Scuttlebutt

In the wake of the Tampa controversy concerning student election endorsements, the question of whether or not The Crow's Nest will endorse a candidate in Bayboro's upcoming student election has come up.

We would be shirking our editorial duty if we didn't endorse candidates that we feel are worthy of office, just as students would be shirking their duty if they didn't vote for the free-pizza-and-chicken-wing-eating-administration-lackeys of their choice.

How will we decide who to endorse?

Not by associations, friendships or alleged past favors, as one current member of student government implied in a recent conversation with The Crow's Nest advisor. Frankly, we find anyone's quivering fear of the two-month-old student newspaper pathetic.

Our endorsement will be made the same way students decide which candidate deserves their vote. We will weigh the issues, evaluate the candidates' character and make an informed, intelligent choice. To facilitate this process, we have prepared a questionnaire on page 8. We ask that all candidates complete the questionnaire and return it to The Crow's Nest by Nov. 10. We will run the information in the Nov. 17 issue of The Crow's Nest.

And if you're up to it, take at whack at these impertinent questions:

• Did you ever inhale?
• How would you avoid being a pawn for the administration?
• Have you ever slept with Gennifer Flowers?
• Did you dodge the Gulf War draft?
• How did Coors Light become the official beer of Halloween?

Craw's Nest.

Patti Dunaway

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Degree 57 years in the making

By Carrie Lee

Peggy LaMontaine is as excited about graduation as any senior, maybe even a little more. After all, it's taken her slightly more than the average student to earn her degree. Fifty-seven years to be exact.

LaMontaine, 74, is the oldest degree-seeking student USF-Bayboro. She didn't just recently start back to school either. She's been taking college courses off-and-on since 1937. When her classmates express uncertainty about their futures, she can relate.

"I'm a perfect example," she said. "I know what it's like for kids not to know what they want to do."

LaMontaine tried several different fields before deciding to get a bachelor of arts degree in English literature. She said some of her attempts at various careers were unsuccessful. "I tried to be a nurse but I was such a disaster in LaMontaine anybody's lab I had to give that up," she said.

LaMontaine jokes about not doing very well in science or math classes. It took her four years and a couple of very good tutors to pass the general math requirements. Don't think you can pick her out of a crowd by looking for a feeble old lady creeping along the halls to get to class. LaMontaine looks like a professor, and carries an air of wisdom about her. She walks with confidence, determination and more energy than many students a third of her age.

And she fits right in with the students here at USF. Most classmates think she is just auditing classes until they see her turning in homework and taking tests. Then they're impressed.

I love it. Those kids talk to me. They tell me all their problems. I eat lunch with them and study with them sometimes."

Just like most students, she can't wait to graduate. Not because she needs a job (she's retired and living on her pensions), and not because she's tired of taking classes. She has other plans.

"When I get my degree then I'll be one of those who audits and I won't have to cram for tests anymore." LaMontaine has had her Sea EXPERIENCE, page 3

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Cole donates money

Edward L. Cole Jr. donated $25,000 to the USF-Bayboro to create a student scholarship.

Intended for county residents who graduated from a Pinellas County high school and St. Petersburg Junior College and are pursuing their bachelor's degrees at USF St. Petersburg, the Amanda Cole Scholarship is named for Cole's granddaughter.

Cole, a St. Petersburg city councilman and pediatrician who has lived in St. Petersburg since 1922, said he was inspired to establish the scholarship because of the educational opportunities now available in the county that didn't exist when he went to college.

"In Pinellas County, yes, even within the boundaries of St. Petersburg, it is now possible to earn a four-year degree and a Ph.D.,” said Cole. “But there are many bright students here who need financial help to make this dream come true.”

With his gift, Cole issued a challenge to others in the community.

“Among us are those who have more assets than we will ever need or use. Some could live very comfortably and reduce spending on many unnecessary luxuries,” said Cole. “My challenge is you is to ante up for scholarship funding at the St. Petersburg campus of USF.”

