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## Bus service debt causing headaches

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Staff Writer

FIU's debt to MTA may not be as high as the \$54,000 originally said to be owed for FITS, the bus service between campuses.

"We are hoping for an adjustment in the bill," said Ron Arrowsmith, vice president of Administrative Affairs. MTA charged the University for three weeks of service in December.

However, MTA had been instructed to end the service after Dec. 14, the last day of classes for the fall quarter.

FIU should have been billed "for about \$4,000 less," according to director of Auxiliary Services Juan Argudin. The bill for December was \$17,153.

"There is a controversy about whether or not MTA kept running the buses after the quarter ended, but they were instructed to stop running them after Dec. 14," Arrowsmith said.

Argudin said, "Whether they ran the service or not is their (MTA's) problem. They were not authorized to run the buses."

Argudin said the University sent a letter to MTA requesting an adjustment about three weeks ago. MTA has not responded to the request.

Bill Green, head of the accounting department at MTA, said he did not know FIU was contesting the bill.

"I have not received a letter from FIU, but I will check around."

Whether or not the service was stopped Green does not know.

"I don't know if the buses ran after Dec. 14. If they did, it must have been a communication foul up."

Meanwhile, a letter was sent to the SGA on Feb. 15 requesting funds to help pay off the debt. Currently, the \$1.25 parking fee each student pays for parking lot maintenance is being used to pay MTA.

SGA senator Mark Croley said the matter "has not yet been brought before the senate. Personally, I feel that we will not be allocating any funds to FITS."

Anita Tejon, SGA president, feels not enough students use FITS. "Why should SGA pay for a service which is mainly used by staff and faculty?"

The future of FITS is still an uncertainty, according to Arrowsmith. "We really would like to save this service. It could very easily be salvaged, if students make it known they want to keep it," he said.

Several proposals have been made to SGA to keep the service, Arrowsmith said, "One would be to divide the subsidy on a 50-50 basis. The University would provide the buses, maintenance and fuel and SGA would take over the responsibility of hiring and paying the drivers."

Raising the parking fee which all students pay is another alternative.

"For now it's pretty much decided that the buses won't run in the summer quarter," Arrowsmith said. He said he hoped the service would be resumed by the fall quarter when enrollment is at its peak.

A survey taken for three weeks in November by Auxiliary Services shows for that month that 59 per cent of the FITS riders were students, 23 per cent were faculty and 18 staff. During the three weeks, 2,628 people used the service.



## Saucer sighted

No, just the shadow of the reward this lucky baseball fan received for chasing a foul ball during the FIU-St. Leo game.

## SGA saves wrestler's dream of national competition glory

LUISA YANEZ  
Editor

It was a close call.

Doug House, FIU's All-American wrestler, and the first wrestler in Florida to ever reach the nationals, almost didn't make it to the national tournament in Oregon this week.

Not because of lack of talent but for lack of money. The athletic department did not have sufficient funds to pay for House's traveling expenses.

FIU's wrestling Coach Sid Huitema said thanks to the SGA, House will compete in the nationals.

"SGA allocated around \$300 to pay for Doug's airline ticket, food and hotel room."

The money is more of a loan. Huitema said, "The SGA will be reimbursed by

the nationals from the tournament's gate receipts."

The profits are distributed among the schools who sent wrestlers to the tournament.

Huitema's traveling expenses are being paid by the athletic department. "They are paying only for my airline ticket because I'm rooming with coaches from Iowa State University."

Huitema is touched by the help and support House has received.

"It's fantastic how everyone has been pushing for him. Even the other wrestlers have come in on their own time to practice with Doug and help keep him in shape. That kind of support psyches me up."

Of House's chances, Huitema said, "He's got great capabilities, but it's hard to project."



# Short Shrift Semesters bring changes

## Nurse practice

"Evaluation of Nursing Practice," is the topic of discussion at a conference sponsored by FIU's Division of Continuing Education in Nursing, March 28-29 at the Sheraton River House.

Participants will receive 12-contact hours and/or 1.2 continuing education units approved by the Florida Board of Nursing.

Registration fee is \$50, lunch is included. For more information, call 552-2600.

## Oil grant

Oil profits are filtering down to FIU.

The Exxon Foundation has presented Dean K. Williams Leffland from the International Affairs Center with a \$20,000 check in support of FIU's programs in Panama and Mexico.

A portion of the funds will finance initial collaboration between FIU and the Universidad Santa Maria La Antigua in Panama, for graduate courses in business administration.

