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Coming up...

Wind Ensemble blows

The FIU Wind Ensemble will present a free performance of new band music 8:30 p.m. Feb. 7 in AT 100 on the Tamiami Campus. Five local high school band conductors have been invited by Yoshihiro Obata, associate professor of music in the department of performing arts, to join in the concert.

For more information, call 554-2895.

Nowicki to discuss unions

Stella Nowicki (now known as Vicki Starr) will share her experiences as one of the first women to become involved in organizing labor in "An Evening with a Union Maid," 7:30 p.m. Feb 8 in DM 100 on the Tamiami campus.

The program is free and open to the public. Nowicki began organizing workers in the 1930's, starting with men and women in the packing house industry. For more information, call the Center for Labor Research at 554-2371.

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Free lecture discusses 'Educating Rita'

The process of education as seen in the movie "Educating Rita" will be the discussion topic of a free lecture 8 p.m. Feb. 13 in AT 100 at the Tamiami Campus.

For further information, call Asher Milbauer, assistant professor of English at 554-2874.

Calendar

Tuesday, Jan. 29, State of the University address, noon, DM 100.

Wednesday, Jan. 30, Women's Studies Faculty Colloqui, 7:45 p.m., AT 100B.

Wedneday, Jan. 30, SGA meeting, 3 p.m., UH 150.

Thursday, Jan. 31, Club Sports Recruitment Day, 11 a.m., SC, Bay Vista Campus.

Thursday, Jan. 31, Friday, Feb. 1, Movie "Greystoke-Legend of Tarzan," 1:30, 6, 9 p.m. (Thurs.), 12:30, 6, 9 p.m. (Fri.), UH 140.

Friday, Feb. 1, Re-entry Women Student Seminar, 9 p.m., PC 340.

Saturday, Feb. 2, Tennis Singles Tournament, 9 a.m., Tamiami courts.

Saturday, Feb. 2, "Little Rascals," 2 p.m., Ruth Foreman Theatre, Bay Vista Campus.

BVC to get new library

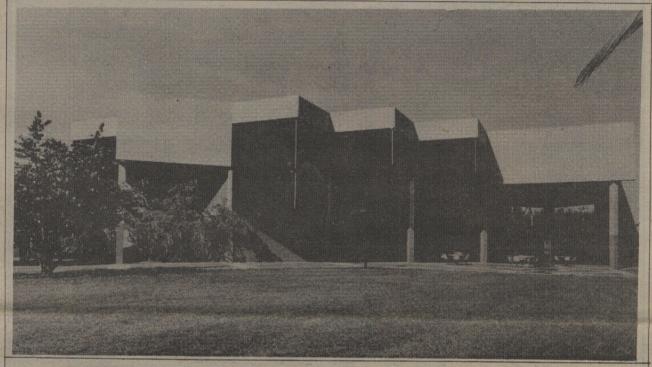


Photo by Gary Boisson

The existing BVC library will house a training gym once the new library is completed.

Construction begins in July

by Diana DeBarros

Features Editor

The Florida Legislature, in its December special session, overturned Gov. Bob Graham's veto of a bill that would have allocated \$7.2 million for a new library at FIU's Bay Vista Campus.

Laurence Miller, director of FIU libraries, said the recent release of the money was "great news.

"We need that library badly," he said. "We've run out of space--totally."

The present library on BVC is a temporary structure plagued with overcrowding. The library is also poorly sealed and ineffective against humidity, said Miller

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-Laurence Miller, director of libraries

The present library was originally designed as an exhibition hall for the now-defunct Interama project, a permanent world's fair-type development promoting international commerce.

FIU administrators have sought funds for a new library since 1981. The proposed library will hold 227,000 volumes compared to the current 141,000 volumes and seat 657 compared to the current 100.

Dan D'Olivera, BVC's director of physical planning, said construction will begin in July. The three-story building will house classrooms and BVC administrative offices for FIU's president and vice president.

The \$7.2 million, a portion of the \$185 million PECO (Public Education Capital Outlay) bill, was vetoed because Graham, a staunch supporter of upgrading Florida's education system, felt there wasn't proper distribution of the funds, leaving secondary schools with inadequate amounts.

FIU cop injured

by Mark Smith and Iris Markowitz

Staff Writers

FIU policeman Terrence Bouie was injured Tuesday night Jan. 15 while assisting a student in starting his car in a Bay Vista Campus parking lot.

The incident occurred when Bouie was attempting to "jump start" Roberto Vital's car.

"I was touching the battery with my plastic flashlight when it suddenly blew up in my face," said Bouie. "The next thing I knew I was spitting acid out of my mouth."

After flushing his face with water in the Academic I building, Bouie called for help and was transported by Metro fire rescue to North Miami General Hospital where he was treated for acid burns to the face and retina burns to the eyes. He was later released that night.

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Apparel management plans to expand

Maria Fernandez

Ass't. News Editor

Only a few schools in the United States offer a bachelor's degree in apparel management and FIU

"There are three specialty areas: manufacturing, design and merchandising. Our students may specialize in one area, but they learn about all three phases from design to production," said Adele Smith, associate professor of apparel management.

"The program was approved by the Board of Regents in 1980," Smith said. "Design is the new part of the program. Merchandising is the oldest.

Currently, however, there are no lower-level classes in design. This means that students interested in the program must attend Miami-Dade Community College for their first two years.

"We are trying to remedy this situation," said Smith. We plan to introduce beginning level courses. When we do, freshmen will be entering a five-year program." This will enable the program to recruit outof-state and international students, Smith added.

The Education Committee has given two \$1,000 scholarships for the 23 credit-hour certificate program. The scholarships haven't been awarded yet.

