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Scuttlebutt

Impertinent questions:

- Despite the flurry of notices declaring fishing along campus property illegal and warning of punitive actions, why does enforcement seem so lax? Why do fisherfolks continue to be allowed to fish in Bayboro Harbor, unimpinged by security personnel?

- Why is it left to students to prop open the otherwise-locked doors to the student lounge Sundays? Are we to assume the lounge is closed and off-limits? If the computer lab in Davis Hall is to be open and accessible, what are the clearly prescribed routes of ingress and egress? And why shouldn't the lounge be open Sundays? Is this to be a university campus 86 percent of the time and a mausoleum the rest, in the name of some antiquated and self-evidently discriminatory notion of religious observance?

- And why weren't the pool and adjacent locker rooms open and unlocked until after 11:40 a.m. one recent Sunday? Was that the hell do you call, and what's with this voice mail, anyway? Is it some bureaucrat's idea of a service-oriented university? Maybe voice mail is a better alternative to an unanswered phone or a busy signal, but some use voice mail to screen phone calls. Is that better service?

- Is smoking outlawed in campus buildings? Or have some faculty and staff offices seceded from the university? Passing the gauntlet of tobacco terrorists on the Davis-to-Coquina overpass is test enough of one's civility; it makes mockery of the concept "open-air." Is there a more sickening smell than that which escapes the dank chambers of an addicted smoker? Even the substance abusers at New College have sense enough to stuff a damp towel against the lower air crack of dorm-room doors.

Grimm, as in Dr. Timothy Grimm, the newest administrator at USF-Bayboro. Grimm began work as the campus' first assistant director of student affairs Sept. 20. Since then, he's been more observant than anything.

"I've spent the majority of my time so far orienting myself to the university and observing existing systems and programs," said Dr. Grimm.

He'll continue to watch and learn for some time yet, but has already begun some of his short-term duties, such as counseling campus clubs and organizations. Among his most visible chores will be handling the administration of student governace's activities and services fees. Grimm is quick to point out the students control the expenditures.

"The Student Government decides where the funds go," he said. "They allocate the money. It's my responsibility to approve those expenditures. We handle the administrative end of those funds."

He added that keeping track of the funds has been the job of student affairs, taken care of by Student Affairs Director Dr. Stephen Ritch for the past several years.

As part of an activities and recreation reorganization, Grimm is taking over several duties from

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The News:
You break it, you bought it

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Grimm facing well at new job

A USF-St. Petersburg student has been awarded the Earl Warren Civil Liberties Award by the ACLU Foundation of Northern California, the Board of Governors announced recently.

Christopher Eckhardt, a senior majoring in political science and a litigant in the 1969 Supreme Court decision Tinker v. Des Moines, was notified of the award by mail.

"I am really excited about winning this award," Eckhardt said. "But I'm also really stunned. This was unexpected."


Eckhardt will be presented with the award at the annual Bill of Rights Day Celebration set for Dec. 5 in San Francisco.

Eckhardt, an active member of Legalis, believes he and the two other litigants in the Tinker case are being honored for that.

ACLU salutes Eckhardt

By Susan Gerhart

Go to college, take some tests, graduate, get a job. Sounds simple. But what about dating managing time, eating right, sex, interviewing, working out, taking care of the kids and all the other things in life? How can anyone handle it all?

The USF-St. Petersburg Counseling and Career Development Center in Davis 115 can help students find answers. Designed with a focus on wellness, the center provides professional counseling to help students tackle college life.

"A student's personal life affects school," said Dr. Diane McKinstry, director of the center. "We help resolve their concerns so they can be successful."

Much of the counseling deals with emotional wellness. Workshops on self-esteem, interpersonal skills, dating and stress management are offered throughout the semester.

Victim's assistance program members Valerie Prosser, Mary Beckett and Joy Clingman

Center acts as port in storm

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When will they be loved?

Temps feel cheated, maybe mistreated

By Cara Ryan

Jennifer Jones feels cheated.