The first two courses will begin in May for Panamanian executives.

The grant will also fund professional seminars in public administration which will be taught by FIU professors in Mexico in the spring and summer.

## 'Cabaret' auditions

Auditions for "Cabaret," the FIU Theater production's next play, will be conducted April 3-4. For more information, call 552-2895.

## Celebrate Seders

Hillel is conducting Passover Seders, first and second night, March 31 and April 1 at 6:30 p.m. in UH 213 at Tamiami Campus.

For information, call 552-2215.

## Join Food Co-op

FIU's Food Co-op is having their next meeting March 17 at 6 p.m. in UH 212B. All interested in joining the club are invited to attend.

## Study abroad

Piccadilly Square, Queen Elizabeth and Penny Lane need no longer remain a mystery to the FIU community.

FIU, Broward Community College and Cambridge University are offering a chance to study in-residence for two weeks at Trinity College in England from June 28 to July 22.

Course topics from "Contemporary Britain: Challenges of the 80's" will include current British tariff and trade policies and questions surrounding the North Sea oil find.

The graduate course material is designed for educators, people pursuing advanced degrees or businessmen seeking to expand their knowledge of British affairs.

Five credit hours can be earned through FIU while studying in a Tudor setting. The cost of the trip is \$1375 per person and includes round trip airfare, two weeks of room and board, ground transportation, two Tudor concerts, an East Anglian tour and an Independence Day celebration in a 16th Century country home.

For more information, call Dr. Mary Volcansek, course director, at 552-2864. Deadline for placing a deposit is March 18.

## Goodbye, for now

This is the last issue of *The International* for the winter quarter. The paper will resume publication March 31.

WENDY COBOURNE  
Staff Writer

The Florida cabinet in February voted to convert the state's nine universities to the semester system in order to bring about a common calendar between the universities and Florida's 28 community colleges.

What is being done to implement the change at FIU?

"Not a heck of a lot," said Ron Arrowsmith vice president of Administrative Affairs.

"We do not have any authority to do much administratively. Right now, we are trying to identify what problems we need to overcome," he said.

The Articulation Coordinating Committee of the department of educa-

tion, in December estimated the conversion costs to between \$170,000 and \$225,000 for the State University System (SUS).

The estimated costs were for registration and administrative costs, however, and did not include the cost for curriculum changes.

Arrowsmith said the legislature did not award the SUS additional funding for the conversion.

"That's probably our major handicap. We have to make the change within the existing budget," he said.

A major change will be the tuition program and fee collection because students will be registering twice a year instead of three times a year, Ar-

rowsmith said.

The new tuition fee will not be decided until after the state's legislature meets in April for a 60-day session.

Arrowsmith said the professors' contracts will also have to be adjusted. Currently, faculty members teach three quarters over a nine-month period. The semester system will require them to teach two semesters over 10 months.

"Significant changes in the catalog will also be made, such as course description and course numbering. We have to change the time blocks to better utilize the facility. There are a lot of little details to iron out before fall, 1981," Arrowsmith said.

## Pistone genius

Bryan Pistone, an 18-year-old FIU Faculty Scholar from Coral Park Senior High, has won a \$300 architectural design prize awarded by Reynolds Aluminum and the American Institute of Architects.

Pistone's prize winning idea used aluminum to make interior partition walls that are removable and interchangeable.

Pistone said he solved sound insulation and light leakage problems by joining the partitions, which are padded, and then interlocked. When properly fitted together, the panels absorb sound and do not leak light.

Pistone's design has been entered in a national competition.

## Jai Alai dinner

Faculty, students, staff and alumni will be placing their bets for the benefit of FIU's scholarship fund March 18.

Miami Jai Alai is donating a percentage of the evening's parimutual proceeds to the scholarship fund.

A Basque buffet dinner will be served, including wine and beer, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in the fronton's private dining room.

The \$7.50 tickets to the buffet include reserved seats for the evenings Jai Alai games.

All are welcome to attend. For reservations, call 552-2357.

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# Opinion

## Letter

### Hegemony means loss of freedom

To the Editor:

Human passions are some of the worst and best peculiarities of American life. The farmers want to punish the Soviets because of the invasion of Afghanistan, but now the farmers are upset because President Carter has called for an embargo against the Soviet aggressors.

The President is accused of over-reacting in light of the Afghanistan invasion, regardless of the past Soviet invasion of Hungary and Czechoslovakia, which was greeted with appeasement by free societies.

