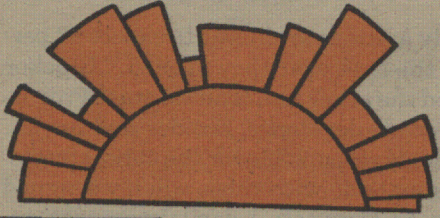


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Coming up...

Workshop to focus on returning women students

The Women's Studies Center and Counseling Services are sponsoring a workshop for women who are re-entering a university after interrupting their studies.

The informal workshop will be offered from 9:15 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Friday, Feb. 8 in PC 340 on the Tamiami Campus.

Sign up in the Women's Study Center in DM 225 or call 554-2408.

BVC clinic extends hours

The health clinic at the Bay Vista Campus has extended its evening hours to better serve evening students.

The clinic will remain open until 8 p.m. on Tuesdays and will have a nurse on duty in the evening.

Scuba Club organizes party

The FIU Scuba Club is scheduling a picnic in order to recruit students and get existing members familiar with the club.

If you are interested in the Feb. 17 picnic, call 553-1175 or 233-7304.

Lab looking for babies

An FIU researcher is looking for infants between two and six months old to participate in research at the university's new Infant Development Laboratory.

Researcher Lorraine Bahrack hopes the results of the study will provide data aiding in the diagnosis of abnormal development patterns.

Parents interested in having their infants participate, call 554-2842.

Calendar

Tuesday, Feb. 5 - Feb. 11, American Painting Today: Still Life - Gallery, Tamiami.

Wednesday, Feb. 6, SGA Meeting, 3 p.m., UH 150.

Thursday, Feb. 7, play - "110 in the Shade", 8 p.m., Ruth Foreman Theatre, BVC.

Thursday, Feb. 7, women's basketball vs. UM at Miami Christian HS, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 7, baseball opener vs. Furman University at Sunblazer Field on Tamiami Campus, 8 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 7 - Friday, Feb. 8, movie - "Star Chamber", 1:30, 6 & 8 p.m. (Thurs.), 12:30, 6, 8 & 10 p.m. (Fri.) UH 140.

Saturday, Feb. 9, children's play - "Little Rascals", 2 p.m., Ruth Foreman Theatre.

Saturday, Feb. 9, men's basketball vs. Barry University at Miami Christian HS, 7:30 p.m.



Photo by C.J. Czaia

Students hang an FIU administrator in effigy to protest dorm consolidation. FIU's plan to assign four persons per dorm would make room for non-student rentals. The sign reads: "4 is a crowd."

Residents protest 'hotel'

by Keith Donner

Staff Writer

FIU may rent rooms at the Bay Vista Campus dormitories to visiting groups to help cover the building's operating losses, administrators told angry residents at a Jan. 27 emergency meeting.

FIU administrators told a group of about 75 dorm residents that low occupancy has forced the university to consider renting out the empty rooms.

Dorm residents crammed the Student Center building at BVC hoping to get answers from administration officials about the proposed plan. Some carried placards. One banner read, "Welcome to the hotel by the bay."

The students asked to meet with the administrators after receiving a memo from Housing Director Sharon Gottlieb the previous week. Gottlieb wrote that students with empty beds in their rooms will either have to pay extra for them or change rooms.

Students were being consolidated "in order to accommodate conferences and other large groups of overnight guests," Gottlieb wrote.

Residents said they were upset about having to pay or move by Feb. 28 and asked FIU's Student Government Association (SGA) to look into the matter. The SGA was scheduled to be at the dorms for a leadership retreat and asked administrators to meet with the residents.

Students aired their complaints to Gottlieb, Vice President of Student Affairs Judy Blucker, Provost Steve Altman and the SGA.

Residents said they were concerned with the idea of letting strangers into their dorms.

"I don't want people in and out of our dorms," said Robin Gerstenblatt after the meeting. "I love living here, but I will move out the minute they let strangers walk around here," she added.

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Address brings good news

by Melissa Kroll

News Editor

FIU President Gregory Wolfe has big plans for the university and anyone who attended his "State of the University Address" last Tuesday knows it.

Enthusiastically optimistic, Wolfe addressed the faculty senate with a speech centered around FIU's enrollment, budget and progress.

Wolfe relayed good news concerning enrollment by predicting that undergraduate enrollment will increase. But he expressed concern over declining graduate enrollments. "Graduate enrollment is a sensitive issue and one which is going to require some attention," he said.

Wolfe stressed the importance of enrollment to the budget, saying that "FIU's funding is mostly dependent on enrollment." In accordance with the predicted enrollment, the budget is doing well, he said.

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Students upset about hotel plan

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One student asked how the university could determine who to blame if the building was damaged. Blucker said she didn't know.

