



SRI LANKA

Explosion leaves 25 dead

Three containers filled with explosives meant for road construction detonated Friday outside a police station in eastern Sri Lanka, killing 25 people.



AFGHANISTAN

Citizens urged to vote despite threats

Afghan President Hamid Karzai urged citizens to vote in Saturday's parliamentary election despite fears of violence and threats from the Taliban warning people not to.



HONDURAS

Government official killed by gunmen

In the latest string of assassinations in Honduras, gunmen killed the government's deputy director of transportation, Rosel Quinonez on Thursday night in La Ceiba.

LOOKING FORWARD

President Rosenberg discusses his vision for the future of the University

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At the start of the fall semester, the University experienced a growth in enrollment that has brought a record number of students to both Modesto Maidique Campus and the Biscayne Bay Campus.

As a result, a number of expansion projects for the University to increase the services are being offered to the students.

Student Media recently sat down with University President, Mark Rosenberg, to discuss these and other topics relating to his "Worlds Ahead" vision which will shape the future of the University.

Student Media: What has the increase in students been like for the administration and what changes is the University going through to accommodate all these students?

Mark Rosenberg: We know it's important to grow because there is significant student demand in the community, but we also think it's important for our students to get the classes that they need to graduate in a timely manner. We're focused not



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just on the experience within the classroom, but also the experience outside the classroom, which is very important.

SM: Housing has also seen big increases relating to students living on campus. Are there any plans in the making for new housing proj-

ects and do you think the University is close to ridding itself of the "commuter campus" label that it has been given?

MR: Housing and Residential Life are critical aspects of the FIU experience. We are at a hundred percent occupancy, which we are

very pleased about. Not only is there demand – there is satisfaction with the experience. I've personally gone to our residence halls, walked the hallways and the back stairs and talked to the Resident Assistants. I want to be able to certify to every student who wants to live in our residence halls,

that it is a good clean healthy living experience.

We are going to grow in terms of the number of rooms available for our students. In fact, we see a doubling over the next six or seven years. That means that there will be construction on campus and considerable inconvenience, but we think that it is critical for us to provide opportunities for our students to live on campus.

SM: If the University's enrollment continues as projected, MMC will not be the only campus that will need to grow in terms of services. What plans are in place for BBC in terms of providing student services?

MR: In terms of services, we are very proud of the fact that we have opened up a new food service capability at the Biscayne Bay Campus and working in collaboration with our Student Government Association we will be making some modifications in that new facility to make it more comfortable and available for our students. At BBC you'll now find that the School of Hospitality and Tourism Management is installing a

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Major selection gives students difficulty

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Representatives from the FIU Faculty Senate focused their most recent meeting on reviewing the progress of undergraduate education as they discussed issues such as majors, class size, and the nature of the University Core Curriculum.

The meeting, which took place at the Wolfe University Center at the Biscayne Bay Campus, was composed of senators from each of the schools and colleges at FIU, with those at the south campus attending via webcast.

Douglas Robertson, Dean of Undergraduate Education, gave his report to the senate, stating that one of the challenges they are facing is getting students to select a major for themselves.

"I describe this as a kind of Bermuda Triangle; where we're doing a good job in the majors and a good job for students who just got here," said Robertson. "But a lot of students are getting lost in the middle. The holy grail of this is to not just get the students into a major, but into an

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Douglas Robertson
Dean of Undergraduate Education



appropriate major. What we want to do is not to cut off the exploration of the students, but to try and support them"

According to Robertson, over the past year, students who had not yet chosen a major and were over 60 credits received a hold on their Panthersoft accounts.

They had to see an advisor in order to remove the hold, thus allowing them to choose a major.

With this "intrusive advising," the number of FIU students who were undecided on a major lowered from 21 percent to 16 percent throughout the one year span.

Along with the selection of

majors, the University is in the process of finding an online tool that lets the student interact with the programs that will help them connect their strengths, interests, and goals to the academic language.

"[This is] particularly for first generation students. It takes a while to learn that so they might know what they want to do but they don't know what it's called," said Robertson.

Concern over the advising process for the "pre-major" students was brought up by College of Arts & Sciences Senator Gene Rosenberg, who mentioned that it would help them

through their exploratory phase.

It would "give them more exposure and more knowledge of the major and discipline and perhaps help them progress faster into their degree."

In response, Robertson explained the role of bridge advisors who are responsible for aiding students who are exploring the majors in their respective colleges and provide guidance to those who are working to be accepted under such majors.

These advisors initially report to the central advising center but are placed in the different college

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Partnership to promote service work

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Staff Writer

The Student Government Council at Modesto A. Maidique Campus has announced a partnership with City Year Miami and the return of the SGC-MMC internship programs, which will allow students to get involved with SGA in a more active role.

The original idea to partner with City Year Miami was presented to the SGC-MMC Executive Cabinet by Student Lobbying Coordinator, Sara Conklin and SGC Marketing Coordinator, Miriam Blasco.

Conklin and Blasco are currently heading the project and expecting the partnership to improve the University's community service work in Miami, and even going as far as inspiring high school students to strive to gain higher education. The partnership with SGA will allow for many volunteer positions that will permit students to interact with SGA and City Year Miami. Some of the volunteer positions include mentoring at local high schools and middle schools. SGA will also be giving tours of the campus, lead-

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President 'draws line' with smoking ban

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new student service center, but they are also putting into place, remodeling and renovating what soon will be their restaurant, which will be a much more state-of-the-art facility.

We are also in the process of doing renovations to the Wolfe University Center. I'm very proud of the new recreation facility at the WUC. It has incredible equipment and is state-of-the-art. Our Marine Biology building [is also] making modifications to make it more appropriate for the instructional and research interest that our faculty and students there have.

If you walk through the library at BBC, there have been some really nice changes there [in terms of] modernization. It's much lighter and much brighter [making] it a great place to work. That's really what we've been doing in the near term, but as we look out, clearly, there are going to be new residence halls there.

I'm very optimistic about what's going to be happening at BBC. It's two different campuses; they may look and feel different but it's one University – it's FIU.

SM: On the topic of student services, FIU received close to \$18 million dollars in PECO funds for a Student Support Complex. Originally, the support complex was meant to be part of FIU stadium, however, as Student Media has learned, it will no longer be packaged with the stadium. When did those plans change and why? Where will it be placed now and how much easier do you think it will make student's lives?

