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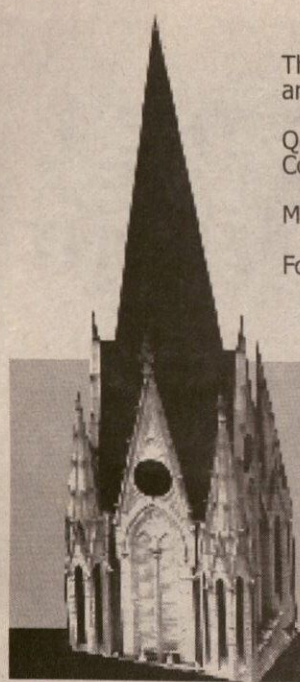
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Center: low occupancy 'not unusual'

Jordan Whitfield
Reporter

The vacant rooms throughout the residence halls, especially the entirely unoccupied Ayres Hall, remind students there are not as many people on campus this year.

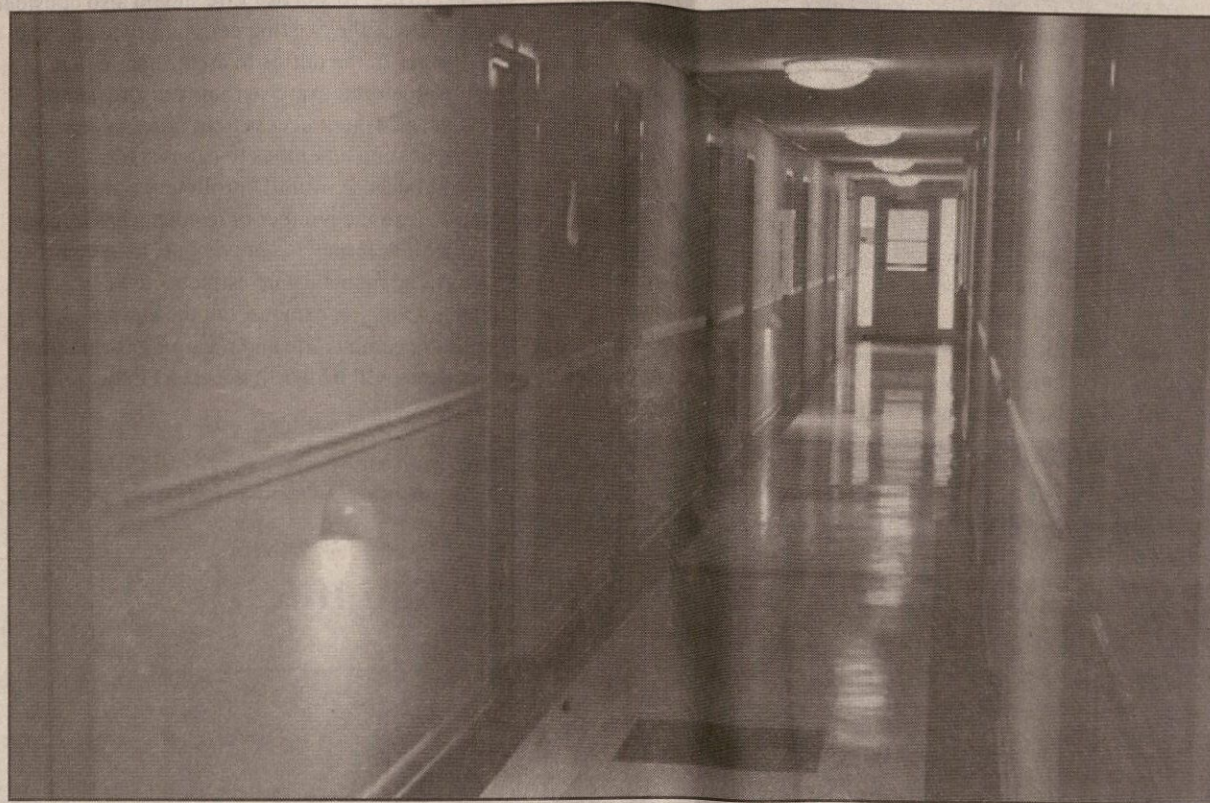
The total occupancy in residence halls decreased by 75 students in the spring semester, which followed a fall semester that was already down 100 residents. However, with less students enrolled at OLLU this year, this semester's numbers are low but not surprising.

"Occupancy has dropped, but that's not unusual," Director of Residence Life Mark Center said. "We always anticipate a drop from fall to spring, but with the low occupancy we began the year with, the numbers are very disappointing."

As an important figure in campus student life, Center is a strong advocate for students living on campus.

He notes that living on campus is much more conducive to academic life because of the proximity to classes and a community of fellow students.

Center points out that when students move off campus, it is easier to "find more excuses not to come to school, which ultimately hurts their GPA and academic success—their



An empty Ayres Hall is the most visible attribute of the loss of residence life on campus.

whole reason for higher education."

However, living on campus has many benefits outside of academics, Center said.

Center said that campus life is more "vibrant" when more people live on campus. "With

more people around, students have more opportunities to meet and interact with people different than themselves."

But having fewer residents has made the campus community less involved, so it is more difficult to

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attract an audience for on-campus events.

University Programming Council (UPC) President Jamaysa Ricci noticed the impact at UPC's coffeehouse event last semester. Attendance at the performance of

singer/songwriter Gaby Moreno outside Pacelli Hall was especially low considering that events near the residence halls usually have high attendance.

Center understands that some students want to move off campus to get a taste of independence, but he cautions them to consider what they will be missing.

"Students have the rest of their lives to have an apartment or house," Center said. "This is a window of opportunity they won't get back. They will only be this age and surrounded by a community of their peers for a short time."

However, the appeal "having [his] own place" was a major factor in former resident Francisco Zapata's decision to move off campus for his final semester.

Zapata's main reason for moving off campus this semester was the lower cost, but he also wanted the greater freedom afforded by having his own apartment: namely, he could live without the residence hall policies.

"I understand that it's a community so we have to respect the area and follow the rules, but some of the rules imposed by Residence Life are over-exaggerated," Zapata said.

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FAFSA undergoes minor changes

Collette Orquiz
Assistant Editor

Financial aid reveals a series of changes to the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, FAFSA, as well as minor adjustments to loans for the 2012-2013 academic year.

OLLU and other college students both undergraduate and graduate across the country should note that while filling out the FAFSA, following the directions is key.

Students will be given the option to download their tax transcript from the IRS into the FAFSA application. By doing this the student is less likely to be chosen for the verification process.

"It's all about the FAFSA and how you follow directions," said Michael Acosta, Vice President of Enrollment Management. "Some students could get delayed packaging resulting in not signing up for classes on time, not getting the right classes, or just an overall delay."

Assistant director of financial aid and Veteran Affairs, Marsha Eldridge said the university is no longer able to ask for personal or agency prepared tax returns. If students do not choose the option to have their taxes sent through the FAFSA, they will be selected for verification and have to contact the IRS directly for tax return information.

"The best thing that anyone can do is encourage their parents to do their taxes as soon as possible," Acosta said. "If you wait until April to do your taxes that means you're

waiting until almost May to do your FAFSA and that just slows everything down."