"Dr. Cole is a true believer in the critical role education plays in society," said Julie Gillespie, director of advancement at USF St. Petersburg. "His gift will allow many young people the opportunity to get a college education and make a difference in their own communities one day."
By Karen Johnson

There may not be any music filtering out the doors of the Nelson Poynter Memorial Library, but director Mary Grigsby is busy conducting and constructing one "Carnegie Hall" of a new library.

Like someone leading the different areas of a symphony orchestra — woodwinds, strings, brass and percussion — Grigsby balances the needs of students, faculty, and the community.

Her library life began when, as a graduate student in history, a friend asked a tough question: Why St. Petersburg?

The job market for history professors was poor, said her history-major friend, who was employed at a liquor store. Grigsby wasn't sure teaching history was her real calling.

She recalled that The University of Missouri-Columbia's library was where most of her learning took place.

From that point, Grigsby characterizes her professional course as a "predictable progression for the career of a librarian."

Her reference experience, a newspaper microfilm project and work in collection and development at Missouri prepared her for the challenges ahead.

As the child of a state department employee, Grigsby lived in may Third-World countries. She brought with her a profound sense of the importance of "free and open access to information in our world."

While at Missouri, Grigsby took on a joint project with Southern Illinois University. She traveled to Japan to see the building of a new library and its collection.

Taking the long way home, Grigsby traveled through Southeast Asia, Egypt and Italy for 10 weeks.

The idea of creating a new library from the ground up stayed with her.

USF-Bayboro offered her the opportunity, and she has orchestrated her role as director ever since.

Growth of the St. Petersburg campus made the new library a reality. Enrollment in the last five years has increased 20 percent. Circulation figures show library use is up 58 percent compared to just three years ago.

Expanding the curriculum provided the opportunity for USF faculty members to become involved in collection development. Several academic programs such as marine science, ethics, business and education are targeted for enhanced collections as funds become available.

A new, state-of-the-art library will include 140 work stations and a media production center.

Grigsby was excited about a "generous gift" from the St. Petersburg Times — the Times on CD-ROM from 1987 to present.

Many new CD-ROMs will be purchased.

Students, USF faculty and members of the community have contributed to a special collection of oral histories of people, places and events in the South. A collection of underground newspapers from the 1960s also will be cataloged and become available.

With all the new collections, work stations and services the new library will offer, Grigsby is worried most about staffing the technical and development positions necessary for its operation.

Grigsby believes her "vision" of the new library will only succeed with teamwork.

"I believe in empowering people, taking decision-making down to the lowest levels," she said.

The community plays a large role in Grigsby's plans for the Poynter Library. Fund-raising is a major step in developing a two-way relationship with St. Petersburg.

The give-and-take benefits both the university and the city, she said.

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Remembering the year that was...

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1968

Whitfield examines the late 1960s and early '70s through the life and times of the yippie leader.

- Nov. 15: The classic psychedelic "Yellow Submarine" is set for noon and 4 p.m. showings in Davis 130. Follow the Beatles (the musical group, not the cars) through an underwater adventure as they battle the despicable Blue Meanies who have declared war on all that is good in Pepperland. Wonder at the drug-induced megalomania that followed the group throughout their highly over-rated musical career. Free popcorn at the showing.

- Nov. 22: Panel discussion on the topic "1968: A personal view," is set for 5 p.m. in Davis 130. Guest panelists examine the events of 1968 from diverse perspectives, seeking an answer to the question "Did you have a date in 1968?"

- Nov. 24: Celebrate the world of the flower children with free flowers. Big buds will be handed out at the CAC at noon and 5 p.m. while supplies last. Bring your own papers. Also slated for Nov. 24, a showing of "The Lion in Winter," a celebrated historical drama set at Christmas in 1183. (It was filmed in 1968, man.) Free popcorn at the noon showing in Davis 130.

- Nov. 29: Learn how to turn perfectly good underwear into a political and social statement at the Tie-Dye Program, scheduled for noon at the CAC. If you don't own a suitable T-shirt, consider tie-dying that leisure suit hanging in your closet, or buy a shirt at the CAC.

