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A highlight of Dublin is the Temple Bar area, which resembles our own Ybor City. This is the place to be for young people. Another fact; more than half of the population of Ireland is under 25 years old! You can imagine the nightlife...

We enjoyed Dublin for a couple of days, then began traveling west across the island. We stopped halfway there at Clonmacnoise, the remains of a monastic settlement dating from 700 A.D. This was one of my favorite sites, for the stone chapel ruins and celtic crosses provided not only fantastic photo opportunities but story inspiration as well.

We then continued west to Galway, where we stayed for a few days. Galway is where we had the worst weather; mostly rain. But rain and Ireland go hand in hand (how else do you think it stays so green?), so none of us were too disappointed. We were waterproofed with jackets, hoods and umbrellas, so rain didn’t faze us.

While in Galway we took day trips to Connemara, reminiscent of the Scottish Highlands, and the Aran Islands. The Aran Islands are famous for their sweaters—known as Aran sweaters or fisherman’s sweaters. Galway itself is known as the home of the Claddagh design, which was originally made as a wedding ring, although today they are also worn for friendship, and depending on the way the heart faces, it signifies whether or not your heart has been taken.

If you have any inclination at all to travel, be sure to check out the study abroad programs USF offers. Many different programs to many different countries, are offered... and the best part is, you can get financial aid! Yes, financial aid to go abroad! See below for contact information.

I highly recommend traveling abroad at least once during your college years. Experiencing another culture is something everyone should do; it not only opens your eyes to the rest of the world, it gives you a fresh outlook on your own country. I personally cannot wait to return to Ireland. Luckily, I found a potential thesis topic there, and am planning to go back next summer. Will I return? Hmmm...

For more information concerning the USF study abroad program, contact Julie Hele or Jim Pahls in the Overseas Study Office at the Tampa campus, 974-4043.
Welcome back from The Crow's Nest staff!

Welcome back, everyone! And to new students, welcome as well! I hope your time here at USF St. Petersburg will be the best of your college years, no matter what your past college experience.

Before I get into my usual spiel about what's up for this semester, let me introduce myself. I'm a second-year graduate student in the Mass Comm/Journalism program. I'm a member of the Society of Professional Journalists and the Society of Newspaper Design. This is my second semester serving as editor, and my first as production manager.

Now! Enough about me (not that I said a lot; let's talk about fall '97!)

There are many ways to get involved this year. Yes, it's that time when your editor must execute the call to arms! It wouldn't be a new semester if someone wasn't gently prodding you to join clubs, now would it? No matter what your interests, there's a campus organization that caters to it. Don't know which one? Not to worry - Campus Showcase to the rescue! On September 3, all day behind Davis Hall, clubs and organizations will be set up to offer information, and in some cases, free food and drink! Live music is also on tap.

With the new semester comes new staff at The Nest! We lost several staffers to graduation, but are slowly re-building the troops. I'm still here, but my duties have changed a bit. I'm not only editor, but production manager as well! I am excited and looking forward to the semester. I'm also the one responsible for the new Crow's Nest website (more on that later). If you have any questions or comments about the Nest, please seek me out. I'm always happy to talk to you!

The new advertising manager is Dave Rodriguez. Dave works in the computer lab when he's not working towards his MBA. An ad selling whiz, he'll be keeping the ad revenue coming in. We're fortunate to have him on staff... welcome, Dave!

Dave has gathered two ad assistants; Joel Samon and Marjorie Stephens. Both are new staff who will also be contributing articles. Welcome, Joel & Marjorie!

Another returning staffer is Gloria Mastell, who has graciously agreed to work as our Photo Editor. Gloria was responsible for most of the great photos from last year, and a natural choice for Photo Editor.

Other returning staff includes Sandy Blood, health column writer; Cary Wimer, restaurant reviewer; and Neil Price, music and entertainment reporter.

Does this seem like a small staff? IT IS! Yes, we need more writers! Come one, come all. Feel free to submit entire articles or just ideas. We'd love to see your stuff. Whether you'd like to become a regular staff member (we need several of these!) or an occasional contributor, we'd love to talk to you. Drop by, leave a note or drop a line on our website.

Oh yeah... if you didn't notice, The Crow's Nest has slightly changed look. Our goal for the semester is to increase our content to twelve pages, but we can't do it without your input!

Something else new for fall... BULLS FOOTBALL! Yes, our very own USF Bulls football team. The Nest will, of course, cover the games - this means we need sportswriters! If you are interested in writing for the new sports section, please let us know. We'll also be calling for fiction and poetry again this semester, so get your submissions ready.