The Pell grant is also under revision. Students enrolled full-time and have received the Pell Grant will be cut off after six years. In order to fund the Pell Grant, the Federal government made the decision to charge interest on loans for graduate students. Therefore, graduate students will no longer be eligible for subsidized loans, meaning interest will be accumulated while they are attending school.

Changes for undergraduates that financial aid is aware of include the addition of interest to new subsidized loans. Originally undergraduates enrolled at least half-time were allowed a six-month grace period where their subsidized loans are deferred without collecting interest. However, now the Federal government has decided to charge interest during the deferment. This only applies for new loans being taken out. Students graduating in May are not applicable to this change.

"We're still anticipating more changes, [but] we won't know until the new budget is approved," said Eldridge.

All changes will be effective on July 1.

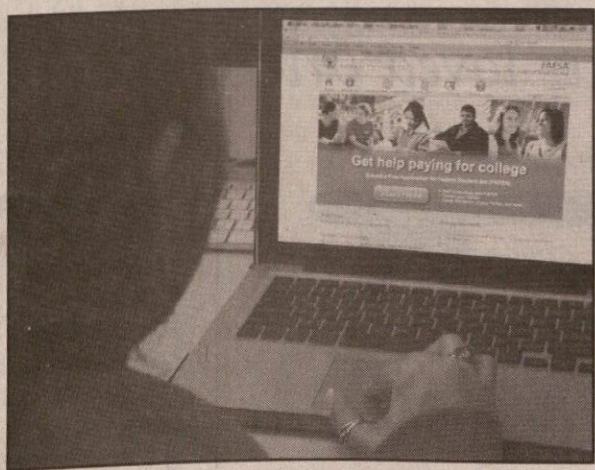


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As students prepare the FAFSA, they will notice changes to the application process.

Symbolic crosses to adorn Main

Gianna Rendon
Reporter

Two pieces of wood. Seemingly insignificant. Two pieces of wood could be used to start a fire that could burn down a building or light a spiritual fire in the hearts of believers.

Father Kevin Fausz, the university chaplain, blessed new crosses at the 2011 Candlelight Ceremony in December. The new crosses will replace those destroyed in Main Building due to the fire in 2008. They are simple wooden crosses without the body of Jesus.

The Congregation of Divine Providence, the founders of Our Lady of the Lake University, wear similar simple wooden crosses as pins on their shirts.

Sister Joyce Detzel, director of University Ministry said that the crosses reflect the Catholic heritage of OLLU and help connect the university to the CDPs. She said the crosses are "one way we express our faith."

Detzel said the founder of the CDPs, Father John Martin, instructed the sisters to wear simple wooden crosses as a sign of their vows of simplicity and poverty.

Detzel said these crosses were specially made for OLLU, not mass-manufactured. Zygmunt Rzeznik, who has worked at the convent for ten years, built the crosses.

Detzel said it took so long to make the crosses because the craftsman needed time to make them.

Sigma Theta Epsilon, the Christian fraternity on campus, purchased the crosses and at the Candlelight Ceremony brought them in front of the congregation to be

blessed.

David Romo, president of Sigma Theta Epsilon, said that they noticed that the crosses were missing.

"Since the fire, the crosses were one little detail that no one thought about," Romo said.

Romo said University Ministries approached STE to help purchase the new crosses. STE then petitioned the Student Government Association to get the funds for the crosses and also used some of their own funds.

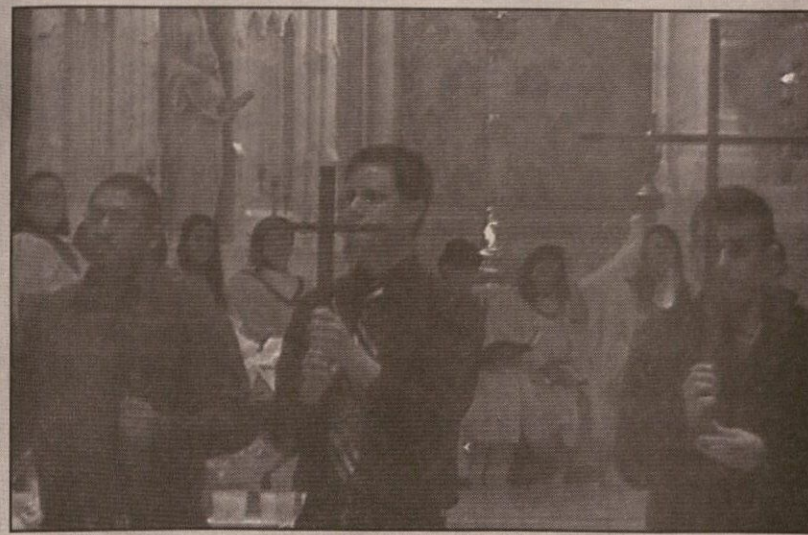


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Sigma Theta Epsilon brothers Joaquin Lopez (alumni), Jeffrey Huber, and David Romo carried the crosses to the Chapel's altar to be blessed during the Candlelight Ceremony in December.

Caution key in loss prevention

Clarissa Rodriguez
Contributing Writer

"Campus Police needs to seriously think about installing cameras in the parking lots," junior Martha Montoya said. "It would be beneficial for other people that have gone through situations like mine."

Montoya's Nissan Xterra was broken into around 11 a.m. on October 18 in parking lot C, between the tennis courts and soccer fields.

"Campus police actually called me to inform me of what had happened," Montoya said. "I was kind of shocked, but I knew that car break-ins had been going on around campus. I just didn't think it would happen to me."

Montoya's left passenger window had been completely shattered, and two Aldo purses had been taken from her car. Inside those two purses were her Dolce & Gabbana sunglasses and BeBe reading glasses.

"Yeah, I didn't have anything important in the purses, but I had to pay \$100 for SAPD to get fingerprints, and they still haven't found the people that did it."

Three weeks prior to Montoya's incident, freshman Kevin Meraz discovered his car missing on September 16 around 11:30 a.m.

"I couldn't believe it," Meraz said. "I couldn't believe my car got stolen in the middle of the day in

Flores parking lot."

The first thing he did was report the theft to campus police and then to SAPD. Five hours later, SAPD reported a 1996 black Honda Civic in an empty parking lot at Randolph Air Force Base.

"I got lucky. Really lucky," Meraz said. "I thought my car was gone forever, but luckily the cops found it."

Once Meraz picked up his car from the pound, he learned of all the items that had been taken from his car including the stereo, shift knob, CD's and all four tires including the rims.

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Campus life in need of modification

EDITORIAL

Although Residence Life took a hit this semester and last in terms of numbers, it remains an important part of the University's environment. Without on-campus living, a university is just that: a school where students go just to attend classes and then leave. Residence Life allows the university to become the students' home away from home. It's more than just a place to learn and study; it's a place to make friends, get involved and have the full college experience.

With the expense of living included in the cost of tuition, students who live on campus may have a little more money at their leisure since they don't have to worry so much about paying for rent, utilities, food and transportation going to and from school.

However, the fact of the matter is that students who move off campus often do so because of the rules and regulations surrounding life in the dorms. Many students find restrictions on visitation hours and alcohol too strict to make campus life worth it.

Alcohol at OLLU can only be consumed and stored in Providence Hall by residents 21 and older, and the consequences are severe in regard to alcohol violations. At St. Mary's University, alcohol is permitted in all dorms, as long as the

alcohol is clearly in the possession of a resident that is 21 or older, according to the residence life handbook posted online. At University of the Incarnate Word, about half of the on-campus living facilities permit alcohol.

