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IN BRIEF

Prospective Cornell Scholars Visit Rollins
Fifty-three high school seniors from around the nation visited Rollins College this weekend. The students were invited to be among the first-ever potential recipients of a full scholarship award. The students who are selected receive tuition, fees, room and board, and a laptop computer as part of their enrollment.

Five Professors Tenured

Last week Rollins announced that five professors recently achieved tenure. The list includes Ilan Alon (Finance), Rick Bommelle (Communication), James Johnson (International Business), Craig McAllister (Management), and J. Clay Singleton (Finance). Congratulations to all of these individuals on their success and achievement.

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Ministers from 20 area churches are protesting a Nelly concert to be held at the University of Arkansas.

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The Residence Hall Association competed against fifteen other colleges from the state and received the award for Most Improved School. Christen Westover was accepted to the State Board of Directors.

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Better than Ashlee Simpson

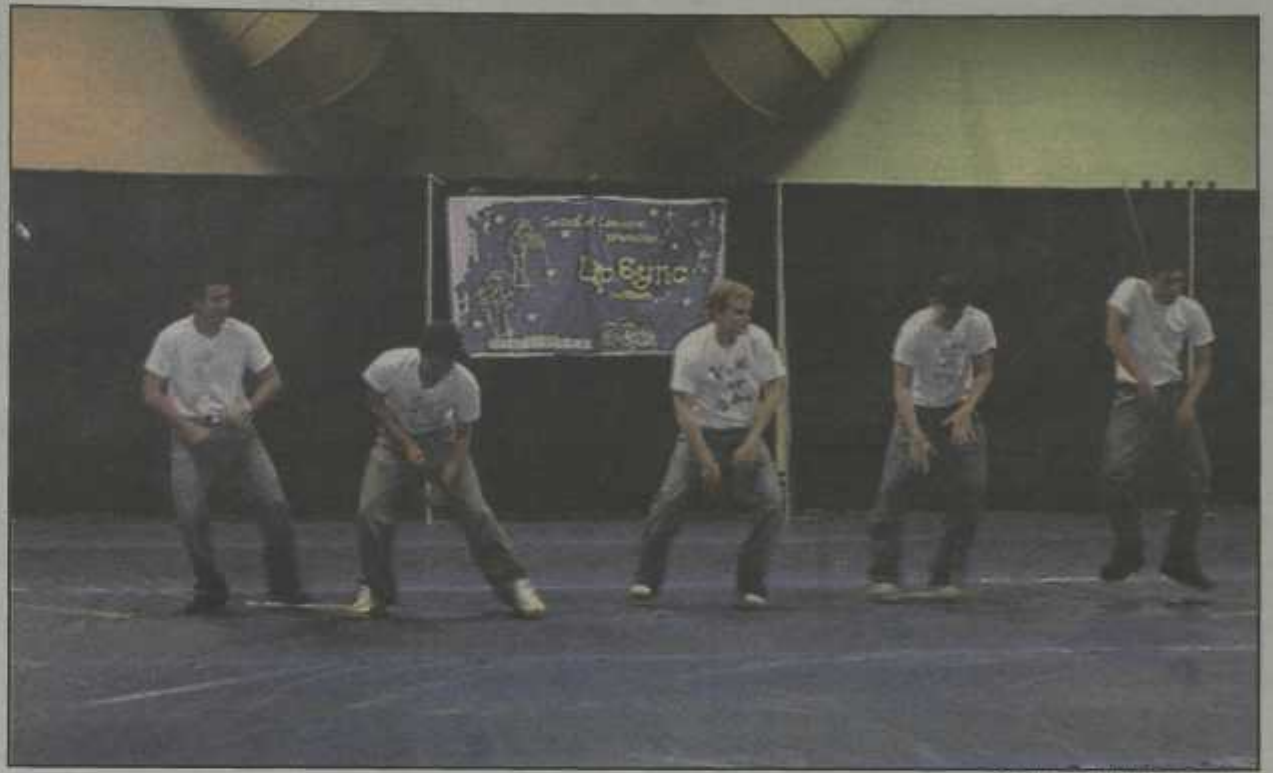
by Brittany Lee

news editor

On Thursday, March 3, Rollins held its annual Lip Sync competition. The event was held in the Sports Center, and this year's prizes were \$500 for first place, \$300 for second, \$200 to third, and \$100 for the honorable mention winner. The Council of Leaders and the Student Government Association organized the event.

This year saw some changes to the traditional Lip Sync format. SGA President Pierce Neinken explained, "This was the first year we used student judges evaluating specific categories to prevent bias." Competitors were judged on audience reaction, overall look, choreography, and lip sync quality. Announcing for the event was Yadhira Galdon, who also chaired this year's Lip Sync, and Cat McConnell.

For the first time the gym filled to capacity, as anxious onlookers applauded their favorite group. The perform-



DANIKA TANZINI / The Sandspur

GOSH...IDIOTS! The brothers of Chi Psi sport "Vote for Pedro" shirts as they dance and "sing" a Napoleon Dynamite medley. Lip Sync is a hugely popular annual event sponsored by SGA.

ances kicked off with a bang, until the sound system suddenly shut off. As the SGA explains, the sound system in the gym only goes so high before the fail-safe auto mechanism shuts off. Only an audio tech can restart it, so the audience and perform-

ers were forced to wait patiently for a while. In the future, the SGA says it will contract out the audio.

To much applause and suspense, the winners were announced as follows: first place went to X-Club for their creative Michael Jack-

son medley, second place to Kappa Kappa Gamma, third to ATO, and honorable mention place to Chi Omega. The event was a tremendous success and provided lively entertainment for all who attended.

Striving to Make a Difference

LEAD Hosts "Week of Inspiration"

by Lindsey Steding

contributing writer

These famous lyrics from the Beatles song, Revolution, inspired the theme for Rollins' first Leadership Week. This celebration of "Peace, Love, and Leadership," from February 28th to March 5th, was put on by the LEAD Team as they sought to stimulate reflection and discussion, inspire students to make a difference, and foster supportive teamwork. A week filled with far-out events and groovy giveaways was designed to implement this goal.

Who is this LEAD Team? It is a group of six students (Corey Gregory, Jason Barsema, Lauren Ervin, Lindsey Steding, Yadhira Galdon, Yvette Kojic, and graduate advisor Jackie Bayer) who are passionate about leadership and promote leadership

development throughout the Rollins campus. They plan and implement programming endeavors such as EMERGE, VENTURE, Recognition, Leadership retreats, Recognition Banquet, and Council of Leaders. Dedicated to the idea that leadership is a process and not a position, an important message the LEAD Team hopes to spread is that there is a leader within every individual. This message runs through everything the LEAD Team does, evident by the fact that all programs are free and open to all students.

Much of the LEAD Team's work is based on the social change model. According to this approach, leadership involves "collaborative relationships that lead to collective action

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Dancin' The Night Away



MARK BARTSCH / The Sandspur

THE HEAT IS ON: Rollins students sway to latin rhythms at Intervarsity Christian Fellowship's Salsa Night. The event which took place March 8, at Dave's Downunder, featured a live salsa band and a professional instructor to help prevent severe toe damage amongst the gyrating attendees.

Controversy Over the 10 Commandments

by Erica Tibbetts

asst. sports editor

The separation of church and state is one of the most important and time-honored features of American society. For years it has been illegal to enforce religion on anyone, or for the government to endorse or encourage any particular sect or practice. This separation was meant to protect the integrity of both the church and the government, and keep the secular out of the sacred, and vice versa. But does this separation ever go too far?

There have been legal battles over the inscription on money; whether the words "In God we Trust" should be allowed on coins and dollars, and there was even a dispute over the pledge of allegiance, and whether "one nation under God" was unconstitutional.

The current issue in court though, is the legality of displaying the 10 commandments on public property. The debate started in 1980 when the Supreme Court ruled that religious icons could not be placed in public schools. Until then the 10 commandments had been visible in classrooms across the country. Since then there have been few

cases involving the commandments, but now, the court is focusing on itself. The current debate is centered on a six-foot granite monument located between the Texas State Capitol and the Texas Supreme Court. The monument was donated by the Fraternal Order of Eagles, in 1961 and contains the 10 commandments. The suit against the monument was brought by Thomas Van Orden, an ex-lawyer.

The courts are debating whether this monument is an unconstitutional endorsement of religion. At present the commandments are visible on lots of government owned land, and in town squares and court yards around the country, and any decision reached in this case could affect other monuments. The opponents of the commandments claim that they encourage the Christian religion, and violates the separation between church and state. The argument presented by those who want to keep the monument is that the 6 foot granite slab is of historical value, not religious. These defendants also point to previous legislation that allows prayer in court rooms. If prayer is allowed, then why not a display of biblical texts?

A decision on the case is expected in June.

Recently there were demonstrations outside the Supreme Court, both in favor the ban and against it. Those who are against the display carried signs that read "Keep Government and Religion Separate" and "My God Does Not Need Government Help." Their opponents, over 100 of them, yelled things like "Amen", and sang "Amazing Grace". A survey by AP-Ipsos stated that 76% of Americans actually favor the display.

Another, similar case, is taking place in Kentucky, where the commandments are framed, and hung on the wall of the courthouse. The courthouse added the Magna Carta and other secular documents to the wall in order to emphasize the historical value of the documents, not the religious significance.

This is a very important case because it may be used to define future cases dealing with religious use in public settings, like the inclusion of religious music at school concerts. This case could very well be a turning point in how Americans view religion and its inclusion in society.

Leadership Week

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grounded in the shared values, interests, especially as these relate to one's effective leadership capacity) and leadership competence (the ability to mobilize oneself and others to serve and to work collaboratively).

From this conception of leadership, three aspects of development emerge: the Individual, the Group, and the Community/Society. Various events throughout leadership week were devoted to each of these interdependent realms, showing the importance of all three components. The week started off with an emphasis on individual leadership development. Monday evening, students gathered to watch a phenomenal cast including Hilary Swank and Anjelica Houston in *Iron Jawed Angels*, an HBO movie about the amazing and true story of the two women who dared to make a stand for women's rights, igniting the movement that changed the way both American men and women think about and treat women.

In a discussion after the movie, the inspirational power of the story was clear. Students noted that because the women truly believed in what they were working for, it didn't matter who doubted them—they were determined and it paid off. This calls to mind Margaret Mead's famous words, "Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has." Wednesday was Leadership Reflection Day. Posters around the campus highlighted powerful quotes to stimulate reflection about leadership at the personal level.

The LEAD Team hoped students would think about questions like, What do you value? What are your passions? What leaders inspire you? What legacy will you leave? Students wrote their values on banner that hung in the Campus Center the rest of the week. Tuesday's Student Involvement Fair, themed "Get in the Groove!" integrated individual and group leadership values, displaying some of the diverse campus involvement opportunities for students. Organization involvement helps students to identify leadership traits, qualities and values within themselves, and positive change results from the group when the individuals work together.

Group Development involves Collaboration, Controversy with Civility, and Common Purpose. This process—individuals trusting one another, respectful of different opin-

ions, but unified in working towards one ultimate goal—was evident in the Rollins Improv Players' (R.I.P.) presentation "Leadership in Action" on Tuesday evening and, of course, all the impressive performances during Lip Sync on Thursday night. Anyone who was involved in a Lip Sync number (as in any other kind of group project) would surely agree that working in a group in which individuals feel welcome to share their unique ideas, not afraid of being shot down or condemned for their suggestions (controversy with civility) not only constitutes a much more enjoyable experience, but also leads to more creative products. At the same time, however, everyone in the group must be committed to a shared goal or mission. It is this common purpose that explains how the improv players create such impressive ad-lib entertainment.

Creating change in society ultimately depends on leadership in the community sphere. Staff from the Office of Student Involvement and Leadership held a table during lunchtime in the CCC on Friday to recognize the exemplary contributions peers, colleagues, and treasured friends have made on the campus and in the wider Central Florida community. Finally students were invited to put their leadership skills in action by participating in Habitat for Humanity on Saturday. Students enjoyed fellowship and laughs as they served others in need. It was a rewarding experience for all involved as their work created visible and meaningful progress; they left knowing that they had made a difference in one family's life.

