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NEWS BRIEFS

WRITING CONTEST

The English Honor Society, Sigma Tau Delta, is conducting a writing contest open to members of the Barry community. Categories include poetry, short fiction, essay and children's literature. The deadline is Feb. 12. For more information contact Dr. Lillian Schanfield at #899-3419.

LEARNING CENTER OPEN HOUSE

The Learning Center is sponsoring an open house on Thurs., Dec. 7. Professor Judith Amster will speak on "College Success for Students with Learning Disabilities" at 7:30 p.m. in Garner 113.

WHO'S WHO

The 1996 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges" will include the names of 24 Barry students who were selected as national outstanding campus leaders. Students named this year are as follows:

Angela Austin	Joan Stanberry-Cross
Susan Neff	Marya Morusiewicz
Mari Chamberlain	Catherine Liang
Cara Chrisman	Beth Perloff
Nicole Connor	Elizabeth Ricci
Herminia Eguillor	Enrique Roig
Dawn Erthal	Kevin Schapley
Fanny Fierro	Sharmine Stewart
Laura Fraley	Alegra Venditto
Anson Gift	Lorraine Vitale
Stephany Henry	Robyn Harris
E. Douglas Hutson	

POETRY CONTEST

The National Library of Poetry has announced \$24,000 in prizes will be awarded to over 250 poets in the North American Poetry Contest. The deadline is Dec. 31 and is open to everyone and every entry is free. Send one original poem to:
The National Library of Poetry
11419 Cronridge Dr.
P.O. Box 704-1986
Owings Mills, MD 21117

The poem should be no longer than 20 lines and the poet's name and address should appear on the top of the page.

WINTER CONCERT

The Barry University Chorale will present its second winter concert of the season, "A Celebration of Holidays," in the auditorium on Sun., Dec. 10 at 2:00 p.m. The program consists of various holiday moods, music and dancing.

We are the champions

by Frank S. Alvarado
Assistant Editor

Four years of building and refining paid off for the Lady Buccaneers on Monday night Dec. 4 as they defeated the Wildcats of Northern Michigan to win the Division II national title. In the second meeting of national powers the match was everything a championship game should be: The home crowd on its feet hooting and hollering, the home team rallying to win the game, and another championship banner for Barry's Sports Program.

The Lady Bucs showed true grit and determination to rally from a 0-1 deficit and claim the first national title in volleyball for Barry. The Lady Buccaneers join Women's Soccer as the only Barry teams to claim national titles.

During the first game it looked like the team was feeling the pressure from the ramifications of the game and lost 15-6 in the first match, but the Lady Bucs would rally around Senior Micki Hurley and Freshmen Cindy Yuan and Sonia Gubaidulina. In the second game, the Lady Bucs stormed to 8-1 lead, but the Wildcats withstood the onslaught to pull within four points, 13-9. The Bucs would finally pull away on Gubaidulina's match point to win 15-11.

For Hurley the game is a bit sweeter because she is a local from the Coral Gables

area. When asked about bringing home a championship she responded, "There is no better feeling in the world."

The home crowd played a significant role in rallying the Lady Bucs. The H&S Center was rocking-n-rolling as frenzied black, red, and white face-painted Buc fans rooted for Barry to come back. Chants of "Hurley! Hurley!" vibrated of the gymnasium's walls. Northern Michigan Head Coach Mark Rosin said, "The noise level was unbelievable. The crowd did a great job of

rallying behind them. After the first game it became more of a match and frustration got to us." Coach Yelin said, "I've never seen this before. I hope we continue to hold this crowd. Even when we were down they got louder, it was good to know everyone was behind us 100 percent."

Leading The Lady Bucs were Hurley and Yuan with 14 kills. Gubaidulina controlled

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The team and crowd go wild when Barry wins the NCAA national championship title. Photo: Naomi Legagneur

Human ribbon commemorates World Aid's Day

by Joy Miskovich
Editor-in-Chief

On Fri., Dec. 1 at 6:30 a.m. approximately 350 people of student organizations, staff, faculty, and members of the community were configured into the world's largest human red ribbon for a sunrise service to recognize World Aid's Day. All those who participated wore red t-shirts in support of red ribbon awareness while being a part of a historic event.

World Aids Day was started in the late '80s to keep the attention focused on Aids. This day is celebrated on the first Friday every December by 190 countries internationally established by WHO, World Health Organization. This year's theme is 'shared rights and shared responsibilities.'

The group was first welcomed by Sr. Peggy Albert, OP, Executive Assistant President. Then, an opening song was directed by John Wicker, Choir Director, Campus Ministry. And, Rev. John Meany, OP, Director of Campus Ministry preached the sunrise service.



Making history at Barry while celebrating World Aid's Day. Photo: Dan Rogers

Next on the agenda was Scott Campbell, Aids Educator and Barry student in Health Services Administration who defined World Aids Day and shared some of the experiences he's encountered while work-

ing in the health field. He stressed the awareness and importance of the dedication to man that everyone must possess.

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Editor's Note:



by Christine A. Hryzan
Assistant Editor

For most of the Barry community, December twenty-first is just another day. Perhaps you might be celebrating the end to a grueling semester or frantically finishing last minute Christmas shopping. As for myself, along with 900 other students, I will embark on a new stage in my life, a new adventure.

Over the past two and a half years, (I had the joy of transferring to Barry as a junior), I have endured the pains of being a student at Barry University. The pain of not finding a parking space near the vicinity of my classes. The stupidity of paying \$??? a semester and not being allowed to remove food from the cafeteria. The unsympathetic faculty when faced with one too many absences. (After all it is "school policy, not my policy.") The joy of running a student-body newspaper on a four person staff.

Fortunately, my time at Barry hasn't solely been filled with the political silliness of running a university. Because of the school's size I've developed personal relationships with faculty members. I'm not just a number. I've made lasting friendships and have a variety of experience that I will take with me wherever I go. Miami thrives on culture and I've tasted it. I chose to get involved rather, then sit back and complain why nothing gets done.

This semester I had the joy of realizing that I am not alone. The student sitting next to you, the one you see in Thompson Hall, the girl at the gym-they are all getting involved.

Ever popular "Barry apathy" (as it is too often called) was the only unused ticket as the volleyball team captured the NCAA title. This weekend Barry pride was at it's best and I am glad I finally got to see it.

It is for all these reasons that I leave Barry University with a tear, a smile and hopefully, a little better than when I found it.

a b c d e f g . LETTER TO THE EDITOR . h i j k

Dear Buccaneer,

In the past year and a half, I've worked and watched the Buccaneer struggle to be noticed on this campus. Maybe the solution is to add more student-oriented columns and sections. Perhaps, did you ever think of adding in an entertainment section that has to do with the cultural diversity of the school (i.e. rock, reggae, world music, etc.).

Another weakness is the lack of sports recognition. I mean Barry has tremendous success this fall and what do they get for it? Just a sad little column. The women's soccer team made it to the National Finals,

where they lost to Franklin Pierce. Sadly, they failed to receive recognition

The women's volleyball team received a front page story early in the season, but that is all. Wouldn't it be interesting to read in-depth articles on the athletes who participate and represent this school?

Unappreciation is something found very easily here at Barry. Does anyone care that Barry has a radio station? At other schools people would be fighting for air time. But here, you're lucky to even find the broadcast booth occupied.

What this whole situation boils down to is lack of participation. This is a sad fact. How many people are on the Buc staff? I'll

bet it's under ten. For a school of our size, ten people is a complete embarrassment. For a school this size, twenty or thirty people should be putting out two issues a month covering the school. Face it, if you want something better, you have to participate. After all of this, I plan to.

It is wake-up time! If people don't start helping out, this paper probably will not last. Now that would be a real tragedy compared to this. If you have something to say, just like this, then say it! Come on people, use your talents because if you don't, you are the real loser in this whole deal.

From: Bill Petrell

Editor's Response

Dear Bill,

First off, the Buccaneer staff thanks you for your ever so enlightening letter. Although you offer some 'constructive criticisms' to our staff, a few of your comments could have been thought out, researched, and written much differently.

For instance, this year our paper is being read by more students than ever. More people are getting involved to make our columns more student-oriented, and in case you haven't noticed, the Buccaneer has had double even triple the amount of pictures than we've ever had. We've had a photographer at just about every school function this year.

And about WBRY, people do care that we have a radio station, especially the Comm. majors. But since WBRY does not have an actual frequency on the air, and we're only cable accessed, students are not fighting for air time. Although, most universities have a frequency, but then I guess we're not 'most universities.'

Since the whole letter boiled down to the topic of student apathy, I hope students will read this letter and seriously think about how they'd like to exert their extra energy,

to possibly get involved. And Bill, I hope you do help us out next semester, but whether or not your plans are implemented remains to be seen.

