

## SPOTLIGHT ON FIU



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University president Mark Rosenberg speaks with NBC 6's Adam Kuperstein about the history of FIU accompanied by Roary, the Dazzlers and the FIU Band.

## Smoking ban enforcement begins

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*Staff Writer*

The University will be taking active measures to enforce the tobacco-free, smoke-free campus regulation. Back in Jan. 2011, the University began its smoke-free policy. The tobacco-smoke free regulation prohibited the use of any smoking or tobacco product in the University.

The policy was accompanied by a prolonged grace period in which individuals seen smoking, were asked to stop, but did not receive any disciplinary action.

As of Sept. 10, however, this grace period has met its end. The University will now be taking measures to prevent smoking and tobacco use on campus.

Mariela Gabaroni, assistant director of University Health Services, said, "We became tobacco-free and smoke-free to create a healthier environment for our university community."

The University does not stand alone on this matter. Several other colleges and universities in Florida have enacted a ban on campus grounds; however the university will be the first school in Florida to implement an official enforcement policy.

According to the American Nonsmokers' Rights Foundation, as of July 1, there are over 774 smoke-free colleges and universities in the nation. Over 500 of these have a tobacco-free regulations, which regulate the use of all tobacco products.

In Florida alone, there are 16 colleges and universities that support and enforce this ban. Among them are the University of Florida, Nova Southeastern University and eight Miami-Dade College campuses. The University of Central Florida and the University of Miami's Medical Campus are also smoke-free, but they do allow

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## Art and science: Medical students host art initiative

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On Sept. 29, the Patricia and Phillip Frost Art Museum will host The Mammography Art Initiative, an event created by a group of University medical students.

The initiative's goal is to fund-

raise money for the mammograms of 80 underprivileged women in the Miami area who are a part of the Green Family Foundation Neighborhood Health Education Learning Program, an extension of the medical school at the University.

Robert Guito, medical school student and leader of the initiative, has

made this his capstone project.

"After talking with local women who are in need, we knew this was the right goal to pursue," Guito said. "Not only were they advocates of early detection, they felt a lack of education about breast cancer and who was at risk."

The goal is to raise \$8,000. The show will be a silent auction featuring

the works of Pedro Jermaine and other rising artists.

The first place winner will win \$200 and have his or her work displayed at the art show in the Frost Museum; second and third place winners will also have their works displayed. The art contest has two different themes for submission: "Radiology Meets

Art" and "Breast Cancer Can Hide in Anyone."

The first theme features art using X-ray, ultrasound, or other medical images within the work and the latter theme includes multimedia techniques, photography and painting.

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## Former Secretary of State visits FIU

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The University and the School of International and Public Affairs will be hosting a lecture by former Secretary of State Madeleine Albright in the Graham Center Ballrooms on Thursday, Sept. 13, at 3 p.m.

Albright will be speaking about the life and legacy of Czech human rights activist, Vaclav Havel, who visited the University 10 years ago to speak about the hopes of Cuba transitioning to democracy in the near future.

Despite seating for over 800 people, the event sold out in a little more than three days. Tickets, however, are free and patrons are

encouraged to show up at the GC Ballrooms prior to the event when unclaimed tickets will be released five minutes prior to the show.

The lecture will be simulcast on the televisions at the GC common area and webcast live on webcast.fiu.edu. Associate Director of SIPA Pedro Botta said, "The response has been overwhelming. The event sold out so quickly and people are really excited to have a woman of such accomplished success as Ms. Albright."

A panel discussion following Albright's lecture will include: Thomas Dine, president of the American Friends of the Czech Republic; Petr Gandalovic, ambassador of the Czech Republic to the U.S.; Carl

Gershman, president of the National Endowment for Democracy; Martin Palous, director of the Vaclav Havel Library and senior fellow of SIPA; Marifeli Perez-Stable, interim director of the Latin American and Caribbean Center.

"The panelists will also bring a unique perspective to her comments and all of the speakers will be available for questions," Botta said.

The lecture is co-sponsored by the Office of the President, the Division of External Relations, the Department of Politics and International Relations, the European Studies Program and the Miami-Florida European Union Center for Excellence.

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## NO RUSH



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Phi Sigma Kappa members recruit members outside of the Graham Center during fraternity rush week.





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# Border Patrol halts Mexico flights

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AP Staff

The U.S. government has halted flights home for Mexicans caught entering the country illegally in the deadly summer heat of Arizona's deserts, a money-saving move that ends a seven-year experiment that cost taxpayers nearly \$100 million.

More than 125,000 passengers were flown deep into Mexico for free since 2004 in an effort that initially met with skepticism from Mexican government officials and migrants, but was gradually embraced as a way to help people back on their feet and save lives.

The Border Patrol hailed it as a way to discourage people from trying their luck again, and it appears to have kept many away — at least for a short time.

But with Border Patrol arrests at 40-year lows and fresh evidence suggesting more people may be heading south of the border than north, officials struggled to fill the planes and found the costs increasingly difficult to justify. Flights carrying up to 146 people were cut to once from twice daily last year. And this summer, there haven't been any.

"Everything comes down to dollars and cents," said George Allen, assistant chief of the Border Patrol's Tucson sector. "We're running into a more budget-conscious society, especially with the government."

He added: "Does it fit within our budget and is there an alternative that is not as effective but still effective?"

In an effort to keep the flights going, American authorities proposed mixing in Mexicans who commit crimes while living in the U.S. The Mexican government balked at seating hardened criminals next to families, elderly and the frail who recently crossed the border in search of work.