Hopefully, you enjoyed the festivities of Leadership week, or at least got a rad tie-dyed beach ball or a sweet slap-bracelet out of it. Leadership Week may be over, but leadership in style/appropriate. Leadership is creating positive change. The LEAD Team wants you to feel empowered: Whatever you feel passionate about, take action to create positive change. Leave a legacy! So if you want to change the world, don't just say you want a revolution, make it happen! Leadership starts with you, so why not start now?! For more information, visit LEAD at <http://www.rollins.edu/osil/lead/main.htm> or stop by the office upstairs in Chase.

* Adapted from A Social Change Model of Leadership Development: Higher Education Research Institute, University of California, Los Angeles and <http://www.uky.edu/StudentCenter/StudentOrganizations/ELI/7Cs.html>



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Putting An End to Juvenile Executions

by **Brittany Lee**

news editor

On Tuesday, March 1, the Supreme Court made a landmark decision in declaring the execution of juvenile killers unconstitutional. The divided court reached a 5-4 decision, with Justices Anthony Kennedy, John Paul Stevens, David Souter, Ruth Bader Ginsburg, and Stephen Breyer in support of the ruling. Justice Anthony Kennedy, writing for the court, found the punishment of juvenile execution was unconstitutionally cruel under the Eighth Amendment. He stated "When a juvenile commits a heinous crime, the State can exact forfeiture of some of the most basic liberties, but the State cannot extinguish his life and his potential to attain a mature understanding of his own humanity."

Justice Antonin Scalia issued dissent to this notion, countering "We must disregard the new reality that — to the extent our Eighth Amendment decisions constitute something more than a show of hands on the current Justices' personal views (on the death penalty) — they purport to be nothing more than a snapshot of American public opinion at a particular point in time." Joining him in opposition to the decision are Justices Sandra Day O'Connor, Clarence Thomas, and Chief Justice William Rehnquist.

This revolutionary ruling will mean that the death sentences of about 70 death row inmates who were under 18 at the time of committing their crimes will be

invalid, and from this point on states will not be allowed to seek the death penalty for juvenile offenders. Previously, 19 states had allowed the death penalty for killers who committed crimes under the age of 18.

This ruling reverses the decision made in 1989, the last time the Supreme Court weighed the issue of executing juveniles, to uphold the execution of a 16-year-old Kentucky murderer. Since this ruling, public opinion and sentiment has shifted away from giving the death penalty to those less mature in their reasoning and logic. Tuesday's decision marks yet another milestone in the Court's recent history of limiting the use and application of the death penalty. In 2002, with much support, the Supreme Court barred the execution of mentally retarded criminals.

The death penalty was reinstated in America in 1976. Since then, 22 of the people put to death were juveniles when they committed their crimes, about 2 percent of all executions. Texas executed the most, 13, and currently has 29 juveniles on death row. In total, the US death row population is nearly 3,500.

Prior to this ruling, the US was one of few countries in the world to have put juvenile offenders to death since 1990, and in fact was the only country in the world to still give official sanction to the juvenile death penalty. The UN Convention on the Rights of the Child, which prohibits the juvenile death penalty, was ratified by every country

but the US and Somalia. Iran, Pakistan, China, and Saudi Arabia are the only other countries that have killed juveniles since 1990 and since then all have either abolished capital punishment for juveniles or made public disavowal of the practice. Justice Kennedy cited the "overwhelming weight of international opinion" as critical to the formation Tuesday's ruling.

William F. Schulz, executive director of Amnesty International, cheered the decision, stating, "Today, the court repudiated the misguided idea that the United States can pledge to leave no child behind while simultaneously exiling children to the death chamber." Many feel this decision has been a long time coming, and that our nation will benefit immensely from it. Supporter former President Carter said, "This ruling acknowledges the profound inconsistency in prohibiting those under 18 years of age from voting, serving in the military, or buying cigarettes, while allowing them to be sentenced to the ultimate punishment."

The ruling has both supporters and dissenters wondering as to its future implications on the issue of the death penalty in general. Those who advocate abolishing the death penalty see Tuesday's ruling as the next necessary step in moving towards that goal, while others simply see it as a reflection on the rights of youth, with minimal implications for the death penalty process as a whole.

Martha Stewart Comes Out On Top

■ Ms. Stewart is out of prison and contemplating her next career move.

by **Meghan Waters**

staff reporter

On March 4, as the chief executive of Martha Stewart Living Omnimedia Inc., Martha Stewart was finally released from Alderson's Federal Women's Prison after five months of incarceration for lying to investigators about a stock trade.

Stewart left the prison shortly after midnight on Friday, traveling with her daughter to her multi-million dollar estate in Bedford, New York. She is now expected to serve five months of house arrest regulated by an electronic ankle bracelet that she must wear at all times. Only permitted outside the home 48 hours a week for work, grocery shopping, and church services, the billionaire must check-in with her probation officer daily.

After her release, Stewart

commented that her experience at Alderson was "life altering and life affirming." Later she added, "There is no place like home."

While incarcerated, Stewart commented through a letter posted on her website concerning local prison conditions and the injustice of mandatory sentencing, especially among mothers with young children. The message reverberated with many of her fans and followers.

Martha is expected to hit the ground running with her upcoming roles in creating her new daytime lifestyle television show and her new reality TV program "The Apprentice: Martha Stewart." Her company, Martha Stewart Living Omnimedia Inc., is also planning to introduce new products—frozen food, home improvement items, and "how to" videos.

Since the beginning of Stewart's prison term, the stock for her company has more than doubled in value. Her current estimated net worth is over one billion dollars.

Bloodshed in Iraq Continues

■ The death toll in Iraq rises as 13 Iraqi soldiers die from suicide bombings.

by **Natalie Wyatt**

staff reporter

Wednesday, March 2, Baghdad, Iraq— Suicide bombers kill thirteen Iraqi soldiers in two different bombings, this the most recent outbreak of violence against Iraq's Security Forces.

First, there was a car filled with explosives that took off into a crowd outside of an army compound

at the former Muthanna airport in Baghdad's central city at around 7 am. This first attack killed not only six soldiers but also wounded twenty-eight others (ten of which were new recruits), and three civilian women.

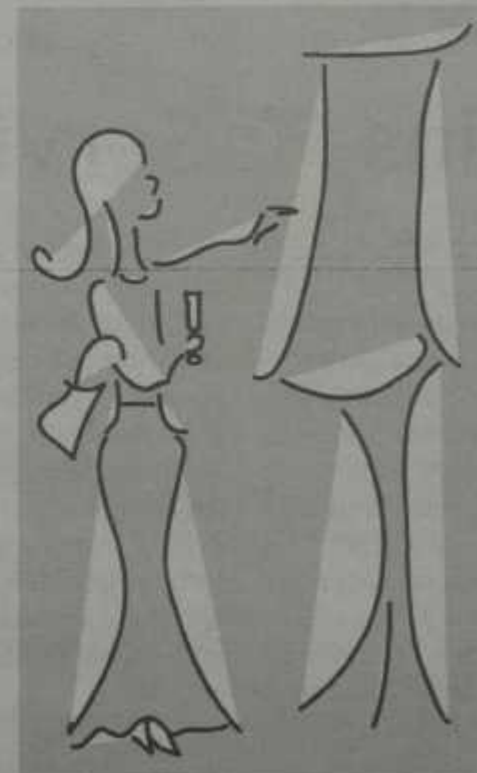
In the second bombing, nearly an hour later, another bomber drove into an army convoy as it headed toward a highway south of the city in Dawra. This explosion took the lives of seven soldiers and wounded two.

Also on Wednesday, an Islamist website put out a statement that the network of Jordanian militant Abu Musab al-Zarqawi took re-

sponsibility for the last attack. That group did not, however, claim the same responsibility for the first attack on Muthanna.

Violence has been scattered across central and northern Iraq, breaking out more than most days on March 2. A police officer died of a fatal gun shot wound in the northern city of Mosul. Following that occurrence, a headless body was found in a police uniform in another part of the city. In Baghdad, officials say that a police lieutenant and his son were kidnapped by men posing as police Tuesday evening.

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Friday, March 25
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Cornell Fine Arts Building
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1. Silent Art Auction of Student Work
2. Live Music by D-Street (guitarist)
3. Raffle of Studio Art Faculty Work
4. Art Making Activities
5. Hors d'Oeuvres and sparkling cider
6. ROPES points for sorority/fraternities

Olin Library: Overlooked Resource

by **Jennifer Walchok**
staff reporter

Congratulations Holt students you are officially through the first half of the Spring semester! Since we are half way through and well rested from break, let me introduce you to a phenomenal resource for smooth sailing in the second half. The Olin library is designed and operated around students' academic needs. Besides academic must haves, you can check out movies, children's books and popular titles from the NY Times Best Seller list. It is also a great spot on campus to chill with a cup of coffee and surf the net wireless on a lap top checked out with your R-Card from the circulation desk.

The circulation desk is the main source for information about all of the functions within the library. Kim Woodham, fellow Holt student, is part of the enthusiastic and friendly staff to point you in the right direction. "We are more than happy to help students find what they need." Located directly on your left when walking through the front doors, the circulation desk holds books/articles your professor puts on reserve.

The circulation staff can also order books, articles and videos from other libraries located around the world through Inter Library Loan. In the words of Shawn Keegan, MLS Holt Student and circulation staff member, "If you need it, we can get it." If you can not wait the two to five weeks it takes to obtain Inter Library Loan materials, Rollins' students are able to check out books and use the UCF library. Fill out an application in Olin first then bring your R-card to the UCF library to check out their services as well.

Olin Library offers several

options for study; groups can reserve private office space, for a quiet place to study head to the third and forth floors, and late nighters are welcome around the clock in the 24 hour computer lab and study rooms by using your R-Card to unlock the side entrance after hours.

Current media sources are always available for reading including everything from the New York Times to Sport's Illustrated. When you need articles not as modern, visit Archives and Special Collection section located on the first floor and open Monday through Friday till 4:00 p.m. The Archives and Special Collections hold various books, newspapers and documents related to Rollins history beginning with the foundation of the college in 1885 and scholars related with the college. Also located on the first floor is Government Documents available for you because Rollins' library has been a Federal Depository since 1909. There is a librarian on staff in this area to help you find legislative material, reports, and other documentation.

An IT help desk is located on the first floor and will help you set up your Novell Log In needed to use all computers on campus. They can also help you out with questions about your e-mail accounts, Blackboard and other campus computer related issues.

The library building hosts a variety of computer labs on campus. The Multi-Media Lab is available for projects that involve web-page design, displays, photo shop and many other programs and options. The student lab assistant is helpful to answer questions about the computers and printers in this lab. Computers located in the center of the library on the second floor are for use of refer-

ence only. Reference librarians circulate this area and are more than happy to share their expertise on how to find the materials you need in efficient time through online databases, library databases and the reference section of books on the second floor. The teaching lab and 24 hour lab computers can be used to access the library's research databases online, printers that each student can use about a thousand pages at no charge per semester, and your own personal H drive to save documents that can be later accessed from any campus computer. There is a student lab assistant to help you with any of these options in the lab.

Most of the Olin Library resources are available online from your home or work computer. An extreme number of scholarly journal databases, book renewal, inter library loan requests, and even a section to ask a librarian questions, all online. Go to www.Rollins.edu/olin for more information.

We have an endless source for information on any topic your mind can imagine right here on campus. The library is often an untapped resource for many Holt students because they do not always spend extra time on campus when not in class. I can assure you the resources are very helpful and worth the change of pace from your typical study habits. With all of the resources the Olin Library offers, it truly is a time saver for all of your research and assignments to do. Take advantage of the biggest source of information at your finger tips through the Holt-friendly Olin library and online sources. For additional information such as hours and important phone numbers please call the Olin information line (407) 646-2376.

Rollins IT: Services and More

by **Tiffany Valo**
contributing writer

They help us with countless, sometimes endless problems with our computers, laptops and other technical equipment, but are rarely shown the appreciation they deserve. Who are they? Our lovely Information Technology Department!

They offer convenient times so that faculty, staff and especially students can call them to make an appointment or just walk in to have their questions answered or problems fixed. By providing three full time computer technicians, there is always someone present during the walk in hours.

As a senior, I have taken advantage of this service several times the last three years and have always had huge success with taking my laptop to be fixed. No matter which technician I have worked with, they were always extremely helpful in going the extra step to help update my software, eliminate viruses or spyware, and make things run more smoothly.

They offer this as a free service to anyone with Rollins issued computers or laptops and service usually takes only a day or two to repair. Their office hours are Monday through Thursday 12:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m., Friday 12:30 p.m. - 5 p.m., and Saturday 7:30 p.m. -

11:30 a.m. They are closed on Sundays.

