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The Sandspur lost our resident fortune teller, but The Docs are in to diagnose this year's strong and weak teams.

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C-SPAN Bus Rolls On Through

■ The C-Span school bus made its way to Rollins educating many in its wake.

by **Mo Coffey**

staff reporter

On September 15 and 16, the bright yellow C-SPAN bus added some color to the Mills landscape. The mobile learning unit provided students with interactive information regarding American politics.

Facts about the most pressing candidate issues regarding November's presidential elections were on hand as the C-SPAN staff tried to broaden students' perspectives on issues.

The traveling C-SPAN first hit the road in 1993 to demonstrate cable's commit-

ment to education. The bus staff hopes to educate the youth and young adults of America by providing unbiased resources as a platform for further discussion.

C-SPAN's big yellow bus proved to be popular: another bus was added in 1996. In 2002, they logged over 30,000 miles. The buses have visited all nine presidential libraries, the fifty states, and over 2,000 communities. Rollins was included on a long tour list including colleges from around the country and both political conventions.

The high-tech coaches are half working production studio and half mobile classroom. Several Rollins classes visited the bus, including Professor Balak's Ethics of Globalization class. First-year student Andrew Press enjoyed the trip and



photo / CLAY CORBIN

CLIMB ABOARD FOR INFO: Legendary cable television broadcaster, C-SPAN, brought its big yellow school bus to the Rollins Campus as part of a nationwide campaign tour.

applauded C-SPAN for its efforts, noting his generation "is going to be the one to make a difference in a few years, and the C-SPAN bus makes politics more accessi-

ble to students."

With election's just a few months away, the C-SPAN bus hopes to educate present registered voters and future voters on issues that will

shape the way our country is governed. The C-SPAN bus crew hopes Rollins students took something positive from their short visit on the big yellow bus.

An Artful Dialogue

■ Director of UF's Harn Museum visits Rollins kicking off first of six focused lectures.

by **Natalie Wyatt**

staff reporter

Last Sunday the Rollins College campus welcomed Rebecca Martin Nagy, Ph.D. to speak about the Harn Museum of Art. Nagy's seminar was one in a series of six, focusing on art museum direction and administration that will come to our campus over the next few months. With the new construction of our very own Cornell Fine Arts Museum, these speakers hope to put in a word to give direction to Rollins' collection and subsequent programs.

Dr. Nagy is the director of the Harn Museum of Art in Gainesville, Florida,



photo / NATALIE WYATT

INSIDER'S PERSPECTIVE: Dr. Rebecca Martin Nagy shared her insights about the challenges of museum administration.

which is part of the University of Florida. Having been a Fulbright Fellowship Scholar, undergraduate at Georgia Southern, and graduate from

UNC, Dr. Nagy is well published and well known for her direction nationally.

The Harn has expanded over the last few years and

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Misleading Memos

■ Bush allegations overshadowed by questionable documents.

by **Brittany Lee**

news editor

For the past week, controversy has surrounded the memos CBS recently revealed on 60 Minutes concerning President Bush's military service. The memos asserted that President Bush lost his status as a pilot because he not only failed to meet military performance standards, but also refused to undergo a required physical exam in 1972.

Bush joined the Texas National Guard back in 1968 and served on active duty for over a year while being trained to fly F-102A jets. He was honorably discharged in 1973 and left the Air Force Reserves by the

following year. It was in the first few months of 1972 that controversy arose, as Bush went for six months without reporting for any training drills. In September of that same year, Bush requested and received permission to transfer to an Alabama Guard Unit so he could focus on a political campaign in the area. In May, Bush skipped a required medical exam and was grounded by his commanders.

The alleged issuing officer of these memos is Lt. Col. Jerry Killian. Killian was one of Bush's commanding officers in 1972 and 1973. Unfortunately, Killian died in 1984 so the memos are subject to questioning.

In these letters Lt. Col. Killian complains he was pressured to "sugarcoat" Bush's performance evaluations and the fact that he

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Rollins Speaker

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continues to grow today. From start to now, their collection has grown into a well-rounded and well-defined grouping of pieces. It wasn't always that way.

"Don't worry about it; it's just growing pains," Dr. Nagy said to begin her speech. She explained that although the Museum was becoming more and more complex and esteemed as the years go by, it used to be sort of a mess. "There was no defined type of collection," she added. But through meetings,

Future's Conferences, as she called them, they were able to look to the past, assess the current, and shape the future.

Now the museum has five very exact and separate areas in which they collect fine art. A curatorial staff is employed to head the Asian Art, Modern Art, Contemporary Art, African Art, and Photography sections.

In addition to discussing the expansion of the Harn Museum, she also explored the ideas of outreach to the community and involvement with the UF student body. The university had received comments on how to make Harn better for everyone rather than just the students. Suggestions include making the public

feel more welcome, consider and provide more for the youth of the community, evening hours, and more signature works.

Dr. Nagy is proud to say that through a lot of hard work and dedication, her museum has accomplished all of those goals. The Harn has created a fun and invigorating environment more suited to children and families by adding classrooms and offering weekend crafts sessions, making, and learning about art.

They attract more of the surrounding areas by housing works of importance such as two paintings by Childe Hassam, many pieces of art from the Meiji period (which is becoming more and more popular in the Museum world), and a very strong Jerry Uelsman Collection.

Rollins College can look forward to making some of their own innovations come true in much the same way as the University of Florida has within the art community. The second installment of the Florida Vision Lecture Series, Florida Art Museum Directors on Collecting & Museum Building, will be on Sunday October 24, 3 p.m. in the SunTrust Auditorium.

Bush Memos

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failed to meet the requirements for a pilot in the Texas Air National Guard. However, Killian's son, Gary Killian, who also served in the Guard and retired as captain, doubts his father or any officer for that matter would write such a memo. In addition, Killian's former secretary came forth to say she never typed the documents, though she was responsible for all of Killian's typing.

Almost immediately after being aired, the validity of the documents was questioned. It was said that the documents appeared to have been created using a modern computer, some say on Microsoft Word. Sandra Lines, an independent document expert, believes the presence of the superscript "th" in "111th Fighter Interceptor Squad" is evidence of forgery because it is a format Microsoft Word automatically inserts.

Amidst the controversy, the founder of the group "Texans for the Truth" Glenn Smith announced on September 14th that he would pay \$50,000 to anyone who can prove Bush fulfilled his duties in the Alabama Air National Guard in 1972. Smith stated for CNN that he feels "Bush's dishonesty about missing from service during Vietnam goes to the heart of his presidency. He was dishonest then just as he is misleading us about why we went to war with Iraq." He also feels that the authenticity of the memos is essentially irrelevant because regardless of their validity, the question as to where Bush was when he was supposed to be serving the National Guard remains. The CBS report spurring this controversy came out soon after Texans for Truth began airing television ads questioning Bush's military record.

The story continued as a

new set of memos released from the Texas National Guard on Friday September 17th showed that Bush's basic training unit took a special interest in him and even wrote a letter of praise to his father.

On Monday, September 20, CBS made a startling statement that they no longer could vouch for the authenticity of the documents. Dan Rather, the main reporter of the story, apologized for the report, stating, "I didn't dig hard enough, long enough... And I trusted a source who changed his story." The man who supplied CBS with these documents, retired Texas Air National Guard Lt. Col. Bill Burkett, now denies forging them, but has admitted he lied about their source, and therefore cannot be verified. CBS will arrange for an independent view of the memos and the broadcast and the findings will later be made public.

Hard Times for Martha

■ Hot homemaker buckles down for a bumpy ride.

by Ike Saunders

staff reporter

Nationally known homemaker Martha Stewart has decided to start her prison sentence in order to avoid the lengthy appeal

process.

"Stewart was sentenced in July to five months in prison and five months of house arrest for her convictions on charges of conspiracy, obstruction of justice, and false statements made to federal investigators about a December 2001 stock sale," reports CNN Online.

In feeling it was the right and proper thing to do for herself, family, friends, and future business prospects, Stewart hopes to begin her sentence as soon as possible. Her lawyer has written a letter requesting that the Board of Prisons be notified of this desire so that she may expediently begin what she has acknowledged as a very difficult five months.

Her initial desire was to serve her time at "Danbury federal prison facility mostly because it would allow her mother, who turns 90 on Thursday, to visit her," reports CNN



Online. Due to a high number of current inmates there, however, "her legal team has requested that she go to the federal correctional prison camp at Coleman, Florida."

In the time since Stewart's trial, two Supreme Court decisions will affect her appeal, "one about the right to confront witnesses and one that calls the sentencing guidelines into question," says Stewart's attorney Walter Dellinger.

Martha Stewart was quoted as having said, "I would like to be back as early in March as possible so I can plant my spring garden and get things growing again." Her appeal potentially not being heard until 2005, Stewart has probably made the best decision possible considering her goals in mind.

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Bias in the Media?

■ A discussion held at Rollins by SEA addresses the issue of bias in the media.

by **Erika Batey**

asst. news editor

Is there a bias in the media? Which media outlets lean to the right? Which ones lean to the left? Should a bias in the media even concern us? These were some of the questions that were discussed and debated at the Society for Enlightened Academics (SEA) over lunch on Thursday, September 16.

Meeka Ahuvia '05, the president of SEA, opened the discussion. Among the professors who attended were Steve Phelan, Ben Balak, Charles Rock, Hoyt Edge, Gary Williams, and Jayashree Shivamoggi.

One of the first topics discussed was where people today receive their information. Answers ranged from local and national newspapers such as *The New York Times*, NPR, and online news sources to foreign news broadcasts such as the BBC and Deutsche Welle. Hoyt Edge quipped that one of his sources was, "*The Orlando Sentinel*, because I have to know what's going on with the Orlando Magic." On a more serious note, he mentioned his interest in Indonesia and that news sources in Sydney, Australia were among his sources of information. Overall, the answers displayed a decreasing reliance on American news sources, and a greater interest in either NPR or foreign news.

The next major topic of discussion was the issue of news becoming info-tainment, or entertainment news. Rather than displaying the facts unbiased, the news has become a source of entertainment dominated by talk shows to raise viewer ratings. It is a question of "supply and demand," Shivamoggi stated. "Less people are interested in watching serious intellectual news."

Along with some news sources leaning more toward entertainment is the issue of prose versus bullets. In a technology driven society, we want our information to be short, concise, and in bullet points. Society is becoming extremely fast-paced as

eloquence in speaking and prose is perceived by many to be diminishing.

Finally, another issue of discussion was the journalistic bias of choosing what to include as part of vital information or omitting certain facts to sway the public toward forming a particular opinion. It is one of the most subtle forms of bias.

As an example, a six-month study by an organization called "If Americans Knew" issued a report in 2003 on American media coverage of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. They focused their studies on the *San Francisco Chronicle*. Their criteria were the coverage of deaths, and the coverage of the US connection to the conflict. Between September 29, 2000 and March 31, 2001, they calculated the percentage of Israeli and Palestinian deaths reported in headlines and lead paragraphs. Throughout these months, 65 Israelis and 384 Palestinians were killed. However, the *Chronicle* reported 72 Israeli deaths and 129 Palestinian deaths. This means that while 111% of Israeli deaths were reported, only 38% of Palestinian deaths were reported.

In the coverage of U.S. financial aid to Israel and Palestine, coverage was equally incomplete and inaccurate. Only 1.2% of stories about the Israeli-Palestinian conflict included information about U.S. aid to the countries. The truth is that this aid is an important part of U.S. international aid expenditures, accounting for about 30 percent.

"If Americans Knew" sees it as their duty to report these findings to the public. Their declared mission statement is "to inform and educate the American public on issues of major significance that are unreported, under-reported, or misreported in the American media." While these misreports and unreported facts may not be representational of all media sources or may partially be unconsciously misreported, they are still issues the public should be aware of when determining their news sources.

In an election year, these issues of media misrepresentation and media bias are especially topical and worthy of discussion.

Pakistan's President May Not Step Down

■ Pakistan's president creates controversy by stating he may not step down from office as planned.

by **Erika Batey**

asst. news editor

Debates have flared up in Pakistan in recent weeks due to an announcement by the country's Information Minister Sheikh Rashid Ahmed. The announcement stated it was necessary for the country that both the presidency and army chief post be kept by Pervez Musharraf. Under the current "national situation," Ahmed stated, "The president can keep both the offices. There is no constitutional complication."

The announcement has sparked a controversy because Musharraf made an agreement last year stating he would step down as army chief by December 31, 2004. The agreement was part of a deal between the government and opposition officials, as well as other parties who opposed his power.

Musharraf came to power in a bloodless coup in 1999. His dual role became an issue of debate in October

2002 during the country's parliamentary elections. A change in the constitution allowed Musharraf to retain both of his posts, that of Pakistan's president and chief of the country's army and military. Following the controversy that ensued, Musharraf agreed to review the decision. After talks, he received a constitutional amendment legitimizing his military takeover, in return for an agreement that he would step down as army head by the end of 2004.