Joy

Thank you so much for pointing out our greatest flaws. Especially concerning the sports recognition. I've dealt with this issue many times. Yet I think you fail to realize that our resources limit us to monthly publication. Sports events are hard to cover considering interest changes day to day. Did it ever occur to you that with our limitations we can only work with what we are given. Another point you mentioned was the front page article on the Women's Volleyball team, an article which you wrote. I just find it hard to stomach your letter because you are part of the apathy we as a staff have to deal with. For someone who says he shows great interest in writing I never saw you come down into our office and ask to contribute.

I would love to see more student-oriented columns in the Buc and I would love to highlight the sports program, but the sad reality is that for every student that has said

they want to be a part of the Buc I can honestly say not one has lived up to their word. I write the sports column and I admit that I don't cover a great majority of the sports, but I am only one and can't be everywhere at the same time.

I've tried beyond avail to find writers, but all I have gotten are broken words and promises.

I am personally getting tired of potshots taken on our paper. It is so easy to say we don't focus on student issues, it easy to say we don't recognize sports, it easy to point out our shortcomings, but for a staff of four people, who not only work for the Buc, but also go to classes and work outside of Barry I feel we have done more for the Buc than could be expected by a "rookie staff".

In the past three issues we have taken on subjects that should matter to you and everyone on this campus. The issues taken on by Thomas Slattery and Jorge Torres, the issue of recognizing gays, lesbians, and bisexuals as people, the issue of intramurals and its changes and of course the ever popular issue of Barry Apathy, something you should think about over the Christmas break when you are considering if you do really want to contribute to the Buc and help us make it into the student newspaper it already is.

Frank

Congrats to the Lady Bucs, NCAA Champs!

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Marodnaya Volya - - - The People's Voice

by Thomas Slattery
Guest Columnist

Barry Sputniks:

I would like to begin this month's Fellow Travellers with a few words of explanation for why the column was absent from the November issue of the Buccaneer. The truth is that I had decided to discontinue this monthly attempt at a little lighthearted political satire because my impression was that the overwhelming majority of Buccaneer readers are both a bit ignorant and foolish when it comes to the subject of politics. It is with both pleasure and regret that I extend my sincere thanks to Mr. Jorge Torres for confirming this belief, and thereby - paradoxically - resuscitating this column. His response to my words on Senator Phil Gramm's call for the execution of Fidel Castro displayed the best of both worlds: ignorance, as to what "Socialism" actually means; foolishness for failing to grasp political satire (not to mention political-economic reality) when he sees it.

Glutton that I am for that special type of punishment which only being misunderstood and taken out of context can provide, I will therefore attempt to clarify my position for the benefit of Jorge and the one other person (an English professor, which explains his having the inclination to read something as outmoded as a newspaper) who noticed my humble missive.

Apparently no one has told Jorge that the greatest trick that the power elite in the good old U.S.A. have ever pulled is convincing the people that they (the power elite) do not exist. "Socialism" is held up as a demon to be exorcised by any means necessary. "Communism" is the work of the devil himself! Jorge's references to socialism as "an evil system" serve only to highlight this point. In the last two decades millions of Americans have lost their jobs, and with them the opportunity to participate in the much vaunted, and utterly unattainable, "American Dream." The powers that be (read The Power Elite) not only allow, but encourage, such "downsizing" as beneficial to the economy. Exactly whose economy, and exactly whose benefit is never made clear, however. Tighten your belts, the downsized are told. Get off welfare or we will kick you off, is the message of a "kinder, gentler America," to the poor. Get a MacJob for minimum wage and stop whining about the shatteringly uneven distribution of wealth in this country. Capitalist America - love it or leave it.

Personally, I doubt that hundreds of thousands of newly laid off auto workers in Michigan, or the aerospace employees who now find themselves claiming unemployment in California, or the inner city poor everywhere, would find anything evil in a "Socialist" or "Communist" system which aims to ensure a decent standard of living for all. Let me quote from the Oxford English Dictionary: "Socialism: A political and economic theory or policy of social organization which advocates that the community as a whole should own and control the means of production, capital, and land." Secondly, and more importantly, "Communism: a system of society with property vested in the community and each member working for the common benefit according to his or her capacity and receiving according to his or her needs." Evil, Jorge? I

fail to see how.

I do not claim to have a deep understanding of the situation in Jorge's native Cuba. I sympathize with his story of personal suffering. But I stand one hundred per cent behind my claims as to events in pre-revolutionary Cuba. (If Jorge was unaware of the activities of the Batista regime relative to prostitution, then I am forced to ask what history books he DOES read, since I am unable to find one which does NOT mention the fact.) I am quite familiar with the history and activities of Batista's regime, Ortodoxo, DR, and M-26-7 in the days prior to Castro's takeover. I have read a great deal about the manipulative role of the U.S. government in Cuba (pandering to big business) in the twentieth century. I did not base my description of the revolution on anything I read in the Herald. The Herald is dancing to a Capitalist drum. If facts are your aim, beware the main stream press. If Jorge had read my article with a little more attention to detail, he would (perhaps!) have gathered that my primary aim was not to support Castro (although I admit I am a socialist in principle, I agree that he has failed the Cuban people in many ways) but to attack the manipulative, opportunist, and cynical rhetoric of Phil Gramm.

Let me say, however, that I do believe that the only system of government which is truly concerned with the welfare of the mass of the people is some brand of Socialism and/or Communism. All "free enterprise" necessarily involves exploitation. Let me refer to Karl Marx and Leon Trotsky (two thinkers of note, even if they are not on the same finely tuned level of intellectual, social, and political acumen as Jorge's beloved Ayn Rand.) In "Capital" (a treatise which some acknowledge has a trifle in the way of merit, although none would ever suggest it is the equal of "Atlas Shrugged") Marx suggests that the aim of "free enterprise" is to exploit "the worker" (your career choice is irrelevant, in real terms this means YOU): "...If the workers could live on air they could not be bought at any price. The zero of their cost is therefore a limit in a mathematical sense, always beyond reach...the constant tendency of capital is to force the cost of labor back toward this zero." Time and again this happens in America. "Downsizing" to increase profitability is this process in action. A handful of megawealthy power brokers manipulate the economy to add to their already obscene wealth. Their interests are not those of the worker. Their interests are antithetical to those of the worker. This point is developed by Trotsky in his essay "If America Should Go Communist" (not as informative as "The Fountainhead" but worth a perfunctory glance, according to some): "Some of the old capitalists may have had a hard time in Communist America. No one would suggest appointing Henry Ford to run the Detroit Soviet!" (See Jorge, even Communists have a sense of humor!)

No form of government is perfect. As a human institution we should not expect it to be. Communism and Socialism are open to abuse and misinterpretation. All we have seen are twisted versions of the society envisioned by Marx. No government in the history of the world has ever been truly communist. Parallels between the history of "communist" Russia and America are too

absurd to be worthy of discussion (read the Trotsky essay mentioned above to find out why this is true!) In the U.S. the anticommunist indoctrination has been so pervasive and so successful that the very mention of the words causes uncomfortable

looks and murmurs. There is no need for trepidation and suspicion, Barry sputniks. Do not be afraid of the only system that is in your interest. Barry sputniks unite - you have nothing to lose except your chains.

Phi Alpha Delta begins its Fall activities

FROM PHI ALPHA DELTA- This past Fall semester, a committed number of Barry University students interested in a career in law and in law-related professions revived the university's chapter of Phi Alpha Delta, the Prelaw fraternity. At an orientation meeting on Sept. 20, a group of students elected officers to reorganize the chapter. Elected as officers at the meeting were: Dawn McClaskey, president; Jacqueline Etienne, vice-president; Fran-

Of Florida Law School, on Oct. 23; a visit and lecture by Prof. Daniel Morrissey, Dean of the St. Thomas University Law School, on Oct. 25; and a special Princeton Review free LSAT diagnostic test and evaluation on Oct. 28.

