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Police investigations launched in student assault case
By Tyler Killette Staff Reporter

Nearly a month after saying she was attacked outside a downtown restaurant, sophomore Sandra Pierre has gotten the attention of the mayor’s office and the St. Petersburg Police Department. Pierre, 19, was working at Burrito Boarder on a Sunday night when she was allegedly attacked by a customer. According to her, the St. Petersburg police officer who was flagged over to investigate the scene let the customer go without taking his statement. Pierre, who is black, thinks the officer intentionally mishandled the situation because of her race.

After Pierre called the St. Petersburg Police Department to file a complaint against the officer, whose last name is Maric, the department launched an administrative investigation on the officer’s handling of the incident.

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Waterfront to offer more activities

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The towboat, a 24-foot Mastercraft X45, is being used for snorkeling, wakeboarding, waterskiing and possibly tubing. The boat will be used for scheduled lessons, available for a small charge, and free scheduled recreation time starting next school year.

The fishing boat, a 17-foot Proline, is being used for "Start Powerboating Right" classes, a program students can take to earn their Florida boater's certificate. Campus Recreation will also offer fishing trips to students beginning in the fall.

The boats were introduced to students during Bec-Fest, an event on Sunday, April 6, that let USFSF students participate in a variety of water and land based events.

During wintertime break, construction on Campus Recreation's boathouse fixed the leaking roof, repainted the building and added ventilation. It also incorporated outdoor Framers and a public announcement system, all while making the deck area a place where students can spend time. The new Wi-Fi in the building reaches the SGEF picnic tables along the Waterfront.

Construction cost less than $185,000, Oppenheim said, and had no bearing on finances for the pool. The project had been under review by the Board of Trustees for several years and was budgeted independently.

"It needed to be done," said Greg Haverlock, the Fitness Center coordinator.

To view weekly North Shore Aquatic Complex swim hours, visit North Shore's website at stpeteparksrec.org/northshore-aquatic-complex.html. North Shore Pool is located at 901 North Shore Drive NE.

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Local writer gives scoop on Ben & Jerry's

**BY CANDICE RIESHEF**
Crow's Nest Contributor

The lecture offered free ice cream, but Brad Edmondson provided a sweet story too, during his lecture on April 1.

Edmondson visited USF St. Petersburg to discuss his new book "Ice Cream Social: the Struggle for the Soul of Ben & Jerry’s." The Cornell graduate and Sarasota native is a personal friend of Ben Cohen and Jerry Greenfield with 30 years of professional writing experience. He spent more than a year working on the book, which describes the history of the Ben & Jerry’s brand as "a tragic comedy in five acts."

The story begins in 1978, in an old gas station in Burlington, VT. Two long-haired men with bushy beards wanted to earn a living and have fun at the same time. They spent $5 each on a class to learn how to make ice cream and then founded their business around a three-part mission statement:

1. Make the best ice cream with the best ingredients.
2. Pay people fairly.
3. Make a positive impact on the environment and community.

Before they decided to sell their delicious ice cream, Cohen and Greenfield gave it away. Giving free samples is an excellent marketing strategy for ice cream because ice cream is, in Edmondson's words, "a product that lizard brain craves." Concentrated sugar and fat send a message to the brain, the brain likes this message and craves to hear it again.

Free Cone Day made its debut in 1979. The company gave out free cones to customers, treating pregnant woman to an extra scoop and even allowing the family dog to enjoy one. Free Cone Day is now an international event with Ben & Jerry's Homemade, now operating in more than 20 countries.

Profit is not part of the Ben & Jerry's mission, but with this simple marketing strategy, the business did profit. Cohen and Greenfield, from small-business backgrounds, did such good business that the company grew too fast for them to keep up with it. Quickly went publicly, the founders lost control of their stock and the Ben & Jerry's Homemade brand began to slide down a rocky road.

To keep their brand from melting, Cohen and Greenfield brought in a CEO with a mainstream corporate background. To this end, according to Edmondson, Edmondson & Ben & Jerry's was "sold out from under them to the second biggest food company in the world: Unilever." This tripled profits. However, Cohen and Greenfield's mission was not to make money, but to make a positive social impact and good ice cream at the same time.