The situation rose again to the surface a few weeks ago when legislature in eastern Punjab adopted a resolution to retain Musharraf's dual posts. Hardline Islamic parties responded by calling on him to keep to his pledge to step down and accusing him of dictatorship. In defense, Musharraf claimed this month that 96% of the people of Pakistan want him to keep his military post. He also claims there is nothing in the amendment that bars him from remaining army chief for another five years. Many people also state that Musharraf personally feels his real strength is in commanding the military.

Adding to the confusion over this issue, a few hours after making the announce-

ment, Information Minister Ahmed retracted his statement denying that Musharraf had resolved to go back on his pledge. He revised his original statement saying he meant to say he hoped Musharraf would stay on.

This issue and the eventual decision that will be made is a vital one for the United States. Musharraf and his government are an important ally in the war on terror. After September 11, the U.S. needed Pakistan on its side in order to defeat the Taliban in neighboring Afghanistan. As a reward for Pakistani support, President Bush promised more than \$1 billion in aid to the country.

Protests arose a few days after Ahmed's statement. Opposition Members of Parliament staged a walk-out over government calls for Musharraf to stay on as head of the army. "His claim that he is a man of his word who fulfills his promises has proven false," said Sadique al-Farooq, a spokesperson for former Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif's party.

There is still much confusion of whether Musharraf will or will not step down. The ruling will be made at a later stage.



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Fostering Innovative & Interactive Classes

Holt Spotlight: Department of English Professor, Dr. Maggie Dunn.

by **Shaun Cricks**

staff reporter

The Sandspur welcomes Dr. Maggie Dunn to the Main campus to coordinate the Hamilton Holt English curriculum. Dr. Dunn brings a solid understanding of non-traditional schooling, more than 14 years of expertise and experience, and innovative and interactive classes to Winter Park.

Dr. Dunn knows first hand what it is like to be a returning student. She worked in a law office for years, and when her children were still in school themselves, set out to earn her degree. She first attended Stetson University in Deland, Florida where she completed a double Major in

English and Pre-law, and then a Masters in English. Therein she earned her Ph.D. from Indiana University at Bloomington in an intensive one-year program that separated her from her family and introduced her to dormitory life.

Her advice to Hamilton Holt Students: "When it gets rough; Don't give up. You will not regret it; the sacrifices, little sleep, living poor. This is an achievement you will be glad you went after, and much more than a degree. You come out with a sense of life, this world, and how things work."

So why teach English? Dr. Dunn has "become more and more convinced of the role of narratives in human life. Stories are how we live our lives. Take role models, for example. A role model is a person who's story you want to emulate." She also says that "competence and eloquence (in English) is a

skill everyone needs."

Hired in 1989 by the now closed Brevard campus to develop their English and Humanities curriculum, Dr. Dunn is one of the valuable resources that we at main campus gain with the closing of Brevard.

Dr. Dunn helped build a strong sense of community in the English and Humanities Department at Brevard and hopes to do the same here. "I want our students to know; this is their program." Her efforts include the honor society, reader's circles, a literary magazine, and events connected to classes such as poetry slams and "Art Feast."

In the classroom, Dr. Dunn creates a genuine and insightful environment that facilitates open discussion. In her class, The Novel of Memory, "students explore modern novels that focus on the functions and limitations



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STORY TO TELL: Dr. Maggie Dunn helped develop a sense of community in Brevard, and now focuses on our campus.

of memory in human life." Cuisine In Art examines the relationship of food and the Arts. She also teaches a College Grammar class that functions "almost as a linguistics class...exploring its fuzzy system."

Dr. Dunn makes herself as accessible as possible to her students and encourages feedback. Her office is located in #107 Orlando Hall. She can be reached at (407) 646-2605 or via e-mail at mmdunn@rollins.edu.

You Didn't Get the Job? Find Out Why

The Career Coach addresses concerns about employment inter- views.

by **Marian Cacciatore**

columnist

Question:

Can you help me with the interview process? I have never been on a "real" job interview. So far, the interviews for my part-time jobs have been laid back and casual. What advice can you give me? Will '05

Answer:

Great question Will! The interview can be a source of real stress for many candidates. However, with a little practice, you can be prepared and even enjoy this element of the job search process. Career Services can work with you on an individualized basis. From interview coaching to conducting a mock interview, services are available to you free of charge.

However, for the benefit of all of our readers, I have listed below the top 10 reasons that candidates do not get hired. This list was given to me by a seasoned Human Resource professional and is the result of a comprehensive survey given to various human resources and staffing managers. The top 10 reasons in reverse order

include:

10. **Poor grammar and diction** - Whoever said that "it is not what you say but how you say it" (and in this case also write it) knew what he or she was talking about. One recruiter reported that she has had candidates use "cuss words" during an interview. That is one effective way to end the interview quickly.

9. **Lack of interest and enthusiasm**. Show the recruiter that you want the job by demonstrating a genuine interest in the position and the company. Ask questions that show you have taken the time to learn something about the organization and the current issues. If you are hired, they will become your issues as well.

8. **Too much emphasis on pay and benefits**. In an ideal situation, these issues are discussed after an offer has been extended. Be prepared to handle and deflect questions regarding your salary requirements early on. (Contact me for more detailed information on this)

7. **Lack of focus and direction**. Candidates that demonstrate professional growth and development in previous positions will fare well here. In addition, it is important to know and be able to articulate your career goals. You must also be able to align your goals with the position that you are interviewing for.

6. **Lack of poise and self confidence**. While it is understandable to be a bit nervous for an interview, it is critical you demonstrate a core of self confidence. Mock interviewing with Career Services is one way to gain confidence.

5. **Failure to make eye contact**. This is closely tied to the issue of self confidence. Even if you suffer from "interview nerves", you can use direct eye contact and a smile to overcome your nervousness and appear confident.

4. **Lack of common courtesy**. Lectures here are not important...just facts. The fact is manners DO matter. Treat *every* person you come into contact with during the interview process with respect.

3. **Negative talk about former employers**. Even in the worst employment situation, you must have learned *something*. (Even if all you learned was how "not" to act) Make sure you take the time to reflect on this issue ahead of time so that you can "reframe" a negative experience into a positive one.

2. **"Overbearing know it all"**. One candidate reportedly argued with the recruiting manager about the description of benefits posted on the company website. No surprise that the interview ended soon after.

1. **Personal appearance**. You only have one chance to

make a first impression so make it count. Critical personal appearance issues include:

Appropriate business attire. Leave home without perfume or cologne; the recruiter should not "smell you before they see you"; Wear minimal jewelry. In addition, body piercing and tattoos should not be obvious. Business protocol allows only one conservative set of earrings for women and none for men; Well groomed nails and immaculate personal

hygiene.

So here you have it, Will, "The 10 Top Reasons why folks are not hired." After reviewing these, I encourage you to contact me via phone or email so that we can set up a time for some interview practice. Interviewing *is* one area where "practice does make perfect!"

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.

Free Workshop - "Informational Interviews: Networking for the Fearful!"

Will be held on Thursday, September 30th from 5-6 p.m. in the Holt School auditorium. It will be an hour workshop filled with practical tips on ways to use this valuable and effective networking tool.

Snacks will be provided as well (we know that many Holt students may need some "fuel" before class).

Please email Marian if you plan on attending:
mcacciatore@rollins.edu

Hamilton Holt Student Involvement Fair

Monday, Sept. 27 - Thursday, Sept. 30th
Between Bush & Cornell 3 p.m. - 7 p.m.
HHSGA representatives will be manning information tables during the event alongside other campus organizations open to Holt students. Find a group that appeals to you and get involved!

Doug Little Saves The Day

■ In spite of the hurricane, Doug managed to put together a great orientation week.

by **Heather Williams**
staff reporter

What do you do when something you have planned and worked toward all year is completely changed in a matter of seconds? For Doug Little, the Assistant Director of Student Involvement and Leadership, Hurricane Charley put him in this exact situation. Orientation had been planned, first-year students were set to arrive in a matter of days, and peer mentors were beginning to undergo training. When Hurricane Charley decided to sweep through Rollins, everything Doug had worked so hard to plan was instantly overturned and gone.

In a matter of hours, Doug and his staff had to

quickly reorganize a schedule they had planned for months. All buildings were evacuated, and all students, along with President Duncan and his family, spent the night in the Cornell Campus Center. Power and air conditioning were lost, and emergency generators were brought in to gain some contact with the outside world. On Saturday, the day after the Hurricane Charley hit, Doug described it as a day that, "The College was collectively catching its breath."

From that moment on, it was as if no one was able to breathe for days. Doug and his staff had to quickly draw up a completely new schedule for Orientation, pushing the starting date from the eighteenth to the twenty-first due to lack of power and water here on campus. All scheduled entertainment, student activities, convocation, and other services had to be moved back or rescheduled. Each of the

sixty-four peer mentors took on the responsibility of calling all first-year students, as well as returning students, to alert them of the change in schedule that had occurred.

Describing the overwhelming work and dedication that everyone put forth, Doug said, "The whole campus came together as a community and took on an equal load."

The success that came out of this horrible experience is to be greatly applauded. Doug described this year's Orientation as one of the best yet, due to the help of the peer mentors and everyone that was involved in the process of welcoming our first-year students.

The freshman class has been nothing but lauded by their mentors and professors. They are said to be very engaged individuals and a group of students who are much more willing to be involved.

Doug also noticed that this year's freshman are,



photo / CORA HARDIN

DOUG Little: The Assistant Director of Student Involvement and Leadership smiles because everything worked out okay.

"Diverse—more students of color and also more divers in terms of personality and who they are."

This year was the first year at Rollins that all students in every RCC were mailed the same book to read upon their arrival. The discussions that were provoked from this book, as well as the number of entries received in the essay contest, were astounding. Ashley Schachter received first place

in the contest, with Moschell Coffey and Nick Grady receiving second and third respectively.

Looking forward to what this school year holds and reflecting on the success of it thus far, Doug gives all of us hope and anticipation in recognizing the fact that, "We have great peer mentors and a great group of students, which makes it a great time to be at Rollins."

Decoding Disability at Rollins

by **Maruxa Faustmann**
and **Erika Shoemaker**
contributing writers

Disability Awareness Week aims to increase awareness about the types of disabilities that affect students, faculty, staff, and others at Rollins College and beyond. Information will be provided across campus this week in an effort to educate the campus community about disability-related issues. Hopefully, an understanding of different types of disabilities will foster an appreciation for and focus on the unique abilities of each person.

For a person with a disability, the disability is a part of who that person is. Focusing on any one part of a person may mean missing out on understanding and appreciating other valuable aspects that make up that individual. Look for information provided throughout the campus that may give insight as to why celebrating this week is important.

It's Disability Awareness Week!

September 27th through October 1st

Use the key below to decode the eye-opening messages and celebrate Disability Awareness Week.

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Answer Key:

1.) People with disabilities are people first.
2.) Understanding disabilities, embracing abilities.
3.) Differently-abled, not disabled.

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SGA News

Car Wash A Success!

Thank you all for helping raise almost \$300 dollars for Student Government last Sunday. We had a great turnout! A special thank you to all the Senate Candidates who attended.

Look for senate election results in next week's issue of The Sandspur



Is America Really The "Greatest Nation?"

■ Students can discover firsthand if this is true through foreign studies programs.

by **Karina Mc Cabe**

features editor

When I was at work a few weeks ago, someone asked me if I would be doing an internship while I'm in college, and I replied, "Yeah, hopefully in London as part of a study abroad program with my school."

"London?" She looked at me incredulously. "Why on earth would you want to do that? Study abroad is just the dumbest idea I've ever heard of. People who can't get the education they need here in America are just foolish."

Charming, right? Now, while I could have replied that I thought she was foolish, I decided not to (don't forget: the customer is always right and, more importantly, controls the tip).

Contrary to what this customer believes, study abroad is becoming increasingly more important for the millennial student to partici-

pate in, particularly as society moves more towards globalization. With expanding worldwide interaction, students are finding that foreign study is very prevalent to their education, as many go abroad to immerse themselves in a foreign language or to make their resumes look more appealing to employers.

However, there are many reasons to participate in foreign studies programs other than simply to acquire a new language. For instance, being in an alien culture will be an eye-opening experience that will provide the student with a more "informed and accurate perspective on world affairs" (Edudirectories.com). Without a global understanding, Americans are falling vastly behind their peers in the rest of the world who most of which are aware of at least several other cultures aside from their own from which they can draw a wider variety of knowledge and experience working with others from vastly different cultural backgrounds.

Students benefit significantly from exposure to

other cultures, as it allows them to discover what it is like to be a minority, or "different," which in turn creates a better, more positive society as the student will be more sensitive to minorities in his or her own country. In turn, this kind of experience makes a person more "employable" because it means that the person is used to working with other, often very different, people, and thus makes her easier to work with.

