

# Day care becomes campus concern 

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- First of a three part series
'Insurance companies just go hummmmmmm . and nod their heads in disapproval," Sandra J. Clark, dean of students Clark
said.
"It is somewhat expensive," Terry Spence, assistant dean of student services said.
"It just isn't a popular idea with men," Dr. Charotte Tatro, director of the Institute for Women said.

The subject that auses this negative reaction is not automobile insurace or sunbathing in the nude - it's daycare.

And the problems in volved in gaining day care centers are spelled out insurance, money and popularity.

These three "capitalstic" factors, in fact apparently override the issue of whether the center has educational ad vantages or simply cus todial care.

These, and other factors, however, are all playing a key role in the minds of the various organizations at Florida International University interested in establishing a day care center on or near he campus.

Barbara O'Nan, who is chairman of the day care enter group on campus, "gets two or three calls a day asking about day care." The calls are directed to her desk in the Student Government Association Executive Offices where she is the Scribe.

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The Day Care organization was formed around the time Florida International opened its doors more than a year ago and the Student Services division was investigating

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the same subject.
"We conducted a oneyear drive to poll the interest in day care," Terry Spence said. "It is the general policy of the University, however, that the FIU Education Department is not concerned with day care, except perhaps day care, except perhaps with the burden of proving with the burden of proving need."

FIU mailed out surveys to all new students last year, and the students attending, faculty and staff were asked for input as well.
"The response was low," Dean Clark said. "You didn't have to identify yourself, if you didn't want to.'

The survey showed, she said, that many people, at that time, hadn't fully realized that there was such a lack of adequate day care facilities in the area in which they planned to attend classes.

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"The faculty interest, in fact, proved to be much higher, than the students at the time.

The Dean added that "I am not interested in the faculty, although they were consulted to see their need and what their input was."

The issue was, in a sense, tabled until recently when it became known that Metro was planning five regional day care centers. One, they hoped would be located in the general vicinity.

A new force came into being, Francina Thomas. Heading the department of Minority Affairs and Women's Concerns, Ms. Thomas was charged with Thomas was charged with the day care feasibility he day care feasibility tudies.
"They all seem to get stalemated in the same place," Ms. Thomas said riticizing the fact that people seem to find some detail in the survey that makes the polling rrelevent.

Her office does not have any funding to put into the establishment of day care facilities, no does Student Services.

Currently, at FIU, the only benefit the working parents can get is by eflecting day care as need on their Financial Aid Forms. Through inking in need here, the chances of their getting more aid is ncreased. This system does not exist statewide only here and at the nly here and at the Florida.

Ms. Thomas reflected he problems she has encountered.

We've been told that we can't get it (day care) on campus because of the insurance," Ms. Thomas begins, adding that without support and funding, the enter will be an improbability.
The organization is working with the Commission on the Status of Women in convincing the proper authorities that day care is needed in the mmediate Florida International University area. Needed, in fact, Ms Thomas says, at Tamiami Park at Coral Way and 117th Street.
"You can't just up and put a day care facility anywhere ... you have to have a certain number of chairs at a certain height, a certain number of bath rooms and a certain number of a whole list of things," Dean Clark said.
"Ms. O'Nan said that efforts have been made to "informally" secure a classroom to use as a day care facility, and these have failed due to regulations.
"The main problem in putting it on campus," Dean Clark said. Is the fact that the insurance rates just fly up.'

Dean Clark cited other locations in the country that have medical and educational facilities in
conjunction with a campus day care facility, thus alleviating some of the soaring insurance rates.
Here, though, without any support benefits, "except a budding nursing program," Dean Clark says, it would be "economically unfeasible.
"If the University is involved," she said. "It must be done right.'

Should the alternate plan, to house the day care center at Tamiami Park go through, Ms. Thomas eels that up to 300 children could eventually be accommodated.

Support facilities and administrative personnel to man the center would be the main cost factors involved.

and STEVE RESNIK

Would you use a day care center near Florida International?
How many children would you enroll?
Number of children under 2 years old?
Number of children under 6 years old?
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Would you, in some way, support through active participation, the implementation of a day care center in the region, if possible?
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Ms. Thomas' recent poll, however, showed one poll, however, showed one
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have expressed a large have expressed a large
desire to have a day care center.

