered. The wind contains charged atoms that are constantly blown from the outer layers of the sun. This solar wind is believed to be untouched since the formation of the solar system. The hope of scientists is that data from this wind will be able to reveal information about the gas and dust that turned into planets.

This *Genesis* crash is the most recent high-profile failure for NASA, which is struggling still from the loss of the space shuttle *Columbia*. Although NASA's success rose with the landing of two rovers on Mars, Wednesday's loss served to remind the country of two more previous failed Mars missions, the *Climate Orbiter* and *Polar Landing*. It is generally believed that these two missions failed due to a lack of funding.

The *Genesis* capsule was recovered on Wednesday evening, and so far scientists have expressed some optimism that knowledge from the capsule can still be



photo / CNN.COM

PROBE MAKES IMPACT: The *Genesis* capsule lies damaged in the Utah desert, waiting for assessment.

the monitors, it was clear that something had gone wrong.

As the capsule entered the atmosphere, it was designed to fire a mortar at a height of about 24 miles, which would deploy a small parachute to slow down the probe and prevent tumbling. Later, at a height of four miles, the main parachute would open. Onlookers watched anxiously as the small parachute opened, but quickly realized the main one had failed. As it got closer, hope was lost with the controller's announcement of "ground impact."

The crash left the 450 pound spacecraft, which looks like a small UFO, on its side and half-buried in the sand with its inner capsule open to the desert air. Inside the canister most of the plates, which had spent

obtained. The collection plates inside are broken and contaminated by outside elements. As Donald R. Sevilla, the payload recovery lead engineer, stated for *The New York Times*, "The fact is, yes, it's bad. It's probably not mission catastrophic. We have our samples. The question is how much has been contaminated and how much of it can be recovered."

NASA plans to set up an investigation board within 72 hours of the crash to determine what went wrong, and from there will begin to assess the condition of the material inside the capsule. It is clear that this failure will have a major impact on NASA, as much of their focus will likely go now to discovering why so many recent missions have been unsuccessful.

CEO Issues Contest

■ New CEO program provides opportunity, high-stakes contest.

by **Jon Curran**

staff reporter

This summer the student run *Entrepreneurs' Society* of the Center for Entrepreneurship affiliated itself with the Collegiate *Entrepreneurs' Organization* (CEO), becoming the 109th affiliate chapter of a premiere worldwide organization. The group now known as *Rollins CEO* acts as the student arm of the Center for Entrepreneurship.

Rollins CEO President, Jon Curran, explained that involvement outside of the classroom provides an irreplaceable component to *Rollins'* education by giving students experience and network contacts. According to Curran, *Rollins CEO* is the best organization to get involved with because it provides an invaluable opportunity to be directly involved in the Orlando business community.

"We have a full calendar of exciting activities and opportunities this year that will expose students to the

world of entrepreneurship enabling them to make better informed decisions about their career path," said Curran. One such activity is conducting a business plan competition for the *Rollins* community with \$10,000 of prize money. Prior to the main competition, *Rollins CEO* will host a workshop on how to write a business plan, provide team-building events, and sponsor a venture pitch competition that will match teams with mentors who are entrepreneur practitioners.

In addition, there will be lunch hour meetings where William Grimm, chair of the technology team at *GrayRobinson* law firm, will hold discussions on his book, *21 Mistakes that Entrepreneurs Make and How to Avoid Them*. In addition, members will have the opportunity to gain real world consulting experience through a mentoring program. Teams consisting of a few students and a professional advisor will consult potential high growth companies on how to reach their next level of growth.

Members also have the opportunity to attend the *CEO* national conference this

November in Chicago. Furthermore, *Rollins CEO* plans to host a talent lab, which is basically a career fair for high-tech companies and start-up businesses. Talent labs connect companies that do not have the resources to do extensive recruiting with entrepreneurial students having difficulty tapping into this hot job market.

Some *Rollins CEO* members are already entrepreneurs. Nadav Haimberg is currently growing his third business, *Desktop Morphics LLC* (www.universe-im.com), which produces *UNIVERSE 3D IM*, a 3-D instant messenger application that enables people to chat over the internet in a virtual world. "Involvement with *Rollins CEO* has added tremendous value to my *Rollins MBA*...The resources, contacts, and ideas generated from our group provide an exceptional resource for *Rollins* students," states Nadav.

Rollins CEO is accepting applications for officers this year available at <http://www.crummer.rollins.edu/entrepreneurship/society.shtml>.

Hurricanes Rock O.C.

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were packed into the Archibald Granville Bush Science Center.

Rollins suffered minimal damage during *Frances*—only two small trees tipped over. It was nowhere near the destruction caused by Hurricane *Charley*. As mentioned, areas to the north and south were hardly hit. Lake Monroe, close to Sanford, had waves over two feet tall and widespread.

Both storms are estimated to have caused about one billion dollars in damage in Central Florida alone, with *Osceola County* taking about \$454 million (*Orange County* is estimated to have received about \$250 million in damage).

The old dictum goes: one is ok, two is good, and three is a crowd. Apparently, nobody told that to Hurricane *Ivan*, which now threatens Florida again. It is absolutely insane to those who have been watching hurricanes their entire lives to see three major hurricanes all hit the same state. *Ivan* seems intent on hitting the Florida panhandle,



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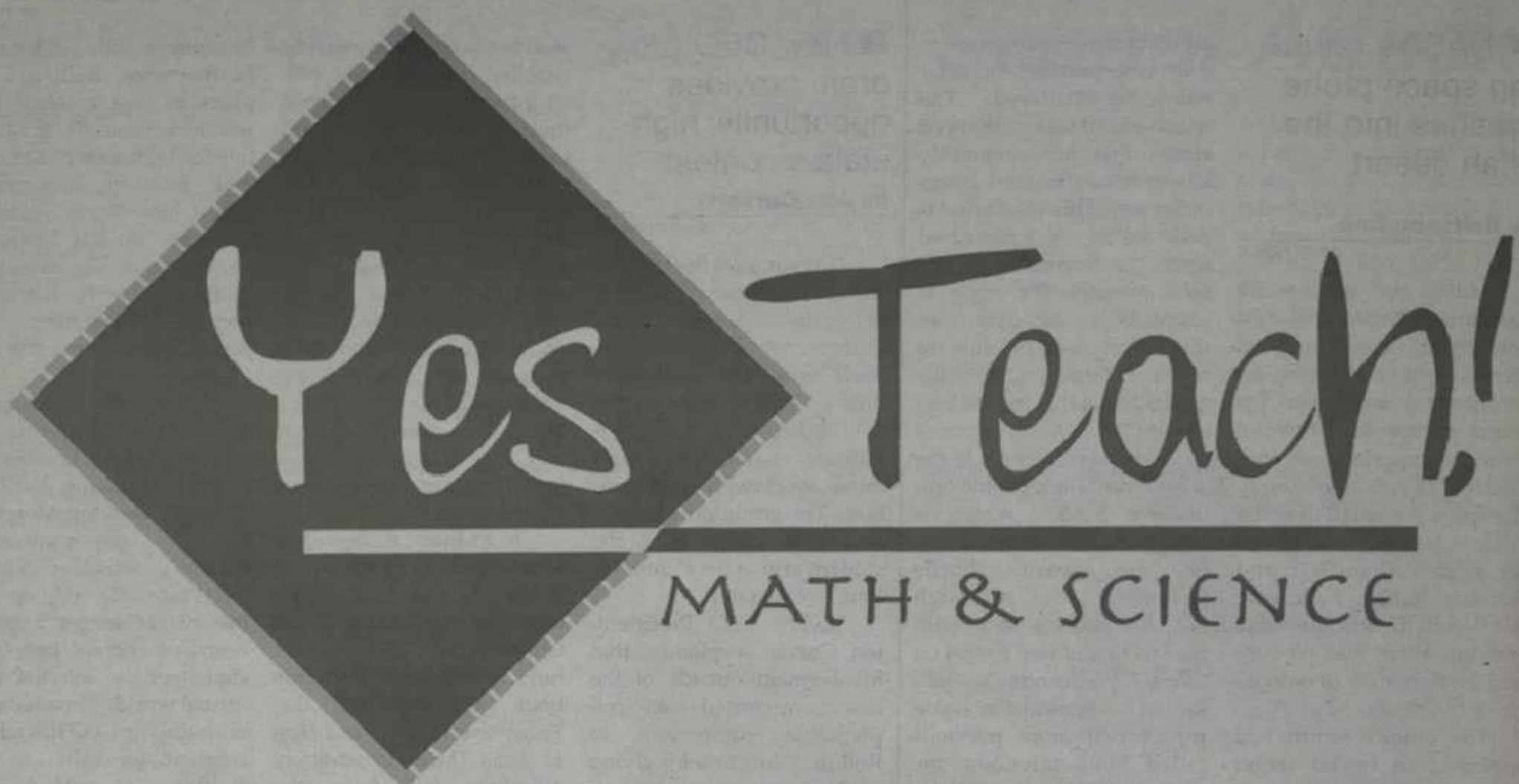
EMPTY SHELVES: Florida residents fearing the onslaught of *Frances* flock to local stores.

Alabama, Mississippi and parts of Louisiana. *Ivan* did leave a path of destruction in the Caribbean hitting the Jamaican islands very hard. Estimates from the island say that ninety percent of the structures on the island had some sort of damage. *Ivan* then moved onto Grenada where it left twenty nine people dead.

The potent storm was at one hundred sixty miles per hour, and its minimum central pressure was at nine hundred and ten millibars making it the sixth strongest hurricane in Atlantic Basin history. By the time *The Sandspur* went to press, the

hurricane's strongest winds were at one hundred forty miles, which downgrades it to a category four but still heralds as a powerful storm.

The Florida Keys were evacuated at first but the storm did not turn as it was originally forecasted, and it missed the Keys by over fifty miles. Central Florida will be feeling effects of Hurricane *Ivan* the entire week. It is a good thing to brag to your friends back home that you are going through a hurricane, even though it will only be a slight drizzle and weak winds.



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A Master's of the Future for the Future

■ **Holt Spotlight:** Suzi Albrecht, 2003 graduate of the M.A.C.C.T. program.

by **Linda Carpenter**
contributing writer

Observing a rapidly changing communications field, Suzi Albrecht, 2003 graduate of the MACCT program, looked into the future and realized a graduate degree was in order.

A multimedia creative selling specialist at the Orlando Sentinel, Albrecht designs comprehensive marketing communications programs, corporate sponsorships, and events for companies such as Walt Disney World, Sea World, the Orlando Magic, and more.

To further her education and her career, she first considered a master's in busi-

ness administration, but the class times did not suit her busy work or family schedule. In addition to working full time at the newspaper, Albrecht buys and restores old homes as an investment. Plus, she has two children.

"I didn't have the flexibility at work to do the MBA," said Albrecht. "And I loved the Saturday class structure of the Master of Arts in Corporate Communication and Technology (MACCT). I really wanted to have technology as part of my master's. It is very important to have this today, and the degree has given me an edge to compete in my highly competitive field."

She also enjoyed the networking and learning from others in her group. "One of the greatest strengths of the program was my classmates; they were an excellent source of knowledge and professional networking. We

really learned a lot from each other."

The Saturday classes (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.) with two breaks and lunch, made it easier. "Time sped by. It was a lot of work but it was a quick two years. The social activities allowed us to socialize with people outside our team; and the campus is so beautiful."

The MACCT program is one that people will be looking for in the future, she said. "People who have the skills that balance technology and communication will be very valuable. I received a great, well-rounded education, and the tuition was affordable as well."

In addition to learning, professional growth, networking, and camaraderie, Albrecht now has another advantage. "When I tell people I have a master's degree from Rollins College, they are very impressed."

For more information



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BALANCING ACT: Suzi Albrecht, '03 MACCT alumnus, managed to juggle her personal & professional life en route to fulfilling her advanced academic goals.

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Ask the Holt News Career Coach

■ This column provides Holt Students with a chance to have their career development concerns addressed.

by **Marian Cacciatore**
columnist

Q: "I am currently a Junior majoring in Organizational Communication and work full time Monday through Friday in a clerical position.

I want to get into Public Relations after I graduate but am not sure how to do so. I do not have experience in my new field so I am nervous about how my effective resume will look.

I know of other college graduates who have been unable to make a real career transition after graduation, and I want to make sure that it doesn't happen to me. Help!" Tracey '06

A. First Tracey, I want to applaud you for your advance preparation! While a career transition is within your reach, it will take time, energy, and planning to make the transition a reality.

Your degree in Organizational Communication will provide you with a solid background for your new field and will give you the basic credentials necessary for many of the entry-level

Public Relations positions.

However, in addition to your degree, there are several additional steps that will improve your marketability after graduation.

Would you believe that 3 out of 4 jobs are filled through networking? This is an important fact and often changes the way that students look at the job search process. As you begin your Junior year, let's work on establishing a network of contacts in the area of Public Relations.

I suggest that you contact the Rollins College student chapter of the Florida Public Relations Association called Communiqué. The group meets monthly and provides professional development opportunities for students.

Contact Michele Rodon, one of the student leaders, at michelelodon@hotmail.com for more information. In addition, I encourage you to explore the FPRA web site: <http://www.fpraorlando.org>

Under the Job Bank link is a section for students. It lists a variety of volunteer and internship opportunities. There are also a number of internship positions on the Rollins Internship web-site as well.

"But wait", you say, "I work full time! How can I get experience with my schedule?" Through the years, I have seen students use very creative ways to obtain experience. However, if scheduling

flexibility is non-existent within your present organization, you will be limited to evening and weekend functions.

Don't despair! There are numerous special events and promotions during these hours that can provide you with some initial opportunities. The critical step is for you to demonstrate your willingness to venture out and begin to get visibility and exposure within other organizations and with outside professionals. Volunteering for a special event or promotion is certainly one effective way to begin that process.