"We do a fashion show every year," said Smith. "The fashion promotion class plans the theme of the show, organizes it and coordinates it. Design students design the show. We also use FIU students to model. This year the emphasis will be on active-type wear for men and women, such as tennis and aerobic clothing."

This year, in addition to their on-campus show in March, there is also a possibility of an off-campus show-a runway fashion show and luncheon in a hotel--in an effort to attract more manufacturers and retailers.

"We try to get students to design not only outfits important for south Florida, but also massproduceable garments that people can afford to buy," said Smith.

Smith helped to promote the FIU baseball team by designing the uniforms for the batgirls.

"All our students must complete a 10-week and 315-hour internship before they graduate," Smith

"There are tremendous opportunities and great growth potential in the industry," she added. Salaries are competitive with other careers. Dade County is one of the top 10 garment-producing areas. Florida ranks 12th in the country in apparel and accessories sales. There is a need for management talent."



by Youssef Aliaar

Staff Writer

FIU has become the first college in the southeast to offer a training program in prosthetics and orthotics--the science of crafting artificial limbs and devices designed to correct structural problems in otherwise healthy bodies.

Lewis Meltzer and James Finton came up with the idea of offering training for artificial limb crafting.

The University of Miami, Miami-Dade Community College and FIU were asked to participate in the program, said Meltzer. But because the program does

not generate much money, UM refused the classes because of the small turnout and high cost.

Miami-Dade also refused the program because the junior college could not operate it on a upper-division

"FIU already has a physical therapy program and that was a big deciding factor," Meltzer said. "Even

though the program is not financially advantageous, FIU has the facility and the ability to take a chance with the program.

"There are seven students who are currently in the program," Meltzer continued.

The new program is also designed for professionalsalready in the field.

"Our main concern centers around the patients," Meltzer said of the program. "We want everyone to know about us because we are the only college in the state of Florida to teach this program.'

Officer injured

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"For me the worst part of all was when I left the hospital with my eyes bandaged because I didn't know if I would ever see again," Bouie said. "The doctor later told me that it was nothing short of a miracle that I would regain all of my eyesight."

"What happened was an unfortunate risk that does occur," but we do have a policy to help motorists." said Captain William Ball, commander of FIU's police

Harvey Gunson, director of FIU Public Safety, said this is the first time in five years that he could remember an FIU officer being injured while assisting a motorist at the university. However, in reference to this accident, Gunson said that while there would be no change in FIU's policy of helping disabled motorists on campus, he will issue new safety guidelines and safety goggles for officers to use in the

Bouie was certified by a doctor and returned to active duty Jan. 22. His only remaining discomfort is eye irritation.



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Two views on Super Bowl XIX:

No defense, but wait'll next year

by David Miller

Columnist

Although I am a semi-rabid Miami Dolphin fan, I wasn't too surprised by San Francisco's victory in Super Bowl XIX. Throughout the 1984 season, the Dolphins had glaring weaknesses, particularly on defense. The 49ers skillfully exploited the Miami weaknesses and Bill Walsh easily outcoached Don Shula.

Ever since the Perfect Season of 1972, the Dolphins have used a 3-4 defense instead of the standard NFL 4-3. In 1972 the alignment was called the "53" because linebacker Bob Matheson sometimes played on th line of scrimmage. During the Perfect Season, the Dolphins' defense befuddled opponents, but by 1974 the rest of the NFL learned how to defeat the 3-4 defense. Still, Miami has continued to use the 3-4, even though it is no longer effective.

The main weakness of the 3-4 defense is an inability to put pressure on the quarterback. Teams using the 3-4 invariably have to blitz a linebacker in order to maintain a decent pass rush. Lawrence Taylor is the New York Giants' designated blitzer. Andre Tippett is the New England Patriots' designated blitzer and Rickey Jackson (the NFL's best linebacker of 1984) is the New Orleans Saints' designated blitzer. But curiously, Miami defensive coordinator Chuck Studley rarely sends Charles Bowser on a blitz. Why?

Without help from the linebackers, Miami's linemen cannot get to the quarterback. Doug Betters is a good defensive end, but he can't operate as a one-man defense. Kim Bokamper, the other defensive end, is a joke. Bokamper is the greatest pacifist since Mahatma Ghandi. His non-violent performance in Super Bowl XIX qualifies him for the 1985 Nobel Peace Prize. Nose tackle Bob Baumhower is the NFL's most overrated lineman.

Two years ago, the Dolphins were strong at linebacker, as A.J. Duhe and Earnie Rhone had outstanding seasons in 1982. However, Duhe and Rhone have been injured for much of the last two seasons and in 1984 Miami drafted Jackie Shipp and Jay Brophy. Brophy had a terrible game against San Diego, totally failing to stop the Chargers' tight ends. San Francisco capitalized on this weakness in the Super Bowl, completing pass after pass to tight ends and running backs.

I don't understand why Miami doesn't trade for a starting linebacker. After all, the Dolphins traded for Bob Brudzinski a few years ago. Perhaps Miami could trade Anthony Carter (assuming they sign the USFL star) to Tampa Bay for Hugh Green. Green would then be reunited with Dan Marino, his Pittsburgh buddy. Perhaps Bokamper could become a linebacker once again, with Mike Charles replacing him at defensive end. One thing is certain: the Dolphins will never win with Mark Brown in the starting lineup.

On the positive side, Miami still possesses the finest passer in the NFL, the finest receivers in the NFL and one of the finest offensive lines in the NFL. True, the Dolphin blockers had a bad game Jan. 20, but let's not forget that Dan Marino was sacked only 13 times in the previous 18 games. If Bob Kuechenberg returns in 1985, the offensive line could be even better. If Anthony Carter joins the Marino Corps this fall, the offense could be super again.