On Nov. 2, Phi Alpha Delta participated in the special televised Collegiate Press Talk held on campus where Howard Finklestein and Patrick Frazer, news reporter for WSVN-Channel 7, spoke on the



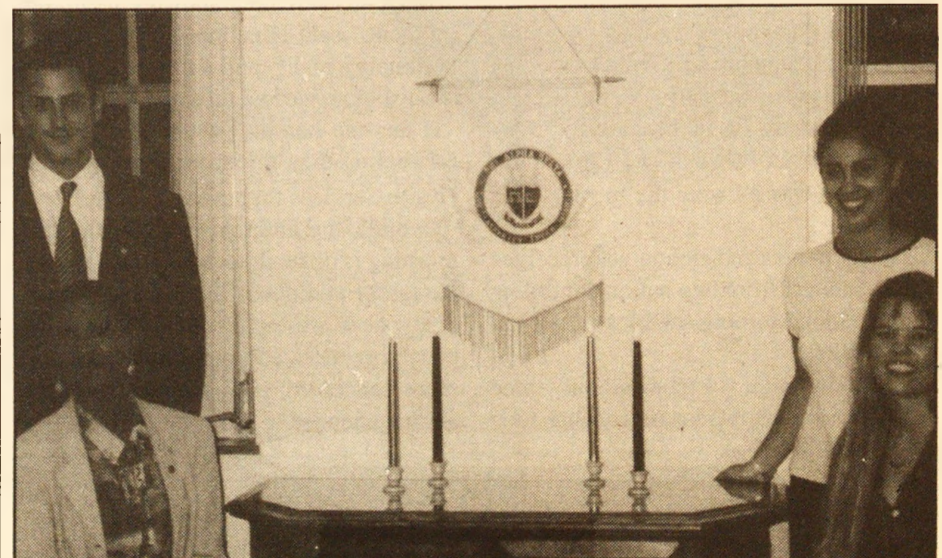
Fall 1995 Phi Alpha Delta inductees: back row (L. to R.) Elretea Beth Lee, Nancy Murphy, Jesus Aviles, Stacey Dorvilus, Marcia Griffith, Jean-Nicole Alvaro. Front row (L. to R.) Keesha Fleming, Penny Shaw, Jubel Diaz-Cumpiano, & Sabine Sylva. Photo: Dawn McClaskey

cisco Miranda, secretary; and Francesca Alvaro, treasurer.

On Oct. 9, at a ceremony in the Thompson Hall conference room at 7:30 p.m., new members were inducted into the fraternity. They are: Jean-Nicole Alvaro, Jesus Aviles, Jubel Diaz-Cumpiano, Stacey Dorvilus, Keesha Fleming, Marcia Griffith, Danielle Herdean, Elretea Beth Lee, Nancy Murphy, Penny Shaw, and Sabine Sylva. Despite its recent reorganization, Phi Alpha Delta has

topic "Cameras in the Courtroom." Both Mr. Finklestein and Mr. Frazier became well-known news personalities during the course of the televised O.J. Simpson trial.

In Dec., elections for the 1996 officers will take place. Barry University students interested in law, and especially those planning to attend law school following their graduation from Barry, are invited to become members of Phi Alpha Delta. The next induction of members will take place



Fall 1995 Phi Alpha Delta officers (L. to R.) Francisco Miranda, secretary; Jacqueline Etienne, vice-president; Francesca Alvaro, treasurer; & Dawn McClaskey, president. Photo: Dr. Jesus Mendez

already been very active. Apart from bi-weekly meetings, Phi Alpha Delta has hosted a number of special meetings this semester including: a visit by Kathy Kitner-Salazar, recruiter for the University

in Jan., 1996. Interested students should contact Dawn McClaskey in Farrell 106, or Dr. Jesus Mendez in Farrell 105, for membership information into Phi Alpha Delta.



Sr. Peggy Albert, OP, Executive Assistant President welcomed all the participants of the human red ribbon on Friday morning. Photo: Dan Rogers

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"Thank you very much for all coming out this morning," said Campbell, "since I've been working in this business for 15 years, it's great to see so many people still so interested."

Also, Allyn D. Gibson, Associate Professor, Social Work contributed his personal reflection on AIDS since he is living with the HIV virus.

After the speakers, individuals were encouraged to come up to the podium and share any concerns or personal experiences they may have with AIDS. Several came forward to share their expressive and meaning words while the crowd listened intently.

To end the morning those that gathered joined arms and sang out "That's What Friends Are For" while shedding tears or reflecting back on those messages brought forward.

The event was sponsored by University Relations, Health Services, Career and Counseling Center, Campus Ministry, and along with a few others raised \$600 by selling 200 t-shirts and receiving direct donations from contributors. The monetary funds collected were given to Genesis House, an Archdiocese of Miami hospice for people with AIDS.

The event was even covered by the local media. According to Joe McQuay, Assistant Director, University Relations, Channel 7 and Channel 6 showed coverage, while Y100 announced it was happening while it happened, and a Miami Herald photographer all got in the action. "Basically, between 7:00 a.m.-8:30 a.m. Barry University was all over the media," said McQuay.

Barry's human red ribbon also received strong interest from two national morning shows, Good Morning America(ABC) and Today(NBC).

"Since the event was planned only three weeks in advance, there wasn't enough time

for the national media to come," said McQuay. "Next year we'll have an even greater shot with the connections we've made. But, with or without six-seven cameras, the event became even more important."

"Hearing the speakers tell their stories personalized the whole event even more," said Junior Amy Grossman. "It's one thing reading something, but it means so much more and hits you harder when you hear it."

Sophomore Kristi Stockton added that after listening to what was being said, she put things in better perspective.

"It made me aware how serious AIDS is and that I should think more about myself rather than wanting to please others," said Stockton. "Nothing is worth risking the chance of getting a deadly disease."

"People were genuinely moved, and to be standing there for an hour and a half with no complaints proves it," said McQuay. "What people came expecting to experience was much different than what they got. This year we may have set the world's largest human red ribbon record, but next year we want to break it."

Mrs. Eileen Hinline R.N., Health Services Director wanted to express how extremely proud she is to be a part of the Barry community.

"It was wonderful to see so many people at such an early hour showing their commitment," said Hinline. "This disease is definitely a reality and we must all become aware before we lose an entire generation."

If anyone has any questions or needs counseling they're encouraged to contact Health Services for assistance.

Overall, the ambience established that morning is difficult to put into words. The thoughts and actions that transpired touched everyone in a different way. Whether it was becoming more educated, more aware, or more concerned, it was a special day for all that attended.

The Fantasticks gets rave reviews

by Aaron Krause
Staff Reporter

After the first ten minutes of "The Fantasticks," one's initial instinct might be to compare it to "Romeo and Juliet." After all, both shows are about two lovers who belong to their respective families, and the families are enemies right? Not so.

In "The Fantasticks," the fathers of the two lovers understand the cliché "kids will be kids." The two men devise a plan to build a wall in between their houses, knowing this will give their kids the following message: "Don't see each other." Well, when you say no... kids usually rebel.

This is the basic story in which director/choreographer Ron Headrick guides a splendid cast, and the result is a fun-filled, often comic musical. As the imaginative Luisa, who thinks she's a princess, Rachel Klein displays this attribute quite convincingly, and brings to the role an operatic singing voice. Unfortunately she sometimes takes her high voice and uses it to the point that she appears to be screeching

(I'm not referring to the rape scene). As her lover Matt, Neal Sullivan, vivaciously plays the role. Their chemistry really works, particularly in the love scenes. As

Bellomy, the girl's father, Johnathan Walton, appears to have a lot of fun with the role, and has a nice strong singing voice. H. Clayton Hamilton as the boy's father is equally energetic and brings a deep singing voice to the role. German Joseph Bec brings a knowledgeable narrator onto the stage. Roberto



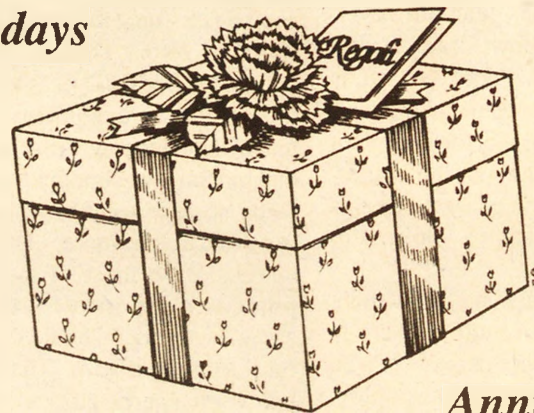
The Fantasticks' cast, back row, German Joseph Bec. Front row, (L. to R.) Clayton Hamilton, Rachel Klein, Neil Sullivan, & Johnathan Walton. Photo: Naomi Legagneur

Latorre and Michael Marx are quite comical as two eccentric actors. Although "The Fantasticks" is a relatively simple show it, is the fun quality that made the show the longest running musical on Broadway. Headrick writes "The Fantasticks" is a musical about illusions. David Trimble's set design captures this illusory quality well, as does Stephen Neal's lighting. Marta Lopez's costumes are rather ordinary with the exception of the narrator's apparel. Even the orchestra gets into the act with great enthusiasm.

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Facts about AIDS.