Permitting alcohol on campus puts responsibility in the hands of students to not create a disturbance to other residents, but it could also prevent drunk driving since students would not have to go off campus to drink. The campus could actually provide a safer place for students to drink in moderation.

Furthermore, if a resident at OLLU gets locked out of his or her dorm, the first-time fee is \$30. At St. Mary's, the fee for a first-time lockout is only \$1.

If OLLU Residence Life lightened up on the policies, surely students would appreciate life on campus more. Even though there are many perks to living on campus, many students feel that their freedom is limited by the strict regulations and disciplinary actions for violations.

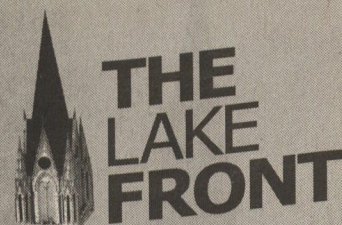
Many students also find that the overall cost of living off campus is cheaper if more than just more than just a couple people share an apartment and split the cost of food. Other perks to living in an apartment include more living space and the ability to cook. Oftentimes, apartments also include access to a 24-hour gym and other amenities, whereas the gym on the OLLU campus is located far away from the residence halls and

closes at 9:00 p.m. on weekdays and 6:00 p.m. Friday through Sunday.

Unlike OLLU, Incarnate Word offers on-campus apartments, where students still have the benefit of being able to walk to class and become more involved in campus activities but can also cook, have more living space and have the experience of living in an apartment and paying rent as a transition from campus life to apartment life.

As part of a long-term goal, OLLU Residence Life should either consider converting and renovating old dormitories like the currently unoccupied Ayres Hall or St. Anne's Hall into apartment-style living situations or building a new apartment building on campus in order to provide students with another appealing option for on-campus living. Residence Life should also consider using some of the existing community rooms and TV lounges in the dorms to create communal kitchen areas and exercise rooms that residents could have 24-hour access to in order to provide more appealing amenities to campus life.

Just because overall enrollment is down doesn't mean the number of residents has to go down with it. It may take revisions, long-term projects and monetary investments to keep students living on campus, but the end result of sustaining campus life and regaining the number of residents will be worth the effort in the long term.



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SOUNDING OFF

OLLU students reveal Valentine's Day insights



Raymond White Junior, a sophomore, has no one to spend Valentine's Day with. "I have a little broken heart," says White. "If I had someone to spend my Valentine's Day with, I would probably play them a love song on a guitar."



Karina Loyo, a senior, has not made any plans yet, but does keep preferences in mind. "I have been taken on a helicopter ride on a Valentine's Day by an ex-boyfriend. I wouldn't mind a quiet romantic night this year."



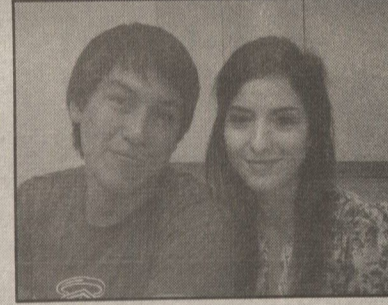
Hellene Kinville, a sophomore, has never celebrated Valentine's Day except for with her family. "My perfect Valentine's Day would just be spending the day with somebody special."



Selena Barrera, a sophomore, will probably be spending her Valentine's Day with friends and family. "My perfect Valentine's Day would be spending it with my nephew; he's the only little guy who has my heart."



Victoria Wixon, a junior, is leaving the planning to her boyfriend, Patrick Lloyd. "He needs to decide soon. If it was up to me, I would like a surprise or anything with flowers."



Couple David Bazan and Lisa Garcia, both seniors, have been together for four years and are planning to go out to dinner this year. "The best Valentine's Day together was when we went to see a Valentine's movie and he made me a gift," said Garcia.

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Valentine's Day gift guide

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Valentine's Day comes and goes each year, leaving people either in a swirl of love infused bliss or down-in-the-dumps depressed. Whether you have a honey to call your own or not, here are some simple and fun gifts or ways to spend your Valentine's Day without breaking the bank.

• Baked goods are the bee's knees.

Who doesn't love homemade sweets? Find out that special person's weakness when it comes to dessert, and prepare it especially for them. Put a unique twist on it by writing a quote or affectionate name, or even make the dessert in a crazy shape.

• Coupons aren't just for groceries.

Grab some construction paper, some markers, glitter, whatever you choose and get creative. This idea can work for anyone, your boyfriend, girlfriend, best friend, family members, etc. Decorate a coupon sized piece of paper and write down something along the lines of "Good for one day of shopping until you drop," "Redeem for a free lunch and drink at your favorite restaurant," "Free massage," "Redeem for a movie night, at the theater or in house."

• Play your cards right.

Can you think of 52 reasons why you like or find yourself in love with someone? Pick up a deck of cards,

and destroy them! (Nicely of course) Write one reason why you like/love the person you find dearest on each card so they'll always remember. Either stitch the deck together by punching holes in the cards and threading it together with yarn (like a book), or simply keep the deck in the box.

• Stay in for the evening.

This works for both couples and those of us who are single. Get cozy, ditch the fancy clothes and keep your wallet in your pocket. Instead of spending countless amounts of money on the right outfit to wear, drinks and dinner just make it yourself. Recipes exist for a reason. As children of the Internet, there are hundreds of thousands of recipes located online that are quick and simple, but look like you slaved away all day in the kitchen, and are equally delicious. Top off the evening with a glass of wine (if you're of age) and a classic romantic movie to complete the night. Suggestions: Pride & Prejudice, Amelie, Sleepless In Seattle, The Notebook, and Titanic.

• Music and art speaks to the heart.

Pick up a guitar, a piano, whatever you know how to play, and piece together a song for the one you hold dear, and then serenade them. Speak to your personality and relationship with the other person with inside jokes, compliments and romanticisms. Can't carry a tune in a bucket or an instrument? A simple poem expressing your

feelings will do. Your loved one will be thrilled you took the time to put your thoughts into words. As for art, express your love for someone using sidewalk chalk. Go to their home, apartment, or outside their dorm and construct a mural professing your love in a quirky and fun way.

• Miles separate your heart from theirs.

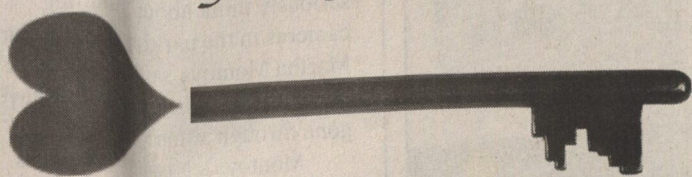
Nothing says "I love you" like a surprise visit. Plan ahead to find the cheapest plane or bus tickets, or save up some money for gas if you desire to drive. Plan a phone call for your lover where you'll know they will be at home. When they ask where you are or what you're doing, tell them to open their front door. BAM! There you are. Let the hugs and kisses ensue. If you can't afford

to travel, send a care package! Show your partner you miss them and are thinking of them by including your favorite candy, shirt, movie, music and more. It'll put a smile on their face you'll feel it wherever you are located, no matter how far.

• Typical is typical.