They are conveniently located on the first floor in Bush Science Center Room 103. If you have questions or need help feel free to contact the IT at 407-628-6371 (on campus extension 6371) or stop in to chat!

While in the library or the computer labs if you need help accessing online accounts, using certain programs, or any multimedia outlets, they offer personnel that can help at any time. There are usually several part time students that offer help to anyone who asks. On behalf of the entire Rollins College community, thank you for all you have done!



The
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COACH**
Marian Cacciatore

CHANGE IS IN THE AIR

QUESTION:

I HEARD THAT THE UNDERGRADUATE INDEPENDENT STUDY-INTERNSHIP PROGRAM IS CHANGING FOR HOLT STUDENTS? CAN YOU TELL ME ABOUT THE CHANGES? CAN CAREER SERVICES STILL HELP ME FIND AN INTERNSHIP SITE?

You are right! Starting this summer, Assistant Dean Sharon Lusk will be supervising Internships for Holt Students. She will be the point of contact between the internship site and each student.

What does that mean for our students? If the student has selected an internship to replace a general elective, a student will no longer have to search for a faculty advisor. Ms. Lusk will serve as the contact for students. She will work individually with the student and the internship sites to ensure the internship is meeting specific learning objectives. Those students who are taking the internship to count towards a major elective will still need the approval of the academic department.

After working with students through the years, I see this change as achieving significant benefits for our students:

- Students will not have to search all of over campus for a faculty sponsor. Ms.

Lusk is accessible by appointment during regular business hours at the Holt School.

- Ms. Lusk will be a point of contact for both the internship site and the student. She will be available to ensure that each and every student is getting the best experience possible. At the same time, each student will be held accountable for the required internship assignments.

Career Services will still receive postings for both credit and non-credit internships and will work individually with students to target and apply for internships. In addition, we stand by ready to help design effective resumes to obtain the internships. The new policies and procedures relevant to internships will be posted on the Holt School Students Services web page in the near future at <http://www.rollins.edu/holt/forms/ba/>. In the meantime, students may feel free to contact Sharon Lusk at slusk@rollins.edu.

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

Communiqué Presents

Dress For Success

Saturday, March 12
Holt Auditorium
10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Meet With Professional Clothiers and Stylists
to Maximize Your Interview Potential



Spend it all!

■ We are increasingly embracing this motto in the consumers paradise--America.

by Erica Tibbetts
asst. sports editor

Americans are getting bigger. It's an inescapable fact, but it's not just waistlines that are increasing in size—it's also houses, cars, malls, planes, boats. You name it, Americans will own, and make more lavish, more impressive and more expensive. These days it seems that even American's wallets are getting fatter.

How else can you explain the recent "gourmet food" trend that has struck the country?

From online foodie sites, to little corner shops, to organic food chains across the country, Americans are being bombarded by new, better, more expensive food. And they like it.

A recent Newsweek article described the new interest in gourmet chocolate. People can now buy specially made truffles that cost \$1.80 a pop. That's the same as 3 candy bars! But, The Cocoa Tree, the company that makes the truffles, claims that one truffle will do more to satisfy your taste buds than the any amount of

M&M's or Snickers. Regular grocery stores are getting into the act too, with a dark bar of Dagoba Organic Chocolate priced at \$4.40. Then there is Chocovic Ocumare, which doesn't only list nutritional content like most other bars, but also tells the buyer how much "cocoa" was used and even what kind of bean.

It may sound a little obsessive, but, if you're paying that much for a chocolate bar, then you definitely want to know what's in it.

Americans are also going in for gourmet coffee, which isn't exactly a new trend, but is getting pricier and more popular. Even McDonalds is trying to capitalize on the new taste interests.

They are considering a switch to "gourmet blend" coffee, instead of the regular stuff that is presently served. The fast food chain has even begun opening McCafes, that specialize in coffee. On the more exotic side, Gourmet Coffee Retailer has recently begun sale of the most "exotic coffee ever" and has priced it at around \$300 per pound. Ouch! The coffee is pretty exotic, though; the beans used are actually eaten by an Indonesian Palm civet, and then pass through it's digestive tract without being digested. Sounds gross, but, apparently, it makes for

good coffee. The juices in the animal's stomach add to the flavor of the beans.

On the virtual side, there are sites such as Gourmet Food Direct,



that will ship ready-made gourmet desserts right to your door. The minimum order may be 20 bucks, but customers are willing to pay. These days there are gourmet versions of everything, from pizza to potato chips. Americans want a ritzier version of everything; they don't want simple, thin crust, regular tomato sauce, one topping pizza. They crave melt-in-your-mouth cheese, hand-tossed crusts, and toppings like eggplant, red pepper and artichoke hearts.

Even kids can get gourmet grub these days with restaurants offering things like grilled cheese sandwiches with 2 cheeses, or stuffed pizza. Then there are drinks like Volcano or Tootie Frootie that not only taste good but look cool as well.

It seems as if Americans will spend their money on anything: Hummers, pedicures for their dogs and, as the recent gourmet foods craze points out, delicacies so that even the taste buds get their share of the riches.

A Wired Education!

■ Coffee course perks up Centre College.

by Jami Furo
copy editor

In Danville, Kentucky, a new college course is gaining an increasing amount of criticism. At Centre College, Professor Beau Weston offered a three-week course entitled "The Café and Public Life." That's right—a college course about coffee.

For years, the sociology professor has sat in the Thee Babes and a Monkey Café in Danville, advising students under a cup of joe. He said that he has formed friendships in this coffee shop that he otherwise would not have if it weren't for his caffeine addiction. He is now one of several professors across the

nation that have taught courses on coffee and its effects on society.

Centre College is a small school—the population is only about 1,100 students. However, it has a reputation, and a seemingly flippant course on coffee makes some patrons of the college upset. Two Supreme Court justices have come from the private school and, in 2000, the college hosted the vice presidential debate between Dick Cheney and Joe Lieberman.

However, John Ward, the vice president of academic affairs at Centre Col-

lege, does not seem concerned. He has made it clear that all of the courses taught at Centre College have been approved by the curriculum committee, which, according to CNN, consists of faculty members that review the "intellectual context" of the course that is being suggested.

Even the parents of the 15 students taking Weston's course have had positive reactions to the course. They are pleased to see that their children are motivated and interested in at least one of their classes.

The coffee shop is becoming an increasingly popular phenomenon. You won't see this class at Rollins quite yet, but who knows. Starbucks on Park Ave. could make a perfect location.

Ask The Fox!



by Vanessa Eves

advice columnist

PLAYING KEEP AWAY

Dear Fox,

Ever since I broke up with my ex I have been having a problem with relationships. You see, my ex was my first everything. We were together for 2 years of which one was a total nightmare. He put me through hell. After breaking up with him I have dated a couple of guys but all I do is treat these guys like crap. I don't call them for weeks and never return their calls. I set up dates and don't show up and the minute I find myself falling for anyone I run for the hills. I hate being like this but I really don't want to fall for anyone ever again. What is wrong with me? and what can I do to stop this?

RUNAWAY GIRLFRIEND

Dear Runaway Girlfriend:

First love is one of the hardest, if not the hardest relationship to get over in your life. Trust me I know how difficult it is to move on to other relationships after a first love. For the first time in your life you have given a man your complete loyalty, your body, and your sincerest love. Now you are dealing with the end of a serious relationship and you are starting fresh with new young men by entering the dating game once again.

Like I tell all my friends that have gone through this.... DO NOT, I repeat DO NOT blame yourself and think there is something wrong with you right now because there isn't. You are telling me that you are basically running away from any relationship that crosses your path right now. If you are doing this more than

likely your heart hasn't healed from the last relationship and you need to realize that the only relationship you should be working on right now is the one with yourself. Do some soul searching, girl!

You are also probably scared and vulnerable right now and afraid of getting too close to someone again. These are all feelings you are going to experience after ending a long-term relationship—your feelings are completely normal.

You also said that the last year of your relationship was a complete nightmare as well. You need to think about why you allowed your ex to put you through hell and reevaluate how you should be treated.

I am assuming the reason it was a total nightmare the last year is because you weren't being treated the way you felt you deserved. Don't forget that you are a young, intelligent, and strong woman and until you really deep down feel good within yourself, you are going to continuously allow guys like your ex to put you through emotional hell.

Now I hate to break it to you, girlie, but this little pattern of running away is going to keep reoccurring unless you figure out what makes you happy in a relationship and understand you should not tolerate anything less than you know in your heart you deserve. Get that self esteem of yours up, and I promise time will truly heal all the pain and confusion you are experiencing right now. Let the soul searching begin, honey, and good luck!

The Fox

The Fox returns to answer this weeks social and relationship questions from Rollins students. If you have any questions that you would like The Fox, to answer, then send an email to fox@thesandspur.org.



SGA CORNER

by James Coker

senator

SGA GETTING THINGS DONE GOING INTO SPRING BREAK

For the last two weeks Rollins Student Government Association has been hard at work serving the student body through the acquisition of three new senators and the approval of novel or amended legislation.

Congratulations to Bazak Kizilisik, David Grasso, and Eric Allen who are all now officially SGA Senators. Senate Session on February 25 began with the discussion on the Honor Code that will be introduced to Rollins students at the beginning of the Fall semester 2005. The discussion was followed by the approval of two funding requests for the COOL Idealist Conference and the March 26 Zoso Concert benefiting Relay for Life. Because of the funds provided by the student government, seven individuals were able to alleviate some of the costs to attend the COOL Idealist conference for Leadership in Berkeley, California over Spring Break. After being introduced to a few pieces of legislation that were tabled to the next week, the SGA Senate left the meeting with the Honor Code and changes in the SAFAC handbook on mind.

For those who are not aware, SAFAC is the body that allocates all funds to student organizations every year with the assessment and approval of each organization's budget.

With a loaded agenda on March 2, Sen-

ate began with the approval of a piece of legislation to extend the hours of the Alford Sports Center so as to better facilitate the busy schedules of Holt and Arts and Science students alike. Also, Chi Psi Fraternity was granted funds to help finance their Silent Auction coming up to benefit Chemo-Care charity before the Senate had a long open discussion regarding changes to the SAFAC handbook, the SGA Constitution, and the introduction of the Honor Code. Lip Sync was a tremendous success last week with an amazing turnout and great performances by all participating organizations despite setbacks due to technical difficulties. Congratulations to X-Club for winning first place with their amazing Michael Jackson routine as well as runners up ATO, Kappa Kappa Gamma and Chi Omega. Last Saturday a number of SGA senators and members of the Executive Board took the time to wake up at 8:30am to build a house for Habitat for Humanity. SGA Community Service chair Cat McConnell did a great job organizing the project to help better the Winter Park community. Going into Spring Break your Student Government Association is extremely proud with the amazing things they have been able to accomplish this year to improve the quality of life at Rollins College.

Summer Opportunities: The Race for Employment

■ The early bird gets the worm!

by Nicole Fluet

staff reporter

As the summer rapidly approaches, students begin to wonder what to do with their time. School will be out, the responsibility of homework, studying, and tests will be gone, and freedom will set in. However, the promise of extra spending money always looms in the air.

With summer internships and job opportunities, students are able to gain important work experience and get some extra cash at the same time. Summer internships can be the most appealing. With many internships, students can get college credit without actually being in school.

Aside from getting money and college credit, internships provide a wonderful and welcoming opportunity for students. Raymond Rogers of Career Services says: "It is becoming increasingly difficult for students to find entry-level work after graduation without having a record of meaningful and relevant work experience while in college." This work experience can be obtained through internships in fields related to the major of the interested student.

Internships can be tricky business. Since many of them are sought out by students from various colleges and universities, competition can be fierce. "The keys to landing that great summer internship," Rogers states, "is (1) do your research...and (2) start applying early." The earlier a student applies, the better the possibility of getting the job.

To start, a student must figure out what kind of job or internship they would like. The most efficient way

of selecting a summer job is by finding one relevant to prospective majors. Many are out there for the taking.

The internet is a wonderful place to begin the search for those relevant job opportunities. Websites such as MonsterTrak (www.monster.com), SnagAJob (www.snagajob.com), and PaidInterns (www.paidinterns.com) provide search engines to narrow down the search for specific prospects. Aside from that, the Career Services website (www.rollins.edu/careerservices) contains a ton of information on good internship sites and recent internships available in the area.