Another asked what criteria the school would use to decide whether to rent the rooms or not. Blucker said no one would have to move unless FIU had "substantial contracts" with chaperoned groups attending a conference at the university.

The South Florida Fireman's Association and the American Chemical Society are tentatively scheduled to rent rooms, but no contracts have been signed, Blucker said.

Administrators said later in the week that no students would have to move until possibly after the semester.

Students also complained at the meeting about the price and quality of the dorms. They complained of small refrigerators and stoves, lack of cabinet space, faulty laundry machines and fire alarms that frequently blast in the middle of the night.

Said one student about his refrigerator: "There is barely room for two six packs in this fridge, and they expect four people to keep food in here." Students said these inconveniences and the cramped quarters and hassles of commuting to the Tamiami Campus make the dorms overpriced.

Blucker said the dorms were priced when FIU officials predicted greater occupancy. The building can house 550 students but only 250 live there now.

It was probably a little unrealistic to expect 93 percent occupancy the first year they opened," Blucker said. She blamed the other faults on Canrael Properties, Inc., the dorm's developer, builder and owner. Canrael, she said, is responsible for the subcontracts.

"We had nothing to do with these when we signed that contract (with Canrael). I don't know why someone didn't look out for FIU's interests," Blucker said.

Administrators at the meeting estimated the building's March deficit to be between \$200,000 and \$250,000. Ronald Arrowsmith, FIU vice president of administrative affairs, said in a later interview the deficit will be around \$300,000.

FIU, he said, can cover that payment, but the problem will come in August when an estimated \$335,000 deficit will have to be financed.

The Auxiliary Trust Fund, a university account used for emergencies, won't have enough funds to cover the August payment. SGA Senator Jorge Dominicus said he and four other senators plan to float a bond to raise money to help fix the dorms and reduce the deficit.

Dominicus said he didn't think having the SGA use its money to help the administration would set a dangerous precedent.

"I think it's in the best interests of the students of FIU to have successful dorms at Bay Vista, and if SGA can in some way assist in ensuring the success, then it is our responsibility to do so," he said.

Administrators said they were hopeful the dorms would be full in September. One resident, Mike Gagne, summed up the students' feelings: "I feel defenseless. There is nothing we can do."

Wolfe talks on FIU future

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"There is an overall growth in the budget due to the overall growth of our student body," Wolfe said. "Our admission requirements are high and they will stay high. Great expectations are alive at FIU and I expect us to thrive."

Wolfe then turned his expectations to the Southeast Florida Plan, a proposal to enlarge the amounts and levels of offerings at FIU and Florida Atlantic University in Boca Raton. The plan proposes that the two South Florida universities will receive \$176 million over the next 10 years. The money FIU may receive will be divided between academic programs and new construction.

"The budget for the Southeast Florida Plan has been prepared, reviewed and endorsed by the Board of Regents," said Wolfe. "But when the decision rests with the Legislature the decision turns to two points:

'I want FIU to become the UCLA of Florida.'

-FIU President Gregory Wolfe

goals and funding.

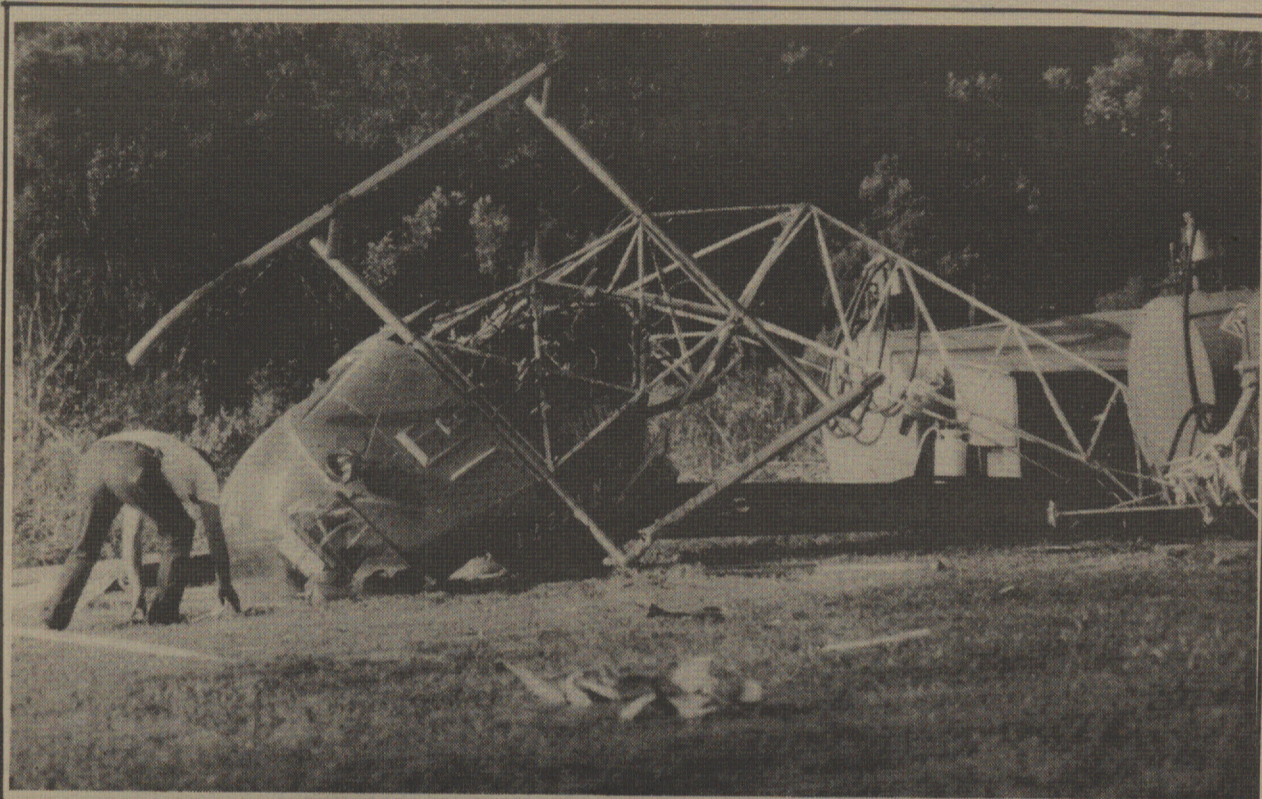
"Certainly the pace of the goals of the proposed plan are limited by the allocations of the budget," Wolfe continued.