The most popular items for gifts during this holiday are flowers and chocolates. Why not put a spin on this overdone cliché? Instead of roses (which can sometimes be expensive and send the wrong message), pick out that person's preferred flowers. When it comes to chocolates or candy, also pick out their favorite. Go one step further, and get picky. For example, your girlfriend really likes green M&M's, buy a bag and pick out all the other colors.

The key to your loved one



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Dedicated Professor, Avid Mayan Researcher

Aaron Flores
Contributing Writer

Anthropology is a very important study not only to people around the world but also people around the OLLU community. Margaret Greco is an adjunct faculty member teaching cultural anthropology and archaeology and is also conducting archaeological research in Belize. She is affiliated with the Mesoamerican Research Laboratory (MARL) in Austin and is a project illustrator for The Programme for Belize Archaeological Project (PFBAP), directed by San Antonio native Fred Valdez, Ph.D., of the University of Texas at Austin. Greco has much experience in dealing with Mayan artifacts and treasures.

Greco not only has an expertise in the Mayan history, but also has a deep knowledge in how the art of the Mexican American communities that surround the university apply to their devout belief in their religion. Early in her career, she spent time with inmates at penitentiaries around South Texas to get a better understanding of why these inmates have tattoo images of religious icons that are prevalent within the Mexican American community.

"It was amazing to see how these inmates would mark their bodies to remind themselves of emotional bonds that would keep

"The students here at OLLU are very sharp and have developed an understanding of the importance of these ancient civilizations," Greco said.

*Margaret Greco,
Professor*

their mind off of the harsh reality of everyday life within prison," Greco said.

These bonds that Greco speaks of can be found within the community that OLLU resides. The Mexican American communities around OLLU understand that the students are trying to receive an education from an exceptional institution, and these communities support OLLU in fulfilling its mission.

Greco has worked throughout many countries including the United States, Mexico, Central America, and South America. Belize has been her most recent excavation, and she had much success there helping with the discoveries of certain artifacts. During her excavation she explored four to five major sites that included a lineage of burials containing many artifacts, including broken shards of



On the field, Professor Margaret Greco (above), analyzes discovered artifacts.

PHOTO COURTESY OF MARGARET GRECO

pottery and other Mayan treasures. Greco helps these excavations by drawing the artifacts down to the last detail because many of these artifacts that are found can't leave the country due to how fragile these items are. Greco brings the drawings of these artifacts to her classes so the students can catch a glimpse of what working in the field is like.

"The students here at OLLU

are very sharp and have developed an understanding of the importance of these ancient civilizations," Greco said. "OLLU is a special place with special students that has created bonds within their community."



PHOTO BY MARIAM KEVLISHVILI
Professor Margaret Greco.

RESIDENCE

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Zapata noted, for example, that it does not seem necessary to have so many mandatory floor meetings, especially for long-time residents.

However, Zapata stated that he would live on campus if he weren't required to purchase

a meal plan.

Resident Gabrielle Perez shared some of Zapata's reasons when she moved off campus for the fall 2011 semester, but she returned this spring for the convenience of living in the residence halls.

"It's much harder...to live off campus: you won't live month-to-month, you will live week-to-week without necessities and there is no C-Store that can provide you with them," she said.

On paper, the lower cost of renting an apartment with friends may make that option more appealing, but Perez found that living off campus brought many disadvantages she had not accounted for, including living without cable television, Internet, free laundry, and the security of University Police.

Perez warned, "If you move off campus, make sure you can not only afford the basics, but manage your finances so you can afford a little fun without the stress of three jobs."

Perez's experience of living off campus is what brought her back to the residence halls. Now, she encourages other students to "explore all their options" before they decide to move off campus just to save money because they might not be able to anticipate the impact of their decision.

"We have all our [lives] to be adults," Perez said. "During college is not the time, because in the end we have lost all focus of why we are here: to study."

Keyes unlocks class debate

»Philosophy
Professor creates interactive atmosphere in the classroom.

Katherine Espinosa
Contributing Writer

The classroom is in full attendance of students sitting still and peering up at the tall man always clothed in leather boots, jeans, and a button-down shirt. The professor demands full attention by way of his casual demeanor. The class is relaxed and open to discussion. In light of rhetorical responses and debates, the professor looks out the corner of his eye and provides the classroom with this large jovial smile in which everyone chuckles due to its contagious persuasion. Professor Thomas Keyes stands in the front and center with a large smile and congenial tone of voice speaking of philosophical topics that stir debate and discussion among a variety of students participating. When students speak, Keyes listens.

As a sophomore taking an intro to philosophy, Laura Perez claims this class as one of her favorites "because there is open discussion on interesting topics and Professor Keyes listens to everyone's answers," Perez said. "I feel like I have a voice and my ideas are important."

Keyes has been teaching at Our Lady of the Lake University for 30 years. He received his bachelor's degree from the University of Dayton in Ohio and completed his master's degree at Marquette University in Wisconsin. Keyes met his wife, Grace, at a dinner party thrown by a former sociology professor and has been happily married for 40 years. They have two children, Mariana and Devin.

When asked about his method of infusing social media into

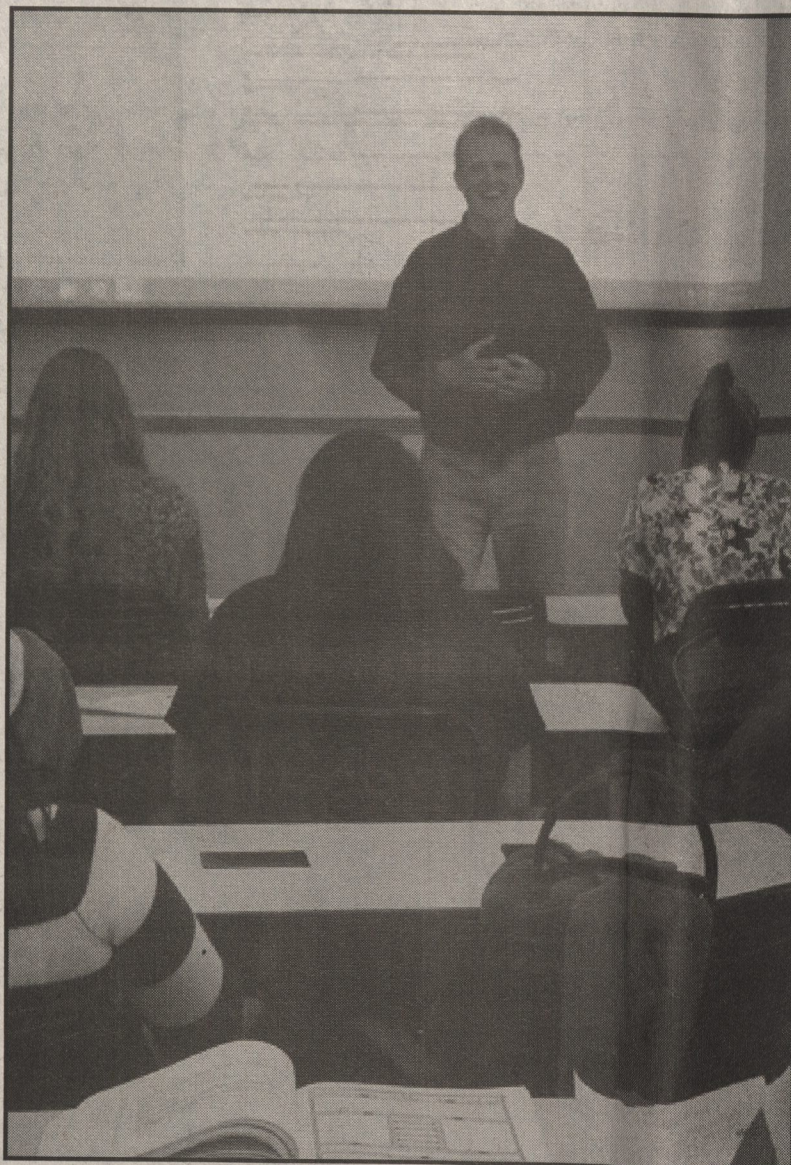


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Professor Thomas Keyes (above) lectures over critical thinking procedures.

his courses, "Social media is so important, I am a baby boomer and I grew up with a strong appreciation of TV and movies," Keyes said. "Sometimes seeing clips of a movie presents an interesting moral dilemma and gets students to think deeper about philosophical issues."