In addition, students are encouraged to grow mentally and intellectually, as they discover their independence, but also learn to realize how their own countries actions may have negative impacts on other nations around the world. Considering that America is such a powerful world power, it is imperative that a good citizen knows how exactly her vote plays out in the wider world. Learning from a native's point of view how another country views your own is extremely eye opening.

One student who studied abroad, Monica Van Dongen, on Usatoday.com reports that study abroad was highly enlightening for

her as she states, "You hear about the way people live in Third World countries, but until you are actually exposed to it, you don't (comprehend) the reality of it all."

Van Dongen is correct in this insight, as she alludes to a deeper question of how America can hear about the poverty gap in the world, where the U.N. states that eighty-six percent of all goods and services and consumed by the richest fifth of the world's people, while the poorest fifth only consumer 1.5 percent (Aifs.com). Now, as Van Dongen suggests, even though we are aware of these disparities, it is too difficult to imagine such an economic gap unless we actually went out into the world to discover it for ourselves.

Unfortunately, study abroad is not always a positive experience. Rollins sophomore, Victoria Weston, remarks that, "I would not like to be in a area that I am not familiar with for an extended period where I would not know anybody."

What Weston is inadvertently referring to is a common fear of many students: experiencing the phenome-

non known as "culture shock." This occurs when one enters another country, and experiences firsthand the customs, traditions, language, laws, technology, religion, food, social life, and social behavior of another country. These are all necessary in acquiring an intercultural competence. However, most often find that this is very disorienting and stressful, and this can often "shock" a student.

Bruce La Brack, a professor at Syracuse University, has done a significant amount of research on this subject. In his article "The Missing Linkage: The Process of Integrating Orientation and Reentry," he states that "Just as you can't really describe the taste of a hot fudge sundae to someone who has never experienced one, it is difficult to actually convey just how disorienting entering another culture can be to a student without any cross-cultural experience."

Gradually, though, students will learn to appreciate the differences between the culture they temporarily adopt and their own.

A Spiritual Summer in Spain

Rollins student's reflect on their experiences at the Parliament of the World's Religions' meeting in Barcelona, Spain.

"...While at the Parliament, I found myself strongly resonating with 2 voices: The one by Jonathan Granoff, President of the Global Security Institute who claimed that religions have been preoccupied with theological debates when our focus should be on nuclear weapons and their potential destruction of the earth.

The second voice was of Dr. Jane Goodall, the world renowned primatologist and United Nations Messenger of Peace. She expressed concern for the three worst enemies of the earth: poverty, unsustainable development practices and weapons of mass destruction.

Jane stated: "we must help the children of the earth find the family of the earth and then they must help the animals. By acting in a good way our conscience is clear and then we can experience love, the love that comes from inner peace. With

inner peace comes wisdom and the understanding of the nobility of human life." I would urge anyone to begin today to seek world peace.

Westerners often think that world peace starts with the economy and politics. Eastern thinking focuses on the individual and the contributions that we all can make. Are we listening?

Have we truly heard the voice of the "other", or are we forming our opinions by watching the news. Start by listening to music from another country. The next time you approach someone put your hands together and remain silent until the "other" has spoken.

Start with small acts and soon selflessness and compassion will be reflection of your actions.

Ghandi said: "Go forth and make the world what you think it should be!"

Celia Corrad, MLS student

"Leaving Orlando on a summer course with Dr. Greenberg, my expectations for participating in the Parliament of the World's Religions were very high. I was, after all, on my way to Barcelona, the fourth largest city in Europe, to congregate with fellow beings who shared my desire for world peace.

Looking back, I realized that the event I attended was nothing short of a once in a life time opportunity. Never before have I been in such an atmosphere where the emphasis is placed on similarities and not differences. Open minds, open hearts, love and respect were abundant. The week and a half that I spent in Barcelona showed me that there still is a common bond shared between humans. Whether Christian, Jewish, Muslim, Buddhist, Hindu, or any other faith, in our hearts we all strive for the same thing: a life of love and a world united in peace.

This experience has strengthened my desire to understand other cultures and has renewed my hope that there is still, even in turbulent times, hope for



photo / DR. GREENBERG

HAPPY TRAVELERS: The group attended a foreign study session in Spain in 2004.

peace."
Michelle Suzette Hodges, '06

"...Sitting in a room filled with beautiful strangers, most dressed in traditional religious garb and me in my jeans, there was a panel of people discussing how each of their religions promote peace within and outside of their own community. To be honest, none of it was mind blowing or earth shattering until this little African woman stood up and said, "We as attendants of the Parliament have to move past the term religious toleration, because to tolerate someone is still demeaning. The act of tolerating some people, culture, and reli-

gious practices outside our own in itself is a step but not a step far enough. We as a global society have to push past the term and the belief that religious toleration is enough and truly we must learn to love the 'other' whoever the other may be. And if we can't learn to love the other, like thou shall love your neighbor then peace will never prevail, and peace must prevail." After this soft spoken woman with soul radiating throughout the room finished, the auditorium exploded into applause and I knew in my heart at that moment I was witnessing a starting point."

Rachel Sari Waxberg, '05

Toyota Hybrid Concept Car

■ Toyota announced the advent of the first fun and "cool" hybrid car.

by **Mo Coffey**

staff reporter

Gone are the days of the awkward-looking Toyota Prius and Echo. Hybrids just got a little cooler.

Hybrid technology is advancing, and so are the designs that carry the eco-friendly engines. Instead of hybrid cars that look environmentally friendly, a few car manufacturers are striving to create cars that are both fuel efficient and fun to drive. Enter Toyota.

Unveiled at the Frankfurt Motor Show, Toyota's Compact Sports & Specialty concept car looks

reminiscent of a sports car — with a futuristic kick.

Toyota, as a pioneer of hybrid technology, created a dual-engine system that provides environmental benefits with the benefits of a faster engine. The CS&S's Hybrid Synergy Drive will combine a 1.5-liter petrol engine that powers the real wheels and an electric motor for the front wheels. The car will have a much more powerful engine than previous hybrids, and it will allow for less dependency on the petrol engine. Top speeds on this car can reach one hundred and twenty-seven miles per hour.

Supercars.com describes the body style as a balance of "sharp, angular lines and fluid curves and arches." The car looks sporty and futuristic, and the internal technology is just as sophis-

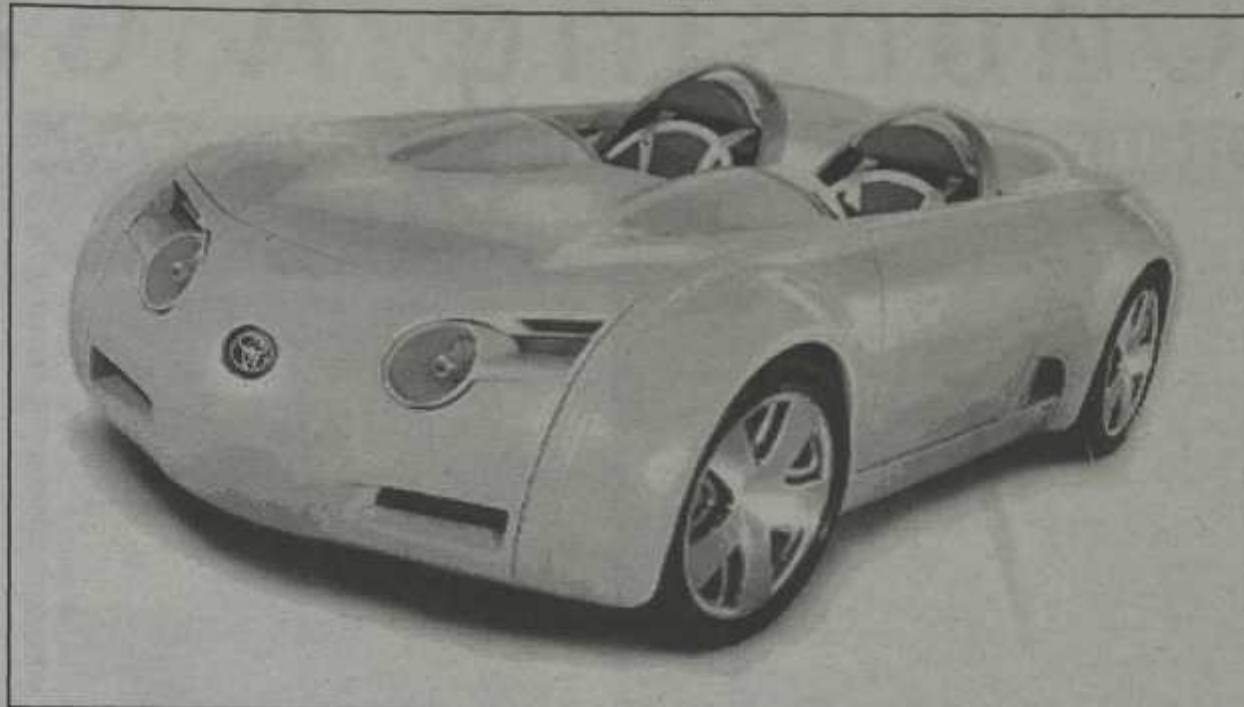


photo / TOYOTA.COM

THE TOYOTA CS&S: Toyota has just unveiled a new, revolutionary, and very futuristic hybrid known as the Compact Sports and Specialty Concept car.

icated. Toyota Space Touch will project holographic images that the driver touches to control such functions as the air conditioning and sound

system.

The CS&S has a removable rear-seat canopy that allows for the addition of two extra seats making it a 2+2 open-top sports car.

Dubbed by Automobile magazine as "Toyota's outlandish mid-engined roadster/cabriolet concept", Toyota's CS&S will change the way you see hybrid cars.

Faculty Spotlight: Dr. Marvin Newman

■ Find out more about the director of the pre-law advising program at Rollins College.

by **Heather Williams**

staff reporter

SANDSPUR: What does your role as a member on the Florida Student Education and Admissions to the Bar Committee entail?

MARVIN NEWMAN: Well basically we travel the state and we look at all the accredited law schools in the state of Florida. We check their curriculum and we oversee their curriculum and their programs. We do such things as see what courses are taught, the requirements for getting the various degrees in law, we look at the connections that the school has and makes with public sectors, the public defenders office, the state judiciary, state attorneys offices, law firms, and so on. We check their curriculum and their requirements to be sure that they live up to the standards that the American Bar Association has set for accreditation.

SANDSPUR: Do you travel to all of the schools you accredit?

NEWMAN: Yes, we travel to all the schools several times a year and each time we visit there is a team of us. We look at different aspects of the school; we interview professors; we interview students; we sit in

on classes; we look at their syllabi; we look at their law review articles that are written and the requirements they may have for serving on the editorial board of a law school, etc.

SANDSPUR: How long have you served on the Bar Committee?

NEWMAN: This is now my third year.

SANDSPUR: What is your favorite part of serving on the Bar?

NEWMAN: Well, I am very interested in watching

"Our (law school) acceptance rate has been one hundred percent for the last several years."

Dr. Marvin Newman
Pre-Law Advising Director

and being part of changes in the curriculum because we do dictate certain changes that ought to be made in curriculum at certain law schools. It is very interesting to watch this change because law is forever evolving, and it is new. Each year and each generation brings new interest. For example, ten years ago we would never have courses in gay and lesbian law in law schools; it would have been unheard of. Now, that is extremely important to the subject matter for lawyers to be studying from the aspect of constitutionality, privacy, all sorts of aspects.

• So we want to be sure

that that is an aspect that all law schools are keeping up with. So that would be an area we are interested in. Because law is such an evolutionary discipline, we need to be sure that these schools are keeping up. We also deal with student admissions to the Bar.

SANDSPUR: What are the requirements?

NEWMAN: We look at the Bar examinations and the construction of the Bar examinations. What mistakes did we make in the past? What can we do to make sure that the Bar examination is an honest and good test of a lawyers' accumulation of knowledge and ability to let her or him begin to go out and advise people and manage their rights and their property and so forth.

SANDSPUR: Where did you attend undergrad and law school?

NEWMAN: Northwestern University.

SANDSPUR: What does your job here at Rollins entail?

NEWMAN: I wear a couple of hats here at Rollins. My field, my specialty is the field of thanatology. That is the study of death and dying—that and the allied field of biomedical ethics. A lot of what I teach, my courses evolve around ethical and legal issues in these particular areas, as well as communication law and ethics. So basically I am a professor of legal studies and communication and I deal with subject matter in



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A BUSY MAN: Dr. Newman—a professor, a program director, an advisor, and a member of the Florida Bar admissions.

both of those areas, both graduate and undergraduate. As a pre-law advisor, we run workshops for students during the year, keeping them abreast in what the law schools require, courses they should take, how to prepare to take the LSAT, how to write their personal statements for law schools. Then, I do a lot of one on one counseling, because students have different individual problems that you cannot really address appropriately in a group.