"Right off the bat, I can tell you that Mexico was not going to allow, nor will it ever allow, that kind of repatriation, which puts families' safety at risk," said Juan Manuel Calderon, the Mexican consul in Tucson.

U.S. and Mexican negotiators also discussed changing the route from El Paso, Texas, where many Mexicans with criminal records are held, to the central Mexican state of Guanajuato. In the past, the route has been from Tucson to Mexico City.

The flights may resume but not this year, U.S. and Mexican officials say.

The Mexican Interior Repatriation Program flights carried 125,164 passengers at a cost of \$90.6 million since 2004, or an average of \$724 each, according to U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

The flights ran as few as 38 days in 2009 and as many as 120 days in 2010, when a record 23,384 passengers were flown. Last year, there were 8,893 passengers flown at a cost of \$5 million — an average of \$562 each.

## STARSTRUCK



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Junior International Relations major Vincent Rossi receives his ticket to sit at the FIU Arena as Bill Clinton addresses Florida.

# Grace period ends, enforcement begins

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other forms of tobacco.

According to Gabaroni, enforcement of this regulation has been an option since the beginning. Individuals caught violating the tobacco-free policy will be issued a Notice of Violation. A database will be kept to record student and employee violations. Repercussions will follow in accordance to how many times individuals violate the policy.

Upon first the first recorded violation, individuals will be issued a warning along with information on managing tobacco intake. Second-time offenders will be required to sign up for two smoking/tobacco management sessions with University Health Services within two weeks of receiving the notice. They can also choose to attend sessions outside of the University grounds, but must show proof of their visits.

Individuals have 45 days to fulfill this requisite. Failure to do so will land offenders a third degree violation. Both students and employees who are given a third violation will be sent to either student conduct or employee labor relations, depending on their status in the University. According to Gabaroni, this will likely be handled case by case. The policy will be enforced by police service technicians and police officers.

Students' responses on the topic are varied.

Senior Denise Solis, art and art history major indicated that she feels very strongly about the University continuing to be smoke free. She did state however, "I have not seen anyone smoking near the main buildings." Junior and communications major, Annelise Ferrer has encountered more than a few individuals smoking and does not believe this enforcement will make a difference.

"There will not be a difference. I have seen people doing it in private places where they can't get caught," Ferrer said.

In support of the enforcement, Cesar Larancuent, senior and international relations major, said, "I think it's a great measure to protect those of us who do not smoke because what most people don't understand is that when they smoke, they make us passive smokers and are making the same damage to our health as they do to theirs."

In rebuttal, Kris Saad, digital media studies major, said, "I think it's unfair and unethical especially for those who live on campus because they have nowhere to smoke legally and if they live here, they have no means to get off campus. If they're going to ban [smoking], there should at least be smoking zones."

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## We have a ban on e-cigarettes too?

**AARON PABON**  
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I occasionally smoke.

I am aware of the harm it can do to my body and the harm it can do to others around me.

I'm sure anyone can understand the stress that a university student goes through with classes, tests, tuition, and life.

I have gone through these stresses as well, and what I do to relieve the stress is smoke.

When I first heard of the smoking ban at FIU, my first reaction was to find a substitute for the habit, or find a way to suppress it.

I decided to use a cigarette, an electronic one to be precise.

An e-cigarette is a electrical vaporiser, that simulates the effect of smoking by heating

nicotine into a water vapor to be inhaled. After inhalation, water vapor is exhaled.

It helped curb the smoking to a point where I was using it less than a real cigarette.

I immediately noticed that I could breath a lot better.

While using the e-cigarette, I still conform to smoking etiquette - smoke out of site, away from others, etc.

While in a friend's car, we were seen using them by FIU Security.

Security told us to "Put out that cigarette. FIU has a no smoking policy."

Even containing water vapor in a car is an issue for the school.

Despite the fact the only thing emitted is harmless water vapor, I was told I could not use it as FIU is "Smoke

Free."

I looked at FIU's policies, and saw that the use of the e-cigarette is not allowed.

While I understand and implore the school for making us healthy,

“ I decided to use a cigarette, an electronic one to be precise. ”

but they should also make their agenda to ban other harmful items

on campus.

We sell items made with trans fats, high-fructose corn syrup, and countless of energy drink products. Many of these can be harmful.

I have a better chance of getting hit by a car or a golf cart on this campus and getting seriously hurt than contracting diseases due to second-hand smoke effects.

I can understand banning smoking; but I also understand it is difficult to quit.

Some students need a hit or two of nicotine when they are stuck on the campus for many hours studying and working on assignments, but banning the use of a product that and that it may help others quit is not helping.

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## Let smokers make own decisions



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The University's smoking regulation will finally have actual enforcement, not just the social kind. But The Beacon has to ask: why?

Why make decisions for the adults who make up this University? Why place a regulation when Florida has its own law to regulate smoking and second-hand smoke?

This makes us believe that the University views its students as indecisive children who don't know what's good for them. FIU is not here to baby its students or employees. If that were the case, then we should regulate soda as well.

Members of the University community who are conscious of the dangers of high fructose corn syrup could argue soda is just as harmful to our health as it is a major contributor to increases in obesity, Type II diabetes, tooth decay and cancer.

If we are going to regulate smoking, then why not do the same for alcohol on campus as well?