- As of August 1995, Florida ranks second in the number of AIDS cases, behind California.
- Minority women and adolescents are the fastest growing group contracting the AIDS virus.
- The World Health Organization estimates that two women are infected with HIV every minute.
- In a May 1995 poll, 54% of American children surveyed said they think they might have contracted AIDS.
- More than 50,000 individuals have died in the state of Florida as the result of AIDS.
- By the year 2000, an estimated 80,000 children will be orphaned in the U.S. because of AIDS.

A & S Dept. heads into the future

by Dwight Stickler
Staff Reporter

New equipment and software in the Arts and Sciences Department is preparing Barry students for the 21st Century. The list of new items that Arts and Sciences students are using sounds more like a checklist for a Star Trek voyage than tools for acquiring academic experience. Programs such as MEI and IJNIX and systems such as Matrox, DEC 5000, and Sun work stations are among a number of advanced technological items Barry's Arts and Sciences students are using everyday.

"The MEL (Microelectronic Laboratories) program is an advanced software program which allows researchers to simulate the methods used in many professional settings," according to Dr. Christopher Starratt, Assistant Professor in the Psychology Department. Starratt also mentioned that MEL allows students and researchers to precisely measure responses and analyze the data collected. MEL is also cost effective due to its flexibility because it is capable of managing three different types of studies. MEL can manage reaction-time studies, questionnaire studies, and reading studies which evaluate the ways people process what they read.

At the Communications department, students and instructors are getting their first taste of a linear and non-linear video editing system called Matrox. "Matrox was acquired through the generosity and coop-

erative efforts of members of the Communications Department, the Arts and Sciences Division, and the administrative staff," said Mr. Billy Oliver, Assistant Professor in the Communications Department.

Oliver said that although linear or analog editing is considered to be acceptable currently, non-linear or digital editing is the future of video production. Perhaps as many as one half of the television stations in the U.S. will be using digital video editing systems within the next five years. "Not only are the students being prepared for the future," said Oliver, "but by using Matrox, I've become prepared along with them."

DEC 5000 and Sun Microsystems work stations running on a UNIX based platform are the latest additions to the Computer Lab. According to Dr. Carlos Segami, Coordinator of the Computer Science Program, these work stations are among the fastest available and designed to take full advantage of all the power of the UNIX platform. The main purpose of having such powerful work stations, according to Segami, "is the efficient development of applications programs." Students benefit by working on a UNIX platform, according to Segami, because it is one of the most common systems running in most places of business, government, and education.

Programmers place third in competition

Barry's student team of application programmers took third place at the Southeast Regional competition in the 20th Annual Collegiate Programming Competition, held at the University of Southern Alabama in Mobile, on Nov. 11. The competition was sponsored by The Association for Computing Machinery. The competition is divided into two divisions, one for schools with graduate level studies and one for schools with only undergraduate level studies. Barry's team took third place out of 36 other teams in their division, and tenth overall out of all 60 teams competing.

The team members were Nelson Fonseca, Stephan Mueller, both seniors, and Daniel

Bulli, junior. Fonseca, Mueller, and Bulli were responsible for solving and writing eight different applications in five hours which is no easy task, according to Dr. Carlos Segami, Coordinator of the Computer Science Program. The team managed to solve and write five out of the eight which earned them third place. According to Segami although there were only three people on the team, the efforts of the entire faculty and student body in the department contributed to sending the team to the competition. Segami added that he felt quite good about the team's accomplishment considering it was only the second time Barry has sent a team.

AERho participates in regional convention

by Christine A. Hryzan
Assistant Editor

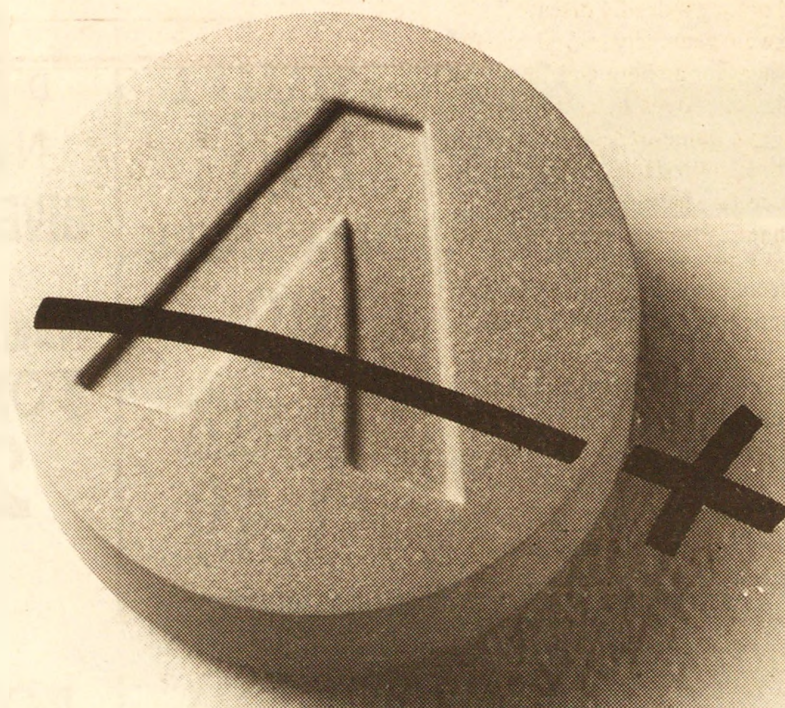
Are you wondering what a chance to exchange ideas with fellow students, network with major media representatives, and spend a weekend in Gainesville, Fla., the number one ranked livable city in the United States would be like? Thanks to the National Broadcast Society, AERho, five of Barry's communication students managed to fit these activities into one weekend.

On Nov. 9-11, the students, along with their Adviser and Regional Director, Mr. Billy Oliver, participated in the NBS-AERho Regional Convention in Gainesville.

The convention was filled with a variety of guest speakers, a resume critique session, and concluded with a video production competition.

Barry students, Jose Suarez and Mike Plante, were awarded first place in the news/talk show category for their production of "In the Spotlight," a news magazine show.

Barry was selected as the site for the next Regional Convention, scheduled for November 1996. Various universities from Alabama, Georgia, Florida, Mississippi, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands are expected to attend.



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Barry's annual Founder's Week

Festivities honor Barry's birthday

by Frank S. Alvarado
Assistant Editor

Founder's week at Barry took place during the week of Mon.-Sat., Nov. 13-18 which featured events bringing back alumni and celebrating Barry's Birthday.

D. Andreas.

In addition, Sr. Riley, Sr. Hurley, and Ms. Fran Schmidt were honored for their work and development of the Peace Education Foundation. Mrs. Andreas was honored for her years of dedication and contributions to the growth of Barry University.



Jamaican Society wins the annual bed race competition. Photo: Naomi Legagneur

On Monday festivities kicked off with a mini-carnival in Thompson Hall. Students, faculty, and staff were treated to cotton candy, popcorn, snow cones and balloons.

On Thursday the annual jump rope for heart was held at the H&S Center. University Relations passed out chocolates to students and the Barry Dance Squad per-



Jamelia Edwards & Tamar Spence sumo wrestle each other. Photo: Naomi Legagneur

The cafeteria featured the All-American Barbecue. Typical dishes such as corn on the cob, corn dogs, baked potatoes, and baked beans were served. Lunch tickets sold out according to Susana Fernandez, Special Events Coordinator.

On Tuesday four of Barry's own were honored for their contributions to education. Sr. Marie Carol Hurley OP, Sr. Maria Riley OP, Ms. Fran Schmidt, and Mrs. Inez

formed in front of students and faculty.

Friday capped the final Founder's week activities with the annual bed race in the Barry Mall area. Susana Fernandez said, "All the events were well attended and we are pleased." But there is always room for improvement when she also added, "We had great turn-outs but we would always like to see more people in attendance, especially students."

JRFH proves to be a hearty success

by Joy Miskovich
Editor-in-Chief

On Nov. 16, the second annual Jump Rope for Heart took place at the Health & Sports Center. As part of Founders' Week, the JRFH is considered our Barry Pride Day activity. The event is to raise money for the American Heart Association for cardiovascular research. It is sponsored by the Sports and Exercise Association and prizes are given to individuals or groups in various categories.

Mrs. Neill Miller, organizer of JRFH, defined the event as, "Something everyone can take pride and take part in as a community effort." The event is something Miller hopes will attract more and more of the Barry community. "Hopefully in two

years we can have the entire campus involved," said Miller.

The Jump Rope For Heart raised \$1,777.05, surpassing last year's total of \$1,200. The event featured jump ropers from local elementary schools, Barry students from various clubs and organizations, and student-athletes.