- Look for displays in the Davis Hall lobby, the CAC and the Poynter library.

The library plans to showcase a collection of vintage underground newspapers from the era. The collection, reputed to include a valuable first edition of This Crow's Nest, was recently donated to the Special Collections department of the library.
By Ellyn Rapaport

Gavin Benson and Mike Taratino were bored.

"I was really getting frustrated with my job and needed a change," said Benson.

Then they found the answer. Benson, 30, and Taratino, 31, opened the Tavern on the Green in 1987 and it became a Bayboro institution.

Benson, a former banker, had been looking for a change. Before opening the Tavern, he quit his job to deliver pizzas.

Taratino is the general manager of a hotel in Tampa. He is more of a silent partner who works at the Tavern occasionally.

Budweiser is obviously the favorite brew in these parts. The walls are adorned with everything from a Budweiser guitar that lights up, to a replica of the Hindenberg. Sporting the Budweiser name.

It's hard to find a bare spot on the walls. Postcards from almost every place in the world adorn the walls, as does a collage of patrons' faces. For football fans, every team's insignia is displayed. Making a comment about a certain team is likely to bring a heated conversation from one of the regulars occupying a bar stool.

Benson and Taratino were first introduced to the Tavern by Taratino's mother, who was a real estate agent at the time. She now works alongside her son at the Tavern.

"Something just fell into place and I would do it over again the exact same way," said Benson.

Benson and Taratino both enjoy being around the students, and the students seem to feel the same way. In the six years they have been in business, the police have only been called once or twice.

Sen. Bob Graham is a frequent customer to the Tavern. So is Don Addis, a comic strip writer for the St. Petersburg Times. Addis has used the bar in several of his drawings.

For entertainment live bands play every Thursday night.

"The bands are all different in style. We have some that play new wave and some who play '60s rock 'n' roll. We don't want to display just one kind of music," said Benson.

The Tavern also has open acts on Tuesday nights.

Benson and Taratino are proud to be involved with the university. They donate gift certificates and money to charity events held at the school.

"It hasn't been easy, the owners acknowledged.

"We were very naive when we first started out. Obtaining insurance was a nightmare. No one wanted to insure a bunch of 24-year-olds who were buying a tavern, and America gives no incentives to small business owners," said Benson.

Even with those rough obstacles the positives have always outweighed the negatives.

For the future, Benson and Taratino would like to see the Tavern open longer hours. With the growth of downtown St. Petersburg, longer hours may be necessary. The last thing they want is to become more parking space.

There is no doubt that Tavern on the Green is a part of the daily life at USF-Bayboro. Without it, students would have to drive to find a place where everyone knows their names.

"We really appreciate the relationship we have with the students and hope to be part of the future of USF," said Benson.

— Burglary
A burglar broke into the Poynter library sometime Oct. 16 and stole an unspecified amount of cash from a desk drawer, police said. The case is still under investigation.

— Criminal mischief
A vending machine in Davis Hall was vandalized Oct. 20, police said.
Someone broke the plastic front of the machine, reports state. Damage is estimated at $50. Officer Eberius investigated the case and referred it to student affairs, reports state.

— Battery reported
Police were called to a fight between two employees of the Florida Institute of Oceanography Oct. 22, reports state. The person who began the fight, an OPS worker, was fired, reports state. The other person involved did not wish to press charges, police said. The case was investigated by Officer Door.

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"I wasn't a very dedicated student," she said. "Other things seemed to appeal to me more. I picked up and smelled the flowers as I went along."

She also got married and raised four kids. Her oldest child is now 49.
Even at her age, LaMontaine must deal with peer pressure to ditch school.

"I've been widowed for eight years now and sometimes I'll be out with the girls and they'll say 'come on. Forget the books, we've got something going on.' But I'm going to stick with it. I don't miss class for anything." Sibling rivalry could have something to do with her new found dedication and determination, she said.

"I have two brothers and a sister who got their degrees years ago. I decided it was time to play catch up."

