

**NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEETING
ACADEMIC HIGHLIGHTS
March 23, 2009**

ATHLETICS

SPRING NOTES

Women's Basketball

The women's basketball team finished the season with a 14-15 overall record and a 9-7 mark in the Sunshine State Conference. The Sharks won their last four regular season matches to finish 4th in the SSC standings and earned the right to host the quarterfinal round of the SSC Basketball tournament. NSU defeated Florida Southern, 82-71 to advance to the SSC Basketball Championships hosted at NSU, but fell in the semifinals to Rollins.

Stephanie Sarosi (Jr., Mims, Fla.), who was a three-time SSC Player-of-the-Week selection during the regular season, earned her second consecutive Sunshine State Conference Player-of-the-Year award (the second by an NSU women's player) along with First-Team All-SSC honors. Sarosi was also named to the SSC All-Tournament team.

Men's Basketball

The men's basketball team finished with a 16-11 overall record and a 9-7 in the Sunshine State Conference, good enough for third place for their highest-ever finish in the SSC league standings. The Sharks hosted Lynn in the quarterfinals of the SSC tournament and picked up an 89-84 overtime win to advance to the semifinals hosted at NSU. The Sharks fell to Rollins in the semifinals.

Tim Coenraad (Sr., Brisbane, Australia) earned First-Team All-SSC honors, while freshman Darrin Williams (Louisville, Ky.) was named to the SSC All-Freshman team. David Naylor (Jr., Melbourne, Australia) earned a spot on the Sunshine State Conference All-Tournament Team hosted at NSU.

Baseball

The baseball team is currently ranked 8th in NCAA Division II, their highest-ever ranking, with a 21-2 record, one of the team's best starts in school history. The Sharks are currently riding a 13-game win streak this season.

J.D. Martinez (Jr., Pembroke Pines Fla.) leads the team with a .577 batting average, 11 doubles, nine home runs and 34 RBI. He also leads the SSC in five offensive categories and has been named SSC Player-of-the-Week once this season.

Michael Friers (Sr., Pompano Beach, Fla.) is currently 6-0 on the season from the mound with a 1.33 ERA in six starts this season. He has earned SSC Pitcher-of-the-Week honors once this season.

The team leads all SSC teams in team batting average and team ERA statistical categories and has picked up wins over three different teams ranked in the top-25.

Softball

The softball team is currently 27-7 on the season and currently ranked #23 in NCAA Division II softball by the NFCA Top-25 for their highest ever ranking in school history. The team is one of only two SSC School ranked in the top-25.

Lauren Lopez (Jr., Miami, Fla.) currently leads the team with a .491 batting average and also leads in hits, home runs and RBI. She has earned SSC Player-of-the-Week honors once this season.

Lesla Bonee' earned her 200th career win as the Sharks head coach on Feb. 25, 2009 against Lynn.

Women's Golf

The women's golf team is currently ranked #1 among all NCAA Division II women's golf programs in the country, an honor the team has held since the fall season. The Sharks have also won four of their last five tournaments dating back to Oct. 2008 this academic year.

NSU's Taylor Collins (So., Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.) earned SSC Women's Golf Player-of-the-Week for Feb. 16 after finishing tied for third at the Braveheart Classic in Riverside, Calif. in a field of 80 individuals.

Men's Golf

The men's golf team is currently ranked 8th among all NCAA Division II men's golf programs in the country. The Sharks have finished in the top-10 of all their tournaments this season, including a win at the Elon, Inc. Collegiate in Bakersfield, Calif.

Greg O'Mahoney (Sr., Tequesta, Fla.) finished second out of 95 individuals at the Elon, Inc. Collegiate Classic at nine under par to earn SSC Men's Golfer-of-the-Week on Mar. 1st.

Women's Tennis

The women's tennis team is currently 7-3 on the season and ranked 11th in NCAA Division II by the Intercollegiate Tennis Association. The Sharks most recently picked up a 6-3 win over NCAA Division I opponent Pittsburgh.

BSO ADVISORY BOARD

NSU/BSO Partnership

1. The Nova Southeastern University/Broward Sheriff's Office partnership submits its first Criminal Justice Grant:
NSU/BSO recently submitted a 50,000 dollar grant to address delinquent adolescent alcohol use and abuse. Broward youth detained by BSO will be assessed for alcohol abuse, related criminal activity and level of parental involvement. The goal of the grant is to solicit family involvement - outcome desired – reduction of alcohol use and criminal activity.
2. NSU/BSO partnership is currently working on a 1.5 million dollar grant submission to establish a National Institute for Child Protection. This grant is directly related to the established expertise of the Master's Program in Child Protection, located within the Criminal Justice Institute.
3. NSU/BSO partnership is currently developing an on-line Crime Scene Certificate. This certificate, geared toward law enforcement personnel interested in becoming certified at the National level, has the potential of being endorsed by the top National Crime Scene accrediting body. A third potential partner is the FBI.

CENTER FOR PSYCHOLOGICAL STUDIES

Major Highlights

Associate Professor Ralph "Gene" Cash, serving as President of the National Association of School Psychologists, opened the 2009 National Convention in Boston this month with a keynote address. The conference was the second largest in the organization's history with over 5000 in attendance. **Professor Lenore Walker** was a featured presenter on "Domestic Violence: Implications for School Psychologists?" **Dean Karen Grosby** hosted alumni, interns, students and friends at an event in Boston. The event, attended by over 100 guests, recognized CPS Professor Gene Cash, president of NASP, and distinguished alumni attending the convention or from the Boston area.

Mark Blais (Psy.D. 1990) is the 2009 recipient of the **Theodore Millon Award in Personality Psychology**. Presented by the American Psychological Association (APA), the award honors an outstanding psychologist engaged in advancing the science of personality psychology including the areas of personology and personality disorders. The award will be presented to Dr. Blais at the 2009 APA convention in Toronto. Dr. Blais is an Associate Professor of Psychology (Psychiatry) at Harvard Medical School and the Associate Chief of Psychology and Director of the Psychological Evaluation and Research Laboratory, a comprehensive psychological assessment and research program. He also serves as the Director of the Adult Track of the Massachusetts General Hospital Clinical Psychology Internship. Dr. Blais is an Associate Editor for the *Journal of Personality Assessment*.

Associate Professor Barry Nierenberg chaired the 11th Annual Rehabilitation Psychology Conference in Jacksonville, Florida. This joint venture between the American Psychological Association's (APA) Division of Rehabilitation Psychology and the American Board of Professional Psychology (ABPP) had over 200 attendees. Dr. Nierenberg presented 2 papers at the conference. Nierenberg was recently elected to membership in the National Academy of Practice (NAP), a nonprofit professional organization composed of elected representatives from ten different health professions. Founded in 1981, the central purpose of NAP is to advise public policy makers on health care issues, using NAP's unique perspective — that of expert practitioners and scholars joined in interdisciplinary dialogue. It is the only interdisciplinary group of health care practitioners dedicated to these issues. Only 150 practitioners or scholars may be elected to each Academy.

Professor Steven N. Gold has been named editor of a new American Psychological Association journal, *Psychological Trauma: Theory, Research, Practice, and Policy*. The journal will be published quarterly beginning in March 2009.

Sixty-five chapters have been completed for the Encyclopedia of Neuropsychology, all of which will be **co-authored by CPS faculty and students**. This is the largest number for this volume from any single university.

Faculty Awards/Accomplishments

Professor Timothy Moragne received the GLB Professional Psychologist Award during the recent National Council of the Schools of Professional Psychology (NCSPP) Mid-winter meeting. Dr. Moragne was also elected to serve as Chair of the NCSPP Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual Committee and will serve a two-year term on the NCSPP Executive Committee beginning summer 2009.

Professor Linda Sobell was named Distinguished Scholar by the University of Texas at Austin School of Social Work and Psychology Department.

Associate Professor Angela Waguespak has been appointed to the committee on finalizing competencies for school psychologists as well as specifications for item validation. The committee was established by the Florida Department of Education and is composed of

educators from across the state of Florida, representing multiple institutions and educational philosophies.

Associate Professor Sarah Valley-Gray has been re-elected Florida delegate to the National Association of School Psychologists.

Associate Professor Mercedes ter Maat has been appointed to the Florida Department of Education's Task Force to develop the competencies for school counselors.

Associate Professor Stacey Lambert has been selected to serve as a site visitor for Argosy University's Washington, DC doctoral program accreditation review in April.

Community Service

CPS Ethnic Minority Graduate Student Association, a highly active student organization dedicated to education and service about the needs of diverse populations, participated in building a house for Habitat for Humanity. EMAGS also conducted a major food and clothing drive for Camillus House. They are currently working with CPS on sponsorship of a professional development session on "Evidence Based and Culturally Sensitive Practice" to feature **Gargi Roysircar-Sodowsky, Ed.D.**, Professor and Director of the Multicultural Center Diversity at Antioch University. **John Lewis** is the faculty advisor to the group.

Associate Professor Stephen Campbell and CPS doctoral students presented "*Back to Africa, Part 2*" on February 17th as part of Black History Month. The talk featured information on the HIV/AIDs epidemic in South Africa and NSU efforts to train practitioners and provide support to children orphaned by this epidemic.

Alumni Accomplishments

CPS's 2006 distinguished alumnus **David Ahearn, Ph.D.** (Harvard), who attended the NASP alumni event is assistant professor of psychiatry at Harvard Medical School and is currently the National Program Director of the Health e-Technologies Initiative, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. Ahearn has published over 60 articles, chapters and technical reports and has been lead investigator on numerous NIH grants on chronic pain psychophysiology, behavioral and social aspects of cardiovascular disease, somatoform disorders and eHealth. He developed a nationally recognized behavioral medicine clinical and research training program and pioneered the use of innovative technology systems for outcomes assessment in health care.

Alumnus **Jeremy Bidwell (Ph.D. 2008)** recently testified to the Illinois House of Representatives, Health Care Licenses Committee. The legislature is considering a bill proposing prescriptive authority for licensed psychologists who have advanced training with additional training in psychopharmacology. Dr. Bidwell is the Associate Director of the Illinois Center for Rural Psychology which focuses on means to providing greater mental health care services in rural communities. Dr. Bidwell was awarded a masters degree in clinical psychopharmacology in 2007.

Alumnus **Brian Friedman, Ph.D. (2006)** was featured on the National Public Radio about his work with children with mild autism. Dr. Friedman is on staff at the Kennedy Krieger's Center for Autism and Related Disorders, at the Kennedy Krieger Institute. Located in Baltimore, Maryland, the Kennedy Krieger Institute is a multi-faceted, multidisciplinary program for children with autism spectrum disorders.

Scholarly Publications

Faculty

Professor Wiley Mittenberg a book chapter, "Mild head injury: Defense expert case analysis for Neuropsychology in the courtroom," edited by R.L. Heilbronner.

Assistant professor Alex Cuc co-authored of "Long-term memory for the terrorist attack of September 11: Flashbulb memories, event memories, and the factors that influence their retention," for the *Journal of Experimental Psychology: General*.

Associate professor Jeffrey Kibler authored "Posttraumatic stress and cardiovascular disease risk," for the *Journal of Trauma and Dissociation*.

Assistant professor Craig Marker co-authored "In-session exposure tasks and therapeutic alliance across the treatment of childhood anxiety disorders," for the *Journal of Consulting and Clinical Psychology*.

Faculty/Student/Alumni

Professor Wiley Mittenberg and **alumna Darcy Morgan (Ph.D. 2008)** co-authored a book chapter, Malingering in traumatic brain injury, for *Neuropsychology of malingering casebook*, edited by J.E Morgan & J.J. Sweet.

Assistant professor Craig Marker and alumna Beverly Jean-Jacques (Ph.D. 2008) co-authored, "In favor of integrative behavioral assessments," for *PsycCRITIQUES - Contemporary Psychology*.

Doctoral student Brandi Booth, alumnus Emmanuel Finney (Ph.D. 2008) Professor Vincent Van Hasselt, and others shared in the authorship of "Captive-taking incidents in the context of workplace violence: Descriptive analysis and case examples" for the journal *Victims and Offenders*.

Alumna Abigail Tucker, Professor Vincent Van Hasselt and Scott Russell of the Ft. Lauderdale Police Department co-authored "Law Enforcement Response to the Mentally Ill: An Evaluative Review" for *Brief Treatment and Crisis Intervention*.

Scholarly Presentations

Doctoral students, faculty and alumni presented their research at the NASP conference in Boston:

School Crisis Legal Issues for Training and Practice

Erin Johns with Associate Professor Scott Poland

Risk Factors for Suicide Among Adolescents Experience Legal Difficulties

Jessica Mackelprang, Jessica Karle, and Erin Johns

Promoting Prosocial Development through a Positive Teacher-Child Relationship.

Lindsay Lennertz

*“Teacher Expectations Regarding Preschoolers’ Academic Performance” and
“Bilingualism and Emergent Literacy: What School Psychologists Need to Know”*

Leanne Shapiro and Lauren Marocco, with associate professor Sarah Valley-Gray, and CPS alumna Kristin Cunningham, Psy.D.

The Process of Divorce: Helping Children and Families Cope

Amy Rosenberg and Yalemni Luna

Associate Professor Scott Poland presented a keynote address with Frank Zenere of the Miami Dade Crisis Team on Youth Suicidal and Self Injurious Behavior: Critical Issues for Schools. Dr. Poland also presented “Youth Suicide and Self Injury: Critical Issues” at the State Adolescent Treatment Issues Conference in Tampa. On February 12, he presented “Strategies to Reduce the Rate of Youth Suicides” at the College of Osteopathic Medicine. The presentation was open to all NSU faculty, students, alumni and community members interested in public health.

