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## **Museum features prints**

The FIU Art Museum will house a faculty exhibition from June 14 until July 19. The show is free and open to the public.

The exhibition features 73 prints and drawings by Richard Duncan, an FIU professor of visual arts. Duncan has been at FIU since 1973. His works have been shown throughout the United States.

The exhibit will open with a free reception at 8 p.m. June 14. For more information about the artist or the museum, call 554-2890.

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If math strains your brain, you may want to do some practicing. Sign up for algebra preparation courses for the second summer term. The courses are non-credit and tuition-free. The courses are being offered by the mathematics department. For further details, call 554-2743.

## Summer sounds

Miami's young musicians can enjoy both vacation and music at FIU's summer music camp, June 24-28, at the Tamiami Campus. Students can register for the all-day session in band, orchestra or jazz band for \$60, or for afternoon instruction in elecxtric guitar or bass for \$30.

Interested junior and senior high school students should call the FIU music department at 554-2896 for more information.

## **Religion on campus**

The Catholic Campus Ministry will present a lecture entitled "The Use of Inclusive Language in Worship" at 3 p.m. June 13 in DM 442b on the Tamiami Campus. Connie Popp, of the Archdiocese of Miami, will deliver the address. The lecture is free and open to the public. Call 554-2215 for fur-

# Talk of business school move sparks opposition from faculty

## by Adrian Walker

## Sunblazer Ass't News Editor

Could FIU's College of Business Administration be moved to the Bay Vista Campus by the 1987-88 school year? Don't bet against it.

FIU leaders are looking into the move, which they say will provide the school needed room for growth.

"Nothing has been decided at this point," said FIU Provost Steve Altman. "According to a program review by the Board of Regents, it may be more efficient to operate the business school at Bay Vista." Although Altman denies that the low enrollment of BVC has anything to do with the proposal, many faculty and members disagree, noting that 87 percent of FIU's student body is based at the Tamiami Campus.

"The reason for the move, is that there is a Bay Vista Campus that needs an academic and enrollment identity," said Bob Hogner, an assistant professor in the business school.

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Marriage on campus Patrcia Salgueiro and Gunnar Kristjansson share cake at their

wedding reception at the Tamiami Campus. Stories and photos on page 6.

# Former student seeks commission seat

### by Jon O'Neill

## Sunblazer Staff Writer

A 23-year-old FIU graduate has announced his intention to run for the Miami City Comission seat currently held by Demetrio Perez.

Prospero Herrera, who graduated from the FIU business college, has begun a campaign to unseat the incumbent comissioner in this November's elections.

Herrera, who admits he "loves politics," is a Hispanic, black West-Indian, and feels his multi-ethnic background gives him a deeper understanding of the cultural problems plaguing Miami. Herrera was originally going to run for mayor but decided he should set his sights a little lower the first time out. He selected the city commission because he doesn't feel it is doing a good job representing Miami. "There's nothing happening with the people down at the city commission," Herrera said. "They're voting to vote for themselves."

Herrera also thinks the commission is ignoring some of the real issues in the city. He cites hunger, lack of housing and youth unemployment as some of the problems he intends to address during the campaign.

Although his age will undoubtedly be a factor, Herrera said the reaction to his candidacy has so far been good. "The people have been saying it's about time we had a young person run for office to get those old guys out of there," Herrera said. "The young people are the future of the city." Herrera concedes that he lacks the most important of all political assets -- money -- but he believes he can overcome his lack of funds by campaigning on a grass roots level.

"I plan to go through my neighborhood and the community to get as close to the people as I can," he said. "I'll just do a lot of walking, like Sen. (Lawton) Chiles did.".

He is also relying heavily on word-of-mouth to bolster his campaign chest. "A lot of people have said they are willing to help me out," said Herrera. "Former teachers, friends and some local civic groups have already promised some form of support. I feel it's a good start."