In an unrelated survey, 46 coupons were turned in to Ms. Thomas office from an advertisement soliciting readers needs for day care. The ad ran in the Sept. 27th edition of "The Good Times."

Day care, though, as far as Tamiami Park is concerned, is only a lobbying and convincing effort. The failure on the part of the student body. the faculty and staff of Florida International University to show support for such a project could cause it to fold.

With two surveys completed and two more underway, a complete turn-around in day care apathy may be needed to secure the center.
"Day care is an important concept," Terry Spence said. They require an amount of financial support with day care, and we are trying to offer it to them."

But just what level of priority does day care have in our budget," Dean Clark said. "It could be the first thing cut, or the last. But pruning the budget usually cuts this out as being unnecessary. It usually turns out that another agency can provide it better, and the whole project fails.
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## Bulletin Boapd

Nov. 15

The Biology Club will meet today, at 1 p.m., in PC 530 The meeting will be chaired by the club's newly elected officers: Chairman Carlos E. Espinosa, Comptroller, Harry Clifford; Secretary, Sue L. Buslinger and Reference Officer John L. Lewis.

The Criminal Justice Society will meet today, in PC 530 , at 7 p.m.

The Dade Forum, a non-partisan organization, will have a luncheon and program today, at the Elk's Lodge 948, 495 Brickell Ave. Art Barker will speak on the reasons The Seed left Dade County. The Metro Mayor, Commission member and members of the Dade County Health Planning Council were also invited to speak. The public is invited. Call Russ Walters, $665-7349$, for further information.

## Nov. 17

The First Annual Fountainebleau Park Art and Crafts Show will be conducted on Saturday at the reception center of the condominium complex, at West Flagler Street and N.W. 88th Avenue.

The grounds will be open to artists at 9 a.m. with space selection on the first come and first serve basis.

The show will open to the public at $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. and last until 6 p.m. There is no fee.

Cash prizes will be awarded on the following basis: $\$ 100$ (best in show for original painting) $\$ 50$ (2nd prize for original painting) and $\$ 25$ (special prize for best in crafts).

Information may be obtained from Mary Ellen Davis at 223-5243.

Nov. 19
It's here, the event FIU has been waiting for, The First Annual Turkey Trot sponsored by the Recreational Sports Program of the Athletic Department. All aspiring marathon joggers are asked to meet in at the bus stop overhang east of Primera Casa, at 1 p.m., Nov. 19

Men and women will be running together in four heats divided according to age group. First prize is a turkey, so gring your I.D.'s, or driver's licenses and run for your supper.

Professor Joseph Olander, assistant dean of arts and science, is planning a trip to China during the summer of 1974. All students interested please come to the meetings on Nov. 19, at 3 p.m., in DM 441, or Nov. 20, at 7 p.m., in DM 441.

Nov. 20
Participating in the School of Technology's lecture series on Urban Systems, is John Wagner of the Division of State Planning, Tallahassee. Wagner will speak about Florida's Population Growth on Nov. 20, at 4 p.m., in PC 330 .
Nov. 26
Ira Sullivan, a noted jazz musician, will perform in DM 150 on Nov. 26 at 10:30 a.m
Nov. 28
The Criminal Justice Society is having a career information seminar for students in the criminal justice department Nov. 28 , at $7 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in PC 530 . Representatives from Federal, state and local agencies will provide information about their organizations.

The statewide organizational meeting of Florida Universities and Senior Colleges Media Associations has been re-scheduled for Jan. 12. 1974
"The Good Times," will still host the meeting at the FIU Campus.



CARE begins attack on world hunger

ATLANTH sume 7.000 .000 children acruss the world have had to be dropped from CARE's child-nutrition programs, because of reductions in U.S. Food for Peace commodities allocated

Grandfather and child await CARE packages in povertystricken Africa

## The lurking monster of Primera Casa

By PHIL ALLEN
Staff Writer
This is a warning. Within the modern cavern known as Primera Casa, there lurks a hidden trap. Few who fall into this snarled web of Casa, there lurks a hidden trap. Few who fain to manage to break free from its death grip.

Its tenacious tentacles reach throughout the sullen nooks and crannies of the fifth floor and lay in wait.