Professor Linda Sobell gave invited presentations, “Using Motivational Interviewing To Motivate Students to Quit Smoking,” and “Using Motivational Interviewing To Motivate Patients to Quit Smoking,” at the Florida Association of School Nurses Annual Conference in Orlando, Florida.

“Integrating Diversity Guidelines for Practice Competency,” the first in a series of multicultural video presentations was hosted by **Professor John Lewis** on February 5th.

Doctoral students KC Collins and Sarah West, along with **Professor Barry Schneider** and **Martha Montgomery, Ph.D.**, presented “The Effects of Graduate Clinical Training on Receiving Personal Psychotherapy,” at the Southeastern Psychological Association Annual Conference (SEPA) in New Orleans.

Other News

Dean Grosby attended the Broward Pediatric Society meeting that addressed maternal depression. Depression among mothers in months after delivery has become an important maternal and health care concern.

The Center for Psychological Studies and the School of Humanities and Social Sciences are offering free presentations for the community at the Alvin Sherman Library. Sessions are designed to provide strategies for improving health and well being in these difficult economic times. Presenting are **Dr. Gene Cash, Dr. Craig Marker and Dr. Jeffrey Kibler from CPS and Dr. Arlene Gordon from SHSS.**

CPS hosted over 200 candidates for admission to the Ph.D. and Psy.D. program in clinical psychology on two consecutive interview days in March. Candidates were from all across the United States and internationally from such countries as South Korea, Trinidad, Guatemala, Puerto Rico, and England.

Professor Charles Golden and doctoral students in clinical psychology were invited to present 18 professional presentations at the annual conference of the American Psychological Association (Toronto) in August. This is the highest number accepted from any one university in recent history.

The **CPS Consortium Internship** program expanded its community partners who will provide 16 positions for CPS doctoral students. The program began with 6 positions.

Best Practices in Responding to the Signature Injuries of our Returning Veterans was the title of a continuing education presented to faculty and alumni as part of NSU Homecoming. **Associate professor Barry Nierenberg, Assistant professor Stephen Russo, Samantha Boyd (Psy.D., 2003) and Arlene Gordon, Ph.D., director of NSU's Brief Therapy Institute,** presented. Also presenting were CPS doctoral students from student organization studying veterans affairs.

FARQUHAR COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES

The following report highlights recent news and events from the Farquhar College of Arts and Sciences at Nova Southeastern University.

The College continues to enhance student and faculty interaction through scholarship, service, and academic engagement. Regional, national, and international experiences highlight student learning opportunities.

Of particular note, the College received confirmation from the American Bar Association that the Paralegal Studies bachelor's degree program was reaffirmed for accreditation. This degree program serves students interested in professional practice as paralegal (as well as offering an alternative foundation toward the study of law). The program is housed in the College's Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences.

Other recent highlights include:

Distinguished Speakers Series

-The Farquhar College of Arts and Sciences Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences hosted Jack Kevorkian, M.D., on February 5. Kevorkian, the long-time advocate for a terminally ill patient's "right to die," spoke to a crowd of more than 2,500 people in the Don Taft University Center Arena. The audience included NSU students, faculty, and staff; members of the local community; and local media.

Before speaking at the arena, Kevorkian, 80, spent the day at NSU visiting with the college's faculty members, members of the local press, and students from the college. Kevorkian spoke on assisted suicide and defended a terminally ill patient's "right to die."

During his keynote talk, Kevorkian spoke and fielded questions from audience members on his beliefs about assisted suicide and Constitutional rights. The former pathologist is perhaps most known for his invention of a "suicide machine."

In the days leading up to Kevorkian's visit, the college hosted four companion events corresponding with its 2008–2009 academic theme of "Life and Death."

On February 2, the college's Division of Math, Science, and Technology hosted "Immortality: Science Fact or Fiction." The faculty panel discussion featured division members **Josh Loomis**, Ph.D., assistant professor; **Paul Baldauf**, Ph.D., associate professor; and **Robin Sherman**, Ph.D., associate director and associate professor. Kathy L. Cerminara, J.S.D., professor from the Shepard Broad Law Center, also participated, providing a legal perspective on the topic. **Mark Jaffe**, D.P.M., assistant professor in the college's Division of Math, Science, and Technology, organized the event and served as the evening's moderator.

On February 3, **Jessica Garcia-Brown**, J.D., interim assistant director, coordinator of paralegal studies, and assistant professor in the college's Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences, presented "Euthanasia and the Law," as part of the college's Faculty Lecture Series.

On February 4, **Michael Caldwell**, D.M.A., director of the college's Division of Performing and Visual Arts, presented "In Search of the 'Funeral March' Codes." The lecture-recital included a performance of Frédéric Chopin's infamous sonata and examined possible hidden themes of life and death in the piano work.

Also on February 4, the Division of Humanities hosted "Euthanasia: Mercy or Murder?" **Vicki Toscano**, J.D., Ph.D., assistant professor, and **Gary Gershman**, J.D., Ph.D., associate professor in the division, discussed a variety of legal and moral issues surrounding the topic of euthanasia.

-On April 16, the college will welcome Sister Helen Prejean, CSJ, in continuation of the Distinguished Speakers Series. Sister Helen has become one of the most visible leading activists in the fight to abolish the death penalty in the United States.

College News

-The college sponsored the Winter 2009 Majors Fair on March 10, which provided current students with the opportunity to learn more about the undergraduate majors and minors offered at NSU, to learn about curriculum requirements, to speak with faculty members, and to meet with academic advisors.

-In honor of February's Black History Month, the college presented two inspiring and thought-provoking events that explored the people, literature, music, and experiences of Black history in the United States and around the world. The events were open to students, the NSU community, and the public.

On February 25, the college welcomed Annette Gordon-Reed, a 2008 National Book Award Winner, to NSU. Gordon-Reed is the author of *Thomas Jefferson and Sally Hemings: An American Controversy*, editor of *Race On Trial: Law and Justice in American History*, and co-author with Vernon Jordan of *Vernon Can Read: A Memoir*. She also is a graduate of Dartmouth College and Harvard Law School. The author spoke in the Alvin Sherman Library.

On February 18, the college celebrated the opening of the African World Artists Collective Exhibit, titled "Middle Passage and Beyond." The reception, held in the Don Taft University Center, featured vocal, theatrical, poetic, and spoken-word performances.

-The Farquhar College of Arts and Sciences hosted its eighth-annual Graduate School Planning Day on February 17, in the Don Taft University Center at NSU. The event featured representatives from 30 graduate and professional programs—ranging from business, law, and education to medicine, science, and oceanography—who were on hand to answer any questions students had about applying for and attending graduate school. Recruiters from 14 universities, including NSU, University of Miami, University of Florida, and Boston University attended.

-The college's Division of Math, Science, and Technology hosted a Valentine's Day-themed social for freshman biology majors on February 9, providing students with the opportunity to mingle, learn more about science clubs and organizations, and speak with graduate students about securing careers in biology and medicine. About 50 undergraduate students attended the event. The event was organized by division members **Deanne Roopnarine**, D.P.M., assistant professor; **Robin Sherman**, Ph.D., associate professor and associate division director; **Matthew He**, Ph.D., division director; and **Katherine Shade**, administrative assistant in the division.

-Students, faculty, and staff from the Farquhar College of Arts and Sciences joined the NSU community in cheering on the Sharks men's and women's basketball teams during "College Night" on January 14, in the Don Taft University Center Arena. The night included giveaways, such as NSU megaphones, and also a free-throw contest between **Dimitrios Giarikos**, Ph.D., coordinator of science and assistant professor in the college's Division of Math, Science, and Technology, and **Saul Sztam**, Ed.D., assistant dean for college student affairs. Many faculty and staff members from the college attended the games. Each year, the college's Office of the Dean

hosts a “College Night” basketball social, inviting staff and faculty to gather in support of the Sharks basketball teams.

Lifelong Learning Institute

-**Lee Sacks**, a member of the college’s Lifelong Learning Institute (LLI), presented “The Anatomy of a Novel: *The Incredible Life of Pinnie Lavan*,” based on his work of historical fiction, on December 8, 2008. In 2006, Sacks participated in a member-led LLI creative writing course and eventually used the skills he learned in the class to write *The Incredible Life of Pinnie Lavan*. The novel tells the tale of an immigrant tailor turned patriot who rises to greatness through hard work, skill, and ingenuity. Set throughout 20th Century America, the story follows people of character who believe in the dreams and promises of the new world.

Faculty Lecture Series

-**Jaime Tartar**, Ph.D., assistant professor in the college’s Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences, opened the college’s Winter 2009 Faculty Lecture Series with her talk, “Stress Kills,” on January 6. Tartar’s presentation examined the effects of chronic psychological stress on the body.

-**Christine Jackson**, Ph.D., professor in the college’s Division of Humanities, presented “Fiends and Murderers: Edgar Allan Poe's Influence on Death as Depicted in American Media,” on January 20. The discussion, which took place on the day after Poe’s 200th birthday, analyzed selected motifs of villainy and murder in a few of the famed author’s works and noted how his techniques for generating suspense continue to affect the portrayal of death in today's popular culture.

-**Jennifer Donelson**, D.M.A., assistant professor in the college’s Division of Performing and Visual Arts, presented “Musical Sketches of Divine Life: A Spiritual Gaze at the Incarnation and Birth of Christ by Olivier Messiaen,” on February 17. By examining and dissecting several piano works by the French composer, Donelson explored if music can be theological and if music can speak about non-musical things. The presentation included a performance and discussion of Messiaen’s *Vingt Regards sur l'Enfant-Jésu*.

-**Madhavi Menon**, Ph.D., assistant professor in the college’s Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences, presented “Indian Classical Dance: A Reflection of Indian Living,” on March 10. The discussion and demonstration explored the historical context within which classical dances develop in India and their significance to the lives of the Indian people.

Faculty Achievements

-**Maria Ballester**, Ph.D., assistant professor in the college’s Division of Math, Science, and Technology, has been working with South Florida middle school students, aiming to instill lifelong interest in the sciences. During the fall 2008 semester, Ballester participated in a science fair at the St. Gregory Catholic School in Plantation. She also has helped middle school teachers in Plantation design science projects for their students. Ballester hopes to foster an appreciation

for the facts of chemistry, and at an earlier education level. Throughout the winter 2009 semester at NSU, Ballester has worked with students to conduct research using the chemical compounds porphyrins.

-**Chetachi Egwu**, Ph.D., assistant professor in the college's Division of Humanities, participated in the Black Executive Exchange Program (BEEP) as a "visiting professor" at Florida Memorial University in Miami Gardens in February 2009. This is Egwu's second year participating in the program. BEEP is a voluntary partnership among the National Urban League, American corporations, the U.S. government, non-profit organizations, and other institutions that loan African-American executives to participating colleges as "visiting professors." The professors lecture in credit-bearing courses and participate in other BEEP-related activities, such as networking sessions, workshops, and mock job interviews.

-**Joshua Feingold**, Ph.D., associate professor in the college's Division of Math, Science, and Technology, has spent two years capturing close-up photographs of *Atala* butterflies on the NSU main campus in Davie along with NSU alumna **Sandy Koi**. A collection of their photos were featured recently on the "Butterflies of America" Web site. The compilation showcased *Eumaeus atala* butterflies in nature and also featured photographs comparing the winged-insects' sizes with other objects, such as American coins.

-**Christine Jackson**, Ph.D., professor in the college's Division of Humanities, received an Honorable Mention in the Al Blanchard Short Story Contest in November 2008. Jackson, who writes mystery stories and fiction as part of her professional development in teaching creative writing, received the award at "Crime Bake," a conference for the New England Chapter of the Mystery Writers of America, co-sponsored by Sisters in Crime. In Jackson's award-winning story, *Cloak of Red Dust*, a Somali man who has been re-settled in the United States gives a deposition to a human rights commission about genocide in Somalia.

-**Mark Jaffe**, D.P.M., assistant professor in the college's Division of Math, Science, and Technology, has served as a faculty adviser for undergraduate Honors student Alexandra Paroulek. Paroulek has spent more than a year and a half researching the effects of Bromelain, which is found in pineapples, on breast cancer cells. The research is part of a student-initiated Honors research project. In April 2009, Jaffe and Paroulek will attend the Experimental Biology 2009 conference in New Orleans to present Paroulek's research findings.

-**Jose Lopez**, Ph.D., associate professor in the college's Division of Math, Science, and Technology and molecular microbiologist at NSU's Oceanographic Center, is conducting research along with five undergraduate students from the college throughout the winter 2009 semester at the Oceanographic Center. Research topics range from the molecular cloning of bacterial gene segments and amplifying uncultivable genomes to scanning marine samples for the presence of marine and human enteric viruses. To complete their research, students utilize molecular biotechnology, which analyzes DNA and RNA sequences through direct amplification and sequence database methods.

-**Valerie Starratt**, Ph.D., visiting professor in the college's Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences, published two research articles in the February 2009 issue of the scientific journal *Personality and Individual Differences*. Starratt also gave four additional poster presentations at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology (SPSP) Annual Conference in Tampa, in February 2009. Starratt's work includes research on male interest in female partners, mate retention rates and males' perceived value of their mates, and the accuracy of male perceptions of partner infidelity.

-**Elizabeth Swann**, Ph.D., ATC, LAT, program director of athletic training and associate professor in the college's Division of Math, Science, and Technology, contributed to a national consensus statement that impacts the entire profession and practice of athletic training. Swann co-researched and co-wrote the "Consensus Statement: Managing Prescriptions and Non-Prescription Medication in the Athletic Training Facility," which published in the January 2009 issue of the National Athletic Trainers' Association's national publication. The document details proper procedures and establishes national protocol for handling medications in the athletic training room and medical clinics when dealing with athletics.