Wolfe said he endorses the plan for the merit and prestige it would yield FIU. "I want FIU to become the UCLA of Florida," he said.

In striving for the prestige and independence from the state that UCLA (The University of California at Los Angeles) has attained, Wolfe stressed the problem of FIU's lack of private funding. UCLA receives 35 percent of its funding from the state of California. The rest of the funds come from private donations, tuition and other university projects.

"In Miami, however, the private universities receive public funds but the public universities rarely receive private funds," Wolfe said.

"We have to rely on the state system and thus, we rely on a state budget to determine our goals," he said. "It is a highly political structure accommodating the social and economic ends of the state."



Close call

An unidentified pilot picks up the pieces after his helicopter plunged to the ground in front of the Bay Vista Campus. The copter missed some fuel tanks by only a few feet. No one was injured.

Photo by Gary Boisson

Will old mistakes happen again?

by Keith Donner

Staff Writer

Come September, some of the new dorms to be built at FIU's Tamiami Campus will be open, and students are wondering if FIU administrators will have learned anything from the problems at the Bay Vista Campus dorms.

"The only problem we've had with the Bay Vista dorms is that we haven't been able to fill them up," said Ronald Arrowsmith, vice president of administrative affairs.

With a 55 percent occupancy rate, and students complaining about cramped quarters and high rents, the FIU administration has its share of problems at BVC.

"The complaints we have had are not what they are paying, but on things like too small refrigerators," Arrowsmith said. He said he also feels the rates are reasonable.

Many students, however, feel the price is too high. "It's \$450 for two guys in two rooms and a bathroom," resident Mark Fuller said. "We can take our \$380 and move and get a place with a real kitchen," said Mike Gagne.

Arrowsmith said he thinks the dorms are a good value. He said students don't pay deposits or utilities, and have the convenience of living close to their classes.

But many students don't live close to their classes. Since many of the students take courses on the Tamiami Campus, they board a bus for a 30-mile drive.

Blucker admitted "the convenience question is negated because they have to ride on a bus to classes."

FIU Provost Steve Altman said the current level of 30 percent of lower division courses offered at BVC should rise to about 40 percent in the fall. "We will make special efforts, especially for core courses," he said. But, he added, some students at BVC will always have to commute because their majors are only offered at the Tamiami Campus.

Students at the dorms also complain that the brochures they were shown don't depict the dorms accurately. "The bedroom scale is deceiving," said Bob Van Keuren. "What they say in the brochure is not what we got."

Arrowsmith disagrees. "The dormitories are exactly as they were represented on the plans," he said.

Arrowsmith blames the low occupancy on poor planning and construction delays. "We didn't feel at the time that there would be any problem filling the dorms.

He said FIU estimated 1,100 students would need housing at BVC before the building opened, he continued, the housing office was placing 800 students a month. But construction delays and building code violations forced students to make other plans. Consequently, the dorms opened only half-full.

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Editor's Forum

by Jeffrey L. Kleinman



Abortion.

The word sends shivers down my spine.