Finally, even if you cannot consider volunteering at this time, I strongly urge you to begin the process of conducting "informational interviews." This process is highly effective in obtaining strategies and ideas on career transitioning and is one way to begin to develop a network.

An informational interview gives you the chance to talk with professionals within your field of interest. It provides you with "insider information" and career transition strategies. If you are interested in getting more information on informational interviewing plan on attending the one-hour workshop, "Informational Interviews: Networking for the Fearful!" The workshop will be held on Thursday, September 30th from 5-6

p.m. in the Holt School auditorium. It will be an hour filled with practical tips on ways to use this valuable and effective tool. (Snacks will be provided as well!)

Either way, Tracey and I encourage you and other Holt students to contact me as soon as possible for an individual appointment. Whether the focus is developing a base of relevant

experience, creating an effective resume, or preparing for an interview, I am here to help! Call me at the Holt office at 407- 975-6407 or email me at: mcacciatore@rollins.edu

Do you have a question for Marian? Email her at mcacciatore@rollins.edu. She guarantees that all questions will be responded to individually or in this column.

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Rollins: The Other Alternative to Light Beer

■ Reports show that college life promotes serious binge drinking.

by **Randi Krasny**

staff reporter

The Prevention Research Center of the Pacific Institute for Research and Evaluation recently put out a study claiming that college binge drinking is progressively getting worse. The research was based on the drinking habits of young men at universities across the country, and no women were included in this study. Also non-drinkers were not included in this survey.

Most findings define "binge drinking" as consuming five or more drinks continuously, without keeping track after five drinks. One-thousand male college drinkers were surveyed and many said that they had more than twenty-four drinks on any given night. In addition to this, the study found that about ten percent of the time, the drinkers had twelve or more drinks in one setting. These are levels of drinking at which most men

will have passed out or become comatose," said Paul Gruenewald, who led the study (<http://www.cnn.com/2004/HEALTH/09/08/drinking.reut/index.html>).

"These are levels at which drinkers are at risk for



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COLLEGE BINGE DRINKING: Students regularly consuming more than five drinks.

the very serious problems posed by peak drinking, including alcohol poisoning," Gruenewald added in a statement.

The Pacific Institute for Research and Evaluation is located in Berkley, California and is funded by the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism. It has been the national center for alcohol prevention research in the United States for the past

eighteen years. Most of the research has resulted in the publications of scientific books that relate to the area of alcohol prevention that have been establishing a scientific basis for prevention strategies, especially those focused on the social environment.

The general conclusion of these findings is that binge drinking is a serious problem and it is getting worse. In an attempt to see whether these findings apply here at Rollins, and if binge drinking is indeed a major cause for concern at our college, a survey was given to ten students at random. The questionnaire asked general information of the participants, such as age, gender, and year, and then addressed their drinking habits. Questions including whether or not the person surveyed was a drinker, how much they generally consumed, who or what influenced them to drink, and whether they agreed with this study that binge drinking was a serious problem.

The ages of those surveyed ranged from 18-20, and nine out of the ten wrote

they were drinkers. When asked if they felt the need to drink at parties answers varied greatly. One 19 year old male wrote he drank because he was addicted. Another girl of 19 stated she didn't feel she had to drink to have fun or fit in. When comparing drinking from high school to college, most students said they drink more often in college. Reasons for this included the increased availability, the fact that it is socially acceptable, and an increased toler-

"Everyone is addicted to alcohol...I drink to fit in and because I can't have fun without it."

**Anonymous
Rollins Student**

ance. Participants said they drank both liquor and beer, with more guys leaning towards beer and girls to liquor. When asked what was the most drinks they had ever consumed, the answers ranged from three shots, to seventeen shots,

and many said they had far too many to keep track. The final question, aimed at finding either support or dissent with the findings of The Prevention Research Center of the Pacific Institute for Research and Evaluation, asked whether or not they thought binge drinking was a problem at Rollins and why or why not. Five responded with a no, and their reasons for this included the presence of campus safety and exposure to other campuses with more of a drinking culture. Five others said that yes it was a problem. They felt that a lot of people drink excessively. One went so far as to say "everyone is addicted to alcohol and everyone drinks. I drink to fit in and because I can't have fun without it."

This small sample survey did show that drinking is quite prevalent at Rollins and according to most a cause for concern. College binge drinking occurs at universities across the nation and can be potentially life threatening. It is up to students to become aware of this problem and use precautions.

Bad Dog, Good Legislation

■ Naked man is bit by angry dog.

by **Chase VanSteenberg**

staff reporter

A dog revealed that he was not in fact, Rudolph Kamirez's best friend last Monday by biting off that man's... uh...manhood.

A landscaping crew

found the man with the dog still over him, and hit the offending animal with a pipe, causing it to run away. The man was unconscious until police arrived, at which

point he got up and ran away too. The police found him naked in a park. There is some discrepancy as to when he lost his clothes. It is also unclear as to how a naked man with no genitals was able to run from the police for any length of time. Perhaps that says something about the quality of the Albuquerque police department, but that's a thought for another day.

The dog remained on the loose all Monday, and as a result one nearby school was locked down, and parents were asked to pick up children who normally walk home. Police reported catching the dog, a pit-bull/boxer mix, on Wednesday morning. Mr. Kamirez remained in critical but stable condition at the local hospital.

As a result of the whole



photo / GOOGLE.COM

MAN'S BEST FRIEND: One very angry dog in Albuquerque proves that this is not exactly the case.

fiasco, governor Bill Richardson released a statement supporting new legislation that would impose stiff penalties against dangerous dog owners. In New Mexico, the only laws that punish owners for their dog's actions deal with dog attacks on livestock. Richardson noted that the new legislation would force dog owners to be more responsible, requiring them to register and confine dangerous breeds.

This law sounds great for Kamirez, except for one problem. Recent reports say the dog was probably his.

College Math Club President Dumps Supermodel

He crunched the numbers, then crushed her heart



College sophomore Brady Burns, left, abruptly ended a six-month torrid love affair with a heartbroken Elene, right.



By **JAMIE MURRY**

Admitting that there was a good (9-5) percent chance that he made the wrong move, college math club president Brady Burns recently called it quits with longtime supermodel girlfriend Elene. Burns, who claimed he carefully calculated the breakup, said his alleged free checking account had monthly fees that just didn't add up. The whiz kid was quick to admit that had he known about Washington Mutual's Free Checking Deluxe, the relationship's longevity may have had better odds.

"I loved her like a quadratic formula, but the off-campus lunches were killing me financially," said Burns. "I felt like a real abacus for breaking things off." The fact that he was unaware of Washington Mutual's Free Checking—an account with optional Deluxe services like free online bill pay available at wamu.com—left Elene at a total loss. "He could have just gone to a Washington Mutual Financial Center or wamu.com," she said. "We were totally soul mates, but I guess he didn't see that. As far as I'm concerned, he can go jump off a logarithm. Whatever that is."

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Pink Post-its: Sticking Up For A Cause!

■ Showing Pink Ribbon support for Breast Cancer Awareness in October.

by **Karina Mc Cabe**
features editor

Even as the world closely follows the destruction of lives brought on by recent hurricanes, terrorism in Russia, and the train bombing in Spain earlier this year, there is a very prevalent, silent killer striking worldwide and without prejudice: breast cancer. This year alone, the Komen Foundation estimates that 400,000 will die from this form of cancer and approximately ten percent of those deaths will occur within the borders of the United States of America.

The Komen Foundation is a worldwide, grassroots association that raises funds to support breast cancer awareness, and research programs. Nancy Goodman Komen established the Foundation in 1982 in order to fulfill a promise she made to her dying sister, Susan, that she would do everything she could to find a cure for the cancer that took her life at the age of thirty-six. The Komen Foundation also holds the Race for the Cure® events and has been able to provide "\$6.1 million in funding for international

breast cancer research to 26 institutions in eight countries outside of the United States" (Komencentralflorida.com).

As mentioned earlier, this organization calculates that about 40,000 in the United States alone will die from breast cancer this year. This death toll is of an enormous magnitude. It reveals that far more people die annually from this form of cancer within this country alone than from any of the recent terrorist acts or hurricanes that pervade our news.

According to these figures, one would think that

people would be extremely concerned about watching their health, much in the same way that when a hurricane is coming people stock up on

water, flashlights, and batteries and when CNN announces an "elevated" or "high" risk of terrorist acts people stay inside and consider purchasing gas masks. However, even though the Komen Foundation states that this is the number one health concern of women,

and the leading cause of death for women between the age of forty and fifty-nine, there is no mass media coverage of "how to protect yourself from breast cancer" or "where to go if breast cancer hits." Volunteers do this job instead.

Most of the volunteers are people whom this disease has affected, whether the person has contracted the cancer herself, or if someone close to her has. Consequently, they strive to educate others about ways to lower one's risk, or others volunteer with associations such as the Komen Foundation to help raise funding for breast cancer research.

On October 9, the Komen Foundation is sponsoring "Race for the Cure®" in Disney World's MGM Studios, Orlando. They are currently looking for participants in the race, as well as volunteers to help with set up, directing traffic flow, data entry, and at water stations. If you want to participate, then check out their website at www.komencen-

[tralflorida.com](http://www.komencen-). It is \$20 to participate, but they welcome any larger donations. According to their website, seventy-five percent of local donations "stay in central Florida for screening, treatment, and education," while the remaining twenty-five percent will go to the Komen Foundation Research Program.

Another company that is currently raising funds for this cause is 3M Corporate, the makers of Post-its. In

October, the company plans to unveil a gigantic pink ribbon composed of 75,000 pink Post-it notes, which would make it the World's Largest Pink Ribbon, in New York's Times Square. For each Post-it hung up, the company is donating \$1 to the City of Hope Cancer Center. According to the *U.S. News and World Report*, this Los Angeles hospital is one of the top fifty cancer hospitals in America.

As a result of research funding by companies such as these, medical doctors have been able to establish that ninety percent of breast cancers are caused by abnormalities brought upon by lifestyle choices. Considering this, they have established guidelines that can be followed to lower one's risk for breast cancer. These include quitting smoking, exercising regularly, reducing stress (preferably through yoga, prayer, or meditation), and limiting alcohol intake.

With continued breast cancer research funding, there is promise that there will soon be a way to determine the cause of the life-threatening cancer and, subsequently, a way to prevent it. Please do all you can to help support this cause.

October: Breast Cancer Awareness Month

Susan G. Komen Foundation Race for the Cure

This year's Central Florida race is taking place at Disney's MGM studios! To sign up for the event, go to www.komencentralflorida.com and click on "Race For The Cure" and then "Race Information."

3M Corporate's "Post-it Pink Ribbon" Event, NYC

In October, 75,000 pink Post-it notes will be displayed in New York City in the form of the breast cancer symbol of support, the Pink Ribbon. Go to http://www.3m.com/us/office/postit/research/largest_pink_ribbon.jhtml for more information on this event. Also, for every purchase of a specially marked "Pink Ribbon" Post-it pack, the company will donate a portion of the profits to the City of Hope hospital for breast cancer research.



RAISING FUNDS: The Susan G. Komen Foundation frequently hosts Race for the Cure events to raise funds for breast cancer research.



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Announcing The Pricey Power Nap

■ Would you pay \$14 for a twenty minute nap?

by **Chase VanSteenburg**
staff reporter

What a first week of school. By Sunday afternoon, classes, homework, and of course long hard hours of "social activities" late into the night had left me worn down. Unfortunately, the Sandspur waits for no man. My editors gave me a tough new assignment, and being the ambitious young reporter that I am, I told them I was up to the task. Sitting down in my office chair and cracking my knuckles, I did what

many hard-working Americans get paid to do each day. I buckled down and took a long hard...nap.

Yes, a nap—that word second most frequently associated with long and hard. Of course, this is entirely subjective upon your definition of long and hard, as my nap lasted 20 minutes, and though the act of napping itself may not seem difficult, it was sort of hard to fall asleep with Dr. Dre blasting in the room next door. Surprisingly, I did fall asleep, and my little experiment was successful, as I woke up remarkably more energetic than before.

Although I initially suspected my energy boost

might be at least in part a result of 20 minutes of subconscious Dr. Dre exposure, a number of scientists with nothing better to do have scientifically explained the beneficial nature of my little foray into unconsciousness. Twenty minutes of sleep, it seems, is just enough time for the body and mind to rest before slipping into the brains deeper stage of sleep, known as REM (rapid eye movement). One can wake up and feel alert after just twenty minutes, but coming out of REM can leave the napper feeling groggy and tired. A number of studies, carried out by such prestigious institutions as Harvard and Cornell have

found that midday "power-naps", like the one I took, can maintain or even improve performance levels at work.

Such groundbreaking research was well-received by a resounding round of "duhs" from working professionals and other people with brains, who have been "powernapping" for years. These shrewd individuals have discovered that by sleeping at their desk, sleeping under their desk, or by curling up behind one of those great big potted plants in their office, they are not only more efficient for the rest of the day, but they also get paid for doing nothing for 20 minutes. Enough peo-

ple are napping at work, in fact, that a cottage industry seems to be growing up around the concept.

In the grand tradition of charging people exorbitant amounts of money for things they could get free elsewhere (bottled water, oxygen, I could go on), businesses are now selling people naps. Okay, admittedly, this claim is an exaggeration, but it is essentially true. Businesses like MetroNaps in downtown Manhattan are selling places to nap. MetroNaps, for example, on the 24th floor of the Empire State Building, consists of a sound dampened room softly lit by light panels. A dimly delineated walkway down the middle of the room is bordered on either side by cylindrical "sleep pods" containing what are essentially barcaloungers, and a pair of headphones that play a variety of soothing sounds. The whole scene has the sort of dark science fiction vibe that would make it really fun to have your girlfriend dress up as Ripley, and chase her down the hall in an alien suit, just to watch unwitting nappers' expressions as they wake up.