"I find the class really entertaining," Neida Escamilla, a junior communications major, said. "I like that he uses YouTube videos and movie clips in assignments as

well as in class."

It is apparent that students respond well to Keyes' teaching methods, but what is a professor of philosophy interested in outside of the classroom?

"My wife and I play classic guitar together, and I enjoy going kayaking or wind surfing with my colleagues," Keyes said.

His son also inspired him to purchase a motorcycle two years ago, and he has been riding ever since.

CAR THEFTS

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SAPD informed Meraz that they found his vehicle on cinderblocks and predicted that the criminals had broken in through the window, ripped through the steering wheel column and turned on the ignition switch.

"The whole situation could have been avoided, but instead I spent \$400 just on repairs," Meraz said. "I could have \$400 extra in my pocket, but I'm thankful I have my car."

Lt. Ramon Zertuche says that car theft and burglaries are a "crime of opportunity," and they can happen anytime, anywhere. Zertuche recommends that all students register their cars through the school in case anything does happen.

"If we see anything suspicious happening to a car, even if it is

a flat tire, we call that student to inform them," Zertuche said.

Students should also park in well-lit areas and never leave anything in plain sight.

"As students, you should always make sure that you lock your doors. Double check and even triple check."

According to the Clery Disclosure found on the campus website, from 2008-2010. OLLU had zero motor vehicle thefts. St. Mary's University, on the other hand, had a total of four motor vehicle thefts, including attempts.

Although the chances of getting surveillance around the parking lots are low, Lt. Zertuche said, "Our officers are patrolling campus 24/7. 365 days. We provide law enforcement all the time. There is no reason why any student should feel unsafe on campus."



PHOTO BY MARIAM KEVLISHVILI
As car theft incidents are reported, loss prevention becomes priority for commuters and faculty.

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Students contribute to Wiki

Valerie Cowan
Editor

Whether we come by it honestly or not, we almost all use Wikipedia. To most of us, students and professors alike, Wikipedia serves primarily as a springboard into further research or as a place to quickly find out the history of our favorite rock band or the like. Although Wikipedia has reached its own taboo in the academic world because anyone can contribute to it, a vast amount of time and work goes into making sure pages stay accurate and unbiased.

Doctoral students of Jacquelyn Alexander, Ph.D., found out just how much time and research it takes to create a new Wikipedia entry on public policy. Over the course of the fall semester, their assignment was to create a new Wikipedia page and/or edit an existing one on a public policy of their choice. As a final exam, the students presented the challenges and rewards they faced during the process of creating a Wiki article.

"I wanted to do something besides just going over the same material again," Alexander said. "I'd like to push students out of their comfort zone."

Alexander said she was inspired to assign the project because of interesting articles about Wikipedia she read online. One such article from the New York Times said that around only 15 percent of the people who make edits on are women. Another article said that courses in over two-dozen universities across

the United States are now formally incorporating Wikipedia editing into their assignments.

In the English language alone, Wikipedia is home to over 3.5 million articles and receives over 10 million views per hour, according to Wikipedia's own statistics posted December 31, 2011.

Alexander said to ignore such a widely used tool is foolish, but one must go about using it "with a healthy dose of skepticism" because anyone can make edits on Wikipedia. In terms of scholarly use, the references, if any, cited at the bottom of the page might be a good starting point for research, but the page itself is not a reliable or scholarly source.

Alexander said what excited her about the project idea was that it gave the students a chance to "put their ideas out there" for the benefit of the public, not only for the eyes of a professor or fellow students.

The students in Alexander's Public Policy for Leaders II doctoral class had a wide variety of experiences while working on the project.

"We had one of them experience... digital vandalism," Alexander said. "And the other extreme: we had one student who, after he revised it, went from just a few hits up to 40 or 50 a day."

Luci Palmer, one of Alexander's students, had relatively smooth sailing through the project, but she spent enormous amounts of time researching and making updates and edits to her newly created page on the Surface and Air Transportation Programs Extension of 2011.

"Every day, literally, I just worked at it and worked at it, adding more things to it," Palmer said during her final presentation.

According to Wikipedia's statistics on the day of her presentation, Palmer's average time between making edits was 1.08 days with a total of 66 edits.

Toni Hill, who created a page on Access to Disability Supports and Services in Bexar County, had a different experience.

"I spent some seven or eight hours capturing some seven or eight weeks' worth of research," Hill said. "I had what I thought was a pretty respectable list of references."

Hill said that only about an hour or two after she finally posted her article, "a user with editing privileges had recommended that it be speedily deleted, no discussion. He wanted it deleted because it had advertising and promotion."

Despite Hill's efforts to be unbiased and in line with Wikipedia's guidelines, officials took down her page the day before her final presentation. She contacted the editors in charge of deleting the page, but to hardly any avail. She thought most of the editors she contacted seemed rude and that perhaps they were the ones with the political bias, not her article.

"I know there's additional work that needs to be done, but I'm pretty turned off by Wikipedia," Hill said during her presentation. "It seemed to me that there was a lot of political philosophy that was injected into the editing... I watched six weeks worth of work go down the tube in a nanosecond. I was a basket case."

Another student, Dianna Carmenaty, said she experienced similar frustration when Wikipedia officials also deleted her page three times before she received the help of a classmate. She figured out that her page was deleted so quickly because she saved before adding citations and references.

"If you cannot support the information through credible references immediately, then they just get rid of it," Carmenaty said.

Since she was able to get the page posted, Carmenaty excitedly said she has had many people visit her page and provide positive feedback via the rating system Wikipedia provides its writers and readers. She said one of the biggest challenges was formatting every detail down to the color of the text using complex strings of command codes.

Adventures of Baby Pan

The boy who never grows up is back after a hibernation that lasted almost one year. Once again, he will fill your campus newspaper with joy.