SANDSPUR: How long have you been at Rollins?

NEWMAN: I taught my first course at Rollins in 1961, but at that time I was just a visiting adjunct lecturer. As years went on, finally, in the 70's, I gained tenure and have taught here full time since then.

SANDSPUR: What is

the average LSAT score for Rollins students?

NEWMAN: Rollins students usually average at about 151.

SANDSPUR: What is the acceptance rate for Rollins College students to law schools?

NEWMAN: Our acceptance rate has been one hundred percent for the last several years. That is not to say that every student gets into the law school of their choice, but they do get into accredited law schools and do very well with that.

SANDSPUR: I would like to thank Dr. Newman for all of the amazing work he does at Rollins and for putting aside time to talk with me. If any of you have not yet met this wonderful man or been fortunate enough to take one of classes, I encourage you to do so.

Choosing A Candidate

Rollins College Campus Tracking Poll

compiled and reviewed by **John Ferreira** and **Mo Coffey**

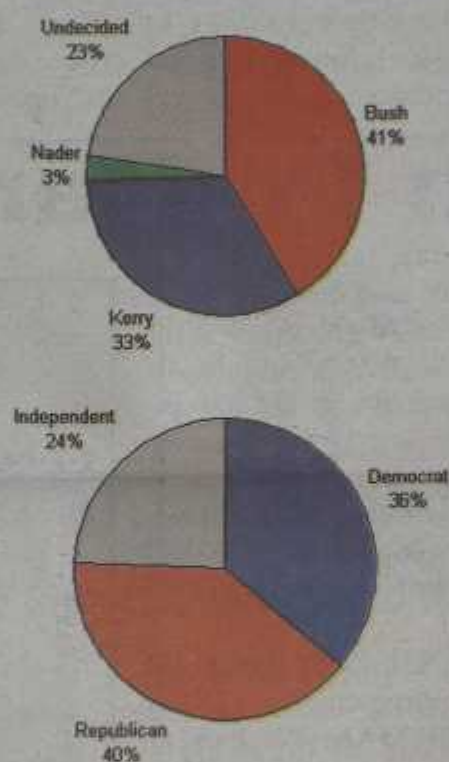
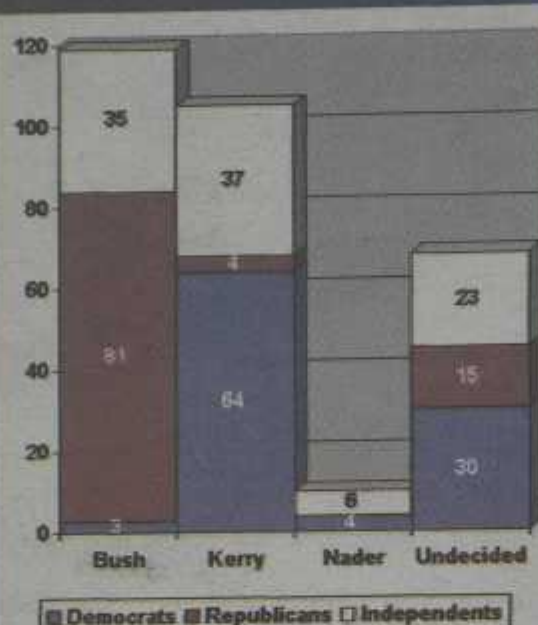
campus political analysts

The first ever *Sandspur* presidential tracking polls finds that President Bush leads Democratic challenger John Kerry 41 to 33 percent. The poll surveyed two hundred thirteen Rollins students from the dates of September 16 to September 19. The poll consisted of two questions: "Do you consider yourself a Republican, Democrat, or Independent?" and "Do you plan to vote for George W. Bush, John Kerry, Ralph Nader, or are you undecided?" This poll has a margin of error of 2 percent.

The poll results clearly show that the Rollins campus is still up for grabs. They suggest that more Democrats seem to be undecided. The results also show Democrats not voting for Kerry to be more likely to vote for Ralph Nader.

As for the Republicans, 81 percent said they would vote for the President, while none plan to cast their ballot for Ralph Nader. Of all the categories, Republicans were the ones with the smallest number of undecided voters, which suggests that Republicans seem to be content with Bush. The fact that no Republicans like Ralph Nader indicates that Nader may siphon votes from the Democrats.

The Independent voters were evenly split in this poll, with John Kerry having a slight lead over President Bush. Kerry had the preference of 37 percent of voters, while Bush was favored by 35 percent of voters. Nader came in third with six percent of the Independent vote, and 23 percent remained undecided. This shows Independents have taken more of a liking to Kerry than to Bush. It may come as a surprise, though, that there are more undecided Democrats than undecided Independents.



Choose or Lose It's Not Just Another Slogan

by **Mark Bartschi**

managing editor

It is possibly the most basic freedom we enjoy in America: the right to choose the leaders who will govern us. Before you can ask for rights to free speech, bearing arms, trial by jury — before you can ask for liberty and justice for all — you have to accept responsibility for selecting the people who will defend those rights.

Every year, though, I am appalled by the statistics of how many Americans do not vote. How can anyone take so many rights for granted and voluntarily forfeit the most fundamental of them all?

There are no excuses: If you are not registered, get it done. You have until October 2 to get it postmarked, and there is a form in this paper. If you are registered somewhere else but you are far from home, get an absentee ballot. Just call or write the Supervisor of Elections in your home county and they will gladly send one.

My favorite excuse is, "Well, my friend is voting for Kerry and I am voting for Bush, so we will cancel each other out." This is faulty for two reasons: there are more things on the ballot, and more

importantly, both of you should fulfill your responsibility rather than neither of you.

Before you storm down to the polls and earn your "I Voted" sticker, though, sit down and do some research. Look at a sample ballot, find out what you will be voting on (it is more than just the president), research the issues/candidates, and decide who represents you best. *The Sandspur* will be here for the next month to help, but a few clicks on the Internet will get you the answers you need. "Christmas-treeing" a ballot is an insult to the democratic process—if you cannot find time to do homework, do not vote.

I know in many cases I am preaching to the choir here: if you are already registered and plan to make an informed vote, good for you. Make sure all your friends vote too, and not necessarily for who you tell them.

No one is asking you to make a sacrifice here: the short time you spend researching and making your decisions is for your own benefit. The sacrifice comes in letting that right slip away—a chance you'll never have again.

Choose or lose.

Party Lines: The Death of Judgment

by **John Ferreira**

sports editor

Of all the values modern theorists advocate, one important virtue is missing: judgment. Lines have been blurred and moral relativism has taken over to the point that if you judge something you are viewed as a radical. It is crazy to think that in a world which tells you to stand up for what you think and be heard that those who think for themselves are alienated. This is very visible in politics and most of all in this election year. All over the place I see people giving up their free thought and adopting the party platform and not knowing why. Political parties are indoctrinating people to think like them. Both parties today are killing judgment.

Most people join a political party for the same reasons I do, because they agree with the basic ideals of the party. Yet, a metamorphosis to make Kafka jealous takes

place when a person has joined a political party. This metamorphosis is seen on the left and on the right as people become institutionalized. People listen too much to pundits like Al Franken, Michael Moore, Sean Hannity, and Fred Barnes. They begin to espouse the platform and seem to forget politics is about your ideas and not the platform of the party. Judgment disappears in many cases, and people only care about what letter they have after their name when they show up on TV. Is it a D? Is it an R? Depending on the letter we will listen or we will simply ignore them. News flash: things are not that black and white.

Political parties are killing independent judgment and are bad for America. Parties indulge in intellectual peer pressure, making people agree to a platform instead of thinking for themselves. Most politicians care more about their

own power than about actual issues and they change their minds to suit the polls. Parties care more about keeping themselves in power than about voters. Their goal is not to make the nation prosper, but to stay in power. Once again, even though I am a conservative I believe that each person should vote for whom they most agree with. Being in agreement with your personal beliefs is the most important endorsement a candidate can have. Parties and their volunteers are out and about looking to convert the nation to help them stay in power. So-called "non-partisan" organizations like the League of Conversation Voters and Project 21 have people knock on doors and tell them how to vote. No one should ever tell anyone else how to vote because people should come to these decisions by themselves.

Voters should concern themselves with getting the

whole truth of the matter, they should not listen to pundits, and they should listen to their own gut-feelings. Politics should be about thoughts on certain issues and not about partisan bickering. Radicalism should not blind anyone to the truth and clear facts. CBS engaged in shameful behavior by reporting on documents that were false and Dan Rather should be fired because he has shown time and time again to put partisan politics before the truth. There are still many liberals I talk to who say CBS did nothing wrong, and worse of all they believe the documents are real. Conservatives also need to realize while Fox News is more balanced than CNN and MSNBC, it is still a biased news source.

We need to stay true to the issues; a lie is a lie whether it comes from the right or the left. I suggest each person make up his or her own mind about the

issues. Every time a new issue comes up, examine it and look for the answer yourself before you hear what your party is saying. Do not let any party dictate what you think. Also do not let a party sway your vote; vote for which candidate you feel is best and not what party you think is best.

With a return of judgment to the political arena people will see through the partisan bickering of the Congress, and people will begin to see the truth behind issues. Many brave men and women have died defending the right to think freely; therefore it is an offense to America when you give up your free thought to some party pundit who wants you only for your vote. In 2004, I hope more people make up their minds because of the issues at hand, and not because someone told them what to think.

Choosing A Political Party

For many people, choosing a political party is no easy task. Your party affiliation does not even matter this time because this is a general election, but for future primaries, which letter is on your registration card will determine who is on your ballot. You can change your party affiliation after your initial registration if you like.

It is important not to confuse Democrat vs. Republican with liberal vs. conservative. Most Democrats have some conservative standpoints, and most Republicans have some liberal standpoints. You should choose your party based on which issues are most important to you. Remember, you are never obligated to vote for your party's candidate in a general election. Always vote your conscience.

Of course, many people believe political parties interfere with the democratic process and choose to register "Independent." While this is a perfectly valid and respectable choice, be aware independent voters cannot vote in any primary partisan elections, at least in the state of Florida.

Many resources offering party information make general statements like, "The Democratic party believes in equal opportunity for all citizens," or, "The Republican party believes in sound money management." These ideas seem rather nonpartisan and rather unuseful. The Democratic official platform is 37 pages long, and the Republican platform is 92 pages, making them impractical to print here and likely impractical for you to read top to bottom. To help you decide which party is right for you, take a look at the synopses to the right. Remember, these are *general ideologies*, not the platform of any individual, and no attempt is being made to evaluate how well any party conforms to them.

Republicans

Republicans focus more on issues of ethics and morality with respect to government policy. They tend to be against abortion and homosexual marriage. They generally believe in a "hands off" style to economics in which the government does not interfere with corporations and keeps a strict interpretation of a "free-market" style economy. Republicans believe in "supply side economics," in which the wealthy and large corporations are taxed less because they will, in turn, charge less for products and hire more workers because they will not have the burden paying large taxes. As a general rule, Republicans believe government should be limited to performing those tasks that are necessary but cannot be done by individuals.

Democrats

Democrats typically believe that morality and ethics are best left to the individual, not to be imposed upon by the government. They are more likely to support abortion and homosexual rights. They tend to believe the government should directly regulate corporations to prevent powerful monopolies from forming, as well as forcing industries to comply with health and environmental codes. They also believe the government should spend money directly to help middle and lower class citizens, and the rich and large corporations should shoulder a larger part of the tax burden because of their greater ability to handle the burden without adverse consequences to the economy.

