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UPROAR Concert, April 7, 8 p.m. Pitbull and Kid Cudi headline the annual concert. Doors open at 7 p.m. at the U.S. Century Bank Arena.

LGBTQA Pride Week, April 8, Join the LGBTQA community in Day of Silence, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the GC Pit and the BBC Wolfe Center's Panther Square.

Mayday! at The Vagabond, April 8, 10 p.m. Miami New Times' best hip-hop artist winner performs at The Vagabond. Entrance is \$5.

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'Worlds Ahead' makes mark

New campaign plans to put University on the map

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After answering the question of "What is FIU?" the University Division of External Relations continues to develop ways to expand the new long-term marketing campaign, Worlds Ahead.

The launching of the initiative brought together Univer-

sity members to the Graham Center Ballrooms during early March to provide and cement a concise definition of FIU; one that focuses on its diversity, location and innovation. Now as the campaign takes its first steps in the open, the External Relations team is looking into its year-long research to decide the best ways to approach the community and the world on

what FIU means.

"This is actually something that the University has been on for at least four or five years," said Sandra Gonzalez-Levy, senior vice president of External Relations. "We've been trying to put something like this together, and it seemed like now was the time for it."

Throughout the University, Worlds Ahead is becoming a part of the landscape as the metal map of the world at the entrance of the Graham Center was moved and placed above

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STEPPING STONES



CHRIS ADAMS/THE BEACON

Arthur Affleck (left), Ronald Henri (center) and Shawn Daniel (right), Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity members, perform a step routine in front of the GC Pit to showcase tradition of stepping, their history and to educate onlookers about their fraternity.

SGC-MMC SENATE

Reform of governing councils delayed

PHILIPPE BUTEAU
Senior Staff Writer

After postponing the reorganization of the structure of governing councils for an additional week, the only form of legislation discussed by the senate of the Student Government Council at Modesto Maidique Campus was an appropriation.

The April 5 meeting made three weeks that the reforming was postponed. Engineering senator William Jose-Velez was the one who motioned for the postponement.

Velez said to Student Media after the meeting that the reason he postponed it was because the authors of the resolution are "working on some details of the bill." One of those details was fine-tuning what oversight Student Government Association will have over governing councils.

Dealing specifically with the Graduate Student Association, Velez said another detail is working out how the Graduate Student Advisory Board will work.

The new SGA constitution proposed by the SGC-MMC judiciary, revised by the University-wide Council and not on the ballot during general elections has an article that details the new structure of governing councils. However, as it wasn't on the ballot, the current constitution still stands as the authority within SGA.

Velez said that because of this, if

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Seminar focuses on special needs children

MEENA RUPANI
Staff Writer

On March 27, the Education Clinic at the College of Law held its first major event, the "Legal Rights of Children with Special Needs Seminar," planned by the director of the clinic Professor Laverne Pinkney.

"This seminar was designed to confront parents with children who have disabilities and to provide them with the knowledge they may need moving forward in life," Pinkney said.

According to Professor Pinkney, 130 people registered for

this event. The audience ranged from attorneys to law students and parents with children who have special needs.

"The speakers at this event [addressed] a number of issues including state custody, life insurance, ensuring secure placement for them in schools. This seminar was especially useful to parents because many of them cannot afford private attorneys and therefore they will be able to receive a wealth of knowledge at the seminar free of charge," Pinkney said.

One of the many lecturers present at the seminar was attorney Champagne Girtten who currently

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Laverne Pinkney, Director, Education Clinic
College of Law

works for the Legal Services of Greater Miami.

According to Pinkney, Girtten's current practice centers around special education advocacy and providing civil legal assistance to foster youth transition into adulthood.

According to Girtten, the purpose of the hour-long lecture was to educate parents on the amount of social security benefits and Medicaid benefits their special needs children are eligible for.

"There is a set amount of social

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Mexico/California border hit by earthquake Easter Sunday

JULIE WATSON
Associated Press

Police patrolled streets littered with shattered glass Monday morning and closed off several blocks of historic buildings damaged in a deadly Easter Sunday earthquake across the border in Mexico.

No injuries were reported in Calexico, the U.S. area hardest hit by the 7.2-magnitude quake. A 3-block-by-4-block area containing prewar buildings housing businesses was closed because of damage.

Sal Farah, 62, spent the night in his 50-year-old Yurralde Furniture store, fearing it could be looted since the giant storefront windows were knocked out by the quake.

"I didn't get much sleep, especially in the morning when it shook hard again," Farah said, standing in the store littered by broken vases, lamps and shattered knickknacks.

They planned to board up the windows later Monday and hoped to be back in business within a day.

Sunday's quake centered just south of the U.S. border near Mexicali killed two people in Mexico and injured at least 100,

including someone who was hit in the head by a sign at a carwash in the California town of El Centro.

Scientists measured about 100 aftershocks early Monday, said seismologist Kate Hutton at the California Institute of Technology in Pasadena. Statistically, there will be one aftershock of around 6.0 and perhaps 10 of 5.0 or larger, she said.

The initial earthquake downed three power lines, a gas leak forced a brief evacuation of about 30 homes, and residents were removed from a senior living center built in the early 1900s. Electricity was out for hours in the city's southeast area.

"Right now our main concern is the safety for the people," said fire Chief Pete Mercado. He said the city was also working on a plan to help Mexicali with water supplies because of damage to their water system.

Despite the jolting, police Lt. Jesus Serrano said there were few emergency calls and no sign of panic.

"There's broken windows, some cracked masonry buildings" and some buildings had falling bricks, although none was in immediate danger of collapse, Serrano said. Damage was still being assessed, he said.

The U.S. damage appeared to be limited to California's southeastern Imperial Valley in what was one of the strongest earthquakes to hit the region in decades. The shaking was felt hundreds of miles away in Phoenix and Las Vegas.

Media outlets have been reporting on the possible links between this earthquake and the ones that occurred in Chile and Haiti.

However, Professor Grenville Draper, associate director of the liberal studies program and professor of geology at FIU, said that these earthquakes are "not connected in any way."

"The public is sensitized to it ... it gets in the news cycle whereas previously it wasn't," Draper said.

Draper added that the reason these earthquakes are not connected is because of the distance between them and the random manner in which they occur.

As of printing, the earthquake has killed two people and injured 140. CNN reported, however, that the number could rise as 10 to 15 of those injured are in critical condition.

-Additional reporting by Jorge Valens.

Senate funds CPR training program

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the restructuring had passed, it could have been deemed unconstitutional.