The doves in our society are, inadvertently, expressing their desires of appeasement towards Soviet advancement around the world, but check these figures: 41.7 per cent (1.8 billion), or four in every ten persons exist under dictatorships or governments which deny many or all of their political and personal liberties.

To every American citizen, that should be extremely alarming.

Many people want the President to send troops into Iran to free the hostages from the "student" captors.

But if he does send troops to Iran, there is a 95 per cent chance of destruction of the American hostages. If that were to happen, the President would be branded an inept murderer.

The word hegemony, which means *Preponderant influence or authority; especially, of one nation over others*, is detested by many Americans. Its usage applied to the Soviet infidels of human rights. But the regime of the Soviet Union is synonymous with hegemony as far as I am concerned.

The basic problems of suffering, hunger, hostage-taking, terrorism, invasions of sovereign nations and destruction of free societies, are the result of Soviet hegemonism to a great extent.

Therefore, our passions have to be expressed in a constructive manner, supportive of our government's broad-based dynamics foreign policy with respect to Soviet imperialism.

Our passion must not distort our thoughts into irrational actions of the extreme right or left, for if we do, our wild and sometimes unpredictable passions will destroy us.

**STEWART T. DEVINE**  
School of Hospitality Management



### Clowning around

## Column

### Abortion: Frequent questions on a personal choice

Psychologically, the choice of abortion is never an easy one for any woman. The decision is not made lightly, and usually represents the lesser of two undesirable alternatives. Once made, however, most women report that feelings of depression or guilt are mild and temporary, and that they are able to adjust.

Indeed, most women report great feelings of relief after the termination, especially if they have had the opportunity to explore their feelings before and after the abortion. The ethical questions surrounding abortion are religiously based, and are personal decisions that each woman must decide for herself.

Here are some frequent questions and answers concerning abortion.

*How dangerous are abortions?*

The American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology states that, "Legally performed abor-

tions are not major surgery." Deaths from legal abortions (3 per 100,000) occur less frequently than from such common operations as tonsillectomies or appendectomies.

Abortions performed before the 16th week of pregnancy are seven times safer than childbirth. The risk of death from a legal abortion during the first 12 weeks of pregnancy is "comparable to that of an intra-muscular injection of penicillin in a physician's office.

The procedure, when done by a well-trained physician, takes between 5 to 10 minutes.

*Where should first trimester (up to 12 weeks) abortions be performed?*

These may be safely done in hospitals, doctor's offices or clinic facilities. Studies have shown that complication rates are actually lower when performed in clinics rather than hospitals. This is attributed to the fact that clinics are geared and equipped

specifically for this procedure, thereby giving non-judgemental care and support.

*How do I go about choosing the right clinic and doctor?*

Inquire as to the staff and their professional status; are doctors board certified, with hospital privileges? Ask to inspect the treatment and recovery areas; check for cleanliness and emergency equipment.

*Do I need parental or spouse consent?*

No. The courts have upheld the ruling that abortion is a woman's private decision at any age.

*Will having an abortion affect future pregnancies?*

Recent studies by the World Health Organization and Kaiser-Permanente reveal that the vacuum aspiration method has little or no adverse effect on future pregnancies.

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Movie Review

# Simon's own 'Chapter Two' reel-life story

LUISA YANEZ  
Editor

Neil Simon has the golden touch when it comes to transforming a play that worked on stage to a script that works on the screen.

His latest film success is "Chapter Two," taken from his own Broadway hit, and starring Marsha Mason and James Caan.

"Chapter Two" is an autobiographical account of Simon's life after the death of his first wife, and his rushed romance with actress Marsha Mason (real life Mrs. Simon).

James Caan plays George Schneider, a recently widowed writer trying to get himself "unstuck" from bereavement. His younger brother, deftly played by Joe Bologna, helps by getting dates for George.

One of the many unsuccessful dates is with a girl named Bambi who had the same hairstylist as Frankenstein's bride.

After Bambi, George decides to call it quits, but his brother slips him the telephone number of a "great girl." The two have a telephone flirtation, meet, and quickly fall into like and love.

The date for the marriage is set — too soon, everyone feels. For the honeymoon, the newlyweds set out for a tropical island, and rocky emotional



Caan and Mason smooch in scene from "Chapter Two"

weather: George is not ready to forget his first wife. Her memory looms heavily, but now he has to deal with a new wife.

Directed by Robert Moore, "Chapter Two" is an adult drama spiced with Simon's witty dialogue, and reuniting fifty per cent of the "Goodbye Girl" team. The film is about death and love and starting a second chapter in life.