I don't expect Miami to pass for 5,000 yards again in 1985, but the Dolphin running game should be improved because; (1) Andra Franmklin will be healthy, (2) Joe Carter will be more experienced and (3) Pete Johnson will be with the team all year. Perhaps the Dolphins won't be as explosive in '85, but they'll probably return to the Super Bowl next year. They could win Super Bowl XX--if they develop a decent defense.

It's tough being a 49er fan in Miami

by J. Otten and K. O'Leary

Contributors

If you thought Joan of Arc was persecuted, try being a 49er fan living in North Miami. Add to the fact that we live in a college dormitory in North Miami. We were literally surrounded by hundreds of Dolfans.

And you think you have problems? To use the word loyalty in describing Dolfans is far from accurate. Those people are ruthless. As if being bombarded by the media was not enough, we were subjected to verbal, and yes, even physical abuse at the hands of people we once thought were our friends.

Yes, the going was rough, but we stuck it out. Afterall, someone has to root for the winning team. In the past few weeks, we have gained amazing insight into the Miami mentality.

It all started with the media blitz. We can understand that the media at large in Miami would be prejudiced towards the Dolphins, but let's be reasonable. According to the three local affiliates, the universe revolved around Dan "pretty boy" Marino, the deadly Killer Bees and Don Shula, the demigod.

Was there going to be an opposing team or were the Dolphins going to play with themselves on January 20? Judging from the outcome of the game, that is the only way that they could have won.

The only thing more ridulous than the media's biased opinions was the fact that the Dolfans actually believed what they were being told.

For two weeks, we argued, we reasoned, we even screamed a little, all to no avail. We came to the conclusion that Dolfans are the most irrational, illogical and misguided people we ever met. Afterall, how can one argue against the offensive talents of Joe Montana, Dwight Clark, Freddie Solomon and the No. 1 defense in the NFL.

So the Dolfans often resorted to physical violence. We would like to re-count a specific incident: On the eve of Super bowl Sunday, a disc jockey at a club in North Miami invited patrons to throw things at us. They happily obliged. Granted, we had requested that he play "I Left My Heart in San Francisco," but hey, we're 49er fans, and we're entitled to our opinion. Especially when we're right.

To us, there was little doubt that the 49ers would win. But we couldn't help speculating. What if they didn't?

Given our situation, a 49er defeat, if it came, would not be the worst part. For the 49ers, there's always next year. And let's face it, even the losers get 18 grand.

But for us, there would be no living in Miami after the Super Bowl. When they pulled ahead early in the game, we got a small taste of what life would be like if the Dolphins succeeded. Each time that Miami scored, we were subjected to ear-splitting screams and Bronx cheers aimed in our direction.

Our fear was short-lived, however. A deafening silence fell over the crowd as the 49ers began pummeling the Dolphins unmercifully.

Our ecstatic shouts were met with Bronx cheers. Some things never change. Imagine our surprise when the diehard Dolfans began abandoning their precious team in the third quarter. It was like rats deserting a sinking ship.

What happened to the unflinching devotion even in the face of hard facts? I guess that a halftime score of 28-16 is too hard for even a Dolfan to ignore.

By the fourth quarter, there were three Dolfans remaining. At first, we thought, "How stupid can these people be? Do they still think that Miami can pull it out?" Then we found out that they were staying in the hopes that Miami would at least score agin. You see, the pub was selling beer for 25 cents every time Miami scored. We take some pleasure in telling you that there were a lot of thirsty Dolfans that night.

When you are a 49er in Miami, even if you win you lose. There was no victory party. There was no celebration, except for the party of two in room G 541 who tied one on for the 49ers.

Best of all, San Francisco finally silenced our Dolfan residents. Yes, there is life in Miami after the Super Bowl.

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features

'That's Dancing' misses the mark

by Rodolfo Blanco

Ass't. Features Editor

"That's Dancing" is reminiscent of the classic film, "That's Entertainment." Unfortunately, the latter is superb compared to the most recent MGM effort.

"That's Dancing" is an MGM anthology of film clips and rare footage, ranging from the early days of the motion picture industry to scenes from the fad-popular "Flashdance" to Michael Jackson's brilliant choreography in his "Beat It" video. In between the dance scenes, executive producer Gene Kelly, Ray Bolger (the scarecrow in "Wizard of Oz"), Sammy Davis Jr., Mikail Baryshnikov and Liza Minelli give their personal views and commentary about the different eras of dance.

One of the main problems encountered in "That's Dancing" is it doesn't cover very many classical acts such as Fred Astaire, Eleanor Powell or Gene Kelly. If a small sample were taken of the best dance sequence in history, you would probably find a couple (two out of 30!) in the MGM dance movie. It is a shame that a film that tries to compile the "best" of dancing is lamentably inferior to its sister movie "That's Entertainment."

Movie Review

The best part of the film has to be the opening scene, which shows clips of the evolution of dance from primitive rituals to last year's fast decaying breakdancing fad, with a few great Hollywood dance scenes sandwiched in.

Producer/director Jack Haley Jr. did something similar to "That's Entertainment" by having major stars introduce and narrate various segments of dancing on film. Fortunately, Ray Bolger and Liza Minelli kept it interesting by giving the viewer a glimpse into MGM's golden years and by showing the valuable contributions that Broadway has made.

Positvely then, "That's Dancing" is a broad overall view of the history of dance on film, stretching time to focus on Travolta's disco moves in "Saturday Night Fever" and the versatility and energy that's prominent in movie "Flashdance."