All of the staff here at The Crow's Nest are looking forward to a great year. Again, welcome everyone, and happy reading!

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NEWS BRIEFS

ETHICS CENTER TO OFFER MILITARY ETHICS COURSE

In light of the numerous controversies that have plagued the military in recent years, USF's Ethics Center is offering a course in military ethics. Moral issues in the military have been making headlines for years. To the lay person it may be difficult to reconcile these cases under a uniform code of ethics, indeed, this often seems to contradict each other.

Under the direction of Captain Carlos Bertha, a philosophy doctoral student at USF and commander of a Florida Army National Guard artillery battery, Military Ethics will shed light on how the military deals with ethical and moral dilemmas.

Topics of discussion will range from sexual harassment to following illegal orders to nuclear deterrence as well as a host of other ethical, moral and legal dilemmas faced by the armed forces.

Planned guest speakers for Military Ethics include Brigadier General Frederick J. Raymond.

Those who wish to enroll should register for course number PHIL 3930. Class will be held Tuesday and Thursday, from 4:30 to 5:50 and is also available through Distance Technology-Mediated Learning (DTML) on several campuses.

ST. PETERSBURG LITTLE THEATRE AUDITIONS

The St. Petersburg Little Theatre will hold auditions for Bock and Harnick's romantic musical She Loves Me on Monday and Tuesday, Sept. 15 and 16, at 7:30 P.M. at the theatre located on 4025 31st St. S.

Director A. Paul Johnson and musical director Bikiko Vidas are casting for: 2 women, on mid-20's and one 30's; 6 men, one late teens, two 20's, two 40's and one 60's. Also casting a large chorus of 12 to 15, all ages and voices. All readings will be from the script. Also needed are backstage personnel in all areas.

The production runs Oct. 23 - Nov. 2. For more information call 866-2059

The Crow's Nest currently needs staff writers & production assistants. If you are interested and can dedicate a few hours each week to helping put together USF St. Petersburg's student paper, please call 553-3113.
In search of the Sunday Bagel

Cary Wimer
Next Staff

"Where can I get a bagel downtown on Sunday?" my new neighbor inquired as we sat sipping Cabernet on the front porch. "I would just like to walk downtown and have a bagel while I read the paper."

Often, I had found myself in a similar predicament, not wanting to venture in my car on a leisurely Sunday morning for a bagel. After we polished off the bottle of Cabernet, I promised him an answer in the near future.

The next day, I set out on the quest for the Sunday Bagel. I first stopped at my usual haunt, St. Pete Bagel Company located at 249 Central Ave. The aroma of freshly brewed coffee overwhelmed my senses as I walked through the door: a wide variety of bagels were on display in the case for a mere $0.40 each. They also offered a brilliant variety of cream cheeses. Wait... wait... what are their hours? Monday - Friday 7 A.M. to 7 P.M. and Saturday and Sunday 8 A.M. to 12 P.M. Success at last!!! I rushed home to tell my neighbor the good news. I had finally found the Sunday Bagel!

Discouraged, I hopped on my bike and rode to 1st Ave. N. and 4th St., finding a small little bagel shop: Gourmet Bagel and Pizza. Unfortunately, I still had the same problem: Gourmet Bagel and Pizza is only open 7 A.M. to 3 P.M. Monday through Saturday.

Devastated, I moved on, determined to find the Sunday Bagel. After cruising the streets for an hour or so, I saw what appeared to be a new business at 211 2nd St. S. called Arcase. "Is it a music store?" I asked myself. As I stepped inside, I felt that this must be the place of the Sunday Bagel. Well lit and brand new inside, I anxiously surveyed the menu. Ahhh!! .75 for a bagel. A little pricey. Hmmm... flavored cream cheeses. Wait... wait... what are their hours? Monday - Friday 7 A.M. to 7 P.M. and Saturday and Sunday 8 A.M. to 12 P.M. Success at last!!! I rushed home to tell my neighbor the good news. I had finally found the Sunday Bagel!

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Manage your time. Evaluate your priorities and schedule time for things that are important to you. Remember to include family, job, and relaxation as well as study time.

Choose a study place. The best study place is one that is free of distractions, close to the resources you need, free of clutter, and well-lit. Use good study techniques. Knowing how to approach your work can mean the difference done in less time. Plan a reading strategy that will help you to outline chapters to identify the main ideas and relationships. Don't forget to take a break short break each hour to maintain peak concentration. Plan in review time right after lectures and wait a few minutes before each class to skim your notes from the previous class period.