Internships and summer jobs do not have to be limited to boring 9-5, suit and dress type jobs. Fun, exciting jobs are also available. Business skills can be earned through becoming a waiter. A couple of the more inviting places for being a waiter would be in a restaurant along the beach or even on a cruise ship. Along with business skills, people skills and teamwork skills can be gained through being a lifeguard at the local YMCA or at water parks such as Adventure Island or Wet and Wild. Theme parks such as Walt Disney World and Universal Studios offer a number of career related summer internships and job opportunities just waiting for the eager student.

Summer opportunities are available for those students willing to enter the race to obtain them. Jobs range from camp counselors, to radio personalities, to theme park attendants, and to internships within companies such as Microsoft, NASA, or the U.S. Government. The best advice offered to students for internships is to start looking now before someone else gets there first.

Rollins Dance XIX

On March 25 and 26, 2005, Rollins College and Valencia Community College will join together for a student dance performance. Both performances will be held at 8pm in the Annie Russell Theatre. The concert features dancers from companies at both schools dancing to faculty-choreographed works. This show, called Rollins Dance XIX, usually sells about six thousand tickets to the performances here and sells the same amount to the performances held at Valencia two weeks later. This year, patrons have the opportunity to win a \$400,000 condo at The Vue at Lake Eola and help benefit the Friends of Annie. So be sure to come out and witness for yourself an amazing performance from the Rollins and Valencia dancers!

By Heather Williams

LEAD: Helping Habitat

by Dani Picard

asst. photo editor

Leadership Week ended with an upswing on Saturday March 5, as the LEAD group and several volunteers headed out to lend a helping hand in the community's Habitat project. LEAD, which stands for Leadership, Education, and Development, is a grant funded program at Rollins designed to "give students the tools to be leaders on campus," says Co-Coordinator of Social Justice and Gender Relations, Corey Gregory. The group sponsored several events during the week, each designed to promote leadership on one of three levels: individual, group, or community.

The LEAD group chose to volunteer for Habitat for Humanity as the community leadership event because part of leadership is working towards the betterment of the community beyond Rollins. The group debated about doing a project outside of the Winter Park area, even considering events such as a weekend-long trip to other destinations in Florida, but decided that the Win-

ter Park community is filled with tremendous opportunities. Additionally, sponsoring an event in the Winter Park area allowed for more students to help out.

Volunteer Kerry Lynch commented that she came out because she had always

air-conditioned room on a Saturday morning. These people [whom the Habitat house is for] don't."

She added that "it's only three hours. By the time you get back to the dorms, most people are only just starting to wake up. You have the rest of the day to yourself... Instead of sleeping your life away, you're actually doing something."

During the lunch after the group had finished, the students not only recounted their reasons behind helping, but mentioned the hardships they faced. Being in-

involved in Habitat was not merely about helping to build a house for a family in need, it was about overcoming fears such as being in high places and dealing with the blazing sun.

The hardships felt were abated by the fact that the group left the site feeling that they had lent a helping hand to the project. As one volunteer stated, "When all is said and done, a family has a house to go home to."



DANI PICARD/The Sandspur

UNDER CONSTRUCTION: A Winter Park home that Rollins is constructing.

wanted to become involved in Habitat and this gave her the opportunity to do so. Of course, some students were likely dissuaded from joining in on the event due to the seemingly atrocious start time of 8:30am on a Saturday morning. Yvette Kojic, LEAD team Co-Coordinator of Social Justice and Gender Relations, referenced this in a different light: "You have the opportunity to wake up in your nice, warm bed in an

Interview With Ray McGovern

by **Tom Trasente**

copy editor

On February 19, the Sandspur interviewed Ray McGovern, a guest speaker at Rollins College last semester. He served for twenty seven years in the CIA between the Kennedy and Bush Senior administrations, most notably working on, and the briefing of, the President's Daily Brief; as well as chairing National Intelligence Estimates.

SANDSPUR: Did you used to have a website several years ago?

RAY MCGOVERN: No, [but] we did establish a movement in early 2003. 'We,' being the Veteran Intelligence Professionals for Sanity. This is a group of alumni and alumnae, not only from the CIA but from other intelligence agencies in the US government, who got together in January 2003 when we saw that there was a war coming, that it could not be justified by the intelligence educed, and that we needed to speak out as a patriotic duty to lend our experience, background, and analytical skills to informing the American people that this was a charade, there were no weapons of mass destruction, and that the war had other origins and other objectives.

We never have established a website; we are truly a movement rather than an organization. But we stay in close contact and we're up to about forty-five members now, ten of which typically put their heads together to write this or that memorandum.

We are particularly proud of the three memoranda that we produced before the war. The first one was a same day critique of Colin Powell's speech at the UN on February 5 2003. Next memo was titled "Cooking Intelligence for War," and the last one before the war was titled "Forgery, Hyperbole, and Half Truths: A Problem Mr. President."

So you get an idea about what we were saying before the war, that it's not quite correct to say as everyone does, that everybody believed that there were weapons of mass destruction in Iraq. That's not true, Scott Ritter who knows most about these things, did not believe that, and

was very vocal in saying that before the war, and so were we.

SANDSPUR: What sources of information would you consider valuable for a person who would like to know more? What should we be reading?

RAY MCGOVERN: Unfortunately, I can't really suggest much in the way of the mainstream press in this country. I've been watching the situation very closely for forty-two years in Washington. The main change is that we no longer have, in any real meaning of the term, a free press. What you need to do is stay up on what the New York Times is saying, the Washington Post, [and the] LA Times. But don't think by any chance that you have the whole story or even an unbiased presentation of the stories they see, "fit to print."

Websites? I favor TomPaine.com, for which I usually write in the first instance, TruthOut.com, CounterPunch.org is good, one of the best ones is CommonDreams.org, [and] AlTernet.org... There are several others of course, and some are equally good. If you subscribe to their e-mail service, and you just spend fifteen or twenty minutes a day, you can stay up on things.

The important thing here is this, typically eighty to ninety percent of the information that you need to stay on top of events in the world and find out what is going on, particularly with respect to one country or one conflict or one issue is available in the open media.

When people say to me and my colleagues, 'Now wait a second, you don't have access to any of that sexy satellite photography, or intercepts, or spy reports how can you know what's going on?' Hey folks, let's destroy a myth right here. Yes, those reports can be very interesting, and very valuable, but on a long-term basis it is not necessary to have those things and you can figure it all out by following closely the media, and I think our experience before the war proves that.

SANDSPUR: You say that "It's the policy that is stupid." But what about the Arab and Islamic

world, what can they do on their end to help stop bin Laden, terrorism, and this conflict between the Arab world and the West?

RAY MCGOVERN: I think that you have to start somewhere, and I think if you take a historical perspective on this, which the Islam folks do by the way, and you go back ten centuries, that the people now known as the Palestinians inhabited and dwelled in the land now controlled by Israel.

Particularly, since the war in 1967, and again [in] 1973 when Israel occupied the West Bank and Gaza you have several million Palestinians displaced from their homeland without any compensation and many of them living now in the equivalent of concentration camps. That's a problem because the other Arabs and other Islamic people's in world number 1.3 billion. If they watch Al Jazeera or Al Arabiya, every night they watch Israeli tanks built in the United States, or Israeli helicopter gunships built in the United States, Israeli bulldozers built in Illinois, wreaking havoc in West Bank and in Gaza. And a steady diet of that can stir up a lot of hatred.

Not only that they've seen the photos from Abu Ghraib, they've seen what happened to, by a conservative estimate, tens of thousands of Iraqi citizens, not military, but just regular citizens, and that tends to build up a lot of resentment and hate. So when Don Rumsfeld, our Secretary of Defense puts that pained and puzzled look on his face, and says 'I really can't understand why anybody would strap an explosive on their belt and kill a bunch of people.' He really ought to spend just one evening watching Al Jazeera and I think he'd understand better.

So that is the core of the problem. Not only that, but we've propped up very repressive Arab regimes in Saudi Arabia, Jordan, Egypt and everywhere else we thought it important to do so. And the people there are very susceptible to a person like bin Laden who says, 'These infidels are repressing you, we need to do something about it, we don't have any F-16s, we do have *plastique*, strap it on to your belt, and see if we can

make a mark.'

SANDSPUR: Senator Bob Graham said "I was surprised at the evidence that there were foreign governments involved in facilitating the activities of at least some of the terrorists in the United States." Any comment to that?

RAY MCGOVERN: Well, I like Bob Graham, but... when he should have been going to the CIA and saying 'Look, what do you have to support what the administration is saying about Iraq?'... he was asleep at the switch.

It was only Senator Durban that nudged him awake. And it was only then, in mid-September 2002, did the Congress insist that an Estimate be written.

Just for the record, what's really important is [that] people understand, that the intelligence was lousy, yes, but the intelligence did not mislead the President in deciding to make a war, the President made that decision eight months before any intelligence was educed to "justify it," ex post facto.

Why was the estimate written and the intelligence distorted? Only because, under our Constitution the right to make or approve war, is reserved in the first article of the Constitution to the Congress, and Congress needed to be deceived.

And so what I'm talking about here is a very serious matter. As strongly as I feel about the corruption of intelligence, the prostitution of the intelligence process, still more serious is the Constitutional crisis here.

Because never have I seen such a crass and long-standing effort by one branch of government to deliberately trick the other branch out of its prerogatives under the Constitution. And that's exactly what was done by the Administration vis a vie Congress, by educing this mushroom cloud and everything else, and forcing the Congress pretty much to vote for war, and of course now we have that war, and we have 1,500 service men and women killed, and tens of thousands of Iraqis [as well].

To be continued after Spring Break...

ZOSO Rocks Rollins

■ Led Zeppelin cover band will play to raise funds for Relay for Life.

by **James Coker**

contributing writer

For anyone who hasn't had the chance to experience Zoso, the world's greatest Led Zeppelin cover band, your chance is coming up on March 26 in the Alford Sports Center. Phi Delta Theta Fraternity, with the help of ACE, IFC, and SGA will be sponsoring the Zoso concert to benefit Relay for Life. JP Hazenberg, concert organizer for Zoso has been working hard since early January to get the concert together with the proper permits and set-up. The Student Government Association approved the issue of a beer permit for



the event at Alford just last month. The permit allows for their to be a beer garden set-up where there is roped-in area where students can enjoy the concert while responsibly having a few beers. Last year Zoso played at Rex Beach, where everyone who attended had an amazing time. With former director of Student Involvement and Leadership Corey Ellis in attendance, he told me he thought it was one of the best campus events of the year. So remember on Saturday March 26 at Alford Sports Center, Zoso will rock Rollins College for the second time. Tickets will be on sale soon, so keep your eyes open for tables to be setup in front of the Cornell Campus Center. For more information, contact JP Hazenberg at jhazenberg@rollins.edu.

REVIEW OF BACH FESTIVAL BACH MASS IN B MINOR

BY
JAMI FURO

On Saturday afternoon, March 5, the Bach Festival Choir and Orchestra gave another dazzling performance under the direction of Dr. John Sinclair. They performed Bach's Mass in B Minor as the final show of the 70th anniversary season of the Bach Festival.

The Mass is of the typical Bach style, interlaced with fugues—a type of musical counterpoint for which Bach is most famous. The choir sang most of the complex, entwining parts with dexterity. Their performance was truly impressive.

Many of the highlights of the show came from the vocal soloists. Soprano Sharla Nafgizer's clear, bright tone gave the impression of a songbird—only in Latin. Scot Weir's soaring tenor voice was breathtaking, and it perfectly complimented Richard Zeller's rich baritone voice, which added a lovely foundation to the talented quartet. The most stunning performance, however, was from alto Stacey Rishoi. Most women are mezzo-sopranos, so a true alto is difficult to find. Rishoi's deep, warm tone was spellbinding and a lovely addition to the already incredible performance.

The first half of performance was magnificent, but the show only improved after the interval. The choir resumed with the Credo of the Mass, and while it began with absolute majesty and splendor, the work gradually became more and more beautiful as it reached the end.

My favorite Mass parts were the Et incarnates and the Crucifixus. The orchestra played a dark, haunting accompaniment with a style that perfectly complimented the text. The choir sang with enormous dynamic contrast. The volume swelled and released, as if it were trying to break through yet could not. The choir's expression was nothing short of inspiring as they sang about Jesus' love that is so great that he was crucified to save his people. Their performance perfectly captured the tone of the work as it was written to be.