The groups that won the various jump roping contests were the Women's Softball Team for the group that brought in the most money, the Men's Baseball Team for the group with the most jumpers, and the Women's Basketball Team for the group with the best form.

Individual prize winners bringing in the most donations were Michelle Torrente, first place; Becker Fulford, second place; and Angela Austin, third place.

Traveling back in the heyday of the '40s

Imagine having to wake up at six in the morning everyday except Sunday and only being allowed three absences from classes. Imagine only being allowed to leave campus on Saturdays. Well all this was a reality for Barry students back in the forties.

During a Founder's week function a display featured a student handbook for Barry College back in the heyday of the forties. The handbook specified the rules and regulations of the time, which included the following:

- Waking up at 6:00 a.m. Mon.-Fri. to attend mass at 6:30 a.m.
- There was quiet hour from 7:20 p.m.-8:20 p.m. And lights out at 10:00 p.m. Fri. and Sat. the rule was extended to 10:30 p.m.
- Students were allowed only three absences per semester and the Fri. after Thanksgiving did not count as a holiday.
- Students had to sign registration cards when they left campus and report back upon their return.
- Saturdays were the only days students

could go into Miami, but had to be back on campus by 5:30 p.m. And freshmen had to be back by 4:30 p.m. If students were with their parents or relatives they could stay out until 9:30 p.m. *

- Barry discouraged students from leaving campus too often on weekends.

- Students were accompanied by chaperons on social events in Miami.

-If students went to visit a doctor, they were accompanied by another student.

- If a student missed a class before or after a holiday it was counted as a double absence. Students who went over three absences were submitted to examinations and fees.

This is what it was like for Barry students in the forties. For today's student it is not a pretty picture. It was a very strict mandate set by Barry that it makes today's six-absence policy look like a walk through the park. It just makes me glad to live in the nineties. When I can have my MTV and whatever else and not have to worry about certain privileges to be taken away.

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Career changes becomes a student dilemma

by Michel Plante
Staff Reporter

Esther Desjardins is one of many students who have changed their major. Many students though are afraid to swap majors fearful of making a wrong decision. Therefore, they often hang onto an old dream and miss out on a career that may have better suited their personality. Desjardins, like many students, had high aspirations to become a medical doctor. After applying to numerous universities, discouragement began to set in.

"I had a 3.5 average," recalled Desjardins in a tone of anguish. "I simply could not get accepted anywhere because of the lack of space." She was accepted at a university in Virginia, but with a two-year wait to enter the program.

Medical programs across the country, particularly in recent years, have been overwhelmed by applicants.

"I really didn't know what I was going to do," Desjardins said expressing her fear. "I was extremely frustrated after applying to schools for two years."

The uncertainty of the future is something that is downright frightful for many university students. Desjardins had to make an extremely difficult decision regarding her future in the work force.

With two years of college under her belt, Desjardins was put in the situation where she had to evaluate what alternative careers interested her.

"Being a former athlete, along with my interests in the medical field, I decided to explore a career in athletic training," explained Desjardins in an all new upbeat attitude.

"I had several injuries myself as an athlete and I decided I would like to help other athletes."

The road of challenges didn't stop there for Desjardins. Now she would have to gain acceptance into another school, in another program.

But her fortunes appeared to change when she earned acceptance into the athletic training program at Barry University.

"Coming into the program late, I had to do the work of two semesters in one," said Desjardins recalling the exhausting hours. "Between taking between 18 to 20 credits a semester and devoting hours in the training room, I was going nuts. Time management never seemed more important."

Coming in as a new student, without having spent any time with other trainers, was also a challenge. "During my first year in the training room, it was hard proving my abilities," said Desjardins remembering the adversity. "Everyone knew each other for two years. I had to gain everyone's trust."

Now a senior at Barry, Desjardins has more than trust among her peers, gaining the responsibility as a trainer of the women's volleyball team. Overcoming the vagueness of her future, it now seems to be clearer than ever. "My personality suits athletic training more than being a doctor," proclaimed Desjardins in a joyful manner. "Besides, I'm more comfortable with what I'm doing now. Things must happen for a reason!"

It proves that career changes are not the end of the world. It's never too late for students to change their mind about what they really want to do for the rest of their life.

Miami Italian Film Festival opens at the Gusman theater

by Frank Alvarado
Assistant Editor

On Wed., Nov. 29, the 1995 Miami Italian Film Festival & Film Market opened at the Gusman Center of the Performing Arts with cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, Italian espressos, and the screening of "Un Eroe Borghese", Ordinary Hero, by Italian director Michele Placido.

The Festival began at 7:00 p.m. with com-

plimentary champagne and wine. Ladies were treated to lingerie disguised in a videotape cover of, "An Italian Love Story."

At 8:15 p.m., patrons were escorted to the beautiful Gusman auditorium for the introduction of the Film Festival called "Cinema Italiano Oggi." Performing the introductions was The Hon. Marco Rocca, Consul General of Italy, Gianfranco Mossetto, Commissioner of Cultural Affairs, City of Venice, and Paul Lazarus III, Head of the

Film Dept. at the University of Miami.

"Un Eroe Borghese" was about the downfall of Sicilian banking mogul Michele Sindona and his battle with State Attorney Carlo Ambrosolini. The movie itself was confusing for the first ten minutes and dragged in letting us know the plot. It never developed quickly enough and some scenes were completely off the whole premise.

Despite, the killing of the banking mogul at the end of the film, it was a great evening.



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the net with 11 blocks, Hurley followed with nine. All three were named to the All-Tournament Team.

Blocks played an important factor in the Lady Bucs title run. In the final they amassed 37 blocks in frustrating the Wildcats and never giving them momentum to rally. The frustration showed on Northern Michigan as they fell behind 2-1 after losing the third game 15-10.

The home crowd got on its feet and the anticipation grew as Barry was one game away from being crowned champions. The Lady Bucs kept their poise and very business-like dispatched Northern Michigan 15-11.

It was this feeling that propelled Hurley to play on a twisted left ankle. Hurley suffered the injury in on the fourth play of the match but came on even stronger as the match went on. Hurley said "I didn't care, I told them to tape it and went back in."

The injury worried Coach Yelin and the team. Yelin said "I was shocked, we have never had any injuries. I wasn't sure how she would handle it. She is our leader." Fellow teammate and Senior Marya Morusiewicz said "It caught us all by surprise, but Michelle came in and did her best." Morusiewicz was referring to Sophomore Michelle Heuton who spells Hurley during games.

The key to Barry's title run was defense. Yelin explained "last year our defense was not very good, but this year it was great." The greatest accomplishment was in blocks. The Bucs formed a wall protecting the net. "To start of the block was our number one priority. I was the one staying center first." said Hurley

The Lady Bucs went 9-1 in finals play. On Saturday night, Nov. 2 they dispatched St. Cloud State 15-11, 15-6, 15-12. The first match of the final was their only loss. On Sunday night, Nov. 3, Cal-State Bakersfield became the next team to fall at the hands of the Lady Buccaneers as they lost 15-6, 15-6, 15-1. In that game the Lady Bucs dominated on both offense and defense.

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Way to go Bucs!

The Barry Sports Update . . .

Janice Allen takes over Women's B-ball

by Jennifer Bayona Staff Reporter

The Barry women's basketball team has a new coach, Janice Allen. She has travelled a long road getting here. Allen grew up in Grand Rapids, Mich. and played basketball her senior year of high school. This led to a scholarship offer to Grand Valley State University. As a senior at GVSU, she took on a job coaching basketball at a local high school

After two years, Allen accepted an assistant coaching job at Lehigh University in Pennsylvania. From there she took off to France for a semester to play basketball. She averaged 28 points per game that season, but left it behind to return to coaching.

When The Miami Herald asked her why she quit playing, she responded, "Because my goal was to be a college coach." She headed straight to Denver for an assistant coaching job at the University of Denver.

That same year FSU offered her a chance to revive its program as head coach. She led the Seminoles to their first National Invitational Tournament bid in 1982 and first NCAA bid in 1983. She was named Florida Citrus Commission Division 1 Coach of the Year in 1983, and was a finalist for Kodak National Coach of the Year honors.

Allen decided to call it quits in 1986. After two years, she headed to Miami and



New Head B-ball Coach Janice Allen. Photo: Naomi Legagneur

FIU to develop an athletic booster club. She left FIU in 1993 for a sales and marketing job at the Herald. But Allen's desire to coach never completely withered. As she told the Herald, "Coaching is the most satisfying thing I've done because there is a chance to work with people."

Allen had been working at Barry University part time as a marketing consultant for the athletic department when Ficenecc decided to pursue a doctorate degree. This opened the doors for Allen to return to her dream. Dr. Jean Cerra, Barry Athletic director, hired her in late May 1995.