The dangers of drinking too much alcohol are all too familiar to us. Done to excess, drinking alcohol can lead to arrest or death. Moreover, just like cigarette smoke, excessive alcohol drinking can put others in danger.

Sound familiar?

Therefore, the University should consider citations, educational courses and trips to Student Conduct for those who drink too much soda or alcohol on campus.

We realize this isn't a plausible

outcome, but for those among us who enjoy cigarettes from time to time, we would be remiss if we didn't point out the double standards in play with this situation. The acts of smoking cigarettes and chewing tobacco and their side effects have a much worse social stigma than drinking soda pop or even alcohol. However, the consumption of sodas such as Pepsi could be just as malicious to healthy living as nicotine.

But if the University is going to make decisions for us, then it should, we say begrudgingly, use the more effective route and take our money.

Perhaps a better enforcement could aim towards students' finances. A fine of even \$20 could make a student think twice before lighting their cigarette or taking their picture smoking next to the "smoke free campus" signs.

Students who have to pay for classes with increasing tuitions every year, books, monthly bills and recreational activities, do not like to see their money go to waste and if they can smoke elsewhere without seeing their wallets lose weight, then they will not take the risk because by then, smoking will be money.

The point should be to enforce the state law already in place, not force students to take advice that as adults they should be able to take or leave as they please.

Students, faculty, and staff should attend an educational course on the dangers of smoking because they want to, not because a violation says so. And a ban should be enforced more effectively, not with a sermon.

### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

#### RE: HEALTH SERVICES

Thank you for writing about the University Health Service at the Biscayne Bay Campus. We have been in existence on this campus for 28 years.

We have a physician, three advanced registered nurse practitioners and registered nurses to meet the primary care and contraceptive needs of our students.

UHS is open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Fridays.

We encourage students to make appointments at a time that is convenient for them but we also see students who walk-in for care.

We fit them in between our patients with appointments. We are a bit different from a family physician in that we believe in spending extra time with our patients so we can truly address their

needs.

Students that pay the health fee are always seen for free at the clinic. We charge only for procedures, vaccines, diagnostic testing, or for medications purchased from our prepackaged pharmacy.

If a student was registered in the spring semester but not in the summer we could still see the student if they pay the health fee and they could be seen until the first day of the fall semester.

If the student chose not to pay the health fee we could not see them. Students who graduated the previous semester can also be seen if they pay the health fee. The UHS phone number is 305 919-5620.

We also have a patient advocate, Sharon Duchatelier to assist a student with any issue or concern they may have in relation to UHS.

The Wellness Center is a part of University Health

Services but is located in the Wolfe University Center 307. Students can obtain a free Fitness Assessment that includes an exercise plan and nutritional plan to meet their health and fitness goals along with counseling.

We offer free 10 minute massages for students on Wednesday and Thursday.

They can call 305-919-3035 to schedule a free massage. We also offer free yoga classes for students in the Fitness Center. We are committed to providing the best in health and wellness care to our students.

We are here so that students can access health care conveniently so that they can achieve their academic goals. "Student Health is our specialty" and we exist for our students.

-Therese Boyd, Director  
University Health Services,  
Biscayne Bay Campus

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## THEATRE

# Pandiani's "That Rebel That" deals with the effects of love

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Alendra and Javier have been together for six years, but now they've grown up; how much will they have to compromise to give life to their love?

The question of compromise is at the heart of "That Rebel That," one of the new productions to debut in Miami Micro Theatre's September season, For Love, which will deal with love and how it affects couples in different ways.

"The title comes from Alendra's desire to be a rebel," explained Tatiana Pandiani, a senior, BFA performance major, "and Javier's inability to express himself to her. It's as if every time she acts he thinks in his head: 'that rebel that.'"

Pandiani began work on the script a year and half ago before she even knew about Micro Theatre. Showing it to her friends, they all commented on the script's weaknesses, prompting Pandiani to put it away until her playwrighting class during the summer, in which she presented

the play again with similar results.

"They picked up on the same things my friends had picked up on the first time I showed them," said Pandiani. "I worked on it again before I decided that it needs to be set up. My writing wasn't strong enough by itself, but I'm already feeling everything fall into place."

The decision to stage the play came from Pandiani's time at the City Wrights Miami convention organized by City Theatre, where she had a session with award winning playwright Christopher Durang, as well as other professional and mid-level playwrights.

When looking for a director, Pandiani immediately thought of Victoria Collado, an alumnus of the University, because of her unique and powerful statement as a director as well as an actor.

"She [Collado] has taken my script to another level; the ingredients were there but she's mixing them in a different way. I wrote it and i'm acting in it, so it's been interesting to see, during rehearsals, how the vision I had

and Vicki's process are uniting," said Pandiani.

Pandiani has also been hard at work building up the personal histories of the characters in order to build their backgrounds and determine why this day in their lives is so important. The biggest

each other but now they communicate physically as well as intellectually. I think it adds on to the play."

Gui Agustini, who will play Javier, has brought his knowledge of television acting to the production.

an older generation of Spanish speaking people that go to the theatre so we're hoping it makes the play more accessible while gaining more exposure," said Pandiani.

Pandiani hopes the play will, not only be enjoyed, but expose everyone, not just regular theatre-goers, to another form of theatre. "It's a different way to do and approach theatre. It's quick, lively and because it's 15 minutes it's like sampling from many different food groups and no one gets bored."

Pandiani also hopes the play will encourage people to get out there and write and start honing their craft. "There's this idea that if you're an artist you have to wait to be discovered, but I don't think that's true. You can't wait for people to be interested, you have to do it now."