The Dona Nobis, which is the final Mass part, began in a small, solemn way, but it gradually grew into a finale, erupting with energy and sound. The B Minor Mass kept me captivated. The magnitude of sound, beauty, expression, and meaning mesmerized me for two hours and left me uplifted at the conclusion. This was the Winter Park Bach Festival Choir and Orchestra's final performance of the season, but I cannot wait to hear what superb performance they will offer next.

Bad Fish: Well Qualified to Represent the LBC

by **Genesis Whitlock**
contributing writer

What do you do when your favorite band on the face of the earth stops making music? Learn all their songs, form your own band, and tour the country. Badfish does just that at bars and music venues nightly—they're a tribute band dedicated to the now-defunct band Sublime ("What I Got").

Comprised of Dave on guitar and vocals, Joel on bass, and Scott on drums, Badfish takes their name from a Sublime song of the same title. The three guys formed in Spring 2001, performing their first show to a sold-out crowd at the Ocean

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Mist in Rhode Island, and they've been on the touring circuit since. Badfish attempts to recreate the Long Beach ska-punk-reggae dub style that made Sublime a hit in the mid-nineties; as a result, Badfish has developed their own significant following, and their hardcore fans call them "Sublime reborn."

Badfish played at the Social on February 24 to as large a crowd as the Social

would hold. In a two-and-a-half hour set, they performed songs such as "STP," "Santeria," "Smoke Two Joints," "Summertime," and more appropriately, "Badfish." The band seemed to have committed to memory every note, every vocal ad-lib, and every drum-beat of each Sublime song they performed. Furthermore, they had the talent to pull it off. That doesn't say much for their musical originality, but like a true tribute band, Badfish played songs exactly how the fans wanted to hear them.

Badfish's overall stage presence showed that they loved performing, but they were only energetic where playing their instruments was concerned. For the most part, each guy stayed in his respective spot. Dave made efforts to connect with the crowd by getting them to sing along, and Joel's occasional pseudo-metal moments got some laughs. Overall, though, Badfish's appeal to the audience seemed to be based mostly

on the music. Regardless of who or what was responsible for the mood, Badfish and their music created an enjoyable atmosphere, minus the cigarette smoke.

I probably didn't appreciate Badfish as much their fans did. In fact, I'm far from being a diehard fan—I only listen to a few of Sublime's mainstream songs. Judging from their excellent performance of the songs I do know and from the crowd's reaction, they did just as good a job on the lesser-known songs. People like me who aren't well-versed in the Sublime gospel but like the feel of their music overall would have enjoyed themselves at a Badfish show, but fans who eat, sleep and breathe Sublime would have an even better time.

Badfish is currently touring the Midwest and East Coast. You can find performance dates and venues at the band's website, badfish.com.



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The Merchant of Venice Sells at the Enzian

by **Katie Pedeson**
ad. sales representative

Looking for a change from the ordinary, I took it upon myself to check out the highly acclaimed independent film *The Merchant of Venice* at the equally highly acclaimed local treasure, the Enzian Theatre. What I found was a magical blend of new and old romance and adventure, certain to tantalize even the most jaded moviegoer.

Set in the religiously divided 16th century Venice, *The Merchant of Venice* follows the lives of a band of historically Shakespearean characters in an adaptation of his most provocative play. The multifaceted tale unfolds as the young lover Bassino, played by the sultry Joseph Fiennes (*Shakespeare in Love*, *Luther*), persuades his close friend, the successful Venetian merchant Antonio, played by the stately Jeremy Irons (*Lolita*, *The Man in the Iron Mask*), to loan him a large sum of money to pursue his love for the fair Portia, played by the beautiful Lynn Collins (*13 Going on 30*).

In his desperation, Bassino takes Antonio to the disgruntled Jewish moneylender Shylock, played by Al Pacino (*The Godfather*, *The Devil's Advocate*), who offers the loan without interest, only under the condition that if it is not paid back in full in three months time that the penalty will be a pound of Antonio's flesh. Accepting the ludicrous terms, sure that one of his many exploits will prove fruitful enough to repay the debt, Antonio sets Bassino to sail on his way to true love

unawares that Shylock's only daughter has snuck on board to be with her own Christian lover. As time passes, Antonio's ventures all seem to come up empty-handed, and he is forced to face the fanatical Shylock, who now demands revenge for his daughter and payment on an overdue loan. Racing against the clock, Bassino returns home to try to save his friend, and all is not as it seems in this truly thrilling Shakespearean drama.

Expecting nothing less than perfection from the writer and director of *Il Postino*, director Michael Radford makes *The Merchant of Venice* one of the best Shakespearean adaptations to date. Pacino is captivating in his role as Shylock, leaving audiences breathless until the very end. Brought to the screen in the 21st century, *The Merchant of Venice* is as an accurate a depiction of love, treachery, revenge, and folly as Shakespeare could have hoped for decades prior.

So, my recommendation? At the quaint and plush Enzian, one of Orlando's only local theatres to even show the film, there is by far no better way to spend an afternoon than in one of their comfy chairs, ordering a scrumptious plate of nachos or a delicious sandwich and soda in true restaurant style, cuddling with someone special and taking in the beauty of Shakespeare's *The Merchant of Venice*.

Katie Rating: A



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The Top 10 "Must Do's" For Spring Break

by **Danika Tanzini**
photographer

Spring Break '05

1. "Whatever I feel like, gosh!"
2. Take a roadtrip! -Don't forget the food, the map, and your seatbelt!
3. Travel to an exotic location!
4. Spend Spring Break "in Alaska, hunting wolverines."
5. Spring Cleaning! -Don't let that dust pile up in the corners of your room. And spring cleaning includes your wardrobe. Donate old clothes to charity.
6. Do some community service! -Better yourself and others.
7. Show off your new swimsuit! -Whether it is in the jacuzzi in your back yard, at the pool, or while basking on a sunny beach, show everyone your new bikini, board shorts, or Speedo.
8. Practice your favorite sport! -With baseball, bowling, or the intricate art of origami, practice makes perfect.
9. Pre-plan a conniving April Fool's Day prank!
10. Get a head start on studying for FINALS! -They are coming up soon, you know!

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Africa Rockin' Out with MTV?

by **Natalie Wyatt**
staff reporter

MTV has created its first music channel in Africa. Available on the Multi-choice Network by satellite, this station will be broadcast to nearly 1.3 million households throughout the continent of Africa.

South African artist Lebo commented that she believes an MTV Africa would help to widen her fan base and allow her to introduce her unique style into cultures across the world.

"Now you're guaranteed that whether you go to Nigeria, Ghana, Senegal, anywhere in the world, you know that people there will definitely know your music through the channel," Lebo was quoted as saying. Hers is a musical mix of traditional African beats, pop, and a hint of rap.

The International Presi-

dent of MTV, Bill Roedy, said that this, MTV's symbolic 100th channel, will not only provide a greater stage for African artists but will also provide grassroots support to African music. In addition to contributing to

a strongly Western culture themed music channel into Africa. Many believe that it is just another way for big record company's to push "trash music" or "cookie cutter" bands and singers into

yet another culture in hopes of making more money. They think that it is more than probable that the channel will flop because African audiences will not be able to relate to the "pop" music and culture that will be nearly fifty percent of the programming.

From the artists to any involved in the entertainment business to just plain kids who want to be a part of the bigger picture, MTV Africa is a blessing and an

amazing opportunity to broaden their horizons. Maybe we here in America can, in turn, be introduced to more of the African musical culture through this new frontier in television.



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that cause MTV Africa will also air a weekly program that showcases new up-and-coming artists from across the continent.

There have been mixed feelings about the launch of

Review of Bach Festival Brahms Requiem

by **Jami Furo**

staff reporter

On Friday, March 4, in the Knowles Memorial Chapel at Rollin College, the Winter Park Bach Festival Choir and Orchestra delivered what is possibly their finest performance of the year, led by the baton of none other than Dr. John Sinclair. Not only did they choose wonderful music, but their performance was captivating.

The concert began with Brahms' "Academic Festival Overture." The majestic sound of the overture, at times, suddenly broke from the festive mood to enter its lyrical, melodic passages, and the choir and orchestra handled these changes in dynamic and mood flawlessly. Although the style of the piece frequently changes, the Bach Festival Orchestra always kept the mood uplifting, continuing with its festival theme and subject matter. The group made this wonderful piece absolutely enchanting.

After the overture, the orchestra performed the Violin Concerto in G Minor by Max Bruch, a contemporary of Johannes Brahms, with Alvaro Gomez as the soloist. While I am not a violinist, as a musician, the piece sounded technically difficult.

The concerto alternated between passages of loud, almost harsh double stops and a lyrical melody. Gomez handled these changes in tone with ease, and the transitions were pleasant and smooth. At times, the violin even sounded like it was crying. The orchestra was a well-balanced backdrop to the violin solo, and it provided an exciting and energetic accompaniment.

After a short intermission, the performance resumed with the

main attraction: the Bach Festival Choir and Orchestra's performance of Brahms' *Ein Deutsches Requiem*. Meaning "A German Requiem," the irony is not lost on me that the choir sang the text in English.

The first time I heard a recording of the piece, I expected it to be dark because it is intended as a funeral Mass. However, the work is bright and inspiring in both the music and the text, and the performance at the Winter Park Bach Festival certainly helped to keep the mood uplifting. Throughout the piece, there are passages that remind me of a dark room with beams of light poking through the crevices. It is as if the piece refuses to remain dark, and brightness and hope must break through.

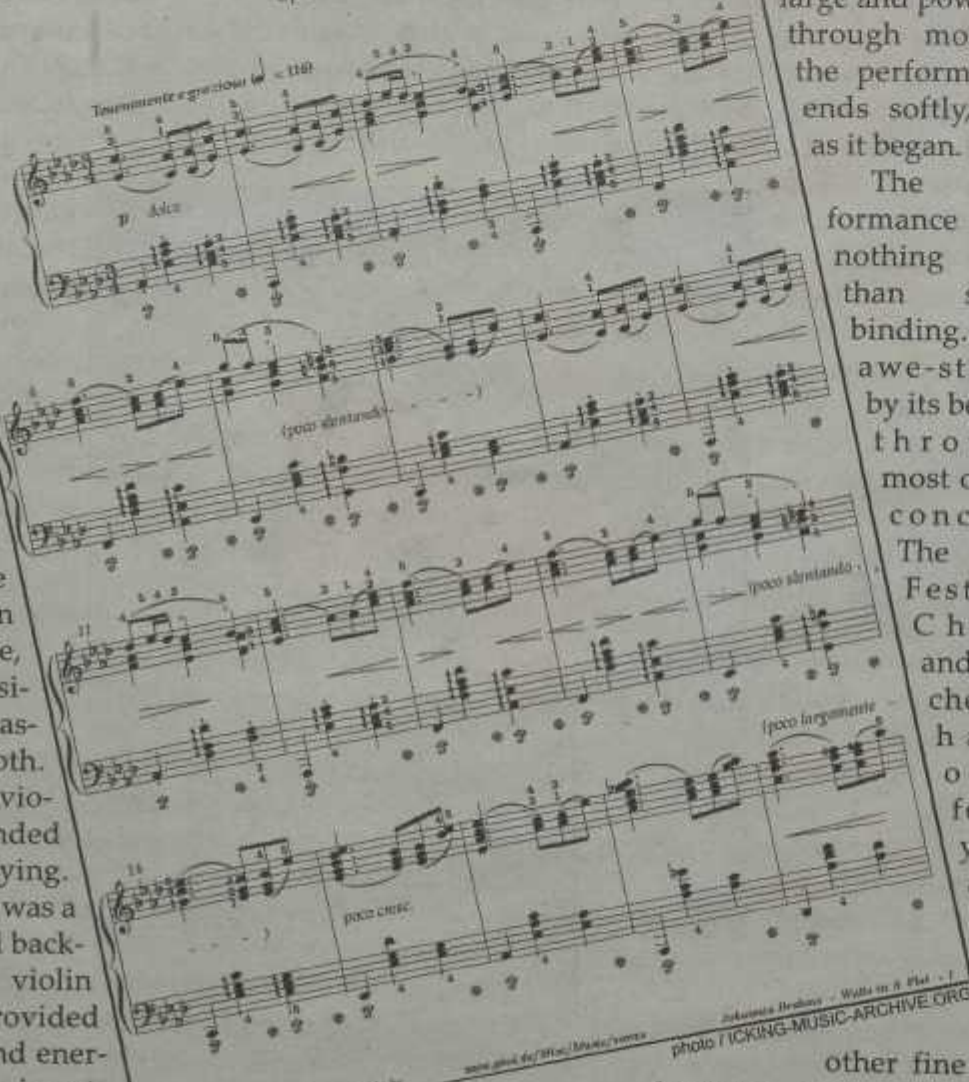
The performance of the piece included two soloists: baritone Richard Zeller and soprano Sharla Nafziger. Zeller's two solos, during the third and sixth movements, offered a beautiful, operatic tone that was both expressive and inspiring. Nafziger's voice, which was featured in the fifth movement, was so clear and angelic that it sounded like a songbird.