Its awful vigil is perpetual and many an unsuspecting victim falls prey to its omnious persistence

Beware of the sound of bells, the whirring, clicking, mechanical madness and the haunting hysterical laughter of those who live hopelessly under its horrible spell.
If you hear these things, turn back, lest you, too, become trapped.

You become a has been, formerly full of vigor, now suddenly, a broken shell of what you once were. Just another helpless faceless member of a damned breed, damned for all time by . . . (tasp) the pinball machine.

Your grades are gone, your car, your friends and family. Gone are the happy drems of success. Where once you took the stairs two at a time, you now stumble randomly, like a zombie in search of darkness. You hide behind corners near vending machines, hoping to pick up a forgotten nickle or dime.

You begin to sell back all your texts, sometimes before you've even finished with them. You've taken to scavenging vacant lots for deposit bottles, looking in telephone coin returns, even selling carnations on street corners . . . anything to feed your insatisfiable pinball habit.

The magnetic force of these electronic devils is consuming and mouldering the flames of life.
y ou're obsessed, addicted and possessed by hollow promises of free games. You play in a trance, every muscle tense and every nerve on edge.
ou find, however, that you are not alone
Daily your pitiful comrades make their way to the student lounge and into the pin ball addiction chamber. Your rent money or grocery money in hand.

Daily, you walk away, with nothing - not a single thing to show for your efforts.

You're dazed and defeated.
Hour after hour the death like procession continues.
The poor devils. Cursed be the man who invented these machines
. black the day the first dime went down the monsters mouth.
Somewhere, somehow, in a dimly lit bar, another innocent humanoid is selling his soul to the flipped out menace.

The thought in itself is unbearable.
So many stories to be told . . . so many songs to be sung . . . but why the pinball game . . . you gaggle along . . . why this accursed pinball game?

The pinball addict is nervous and frigidity. Often you will see him pushing buttons at random, as if operating a machine. When he does this on your shirt, you begin to worry.

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Pinball mania has taken over. It's bigger than Elvis and it's bigger than the Beatles.

Behind these colored lights and tote boards lurks a killer. Of minds that is.

And before it's too late, hope it doesn't get you
to private American agencies for humanitarian use overseas.

To continue daily supplementary feedings for $20,000,000$ persons - almost all children during the coming year, and to provide emergency food aid for $6,000,000$ refugees and disaster victims, the 1973 holiday-season CARE Food Crusade seeks to raise $\$ 7,300,000$, Frank L. Goffio, executive director, announced.
"Painful decisions have had to be made to drop large groups of preschool- and school-children in countries where hunger and malutrition are the biggest killers of the young, and cause permanent physical and mental damage in millions who survive," Goffio said.
"CARE is hopeful Food for Peace cuts may be restored in the months ahead. Meanwhile, we must appeal to the public to respond generously, so that our respond geial programs can be most crucial programs can b
maintained."

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While U.S. agricultural donations are the mainstay of the programs, CARE also buys other foods to match local needs. Host governments help too, by contributing distribution costs according to their abilities Public contributions cover the remaining delivery ad purchase costs. Checks may be sent to: CARE Food Crusade, 2581 Piedmont Road, N.E., Suite 23 A, Atlanta, Georgia 30324.

Linked with CARE self-help and health programs, the Food Crusade helps build future selfsufficiency for the people in 34 nations of Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Middle East.

Child-feedings, ranging from high-protein "snacks" to a full meal, are conducted at preschool and nutrition centers, primary schools and other institutions - often, in facilities CARE helped build and hospitals where CARE-MEDICO teams are working. Emergency recipients will include war refugees in Cambodia and sur vivors of a series of catastrophic droughts and floods which have hit a score of countries.
"No agency wants any rood withheld from domestic markets or social programs," Goffio stressed. "We are asking our country to hold back a small amount of what it can sell abroad, so that vital programs can be continued in the name of the American people, as benefits our humanitarian traditions,"
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All student organizations which have not submit ted guidelines or a constitution to the Student Activities Office in PC 220 should do so as soon as possible.

Formal recognition by the Division of Student Government Association is given to a student organization after it has filed an application for recognition and guidelines or a constitution in PC 220.