Student Achievements

-More than 70 students attended the Undergraduate Scholarship Reception, hosted by the college's Office of the Dean, on February 11. Each year, the college invites academically promising freshman and sophomore students from NSU to attend this reception with the intent of educating them about various scholarships, fellowships, and honor societies. During the event, **Don Rosenblum**, Ph.D., dean of the college, spoke to students about applying for valuable merit-based opportunities, such as the prestigious Rhodes Scholarship, Harry S. Truman Scholarship, Hertz Foundation Graduate Fellowship award, and the Fulbright Scholars Program. Rosenblum also introduced students to a number of national honor societies available in subjects ranging from education and law to biology and English. Faculty members from the college, who serve as advisers to the societies, were on hand to discuss criteria for induction and to answer questions. About 100 of the college's undergraduates were invited to attend the reception.

-Two students from the Farquhar College of Arts and Sciences were inducted into the Beta chapter of Rho Rho Rho (PPP) at NSU on February 6. The marine science national honor society was founded at the University of Miami in 1990, and its Beta chapter was established at NSU in September 2008. **Jessica Childers** and **Jenna Lash** were inducted as the chapter's initial regular members, joining president **Sharein El-Tourkey**, vice president **Tandace Burkhart**, and secretary/treasurer **Mary Crider**, who were selected as the chapter's officers in September.

-More than 30 undergraduate students from the college received blue laboratory jackets during a ceremony on January 20, signifying their embarkation into the college's Clinic Exploration Program (CEP). The CEP pairs students with health professionals so they can personally experience a broad range of medical and therapeutic fields. Students acquire valuable practical knowledge by shadowing professionals at work in many of NSU's clinics. Students receive their jackets and officially enter into the CEP upon completion of certified training in Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPPA) and Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA).

Students receiving jackets included: (listed alphabetically) **Gina Allen, Daniella Barbosa, Yubelka Bello, Neena Candrasekaran, Honey Diaz Perez, Corynne Dignan, Marilyne Etienne, Lucy Flores, Andrew Glickman, Jose Jaquez, Kelly Kozoil, Casey Moyer, Arash Nasajpour, Veronica Padron, Reena Parikh, Cody Peters, Christian Rodriguez, Deidre Rosario, Jessica Sabau, Faysaa Salomon, Saamia Shaikh, Yaneve Shemesh, Darshan Solanki, Kodi Stevens, Jamala Swindle, Jennifer Tejada, Kelly Touati, and Tara Toussaint.** The following students also received jackets, but were not in attendance: **Nandira Bhagan, Ashley Chang-Story, Shan Desai, Justine Ekladios, Peter Khouzam, and Stephanie Liu.**

-The college awarded two of its students with the Melissa Britt Lewis Scholarship at a reception on January 16. The scholarship was established in the name of an NSU alumna who passed away tragically in March 2008 at the age of 39.

Don Rosenblum, Ph.D., dean of the college, presented scholarships to students **Erica Falk**, a legal studies major, and **Elizabeth Rodriguez**, a dual-major in legal studies and theatre, who received their awards based on academic achievement, financial need, and life circumstances. The scholarship requirements were outlined by Britt Lewis' mother, Lisa La Pointe, who attended the event. Britt Lewis' aunt, Lynn Haberl, also attended and spoke at the event. Britt Lewis received her undergraduate degree in business from NSU in 1997 and a graduate degree from the Shepard Broad Law Center in 2000. She worked as an associate at Rothstein Rosenfeldt Adler in Fort Lauderdale and rose to a partner in the firm.

Division of Performing and Visual Arts

-The college's Division of Performing and Visual Arts presented *Residue: A Dance Poem*, January 30–February 1. Inspired by a personal loss, *Residue* examines the impact of an unexpected tragedy and celebrates the little moments that make life worth living. Presented in the form of a poem, the work incorporates video with an eclectic mix of both humorous and touching dance. The production was choreographed by **Elana Lanczi**, M.F.A., assistant professor in the division.

-The division also presented *Baby: The Musical*, February 13–22. *Baby* tells the story of three couples on a university campus dealing with the painful, rewarding, and agonizingly funny consequences of pregnancy and childbearing. There are the college students, barely at the beginning of their adult lives; the thirty-somethings, having trouble conceiving but determined to try; and the middle-aged parents, who are looking forward to seeing their last child graduate from college, until a night of unexpected passion lands them back to where they started. The production is based on the book by Sybille Pearson and a story developed with Susan Yankowitz. Music is by David Shire and lyrics are by Richard Maltby, Jr.

Community Partnerships

-The Farquhar College of Arts and Sciences invited students and the NSU community to hear from Haitian artist Edouard Duval-Carrié, who spoke in the Don Taft University Center on February 17. Duval-Carrié's exhibit, "The Indigo Room or Is Memory Water Soluble?" is a

permanent fixture at the Museum of Art Fort Lauderdale. The artist shared thoughts about his exhibit, talked about his current artistic undertakings, and discussed how Haiti has influenced his work. Haitian writer Fabienne Josaphat joined Duval-Carrié, reading a selection of her work and also discussing Haiti's impact on her writing.

-Students from the college spent a night touring exhibits at the Museum of Art Fort Lauderdale on January 8. Attendees viewed the *Coming of Age: American Art 1850s-1950s* exhibit and Duval-Carrié's "The Indigo Room, or Is Memory Water Soluble?" exhibit. The night also included a faculty lecture featuring **Tim Dixon, J.D.**, **Jennifer Donelson, D.M.A.**, and **Christine Jackson, Ph.D.**, from the college's Division of Humanities, who discussed American music, literature, and history from the 1850s to 1950s. The college offered students free roundtrip shuttle rides from NSU to the museum.

-The Ars Flores Symphony Orchestra, in partnership with the Farquhar College of Arts and Sciences, hosted *A Salute to the Ars Flores Young Artists Competition Winners* on January 24. The concert featured the six winners of the seventh-annual Young Artists Concerto Competition held in November 2008, which featured musicians from around the country and the globe. **Bill J. Adams, D.M.A.**, assistant professor in the college's Division of Performing and Visual Arts, spoke prior to the event.

-The Promethean Theatre (TPT), NSU's professional theater company in residence, presented the world premiere of Mario Diament's *A Report on the Banality of Love*, directed by Margaret M. Ledford, January 9–25. Featuring Amy McKenna and Colin McPhillamy, *Love* is about the relationship between German philosopher Martin Heidegger (McPhillamy) and his Jewish student Hannah Arendt (McKenna), who became his lover. In 1961, while covering the Eichmann trial in Jerusalem, Arendt coined the controversial term, "the banality of evil." The play, although essentially a work of fiction, is a passionate and complex love story based on historical accounts of the emotionally challenging and intense love affair between two of the most remarkable minds of the 20th Century.

FISCHLER SCHOOL OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES

Fischler School's Black Heritage Council Honors Educators at Fifth Annual Carrie P. Meek Awards

The Fischler School of Education and Human Services' Black Heritage Council recently celebrated Black History Month with the Fifth Annual Carrie P. Meek Outstanding Education Leadership Achievement Award Ceremony, a salute to exemplary community members who continuously and positively impact the lives of African Americans in Broward and Miami-Dade counties.

The awards ceremony was held Feb. 26, at the Signature Grand in Davie in honor of former Congresswoman Carrie P. Meek's work as a lifelong educator and public servant.

The event drew educators, government officials and community leaders from Miami-Dade and Broward counties for an evening of entertainment and recognition honoring the lives of individuals whose work has positively impacted the African American community.

This year's honorees were A. Louise Harms, former principal of North Twin Lakes Elementary and Community School in Hialeah, and Fran Rubinstein, principal of Tedder Elementary School in Pompano Beach. Both steered their schools from failing grades to sustaining exceptional grades of As and Bs over the past five years.

Local community activist Rodney Baltimore of HOT 105 was also recognized for his efforts in supporting educational and community initiatives.

This year, Coach Ken Carter served as keynote for the fundraising event. The tough-as-nails coach made national news in 1999 when he benched his undefeated varsity basketball team for failing to honor contracts each player signed promising to maintain a 2.3 GPA, attend every class, and wear a jacket and tie on game day. His unwavering determination to hold the team



Former Congresswoman Carrie P. Meek and H. Wells Singleton, Education Provost and University Dean of the Fischler School of Education and Human Services, at her namesake awards. The awards recognize individuals and educators whose work has positively impacted the African American community.



Delores Smiley, Dean of Community Education and Diversity Affairs at the Fischler School, left, honoree Fran Rubinstein, former Congresswoman Carrie P. Meek and Broward Superintendent Jim Notter at the Fifth Annual Carrie P. Meek Awards. Rubinstein, principal of Tedder Elementary School in Pompano Beach, was honored along with A. Louise Harms, former principal of North Twin Lakes Elementary and Community School in Hialeah. Both educators steered their schools from failing grades to sustaining exceptional grades of As and Bs over the past five years.

accountable for their commitments and the controversy surrounding this event led to the film, *Coach Carter* (2005), where actor Samuel L. Jackson portrayed Carter.

The proceeds from the Fifth Annual Carrie P. Meek Outstanding Education Leadership Achievement Award Ceremony will benefit the FSEHS Black Heritage Council Scholarship Fund.

Fischler Partnership with Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce

Nova Southeastern University, Fischler School of Education and Human Services and the Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce, are proud to announce an educational partnership designed for the professional development of the Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce staff, administrators, and members. An educational tuition grant of **20%** is offered to the Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce members, full-time or part-time staff and administrators seeking a **Certificate in Leadership, Master of Science in Leadership – Education and Human Services track, Certificate of Advanced Graduates and the doctoral degree.**

Program Descriptions

The Certificate in Leadership and the Master of Science in Leadership programs are designed specifically for practicing professionals who work in public or private educational settings or community based institutions such as: coalitions, community based organizations, schools, community colleges, universities, human service organizations, faith based organizations, hospitals and the military. The programs are fully accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS).

Program features include:

- Certificate program – 16 credits – for degree and non-degree seeking participants
- Master of Science in Leadership – 40 credits
- Members who completed the Leadership Miami program receive 7 graduate credits towards the Certificate or Masters program.
- A one - two year instructional design
- On-site - Online - World Wide
- Live classes, online or hybrid delivery
- M.S. in Leadership transfers 6 credits into the Ed.D. Doctor of Education

Scholarship Opportunities

The Fischler School of Education and Human Services is sponsoring *two full tuition scholarships a year to the Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce members.* One scholarship will be awarded for the Certificate in Leadership and the other for the Master of Science in Leadership – Education and Human Services track.

The Next Generation Symposium

On Friday, February 27, 2009, from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon, hundreds of educators, policy makers, and higher education teacher preparation and administration representatives gathered for the Broward Educational Consortium Policy Council's presentation, The Next Generation Symposium, via live video conferencing to university sites throughout the state of Florida. The Fischler School of Education and Human Services was joined by multiple satellite sites in Ft. Myers, Jacksonville, Kendall, Main Campus, Orlando, Tampa, and West Palm Beach.



Session speakers addressed specifics regarding teacher preparation, technology applications, certification, training, partnerships, and governance, among other topics directly impacting education. Speakers made note of best practices and plans for preparing teachers from kindergarten through post graduate level to meet state standards. In addition to NSU's President Ferraro and Fischler's Provost Dr. Singleton, speakers and participants included representatives from the state of Florida and various public school entities as well as Barry University, Broward College, and Florida Atlantic University.

AGENDA

Welcome:	Superintendent James Notter, Broward County Public Schools
Preamble:	School Board Member Robert Parks
Introductions:	President Frank Brogan, Florida Atlantic University Chair, Broward Educational Consortium Policy Council
Mission of Symposium:	President David Armstrong, Broward College
Setting the Stage:	Dr. Eric Smith, Commissioner of Education Dr. Frances Haithcock, Chancellor of Public Schools Dr. Willis Holcombe, Chancellor of Community Colleges

The Department of Education staff presents on the New Generation Standards and the impact on teacher preparation programs and school systems.

Next Generation Standards through Quality Teaching:	Mary Jane Tappen, Deputy Chancellor of Curriculum and Instruction Pamela Stewart, Deputy Chancellor for Educator Quality
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**Question and Answer
Session:**

Dr. H. Wells Singleton, Fischler School of Education
and Human Services, Nova Southeastern University
Dr. Kathryn Whitman, Barry University

Summary and Next Steps President Ray Ferrero, Nova Southeastern University

NSU/ FSEHS Alumni Superintendent’s Network

Nova Southeastern University/ Fischler School of Education and Human Services (NSU/ FSEHS) has established an Alumni Superintendent Network whose mission is to establish a deeper and more formal alliance with FSEHS Superintendent Alumni in all fifty states as well as provide opportunities to network with other Superintendent alumni throughout the country.

NSU/FSEHS has recently identified hundreds of sitting Superintendents throughout the United States who are NSU/FSEHS master’s and doctoral degree graduates. A sampling of Superintendent alumni by state includes Massachusetts (23), New Jersey (44), New York (22), Alabama (8) Oklahoma (12), Pennsylvania (14) and Texas (15). NSU/FSEHS has developed a unique partnership whereby the teachers and staff of the school districts of Superintendent alumni can receive a 20% Scholarship Tuition Reduction (STR) for any certificate, associate, bachelor, master’s or doctorate degree program which may interest them. At present, Superintendent Alumni breakfasts/lunches have taken place in MA, NJ, and AZ. Future gatherings are planned in CT, NY, PA, AL, GA, IL, OK, TX and NH, where there is a high concentration (8 or more) of Superintendent alumni.

The Fischler School of Education and Human Services’ overall goal is to establish more strategic alliances with alumni, educators and related professionals. Furthermore, through forging closer contacts with our prestigious superintendent alumni and forming stronger partnership with local school districts, planned, systemic growth should follow from these endeavors.

