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After graduation, Trautenberg will begin his search for a career where he can further his computer and business skills. His plans are to continue working with database software for comptroller and finance tasks at a prestigious company or at FIU. His job as SGC-BBC allowed him to work with the budgets for campus departments and organizations by reviewing their budget and helping to allocate their funds.

Sarah G. David, office manager for Campus Life and Orientation, has worked alongside Trautenberg for almost three years.

“Zach is one of the most hardworking, conscientious student leaders I’ve ever had the pleasure of working with,” David said. “Zach is always working in his office way past the required hours for student government officers. On top of that, he goes out of his way to offer help to others in the office, including myself.”

Trautenberg spends about 30 hours a week in his office, but he says he has no regrets—he loved every second of it.

“I loved working in SGC-BBC because I got to work with great people and help to raise money with other students,” Trautenberg said. Brent Maximin, outgoing SGC-BBC vice president, has worked alongside Trautenberg in the very close, cluttered corners of their shared office. Maximin was re-elected vice president of SGC-BBC after the resignation of Pamela St. Fleur, former SGC-BBC vice president, thanks to Trautenberg’s nomination. The two have formed a close friendship.

“Zach is one of the most committed leaders I know who always leads by example. He is one of those people who you can never work alongside this guy,” Maximin, who will also be graduating this semester, said.

Aside from SGC-BBC, Trautenberg has been working with the BBC Wishgivers, a project he helped develop in 2006.

“I started BBC Wishgivers because I really enjoy helping other people,” Trautenberg said.

The organization works to raise money for the Make-a-Wish Foundation, which is a group that grants wishes for children with life-threatening illnesses.

As the president of BBC Wishgivers, Trautenberg organized events on campus such as Casino Night, which took place Feb. 28 in the Wolfe University Center Ballroom and raised approximately $400.

“Casino Night was one of the very successful events BBC Wishgivers had on campus and I was very happy with all the money we raised for those children,” Trautenberg said.

According to Trautenberg, the future of BBC Wishgivers and its members is unclear because no executive board has been found yet.

“I will miss the people here,” Trautenberg said. “BBC has some of the nicest people I’ve ever met. Everything here [at BBC] is for the students, for the community and done to make a difference.”

Student remembered for work at center

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students gather in the residence halls to discuss a wide range of topics from body image to sexuality.

The second event Warshaw helped to organize was the Sisterhood Retreat, which took 30 women to Alfa, Fla., in October for a weekend’s worth of female empowerment.

“Tara did it all, with very little guidance from me,” Onorato said. And thanks in part to the organizing and planning skills she picked up while working at the Women’s Center, Warshaw has a couple of ideas lined up for after graduation.

She has job interviews set up in Jacksonville, where she’ll be headed soon after graduation.

But her ultimate goal is to one day open up her own university.

“It wasn’t my idea,” Warshaw said. “It was a group collaboration.”

Three of Warshaw’s friends and fellow graduate assistants came up with the idea to start a university, an institution they would like to call Heritage University because the word incorporates letters from each of their names; “He” for Heidi Richards, “ri” for Arianna Agramante, “ta” for Tara Warshaw and “ge” Angelina “AJ” Acosta.

Although she says she has a plan of action, Warshaw wonders whether or not the group will have the drive to open up a university 10 or 15 years from now.

“You have to go through the steps to make it happen,” Warshaw said. “Right now we’re trying to come up with a mission statement and logo. We are going to do this.”

Onorato, who took over the direction of the Women’s Center just one semester before hiring Warshaw, feels she will not only be losing a great employee but also a great friend.

“I couldn’t have asked for a better relationship with a graduate student,” Onorato said. “Together we made all of the decisions, the whole curriculum was made by the both of us.”

Pullin looks to pass knowledge on to others

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Pullin looks to pass knowledge on to others.

“One day he showed me the case and talked to me about it for half an hour,” Cepero said. “Pullin can’t learn the game of baseball from any specific person or group—he learned from playing and watching others.

His father, Jim Pullin, recalls his son teaching at summer camps while he was still in high school.

“Brian has the patience when helping and teaching younger kids,” said Jim Pullin. “He enjoys that part of the sport.”

Pullin cannot picture his son entering a profession that does not incorporate baseball in some form.

“Baseball needs to be around baseball,” Jim Pullin said. “That’s his life.”

He says that he has been contemplating teaching high school kids baseball after graduation.

The thought of returning as a FIU coach has also crossed his mind. Pullin graduated was a thought that didn’t cross many people’s minds, including Price, who was the first to arrive at FIU, but Price is now forced to wonder if Pullin’s No. 8 will be retired next to his No.21.

“I never look at a player and think he’s going to set records and go to the Major Leagues,” Price said.

Price gave Pullin the chance to start his career at FIU and he grew to know his young pupil.

“He’ll get down on himself a little bit too much, but the best ones do,” Price said. “Mike Lowell was extremely hard on himself, too.”