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To judge one another harshly now is very wrong!

Sr. Jeanne O'Laughlin talks about her involvement in the story of Elian Gonzales

By Dadi Rafnsson
Editor in chief

In the biggest story of the winter, Barry University president Sr. Jeanne O'Laughlin has found herself in the national spotlight after getting involved in the prolonged custody battle of Cuban 6-year-old Elian Gonzales. In an exclusive interview with the *Buccaneer* she tells her side of the story.

"There have been times when I have wanted to throw up my hands and ask myself why I am doing this? After having the grandmothers in my house and sensing the unreal fear these women were feeling, and after hearing some of the things that the people from the immigration office had told me I felt the boy deserved a hearing. I heard that the only Cubans not receiving a hearing were known criminals. The impression I got from the National Council of Churches at my house was that they were indeed not

in charge, but Castro was.

As I thought about that and prayed during the night, I decided that I should fight for the boy to have a fair hearing. I wanted him to have a family court hearing. I felt there were things surrounding his family and his environment which should be heard by people who are skilled in family court. So I went to Washington D.C. and saw the Attorney General who was very kind to me and I love very dearly, along with the head of the INS. They told me that the boy would only have an asylum hearing, not a family hearing.

After the court hearing the father did come. I was really happy when he finally was here because ultimately the boy should be with his father. But the hope of a lot of people was that he would stay in the U.S. with his son and his family. I did not know that he had another five-year-old boy in Cuba



Sr. Jeanne O'Laughlin

and that the father's parents are in a compound in downtown Havana. So I still feel that the matter is in the control

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Barry students meet Jack Valenti

By Dadi Rafnsson
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Members of the International Radio and Television Society (IRTS) at Barry University met with Jack Valenti, the president and CEO of the Motion Picture Association of America at the IRTS national conference in Washington D.C in March.

The communication majors spoke one-on-one with Valenti and received the inside scoop on the film industry. Students were overwhelmed by the opportunity to meet the industry icon, who leads the most powerful film producers and directors in the U.S..

"We really wanted to talk with him, so we made our way through the crowd after his speech," said Krista



Bywater, one of the Barry students. "He was in a rush but still took the time to shake our hands and talk to

us. We probably will never have the opportunity to meet him again so this was a really nice experience."

Finals: survival of the fittest

By Lauren Schweitzer
Staff Writer

Scantrons, number two pencils, short answers and no sleep the night before. These are mere symptoms that accompany the event known to all Barry students as the final. This test is designed to find out how much each individual student has learned over the course of the entire semester.

For a student, just like a chef cooking a gourmet meal, in order to achieve a high mark on the exam or to just simply pass, requires much preparation and devoted time. Hence, during the week of finals it is not uncommon to walk across campus and find students juggling textbooks, chocolate, and their precious time, much like a professional circus clown would be

found juggling balls.

So, how do we do it? What is the secret to successfully surviving the most dreaded week that a student can fathom? Is it pitching a tent in the library with your most trusted ally, (I am referring to your textbook) for half a fortnight? Or do you save yourself the anxiety and aggravation and simply acknowledge the fact that if you don't know it by now than it's too late to learn it? These examples are extreme. Surely the answer lies some where between.

"I have tried osmosis, which is sleeping on my book, a couple of times," said senior Lynn Fowler jokingly, when asked if she had any tricks to help her study for finals.

One would assume that food and sleep would help students in their ef-

forts to study. Science has proven that the proper rest and nutrition are the best tools for young minds under pressure. However, if you are a student with many outside obligations unrelated to your academic career—such as a job and a family—it is difficult to find time to do the simplest of tasks.

"I eat Instant Success Rice or bagels. They are quick and taste yummy," Lynn said. "If I am going to eat it has to be quick and easy." "Fifteen-minute power naps are the best when you do not have time to get a good night's sleep."

Contrary to popular belief there are proper and encouraged ways to prepare for finals that help students lessen their stress load. Teresita Martinez, coordinator of the reading

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Editor's Note

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Editor in Chief

The Elian Gonzalez story leaves us with a lot to be thankful for.



So let us be thankful for having a university president who speaks her mind. Many people in high positions tend to think in terms of polls, promotions and paychecks.

Let us be thankful for politicians who have different opinions. It is not a luxury one should take for granted.

Let us be thankful for Janet Reno, an Attorney General who actually enforces the law. Many people around the world cannot expect that of their government.

Let us be thankful for being able to protest a government action which is insensitive and unnecessary. Many people around the world cannot speak freely against their government.

Let us be thankful because for enough money we can buy the best legal representation possible. And even more thankful if our case is on TV. Then we get it for free.

Let us be thankful that if we ever become mayors we can change our position on matters depending on who is watching.

Let us be thankful that people can call themselves Cuban Americans, African Americans, Jewish Americans, Anglo-Americans and segregate themselves from each other, never thinking about being Americans together. Being ignorant about others is so much more satis-

Let us be thankful that fourteen-year-olds can jump up and down behind a television reporter, chanting 'libertad' without knowing what they are talking about.