Although her job as a technical assistant at the University of South Florida's print shop is full-time, her benefits are zero. Jones said that the girl sitting next to her does the same job and works the same number of hours, but is offered benefits. The only difference is their job classifications. Jones is classified as "other personal services," OPS, while her coworker is a permanent employee.

The OPS classification is meant for temporary or fill-in positions that handle short-term tasks; therefore, it offers no benefits. Student OPS employees are permitted to work only 1,040 hours per year. Nonstudents can work up to 2,080 hours a year.

Jones is one of more than 3,000 USF employees classified as OPS. About one third are students. Many of these jobs are part-time temporary positions that fill a short term need while giving students employment and experience. Others are full-time positions that fill a permanent need but only offer temporary pay and benefits because there is no other way to fund them. Often employees stay in these positions hoping they will get a permanent classification.

After graduating with a degree in psychology, Jennifer Fisher stayed in her OPS position on the St. Petersburg campus as a computer lab assistant. No longer a student, she was able to work full-time but not with a permanent classification.

"This is a position that will always be needed," she said. Fisher estimated that she helped at least 20 students a day while assisting faculty and staff who use the lab and other computers on campus. She kept hoping a permanent position would be funded. She's still waiting.

After two years of waiting, Fisher is looking for work elsewhere. Support from her parents helped her wait this long. But there comes a time, she said, to find a job with some benefits.

Mike Wright, coordinator of campus computer services for 12 years, still holds the only permanent position in the department. In those 12 years, Wright has seen the campus go from keypunch machines to 225 computers. Wright has a 40-hour-a-week job that can't be done in 40 hours a week by one person.

He said most assistants last six months to a year. After they are trained, they realize their services are valuable and seek employment with better pay and benefits.

In addition, there are plans for the computer lab to move into the old library once the new building is complete, Wright said. The size of the lab will increase by 2,000 square feet, but there are no plans for permanent staff increases.

"I'm so tired of working with the system, that I'm looking for another job myself," Wright said.

Dr. Winston T. Bridges, associate dean, agrees there is a need for a permanent position in the computer lab. But the problem is money, he said.

"If we had our druthers, we'd have more support in that area," he said. "But the state legislature that needs to be convinced that higher education is important. It's the legislature's responsibility to deal with it."

As for the expansion of the computer lab, he said, "We hope that things improve."

Capi. Matt McGlothlin, an OPS employee in the recreation department, waited seven years for things to improve, but his position as dock master is still classified as temporary.

"I would have left sooner, but I love the program," he said. "Those boats are like my babies."

McGlothlin watched as two colleagues went from OPS to permanent classifications — one after 10 years, the other after only three.

"I always thought that my position would become permanent," said McGlothlin. "Every year was going to be the year."

Dr. Stephen Ritch, director of student affairs, said there are 40 OPS workers in his departments that fill appropriate needs. He said he reduces reliance on OPS workers to increase continuity, but these positions are "just a fact of life."

Aid office an undiscovered treasure

By Karen Johnson

Planning ahead not only relieves stress, it can be profitable.

According to Jennifer Clarke, Bayboro director of Financial Aid-Veteran Affairs, many students on this campus do not take advantage of the financial aid information and counseling available to them.

"We do workshops and distribute fliers to create awareness," Clarke said. "Students lose out on the amount of campus-based aid they can receive if they are late in filing."

Applications for 1994-95 loans and grants will be available in mid-December. The deadline for completed applications is in April, but Clarke said the earlier the better. The new applications are easier and quicker than those in years past. Books on financial aid (grants, loans and scholarships) are available in the reference section of the Poynter Library.

Clarke wishes that Bayboro had more resources on-site, but said communication with the Tampa campus is "very good."

The St. Petersburg campus publishes a booklet called Dollars for Scholars which lists the scholarships and requirements for 1994-95. An application is enclosed for convenience.

"Even if your GPA isn't quite up to the requirements, try anyway," Clarke advises.