The sixth

Waltz in A Flat

Op. 39, No. 15

Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)



move-
ment of the requiem
was big in text, length, and



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sound. The main part of the text includes an incessant asking of "Death, where is thy sting?" These words, together with a full orchestra, full-voice choir, beautiful melody and accompaniment, and plenty of expression from all involved made for an exciting and moving part of the performance. The end of this movement, if I didn't know any better, very well could have been the finale of the piece. However, there was one movement left.

The seventh and last movement was quiet and subdued, and it sounds almost identical to the first in both text and music. The choir and orchestra conveyed the calming mood of the movement perfectly. The work, although large and powerful through most of the performance, ends softly, just as it began.

The performance was nothing less than spell-binding. I sat awe-struck by its beauty through most of the concert. The Bach Festival Choir and Orchestra have offered yet another fine performance, as they almost always do. However, this is one of the finest that I have seen.

Get Ready For Fox Season

by **Laura Lapointe**

contributing writer

While inklings of spring have arrived, so too has Fox Day fever. Already, predictions are being made and the search is on for those who may have "secret information" regarding the date of this most anticipated day on the Rollins calendar. For anyone unfamiliar with this Rollins tradition, Fox Day is a day during spring term when the President, this year, for the first time, President Lewis Duncan, places the statue of the Fox out on Mills lawn and all classes are cancelled for the day.

Beginning in early March and lasting until actual Fox Day, false alarms can be heard all over campus as rumors and hopeful thinking run awry. There is no rhyme or reason as to

which day it will actually fall upon, yet students are convinced they have the ability to predict that which only the President himself knows.

When Fox Day finally arrives, the voices of excited students will be heard echoing throughout campus before the sun rises, and you must be prepared. Every year many aren't ready for the rush to the beach, and while everyone else is piling in cars, some of us haven't even rolled out of bed. Half asleep and drea-ry-eyed is not the time to try to get organized. Instead, know ahead of time what you'll need for your day at the beach. First, be sure to have your transportation plans in order so that you won't get stuck with the entire hall piling into your

Jetta, or get left behind in the confusion. Have your bathing suit ready so you don't have to go digging for it under the pile of laundry. It's also not a bad idea to hit the pool between now and Fox Day so you're not the pale kid that the sun reflects off and blinds everyone at Cocoa Beach. You might also want to tuck away the Twinkies and think twice about grabbing that extra slice of Domino's since you can't be sure when exactly you'll be squeezing into last year's bathing suit. You'll probably also want your towel and sunscreen in a designated place so you won't forget to grab them when you're stumbling out the door first thing in the morning, or you might end up on the beach very sandy and sun-burned. Finally, be sure to have some extra cash for that drive-thru stop at Wendy's on the way home when you're starving after your long day in the sun.

In the end, no one really knows when exactly Fox Day will arrive, but go ahead and get wrapped up in the excitement and don't forget to pack your sunglasses.



Why You Should Protest the War!

■ Support your troops by supplanting their voice.

by **Issac Stolzenbach**
photo editor

On March 20, the two-year anniversary of the first bombs that were dropped by the United States on the nation of Iraq, there will be an opportunity for you to support your troops: by protesting the war.

Organizing the global protest of the war, *Not In Our Name* (www.orlando.notinourname.net), is an international organization that posits the war in Iraq is being carried on without the consent of the American people. Events of the like will be held throughout the world on 19 and 20 March in places such as: New York, Montreal, Prague, San Francisco, Helsinki, Fayetteville, Paris, and Washington, D.C.. Your opportunity to engage the structure as an agency for change comes on Sunday, March 20 where the group will be meeting at noon on the corner of International Drive and Sand Lake Road. This demonstration is being conducted in an effort to show the global-community that we do not agree with how our government is running the show.

This may seem like a controversial way of saying, "Support Our Troops," by asking that we protest their presence overseas, but being a veteran I think that this is the best possible way we could support them. Why? Because I have experienced first-hand what happens when troops are deployed away from home. In addition, I had the eye-opening experience of seeing our troops that were sent back early from the desert for debilitating injuries: missing limbs, missing eyes, post-traumatic stress syndrome, and the real clincher that caught my attention: the distribution of "Gulf-War Syndrome" folders for those that have that mysterious sick-

ness that medical experts have yet to properly diagnose and treat. The hollow-chested coughs waved up and down the rows; the majority of the sufferers were still experiencing their last months of adolescence—in constant pain... gasping for air... from an unknown illness. The physical problems are only the beginning for our troops that bravely stepped into harm's way, the real problems begin when the troops get home.

Support your troops by getting them back home to their families; this is a novel idea. The longer they are gone romping around in the desert, the more "tan-lines" appear in clubs around various duty-stations; men and

this story familiar, "... I dunno what to say bro, he was my best friend ya'-know? I just asked him to take care of 'er while I was gone." ... Indeed, he took "care of 'er" for you, apparently better than you did because she's over at his place right now. This situation was on every troops' mind when we sat in the snow of Vilsek, Germany, "Am I going to come home to new rugrats that have the milkman's eyes?"

The wonders of technology; I instant messaged an old friend that is currently stationed at FOB (Forward Operations Base) Freedom in Mosul, Iraq, Sergeant Jessica McCoy, and asked for her input on the current situa-

stated, "You better take your stand now, while you can. Pretty soon you won't have time to worry about the world around you, you will be too preoccupied with your careers, families, and the like..."

Something larger is brewing in the Middle East, the little "press-slips" of America's intent to make the whole Middle East over in the image of Iraq, as President Bush put it, "[Iraq] serves as an example for the rest of the neighborhood," must be stopped; they are nothing more than a litmus-stick to see where the American public stands on continuing the Middle East crusade.

Attending a protest, displaying your discontent, is realistically much easier than sitting down and writing a letter to your congress-people and senators, you can spend a day with like-minded people and take your shot at changing (well, at least nudging) our future in a better direction. There are also weekly meetings held by *Not In Our Name* on Sundays in Lake Eola Park, at the corner of N. Rosalind Avenue

and E. Washington Street. I'll see you there, in hopes that the protest stays focused on the problem at hand. A rally of this nature will help those of us that did not consent to the war sleep at night and ease our outrage. For those of you who did not consent to this war, and you are not outraged, I'm left with quoting bumper stickers, "If you aren't outraged, then you aren't paying attention."

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The Cost

He's a husband and a dad. A son and a sibling. A friend and a neighbor and a co-worker and a church member and a teammate and a mentor and a volunteer and a classmate and a voter. He's a comrade in arms, and an American hero.



Now multiply by one thousand five hundred.

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women alike. "Tan-line" refers to the Army lingo attributed to those that are married who take off their wedding-rings to go out to the club—thus leaving a tan-line on their ring-fingers. Children under these diffident-spouses come to find the rank of "dad" changing from week-to-week. Sergeant, then down to private, up to captain (after a good night at the club), then back 'round to sergeant again when the biological-daddy comes home on leave. Keep an eye on the increase in domestic violence cases in the on-post housing complexes, and the increase in divorce-rates as veterans begin to rotate out of the desert.

You think this is funny, but I have seen it happen; hell, I've been a victim of it. Many veterans would find

tion in Iraq, and how she felt about anti-war demonstrations. "We are always concerned about what is going on back home with our families and friends. And anti-war messages send mixed signals to troops in the field; we don't know whether you are protesting us as being 'baby killers,' or if you all are demonstrating against the war itself." It should be made abundantly clear what demonstrators are out to do—protest the war—not to protest the people following orders. The last thing America needs is another population of veterans feeling guilty over murdering people their president told them to, without a fellow citizen to lend consolation.

We have to do something, and as Dr. Linda Tavernier-Almada, Assistant Professor of Anthropology

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Letters to the Editor

In response to the opinion piece "Got Cash? Rollins Wants It" published in the February 18th edition of the Sandspur.

Rollins is committed to providing its students with the best liberal arts education possible, and is currently ranked as one of the top College's in the country. However, some students may not be completely educated on how their education, at a private college, is funded.

Tuition only covers 80 percent of the cost per year of the actual cost of education Rollins offers its stu-

dents. The other 20 percent is made up through donations from alumni, parents, friends, foundations, corporations, students, and income generated from the endowment. On a daily basis, students benefit from the generosity of alumni donors they will never know. Our alumni help to support such things as: student activities, (like BSU and WPRK), technology for the computers in the Bib lab, renovations to dorms like Hooker and Cross Halls, and the construction of The Cornell Campus Center, Olin Library, Alford Sports Center,

Rice Family Bookstore, The Barker Family Stadium at Cahall-Sandspur Field, and Norm Copeland Tennis Stadium, just to name a few! Your tuition did not pay for these things that we all take for granted.

So, you ask, why is the College asking me to help out? The answer is simple: the College wants the younger generation to carry on the long tradition of giving back. Rollins hopes that students will give what they can, whether that is \$1 or \$25. We all have to make sacrifices to support the organizations and causes that

mean the most to us. If not us, then who? The education Rollins offers today has been enhanced by the generosity of so many alumni, it is our hope that current students will see the virtue in giving back to support their future alma mater. It is not about the size of the contribution one makes, and more about the spirit and pride you show for Rollins. This can be done through financial contributions or by wearing your school colors, displaying a Rollins sticker or license plate on your vehicle or by promoting the school with prospective stu-

dents.

Contributing to the College through the Senior Gift is a way to say thank you to the community that has provided so much for us during the past four years. Remember...we are not concerned with the amount donated as much as the total participation. By making a commitment, we are helping to ensure a great Rollins experience for future students.

Linda Christensen

On behalf of the Senior Class Gift Committee

Dear Editor,

I was happy to see Jami Furo's editorial regarding Intelligent Design in the February 18 issue of the Sandspur. It's always heartening to me to see that people are thinking about topics in biology, and evolution is, arguably, the central, unifying theory of biology. As Dobzhansky said: "Nothing in biology makes sense except in the light of evolution". We are confronted everyday with the fact that life is change, in both small and large ways. Darwin's initial formulation of a model for evolution via natural selection has been tested time and again. It has been supported by thousands of experiments and observations. Indeed, that is

why today it is referred to as the "Theory of Evolution", as concrete a phenomenon as the Theory of Gravity. The term "Theory" is not used in science the way it is in conversational english. In everyday usage people use the word theory to describe a hunch, or an idea they may have. Their colloquial "theory" need not be based on prior observation or testing. It may not even be testable! In contrast, the word theory in science refers to a very powerful concept that explains a wide range of phenomena. Theories have been tested many times and the results continually support the model and even expand its application. Billions of years of evolution have created a natural world which

is beautiful and stunning in its complexity. We marvel at the intricate workings of a single cell and it's clear that nothing humankind has produced comes close to the exquisite function of that living organism. It is tempting to draw the conclusion that since we can't create something as sophisticated as a living cell, then surely a superior being is behind all of this?! Maybe so....Maybe not. Even if a divine intelligence does guide life on planet earth, science is not a discipline designed to study that possibility. This is where science and the Intelligent Design proposal diverge.

The problem with Intelligent Design is that it cannot be tested. Science is a disci-

plined way of studying which requires that our ideas be testable. The fundamental difference between science and faith is that science is a way of answering questions about our world based on natural phenomena that can be measured and quantified. Faith requires that we believe something despite the fact that no physical explanation for this belief may ever exist. Scientific inquiry and pursuit of faith are valuable aspects of the human character but they do not overlap. We cannot set up an experiment that tests Intelligent Design as a scientific hypothesis. What controls would you use? What variables would you alter? What outcomes would you measure? How-

ever, we can test evolution via natural selection because the forces we hypothesize to be at work are natural forces. We can vary those forces and make predictions about the outcome. We cannot vary supernatural forces and how would you ever make a prediction about their effects!? In short, Intelligent Design is not scientific. Acceptance of it does not answer any questions or increase our knowledge of the natural world. It simply is an opinion. That's why I was glad to see Ms. Furo's article in the Opinion section of the Sandspur.