Let us be thankful that in the US, people can vote for their government. Even more thankful for being so clothed and fed that many people do not bother voting and can proclaim not being interested in politics. But we should be most thankful to be able to complain about the government, despite not voting and being uninterested in politics.

Let us be thankful that a family can negotiate with the government on their terms for weeks on end. Such patience is very valuable. In some far away, and yet so close places one might not have heard the names Lazaro or Marisleyis ever again.

Let us be thankful that Elian Gonzales has a lot of people who care about him. Many kids his age, and even many grown ups do not have that luxury.

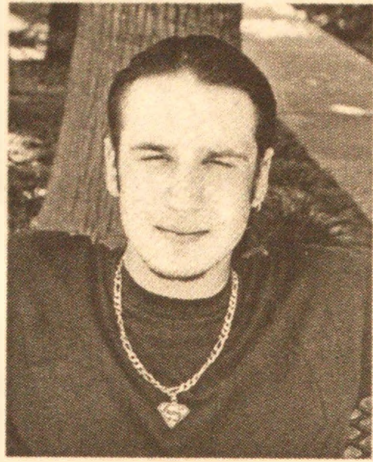
Let us be thankful that Fidel Castro is mortal like the rest of us and that one day Cuba will be free.

Let us be thankful for that life goes on and that while we get over our travesties we can watch color TV's, shop at The Gap and eat at Burger Kings on every corner. The people of Ethiopia were in the world news two weeks ago and the nation of Mozambique caught a ten second mention on Channel 7 a couple of months ago.

Do you know what happened to them?

What are your plans for summer break?

Photos by Eviana Payne
Staff Photographer



I think I'll stay in Miami and I also want to go back home to Santiago, Chile. Nothing really exciting.

Andreas Mansilla
Student at Berlitz



I'm not planning anything. Maybe go to Haiti, visit my family. I like to travel. Or I'll have some classes at Barry this summer.

Jennifer Budhoo
English, Sophomore



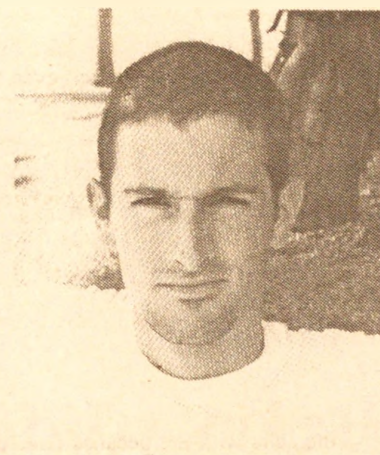
I am going back home to Switzerland, near Zurich. I am working in a credit card department in a bank. I would like to see South America, Asia and Russia.

Tomas Reusser
Student at Berlitz



I am planning to go to Paris for my photo class with students from Barry. Then I want to go to Egypt, Cairo and travel around there for a while with my Russian companion. And if somebody wants to sublet my apartment while I am gone, let me know.

Prima Parson
Photography Student, Senior



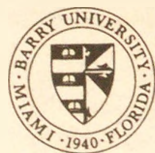
I want to go to Europe, Switzerland, to visit my friends. I am also going to China in June for computer business. In July, I will go home to Brazil.

Carlo Buscarilli
Student at Berlitz



I will take one semester at Barry during this summer. Then I'll go back home to Panama.

Beatrice Medina
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Sr. Jeanne speaks her mind

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of the Cuban government and that the boy is not going home to his father but home to Castro. I still feel that the boy needs to have a relationship with his father.

Many people have thought that you were taking the family's side against the father?

I was not even saying that he should not go back to Cuba, but that he deserved a hearing. That a family court could best determine what would be best psychologically for the boy. There are many psychological factors at play here due to his mother's death, his father being controlled by Castro and I thought that if he could get to family court it would be the most likely way to get to a right answer. I still feel that the people who are skilled in those matters can make the best decisions.

After meeting Elian and his family for the first time you asked the family to keep him away from the media circus? What did you think of the video of Elian telling his father he did not want to go back to Cuba?

Terrible. That day the family spokesman came to my house and said that they needed my help. That the young girl was in the hospital, the boy was having a hard time and the uncle was stressed out. So he asked me if I could come over. I got in my car and when I got inside the house I could immediately feel the stress in there. It was so noisy, with all the people outside, lights in the street and no privacy for the family at all. So I thought I could bring them to the president's house for a couple of days to give them some rest. But then the lawyers came, then the INS, the Attorney General, so what happened that night was that they had probably arrived at the point where they thought they could lose him. The family got frightened and left which made me sad because I thought they were sleep deprived and completely stressed out and therefore not making good decisions. Apparently one of the psychologists had said to the boy in my presence 'You have a voice. You have to use your voice and tell us what you're feeling' And I have a feeling that when they got home that night, somebody, I do not know who tried to tape him, to get him to say his voice. I think it was a desperate act because I think that they thought they would lose him the next day and they wanted him to have a chance. But as it turned out it turned against them. It made them look bad.

Did you note any differences in the boy himself?