The Student Activities Office urges all student organizations who have not done so, take these steps to complete the process for recognition by the end of this quarter so that they will not be considered inactive.
Any questions regarding student organization should be referred to Lillian L. Kopenhaver, Coordinator of Student Activities, or Geri Spurling, PC 220.

Short-term loans available
The university has short-term loans available to students for a maximum of 90 days. These loans carry a nominal service charge.

Applications for short-term loans for winter quarter will not be available until the first week in December (1973)

Please remember that the forms you are given are merely an application for a short-term loan. You must return to the Financial Aid Office to sign the promissory note and have it notarized if the loan is granted.

This is a revolving fund. Students are urged to repay the loan by the due date so that other students will not be deprived of emergency aid in subsequent quarters.

## New loans announced

The John Miskoff Student Assistance Fund has loans available through the Financial Aid Office to students selected to receive aid, one each from the junior class, senior class and graduate school.

The terms of repayment of funds are as follows: (1) full payment will be within five years from the date the student is no longer enrolled at FIU; (2) no interest will be charged on the funds disbursed to each recipient during the first year of five allowed for repayment. Interest at the rate of five per cent per annum shall be charged to the recipient for the second, third, fourth and fifth years: (3) if the account should becorne deliquent, interest at the rate of seven per cent per annum shall be charged on the unpaid balance due as of the due date.

Application forms are available in PC 220

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Story and Photos By MYRON STRUCK Editor
SOMERSET, Pa. - A Thanksgiving or Christmas vacation to a northern state might be exactly what you need - and the place to go is Somerset County, Pennsylvania.

55-miles southwest of Pittsburgh, the County is about as big as Dade and has about as many recreational attractions. These are, however, oriented to the area's summer as well as winter tourism. A visit in either season can find equally as many enlightening frivolities.

The area is tourist oriented. Situated along 1-76, the Pennsylvania Turnpike, there are towns in the immediate region such as Breezewood that consist of about 20 motels and 15 gas station/garages - and that's it.

Somerset County, itself, is situated in Laurel Highlands, and the publicity brochures call it, "The Place to Play.

The key is that it could be relatively inexpensive if you're looking for a one week vacation. If your thing is winter fun - it'll double your pleasure.

From the rustic covered bridge over ise filled creeks, the visitor finds himself amongst the best of America's homeland.

The people are, on the whole, totally different from those found in urban America. They're warm, and take an interest in you even though they don't know you. And if you've ever stayed in a megaopolis hotel you know you gel the feeling like the manage ment feels they are doing you the favor by coming there Here it's the opposite.

Situated in the county is Pennsylvania's highest point, Mr. Davis. The peak, rising only 3,213 feet, isn't towering in comparison to the surrounding land of the Appalachians Highlands, bul offers a magnificent view from the top of a fire tower.

To get the best out of your visit, start in the County seat, Somerset (Bourough). The town of over 6,000 isn't very big, but one has to remember this is rural America. The people daily see America. The people daily see
and pass people they know on the town's two main business streets.

In fact, where Main Street and Center Avenue

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meet is the town square. The area is decorated with benches and mini-parks.

The city itself boasts one motion picture theater (two in the winter when business is "booming"), a Daily Newspaper, "The American," one senior high school . . . and so on down the line . . . one, that is, of all the things that many urbanites are so used to having many of.

Small corner markets are
commonplace as are farms that sell wares, such as maple syrup.

The Somerset County Courthouse is near the center of town and stands out at night. It's on a small hill and has a brightly lit dome. For miles around the building marks the center of one of the oldest setflements in western Pennsylvania. The County originally known as Bedford, was formed by "an act of the


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Day care costs
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Currently other agencies are profuse in the area.

In 1971 the amount of centers went up from 198 to 288 , while the number of children using them rose from 9,226 to 12,363 , Terry Spence reported.

He said that this includes all types of centers, such as United Fund, industrial housing, parental groups and churches.
Locally there are six day care centers that range in cost from $\$ 5$ to $\$ 20$ a week. Others not so close go as high as $\$ 25$.

Many, though, draw a line about the services they perform and this is often the difference. Day care centers that provide simple custodial care are not what FIU is looking for. It's not what the county apparently is planning either, at their five sites. "Day care is one of the top feminist issues for selfrealization," Dr. Charlotte Tatro, of the Institute of Women here, said
"This is not an institution, the children do go home with their parents at night," Terry Spence, assistant dean of student services said.