I would have loved to do some field research in the napping industry, and describe my personal experience to you, but there is no MetroNaps location in Orlando yet, and the stingy Sandspur leadership refused to send me on an all-expense-paid trip to New York. (I encourage you to donate to this worthy cause). Anyway, I'll try to give you a sampling of what the MetroNaps experience is supposedly like. After paying a \$14 nap fee, (OK go ahead and do the double take..... yes, the price is \$14.) the napper is given headphones, shown to the nap pod whereupon he is reminded how much he just paid for a 20 minute nap, and he passes out. Just kidding; the napper is not reminded of his lighter wallet, but he does put on the headphones, and falls asleep to peaceful sounds. The napper awakes to soft light changes and vibration and may treat himself to a lemon face spritz before heading back to work. I image the lemon face spritz does its job best on those who forget to close their eyes, or when administered to the face of an unsuspecting coworker.

I'd tell you more, but it's time for my nap.

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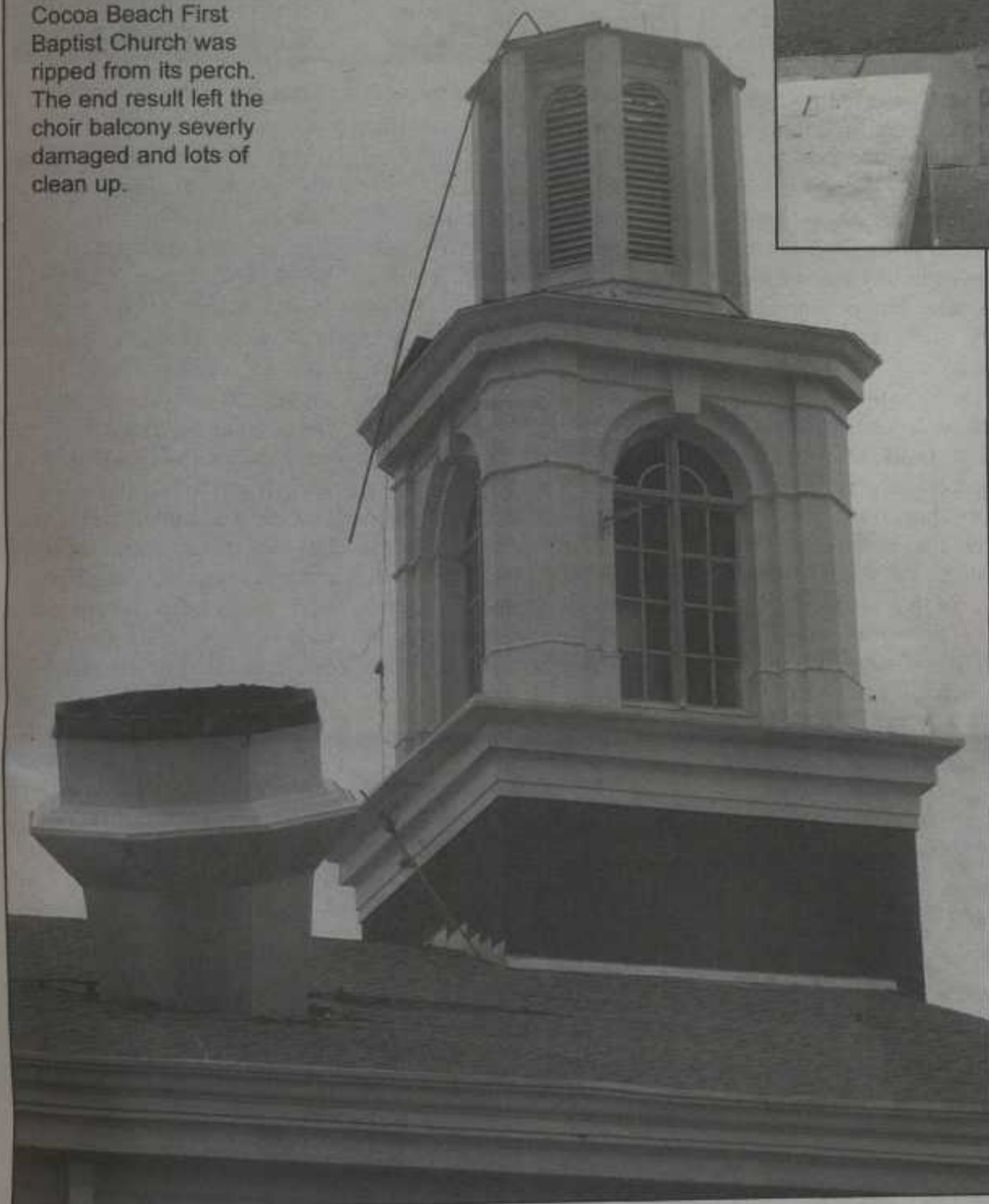
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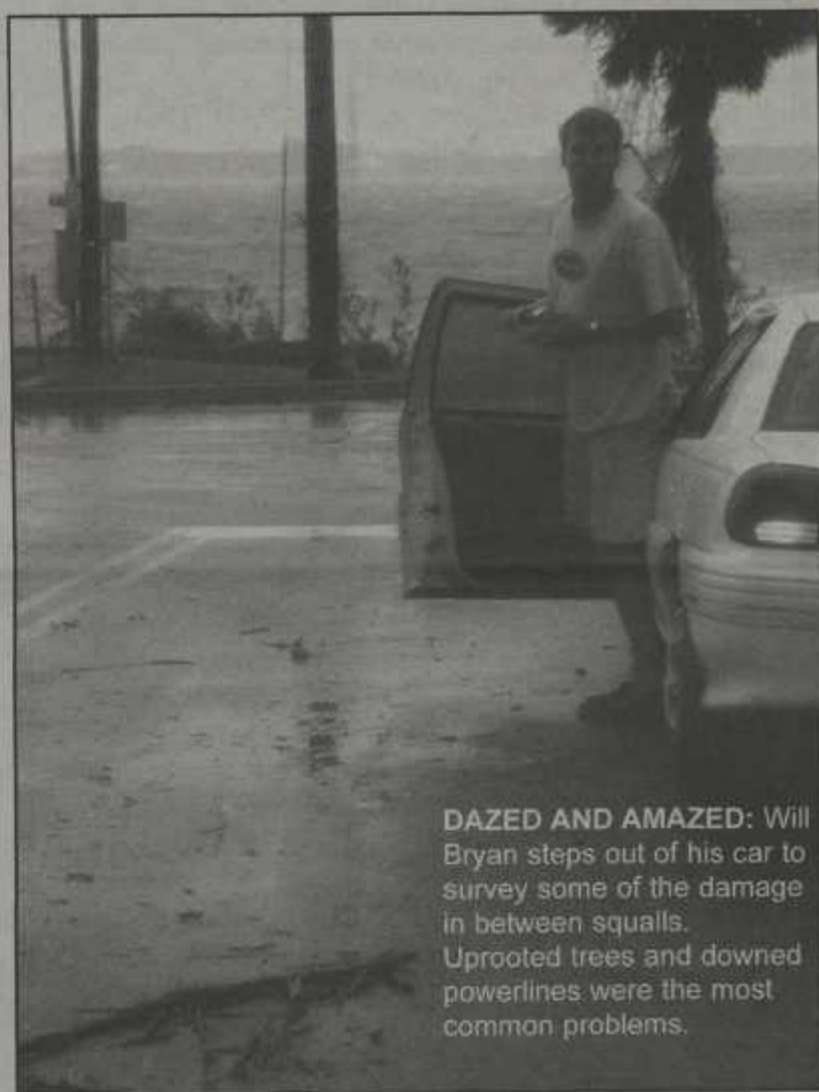
Hurricane Frances was hyped up but didn't deliver. Although the damage to Central Florida was minimal, the coast was still hit hard. Here is a look at how Cocoa Beach faired during the storm.

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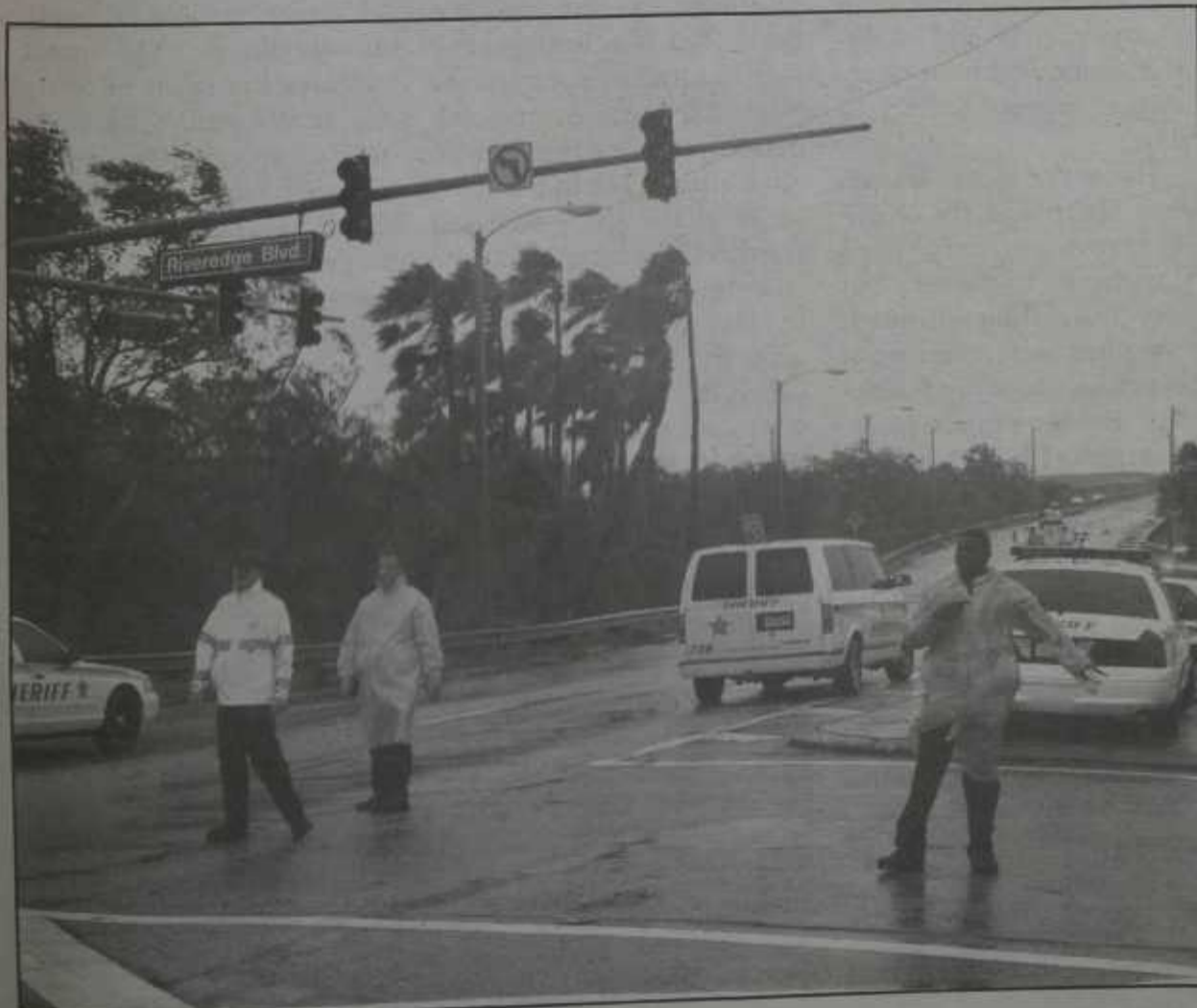
THROUGH THE ROOF: At about 1 a.m. the morning Frances hit, the steeple of Cocoa Beach First Baptist Church was ripped from its perch. The end result left the choir balcony severely damaged and lots of clean up.



LAND HO: A sail boat gets battered against the road on a section of Banana River. Many boat owners lost their boats due to the storm.



DAZED AND AMAZED: Will Bryan steps out of his car to survey some of the damage in between squalls. Uprooted trees and downed powerlines were the most common problems.



FRANCES VS. THE PEOPLE: Christy Sanford (above) screams and shouts at cops as they direct traffic away from a main bridge (left) heading out to the barrier islands. Sanford left her children and friends behind on the islands to check on her trailer home in between squalls. Sanford is angry because another squall hit and the police force was not permitting anyone to use the bridge during the high winds and rain.

THE HOT SPOT

ARCHIBALD GRANVILLE BUSH
SCIENCE CENTER

The Archibald Granville Bush Center has always stood as a mammoth on the Rollins Campus. It certainly is very imposing, standing as one of the tallest structures at Rollins. On Saturday September 4 and on Sunday September 5, most students got to know Bush more than they had ever wanted. Bush is not only home to most Science and Math classes but is also used as a hurricane shelter. Dubbed "The Bush Resort" by many of the refugees, it offers many household comforts, not to mention safety from hurricanes.

The first floor is used mostly for entertainment and dining. It is home of the Cineplex at the Bush Auditorium, which plays quality movies throughout the entire storm. What about power you ask? Do not fret; the projector is also hooked up to the generator, so in case of a serious disaster, the students at least will still have movies. Some of the highlights during Frances were *50 First Dates*, *My Big Fat Greek Wedding*, *Pearl Harbor*, and *Mystic River*. The lobby of the auditorium is used as the Dining Hall, although not as glamorous as the Cornell Campus Center, it still gets the job done. Scrumptious meals like hot dogs, mystery meat burgers, and salad surprise are served here. Another highlight of the first floor at Bush is the Internet Café, which makes its home in the John S. Ross classroom. Here storm evacuees can watch movies and connect to the Internet at the same time. The operation center for campus safety and facilities, also located on the first floor, is a place where everyone can hear the latest on the storm and get information about possible damage to the campus.