"If we pass that bill without specifying that it is subject to the new constitution, it would have been in contradiction to the [current] one," Velez said.

The restructuring could theoretically be passed at next week's senate meeting but there would have to be specific wording, a *proviso*, which states it is subject to the new constitution.

"The *proviso* would say if the constitution is approved the bill will go into effect," Velez said. "If and only if."

The GSAB will be made up of the four graduate senators proposed in the new constitution and is a part of the new structure of GSA. The resolution says that the GSAB will be in charge of allocating funds for research, conferences and other events that will help the student base.

This will be done through "a more efficient, transparent and accountable system that strictly follows the applicable laws and regulations."

A resolution supporting GSA's restructuring was passed

unanimously at the March 29 senate meeting.

The appropriation passed was \$450 for a Clinical Volunteer program to pay for CPR classes for a maximum of 20 students.

According to the appropriation, which was originally on the agenda for the March 22 meeting, University Health Services will host "the Clinical Volunteer Program that will give students training in CPR, immunization shots, etc."

The volunteer program will start during Summer B and last for the whole year according to the author of the appropriation, David Dial. Dial is also coordinator of health affairs in the cabinet of SGC-MMC President Anthony Rionda.

The volunteer program will take place in the general medical clinic. The appropriation says the program will give the University's undergraduate pre-med student clinical experience "in order to be competitive in their application to medical school."

Although the appropriation specified pre-med students, Dial said during the meeting that the program will help all pre-health students.

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Aid for parents of special needs children discussed

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security that a child with special needs receives each year, but even if the social security check is \$1, the child will still receive full benefits from Medicaid," Girten said.

Girten then went on to explain the importance of having all the medical records and school records in order before the parents file their application to receive these benefits.

"Mental disability cases are the ones that are the hardest to prove in front a judge, the more records the parents have, the better their chances," Girten said.

According to Girten, it used to be 857 days (a little over two years) between filing the case and the hearing when she first started working as an attorney, now it has gone down to about 15 months.

"The only drawback once the child gets approved for benefits is that they must be reevaluated again when they turn 18. Most parents forget to follow up," Girten said.

According to Girten, this is how many people get purged off the list; social security is counting on most parents forgetting to reapply for benefits.

Another lecturer present at the

seminar focused on a completely different issue which was that of financial planning for families with special needs.

Joseph Eppy is a special care planner that has helped Mass Mutual create their special care needs program and teaches other financial advisors how to do this unique type of planning across the country, and has been doing so since 2004, according to Pinkney.

The main focus of Eppy's lecture was to educate parents on the topic of wills, estates, letters of intent and guardianship.

"Financial aspects and legal aspects tie hand in hand in these

special cases, we can't possibly have one without the other," Eppy said.

Eppy explained that parents or guardians of children with special needs can become disabled themselves any day now, therefore having a living will and a letter of intent is important.

"A letter of intent is important because it is an instruction manual for the next caregiver and will describe the child's hopes and dreams for the future. Also, it will describe the child's current situation," Eppy said.

Eppy also wanted the parents to know they can retire at some point.

"Parents with children who have disabilities are constantly overwhelmed. They have to be patient on a daily basis. It is important for them to know they don't have to work for the rest of their lives to provide for their special needs child," Eppy said.

Eppy ended by letting the parents know that if they are efficient in their planning for the future, they can accomplish their goals as well as the goals of their special needs children.

"Efficiency in planning means using the least amount of resources to accomplish the greatest of your goals," Eppy said.

Campus gets 'Panther-ized' makeover for campaign

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the doors and the jumbotron at the football stadium flashes the campaign slogan. Through what is now called "Pantherization," the campus community will be seeing the campaign more through banners and other marketing strategies. The neighboring city of Sweetwater, which has been partnering with the University on community programs, will also be seeing FIU colors soon.

According to Gonzalez-Levy, members of the University have embraced the initiative by incorporating the concept into their announcements, presentations and language. The College of Architecture and the Arts specifically has created a special award to be given out in the near future, based on the idea of achievement that is "Worlds Ahead."

While the campaign is still young and coming up with ideas for the new school year, much of its focus will be based on the results of the extensive research that External Relations conducted within the past year.

"In 2009, my division worked with Stamats, one of the country's top education marketing firms, to reach out to

nearly 4,000 prospective students, current students, parents, alumni, supporters, donors, faculty, administrators and community leaders. We surveyed their views of FIU, held focus groups and conducted in-depth interviews," Gonzalez-Levy said.

With this \$270,000 marketing research study, which was funded by private dollars from the FIU Foundation, the division was able to see the perception of the University from different groups.

From the investigation, it was concluded that FIU held strengths in its amount of ethnically diverse students, cost to attend and in preparing students for success in a global society. Campus aesthetics were ranked high which was followed by the location within Miami. Though, in turn, weaknesses lied in the lack of up-to-date classrooms and technologies, lagging athletics and academic reputation as well as national reputation.

Many of those who scored FIU low as "good or better" were prospective undergraduates who were at the high school level. They have become one of the main groups to focus on when it comes to spreading the word on the strengths of the University. To assist this, External Relations has worked to set up University representatives to visit

local high schools and their counselors.

"We know there's a problem when the counselors aren't recommending FIU to their students, so we're planning to change that," said Terry Witherell, associate vice president of External Relations who has been one of the main directors of the campaign since it first began.

In the end, what Stamats informed FIU was that "the biggest perceived challenge area is FIU's lack of recognition, a particularly troubling finding among in-state students. Nearly 50 percent of persons questioned have little or no familiarity with the University."

They recommended that the marketing

initiatives should aim to increase recognition by moving beyond having prospective students only knowing the University's name. This meant focusing on "key branding messages" so that those considering FIU know what it is about and what its strengths are.

Through the new Web site *worlds-ahead.fiu.edu*, that will be launched on May 1, the campaign will showcase the experiences of faculty, students and alumni while providing their own definition of what FIU is.

"You can't be 'worlds ahead' if you can't show that you're 'worlds ahead,'" Witherell said.

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SGC-BBC

Battle considers new handbook with senate

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To help future senators in Student Government Council at Biscayne Bay Campus, Christin "Cici" Battle, SGC-BBC vice president created training handbooks to help new members understand their role.

The handbook, which was revealed during the weekly senate meeting on April 5, included a six-step process which should facilitate the working process for incoming senators.

According to Battle, the training handbook was a goal she created during the beginning of the Spring semester and was finalized with input from the senators.

"The handbook has feedback from incoming senators and is a compilation of useful information," she said. "It will provide senators with a blueprint of their role."