No, he has always been a precious little boy. I held him in my lap, played with him and said prayers with him. He is such a sweet boy and like every little boy between age five and six he is growing. He is naturally going to have problems and the question is where will he have the least problems.

Are you worried about his future?

Oh, yes! I dream that he would have a good manhood. That his mother would not have had to die in vain. That his father will provide the kind of environment where he can grow. But this is a really sad story.

Do you fear that this issue has created a divide in the community that might take a long time to heal?

The Cuban American community is not violent. There has only one per-

son been pulled out of the crowd outside the Gonzales home. They are wounded people. It appears to me that the tragedy of this boy has unearthed all the wounds that the Cuban American community bears, and that is more among the poor than the rich. The people that understand the pain they went through, coming across the water or however they got here, they bear all those wounds. People that do not live here in South Florida do not understand that history.

And even today the United Nations commission on human rights condemns Cuba for human rights violations. So it is very painful for the Cuban American people to see what this vulnerable child has to go through when many of them were sent to freedom themselves. The people who have experienced that pain they know. And yet many of them are torn like other people might be torn. That has been the ache with me because I see the poor, the humble Cuban Americans suffering because the memory of their pain is not that old. It is none of their business where the father lives with the child. Many people do not understand that I am not fighting to keep the boy in the US. I am fighting for the boy to have the rights that his mother purchased for him, but knowing that the role of the father is important too. That is the dilemma.

How are you feeling yourself?

I am feeling very sad. I got up yesterday morning at 3 o'clock and prayed that God would show me any way so that I could help bring peace to this family, do the right thing by the boy and this community. I have talked to so many people, and to this moment I still do not know what to do other than to pray that maybe during holy week a miracle of some kind would bring peace. I think that I am watching a passion, just as the passion of Jesus on Good Friday. That this is the passion of the Cuban people, and the prejudices against them are very strong. I did not know that and now I realize that it is so. They would say to me 'send him back and a hundred thousand others with him, and you go too'. Terrible things have been said to me

Have you received threats?

Yes, nasty and violent threats because I want a boy to have justice in a court hearing. Because I have tried to understand the pain of the Cuban Americans. Because I dared to speak up for what I thought was right. Because people do not know some of the stories that are a part of this. Judge harshly and do not respect one another. Maybe in fifteen years we will know the truth of some of the things that are happening now. But to judge one another harshly



Picture Courtesy of Greg Craig

now is very wrong. For me, I have always fought for the underdog and have been trying to work with those that do not have much. They make big deal of the president's house. I live in one room of it. Someone gave it to us at Barry, it belongs to our endowment. The criticism and the hate mail I have received is unbelievable.

This has thrust you and Barry University in the national spotlight. Will it affect the school in a positive way in the future or could it be negative?

I think it will end up being positive, because in the end people will understand that I am fighting for justice and truth. It takes great courage to stand up for something that is not popular. Especially when I have never said that he should not go back to Cuba. I merely said that he should have a court hearing. I can certainly say that the university will be well known. And I think we will be known for fighting for what we believe in. And that is not all bad.

You sent out a letter to the Barry University students explaining your views and actions. Did you feel that was necessary?

I felt I owed it to the students to explain what was going on in my heart. I have not felt anything bad from my faculty or students. I am sure some of them do not agree with me but they have never been mean. The meanness comes from people who do not understand what is really going on. They

think I have said something which I did not say, and tell me that all those Cuban Batista's must give me so much money to say what I am saying. I have thought about it and it is ridiculous. I do not know how it is going to end.

Has this issue taken you away from other things you wish you could have tended to this semester?

I would have to say that it has not really taken me away from the university. Most of this has taken place before or after work, or during weekends. I have missed some night meetings I would normally have gone to, and of course this makes you tired and weary because of the stress and worries. I know I have never prayed so hard for anything in my life as for the boy to have the right future. And I do not know what the right future is. That is why I wanted this matter to go before family court which has the skills to know. But it is in God's hands and that is the only thing we can believe. I believe that God sent him to the family he is with now, and them to him for a purpose. And God will not abandon the child wherever he is.

Do you fear that Castro will use Elian as a political icon if he goes back to Cuba?

I think Castro is in total control and that if he goes back to Cuba that Castro will take him. But that is bigger than you and I, that is God's job, not ours. We can only pray that he will become a man, and that he will have freedom in a way that his father does not have.

Federal agents reunite Elian with his father

I am heartbroken and devastated says Sr. Jeanne

On April 22 Elian Gonzalez was removed from the house of his Miami relatives by federal agents. He was reunited with his father, Juan Miguel, later that morning in Maryland.

Sr. Jeanne O'Laughlin did not speak to the media after the incident, but released this statement.

"I am heartbroken and devastated. I was shocked that a peaceful transfer, which according to all reports appeared so close, failed to materialize. It's a real

travesty of justice that this had to come to such a needless and violent transition. My only hope lies in the promise of resurrection, that from this devastation, a new life can arise for all concerned."

Many Miami residents took to the streets of Little Havana in protest. Although most experts deemed the removal legal, the manner in which it was carried out left many people stunned.

