The South African Style of Sanibonani

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NBS Brings South African Fashion to Lynn for a Good Cause

By JENNIFER RODRIGUES

Lynn University’s National Broadcasting Society will be hosting Sanibonani, an African themed fashion show today, in the Green Center starting at 6 p.m. All proceeds raised from ticket and merchandise sales during the event will go towards orphanages in South Africa which help children affected with HIV/AIDS and the NOAH Organization. NOAH stands for nurturing orphans of AIDS for humanity.
The fashion show will feature designs from Sara Mique and Authentic Fashion Renaissance. Many of the designs, however, are student made. Student designers have been working hard since September to make their creations. Walking the runway that night will also be student models, who have volunteered their time to this great cause.

Not only is this event featuring the work and talent of Lynn University students, it was also created, marketed and managed completely by students. Jessica Levinson, junior and president of the National Broadcasting Society, dreamed up this idea and made it a reality. Levinson, a native of South Africa, has always taken an interest in helping the orphanages around her hometown and saw this as another opportunity to help.

The fashion show is one of many events featured on campus to celebrate World AIDS Day. Tickets will be on sale during the World AIDS Day fair, as well as at the door of the show. Doors will open at 6 p.m. for a cocktail hour, featuring refreshments and snacks, and the show will begin at 7 p.m. This is an event not to be missed.

Above: Preliminary fashion shots prior to the Saniboanani themed fashion show.

Flashback Fridays are Full of Fun and Frivolity

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Students Reminice on the Happy Times of Their Childhood

By CHARLIE PHILLIPS
Photo Editor
Flashback Friday was recently held on campus, outside the Perper Plaza from 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. During the event, many students’ inner childlike behaviors came out while playing with multiple activities including: playing games, taking naps, coloring in coloring books and dancing.

Some of the games that are offered during Flashback Friday include: Jenga, Checkers, Chutes and Ladders, Monopoly, Bop It, Kickball, Simon Sez, Badminton and Twister.

One student referred to Flashback Friday as, “a time where I can just let go of all the stress I have and just be myself.”

“After this event, I am going to go out and buy myself some coloring books and crayons,” said Kara Olszewski, sophomore. “I forgot how much fun it was to just sit around and color.”

Flashback Friday continued in the evening on campus where Fast Times at Ridgemont High and The Sandlot were shown in Knight’s Court.
Phrazes for the Young

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By SPENSER LAURO

The wild and crazy, Jim Morrison like rock and roll “Strokes” sensation from Brooklyn, New York, Julian Casablanca’s (The Strokes lead singer) has released his debut solo album titled “Phrazes for the Young.” The album name is a play off of famous poet Oscar Wilde’s Article Phrases and Philosophies for the Use of the Young, which is often interpreted in many different ways, as is this new Casablancas album.

The album is definitely a creative attempt at taking experimental synth rock and roll a step further in the abstract or experimental genre. This album wouldn’t disappoint late poet Oscar Wilde, with its abstract lyrics and jingle. The album is all over the board in sound, with the only consistent part of it being the heavy synthesizers throughout the entirety of the record.

This was Casablancas’ chance to explore more of the experimental side of his music making. Don’t get me wrong here, this album; even being as abstract as it is has much melodic attributes to it, which is why I personally dig this album. I kind of get lost in a purely experimental rock album. Casablancas’ Stokes have a certain sound which is that classic Rock and Roll, fast beat music that this album isn’t. Its interesting, the latest “Strokes” album, which isn’t a recent release by any means is a touch on the experimental side, and makes sense that “Casablancas” would want to write and record an album that sounds like this one on his own.

“This album is a crazy mix of synths and experimental rock that actually is welded together in a way that works for Julian,” said Erik Milz, junior. “Julian’s an incredible artist, and it’s nice to see that he’s been able to try out something new, but I am definitely excited for the Strokes album coming out next year.” This album is fast, (not Strokes fast), melodic, creative, emotional, original and truly different in a very good way.

If you’re a Julian Casablancas fan, you must check out this super crazy and unique album by The Strokes front man, its nuts, hey, he even put a Christmas song on the album!!
The album dropped on Casablancas’ own Cult Records via RCA in the U.S. and Europe and Rough Trade in the UK on Nov. 3.

Reduce, Reuse and Recycle?

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By KATHERINE PAXSON

“Going Green” makes Demands for Mandatory Recycling

The current international trend to save the Earth is followed by the household slogan every American knows, ‘Going Green.” Efforts by major waste disposal companies and corporations have strived for a cleaner planet and widespread education on how to achieve this goal. School, businesses and organizations are all joining forces to increase the population of Americans and American households to recycle. The importance of recycling is detrimental to the conservation of our environment.

“I definitely recycle so there won’t be trash lying around in landfills,” said Alex Puderbaugh, junior. “Did you know that polyester can be made from recycled plastic?”

Waste Management, the largest corporation of waste disposal, has superseded the necessity to recycle. Currently, it converts 5.5 million tons of recyclable materials each year through its 109 facilities in which to do so. Their slogan to “think green” goes beyond its efforts to provide recycling bins outside of every housing complex, business, and within cities and towns.