It's not because I'm vehemently against interrupting a pregnancy. I'm not. The truth is I'm kind of confused about my stance on abortion. It seems so many people have definite opinions on the subject. I don't. People who oppose abortion have blindfolds on their eyes. Who made them qualified to speak with such authority on this sensitive subject? And people who campaign for free choice probably would think twice if it was them that was going to be expelled out of their mother.

I weigh situations and try to convince myself who has the most rational argument. But with abortion, no argument wins a mandate in my book. There will always be acceptable excuses for abortion and there will always be acceptable excuses to oppose abortion.

The argument will never be settled. Even though I have never reached a comfortable decision regarding abortion, I have come to many conclusions about the way the argument is being handled by our national leaders.

President Ronald Reagan, for example, is sticking his wrinkly neck into a no-win predicament. I understand his candy-coated devotion to God needs some sort of illustration, but to stand on the side of someone as narrow-minded as Jerry Falwell and Pope John Paul II is not the way to display religious zeal. The abortion argument is no place for a Reagan to take up sides. After all, the president's Teflon may crack with this one. What amazes me is Reagan remains unscathed. While the protesters are bloodied and bruised, the president continues to slip in those effective jabs without getting any flack. Aren't there any right-wing Republicans who believe in freedom of choice? Reagan must just have them mesmerized.

Reagan has lobbied successfully for a new result to Roe vs. Wade. His lobbying efforts came in the form of promising to appoint the "right" type of justice to the Supreme Court.

But Ronald Reagan is about as qualified to defend the right to life as the Pope is qualified to defend the usefulness of contraceptives. Just like Pope John Paul II does when criticizing contraceptive devices, Ronald Reagan desires to see the word "abortion" erased from every Webster's dictionary in the land.

The right to life and the right to choose should have a clear division. Unfortunately, it doesn't. Abortion has its place. Right-to-lifers' don't realize that. Poverty, sickness and rape are three prime examples. And opposition to abortion also has its place. Freedom-to-choosers don't realize that. Abortion just can't be used in place of the pill. That's cruel, both to the mother and the unborn child.

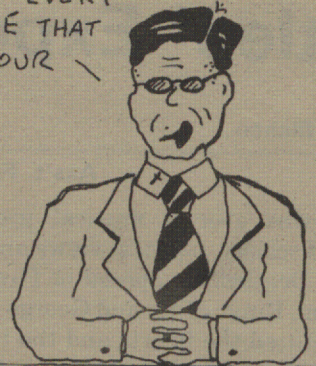
Religion and politics will continue to play major roles in arguing about abortion. But religion doesn't mix too well with politics and that's where Reagan comes in.

Ronald Reagan should not lobby for one side or the other. Instead he should put forth a rational proposal to satisfy both camps. But since Reagan is poor at compromise, he should stick to his two favorite things: jelly beans and naps.

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FIU shouldn't fund FPIRG

by Melissa Kroll

News Editor

The Florida Public Interest Research Group (FPIRG), is a student-funded, student-directed research and advocacy organization. The FIU chapter of FPIRG exemplifies student efforts, considering the chapter was created by a petition of 8,000 signatures. Although it is a student-oriented organization, FPIRG's main efforts do not focus on student issues. Instead, FPIRG promotes consumer protection and environmental preservation on behalf of Florida's general public.

FPIRG's community work benefits Florida. Recent efforts concern water purity in South Florida where there are over 200 hazardous waste sites threatening the health of three million people. FPIRG has strived to pass legislation stopping holds placed on checks by Florida financial institutions.

FPIRG's work is admirable, but what is it doing for students?

Students in the state university system fund and direct the group but the system itself does not supplement FPIRG. Although FIU students pay \$2.50 every semester for FPIRG, the group does nothing to help students as students, only as citizens.

FPIRG does not work toward getting more dormitories. It does not help students living in dormitories pay exorbitant prices for telephones. It does not help students who are on a four-month dormitory waiting list. It exerts no effort in lowering bookstore prices, which incidently are higher than at most other state universities. The cafeteria is separate from FIU and able to charge any price it chooses. Here again FPIRG does nothing to help students paying higher prices than they should.

FPIRG has done some work in helping students. The group has arranged for speakers and other related academic-enriching projects such as leadership seminars to prepare students to become community members. Indeed the work FPIRG has done is important to the community--so, let the community foot the bill.

We as students are citizens and we can pay as citizens. But students have separate and important interests that need attention, interests FPIRG continues to ignore and interests students continue to pay for.

Noise poses study problems

by Yick Fong

Contributor

Traditionally, the library is a quiet, peaceful place for people to study and do research. A recent experience at FIU's Tamiami library made me doubt about that idea.

On that particular day, I went to the third floor, as usual, heading toward one of the rooms in the back, hoping to study for my classes. After I settled down, I was so irritated by some bee-buzzing whippers that I just could not concentrate. I sought for relocation.