Students who split their studies between the Tampa and St. Petersburg campuses can apply for scholarship money at either or both campuses. Many scholarship packages are returned incomplete or contain mistakes. Some packages have misspelled words, faulty grammar or are even illegible. These are all things that will have a negative effect on an application.

The low number of applicants for Bayboro scholarships is a concern for Clarke. Last year only 67 students applied for the 30-plus scholarships available.

"Minority applicants increased 55 percent, while overall the number of applicants increased only 12 percent," she said.

Clarke said there are approximately 135 veterans on campus taking advantage of the Montgomery GI benefits. She said if the economy remains sluggish, some Gulf War soldiers may return to school to advance their educations.

Clarke looks to the pilot program offered by President Clinton to ease the financial burden of some students.

Clinton's program will offer some students a chance to work at community service jobs for one year earning minimum wage. In return, students may have up to $2,000 in loan money canceled and treated as a grant.

To learn more about financial aid and to get an early start on 1994-95, call the Financial Aid office at 893-9128, or stop by Davis Hall 114.
Wallet stolen
A wallet was taken from a purse left on a desk in an unlocked Davis Hall office sometime during the evening Sept. 16, police said. The door to the office was open when the theft occurred. Police have no suspects in the case.

Trespassers
A group of people climbed the wall surrounding the swimming pool sometime during the night Sept. 19 and threw recreational equipment into the pool, police said. Volleyballs and floats were thrown into the water, police said. No suspects were found.

Voyeur at library
A female student reported the presence of a male voyeur on the second floor of the Poynter Library Sept. 15. By the time University Police arrived to take a report, the man had left. Police described the man as black, 25 to 30 years old, 6-feet tall with a heavy build. He was wearing a turquoise shirt and black pants, reports state.

Trespassers
Three juveniles were stopped for trespassing on university property Sept. 26, police said. The there were given warnings and sent home, reports state.

Festival of reading scheduled
The first Times Festival of Reading is scheduled for 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 31 at Eckerd College. The festival is free and open to the public.

The Times Festival includes lectures by guest authors, seminars conducted by Florida authors, literacy and literary exhibits, book vendors, children's art activities, free book distribution for children 12 and under, and music, theater and story telling performances.

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landmark decision. The ACLU Foundation of Northern California has proclaimed 1993 the "Year of the Student," and is paying tribute to the "courageous battles fought by students to ensure their rights to the freedoms of expression, association and equal protection," an ACLU press release states.
The Earl Warren Civil Liberties Award was established by the ACLU of Northern California 20 years ago to honor individuals who, in the course of their work and life, have distinguished themselves as leaders in the battle to preserve and expand civil liberties.

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help victims contact the appropriate people and lend support during the process. Students in need of personal counseling can make an appointment or, during crises, get walk-in counseling. Last year, 263 students came in for one-on-one counseling.
Amy Hopkins coordinates the career development services and provides career counseling and vocational assessment. The center lists over 2,300 jobs a year, as well as holding on-campus recruiting and a resume referral service. Workshops cover career planning, resume writing, job search strategies and interviewing skills.
School itself can be stressful and requires special skills. St. Petersburg Junior College transfer students in particular may need help during their first "transitional semester" because of the increased workload, McKinstry said.
"If they haven't developed good study skills, it can be overwhelming," she said.
Older students tend to ask for help with managing families, jobs and school. Time management, study skills and test anxiety are all addressed in workshops.

Health contributes to wellness, so the counseling and career center works closely with the fitness center. Fitness workshop topics include health risk appraisal and nutrition. Valerie Studnick, a health educator, visits the campus for health counseling every Tuesday. The counseling center also sets up two immunization clinics each semester, and provides free condoms as well as HIV and AIDS information.
The resource library in Davis 112 provides literature on all counseling topics. More than 1,200 visitors took advantage of the library last year to learn about wellness and careers, research local employers before interviews or fill out applications for the federal government.
College life is complex. But there is help at the counseling and career center.
As McKinstry said, "We live in a high stress society. Sometimes students benefit from having someone to talk to." For more information call 893-9129.