"That Rebel That" will run from Sept. 13 to Oct. 14, every Thursday at 8 p.m. in the Koubek Center at 2705 Southwest 3rd Street. Tickets sold at the box office for \$5 (cash only).

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**"The title comes from Alendra's desire to be a rebel and Javier's inability to express himself to her."**

Tatiana Pandiani  
BFA Performance Major  
Theatre

change to the script, however, has been the addition of movement to the characters.

"The original script was very stoic; they were just sitting down discussing ideas but Vicki has added a lot of physical movement," Pandiani said. "I wrote it because it's very controversial; these two people are in their twenties, very close, so we're exploring that dynamic. They are discussing ideas and challenging

"Micro Theatre is a small space and the audience is very close, so I think it resembles television in that way," explained Pandiani. "It's about the details and close ups, with the audience being the camera picture framing everything."

The production will also provide shows in English as well as Spanish in order to reach as many people as possible.

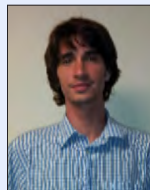
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## STUDENT FINANCES

# Overlying advantages when considering the transit

When asked if you would rather own a car than travel on a bus to FIU, most students will choose an owned car without hesitation. However, that is not always the case for some students who are unable to keep up with the expenses associated with maintaining a vehicle.

### COLUMNIST



EDUARDO RODRIGUEZ

Many students are struggling to manage the expenses of college, for which they have shattered their piggy banks in order to pay for their necessities. These students have no other choice than to get on board.

The common disadvantages associated with taking the bus includes inconsistent routes, long traveling routes and time with their limitations, lack of comfort, loss of independence and other inconveniences, such as being caught in the rain or the bus breaking down.

However, while some might find taking the bus inconvenient, the pros outweigh the cons. "I don't mind taking the bus," said junior chemistry major Alex Nguyen. Putting aside the bothers of using the transit, the

advantages can mask the aggravations over the long-run. These include financial stability, greater amount of exercise, extra time for studying, safety and less responsibility for vehicle defects and maintenance when attributed to the ownership of a car.

A good portion of students are unable to obtain a vehicle, and this is where the Miami-Dade Transit comes into play. A very vital argument that plays a role in the approval of taking a public bus is the huge slash to financial expenses, and the University provides students with an easy and savings-friendly option.

The Department of Parking and Transportation offers students an EASY Card, where you only pay \$50 and it applies for the whole month without any extra charges. "You don't have to pay for gas, especially if you're a student, and it works if you have an EASY Card instead of the regular bus fare," said Nguyen.

Students save money with the usage of the EASY Card, spending \$50 a month as opposed to paying insurance on a car, gas and other charges, which could amount to an estimated tab of hundreds of dollars per month.

Most students cringe at the mention of bus travel when dealing with the prolonged

time it takes to get from point A to point B. However, many students find it convenient because they can spend time reading, studying and preparing for classes during this wait. Not only that, but students get the chance to be more involved in physical exercise while transferring between stations. Some students even bring along bicycles.

Using the transit system also provides students with the opportunity to meet new people. "I sometimes have enjoyable chats with people, especially older people. They usually talk about their lives and family, and it is pretty interesting," said graduate student Wendy Bravo.

The Miami-Dade Transit covers a large portion of the Miami area sometimes until midnight, offering countywide service from Miami Beach to West Miami-Dade, and all of the buses are wheelchair accessible. Students' bus experience will be less of a hassle if they plan their schedules and routes accordingly.

Additionally, safety is a main concern for students, and the Metrobus provides a secure cushion for one's safety. The public buses are like mammoths driving through the road.

There is a much higher risk of injury to a student driving a car than when riding the bus. The bus may just receive a minor dent in

comparison to one's car.

One disadvantage of traveling on the bus, which could arouse much debate, is the complete dependence of public transportation to move around. It is understandable that students want to see their friends or go to events outside of campus, and the bus can be a huge hindrance to that. However, there are many on-campus events that students can also participate in without having to worry about transportation. But if you want to focus more on school and your studies, then the lack of independence in migrating can be a big help. "The loss of independence stops me from going out and spending money on shoes," said Nguyen.

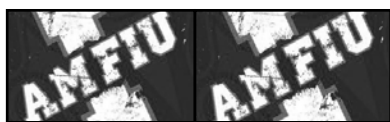
So for those students out there who are taking the Miami-Dade Transit, keep doing your thing, and for those who are having a rough time keeping up with your expenses, consider this as an alternate means of transportation.

The Metrobus is easily accessible and goes straight to campus from a variety of locations. Bring your umbrella, reading material and an optimistic mind, and step foot on the bus.

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## CALENDAR

### FALL 2012 EVENTS



### WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 12

#### ONCE UPON A TIME IN LITHUANIA AND THE FLORIDA COLLECTION

WHEN: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
HOW MUCH: Free  
WHERE: Jewish Museum of Florida - FIU @ 301 Washington Avenue • Miami Beach • Florida 33139

#### TARGET WEDNESDAY AFTER HOURS

WHEN: 6-9 p.m.  
HOW MUCH: Free  
WHERE: MMC Frost Art Museum

#### CAREER FAIR SUCCESS WORKSHOP FOR BUSINESS STUDENTS

WHEN: 3:30-5 p.m.  
HOW MUCH: Free  
WHERE: MMC CBC 121

### THURSDAY, SEPT. 13

#### HEALTH & WELLNESS WEEK FALL 2012 - BROWARD PINES CENTER

WHEN: 4:30-6:30 p.m.  
HOW MUCH: Free  
WHERE: Broward Pines Center Main Lobby

#### STUDY ABROAD FOR ART AND ART HISTORY

WHEN: 1-2 p.m.  
HOW MUCH: Free  
WHERE: MMC PC 113



## GREEK LIFE!

# Frat member participates in bike ride for a good cause

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When you hear the term “frat boy,” a lot of stereotypes come to mind. But Javier Sevilla, junior biomedical engineering major and Pi Kappa Phi member has sought to change that perception through his involvement in his fraternity.