MR: We think it's critical that the placement of that Student Support Complex be more directly related to where our students are and where they want to be. We are looking at alternative sites but probably we will find a site that is closer to the Graham Center, closer to the heart of the University.

Clearly, GC is the epicenter of the MMC and students enjoy being in that area. There isn't a time day or night that you can't find students at the Graham Center. We know that making students lives easier is very important and the purpose of this facility is to provide a one-stop opportunity for students to get all the support that they need.

SM: Speaking of expansion, does the University have its eyes set on the land used for the Youth Fair?

MR: We're just finishing up our 10 year

strategic plan and in that plan it will direct us to the kind of expansion that we are going to need. Our belief is that in the next 10 years we will grow to around 62,000 students.

Our understanding is that our Academic Health Center [will have the University] begin to see an incredible growth, driven in part by the demand for nurses and in part by the growth of the medical school itself. It is going to triple in size particularly in terms of students.

Clearly we have our eyes on the efficient use of our space in the current campus and potentially, we are looking at expansion sites. The Youth Fair has been a great neighbor and great partner to FIU and if anything were to happen it would have to be win-win for us, the Youth Fair, the county and broader community because we are embedded in a broader community.

SM: While we're on the subject of FIU's role in the community, how is your vision for community engagement panning out and why do you feel our University must be a leader in community engagement?

MR: In an era of shrinking resources, an era where FIU increasingly because of its size, scale and scope is emerging as an anchor institution – we want to make sure that as we get better the community gets better. We think that the best way to do that is to be far more intentional about who we're collaborating with and far more intentional about ensuring that our faculty can bring research and creative energies into those partnerships and that those efforts will be recognized here at the institution and by the community.

We know our students want better and more engaging opportunities by which they can get practical experience which will give them a leg up on the job market. So it's really a win-win-win, for FIU, the students and the community if we move forward with the engagement strategy.

SM: Currently, there are around seven interim deans heading a number of schools in the University. How does that affect your Worlds Ahead vision for those specific schools? How is the search for these candidates going?

MR: We have good leadership in the schools, run by departments and the faculty; what the dean does it to help bring those units together. Changing deans is not something that we like to do but it's a big university and the cycle of change just happened to coincide.

I'm really confident that the provost and

the search committees have identified some excellent leaders for the units who have either interim deans or are in the process of identifying candidates.

We have some excellent interim deans who in fact, may end up being the permanent deans for those units. I don't like to have position vacancies but it just goes with the turf truthfully. We'll get it figured out.

SM: Are any of the positions close to being filled?

MR: I think Hospitality and Tourism Management is [because] they've brought in some of the finalists. I [also] think [College of] Nursing is getting very close. Those two in particular I'd like to see closure on pretty quickly and I'm sure the faculty would as well.

SM: The University is moving ahead with the plans of implementing the smoking ban – how do you feel about the way it is being implemented and do you feel that student's opinions on the subject have been heard enough?

MR: I know that there has been a lot of dissatisfaction with how student's opinions were factored in. The reality is, what's right is right. We know that there is a direct correlation between smoking and cancer.

We know that the University has to stand for something, and we know that health is critical for students, faculty and our professional staff. Therefore, we draw the line and say that in order to have a healthy environment, we believe that as far as smoking and other products related to tobacco, there's no place for them on campus.

SM: How will this new ban be enforced, and what will the University do for students who choose to smoke regardless of the ban? Will the University offer services to help students quit smoking?

MR: We're sensitive to the fact that this is addiction, because that's what it is, is very difficult to break and we are going to help our students and faculty who want to break this addiction.

We have support mechanisms to help them get off of this addiction. We're not going to call out those individuals, but we are going to try to help them if they want help. If they don't want help we regret that, but we are going to emphasize the positive.

For more on Student Media's full interview with President Rosenberg, check out the video feature on www.FIUSM.com

Freshman experience emphasized

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advising offices of the University. Advising for transfer students has become an issue as well, since currently two out of every three admitted FIU students has transferred to the University from a different institution.

"If we want to help them get here and to start on time and start succeeding and to finish on time, we need to talk to them before they are here so that they take the right things when they are at Miami Dade [College], for example," Robertson said.

This semester, an experimental pilot program was launched in which one of the FIU bridge advisers was placed at the Miami Dade Kendall Campus to interact with dual-enrollment students who are planning to attend FIU once they finish their two-year degree.

If successful, the program could develop into a Title 5 grant that would put bridge advisers into several major feeder schools, including Broward Community College.

Dawn Addy, another Senator from the College of Arts & Sciences, emphasized the importance of the Freshman Experience course since that is where students who "had slipped through the system would be found."

"You have these "eternal juniors" taking the class and then saying: "Oh my gosh, this class is really useful, I should have taken it sooner," stated Addy. "I think that forcing the students to take that earlier, they get that information that they have to be in a major and they get the help they need."

Shortly after, it was mentioned that there is a possibility in the future that there will be First-Year Interest groups (FIGs) available for undecided students. The curriculum of the FIG would focus on finding out what each student's pre-major is.

"Sometimes these crises or things that require change, like adding more students to the classroom, are opportunities for us to rethink how we do things and come up with whole new paradigms and approaches," said Robertson.

The next Faculty Senate meeting is Tuesday, October 5, 2010 in the Wertheim Conservatory.

Partnership engages community

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ership workshops and other events to the members of City Year's students.

The Black Student Union and other figures around campus have already begun to show interest in providing mentors from their organizations to help the SGA.

Colin Blattel, a Program Manager at City Year Miami said, "What excites me the most about facilitating this partnership is to inspire our students to attend FIU or universities like it.

"It is imperative that City Year Miami partners with local universities like FIU to make higher education more available to students in underprivileged communities," said Conklin. "We have a real chance to show the greater Miami community that FIU is willing to get our hands dirty working to reduce the

high school dropout rate and improving our city."

"A high school student drops out of school every 26 seconds; nearly 6.2 million a year. The dropout rate is appalling and it is time FIU and the Student Government Council did something about it," explained Blasco.

Not only does the SGA plan to facilitate this partnership, but it is also going to begin their internship programs. "The SGA internship program is expecting a high amount of applicants this year, around three hundred.

Usually most of the interns go on to becoming senators and other parts of the SGC-MMC," said Laura Farinas, SGC-MMC intern coordinator.