LaMontaine is taking six credit hours this semester, and will have one course to compete next spring to graduate in May. She only takes a few hours at a time because she said at her age she gets tired quicker than she used to. She still finds the energy to play tennis, travel and do volunteer work for her church.

After waiting this long to finally settle down and concentrate on her degree, you might think she has big plans for that diploma. She does.

"I'm going to frame it," she said. "Hang it up and that will be it. Then I'll move on to something else."
Editorial

We at The Crow's Nest would like to take this time to congratulate Jim Johnson, USF's bold, innovative new president of student government in Tampa Bay.

Welcome, Jim. Well done, voters. You've selected an endite man of insight, compassion and understanding. But enough of the honeymoon. We've got to do a little damage control on this mess you've gotten into by trying to take away the Oracle's subsidy from student fees because the paper didn't endorse you. Put the right spin on it, if you know what I mean. Make it into a win-win situation if you will. If we're quick and stealthy, we may be able to salvage your political career.

• First, start referring to yourself as "Jimmy." Constituents can relate to "Jimmy," but "Jim" is too impersonal, too distant. It worked for Carter.

• Next, write a guest column in the Oracle saying that the paper's endorsement of the other candidate had nothing to do with your wanting to yank its $200,000 subsidy. Be honest, Jimmy. Be sincere. Cry if you have to. Constituents like sensitivity, they'll respond. Then claim you were misquoted.

You have until 3 p.m. Nov. 15 to submit your petition to run for the 28 positions on student government to take effect Jan. 1. You may obtain a petition from the Campus Activities Center. If you want to be a representative representing your college you only need 15 signatures of registered students. If you want to run for president, vice-president, treasurer or secretary, you need to get 50 signatures from any students from any of the colleges. You will get a constitution that also explains that if elected, you'll also get stipends ranging from $50 to well over $500 for your time from student Activity and Service (A&S) fees.

As an officer, you may also end up in San Francisco or New Orleans (wherever next spring's student government conference is held). It is usually for a weekend with all expenses paid. This allows you to rub elbows with other student government leaders from around the country. Again this comes from all student A&S fees. This is not virtual reality, but reality. You need to be registered for three

Run for SG or accept consequences

You need to be registered for three semesters on this campus for the semester you are running. You do not need to swear an allegiance to always support the "politically correct" solution. You do not have to have any specific grade point average to run. You do not have to have been a student here for more than one day. You do not have to be of good character, but we hope you are. I have personally seen students who do not represent these minimal characteristics argue and vote on student government affairs. So why not get involved? The only thing involved is how over $300,000 of your money is spent.

There is no registration fee to run. And yes, Elizabeth, there is a free lunch. Usually every other Wednesday when student government meets in the CAC from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. So how can it be free? Semantics!

Let's see now. If I get on student government, I get paid, I get trips and conferences, and I get fed. Plus, I get a banquet at the end of the semester. All with the student fees. Boy I bet student government votes themselves lots of money for their budget. And since this is public money, I'm entitled to a copy of a budget. Maybe we can find more ways to give fees to student government. Now I know what the folks meant when they said that I'd find uniswa...
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I sincerely hope he puts more time and effort into his studies and less time getting a tan on the Bayboro lawn before he puts himself out into the real world.

Best wishes to the student and one piece of advice: enroll in the journalism ethics course soon.

Editorial provokes reader criticism

Student questions leadership agenda

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"Exploring Organizational and Personal Values," described values as motivation; values motivate human behavior and all values are personal, neutral and relative. If this is so, then there can be no objective standard by which to hold members of an organization responsible for their actions. If all motivations for actions are relative, neither right or wrong, then a group could establish itself here on campus as a neo-Nazi organization and their values would be respected as relative in relation to Circle K, for example. Is this the agenda you intended for the leadership conference? I offer this insight to my fellow students, who graciously presented me the gift of the leadership conference. Your generosity is very much appreciated.

This critique is submitted with the utmost respect for those presenting and participating in the leadership conference.

Debra E. Smith College of Arts and Sciences representative Student Government

Speak your mind. Express an opinion. Write a letter to the editor. Drop off at the CAC.