The second floor was not a good choice because people would be going back and forth seeking information around the circulation desk and the card catalogues. I packed my paraphernalia and headed to the first floor.

I found a seat in the information resource center. I sat down and began doing some productive work. Much to my disappointment, my concentration was once again distracted by two gobbledygookers conversing in a foreign language. The unfamiliar sounds pounded my ears like a hammer hitting a wall, and the two marathon conversationalists showed no intention of quitting despite my light coughing as a hint.

Feeling frustrated, I decided to give my favorite spot on the third floor another try, but the quest was fruitless. I walked back down to my seat, covered my ears and forced myself to concentrate. Just when I thought I could really study after the two talkers finally left, a group of students stormed in for their class.

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Relive music at Beatles' Expo

by Rodolfo Blanco

Ass't. Features Editor

If there was ever a musical group that has transformed society, political views and music itself, it was The Beatles. Composed of Paul McCartney, John Lennon, Ringo Starr and George Harrison, The Beatles captured the hearts and the imagination of millions during the sixties, with tunes like "Let It Be, It's Been a Hard Day's Night" and "Here Comes the Sun," to mention a few.

This Feb. 7-10, thousands of Beatle fans will gather at the Omni International for the Second Annual Beatles Expo.

The event commemorates the initial arrival of The Beatles in the United States on Feb. 7, 1964 and affords fans the opportunity to relive their music.



The event is sponsored by WAXY-FM radio station and other community sponsors.

The first Beatles Expo took place at the Omni International last February. It was an overwhelming success with thousands of diehard Beatle fans attending.

The Expo will be showcasing Beatle look-and-sound-alike bands, a Beatles memorabilia trade fair, rare videos and films, a history exhibition of The Beatles in print and personalities connected with The Beatles.

Three different eras of Beatle fame, the Ed Sullivan era, the Sargeant Pepper era and the Abbey Road era will be depicted through live performances all four nights.

Worthy to watch are the Mahoney Brothers, a well-known and probably the best look-alike, sound-alike Beatles band in the nation.

Admission to the Expo will be free, so if you've had a hard day, spend the night with The Beatles.

Seminars give students experience

by Rodolfo Blanco

Ass't. Features Editor

Sometimes business majors trick themselves into thinking that earning a college degree is enough to make it big in the business world. Well, contrary to this belief, many professors in the College of Business Administration and the Latin American and Caribbean Center believe that first-hand experience is vital for one to become aware of his career goals.

This is one of the main reasons why these two departments are sponsoring a series of four seminars pertaining to marketing, financing, exporting and investing in Latin America. Appropriately, the seminars have been placed under the umbrella heading "Latin American Business Environment Issues in the '80's."

Upcoming seminars planned for the series will address the following topics: "Strategies for Direct Foreign Investors in Latin America in the Late 1980's" (Feb. 13) and "Exporting the Whopper: How Burger King Does It in Latin America" (March 13). For information, call 554-2894.

Minding your own business...

Q. I take home so much work every night that I'm thinking about converting one of my bedrooms into an office at home. Can I deduct the costs associated with this office?

A. You can, but under the latest income tax law, you have to be very careful. Offices in the home are being scrutinized very closely. You should be sure that you use the room for business only.

Also, you should be prepared to explain what you do in the office. If you can show that because of this room you are able to get more work done and thus raise your total business revenue, you are in good shape. If it looks like you are using the room as an office in name only, it will be disallowed.

Talk to your accountant before you convert the room. He or she will be able to tell you whether it is worth your time and money.

Q. I'm getting a loan from a small private bank that is new in the area. I have been promised an interest rate of prime plus one. Is this a good rate?

A. It sure is. Prime is what the best customers pay and this means firms like General Motors, IBM, Exxon, etc. If you can get a loan at prime plus one percent, you're doing very well.

The authors of this column are Dr. Richard Hodgetts and Donna Schaeffer. Hodgetts is an FIU professor of management and Schaeffer is an FIU counselor at the Small Business Development Center.

Films in town

by Mina Socarras

Ass't. Features Editor

When an event such as The Miami Film Festival arrives, students are encouraged to attend so they can learn about art while supporting a local project.

The Second Annual Miami Film Festival started Feb. 1 and will run through Feb. 10 at six area theaters. Because last year's festival was so successful, this year many more filmmakers, actors and actresses will participate.

One of the reasons why the festival succeeded last year was because of the involvement of film people such as Nat Chediak (owner of the Arcadia and Cinemateque theaters) and Steven Bowles (a film professor at the University of Miami). There have been previous attempts to present film festivals in Miami, but they failed because promoters were not from the local community.