The internship program will be broken up into two phases, one during fall and one during the spring and is designed to help students learn leadership skills and other

guidance abilities.

Phase one of the program will include seminars based on learning techniques to put in use while working with the SGA, including a "Netiquette" seminar.

Phase two of the program involves a student working under a SGA member throughout his or her career in the spring.

They will attend bi-weekly meetings with the member, and will finally move on to graduation at the end of the internship.

The requirements for the program include a current college GPA of 2.7, or an entering high school GPA of 3.0.

"The Internship program is a great platform to get involved in college life, and a great place to start in the Student Government Association," said SGA Housing Senator Carlos Rodriguez.

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WOMEN'S SOCCER: MELANIE RAIMO

STURDY IN THE GOAL

Junior goalie Raimo regains starting nod and succeeds

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Being named the Sun Belt Conference player of the week, as well as being recognized by *Collegesoccer360.com*, is where starting goalie Melanie Raimo currently stands, but it is her past that is what brought her there.

Starting soccer at what Melanie would call the "late" age of eleven year's old in recreational leagues, she later began gaining more interest in the sport, which then took her to play travel ball as well as play for her high school.

However, she did dabble into playing some basketball in middle school, but says she will always claim soccer as being her main sport.

Now as a junior and starting goalie for the Golden Panthers, she has many people to thank.

She claims that her family has "definitely" played a role in the success that she has had thus far.

"My dad is probably my number one fan" Raimo said, saying that "he's constantly looking up FIU sports online, and always the first on to tell me what awards I got and even my save percentage."

More thanks can be given to all her teammates this year, which have contributed to what she calls the highlight of her soccer career.

"Playing Duke 0-0 is a huge feat for us, and it is definitely the highlight of my career, because it's a highlight for the team,"

Raimo said.

Success does not come without sacrifices though, as Raimo is well aware of, both emotionally and physically.

Raimo is very big into family, which is why even though she knows that missing her cousin's wedding next month due to travel for soccer will be tough, it's a sacrifice that must be made, as she stays committed to the team.

Raimo commits herself physically as well by coming to FIU during summer B term every year and working out to get into top physical shape for the upcoming season and always trying to improve her game each and every day by practice.

However, Raimo admits that there are always going to be times during the season that can be stressful for her.

She likes to deal with her stress by making cards with different motivational phrases on them, so that whenever times do get tough, she can look at them to keep her focused.

"The team thinks there really cool too," said Raimo, who also likes to listen to bands such as Simple Plan and New Found Glory before games to get her ready.

She is focused academically as well, and sees something other than soccer as being her long time goal.

"My intended major is international relations, because I want to travel and make money," Raimo



CHRIS GREEN/THE BEACON FILE PHOTO

Melanie Raimo has stepped in between the posts and been a hefty presence, getting recognized recently as the SBC player of the week.

said, who says she would still be in school, even without soccer.

There is one place that Raimo would love to travel before her soccer career at FIU is over.

"I would really love to play in Boston, so that my family can see me play," Raimo said.

Raimo and her family are native to Boston, but currently resides in Tampa.

She is a true hometown fan in

all aspects of life, including the teams she roots for.

Although being both Italian and Greek, her alliance was still with the United States this year during the World Cup, with Italy and Greece coming after.

Raimo's career for the University has now reached the middle of her third year, and carries along many memories.

"My experience at FIU so far

has been great. We're making great strides as a team, and just to be a part of a team that's doing that is a great experience," Raimo said.

Starting in the place of an injured Kaitlyn Savage, who jumped Raimo on the depth chart last season, the junior is a big reason why the Golden Panthers are second in the Sun Belt Conference in saves with 46.

FOOTBALL: TAMU 27, FIU 20

Golden Panthers surrender second half lead vs. TAMU

FIU VS. TAMU

	FIU	TAMU
First Downs	13	20
Rushes-Yards	39-115	45-206
Passing	117	194
Comp-Att-Int	14-33-1	11-31-4
Punts Avg.	35.5	37.2
Penalties-Yards	7-50	5-30
Fumbles Lost	0	1
Time of Possession	32:31	27:29

RUSHING — FIU: Harden 22 - 57, Rhodes 2 - 41, Carroll 3 - 7, Mallary 7 - 4 TAMU: Michael 21 - 119, Gray 9 - 85, Johnson 13 - 4

PASSING — FIU: Carroll 14 - 33 - 117 TAMU: Johnson 11 - 31 - 194

RECEIVING — FIU: Hilton 3 - 47, Younger 3 - 23, Mertile 2 - 16, TAMU: Fuller 4 - 73, Swope 3 - 46, McCoy 1 - 33

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Staff Writer

FIU came once again five minutes from pulling an upset. In fact, they were four yards away from sending Texas A&M to overtime.

Texas A&M came back from a 14-point deficit, scoring three touchdowns in the fourth quarter to edge FIU 27-20.

"No one in there is happy, we will never be [happy] with any type of moral victory. Are we advancing? Without a doubt. Playing in a place like this is tough, but it's not enough for our football team," FIU Coach Mario Cristobal said.

Wesley Carroll led the Golden Panthers to a 11-play, 60-yard drive before being stopped on a fourth and goal play at the four yard line.

Carroll complete a short pass to wide receiver T.Y. Hilton who lost his balance after being hit. Hilton stumbled down at the four yard line and was brought down by Eddie Brown Jr.

Although the Golden Panthers lost, they did not seem intimidated by Texas A&M's 12th man crowd at Kyle Field. The Golden Panthers committed only seven penalties for 50 yards,

while the Aggies also committed five penalties but for 30 yards.

The Golden Panthers forced Texas A&M to five turnovers, four of them came in the third quarter.

Carroll finished the game completing 14 of 33 passes for 117 yards.

Carroll's only mistake came in nearly four minutes before the end of the first half when his pass tipped by Aggies free safety Steven Terrell then intercepted by cornerback Lionel Smith. His interception led to a 39-yard field goal by kicker Randy Bullock to tie the game at 6-6 before the half.

Aggies quarterback Jerrod Johnson threw four interceptions in the third quarter which resulted in 14 points for FIU. Johnson and running backs Christine Michael and Cyrus Gray led the Aggies back to victory.