With the handbook senators will be able to understand their job, gain knowledge and clearly read the SGA constitution and statutes, Battle said during the meeting.

The manual will also provide senators with a clear understanding of the order of succession from speaker of the senate, to vice president and finally to president.

"It is straight to the point," said Battle

about the handbook. "If you are a new senator this will help you understand what your role is."

The handbook also suggests that senators should make themselves visible among students and administration, which will help them familiarize themselves with the students they represent and make their voices heard.

Senators are also provided tips on how to reach out to students and are recommended to create "meet and greet" events, speaking up in class and meeting their respective deans on a regular basis.

"It is about creating a relationship and having a bond with students," Battle said.

Battle also informs senators on how to research and survey students needs in the handbook, by suggesting senators to set up tables and become familiar with their respective colleges' clubs.

During the meeting Battle also suggested a "meet your senators" link on SGA's Web site to help students become familiar with their representation.

With the new handbook implemented, senators feel it will benefit the students and administration.

"This is one of the many things missing in the senate," SGC-BBC lower-division senator Maria Pacheco said.

A MATTER OF TASTE



TOMMY LOPEZ-MELIS/THE BEACON

Sandy Anne Monroe (left) Vice President of the Wine Club serves wine to Erika Aguilar (right), a grad student in psychology at the French Wine Tasting on April 5.

Annual auction to raise scholarship funds for international and transfer students

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Staff Writer

The Office of Multicultural Programs and Services is hosting the seventh annual SAGE fundraising reception and silent auction on April 9 from 6 to 9 p.m. in the Wolfe University Center Ballrooms at the Biscayne Bay Campus.

The purpose of the event is to raise funds for SAGE, the Scholarship Award in Global Excellence, which helps international and transfer students.

SAGE has awarded about 25 scholarships of \$500 each over the years and is looking to grant three more this year.

"The goal is to raise

between \$5,000 and \$10,000 at this year's reception," said Dorret Sawyers, director of Multicultural Programs and Services at BBC and co-chair of the event.

According to Nancy Hernandez, director of the International Student and Scholarship Services at BBC, students submitted their applications in March and had to submit a resume, transcript, essay letter of recommendation and list of involvement in FIU or community organizations. They must also have a minimum 2.78 GPA.

"We rely a lot on our donors," said Sawyers. "Everyone is invited to attend, both FIU and the

local community."

Some of the sponsors who donated items are Bubba Gump, Publix and the Biltmore Hotel.

Among the items up for auction are works of art, hotel stays, gift baskets of spa treatments or Italian goods, and gift certificates to restaurants and gyms - even a \$100 gift certificate from the Wolfe Center good toward any event.

There are also door prizes that can be won without having to cast a bid.

During the auction, each person will have a number only they will know in order to bid on the items they are interested in. At the end, the committee

will tally the results and make the announcements of who the winners are by their numbers. Checks are to be made payable to FIU SAGE.

"We're excited about the event and would like people to come out for a fun night," said Sawyers. "They can walk out with some great items."

The cost of tickets is \$20 and includes dinner and musical entertainment, with Vice Provost Steven Moll serving as emcee.

RSVP in advance is recommended, but tickets can be purchased at the door the night of the auction.

For more information or to RSVP, call 305-919-5817 or stop by WUC 253.

Vice President Biden visits with Little Haiti

JENNIFER KAY
Associated Press

Vice President Joe Biden sought to assure Haitian-American leaders Monday that the U.S. remains committed to reconstruction efforts in Haiti.

Their Caribbean homeland may have faded from the news since a magnitude-7 earthquake struck Jan. 12, but the U.S. government will keep its promises to rebuild, Biden said.

"We have no reduced commitment," Biden said. "We will work with all of you to get Haiti back on its feet."

Biden and Paul Weisenfeld, coordinator of the Haiti team for the U.S. Agency for International Development, met with about two-dozen elected community leaders at the Little Haiti Cultural Center in Miami.

Some of the leaders said the meeting was an opportunity to express frustration within the Haitian Diaspora over

being excluded from recovery efforts led by the U.S. and Haitian governments, the United Nations and non-governmental organizations.

"The vice president understands that we need to be involved if we are to have an impact," Andre Pierre, mayor of North Miami, said after the meeting. "That has not happened before."

Biden hosted a similar meeting here in January. He said United States' contributions to the recovery effort since then added up to \$1 billion in funding for shelter, sanitation, food, medical supplies and other logistics.

The vice president said 1.2 million Haitians now have access to clean water, an improvement of 50 percent over pre-earthquake accessibility. About 21,000 people are employed clearing debris in cash-for-work programs, he said.

"Success will be to get it beyond where it was

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Haitian-American leaders encouraged by Biden visit

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and on a path it has not been in awhile, to build upon sorrow and loss a new Haiti sustained by a much brighter commitment and a much brighter hope for the days ahead," Biden said.

Some of the Haitian-Americans said after the meeting that they were encouraged to hear that Barack Obama's administration shared their concerns, especially about development in rural areas as hurricane season approaches. After the earthquake, many residents of Haiti's capital, Port-au-Prince, fled to rural villages that lacked the resources to support them.

The leaders also were concerned about 55,000 Haitians whose U.S. visa applications were pending when the earth-

quake struck. They asked Biden to push U.S. officials to speed up the approval process for those Haitians, so they can join family members in the United States.

"He said he would look into it," said Marleine Bastien, executive director of Haitian Women of Miami.

Last week at a United Nations donor conference, Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton announced an additional pledge of \$1.15 billion over the next two years.

The U.S. was among nearly 50 international donors who pledged \$9.9 billion to help Haiti recover from the earthquake that destroyed its government and commercial center.

Biden and his family had been in Miami to celebrate the Easter holiday.

LAUGH LINES



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Guest comedian Tracey Ashley makes FIU students roar with laughter during her stand-up routine at the Spring Fling Comedy Show held on March 25 in the Mary Ann Wolfe Theatre.

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Lack of communication between SGA councils makes case for unification

This editorial is the second in a two-part series, the first of which was published on April 5.

Failures on the part of Student Government Council at Biscayne Bay Campus are not only restricted to malfeasance and election fraud as discussed in the previous entry.

It is the breakdown of vital communication between SGC-BBC and its counterpart at Modesto Maidique Campus which forms the foundation of *The Beacon's* case for a one-council system as communication is absolutely necessary to represent the student body as a whole.

This collapse is most recently exemplified in the discussions regarding the proposed changes to the SGA constitution.