The various films will be shown at the Arcadia, Beaumont, Gusman Cultural Center, Cinemateque, Knight Center and Miami-Dade New World theaters. Tickets for film festival activities may be purchased at all Bass ticket outlets.

Among those participating in this year's events will be Werner Herzog ("Fitzcarraldo") who will premiere his new film, a documentary entitled "A Man When He is a Man," and Wim Wenders, who will exhibit his film "Paris, Texas."

Mel Kiser, an FIU television and film professor, will be one of the panelists during the film career seminar.

New & Recommended

Enchanters' End Game, by David Eddings. (Ballantine/Del Rey, \$3.50.) Brilliant conclusion to the epic of *The Belgariad*. A novel of fate, strange lands, and a prophecy that must be fulfilled.

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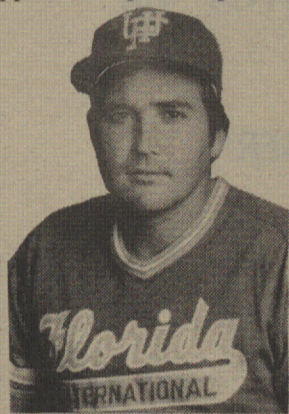


Sunblazers reveal new look in '85

With 20 newcomers on a roster of 24 players, the FIU baseball team will open its third year in Division I on Feb. 7 against Furman University at Sunblazer Field.

Playing a 60-game schedule, which features such teams as seventh ranked Miami, 24th ranked Maine, Clemson and Seton Hall, the Sunblazers will be looking to win at least 40 games. "We want to play the best we can. We've never won 40 games in Division I and our top priority is to accomplish just that," said FIU Coach Danny Price. "If we can, the possibility of a regional is there."

FIU is coming off last year's record which consisted of the school's longest winning and losing streaks. "Last year's schedule was a real good one," Price said. "But we didn't have the tougher opponents spread apart enough. We went from



FIU's Danny Price
Auburn right to Florida State, then from South Carolina to Western Carolina, to Stetson, to Miami.

"This year's schedule is just as strong, but I believe it is spread out enough so we'll have a much better chance to be successful."

The only returning players for the squad are pitcher Tim Reker, infielder Jeff Farney, outfielder Jon Shearer and designated hitter Orlando Lolo.

The following is a rundown of the positions on the 1985 Sunblazers:

PITCHING--Price believes this year's staff has the ability to be "the best we've ever had." Since he can't count on quantity (only eight pitchers), he's got to expect quality.

The starting rotation will include lefthanders Tim Reker, a senior who posted a 7-4 record in 1984 with a 3.68 ERA and Mark Lee (Trinidad State J.C., CO.), who pitched this past summer in the Alaskan League. From the right side, Price sees junior college transfers Doug Ellis (Trinidad State), who had a two-year juco record of 17-3 and Rick Waltman (South Florida J.C.) as capable performers.

The bullpen duty will be in the hands of senior Jeff Farney and newcomers Albert Garcia, Mark Grater and Larry Hall. Grater (Beaver C.C., Pa.) will be counted on in short relief. Farney, Garcia (Miami-Dade New World Center) and Hall (Kankakee C.C., Ill.) will be used in long relief or could be called upon to start.

CATCHING--The competition between newcomers Andre Lambros and Gil Alfonso is nothing new. Both attended Indian River Community College the last two years and either could emerge as the team's starting catcher. Lambros, a natural team leader, set an Indian River school record last season with a .450 batting average, and was selected team MVP. Alfonso is an outstanding defensive catcher with a strong arm. Should the need arise, either could go in and do a reputable job playing first base.

INFIELD--This year's infield is strongest up the middle. Second baseman Alex Ojea was recruited out of Miami-Dade North as a defensive specialist. After spending last fall at Creighton University, he returned home to Miami and became eligible this semester. At shortstop, freshman Hernan Adames (Miami Southwest High School) is considered to have a bright future. The two are expected to form a double play combination Sunblazer fans have never seen. Sophomore Bill Jettelson (Lakeland High School, New York) and freshman Amancio Suarez (Loyola High School) will play key backup roles.

First base is up for grabs between Luis Velasquez (Miami-Dade New World Center) and Jorge Hernandez (Miami-Dade New World Center). Both are outstanding offensive talents with Hernandez able to supply the long ball. The question mark remains defensively.

Third base belongs to Tommy Bogaards (Miami-Dade South). Known for his offensive talents, he had an outstanding fall with the bat. The coaching staff agrees he's done a more adequate job. Faustino Diaz (Clinton C.C., Ia.) will be used as a late-inning defensive replacement.

OUTFIELD--The outfield will be anchored by center fielder Ken Adderley (Miami-Dade North) who will be penciled in as the leadoff hitter. Adderley hit .358 over his two junior college seasons and showed occasional power.