Allen and the Buccaneers have a tough season ahead after finishing with a 2-23 record last season. The girls need lots of motivation, and Allen may be the coach to give it to them. Allen is very excited about returning to the court and has great expectations for the upcoming 95-96 season.

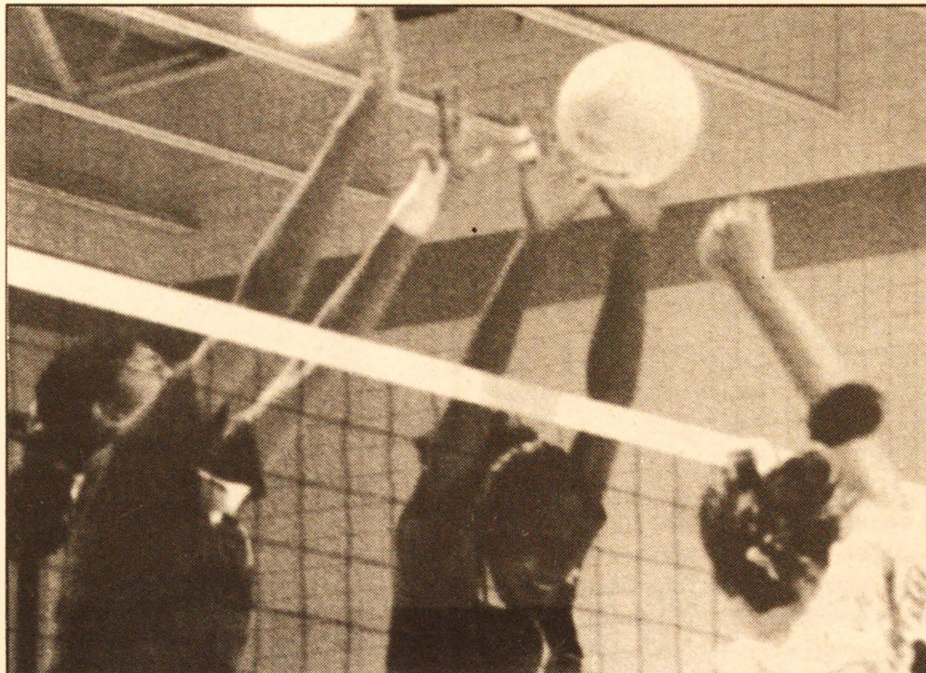
Women's Soccer comes up short in title game

by Sebastian Hernandez Sports Writer

The Women's Soccer team ended their championship run with a heart-wrenching 5-0 loss to Franklin Pierce College. It was a game that featured the 94 champion, Franklin, versus the 93 champion, Barry.

Pierce dominated the game from the outset as the Ravens scored twice to take a 2-0 lead at half-time. The Ravens then pounded Barry for three more goals.

The Lady Buccaneers ended Brian Dooley's first season as coach at 16-2-1. The Women's soccer team made their eighth trip to the post-season in the last nine years. Since 1988, they have won three national titles and placed second twice.



Micki Hurley blocks a shot against Northern Michigan. Photo: Naomi Legagneur

Men's Basketball opens with rout of St. Thomas

The Buccaneers opened the 95-96 season with a rout of cross-town rival St. Thomas University, 104-77 on Nov. 20 at the H&S Center. The Bucs shot 57% and six players scored in double-digits.

Senior forward Julian Brame (Inglewood, CA) led the Bucs with a scorching six of seven from the field and 17 points. Brame also went three for three from three-point range. The other top scorers were Miguel Hernandez, 14 points, Cliff Dubois, Earl Allick, and Kirk Mendez all hit for 12 points a piece, and Marques Tampa, 10 points.

The Bucs then won the Holiday Inn Calder Thanksgiving Classic over the weekend of Nov. 24-25.

On Fri., Nov. 24 the Buccaneers outlasted Nova Southern 75-60. Nova Southern pulled within two, 50-48, with 9:58 to play, but the Bucs went on a 15-6 tear that put them ahead 65-54 with less than seven minutes to play in the game. The Bucs lead by double digits the rest of the way.

Sophomore guard Kirk Mendez posted 18 points to led the Bucs. Marques Tampa finished with 13 points and Cliff dubois added 13.

On Sat., Nov. 25 the Buccaneers defeated North Florida, 65-55, to win the Thanksgiving Classic. Barry improved its record to 3-0. Kirk Mendez scored 15 points, 13 of which came in the second half. Mendez was named MVP of the tournament and made All-tournament team along with Marques Tampa.

Tampa scored 18 points in the final 20 minutes of regulation.

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Men's Basketball Home Schedule

DECEMBER

Tue. 5	FL. Memorial	7:30p.m.
Sat. 16	Lynn Univ.	7:30p.m.
Thu. 28	Shippensburg	7:30p.m.
Sat. 30	American Univ.	7:30p.m.

JANUARY

Tue. 2	Lenoir-Rhyne	3:00p.m.
Sat. 13	Univ. of Tampa	7:30p.m.
Sat. 20	Univ. North FL.	7:30p.m.
Sat. 27	Eckerd College	7:30p.m.

FEBRUARY

Sat. 3	Saint Leo	4:00p.m.
Tue. 6	Florida Tech	7:30p.m.
Tue. 13	Rollins College	7:30p.m.
Tue. 20	FL Southern	7:30p.m.

Women's Basketball Home Schedule

DECEMBER

Sat. 30	Wisc-LaCrosse	5:30p.m.
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JANUARY

Tue. 2	Siena Heights	5:00p.m.
Thu. 4	Salem-Teikyo	7:30p.m.
Tue. 9	FL. Southern	7:30p.m.
Sat. 13	Univ. of Tampa	5:15p.m.
Sat. 20	Univ. North FL.	5:15p.m.
Sat. 27	Eckerd College	5:15p.m.
Tue. 30	Lynn University	7:30p.m.

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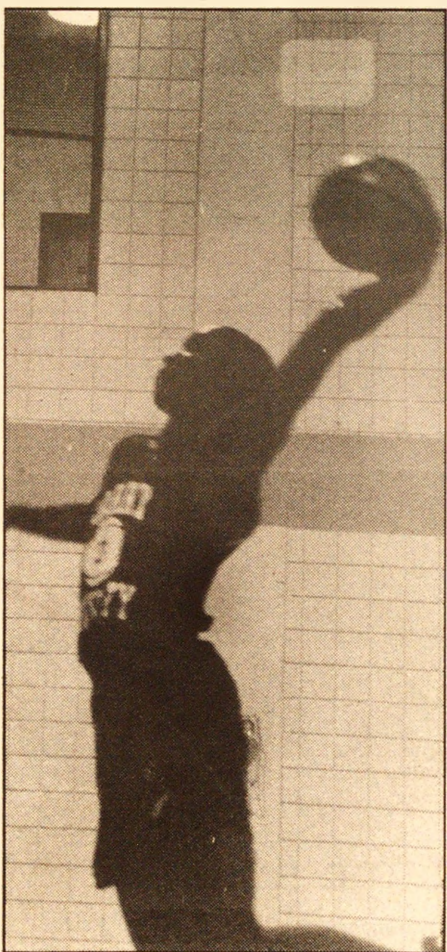
Sat. 3	Saint Leo	2:00p.m.
Wed. 14	Florida Tech	7:30p.m.
Wed. 21	Rollins College	7:30p.m.

cont'd from pg. 8 Women's basketball matches last season's win total

The Lady Bucs opened season play under new Head Coach Jan Allen with a 61-56 win over NAIA Florida Memorial on Nov. 21 at the H&S Sport Center. It was the Lady Bucs first win in 18 games.

Junior Forward Jennifer McMillan (Miami Shores, FL) led the scoring with 18 points and rebounding, 15. The Lady Bucs sealed the victory when Janice James (Jacksonville, FL) hit two foul shots with four seconds remaining to make it 61-56. James finished with 10 points. Sophomore guard Latoya Jackson finished with 11 points.

On Nov. 25 the Lady Buccaneers defeated Flagler College 76-69. Jennifer McMillan led the Lady Bucs once again with 29 points. McMillan hit 10 of 14 from the field and 9 of 10 from the free-throw line.



Senior Marques Tampa jams it in at practice. Photo: Naomi Legagneur

Banking on the swoosh: Scholarships for wearing a logo

The Michigan Daily University of Michigan

ANN ARBOR, Mich.—The black, military-style vehicle adorned with a white Nike swoosh logo has become a familiar site at some of the nation's largest college football stadiums.

Shoe and athletic wear companies long ago realized the value of connecting their products to premier athletes and teams. Professional teams and players have picked up big money from endorsement deals.