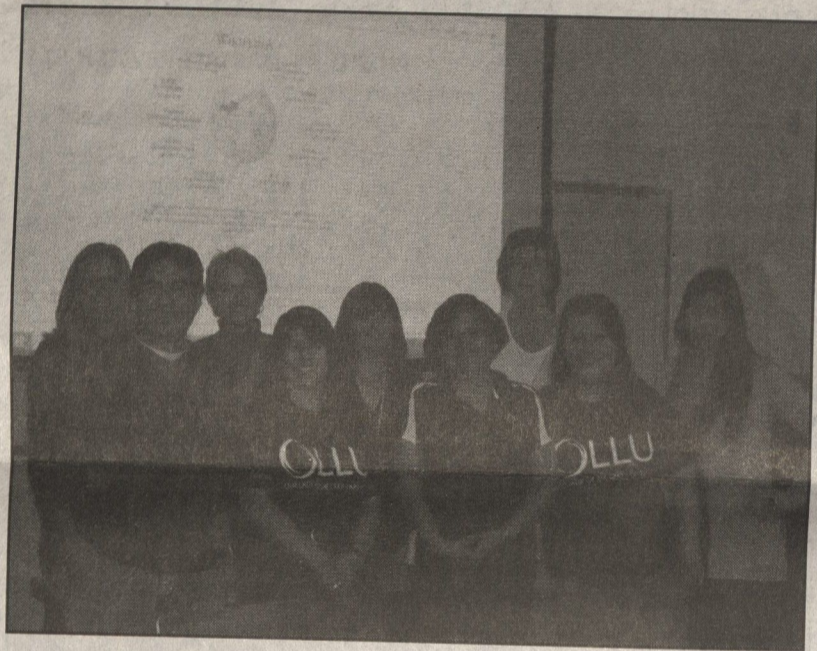
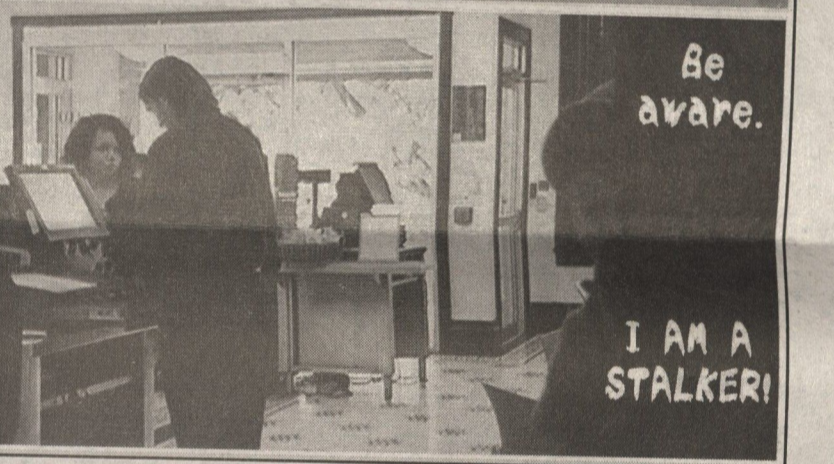


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Students participating in the Wikipedia project include (front row from left to right) Horacio, Melinda, Dianna and Emma; (backrow from left to right) Luci, Kathryn, Moi, Toni, and Erika. Not pictured, Ajani.

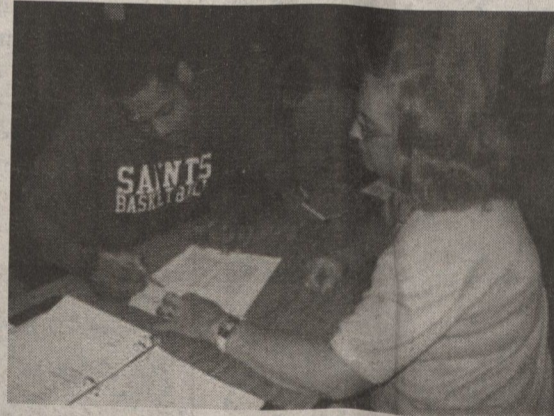
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Visit the Writing Center

The Writing Center offers face-to-face consultation at any stage of the writing process. To set an appointment, email writing@ollu.edu, or call (210) 434-6711 ext. 2441, or drop by Worden 7.

For online students, the Writing Center recommends Smarthinking, which is staffed 24/7 during the spring semester. Smarthinking can be found under Applications on the right side of your myOLLU screen at no extra cost to OLLU students.



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Holidays - The Center will be closed on the following days: Good Friday (Friday 4/6); Holy Saturday (Saturday 4/7); Easter Sunday (Sunday 4/8); and will open at noon on Easter Monday (4/9)

Concert line-up

2/1 Anthony Green with The Deer Hunter 7:00 p.m.
Tickets: \$16
Location: The Korova, 107 E Martin St.
Front man Anthony Green of the progressive indie-rock band, Circa Survive, goes solo once again for an intimate evening filled with hypnotic crooning and acoustic mayhem. Special guests The Dear Hunter join the national tour adding a touch of alternative-rock and a wider variety of instruments to the evening.

2/3 My Empty Phantom, Heavy Sleeper, Sin Alma, Despot Lounge, & The Gentlemen Swank 9:00 p.m.
Cover: \$6
Location: The Ten Eleven, 1011 Avenue B
Get lost in the classical inspired indie instrumental music of My Empty Phantom and wisk off to a different time and place. Get there early to see Heavy Sleeper and their post-indie experimental rock tunes that ironically won't make you sleepy.

2/3 Attica, Deer Vibes, Collective Dreams, You and I Underwater, Televangelist, Tetra, & Trip The Light 6:30 p.m.
Cover: \$6 with mustache, \$10 without mustache
Location: Jack's Bar, 3030 Thousand Oaks Dr.
Ranging from the psychedelic sounds of Collective Dreams, the math-rock inspired Televangelist, to the ocean inspired You and I Underwater, join local vintage photographer and mustache enthusiast Anthony Gauna as he celebrates his birthday with some of San Antonio's finest local musicians.

2/4 The Rich Hands, The Shivery Shakes, Low Times, The Nouns & Sexploits 8:30 p.m.
Cover: \$5
Location: The Ten Eleven, 1011 Avenue B
Reminiscent of the good ole days of Rock-and-Roll, dancing shoes might be a necessity when it comes to seeing The Rich Hands. Get ready for an evening of nostalgia with garage and punk rock bands.

2/7 You Me At Six, The Swellers, Twin Atlantic & We Are The Ocean 6:00 p.m.
Cover: \$12
Location: White Rabbit, 2410 N St. Mary's
Crossing the Atlantic Ocean, British pop-rock sensations, You Me At Six land on U.S. soil sharing the stage with melodic-punk counterparts, The Swellers as well as their United Kingdom mates We Are The Ocean and Twin Atlantic, with sounds ranging from hardcore to alternative rock.

