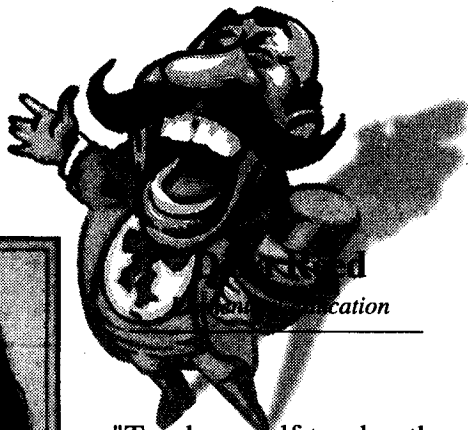
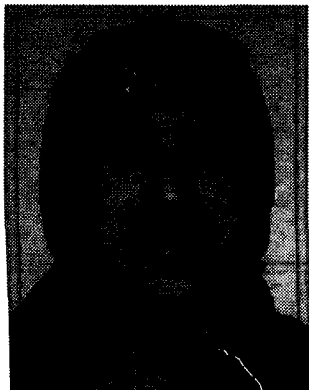




**What's Your
New Year's
Resolution?**



"Teach myself to play the guitar."



Beau Faulkner
Communications

"To try and remember the past year."



Krista Kegerise
Communications

"Exercise more and eat good food!"



Matthew Bragg
Management

"Quit smoking."



Mary Draisey
American Studies

"Do my schoolwork."

Super Bowl XXXVII

Gruden takes on his old matey's from Oakland

By Rob Trishman staff writer for The Capital Times



Arrrhhh Matey! It's the Oakland Raiders vs. the Tampa Bay Buccaneers in Super Bowl XXXVII. I suppose the stars of the halftime show will be Disney's "Pirates of the Caribbean. Enough

with the theatrics though, on to the game.

"Gannon' rhymes with "cannon", and this is appropriate because Raiders quarterback and league MVP Rich Gannon appears to have a cannon attached to his right shoulder. He will be tossing the ball to the best and hardest working receiver on the planet in Jerry Rice, a former Heisman Trophy winner in Tim Brown, and a nice supporting cast featuring the league's leading receiver among running backs, Charlie Garner (961 yards).

Gannon and Co. will take their air show up against the top defense in the league. The Bucs' "D" was #1 overall and #1 against the pass. And the Raiders' presidentially-named offensive guard Lincoln Kennedy will be trying to protect Gannon from the likes of Tampa Bay defensive linemen Warren Sapp and Simeon Rice, as well as hard-hitting linebacker Derrick Brooks.

When the Bucs have the ball, it's Tampa Bay's "Johnson and Johnson" (QB

Brad and WR Keyshawn) vs. Oakland's "Woodson and Woodson" (defensive backs Charles and Rod). Oakland also has to contend with former Nittany Lion WR Joe Jurevicius, who has had a breakout season.

Veteran Raiders linebacker Bill Romanowski, playing in his fifth Super Bowl, will be patrolling the middle trying to stifle the Bucs' passing game. If the Bucs' can't move through the air, fullback Mike Alstott may have to carry them on his burly shoulders. When he runs well, they win.

X-factor: Attention good, mild-mannered citizens of sunny San Diego, please evacuate your homes. Raider Nation is invading your city. Oakland features a group of rowdy fans who look like the KISS Army on steroids. The "Black Hole" will set up shop in Qualcomm Stadium and it won't be pretty.

This game can also be called "Chucky Bowl I", because former Raiders and current Bucs head coach Jon "Chucky" Gruden will face his old team for the first time with no expected love loss.

But on the field, the Bucs have already proven they can shut down teams with a better offense, turning back the 49ers and Eagles on their way to the big dance. Sunday should be no different. Prediction....
BUCCANEERS 24-RAIDERS 13.

Acoustic Guitar Player offers tranquil melodies during Welcome Week

by Sarah Elkalban
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On Wednesday January 15th, Penn State Harrisburg welcomed back Jazz Musician and Guitarist, Alfonse Ciaccio to perform a beautifully soothing two hour performance at an SAF proposal and SGA sponsored Coffee House. The event was held in the main lobby from noon to 2 p.m. where three tables with game boards were set up and light refreshments of flavored teas and coffees and cookies were served creating a relaxing atmosphere. Ciaccio's tranquil melodies enhanced the peaceful atmosphere as Penn State students, faculty, and staff sat or walked passed and enjoyed listening to his gift and that is exactly what Ciaccio calls his musical ability, a gift. "There is no better reason to have a gift than to share it with others," Ciaccio told me before he began playing at noontime. He also told me why he likes playing the guitar. He says that it is the instrument closest to your heart. He went on to say that, "the difference between an artist and a

technician is that an artist is more interested in telling the story" and telling a story he did. While listening to his music, one cannot help but paint a picture in his or her mind, a picture filled with much emotion and journey to the



farthest reaches of the hidden or the forgotten. His music makes has the power to make one reminisce the past, anticipate the future, and thoroughly enjoy the present. Ciaccio is a musician who exudes pure passion and love for what he does in his performances. This can be seen in his eyes as well as be heard in his music. Music is not just a hobby for Ciaccio, it is an expression of self which is a necessity; it is necessary to make room in your life for "that space" he says. As he puts it, "to be truly creative,

we have to have that space and have a detached indifference to opinions of others." Meeting Ciaccio made me realize once and for all that music, with or without words, is poetry... profound words from a profound musician.

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