"That's Dancing" deserves a two on a scale of four.



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features

ABC reporter lectures on libel

by Mina Socarras

Ass't. Features Editor

Even if the press is wrong, a person can't win a libel suit unless the publication printed the story with malice, an ABC broadcast journalist said as he explained why Ariel Sharon couldn't win his case against Time magazine.

During a question and answer period at FIU Thursday night, Peter Lance, an investigative reporter for ABC news related the Sharon case to the landmark libel case, New York Times vs. Sullivan. The 1964 case established a precedent saying the press cannot libel anyone if the story was not published with actual malice.

So, Lance said, even though what Time printed may not have been true, the magazine was not guilty.

Lance also talked about truth as the press's primary defense. He told the audience about a lawsuit filed by a doctor who thought a story about him was libelous on the ABC program 20/20.

Lance said the story dealt with an Arkansas surgeon who performed "unnecessary surgery" on women.

The surgeon's attorney said that Lance ruined his client's career by falsifying the story. Lance said, however, that "truth is an absolute defense."

Lance also discussed other journalistic tidbits.

"Aggressiveness is important if you want to work in the media," Lance said.

Lance also said that he refuses to lecture at such prestigious universities such as Harvard and Yale. He said he enjoys lecturing for smaller colleges because the students appreciate it more. "Night school students are saving America," he said.

Lance encouraged all budding journalists to "keep pushing." His closing statement repeated the late Frank Reynold's words at the Robert Kennedy/Eugene McCarthy debate in 1968: "I don't know how much heat we've generated, but I hope we've generated some light."

Lance has won various journalism awards for his investigative work on "World News Tonight."



Peter Lance, an investigative reporter for ABC News discussed libel in his lecture at the Tamiami Campus last week.

Cafeteria offers more food but no plan

by Jeffrey L. Kleinman

Editor

The cafeteria at FIU's Bay Vista Campus is now open longer hours and offers a wider variety of food this semester to better serve students who live in the on-campus dormitory complex, Mike Schafer, cafeteria manager, said.

But Schafer said he can't immediately provide what FIU residents say they want the most: a fixed-meal plan entitling them to a certain number of meals at a set price.

Sixty dorm residents lobbied Schafer for a fixed-meal plan at a council meeting last month.

"I'm working on the plan," said Schafer, the one responsible for selling food to the 330 dormitory residents and the 3,500 other students at BVC.

Schafer said he won't be able to start the meal program until the fall semester begins in August.

Schafer will submit the results of his marketing survey to FIU and Total Food Service Direction, the company that operates the BVC cafeteria.

Since the cafeteria operates the only food service on BVC, dorm residents who cannot afford the daily prices, cook in their rooms or send out for fast food.

"There are a lot of people here who are not cooks," said Phil Dorsett, a dorm resident and president of the Hall Council. "They eat Subway everyday. That's why we've asked the cafeteria to get us figures on all different types of meal plans."

Schafer faces a problem with his efforts because many BVC residents take courses at the Tamiami Campus and eat meals in that cafeteria. A different company, however, operates the Tamiami cafeteria and would not be involved in the fixed-meal program at BVC.

Schafer said he would like to collaborate with the housing department to set a fixed room and board rate for incoming fall students. "That's the way it is in most colleges," he said.

Sharon Gottlieb, FIU's director of housing, said no one has discussed a joint venture with her. "At this point housing is not getting involved." she said.

In the meantime, Schafer decided to stay open longer and offer more foods.

"In expanding services, we decided to stay open on the weekend." Schafer also said the cafeteria now offers separate lunch and dinner items, pizza, hot pretzels and spicy beef patties.

Although the cafeteria added a hot dinner entree served from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., Hall Council President Dorsett said the early serving time may not go over too well with the residents.

"We're very nocturnal here," he said. "Most of the time I'm not ready to eat at six. Sometimes I don't get up until six."

Students look for cheap thrills

by Mina Socarras

Ass't. Features Editor

Patience is a virtue. There is a lady at my bank who sends me letters every month stating that my checking account is going to be terminated. I look forward to payday (every two weeks) and being able to hear her in person (with her Long Island accent) tell me: "Miss Socarras, you have non-sufficient funds again." As we gaze into each other's eyes, I smile at her and say...nothing. As I said, patience is a virtue.

Last semester, I vowed that I wouldn't do it again. I call it suicidal tactics: going to school full-time and working full-time. I developed ulcers and never had a penny to my name. Taking 15 credits and working 40 hours was too much. And to top it off, I had no time. Even if I found a little time, the bucks were going for school. (Do you know how expensive photography is? Why can't teachers assign textbooks under \$30? Why can't they assign one textbook instead of three or four? I need a vacation. Even if I had one, I wouldn't have the money to take a weekend and stay at the Holiday Inn in Hialeah. Help.)

Well, God heard me. He put survival tactics into my troubled brain.

So you say you have no money too? Are you too old to babysit and don't feel inclined to submit yourself to criminal services? Then, unfortunately, you have to suffer. What if you hate suffering? Then change your lifestyle.

Do you like going to see films but can't afford the \$4.50 or \$5 admission? Then stop complaining and go to matinees on weekends (or weekdays if you have the time).

What if you want to go to a hot nightclub in Coconut Grove and can't dish out \$10 for a cover charge? Then maybe go to Biscayne Baby on Thursday nights when it's only a \$3 cover charge. And on Sunday nights you get your first drink free.

Those two nights are great because you don't have to stand in line (on weekends the line stretches down the block).