Pi Kappa Phi gave Sevilla a chance to ride his bike across the country last summer going through 13 states and over 50 cities, and all for a good cause. Journey of Hope, as the bike ride was called, is one of three events that an organization by the name of Push America organizes.

“[PushAmerica] raises funds for people with disabilities, with mental, physical, psychological, any type of disability you can think of; they donate money to centers that house people with disabilities,” said Sevilla. Sevilla got involved the summer of 2011 with a cross-state event called Gear Up Florida.

“I decided to do Gear Up Florida because I had a cousin who had a brain tumor when he was younger... and he [has been living] with this disability for the last 23 years, and after doing that event I saw how much it meant to me... and I felt like I wanted something that was more challenging, and that’s why I went through with doing the Journey of Hope,” said Sevilla.

The Journey of Hope is a challenging 60-day event in which young men from the Pi Kappa Phi fraternity take a 4,000 mile journey across the country.

They ride about 70 to 80 miles each day, which is about five to six hours on a bike, and participate in activities that support people with disabilities.

“You have to keep reminding yourself what you’re doing is for good. The way I saw it was that riding my bike was like my disability; we signed up to do something that we wouldn’t do on a day-to-day basis, whereas these people with disabilities have this disability day in and day out, and they can’t take a day off their disability, which is what would motivate us and tell us not to take a day off the bike,” explained Sevilla.

Pi Kappa Phi founded Push America in 1976 with the goal of “giving of one’s self in order to benefit people with disabilities; instilling a lifelong commitment to service,” according to pushamerica.org.

They accomplished this originally by constructing playgrounds for children with disabilities, and today it has branched off into raising money through events like Gear Up Florida, Journey of Hope and Build America, which involves construction projects as well as bicycling great distances.

“Ever since I’ve been back,

there hasn’t been a day where [I] think of what I did this past summer. I kind of wish I was there again; it’s one of those things that you have to be a part of or experience for yourself to know how fulfilling and rewarding it is to see these people that you’re riding for, from kids to elderly people that thank you,” added Sevilla.

Push America also helps raise awareness about people with disabilities and operates on the premise that there really is no difference between those with a disability and those without.

They focus on serving people with disabilities and educating others around them to treat them with respect.

“The way I view it is... people with disabilities shouldn’t be segregated as a group, everyone has disabilities. I mean... there’s people who are very good in writing but aren’t really good in math, so they’re disabled when it comes to math.

Even in athletics, someone who is very good in swimming might not be the best runner, and if you start looking at things like that you start telling yourself, ‘you know we all have our own disability.’ We don’t look at each individual for the disabilities that they have, we look at them for what they do have and appreciate them for what they’re able to do,” said Sevilla

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## GOING GREEN

# Eco-friendly agendas considered by students

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Every semester, SGA collects roughly around 14 million dollars from student tuition. With this money, they fund all sorts of things for the student body, one of them being the distribution of the latest agendas to welcome a new semester. They are practical, small and free. But is it worth it?

Students are wondering whether it would be a good idea to switch from the paper agendas to something more eco-friendly, like an electronic agenda.

Freshman biology major Andres Lopez believes that agendas are only used at the beginning of the year and then they are “forgotten or lost.” He prefers the use of his iPad calendar app. Not only would an electronic agenda be easier to maintain and not lose, it would also help save paper, kill less trees and possibly save SGA a lot of money.

Now a days everything is electronic, so the idea of having an app students can download as an electronic agenda wouldn’t surprise us. However, some students feel comfortable going the paper route. “A lot of people get it because it saves money... they don’t need to buy their own agenda,” said sophomore chemistry major Diana Ospina.

Not everyone can afford a smart phone or tablet to download an electronic agenda or even a pricey \$20 agenda from an office supply store. Passing out these agendas free of charge is more convenient for some and

lest costly.

Joanna Garcia and Franklin McUne, coordinators from the Center for Leadership and Service, admit that students don’t just get the agendas because they are free; they feel that “the agendas are useful as students need them to stay on track and aware of new information that comes along with the new year.” With so much positive energy coming from these agendas, SGA guarantees to have them for the upcoming years.

However, having an electronic agenda means having it with you at all times. Sophomore chemistry major Brian Weeks saves all his homework assignments and important dates in his phone because he can refer to it at “any time” and it is “one less book to carry.”

If there is one thing we can all agree on is that textbooks are heavy, and any extra weight counts. But what happens if your phone gets stolen or you leave it in the bathroom? We’re more likely to get our phones stolen than our agendas; so are these chances we want to take?

The paper agenda is not going to run out of battery or get a phone call the second your professor decides to dictate the homework assignment that will be worth 10 percent of your grade.

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## SOCCER

# Coach's different style of play key to success

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The last time FIU Men's Soccer team got off to a 5-0 start, not a single player on the current team was born.