Senior co-captain Jon Shearer (.244, 10 RBI) and junior Sal Farradas (Miami-Dade New World Center) will share duties in right field. Injuries sidelined Shearer during most of 1984 but all indications are he is fit to perform.

Another Indian River player, Denny Green, will roam left field. He's displayed a better than average arm and he's been driving the ball offensively.

Other talented players slated for outfield duties this season include redshirted senior Orlando Lolo (1983: .296, 4 HR, 44 RBI), and junior college transfer Jose Lopez (Miami-Dade New World Center).

DESIGNATED HITTER--Any number of players could find themselves in the lineup as the designated hitter. Switch-hitters Lolo, Ferradas and Hernandez are all threats from the left side who can drive the ball a long way.

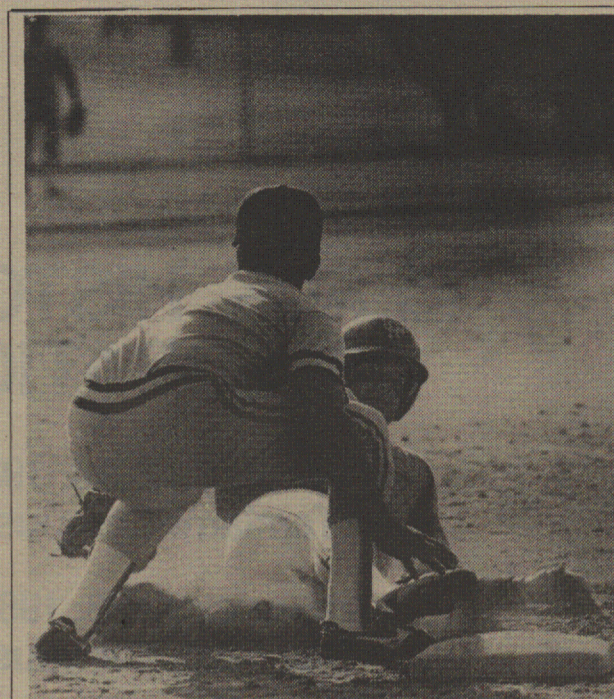


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FIU's Jon Shearer (sliding) is one of only four returning Sunblazers.

Probably the biggest challenge for this year's coaching staff is evaluating so much new talent with so little time before the start of the season. "We as coaches have to decide what role each player will have in our overall season. Even a backup player could come off the bench and play an important role in the total picture," said Price.

FIU to bowl at Cloverleaf Lanes

The FIU recreational sports department and Cloverleaf Lanes will host the second annual Collegiate Bowling Tournament Feb. 9.

Play will begin at 2 p.m. The competition is open to all FIU students, faculty, staff and alumni. Last year's tournament attracted participants from the University of Miami, Florida Atlantic University, Dade North and Barry University. There will be no entry fee and a separate FIU intramural bowling contest will follow the Collegiate Tournament.

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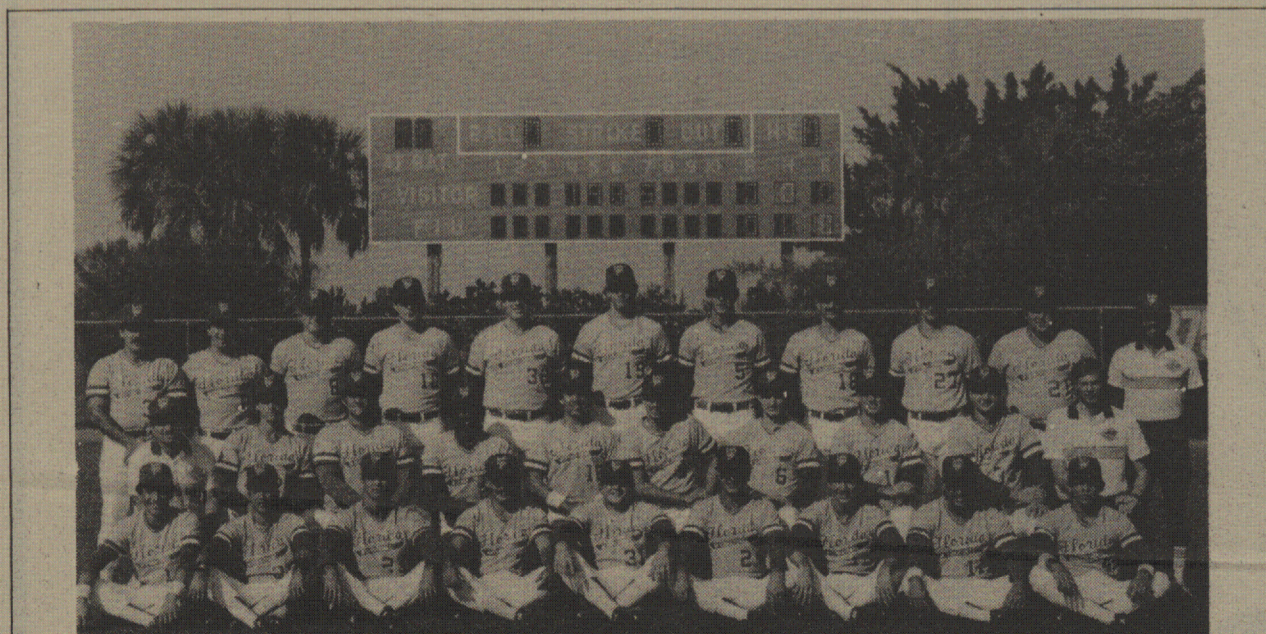