Libertarians

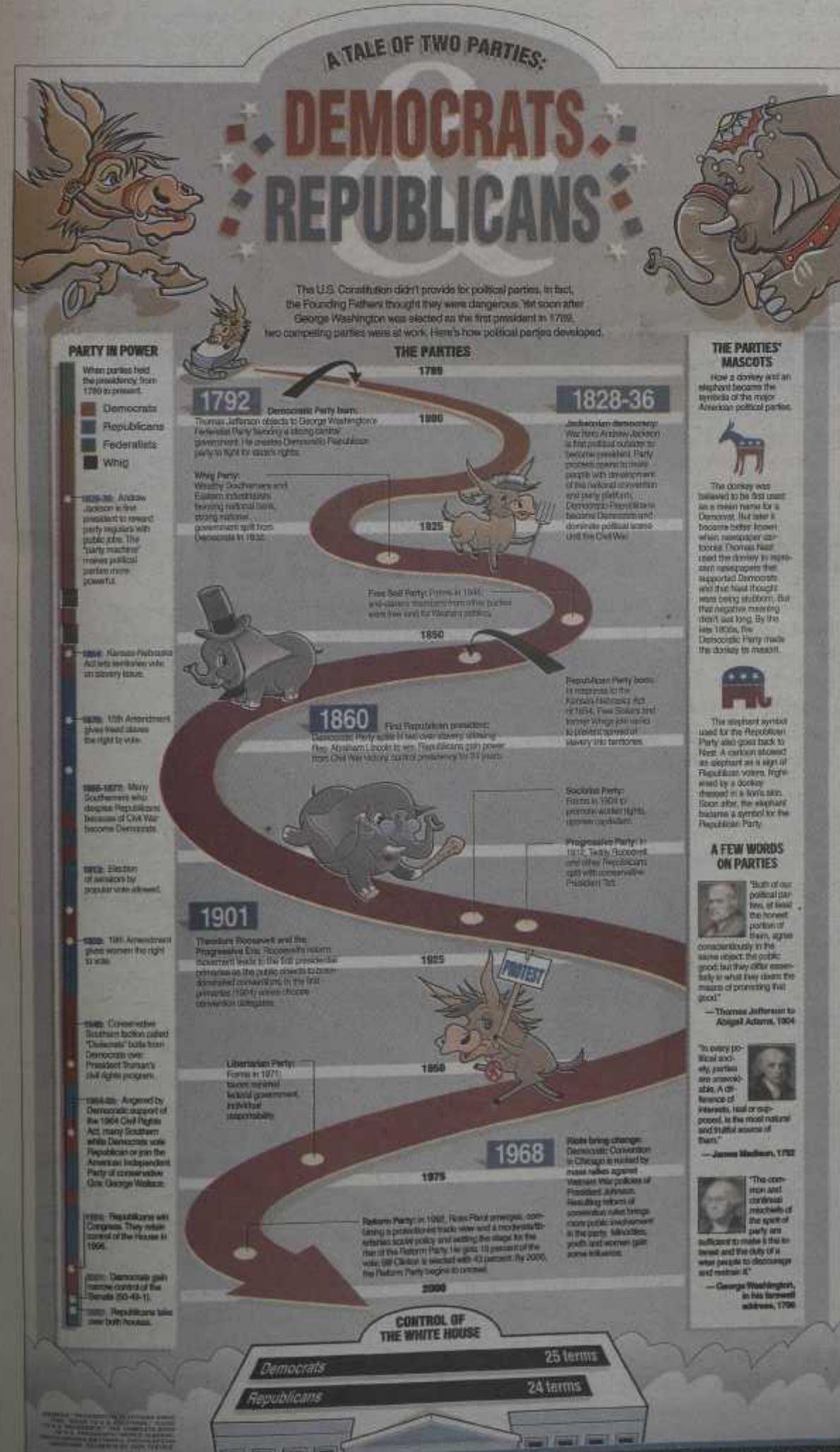
by Jennyfer Rahill

Libertarians believe the government should not have the power to regulate any of the moral activities of its citizens. They are in favor of the legalization of all drugs. They are pro-choice and also support euthanasia. They support gay marriage and any private act that is peaceful. Libertarians are fiscally conservative, socially liberal and above all believe the less government the better. They believe the free market is not perfect, but it is the best system available to benefit all members of society. They believe lowering taxes and private enterprise are keys to economic growth. Libertarians strictly interpret the Constitution. They believe government spending should only include ventures which benefit the entire population, not a select few. This would entail elimination of taxpayer-funded welfare and corporate bailouts.

Reformists

by Eric Fransen

The Reform Party's most basic goal is to get the corruption out of politics. Some of the focal goals include eliminating special interest gifts, eliminating the elite retirement plan enjoyed only by members of Congress and the White House, shortening the election cycle, and limiting the number of terms for Congress to three years and the Senate to two. Reform Party members presently maintain differing views on both social and economic issues, which range from concerns over the environment and healthcare to tax-code issues and the war in Iraq. Their common ground is the recognition that the current system is not working for Americans in general. Current major political parties have little incentive to address many of these problems and, at best, contribute to them.



Bush Yields to NRA

by **Jake Kohlman**

staff reporter

In 2000, then Governor George W. Bush stated on the campaign trail that he would support a renewal of the 1994 Assault Weapons Ban. It appears this was all part of Bush's plan to appear as a moderate candidate who could appeal to swing voters.

Four years later, Bush has flip-flopped on his campaign promise and thrown off what little remained of his moderate disguise. He gave in to the interests of lobbyists, rather than focusing his interests in protecting the American people.

At issue here is the Assault Weapons Ban, which expired at midnight on Monday September 13 despite the wishes of those in law enforcement as well as the majority of the American public. Polls have consistently shown that around 67 to 78 percent of Americans were in favor of the ban. Why would the public not support the ban? It seems like perfect sense to outlaw the sale of Uzi's and AK-47's, two of the 19 semi-automatic guns banned by the law. Also banned was the production of gun magazines capable of holding more than 10 rounds. President Bush and Republican Congressional leaders went with the desires of the powerful NRA-led gun lobby over the wishes and concerns of the American public and law enforcement officials. Every major police organization has

come out in support of the ban, which only makes sense since it is the police who are going to have to deal with these assault weapons. Over 90 newspaper editorial boards support the ban as well as many major cities like Washington, Miami, Los Angeles, and Seattle. Former Presidents Jimmy Carter and Bill Clinton support the ban as well. Do not think they support it because they are gun-hating Democrats; before he passed away, Ronald Reagan expressed support of the ban as well.

The real reason Bush made no effort to renew the ban is the power the NRA has over Republicans. Do not think that Bush is not aware of the NRA's plan to spend over \$20 million in anti-John Kerry ads over the last few weeks of the Presidential campaign. He knows that money, when spent on media in swing states, could be crucial in this election. Throughout his first term, Bush has learned that if you take care of your friends, your friends will take care of you. This is not to say that had he supported renewing the ban, the NRA would have stopped supporting him. Senator Kerry has a slim chance of getting the NRA's endorsement. I'm simply saying that if Bush had gone against the NRA's position, the NRA might have been less enthusiastic in their support.

Gun lobbyists, arguing against the ban, said the law was easily circumvented with minor modifications to banned guns.

The guns used in the Columbine shootings and by the Washington, D.C. snipers were guns that had been modified slightly to be legal. The lobbyists' argument seems to be that the law did not work perfectly in the first place, so what's the harm in getting rid of it entirely? This line of reasoning is disingenuous at best; the Assault Weapons Ban was a step in the right direction, not an end point. Keeping guns like Uzi's and AK-47's out of the hands of criminals and yes, potential terrorists should be a common sense goal. The 19 banned weapons are designed to kill humans, not for hunting deer and birds. A reminder of how dangerous these weapons are when they are in the wrong hands happened the day the bill expired. An assailant with an AK-47 shot a Miami policewoman. Her police cruiser was left in flames. Over 24 rounds were fired at her and her cruiser.

The responsibility for the expiration of the ban lies squarely on the shoulders of the President and Republican leaders in Congress. They control the House, the Senate, and the White House. If they wanted this ban to be renewed, it would have been. When Bush wanted his tax cuts for the wealthy passed, he put immense pressure on Congress to pass his plan. Now, despite the pleas of our police officers, he has decided he cannot be bothered with making our streets safer.

Letter to the Editor

To The Editor of the Sandspur,

I am very offended by the picture you chose to depict a so-called "Pimp". I am a Hamilton Holt student who reads your paper as often as I can, until now. I should also mention I am an American of African descent and I do not appreciate you perpetuating stereotypes. We have had enough of the national media not to mention the local media depicting us as less than human and now I have to get it from the institution I chose to get my degree from? I think not.

I am forwarding a copy of my complaint to the President of the college, hopefully he will think your choice of pictures, (regardless where you got) is tasteless and offensive. Why couldn't you use a white man for the pimp. Would you like to debate slavery and history, I may be able to show you where pimping started!

I am very offended and if I have to I will start a petition of other African Americans who are offended too. Or do you care?

Sandra Branson

Ms. Branson,

Thank you for your concern regarding our use of an image that apparently was offensive to some readers. We can assure you that those involved in the layout of the page did not intend to be insensitive by selecting this image. Please note that the text of the article makes no reference whatsoever to issues of race.

We do not believe that there is any evidence present in the article that indicates an intent to make a derogatory statement or depict African-Americans as "less than human;" the race of the character in the image is purely incidental. How can we avoid having a photograph or image display evidence of any race? All people have a race, and we never use this as a criterion for inclusion in or exclusion from the newspaper.

We do not understand how the image brings slavery to mind, as the term "pimp" is used in its modern fashion connotation, not in its historical denotation relating to prostitution. Therefore, there is no reason to debate the historical relationship between slavery and prostitution. We strongly believe in racial equity, and The Sandspur supports efforts by campus organizations to promote diversity awareness.

We sincerely appreciate you bringing this matter to our attention, and we would like to assure all of our readers that we do value their opinions. We use feedback of this nature to help us make future editorial decisions that best represent the desires of the student body. The Sandspur is a student newspaper, produced by students for students, and should be a reflection of the community it serves. We encourage all of our readers to submit letters to the editor whenever they wish to comment on an article or a current topic of interest by using our web site (www.thesandspur.org) or e-mail (TheSandspur@hotmail.com).

Sincerely,

The Sandspur Editorial Board

Have We Forgotten September 11?

by **Jami Furo**

copy editor

We have recently passed the three-year anniversary of the tragedy that occurred on September 11, 2001. The pieces have been picked up and plans for rebuilding the area where the World Trade Center once stood are in progress. Manhattan, while busy and loud as always, has long since resumed their normal ways of life.

On Jon Stewart's first episode of *The Daily Show* after the tragedy, he asked the American people, with tears in his eyes, "Are you okay?" At the time, we were not sure. However, now, three years later, we can say that we are okay.

However, on September 11, 2004, less than two weeks ago, I noticed that something is not quite okay; I noticed that the reason that we think that we're okay is that there is a lot that we have forgotten.

We have not forgotten that the tragedy happened. Americans will not forget the event. However, they seem to forget how it made them feel.

This year, on the three-year anniversary, there were programs held in both New York City and in Washington D.C. to commemorate the tragedies and the lives that were lost. When they observed a moment of silence at 8:46 a.m., the time that a plane crashed into the first tower, most of the country went on with their lives without even noticing; the country was far less than silent. The flags on their bumpers and back windshields have started to peel. The same people that praised George Bush and Rudolph Giuliani for the way that they handled the situation at the time are the same people that criticize them for it today. Here at Rollins, we had no events that signified that it was different than any other day of the year.

I was one of the first people to advocate resuming a sense of normalcy in our nation in 2001. I advocated reopening businesses, returning to regular programming on TV, and moving forward. I stand firmly by it because the terrorists intended to disrupt our way of life. If we did not push forward, that is an admission that they won.

So we moved forward. But somehow, along the way, people forgot the way they felt that day. They forgot the lessons that they learned from it. They forgot the good that came with the bad. Allow me to refresh your memory.

Do you remember when you first heard about it? Do you remember how shocked you were? Do you remember how you could not even fully process the information until you saw the images on the television?

Do you remember what happened next? You lost the numbness from your body; you felt, and you felt everything all at once. You were angry, and you asked who did this so you could take revenge out on someone. You were sad. You grieved. You grieved for the 6000 people that were killed for no greater offense than going to work—the same way they did every morning. You were confused, and you kept telling yourself that it was not real. When you woke up the next morning, you convinced yourself that it was a bad dream—and then you turned on the television.

Do you remember that?

Well, if you don't remember how we felt, maybe you will remember what we did.

Do you remember the long lines outside the military recruitment offices, filled with men and women that wanted to defend their country so this would not happen again? Do you remember the even longer lines outside the blood banks? Do you remember how every church, every club, every business everywhere was affiliated with some sort of collection for the firefighters and policemen in New York?

Do you remember the people that helped with the clean up? Do you remember that people took off work and lost money to clean up the rubble that once was the World Trade Center? Do you remember that some of those men and women came in from other parts of the country to do that?

Do you remember the patriotism that ensued? Do you remember the community that developed? Do you remember that for a short time, there were no races, no political parties, and no petty differences? We were all Americans, and that was

good enough for us.

Do you remember praying?

Do you remember singing patriotic songs?

Do you remember the unquenchable urge to help people?

Do you remember that?

I remember that. I am not saying that I am the only one. I am saying that we should not have to wait for another devastating event to learn what we learned that day. We shouldn't forget that we live in the greatest country in the world. We shouldn't forget the freedoms that we enjoy here, and we shouldn't take them for granted. We shouldn't be afraid to wave our flags. We shouldn't only reach out and help each other in times of devastation. We shouldn't fight over race, religion, political affiliation, or social distinction.

We should remember what we felt, what we said, and what we did on that day, and we should learn from it so it does not have to happen again in order to unite us as Americans.

Difranco rocks out Orlando

■ Ani Difranco visits Orlando confronting a younger crowd and encouraging voting.

by **Robert Walker**
staff reporter

In 1969, an audience member at a Bob Dylan concert yelled out, "Judas!" as Dylan went electric. While Ani Difranco has been spared such vehement assaults, it is clear to see that things at Ani's shows have changed.