There are several planned activities. Following initial contact, superintendents will have the opportunity to share the options and opportunities available through the National Superintendent Alumni Network. Scheduled visits follow, which will include a visit to local school district and to provide a brief presentation to staff and other designated, interested parties regarding NSU/FSEHS’s opportunities for enhancing academic credentials and professional lives. With more than 40,000 Fischler School alumni located world-wide, the Alumni Superintendent Network will work to connect successful graduates with qualified potential students. Globally, FSEHS is pledged to the professional enhancement of alumni, colleagues, and educators at times and places convenient to them. Under the direction of H. Wells Singleton, Ph.D., Education Provost and University Dean, and John G. Flores, Ph.D., Executive Dean and former Massachusetts superintendent, the initiative meets the constant need for professional development and career success.

Association of Latino Administrators and Superintendents (ALAS)

The Fischler School of Education and Human Services partnered with the Association of Latino Administrators and Superintendents (ALAS). NSU/ FSEHS is among one of the leading national sponsors. This alliance which has increased enrollment in Fischler’s doctoral programming. In late 2008, NSU/ FSEHS sponsored the 5th ALAS National Meeting in San

Diego with FSEHS presenters Dr. Tatjana Martinez, Dr. Augie Orci, and Dr. Joan Kowal where they addressed the benefits of association/ university partnership.

ALAS is the first national Association of Latino Superintendents and Administrators, created by a group of Latino superintendents and administrators who met the spring of 2003 to explore organizational structure, philosophy, systemic change initiatives, and goals of forming such an organization. ALAS was formally established as an affiliate of the American Association of School Administrators (AASA). AASA has committed to partner in establishing ALAS to bring sharp focus to and support for Latino educational leaders and issues.

There are currently over 1,500 school districts in the nation which are designated as Hispanic Serving School Districts (HSSDs). Many of these districts are located in large urban areas with Hispanic populations of 25% or higher. As a partner with ALAS we have access to and impact the leadership of the fastest growing minority in the US. There are several states such as: Texas, California, Pennsylvania, Kentucky, South Carolina, and Georgia that also have strong state affiliate organizations. As an ALAS sponsor for various events we have access to names and addresses to contact ALAS leaders serving in districts with ALAS members as well as to the eight executive board of directors serving in member regions throughout the US and Puerto Rico. Past events have included a November 2007 meeting where Dr. H. Wells Singleton, Dr. Joan Kowal, and Dr. Paul Borthwick, attended the 4th annual ALAS conference in Orlando, hosted by ALAS President Wilfredo Laboy and joined by 500 ALAS members in attendance.

GRADUATE SCHOOL OF COMPUTER AND INFORMATION SCIENCES

Dean Edward Lieblein to Retire

Dean Edward Lieblein, Ph.D., will retire in May 2009 after serving as dean of the Graduate School of Computer and Information Sciences for 16 years. Lieblein has more than 50 years of experience as an executive and administrator in the public and private sectors and as a professor and administrator in academia. He is an internationally recognized authority in the fields of computer science and information systems.

During his tenure as dean, Lieblein presided over an enrollment and revenue growth of more than 300% (now more than 1,500 graduate students), the establishment of ten new master's and Ph.D. programs, the creation of seven joint/cooperative programs with other NSU schools, the award of a chapter of Upsilon Pi Epsilon (the International Honor Society for the Computing and Information Disciplines) and the certification of the school's curriculum in information security by the U.S. National Security Agency for compliance with national training standards for information assurance.

He also led the effort culminating in the designation of NSU as a National Center of Academic Excellence in Information Assurance Education by the U.S. National Security Agency and the U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

As NSU's Institutional Representative for the Southern Regional Education Board's Electronic Campus, he directed the effort leading to the certification of 72 NSU programs by the State of Florida and the Southern Regional Education Board (SREB) for compliance with standards for online programs, and the inclusion of these programs in the SREB Electronic Campus.

In addition to serving as dean, Lieblein held the rank of professor from 1990 to the present. Before that he was Senior Vice President and Chief Technical Officer of Tartan Laboratories, a Carnegie Mellon University spinoff. Lieblein previously served as Director of Computer Software and Systems in the Office of the Secretary of Defense and was responsible for more than \$500 million in research and advanced technology programs implemented in the military departments. In that capacity, he was instrumental in the establishment of the DoD Software Engineering Institute (a federally funded research and development center), and he was also DoD Senior Official for Mission-Critical Computer Systems. Prior to that, he was chief of the Software Engineering Division and the Computer Development Division at the U.S. Army Communications-Electronics Command.

Lieblein's past academic experience includes teaching computer science, mathematics, and electrical engineering at the University of Pennsylvania, Stevens Institute of Technology, and Monmouth University.

He has also published numerous academic works on a wide variety of issues that have faced the computer and information sciences field.

GRADUATE SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Activities and Events

The Consortium for Narrative Research and Practice hosted the second workshop, on January 23 and 24, 2009. On January 23, Dr. Walter Bera addressed "Working with Trauma," and on January 24 he addressed "Skill Practice in Narrative Therapy." Bera is the founder and director of the Kenwood Therapy Center in Minneapolis, a multidisciplinary therapy center and training institute. As a recipient of the Bush Leadership Fellowship he studied Narrative Therapy in New Zealand and Australia with David Epston and Michael White. The Consortium for Narrative Research and Practice is a collaboration between the Department of Family Therapy, Multidisciplinary Studies, and Conflict Analysis and Resolution.

Dean Honggang Yang, Ph.D. welcomed a 16-person delegation consisting of the officials, faculty, and academic experts from the Beijing Jiaotong University (BJTU) in China. Dean Yang introduced NSU's advancement over the course of its four decade history and provided a tour of the campus. BJTU covers a wide range of research and curriculums in architecture, liberal arts, sciences, engineering, leadership, and management. Among the delegates visiting were Mr. Wuer Yan, Vice Chair of the University Council, Mr. Baoli Chen, Program Officer, Office of International Cooperation and Exchange, Mr. Haiyun Guo, Dean of the School of Humanities

and Social Science, and Mr. Uianyong Li, Dean of the School of Mechanical, Electronic and Control Engineering. Dr. Gregory Chan, Provost of St. Thomas University was their host. SHSS hosted “The Strengths of Black Families Film Festival.” The festival is a month-long celebration of Black family resilience through love, faith, and humor. Participants will view and discuss contemporary films that highlight the strengths of Black families. The festival was held in the Knight Auditorium in the Carl DeSantis Building, and included the following films: “*This Christmas*,” on February 6; *The Pursuit of Happyness* on February 12; *The Great Debaters* on February 20; and *Meet the Browns* on February 27. The screening of the films and discussions took place from 7:00-10:00pm.

The Department of Family Therapy (DFT) hosted the 5th Clinical Institute from Friday, February 20 through Sunday, February 22 on main campus. During Clinical Institute students in the master’s program in family therapy at the Student Education Centers came to campus to focus on intensive clinical and theoretical training.

The Department of Conflict Analysis and Resolution (DCAR) and the Department of Multidisciplinary Studies (DMS) hosted the 20th Residential Institute (RI) from Friday, February 20 through Tuesday, February 24, on main campus. During Residential Institute students engaged in distance learning come to campus to attend classes live, meet with faculty, staff, and their colleagues, attend advising sessions, participate in a workshops and presentations, and social activities. The Keynote Speaker was Seth Kahan who spoke about *Visionary Leadership*, at the Keynote Dinner on Saturday evening, February 21, in the Maltz Building. Since 1995 Seth Kahan has been helping visionaries lead major change initiatives. His clients include leaders of global multi-nationals like the World Bank and Shell Exploration and Production Company, leading edge associations like the American Public Transportation Association, Project Management Institute, and the International Bridge, Tunnel, and Turnpike Association, and major public sector organizations like Peace Corps and NASA. Other events at RI included a panel on Environmental Conflict facilitated by **Dr. Elena Bastidas**; a presentation by DCAR doctoral student **Andrew Ovienloba** hosted by the African Working Group (AWG) and moderated by **Dr. Mark Davidheiser**; a presentation at The Social Justice Roundtable by MACS student **Marvin Klein, J.D., L.L.M.** on “International Humanitarian Law,” moderated by **Dr. Judith McKay**; a presentation on CARD by Terriah Proechel, Field Coordinator for CARE’s Southeast Region and moderated by Dr. Elena Bastidas; and MACS presents The Writer’s Corner and the Writer’s Corner Consultation featuring Richard Toumey.

On Sunday, April 26, 2009 the Soref Jewish Community Center will host its Humanitarians of the Year Event at the Signature Grand in Davie. Florida State Senator Jeremy Ring will be honored as a Humanitarian of the Year for his exceptional community service. Senator Ring is a founding member of the Advisory Board of the Graduate School of Humanities and Social Sciences (SHSS). Senator Ring and his wife Sharon are co-founders of SUPERB (Students United with Parents and Educators to Resolve Bullying) which they started through SHSS. Both the US House of Representatives and the Florida State Senate have issued proclamations for their outstanding work in the community.

Faculty News

Elena Bastidas, Ph.D., a faculty member in the Department of Conflict Analysis and Resolution (DCAR) in Graduate School of Humanities and Social Sciences is a Natural Resource Economist and alumna of the Florida Natural Resources Leadership Institute (NRLI). In 2008, Dr. Bastidas was part of a selected group of professionals who joined the NRLI as Fellow. The goal of the Florida Natural Resources Leadership Institute is to *“help rising leaders develop the skills to build consensus around contentious environmental issues and move beyond conflict to find resolution.”* Over the course of the year, Institute fellows participated in seven three-day seminar and activity sessions. Sessions focused on skill building in natural resources leadership, conflict resolution, and understanding natural resources issues and how decisions concerning them are made. Each session was accompanied with field trips to areas where current natural resource issues or problems were illustrated. Among the places visited were Tallahassee, where the focus was “The Florida Legislative Process” and the role of the state agencies; Live Oak, where “Collaborative Approaches to protect Fresh Water Springs” were discussed; and, Ft. Lauderdale, where the issue of “Public and Commercial Access to Florida Coast” was analyzed.

Ron Chenail, Ph.D., professor in the Department of Family Therapy co-authored a new article in the October 2008 issue of Counseling and Values entitled, "Values in Qualitative and Quantitative Research" with Maureen Duffy, Ph.D., an alumna of the PhD in Family Therapy program. Both Chenail and Duffy also teach in the new Graduate Certificate in Qualitative Research in the Department of Multidisciplinary Studies (DMS) in SHSS. The Graduate Certificate in Qualitative Research consists of eight three-credit hour online courses (24 credit hours) designed to prepare academics, professional research consultants, and graduate students to understand a variety of qualitative research approaches and to conduct qualitative research studies. For more information about the program, please feel free to email Dr. Chenail at ron@nova.edu, or call him at x 25389.

Shelley Green Ph.D and Douglas Flemons, Ph.D., faculty members in the Department of Family Therapy (DFT) were interviewed by CBS4 television regarding their reaction to the relationship between President and Mrs. Obama as demonstrated on the night of the inauguration. Dr. Green was subsequently interviewed by CBS4 regarding Valentine’s Day and the impact of financial stress due to the economy. Dr. Flemons is also the Director of NSU’s Student Counseling. Dr. Shelley Green and Dr. Douglas Flemons, also presented the keynote address at the Georgia Association for Marriage and Family Therapy’s Winter Conference in Mercer, Georgia. Their talk was entitled: “Therapeutic Quickies: A Relational Approach to Brief Sex Therapy.” Green and Flemons are the co-editors of the book Quickies: The Handbook of Brief Sex Therapy.

Jim Hibel, Ph.D and Paul Gallant, Ph.D faculty in the Department of Family Therapy gave presentations at the International Narrative Therapy Symposium in Playa del Carmen, Mexico last month. Hibel presented with Family Therapy doctoral student Marcela Polanco. Their presentation was entitled “Teaching and Supervising Narrative Therapy.” Gallant’s presentation was entitled “Imagination and Metaphor in Narrative Practice with Children and Young Adults.”

John Linstroth, Ph.D., a faculty member in the Department of Conflict Analysis and Resolution (DCAR) has been appointed as Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Guatemalan-Maya Center in Palm Beach County. The Guatemalan-Maya Center is a non-profit organization with a 1.7 million dollar annual budget. It is an outreach center which services the Maya community in Palm Beach, especially Maya women in pre-natal and post-natal care, after school programs for Maya children, violence prevention among the local Maya, specifically, prevention of domestic abuse and alcohol abuse in the Maya community.

Debra Nixon, Ph.D., a faculty member at the Department of Family Therapy (DFT) the facilitator for the Campus Diversity Dialogs and advisor of the SHSS Student Government Association, presented at the Friday Forum on February 13 on the “Do Something Different (DSD)” survey. The Campus Diversity Dialogs is on the first Tuesday each month.

Student News

Margaret Mitchell Armand, a doctoral student in the Department of Conflict Analysis and Resolution was invited to present a lecture at the Banaris Hindu University Women’s College in India. Armand talk was entitled: “History of Survival, Strength and Imagination in Haiti”.

Patrick Hiller, a doctoral graduate student in the Department of Conflict Analysis and Resolution has been named an Associate Editor of the *Resistance Studies Magazine*. The *Resistance Studies Magazine* is a peer-reviewed, open-access magazine for the studies of resistance and social change.

Troy Falardeau, a doctoral student in the Department of Conflict Analysis and Resolution is currently serving with the army in Iraq as the senior NCO that oversees the operations of the Combined Press Information Center in Baghdad. He is involved in the press conferences with US and Iraqi military and civilian leaders.