"Ice Cream Social: The Struggle for the Soul of Ben & Jerry's" details this journey of hard-working people doing radical things, and doing them right.

While this story has a happy ending, it isn't over yet, according to Edmondson.

"The struggle is not over, the struggle to balance profit and social change," he said.

The Sarasota Ben & Jerry's at 372 St. Armands Circle provided ice cream samples for the lecture. USF Tampa also has a scoop shop at 4204 E. Fowler Ave.

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Pierre still wants to see an arrest made

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Wells told The Crow's Nest he hopes the experience will encourage St. Petersburg police to be more responsive and serve as a lesson "for handling future situations like this.

Pierre said she's happy something is being done but will not be satisfied until her alleged attacker is charged. She worries he may have given the officers false information or disappeared.

"I guess I just have to wait again and hope for the best," she said.

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Staff Reporter

By Amanda Starling

recently appointed Salazar to fill there's just one. Lombardi-Nelson having many page administrators, online forum, but now instead of reactive interaction."

of knowledge, miscommunication, Nelson said. "We were addressing a general share board," Lombardi-Nelson said.

pair envisioned an online forum initial campaign for Courtney Parrish USF St. Petersburg online tradition.

watchful eye over a nearly four-year Salazar, a freshman Student Activities Board and USFSP campus events for the Harborside

USFSP online tradition.

It All advertising campus events, searching for summer roommates, It All’s Guide to market Nelson said. "I thought I was going to get a lot of reports and bad stuff, but there really hasn’t been any. The only thing I have to check up on is when people ask to join." Salazar monitors the online forum throughout his day. He approves, after checking profiles, for members to join so long as they are students or members of faculty. He rarely spots "reported comments" to check for inappropriate content. Often by the time he finds a questionable post or comment, the user has already deleted it. "Mark told me just to let people talk," Salazar said. "I should watch out for direct attacks, that’s it. I just look out for it." news@crowsneststpete.com

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YOU THINK YOU KNOW IT ALL? HERE’S SOME TIPS FOR USING THE KNOW IT ALL’S GUIDE WITHOUT SEEMING ANNOYING, IGNORANT OR LIKE A COMPLETE JERK.

DO
-- Post about your club’s organization or event. People like to know what’s happening. If there’s free food, they’re in.
-- Share pictures from events. Everyone loves to see and tag themselves in pictures, so share away.
-- Solicit your campus blog or class project. If you’re working on something school-related, most users are likely to help you out.
-- Offer to help fellow students. If you’re a solid tutor or have information that can help out your fellow students, reach out.

DON’T
-- Spam your club event or organization on the page. As Juan Salazar to include it in his weekly “pinned” post that remains at the top of the page all week.
-- Solicit illegal stuff. No pot sales, no drag racing, no underage parties … All of the fun stuff, just don’t do it.
-- Insult your fellow Bulls. C’mom, Keep it cool, keep it clean and keep it cordial.
-- Let the trolls get ya down. Half of the rude comments on the guide come from people who have nothing better to do than complain and make obnoxious, exaggerated accusations. Ignore them, or they’ll keep coming back.
-- Ask the same question Stewie asked in the post right below yours. Sometimes, it helps to use that handy “search” option to see if your colleagues have asked the same question before you.

You think you know it all? Here’s some tips for using the Know It All’s Guide without seeming annoying, ignorant or like a complete jerk.
Where are they now?

By Erin Murphy
Staff Reporter

Ah, the ‘90s. The era that brought us Cory Matthews, Amanda Bynes and Danny Tanner also brought us the lesser known, and perhaps underappreciated, Stuart Minkus and Kimmy Gibbler. Below, we investigate the now-faded stars of a bright, shining decade.

Lee Norris: He wore high-waisted khakis before it was cool. The actor formerly known for his role as nerdy, squeaky-voiced Stuart Minkus (who also made a name for himself on TV drama “One Tree Hill”) will reprise his role in the “Boy Meets World” follow-up sitcom, “Girl Meets World.”

Freddie Prinze Jr.: We know what he did last summer, but what is he doing now? Prinze, who starred in 1999’s “She’s All That,” is slated to act in an upcoming 2014 for-television movie called “Goody Goody.” Oh, goody!