Any questions?
Crabs: Go and get 'em

By Susan Gerhart

Stone crab claws are unique among seafoods in that the animal doesn’t have to die in order for people to eat. The claws are broken off and the rest of the animal is thrown back in the water. Although only about 15 percent survive, in other fisheries no animals survive.

Several species of stone crab occur along the coast of the southwestern United States and throughout the Caribbean. The one found in Tampa Bay is called Menippe mercenaria. A commercial license is required to use a trap, but recreational fisherman can collect claws by hand with a saltwater fishing license. Care should be taken when handling a stone crab — their claws can easily snap a finger.

The crab’s claw must be at least 2.75 inches from the tip to the first joint. Both claws can be taken if both are legal size, but no claws can be taken from females with eggs. If the claw is properly broken, a membrane will quickly form over the wound and prevent the crab from bleeding to death. To do this, grasp a claw in each hand. With one hand at a time, twist the claw down and toward the crab’s body until it snaps.

The stone crab season began Oct. 15 and ends May 15. Female crabs produce eggs mostly during the off-season — up to one million eggs per batch and up to 10 batches per year. The eggs are held under the mother’s apron where she can protect them until they hatch.

Stone crabs begin life as larvae, which look like shrimp and can swim. During this phase most larvae are eaten or die of starvation. The ones that survive metamorphose into tiny crabs. Even at this stage they are vulnerable and get eaten by large fish such as grouper and drum.

Stone crabs reach sexual maturity when they are about two years old. By three years, they are usually big enough to have legal size claws.

Claws should never be chilled when they are raw. To cook claws, bring a pot of water to a rapid boil, then drop the claws in. Cook for five to ten minutes, then plunge into ice water. The quick chill will allow for easy peeling. If claws are bought in a store, they should already be cooked. To reheat, drop in boiling water for one minute.

The claws can be cracked using a small hammer or a nutcracker. Crab meat can be eaten hot or cold, in a dish or plain with melted butter.

Monday, Nov. 8

Video: The Fabulous ’60s 1986. To be shown at 5 p.m. in Davis-130.

Resume Writing Workshop: Learn about the principal types of resumes and cover letter, their purposes and formats. Participants will review components of the resume including the job objective, work experience, education, volunteer and extracurricular activities, personal data and references. Set for 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. by the Career & Counseling Center.

Tuesday, Nov. 9

Creative Dating - Just for the Fun of It: Having fun together is essential for both new and established relationships - and it doesn’t have to break a student’s budget. Explore unusual and inexpensive ways to have fun and make a date an extraordinary experience. Scheduled from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. by the Career & Counseling Center.

Wednesday, Nov. 10

Bayboro: Lyceum Series “Florida: The Dubbed Version.” Stephen Whittingham, Ph.D., will be the speaker at noon in Davis-130.

Orientation to On-Campus Recruiting: An explanation of the procedures for participating in on-campus employment interviewing. Placement registration packets will be distributed only after a student has attended this workshop. The session is set for noon to 12:30 p.m. by the Career & Counseling Center.

Saturday, Nov. 13

Family Fest: “Digging up Bones - Archaeology Day (Part 2)” will begin at 10 a.m. at the Campus Activities Center.

Sunday, Nov. 14

Expo: “Israel is Real,” will be held from 11:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m. at the CAC. A $2 admission for food, crafts, educational programs, children’s activities and entertainment will be charged.

Monday, Nov. 15

Video: “Yellow Submarine” to be shown at noon and 4 p.m. in Davis 130.
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.

For more information contact Erik Bigalke at 894-1438, or Bill Becker at 527-0375.

Student Accounting Organization

The Student Accounting Organization will hold a "Dress for Success:" seminar sponsored by Burdines from 12-1 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 9, in the Campus Activities Center. Lunch will be provided. Tim Weldon, payroll and benefits manager for the City of St. Petersburg will speak to the SAO from 12-1 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9 at the CAC. SAO is holding their annual banquet Nov. 19 at the Wine Cellar banquet. The event is free to all SAO members.