Now many others of the nation's college athletic powerhouses have entered the marketplace and found it just as profitable. The new form of corporate involvement has caused college presidents to become concerned about whether schools are ceding control of their athletic programs to companies such as Nike.

Last year, the University of Michigan's Athletic Department signed a six-year, \$7.2 million contract with Nike, which provides apparel and scholarship money to all of the university's 23 varsity teams.

Such deals foster an environment in which athletes might be more tempted to accept money or gifts from player agents or boosters in violation of National Collegiate Athletic Association rules, or leave school well before their scheduled graduation dates, said Tom Hansen, commissioner of the Pacific-10 Conference.

"Today it takes a lot of money to maintain a lifestyle on a college campus," said Hansen, whose league has had to cope this fall with investigations of NCAA rules violations by UCLA and USC football players.

Because of the NCAA's amateurism rules, college athletes can receive only tuition, room, board and books from a university. In addition, scholarship athletes cannot hold paying jobs during school.

In a recent interview with *The Michigan Daily*, UM Athletic Director Joe Roberson defended the University's contract and said a number of things people point to in attacking it are not true.

"The student-athletes benefit from our contract with Nike. No one gets a penny," Roberson said. "We get a couple of scholarships, a general residence program that they're sponsoring, equipment for all our teams—not just the two high-profile ones that are on television all the time—and every penny of it goes back into the support of the student-athletes, and I consider that a

big step forward."

The nation's colleges generated \$2.5 billion in retail sales of products bearing their names, logos and mascots last year—more than was generated by the National Hockey League or Major League Baseball. Unlike professional teams, the colleges make individual arrangements with manufacturers of products such as sweatshirts, pennants, stickers and mugs. Some schools have deals with as many 500 companies, each make a different item and many of those businesses are relatively small.

Nike and other large shoe and apparel makers, such as Reebok, have the national orientation, advertising budgets and marketing savvy to help colleges sell more goods in more places. Nike posted sales of about \$5.2 billion during the 12 months ending Sept. 30, and \$50 million of that came from its two-year effort to sell authentic college team apparel—the items worn by players and coaches during games that have become increasingly popular with fans.

UM Classical Studies Prof. David Ross said he opposes the Nike contract and the commercializing of collegiate athletics in general. "I think it stinks. I think it's crass commercialism. It's absolutely crass. Why does a university want to get involved in this kind

of money? Already the football programs are much, much, much too big. The entire athletic department is far too big. . . . It's all about money and commercialism," Ross said.

"To pretend we're not commercial is absolutely silly," Roberson said. "We charge 100,000 people roughly \$25 a head to get into the stadium, we sell them everything we can sell them, and then we try to pretend we're not commercial."

School officials say these arrangements are matters of necessity. In a time of increasing costs, they are attempting—or, in some cases, being forced by Title IX, the law that prohibits sex discrimination in athletic programs at federally funded schools—to add programs without cutting programs for men.

Seven of the 10 schools that have all-sports pacts with Nike or Reebok are ranked among the top 25 in this week's Associated Press football poll; two others are ranked among the top 20 in this week's AP men's basketball poll.

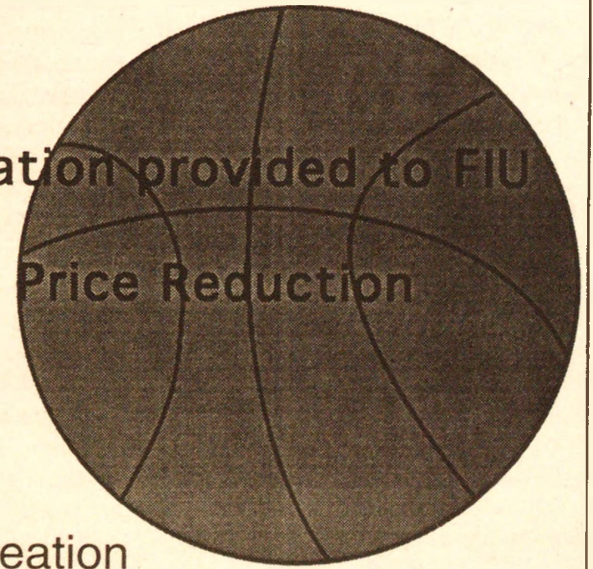
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Barry fans painted their faces in school colors for the V-ball finals.

Photo: Naomi Legagneur

SCUBA Society snorkels with the Fla. manatee

by Sharon Kegeles
Guest Columnist

In an effort to develop a better understanding of the plight of the endangered Florida Manatee, members of the Barry University SCUBA Society traveled north to Crystal River Florida during the Fall Holiday Weekend. The group gathered early Friday morning at the Dive Locker to gather sleeping bags, mats, and snorkeling equipment provided by the Instruction Sport & Recreation Program. After the Hawaiian Shirt Photo Shoot, the safety equipment, gear bags, water guns, and coolers full of food were loaded, and the caravan headed north for the six hour drive.

Crystal River is located northwest of

the shallow dark water estuaries were manatees graze. Surfacing for air, the slow-moving manatee has no defense against boat hulls or propellers. The resulting impact leaves the cow open to infection, pneumonia, and permanent scars.

Arriving in Crystal River the group stopped at the Boys & Girls Club of Citrus County to collect the key to our lodging. A spacious hall equipped with a kitchen, a basketball hoop and all the stars you could count. After a beach sunset, dinner, there was a slide presentation on the sea cow. The group understood that there was a good chance that we might not see any manatees as only 1,700 are reported to be still living in Florida waters.

Saturday morning brought bright sun and

off to the head spring at King's Bay to free dive the sink hole and view the manatee statue and plaque that pays tribute to the last of the species.

Quiet with anticipation the divers geared up, entered the frigid water and went exploring. Within minutes, a small herd of manatees were spotted. Two professional photographers had just exited the water to change film, and the manatees were waiting for them to return. The males, females, and multiple calves were extremely comfortable with our divers who gently rubbed their course skin. The older cows quickly rolled belly-up to take full advantage of the grooming opportunity. A big bull appeared and mated with a female. Teenagers, or young cows, submerged for a snack and a nap. Moms called out to their calves to keep them close. We were experiencing a day in the life of a herd of manatees. These manatees stayed with our group for over an hour. Reluctantly we drifted back to the boats to warm up and explore the rest of the bay.

In the open bay, a water balloon fight erupted between our two boats. Most of the balloons hit their intended marks, but a handful fell into the bay. A brown pelican swooped down to try to claim the brightly colored prize. Our unthinking attempt at fun had quickly turned into possible death for the bird. Immediately a diver entered the water to retrieve all of the balloons. A valuable lesson was learned.

A stop at Three Sisters Spring brought us

in contact with more manatees and an irate boater. This quickly reminded us that there are people that simply do not respect wildlife or humans. We can protect ourselves, but how unfortunate for the manatee who is at our mercy. It is for these reasons that the Florida manatee will no doubt become extinct in our lifetime.

Motoring back out to the bay, the afternoon sun was casting a warm orange glow, and the wind had calmed. We decided to take the scenic route around some of the islands when we came upon a herd of at least 50 manatees lazily grazing in the dark blackish water. Every few minutes a new bull would race towards the group from another area in the bay and copulate with a female. A large bull breached in front of the boat as if to survey the area. One teenage female manatee stole our hearts when she all but attached herself to one of our divers. Nicknamed Margie the Manatee, she stayed on the surface giving kisses for nearly 45 minutes. Even after he exited the water Margie stayed waiting for him to return, but daylight was slipping away and we needed to return to port.

Tired but happy, a unanimous decision was made to return to the beach for sunset. Without a cloud in the sky, we were treated to a magnificent blaze of colors to end a perfect day. Each and everyone of us felt a strong silent bond with the manatee and each other. It had definitely been a thrill of a lifetime.



Barry University's SCUBA Society enjoys a weekend at Crystal River while snorkeling with the endangered manatee. Photo: Sharon Kegeles

Tampa, directly on the Gulf of Mexico. It is the premier wintering site for the Florida Manatee, attracting thousands of tourists hoping to view this nearly extinct creature. The locals are pleased to share their home with the manatee, and they take an active part in protecting the surrounding environment. Manatee sanctuary zones are strictly watched by the Florida Marine Patrol and local volunteers. They are trying to protect the manatee from its worst enemy - man. Over one hundred manatees are killed each year by careless boaters who speed over

a cold wind. Two weeks of bad weather and dropping water temperatures in the Gulf of Mexico had made conditions optimal for the manatees to seek the warmer inlets that were loaded with a fresh food supply for mating season. Would the group become among the privileged few to interact with these gentle giants?