Kel Mitchell: While Kenan Thompson of “Kenan & Kel” went on to work as a cast member for “Saturday Night Live,” his orange soda-loving partner in crime seemed to be missing in action. However, on March 29, Mitchell appeared at the Kids Choice Awards to honor show creator Dan Schneider.

Andrea Barber: Barber, best known for portraying the living daylights out of the Tanner family as Kimmy Gibbler on “Full House,” retreated into relative obscurity after her acting days but has stated she’d like to return to the career. Stay away, Gibbler. Stay normal.

Jonathan Taylor Thomas: Thomas, the other JT that made the ladies swoon, is known for his role as Randy Taylor on “Home Improvement,” and also for wonderful ‘90s classics like “The Lion King” and “T’Lil Be Home for Christmas.” Most recently, he acted on Tim Allen’s sitcom “Last Man Standing.”

The Crow’s Nest guide to stayin’ alive

By Crow’s Nest Staff

If the last few weeks of class are bringing you down like the ‘90s brought down the Bee Gees’ music career, don’t put away the disco pants yet (as you can see, we run out of relevant references around this time of the year). Here are a few things to do that will recharge your brain computer and keep you stress-free. The end is near, friends!

Little Manatee River State Park
Take a hop and a skip over the Skyway Bridge (about 25 minutes), out of the city and into the country. You’ll be amazed how fast sidewalks and strip malls give way to cows and crop fields. At the park, enjoy hiking trails, kayaking, some nice views and the chance to see some creatures, including gopher tortoises, armadillos and, of course, manatees. $5 per vehicle, $2 for bikers and pets.

Open Mic Comedy Night at the campus library
No guarantees on this one, but it might be funny, and there’s free food! Acts only get five minutes tops, so you won’t suffer long.

When: Wednesday, April 16, at 7 p.m.

Got canned goods?
Stop by Green Bench Brewing Co. any time during the month of April. Six cans will get you one free beer, and 10 will get you two (limited to two free beers). All cans collected will be donated to the St. Petersburg Free Clinic.

Go watch a Rowdies match
There are two chances to see the Rowdies play at Al Lang Stadium this month: Saturday, April 12, vs. FC Edmonton and Saturday, April 26, vs. the Atlanta Silverbacks. Both games start at 7:30 p.m.

See a movie – The Harborside Activities Board hosts showings of “Wolf of Wall Street” and “The Lego Movie” this month (see their Facebook page, or one of the billion posters around campus for details).

Muvico has a couple gems playing this month: “Captain America: The Winter Soldier” (see the review) and “The Grand Budapest Hotel” for the most distracting, out-of-this-world experiences.

Take up a (legal) hobby – Longboarding, sailing and parking garage-pinball are all achievable on campus. Or pick a Bee Gees song, go to the second floor of the library and sing your heart out. See how long it takes you to get kicked out, or kicked in the face.

Captain America: The Winter Soldier

By Matt Thomas
Staff Reporter

Whereas “Iron Man 3” and “Thor: The Dark World” served as solid action movies with characters cracking jokes between and during set pieces, “Captain America: The Winter Soldier” comes in as the straight-laced older brother of those two movies. He can tell a joke or two, but he wants to tell a more grounded story (by comic book standards) with character depth and political awareness, while still being action-packed like his little brothers. This is the Marvel movie we deserve.

The movie is shakiest when the main villain’s plot and methods are revealed. It seemed too far-fetched. And much like Thor’s “The Dark World,” the subtitle “The Winter Soldier” doesn’t play as big a part in the main story.

Overall, the strengths of “Captain America: The Winter Soldier” lie in its characters, action and political intrigue, with an ending that leaves you excited for what’s next to come. Don’t forget to stay for the two exciting post-credit scenes.
Local jams (and jellies) A Playlist

Radio music making you want to throw up? Tired of all the artists on your iPod? The cure might just be down the street, in the nearest bar -- or even next to you in the grocery store checkout line. This playlist contains all-natural, minimally packaged bands and musicians from St. Petersburg, the Bay area or, at the very least, from Florida. For the hole in your soul that “big music” can’t fill.