Johnson finished 11 of 31 for 194 yards passing. Michael was the leading rusher for the Aggies carrying the ball 21 times for 119 yards. Gray scored Texas A&M's game-winning 40-yard touchdown with 4:29 left in the game.

Gray rushed for 85 yards on nine carries.

MEN'S SOCCER

Rodriguez scores late goal to lift FIU over Jacksonville on road

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Staff Writer

After a long week of practice and some adjustments defensively, FIU Head Coach Munga Eketebi felt certain the Golden Panthers would come out with a victory against Jacksonville on Sept. 17.

Thanks to a late goal by Nicolas Rodriguez, FIU (3-2) won the first game of a six-game road trip in dramatic fashion.

In a late substitution, fresh legs were brought on the pitch as Eketebi called on Rodriguez. As the time on the clock inched towards the 89th minute, Rodriguez smacked in the winning goal off of the goalkeeper's fingertips for his second goal of the season.

"Honestly we played bad for most of the game," Eketebi said. "We have much to work on as the season goes on."

At the beginning of the game, the Golden Panthers dominated possession with two

early shots on goal. As the half went on, things changed for the Golden Panthers, especially in their mid-field.

"You know the possession changes," Eketebi said. "This time our midfield seemed to have fallen asleep. It was a slow sluggish first half and we didn't concede because our defense was on top of their markings."

The second half was a different story.

In the 56th minute, Diego Tamburus executed on a penalty shot that would put the

Golden Panthers ahead with time winding down in the second half. As the game reached the 62nd minute, the Dolphins' Daniele Campailla buried a free kick in the upper right corner of goal to level the contest at 1-1.

Rodriguez then capped off the win for FIU, who traveled to Stetson yesterday and are set to play at FGCU on Sept. 24.

For a full game story of the Stetson game, check fiusm.com.

INTRAMURAL KICKOFF



VICTORIA LYNCH/THE BEACON

A Big Chesticles player runs as Panther Hall's defense attempts to recover last week as the intramural football season began. Standings are at fiu.edu/~camprec.

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POET'S SOCIETY

Group aims to change students' perception of poetry

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A troupe of poets are coming to the University and they want to change people's perceptions of poetry, what it means and how it's performed. That troupe is Mayhem Poets.

The Mayhem Poets will be at the Modesto Maidique Campus on Sept. 22 in the GC Ballrooms at 6 p.m., bringing their seasoned poetry act to the University.

They have appeared in countless colleges with still many to go on their tour, and have even appeared on television on NBC's *Today Show*.

Although they are poets by name, they are storytellers and actors who all come with a different tale to tell.

All of which are real life accounts which have captivated audiences throughout many of their performances nationwide.

"The poetry that they put on is a mix of freestyle urban, def-jam, and comedy all wrapped up in one. They engage the audience with forms of on the spot poetry and other small skits that they perform to music," said Max MacAvoy, the event director, describing aspects of the show.

The Mayhem Poets were established in 2000 when they began at Rutgers University with two of the current members, Kyle Sutton and Scott Tarzevits.

Their first show, titled "Verbal Mayhem", pressed on with the idea to bring people together with the *lingua franca* of rhyme spitting.

Currently, their goal is a similar one, and that is to break the preconception of poetry.

Poetry is often negatively linked to the droning and mundane nature of some poems people may have read in their lifetime.



PHOTOS COURTESY OF MAYHEM POETS

Mayhem Poets members: Kyle Sutton, Scott Tarzevits, and Mason Granger are set to perform Wednesday night at 6 p.m. in the GC Ballrooms.

But to the Mayhem Poets, poetry is something much more different than that.

Their act brings together many artistic elements, culminating in a lively and creative venture, setting out to break common ground among all people, whether you are innately inclined to enjoy the show or not.

The three performers, Sutton, Tarzevits, and Mason Granger blend wit, comedy, drama, and truth while on the stage, each one taking their part separately as a whole, contributing to the theme of their discourse and keeping audiences riveted.

Sutton's own style is found in his

history as a proficient slam poet, gaining national recognition and even reaching the Grand Slam finals at the Nuyorican Poets Café.

He is currently at work finishing up his debut hip-hop album, which he has been recording internationally.

Tarzevits has his background mostly devoted to theatre and writing. He is currently working on a series of Shakespearean sonnets and has filmed two independent movies as an actor.

Granger has been described by critics as being brilliant, and on was named Poet Laureate at Livingston College.

His style can be described as a marriage of creativity and academic influences which fuse naturally into his spoken word ensemble.

Stephanie Suarez, a senior majoring in elementary education, saw the group put on a fifteen minute preview at the National Association for Campus Activities Convention, describing the show as being "very energetic...beautiful and moving."

Though the performance she saw was shorter than the hour scheduled for Sept. 22, she realized that it would be a great installment to this year's list of campus activities.

The group encourages not only aspiring poets or hip-hop enthusiasts to attend, but wants entire groups of different people with different interests to take part in the production and experience poetry in a new form.

In honor of the event, SPC will also be hosting an "Open Mike (Poetry)" event in the GC Pit on Tuesday, Sept 21 from 11:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m.

The group, Speak, will be performing and any student wishing to participate can sign up by emailing SPC at spc@fiu.edu for approval.

PRESS START

Tokyo Game Show a sign of new games to come in 2011

This past weekend wrapped up another Tokyo Game Show, Japan's equivalent to our Electronics Entertainment Expo.

TGS is a good place to see what titles the Land of the Rising Sun has coming our way, usually for the early part of the following year, and this year was no exception.

While some of the show featured titles the West is already waiting for, like Capcom's *Marvel vs. Capcom 3* or Konami's *Castlevania: Lords of Shadow*, it is the new announcements that are stirring a buzz in the gaming communities.

Earlier this year, Nintendo revealed the successor to the Nintendo DS, the Nintendo 3DS. Carrying much more powerful internal technology than its ancestor, the system's trick is that it can pull off 3D effects without the use of glasses, something major TV manufacturers like Samsung are adopting.

While Nintendo does not attend TGS, Konami took the chance to confirm that the PlayStation 2 hit *Metal Gear Solid 3: Snake Eater* will be making its way to the system.

While there won't be significant changes to the game according to series creator Hideo Kojima, the title is certainly not one to be skipped over in terms of a portable MGS experience for 3DS owners.

I'm sure the added 3D effect the system generates will make that one sniper battle in the middle of the game quite a bit more dynamic.