The question that stands up against the American people is why are there still people who choose not to recycle? Why hasn’t this conservation method been made mandatory, or for that matter illegal not to recycle?

“People should know what is right,” said Adrian Caldera, freshman. “They should know what to do.”
There is one city in the continental U.S. that has taken action. On July 23, a law was passed to make separating recycling and compost material from normal trash mandatory in San Francisco. The law applies to all households and business within the city. According to the Department of the Environment, the law hopes to decrease greenhouse gas emissions by increasing diversion rates by 90 percent.

“Recycling is necessary,” said Meegan Kavanaugh, senior. “It helps the environment and ensures the future.”

So why isn’t the rest of the world recycling? According to an article in Political Affairs magazine, recycling is not mandatory everywhere because “it’s not easy.” The article explains how when examined, the cost of recovering the materials was far more than the cost of landfilling.

issue of recycling is currently a widespread theme, but not yet a ritual. The fight to pass laws worldwide still continues with every fighting environmentalist.

Providing for Pets while Preparing for Class

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By AMY LYUS

Caring for a pet while attending school or work fulltime can be very hard and often times unfair to the pet. Enumerated below are a few tips for students with pets that may help keep their animals entertained and comfortable at home alone.

In the morning, before class or work, be sure to take the dog out for a walk and allow him to take care of business to prevent accidents in the house. If the dog is well trained and can be trusted not to damage furniture, leaving the pet to roam around the house is acceptable, but often times pet trainers recommend purchasing a crate to leave pets in during the day.
If a student decides to leave their dog inside a crate most of the day, be sure to place a comfortable blanket, a bone that he can chew on and one of his favorite toys to keep him or her entertained in the crate.

Even if a student decides to leave their dog out of the crate during the day, leaving around a few toys and bones may be a great idea to distract him or her from getting into trouble in the house.

Be sure to leave out fresh water and lay down enough food in the morning before leaving for school or work and for dinnertime.

“Our dog has never destroyed any furniture, probably because he is so spoiled,” said Breese Buffington, senior. “He has a bunch of bones and toys to keep him entertained all day.” Leaving out toys around the house ensures that pets will keep busy most of the day, if they are not sleeping.

For students with some extra pocket change, there are day care centers around Boca that are great for dog entertainment. One great place is Club Bow Wow. This is a cage less daycare environment where dogs have the freedom to socialize with other dogs and even get groomed.

Although this might be a great treat for dogs of all shapes, ages and sizes, it can get pretty pricy to continuously do this. So do not forget to make sure the apartment or home the pet is raised in is as comfortable as possible and will make them feel at home.

**Joy of the Gingerbread Man Holiday Concert**

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By LAURA VANN

In its seventh consecutive year, Lynn University’s Conservatory of Music will host its Gingerbread Holiday Concert, on Sunday, Dec. 13, at 3 p.m. Returning to the Great Hall of the Boca Raton Resort & Club, the event, presented by the Friends of the Conservatory and sponsored by Bank of America, will feature seasonal classics performed
exclusively by the student musicians that comprise Lynn’s Philharmonia Orchestra, under the baton of Albert-George Schram.

Schram assumed position of music director and conductor of Lynn’s Philharmonia Orchestra in 2003. A native of the Netherlands, Schram has long been associated with some of the country’s leading orchestras. Before coming to Lynn he was the resident conductor of the Florida Philharmonic.

Co-chairs Patricia Thomas and Robin Muir, along with Maestro Schram, promise a very festive afternoon for children of all ages, complete with visits with Santa and a sing-a-long where children are invited to the front of the stage.

All proceeds from the concert benefit student scholarships in Lynn’s Conservatory of Music. Tickets to the event are $25. To make reservations call 561-237-9000 or visit www.lynn.edu/tickets. For additional information on Lynn’s annual Gingerbread Holiday Concert, contact Laura Vann at lvann@lynn.edu, or call 561-237-7967 (o) / 561-289-0159 (c).

The Strokes Artist Spotlight

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By SPENSLER LAURO

Straight out of the heart of New York City, “The Strokes”, or, as some refer to them, the Jesus Christ of Rock and Roll, have been making a genuine blend of old school rock ‘n’ roll since 1999. The band consists of lead singer Julian Casablanca, lead guitarist Nick Valensi, rhythm guitarist Albert Hammond, Jr., bass guitarist
Nikolai Fraiture and drummer Fabrizio Moretti, who started their band in early 1999. “The Strokes” sing about the typical rock ‘n’ roll stuff, including things such as sex, drugs, women and of course partying, which is certainly appealing to anyone that likes rock ‘n’ roll.

Shortly after their formation, they put out their debut record entitled “Is This It”, which was a smash hit. The album received rave reviews around the music industry and with fans. “The Strokes” have established themselves as a strictly rock ‘n’ roll band, with that retro vibe which is directly reflected on “Is This It”. “Is This It” has a raw sounding production, that is unique in the heavily overproduced age of rock in which we currently live. With the mix of catchy melodies and old school sound, “The Strokes” very much made their name and came in to the rock industry with a bang after their successful first release.