The second floor was the quietest during the storm, so it is no surprise that this was home to the faculty and staff during hurricanes. The hallways are nice and clean, and only sporadic children's laughter breaks the silence. Some staff members chose to read the storm away; others played cards. The second floor is also home to many community members who had nowhere else to go. During Hurricane Frances, Rollins hosted a record amount of local residents.

From the most boring to the most exciting floor we go. On the third floor of Bush we can find the greatest hodgepodge of different activities. When walking around on this floor, it is probably a good idea to have a flashlight with you, for there were many people sleeping in the hallway. Apparently, Rollins felt it was more important to protect its lab material than to give students a comfortable place to sleep. Many of the rooms on the third floor were locked up and had a large sign on the door that read "LAB: NO SHELTER." Ironically, these signs were only posted on the third floor where there were the most people during the storm. Luxurious settings aside, most students made due with air mattresses, comforters, and some even slept on tables. It is a scientific fact that a college student cannot sit and do nothing for more than twenty minutes, therefore many activities started to spring up. One of the rooms played a full marathon of "Family Guy" with two entire seasons played on the first day. Across the hall from that, we had what is called "the Game Room," where a very exciting poker tournament was played that featured almost 30 people. Some also chose to play other card games like Spades and Hearts. Making your way around the bodies, you could find people playing soccer in the hall, improvising tables as the goals. Another favorite way to spend time was to play monopoly, a game that is so insanely long it makes Frances look like a sprint runner.

All in all, Bush provides some comfort. It is not the Hilton or the Four Seasons, but it makes due in a hurricane. After being there for two days, one evacuee captured it best by saying, "If they don't let us out, I'll start hurting people."

BY JOHN FERREIRA

Fair Review?

■ Just another 19th century English bore? Or is it something more?

by Selena Moshell

staff reporter

A cascade of opulent jewels, ripples along a spinning dress, a peacock's sumptuous plumage, and a rose's luscious petal: these images of the latest costume drama, *Vanity Fair*, impress upon viewers first; images of luxury, wealth, power, and sexuality. These themes run throughout this movie, which is not only a feast for the eyes in its luxurious silks and sets, but a remarkable story of one incredible woman.

Her name says it all: a quick wit, a sharp intellect, and a bold temperament, Rebecca Sharp is a character before her time, as is the novel she embodies. Often painted as a "rags to riches" story of a "social climber," Becky Sharp is often seen with a villainous hue, but this is truly not the case. In



GENTLE TRIO: The men caught in the scandal.

this version, directed by Mira Nair, Becky is portrayed as a bold and strong female character, something many readers balked at in the novels' time and something some contemporary viewers undoubtedly do today.

The entire movie frames Becky Sharp and the world she knows perfectly, from the costumes to the sets, but Becky truly shines through in the pitch perfect casting of the equally bold and tenacious Reese Witherspoon. Witherspoon, who seems to gravitate toward roles featuring strong women overcoming great odds, gives her most mature and compelling performance to date. She truly embodies Becky's confident and daring nature, every ounce of her being radiating Sharp's willful spirit throughout each scene. In one gripping scene where Becky's life comes apart at the seams, Witherspoon gives a passionate, stunning



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NOT SO POLITE: Witherspoon portrays a viscous woman.

performance of pain that sends empathetic chills all around the theater.

Before Becky could fall, though, she had to rise. As an intrepid daughter of a poor, widowed painter, Becky had enough clout to demand of a wealthy patron a higher price than her father originally set for a sentimental painting of her deceased mother. This display of strength was followed by a childhood of irreverent servitude at the obligatory orphanage found in every Victorian novel and a governess position at an estate of average wealth. Here she

begins her ascent into the higher echelons of society by marrying "up", and here is where the indiscretions of contemporary critics

come to mind.

Often, Becky is painted as a villainess—a woman who used others to achieve greatness. On the contrary, Becky did not need anyone to achieve prominence beyond the connections each person afforded her. In fact, most around her in the echelons that she accessed watched in fascination as she charmed her way into society. Her charismatic, intelligent, and bold character propelled her to the top, not just who she knew or married.



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SHARPE TONGUE: Southern gal, Reese Witherspoon breaks the mold with a 19 century British role as a social climber.

Furthermore, she didn't use her sexuality to the point of impropriety. Rather, she used it as she should have, as a tool in her barrage of characteristics. Her sexuality was a part of who she was, and unlike the women of her time who repressed and suffocated themselves, she used it, as well as her intelligence, wit, and charm to her full advantage. If this makes her a villainess, then some of the most powerful, intelligent, and successful women of today are Cruella DeVilles. She is painted as a scoundrel because of her bold nature, her dogged determination, her unfailing fortitude to not only survive, but prosper. Becky is greatly misunderstood in this respect, even by her own husband, and is misread and maligned even today.

Rebecca Sharp is a character worthy of admiration, from women of the past and the present. Against all odds, she stood her ground, never flagging in her resolve to see the world on her own terms, always resolute and spirited, and never conforming to whatever society thought she should be. The movie captures the spirit of Sharp beautifully, pulling the viewer into a spectacular world of Victorian society with elegant costumes, historically accurate sets, and an eloquent script. The movie would truly be an empty costume drama without the incredible story, and spirit, of Rebecca Sharp.

Hurricane To Do List

■ Top 10 Things to do during the next Hurricane.

by **Max Remer**
staff reporter

Yeah, Ivan might have missed us, but hurricane season does not end till the 1st of November so it is always good to be prepared. Here are 10 things, other than doing homework, you can do if and when another hur-

ricane decides to strike Central Florida.

10. Watch movies on your laptop till the battery runs out, then "borrow" one from the kid sleeping down the hall from you and watch movies on his. When that runs out, "borrow" again, rinse and repeat.

9. Experience normally overpriced cafeteria food FREE of charge.

8. Leave campus, do you not have parents that love you and want you home?

7. Understand what a communal prison would be like.

6. Meet and greet all the Winter Park police before they bust you at a house party.

5. Mix together some chemicals in Bush; something has to either go really right... or really wrong, either way you can blame it on the hurricane.

4. Buy all the water available and then sell it to people. Yes, this is horrible but is not supply and demand what capitalism is about?

3. Not only do textbooks burn if you need fire, but they can also come in handy when a toilet paper substitute is need.

2. Play "what is that smell" as all the food you had has gone rotten a long time ago.

1. Realize your roommate who wandered away from the group is not coming back and experience all the greatness of living in a plush single room.

MEANWHILE, AT THAT SPECIAL PLACE IN HELL RESERVED FOR HURRICANE CHARLEY'S PRICE-GOUGERS...



All That is Rock

■ Chronic Future 'Lines in My Face' offers a variety of rock.

by **Caroline Ogle**
staff reporter

Rock is a genre that has developed into several different types and styles over the years. With this diversity, comes the group known as Chronic Future and their very successful efforts of combining the many different aspects of rock. Their new cd, "Lines in My Face" is a testament to nonconformity and genius.

Chronic Future is a tightly-knit group that began in Arizona. They stick to their ideals, and make music that has a unique flavor. Meaningful lyrics, strong choruses, and driving chord accompaniments make this group popular for the high school and college aged crowds. Using different topics ranging from dark to positive is a trademark of this new, unifying type of rock group. The whole theme for Chronic Future is offering alternatives and choices.

Opening with a rapped section followed by a catchy chorus, the featured song



BRING IT BACK: Claiming to bring back rock and fostering unity, Chronic Future debuts their album.

"Time and Again" proved its worth on the cd. Lyrical talent really shows here, as they would hit home to anyone who has tried to find out more about themselves. It's a fast, powerful song that truly shows off the talent of Chronic Future.

"Shellshocked" goes back and fourth between a soft, staccato melody with a slower feel in the verses and a forceful exclamation in the chorus. The song has lyrics of hope, declaring "I'm standing shellshocked but I'm still here". Rapping gave way to harmony for an overall well put together song.

If you want an upbeat, cheerful song, you'll find one on this album by the name of "Static On the Radio". The choppy, lively background is yet another catchy tune contribution to this CD.

Chronic Future is the melting pot of all that is rock. Everything in this album is about diversity of style. This group manages to create great songs with a variety of soft and loud, hardcore and fun. "Lines in My Face" would make a perfect addition to any rock music collection.

Celebrity Gossip Column

by Lara and Jess



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THE REAL MEAN GIRL: Looks like Lindsay's let her new celebrity go to her head. National Enquirer says she's, "a nasty piece of work--spoiled, jealous and vicious." Rumor has it Lindsay screamed at former pal Tara Reid, "You're a has-been. You're so over it's not even funny!"

MODEL BEHAVIOR: Infamous for her diva-like antics, Naomi Campbell lived up to her reputation again at the recent Esteban Cortazar fashion show. She refused to get ready with the other models and demanded her own dressing room and stylists. Later, she wouldn't walk in her designated outfit because she didn't like the way it looked on her.



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GIVING 160 IQ JESSICA A RUN FOR HER MONEY: Paris Hilton reportedly ran into the Williams sisters while at a Tommy Hilfiger fashion show. While making small talk she asked the tennis stars, "How many minutes apart were you born?" The Williams sisters, who are not twins, just laughed off the blonde's blunder.

RIP-OFF: Simon Cowell, famous for dishing it out now has some criticism of his own to deal with. Facing a lawsuit brought on by Simon Fuller, creator of "Pop Idol" the original British version of American Idol. Fuller filed the suit over a new show. Cowell started called, "X Factor" Fuller claims the new show is a rip-off of "Idol". Cowell dismisses the accusations as "totally and utterly ridiculous".



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The Shore Crashes Into Orlando

■ Another alternative group flop? A success? Or just copycats?

by Adam Burton

staff reporter

The music industry has become increasingly predictable as of late. Every now and then a band with a new or forgotten style gets thrown into the spotlight. In the wake of this, the surrounding record companies scramble to find, sign or even create a band or artist that can help them catch up and cash in with the latest "sound".

This is apparent with The Shore's recent self-titled release on Maverick records. Sometimes these ventures work for record companies and more often than not they flop. This one flops.

In the wake of melodic alternative bands in the vein of Coldplay, The Shore has come to surface. Formed in 2002 by founding member

Ben Ashley, there is not much information available on the band's background. They are supposedly a quartet, although all evidence shows they are actually a three member band (there are only three main people mentioned through the whole CD booklet), which would be more impressive. However, it is unsure because upon further inspection of the CD booklet six different people are credited for playing on the record.

Confusing yes and proof that this band was assembled to make money? Probably so.

The record opens with their meant for radio single "Hard Road". It has a bit of a southern touch but is all too reminiscent of Oasis for some reason. It seems to be the way the vocals are arranged. It is a standard radio rock song.

"Firefly" follows with a twangy little intro. If there is one thing that makes this band stand out just a little bit, it is their dirty southern

country influence (and no that does not mean rap). The vocals progress a bit more and resemble the artist Howie Day quite a bit on this track.

It slows down a bit with "Take What's Mine", which features a bit more interesting instrumental work from the guitar and piano in the middle of it.

"Everything We Are" follows up and absolutely screams of Coldplay during the chorus. Some more twangy guitar stuff happens and leads into the next songs "Waiting for the Sun" and "Different Ways". Both these tracks thrill the listener with... nothing different... at all.

These guys are obviously talented musicians, but their songwriting sucks. The only song on the rest of the CD that is barely worth paying attention too was "I'll Be Your Man". It is a bit more interesting musically and leans a little bit more towards the alternative.

But that song is the only

break that appears on the end of the album. Putting this CD in and giving it a first spin, it leaves a decent first impression with the first tracks. But getting halfway through the album its all too apparent every song sounds the same. Listening to it a third and fourth time leads

to unparalleled boredom and twiddling of the thumbs. This band had a chance of being good if they weren't just trying to make some record executives and radio disc jockeys happy.

Their own lyrics say it the best: "Waiting for the sun to shine" - and it never does.



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THE SHORE: Southern influence plus alternative rock equals boring monotonous music.

Up The Creek With Seth Green

■ Need a laugh? *Without a Paddle* has more to it than just Burt Reynolds as an old mountain man and angry farmers.

by Katie Pederson

staff reporter

Looking for a break from the everyday monotony of class, work, and life's general problems? Then I suggest you take a leap and go up a creek at your local movie theater to the slapstick hit,

Without A Paddle. This action-packed comedy from Steve Brill, the director of such films as *The Mighty Ducks*, *The Wedding Singer*, and *Heavyweights*, is just the trick to brighten those September blues.

Without A Paddle is the story of three life-long friends, played by the witty and hilarious trio of Matthew Lillard (*Scream*), Dax Shepard (MTV's *Punked*), and Seth Green (*Austin Powers*). Following a ten year separation, the three are reunited by the death of their childhood companion, Billy. Following a comedy of errors funeral, the characters

played by Lillard, Shepard, and Green rehash old memories only to find themselves inspired to go on a *Goonies*-style treasure hunt to find the lost fortune of the famous explorer, D.B. Cooper.

The plot thickens as the three are confronted with the forces of nature, wild animals, and an unexpected stumble on nature's crazy human inhabitants. Finding themselves running from gun-brandishing marijuana farmers, swinging with hippie environmentalists and singing Culture Club's "Do You Really Want to Hurt Me?" Lillard, Shepard and Green must confront their fears and pass a crash course in wilderness survival and friendship to make it out alive.

Without A Paddle is a definite must see for this fall.