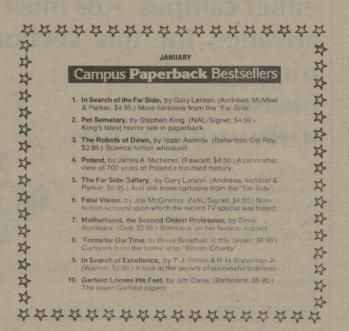
But, if you insist on going to Biscayne Baby on the weekend, you'll have to convince Bart (the doorman) by telling him that you have a gorgeous sister willing to go out with him. Or tell Tony (the other guy at the door) in your best British accent that you knew him back in Kensington (and that's the bloody truth).

Now for those lonely, penny-pinching, frustrated weekends: invite some people over to your house. If you live with your parents, invite your friends over in the day for a barbeque. Tell the gang to bring something to eat (pot luck). In other words, supply the atmosphere and they'll supply the munchies and drinks.

If you are more daring, have them supply the labor. If your parents ahve a swimming pool, tell your friends it's a pool party. But make it a pool-cleaning event. Put them to work.

What if all your friends are as broke as you (like mine)? Then pool whatever little money you have and buy some wine and cheese and go to the beach at night. Take your guitars, maracas and bongoes.

Oh my goodness. What about studying? Hey, hanging out in the library is not bad business. The Tamiami library has an audio visual room with some great old films. And that's free! Not too many things in life are free (we won't get into that) so take advantage of it. The Bay Vista Library has a limited selection of films, but it beats nothing at all.



features

FIU diet expert knocks eating to win

by Nancy Wellman

Contributor

Can you really eat to win? Sorry, probably not.

Although diet is important to your health and weight, winning at sports is more dependent on training, commitment and natural ability. The best seller, "Eat to Win" by Dr. Robert Haas, is now available in paperback--but don't rush out to buy it. There are no guarantees that you'll win athletically or nutritionally if you follow advice in this self-proclaimed "sports nutrition bible."

Promising peak athletic performance for "weekend and world-class athletes," sexual prowess and youth, the book skillfully and glibly mixes sound advice with myths and untruths.

On the positive side, heeding advice to eat less sugar, salt, fat and animal protein, and more fruits, vegetables and complex carbohydrates (whole grains, starches), is likely to decease your risk of cardiovascular disease and cancer.

Athletes should also rehydrate with water during and after strenuous exercise as recommended. A weight loss of not more than 2 pounds per week for dieters is also sound advice.

Scientific reviews of this book have been critical. The book fails to pass muster, is irresponsible and the name dropping is crassly obvious.

Haas, a South Florida resident, has a mail order Ph.D. from Columbia Pacific University, a non-accredited California institution. His "American College of Sports Nutrition" is unknown, but sounds reassuringly like the bona fide "American College of Sports Medicine."

With worse than misleading pseudo-credentials, some of the author's advice is potentially harmful and certainly costly. His "antioxidant magic" is closer to black magic as are some of the ergogenic aids he recommends.



(Dr. Nancy Wellman heads FIU's department of dietetics and nutrition. She is also a spokesperson for the American Diabetic Association.)

The three level peak performance program "secret" is based on one's blood chemistry. Granted more of us should know about our cholesterol and blood lipids (fats); however, these are related to heart disease and not to athletic abiltiy. The recommended frequent blood analyses are costly and bizarre bercause changing the five questionably chosen blood components won't enhance athletic performance.

The multitude of vitamin and mineral supplements recommended can be dangerous because whopping dosages such as ten or more times the average requirement, act like drugs in our bodies. Some vitamins, A and D, are particularly toxic.





The "sport specific diet categories" in the book have no physiologic basis. Cells don't operate differntly from athlete to athlete. Why a tennis player is allowed two potatoes a day but a baseball player can eat up to four potatoes a day doesn't make any sense nutritionally or physiologically. The "unique needs" allowing a wrestler but not a boxer to eat a bran muffin are never explained.

In short, forget this book. Instead, jog instead to your local bookstore and pick up a real nutrition winner: "The Athlete's Kitchen" by Nancy Clark.

FSA recommends fee change

by Keith Donner

Staff Writer

The Florida Students' Association (FSA) will recommend a raise in financial aid fees and balance lower and upper division fees, returning delegates to the Jan. 12 Tallahassee meeting said.

Under the proposed changes, financial aid fees would double for needy students from five to 10 percent and lower and upper division fees would cost the same.

FIU's delegation voted in favor of both measures. In other measures, FSA:

•voted to lobby for money to install computer terminals so students can register for classes by themselves.

•voted against charging the same fees throughout the year, which would eliminate the cheaper summer-term rates.

•tabled an FIU-sponsored resolution calling for endorsement of the Southeast Plan until FSA's Feb. 8 meeting.

The FSA is composed of student governments from all upper-level state universities. The association represents students' interests before the Legislature.

FIU hotlines open

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At the beginnning of each semester, the Student Government Association sends all students a welcoming newsletter. More than 17,000 letters are mailed each term from a computer print-out supplied by the University.

This semester, due to a computer print-out error, many students have received more than one newsletter. The computer repeated each zip code segment several times before continuing to the next zip code. As a result, more than one label was produced for each person. As student volunteers began to address the newsletter, the error was noticed and corrected. However, several hundred copies were mailed prior to correcting the mistake.

The Student Government wishes to apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused and assure students that a more watchful eye will be maintained in future mailings.

For those students who have not yet received a copy of the SGA Newsletter, copies are available in the Student Government Offices at Tamiami Campus, UH 310 or at Bay Vista Student Government Office, Student Center 256.