Prepare for tests successfully. Review your notes, predict test questions and check your recall of facts by reciting them aloud. Avoid "cramming." What you gain in remembering a few bits of information for a short amount of time, you lose in impaired judgement and performance at test time due to poor diet and lack of sleep.

For Good Health...

Eat well. Eat a balanced diet and avoid both junk food and alcohol during study times. Get enough sleep. Adequate sleep can make a big difference in how alert you are during class time, as well as in how well you manage your home and work lives.

Exercise regularly. Try to find 20 minutes, 3-5 times a week, for physical activity. Cardiovascular activity is an excellent way to relieve stress and provides an outlet for emotions, such as disappointment or frustration. It also improves health and appearance by burning calories, toning muscles and improving overall fitness.

Plan time for recreation. Daily recreation promotes relaxation which contributes to both physical and mental well being. Do something that you really want to do! Do something creative. Practice a hobby or participate in a club or service organization.

We wish you the best of luck this semester. Feel free to pick up topical flyers from our Health and Wellness brochure racks in Davis Lobby, Bayboro Cafe, the Fitness Center, and the CCC Resource Library, and please stop by the Counseling & Career Center for an appointment to create a "sound mind, healthy body" plan for you.

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Long established consulting firm seeks bright, responsible person 25-30 hrs/week. Ideal for college student. Day, evening & weekend hours. Located in Ballair Bluffs, call Ms. Stoltz between 4-6 PM 581-8072.

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Positions are listed in the Counseling & Career Center's Resource Library, DAV 112.

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1993 TOYOTA CRESSIDA
Low miles, new brakes, exhaust, timing belt and water pump, excellent mechanical condition. Needs new body work. Call 533-3113, leave message.

COMPUTER FOR SALE
Classic computer by Leading Edge. Great for word processing. Software included $80. Call 533-3113, leave message.

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services

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Free travel information is available for the campus community at the Campus Activities Center. Call 533-1996 for more information or stop by the CAC.

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Why rent when you can own? Low money down programs available. Call for a free pre-qualification -- you could be a homeowner! Marc Moser, First Security Mortgage Services, Inc. 1-800-971-0464.

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Tupperware brand products are guaranteed for the life of the product. Call consultant Nadine Henderson Price, 813-850-2316, for full line and monthly catalogs. Ask for information to start your own successful full or part-time business.

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Everything from business cards and flyers to entire websites. Affordable rates. USF grad student. Call for brochure, estimate: 550-0849, leave message.

to place an ad
Submit your ad in writing to The Crow's Nest office at least one week before press date. All classified ads are payable in advance. Checks should be made payable to the University of South Florida. Personal checks should include a Driver's License number written on the check.

rates

Classified ads are free for USF students, staff and faculty. Others: Single line rate is $1.75 for 30 words or less, additional words are $.08 each. Refunds will not be issued after ad and payment are received.

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Finally Bayboro!

Our campus officially obtained a new building this past summer... and a roving Nest photographer caught it on film!

THE PRESIDENT VISITS: USF President Betty Castor came to campus in June for the dedication of Bayboro Hall.

THE ST. PETE CAMPUS GROWS BY ONE: Student Government president Diana Devore (2nd from left) assists USF President Betty Castor (middle) with her ribbon-cutting duties at the Bayboro Hall dedication last June. Dean Heller (far right) also joined in.

briefs

Oliver Stone comes to Tampa

Academy Award-winning screenwriter, producer and director Oliver Stone and the Executive Director of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People Kwesi Mfume are slated to speak at USF's Fall Lecture Series on the Tampa campus.

Stone, whose first novel, *A Child's Night Dream* will be in bookstores this September, will appear on Tuesday September 30 at 8 p.m. in the Special Events Center. He has been nominated for ten Academy Awards and has won three Oscars. His work includes the *Illusion Platoon*, *Natural Born Killers* and *JFK*, which reignited the conspiracy theory discussion about the assassination of President John F. Kennedy in the '60s.

Kwesi Mfume is the former chair of the congressional Black Caucus. While in that position, he constantly advocated landmark minority business and civil rights legislation. He sponsored the legislative initiatives banning assault weapons and establishing stalking as a federal crime and co-sponsored the Americans with Disabilities Act. He has been president and CEO of the NAACP since 1996.

Mfume will appear Thursday, October 30 at 8 p.m. at the Special Events Center. Tickets are required and limited to two per person. They can be picked up at the information desk at the Marshall Center on the Tampa campus.

Welcome Gilbert

The Campus Activities Center has a new activities coordinator this Fall. Gilbert Correa, who recently moved to the area from New York to accept the position, takes over for Jason Cegielski. Join us in welcoming Gilbert to campus.