Lillard, Shepard and Green bring the screen to life in a non-stop laugh-a-thon, packed with unforgettable run-ins and hilarious one-liners. Just do not expect any internal meaning, advanced cinematography, or complicated story-

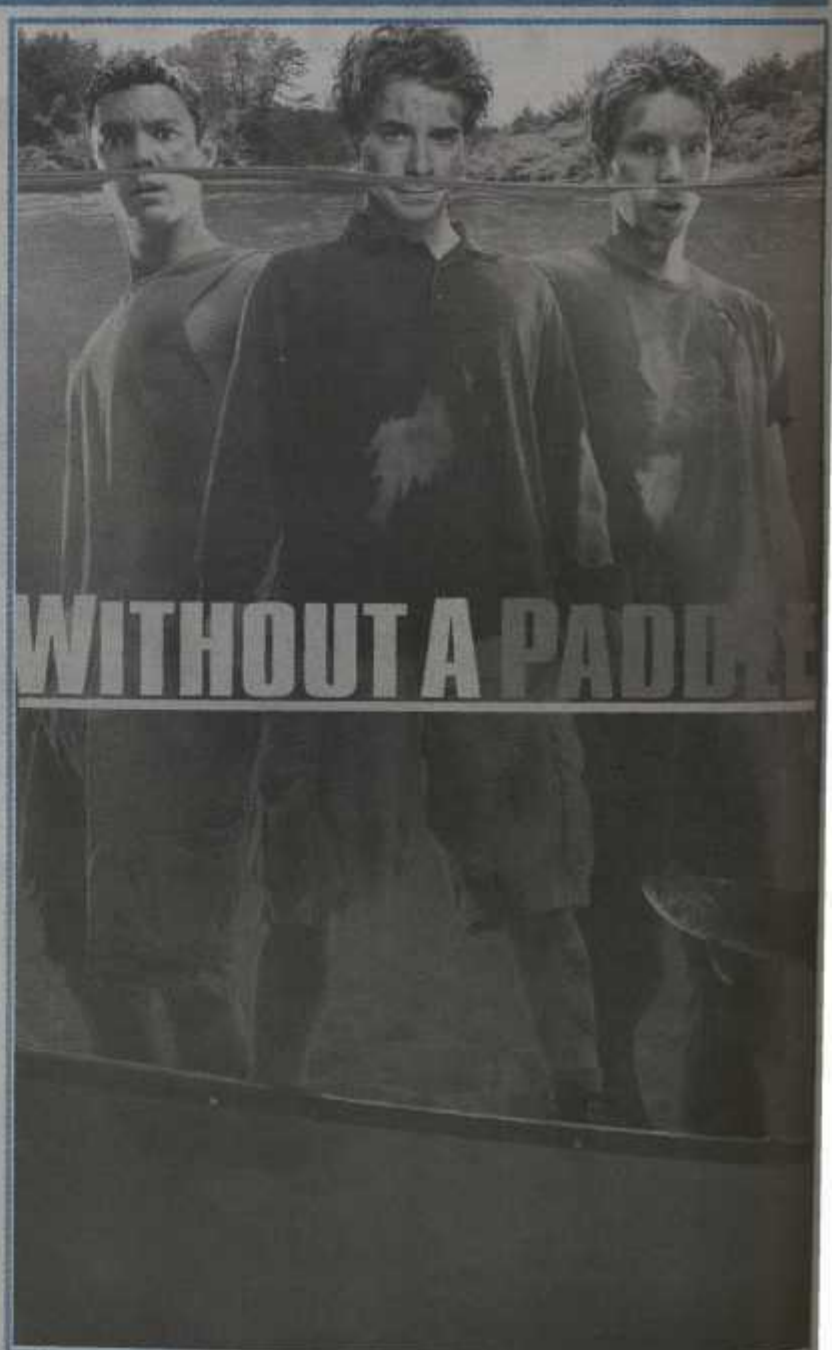


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EYES WIDE OPEN: This wilderness trip requires more than one pair of eyes, and a full team.

lines. *Without A Paddle* is strictly for the laughs, and it does its job well. So take my advice—drop your books for a couple hours this week and

head to the movies. You just might find yourself surprised and up a creek *Without A Paddle*.



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SOMEWHERE IN THE OREGON: Seth Green, Matthew Lillard and Dax Shepard embark on a ransom money hunt in the wilderness.

Soul Searching Soft Rock

■ 'Of What Lies Beneath' album by newcomer Dan Dyer and produced by Lenny Kravitz hits stores.

by Erica Tibbetts

staff reporter

I'd never heard of Dan Dyer before I decided to review this CD, so when I started listening to it, I had no idea what to expect. I was told the music was "alternative," but who knows what that means these days? Then, I saw that Lenny Kravitz produced the CD (the first for his new record label Roxie), and that he actually collaborated on a few of the songs. That was slightly reassuring.

I started listening to the CD with an open mind, ready for anything and not really expecting anything. That's kind of what I got: not much of anything. *Of What Lies Beneath* is a CD searching for a soul. It is almost sickeningly "easy listening." There are no real standout songs, nothing to make you want to get up and dance, feel good, or feel bad, and

nothing that sounds different or memorable. Unlike some of the other bands and artists out there today, Dan Dyer doesn't really seem to have any troubles in his life; no heart ache, sorrow, pain or anger. If he does have any problems, he isn't complaining about them. The first time I listened to the CD, all the songs seemed to be excessively happy and monotonously similar to one another. Not a great first impression.

After listening to *Of What Lies Beneath* a few more times (hey there was a hurricane, what else was I supposed to do?), I realized there was a little more substance to it than I had originally thought, but not much. Dyer is struggling to find his own style, and in the meantime, he has decided to borrow from just about everyone else. Throughout the CD there are similarities to David Grey, Jewel, Jamiroquai, Joss Stone, Travis, Radiohead, John Mayer, and, most notably, Lenny Kravitz. The CD has some blues influence, as well as pop, jazz, and maybe a little techno, but it fails to make any sort of statement.

It sounds like everything else but does not really sound like anything. Dyer is not copying anybody's style, but he just doesn't seem to have any style of his own; so he is trying a little bit of everything.

There are a few moments of, if not exactly brilliance, at least promise on Dyer's solo debut. Track 4, "Stereosonic," does have a good beat and is the closest of any of the songs to being original and catchy. Tracks 5, "Space Alien," and 7, "Not

of this World," deal with a less happy theme (alienation) than the rest of the CD and are a refreshing change from the almost childlike cheerfulness of much of the other tunes. However, they still fail to make an impression.

All in all, I was not overly impressed with this CD. It reminds me of vanilla ice cream; just too blah to be enjoyable by itself. (Of course some people like vanilla ice cream). But my personal opinion is that the

CD needs some work. I wouldn't rush out to buy *Of What Lies Beneath*, but I would not call it terrible either, just lacking something to make it more powerful and memorable.

However, we encourage you to formulate your own opinions about the new artist. Please visit his website at DanDyer.com to view photos and find out more information about him. You can also listen to some of his tracks and even write to him.

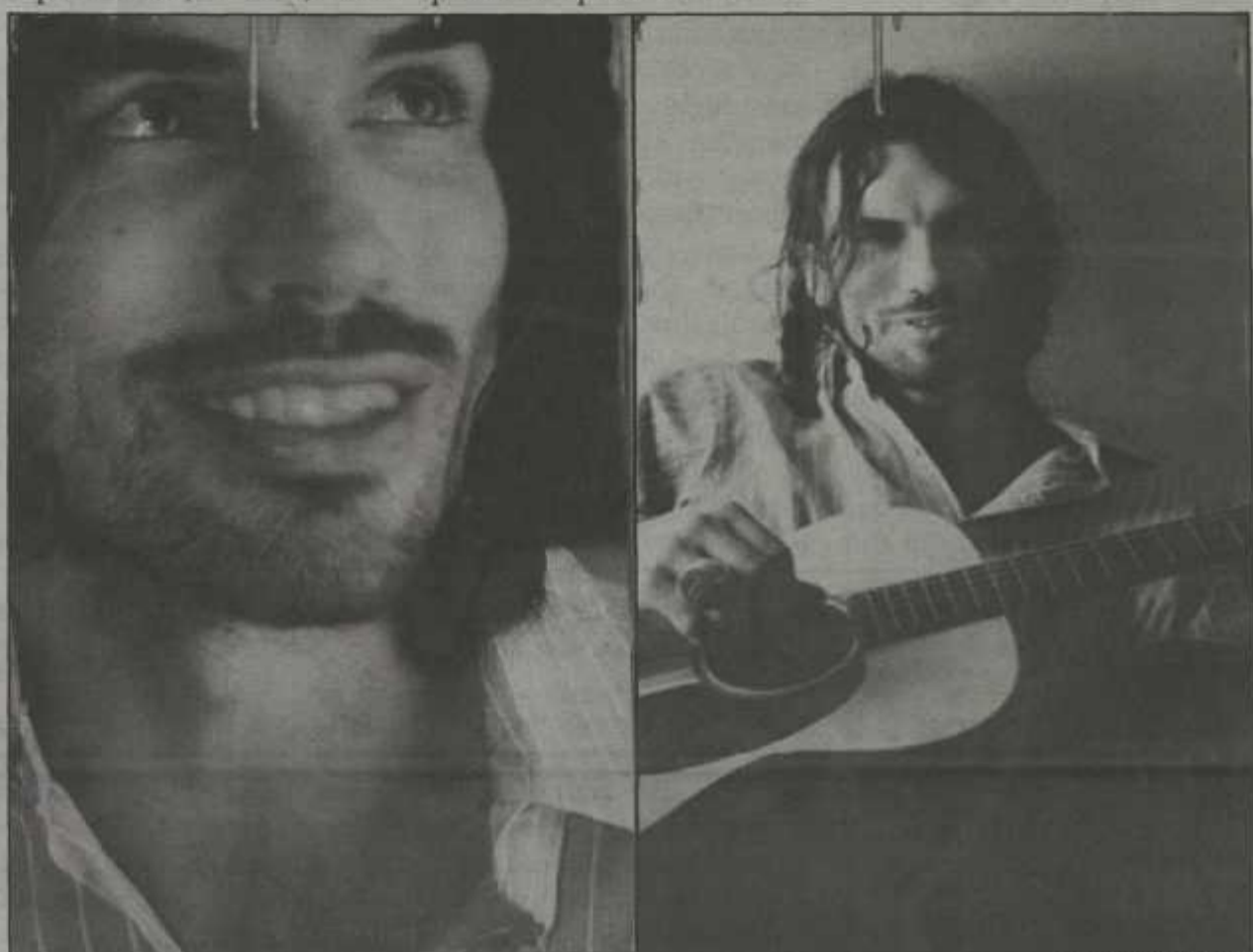


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DAN DYER ON TOUR: On tour starting September 11 through October 15, check his website for locations and times. He may be in your hometown sometime soon.



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WRITE TO DAN: From a small town in Texas, this new artists describes his fate as simply "getting lucky". You can view photos and write him at Dandyer.com.



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Opinions Are Like Kornholes . . .

■ Do you want your voice heard? Submit Opinions articles to The Sandspur!

by **Issac Stolzenbach**
opinions editor

I would like to extend the warmest welcome to anyone who would like to submit an article to the Sandspur's Opinions Section; this is your paper, your staff, your voice.

There is much to be addressed this school year. We have a new and forward-thinking president in Dr. Lewis Duncan; we have a decision to make in regards to who is going to be in the White House for the next four years; and we are living history as Rollins College takes its rightful place on the national scene. These subjects may seem light in comparison to the greater issues that affect us as a school and

a nation, but it is a good place to start because there are opinions abound on each of these subjects. This is the scope of the Opinions Section this year; we want your opinion and voice to appear in our pages—this is your newspaper—treat it as such.

One thing that I will be especially attentive to this year is reporting on the core ideology of America's largest generation which is now entering post-secondary education: the Millennial generation. Researchers have reported that this is the most highly educated generation in America's history, thus it will be interesting to report the opinions of the students that are going to change the face of our school; this could foreshadow how they will later change our nation, and eventually the world.

In more exciting news, there are members of your journalism team that are

working on a guidebook for your school. This book will be published nationwide by *College Prowler* and will contain quotes from you the student body. There will be surveys going around throughout the year, asking your opinion on certain matters regarding your school. Do not dismiss these surveys should you get one because you could be lucky enough to have your thoughts published in this book. *College Prowler* has already released books on the Ivy League schools and all carry five-star ratings on Amazon.com—now it is our turn to let our nation know what we are all about.

This section is here to announce the voice of the student body; our aim is to get the issues that lie in darkness out into the light; our goal is to make you have conversations both in and out of the classroom. This is a challenge that we are prepared for, but for these



photo / ISSAC STOLZENBACH

things to come to pass we will need your assistance. This invitation is extended to anyone who has something to say; this includes, but is not limited to faculty, staff and students. Nothing will be barred short of vulgarity, so expect things to get heated. We look forward to hearing from you; see you in class.

Wanna comment on this, or any Opinions article?

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Bush and Kerry Sitting in the Tomb...

■ Whether you pick the donkey or the elephant, its still connected to America's Elitists.

by **Issac Stolzenbach**
opinions editor

Conspiracy theories aside, it is a fact that both President George W. Bush and Senator John Kerry were both members of a secret society while they attended Yale University.

Skull and Bones, a secret society modeled off 18th century German academic societies, was established in New Haven, Connecticut, at Yale University in 1832. The

policy to domestic lawmaking. Members are sworn to secrecy and as part of the initiation ritual are instructed to reveal all their secrets to their fellow members; this is done in an effort to build solidarity and assure members that if they reveal secrets of the organization, then their own will be discharged. Members include a wide-range of movers-and-shakers: 27th president of the United States, William Howard Taft; U.S. Diplomat W. Averell Harriman; and founder of Time Magazine, Henry Luce, just to name a few.