One of the main reasons for the Panther's early success this season has been the style of play that Head Coach Kenny Arena has brought to this team.

"It's a mixture of different styles, we just try to play the game in a challenging way and an attractive way," said Arena.

Arena has utilized a style that consists of a lot of ball control and a quick-attacking offense.

A perfect example of this style was when FIU battled Wisconsin and held the high-scoring Badgers to just nine shots on goal while the Panthers gathered 12 shots on goal and scored three.

The first-year head coach's style is a mixture of continental style and northern style.

According to expertfootball.com, continental style is described as a style that develops plays in a creative way while maintaining a sense of composure and team coordination.

This has been an emphasis

for Arena's team so far.

For Arena, maintaining ball control opens the door for more scoring opportunities, which is where Arena's second style comes into play.

Northern style has been described as very direct and straightforward. Players are forceful in their attack of the goal and the defense has very specific roles within their team.

This style is also widely used in Germany, where freshman goalkeeper Robin Spiegel and sophomore forward Quentin Albrecht are from.

"I like the way he wants to play, he has a European style of soccer and he wants to keep the ball a lot," Albrecht said. "He likes to keep the ball and try to create chances a lot and that's good for me because I'm a forward and I like to get the passes from my midfielders and defenders."

There has been no question that Arena's new style has helped boost the Albrecht's performance, who already has a team-leading five goals this season.

However, Arena's mixture of styles has also helped improve the previously-struggling Panther defense, goalkeeper Spiegel being the main

player to see these changes.

This year, the Panthers have allowed 49 shots on goal with Spiegel only allowing three successful goals, bringing FIU's opponents' shot on goal percentage to .327 compared to last year's percentage of .464. Spiegel has also collected 13 saves this season.

"When I came here I realized that the soccer style was very different in America compared to Europe," Spiegel said. "I had to come into it and he showed me how to choose the right spot and defend the crosses."

Though continental and northern style soccer have been extremely benefitting to Spiegel and Albrecht, the rest of the soccer team has felt the positive impact.

The Panthers have a total of 72 shots on goal while sinking in 10 goals this season, bringing their shot on goal percentage to .389 this season. Also, the success rate of goals in a game has risen from 1.29 in 2011 to 2.00 this year.

With all of this combined, Arena's new mixture of styles along with the team's improved defense has helped the Panthers get to their first 5-0 start in 25 years.

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Colby Burdette scored twice in FIU's 2-1 overtime win over UIC on Sept. 9.

## HAT TRICK



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Junior forward Chelsea Leiva scored three goals in the Panthers' 6-0 rout of Idaho Sept. 9 in Miami. Leiva now has four goals through six games this season.

## VOLLEYBALL

# Panthers relying on youthful talent going forward in season

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As the Panthers returned home from Fort Collins, Colo. for the Rams Volleyball Classic without a win, first-year head coach Trevor Theroulde still saw several positive outcomes despite their abysmal 2-7 start.

"Usually you always get disappointed when you lose, but what I am seeing from these kids is that we're only a couple games from reaching our threshold and making it to the next level," Theroulde said. "I am not frustrated, I just want to keep working with these kids and see how they respond. This is the first time FIU has played five ranked teams, and once they translate those matches into wins they will be tough to beat."

Theroulde has maintained his composure through this rough stretch against some of the nation's top tier programs and has not let any pressure break his confidence with his team.

"The results were not as good as we wanted it to be, but we were able to measure ourselves against teams that are the cream of the crop," Theroulde said. "What we got to see is that some players are emerging now as the season is going along."

### SETTING EXPECTATIONS

With the squad ravaged with injuries, Theroulde has been forced to make quick adjustments at a rapid pace. This allowed a couple notable fresh faces to step up and take the reigns as team leaders, especially freshman setter Ashlee Hodgskin.

"Ashlee has really shown leadership capabilities," Theroulde said. "She really has shown a great command for the offense. What she gives up in terms of high she makes up with her heart. I really trust this freshman, when she is on the court, she is the captain."

Hodgskin has taken over the starting setter spot in which was formally assigned to Jessica Egan. Hodgskin boasts 8.4 assists per set compared to Egan's 6.4 assists per set. Hodgskin's mark ranks her seventh in the conference.

"It's a lot of pressure but I enjoy it," Hodgskin said. "I came here with the mentality to start, but I still need to work hard and keep pushing."

### STEPPING UP

Along with Hodgskin, Theroulde attributes Marija Prsa as another player who feels grateful to take on that senior leadership role.

"Marija rebounded and did really well after having a poor game against New Mexico," Theroulde said. "She had 23 kills versus Colorado State and if we had another performance like that against New Mexico we definitely could have won."

Prsa had a career day against the Rams despite falling in a 3-1 hard-fought loss. The senior notched 23 digs along with the 23 kills, and tallied her 14th career double-double.

"It felt amazing compared to the first day," Prsa said about her great showing against the Rams. "I just recovered and put it into my head that I have to be a leader on the court, step up and not let the pressure get to me."

As the Panthers gear up for the USF Tournament this weekend, Theroulde is aware that the team must avoid the constant errors that plagued FIU throughout the 2012 campaign.

"We need to be more efficient with our passing and do better on defense," Theroulde said. "What happened is that at the end of the match we get fatigued and lose focus and that's what causes some of the errors."

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## MEN'S SOCCER

# FIU off to best start in 25 years

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After starting a roadtrip with a 3-1 win over Wisconsin in Madison, the Panthers put their perfect record to the test against the University of Illinois at Chicago.