Marion Kiprop, a master’s student in the Department of Conflict Analysis and Resolution (DCAR) was invited to give a talk entitled “Female Circumcision-Universal Rights versus Relative Traditions,” for NSU’s Public Health Student Association. Kiprop is very committed to the needs of women and children in her country, Kenya, and around the globe. She worked for several years with the “I Choose Life” program in Kenya, pioneered the formation of “Rise of the Eves,” a behavior change communication group devoted to empowering women to make informed choices avoid situations placing them at risk for contracting HIV/AIDS. She gave presentations at high schools to girls to encourage education and participated in the National Campaign against Drug Abuse (NACADA) in Kenya.

Marcela Polanco, a doctoral student in the Department of Family Therapy, presented with Jim Hibbel, Ph.D at the International Narrative Therapy Symposium in Playa del Carmen, Mexico last month. Their presentation was entitled “Teaching and Supervising Narrative Therapy.”

Alumni News

Anita Sugimura Holsapple, a graduate of the master's program in Conflict Analysis and Resolution is the creator and executive producer of a documentary entitled *Mental Valor*. *Mental Valor* is dedicated to the men and women in the military and their families. The film explores the issues that impact veterans and their families. Holsapple has spent more than thirteen years as a television news producer and reporter and this is her first film.

Greg Vecchi, Ph.D., a graduate of the doctoral program in Conflict Analysis and Resolution, was the featured speaker at a colloquium hosted by the Center for Psychological Studies (CPS) and the Graduate School of Humanities and Social Sciences (SHSS) on January 16, 2009. Vecchi's topic was "*Global Hostage-Taking Research and Analysis Program: An Update.*" Vecchi was recently named the Unit Chief of the Behavioral Science Unit at the FBI Academy in Quantico, Virginia. He was selected by SHSS in 2008 as its alumnus of the year and was one of the honorees at last year's Celebration of Excellence.

Stanley Zamor, a graduate of the master's program in Conflict Analysis and Resolution and a current doctoral student in the program, was one of fifteen people chosen to become a part of the Broward County Emerging Cultural Leaders program. In addition, last month Zamor was appointed to the ArtServe Board of Directors. ArtServe serves the business and administrative needs of artists and nonprofit organizations in Broward and Miami-Dade counties.

H. WAYNE HUIZENGA SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Huizenga School Alumna of Distinction is Distinguished Lecture Series Speaker



The H. Wayne Huizenga School of Business and Entrepreneurship hosted Bonnie Hathcock, senior vice-president and chief human resources officer for Humana, Inc., as a Distinguished

Lecture Series speaker on Jan. 22. Guests enjoyed hearing Hathcock's stories on her experience acquired through 34 years of corporate life. She told of how the M.B.A. program at the Huizenga School taught her how to think, how it put her into another arena, specifically stating, "I would not be where I am without my M.B.A." She also spoke about one's personal brand and key elements such as visual, spoken and written aspects of branding. Hathcock's lecture and private luncheon was followed by NSU's Celebration of Excellence Awards event later that evening at the Signature Grand. Hathcock was joined by fellow Alumni of Distinction honorees at the annual awards program, which showcased the achievements and outstanding community involvement of NSU graduates.

In Honor of Black History Month, the "Food for the Soul" Series

Monday, February 9, 1-2:00 pm - "Focus WITH Purpose," Dr. Tiffany Jordan, Business Consultant

Monday, February 16, 1-2:00 pm - "Business – Past, Present and Future," Sam Hines, Senior Executive Search Consultant

Monday, February 23, 1-2:00 pm - "Black History in Business," Ronald Brise, State Representative

Fashion Show and Networking, 5-7:00 pm - Hosted by the Graduate Business Students Association of the H. Wayne Huizenga School of Business and Entrepreneurship.

Huizenga School Professor Publishes, Presents Paper

Barry Barnes, Ph.D., professor and chair of leadership in the H. Wayne Huizenga School of Business and Entrepreneurship, presented a paper at the Global Conference on Business and Finance in Atlantic City, N.J., on Jan. 7, 2009. The paper entitled "Examining The Effects Of Leadership Styles On Knowledge-Based Customer Relationship Management Implementation" was coauthored with **Li-Yueh "Andy" Chen, D.B.A.**, doctoral graduate of the Huizenga School, and Wen-Tsan Tseng, a professor at MingDao University in Taiwan. The paper received the Outstanding Research Award at the conference. The group also worked together last fall to coauthor and publish a journal article. The article entitled "The Effect of Servant Leadership on Customer Relationship Management Implementation" was published in the *Journal of International Business and Economics*.

Business School Professor to Speak on Panel about Afghanistan's Economy

Bahaudin Mujtaba, D.B.A., department chair and associate professor of management at the Huizenga School of Business and Entrepreneurship, will be an honorary panel speaker at the 2009 Afghanistan Peace and Development Conference to be held on April 28 at Queens College in New York City. The panel discussion entitled "Rebuilding Afghanistan: Economy and its Institutions" will provide an opportunity to analyze the development of Afghanistan and offer solutions to the country's broken and corrupt political system. Mujtaba's book, *Privatization and Market Based Leadership in Developing Economies: Capacity Building in Afghanistan*, offers

timely recommendations for a sound economic development strategy regarding the war-torn Afghan economy. By participating in the conference, Mujtaba and other experts will be able to raise awareness and provide possible policy recommendations to the Afghan government.

Huizenga School Adjunct Professor Earns Honor

Thomas Box, Ph.D., an adjunct professor in the H. Wayne Huizenga School of Business and Entrepreneurship, was selected as a master professor for the GLO-BUS Hall of Fame for 2008. Box was one of 14 professors out of 1,500 registered GLO-BUS instructors around the world as a result of having a grand champion team in the Best-Strategy Invitational competition in December 2008. GLO-BUS is the undergraduate strategy simulation that is very similar to the BSG strategy simulation used in the Huizenga School's Strategic Management class in the M.B.A. program.

Business School Alumnus Publishes with Pearson Education-Prentice Hall

Rodney Oudan, D.B.A., associate professor of marketing in the Department of Business Administration and Economics at Worcester State College and a graduate of the H. Wayne Huizenga School of Business and Entrepreneurship's doctoral program in marketing, recently had his case study entitled "Nestlé New Product Development Company Case" published by Pearson Education-Prentice Hall. Pearson Education-Prentice Hall is a global leader in educational publishing, providing scientifically research-based print and digital programs to students and researchers. The case study is published in a new textbook entitled *Introduction to Marketing: The Works*, authored by Dr. Michael Levens. The case study describes the controllable and uncontrollable elements that Nestlé encountered in entering global markets for its brand of Nesfit, a thirst quencher with vitamins and minerals to replace lost energy.

Huizenga School Hosts DECA Awards Ceremony for Third Consecutive Year



Dennis Dannacher, director of admissions for the Huizenga School, recognizes **Brittany Cavicchia**, the Huizenga School's 2009 DECA full-tuition scholarship award recipient.



Colin D'Arcy, an alumnus of the Huizenga School and the President of Image Mentor, Inc., gave the keynote address.

For the third consecutive year, the H. Wayne Huizenga School of Business and Entrepreneurship hosted the Broward DECA Annual Competitive Events Awards Ceremony. DECA is a national, student-run organization for high school students enrolled in marketing education classes. The event was held on NSU's main campus in the University Center arena on Jan. 20. More than 1,000 Broward County high school students and their families attended the event. Dennis Dannacher, director of admissions for the Huizenga School, gave a welcome presentation and recognized **Brittany Cavicchia**, the Huizenga School's 2009 DECA full-tuition scholarship award recipient. Following the scholarship announcement a keynote presentation was given by **Colin D'Arcy**, an alumnus of the Huizenga School and the President of Image Mentor, Inc. He spoke to the group about how to market themselves and create an image of professionalism. "This event is a great opportunity for NSU to showcase its campus to local high school students and their families," said Dannacher. "Many are astonished when they see firsthand the caliber and magnitude of our campus, which is literally in their own backyard."

Master of International Business Students Complete Capstone

Congratulations to the most recent group of students enrolled on the Master of International Business Administration program, which completed their capstone in December. The capstone is the final course needed to complete the graduate degree program. The graduating students work

for companies such as JM Family, Royal Caribbean Cruise Lines, Walgreens, Morrison Hershfield Corporation and DHL.

Business School Hosts Stranahan High School Students

The Huizenga School hosted a Business Education Day on Wednesday, Jan. 21 for a group of students from Stranahan High School who are members of the Business Professionals of America (BPA) organization. Albert Williams, Ph.D., associate professor of economics and finance gave a mock-class lecture entitled, "The Impact of President Obama's Economic Stimulus Package." Since the high school visit was held the day following President Obama's inauguration, Williams was able to incorporate the concepts presented by Obama into his lecture and discuss the potential financial impact the stimulus package could have on the youths' future. In addition to the mock-class lecture, the BPA students also participated in a teambuilding activity, an admissions presentation, a tour of the NSU campus, and lunch in the University Center food court.

Hudson Institute Receives Three-Year Approval



The Hudson Institute of Entrepreneurship and Executive Education at the Huizenga School was recently awarded a three-year approval from the Project Management Institute (PMI), the association bearing designation and regulations for all project management programs. Part of the requirements to become a project management program is to take 35 hours of project management training at a PMI Registered Education Provider.

Business School Alumnus Receives Leadership Awards

Ken Baylor, VP of Republic Services, Inc. and an alumnus of the Huizenga School's MBA (2004) and M.S. in Leadership (2005) programs, was recently awarded the South Florida Business Leader Magazine's 2008 Movers & Shakers Award. In addition, Ken submitted a research paper entitled, "The Influence of Situational and Transformational Leadership on Successful Crisis Management" to the North American Management Society (NAMS). This paper was selected for NAMS's Leadership and Leading Track Award, as well as the Distinguished Paper Award for Leadership. Ken plans to present his paper at the NAMS's March conference in Chicago, IL. Ken is a current student in the Huizenga School's Doctor of Business Administration program.



Bermuda M.B.A. Students Complete Degree Program

Nine students enrolled in the H. Wayne Huizenga School of Business and Entrepreneurship's



M.B.A. Bermuda cluster traveled to NSU's main campus from Feb. 2-6, 2009, to participate in a week-long capstone course. The capstone is the final required course in the M.B.A. program prior to graduation. The Bermuda cluster started in spring 2007. From the beginning, the Bermuda students progressed together through the degree program in lock-step fashion. Major Barrett St. Vincent Dill, one of the cluster students and deputy general manager for the Bermuda Housing Corporation said, "The NSU program fit ideally into my busy schedule, enabling me to attend traditional learning in a classroom setting." Dill's overall

experience as an NSU business student was extremely positive, particularly as it relates to gaining a real-world education. He said, "I found the faculty members at NSU were very knowledgeable and a credit to the university with their years of experience – not only in teaching, but the years spent in the business community honing their skills." Another Bermuda student, D. Lloyd Christopher, chief financial and operations officer at Bermuda College, said, "With the knowledge I have gained from the courses, I am able to perform my duties at the college more effectively and design ways of moving the organization forward." In addition, the M.B.A. program prepared Christopher to mature as a leader and manager. He said, "I...see myself taking on a more active role of strategizing for the college. I did not anticipate any job advancements with this degree; however, I always knew that the degree would assist me in becoming a better manager and leader." The Bermuda cluster's graduation ceremony is scheduled to take place in Bermuda in May 2009. The Huizenga School is also planning to host several Information Meetings this spring to recruit students for a new Bermuda M.B.A. cluster, anticipated to start in the spring or summer 2009 term.

Business School Professors Publish Study on Academic Clustering of Football Players

Jeffrey Fountain, Ph.D., and Peter Finley, Ph.D., assistant professors of sports management at the H. Wayne Huizenga School of Business and Entrepreneurship, had a peer-reviewed study published in the *Journal of Issues in Intercollegiate Athletics*. The study looked at academic clustering of football players in the Atlantic Coast Conference and determined that the student-athletes are being clustered into academic majors at surprisingly high rates. The paper was the first of its kind to consider the race of the athletes as a factor in clustering. The paper examined the majors of 394 football players from 11 of the 12 ACC schools and concluded that clustering exists on every campus and is much worse for minority players. Clustering is defined as the presence of over 25 percent of one team within one academic major. The results supported that football players, and minority players in particular, are clustering into limited numbers of majors. Five of the schools had over half of the minority players listed in a single major. In particular, minorities were over-represented in general studies programs and under-represented in business programs, when compared to the white players. The paper can be viewed at http://csri-jiia.org/current_issues.html. The study has been noted in stories in [Inside Higher Ed](#) and a [Chronicle of Higher Education blog](#).

Huizenga School Hosts 30 High School Students

The H. Wayne Huizenga School of Business and Entrepreneurship hosted a Business Education Day on Wednesday, Feb. 11. More than 30 students



from Flanagan High School's Entrepreneur Academy came to the NSU main campus to participate in an educational program, which was intended to give high school students a taste of the NSU college experience. The Business Education Day incorporated a mock college lecture given by **Tom Tworoger, D.B.A.**, associate professor and chair of entrepreneurship at the Huizenga School. The event also included a teambuilding activity, admissions presentation, campus tour, and lunch in the University Center's food court. Part of the

campus tour included a stop at the Alvin Sherman Library. Greg Sidberry, reference/outreach instruction librarian, provided a personalized tour for the students that included a stop at the new African Presence Art Exhibition.

Leaders of Oil, Auto Industry Discuss Energy at NSU Town Hall Meeting

Randy Pohlman, Ph.D., dean of the H. Wayne Huizenga School of Business and Entrepreneurship, (right) served as moderator of the town hall meeting on energy with T. Boone Pickens (left) and Mike Jackson.