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 (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 893-0997.

Information Systems Association

Add value to your degree. Non-MIS majors welcome.

Offering:

• Refreshments at meetings
• Guest speakers - topics on all aspects of business
• Tours of local business information services

Student Business Association

For anyone having problems communicating with certain persons, then the Student Business Association offers help unlocking those doors with the keys to interpersonal success. Join SBA when they welcome Lisa Simmons and Carlson Learning Center. The meeting is at 4:30 p.m. Nov. 9 at the Campus Activities Center. No membership is required for this meeting and it is open to all students regardless of majors. For more information about Paint St. Pete Proud call Erik at 894-1438.

Viruses attack IBM compatible campus computers

The Counseling & Career Center's IBM compatible computers were recently attacked by two computer viruses.

The first virus, "The Form," was relatively easy to detect and clean. But if left undetected, The Form will destroy the booting sector of a computer.

The second virus, "Stealth," is much more difficult to detect. True to its name, Stealth cannot be detected because it is designed to hide during an anti-viral sweep. Stealth will eat data and eventually cause a computer's hard drive to crash.

Many computer viruses exist and, apparently, there are a variety floating around on the Tampa campus. Some computer viruses flash obscene messages on the screen while other viruses cause ticks that are mostly annoying. However, other computer viruses are much more disruptive. These can remove data, change computer commands, remove parts of programs and erase the hard drive of a computer.

The first defense against computer viruses is to be careful where disks are used. If a disk has been used in another computer system, check it for viruses with an anti-viral program.

Students who have used any computer disk on a computer in the Counseling & Career Center, including one of the new resume disks, should return them for an anti-viral scan and cleaning.

SG gets mixed reviews

We asked, and six of you responded. That's better than nothing.

The results of the second Crow's Nest reader survey are in, and it seems respondents have mixed feelings about student government.

Four of the respondents said they knew the names of the their student government representatives, while two said they didn't. When asked to rate the job student government is doing, responses were "good, not good, excellent, below average, great." One student wrote "since I am not familiar, I rate their job as poor."

In response to the question "How do you think your student activity fees should be spent?" one student responded "not at all." Another student said fees should be spent on "academic activities," while others seemed to think that the fees are spent much as they should be.

Answers to the question "How much of your money should campus clubs and organizations get?" ranged from nothing, to $21,000.

Finally, readers were asked what kind of stories about student government they would like to see in The Crow's Nest. Responses ranged from "more positive stories," to more history on student government. One student said more coverage of "how they confiscate and waste our money" is needed.

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SG budgets $2,500 for fall ceremony

By David Schindler

Student government elections just around the corner and December commencement highlighted discussions at the USF Bayboro student government meeting last Wednesday in the Campus Activities Center. Commencement, set for Dec. 16, will be followed by a reception at Tradewinds in St. Petersburg. The government voted to allocate funds for the reception.

"The December graduation wasn't in the Dean's budget because we never had it," SG President Bob Miller said. Money for the reception is coming out of student funds because government members do not want graduation on the CAC basketball court, where it would be university funded.

The government voted to take $1,000 from the spring commencement budget and $2,500 from the government staffing budget for the event. The $2,500 is being taken from funds that were designated for an employee but are beyond what she is being paid.

"We're cutting allocation, but we're not cutting salary," Miller said.

In other business, Jonathan Brignall, vice-president of the Student Accounting Organization (SAO), discussed the SAO banquet set for Nov. 19 at the Wine Cellar restaurant in North Redington Beach. The banquet will enable students attending to meet with nineteen prospective employers.

Brignall said he expects it to be a success with the many sponsors and a high student turnout. The government voted an additional $325 for the event.

SG allocated provisional funds of $200 for fixing a boat owned by the university.

Ideas for the site of an end-of-semester banquet were discussed — among them, Busch Gardens and the Columbia Restaurant at The Pier.

SG secretary Michelle Rahn told the government officers and student representatives that people can still file forms for candidacy for the upcoming elections. The petition deadline for the Nov. 16-18 elections is Nov. 15.

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