Bathroom humor

By Kobina Aldoo
Staff Columnist

MEN and WOMEN, what I hate about working in a small office is the fact that you can safely narrow down to 2 people, your next door neighbor in the bathroom (plus 1)... and that is a very disturbing statistic. Especially disturbing when one of the two on the shortlist is your boss.



The bathroom has become an indispensable part of our civilization. A place of solitude: Be you a student or faculty, probably the only solitude that you would have in the workday. Back in the day, they did it like they do on the discovery channel. That had to be a blast. A place of relaxation: I'll take an OJ with me if society would permit me. My dad reads two full newspapers per session. Personally, I prefer tabloids such as the *Buccanneer* as opposed to the spreads such as the *Herald*. So unwieldy, they could blow my cover. Did you know that only in America is a bathroom called a bathroom? Back home we got many polite ways of saying "defecate." Maybe "ease oneself" or "backfire." In my mother tongue, to say "I'm in the bathroom," we would say something like "I'm on a tree" or "I'm in a meeting" and folks, most of the time, it lasted as long. And back home, eating, shaking hands or even pointing with the left

hand is considered rude and disgusting because the left hand is reserved for wiping purposes.

A famous actor (his name escapes me presently) on Jay Leno recounted his experience at the White House. An experience that included close encounters with Bill Clinton in the 'white' room.' So here he was leaking right next to the President of the United States and of course it had to be uncomfortable. (Here, I'm assuming that most women have heard that men's bathroom's have separate devices for No. 1 and No. 2, and the one for No. 1 isn't extremely private. If you haven't seen it, check it out. I don't think there's a law against a woman entering a men's bathroom for educational purposes). I mean, really, what kind of conversation would you have under such circumstances with the president. A notorious one at that! Words must be carefully measured in order not to say something below the belt. Always look straight ahead. Most men would quickly wash their hands and leave. An activity seldom performed by most men in the absence of a witness. Even when it is performed things could get complicated. Look at it this way: You bump into a person coming straight outta the loo and if you're anything like my effervescent self, you instinctively extend a hand. On the one hand, if it's dry, you know that didn't clean up. On the other hand, a moist palm is too chilling an indicator of where that person has been.

So really, what would you do or

say if you were this particular actor (I'm still trying to remember his name). What! You're gonna pretend you haven't seen him. We're talking about a man who has a nuclear trigger in his hands. At the same time you want to keep all allusions above shoulder level. "Nice speech" wouldn't work. The diversion is too obvious. Another story is told (by *Time* magazine) of a summit between the president and the pope, where one of the bathrooms on the premises read "PRESIDENT AND HOLY FATHER ONLY" Thank God they never had to meet (and I resist the temptation to venture a conjecture of a conversation between Bill Clinton and Karol Wojtyla in a place like that. I resist it). So (ostensibly heeding my advice), the actor looks Bill in his face and says "Nice Goatie." Whether you consider that above the shoulder or below the belt depends on how perverted a mind you have.

I still don't get why they have to put a full five inches of space under the bathroom door. Plus a half inch on each side and for a man my height, the walls are too short. What? So you can know it's occupied? Isn't the lock enough? What if someone recognizes my shoes in my time of solitude? "Hey, Kobina! Yanni here. After you, bro." Next thing you know they would memorize my smell. Personally, I DO NOT wanna know who's in there; Hence the first sentence. Keep the mystery.

PS: TOM HANKS! That's who it was.

Barry awarded Microsoft grant

Microsoft Corporation has awarded Barry University a three-year, \$120,000 grant that also makes available more than \$748,000 in the company's software.

One of only five Hispanic Serving Institutions (HSIs) in the nation to win such a grant, Barry will use the funds to purchase a network server for enhanced email and messaging capabilities; to train information technology staff who, in turn, will train faculty and students in advanced software uses; and to provide mini-grants to selected faculty so that they may initiate "technology in teaching" innovations.

The Microsoft grant provides a central curriculum development component to Barry's five-year, \$1.75 million federal Title III grant, and allows faculty to incorporate new technology into their courses. The competition among Hispanic Serving Institutions for the grants was administered by the Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities (HACU).



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Backpacking: An alternative to summer travelling

By John M. Hodai
News Editor

Who says you need to spend thousands of dollars to travel to Europe or any other part of the world? English teacher and fellow backpacker, Dianne Lindblom says "all you need is a backpack, two shirts, two pair of pants, light shoes, a raincoat, two sweaters, a few set of underwear and you are ready to go."

Lately, backpacking has become quite trendy in Europe. It is now making its way to the minds of American students. Technology and cheaper airfares have made it easier for students to travel. With just a ticket, a small amount of cash, and plenty of thirst for adventure you can have a fun and an everlasting experience.

"Even if you are travelling for two months, you need fewer clothes than you think you do," says Robin Reinertson, a student at Simon Fraser University in British Columbia. "You can wear the same thing everyday and no one will notice, or care. The key is to pack versatile items that can work in a variety of different climates and situations."