One other announcement stirring up a buzz came after a demonstration of the upcoming PlayStation 3 title, *The Last Guardian*. Fumito Ueda of Team ICO confirmed rumors that PS2 titles *ICO* and *Shadow of the Colossus* were being brought over to PS3 on a single Blu-ray.

While not quite new games, the two are widely considered by critics and gamers alike to be very artistic and poetic games.

That's not to say that they are very niche. There is something thrilling about

fighting a massive enemy around seventy times larger than your character with only a sword and your bare hands.

Ubisoft also demoed Michael Jackson: *The Experience*, a game for all three major consoles that lets players perform the King of Pop's very own dance moves. Yes, now you can actually learn to Moonwalk while not looking like you are scraping gum off your shoes.

Players and the press at the event have said this is not an easy game, requiring players to really memorize and practice some of Jackson's more complicated moves.

Arguably the biggest announcement to send fans into a frenzied storm is Capcom's confirmation of a new entry to the *Devil May Cry* series, currently titled *DmC*. However, this storm is not a positive one, but one of excremental properties, if you will.

Collaborating with Heavenly Sword developer Ninja Theory, Capcom announced the game is a reboot of the franchise, starring a younger—and strik-

ingly different looking—Dante, sporting black hair and a much more "scene" look.

Tameen Antoniades, co-director of the project, says the game is being designed with Western influences in mind, such as the fashion and music of "today's rebellious youth."

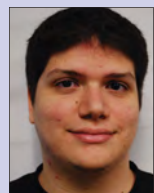
While doing a hard reboot of a successful franchise to the point the main character is getting a makeover seems like a rather asinine idea (the idea is not new to the games industry; look at *Sonic the Hedgehog*, for one,) it's too early to say much about the title.

I can only hope the development team tread carefully and don't screw it up, especially since long-time fans are already in an uproar.

While we won't be seeing some of these games hit our shores until sometime in 2011, TGS at least gives us glimpses on what we'll be playing very soon, so plan accordingly.

Press Start is a weekly column on video games. Look for it every Monday.

COLUMNIST



SERGIO MONTEALEGRE

FASHION FINDS

Student designs jewelry at an affordable price point

Go to school, hang out with friends, study for a math test, design some jewelry.

COLUMNIST



ADRIANA RODRIGUEZ

It's all in a day's work for Krystal Castellano, a senior majoring in education and the brainchild behind Instant Karma by Krys.

Instant Karma by Krys is a line of jewelry designed by the 21-year-old Castellano.

The line features bracelets, wraps, necklaces and her newest pieces, earrings.

If anything, her collection is definitely functional. Simplicity is key with her jewelry.

Other lines are filled with chunky statement pieces that are great for spicing up an evening outfit, but impossible for everyday.

That's not the case with Instant Karma.

Instant Karma is full of delicate beaded bracelets made of silver, gold, wood and colored beads, glass beads, and charms to give the simple materials that make her line's foundation a little more shine.

"All my collections consist of items that you can layer and wear everyday. That is a consistent theme that I want throughout all my collections," said Castellano.

Spiritual pieces play a big role in the line.

To ride off the success of this summer's "Eat, Pray, Love," Castellano designed necklaces

inspired by *malas*. *Malas* are Buddhist prayer beads with 108 beads used for keeping count while reciting prayers.

Her new collection is a departure from her launching collection this past spring, which was filled mostly with earthy-toned beads and charms.

The line for this fall takes advantage of the fact that girls aren't being confined to sticking to one tone: either gold or silver, something I appreciate greatly as a lazy dresser.

The new collection mixes silver, gold and rose gold to create

a look anyone on-the-go can pull off.

Pair that concept with her use of classic tones black and white and you're good to go with just a few pieces from Instant Karma.

"For this fall '10 collection, I wanted the collection to be very laid back but filled with metals and a hint of color. I want people that are wearing my line to be able to get key pieces for everyday use that compliments their outfit," said Castellano.

What I really like about Instant Karma is that Castellano makes a point in her line to make every-

thing easy to wear.

Even her chunkier pieces are in neutral colors that can be combined with dresses, tees, jeans and pretty much anything.

Check out the line's Facebook page to see how she wears the line.

She uses her friends and herself as models, adding to the personal vibe she wants to give with her collection.

The price point for the line is in fair reach of a student's budget.

The pieces in the collection go for anything from \$16 to \$55.

It's all about mixing and matching, so a fan gets more bang for their buck.

The line can be purchased at M-M Couture in Kendall, the boutique where Castellano got her big design start.

They can also be purchased through her Facebook page, www.facebook.com/instantkarmabykrys.

Fashion Finds is a weekly style column. Reviewers do not receive any goods in return for favorable reviews.



PHOTOS COURTESY OF KRISTAL CASTELLANO

Ratings darling back for a second season

KATHY PAZ
Staff Writer

It has been hailed by both critics and audiences as the phenomenon that took over Tuesday primetime television. It has inspired a flash mob, hosted its own tour, topped the iTunes charts and forever immortalized the "L" hand gesture.

Summer vacation has long been over, and at 8:00 p.m. on Sept 21, 2010, the McKinley High kids hit the airwaves for the season two premiere of "Glee."

Fox's breakout hit captivated and hooked viewers from the first note.

When we last saw America's favorite high school glee club, it had been granted a second year of funding due to intervention by the notorious Sue Sylvester (Jane Lynch) and despite an unwarranted third place showing at the regional competition.

What can you expect to see when you tune in? Without giving too much away, here's the inside scoop:

At Comic Con 2010 convention, executive producers Ryan Murphy and Brad Falchuck and the show's cast revealed some information regarding a few of the plots that will be taking place in season two.

After much anticipation, it was confirmed that the highly talked about Britney Spears-themed episode was in the works. And the icing on top of the cake? It was later made known that the pop star herself will make an appearance.

Also announced was that an average of five songs will be featured each week. Rumors regarding a second Madonna episode continued to circulate and the possibility of it happening in the future was not debunked.

Time to do the Time Warp! The show is set to get whimsical in a tribute to the Rocky Horror Picture Show airing around Halloween and include original cast members Meat Loaf

and Barry Bostwick. Negotiations are said to be in the works regarding Susan Sarandon reprising her role as Janet Weiss.