Mike Jackson, chairman and chief executive officer of AutoNation, America's largest automotive retailer, and T. Boone Pickens, chairman of BP Capital Management, jointly held a town hall meeting at Nova Southeastern University's main campus on Feb. 17 to discuss America's current and future energy situation. Topics discussed included federal energy policy,

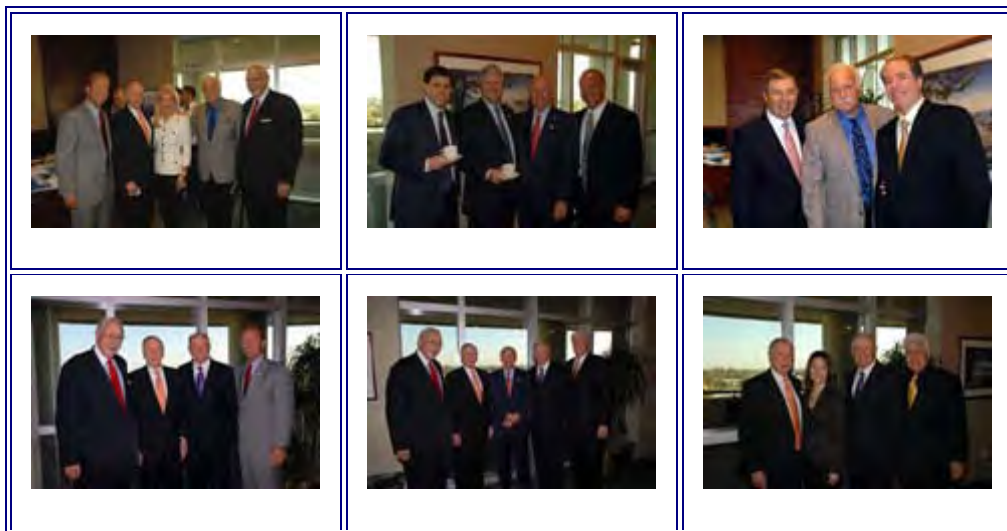
the development of new technology, the development of alternative fuel sources and the geopolitical dynamics related to energy today and tomorrow. Jackson and Pickens both gave presentations and then took questions submitted from the audience. Randy Pohlman, Ph.D., dean of NSU's H. Wayne Huizenga School of Business and Entrepreneurship, served as moderator.

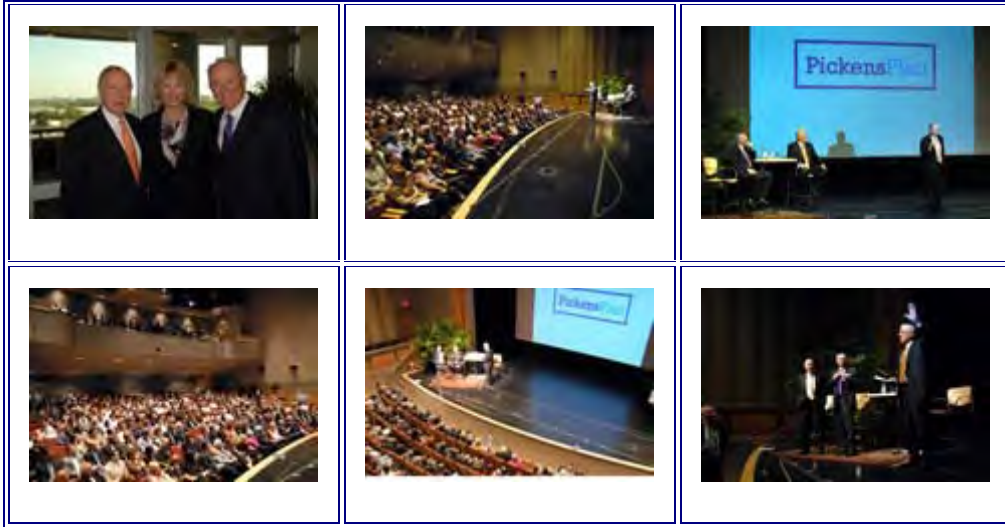
"The good news is that we are on the cusp of a technical revolution in our industry," Jackson said at the meeting. "American entrepreneurship and innovation have created new technologies that are going to allow dramatic improvements in fuel efficiency. So despite the fact that we got it wrong for 40 years, we have a new chance because of innovation to get it right over the next 10 years."

Both Jackson and Pickens have been highly vocal in support of new approaches to energy consumption. Pickens has been involved with the oil industry throughout his career yet has recently taken a very public position arguing that petroleum stores will soon begin to decline. He argues that it is essential to develop replacement resources immediately, particularly natural gas. Jackson has been equally fervent in his advocacy of a reformed energy policy. He supports the consideration of a gas tax to generate revenue for innovation while reducing the number of miles driven, he champions flex fuels and he is a leading voice for the development of cleaner, more efficient vehicles, notably plug-in hybrids.

"On energy in this country, we've had no plan," Pickens said. "Now we have to have a plan. And we're going to get a plan, but it's going to take all of you, in rooms full of people all over America, to realize that we have to do it from the bottom up and not the top down. I've already convinced myself the top doesn't understand. The bottom up does understand the problem. We have to do it with our own resources."

More than 500 people attended the event, which was hosted by the Huizenga School in the Rose and Alfred Miniaci Performing Arts Center on NSU's campus in Ft. Lauderdale.





Real Estate Artist to Speak at Huizenga School as Distinguished Lecturer

Frank McKinney, known as a real estate “artist” and the creative force behind some of the world’s finest and most opulent mansions ever built, will speak at the Huizenga School on March 12 at 10:30 a.m. as part of the school’s Distinguished Lecture Series. McKinney was recently recognized as one of the 10 most influential people in luxury real estate. He was recently featured on ABC's 20/20, the cover of USA Today, the Oprah Winfrey Show, CBS' The Early Show, CNN, Discovery Channel, Travel Channel, HDNet, CBN TV, National Public Radio, in The Wall Street Journal, New York Times, Bloomberg, Fortune, Barrons, Town and Country, Robb Report, The Nightly Business Report (PBS) and in over 1,500 additional TV and print features.



Master's Student Awarded Scholarship

Carlos Ledo, a student enrolled in the Huizenga School’s MBA in Entrepreneurship program, was selected as the first-ever recipient of the David H. Rush Scholarship. Mr. Rush, the scholarship's namesake, was a member and chairman of the Huizenga School's Board of Governors and Entrepreneur Hall of Fame and a member of NSU’s Board of Trustees. The scholarship award provides the beneficiary \$5,000 per year throughout the duration of their degree program. Ledo surpassed the minimum eligibility requirements for the award, which include a minimum GPA of 3.0 and enrollment in the MBA in Entrepreneurship degree program. The scholarship recipient was selected by faculty members at the Huizenga School.





Huizenga School Awards Fall 2008 Dean's List Qualifiers

The Huizenga School held an award luncheon on Thursday, Feb. 12 to honor and recognize the 180 undergraduate business students who qualified for the fall 2008 Dean's List. Students must maintain a minimum GPA of 3.5 during the

semester to meet the requirements for the Dean's List. The first annual luncheon provided Huizenga School faculty members, academic advisors, and other administrative staff members the opportunity to congratulate and recognize the students for their academic accomplishments. Dean of the Huizenga School, Randolph A. Pohlman, Ph.D., gave a brief presentation to the students where he offered words of wisdom about what it takes to achieve personal and business success. Additionally, he and Assistant Dean, Steven Harvey presented certificates to each of the students.

GBSA Partners with Local Restaurant

On February 26, the Graduate Business Student Association (GBSA) partnered with Moe's Southwest Grill to raise money for the American Heart Association (AHA). A table was located in the Carl DeSantis Building from noon to 2:00 p.m. where food could be purchased. All earnings went entirely to support the AHA. To learn more about the AHA's Broward County Heart Walk on Saturday, March 14 or to make a donation, please contact the Huizenga School Team Captain, Melissa Madani at madani@huizenga.nova.edu.

Professor Interviewed about Economic Stimulus Plan

Albert Williams, Ph.D., assistant professor of finance and economics at the Huizenga School, participated in a radio interview on January 29 on WLWJ 1040-AM, a Catholic Radio Station serving South Florida. Professor Williams spoke about the different components and potential impacts of the U.S. economic stimulus package. He also discussed the bailout of the auto industry and explained the negative impact that credit default swaps are having on corporations like the insurance giant, AIG. "The radio host was very appreciative of the discussion and the amount of information I shared with his listeners. In fact, the five-minute interview turned out to be nearly an hour!" said Williams.

MPA Alumnus Named CFO of the Year

Jeffrey Lowe, university treasurer and chief investment officer at NSU, was honored with the CFO of the Year in a non-profit sector at the 2009 South Florida Business Journal CFO Awards. Lowe is a graduate of the Huizenga School with a master's degree in public administration. The CFO Awards are given to financial professionals in the tri-county area for outstanding performance in their roles as



corporate financial stewards.

Alumnus Creates Race for Champions 5K Run/Walk for Special Olympics

The fourth annual Sallarulo's Race for Champions 5K Run/Walk benefiting Special Olympics Broward County was held on NSU's main campus on Feb. 15. Runners and walkers of all ages competed for prizes while raising funds for approximately 800 athletes of Special Olympics Broward County. Sallarulo's Race for Champions was created by Paul Sallarulo, a graduate of the Huizenga School's MBA program, member of the NSU Board of Trustees and president of the NSU Alumni Association.

MBA Graduate Accepts Position at University

Judy Li, a 2007 graduate of the Huizenga School's MBA in Entrepreneurship program and former Business Librarian at NSU's Alvin Sherman Library, recently accepted a new position as Assistant Professor and Business Reference Librarian at Mississippi State University. Li said that the MBA program's practical training provided her with an in-depth understanding of business research, which has contributed directly to her professional success.

Huizenga School Hosts Peter Manos as Distinguished Lecturer

Peter Manos spoke at the Huizenga School on Feb. 24 as part of the school's Distinguished Lecture Series. Manos retired last year after several years of work with Medtronic, the industry leader in medical technology. Manos discussed the history of electro-mechanical cardiac devices and the various business aspects involved in this dynamic industry's world-wide distribution.



Large Turnout for Business School Open House

The H. Wayne Huizenga School of Business and Entrepreneurship held a successful Open House on Wednesday, Feb. 25. Nearly 150 prospective students attended the event, and more than 60 percent of the attendees applied for admission into one of the Huizenga School's bachelor's, master's or doctoral business degree programs.

Business School Faculty Win Outstanding Paper Award



James Barry, D.B.A.



Tamara Terry, D.B.A.

James Barry, D.B.A., assistant professor of marketing, and **Tamara Terry, D.B.A.**, assistant dean of operations, CFO, and adjunct professor of management, at the H. Wayne Huizenga School of Business and Entrepreneurship, were awarded the 2008 Outstanding Paper Award by the *Journal of Business and Industrial Marketing*. The duo's award-winning article was titled "Empirical Study of Relationship Value in Industrial Services."

MAILMAN SEGAL INSTITUTE FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD STUDIES

Mailman Segal Institute **Dean Roni Leiderman** met with the Presidents of Boston University and Lesley University to discuss their programs and possible collaborative projects in the fields of early childhood and autism.

Lorraine Breffni, Director of Early Childhood; **Penny Bernath**, Early Childhood Training Specialist; **Nurit Sheinberg**, Director of Research and Evaluation; and **Rebecca Freedman**, Associate Director of the Family Center Infant & Toddler Program hosted a *Building Literacy Toolkit Seminar* on January 31 and February 1 at the Mailman Segal Institute. Early childhood program directors from across Broward county were given an overview of the role of directors as



leaders, how to implement the Toolkit in their centers, and how to mentor staff as they infuse the theory presented in the Toolkit into their classrooms. The seminar was initially open to 10 directors, but due to overwhelming demand 15 directors participated. A second weekend seminar will be held in May.

Lorraine Breffni, Director of Early Childhood presented an update on the first year of the *Building Literacy*

Toolkit project to the Board of Trustees at the A.D. Henderson Foundation's annual meeting on January 30, 2009. The A.D. Henderson Foundation is a primary funding source for the *Toolkit* project.

Eight teachers from St. Jerome's Catholic School visited the Family Center Preschool and Infant & Toddler Program on Friday, February 27. The teachers toured the classrooms, attended a short training/overview of the 5C Curriculum Framework™ and spent time observing best practices in early childhood education in individual classrooms. They expressed an interest in purchasing the 5C Curriculum Framework™ when it becomes available.

MSI's Family Center Preschool has become an intern site for student teachers enrolled in the Fischler School of Education's Early Childhood Education program.

The Association of Independent Schools of Florida (AISF) has accepted MSI as a provisional member of their organization. Representatives from the AISF visited MSI in January and will return in May for an accreditation visit. AISF is recognized by the Florida Department of Education as an accrediting agency, this will expedite the Florida Teacher Certification process for MSI's teachers.

Roni Leiderman and Susan Kabot, Director of MSI's Autism Consortium appeared on *Dateline Health*, NSU's public service show hosted by Fred Lippman, Chancellor of NSU Health Professions Division. *Dateline Health* is a 30-minute service program which airs on BECON, COMCAST, and AT&T's U-verse cable channels and reaches over 5 million viewers in the community.

The Mailman Segal Institute, along with the Museum of Art Ft. Lauderdale hosted a Family Fun Night entitled "Pizza & Picasso". The goal of the event was to introduce children to the world of art in a friendly environment. The Museum brought several Picasso ceramics for the children and their families to enjoy while the children created their own works of art.

MSI-Tampa presented a risk management workshop for childcare directors in Hillsborough County on Feb 3rd. Risk factors such as weather and medical emergencies and child abuse allegations and prevention were covered. Participants were given a template to assist them in creating a risk management plan for their own center. Funding for the event was provided by the Early Learning Coalition of Hillsborough County and the Children's Board.