Money normally keeps students from travelling but, believe it or not, one can go backpacking and live on \$25 a day. Sure you won't be staying in fancy five-star hotels, but you will have a lot more fun if you stay in hostels that will normally roam around \$18 - \$25 a night.

Start by choosing a place you might want to go. Whether it is a country or a continent, it really doesn't matter. Then begin doing some research. What to visit, where to go, and

what fun things to do. Try to look for things that might interest you. You can do research by contacting embassies or checking out some books at the library. Lonely Planet travel guides also come in handy (www.lonelyplanet.com). "I backpacked through Europe solo for 9 weeks in the summer of 1999. Before I left I did a considerable amount of research on traveling around Europe," says Reinertson. "I read travel books, I talked to people I knew who had made a similar trek, and I surfed and searched the web incessantly for information."

Once you know where to go try looking up for a place to stay. Hostels are the best choice. This way you'll stay away from television, which might normally keep you inside a hotel room all day long. Staying in hostels will keep your expenses within your budget. "It's a very warm place to stay in," says Tony Casserley from the SeaShell Hostel in Key West. "It's cheap (\$17 a night), we have a kitchen where you can cook your own food instead of eating outside, and it's a great place to meet people."

Some people like to look for a place to stay after they reach their destination, but you might find yourself stranded for hours. If you want to plan ahead you might want to check out www.hostels.com. This site will give you a list of hostels around the world along with rates, phone numbers, and addresses. "If it's high season you might want to call and make reservations," says Casserley.

Be advised hostels aren't for everyone. "Some people leave with a smile and some leave thinking this is a



By backpacking John Hodai got to see a different side of Japan.

rat hole that should be condemned," Says Casserley. "You will mostly find Europeans and some American students here. Most American tourists would rather stay in a fancy hotel."

So you know where to go, where to stay, and you've bought your ticket. What next? Stop by a fancy hotel and pick up tour brochures. Ask a travel guide where the tour will take you. Armed with the brochure and information, go do the tour on your own for free. If the tour is not too expensive, take it. It will help you get acquainted with your surroundings. Talk to fellow backpackers and ask them what is safe and what isn't. Ask other backpackers if you can join them if you are all headed in the same direction - it's safer to travel in a group.

"There are lots of Internet cafes in Europe," says Lindblom. "That's the easiest and cheapest way to stay in touch with those you love. Another

way to stay in touch is by keeping a journal. You'll be glad you kept one and it will surely help you when you begin to miss home or feel lonely.

So why not just take a travel package and save me all the hassle of Backpacking? "I met absolutely wonderful people on my trips and backpacking gave me the opportunity to be part of the different cultures," says Lindblom. "I became an explorer as well as an anthropologist instead of a tourist."

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Midlife crisis at age 20

By Dadi Rafnsson
Editor in Chief

Having midlife crisis at age 20 is not a pleasant experience. Your budget does not allow you to buy the BMW convertible, dating 18 year old girls is neither exhilarating nor daring, there is usually no wife to divorce and listening to rap music is hardly rebellious. What on earth are those 40-year-olds complaining about? In two movies this spring, Human Traffic and High Fidelity, many will thoroughly identify with the situations the characters find themselves in. After spending the latter part of their formative years as parts of the English club scene, the friends in Human Traffic sit down over a cup of coffee and question their lifestyle. A weekend of "clubs, drugs, pubs and party" does not come without paying a heavy toll on the way out to Monday. Their weekends make up for weekdays of terrible bosses, seriously dysfunctional parents and all those everyday problems nobody told them about when growing up. The fascination with pop culture and "being a part of club nation" means everything to these Welsh youths, who philosophize about Star Wars and collect records no one else wants. But eventually they must grow up, and soon they will leave the scene...but just not yet. Human Traffic will appear as a biographical documentary to anyone who lives to party. It is fun to party and let loose when you are eighteen, but once you hit

closer to actual midlife it gets more meaningless and almost sad. In High Fidelity, the brilliant John Cusack makes the mistake of asking "Why?" As any philosopher worth his salt will tell you, that is the guaranteed ticket to sleepless nights low tolerance to other people's insignificant issues. Another relationship failed he decides to trot down memory lane, initially blaming the girls he loved but ending up facing some facts about himself.

The soundtracks to both movies are excellent with a mix of dance music, rap and hip-hop in Human Traffic, and American classics in High Fidelity. The difference in age and culture tells, but both are well worth your spare change. Human Traffic and High Fidelity are not for everyone. Although notorious for shunning "foreign films", young Americans should check out Human Traffic to see what their counterparts are up to in England. It might surprise you. The musical backgrounds and undertones will leave you singing on your way home. High Fidelity's humor is often very subdued, and maybe too local in some areas. Although the film as a whole leaves something missing, the two record store clerks are memorable characters. Cusack's observations about life and relationships are familiar to anyone who has gone through midlife crisis at age 20. Apparently it does not get better from then on.