By CROW’S NEST STAFF

For more local goodness, check out the Live! Music. Collective Coexist Music and Arts Festival (previewed below) on Thursday, April 10.

“Dog Radio” by Polyneso
Long past their days in the hardcore scene as Oceana, this group of St. Pete locals has evolved into a soulful, smoother blend of indie rock. Impressive percussion arrangements by Denny Agosto and mellow trumpet lines by Alec Prout set them apart from other bands.

“9th Step” by Gators in the Sawgrass
You can find this bluegrass band from Gulfport playing somewhere (with plenty of beer taps) in St. Petersburg just about every weekend. Their newest addition is USF St. Petersburg student Gordon Burt on mandolin. The line “All we know is crazy,” from this number just about describes their live performance. If that still doesn’t fill your desire for songs picked and plucked, give “Way Down” by Naples band the Wholetones a try. See Gators play Green Bench Brewing Co. on April 11.

“Long Gone” by Archaic Interest
This song plays like a psychedelic surfboard ride with Jimmy Morrison. Enjoy the journey, man. For more St. Pete garage surfing, jamming and tripping, check out Jensen Surf Company and Selectric. See Archaic Interest play local 662 on April 19.

“Swan Song” by Lovebird
If you’d like to leave the confines of traditional musical structure behind all together, the noise-based creations of Patrick McBratney, under the moniker “Lovebird,” will take you there. If you like what you hear look up his noise record label Lava Church.

“Goodness in Us” by Jun
St. Petersburg multi-instrumentalist Jun Bustamante is in tune with the cosmos on this song that features an exotic rhythm and a message of good will. She has a vocal style that you just have to hear for yourself. See her play Hideaway Cafe with Ophelia on May 9.

“Supersonic” by Happiness Machine
This St. Pete five-piece, led by two adorable brunette sisters, lives up to their name with poppy, bubbly music that will make you experience an array of feelings -- but mostly happy. See them play Green Bench Brewing Co. with the Greecian Urns on May 31.

“Sound Travels” by Halcyon
Skipper’s Smokehouse has been like a second home to veteran Tampa folk-rock duo Halcyon, who host popular shows there on a regular basis. Doing original material since 1989 has earned them a huge following. Harmonizing at its best. Next up they will be playing in Orlando at Horsepower on May 4th at 4p.

“Beggar’s Guild” by Roadkill Ghost Choir
Hailing from Deland, Roadkill could be described as Manchester Orchestra meets Fleet Foxes, with a little more twang. They know just when to tone down the distortion and bring in some folk-y guitar picking. True to their name, you’ll find lots of eerie harmonies on their debut EP “Quiet Light.” The Choir is currently touring the country but come home to play WMNF’s Tropical Heatwave on May 9.

“Ghost Choir”
Several acts:

- Ella Jet Music -- A folk-pop solo act from St. Petersburg who jams with just her sweet vocals and acoustic guitar. Fingers crossed she’ll play her cover of Dolly Parton’s “Jolene.”
- See Gators
- Gentleman Please -- A St. Petersburg state of mind... and bouncy guitar riffs. Their lush, distorted tunes are hard to come by, however, as they rarely play a live show. Please play more live shows, Gentleman Please.
- Alastair St. Hill's grainy falsetto carries this local pop-rock band through frenzied rhythms and boundary guitar riffs. It's a show you do not want to miss.
- “The Rainbow Sound” by Gentleman Please
- Prisilla 3000, with a mixture of personal, work and the reblogged work of others on her blog page, is a digital artist with a penchant for pixel work with strange, distorted forms. Though benefits held specifically for the LGBT community are infrequent, even in downtown St. Petersburg, the importance of establishing a welcome center for the community is not understated. Bullying and alienation are familiar themes within the LGBT community, and the idea of creating a safe space for everyone to come together is another step toward eradicating these themes.

Arts event to benefit LGBT Welcome Center

By Raven Martinez
Crow’s Nest Contributor

The Studio@620 will host "QUEERY: A Music and Arts Benefit," a show featuring local artists and musicians to benefit the Metro LGBT Welcome Center on Friday, April 11.