However, the Panthers soon learned that UIC was quite the adversary.

FIU came from behind to defeat the Flames by the score of 2-1, in the first overtime game of the season. For Arena, battling into overtime was the key.

"We started off a little slow in the first half, but the second half and into overtime we created a lot of chances and we defended better than we did in the first half," said Arena. "It was our fourth road game in a row and this one involved flying, so I was so proud to see my guys battle through fatigue and perform better as the game went on."

Despite some jet lag, the Panthers found a way to scramble for two goals after the game's first goal came in the 31st minute off the foot of UIC's forward Ned Pavlovic.

Pavlovic's goal was the only goal of the first half even though FIU was able to get four shots on goal with all four shots coming from the Panther's leader in goals: Albrecht.

During the second half, the Panthers were soon able to tie up the game when sophomore forward Colby Burdette scored in the 57th minute. The sophomore forward's goal was created with the help of freshman defender Lyle Lindquist and freshman forward Daniel Gonzalez.

However, even though FIU was able to get off seven more shots on goal, only

Burdette's goal was able to slip by UIC's goalkeeper Piotr Kikolski who ended the game with two saves.

Entering overtime, the Panthers four-game winning streak was hanging in the balance until Burdette struck again. With less than four minutes left in overtime, Burdette kicked in his second goal of the game and lifted the Panthers to their first overtime win.

For Arena, Burdette's performance doesn't come as a shock.

"I feel that Colby [Burdette] would tell you himself that he feels that he should have more goals at this point in the season," Arena said. "I just felt that it was just a matter of time before he put the goal in the back of the net."

FIU will now put their winning streak on the line in Fort Myers, Fla. against Furman University (4-2-1) on Sept. 14 at 5 p.m.

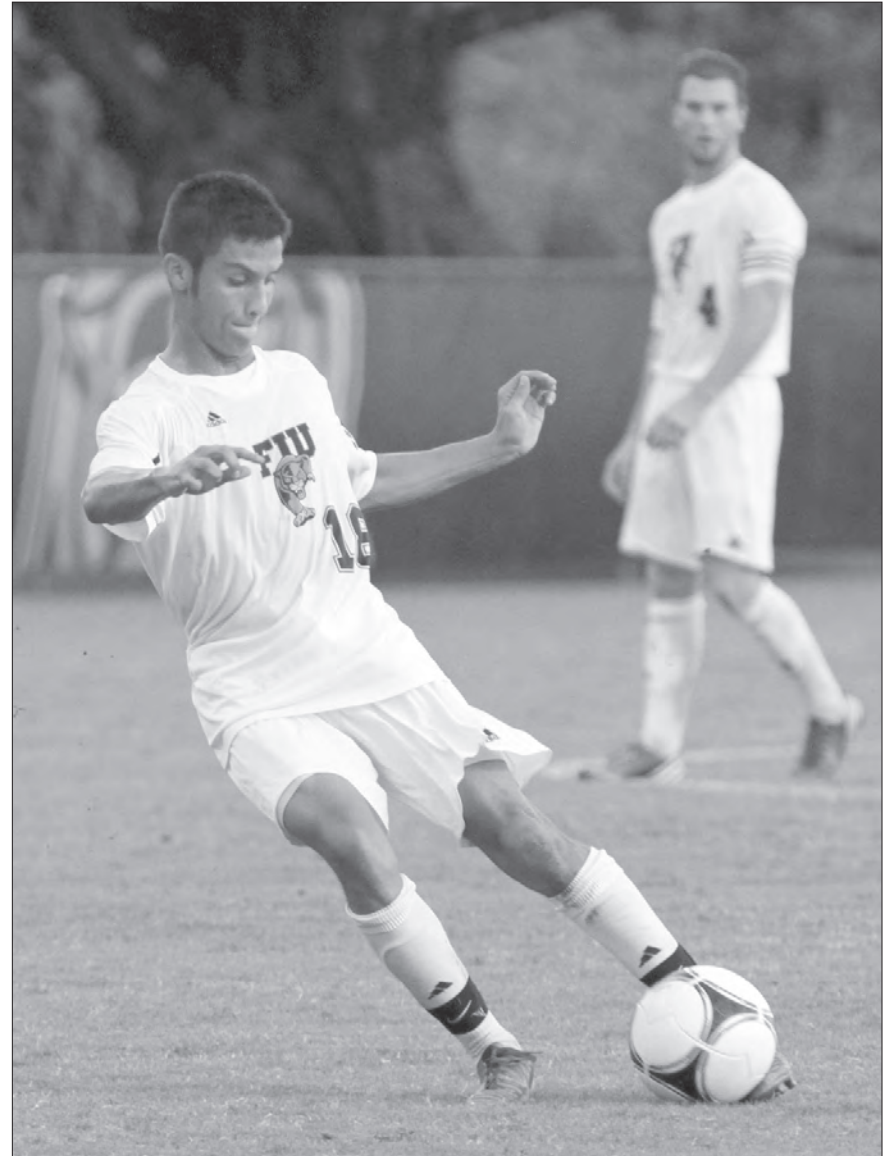
#### GAINING NATIONAL RECOGNITION

With five consecutive victories, the Panthers have started to get some notice around the country. Goalkeeper Robin Spiegel was named Conference USA Defensive Player of the Week for allowing just two goals over the weekend. Spiegel has allowed just three goals in his first five starts as a Panther.