Stacey Francois, Bobbie Huard and Judith Rosado, language and literacy coaches at the Mailman Segal Institute Tampa presented a workshop on *Coaching and Mentoring Strategies* at the Southern Early Childhood Annual Conference in Myrtle Beach, SC. The goal of the workshop was to provide practical advice and relevant information to beginning coaches who will be working with new and experienced teachers in early childhood settings.

Snow Day, an annual MSI tradition took place on Wednesday January 28th. Children from both the Family Center and Baudhuin Preschools had a chance to interact while sledding, making snow balls and learning about winter.

Baudhuin Preschool held its annual *Getting Ready for Kindergarten* workshop for parents of exiting students. The two hour session, facilitated by Baudhuin staff, included speakers from Broward County Public Schools and former Baudhuin parents who shared their personal stories and tips for making the transition to kindergarten successful.

An article authored by **Linda Shidler**, Director of MSI-Tampa's Building Language and Literacy Project, focusing on the importance of teaching vocabulary to preschool age children was published in Teaching Young Children, the research based magazine for preschool teachers published by National Association of Young Children.

More than 300 grandparents attended MSI's inaugural Grandparents and Grandfriends Day on Feb 12th. Grandparents took part in classroom activities, viewed MSI's Art Gallery showcasing their children's interpretations of world renowned artists including Vasily Kandinsky, Jackson Pollack and Claude Monet.

OCEANOGRAPHIC CENTER

Oceanographic Center Dean and GHRI Director Visit the Save Our Seas Foundation in Saudi Arabia

Richard Dodge, Ph.D., dean of the Oceanographic Center, and **Mahmood Shivji**, Ph.D., director of the Guy Harvey Research Institute visited the Save Our Seas Foundation (SOSF) Marine Research Facility in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia at the invitation of the Foundation's Executive Director, Chris Clarke.

The purpose of the visit was to see the research facility which is located on the Red Sea coast, and discuss future research collaborations in marine conservation. Dodge and Shivji had the opportunity to scuba dive off the SOSF research vessel for research observations of sharks and reef animals.



Dive team in front of the SOSF research vessel. Left to right: Mahmood Shivji; Owen Bruce, SOSF videographer; Ami, SOSF dive leader; Rupert Ormond, Ph.D. SOSF Chief Scientist; Hagen Schmid, SOSF Advisory Committee; and Richard Dodge.



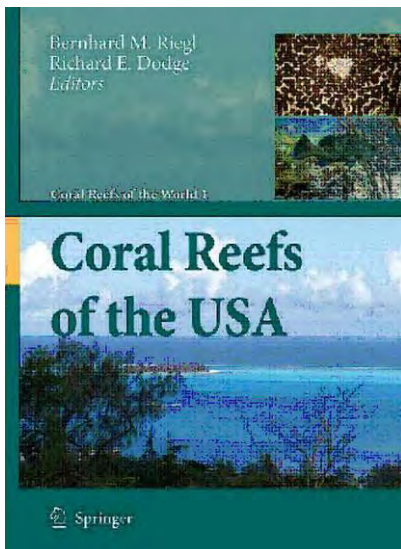
Mahmood Shivji (NSU OC), Rupert Ormond (Science Director SOSF), Chris Clark (Executive Director SOSF) and Richard Dodge (NSU OC).



Synchronized swimming team. Gill raker mackerel in SOSF basin. (Photo by R. Dodge)

NSU OC Book Makes List

Every year in the January issue, *Choice* publishes a list of Outstanding Academic Titles that were reviewed during the previous calendar year. This prestigious list reflects the best in scholarly titles reviewed by *Choice* and brings with it the extraordinary recognition of the academic library community.



This year, *Coral Reefs of the USA*, which is the first volume in the new series, *Coral Reefs of the World*, made it to the list. It was written by 145 authors, all experienced authorities in their fields, and is the first complete compilation of geological and biological information for all US coral reefs. The book is richly illustrated and contains much information that has never been published before. There is also an extensive literature list that is useful as a guide to further study on coral reefs.

The book was edited by **Bernhard Riegl**, Ph.D., OC professor and NCRI associate director, and OC dean and NCRI executive director, **Richard E. Dodge**, Ph.D. and published by Springer.

The list is selective: it contains approximately ten percent of some 7,000 works reviewed in *Choice* each year. *Choice* editors base their selections on the reviewer's evaluation of the work, the editor's knowledge of the field, and the reviewer's record.

In awarding Outstanding Academic Titles, the editors apply several criteria to reviewed titles:

- overall excellence in presentation and scholarship
- importance relative to other literature in the field
- distinction as a first treatment of a given subject in book or electronic form
- originality or uniqueness of treatment
- value to undergraduate students

NSU Fishing Tournament: A Success!

The 2nd annual NSU Oceanographic Center Scholarship Fishing Tournament took place January 22-24 at Hawk's Cay in the Florida Keys. The tournament is organized and hosted by NSU Facilities and benefits scholarships at the NSU OC.

The event started with a Captain's Meeting, run by OC research scientist **Dave Kerstetter, Ph.D.** and subsequently featured two days of fishing, one offshore and one inshore. Twenty-two teams participated for the Friday offshore day, releasing a total of twenty-four sailfish and weighing in kingfish, tuna, and dolphin. Ten teams also competed on the next day for the inshore fishing, catching redfish, trout, and snook. Over \$100,000 was raised for graduate student scholarships.



OC research scientist, Dave Kerstetter, Ph.D. and OC students Cheryl Cross (above) and Twyla Herrington (lower left) at the weigh station.



John Santulli, NSU VP Facilities Management and Maria Lemme explain Tournament procedures to participants

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Distinguished Marine Science Seminar Series at NSU OC

The OC holds seminars by outstanding scientists from the marine community each year. This program is part of the OC's Quality Improvement Program.

On November 24, 2008, **Shirley A. Pomponi**, Ph.D. Executive Director of Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institute at Florida Atlantic University spoke on, "**Ocean and Human Health: Threats, Benefits, Challenges, & Choices.**"



OC faculty Drs. Joshua Feingold, Richard Spieler, and Dick Dodge, Honoree Dr. Shirley Pomponi, OC faculty Drs. Chuck Messing, Jose Lopez, and Ed Keith.

Dr. Pomponi received her Ph.D. in Biological Oceanography from the University of Miami, was on the research faculty of the University of Maryland, and joined Harbor Branch in 1984. Her research focuses on marine biotechnology in general and sponge cell culture in particular. She has authored or co-authored more than 90 scientific publications and is co-inventor on several patents. She has led numerous research expeditions worldwide and has made more than 300 dives in Harbor Branch's *Johnson-Sea-Link* submersibles. She chairs the National Research Council's Ocean Studies Board and the Consortium for Ocean Leadership, and is President-elect of the Southern Association of Marine Laboratories. She is a member of the Florida Oceans and Coastal Council, the Ocean Research and Resources Advisory Panel, the U.S. National Committee for the Census of Marine Life, the National Association of Marine Laboratories, the Board of Trustees of Midwest Research Institute, and the Board of Trustees of the Women Divers Hall of Fame.

Following the seminar, Dr. Pomponi and faculty, staff and students of the OC enjoyed catered food as well as the spicy tastes from a chili contest.



NSU OC Graduate Students who attended the seminar enjoy the festivities.



OC faculty Drs. Mahmood Shivji, NOAA scientist Jocelyn Karazsia and OC faculty Drs. Jose Lopez and Dave Gilliam

New Degree Being Offered at the Oceanographic Center

The Oceanographic Center is proud to announce a new degree starting fall 2009: the **MS in Biological Sciences (MSBiolSci)**. The degree will provide both a traditional biological curricula and innovative approaches to instruction. Degree candidates will take core and required courses spanning a wide range of disciplines, from molecular, through organismal, to ecosystem-level biology.

The student will specialize in one of two broad areas: Organismal Biology or Molecular Biology. As with other programs at the Oceanographic Center, the MSBSc will not be a lock-step program and will offer both thesis and capstone (non-thesis) tracks. The capstone (non-theses) track is the default option and will require 45 credit hours (24 hours of core-required courses, 15 hours of electives, and 6 hours of capstone). The theses track will require 39 credit hours for completion (24 hours of core-required courses, 9 hours of electives, and 6 hours of theses).

Applications will be accepted starting January 2009. For more information, please go to www.nova.edu/gradbio or contact the Oceanographic Center at 954-262-3600 or gradbio@nova.edu.

SHEPARD BROAD LAW CENTER

George McGovern and John Anderson, Former U.S. Presidential Candidates, to Speak at the Law Center

Two ground-breaking United States Presidential candidates will participate in a presentation at 7 p.m., Thursday, March 26, 2009, at the Law Center.

The event, “Turning the Inside Out: A Conversation with George McGovern and John Anderson,” will feature a brief presentation and a question and answer session. The presentation is free and open to the public.

McGovern is a former United States Representative, Senator and Democratic presidential nominee. McGovern ran against incumbent Richard Nixon in the 1972 presidential election. As a decorated World War II combat veteran, McGovern was noted for his opposition to the Vietnam War. He has been a long-time advocate for ensuring nutrition and food security as a means to fight poverty. McGovern was appointed United Nations Ambassador on World Hunger in 2001. In 2008, he and Senator Bob Dole were named 2008 World Food Prize Laureates for their work to promote school-feeding programs globally.

Anderson is a former United States Congressman and Presidential candidate from Illinois. He was a U.S. Representative from the 16th Congressional District of Illinois from 1961 to 1981. He served on the House Rules Committee and was Chairman of the House Republican Conference. In 1980, Mr. Anderson ran as an Independent candidate for President and received nearly 6 million votes.

In 1987, Anderson joined the Law School Faculty as a Distinguished Visiting Professor and currently teaches Constitutional Decision Making, and the Law of the Electoral Process. He is Chair of the Center for Voting and Democracy, and writes extensively about needed reforms to the electoral process. He has been a political reform leader, and is the subject of an upcoming documentary project entitled *Turning the Inside Out: The John Anderson Story*.

Open House

The Law Center hosted its annual Open House Day on February 21. Attendees had an opportunity to interact with law students, practicing attorneys, and law professors. They toured the campus and learned about different legal practice areas and non-traditional legal careers. They received help planning their undergraduate pre-law studies and gathered information about the Law School Admission Test (LSAT) and NSU Law’s admission policies. Professors staged mock law classes to give those in attendance a realistic law school experience. Those who attended and applied to the Law Center had their application fee waived. On February 22, the Princeton Review hosted a free LSAT exam at the Law Center.

Public Interest Law Day

The 17th annual public interest law day was held on February 19 at the Law Center. Representatives from the following organizations were present to discuss summer internships and clinic placements: Administrative Office of the Courts-Domestic Violence Division, Coast to Coast Legal Aid of South Florida, Coral Springs City Attorney's Office, Department of Children and Families, Department of Homeland Security (ICE), Everglades Law Center, FBI, Fort Lauderdale City Prosecutor, Guardian Ad Litem-Broward and Palm Beach Counties, Inter-American Center for Human Rights, IRS, Legal Aid Service of Broward County, Legal Services of Greater Miami, NSU Juvenile Mediation Program, Public Defender's Office-Broward and Miami-Dade Counties, Put Something Back Pro Bono Project-Miami-Dade Co. Legal Aid, Staff Attorney's Office for the 17th Judicial Circuit, State Attorney's Office-Broward, Miami-Dade and Palm Beach Counties, United States Attorney's Office-Southern District of Florida, and Women in Distress. The Law Center is one of a few law schools in Florida that organizes such an event.

Public Interest Law Society Hosted Charitable Auction

The Public Interest Law Society hosted its 16th annual charity auction on February 6 in the Law Center atrium. All proceeds from the auction will be used to fund The Rebecca Knox Public Interest Law Summer Fellowships for students who work in public service. Due to budgetary constraints, most organizations that assist the indigent and poor are understaffed and unable to compensate legal interns. Proceeds from the auction will enable law students to aid local organizations in providing quality legal services to those who would otherwise be unable to afford to participate.

Founding Dean of Law Center Dies at 90

Peter W. Thornton, founding dean of the Nova Southeastern University Law Center, died on January 19, 2009, in Santa Barbara, Calif., at the age of 90. He taught at Notre Dame Law School from 1958 to 1993, with the exception of serving as dean during the NSU Law Center's first year of operation. NSU's first law class began in the fall of 1974. During his tenure at Notre Dame, he directed Notre Dame's London Law Programme from 1976 to 1978 and also held the position of associate dean.

“Peter Thornton was responsible for building the foundation for our law school. He hired the initial faculty and he recognized that a new law school should be open to new ideas,” said Bruce Rogow, who was hired by Thornton and remains as a professor of law at the Shepard Broad Law Center. “By encouraging and supporting the faculty's desire to create a special place, he fostered a philosophy that has permeated our past 35 years and allows us to look forward to the future and further advances.”

A New York City native, Thornton graduated from Brooklyn College in 1939 and served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. A graduate of Brooklyn Law School, he taught there for 21 years before joining the Notre Dame faculty. He was a member of the New York State Bar from

1941 to 2006. He is survived by four sons, Peter, Thomas, James, and John, all of them attorneys and law teachers.