Proceeds from the show, including the $5 entry fee, will be donated to fund the up-and-coming LGBT Welcome Center and Metro Wellness and Community Centers.

Metro Wellness and Community Centers began as a series of charity events hosted by members of the King of Peace Metropolitan Community Church. Evolving into one of Pinellas County’s first AIDS support groups, Metro eventually spawned from the church into a stand-alone entity. To this day, Metro still offers free HIV testing and services for those fighting HIV or AIDS.

The LGBT Welcome Center will be established in a historical house in the Grand Central District. According to the welcome center’s Facebook page, the space will provide a place to meet, educational and health resources and even a coffeehouse.

The Studio@620 event is hosted by Queery, an initiative through the Metro Community and Wellness Centers that describes itself as a “queer youth program.”

Three local bands and three local solo musicians will perform at the studio, located at 620 First Ave. S. in St. Petersburg.

Mark Castle, a one-man act, will exhibit his electronica style. Some of his tracks are trance-like and vivid, while others are more fast-paced dance numbers with loopy vocals.

Young Egypt produces dark, waning house tracks. Distorted vocal samples echo in layers over the long, saccharine tones and dragging beats.

Finishing up the night will be Laser Coffins + Lars Warn. Laser Coffins’ sugary, bubblegum dance-pop has some industrial, electronic undertones. In keeping with the other musicians, Laser Coffins sample vocals, but their squeaky-cute, helium-floating voices contrast with the dark mutterings of Young Egypt.

Lars Warn certainly makes a point to retain humor in his work. Performing his swaying trance music alongside Laser Coffins will complement the metered, racing beats.

The lineup of artists showing off their work is Mia Calbertson, Emily Miller and Prisilla 3000.

Calbertson, a graphic design student at USF St. Petersburg, is an illustrator and printmaker with a long resume of exhibitions and volunteer work in St. Petersburg. Her prints frequently feature themes from nature, and her bold lines are consistent throughout her pieces.

Miller, a painter, has women as central figures in most of her work. Her single-plane scenes echo her statement about how girls of the '90s were brought up to flatten their identity to fit into the digital outlet of social media.

In a statement on her website, she says her art addresses the repercussions of growing up as a girl during the late '90s and focuses on the effects of marketing on femininity.

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Preview: Coexist Music and Arts Festival

By Tyler Killette
Staff Reporter

Peace, love and rock ’n roll ... and hip-hop, blues, pop and folk.

Well, really, every band playing the Coexist Music and Arts Festival is of a different genre. But that’s what the event, put on by USF St. Petersburg’s Live Music Collective, is all about -- celebrating diversity!

From 3 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 10, on Harborside, six local bands will jam on the lawn, while artsy vendors post up in booths along the sidewalk. But if not to get your groove on or shop for trendy things, go for the raffle prizes. You could win a cruise, a painting outing, some nifty headphones or tickets to the Big Guava Music Festival and other concerts. Proceeds go to Operation Coexist, a nonprofit organization to improve life through music.

Here’s the lineup of musical acts:

- Makari -- The Tampa-based poppy progressive rock sextet has shared a stage with Florida-tuned national pop-punk acts like We The Kings and Go Radio. They play catchy yet powerful melodies driven by vocalist Brandon Cullen’s piercing falsetto.
- The Real Clash -- This 10-piece hip-hop collective, born out of St. Petersburg College, attempts to redefine the hip-hop genre through a “clash” of rock and rap.
- Selectric -- A St. Petersburg threesome producing warm and fuzzy psychedelic rock tunes with an infusion of gritty blues.
- Lonely Drones -- A local indie-folk band, spinning simplistic, earthy melodies.
- The Green Benchers -- St. Pete dudes who make lush, groovy garage rock, emphasizing their old-school vibe with quirky vintage garb.
Editorial

A night out could cost more than you think

Upon walking into a bar, there's a good chance you’ll get ID’d at the door. Some bouncers may even swipe your driver's license through a nifty little card reader to verify it's not fake.

It doesn't seem like a big deal. Flashing your ID to prove that you're of legal age to consume alcohol is routine. Whipping out photogrpahic proof that you are, indeed, 21 and old enough to be in a bar may even be seen as a rite of passage. But there’s lot more information on your driver's license than just your birthday.