In an article published April 5, former SGC-BBC Vice Presidential candidate Tanha Dil claims that the governing council had given no input to the construction of the constitution. Dil said that discussion of the new document had not been heard within SGC-BBC until current SGC-BBC President Sholom Neistein discussed it during a March 31 meeting.

"BBC is left out of the loop, we get the raw end of the stick," said Dil, voicing her discontent.

Current SGC-MMC Chief Justice Luis Robayo countered, claiming that the constitution had been sent to key members of SGC-BBC, but that they had failed to contact him about the issue.

When Robayo contacted former SGC-BBC Senate Speaker Nickolay Chikishev via e-mail about getting the SGC-BBC senate involved, Chikishev never responded, but later told Robayo in person that SGC-BBC had "a culture of not responding."

This wouldn't be the first time that SGC-BBC complained about being uninformed.

Earlier this year, Neistein told Student Media that he had not been consulted about the proposed measure to bring back the marching band with SGA funds following their dismantling late last year.

"I have no involvement whatsoever. All I know is that we want to bring [the marching band] back and that's it," Neistein said.

A conversation on who is at fault in these instances would be a long and fruitless one, as both councils are at fault in their own way.

The bottom line is that the two councils are just not communicating effectively enough to function, as evidenced by this petty "he said, she said."

Indeed, it is this infighting that has become characteristic of the relationship between SGC-MMC and SGC-BBC. The consolidation of both governing councils into one unified SGA is one solution that *The Beacon* feels will alleviate these conflicts as nobody will be working to improve any one particular campus, but rather the University as a whole.

The current two-council, two-president system is redundant and inefficient. In order to prevent such failures and encourage an inter-campus dialogue, there must be a University-wide SGA president governing all campuses.

The perfect example would be the way the University presidency is handled. University President Mark Rosenberg ultimately represents every facet of the University: not just MMC, BBC or the Pines Center. Yet Rosenberg has support staff at BBC which report to him, but ultimately he is in charge.

Within the current system, the presidency at MMC retains far more power than its BBC counterpart, as the MMC president holds a seat on the University Board of Trustees, while the BBC president merely has an advising position within the FIU Foundation.

Arguments against one person representing both campuses therefore crumble as it is already the case on the BOT; the University has entrusted the SGC-MMC president to represent the 40,000 strong student body.

Streamlining has become a buzz word within

Film industry exploiting 3-D effects

Four months ago, I wrote an article questioning the future of James Cameron's \$500 million investment, *Avatar*.

You know, the movie where the giant blue alien cat people pull a *Return of the Jedi* and use their "spirit" to overcome the galactic empire... err... I mean humans?

However hacked-nayed that flick was, it is indeed the highest grossing film ever released with just over \$2.8 billion in ticket sales since its release last December.

Of course, it wasn't the first massively successful 3-D film to be released in Hollywood in recent memory. Films like *My Bloody Valentine* 3-D and *Cloudy With A Chance Of Meatballs* were box office successes. *Cloudy With A Chance Of Meatballs* alone made \$223,000,000 in gross revenue.

Avatar wasn't the first successful 3-D film but it is the most prominent in the minds of the public, and the true indicator that the age of 3-D has arrived. Now studios will do anything in order to get into the gig.

Last weekend's box-office hit *Clash of the Titans* was filmed in 2009 and was set for release on March 26, in the traditional 2-D formatting.

In early January 2010, *Empire Magazine* reported that executives at Warner Brothers had been toying with the idea of converting the film into 3-D. The process, costing an extra

\$5 million, involves creating a second plane of field that can be read with the glasses given to you at the theater, giving you that 3-D sensation.

It was all done in 10 weeks. All the studio had to do was push the release date back to April 2.

The results: \$62 million during the opening weekend. Surely, nothing to sneeze at but nary a decent review to be found in site.

On Rotten Tomatoes, the film has a 31 percent approval rating among critics.

Their primary issue: the conversion process.

"Post-conversion creates pop-up book 3-D, where everything is a flat plane that is separated from

other flat planes, offering illusory depth, but *Clash* takes that to the next level... in post-converted 3-D many of these landscapes are ruined, with the planes being all over the place," noted Devin Farri from *CHUD.com*.

In comparison to *Avatar* where the 3-D elements were lauded for their beauty, *Titans* is an atrocity.

The film's quality in terms of story and characterizations is decent. The 3-D element was nothing short of maddening. In *Avatar*, I sat in awe of the visuals, despite the lack of any other real substance. By the time the Kraken had been released in *Titans*, I knew I'd be coming home to write about my qualms.

This wouldn't be the first bandwagon that Hollywood has jumped on. Following the massive success that Pixar had with *Toy Story*, and DreamWorks Animation with *Shrek*, the traditional methods of animation, mainly hand drawn, went nearly extinct.

Walt Disney Pictures shut down their traditional animation wing. This of course came from the studio that basically estab-

lished the feature length animated film into a legitimate art form.

Then comes the age-old argument of art versus business within filmmaking. At the end of the day, studios can collect three extra dollars to put into their coffers.

Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows Part I is set to premiere this November and will be undergoing the same conversion process. Meanwhile, over a dozen films are scheduled to be released this year in 3-D.

I never thought the day would come but I have to agree with Michael Bay (director of such classics as *Transformers 2* and *Pearl Harbor*): "Studios might be willing to sacrifice the look and use the gimmick to make \$3 more a ticket, but I'm not. *Avatar* took four years. You can't just s**t out a 3-D movie."

I'm waiting for *Doubt* on 3-D where Meryl Streep's ruler pops off the screen as she administers corporal punishment.

You can't always determine whether a film will be good. But if we're going to make films in 3-D, let's make them into events, not just another way to get more money from viewers.

COMMENTARY



DAVID BARRIOS

SGC-MMC

Senate unreliable for bailing out student clubs

Unless it is discovered that the organization requesting funds has already been funded by SGA via Activities and Service fees, most appropriations are approved by the SGC-MMC senate.

Recently, the FIU Football Rugby Club's appropriation for \$1,700 to cover the cost of jerseys for team members was denied

since it had been previously funded by both CSO and the Recreation Center.

Subsequently, the Caribbean Student Association's appropriation for \$1,500 to cover traveling expenses to a conference in Tampa was rejected not only because CSA is a CSO funded organization, but also because funding for traveling expenses constitutes an operational cost.

To formulate an educated opinion on the complex funding process, students must be acquainted with basic information about CSO as well as be abreast of certain aspects of the SGC budget, as it relates to CSO.

For the fiscal year 2009-10, SGC-MMC allocated 18 percent or \$276,513 of its \$1.5 million budget to CSO, which distributes funding to member organizations. A point system dictates the amount of funding an organization may request.