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Tokyo Bowl

By Diana Marrero
Senior Writer

Sushi a-la-fast-food may not sound too appetizing, but at Tokyo Bowl, it is actually quite good. That is, if you like sushi to begin with. Yet you don't have to like raw fish to enjoy a meal at Tokyo Bowl, located near campus. There are plenty of dishes containing cooked fish, meat and chicken. Though none of those dishes will likely wow your taste buds, they will wow your wallets. At fast-food prices, \$3 to \$4, these dishes are a bargain and they are pretty good.

The teriyaki chicken comes in a big bowl, served with steamed veggies over rice or noodles. The chicken is charbroiled with special teriyaki sauce and sesame seeds. It's nothing out of the ordinary, but it is good, cheap, fast and healthy. Try to top that, Mickey D's. The spicy chicken is served the same way but it's spicy—a pleasant, not red-hot kind of spice—and tangy. Other "Tokyo Bowls" come with sweet and sour chicken, teriyaki beef, curry rice, teriyaki fish, Japanese shrimp rice, you name it.

If you like sushi, try a sushi set. There are three sets to choose from, each offering a wide variety of rolls. Sushi sets are a bargain: for about \$8, you won't be able to finish all the bright pieces—about 16—that artfully decorate your plate. The fish is fresh and the restaurant offers nearly any kind of sushi. There's the ever-popular California roll with crab, avocado

and cucumber; the J&B, salmon, cream cheese and scallions; Mexican, tempura shrimp, avocado and fish eggs; the list goes on. If you have a big appetite, go for all you can eat sushi, tempura and teriyaki for only \$12.79.

Whatever you do, though, don't have the tempura cheesecake. Cheesecake was never meant to be fried. For a cheesecake lover, it's nearly sacrilegious. On top of that, it tastes awful. Some *sake* or Japanese plum wine will go great with your meal ... if you're old enough.

Although the prices and service are fast and cheap, the atmosphere is nothing like fast food. There is a drive-through and you can order take-out, but if you dine in, a friendly waiter will serve you while you can enjoy the Japanese atmosphere. Soft music plays in the background. Japanese decorations—bonsai plants, paper lamps, ceramics and wooden sculptures—create a soothing atmosphere. Tokyo Bowl also delivers with a minimum \$9 purchase.

Next time you think you must go with fast food because you're broke or short on time, try Tokyo Bowl, a more upscale, much healthier fast-food place.

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Kidnapping on campus

By Jessica Allen
Staff Writer

There had been a kidnapping on campus. Wanted fliers were posted throughout the School of Natural Health and Sciences. The reward: \$10 million for any information leading to the return of Jason Worth, 18. Police officials identified five suspects. Then it was up to 20 individuals, chosen from Barry University's crime lab, to determine which one committed the crime.

For two straight hours on Feb. 19, these "scientists" examined fingerprints found on the ransom note, also analyzing the paper and ink used. They carefully checked Worth's shirt for fiber identification. Worth's abductors had sent a blood sample as evidence of his kidnapping which scientists investigated to verify that it really was him.

Based on the evidence provided, they were able to conclude who did it. Key suspects included Joey "Two Thumbs" Russo, member of the local crime organization; Miss Avoirdupois, Worth's French teacher; Bill Blascome, family chauffeur; Buddy St. Louise, business competitor, and Jose Sanchez-Diaz, a disgruntled ex-em-

ployee. However, these researchers were not forensic scientists or graduate students. In reality, the disappearance of Jason Worth was not factual, but instead a project in their science class.

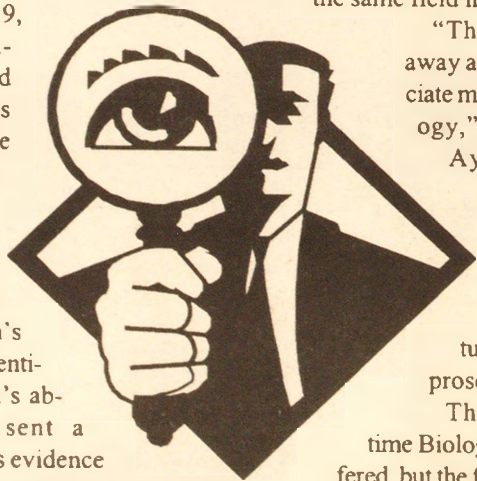
Professor Gilbert Ellis created Biology 300, Science of Crime class, to attract more non-science majors. "The class uses forensics as a means for non-science majors and allows them to have a better appreciation of the science realm," stated Ellis. Moreover, it equips those who see themselves in the same field in the future.

"The class blew me away and made me appreciate my major in criminology," said sophomore, Ayeska Moyers, "I gained experience working in a crime lab which is beneficial for my future career as a state prosecutor."

This is the second time Biology 300 has been offered, but the first time it included the kidnapping case. The course's hands-on projects also include a mock crime scene on campus.

"I wanted to integrate laboratory science to provide scientific evidence to support a criminal investigation," stated Ellis, "Overall, to familiarize themselves with the lab and have a elementary understanding of forensic science."

By the way, the chauffeur did it!