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Book Review

# Beatle insider offers little insight



Young Beatles perform



LUISA YANEZ

Lennon's ex seems to be more of an outsider than the most loyal fan.

"John, George and Paul's zany humor, which was a strong attraction to their fans, was an integral part of each one of them, except Peter."

That's all on the subject. A while later, when Brian Epstein took an interest in the group and contracts had to be signed, a new drummer was present.

An interesting tidbit is how her existence as John's wife was kept a secret — such a secret that during the early months of the group's success, she did not see John for months and even had to go on welfare because he was not supporting her and their son.

"A Twist of Lennon's" purpose

should have been to satisfy that favorite old question, "What were the Beatles really like?" The book falls short in this respect; it makes you wonder if she knew them at all.

Of Paul, she writes: "In photographs of the early Mop Tops, only Paul ever smiled, the diplomat as ever. John didn't do anything he didn't want to, but Paul, even in those early days, could have earned a living in public relations.

Of George, she writes: "George was the youngest and least mature of the Beatles, but to me, he was the one Beatle who altered most in character and temperament. He changed from a tactless youth to a sensitive, thinking in-

dividual."

Ringo remains a mystery, to us and to her.

Because of their co-writing efforts, John and Paul seemed to be the closest of the four. Not so, she reveals.

"John and George found themselves as one when it came to discovering the mysteries of life," especially in experimenting with drugs, Transcendental Meditation and Yogi Maharishi.

"A Twist of Lennon" offers insight only to casual observers of the Beatles. To long time fans, there is not much new.

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## SGA News

### University of Miami Jazz Sextet

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### Music Showcase I

under the direction of Ms. Leeds.

Thursday, March 13, 12:30 p.m. in UH 140

### Movie of the Week: "Clockwork Orange"

Thursday, March 13, 1:30, 6 & 8 p.m.

& Friday, March 14., 12:30, 6, 8 & 10 p.m. in UH 140

### FIU Chamber Music Concert

with Dr. Obata. Saturday, March 15, 7:30 p.m. in AT 100.

### COFFEE HOUSE with Chris Bishop

Tuesday, March 18, 8:30 p.m. in the Rathskeller

### FIU Vocal Jazz Sotto Voce

Tuesday, March 18, 12:30 p.m. in AT 100

### Mini Concert (PACE) with "Fantasy"

in the BBQ area by the Rathskeller.

### Goodies from the Gameroom

Wednesday, 12 to 5 p.m.: Free pool and ping pong.

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### Chilean Play Group: "Cia de los Cuatro"

Friday, March 21, & Saturday, March 22 at 8:30 p.m., DM 150.

### End of the Quarter Party

Friday, March 21, time & place to be announced

### Scholarship Benefit Evening at Miami Jai Alai

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## Have a nice spring break



# Learning and fun are one at Pennekamp

**KAY FERNANDEZ**  
Contributor

Students from the East head south, mainly to Ft. Lauderdale, for the spring break. But where do the Florida students go during the break? How about a quiet, sleepy park called Pennekamp?

If your gas supply has been replenished, take a relaxing drive to John Pennekamp Coral Reef State Park in Key Largo, about 45 miles south of FIU. For a welcome respite from long lines, crowded theaters and noisy discos, experience the low-key pace of "America's First Undersea Tour."

With weather permitting, the glass-bottom boat leaves the marina three times daily (9, 12, 3) for a 2½ hour tour into nature's gigantic Atlantic aquarium.

After an hour's journey, you approach the only

living coral reefs in the continental United States. Coral reefs are said to be among the most beautiful and interesting of all living creatures.

Amicable and knowledgeable tour guides recite the irresistible features of the coral reefs. For a pleasurable 30 minutes, you are allowed to witness the sea treasures through glass windows.

The coral community evidences a sense of humor as well. A fish species, grunt, derives its name from the grunting sound it makes when taken out of the water. One of the largest reef fish, the grouper, begins life as a female. As the fish ages, it turns into a male. Humans do not have a monopoly on sex-change procedures.

After hovering over the shallow reefs awhile, the boat chugs toward dockside, cautiously winding

through the channel. On either side lie the gnarled mangroves, an invaluable ecosystem critical to South Florida.

You leave the turquoise waters enthralled with the coral reef environment.

To participate further with the sea life, you are encouraged to scuba dive or snorkel in the reefs. However, it remains illegal to take a sampling of the ocean's rare gifts. Enforcement, fortunately, is strict.