What makes this society so unique is its limited number of members; only 15 uni-

her book, "Secrets of the Tomb." Robbins emphasized the small, but effective size of the club. "There are only 15 people a year, which means there are about 800 living members at any one time."

What does this have to do with anything, you ask? Well, you should note that this is probably the first time you've heard about this. Even though 60 Minutes did a special on this subject last October, there has been little-to-no coverage on this topic. Though this is a newsworthy subject, it has not been treated as such.

Why news-worthy? Because Bush has five members of his administration that are Skull and Bones members (once a Bonesmen, always a Bonesmen), the most recent, William Donaldson, was appointed head of the Securities and Exchange Commission—Bonesmen class of 1953. Donaldson graduated 15 years before Bush, thus reinforcing the fact that this elitists club maintains relations with more than just their graduating class. This is remarkable because Bush graduated two years after Kerry, who was also a Bonesmen, class of 1966. It would be difficult to assume that a Bonesmen would maintain comradeship with a fellow member 15 years apart and not a member just



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THE SACRED SYMBOL: The Skull and Bones use "322" in their symbol to acknowledge the death of Aristotle in 322 B.C.

two years apart.

The American public does not seem to hear about these kinds of things through the mainstream media. Could it be because of the heavy lobbying from AOL-Time Warner on Kerry's side, or perhaps the powerful media conglomerate of General Electric that lobbies for the Bush Administration, preventing the news from getting out there? One can only speculate, but a fact remains: one should observe that the connection between Bush and Kerry is not the faux-family tree that went buzzing throughout the internet showing their twice-removed cousinship. The relationship between our two presidential candidates lies in a windowless tomb on

the Yale campus that serves as the Skull and Bones world-headquarters.

Stories like this reinforce the notion that whether you call today's presidential candidates Republican or Democrat, they merely represent two heads of the same Hydra. The motivational crisis that plagues our nation will remain in affect until we decide to make a change: the same families on welfare with a higher standard of living than the guy that works two part-time jobs, the same energy crises from giving tax-cuts to individuals that purchase the largest SUV's, the same good-ole-boy club pulling the strings of the empire with a population that cannot admit to themselves that they are, indeed, an empire.



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SKULL AND BONES: An elite secret society at Yale that includes some of the most powerful men of the 20th century.

society is a collection of elitists that some theorists believe to reside behind the scenes of everything America does; from foreign

versity seniors are "tapped" for membership per year. Author Alexandra Robbins has studied the society for years, which culminated in

VIEW FROM MARS



by Alan Nordstrom

faculty columnist

AN ILL WIND

Enduring these recent hurricanes as a householder has forcibly reminded me of the treasure of leisure. Whatever else a hurricane sweeps away, it robs one entirely of leisure, if not by mere activity, then by anxiety.

I can now count nearly two full weeks lost to Charley and Frances, two weeks in which every minute that might have been "spare" was absorbed by finding ice, lighting candles, hefting debris, calling tree people, roof people, or the insurance company, and dealing with other issues of protection, reaction, and exhaustion.

Everything I did, it seemed, was something necessary. I was living on High Alert. No time just to relax and be leisurely. No time for enjoyable reading or writing. No time for—same thing—pondering.

Which, now that I have such time again, makes me value my leisure more dearly, reminding me that in the etymology of both *school* and *scholarship*, the Greek root word *skhole*, means leisure.

If you are inordinately preoccupied with the business of survival, there's no time for the "idle pursuits" of learning for learning's or curiosity's sake. How frivolous then seems any pursuit but the practical. To study the liberal arts and sciences may prove grandly liberating to your mind and soul, but even to study them you need already to be liberated from worldly concerns enough to read, think, write and converse in leisure.

The treasure of a traditional four-year course of liberal education consists essentially of the golden opportunity for eager, newly adult minds to absent themselves from the normal exigencies of working and householding and devote their precious leisure to learning what will let them aspire and grow into a larger being than they might otherwise become—to become more fully who they have it in them to be.

Woe to those multitudes who continually toil and sweat just to keep living. Blessed are we with the leisure to learn and to share the fruits of our studies. I thank Chuck and Fran, though somewhat grudgingly, for the reminder of this treasure that college provides: the treasure of *pondering together* (the etymology of *college*) the lives and world we are given. "Tis an ill wind that blows nobody good."

Bush Speaks Clearly

by Jami Furo

copy editor

So the Republican and Democratic conventions are both complete, and we heard a lot of speeches about the stances of each of the parties. We heard from the front men of these parties, such as the vice president, the first ladies, and various senators.

However, the most anticipated events in both of the conventions were the speeches made by the presidential candidates themselves—John Kerry and George Bush.

Both candidates' speeches lasted approximately one hour each, and many of the themes of freedom, unity, and compassion were shared in both addresses.

Other than these typical American motifs, there was little that was equal about these orations.

John Kerry and George Bush spoke of similar topics. However, unlike Kerry, Bush gave clear, specific descriptions of how he is going to accomplish his goals. While Kerry stated that "values spoken without actions taken are just slogans," his speech was riddled with this very error. He criticized the current administration with few plans for how to remedy the situation. Bush, on the other hand, was very clear in his goals and gave explicit plans for the future.

President Bush's speech included extensive plans for education reform. Part of this reform includes a plan to give more Americans the opportunity to go to college. The president has a plan to double the number of people served by the principal job training program and to increase funding for community college. Bush also plans to put more power in the hands of the teachers and parents rather than government officials, fund early intervention programs in high schools to help students at risk of dropping out, place more focus on math and science, and require a "rigorous exam" before graduation. He also plans to expand Pell grants for "low and middle income families." With these initiatives, the president hopes to "... help more Americans start their career with a college diploma."

John Kerry only vaguely mentions the idea of education, and he certainly gives no plan for it. Without proper education, how are health care and welfare reforms going to matter? Without education for children, the cycle of poverty will only be

perpetuated because the children will not have the skills or qualifications to rise above the status of their parents. Without education for adults and teenagers, they will not be able to find well-paying jobs. Most jobs nowadays require at least a two-year degree.

However, John Kerry has no plan for this. In his speech at the Democratic convention, he did not even seem concerned with education. George Bush, on the other hand, gives a relatively detailed plan for the issue.

Another major part of the president's speech was consumed by the objective of creating jobs. This specific plan includes encouraging investment, restraining federal spending, reducing regulation, and making tax relief payment. It also includes making the United States less dependent on foreign sources of energy, expanding trade, and leveling "the playing field to sell American goods and services across the globe." Bush also plans to protect small business owners and workers from the entourage of frivolous lawsuits—lawsuits that threaten jobs all over the nation.

President Bush also plans to simplify the tax code, which will limit loopholes and the unnecessary hours of paper work that the American people must endure. The president also suggests tax relief and other incentives to attract businesses to poor communities, stimulating the economy in those areas.

Interestingly enough, John Kerry's ideas are almost identical. He even includes many of the same phrases, such as a "fair playing field" for trade and closing "tax loopholes." The only difference between the plans is that John Kerry's lacks specifics of how he intends to accomplish his goals.

Health care is a major hot spot in both speeches. Again, the president offers a clear picture of how to reform health care, while Senator Kerry does not. Bush proposed insurance discounts for small firms as well as large ones, tax credits to encourage small businesses to create health insurance accounts, and rural health centers in every poor county in America. Bush also suggests medical liability reform and assurance that decisions are made by doctors and patients "... not by bureaucrats in Washington, D.C."

Again, Senator Kerry's ideas are similar—only without any specific plans. He incorporates the ideas that patients and doctors make the decisions making health care more accessible, but, again, he does not say how.

So why is Bush's statement more believable? The same reason that the rest of his speech is more believable: he tells us how he intends to accomplish his goals. He does not make vague claims, and he explains his objectives thoroughly.

Another reason that I was far more impressed with the president's speech is that Bush is not afraid to say the hard stuff—the controversy, the political suicide. Bush discusses his contentious views on welfare reform that requires work, protection for the unborn child, and openness of his faith. He also addresses and playfully criticizes his own character flaws, such as having his English corrected. It takes a confident man to speak about unpopular ideas and to acknowledge his imperfections. Confidence is most certainly a trait that I like to see in my president.

While George Bush spoke about the difficult topics, John Kerry said very little that can even be contested. He spoke of freedom, unity, and his love of America. What decent American doesn't believe in those concepts? And while Bush spoke of controversy, Kerry bragged about his ability to transcend party lines and appeal to everyone. That's the easy way. A true leader can talk about the controversy—not just the popular, pacifying topics.

Even if you don't agree with the president's plans for the future, at least he has them. According to the senator's speech at the convention, I am not convinced that he has any idea of what he will do if elected president.

I hear a lot of anti-Bush slogans that speak of a need for change. Don't you at least want to know what kind of change you will get?

I won't lie to you—I like President Bush. I like his strength, his courage, his conviction for what is morally right, and his willingness to do what he feels is right for the nation rather than what the uninformed public deems to be popular. However, even if you don't like the president, at least you know where he stands.

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T-Shirt Unworthy of World Peace

■ Beware choosing your attire before going out during an election year.

by **Shaun Cricks**

staff reporter

Here's the scene. You're alarm didn't go off (again) and you are late to class. You slip on some shorts, laugh to yourself as you slide on that new "Lick Bush" T-shirt you bought, grab your bag, and you're off. According to Dr. Steve Neilson, Dean of Students, there are no restrictions on the messages placed on clothing at Rollins College other than "use of logo, seal, and the institution's funds. Anything other than that is a free speech issue." So far, so good. But where else will you be going today?

Two recent arrests involving political T-shirts have made national headlines, and are spurring much debate. These cases involve individuals who wish to communicate a message via T-shirt while exercising their right to free speech. Fair enough. They certainly have the right to express their opinions. The framers of our Constitution took great care to grant freedom of expression within the first amendment, even if said expression is one of dissent.

What activists evidently need to be reminded of on occasion is that their rights

are delicately balanced with the freedoms of those with whom they disagree. If activists want their message to be well received, etiquette and common sense dictate an appropriate time and a place. Two recent cases illustrate this position.

Stephen Downs and his son were recently at the Crossgates Mall near Albany, NY, where they purchased, and changed into, shirts with the sayings "Give Peace a Chance" and "Peace on Earth" across the front. When asked by Mall Security to remove the shirts or leave, the son complied, but the father refused. Security guards then called police. Mr. Downs was handcuffed, was held for two hours, and charged.

It could be argued that this was the wrong time and place; a mall is private property. A local Assistant Florida State Attorney I chatted with under a condition of anonymity had this to say: "Private property is not an open venue for expression of your first amendment rights according to [Florida] law. When I have to look at whether or not to prosecute someone, it's based on if there was any harm done to the private property owner. They have rights, too. It's a balance." There you go—a balance. If you want to wear a T-shirt like that, do it when you are not infringing on someone else's liberties. You would not want "the man" coming into your dorm and

peeling the Ralph Nader 2004 sticker off of your monitor and replacing it with "4 more years," would you?

But recall that these shirts were made at a mall store. I would be hard-pressed to believe the mall owners lost business on that occasion. There's definitely some grey area here, and I can't help but see this as a "no harm, no foul", and "no win situation" as stated by their local Sheriff. Mr. Downs was just trying to display his opinion in what felt like public domain. Good intentions. Right time. Right place. Warm, fuzzy message. Handcuffs?

It's no wonder there was a public outcry to the Mall's actions, including a 100-protester march through the mall and broadcasted slams from Jay Leno, prompting the plaintiff to drop the charges.

The second recent story involves Nicole and Jeff Rank, of Corpus Cristi Texas, who decided to wear "Love America, Hate Bush" T-shirts to a July 4 rally for President Bush in Charleston, SC. The couple was removed by the secret service. They were held, charged, and later released.

"We certainly did not expect to be arrested for expressing our freedom of expression [sic]," stated Mr. Rank. The problem is that they were doing a bit more than just "expressing." This was defiantly premeditated, negative, and has a party

crashing feel to it. The Ranks were raining on Bush's parade. Not theirs, not John Kerry's. Although there was no public outcry on this one, charges were eventually dropped due to ACLU pressure and a technicality.

Jayson (no last name) is President of the cutting edge clothing company, Sik World, wholesaler of T-shirts and panties featured in retail stores nationwide. One of particular note features the phrase "F*ck Bush" screened in red, white, and blue across the front. Jayson has to believe in freedom of expression, right? Right. But even Jayson agrees in discretion. "When I first started, [the clothing line] I was walking at the mall one day wearing one of my shirts that had the F word on it. This lady was in front of me with two kids, and they were reading my shirt. She looked so disappointed. I realized then that there is a time and a place."

In regard to the arrests in New York and Charleston Jayson commented: "There are always political opinions that conflict. But there are rules." Some T-shirts go beyond free speech and violate public obscenity laws and private domain; those "should not be worn in public."

The following is an example of dissident with class. Al Franken organized the Great American Shout Out at 10 p.m. on September 2. According to the Orlando

Weekly the goal was as follows; just as the President was to take the podium to accept his party's nomination for a second term, frustrated Americans everywhere were to "open their windows and shout 'fugged aboutit' into the night. No obscenities, and everyone would quit when Bush's speech started; just a nice clean show of free speech, American style." Now that's more like it.

Am I arguing for restrictions of our first amendment rights involving T-shirts? Of course not. What I am saying is that those in dissent are wise to use tact so as to make their statements heard without inciting outrage at their methods of delivery. That's self-defeating.

So keep the shirt! If it is a political message without obscenity, and you are in a public place (and it's not another party's party) wear it proud and without fear! But if you are on private property, respect the rights of the property owners or managers. While we're at it; if you are politically perturbed, why not channel that energy into active participation? Share your opinions with your friends, family, and professors. Join a campus organization. Make an impact. Tact and diplomacy will get you everywhere; remember this axiom. If you can't, do the rest of us a favor and just fuggedaboutit.