Organizations must obtain a minimum of 10 points to receive a minimal funding of \$500, while 30-56 points will earn an organization access to \$2,000, the most allowed.

Points can be obtained through leadership and professional development, Web development, and community service and philanthropic projects.

Basic funding of \$150 is awarded to new organizations the semester they become a member of CSO. To become a member of CSO, an organization must have at least 10 members, an acceptable constitution including provisions to FIU's hazing policy, a full time faculty/staff advisor from MMC, a minimum of 51 percent

of the organization's members must be students at MMC, and the organization's president, treasurer and CSO representative must be enrolled for half of their course load at MMC.

Aside from membership and point system, there is an intricate process by which member organizations file for funding.

Member organizations check their account through the Arts and Sciences Business Office to verify sufficient funding. An application must include a flyer for the event funds are being requested for, the sign in sheet, quotes or invoices from the vendor and the organization advisor's signature.

Regulations stipulate that all paperwork must be submitted at least 10 days prior to the event/meeting, but it takes up to three days from the time the application is submitted to obtain the Campus Life advisor's approval and up to 10 additional days for the ASBO to process the application.

Final payment will not be issued to the vendor unless the organization submits an invoice five to seven days after the event

or meeting has taken place.

It is obvious that the system needs to streamline, but the more pertinent question is: Does SGC-MMC have the power to intervene and simplify the process within state regulatory limits? While Article 4, Section (8) (D) only affords the senate the power to "approve and allocate all activity and service expenditures..." the Student Body Constitution Act of 2010, if approved by the University-wide Council, will afford the SGC-MMC senate the power to "audit student organizations and entities directly funded by SGA through A&S fees."

While the process is grossly oversimplified here, the student senate will be able to conduct a detailed investigation and possibly recommend means through which CSO can better serve member organizations.

So as appropriations come to the senate floor, further financial obstacles in the way of groups like the FIU Football Rugby Club and CSA, while achieving the purposes of their respective organization, will only be history.

COMMENTARY



DEAN WILLIAMS

EDITORIAL POLICY

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OPINIONPIECE

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The magnitude of the earthquake that shook the Baja region of California on the afternoon of April 4.

QUOTATIONATION

"My view on politics is much more grassroots-oriented ... so I tend to, you know, come at it ... a little bit more street-wise, if you will.

Michael Steele, RNC Chairman defending his approach to politics



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GREEN VIBES

Music tour promotes eco-friendliness

ADRIANA RODRIGUEZ
Staff Writer

Turn off the sink while you brush your teeth. Ride your bike instead of driving your car. These are the simple “green” tips for eco-friendly awareness that you’re used to hearing. Now, going to a Trey Songz and Fabolous concert can help the world spin cleaner and brighter, too.

It seems as if “green” is everywhere and that’s not a bad thing considering it’s saving our planet. But, being cautious that everything you do is going to increase your carbon footprint can be exhausting.

So, here comes the Be Seen Being Green College Music Tour, the movement of TSharee Butler and Marcus King, president and vice president of DreamSharee Edu-tainment, respectively.

Plastered all over the media and touted by celebrities, eco-friendly living is a hot trend that’s here to stay. The “green” movement by DreamSharee is designed to keep the appetite for a “green” world strong in a way that’s relatable to college students.

“‘Green’ is a lifestyle now. So, not only is it fashionable, we wanted to make it fun,” Butler said.

They came up with the idea to spread awareness to college students about living eco-friendly by combining education with entertainment.

“As an edu-tainment company, it was

important for us to merge our educational message of being ‘green’ and spread awareness through entertainment. Hip-hop and music are very powerful vehicles, especially for our youth,” said King, who is also co-founder of DreamSharee.

On April 15 and 16, BSBG will launch a two-day event that kicks off with a seminar held at the University of Miami. The seminar is an interactive program that includes a panel of “green” experts, a Q-and-A session, a meet and greet with the panelists, contests and raffles, and a book signing by Dale Bell for the book *Going to Green*, written by Bell and Harry Wiland.

Apple Levy, founder of The Green Girls – a Web site dedicated to living an eco-friendly life – will be there to discuss ways to implement “green” living into daily life.

The seminar is hosted by actress, musician and environmental activist Persia White. White, best known for her role as Lynn Searcy on the sitcom “Girlfriends,” joins Bell and Miami Beach Commissioner Jonah Wolfson to promote “green” awareness and she will be showing a clip from the film *Intelligent Life*, which she produced.

Through a series of music/video vignettes, the film explores the causes and effects of the unintentional impact we have on the world around us. It was the recipient of the Environ-

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Car show to raise money for children’s health care

ADRIAN ESPINOSA
Staff Writer

Engines will rev and lives will be saved as the parked and the charitable gather at FIU on April 10. FIU Car Club will be meeting on the roof of the Panther Garage for Cars for Kids, an event that brings together car lovers and the spirit of giving in one venue.

The event will raise money to benefit the Miami Children’s Hospital Foundation. Although this is the first annual Cars for Kids show, event coordinators Alex Summa and Vidjai Doerga are hoping to make it a new fixture in the University’s plethora of charity events.

Along with the car show, Summa, a freshman finance and marketing major, also had a major hand in forming the University’s first recognized car enthusiasts club.

On the drawing board since October of last year, Cars for Kids has rounded up some big sponsors for the event and are hoping to raise as much money as they can for MCHF.

Two of the major sponsors are ISS Forged and COR Wheels.

ISS Forged has been extremely

beneficent in the cause and has aided the club quite a lot in promoting the event. The custom, high performance wheel manufacturer donated \$500 for high-end flyers hoping to attract a crowd.

The MCHF helps to provide health care services to children all around Miami. They focus on getting care to young patients who are underprivileged and without the means to afford health services.

“This charity is very important to me because it gives children hope by giving them a future that they might not otherwise have because they lacked the proper health care,” Summa said.

He’s been working with the organization for the past six months, but FIU has sponsored MCHF for quite a while.

Making appearances in the annual Dance Marathons, they work closely with FIU students and organizations to advance their efforts.

Christina Flores, a sophomore broadcast journalism major and executive director of Dance Marathon, was called to help make the link between Summa and MCHF.

“I think that it is wonderful that

HORN’S UP!



ESRA ERDOGAN/THE BEACON

Sophomore Alvaro Velasquez and the French horn players rehearse for The School of Music’s Wind Ensemble concert next week on April 13 at 7:30 p.m. in the WPAC Concert Hall.

we can connect something so unrelated as cars to help raise awareness about our extremely important philanthropy,” Flores said.