Your full name. Your address. Your sex. Your height. Your driver’s license number. Whether or not you want to donate your organs when you die. And that's only on a Florida license. In some states, a driver's license also reveals your eye color, natural hair color, weight, fingerprint and, outrageously, your social security number, according to an article by Slate. Some forms of identification may even reveal whether one has a medical condition.

And, as Slate's Albert Wong points out, none of these details are necessary to prove one’s age. Without serving a necessary function, using a state-issued ID as proof of age makes one more susceptible to criminals, Wong says. It’s not likely a doorman or bartender will be able to memorize all of this information with just a quick glance. But someone who holds onto it for a while, perhaps to “get a better look,” could be taking note of your information. And, if your ID is swiped through a machine that converts your info into plain text, to be stored in a database for who knows how long, anyone with access to it could have access to your identity.

Identity theft is not uncommon in the United States. The website identitytheft.info claims 15 million U.S. citizens suffer from identity theft each year. Wong cites incidents where Best Buy and Office Depot employees used customers' personal information to steal their identities.

He adds that misuse of driver’s license information has led to instances of not only theft but abuse, stalking and murder. Maybe the doorman knows you’re hooking up with his ex-girlfriend. Maybe he has anger issues. Well, now he knows where you live.

Though the solution to this overwhelming method of age verification is simple, as Wong reports, it’s not especially widespread.

“Proof of age” cards, which display only what is necessary to verify one’s age, such as full name, birth date, photo and signature, are commonplace in Western Australia. According to Wong, similar strategies are used in Ireland, the Isle of Man, New Zealand, the United Kingdom, the Australian jurisdictions of Queensland and Northern Territory and the Canadian province of Ontario. So, with such a simple solution, what’s stopping the good ol’ US of A from following suit? What’s stopping us from saving millions of dollars on investigating identity theft cases every year?

Perhaps the fear is that it would be easier to make a fake “proof of age” card than a fake driver’s license. But, wouldn’t we rather have people simply faking their ages than faking their entire identities? Kids have an easy enough time getting a fake ID now, anyway, so that argument doesn’t have much merit.

This is an issue most people probably don’t think about when going out for drinks on a Saturday night. But for those who have woken up to maxed out credit cards and calls from the IRS, trusting a stranger with such a wealth of personal information may not be worth the $3 gin and tonic from the dive bar downtown.

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Ask the Health Educator:

Do you have a question about sex, alcohol, nutrition, stress or anything else health and wellness related? USFSP Health Educator Victoria M. Beltran has the answers!

Every month, Student Health 101 will feature the column, “Ask the Health Educator.” To submit questions, send an email to usfsp-wellness@gmail.com and include “Ask the Health Educator” in the subject line. Your information will remain anonymous and your question may appear in the next issue of Student Health 101!

Q: I have a personal question about alcohol, but I don’t want it to sound like I’m an alcoholic! Lately, I’ve been noticing that I’m not handling stress all that well anymore, and I’m reaching out more and more for alcohol to help me through. I’m not getting wasted every day, but I’m definitely getting worried that I’m starting to depend on it. How do I know if I have a problem?

A: Dear Alcohol Is Not My Friend:

There are approximately 88,000 deaths attributable to excessive alcohol use each year in the United States. Excessive alcohol use is the 3rd leading lifestyle-related cause of death for the nation.

Increased alcohol intake is common among college students. But in reality, only a small percentage of students actually binge and abuse alcohol, even though students think that everyone is getting wasted all the time. Excessive drinking includes heavy drinking, binge drinking and any drinking by pregnant women or underage youth.

Most people who binge drink are not alcoholics or alcohol dependent. Binge drinking, the most common form of excessive alcohol consumption, is defined as consuming:

- For women, four or more drinks during a single occasion.
- For men, five or more drinks during a single occasion.

Heavy drinking is defined as consuming:

- For women, more than 1 drink per day on average.
- For men, more than two drinks per day on average.

If you feel like you may have a problem, there are resources to which you can turn. At AlcoholScreening.org, you can take a confidential self-test to assess your drinking patterns and receive personalized feedback. You’ll find out whether your alcohol consumption is likely to be within safe limits, or if it may be harmful to your health, either now or in the future.