Power to the Cabbies!

■ Join the ranks of the few . . . the proud . . . the New York Cabbies Union!

by **James Coker**

staff reporter

New York cab drivers' efforts to use their headlights as a symbolic endeavor to shine light on the Bush administration seem a little dim.

Throughout Washington, DC, there are a number of lobbies who vie to control much of the political sway on Capitol Hill. Depending on perspective, some might say that the teachers' union has the most influence; others would say that lawyers or accountants have the most pull. Yet it is clear to see that the up and

coming cab drivers union, standing against our current president, are shaking things up in this country, or at least on 42nd street in New York City.

On top of laying down on the horn and teaching you how to curse in multiple languages, ten cab drivers in New York City have formed an anti-Bush coalition known as "Cabbies Against Bush." While this organization represents a mere .08% of the 12,000 licensed cab drivers in the city, the anti-Bush cabbies seem to be creating quite a stir. An accurate number indicating how many of these cab drivers that are actually eligible to vote is still up in the air right now, but they are making an impact on those that can. One cab driver went so far as to refuse service to a G.O.P. delegate that was attending

the convention last week. The cabbies have agreed to drive with their lights on during the day to symbolizing their vow to "Shine a light on Bush" and his policies. *Cabbies Against Bush* have even gone to the lengths of offering free cab rides to the Newark or JFK airports for any Republican willing to fight in Iraq. If they should also throw in a coupon marked for 50% off items at the *Pottery Barn*, it might gain more attention from the Republican party. Also, some of the most famous automobiles in TV history have decided to throw in their two-cents regarding this presidential election.

K.I.T.T. (the car from the 80's TV series *Knight Rider*) has decided to join forces with the *Cabbies* effort to oust President Bush. On the other



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MUGATU SAYS: Hating Bush...so hot right now.

side of the spectrum, General Lee from the *Dukes of Hazzard* and the *Batmobile* has staked their claim in backing President Bush. If you ask me, I get enough political propaganda shoved down my throat by watching the news or just walking around campus.

The last thing I need is some cab driver refusing to take me to the airport because of my beliefs. I guess hating Bush is "in" this fall, so I guess I'll have to stomach these ruthless cabbies until November, like the rest of us.

Federer and Kuznetsova Win US Open

■ Swiss first seed and Russian sixth seed take Tennis open with easy final games.

by **Danielle Lambraia**
copy editor

With Hurricanes Charley and Frances gone and Ivan a looming threat, it is no wonder that many people who usually watch the U.S. Open in Queens, NY, would miss most of it if not all of this wonderful display of athleticism. For those who had electricity, eyes turned from the Republican Convention to Flushing Meadows, where the Open celebrated its 122nd anniversary.

September 12 ended the eventful open with a bang. Swiss first seed Roger Federer captured the first U.S. Open title of his career, defeating 2001 champion and number 4 seed Lleyton Hewitt, 6-0, 7-6(3), 6-0, to become the first man to win three Grand Slam titles in one year since Mats Wilander in 1988. Now four and one in Grand Slam finals, Federer also joins veteran Andre Agassi as the only active players to win three different majors at any point in their careers. This was Agassi's nineteenth U.S. Open.

As for the women, it's all about the Russians. Number nine seed, Svetlana Kuznetsova, succeeded Anastasia Myskina and Maria Sharapova, champions at the French Open and Wimbledon, respectively, to become the third consecutive Russian woman to win her first major at such a

young age, as she defeated fellow Russian, number 6 seed Elena Dementieva, 6-3, 7-5, to capture the 2004 U.S. Open Women's Singles Championship.

There were also a few disappointments across the courts. Marti Fish, a Tampa, FL native, went from winning the silver medal at this year's Summer Olympics in Athens to losing in the early rounds, a frustrating fall to be sure. Another upset was the loss of Justine Henin-Hardinne to Russian Nadia Petrova.

Andy Roddick provided much-expected entertaining matches. Holding the record for fastest serve, he was definitely on his game at 152 mph. Roddick played an exciting match against Joachim Johansson in the quarterfinals, forcing the match to a fifth set. With a few bad calls from the umpire, Andy mocked and made faces to show his disapproval; it brings back memories of the Johnny Mac days. Unfortunately, it was to no avail, for the Texas resident lost anyway. Bad calls seemed to spread like wildfire as Serena Williams battled Jennifer Capriati also in the quarterfinals. In a press conference after the match, a distraught Williams had to laugh to keep from crying. She claimed that the umpire was against her and that there was a conspiracy resonating from Wimbledon.

In men's doubles, Mark Knowles and Daniel Nestor won their second slam, while Paola Suarez of Argentina and Virginia Ruano Pascual of Spain dominated women's doubles. The duo took home their third straight US Open



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FOREIGN INVASION: For the first time in four years there were no Americans in the final four of either competition at the US Open.

Doubles Championship trophy. The tennis world now turns its eyes back to the ATP Master Series as top seeded men and women seek to make it to Houston, where the ATP Master Series will meet for the second year in a row. Only the top eight players are allowed into the

ATP Master Series. As of right now, the ATP rankings go as follows: Roger Federer leads, followed by Andy Roddick who had a disappointing time at the US Open. In third comes Lleyton Hewitt, followed by Carlos Moya, Guillermo Coria, Tim Henman, Gaston

Gaudio, Andre Agassi, Marat Safin, and Sebastien Grosjean.

The women rankings read as follows: Mauresmo leads, followed by Myskina, Davenport, Hardenne, Dementieva, and Kuznetova.

Hockey Club Team Likes to Chill

■ The Frozen Eagles offer great ice hockey excitement in Hot Florida.

by **James Coker**
staff reporter

It's a another beautiful fall in Central Florida, and that can only mean one thing...other than the fact that it's hurricane season. That is that hockey season is dawning upon us once again, and the Rollins College Hockey Club (also know as the Frozen Eagles) are lacing up their skates for

yet another exciting season of Men's League Hockey. With no college hockey teams in the vicinity, the Frozen Eagles have found the next best competition...fifty year old men trying to relive their high school glory on the frozen pond. Last year, the Eagles joined the Men's House League at the RDV Sportsplex off of I-4 and have never looked back. With attendance at many games peaking around one hundred people, opponents and referees were dumbfounded by the number of fans willing to watch a house league hockey game.

Most opponents said they had never seen more than five people at a game during their illustrious house league career.

With team co-founder Matt Santini graduated, out of picture, and no longer on the team, the Eagles now feel they have a real chance to win the Championship. Team Captain Steve Cahill is extremely excited about the potential this team has; with returning standouts John Chandler and Matt Nahmias, as well as senior netminder David Hennessy between the pipes. Cahill said that this year he would like to make Rollins an offi-

cial club, so the team can receive funds and donations for ice time, jerseys, and tournament fees.

Last week Steve Cahill was actually approached by the hockey coach at Florida Southern and is currently arranging a round robin tournament between Florida Southern, Rollins, and Lynn. As of now, the team is having trouble finding a faculty advisor and that if anyone is interested in helping out, they would be welcome regardless of hockey experience. Rollins Hockey is also looking for a few additional players to fill the roster. If anyone is interested in play-

ing, they should contact Steve Cahill at scahill@rollins.edu. With current record of one win and one loss, the Eagles are looking to push the program in the right with a win next Sunday at 5:30 against the Flyers. For directions to the rink, go to www.rdv sport-splex.com.

Schedule

Sept 19- 5:30 VS FLYERS
Sept 26- 9:00 VS FURY
Oct 3- 5:30 VS ICE HOLES
Oct 10- 9:00 VS FLYERS
Oct 17- 5:30 VS FURY
Oct 24- 5:30 VS ICE HOLES
Oct 31- 5:30 VS FLYERS
Nov 7-9:00 VS FURY

The Hunt for October Heats Up

■ Two teams fight in AL while there are still many times in the NL vying for final spot.

by **Chase VanSteenburg**
staff reporter

With the final two weeks of the Major League Baseball season fast approaching, teams are fighting harder than ever for each win, and the races for the wildcard in both the American and National leagues promise to remain tight. Let's break down the key teams and races in both leagues.

American League

Essentially, a two-team race between Boston and Anaheim, the AL Wildcard remains exciting.

Boston Red Sox (86-56, Leader)

Smart trades, team chemistry, and a loaded roster and rotation have made the Red Sox the team to beat in the AL for the last few weeks. After GM Theo Epstein shored up the Sox defense at the trade deadline, the team went on fire, playing well over .700 ball. A seven-game winning streak followed by a ten-game winning streak helped them to gain eight games on the struggling Yankees, and they are now in position to contend not just for the Wildcard, but for the AL East title as well. Expect to see the Sox in the playoffs.

Anaheim Angels (82-61, 4.5 GB)

Despite playing extremely well over the last few weeks, the Angels have slowly lost ground to the ridiculously red-hot Sox. While the Angels have a fantastic defensive and offensive lineup led by the likes of Vladimir Guerrero and Garret Anderson, their weakness lies in their starting pitching. Bartolo Colon, the man brought in to anchor the staff, has played like the stuff that comes out of a colon (5.12 ERA), and the starting pitching has fallen apart from there. Luckily for the Angels, the bullpen has been lights-out when the Angels have been able to get that far. Despite their starting pitching problems, the Angels are an aggressive, hard-hitting, strong-fielding team that should be a constant threat to the Wildcard leader until the end of September.

National League

The NL race, more so than in the AL, is really looking like it will be thrilling right to the end, as six teams are all within 5 games of the leader. Some of the teams have surged to become serious contenders only recently, and key injuries among the leaders may make things more interesting. Expect a revolving door of NL Wildcard leaders in the weeks to come.

San Francisco Giants (79-65, Leader)

It is somewhat surprising to see the Giants in top spot in the NL considering the number of good teams that are right on their heels.



THROWING FOR OCTOBER: Despite being on a staff with big names like Burnett, Beckett, and Willis, Carl Pavano has stood out as the Marlins most solid starter

Granted, the Giants do have MLB's number-one head-honcho man-with-a-stick in Barry Bonds, and an NL Cy Young candidate in Jason Schmidt, but the rest of the team is composed of some pretty average guys. Especially considering Schmidt's recent groin injury, look for the Giants to drop out of the lead spot.

Chicago Cubs (77-64, 0.5 GB)

A rather embarrassing sweep at the hands of the pitiful Montreal Expos marked an ongoing losing trend for the Cubs that started a few weeks ago, and has lead them to finally fall out of first place. A lot of guys in the Cubs' lineup (especially Sammy Sosa) are showing their age, and have just not stepped up in big situations as they did last year. However, the Cubs have retained most of the same winning team together that they had last year and have gotten stronger still with the addition of Nomar Garciaparra (though he is

currently out with a groin injury). With the level of talent on this team, the Cubs might be winning a division right now if Kerry Woods had not had a spotty year and Mark Prior had been healthy. The Cubs are more than capable of righting the ship.

Houston Astros (78-66, 1 GB)

The Astros are finally beginning to live up to at least some of their fans' expectations before the start of the regular season. A lineup that was once touted as one of the best 1-2-3 punches in baseball has fallen apart with the flexor-tendon injury to Andy Pettite, and a powerful lineup flat-out underperformed under manager Jimmy Williams. At mid-season, however, the management made a number of moves to re-invigorate the team, which included bringing in outfielder Carlos Beltran and firing Williams. Led by fantastic starting pitching by Oswalt and Clemens and a resurgence in

offence, the Astros have played well of late, and surged to within striking distance of the wildcard leader. If the Astros have indeed broken from their underperforming slump, they could well win the wildcard.

Florida Marlins (76-65, 1.5 GB)

Led by a brilliant young pitching staff, including the likes of Dontrelle Willis, AJ Burnett and Josh Beckett, last year's world champions are not to be taken lightly. While the Marlins lost the leadership and hitting prowess of a number of free agents at the end of the season, the additions of Paul Lo Duca and Juan Encarnacion have helped the team tremendously on offense, and they have been quietly picking up steam. If the Marlins' pitchers can stay healthy, and Dontrelle Willis steps up his game, the Marlins will be right with the Wildcard leaders at the end of the season.

San Diego Padres (77-67, 2 GB)

The Padres are a defensive team. They have stunning young defensive talent in Khalil Greene and Sean Burroughs. A solid rotation includes the likes of David Wells, Jake Peavey, and Brian Lawrence. Trevor Hoffman is an experienced closer with great stuff. On offense, the Padres are decent contact hitters but have little in the way of power. It says a lot about the character of the team that they have made it this far, but statistically the Padres don't seem to have what it takes to legitimately contend with their rivals in the Wildcard.

In the wildcard, only one thing's for sure - anything can happen. These last few weeks should be very entertaining.

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being one of the smaller schools in Division II with an enrollment that has ranged from 1,400 to 1,700 over the last decade, Rollins has finished among the top 30 in the NACDA Directors' Cup All-Sports Standings five times in the nine year history of the program. During Roach's tenure, Rollins has claimed national championships in men's golf, men's tennis, women's golf and water-ski while competing in the NCAA Championships in 10 different sports.

The 2003-04 academic year was the pinnacle of success for the Rollins athletic department as the College finished sixth out of 282 NCAA Division II schools in the Directors' Cup stand-

ings. Rollins also claimed both the men's and women's Sunshine State Conference Mayor's Cup All-Sports Trophies. Eight Rollins teams competed in the NCAA Championships with the Tars' claiming national titles in women's golf and water-ski. In addition, the student-athletes at Rollins established a new high mark for grade point average in a semester and for the year with 65% of all student-athletes registering a grade point average of 3.0 or higher.