The club has reserved 300 spots atop the lofty Panther Garage roof and anyone going to display their

ride should contact Summa at carclubfiu@gmail.com.

To enter, a \$5 donation at the door is required.

And, depending on your mood, a \$10 donation includes the entrance and a meal provided by Chic-Fil-A.

Also, those who are displaying their car and have reserved a spot will receive a lunch.

So far, around 100 cars are expected to show up for display and

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Fabulous, Trey Songz spread 'green' message through music

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mental Media Association's Green Seal Award.

"This is her field. This is what she knows. She definitely feels how we feel about getting this out to the youth," Butler said of their choice for White as host.



On April 16, a concert will be held at the James L. Knight Center in Miami Beach featuring artists Fabulous and Trey Songz.

Both artists were up for the challenge of spreading the message to students, Butler said.

She added that their eagerness to promote the cause made them good role models and their music best appealed to the demographic DreamSharee is targeting.

An after-party will be held at South Beach's Mansion – a popular locale for celebrity parties and events.

Before the tour comes to Miami, there will be contests offering participants the chance to get the celeb treatment at BSBG's after-party and other goodies.

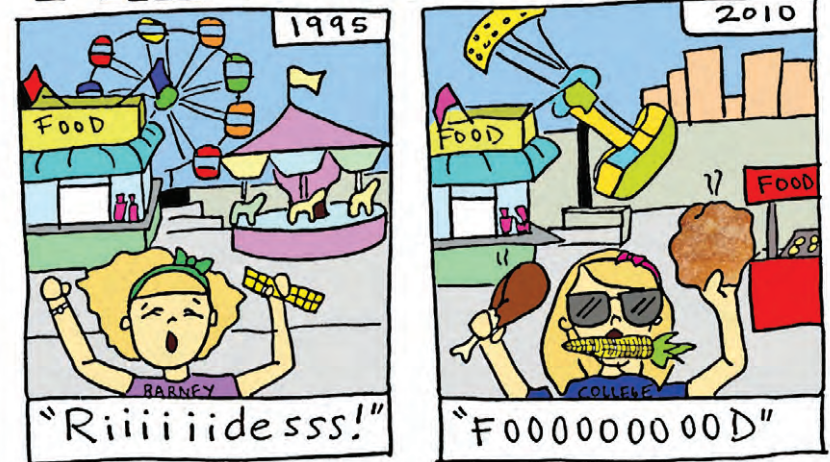
Winners of "Green is Beautiful" will get a "green" makeover by celebrity makeup artist, Londyn Nikole, a spa treatment at a local organic spa in Miami, tickets to the concert, VIP treatment at the after-party and a walk down the green carpet. The contest ends on April 12.

Discounted tickets to the concert are available until April 7 and admission to the seminar is free.

You can check out more information about contests, tickets and anything "green" at www.beseenbeinggreen.com and www.dreamsharee.com

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To solve the sudoku puzzle, every row, column and 3x3 box must contain the numbers 1-9 only once. Check your answers in Friday's issue. Difficulty: Hard

A Friend Dies. Who Cares?

Toxic drinking is an epidemic on campuses all across America.

It means consuming so much alcohol the drinker passes out. But while "sleeping it off," the victim may be quietly dying.

When you come right down to it, students themselves are the best ones to tackle this problem. So, in growing numbers, Stony Brook students have joined together in the Red Watch Band movement.

Working with experts, they fine-tuned a course in techniques to handle these alcohol emergencies. Red Watch Band members can act fast, when every second counts. They know the quick steps they can take to rescue a passed-out student from a drinking death, and can immediately summon professional help. Everyone completing the course is given the distinctive red watch for identification.

Since its inception at Stony Brook University in March 2009, approximately 40 schools across the country have signed on to implement this lifesaving program.

To prevent toxic drinking deaths, go to redwatchband.org



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THE BEACON REVIEWS: EPARISTERA DAIMONES

Triptykon's underground album lives up to its hype

RONALD CALERO
Staff Writer

A couple of months ago, the underground metal scene was set ablaze when the legendary Tom Gabriel Fischer (aka Tom Gabriel Warrior) announced the creation of his new band and an upcoming debut album.

For those not in the know, which includes myself, Mr. Fischer got his legend status by being the main force behind two of metal's most iconic bands: Hellhammer and Celtic Frost.

Now, I've never been a fan of either of those, so even though everyone was talking about Tom's new band, I remained uninterested.

But then the album finally released and reviews everywhere were unanimously positive, praising the music, album art and even the liner notes as the very best in recent years.

And so, even though I hate to cave in to the hype machine, I gave the album a listen.

Now I can add another bullet point to the small list of things that actually live up to the hype: Triptykon's *Eparistera Daimones*.

Dark, slow and

brooding, *Eparistera Daimones* continues where Celtic Frost's *Monotheist* left off, achieving modern songwriting heaviness while still retaining a strong old-school riffing heritage. Creative and distinct guitars churn away over precise drumming, yet it all feels strangely familiar.

Triptykon is not reinventing metal by any means. But while the music is definitely anchored in tradition, it has plenty of room to wander into interesting waters. A great example of this is the opener, "Goetia," which, after a series of droning guitar riffs, explodes into a surprisingly catchy chorus, yet it all comes burning back down in a slow fire in the end. And slow is the key word here.

While not exactly a doom record, *Eparistera Daimones* never seems to lose its composure to the need to speed things up.

This results in a particular moody atmosphere that keeps you in some sort of trance, anxiously awaiting what comes next. That doesn't mean it doesn't mix things up a little, from the seriously thrashing intro to "A Thousand Lies" to the sublime clean female

vocals on "My Pain."

Production-wise, this is one of the best sounding albums I've ever heard.

The main protagonist here are the guitars, whose tones are about as harsh as you can get without sounding like a wall of mud collapsing onto your ears. They escape conventional mass produced "metal guitar" conventions, and they instead carve their own personality that meshes with the intent of the album perfectly.

The drums also sound excellent, possessing a certain organic warmth without losing the expected machine-like precision. Lastly, Fischer's vocals complete the musical trifecta, adding everything from your default black metal "UGH!" to seriously eerie, almost-baritone spoken passages.

Switzerland's Triptykon was named after a "triptych", which is a form of art consisting of three parts that was very popular in the Middle Ages.