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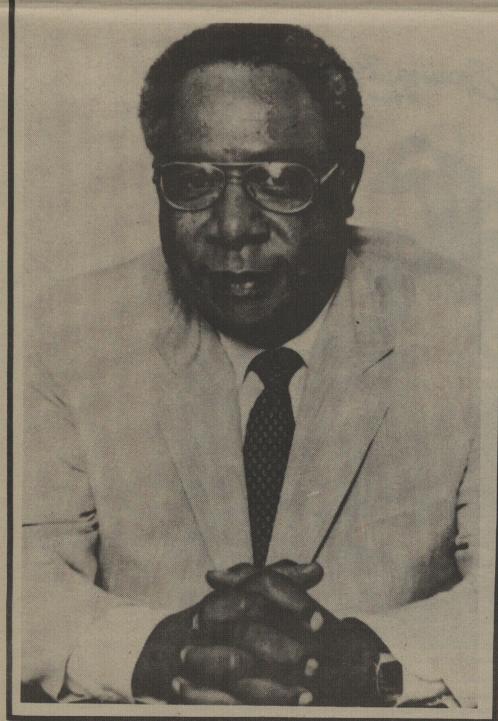


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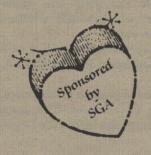
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Sunblazers lose crucial game to Tampa

by Robert Stark

Sports Editor

The FIU men's basketball team was in a tough predicament last Monday night. The Sunblazers were going into a game against the University of Tampa at Dade-South. As an independent school in Division II, FIU needed a victory over Tampa (Division I) in order to increase its chances for a regional playoff bid.

But Tampa had similar thoughts too. With an 11-5 record, Tampa was looking for a regional bid in its Sunshine State Conference. Last year the team won the conference championship.

In close game, which featured a large number of free throws, the Sunblazers (14-7) lost to Tampa 75-69.

Trying to tie the school record for most wins in a season(15), the Sunblazers were down early in the first half. But led by Wyman Roberts' passing and shooting, FIU came back and remained in a tie with Tampa at halftime 29-29

Tampa later opened up a four-point lead which lasted for nearly eight minutes as both teams exchanged baskets. With four minutes left in the game, Tampa surged to a 10-point lead 61-51, despite a verbal FIU crowd, which was strongly upset with the game's officials. But the Sunblazers didn't give up.

After Andre Laz tipped in a basket, FIU was only down six points with almost 50 seconds left. Then, the team was forced to foul the Tampa players, hoping on an inconsistency in the team's foul shooting. But this didn't work too well as Tampa converted free throw after free throw, winning in the end by six

FIU must now hope for an outside regional bid. But this seems highly unlikely in the fact that only two independent bids are usually given.

The team, however, is off to its best start ever, mainly due to the play of senior guard Mark Hollin and junior Patrick McDonald.

Hollin, who became the first Sunblazer to score 1,000 career points, leads the team averaging 17.3 points in the first half of the season. His field goal percentage of .591 is one of the nation's finest. In seven different games this season, Hollin has scored 20 or more points. In an effort against Merrimack he scored a career high 27 points.

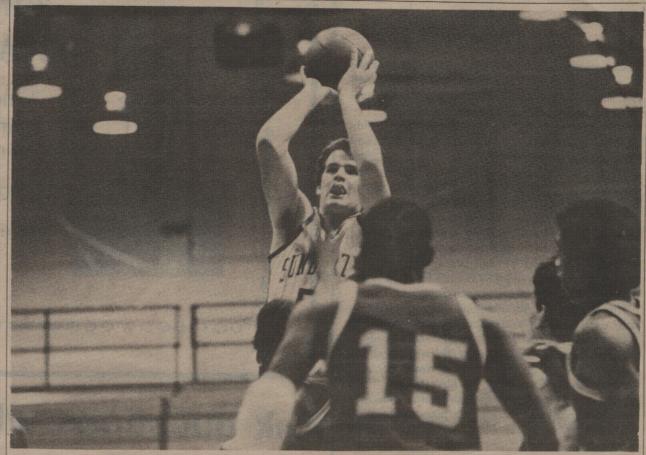
"I'm just putting together everything I've learned over the past three years," said Hollin. "I worked hard over the summer and I guess having a pretty good year was meant to be.'

"Mark is a very intelligent player," said FIU coach Rich Walker. "Very seldom does he ever force a shot. He see his role on this team and he's begun to feel comfortable with it. He's a total team player and capable of playing for a lot of schools in the United States.'

McDonald holds a number of Sunblazers' records, while still a junior; most points scored as a freshman (365), most points as a sophomore (335), most consecutive double figure games (14), most consecutive free throws in a game (13), most rebounds in a game (16) and most career rebounds (563).

"My role on this team is to be a leader, get the ball to the open man, rebound and score," said McDonald. "Up to this point, I'm satisfied with my year because the team is winning and that's all that matters."

"When the going gets tough, Patrick gets going. In high school, he was programmed to be the gamer. He was the guy who took the last shot. He's not afraid of that situation," said Walker. "In fact, he hungers for it. Patrick has been blessed with some entertaining skills. People enjoy entertainment. And that's why I believe he's worth the price of admission," Walker said.



Junior forward Andre Laz shoots a jumper at the top of the key during FIU's loss to Tampa 75-69.

Glasses

The upcoming men's basketball schedule: Feb. 2 Nova Univ. Davie, FL 7:30 p.m.