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Ritch, and from activities coordinator J.M. "Sudsy" Tschiderer.
Tschiderer had been in charge of almost all events and programs taking place in the activities center as well as other campus activities. Ritch said her responsibilities have been lessened because of a workload problem.
"With the reorganization, we're able to put more of our staff energy into other campus activities," Ritch said.
He said continued growth has caused a need for more attention in areas which were getting put off in the past while staff concentrated on the day-to-day business at hand.
A big part of Grimm's job will eventually be planning for the future expansion of the activities center.
"We want to eventually turn it into more of a student union for all the students," Grimm said.
That is an area Grimm is familiar with. He has managed student unions at Drexel University and Temple University. In addition, he served as a director of student activities at Drexel and held several student affairs positions at Temple and the University of South Carolina.

As part of the reorganization, Grimm will be supervising Tschiderer, who will continue to run the day-to-day operation of the Campus Activities Center; Sheri Beaudreau, head of the fitness center; Suzanne Hollis, who now runs the watercraft and pool areas; and program specialist Valerie Prosser, although Prosser will report directly to Tschiderer.
Ritch took great pains to point out the new positions will not be paid for by student government A&S funds, but by education in general money, funded by the state.
"We agreed years ago that main administrative positions would be paid for by E&G funds, not by the students," he said.
What Ritch didn't point out is that until Grimm was placed over her, Tschiderer was in one of those administrative positions, and therefore her salary was drawn from state funds. Now, her position has been reassigned to be paid for by the student government.
Grimm said he is looking forward to the challenges of the combined recreation and student activities programs.
Opinions

Philosophy of a couch potato

Christopher Eckhardt

The way I see it

Regarding stress, the key is to manage it. Avoid conflict. If unavoidable, become a columnist to ventilate your emotions, or a professor. Aim for eight hours of sleep a day or night. Take naps. Think about it, how stressed out was President Reagan? Avoid work, it can kill you. If you must work, become a professor, or at least find a job you like. Strive for long-term, positive relationships. I have many, but one of my favorites is with my cat "Fips." She and I have been living together for four years. She's the only female I have been able to live with for more than three years at a time (who says I'm not politically correct?).

Spiritual development takes on many forms. My spirit is lifted as Dr. Factor and I swim daily and chat about the philosophies of Socrates or Aristotle. Or when Dr. Ritch, Dr. Reilly and I jog and discuss the ethics of Bentham or Mill. Or when Dr. King and I do aerobics, discussing great constitutional law cases. While I am not with them physically, my spirit is nonetheless lifted. Spirituality is a state of mind. Avoid negative thoughts and people. Strive to do what is right for you and others. Aim to forgive. Carrying hate around is very emotionally and physically draining. Even when the son of a bitch deserves it. Fear not, what comes around, goes around. At least that's the way I see it.

Walking the Plank

Fitness Center staff: Quality doesn't sell

Editor:
The Sept. 22 "Scuttlebutt" article stated that there is "some confusion at the Campus Activities Center regarding health issues," and that this confusion results in the presence of unhealthy products in CAC vending machines. Unbeknownst to the author of the article, quality products were supplied for a few months last fall at the request of fitness center management. Unfortunately, these products were unable to compete with their empty-calorie counterparts.

Although Gatorade is currently available in Davis Hall, it is not necessarily a wholesome choice. Sports drinks like Gatorade often contain sodium, artificial sweeteners and coloring. Composing 65 percent of the human body, water remains the best beverage for patrons who require liquids before, during and after exercising. Further, the vending machines are stocked by the vendors. Coke will not sell Pepsi products etc., therefore, it is not always possible to sell desired items in the machines provided. Additionally, items not frequently purchased, such as the healthy choices once provided, are quickly replaced by more profitable ones.