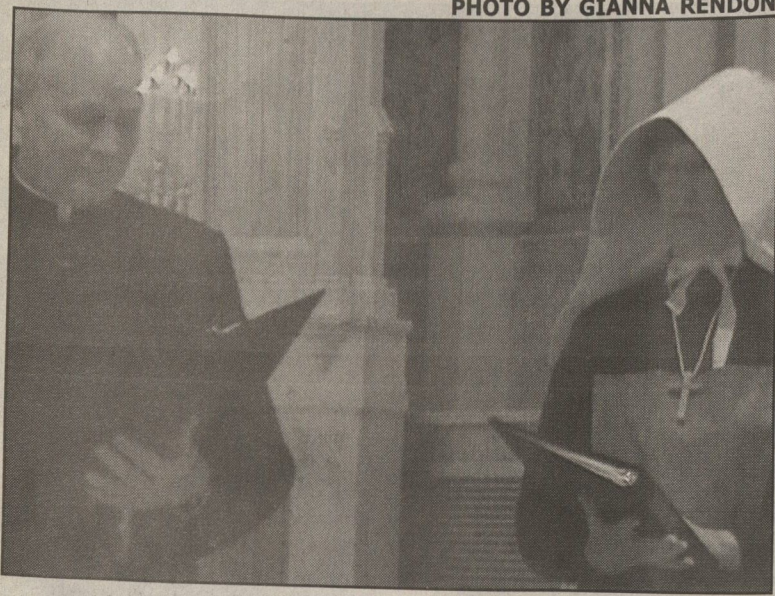
2/10 Pop Pistol, Little Brave, Mobley, The Canvas Waiting, The Rosedale Highs, & The Chris Taylor Band 8:00 p.m.
Cover: \$10
Location: Sam's Burger Joint, 330 E Grayson St.
Steeped in electronic roots comes Pop Pistol with an interesting blend of escalating beats and unearthly rhythms. Paired with Little Brave's professional folk melodies and the underlying mind-altering rock sensations from Mobley and the rest of the lineup, Sam's Burger Joint will enliven your senses.

2/12 Machine Head, Suicide Silence, Darkest Hour, & Rise to Remain 6:00 p.m.
Tickets: \$20-\$22
Location: Backstage Live, 1305 E Houston St.
Metal heads unite! Get ready for the thrashfest of the season with the heavy Machine Head and extreme Suicide Silence for a modern day madhouse of metal.

2/14 Mayday Parade, We The Kings, Downtown Fiction & Anarbor 6:30 p.m.
Tickets: \$15-\$17
Location: White Rabbit, 2410 N St. Mary's
Need some pop-rock? Ditch the candy, put on your favorite sneakers and join the crowd at the Rabbit for some feel good rock music worth ditching the typical Valentine's night fare.

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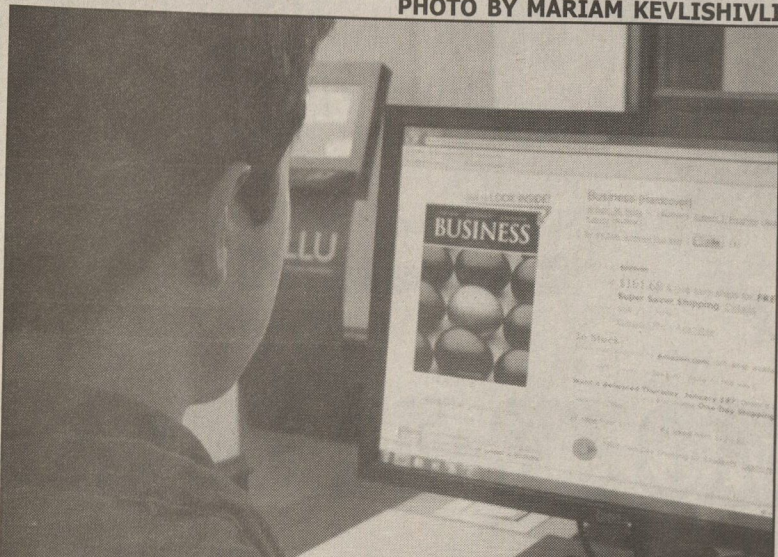
Rev. Ken Hannon (above) - representing John Martin Moyer - and Sister Theresa Gossen - representing Marguerite LeComte - both reenacted the founding years of the Congregation of Divine Providence.

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Sister Elizabeth Ann Guerrero (left) and Sister My-Hanh Tran carried incense into the Chapel in celebration of the congregation.

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Santiago Padilla, a senior, browses for textbooks on Amazon for his new spring classes.

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OLLU students are back on campus for the spring semester.

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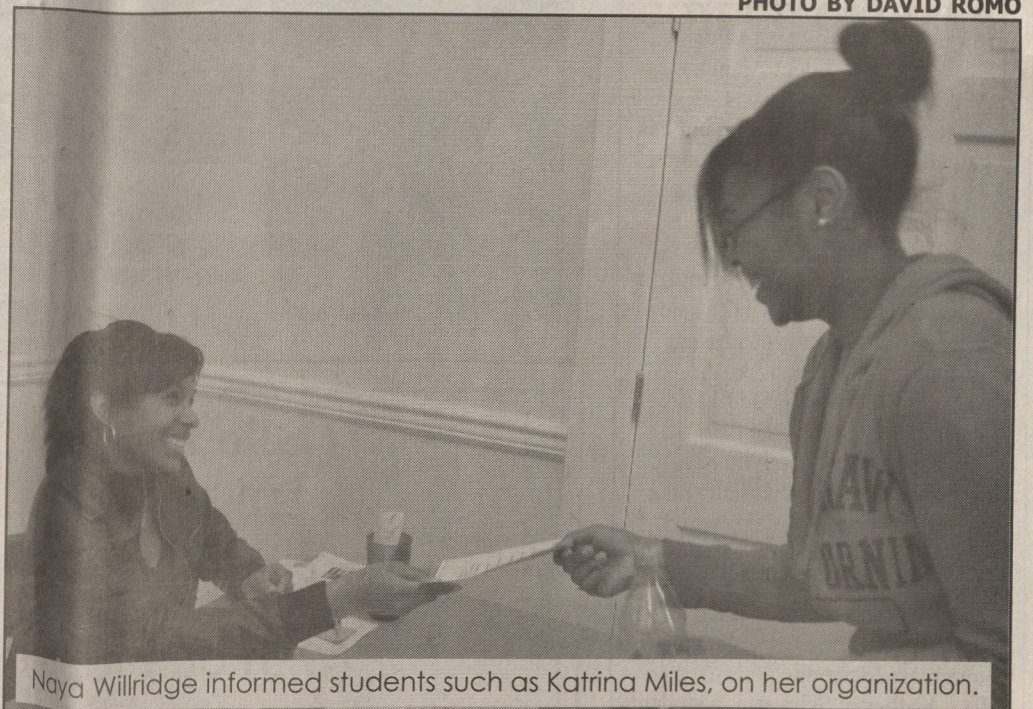
Alejandro Hernandez, a junior, enjoys the video games provided for student entertainment during Club Rush.

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Mayra Salinas, Marika Azocar, and Jamaysa Ricci, all participated in promoting their organizations - University Programming Council and First Year Connection.