Bravo to the Greeks

By Sarah Daniel
Alpha Gamma Delta

The Annual Greek Awards were held at the Sheraton, downtown Miami on Sunday April 9. In attendance were Alpha Gamma Delta, Alpha Phi, Alpha Delta Gamma, Phi Kappa Theta and the newly formed FIC.

Several awards were given out this year, including Greek Woman of the Year, Dana Block (AGD) and Greek Man of the Year, Jerry Koss (ADG). Alpha Gamma Delta rose above the competition this year and won the Chapter of the Year Award as well as the Greek Chapter Progress Award.

Dborah Maurseth also won the

Distinguished Service Award. There were also several honors given out to Greeks of various chapters, acknowledging their scholastic achievements.

Barry Greeks hold executive positions in the S.G.A., C.A.B., Scuba Society as well as numerous other organizations on campus, while still maintaining their scholastic status. However these achievements would not have been made possible without the help of Jennifer Herzog, Greek advisor and also Tim Bessler. Congratulations to the Greeks on their achievements and good luck in upcoming recruitment in the fall.



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Finals

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strategies and study skills clinic, has suggested five guidelines for students to follow in preparing for finals.

(1) Manage your time wisely. Two weeks prior to the exam make a study schedule for each course that you are taking.

(2) Study the most recent material last. Go back and study the material that you covered in the beginning of the semester first to refresh your memory.

(3) Get a clear idea of what kind of questions are going to be on the exam from your professor.

(4) Form a study group and make up your own test questions.

(5) Make sure that you get rest the night before the exam and avoid any form of anxiety before the exam.

Don't forget your pencil and pen."

In order to succeed during finals week, sacrifice is crucial. But life does not need to end. Give yourself something to look forward to when it is all over. Senior Michelle Halligan said, "review thoroughly, keep your favorite snack nearby and keep in mind that the weekend is right around the corner." The work that you put in will pay off in the end.

In her expertise as an almost graduated senior, Lynn was asked if she had any words of wisdom that she would like to pass on to her fellow Barry potential finals survivors she said, "Time management is honestly the most important key to surviving," she said. "Take things one day at a time."

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1999-2000 sports season re-cap

By Steve Conklin
Sports Editor

The 1999-2000 season was as exciting as ever for Barry University sports. The highlights of the year included for the first time ever, both men's and women's soccer teams hosting the Division II Final Four Tournament. Here is a re-cap for all of the teams this past season:

MEN'S SOCCER

The Barry men (14-3-3) finished the best season in school history and the highest national ranking ever for them, 4th overall. Their title dreams ended when Fort Lewis (Colorado) downed them 2-0 in the semi-finals of the Division II Tournament on Buccaneer Field.

The highest achievement by either team was given to senior midfielder Jon Samford, who was named Third-Team All-American by the Soccer Coached Association of America in NCAA Division II. Samford scored five goals and six assists this past season (16 points).

In other awards, the NCAA National Committee voted freshmen Greg Jehs and Alen Marcina to the NCAA All-Tournament team.

WOMEN'S SOCCER

The Barry women (16-3-1) finished in the top 10 in Division II for a record 12th straight season. Their season ended, also on Buccaneer Field, when they dropped a devastating 2-1 three-overtime loss to California Poly Pomona in the semi-finals.

Following the tournament, junior sweeper Merry Osikowicz was named the NCAA tournament's most outstanding defensive player. Joining her on the All-Tournament team were junior forward Jenny Nilsson and senior goalkeeper Brandy Kilpatrick.

Osikowicz, Nilsson, Kilpatrick were also named to the First Team NSCAA All-South Region, and senior Kate Ahern was named second team.

SOFTBALL

The Barry softball team is struggling as of late and is currently 26-13 overall and 10-4 in Sunshine State Conference games. Senior Tanaye Goehring has been on a hot streak including two grand slams in two games in a double-header loss to Florida Southern. Her two slams in consecutive games is an unofficial Barry record.

Senior pitcher Stephanie Caldwell had twirled five consecutive shutouts early in the season. She has also tossed her fourth career no-hitter this season against Rollins in a 13-0 victory. Caldwell is inching up not only the Barry career record book, but the Sunshine State Conference notebook as well. She is now third in career victories (69), 6th in innings pitched (626.2), and third in strikeouts (556).

The team also appeared on Sunshine Network TV earlier this season, beating Florida Tech 18-1 and went on to complete a four-game sweep of the Panthers and Rollins College. Home runs by Tanya Catalanotte, Tanaye Goehring and Andrea Vacura paced the Bucs' biggest offensive explosion of the year. Barry blasted 17 hits to



The surprising men's soccer team shocked everyone this season making it to the Division II Final Four. They were predicted to finish the season 6th in Sunshine state Conference in the pre-season.

propel junior Lindsay Anderson to the victory over FIT.

BASEBALL

The Barry baseball team is having an up-and-down season. The team bounced back from a slow early season start and won four games leading into spring break.

In their best game of the season, the Bucs erupted against Minnesota in a 16-2 win. The Bucs drilled 10 home runs in the game, which was the second best total ever in an NCAA Division II contest.