Guest stars Idina Menzel, who played the role of Rachel Berry's biological mother and Vocal Adrenaline coach, and Kristin Chenoweth, over-the-top sensation April Rhodes, are both said to be reprising their roles and making a return.

Expect plenty of relationship drama, this is television after all. Some couples will be calling it quits (possibly again) while others will rekindle their flame.

Fan favorite Kurt Hummel (Chris Colfer) is said to finding some love of his own this season. It has been said that his character will get a boyfriend.

The signs point to Chord Overstreet, cast to play a new football player and possible protégée to Finn Hudson (Cory Montheith).

Remember that dental hygiene obsessive compulsive counselor Emma Pillsbury mentioned at the end of last season? He'll be played by none other than TV's Uncle Jesse, John Stamos.

Patrick Gallagher, who played football coach Ken Tanaka, will not be returning for season two. His role will be filled by Dot Jones.

New Directions is set to be starting off the new year with one man down. Though there hasn't been an official report of Dijon Talton no longer being on the show, his character, Matt Rutherford will not be in the season premiere.

Because of the strict guidelines for competition, McKinley High's glee club will have to recruit and fill his slot quickly. Rumors speculate that a foreign exchange student, portrayed by international singer Charice, will have a shining moment and bring some competition to Miss Rachel Berry (Lea Michele). Chord Overstreet's character is also a potential new member.

The show is said to be getting intimate in terms of characters.

There will be more focus on individuals and their lives outside of glee club. Carol Burnett will play the role of Sue Sylvester's mother and Mike O'Malley will return as Kurt's father.

The third episode of the season is said to focus on religion and showcase different faiths and perspectives.

The wait is almost over and fans will have their insatiable appetite for more filled on Tuesday. The powerhouse show is set to commence with a bang.

So, embrace your inner "Gleeek," rock your metaphorical gold stars, belt out a few numbers from the various soundtracks and tune in at 8:00 p.m. for what is sure to be the continuation and second beginning of "Glee-mania."

THIS WEEK ON CAMPUS

MONDAY, SEPT. 20

CSO CLUB FAIR



Check out FIU's clubs and get involved!

WHEN: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
HOW MUCH: Free
WHERE: GC Ballrooms

AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION

First general meeting.

WHEN: 12:15 - 2:15 p.m.
HOW MUCH: Free
WHERE: GC 305

HIP-HOP CLASS



Free hip-hop at the Rec Center! No registration necessary.
WHEN: 5:15 - 6:15 p.m.
HOW MUCH: Free
WHERE: Rec Center, MMC

BIOLOGY SEMINAR SERIES

Hosted by Pre-Dental Society. Food and refreshments provided.

WHEN: 4 - 5 p.m.
HOW MUCH: Free
WHERE: WC 130

INFO SESSION



Learn more about Phi Chi Theta, Undergraduate Economics Association and how to get involved. Open to all students.

WHEN: 7 - 9 p.m.
HOW MUCH: Free
WHERE: GC 243

WEEKLY MEDITATION

By Preksha Meditation Club.
WHEN: 3 - 4 p.m.
HOW MUCH: Free
WHERE: GC third floor

TUESDAY, SEPT. 21

TUESDAY TIMES ROUNDTABLE



AT MMC:
Topic: Chinese Factories Now Compete to Woo Laborers

WHEN: 12:30 - 1:30 p.m.
HOW MUCH: Free
WHERE: GC 150

AT BBC:

Topic: Can Saving Our Oceans Save The Planet?

WHEN: 12:30 - 1:30 p.m.
HOW MUCH: Free
WHERE: WUC 159

CSO CLUB FAIR

Check out FIU's clubs and organizations and get involved!

WHEN: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
HOW MUCH: Free
WHERE: GC Ballrooms

UNICEF @ FIU

First general meeting.

WHEN: 12 - 1 p.m.
HOW MUCH: Free
WHERE: GC 343

HOW TO PREPARE FOR CAREER FAIR

Learn how to network with potential employers, and more.

WHEN: 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.
HOW MUCH: Free
WHERE: BBC, WUC Conference Room.

AT MMC:

WHEN: 2 - 3 p.m.
WHERE: GC 230

For more info, visit the Career Services office.

CONSCIOUS EATING

Learn more about what you eat and how to get involved! Club meeting.

WHEN: 2 - 3 p.m.
HOW MUCH: Free
WHERE: GC Central Fountain

Write to calendar@fusm.com to have your event featured!

Facebook an asset for college students

BRANDON THOMPSON
Contributing Writer

The invention of the social networking website Facebook in 2004 revolutionized the social aspect of college for students in positive ways.

College students have been able to communicate with one another, retrieve information from peers and experience this new social mecca together.

Facebook was originated by student Mark Zuckerberg and his friends, who wanted to create a social site for their classmates at Harvard College. The website would allow them to share notes from classes, communicate with one another and simply stay connected.

Shortly after its creation, the website began expanding to college students everywhere.

Understanding that Facebook was created by college students, I took into consideration that this social website was made to benefit the many

college students across the globe.

This website is a great way for college students to communicate with one another, no matter their location.

When you log on, you can chat with your classmates about the class lecture you all sat through and even discuss possible solutions for questions you all have for homework.

This method is more convenient than trying to meet up somewhere on campus and go over homework, because it may be inconvenient for students who live off campus to drive all the way back to campus in order to go over class work.

All they have to do is log on and instant message classmates, or send a mass message to discuss the work.

Another way Facebook benefits students is that it allows students to be social with other students across the university.

For example when you may not know anyone on

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campus, you can search through the FIU network and browse students that are on your class year and add them as friends.

Chances are they may accept your request, and you all may hit it off and become friends on campus and on Facebook. This way you can make friends at school without even having to walk up to complete strangers. Instead, you can do it with the click of your mouse.

It seems that college students are now living in the Facebook era.

Being able to access this website from cell phones, computers and even an iPod Touch college students just can't get enough of it.

Facebook could be consid-

ered a necessity amongst the college population.

Providing an online phone book, easy access to friends, and even status updates Facebook has it all.

Students can even comment on other's statuses and pictures when they are online.

While they are online they can also join pages created for their specific interests such as movies, music, television, etc.

According to TechCrunch.com, 85% of college students use or have a Facebook account.

If you don't have a Facebook account and you're in college, you should make one and see what all this hype is about.