Triptykon is therefore Fischer's third panel in a work of music, after Hellhammer and Celtic Frost. The album title, *Eparistera Daimones*, translates to "To my left, the demons" and, according



Members of Triptykon from left to right: Slajh, Sadntura, Lonhard and Warrior. The band has just released their debut album.

to Fischer, "its multiple meanings apply to some respect in both my life and my work".

The album cover features art by the infamous H.R. Geiger, whose paintings look like an anatomy study of the aliens from the

Alien movie by a severely disturbed scientist.

In the end, it doesn't really matter what's on the cover of an album, or what it's called.

Those things take on importance only after the music has claimed it for

itself. And *Eparistera Daimones* certainly has; don't miss out on one of the truly great metal albums in recent years.

The Beacon does not accept any free goods or services in exchange for positive reviews.

Cars for Kids charity hopes to become an annual event

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other car clubs are anticipated to show up the day of the event.

"I'm excited for the amount of cars coming, as I have invited all the people I know in the tuning industry ... I am also very excited to be debuting the car team that I started recently: Indecent Xposure," Doerga, a freshman majoring in

mechanical engineering,

said.

Parking is first come first serve, except for the car clubs that will be grouped together and the reserved spots for the vintage rides.

Some notable mentions are the Nissan GT-R, a 1965 convertible Mustang and a troop of Mini's from the Mini's of Miami Club.



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SGA should be one council

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student government, pushing for efficiency within its operations. It almost seems absurd to think that with two judiciaries and two legislatures that anything can be ran efficiently. Both should then be consolidated into one legislature and one judiciary with representatives from all campuses and all majors. This is fair.

The Beacon fully understands that BBC is a different campus with a different needs and a different demographic.

This is why the restructuring of the executive branch must be more nuanced. Within the cabinet, there should be membership from all campuses. Ultimately, the governing councils at

BBC such as SPC should be maintained in order to guarantee programming for all students.

As for the presidency, there must be an overall SGA president; one person who will be accountable for everything, and elected by the entire student body. Meanwhile, there should be one vice president for MMC and one for BBC, elected by the students at their respective campuses to represent their specific needs.

The Beacon understands the reasoning behind the current two-council system and challenges associated with its restructuring. Ultimately, however, we consider this to be one University, regardless of which campus a student may attend. It is in this spirit that we make these recommendations.

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BASEBALL

Golden Panthers' offense erupts to tame Cajuns

JOEL DELGADO
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FIU 15, LOUISIANA 6

It took a while for the Golden Panthers (18-10, 5-4 SBC) to get started, but after falling behind by five runs the offense erupted for 14 unanswered runs to propel FIU to a series victory over the visiting Louisiana Ragin' Cajuns (14-14, 4-8 SBC) on April 4.

Raiko Alfonso was the star after hitting a career-high six RBI while going 2-for-4 with two home

runs to cap off one of the better weekend performances in his collegiate career. He was able to pick up 12 RBI throughout the course of the series against one of the top Sun Belt teams in the pitching department.

"It feels awesome," Alfonso said after the game. "We needed this win big time. I was just trying to help the team."

Aaron Arboleya started for FIU and was able to get the first two outs easily. But it was anything but easy after that as Arboleya struggled as

the Ragin' Cajuns were able to rally with two outs and scored three runs to take an early lead.

"He's going to have a pretty good bruise to the shoulder, but we hope he'll be OK and be ready to throw next weekend," head coach Turtle Thomas said.

In the third inning, Jordan Porrier led off for Louisiana and hit a line drive that nailed Arboleya in the midsection that cut his day short. Corey Polizzano came in to relieve the ailing starter.

The Golden Panthers got on

the board in the fourth after Raiko Alfonso nearly belted a three-run home run, but instead ended up as a sacrifice fly after Matt Goulas made a leaping catch against the right field wall.

Chad Keefer answered right back for the Cajuns in the following inning, hitting a pitch from Polizzano just over the wall in left field near the foul pole.

After struggling to manufacture anything on offense, the Golden Panthers erased the five-run Cajun lead with six runs in the bottom

fifth after a string of consecutive base hits capped off by a two-run home run by Raiko Alfonso gave FIU its first lead of the afternoon.

"It was still early in the game," Thomas said. "We're capable of getting some runs and hitting the baseball and that's exactly what happened in that inning. Raiko was obviously a very big part of that."

Alfonso added, "I guess he got a little tired and wasn't in command of his pitches. I was just looking for

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FOOTBALL: BLUE/GOLD GAME

SPRING SHOWCASE



PHOTOS BY VICTORIA LYNCH/THE BEACON FILE PHOTO

Quarterback Wayne Younger [left] has been impressive in practice, while receiver T.Y. Hilton [middle] is healthy from knee issues. Receiver Wayne Times [right] has been emerging off of a promising freshman campaign.

Offseason exhibition looms; Younger taking control

JONATHAN RAMOS
Sports Director

During a play in the Golden Panthers' first scrimmage of the spring on March 12, quarterback Wayne Younger zipped the ball all over the field while completing 14-of-28 passes for 100 yards.

In FIU's second scrimmage on April 2, Younger completed 15 passes and threw for 160 yards, two for touchdowns.

With the team's annual Blue/Gold Spring Game today, Younger will look to make another statement in his case to be the Golden Panthers' starting signal caller in 2010. A good game would put a stamp on a solid spring for the senior-to-be, who hasn't been the starter since his freshman season in 2007, when he sustained a broken collarbone and eventually lost the job to

Paul McCall.

FIU head coach Mario Cristobal has been impressed with Younger, but competition with Wesley Carroll will continue through the summer. With the Golden Panthers operating under new offensive coordinator Scott Satterfield, the adjustment period will extend beyond the Spring. So far, however, a few players have already begun to show signs of improvement heading into 2010.

EMERGING WEAPONRY

Tight end Colt Anderson was on the receiving end of Younger's lone touchdown pass in the first scrimmage, a pass down the middle that he turned into a score after juking a few defenders. Anderson has received extra repetitions with Dudley Laporte sidelined with a fracture in his foot. Laporte, who missed the majority of last

season, will not play in the spring game.

Heading into his sophomore season, wide receiver Wayne Times has also made strides this spring. Times snatched seven catches in the first scrimmage, and could emerge as a starter from FIU's deep receiving core.

Of course, Anderson and Times serve complementary roles to T.Y. Hilton, who is fully healthy from last season's knee issues and caught six balls during the second scrimmage.

The Golden Panthers' offense will take on a defense led by new coordinator Geoff Collins.

Although it is difficult to gauge each unit's improvement while they play against each other in practice, a game situation will provide a better look of how much FIU has improved from a disappointing 3-9 campaign in 2009.