Pennekamp also features a variety of recreational activities. Besides scuba and snorkeling trips, sailing and canoeing are provided. Camping, picnicking, swimming and fishing are also available for leisurely enjoyment. Park rangers offer guided walks, campfire programs and special lectures.

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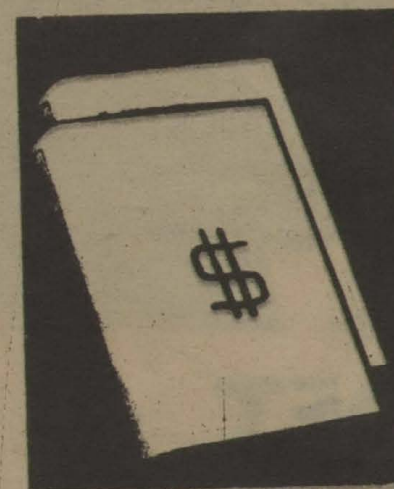
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New interim athletic director Nancy Olson was looking through purchase orders the other day and came across two orders placed by former athletic director Tom Wonderling.

The orders were for mesh and felt baseball caps. The first order for six dozen caps was placed July 2. Total cost: \$450. The second order, placed four days later, was for six dozen caps for \$572.40. A total of 144 caps for about 27 players.

Olson said, "I think it was an outrageous amount of caps to order."

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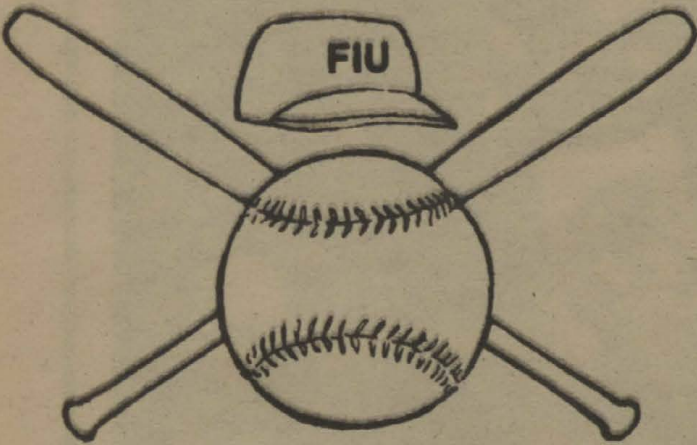
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## The Elder and the Younger



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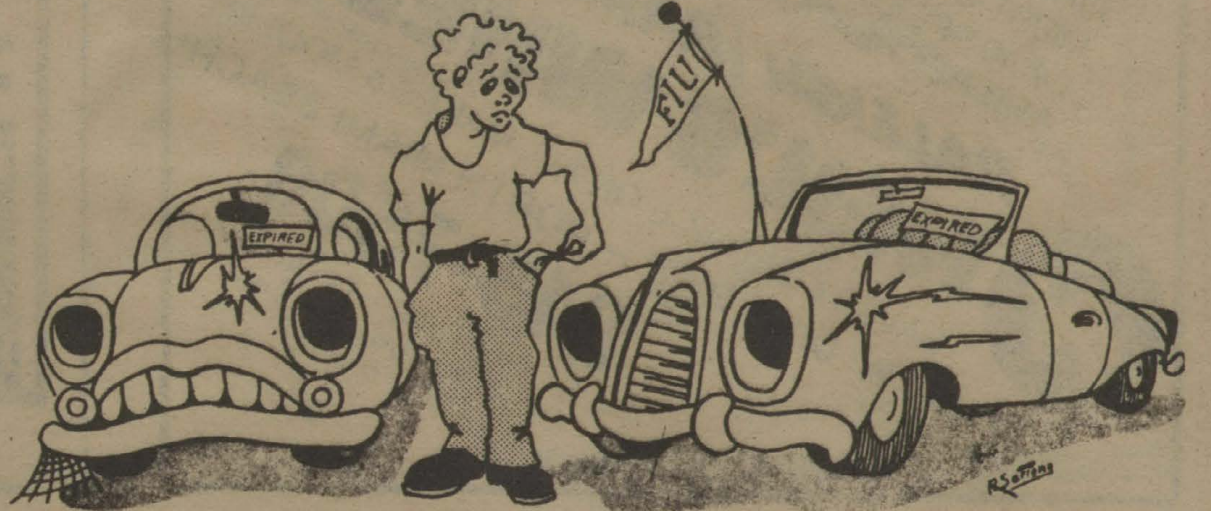
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