We don't expect too much help from those who need the center, they are frequently working and going to school. They don't have time to help us. But we need time from those who can spare it . . . and their moral support," Barbara 0 'Nan, said.


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## Wrestlers face M-D South Friday

The Sunblazer wrestling team hopes it doesn't doesn't rain tomorrow when they open their season with an exhibition match against Miami-Dade Community College South.

The 3 p.m. match will be on the Plaza between Prin
and Deuxieme Maison.

## Netters in tourney

## in Tampa this week

The Sunblazer tennis team has been invited to play in the University of South Florida Fall Tennis Tournament, Nov. 15-17, in Tampa.

The netters have been pracicing daily at the Kendale Lakes Country Club in preparation of the 1973-74 season. Coach Bill Fleming's crew will be vigorously trying to improve a first year's record of 19 wins and 20 losses when they begin dual competition early next year.

In their initial season, the Sunblazers took on cross town rival, the University of Miami Hurricanes, which captured a Hurricanes, which capthelace finish at the National Sollegiate Athletic Association finals last year

They also met Miami-Dade Community College North, last year, which finished second at the National Junior College Athletic Association Championships in 1973.

Though the Sunblazers lost to both squads, Fleming believes o both squads, of winning this second time around.
'We were weakened last ear half way through the season players," Fleming said. "I think we did quite well with the group we had."

The netters have Rudy Vargas, Robert Walker, Bob Helin, Dick Ewers, Bob Hecht and BobSlater, returning

Fleming bolstered his team by signing two new players to grant-in-aid scholarships. Jim Payne of Grand Rapids, Mich. and Chip Spiller, of Central Florand Chip Spiner, of central
"Last year we wer
Last year were dependent upon Vargas to carry us in most of the matches. Rudy has improved his play this yea and will continue his steady per formances, I'm sure," Fleming said.

Jim Payne will be the No. 1 singles man, however, Fleming said. He'll be followed by Chip Spiller, Rudy Vargas, Mike Purtz, Bob-Helin and Ken Deutsch in the tournament this week.

George Sardina is recover ing from an operation on his ankle so he'll only be used in the doubles competition. When he is fully recovered, I think George will be pushing Payne and Spiller for the No. 1 singles spot," he said.

The Sunblazers will be playing against South Florida, Tampa University and Jacksonville University in the USF Invitational.
"USF will probably give us the most competition, "Fleming said. "I don't see Tampa and Jacksonville as top teams.

Construction is now into its fourth week on the recreational complex and Fleming is keeping his fingers crossed that there will be no delay in the completion of the courts.

## Carrer opportunities available

Qualified students and alumni in terested in participating in the various Career Planning programs and services must complete a General Registration Card. Registrant having on-campus interviews with having on-campus the organizations listed here will be required to complete specialized Personal Data plete

Forms are available in PC 220. Nov. 15 - Fidelity Union Life (Majors in chemistry and marketing) for a position in technical services and development.
Nov. 19 - Touche, Ross and Company (Accounting) for a position as a staff accountant.
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## Horse World Ranch

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The match will be a first at Florida International as part of a new plan to increase student inrest in the wrestling program
Coach Sid Huitema has been preparing his wrestlers for the 1973-74 season in daily practice essions.

Anytime you start a season, a coach has to work with each individual player teaching him fundamentals and working on his weaknesses," Huitema said. "This year has been no exception.'

Huitema is looking for a much different season than the Sunblazers had in their last year. In their first year of competition, the grapplers were 0-8.
"Last year there were not enough wrestlers to fill each weight class in the dual meets. If weight class in the dual meets. If you gave already given the ou have already given the pposing team 20 points because ou can't fill each class, I guess t is pretty difficult to think you can win," he said.

Huitema will be working with very few experienced senior wrestlers and the incoming juniors will have to make up most of the weight classes.

We've got a young team, but I don't think that will stop us from winning a majority of our matches. The boys have a winning attitude, and I think that they are willing to work hard to reach their personal and team goals," he said.

The Sunblazers entered their first competition in the 1973 Killian Open Wrestling Tournament.

Mike Szabo placed first in the 130 -pound weight class for the Sunblazers. Szabo was also awarded the Outstanding Wrestler Trophy.