The author of the "Scuttlebutt" article further suggests that the fitness center magazines are "unreadable." In truth, the available magazines such as Shape, Men's Fitness and Eating Well present a wealth of knowledge about current health-related topics. These periodicals are ideal for patrons who want to improve their quality of life. Although the Campus Activities Center staff is responsible for the operations of all vending machines on campus — and by the way also provide refunds as necessary — the Campus Fitness Center staff would be delighted to assist in the acquisition of new vending machine items. However, healthier products can't be provided if they aren't being purchased.

Sheri Beaudreau and The Fitness Center Staff

Letters to Editor Policy

Letters should be addressed to editor of The Crow's Nest and include the author's name, phone number, relationship to the University, and signature.

All letters will be verified for their authenticity and The Crow's Nest will run any anonymous letters. The Crow's Nest reserves the right to edit all letters for length, language and style. Letters should be limited to 150 words or less, but guest opinion pieces and columns are always welcome.

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Is our second banana status slipping away?

I always the bridesmaid, never the girl who pops out of the cake at the bachelor's party. I am an overworked and underestimated individual who has dedicated my life to the prevention and treatment of venereal disease (or worse) two days before the wedding. Such is life at USF-St. Petersburg, where the mallet jumps, the cops chase possum and recognition comes in small doses.

We should be used to being the second banana in the USF family, considering Tampa's size and self-important role in just about everything. But now, there's a new challenge to even this secondary role in the USF-St. Petersburg's size and self-important role in education.

New College, at USF-Sarasota, is swimming in laurels these days. Just a few weeks ago, it was named the best deal in education by *Money* magazine. Now comes the news that New College students are apparently using their savings to finance joint ventures.

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Shot across the bow

Bill Bilodeau

Now, why can't USF-St. Pete ever attain such heights? There's just not enough campus pride here, not enough enthusiasm for good ol' Bayboro. What we need is a song. Not like the alma mater, but something like that new Dade County ditty. You know the one:

We're the best, we're the best,
We're the second banana in the US.

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THAT'S what we need. Maybe not. Well, we need something. Maybe a slogan, like other schools have. Georgia has, "How 'bout them Dawgs?" and we're all familiar with, "The few, the proud, the Marines." How about, "The few, the proud. The tanned?"

No. That's not it. We need a rallying cry. Not something lame like "There's Class in St. Pete." Something we can all spout to others in the hope that they will think it's worth repeating. Something like, "Hell, no, Bayboro!" Only with a point.

Yes! Count me in! I care about Bayboro! I want a say in what people are calling it years into the future.

Bayboro's slogan should be:

Clip out and return to *The Crown's Nest*, CAC

Direct your toes to where the water flows

There's a place nearby, closer than you think, where you can get away from the stress of studies. And it's easy to get to. Just get on your feet, pick up your books and take yourself down to the USF waterfront.

As you head for the harbor edge, open your eyes to the beauty of nature around you. Empty your mind of all anxieties. Let your spirit soar, up and away.

Once arrived, relax your tired body on the grass, or drape yourself on a bench provided by a hopeful landscaper, just for someone like you. Try to be free of all life's little problems. Now is the time for meditation. Now is the time just to be.

With a bit of luck and perseverance, you can transform yourself from that busy, worried, hectic, frowning person you were a few minutes ago, into a person who knows serenity. You are gazing at the water. It was a genius, Herman Melville, who observed, "Water and meditation are wedded forever." You think you are only daydreaming? Daydreaming, in essence, is meditation.

Drink in the smells and sounds of the sea. Here is a tonic no money can buy, one that refreshes your mind and body as no other. You deserve it, so don't put it off. Do it now. Seize the day and don't delay. As you find yourself on the waterfront, not only does a meditative mood take over and soothe the soul, you become acutely aware of the sky's constantly changing scene. Your imagination comes alive. Remembrances of joyful days past float before you. Possibilities of future adventures present themselves. You are in a different world. Your mind is absorbing new strengths and exciting experiences.

So why be a run-of-the-mill student, situated inside a building, burdened by too many assignments, too much babble, too many distractions? Try it, you'll like it. Give yourself an escape often. It is far better to be than to have.