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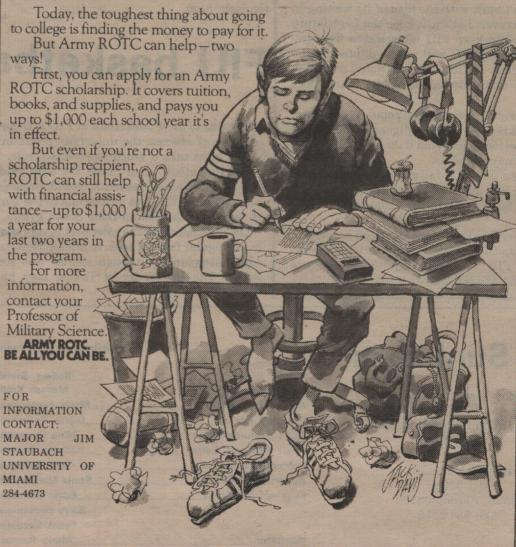
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Editor's Forum

by Jeffrey L. Kleinman

Someone flashed a juicy roast in front of FIU two weeks ago. But just like a tease, someone else will pull the delectable feast away just as the ravished university is ready to take the big bite.

What my analogy amounts to is the Florida Board of regents proposing a plan to improve and expand the academics of FIU and Florida Atlantic University in Boca Raton by advising the Legislature to pump \$176 million into South Florida within the next 10 years.

The Florida Legislature, however, is not expected to pass the bill because many lawmakers have a special allegiance to the two biggies, the University of Florida and Florida State University. If passed, the bucks will pull FIU and FAU up to par with Florida's two flagship universities.

The Board actually developed two plans. Only one, entitled the Southeast Florida Plan, will achieve what South Florida desparately needs: a comprehensive state university. So, what students can now get in a small nothing town such as Gainesville, they would be able to get in a sophisticated metropolis such as Miami. It doesn't make sense anyway for an area populated with 2 million people not to have a complete public university.

But that's the way it is now.

Students wanting graduate-level degress in many fields must attend the prohibitivelyexpensive University of Miami or travel across the state to one of two cities where most people would never live.

At FIU, the shift upstate most be a problem for older students with families and jobs. For instance, "I'm sorry honey. We have to move to a pulsating town called Gainesville so I could earn my graduate degree. FIU just doesn't offer it. You'll just have to give up your job and little Billy will just have to make new friends at his new school."

Even though the Board designed this ambitious and expensive plan to upgrade FIU, the Florida Legislature plays the role of the dreaded roast

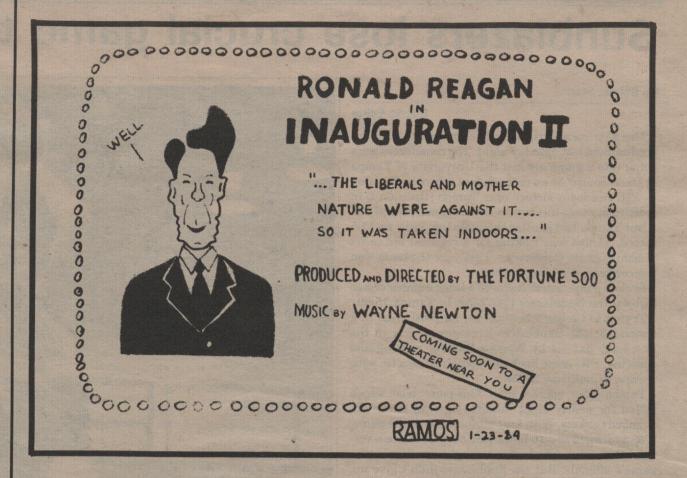
Many of the lawmakers were schooled at the state's two major universities and have a special place in their hearts for their alma maters. This means that they want to see UF and FSU remain supreme over young upstarts such as FIU and

FIU wasn't built with the idea of its waiting in the wings forever. Let's just hope the Legislature doesn't want to keep FIU underwater. The programs at UF and FIU will not be diluted by the Southeast Plan. In fact, the plan would make the entire state university shine brighter than it does

South Florida is special. The population is here. The interest is here. The intelligence is here. Just too bad the money's not. And if the Legislature has its way, it may never be.

There are a few state lawmakers who will vote for the plan. Sen. Jack Gordon is one of them. Don't direct your letters to him. He's already on FIU's

The northerners in Tallahassee need a splash of cold water on their faces. South Florida deserves a complete FIU. Let's just hope the Legislature realizes what the bucks will actually buy.



Ask questions when you vote

by Katherine Chandler

Contributor

America has seen a unique phenomenon in the past four years. Its people have payed homage to, and reelected a figurehead. Its president is an apparent puppet of his underlings and makes frequent factual errors, falls asleep in Cabinet meetings and lets secretaries of major governmental departments swap places like musical chairs.

Am I the only one who dreams of having leaders who make it their business to know the facts, the feasibility of their plans and the ramifications of their actions? If so, then this country sadly deserves its present situation. If not, however, now is the time to begin preventing similar circumstances from occuring in the future.

It is the responsibility of each citizen to be wellinformed about the men and women who, if voted into office, would be granted the power to wield major changes. This is especially true when the degree of power to which the politically hopeful aspires particularly high.

The questions to ask one's self when trying to determine for whom to vote are: What kind of educational background does the candidate have? What experience does he have which would prepare him for the office he seeks? What is his track record? What are his priorities and his voting record on issues that concern you? Most of all, how responsive was he to the people he represented if he once held a public office. Representation, afterall, is the key word.



The population of young voters is great enough that it can have a profound effect on any election of public officials. If we as a group vote responsibly, perhaps we will be able to have greater respect for, and pride in, those who lead us. And who knows...maybe the country will follow.

FIU basketball lacks support

It seems to me if basketball at FIU is to have some measure of success, the university community as a whole must take a much more active role.