Black Law Students Association Team Awarded Best Petitioner's Brief Trophy at Frederick Douglas Moot Court Competition

The Black Law Students Association (BLSA) team of **Emmanuela Charles and Delrose Raynor** celebrated bringing home the Best Petitioner's Brief trophy from the Frederick Douglas Moot Court Competition held in Nashville in February as part of the BLSA regional convention. They also advanced into the power round with a first seed before losing by the narrowest of margins. Also competing in the Thurgood Marshall Mock Trial Competition was the team of **Gina Jacobs, Keri Joseph, Lawonda Warren and Kimberley Miller**. This team advanced from the preliminary rounds into the quarter-finals where they were stopped in a very close round. All of our competitors performed very well and held their own against tough judging. The judges for both teams had nothing but complements about the teams' performance, professionalism, and competence. Professors who helped to prepare both of these teams included **Associate Dean Linda F. Harrison, Professors Olympia Duhart, Alicia Jackson, Michael Richmond, Shahabudeen Khan, Jendayi Saada, Charlene Smith, Robert Gregg, Anthony Niedwiecki, and adjunct professors Tania Williams and Phyllis Kotey**.

Dual Degree Student Takes Third Place Honors in the ABA Mendes Hershman Writing Contest

Second year law student **Yuri Mantilla** won third place in the ABA Mendes Hershman Student Writing Contest. Yuri is studying at the University of Barcelona this semester as part of the Law Center's dual degree program. As the third place winner, he was invited to attend the ABA Section of Business Law spring meeting on April 16-18 and will receive a monetary award of \$500.

President of International War Crimes Tribunal Lectured at the Law Center

On February 14, 2009, the Law Center hosted a book signing and a lecture with Judge Patrick Robinson, President of the International War Crimes Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia. The event, organized for Black History Month, was co-sponsored by the Jamaican Consul General, Unique Creations Inc., and the following NSU organizations: The Caribbean Law Programs, the Inter-American Center for Human Rights and the Latin-American Caribbean Forum. Attendees at these events included Jamaican Consul General, Sandra Griffiths, Ambassador Dudley Thompson, Professor David Rowe, and Attorneys Robert Vaughn, Marlon Hill, and Pamela Gordon.

At the book signing, Judge Robinson discussed the historical significance of his book, *Jamaican Athletics: A Model for 2012 and the World*. He noted that the successes of Jamaican Olympians have resulted from a unique combination of national attributes.

The book signing was followed by a lecture on "The Interaction of Legal Systems in the Work of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia." In this lecture, Judge Robinson

discussed the complexities of integrating the civil law inquisitorial system with the common law adversarial system in international proceedings. He indicated that these systems have been harmonized in international tribunals to promote the interests of fairness in the administration of justice.

Judge Robinson currently serves as the President of the ICTY. He has served as the Presiding Judge for Trial Chamber III since 2004 and oversaw the historic trial of the former President of Yugoslavia, Slobodan Milosevic, the first former Head of State to be brought to trial for war crimes. Judge Robinson has been on the ICTY since 1998 and became president on November 17, 2008. The ICTY is a body of the United Nations established to prosecute serious crimes committed during the wars in the former Yugoslavia, and to try their alleged perpetrators. Judge Robinson has had a distinguished career in public service in Jamaica and internationally, particularly in the field of International Law. He was a member of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights (IACHR) from 1987 to 1995 and was a member of the United Nation's International Law Commission between 1991 and 1995. For 26 years, he was Jamaica's representative on the Legal Committee of the United Nations General Assembly to which he was accredited as an Ambassador.

Judge Robinson is a lifelong sports enthusiast. A Jamaica College old boy, he was a member of the school's track team that won the Inter-Scholastic Championships (CHAMPS) in 1959 and a member of the school's Sunlight Cup cricket team. His book seeks to explain the reasons for Jamaica's high quality performances in global athletics over the past sixty years.

Bar Scholarship Award

Louis Senat was selected by the Bar Scholarship Committee to receive this semester's Bar Scholarship Award. Senat, a recent graduate, was an evening student who had worked full time during law school. He is committed to the Law Center and to giving back to the community. Based on the idea that studying for the Bar is a full time job, this award is designed to permit the recipient to forego employment between graduation and the Bar exam. He sat for The Florida Bar exam on February 24 and 25 in Tampa. In addition to 1984 alumnus Bernard Moyle's generous support each semester, the Bar Scholarship Fund has been supported by Eric Block '85, Kevin Crosby '86, the NSU Law Alumni Association, as well as two anonymous donors, several faculty members, and Dean Steele.

FACULTY

Professor Timothy L. Arcaro's article, "*Child Sexual Abuse and the Law*" was accepted for publication and will appear in the Summer 09 edition of *The Michigan Child Welfare Law Journal*.

Professor Marilyn Cane has been appointed Vice Chair of the Antitrust, Franchise & Trade Regulations Committee of The Florida Bar Business Law Section.

Professor Mark Dobson was interviewed for and quoted in an Associated Press story about how illness complicates an Iowa murder case. The story has run in numerous spots either online or in print or both, including the *New York Times*, *Boston Globe* and *CBS News*.

Professor Pearl Goldman's paper entitled, "Legal Education and Technology II: An Annotated Bibliography" was recently listed for two consecutive weeks on SSRN's Top Ten download list for Legal Information & Technology. You may view the abstract at <http://papers.ssrn.com/abstract=1338741>.

Professor Rob Gregg has been appointed to a third term as Chair of the Broward County Commission's Homeless Advisory Board. The Homeless Initiative Partnership (HIP) Advisory Board was created by County ordinance in 1994, and is charged with overseeing the County's homeless "Continuum of Care," which includes making funding recommendations for over \$22 million in local, state, and federal funds. Broward's Continuum of Care addresses all aspects of homelessness including prevention, outreach, emergency shelter, transitional and permanent affordable housing, and supportive services. This work includes: Facilitating community, business, and governmental involvement in the homeless continuum of care; oversight of the County's three regional Homeless Assistance Centers; creating new and innovative programs to serve Broward's homeless population; and participation in the creation and review of applications and requests for proposals. Professor Gregg was first appointed to the HIP Board in 2004 by then-Commissioner Lori Nance Parrish, and has been reappointed by former Commissioner Jim Scott and Commissioner Ken Keechl.

Professor Areto Imoukhuede's paper proposal on *Private Contracts and Private Resources in the Department of Homeland Security's Federal Protective Service* was recently selected for presentation at this year's Southeast/Southwest People of Color Conference. The conference will be held March 26-30.

Professor Elena Langan has been elected to *Florida Super Lawyers* magazine in the area of family law. It is the third year in a row that Langan has been chosen. *Florida Super Lawyers* magazine annually selected the top attorneys in Florida. Only five percent of the lawyers in the state are named by Super Lawyers. The multi-phase selection process includes a statewide survey, an independent evaluation, and a peer review of candidates.

Professor Michael R. Masinter recently wrote and filed a petition for certiorari in *Buckley v. Rackard*, No. 08-996; it presents the question of whether a law enforcement officer who administered three separate five second direct contact Taser shocks to a handcuffed, nonviolent misdemeanor traffic arrestee who had collapsed to the ground sobbing, who never actively resisted arrest or attempted to flee, and who posed no danger to himself, the arresting officer, or anyone else, solely to inflict pain to prompt him to stand violated the fourth amendment, and if so, should be protected from liability by qualified immunity. There is a circuit split over whether the fourth amendment permits the use of force in such circumstances, with only the Eleventh Circuit concluding that it does; other circuits have also denied qualified immunity in similar circumstances. Professor Masinter did not represent Mr. Buckley. The Court has not yet scheduled the petition for conference.

Professor Masinter wrote and Wiley & Sons has published three pieces and will soon publish a fourth piece for *Disability Compliance For Higher Education*. The three published pieces appear in the July 2008, October 2008, and January 2009 issues; the fourth appears in the March 2009 issue. They address proposed regulatory limits on what kinds of animals can qualify as service animals under the Americans With Disabilities Act, the resolution of conflicting ADA or section 504 accommodation requests from students in the same class, the increased significance for educational institutions under the recently enacted ADA Amendments Act of entrusting to an academic body the determination of whether requested academic adjustments fundamentally alter an educational program, and how postsecondary institutions might implement budget cutbacks in disability services offices without violating section 504 or the ADA.

Professor Joel Mintz's journal article, "Presidential Leadership and the Challenge of Global Climate Change," was published at 39 *Env'tl. L. Rptr.* 10045 (January 2009). He also published a book chapter entitled "Few Changes and Little Progress: U.S. Hazardous Waste Management and Sustainable Development," in John C. Dernbach, ed., *Agenda for A Sustainable America*, Environmental Law Institute (2009). The book provides a comprehensive assessment of U.S. progress toward sustainable development and a roadmap of necessary next steps toward achieving a sustainable America. For more information, visit <http://www.islandpress.org/bookstore/details.php?isbn=9781585761333>. Professor Mintz participated in scholars' discussions regarding the appropriate roles of federal preemption and cost benefit analysis in environmental health and safety regulation at a semi-annual meeting of member scholars of the Center for Progressive Reform (a Washington, D.C. based "green think tank") held in San Diego.

Professor John Sanchez has had two articles published and also updated his book. Sanchez's article titled "The Vesting, Modification, and Financing of Public Retiree Health Benefits in Light of New Accounting Rules" was published in the *John Marshall Law Review's* summer 2008 issue. His article titled "Survey of Florida Public Employment Law" was published in the 2008 *Nova Law Review*. The update was made to his book titled *State & Local Government Employment Liability* and published by Thomson West.

Professor Steve Wisotsky has been elected to *Florida Super Lawyers* for the past four years.

UNIVERSITY SCHOOL

University School Academic Accomplishments

NATIONAL MERIT

In the class of 2008, there were 10 National Merit Finalists, 3 Commended Students, 1 National Achievement Scholar, and 3 National Hispanic Scholars. University School has had 3 Presidential Scholar Finalists from 2003 through 2008.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

264 University School students took 668 AP exams in 26 subject areas in May 2008. Of that number, 53 percent earned a score of 5 on at least one AP subject exam. Of the 163 graduates, 79 percent took at least one AP course in their senior year.

University School Performing and Visual Arts Accomplishments

CHORUS

Through their participation in the Upper and Middle School Chorus, under the direction of Tom Gress, 36 students earned Excellent or Superior rankings at the District Music Performance Assessments and we advanced 22 Choral Students to All State in Tampa in early January. In addition, the Chamber Singers were asked to perform at the Federation of Florida Music Club meeting.

BAND

The Upper School Jazz Band, under the direction of Dave Walker, performed at the NSU South Florida International Jazz Festival in November and will be performing at the Florida Panther game on March 19th. In addition, two band students participated in the Florida Bandmaster's Association District Solo and Ensemble Music Performance Assessment. Freshmen students **Matthew Gilinson** (French horn) and **Sarah Gordon** (bassoon) both earned "Superior" ratings on the solos they performed. Matthew Gilinson was selected to All County, to All State, and ranked straight Superiors at District. He was invited to perform at the Naples Jazz Festival on April 17th and 18th. **Staci Hill**, sophomore, was named "Student of the Month" by the Florida Federation of Music Clubs! Staci will be playing a movement of a Bach concerto and a short solo piece for their monthly organizational meeting. Staci also advanced to the Florida All State Orchestra!

STRINGS

The combined Middle School and Upper School Orchestral Strings program, under the direction of Tom Gress and Anna Baumgaertner, earned straight Superiors at their Music Performance Assessment on Thursday, February 26th, at Dillard High School.

MIDDLE SCHOOL BAND

The Middle School Band, under the direction of Mike Russo, had 13 students selected to All County Band, and Talia Boiangin was selected to All State. The Middle School Jazz Band performed for the Florida Panthers in December and will perform at the Naples Jazz Festival and the NSU Jazz Appreciation Event at the Alvin Sherman Library in mid-April. The Band will have their District Music Performance Assessments March 13th and 14th.

FORENSICS

The Upper School Forensics Team, under the direction of Steve Schappaugh, has had an amazing year with several students advancing to elimination rounds at prestigious national tournaments, such as Yale, The Glenbrooks in Chicago, Laird Lewis in Charlotte, North Carolina and most recently the Harvard Invitational, where sophomores **Jared Corak and Tyler Laurence** were finalists in Duo Interpretation and took 5th place in a field of over 250 teams from across the country. Additionally, the Debate Team of **James Stage and Alex Septoff** reached the Octo-final Round (top 16) and were named 9th place speakers at the Harvard Tournament, which was a first for University School. The team will advance 21 students to the Florida Forensic League State Finals, the largest State Tournament entry in the history of University School

THESPIANS

The Junior Thespian Troupe, under the direction of Chris Wilgos, advanced five entries to the State Junior Thespian Festival. Three entries received Superior Rankings, **Zack Laurence** for Musical Solo, **Zoe Barrett** for Musical Solo, and **Ryan Juda and Kalie Marsicano** for Musical Duet. In addition, the Senior Thespian Troupe, under the direction of John Egan advanced nine students and three entries to the State Festival in Tampa in April.

THEATRE ARTS

The Theatre Arts Department had two successful fall dramas, *Ah! Wilderness* and *The Canterville Ghost*. Thirty-nine upper school students participated in *Ah! Wilderness* and 24 Middle School students along with 19 Upper School students contributed to *The Canterville Ghost*. The Upper School Musical *The Wedding Singer* was a sold out smash hit with 133 Upper School students taking part. The next two shows will be the Lower School production of *The Jungle Book* on March 26th and 27th with 65 actors from the Lower School and 32 Upper School students working tech, the Middle School show, *Big, The Musical* will open on April 30th with 62 Middle School actors and 52 Upper School mentors.

VISUAL ARTS

The Visual Arts Program, under the Direction of Melanie Cohen and Jane Lambert, had 38 entries receive top honors at the Broward County Scholastic Art Awards. Twelve entries received Gold Medals and will advance to the National Competition. **Grace Chiang and Joseph Sands** were nominated for the American Vision Award as well; there are only four nominations given for Broward County. Additionally, 12 entries were selected as finalists in the Oscar Thomas Foundation's "Celebrating our Differences" Contest. The finalists will participate in a daylong event on April 1st at NSU and will have their work on display in the University Center.