Roger Quiros continues to lead the Bucs in hitting at .343, Behnke follows at .330 and Gonzalez is at .324.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

The 1999-2000 season may not have been one of the best on paper for the Barry men's basketball team (9-19) but they certainly made a big splash at the Sunshine State Conference post-season tournament in Lakeland.

The Bucs upset #2 seed Tampa by beating them 69-55. Junior forward Mark Thomas had 18 points and 11 rebounds. He was selected to the SSC All-Tournament team. Junior transfer guard Jason Junker scored 19 points, and added six assists and four steals. Against Florida Tech, Junker scored 14 points, including four 3's, Thomas scored 10 points and grabbed 7 rebounds, and senior B.J. Hill and freshman Luis Vasquez Bello added 10 points for the Bucs against FIT.

Coach Odio loses four seniors this year including Nich Feranec, Hill, Rob Montes, a four-year starter at point guard, and Lico Abad, who started at center two seasons.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

The Barry women basketball team had its second best season in school history (22-8) but Coach Jan Allen's squad were passed over for a bid to the NCAA post-season tournament. Sunshine State Conference tourna-

ment champions Tampa beat the Bucs in overtime 79-76 in the semi-finals of the SSC tournament.

Junior guard Fatimah Holiday and junior forward Diane Lewis were both selected Second Team All-SSC this season. Holiday led the team in scoring at 11.4 ppg and senior Nicole Johnson averaged 11.3.

The Bucs have to suffer a great loss this season as six seniors depart from the squad. Angie Williams, Nicole Johnson, Saioa Torrealday, Scooby Roach, Heidi Farmer and Kelly Mahan, were all starters at one point or another with the exception of Farmer.

MEN'S TENNIS

The men's tennis team finished 2nd in the Sunshine State Conference this past season with great help from #1 player Christian Meyer who is 16-0 and Christian Witt who is 27-3.

The team went 1-2 at the rigorous Blue-Gray Tournament, where they are 17-5 overall at that tournament. The men will go on to the NCAA National Tournament this season.

WOMEN'S TENNIS

The women's tennis team finished 3rd in the SSC this season. The Lady Bucs dropped two matches this season at the Blue-Gray Tournament, where they are 14-6 overall. Leading the team for the ladies are Victoria Courmes (12-3 overall) and Bojana Miladinovic (18-3 overall).

Senior Anna Hallbergson has been named one of three national finalists for the NCAA's Walter Byers \$10,000 post-graduate scholarship. Hallbergson, an All-American and Academic All-American in tennis, has a 4.0 grade point average in her Pre-Med major and is currently applying to medical school.

Hallbergson, who has a 12-6 singles record for the third ranked Barry tennis team, was named Third Team Academic All-American last year. She will fly to California at the end of

April to interview with the NCAA scholarship committee for final selection on the award winner.

VOLLEYBALL

The Lady Bucs made it to the NCAA Tournament for a sixth straight season, losing to Florida Southern in the first round (15-11, 15-9, 13-15, 13-15, 15-17).

Junior Angie Matzen picked up where Cindy Yuan left off—a middle hitter leading the squad in hitting. Matzen hit .332 with 167 kills and a career day against St. Leo with 17 kills on 20 attempts with no errors.

Freshman Rochelle Magill was named the Sunshine State Conference's Athlete-of-the-Week on the strength of her performances against St. Leo and Florida Southern. The 6'0" freshman earns the honor for the first time in career.

MEN'S GOLF

The men's golf team showed signs of greatness this season, especially at the Northwood Invitational where they finished 4th out of 19 teams. The Bucs were led by Roger Herbert (who finished 2nd overall) and Patrick Brisley (who finished 3rd overall).

The squad finished the year 6th of 7 teams at the Sunshine State Conference meeting, led by Patrick Brisley who finished 13th overall.

WOMEN'S GOLF

The women's golf team finished 14th at the star-studded University of Miami tournament, and also the Barry University women's golf team will wrap up its 1999-2000 season at the Sunshine State Conference championships April 7-9 in Lakeland.

The Bucs played at UM with all the Division I programs in the state, and shot a 362-366-379 = 1107. Junior Kara Hutton fired a 82-87-83 = 252 to finish 42nd. Other players include Robyn Pomichter, Maria Rodriguez and Tammy Christiansen.

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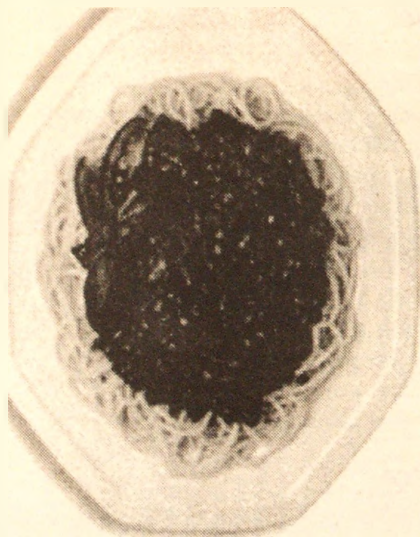
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