Once upon a time, it seems so very long ago, Ani's shows were great folk rock happenings. The concert venues were filled with the aura of unity and togetherness. There was this amazing friendliness and openness. Well, that is not the case these days. At the Ani show this past week, a drunk girl accosted me for being too tall and not opaque. Yes, the woman actually said, "Why the [expletive] are you being so tall? I can't see through your [expletive]." Yes, things have changed. The audience members seem to have become much younger, or maybe I have just gotten older. Either way, the energy has changed and so has the energy coming from the stage. Ani used to stop and

dialogue with the crowd. There was this incredible energy between her and the people in the crowd. These days she talks little and seems more withdrawn from the audience. Age and experience seem to have created a gap. Much like Dylan, Ani seems reserved. Fame seems to do that to brilliant songwriters.

Despite this, Ani's shows are still worth the price of admission (even if that price seems to be going up, up, up). The fact of the matter is, Ani rocks. She probably is one of the best guitarists rocking out on mostly acoustic guitars. Speaking of guitars, Ani travels with more than a few. She works with a small arsenal of guitars that setup every which-way imaginable. She plays with tuning and even strings different guitars with different strings. She is truly a student of the way a guitar makes noise and hearing her put her guitar knowledge to work is a treat.

When Ani last visited Orlando, she was performing by herself and performing sparse, fragile sets. While she still has not put together a new band, she has added upright bassist Todd Sickafoose to the show. Todd, who is a really amazing player, adds some serious beef to Ani's sound. The combination of Todd's bass



photo / ROBERT WALKER

ENTERTAINING THE MASSES: Ani Difranco rocks Orlando with Dan Bern and adds political spice.

and Ani's pounding beefy acoustic guitar creates some amazing moments, especially when Todd pulls out a bow and bows the bass—what a sound!

The bulk of the night's set seemed to be new material, so Ani's faithful should be on the lookout for a new album to drop soon. The rest of the set relied heavily on Ani's last two albums, *Evolve* and *Educated Guess*, with a few nods to her earlier work. The highlight of the show was when the opening act, Dan Bern, joined Ani and Todd onstage for a rocking version of Woody Guthrie's "Do Re Mi."

The show was part of Ani's "Vote, Damnit" Tour. In keeping with this theme,

various organizations made voter registration forms available throughout the concert, and in an interesting move there was a voting slide show between Dan Bern's set and Ani's. The slide show detailed the history of voting rights, including the women's suffrage movement and African-American movement for voting rights. It was an awkward pause in the music but an important one, and I hope first time voters in the crowd paid attention to that slide show.

All in all, it was a good show. Not as brilliant as the Ani shows of old, but there is not any sense in lamenting the past and missing out on the present.

Love, Set, Match!

■ Bettany serves up a winner in *Wimbledon*.

by **Katie Pederson**
staff reporter

Boy meets girl. Boy falls in love with girl. Boy strives for major world championship while trying to keep girl. So, it's your everyday storybook romance, right? No, it's more than love with a racket in one of this year's best romantic comedies, *Wimbledon*.

Wimbledon tells the story of a down-and-out former British tennis star, Peter Colt, played by Paul Bettany (*Knight's Tale*, *A Beautiful Mind*), who is holding on to a tired dream as a wild card player in his last major appearance. Things take a turn for the better when Colt stumbles upon the beautiful up-and-coming American tennis protégé Lizzie Bradbury, played by Kirsten Dunst (*Spiderman*), who helps him regain his focus

for Wimbledon. The two, who share a whirlwind love affair throughout the film, must conquer overprotective parents, embittered rivals, and the trials of the game on their separate paths to

serves up a winner, in what I think to be one of his best roles yet, wowing audiences with his quick wit and sultry British accent. And though it may seem nothing more than a sports-inspired date

well made piece, full of amazing cinematography and artistic merit. With special appearances from real tennis professionals, the actual on the court action takes up almost half the film

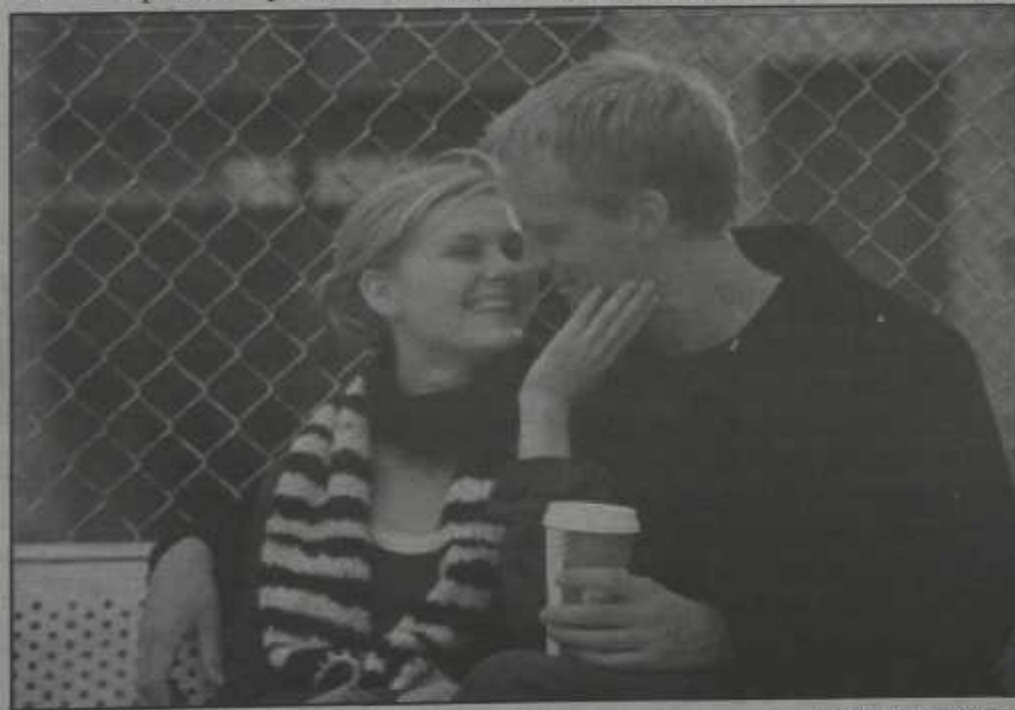


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WINNER IN WIMBLEDON: What happens when girlish charm meets sarcasm? Kirsten Dunst and Paul Bettany make magic on the courts, becoming champions.

Dunst brings her typical girlish charm to the screen, but it is truly Bettany who

flick at first glance, *Wimbledon* offers much more than a sappy love story. *Wimbledon* is an incredibly

with extreme game-set-match intensity. *Wimbledon* is truly an inspiring underdog tale for all ages.

So perhaps it's just the tennis lover in you who's excited for a movie finally devoted to your sport. Or maybe you need a good old-fashioned laugh, a little competition or a romantic twist.

Any way you look at it, *Wimbledon* definitely serves up one of this year's smash hits.

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THE HOT SPOT:

IT'S ALL ABOUT ME HAIR AND BODY STUDIO

Nestled next to Fiddler's Green on Fairbanks is a little diamond in the rough as far as hair salons go. For the better part of 18 years, I have been on a quest for a hair salon in which I would not have to leave with a paper bag on my head; finally my search is over.



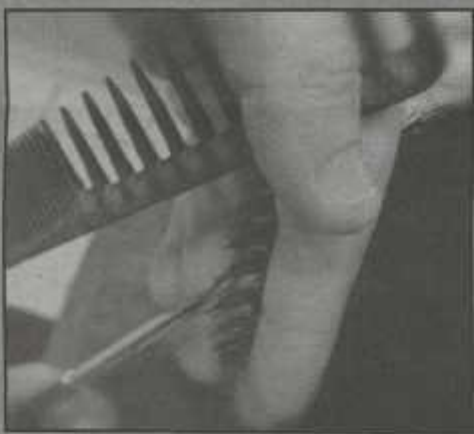
It's All About Me! is a full service salon within walking distance from Rollins. Tina Westfall, the owner, opened the salon almost 3 years ago. Currently, there is a staff of nine offering services ranging from massages (Bronwyn

Hershey) to specialized skin treatments (Kate Collins) and manicures to Japanese Hair Straightening treatments (Christina).

The salon is decorated very simply with some modern and tribal accents, all which make the time spent there more enjoyable. They have a regular salon area that opens up with a huge window facing Fairbanks. In the back are nail stations and a private room for massages and skin treatments.

I came upon *It's All About Me!* when I was referred there by a close friend and I have been a loyal patron ever since.

Christina is one of seven regular beauticians there. Specifically, she is a professional hair designer and color specialist, trained in Europe. She has received diplomas from Loreal, Redken, Wella, and Toni&Guy. She came to Orlando and has been working here for the past 5 years. This year, as well as years past, she has been invited to attend the Orlando Premier Hair Show. One of the other great reasons to go to *It's All About Me!* is that the hours are flexible, varying by each beautician, which works



out great for all those last minute beauty needs. The salon is open regularly Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

To make an appointment, call 407.647.7895 (for Christina, call 407.716.1010) and tell them Angela sent you!

BY: ANGELA GONZALEZ

Concert Alert

■ Incubus with Ben Kweller coming to Orlando September 29!

by **Angela Gonzalez**

staff reporter

When: Wed., Sept. 29 at 7:30 pm. **Where:** TD Waterhouse Centre downtown. **Price:** \$32.50 general admission & reserved seating.

Attention all! This is your resident Incubus fanatic here to remind you that Wednesday, September 29th is the day Incubus is coming to Orlando. The show starts at 7:30pm and for those of you who do not have tickets yet, there are still some left.

To make sure I accurately inform you about this event, I made sure to do my research. This summer I went to the shows in Reno, NV and Sacramento, CA and they have structured this show as a free-for-all kind of thing. The sooner you get inside, the more options you have for location. Also, be assured



there will be photo / MTV.COM

long lines to get in, so the earlier you arrive before the show the better. As an Orlando resident, I will tell any of you who do not already know that parking downtown is heinous, so car-pooling or getting dropped off would save a lot of time and stress.

As for the other two shows I attended, they were phenomenal. Now with Ben Kenney as their new bassist, Incubus has revamped many of their old favorites like "Drive" and "A Certain



Shade of Green." They also have some solos, and they play a lot from their past albums. Older Incubus fans will appreciate this tour just as much as the newer fans.

Incubus has also been doing an ongoing promotion for this tour where you can bid on eBay for two VIP passes and the chance to meet the band before the show. It is a great opportunity that is for a good cause.

All the money generated goes directly to the Make Yourself Foundation. The



band set up the MYF to benefit causes that they feel passionate about such as the environment, education, health, preventing child abuse, and assistance for career musicians.

I highly recommend this experience to any fan. I won an auction to the Reno show and met the guys beforehand. The guys are so nice and along with the experience, you get a card signed by the band that is specially designed by Jose and a picture taken to remember it all.

So if you happen to have \$32.50 laying around or burning a hole in your pocket, you cannot go wrong with this show. For any other questions look to the following sources:

Incubus-www.enjoyincubus.com, Ticketmaster-www.ticketmaster.com, TD Waterhouse-www.orlando-centroplex.com 407.849.2020, or just find me! Hope to see you there!

Kitty Turns 30!

■ That cute Sanrio cat is still in style.

by **Caroline Ogle**

staff reporter

In the mid-seventies, the first Hello Kitty bag was released in Japan. Little did anyone know that the cute little cat would have sparked such a popular trend! This year, Hello Kitty turns 30 with the grace of no other. Merchandise abounds, including TVs, pencils, candy, and much, much more. In other countries, including the U.S., Hello Kitty hit it big with popular merchandise and stores even now in 2004.

The Hello Kitty art exhibition, currently touring in Japan, features the work of about 60 artists. Each of these artists was asked to create their own version of

the idol cat, and results ranged from "Hello De Milo," a parody on the "Venus De Milo," to a half panda, half Hello Kitty stuffed doll. This exhibit is expected in the U.S. sometime next year.

Little girls were the obvious target crowd of the Sanrio company when they released the first few Hello Kitty products, but when a high school girl sent a letter about creating more Hello Kitty stuff for teens in 1987, things really began to pick up for the busy kitty. To date, there are about 50,000 Hello Kitty products on the market in 60 different countries.

So how will the pretty kitty spend her birthday? Why, at her own Sanrio theme park, of course! A big party is planned at the theme park in Tokyo November 1st, Hello Kitty's official birthday. Do not get

this cat wrong; she is all about helping the people! Hello Kitty is a UNICEF contributor, an organization that helps little girls attend school in developing countries.

Hello Kitty has become an icon for many young and teen-aged girls all over the world. Even stars like Mandy Moore and Mariah Carey have been spotted with Hello Kitty gear. For more information about this lovely feline, check out www.sanrio.com and see the cuteness for yourself!