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THE 1985 FIU BASEBALL TEAM: Back Row (l to r) Assistant coach Rolando Casanova, assistant coach Tim Johnson, Jon Shearer, Mark Lee, Doug Ellis, Tim Reker, Jeff Farney, Jose Lopez, Rick Waltman, head coach Danny Price, head trainer Rey Jaffet. Middle Row (l to r) baseball trainer Dave Duchin, Sal Ferradas, Gil Alfonso, Ken Adderley, Faustino Diaz, Orlando Lolo, Luis Velasquez, Tommy Bogaards, Andre Lambros, equipment manager Wayne Rustad. Front Row (l to r) Hernan Adames, Alex Ojea, Albert Garcia, Jorge Hernandez, Mark Grater, Denny Green, Larry Hall, Amancio Suarez, Bill Jettelson.

FIU's Lee experiences Alaskan trip

by Bill Rich

Contributor

What do Tom Seaver, Mike Boddiker, Ron Cey and FIU's Mark Lee have in common? At one time or another, they all played in the highly regarded Alaska College Summer Baseball League. The first three players enjoy successful major league careers. The Sunblazers' Lee hopes to be just as fortunate.

The junior lefthander from Casper, Wyoming figures prominently in Coach Danny Price's plans. Over the past two years, Lee posted an overall pitching record of 20-2 at Trinidad State Community College. Last year, he was a perfect 12-0 with an earned run average of 2.01 and 87 strikeouts in 89 innings. Both years he was named as an All-Region performer.

"Mark has a lot of potential to be an outstanding pitcher for us," said Price. "He's lacked consistency early but with further work and dedication, he may prove to be one of our top pitchers."

But what about his Alaskan experience? According to Lee, it was terrific. He pitched both as a starter and in relief for the Mattinuska Miners, a team located in the city of Palmer-about 40 miles northeast of Anchorage.

Playing in the "Land of the Midnight Sun" darkness would fall long after a 7:30 p.m. game had been completed. "It took a while to get used to it being so late," he said.

He lived in the home of a local family and earned spending money as part of the stadium's maintenance crew. Lee felt honored to have played for the Miners who were coached by Arizona State University assistant coach Jim Frey. Many of his teammates were Sun Devil players and the caliber of league play has always been considered exceptional.

After the 50-game schedule, Lee left Alaska with a great life experience and as a much more mature pitcher. Though the Alaskan summers were not "too chilly," Lee says he is delighted to shed the omnipresent windbreaker for a mere sweatshirt and a chance to show Sunblazer baseball fans the lessons he learned on the "Last Frontier."

Upcoming FIU baseball schedule

Feb. 7	Furman University	8 p.m.	Home
Feb. 8	Furman University	7:30 p.m.	Home
Feb. 9	Furman University	7:30 p.m.	Home
Feb. 15	Seton Hall University	7:30 p.m.	Home
Feb. 16	Seton Hall University	7:30 p.m.	Home
Feb. 21	University of Central Florida (2)	1 p.m.	Orlando, FL
Feb. 22	Bethune-Cookman College (2)	1 p.m.	Daytona Beach, FL
Feb. 28	Barry University	7:30 p.m.	Home
Mar. 2	Rice University	7:30 p.m.	Home
Mar. 3	Rice University	2 p.m.	Home
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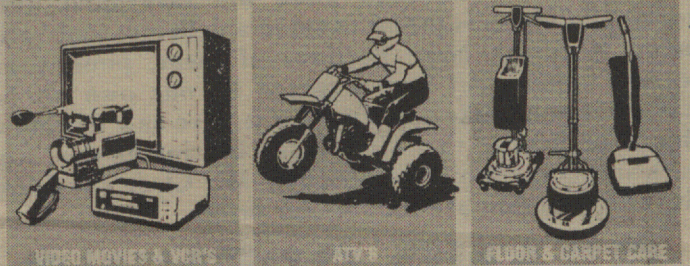
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