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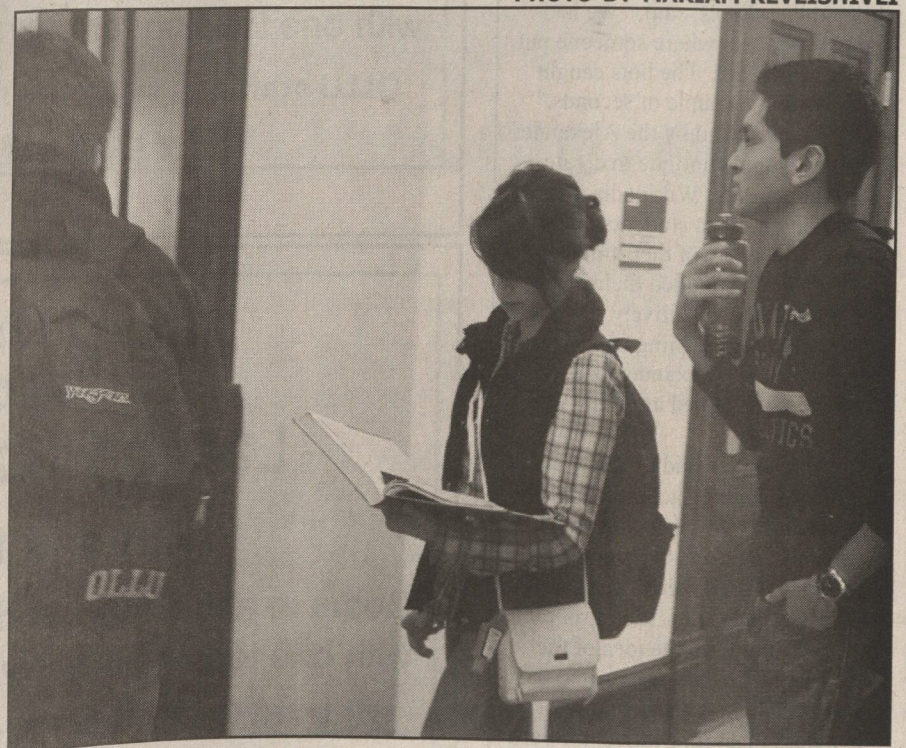
Naya Willridge informed students such as Katrina Miles, on her organization.

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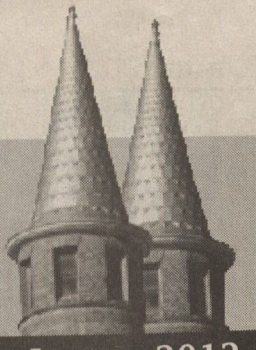


Sister Joyce Detzel enjoyed some time with fraternity brothers Diego Hernandez, Pete Perez, Pedro Cantero, and Jesus Garza.

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Entering Economics, Natalia Ortiz studies alongside Cesar Rodriguez, both freshman.



Bowling Team looks forward to upcoming Saints

Flor Salas
Reporter

The Our Lady of the Lake bowling team, a team created by students, has taken big steps in the process to become recognized by the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA). Their most recent accomplishment is that for first time in the team's history, the bowling team will be signing eight recruits to bowl in Fall 2012.

OLLU will host a dinner February 3 for the recruits and their families. There will be four men and four women coming to bowl for the Lake from around San Antonio, explained Ernest Silva, the founder of the team who scouted out the new Saints.

Two students are transfers from Northwest Vista College, while the other four bowlers are incoming freshmen.

"I can't wait to go and bowl," said Brandon Mcann a senior from Taft High School and future Saint.

Mcann has been bowling for six years and explains that his passion for bowling comes from his family since he describes it as a "family thing." Mcann's family is also very excited for this opportunity, especially his uncle who introduced him to bowling.

With new faces in the bowling team, the next season is sure to be exciting as the team strives to be recognized as a NAIA sport team.

"I am excited for next year; I'm ready to kick off," said Vanessa Nava, a high school senior from John Jay High School and future OLLU student.

Nava has been bowling for four years and said she is very happy about the opportunity given to her at the Lake since she will be able to have a college experience while playing a sport.

"OLLU made everything fall into place," Nava said.



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Vanessa Nava, John Jay High School senior, is one of the eight recruits that will bowl for the Saints next fall.



PHOTO COURTESY OF BOWLING TEAM

Current bowler Isela Flores (above).

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She was also intrigued by the automated grammar "bots" Wikipedia uses to fix grammar errors before the page is even posted.

"It's pretty labor-intensive, but I have to say that it's mine; I did this. That in itself is very rewarding," Carmenty said.

Doctoral student Ajani Abdul-Khaliq said he was very skeptical about Wikipedia, but has gained a bit more appreciation for it after completing Alexander's assignment.

"Now that we've been working on this, clearly Wikipedia is watching," Abdul-Khaliq said. "There were times when I went in, and I didn't sound like an encyclopedia, I sounded like a person; they didn't like that."

He said that, even though he would not cite Wikipedia on a paper or for any formal research project, he does trust it more after learning that Wikipedia's central editing systems are so quick to catch and delete errors, vandalism and biased writing.

Katheryn Schwarm, a student who edited a page on sex education in public schools, said, "We had one vandalism where someone put in a curse word. The bots caught that within a couple of seconds."

When asked by the Alexander if they would continue to create or edit pages on Wikipedia after graduation, most students in the class on the day of their final presentations nodded their heads and responded positively.

"It was a learning experience for all of us," Alexander said. "I had never assigned anything like this before."

Alexander said a good professor never teaches the same exact course twice as they make constant revisions to content and teaching angles, keeping in mind what works best for each group of students. With the idea of the Wikipedia project, she turned the atmosphere and the structure of her class in an innovative, forward-thinking direction that allowed students to share their research work over the World Wide Web.

In loving memory of Sister Madlyn Pape, former OLLU choir director and professor of music

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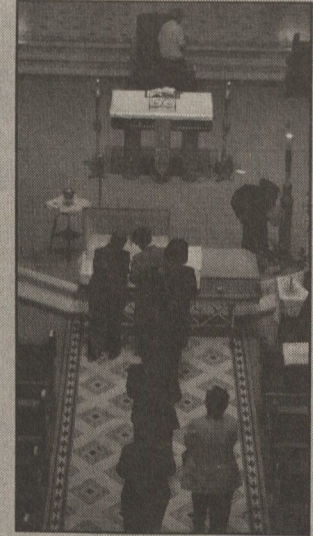


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"She was an extraordinary woman who taught so many people how to find the courage to have faith not just in each other but, more importantly, in ourselves. She will be forever missed."

-Mallorie González,
Former OLLU music student

"Supportive might easily have been Sister Madlyn's middle name; it seemed to be her nature to be encouraging and helpful with words of wisdom and inspiration. There are scores of us (her friends) who can attest to that."

-Sister Isabel Ball,
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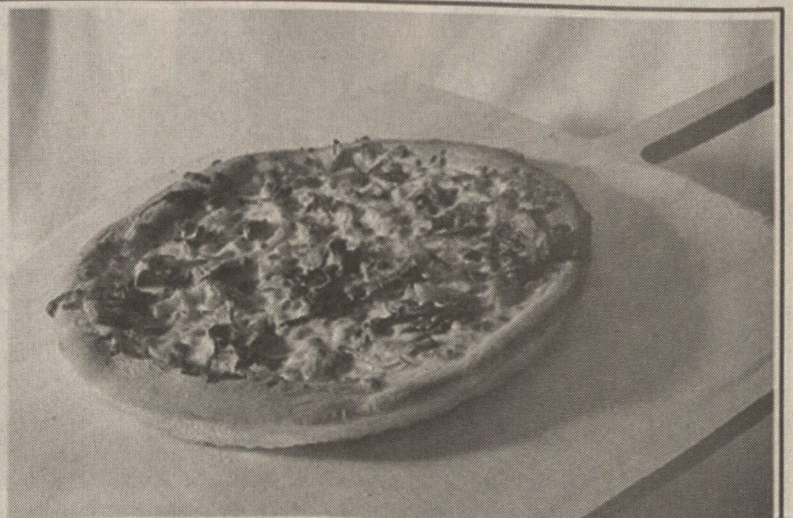
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