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Soothing Voice But Lacks Good Lyrics

■ Tracks of Tyler Hilton mirror those of John Mayer, but lacks strong lyrics.

by **Natalie Ryan Wyatt**
staff reporter

Looking at the CD cover, complimentary poster of the attractive Tyler Hilton, and brief bio of this perfectly tanned California boy, truthfully, immediately makes the phrase "trying too hard" come to mind. This boy must be counting on his good looks to help get him by.

As you listen to Tyler Hilton's debut CD, *The Tracks Of Tyler Hilton*, there are a few key things that stand out from the get go. He's going for a bluesy, acoustic sound, trying a little too hard to be John Mayer. Don't get me wrong, he's got the fun, sweet, poppy sound down to a science and if

you're a John Mayer fan, you may like him. But beyond the great voice and catchy tunes, there is little else to be found.

The lyrics lack a real sense of anything. Most of the songs are completely too incoherent to even try to read into. He seems as if he really just tries to put too

picture perfect Moon she'll give me She ties a ribbon to and with the stars She lets me know... leave the listener somewhat confused.

One must understand that it is a debut album and he does have potential. But he should realize that maybe his natural talent is in his beautiful voice and instrumental style, rather than the writing of lyrics, which he is proud to announce he did all on his own. I wouldn't be so proud.

In the end, I guess I can say that there were two songs that stood above the rest as being potential short-lived TRL hits. "Rolling Home" taps into a common need to go back to where

you're from and has a soft acoustic guitar tune that can get stuck in your head easily. And "Kiss On", the only song he didn't write on his own, is a very sexy, romantic tune.



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BE ON THE LOOKOUT: Breakout artist Tyler Hilton releases his debut album.

many deep unexplained emotions into a far too simple rhyme scheme. Lyrics such as, "...And all I ever wanted was For me and the moon to shine And make the darkness Stay awake to see a

Easy College Recipes

■ Tired of Beans, take a moment to try these easy college recipes.

by **Murran**
staff reporter

Here are a few ideas for quick and easy eating in your own dorm room. Just keep in mind that with a decently stocked fridge, anything is possible.



Ramen Ingredients:

- Any pouch of Top Ramen you desire
- About half a bottle of water
- Whatever Cheese products you might have in your fridge (shredded is best)
- Whatever meat products you may have (Flavored chicken strips are best)
- Any other flavoring that you might have (A1 or BBQ sauce, any other spices

would be great too. White vinegar is my personal favorite. But ketchup and mayonnaise packets taken from Beans work too.)

-Soft tortilla shells.

Directions:

-Heat the water to boiling point (microwaves can be used)

-Break up the noodles and let them soak in boiling water until soft.

Surprise

-When soft, drain the water out.

-Here's where the surprise kicks in: flavor it however you want. If a particular packet jumps out at you, great! Let your mind go wild and mix different spices to your taste.

-You can also add meats and cheeses at this point.

-Stick it back in the microwave to seal the flavoring, cook the meat and melt the cheeses.

-The final touch: wrap the product up in a warm tortilla shell and enjoy, burrito style!

Icy Treats:

- Any ice-cream flavor that appeals to you
- Fruit
- Your favorite cereal

Directions:

- Cut up the fruit
- Dish up some ice-cream
- Place the fruit in a bowl with the ice-cream
- Sprinkle the cereal onto your fruity concoction
- Simple! You're done.

The key to any low-budget cooking is creativity. And remember: anything is possible with a decently stocked fridge Or, you can be lazy and walk to Beans.

Girls Gone Wild Meets Trivial Pursuit

■ Grabs some beers, friends and your X-box or PS2.

by **Isaac Stolzenbach**
staff reporter

The world of video games has finally given Generation X what they have been waiting for. The days of fantasizing about what Ms. Pac-Man has under her bow are long gone—for now there is *The Guy Game*!

The Guy Game, a party console escapade, has excerpts that were filmed during Spring Break shenanigans at South Padre Island, Texas. It includes lots of cursing, drinking, and flesh... that's right, copious amounts of exposed female flesh. Thus it follows that the game would receive an 'M' rating from the ESRB (Entertainment Software Rating Board) for everything the half-adult-adolescent-male enjoys: Crude Humor (burp and fart noises), Nudity (yes' sir), Strong Language (in all the right places), Strong Sexual Content (obviously), and Use of Alcohol (in gratuitous amounts).

The premise may seem cheesy; a gaggle of half-intoxicated women standing on stage, trying to get their trivia questions correct so they can keep their tops. The structure of the game is from what you might have played last weekend, Presidents and A-holes. The President gets to choose from a set of rules how long they keep getting trivia questions right. No one can say words with the letter 'D' in them; everyone must keep their hands on their controller; last thumb

on the table gets a penalty. The rules reminiscent of a heartfelt drinking game of "Three Man" or "Presidents and A-holes."

The game goes like this; you are asked a trivia question, you then hit one of the buttons on your controller to the

answer. Then the screen flips to a video-clip of a chick being asked the same question you were just asked. Then, just before she answers the question, the screen flips back and asks you whether or not you think she got it right, this is how you gain bonus points. The more bonus points, the more skin on the screen. As the game progresses you have the opportunity to see bare-breasts, that is, if you guess correctly as to what the chick on stage is going to say.

If you are lucky and get enough bonus points, your next screen will bring you to the "Hottie Challenge." In this section you can lay down your wad on the hottie of your choice; betting on who can jump rope topless, bounce on a game-ball the furthest, or beat each other senseless. You can double your cash if your hottie wins, and if your hottie wins, you get to see a video-skit of your hottie dancing around.

This game is absolutely childish, wrought with things that affirm what is expected to make a stereotypical male laugh. This is why it has received rave reviews in gamer magazines nationwide as well as Playboy. You can rent it at Blockbuster Video if you are skittish about adding such an extreme game to your collection. This reviewer recommends that you purchase this game if you can find it in stock, and grab a sixer on the way home. Grab some buddies and liberal-minded female friends and prepare to bust a gut laughing the night away at your circle-of-friends' grasp on pop-culture trivia.



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GET THEM NAKED: Your adolescent fantasies have come true with "The Guy Game".

EXPERIMENTATION: College is all about trying new things; try cooking for a change.

Week 3: Gruden and Sapp Meet Again

■ Chiefs try to get back in the win column, Vick tries to stay hot, and the Fins will lose.

by **Remer and Ferreira**
the football docs

Here are the doc's picks for Week 3, which features the rematch between Jon Gruden and Warren Sapp on Monday night football. Look for Michael Vick and Aaron Brooks to try to show up their performances last week, and look for the Chiefs to try to rebound this week after dropping to 0-2. It's already crunch time for some teams that can't afford to fall behind the pack.

Pittsburgh at Miami

REMER: Miami- because is Pittsburgh is horrible.

FERREIRA: Steelers- Miami struggled to beat the Bengals, the greatest laughing stock in the NFL, and the Steelers were embarrassed; they will win this ugly game.

Chicago at Minnesota

REMER: Vikings- because Randy Moss is the best receiver in the NFL.

FERREIRA: Vikings- the Bears haven't shown me much this season, and it seems that the Vikings keep getting better every week; watch for Moss and Culpepper to have fun in this one.

Cleveland at NY Giants

REMER: Cleveland- Garcia is unpredictable, but the Giants have no Quarterback

FERREIRA: Giants- Warner demonstrated that he can still play with the big boys, and the Browns are too inconsistent to compete.

Arizona at Atlanta

REMER: Atlanta- Vick

will dominate by himself.

FERREIRA:

Falcons- Vick will lead this explosive offensive over a weak defense and will win easily.

Baltimore at Cincinnati

REMER: Baltimore- Cincinnati has no one.

FERREIRA:

Bengals- I like the Bengals in this one because they show courage, and all they need is a little luck to beat the Ravens.

Philadelphia at Detroit

REMER: Philadelphia- hottest team in the league right now.

FERREIRA: Eagles- I don't think anyone can stop McNabb and Owens right now; all they need to do is play their game.

Jacksonville at Tennessee

REMER: Jacksonville- Titans have no defense.

FERREIRA: Titans- the magic will stop here for the Jags because the Titans simply have too many weapons for their weak defense.

New Orleans at St. Louis

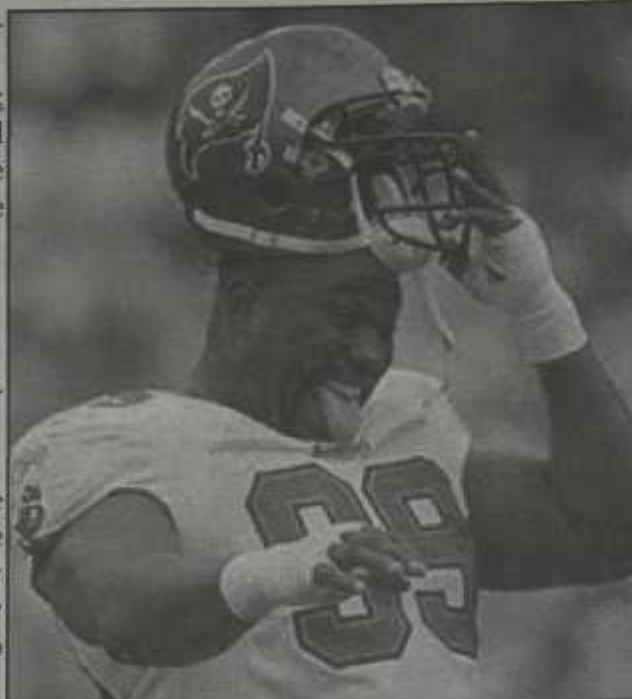
REMER: Flip the coin on this one.

FERREIRA: Saints- Brooks was amazing last week, and Bulger fizzled; look out if this New Orleans team gets hot.

Houston at Kansas City

REMER: KC- too many weapons for the Texans' feeble defense.

FERREIRA: Chiefs- Where have the Chiefs gone? I think that the real team with Holmes and Gonzalez will finally make their sea-



WHO WILL HAVE THE LAST LAUGH?: Warren Sapp and his new team will face a very unhappy Jon Gruden on Sunday Night Football Week 3.

son opener this week against a frail team.

San Diego at Denver

REMER: Denver: should run all over the Chargers

FERREIRA: Broncos: this team has surprised me right out of the gate; they will massacre the Chargers.

Green Bay at Indianapolis

REMER: Indianapolis- high scoring game will come down to offense.

FERREIRA: Colts- after getting a win against the Titans, it will be a warm homecoming against the Packers.

San Francisco at Seattle

REMER: Seattle on a roll, and the 49ers are in a deep hole.

FERREIRA: Seahawks- even though Seattle has no running game; the 49ers are just a pathetic team this year.

Tampa Bay at Oakland

REMER: Tampa Bay- Oakland is too old to win anything.

FERREIRA: Raiders- this will be an incredibly boring game on Sunday Night football.

Dallas at Washington

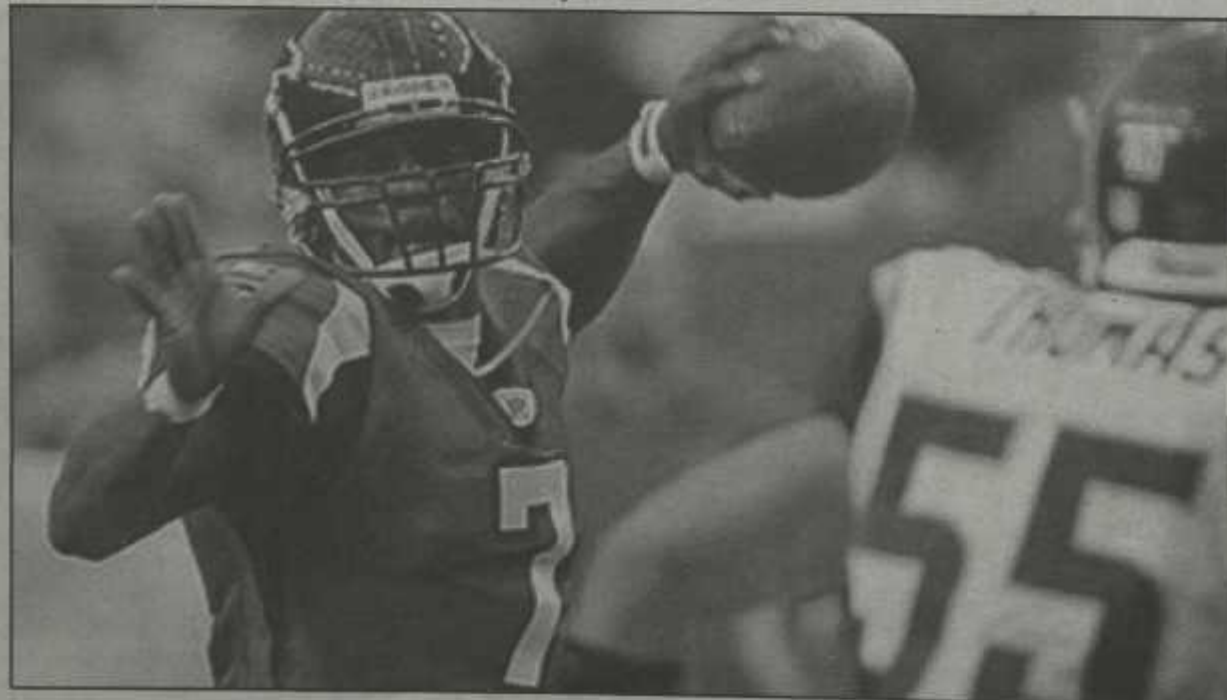
REMER: Washington- Clinton Portis will make all the difference.