Blood donor center hides real motives

GISELLE RODRIGUEZ
Contributing Writer

We've all seen them: big red vans parked outside the Bookstore or between the garages. More often than not, they are accompanied by people wearing lanyards and carrying clipboards, asking, "Can you spare a minute to save a life today?"

These representatives of the Community Blood Centers of South Florida are often perceived as annoying or in the way. But, I've never really had cause to doubt the importance of what they are promoting.

As a blood donor, I feel strongly about this service. But in all of my years of giving blood it took me an inordinately long time to realize that the blood mobiles aren't donating the blood that we are donating to them. Instead, they are selling it to the institutions that need it.

A quick search of the American Red Cross website shows that every two seconds someone in the United States needs blood and, since there is no substitute for human blood, donations are the only way to get it.

The problem doesn't lie in the fact that our donations are being sold, although it seems like a dishonest use of donations. My main concern is the fact that CBCSF are not offering this information up front.

The fact remains that it casts asper-

sions on the legitimacy of their operation if they're making such an important part of their process so hard to find. The fact that they are selling our blood is hidden deep in PDF documents under a confusing headline in the bowels of their website.

Nowhere in *CBCSF.com*'s blood donor frequently asked questions, arguably where the majority of first-time donors looking for reassurance would go, does it mention that the blood will be sold to hospitals for a profit benefitting the center.

CBCSF's mission statement is "to provide the community with the highest quality blood...banking services at a reasonable cost" to those to whom they are selling. This mission statement, however, is hidden away in a document on its "About Us" page, which is not displayed anywhere a casual donor might see it.

At the end of the day, the numbers seem to speak for themselves. In the CBCSF's Audited Financial Report for 2009, they reported an excess of revenue over expenses of approximately \$10 million.

I understand that CBCSF needs to pay for the upkeep of their mobile units and I do not deny them the right to turn a profit, but failing to plainly state their intention to sell what we are giving for free does not seem fair to those donating, especially as we are encouraged to do so to "save a life" not to line CBCSF's pockets.

The fact that they are selling our blood is hidden deep in PDF documents under a confusing headline in the bowels of their website.

I will not deny that the CBCSF is doing great work in South Florida. According to their website, they collect approximately 250,000 pints of blood annually. With a need of around 4.5 million transfusions a year and with less than 38% of the American population eligible to give blood, there is no denying that they provide a necessary and convenient service.

But as the blood mobiles roll on, it seems there should be nothing stopping them from letting us know that they're selling the blood, plasma and platelets we are offering them for free.

I find it hard to believe that knowing about the center's practice of selling blood will stop people from giving. Their practice of keeping that information squirreled away is more of a deterrent than the biggest of needles.

THE BEACON | Editorial

Summons for absentee comptroller a wise decision

The Student Government at Modesto Maidique Campus senate's choice to summon SGC-MMC Comptroller Maria Rosa Blanco is prudent, as *The Beacon* questions her ability to serve her role while away on an out-of-state internship.

Blanco, along with three other cabinet members, were summoned to appear on Sept. 27 as part the Senate's move to inquire on the day-to-day activities of certain members. This is a praiseworthy effort by the Senate to keep in line with its promises of transparency.

"It is the right of the Senate to question anyone they might think is not following [or] doing their responsibilities. However, I have met my current obligations and duties," Blanco told Student Media.

The Beacon, however, feels that Blanco's assessment of her performance ignores several duties as outlined within the SGA constitution.

Her internship in New York has placed her in direct violation of an attendance statute, one of her simplest duties.

According to Article 2, Section 2.04 (b) of the SGC-MMC Statutes, the comptroller is required to "attend all Senate and Executive meetings."

"As speaker, senator and student, I find it absolutely unacceptable that the comptroller is not here, and will receive a stipend, even when she is in clear violation of the attendance requirements of her position," said Senate Speaker William Jose-Velez.

While he may find it unacceptable, at some point during the middle of the summer SGC-MMC President Helena Ramirez was made aware that Blanco would be leaving in the fall for her internship.

Though we are happy to hear that Blanco is not being paid her salary for the Fall 2010 semester, according to Ramirez, the fact that such an important position is, in essence, vacant is very troubling.

As *The Beacon* understands it, the comptroller has duties that require her attention and physical presence on a regular basis.

While it may be conceivable to some that Blanco can fulfill her duties from afar, especially with technological advances, we feel that this can't be done with such an important position.

According to SGC-MMC Press Secretary Dean Williams, "President Ramirez, Vice President [Nick] Autiello and Chief of Staff [Alina] Gonzalez may or may not be working in tandem to assist Comptroller Blanco in fulfilling her duties."

The Beacon does not find it comforting someone "may or may not be" fulfilling the comptroller's role while she is away.

In addition, the fact that they may be "assisting" suggests that Blanco is not capable of performing her job to its fullest.

Blanco is responsible for "carrying out the distribution of the budget and of auditing and advising the SGC-MMC," according to the Student Government Constitution. This includes overseeing the finances for SGC-MMC and all of the entities it funds as well as vetting funding requests from students and organizations.

It is also worth noting that the SGA constitution establishes that the comptroller has a "tie-breaking vote" within the finance committee. Although *The Beacon* recognizes the rarity of such occasions occurring, what would the proper course of action be for the committee?

We applaud the Senate for calling her in for questioning. However, whether the Senate finds her to be competent and able to fulfil some of her duties from afar, ultimately Blanco is unable to fulfil at least some of her obligations, including attendance.

Thus, it is the opinion of *The Beacon* that she either step down or be removed and replaced with someone who can physically be here and satisfy all the requirements of the position.

VERBATIM

"We live in troubled times, with real people facing real problems, ...that I believe 70 to 80 percent of our population could agree to try and could ultimately live with. Unfortunately, the conversation and process is controlled by the other 15 to 20 percent."

Jon Stewart rallying to restore sanity

PUBLIC REASON

A radio show gathering opinions and promoting discussion every Tuesday and Thursday at 12 p.m. on Radiate FM, 95.3 in Miami, 88.1 in Homestead, 96.9 in North Miami and streaming live on FIUSM.com.

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SEND US YOUR LETTERS

Got a problem with parking? Want to give kudos to faculty? Or do you just have something to say about FIU? Send your thoughts in to opinion@fiusm.com or drop by our offices at either GC 240 or WUC 124. With your letter, be sure to include your name, major and year.