Along with Szabo, Florida International had two secondplace finishes by Mark Hewitt ( 120 lbs .) and Don Dallatore (175 lbs.)
he third-place finishes were turned in by Dave Folmer Ed Puntervold and Ira Paul. Dave Sporli and Joe Gluckman placed fourth for the Sunblazers.
"Szabo really was outstanding in the Killian (Open)," as were some of our other wrestlers, Huitema said. "He made history for the University by becoming the first champion wrestler in the school's history."

Huitema is hoping for good weather Friday, and a strong turnout of interest students for their exhibition match.

This match will give the students an opportunity to watch what I hope will be an interesting and successful match against Miami-Dade South. I just hope it doesn't rain," he said


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# THaNKSGIIIGG BLESSIIGS <br> Among the days that pass next week is the day on which, by national decree, we officially count our blessings - Thanksgiving. <br> The first Thnaksgiving was cele- 

 brated in 1621, but it was not until 1789 that President Washington proclaimed a national celebration, alihough it was not very successful until President Lincoln revived the custom just 100 years ago. In 1941, the Congress set the fourth Thursday, which this year is November 22, as the official Thnaksgiving Day.A harvest that included four wild turkeys seemed cause enough for the first celebration. In today's complexity it is sometimes difficult to count our blessings. The man who does not freeze to death because oil production restrictions are eased may well suffocate from lack of clear air. His brother may starve because he lost his job to conserve the energy that kept the man from freezing.

Our nation has reeled from one crisis to another in the past year. But this nation of ours will see a new force of togetherness begin to develop; not with the pull of a whirlpool or tornado, more like a swirl of oak leaves or the circling of a school of fish. These phenomena are a natural joining together, pulled by a common cause. True, some leaves and some fish will not join the circle; the pull of the common cause has not reached them. We live in a manmade world. We do not react purely by instinct or the pull of nature's elements. We are structured into a "logical" scheme - a scheme laid out to protect the rights of the individual. The individual in turn has voluntarily given up rights when it seemed expedient in order to protect the rights of the society.

Those of us who have never lived under any other premise do not know how valuable these rights really are. How impartant it is as we approach this particular Thanksgiving in 1973 that we direct our thanks to what appears to be a spontaneous feeling of this nation that the system can work, is working and must work.

Let us dedicate ourselves to do our limited future. Let us seize the moment part, as we see it, to work with, not thrust upon us and give thanks that we against; to join hands, not wrench apart; to be part of a "co-op", not a "cop-out."

We have this opportunity at Florida International. We have no hampering can play our part - and I wish each member of the University Family bountiful blessings for this Thanksgiving.

Dr. Charles E. Perry
President past, an abundant present and an un-
peader pesponse

## It's cookie time at FIU...

A column in "The New York Times" a number of years ago pointed out how unfortunate it would be if Universities gave themselves nicknames based on the names of their first presidents.

They pointed out how awful it would sound if the headlines read "Abies crush Belchers" Yale (first president Abraham Pierson) Princeton (first president John Belcher).

Since the precedent seem to be to nickname the school for the founder, what a great opportunity FIU has missed.

On the campus, is an eternal light dedicated to "the memory of the late State Senator Ernest R. Graham, 1855. 1964 . . ." who with great foresight and wisdom introduced the first legislation in the Florida legislature to establish a State University in the Miami area.

With a founder named Graham, how could FIU miss? The Graham crackers would be invincible. Sunblazers, indeed!

Respectfully.
Donald Z. Bailey
(Ed. Note: Wait a minute. I thought we were talking about 'first president. not founders. Shouldn't the name be Perry's Pets or something similar.

Realistically, for those who didn't know it, the campus had the opportunity to suggest and recommend, as well as vote on possible names.)

## Perry responds

I will respond to your open letter to me (published in the November 8 issue of "The Good Times). I do not have the opportunity to give it the proper consideration before the deadline for the Nov. 15 issue but I will give you an answer for the Nov. 29 issue.

Dr. Charles E. Perry
President,
Florida International University

## Wright on!

May I express my thanks as one student at FIU regarding your editorial of SGA activities. I would hope that the response from Dr. Perry will be of a positive nature. Thank you again, keep up the good work.
V. Gray

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