After a full nationwide and international tour, they wrote and recorded their second Album “Room On Fire” which also received positive reviews. The album has a similar recording sound, but is a bit more upbeat and has a much faster tempo than “Is This It”.

According to an unnamed interview, after even more touring and a short one year hiatus filled with heavy psychedelic drug use, “The Strokes” put together their newest album “First Impressions of Earth”. The album strayed from the raw production sound, and had an entirely different abstract sound to it. It received mixed reviews, but was instantly loved by the band’s large fan base. The band took a long break after this release due to the bands interest in exploring side projects. After 3 years “The Strokes” are back in their New York City studio, recording their new record.

“The Strokes” are scheduled to release their new, currently untitled album in the early part of 2010.

**Mini Mac: Greats Things Come in Small Sizes**

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By JACOB BALOT

*Mini Mac Proves That Great Things Come In Small Sizes*
Apple released the Mac Mini which has more memory, a faster processor and it is the world’s most energy efficient desktop computer. The price starts at $599 and the special version which includes the Snow Leopard server, costs $999.

The new Mac Mini comes with the option of 2GB or 4GB of memory. Every Mac Mini has an NVIDIA GeForce 9400 M graphics processor. The Mac Mini also comes with the latest in wireless technology which is built within it. “Great graphics are ideal to play video games, if you have bad graphics, the game won’t be as good,” said Casey Doll, sophomore.

The Mac Mini is 6.5 inches square and 2 inches tall and was designed to take up less room and use less energy. The device includes five USB ports and one FireWire port. This allows someone to connect a keyboard, mouse, iPod, iPhone, digital camera, a printer and other devices.

The Mac Mini is the world’s most energy efficient desktop computer and requires very little packaging. Mac Mini includes a highly efficient power supply that reduces the amount of energy being used. Mac Mini uses less toxins then most desktop computers, making it better for the environment.

“This is awesome, when I get a new computer I might just get this one,” said Shawna Mann, sophomore.

**Fun with the Florida Panthers Hockey Team**

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By ASHLEY PHILLIPS
With hockey season into its second month, the Florida Panthers hockey team sells cheaper tickets for anyone to go and enjoy games.

For students, it is better for tickets to be cheaper because they are affordable; it also allows them to get away for some fun. The cheapest tickets are $20 located in the nosebleed sections. Although some people do not like sitting that high up, just the excitement of the game can get the crowd going.

“The Panthers do a lot to reward those who go to the games. They have a lot more in game entertainment and it isn’t as boring,” said Kristin Grey, senior. “Bigger markets don’t need to worry about this since they will sell out every game anyway. The free parking at the Panthers isn’t bad either!”

Students not from the Florida area believe that the games have a different atmosphere than the games back home. Senior Ben Lesuer, who is from Boston, is a huge Boston Bruins fan and believes it is because the Panthers are a much newer team, with not that much history.

“It’s a newer team with less history, so when they do something like make it to the playoffs or win a conference title, it’s special,” said Lesuer. “As in Boston, the Bruins were one of the original six, so we’ve kind of done it all.”

Both Grey and Lesuer interned with the Panthers team. Grey also interned with the Trenton Devils (ECHL).
“I’m a huge supporter of small market teams and believe that those with little experience are given a lot more responsibility, since the front office is small,” said Grey. “For the Panthers, I felt like one in a million. It’s not a bad thing, but with both internships I learned a lot and had a great experience.”

Lesuer who worked in sales with the Panthers enjoyed his experience and liked the working environment.

“With the Panthers, I felt that my opinion mattered, and though I was an intern, I was treated as if I was a full time employee,” said Lesuer. “I enjoyed the atmosphere and working with the people; they taught me a lot and helped me in areas I needed improvement on.”
By LAURA VANN

Panel of guest judges selected four student soloists to perform with Lynn’s Philharmonia Orchestra in January

The four students chosen

The Conservatory of Music at Lynn University hosts an annual Concerto Competition where student musicians are selected to perform as soloists with Lynn’s Philharmonia Orchestra. The 2009 final round was held on Sunday, Oct. 18. The four winners, and one alternate, were selected by a panel of guest judges, and will perform as soloists with the Lynn Philharmonia in its annual Concerto Winner’s Concert Jan. 30 and 31, 2010, at the Roberts Theatre at St. Andrews School. Two winners will be presented at each concert and the order is to be determined.

The four conservatory student winners and one alternate are: cellist Aziz Sapaev, pianist Natasa Stojanovska, bassoonist Carlos Felipe Vina, violinist Maryna Yermolenko, and alternate violinist
Silvia Suarez. Roberta Rust, artist faculty-piano, professor, was the competition coordinator and collaborative pianists Tao Lin and Yang Shen also participated in and supported the competition. For more information on the Conservatory of Music at Lynn University, visit www.lynn.edu/music.