FLORIDA

Dad charged for threatening kids

James Jones has been arrested after authorities said he boarded a school bus and threatened kids who were picking on his daughter. He said a student threw something in her hair and kids were laughing at her.



CUBA

Cuba offers ways to loosen embargo

Cuba is offering a series of specific steps Obama's administration can take to soften the 48-year-old trade embargo, including expanding flights and dropping bans that keep U.S. credit cards from working.



ARGENTINA

Students protest education in capital

Young Argentines marched to the presidential palace on Sept. 16 to protest the quality of public education, joining a rebellion that accuses politicians of neglecting schools and universities.

SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM & MASS COMMUNICATION

Telemundo president returns for Hearst lecture

JESSICA PADILLA
Contributing Writer

The School of Journalism and Mass Communications in conjunction with the Student Government Association, will feature president of Telemundo Communications Group, Don Browne, to co-host Hearst Lecture Series on Wednesday, Sept. 22 at 3 p.m. in the Mary Ann Wolfe Theater.

The event will offer students insight to the challenges and issues troubling the communications industry, the direction digital media is taking and the possibilities available for newly arrived journalists in the field.

"The Hearst Lectures can help supplement a student's education," said Heather Radi-Bermudez, marketing director for SJMC. "Students are taught what they need to know in the classroom but it is through sharing experiences with veterans in the industry that they learn."

Browne has held possibly every position leading up to being named president of Telemundo, in April 2005. He will share with students and faculty attending all of his experience as an entry level staff member in the news room.

Browne holds a wide array of honorary recognitions: From 1989 to 1991, Browne served as the executive news director for NBC News. Later he moved on to



PHOTO COURTESY OF HEATHER RADI-BERMUDEZ

Donald Browne, president of Telemundo (right), with Lillian Lodge Koppenhaver, dean of the School of Journalism and Mass Communications, during Browne's last visit to the University.

becoming executive vice president in New York, from 1991 through 1993.

In 2004, he was acknowledged for his commitment to promoting diversity in the work place with the prestigious Ida

B. Wells Award. Two years later he was the recipient of the 2006 Florida Governor's Points of Light Award for additional service to his community.

An advocate for diversity and women,

Browne, will also present at the lecture: Hispanics in communications, diversity and the future of the industry.

"Those are issues that are an underscore here at SJMC and it is important for students going into this field to engage in," added Radi-Bermudez.

SJMC's Hearst Distinguished Lecture Series is free and open to the public. Attendees will have the opportunity to engage in a question and answer segment during the event.

According to Radi-Bermudez, this event is open to current and incoming students in the journalism program and those considering it; and is promised to be an insightful lecture.

"The Hearst Lecture Series is made possible by an endowment, which was initially for \$25,000, from the William Randolph Hearst Foundation to Florida International University," said Meira Langsam, administrative assistant to the dean of SJMC.

The Hearst Foundation has enabled FIU the ability to host distinguished communication professionals for the past two decades.

The lecture event is also being sponsored by the William C. Adams chapter of the Public Relations Student Society of America.

For more information, contact SJMC at 305-919-5625.

10th annual Diversity Awareness Day adds photo contest

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Contributing Writer

This University is one of the most diverse around, according to Zack Trautenberg, IT and marketing coordinator for the Wolfe University Center. And to pursue this the school will celebrate Diversity Awareness Day for the 10th year on Oct. 21.

Diversity Day is for students and staff to celebrate and embrace themselves, despite differences in race, religion, gender, sexual orientation, age, nationality, or disability, according to the National Diversity Day website. "Students will be working and living with people different from themselves," said Diann Newman, chairperson of the Diversity Day Committee and director of student

services for the School of Hospitality and Tourism Management. "It is best to adapt to an open-minded perspective that appreciates differences so that the interactions can be harmonious."

Colleen Fix, an emeritus professor from Miami-Dade College, will speak to a panel of students with various disabilities.

Fix is also legally blind and a polio survivor.

"Colleen explained that the fight for disability rights was started across the country and it is up to the students to step up to make a difference," Trautenberg said.

After Fix, students will hear from Brian C. Johnson about diversity.

"Brian's creative keynote, 'Reel Diversity,' frames the diversity conversation

through modern film by sharing clips of well-known films and discussing messages that they consciously and unconsciously give," Newman said. "Brian allows every student to see him or herself as diverse."

The final speaker is Jaed Coffin, the author of "Chanting with Elephants", the book that all freshman are required to read.

Every year the Diversity Day Committee has different contests.

For example, last year there was an expression contest where students could turn in poetry, pictures and essays.

This year the school wanted to spice things up a bit by having a photo contest, according to Trautenberg.

"This way students can be more creative in expressing their thoughts on diversity. It's

easy, fun and more students can participate. We usually have a good turnout but we're hoping for a bigger group this year," Trautenberg said.

Contestants can turn in up to three color and black and white photos that show their idea of diversity.

They also must turn in a short essay about their photograph and any background information due to future displays and publications.

The last day to turn in pictures for the contest is Oct. 1. There will be three prizes.

"The photos will be judged based on technical merit, artistic merit, originality, and the meaning of diversity it gives," Newman said.

For more information, contact Trautenberg at (305) 919-5701 or trautenz@fiu.edu or visit diversitycontest.fiu.edu.

TUESDAY TIMES ROUNDTABLE

Discussion will ask: 'Can saving our oceans, save the planet'

KENYETA PINO
Contributing Writer

A December 2009 *New York Times* article "To Save the Planet, Save the Seas" by Dan Laffoley prompted the interest of Jennifer Grimm.

The environmental coordinator for Biscayne Bay Campus' passion for keeping the earth's waters clean will be the main topic of this week's Tuesday Times Roundtable.

The article described the program which would compensate

developing countries for preserving forests, swamps, and fields which are efficient at absorbing carbon dioxide.

Laffoley argues that society should look at similar opportunities to limit climate change in the oceans.

"The ocean controls a lot of what happens on the land, so preserving the ocean, protects what happens to our land," said Grimm.

Grimm, who develops outreach activities for University students and the surrounding community, sees TTR as an opportunity to

engage students in acknowledging the importance of how maintaining a clean environment effects global climate change.

Grimm encourages all to join her Sept. 21 in the Wolfe University Center room 159 from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.