Sincerely,

Paul Stephenson

Dept. of Biology

Reverse Sexism Rears its Ugly Head

■ Sexism is bad, even when it's against men.

by John Ferreira

managing editor

March is the month chosen for the celebration of Women's History Month. It is a time of year where we as a society choose to reflect on issues of gender and to celebrate courageous women. Gender issues of today are far less explosive then they were just three decades ago. Today women have reached at least nominal equality in our society even though there is still much work to make sure that it turns into reality. Sexism is wrong in any way, shape, or form. How come nothing is said about the equally wrong reverse sexism, prejudice against men? It does exist, and it is rearing its ugly head all over the place.

Men's studies researcher Eugene August points out in

his essay "Real Men Don't: Anti-Male Bias in English" that reverse sexist ideals pervade our society. In advertising and in common usage, we avoid treating men as parents. Society views children as being raised by and belonging to women. August gives evidence for this by showing how custody of children is awarded to women in 90% of divorce cases, and by describing television ads that most often portray mothers as the parent.

During a war, women and children are viewed as innocent victims, men are not. Even when a man is hurt or killed in a war (when he was not an active participant), he is still not viewed as a victim. The in-

ocent men killed in political conflict can't be victims simply because of gender. The



GIRL GONE WILD: Are we really doing all we can to make gender equality a reality?

common phrase "innocent women and children" is typical of this viewpoint.

The English language also tends to portray the

man as the evil, ill, and cruel force in society. Words like murderer, swindler, gangster, mugger, terrorist and rapist all have a masculine connotation. Satan and his minions are always described with the pronoun "he," even though the gender of "God" as a man is under debate as being sexist, the gender of Satan is not. Men are often perceived as being guiltier of child abuse, but studies on child abuse show that women are more likely to abuse children emotionally and physically, while Men are more likely to abuse children sexually.

Sexism also exists in childhood. It is not acceptable for a boy to cry. If a mother dresses a boy in a

skirt, it is an outrage, but if a mother dresses a girl in pants, a baseball cap and tennis shoes it is ok. It is ok for a girl to hit a boy, but not ok for a boy to hit a girl. When a woman hits a man it still hurts emotionally.

On any college campus is easy to see sexism at work. College women are viewed as organized, clean, motivated, and responsible. While college men are viewed as being dirty, sex-driven, party-animals, who never go to class. Men are expected to be friends with men, and women are expected to be friends with women. You often hear "oh he's just a boy" or "don't be such a girl."

True equality will only be reached when we break down all boundaries of prejudice. We must start looking to respect people for who they are, discounting someone because of their gender is just as bad as discounting someone because of race or income.

Commanding the Kids

■ Is the fight over the Ten Commandments really worth our time?

by **Jami Furo**

copy editor

It has been a source of debate for years, one that never actually goes away—it just resurfaces when news is slow. It's one of the most heated arguments in the nation, polarizing the Christian Right from the rest of the country.

No, it's not abortion. Well, I guess abortion fits that description, but that's not what is on the table right now. What I'm talking about is the decision to post the Ten Commandments in public school classrooms.

As I write that out, it makes the controversy seem that much more ridiculous. The Supreme Court is agonizing over a decision to hang a sign in classrooms that promotes integrity, love, understanding, honesty, discipline, and moral-

ty—because we wouldn't want to expose the youth of the nation to any of that.

I know the argument is mostly concerned with the first two Commandments because those are the ones that directly deal with praising God. The "separation of church and state" argument has become increasingly prevalent in the political arena for years now, and this is where we find our hang-up.

The "separation of church and state" does not, in the sense that most people think it does, exist. The Constitution of the United States makes it illegal for the nation to interfere with a person's religion and for the nation to be run by a theocracy. There is nothing in the Constitution that states a complete separation between the religion and politics.

I agree with the Constitution. I agree that one religion should not dictate the actions of the government. While I am a Christian, I value my freedom to prac-

tice whichever religion I choose, and I respect and treasure the diversity of this nation. However, in my interpretation, there is nothing in the Constitution that makes it illegal to hang a sign.

All of that aside, the Ten Commandments, except for the first two, apply to everyone. They are values that are held by almost all religions—and outside of religion, as well. They are good suggestions for a moral way of life.

As far as the first two Commandments are concerned, even if you don't believe in them, what does a sign hanging in a classroom matter? If you don't believe that the God of Christianity, of Judaism, and of Islam is the one true God, and if you don't believe in honoring a Sabbath day, is a sign hanging in the corner going to change your mind? If a sign is going to change your entire belief system, maybe your beliefs are not as strong as you thought they were.

Future Graduates are Needed!

■ High-demand jobs are calling your name.

by **Nancy Aguirre**

staff reporter

We have reached a point where the job market is demanding that Florida's universities start producing more graduates in higher-demand fields. This is a difficult topic, since many university administrators worry that, by changing the priorities of a school's goals, they may be hurting other more popular degree areas.

The problem is that these schools are not producing what society needs and, in order to remedy this problem, some sacrifices and investments are necessary. The question is, will the schools be willing to make them, and even in the case that they are, will the state provide them with the necessary funding?

A recent study on Florida's plan shows that the state is not likely to be able to provide the money needed to fully expand some of these degree programs, such as math and science education, health care, mechanical and computer science, and higher wage fields such as architecture

and accounting.

Many University leaders are displeased with the new plans, angered at being told what their region needs and arguing that Florida's diverse regions require different priorities.

In 2002-2003, only about 41 percent of the degrees that the state's eleven public universities produced were in areas that it is agreed the job needs are most critical. What is the other 59 percent doing? The Board of Governors would like to see this number rise to at least 50 percent within the next decade.

Another problem with this new plan is that it interferes with undergraduate programs. Many of the most popular degrees do not appear on the list of needed areas, yet are important for local job markets such as local park attractions and other tourist industries. Some of these programs include the visual and performing arts, liberal arts, and psychology.

Many skeptics are also concerned that in trying to project and fill future job needs, the second core goal of higher education may be surrendered, which is to produce well-rounded citizens. The state may lose the well-educated and well-rounded work force that is

also necessary for success.

These decisions will have to be made on an individual basis at each university, and they will not be easy to make. Other goals will also be affected, such as the goal for turning more Florida schools into top research magnets and enhancing their prestige. By giving more of the budget to the more expensive specific degree programs, money is taken away from other areas. In many cases, universities rely on surpluses in funding from the less-expensive programs, such as those that are more popular and have larger classes, to help offset the higher costs of educating students whose programs include heavy lab loads and smaller classes.

An additional concern is that once the money is spent to offer more math and science courses, there is no guarantee that students will pursue them, therefore an enormous amount of money will be spent in vain.

This is a very important issue that can affect not only the current population but also the generations to come. Through surveys of both students and teachers, the decision makers might be able to get a better idea of what sort of decision is necessary.

Juvenile Execution

■ Where does the line for childhood end and adulthood begin?

by **Jake Kohlman**

sports editor

In a victory for common sense, the Supreme Court ruled, 5-4, in *Roper v. Simmons* that the United States can no longer put to death those who have committed crimes under the age of 18. While this decision is being heralded as a victory for those opposed to the death penalty, it's really not about the overall idea of having a death penalty, rather is about having certain moral standards in our society.

In 1988 the Supreme Court ruled that children under the age of 16 could

death penalty in theory, though I disagree with at least how it is practiced in the United States. We sentence far more blacks to death than whites, even if they have committed comparable crimes. Often we fail to pursue all avenues to ensure that the proper person is being put to death. For instance, DNA testing is not always available to death row inmates. The quality of the lawyers death row inmates have representing them is even more atrocious. In this country we put to death people whose lawyers literally fall asleep during their trials. And, until last week, in this country, it was alright to put juveniles to death.

Someone under 18 cannot vote, cannot drink, in many states they do not



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not be sentenced to death. That decision, as well as the *Roper* one, should be viewed outside the overall death penalty debate. You do not have to be against the death penalty to think that kids under the age of 18, juveniles, should not be put to death. There has to be a limit in supporting the use of a death penalty.

Most people agree that those who are mentally handicapped should not be put to death, and the Supreme Court ruled that doing so is unconstitutional three years ago. The death penalty is an issue that has all sorts of exceptions; it can not be viewed as an absolute policy without room for common sense. In *Roper* the Court finally recognized that those under 18 cannot be held accountable to the point of death for their actions.

To be clear, I support the

have full driving privileges, and, in the vast majority of cases, they haven't completed high school. As the majority opinion said in the *Roper*: "The age of 18 is the point where [the American] society draws the line for many purposes between childhood and adulthood. It is, we conclude, the age at which the line for death eligibility ought to rest".

There are some criminals who should die for their actions. Putting children to death, however, should be unacceptable to any moral society. As the Court noted, the US and Somalia were the only two countries who declined to sign a UN convention that called for the banning of juvenile death sentences. When it comes to standing on moral grounds, I am glad the United States no longer stands shoulder to shoulder with Somalia.

Softball Sweeps Rollins Classic, Attain Highest Ranking in Program History

by **Natalie Wyatt**

staff reporter

The Rollins Spring Classic was a complete sweep for our Lady Tars this past weekend. All four games went to Rollins as the games went by, fast paced and well played. Pitcher Jamie Elam not only threw a no hitter for the first game but she also put in an extra two innings in game two to pull off an-

other win for Rollins. From Friday to Sunday there was nothing that could have stopped our softball team.

First up the Tars were facing Palm Beach Atlantic. Rollins got the lead right off the bat as Lauren Bice hit a double to get both Schumacher and Elam to home. Toner walked to first and stole a base in the bottom of the second to finally be

brought home off of an RBI single hit by Kelly Cruz. This put the Tars up 3-0 by the end of the second. In the fifth inning of the game is where all the action occurred as both Starcher and Cruz got on base and Elam hit a nice single to bring in a runner. Sanders hit to the left field for a two run homer to bring the Tars up 6-0; the game ending in an 8-0 win for Rollins College.

Winning another game on Friday evening was only right for our Lady Tars as they muscled their way to a 3-2 victory again against Palm Beach Atlantic. Toner came out swinging with a triple right off. Rachel Almengual brought her in with a well planned hit to right field, Tars up 1-0. At the bottom of the sixth Sieffert swung an RBI to bring in Kontos, putting the game at a tie. In the end Sanders would bring a run in to take the victory for Rollins.

Saturday came up with another two games for the Tars to head up as they pitted themselves against Valdosta State. The first game ended up in favor of Rollins College at 1-0 and the second at 3-1 for us. The first game idled until the fifth inning began, at which point Toner nailed a homer out of the park. Promising freshman

Rachel Almengual slammed a double but could not get past Valdosta State's defense as she got caught trying to steal. A low score but a win for Rollins nonetheless.

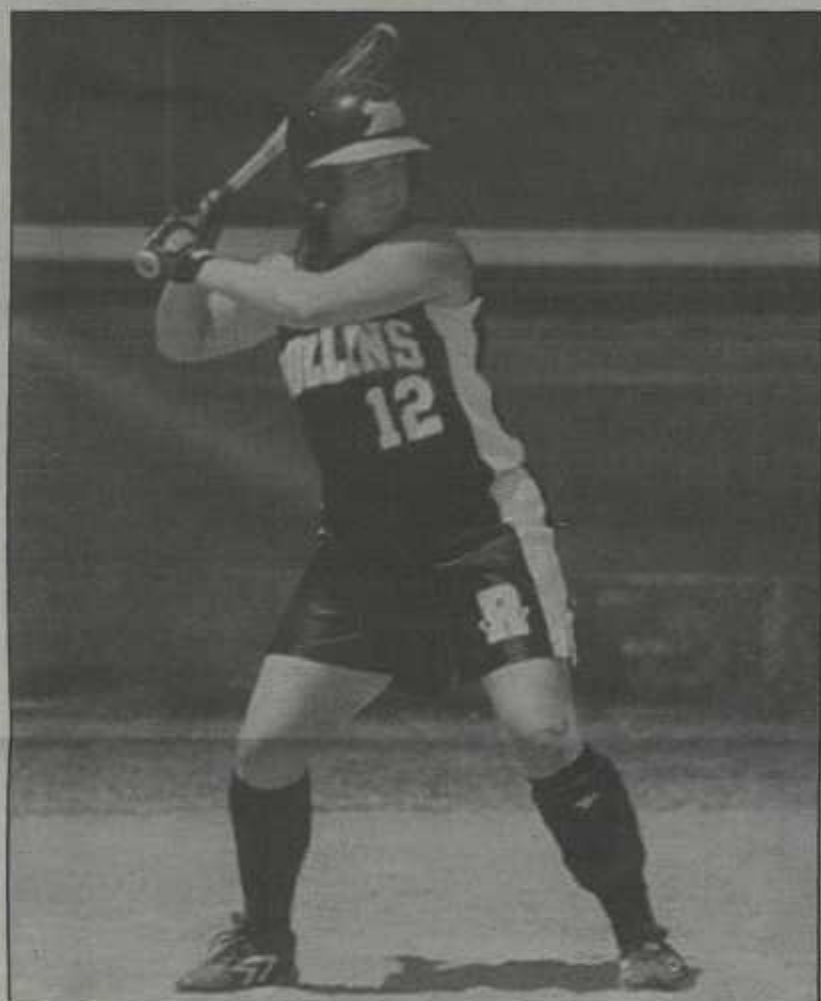
Valdosta State took the lead first in the second game of the double-header. The real magic happened in the seventh inning between Sanders, Toner, and Jones turning the tables and giving the game a final score of 3-1 in favor of the Lady Tars.