FERREIRA:

Redskins- this will be an excellent game between these two rivals, and whoever defense is better will win this game.

Weekly Rank

1. **Eagles** Good win against the Vikings puts them at number 1.
2. **Patriots** Had problems dealing with the Cardinals, but came out on top.
3. **Colts** Getting a big win against the Titans boosts them up.
4. **Vikings** Loss on Monday Night shows they might not be ready for the big show.
5. **Seahawks** Two big road wins have surprised me.
6. **Titans** Lost a squeaker to the Colts, but are still a solid team.
7. **Jets** Good enough to make the playoffs, not good enough to beat the Pats.
8. **Panthers** Foster can run baby
9. **Ravens** Rebounded after that pounding, so watch out.
10. **Broncos** Griffin is a strong running back and the defense is revamped
11. **Packers** Favre was beat up last week, this team is on the way down.
12. **Falcons** Vick came back to form and that means the Falcons have a shot at winning
13. **Jaguars** It's been magical so far? How far will the pixie dust last?
14. **Lions** Harrington is getting better, so watch out for this underdog
15. **Cowboys** Strong surprise this week
16. **Rams** Looked pitiful this week
17. **Bengals** That big win against the Dolphins will help this young team
18. **Steelers** Look for some big plays against this team
19. **Chiefs** A team that has been all disappointment this season, they will be hard pressed to show up.
20. **Saints** Things are getting spicy in Cajun land
21. **Raiders** Sapp getting good again? Maybe...we'll wait and see
22. **Browns** Garcia needs to improve to move this team up, and the loss of Winslow will be felt.
23. **Bears** They beat their hated rivals, that's good for something
24. **Giants** Warner did very well, they might be moving up.
25. **Bills** Bledsoe demonstrated last week that his critics were right
26. **Buccaneers** They keep looking for some offense, but can't seem to find any.
27. **Chargers** Fighting hard, but have little talent.
28. **Texans** Have lost to two teams they should have beat, looking bad.
29. **49ers** Only bright spot is Dorsey's debut, but that's pretty much all the good news
30. **Cardinals** Played well against the Champs, but didn't come close to a win.
31. **Dolphins** Losing to the BENGALS? Come on...



THE RETURN OF FANTASTIC VICK: Vick threw for 179 yards and ran for 109 against the Rams.

Europe Wallops US at Ryder Cup

■ Hal Sutton's U.S Squad suffers worse defeat in the history of the Ryder Cup.

by Jami Furo

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On Friday, September 17, 2004, twelve of the best golfers from the United States competed against twelve of the best golfers from Europe in a team event known as the Ryder Cup. The teams headed to the Oakland Hills Country Club in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan, for this biannual event.

The team from the United States, including golfers such as Tiger Woods and Phil Mickelson, did not expect the match that they got from the European team.

United States was left in the dust, gaining only a little over half the points of the team's European counterpart.

With this victory, Europe retains the Ryder Cup from the last competition.

The United States, while struggling from the beginning of the tournament on Friday, began Sunday leading the majority of the matches. However, little by little, the leads began slipping away.

Phil Mickelson had a two-point lead over the young Sergio Garcia of Spain. However, Garcia came back and won with a deficit of three holes to two. The match was closed on the 16 hole, as



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HE MAY HAVE A VIDEOGAME, BUT HE'S NOT SUPERMAN: Not even the best efforts from poster child Tiger Woods could avoid an embarrassing defeat.

13.5, ensuring that they would get the 14 necessary points to win the tournament. Westwood totaled 4.5 points over the course of the

tournament, a tie with Sergio Garcia. The highest amount of points obtained by any individual in the Ryder Cup was five, which is the highest possible amount for the week. These two individuals tied for second place in the history books, and no two members of the same team have ever

2), Jim Furyk over David Howell (6 and 4), Chad Campbell over Luke Donald (5 and 3), and Chris DiMarco over Miguel Angel Jimenez (1 up). However, it was not nearly enough to keep up with the Europeans. The Europeans began Sunday with a 6-point lead, and their command over the Americans on Sunday led to a 9-point deficit.

It was decided that the trick is teamwork. In general, the members of the European team are ranked lower in the world golf rankings than the members of the American team. However, they won by a landslide anyway.

Colin Montgomerie reflected on the phenomenon. "We came here as underdogs. It's amazing how well we do. I can't really put

it into words. I don't know how it happens. We managed to play well as a team the first two days, and that's how we got this unassailable lead."

The terrible defeat of the Americans has caused some to question the leadership of Hal Sutton. Some have called for Mike O'Meara to be the new captain, and speculation has it that he will accept the invitation in 2006. The United States has now lost four of the last five Ryder Cups, but something says that the hangover from this lost will last for a while. The prospects are not improving for the United States as the must travel to Europe to try to take the coveted back. The golf world's attention now shifts back to the battle for number 1 between Vijay and Tiger.



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CELEBRATE! European squad celebrates handing the Americans a historic defeat on their home turf.

Europe finished over the United States with a score of 18.5 to 9.5.

The European team, headed by captain Bernhard Langer, won seven of its twelve matches on Sunday and halved one of them. Hal Sutton's team from the

Mickelson faced a four-foot bogey putt, and Garcia sunk a par.

It was Lee Westwood of England that secured the title. With his final putt in his match against Kenny Perry, he gained enough points to bring Europe's point total to

obtained 4.5 points in a Ryder Cup tournament.

While Westwood ensured an inevitable victory for Europe, it was Colin Montgomerie that brought the total over the 14-point mark. Montgomerie was one of Langer's captain's picks, and he cer-

tainly proved to be a formidable choice. His victory on Sunday brought the team to 14.5 points — enough to hold the trophy until the next competition. American victories on Sunday included Tiger Woods over Paul Casey (3 and



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SAD, SAD FACES: The American team drives away into the sunset looking for answers after getting beaten severely.

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What's Happening? ROLLINS CALENDAR

Friday 9-24

Psychology Club presents
Alfred Hitchcock's "Spellbound"
Dave's Downunder
7 p.m. - 9 p.m.
Oscar & Felix: A New Look
at "The Odd Couple"
Annie Russell Theatre
8 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.

Saturday 9-25

Sailing - South Points #4
Lake Virginia
9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Oscar & Felix: A New Look
at "The Odd Couple"
Annie Russell Theatre
8 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.

Sunday 9-26

Sailing - South Points #4
Lake Virginia
9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Monday 9-27

HHSGA Student
Involvement Fair
Between Bush & Cornell
4 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Tuesday 9-28

Communique Meeting
CSS 230
5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

ACE Meeting
Bieberback & Reed
6 p.m.

Wednesday 9-29

SGA Meeting
Galloway Room - 6 p.m.

Women Soccer vs. N. Florida
Cahall-Sandspur Field - 7:00 p.m.

Thursday 9-30

Volleyball vs. Florida Southern
Alford Sports Center - 7 p.m.
"The Early Girl"
Fred Stone Theatre: 8 - 10 p.m.
Oscar & Felix: A New Look
at "The Odd Couple"
Annie Russell Theatre
8 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.

Lady Tars Win Home Opener

■ The new field seems to be good luck as the girls also win home opener.

by **Natalie Wyatt**

staff reporter

Last Wednesday, September 15th, Rollins' very own Women's Varsity Soccer team embarked on their first home game of the year against a strong conference opponent in Nova Southeastern.

The first ten to fifteen minutes were definitely the most exciting from the stands. "It was a mid-field battle for the rest of the game," Erica Tibbetts said.

The team's senior captain Keri Dye was giving Nova Southeastern a lot of heat. Dye went onto the field already carrying some injuries from prior games and practices, but was a large part of the Tars' win, seeing as how she scored both goals at the very beginning of the game.

In between Rollins' first

and only 2 goals for the game, Nova definitely put forth an effort and got their lone goal. Despite that one set back, there were a few tremendous saves which helped the Tars preserve their lead.

Francesca Nicoloso, a sophomore goalie, really brought her game to the table when the second half rolled around. She pulled off some amazing moves to keep the ball out of the net. They tried to chip her but she blocked and hit the ball over the bar. Considering her height and reach in the net, she pulled off an intensely skilled maneuver.

Clearing the ball off the line with a header, Lindsay Taylor made the crowd look



LADY TARS WIN: Rollins win 2-1 with two goals from Keri Dye. Rollins keeper Francesca Nicoloso had seven amazing saves in the Rollins win.

twice. There was a lot of hooping and hollering at that point in the game. "Did she just do that?" I heard from numerous onlookers.

The game was back and forth from then on. Injuries were sustained but mostly will be bounced back from easily. Courtney Wismann twisted her ankle and was led off the field to the cheering of the crowd. We hope

you heal up soon!

Not only did the Tars win their first home game, but also their first conference game. Keep fighting ladies.

The team took a 4-1 record into their game at Lynn on September 23. Their next home action will be on September 29 when they host North Florida at 7:00 p.m. at Cahall-Sandspur Field.

Win and Draw for Boys

■ Men's Soccer continued their solid season with win and a tie.

by **Dean Hybl**

faculty advisor

Last Friday, September 17, the Tars escaped with a 2-0 win over 9th ranked Nova Southeastern behind goals from Chris Cerroni and Juan Kusnir. Both goals came in the second half, with the first of the two and the eventual game-winner sparking controversy.

The first half of the game was evenly matched with each team taking six shots. However, in the second half the Tars applied more offensive pressure, which resulted in two goals and the victory. In the 76 minutes of play, Cerroni was awarded a corner kick on a ball that appeared to go off a Rollins player. The Knights bench protested the call, but to no avail. Cerroni scored on the kick after the ball bounced off the goalie and into the net. It was his second of the season, leading the Tars team.

Rollins sealed the win in minute 84 with a goal by Kusnir. Anthony Santiago dribbled the ball to the right

side of the box and crossed it into the middle for Ryan Dodds, who one-timed it towards the goal. The shot was blocked by Knights keeper Steven Deering, back to Kusnir who punched it into the back of the net for his first goal of the season. It was also Dodds and Santiago's first assists of the season.

Tars keeper Jeffrey Rogers played a solid game in making three saves and recording his first shutout of the season. He was helped by strong defensive efforts from Ben Munson, Daniell Robertson, and Kevin White.

In St. Augustine on September 20, it was a tale of two halves as Rollins College tied Flagler College 4-4 on a cool, rainy night. Rollins scored three times in the first half with goals by Juan Kusnir, Chris Cerroni, and an own goal from Flagler to take a 3-1 lead.

However, the second half was a different story with Rollins scoring only

one goal, by Ian Zarac, and giving up three goals, including a penalty kick for the game equalizer.

Kusnir opened the scoring in the eighth minute when he dribbled around one defender and pushed the ball into the net beyond the charging Peter Young. It was his second goal in as many games. One minute later the Saints tied it up with a rainbow shot from 30 yards out that sneaked



"LOCHING" IT IN: Sophomore Tres Loch heads downfield.

over the outstretched arms of Jeffrey Rogers. In minute 22, Chris Cerroni hit his team-leading third goal of the season off a corner kick to put the Tars ahead 2-1. Rollins went into the half with a 3-1 lead after Kusnir crossed a ball that bounced off a Flagler defender and into the net in minute 27.

As the teams came back onto the field for the second half, the rainy weather shorted a fuse and the lights went. After the 15 minute delay, Flagler came out on-fire with

strong offensive punch. Daniel Knopp headed a corner kick from Andres Jaramillo in the 52nd minute to make the score 3-2. Jorgen Rosten then scored the game-tying goal as he put his shot into the right corner of the net past the diving Frazer Siddall. In the 67th minute Zarac put the Tars up 4-3 with his first goal of the season. Zarac took Cerroni's bloop pass over the defense and slid it under the keeper. Rollins appeared to have the game under control until the 82nd minute when the defense was called for a foul after taking down Rosten in the box. He converted the penalty kick for the game-tying goal and his third of the game.

The two overtime periods were hard fought by both teams but unfortunately were not enough time to determine a winner. Frazer Siddall replaced Rogers in goal after the first half for his first action of the season. Siddall made five saves in 65 minutes of play.

Rollins next game is at Lynn on Saturday. They are not in action back here at Cahall-Sandspur Field until hosting Florida Southern on October 6.