If you're still not convinced listen to Dr. Winston Bridges, assistant dean of USF-St. Petersburg. Bridges' primary interest is the well being of the students of the University. In conversation with Bridges, he strongly supported the exercise of such a therapy suggested here. Being a practical person, Bridges did add "weather permitting."

Are you soon on your way to the waterfront to drink deeply of nature; to calm the troubled waters of your mind? It will be a happy habit you will cherish. You will return to your studies renewed in spirit and strength of purpose. You will give an enormous lift to your life.
American Stage, St. Petersburg's Resident Professional Theatre Ensemble, has announced the line-up for their 15th season in downtown St. Petersburg. The season includes a mix of classics and contemporary plays, as well as an ambitious children's theater program.

The Mainstage season starts with a kick and a tap, as eleven people attempt to overcome their inhibitions by learning to tap dance in Richard Harris' comedy "Stepping Out," beginning Tuesday and running through Nov. 14. "Stepping Out" will be directed by Victoria Holloway, American Stage's artistic director.

When Rachel's husband informs her on Christmas Eve that he has taken a contract out on her life, she embarks on a course that could only be described as "Reckless." The second production of the Mainstage season, this off-beat comedy written by Craig Lucas (author of "Prelude to a Kiss") runs Jan. 18 through Feb. 20. Paul Mullins, director of the American Stage In The Park productions of "Much Ado About Nothing" and the "Merry Wives of Windsor," will be returning to direct "Reckless."

In March, audiences will get to peek into the lives of some of the most important figures in the 20th century culture through the reminiscences of one of its most colorful characters in "Germrade Stein, Gertrude Stein, Gertrude Stein." Written by Marty Martin, the play runs from March 1 to 27.

The Mainstage season ends with a musical, still to be announced, running May 31 through July 3.

Tampa Bay audiences can see an original musical adaptation of "The Two Gentlemen of Verona" for the ninth annual American Stage in the Park Shakespeare Festival. "The Two Gentlemen of Verona" will be performed outdoors at Demens Landing April 13 through May 15.

The American Stage Children's Theatre's "Theatre for the Entire Family" season is highlighted by the beginning of a new relationship with The Bayfront Center. Two of the seasons' three children's theater presentations will be performed at Bayfront's Mahaffey Theatre. The season begins with a musical adaptation of the classic fairy tale, "Beauty & The Beast," by Lee Ahlin and Philip Hall. Ahlin, musical director of the production, has worked in the area before. He has composed the music for many American Stage productions including "The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe," and "The cricket in Times Square" for the American Stage School Tour, as well as the American Stage In The Park Shakespeare Festival productions of "Twelfth Night" and "The Merry Wives of Windsor."

Henry Fonte returns to St. Petersburg to direct "Beauty & the Beast." Fonte not only returns to the area, but also to the site of one of his earlier credits. Fifteen years ago, he directed for the Palisdade Children's Theatre, which became American Stage.

Ken And will play the title character of The Beast. The day before flying into to begin rehearsals, And closed his most recent Broadway show, playing opposite Gregory Hines in "Jelly's Last Jam." Ken has also starred in the original Broadway companies of "Cats" and "Starlight Express." "Beginning Nov. 23, The American Stage Children's Theatre will present an original musical adaptation of Rudyard Kipling's "Jungle Books" by artistic director Holloway and Ahlin, performed at the American Stage Mainstage through Jan. 2. "Jungle Books" will then go into the Pinellas County schools at The American Stage School Tour through mid-March.

American Stage sets theater schedule
### Club Chart

#### Student Accounting Organization

A meeting will be held from noon to 1 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 12 at the Campus Activities Center. The speaker will be Debbie Hall, who is a CPA and tax specialist for Ernst & Young. The group will meet from noon to 1 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 19 at the CAC with Kevin Stevenson of Hurd & Co. speaking.

#### Campus Women's Collective

The Campus Women's Collective presents a panel of women faculty to discuss their experiences in higher education 5 p.m.-6 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 6 in Davis 130 followed by a Pot Luck Dinner.