One stop to the dive store was made to rent thick wetsuits to protect the divers from the constant 72 degree waters of the river. After food and gear was loaded on the flat bottomed pontoon boats, the group motored



Snorkeling in Crystal River beside the endangered Florida manatee over Fall Holiday. Photo: Alexandria Trachsel

SCUBA Society hosts second annual underwater board game marathon

On Sat., Nov. 4 members of the Barry University SCUBA Society, along with newly certified SCUBA divers from the Instructional Sport and Recreation Program, volunteered a few hours underwater playing games for a worthy cause. This was the culmination of a two week pledge drive to raise money to provide a bountiful Thanksgiving dinner for a needy family within the Pockets of Pride area.

Members had canvassed campus offices with pledge sheets, called home to relatives for donations, and carried collection jars door to door. Local dive retailers gave counter space for donations jugs for the campaign. The most creative collections came in a SCUBA mask and a dive glove that was stuffed to capacity with money. Now it was time to hit the water for some fun.

A beautiful sunny day brought a lot of people out to the pool who watched the divers with amazement. Just what were they doing down there? The divers were having a relaxing time playing chess, checkers, and the crowd favorite, Monopoly. Playing a game of underwater Monopoly is hilarious. Not being able to verbally communicate is not easy. Fits of laughter had to be controlled, and one game had to be called due

to hyperthermia. The underwater and topside support staff kept everyone safe, well fed and even had time to recruit a new SCUBA student for the Spring ISR class.

The best part was being able to present Father Emiliano in Campus Ministry with a check for \$350.00. The generous donations made to the SCUBA Society provided food for seven separate Thanksgiving dinners. Thanks to all who made this possible.

To err is human, to forgive divine Alexander Pope (1711)

by Nicol J. Thomas
Guest Columnist

In the Bible, God says, "The wages of sin is death." Deuteronomy 24:16 states that, "The father shall not be put to death for the children, neither shall the children be put to death for the fathers: every man shall be put to death for his own sin." "But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, being justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him." (Romans 5:8&9)

As a Christian I believe that Jesus Christ died on the cross for my sins. I also believe

that he broke the power of death by His resurrection and lives in heaven as my Advocate and Intercessor to God. This, and the belief that capital punishment is wrong, should be common to all Christians.

Roger H. Crook, in his book, An Introduction to Christian Ethics, also concludes that capital punishment is wrong. Crook bases his conclusion on his Christian faith and on capital punishment statistics. He reminds us that humanities best efforts to be impartial in the administration of justice have failed and almost certainly can never succeed. Crook and the Statistical Abstract of the U.S. 1994 show that the chances of execution after conviction of a

capital offense are much greater for men than women and for blacks than for whites.

Although these statistics alone boldly show that impartiality is absent from our justice system, they're only "physical evidence" of why capital punishment is wrong. The true reason and only deciding factor is the "spiritual evidence." God did not kill us for our crimes of sin -- He had mercy on us -- at the very least, we should do the same for our fellow man. We must learn and practice the wisdom of God and not that of humankind. Until we have done this we are unable to live and govern correctly.

To help illustrate this point; the definition of capital punishment is the penalty of

death required as retribution for a crime. Crucifixion was one form of capital punishment. To crucify was to put to death by nailing or binding the hands and feet to a cross. Now I want you to close your eyes. Relax and clear your mind. Imagine you are back on Calvary Hill. Jesus Christ, your Lord, is convicted of a crime and nailed to a cross. As He dies a slow and painful death, He pleads with his last breath for your forgiveness: "Forgive them Father for they know not what they do." Now open your eyes. You are now aware of what you do. With a clear conscience can you say that the death penalty is right? God bless you if you cannot; God forgive you if you can.

Alzaga keeps the Cuban culture alive

by Peter Holl
Staff Reporter

"I had never planned to leave my country and live anywhere else, I was already working at the University of Havana in the philosophy department and I was very happy. It wasn't until Castro started creating new policies and laws which made many people turn against him that I had to leave," said Dr. Florida Alzaga, a philosophy professor at Barry University.

During this period, she said, many of us Cubans worked in the underground to try to overthrow the government but after the failure of the Bay of Pigs in 1961, the underground was effaced. "I knew then there was no way to overthrow Castro because he had so much power and by March 2, 1962, I left my country."

Before gaining dictatorship, Fidel Castro had the support of many of the Cuban people. Castro had promised to restore an honest government and restore their constitution of 1940, and guaranteed free press and respect for individual rights as well as for private property. After gaining power in 1959, by 1961 Castro admitted he had deceived his active supporters in order to gain the confidence of the Cuban people. Under Castro, Cuba soon became a fortress armed with weapons acquired from the Soviet Union and administered by a one party government that exercised dictatorial control over the nations political and economic life. This in turn led to the United States' decision to break off diplomatic relations with Cuba in 1961. Because of Castro's plan to turn the island of Cuba into the first communist state in the western hemisphere, many Cubans fled the country to seek freedom. This was when Dr. Alzaga decided to move to the United States.

"I left Cuba basically because I had a son who was five years old and a law was going to be passed that would take away the authority of the parents over their children," said Dr. Alzaga. "The threat of that law created real panic. What spurred me to leave was to get my son out. If I did not have a son I would have stayed longer to see if something could be done to overthrow Castro. You cannot live if you do not have freedom. I didn't leave because I wanted to but because of the political problems that made me leave."

Dr. Alzaga began applying for many jobs and was hired to teach at Aide Merrit, a local school here in Miami. This was where Dr. Alzaga had begun working as a Cuban aide helping Cuban refugees who had also come to the United States with hopes and dreams of freedom and a better life. She then taught English as a second language.

"For me it was a great honor to be a refugee because I left for my idea of freedom," stated Dr. Alzaga. She then taught English, and English and American literature at Notre Dame Academy. Dr. Alzaga started teaching Spanish as a language and Spanish and Hispanic American literature here at Barry University part time in 1965 and then full-time since Jan., 1966. She later began teaching philosophy. She is currently teaching in both departments.

"My first vocation is to teach. I could not live without teaching and I believe that through philosophy and literature one can broaden their horizon as well as others. I feel a great togetherness with my students and the classes are part of my life."

Her philosophy follows, among others, a Cuban philosopher by the name of Luz y Caballero. According to this philosophy, to educate is not to give facts but to help the individual understand and grow to become the person he or she wants to become. For Dr. Alzaga, teaching is a mission.

Dr. Alzaga said she has always been involved with the problems of the Hispanic culture because she firmly believes that when you leave your country, the only way to explain what your country was like is by the means of its culture. She said she tries to do her share in keeping the Cuban culture alive. Many of her students are American and many are of Hispanic background with similar family life.

Her classes help students notice who they are, what they are, what they stand for, and what their values are. This also goes for her American students. At the same time, the class is like a bridge of understanding between different cultures. "American students of 'Thought of Spain and the America's one and two' would understand the Hispanic culture, family life and way of thinking; whereas, the Hispanic student can learn the lifestyle of Americans and how they live," claimed one of her students.

"I am very grateful for the U.S. because anyone who wants to come here to work can do so. You have to have a lot of perseverance, work hard, and trust God," expressed Dr. Alzaga. "You can never give up. The essential thing is to have ideals. If you have ideals then that is the goal to which you work. If there is something that has always kept me going, it is my religious beliefs, my family, the idea of family values, my work, and the hope that Cuba will be free someday. Having religious values and moral support is one of the great things that helping human beings in distress."

Her son, Pedro Romanach, now carries on Dr. Alzaga's philosophy in life and is now a successful teacher at Miami Dade Community College helping others learn English as a second language.



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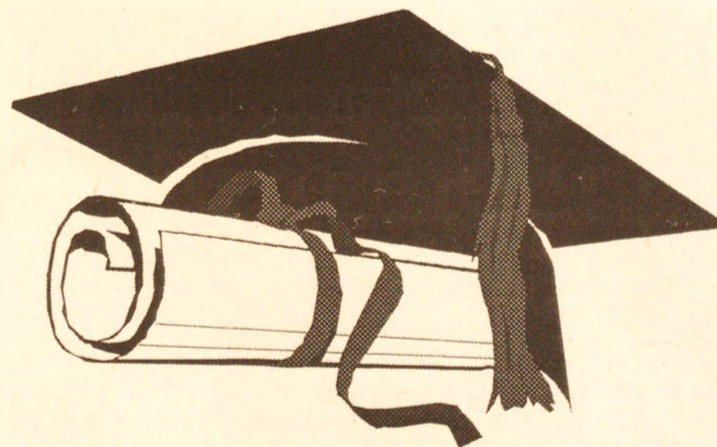
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