In addition to Spiegel's performance, the Panthers were rewarded for their stellar start by TopDrawerSoccer.com as FIU was voted number 41 in their Top 48 poll. They have also begun to receive votes in the College Soccer News Top 30 poll.

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## GETTING DOWN TO BUSINESS



JONATHAN SEGAL/THE BEACON

Freshman forward Daniel Gonzalez scored his first goal of the season against UIC on Sept. 9. He and the rest of the Panthers will put their five game winning streak on the line against Furman on Sept. 14.

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## CHAPLIN SCHOOL OF HOSPITALITY AND TOURISM MANAGEMENT

# London Calling

## Chaplin School to take students abroad

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Students will cross the ocean to study hospitality and tourism in London this winter.

The London Hospitality Winter Session, designed to coincide with the winter mini-term, will take students to spend two weeks in London learning behind-the-scenes operations of hospitality and tourism operations.

One of the reasons why London was selected as the loca-

tion is because of the exposure it had during the 2012 Summer Olympic Games.

The Chaplin School of Hospitality and Tourism Management also did a survey on Facebook to see which country students would like to study in.

According to Dawn M. Fagnan, the assistant director of Enrollment and Recruitment Services at Biscayne Bay Campus, London was the first and most popular response.

Two courses that will be

offered for the program are Field Study Abroad and Study Abroad Research.

In the first one, students will be exposed to the culture of London to gain an understanding of how to manage hospitality businesses in other countries.

For the second class, students will visit and interact with the local scholars and the hospitality and tourism industry leaders of London and conduct research on the development of the destination.

The program is not exclusive to students majoring in hospitality.

“While most who are planning to go are hospitality majors because we’re offering hospitality electives, we have other majors participating,” said Fagnan.

Students will also be able to take tours around London. Some of the places they’ll visit are the 2012 Olympic Village, St. Paul’s Cathedral, Kensington Palace, Fuller’s Griffin Brewery and Westminster Abbey.

Students will also be able to

take a weekend tour in Paris. They will take a guided boat tour on the Seine River and another tour to the Eiffel Tower.

Guest speakers will discuss different areas of hospitality, including hotel, event management, tourism, restaurants, casinos and brewing science.

Although 25 students are currently signed up for the program, it can accept as many as 30 students.

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## Global, silent dangers in the backyard

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Ignorance is not an excuse and indifference is not an option.

FIU4freedom, part of the Wesley Christian Community and with help from students, is fighting against human trafficking.

Students from every major can volunteer, while they put in practice their knowledge from their field of study. The participants will get certificates for community service hours.

FIU4freedom wants to teach society about all types of human trade still existing. Even though approximately 70 to 80 percent of all cases involve sex abuse, trafficking includes organ harvesting, factories and armed conflicts.

FIU4freedom wants to use three different groups together to get their goals accomplished.

The leadership council meets bi-weekly and wants to focus on how they can put to use each leader’s background to the organization’s advantage.

The planning team focuses on brainstorming ideas that can happen in the University. And the task force is for students who like to work with their hands and can build displays and even pass out flyers.

The first meeting will take place on Friday, Sept. 14 at 12 p.m. at the Modesto Maidique Campus in Graham Center room 305.

“In the 21st century, approximately 27 million people are suffering from slavery including adults and children from around the world,” said Regan Kramer, member of the Wesley Christian Community and founder of FIU4freedom. “They are victims of human trafficking, regardless of their sex, age, or race.”

Last year, with the support of the University community and other nonprofit organizations, FIU4freedom-Week had guest speaker Katarina Rosenblatt, a local survivor and founder president of HOPE, who spoke to students about her personal experience.

This free event included documentaries, a discussion panel, artwork, conferences and a representation of an interactive shelter showing the conditions that victims have to

live in.

“Most people believe that human slavery occurs in undeveloped countries, far from the United States. However, what most of them don’t know is that Florida, especially Miami, is a huge port for global human trafficking,” said Kramer.

In 2011, Sharon Lawson, from NBC South Florida revealed that Florida ranked 3rd in profitability from human trafficking, thus contributing an estimated \$32 billion worldwide to this industry.

“We are looking forward to establishing a coordinated effort among community leaders, to develop strategies and enforce politics and procedures actions against this worldwide epidemic,” said Kramer. “Government officials must raise their voices for this good cause. I encourage students to participate and make a positive difference in the world.”

FIU4freedom opens invitations to Council for Student Organizations, Greek life communities, and University club members from both MMC and Biscayne Bay Campus to join leadership efforts for this humanitarian movement.

“With the help of the Wesley community, we are preparing discussion panels and meetings that will take place at Biscayne Bay Campus at the end of September,” Kramer said.

According to Kramer, FIU4freedom wants to create a strengthened force between campuses and faculties.

She feels the schools on BBC such as Chaplin School of Hospitality and Tourism Management and School of Journalism and Mass Communication, give the necessary skills to reinforce the FIU4freedom objective to work against trafficking through communication and giving to society.

“Awareness is important. As an international student from India, I saw the cruel reality of human trafficking,” said Mujataba Sharief, a biochemistry graduate student and an active member of FIU4freedom. “FIU4freedom is a great opportunity for people to get involved and learn more about this global issue.”

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## WRAP IT UP



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Rabbi Yosi Smierc helps wrap a tefillin around the left forearm of Austin LaPoten, a junior in hospitality management. The tefillin contains two leather boxes with verses from the Torah.