#### Paint St. Pete Proud

The USF-St. Petersburg Student Government, the Student Business Association, the Student Accounting Organization and the Circle K Club will be holding the fourth annual Paint St. Pete Proud from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Nov. 6. The organizations urge all students to give something back to the community by helping to paint the homes of the underprivileged.

Four scholarships available from SG

Applications are now available for the Student Government Book Scholarships. Student Government will be giving out two scholarships for the fall and two scholarships for spring. Each scholarship is worth $150. Contact the Financial Aid office in Davis 114 for an application. The deadline for the fall semester is Oct. 29.

#### Committee seeks nominations

The Honors and Awards Selection Committee is seeking nominations of students for the Outstanding Senior Awards. Contact the Financial Aid office, Davis 114, if you are interested in nominating yourself or someone else. The deadline for nominations is Oct. 29.

For more information contact Erik Bigalke at 894-1438, or Bill Becker at 327-0375.

#### Student Government

The St. Petersburg Free Clinic has barrels set up in the Davis lobby and the Campus Activities Center, for a food drive in cooperation with Student Government. The clinic appreciates the donation of any of the following: canned goods, baby food, personal hygiene items, non-perishable food items.

For any questions call Student Government President Bob Miller at 893-9144 or 893-9596.

#### Student Council for Exceptional Children

The Student Council for Exceptional Children holds meetings the last Tuesday of each month (Oct. 26 and Nov. 30) at 4:45 p.m. in Coquina 224.

The guest speakers are slated to include Cyndie Collins, Education Advisor; Dr. Howard Hinesley, Superintendent of Pinellas County Schools; Elaine Cutler, President of Florida State CEC & Principle of Seminole Elementary; and Elaine Quinlan, spokesman from Guardian Ad Litem.

Some of the scheduled fall activities include the Children's Festival and the State CEC Conference in Miami in October. The SCEC plans a busy fall semester and hopes that all students will be able to join their organization.

#### SCUBA Club

After several years of inactivity, the Scuba Club is back. Anyone interested in diving, learning to dive or just the ocean in general can join this new club. The Scuba Club plans to be a great opportunity for students to meet one another on campus, experience new things and have a great time doing it. If any aspect of this sounds appealing, come and join in the fun. For information, call 893-9597.

#### Information Systems Association

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**Let's make a deal**

Rita Aberg, left, examines the merchandise at Josephine Pecoraro's table Sept. 29. Pecoraro, of Southern Imports in St. Petersburg Beach, had a booth set up at the annual Bayboro arts and crafts fair. Pecoraro is a 1989 USF graduate.
Hurricane chaser to speak today

Jack Parrish, meteorologist and flight director for the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration, will speak today on his airplane flights into hurricanes.

The talk, "Flights of Fancy in Florida Hurricanes," is set for noon in Davis 130. The talk, sponsored by the Campus Lecture Series, is free and open to all students.

Writer's conference penned in for winter


Crow's Nest announces two staff promotions

A mutiny aboard The Crow's Nest has led to the promotion of Bob Whitby as (editor), advisor John Gogick recently announced.

Susan Gerhart has been enlisted from the Crew to serve as the First Mate (assistant editor).

"Damn glad to be here," Whitby said.

Reader Survey

Beginning with this issue, The Crow's Nest will run a weekly survey dealing with some aspect of campus life. Clip the survey and return it to The Crow's Nest office in the CAC. Results will be discussed in an upcoming issue.

The new Bayboro Cafe

#1) How many times have you eaten at the new campus cafe?

#2) Do you eat there regularly? If so, how many times per week?

#3) What meals do you eat there most often?

#4) On a scale of 1 to 10, what rating would you give the food?

#5) On a scale of 1 to 10, what rating would you give the service?

#6) Do you think the prices are high, low or just about right?

#7) What items would you like to see on the menu?

#8) Did you notice the new decor? If so, what are your comments about it?

#9) Would you still eat there if you had more choices on campus?