(AcoholScreening.org is a project of Join Together, a project of the Boston University School of Public Health.)

You can also have an event for National Alcohol Screening Day on April 10 on Harborwalk from noon to 2 p.m. where you can get screened and have your questions about alcohol answered.

You can also make an appointment to see a counselor at the Wellness Center. With the guidance of a professional, you can explore these issues and ways to help yourself if you do have a problem with alcohol. Getting help is nothing to be ashamed of, so be proud that you’ve recognized something that you want to change and have started the process just by asking!

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Throwback

The bloodiest years in American history began on April 12, 1861, with the beginning of the Civil War. An ongoing conflict between the North and South over the issue of slavery led to the Southern states threatening, and actually going through with, secession from the Union.

For the next four years, the Union and Confederate states fought continuously. The war ended with 620,000 soldiers dead, both Union and Confederate.
Jazz, not for your average elevator

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April is National Jazz Appreciation Month, allowing 30 days for the expression of gratitude of what Dr. John Edward Hasse, curator of the Smithsonian’s National Museum of American History, regards as a true American art form. Mostly associated with 1920s and 1930s America, jazz can truly be found at the genesis of our country’s cultural awakening and identification. As early as the 1800s, the blending of African and European influences along the Atlantic Slave Trade produced the beginnings of jazz in America.

Throughout the 1800s, jazz picked up momentum with the help of the African-American church setting, and the introduction to salon and minstrel music. By 1890, Afro-Cuban influence was added to the repertoire, turning cities like New Orleans and Havana into destinations for live music exchange.

With the dawn of the 1900s, the intertwining of ragtime and blues was in full swing, and many jazz artists began playing in Vaudeville shows that traveled to the West and North.

By the 1920s, jazz had acquired dozens of sub-genres including Afro-Caribbean jazz, gypsy jazz and swing jazz. The 1920s also brought the advent of the “big band.” We have Duke Ellington, the Dorsey Brothers, Louis Armstrong and many others to thank for this.

Transforming and sustaining itself throughout the 1940s and 1950s, jazz took on many new forms, giving birth to bebop, which greatly adds Charlie Parker and Dizzy Gillespie boldly brought into the popular music scene.

Remaining a constant parallel to American culture and movement, jazz became iconic in the 1960s and 1970s, attached to many African-American Arts and Nationalism movements. The interest in African-related song titles and lyrics exploded, and songs like “Uhuru Africa” and “Niger Mambo” became anthems associated with unity and change.

Psychedelic jazz, jazz rock and jazz funk were confusions created by the youth. Exploration and rebellion perpetuated the creation of these genres and shaped artists such as Frank Zappa and Miles Davis.

By the 1980s, resurgence in traditionalism, “straight-ahead” jazz became popular, out of which smooth jazz was born. Chaka Khan, Sade and Al Jarreau combined downtown instruments with distinctive vocals.

The jazz of the 1990s and beyond is a pluralism in which no specific style dominates, allowing for the popularity of a wide variety of styles. In many ways, jazz has carried America through the ages, providing a instrumental backdrop of our musical history through the ages, providing an instrumental backdrop of our musical history and photo editor. He can be reached at matthew17@mail.usf.edu or on Twitter @matthew17.

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Races and scoring

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Fleet Racing

The goal of fleet racing is to go fast and beat everyone else. In fleet racing, the first place team in the highest finishing places. Like the goal of getting the most teams to race in a multi-turned course with the boat following the action, it is hard to watch. Combined with the fact that sailing is never talked about on ESPN, and it’s easy to see why so many people don’t know what happens out there on the water. To alleviate this problem, here’s a quick guide to the different types of races and how they are scored.

Team Racing

Unlike fleet racing, team racing requires a lot of strategy. Team racing has an equal number of boats from two schools. The boats race in a multi-turned course with the goal of getting the most teams in the highest finishing places. Like in fleet racing, team racing scores works the same way, first place gets one point, etcetera. If a team scores less than 10 points they may usually win. Strategy in team racing comes into play a lot more. Teams have to communicate to make sure that the other school doesn’t finish in the top three.

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