The basketball team under the able guidance of coach Rich Walker has made considerable progress. Last Monday, FIU lost a close one to the University of Tampa at the Miami-Dade South gym.

The attendance for the most part is very sparse. Only the regular faithful seem to attend. However, Monlarger. The University of Tampa may have contributed to that.

In the first half of the double header, the woman's basketball team thrashed their University of Tampa counterparts

The women's team is nationally ranked, and under the extremely able guidance of Cindy Russo. A number of players on the team are also nationally ranked.

A more enthusiastic support of these two teams is long, long overdue. As the basketball season draws day's attendance, although sparse, was somewhat to a close, let us show our support, both physically and verbally.

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Women's team looks for playoff bid

by Andrew Moo

Staff Writer

With a 14-4 record and a No. 20 national ranking, FIU women's basketball coach Cindy Russo is still cautiously optimistic about her team making the NCAA Division II Nationals in March.

"We're an independent, non-conference school," Russo said. "We still have 10 games to play and we have to win as many as possible to receive a bid in the post-season.'

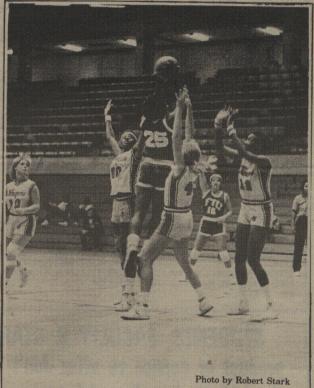
Key games on the remaining schedule include two against the University of Miami and one against the University of Central Florida. Both schools are in Division I.

"This year we took on the challenge of playing 13 games against Division I schools--on a 28-game schedule," Russo said. "Teams are given a power ranking, based on strength of schedule as well as record. Right now, regionally, we're the top-ranked

"A loss to a Division I team doesn't affect our Division II rating, but naturally it goes in the loss column, and affects our overall record. In other words, we can't afford too many losses."

Russo is now in her sixth year as head coach and has led the team to the Division II national tournament after the 1981-82 season and to the NCAA East Regionals in 1983.

On Jan. 21 the team defeated the University of Tampa 97-79. Down by four points at halftime, the Sunblazers came back to win their 14th game of the year. Kim Pelligrini led FIU with 22 points and 11



FIU's Lynette Richardson goes up in a Tampa crowd in the Sunblazer victory 97-79.

Richardson leads FIU team

She talks freely and easily about her hobbies, her major, even her pet cockatiel Zike. But ask her how she feels about her 25.8 scoring average and the answer is a shrug--and silence.

The fact that Lynette Richardson, midway through her junior season, is the second leading scorer in FIU women's basketball history with 1,216 career points (Karen Turnquest who played from 1981 through 1983 had 1,293 points) impresses everyone but herself.

"No, I really have no special feelings," Richardson explained. "I set goals for myself and I set them high. All the things that come along with achieving those goals are minor to me. It's not that I don't appreciate it, but...."

For now, she refuses to discuss her immediate goals. In high school, her aim was to become an All-American. She didn't acheieve that goal, but she did receive second-team All-State and South All-Star recognition.

Richardson was offered scholarships to Stetson University, the University of Tampa and FIU. She said she chose FIU not only for its athletics, but also for its academics.

Now Richardson plays on a team with a 12-2 record and a No.2 national ranking in the latest NCAA Division II poll.

The women cagers tied a school record this year with a 10-game winning streak broken Jan. 4 by Air Force. The streak included victories over Wisconsin Green Bay (76-69), Northwest Missouri State (80-66) and the National College of Education (79-42).

The team bounced right back after the Air Force loss when it beat Lamar 85-62.

Since coming to FIU, Richardson has been named to the All-American teams of Fast Break magazine as both a freshman and a sophomore. Last year, she was also selected to the College Division All-American squad of the National Scouting Association.

The only girl in a family of four children, Richardson has always been athletic. "I grew up around guys which made me more competetive," she said. "I ran track and played softball, but basketball was my main interest. It was like a challenge to me."

Her brothers taught her how to play the game, only because "they wanted to play (on school teams) so I wouldn't hang around them.'

Fans of Sunblazer basketball quickly realize that her brothers were very good teachers--and that she was an outstanding student.

In addition to her scoring average that ranks her among the nation's top ten, she twice scored 34 points in a game. She's second on the team with 49 assists and her 44 steals leads the squad by a wide margin.

Roommates get 1,000 points

Five games into the season, roommates Kim Pellegrini and Lynette Richardson became only the second and third players in FIU basketball history to gain 1,000 career points. The only other player in the program's 10 year existence to achieve that plateau was Karen Turnquest who scored 1,293 points from 1981-83.

The historic game took place in Sarasota, Fl. against the University of West Florida.

Pellegrini, a senior center, scored a career high 31 points, giving her a grand total of 1,007. Richardson, a junior guard, hit the mark dead on. Her 20 point performance put her right at 1,000 career points.

"It's a tremendous accomplishment in their careers," said head coach Cindy Russo. "I'm very happy, very pleased for them. It's indicative of the quality of our players."

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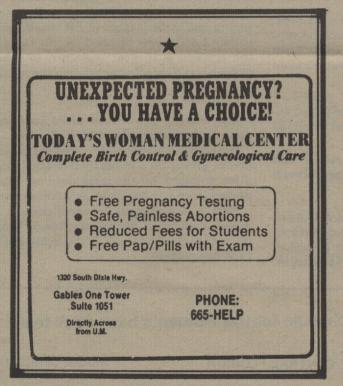
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