During Roach's tenure, Rollins has added men's swimming, women's swimming and women's soccer as varsity sports and now offers 21 intercollegiate sports.

Facility growth on campus has also been significant during the past decade.

Roach was instrumental in the fundraising and design of the Harold & Ted Alfond Sports Center, which opened in December 2000 and doubled the athletic facilities of the College's former sports center, the Enyart-Alumni Field House. Rollins also recently completed the Cahall-Sandspur Field at Barker Family Soccer Stadium, which provides the College with one of the top soccer facilities in Division II. Other building projects completed during Roach's tenure include the Rollins Softball Stadium at Lake Island Park and the Norm Copeland Tennis Stadium. Renovations have also been made to the Alfond Pool and the Alfond Baseball Stadium.

"Phil Roach has set a standard for excellence in

collegiate athletics," said Rollins president Lewis Duncan. "Under his direction, Rollins' student-athletes set new records in their sports and in academic achievement. Phil is a true champion."

Prior to coming to Rollins, Roach spent three years as the Director of Athletics at Guilford College in Greensboro, North Carolina. He previously spent 19 years as the Head Basketball Coach at Marietta College in Marietta, Ohio. Roach won 213 games at Marietta and is still the school's career leader in men's basketball coaching victories.

In the summer of 1999 Roach was recognized as one of four NACDA Regional Athletic Directors of the Year for Division II and was a

finalist for the national Athletic Director of the Year award.

Roach has served as a member of the NCAA Division II Management Council and the NCAA Division II Nominating Committee. He also has been the President of the Division II Athletic Directors Association and has served as the chairman of the officials and awards committee of the Sunshine State Conference.

"I would be remiss if I did not thank our college administration, Board of Trustees and my fellow staff members for enabling me to direct our program these past 13 years," Roach added.

Roach and his wife, Linda, reside in Winter Park and are the parents of three adult children.

One of the Many Great Faces Behind the Beauty of Rollins

■ Winston Short is the man behind the pristine conditions of all Rollins Sports Facilities

by Angela Gonzalez

staff reporter

As you all may have noticed in the wake of the recent slew of hurricanes and storms, our beautiful campus has taken a bit of a cosmetic beating, most notably our picturesque sports facilities.

Charley left the Harper-Shepard Field (the baseball field, new people!) in disarray from its usual pristine condition. Debris littered the outfield and the back fence bent over. Our new and immaculate soccer field was also left disheveled. On top of that, Frances did not help the situation and the threat of Ivan (and possible others) is, as of the typing of this article, still real.

I'm sure everyone knows the grounds don't maintain themselves, and I wanted to introduce the man who's been working through these natural disasters to keep Rollins' sports complexes beautiful and safe: Mr. Winston Short.

"Winnie", as he's more commonly known, has been the athletics groundskeeper here at Rollins for 7 years. His job is not just to keep the fields looking great but also

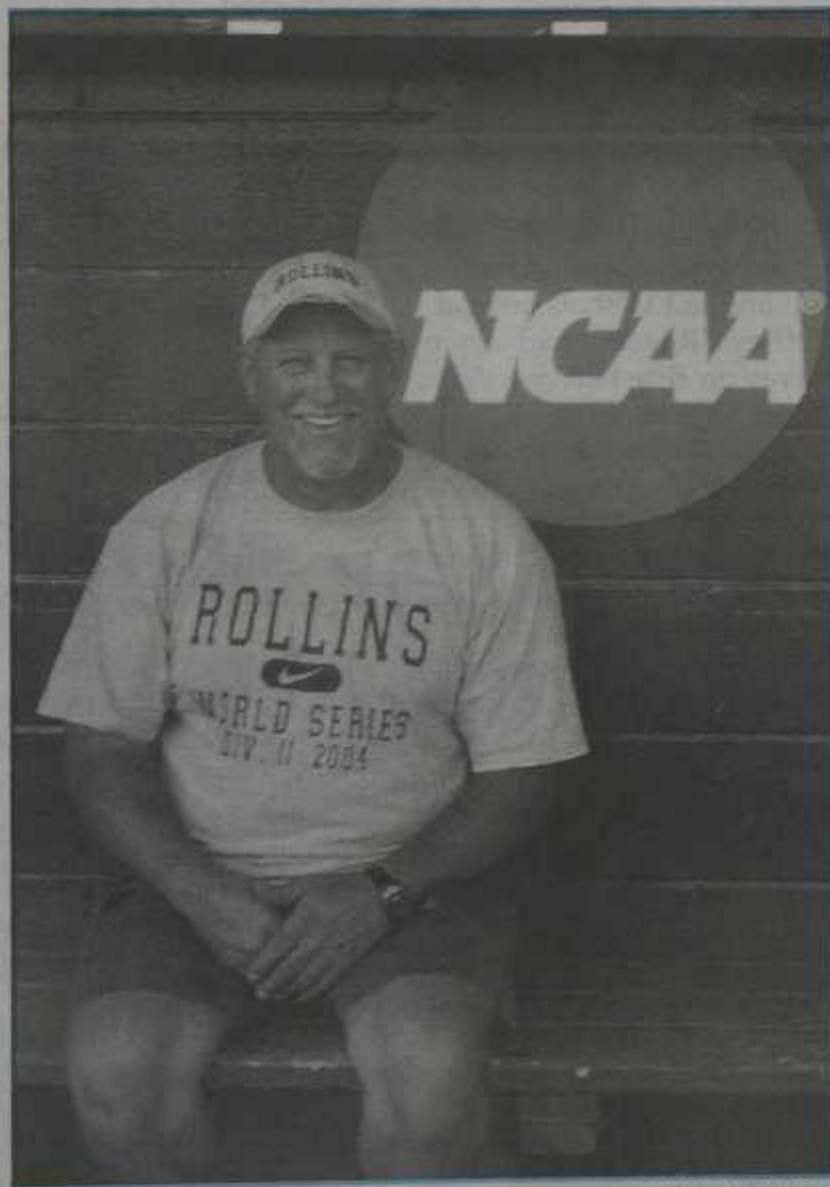


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ROLLINS' MR. GREEN JEANS: Winston Short called "Winnie" by his friends has passionately taken care of Rollins' fields for seven years.

to ensure the safety of all the athletes that play upon them.

"Safety's the whole thing," he explained. "People don't realize it, but I could care less about what the grass looks like as long as I don't have any bumps for my players to lose teeth on". In my interview with

him, he also let me in on some of the tricks he has up his sleeve that ensure a little thing called a home field advantage.

He's also known as the tenth man on the baseball team, and Coach Rikeman can attest that he puts in his 6 to 8 games a year!

Oddly enough, Mr. Short

apparently has enough clout because he has been chosen as one of this year's 20 Coolest People in Orlando by *Axis* magazine. The issue was scheduled to run this month. However, due to the confusion the hurricanes have caused, the issue has been pushed back to November. Added with the fact that *Axis* is not as mass-distributed here as it is near UCF and downtown, I just couldn't wait to bring light to Winnie's achievement and bring it to the attention of our school. (If you can't find an *Axis* in November, the website has the layout, www.axismag.com).

Those who know Winnie can vouch that he deserves this honor not just for the work he does but also the positive attitude he exudes.

Hopefully with this spotlight, more people can give Winnie the recognition he deserves for all his hard work. I know there's some higher-ups who need to wake up, too. Winnie is all over the place, be it at a sporting event, driving around campus on his cart, or hanging out at "Splinter City". So if you run into him, make sure to give him a wave and maybe get him a margarita if you happen to be at PR's. I'm sure he'd appreciate it. Because he is one of the nicest guys that you will ever meet here at Rollins.

The F Word

This week on the F-Word: the differences between Keyshawn Johnson and Terrell Owens. For those of you who watched week one of the football season saw that Keyshawn's new team: Dallas lost badly, while TO's new team: the Eagles won handily. A sharp contrast can be noted between these two gifted receivers. It is ok to trash talk (especially in football which is a violent sport) but you have to bring it every week to gain that privilege. Johnson thinks he is God's gift to receivers, and decided to stop caring about his team. He then moved to Dallas simply because he wanted to play under a coach who make his name famous again. That's a huge difference with Owens, who chose to play for the Eagles because he realized playing with Donovan McNabb gives him the greatest chance to play for glory. For Johnson glory is getting onto Sportscenter the next day or getting some big endorsement deal, while for Owens he will only experience real glory when he wears a super bowl ring. Johnson is the poster child for selfish, childish athletes. All he cares about is himself, he forgets that sports is about teamwork and most of all giving back to the fans who are actually paying his paycheck.

JOHN FERREIRA
Sports Editor

What's Happening? ROLLINS CALENDAR

Friday 9-17

Clothesline Project
Mills Lawn
7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Men's Soccer vs. Nova
Southeastern
Cahall-Sandspur Field
7:00 p.m.

Saturday 9-18

Women's Tennis vs. Stetson
Fall Tournament
DeLand, FL
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Sunday 9-19

SGA Carwash
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Guest Speaker:

Rebecca Martin Nagy, Ph.D.
"Growing Pains: The Harn Museum"
Crummer Suntrust Auditorium
3 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Monday 9-20

Men's Soccer vs. Flagler
St. Augustine, FL
7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Tuesday 9-21

ACE Meeting
Bieberbach & Reed
6:00 p.m.

SGA Senate Elections

Wednesday 9-22

SGA Meeting - Galloway
6:00 p.m.

SGA Senate Elections

MBA Information Session
SunTrust Auditorium
6:00 p.m.

Thursday 9-23

Guest Speaker:
Raymond L. McGovern
Intelligence Specialist
Bush Auditorium
6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

SGA Senate Elections

Boys Open the New Field

■ Late goal from Ben Munson lead the Tars over Embry-Riddle in Home Opener.

by Dean Hybl

faculty advisor

Senior Ben Munson scored the game-winning goal with less than four minutes remaining to lift the Rollins College men's soccer team (1-1-1) to a 2-1 victory over Embry-Riddle (0-1). The contest was the first played in the new Cahall-Sandspur Field at Barker Family Stadium. Rollins controlled the action early and scored the first goal of the game just 16 minutes into the contest as Chris Cerroni intercepted a pass and put the ball past the keeper. The Tars finished the half with a seven to five shot advantage. Embry-Riddle seized the momentum from the beginning of the second half. Clifton Philip scored the game-tying goal less than four minutes into the half and the Eagles kept the Tars without a shot for the first 20 minutes of the period. Rollins finally began to regain their offensive focus midway through the half and had several excellent scoring chances. They kept the pressure on ERAU keeper Mike Strizelka and finally broke through in the final minutes. A free kick from



FIELD OF DREAMS: The beautiful Cahall-Sandspur Field opened for business when Rollins played Embry-Riddle.

Daniell Robertson led to a close shot by David Pitt. Strizelka was there to make the initial save, but Ben Munson took the rebound and put it over Strizelka and into the net for the game-winner.

Strizelka finished the game with eight saves as Rollins had 11 shots on goal. Jeffrey Rogers had four saves on five Embry-Riddle shots on goal.

The Rollins game against Palm Beach Atlantic, sched-

uled for September 14th, has been postponed until October 18th. The next contest for the Tars will be a home match against Nova Southeastern on September 17th in the conference opener for both teams - Gametime is 7:00 p.m.

GAME SUMMARY

Goals: Rollins: Chris Cerroni (15:57), Ben Munson (86:44); Embry-Riddle: Clifton Philip (48:47)

Shots: Rollins 14; Embry-Riddle 10

Shots on Goal: Rollins 11; Embry-Riddle 5

Saves: Rollins: Rogers 4; Embry-Riddle: Strizelka 8, Team 1

Corner Kicks: Rollins 5; Embry-Riddle 4

Fouls: Rollins 17; Embry-Riddle 17

Attendance: 545

Soccer Star Keri Dye Talks to The Sandspur

■ The senior won the Sunshine State Conference Player of the Week Award.

by Janice Haramis

staff reporter

Keri Dye, a senior from Hobe Sound, Florida, was selected as the Sandspur's first featured athlete this year. This women's soccer standout was recently named "Player of the Week" in the Sunshine State Conference, after scoring the only goal in a double-overtime win over Belmont Abbey at the season opener. She has also been awarded numerous honors, such as being selected for the Sunshine State Conference's

First Team for two years in a row now. At South Fork High School, Keri was named Player of the Year by the Palm Beach Post and made the All State team in 2001. She has traveled to numerous tournaments, including Flagler in 1998 and Hawaii in 2000, where she was named MVP. Keri took the time out of her busy schedule to sit down with the Sandspur, so we could find out a little more about her. We all know about the long hot practices that these amazing athletes have to endure. Here is what we got:

Sandspur: "You seem to have a busy schedule. How often is practice?"

Keri: "We practice

every day, between one and a half to two hours, except for pre-season when we are here two weeks before school starts. Then we practice three times a day."

SS: What is your best experience playing soccer?

Keri: I would have to say winning MVP at the Hawaii tournament in 2000. I was selected out of 125 girls from all over the U.S.

SS: Worst experience?

Keri: Hmm...I have had plenty of injuries, but when I broke my ankle in 2003, which kept me out of the first four games of the season, would be my worst.

SS: What is your favorite part of practice?

Keri: I just love playing the game, so definitely when we scrimmage.

SS: Favorite part of the

game?

Keri: Scoring!

SS: What are your future plans in soccer?

Keri: I plan to continue coaching- I am the assistant coach of the girl's varsity team at Trinity Prep right now, and I would like to play semi-pro, I tried out my sophomore year and made it, but I was unable to play because I broke my ankle. I think I will take a year off before I try out again.

SS: So, are you going to make a career out of soccer?

Keri: Maybe, but for now I plan to go to grad school to study Zoology. I would love to work with animals. I am going to look for an internship at either Animal Kingdom or Sea World.