A 2-1 and 9-0 victory awaited our softball team on Sunday, March 6th, just to top off the weekend. Carson Newman came to attempt a win first. The Lady Eagles led off with an RBI bringing Stevens home. A single from Jones and two bunts from Cruz and Almengual brought Jones to third. Elam hit a single RBI that brought Jones home to give Rollins a tie game with Carson. From a wild pitch Toner would make it home from third to give the Tars a victory of 2-1.

The second game of the day and final game of the weekend, Clarion took their

turn against our winning streak. They would fall 9-0 within only five innings. Cruz and Almengual got on base; Almengual stole her way ahead another base as is her specialty. Off of an Elam triple both Cruz and Almengual came home. The Tars kept on sweeping the game as Elam and Toner continued to shine, ending the game at the fifth inning, 9-0, no scoring on Clarion's part.

Women's Softball is now ranked number 17 in the country, the highest ranking in the programs history.



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READY TO ROLL: Senior Tiffanie Toner at the plate.



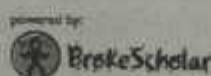
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BRING THE HEAT! Senior pitcher Jamie Elam lets it fly in the Rollins Softball Classic and was named Athlete of the Week for her efforts.

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Bad Start for Baseball Team

by **Jake Kohlman**

sports editor

Things did not go the way the Rollins Baseball team planned in their conference opener, they lost 9-0 to the University of Tampa, and unfortunately for them it would only get worse from there. Tampa swept the series, winning three games over the weekend, outscoring Rollins 31-16 over the weekend.

In the conference opener on Friday Rollins threw their ace, Eddie Chile, against Tampa, the fourth ranked team in the country. It wouldn't be Chile's night though as he gave up five earned runs in four innings. It got worse from there as reliever Nick Manson would follow Chile's effort by giving up four runs in one inning of work. Rollins' hitters

were shut out for the first time this season despite six hits.

The second game of the series, the first of a double-header on Saturday, would turn into a wild affair with both teams trading leads.

Rollins jumped ahead early 2-0, only to have Tampa respond with 4 runs in the third. Rollins came back with three in the fourth but were outscored 12-6 from then on as Tampa won 16-11.

In the third and final game of the series the Tars would come out fighting once again but again it would not be enough. Rollins led 5-2 in the top of the fifth but Tampa would come back to tie the game in the sixth and eventually won the game in eighth.

Jose Canseco's Book "Juiced" Has Caused a Splash But is it a Good Read?

by **Tony Frezza**
contributing writer

As the title suggests, Jose Canseco's new book contains a little bit of everything from his life. His "Wild Times" range from a make-out session with Madonna, doing time in prison, all the way to his serious contemplation of suicide. And, for those of you who want to hear who he injected and where, then don't worry, the book has that too.

In his book Canseco claims to be the "godfather of steroids" in baseball, teaching both trainers and players how to use and inject themselves properly. He claims to have personally injected All-Star sluggers Rafael Palmeiro, Juan Gonzalez, and Ivan Rodriguez while he played with them on the Texas Rangers. Since the release of the book, these players denied Canseco's allegations.

"Sometimes the three of us would go into the bathroom stalls together to shoot up steroids or growth hormone. I would inject myself, and Giambi and McGwire would be one stall over, injecting each other," notes Canseco in his book. Giambi is of course Jason Giambi, the super-sized slugger who now plays for the New York Yankees; and we all know Mark McGwire, Shrek's redheaded twin who broke Roger Maris's single season homerun record in 1998. That record has since

been broken by Barry Bonds who has admitted to "unknowingly" using steroids.

Many people, including Canseco's former manager

keep pictures of this individual around. You don't want to keep clothing. You want to sever completely, just [cut it] clean."

Canseco says owners got him out of baseball because their secret of steroids was being exposed and they wanted the "godfather" out.

atively "rob a bank while raping a cheerleader and nothing would happen" because he was protected by the same "disgusting system". "Canseco the Cuban was left out in the cold, where racism and double standards rule."

Jose Canseco seems very confident through his book and his numerous interviews that the absolute truth will come out quite soon. In an interview on the Today Show on February 22, Matt Lauer asked Canseco if he was trying to sell a pay-per-view event of himself taking a lie detector test covering these issues. In response Canseco added, "We will have to wait. Something is being set up right now."

Here is what I got from reading the book: Financial trouble or not, Canseco is a very emotional person who directs some bitterness towards baseball and the media. He feels the media has made him out to be something he's not and he has chosen to clear some things up by throwing everything out there in this book. Instead his book has created more chaos in his life. More than anything, this book serves as an emotional cleansing for Canseco but it's really not worth reading nor is it worth the \$25.95 to buy it.



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Tony LaRussa, believe he wrote the book because he is desperate for money, an accusation Canseco denies. It is true that Canseco has sold or is selling anything that has to do with his baseball career, including his World Series ring, his MVP award, and his Rookie of the Year ring, but he contends that it is for personal, not economic, reasons.

"What it is, is a relationship gone bad," says Canseco about his relationship with baseball. "You don't want to

Canseco believes he was a player abused by the system, a "scapegoat" hung out to dry, "blackballed" from the game. He is still bitter at the owners who "forced" him out of the game 38 homeruns shy of 500—a mark that would have most likely guaranteed him a reservation in the Hall of Fame.

He also blames the "white media," as he calls it, for misconstruing his image and making him out to be some kind of monster. All he really wanted was to be "an all-American sports star" like Mark McGwire or Cal Ripken Jr., stars who could do no wrong. McGwire could fig-

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Women's Basketball Win Conference Tournament for Second Year in a Row

■ The Rollins Women's basketball team defied odds to win the SSC tournament.

by **Erica Tibbetts**

asst. sports editor

Last weekend the Rollins women's basketball team went through their own versions of "March Madness." They had their Conference Tournaments at Barry University, in Miami. The Tars went into the post season ranked fifth. They also received the honor of having players named to the SSC all-conference teams. Jennifer Musgrove made the all-freshmen team, while Larissa McDonough made the all-SSC second team.

The Tars played their quarterfinal match on Thursday, and beat the sixth

ranked Tampa Spartans in a very close game. During the regular season the teams played twice, and each team won at home. The game was tightly contested the whole way through, and ended 53-51. The Tars managed to make seven of seven free throws, which is surprising for a team that has struggled from the line throughout the season.

Jennifer Musgrove proved her worth by scoring 15 points, and by grabbing a career-high eight boards. McDonough also grabbed eight boards and scored twelve points.

On Saturday the Tars played their semi-finals against first ranked Florida Southern. It looked like the odds were stacked in favor of the Moccasins, who were 18-11 throughout the season. They took an early 4 point lead, and kept the tars off the board until the 3rd minute. After that, the Rollins women took charge and were up by 20 points with 9 minute remaining in the first. The second half continued in the Tars favor, and they won the match 88-52.

Florida Southern were missing their star player due to religious obligations, but even with her the Moccasins would have struggled to keep up with the Tars. According to freshman Megan Schroder, "[The Tars] were unstoppable from the three



THE SMILES OF CHAMPIONS: Junior Sally Johnston holds the Sunshine State Conference Tournament Trophy while surrounded by her hard-working teammates.

point line and there was an incredible feeling of intensity from every player throughout the whole game."

The final was on Sunday, and featured the Tars against Florida Tech, who were ranked second. The Tars were definitely the underdogs going in, but they never gave up and managed a 65-56 win. The first minutes were hotly contested, with both teams gaining the lead and then losing it again. Tech took a six point lead, the biggest of the half, with eight minutes to go, but the Tars fought back with a three point play from McDonough, and steals and lay ups from Sally Johnston and Musgrove. The half ended 31-31.

The second half continued like the first, with the lead changing hands various times. Tech scored first, but Rollins went on a 9-2 run to take the lead back. With three minutes left, Tech was up by two, but Johnston tied the score and got fouled. She didn't complete the three point play, but McDonough got the rebound and put it back up. The Tars went on a 7-0 run and won the game 65-56.

It was an amazing win for the Tars who now get an automatic bid into the NCAA tournament. Coach Glenn Wilkes, Jr. said "I think it feels particularly good to win this year with this team. We've been through a lot of adversity and to watch this team grow,

improve, and respond to it has been great. We've been hunting for team chemistry all year long and in the last five games we've really come together."

While Joslyn Giles was named MVP of the tournament all the Tars really stepped it up, especially Sally Johnston who was the teams "under the radar player," according to teammate Schroder, and was "a real spark on the court."

The women will be the eight seed in the NCAA South Region Championships and will square off against tournament hosts University of Central Arkansas. Florida Tech, defeated, by Rollins in the SSC finals, received an at-large bid to the NCAA's.



COURTESY J.C. RIDLEY

ALL TOGETHER: The ladies get ready to play for the title.

ROLLINS COLLEGE - CAMPUS CALENDAR

Friday 3-11 Men's Tennis vs. Ferris State Martin Tennis Courts 1:30 p.m. Women's Tennis vs. Palm Beach Atlantic Martin Tennis Courts 3 p.m.	Saturday 3-12 Spring Break No Classes Communique's Dress for Success Workshop Holt Auditorium 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. Cornell's Trash to Treasure Appraisals Galloway Room 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.	Sunday 3-13 Spring Break No Classes Women's Golf 30th Annual Peggy Kirk Bell Invitational Orlando 9 a.m. - 7 p.m. Women's Tennis vs. U. of Wyoming Martin Tennis Courts 10 a.m.	Monday 3-14 Spring Break No Classes Women's Golf 30th Annual Peggy Kirk Bell Invitational Orlando 9 a.m. - 7 p.m.	Tuesday 3-15 Spring Break No Classes Softball vs. Spring Arbor (MI) Lake Island Park 6 p.m. Baseball vs. Bentley Alfond Stadium 7 p.m.	Wednesday 3-16 Spring Break No Classes Softball vs. Albany State (GA) Lake Island Park 6 p.m. Baseball vs. Bentley Alfond Stadium 7 p.m.	Thursday 3-17 Spring Break No Classes Baseball vs. Bentley Alfond Stadium 7 p.m.
Friday 3-18 Spring Break No Classes Baseball vs. Bentley Alfond Stadium 7 p.m.	Saturday 3-19 Spring Break No Classes Rowing vs. Barry, JU, Stetson, Duke, & Nova for Spring Break Race Maitland 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.	Sunday 3-20 Spring Break No Classes	Monday 3-21 Men's Tennis vs. Puerto Rico (Mayaguez) Martin Tennis Courts 2:30 p.m.	Tuesday 3-22 ACE Meeting Galloway Room 6 p.m.	Wednesday 3-23 Men's Tennis vs. Kalamazoo College Tiedtke Tennis Courts 2:30 p.m. Women's Tennis vs. Duquesne Tiedtke Tennis Courts 3:30 p.m.	Thursday 3-24 Men's Tennis vs. Duquesne Tiedtke Court-2:30 p.m. Women's Tennis vs. U. of Albany Tiedtke Court-3:30 p.m. Communique's Networking Roundtable Dave's Downunder 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

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