HEAVY HEARTS

Practices have been closed to the media and public leading up to the contest in the wake of the unfortunate passing of running back Kendall Berry. Funeral services in Berry's hometown of Haines City were held on April 3.

BLUE AND GOLD GAME

- What: FIU Spring Football
- When: Scheduled tentatively for today at 6 p.m., check fiusports.com for updates
- Where: FIU Stadium

INTRAMURAL BASKETBALL: FRATERNITY, SORORITY

Kappa Alpha Psi obtains title

BRIAN AYALA
Staff Writer

Both the fraternity and sorority league came to an end March 31.

KAPPA ALPHA PSI 36, PI KAPPA ALPHA 34

Kappa Alpha Psi battled their way to find a victory against defending champions Pi Kappa Alpha, 36-34 in the intramural semi-final on March 30.

In the last minutes of play, the game had a couple of lead changes, but Kappa stood strong defensively to come out victorious.

Pike played a very aggressive and emotional game, which hurt them down the stretch as they were charged with many fouls as well as some technical fouls, which Kappa wasn't able to capitalize, shooting 3-6 from the line.

"We knew that our missed free throws were going to kill us at the end of the game,"

said Kappa forward Richard Nellhaus. "We had to stay consistent with our defense to keep pressuring the ball."

SIGMA PHI EPSILON 62, PHI SIGMA KAPPA 37

Sigma Phi Epsilon routed Phi Sigma Kappa in a mercy rule, 62-37, in the semi-final matchup on March 30 to advance to a championship game vs. Kappa Alpha Psi.

Despite Kappa starting off on a 9-0 run to open the game, SigEp hustled hard on defense, led by guard Andrew Areces and forward Mariano Cuesta, and went on a 16-4 run to close the half.

"We turned our intensity up and it showed," Areces said.

ALPHA XI DELTA 43, SIGMA KAPPA 13

Right from the beginning, AXiD guard Natalie Iglesias and forward Janelle Capo went to work, defeating Sigma Kappa, 43-13, for the

sorority league intramural basketball championship on March 31.

"Janelle and I have a sense of where we're going to be," Iglesias said.

KAPPA ALPHA PSI 48, SIGMA PHI EPSILON 40

In a battle between David and Goliath for the fraternity league intramural basketball championship, Sigma Phi Epsilon couldn't match up with Alpha Kappa Psi's size, losing on March 31.

SigEp started off strong defensively in the first half, led by their leading scorer and forward Rasta Jai, who finished with 16 points, but they eventually grew weary of Kappa's athleticism and fast style of play.

Kappa guards Steven and Adam Cole played resilient throughout the whole game, leading their team in scoring. Steven put up 18 points and Adam added 13.

"What we wanted to do was buckle down on

defense," said Kappa guard Adam Cole. "We wanted to put more pressure on the ball handlers and just try to get as many steals and rebounds as possible, and that pretty much saved the game."

SigEp forward Mariano Cuesta cut the lead short, 44-40, with less than a minute to play, but his team collapsed when he fouled out.

However, the key to this game and to most of the postseason was free throws. In the last five minutes of the game, Kappa shot an unimpressive 7-of-21 and SigEp shot 1-of-6 from the line.

"Although we missed a lot of free throws, we out rebounded them on almost every play.

And there were a lot of fouls going on, so they were missing free throws too," Cole said.

Both teams were keeping each other in the game, but Kappa's offensive rebounding assured them the win.

INTRAMURAL STANDINGS

FRATERNITY

TEAM	OVERALL
Pi Kappa Phi	5-0-0
Sigma Phi Epsilon	4-1-0
Phi Sigma Kappa	3-1-1
Lambda Pheta Phi	3-2-0
Kappa Alpha Psi	2-1-1
Sigma Alpha Mu	2-1-1
Fiji	2-3-0
Phi Kappa Alpha	1-2-1
Sigma Chi	1-4-0
Tau Kappa Epsilon	0-4-0
Beta Theta Phi	0-4-0

SORORITY

TEAM	OVERALL
Alpha Xi Delta	5-0-0
Delta Phi Epsilon	4-1-0
Sigma Kappa	3-2-0
Alpha Omnicron Pi	2-3-0
Phi Sigma Sigma	1-4-0
Phi Mu	0-5-0

MEN'S OPEN # 1

TEAM	OVERALL
A4L	5-0-0
Tenacious Turtles	2-3-0
No Name	2-3-0
The Rock	1-4-0

MEN'S OPEN # 2

TEAM	OVERALL
PH Studs	3-0-0
Team GW	3-1-0
LV Secksii	2-1-1
Sigma Lambda Beta	0-3-1

MEN'S OPEN # 3

TEAM	OVERALL
Best of the Best	5-0-0
Duck's	1-1-0
FIU IMBA	2-3-0
Make it Rain	1-2-0

MEN'S OPEN # 4

TEAM	OVERALL
Rack 'em Willies	5-0-0
Hand Down Man D.	4-1-0
Who Dat?	1-3-0
Duck's	0-3-0
Make it Rain	0-2-0

MEN'S OPEN # 5

TEAM	OVERALL
Time	4-0-0
Kleenex	2-1-1
Superstars	2-2-0
Swagger	1-3-0
Army ROTC	0-3-1

MEN'S OPEN # 6

TEAM	OVERALL
Pink Mist	4-0-0
J6H	3-1-0
Underestimated	2-2-0
NICCAS	1-3-0
Ducks	0-4-0

MEN'S OPEN # 7

TEAM	OVERALL
Buckets	5-0-0
The Tropics	3-2-0
Something Nasty	2-3-0
Lights Out Law S.	0-5-0

MEN'S OPEN # 8

TEAM	OVERALL
A.W.G.	4-0-0
Sammy ASS	2-2-0
TSU	2-2-0
Gamma Phi Gamma	2-2-0

MEN'S OPEN # 9

TEAM	OVERALL
Nuff Said	4-0-0
The truth	2-2-0
Lakeview Village D.	2-2-0

Alfonso has career day in victory

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a fastball and I just ripped it."

The sophomore infielder got the same pitch in the seventh inning and smashed another two-run home run, this time over the left field wall.

Alfonso, a switch-hitter, hit both home runs opposite field from different sides of the plate, something he has not been able to do throughout his playing career.

The bullpen was able to silence the Ragin' Cajuns after surrendering the Keefer home run in the fifth, pitching four scoreless innings and allowing just one base hit during that span to secure the victory.



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FIU sophomore Raiko Alfonso [above] plastered his first and second home runs of the season in a 15-6 win over Louisiana on April 4.

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