

MOCK FUNERAL



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Members of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity participate in a mock funeral procession of dead SAE brother Paddy Murphy. According to legend, Murphy, who was Al Capone's right hand man, was supposedly shot by Capone's crime-fighting nemesis, Elliot Ness, an SAE brother himself. The procession is part of a week-long schedule of events to support the Children's Miracle Network.

SMARTPHONE

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"You're starting to see more and more of the adoption of the iPhone in a classroom setting," said Dr. Scott Testa, visiting professor of marketing at St. Joseph's University. "When you have these smartphones that have greater processing power and more multimedia capabilities, then that opens up to a whole new world as far as education is concerned."

Gilles Sitou Byll-Catarina, a junior information technology major, purchased his Nokia N82 smartphone eight months ago. He is very satisfied with the performance and the operating system of the phone, which allows him to have many open applications while working on others simultaneously, he said.

He said he uses his smartphone to check his e-mail, calendar and Blackboard, but he doesn't

necessarily consider it convenient for writing papers because of the small screen size.

Although smartphones can be cheaper than the average laptop, the cost of added applications can increase costs drastically. Especially if a consumer overlooks the fine print reading: "Some fees may apply."

American smartphone users who installed applications on their devices spent between \$100 and \$499, according to a recent ABI Research survey.

"I can only imagine how great it would have been to have access to [smartphone] technology when I was in college," Gilbert said.

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Which smartphone is right for you?



AT&T – APPLE IPHONE 3G

Color: Black
Price: \$199.99 with contract
Screen Size: 3.5-inch multi-touch
Camera: 2 MP camera, no video recorder
Keyboard: Integrated QWERTY quick touch screen

Bluetooth: 2.0 technology
Memory: 8 GB flash memory
Internet: Wi-Fi able, edge network compatible
Extras: Visual voicemail



SPRINT – HTC TOUCH PRO

Color: Black
Price: \$199.99 after mail-in rebate and online discount
Screen Size: 2.8-inch touch-screen
Camera: 3.2 MP camera with auto focus and flash
Keyboard: Sliding QWERTY

Bluetooth: Stereo technology
Memory: Expandable slot microSD
Internet: Built-in GPS, Wi-Fi
Extras: Microsoft Mobile Office



T-MOBILE – HTC G1 WITH GOOGLE

Color: Black, white, bronze
Price: \$179.99 with contract
Screen Size: 3.2-inch TFT-LCD flat touch-sensitive screen
Camera: 3.2 MP color camera with auto focus.
Keyboard: Full 5-row QWERTY

Bluetooth: 2.0 technology
Memory: 1 GB card included, expandable to 8GB; microSD (SD 2.0 compatible)
Internet: Instant access, one-touch Google search; High-speed 3.5G network connection



VERIZON – BLACKBERRY STORM

Color: Black, dark blue, charcoal
Price: \$199.99 with 2-year activation with email plan
Screen Size: 3.25-inch screen
Camera: 3.2 MP camera with auto flash, focus and digital zoom
Keyboard: SureType multi-tap or full QWERTY

Bluetooth: 2.0 technology
Memory: 1 GB onboard memory, expandable memory support for microSD card, 128 flash memory
Internet: Wireless email, GPS
Extras: 3.5 mm stereo headset

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UNF 'ready for change' in recycling competition

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Anyone who has ever wandered past the UNF dorm recycling receptacles is sure to notice a general trend: overturned bins, renegade water bottles inching toward the storm drain and an inch or two of rapidly rotting Natural Ice – not exactly what Mother Earth needs.

UNF isn't the only university that could improve its campus-wide recycling initiative, according to the National Recycling Coalition.

As a fix, the coalition formed a competition for schools called RecycleMania.

The program is a benchmarking tool for college and university recycling programs to promote waste reduction activities to their campus communities, according to the Web site.

UNF was one of 513 schools participating in the event, which began Feb. 23.

"It feels like this change is ready to happen," said Katrina Norbom, program leader and UNF graduate student assistant to the Environmental Center.

Participating schools compete in five different categories. UNF is competing in four: Grand Champion, Stephen K. Gaski Per Capita Classic, WasteMinimization and Targeted Materials.

RecycleMania ranks schools in two divisions: Benchmark and Competing. UNF is in the Competing division.

The progress of UNF and other schools can be checked on the program's Web site by weekly weight recordings throughout RecycleMania's 10-week run.

Norbom said the competition is a way of laying a foundation for sustainability around campus with hopes of the eventual decrease in consumption all together.

Besides the prescribed RecycleMania route to sustainability, some students at UNF are joining Norbom in a more grassroots approach with informative art projects.

Environmental advocate students have constructed "trees" from recyclable materials labeled with facts about paper consumption and set them strategically throughout the library to help spread the word. Sculptures compiled of cardboard, plastic bottles

THE COMPETITION

CATEGORIES:

Grand Champion: looks at what percentage of total waste accumulated is recycled

Stephen K. Gaski Per Capita Classic: determines how much is being recycled per student

Waste Minimization: aims to determine which school generates the least amount of waste (both recyclables and trash) per student

Targeted Materials: specializes in furthering progress in four targeted material categories: paper, corrugated cardboard, bottles and cans, and food service organics

Gorilla Prize: recognizes the larger schools that recycle the highest gross tonnage of combined paper, cardboard and bottle and cans during the competition, regardless of campus population

DIVISIONS:

Benchmark: aspires to assist schools in establishing widespread recycling habits and doesn't necessarily include a severe competitive aspect

Competing: includes all of the above mentioned categories

and similar materials are also slated to make guest appearances across campus in the near future, Norbom said.

With so much of the groundwork already laid, Norbom said student participation is all that's necessary for RecycleMania to be a success and for UNF to grow toward greener practices.

"This movement is going to spring from the students," she said. "We can create change."

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