Despite the obvious uphill battle he faces, Herrera feels he has a real chance of making it to the run-off

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# **Business faculty battles its dean**

## by Jon O'Neill

## Sunblazer Staff Writer

An attempt to have a business and society course removed from the undergraduate curriculum has sparked a battle between business faculty members and Dean Charles Nickerson.

The center of the controversy is the dean's emergency request to have the course deleted due to "staffing difficulty." However, members of the business faculty say the dean has prevented them from staffing the course properly.

"Our faculty is saddled with virtual total attention to managing the MAN 3701 course because we are unable to have any additional lines allocated to us," said Bob Hogner, an associate professor of business environment and one of four course instructors.

"We are teaching 60 to 70 students in a class and still not meeting the demand for the course," said Hogner. "We have also been told that we cannot fill any open lines with visiting faculty members either."

Although the undergraduate curriculum committee has already voted 6-0 to keep the course, the dean has now taken his request before the faculty council. The council will take up the issue in the fall, when most faculty members have returned to the college, a faculty source said.

## **Budget passed**

### by Adrian Walker

## Sunblazer Ass't News Editor

After weeks of negotiation, the Student Government Assocation Senate has passed a budget for the 1985-86 school year. A special budget and finance committee headed by SGA comptroller Sandy Curtis played a key role in paving the way to passage.

"The budget took a lot of negotiating and work, Curtis said. "The original budget was inadequate. What we did was keep the budget intact and redo some of the proviso language."

The major stumbling block in the passage of the budget was "accountability." New guidelines require each organization receiving SGA funds to submit an itemized budget detailing how the money will be spent. Any monetary changes exceeding 5 percent will also be subjected to SGA approval.

"The budget is the most responsible and efficient in the history of the university," said SGA president Jorge Dominicis. "The 12th Senate has an openminded attitude. They heard each other and found places they could agree."

Curtis praised the move to greater regulation of funds. "We're accountible to the students," he said. "In the past, there was nothing to stop a committee from going to Europe on SGA (funds) if they could find a way to do it.

"It isn't a perfect budget, but it's a good budget," Curtis added. "We compromised."

# **Faculty lounge**

The course is designed to satisfy accreditation requirements regarding the effects of business on society, politics and culture. Students are exposed to a wide variety of differing views on these subjects, and it is basically what Hogner calls a "question raising class."

"The material would have to be covered in one way or another," said Rosalie Hallbauer, chairman of the business college curriculum committee. "It's easier and more practical to have one course to cover it, instead of spreading it around to all the other business classes.

"We don't know why the dean is doing this, but the faculty is pretty united against it," she continued. "There must be sound academic reasons to eliminate a course, and there aren't any in this case. We thought we had diffused the issue."

Several faculty sources say they think the dean is opposed to the course for personal reasons, and that this is an attack on academic freedom.

"Even faculty members who are philosophically opposed to the course feel strongly that it's an important part of the curriculum," said, one source. "Students will suffer if they are not given the opportunity to see all sides of a particular question."

"The dean may think that the class is too critical of the American business institution," another source agreed. "But, this is not business ROTC, and critical analysis does not translate to negative analysis."

# Herrera-----

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election. "I feel I can unite some of the diverse factions that make up our community," he said.

While Herrera has no experience in Miami's political arena, he did acquire a strong and varied political background while at FIU.

Among other things, Herrera was vice president of the Student Government Association, a senator for the college of business and president of the American Marketing Association.

He was also a member of the Phi Beta Lambda Business Honor Society, and he currently works for the Burger King Corporation as a research assistant.

Herrera said he is planning a political career and will be seeking other offices, regardless of the outcome of November's elections. "I want to start now when I'm young, because I still have a lot of things to learn and a long way to go."

## Business

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To date, the proposed move has been controversial. "The faculty is divided -- one half are bitterly opposed and the other are mildly opposed," said Hogner.

"As a member of the business faculty, I have deep concerns about the impact on the continued growth and viability of the business school," said Hogner. At this point, my concerns are just that - concerns." Hogner added the dean has been asked to make a Dean Nickerson was on vacation and could not be reached for immediate comment. Business faculty members are now awaiting the action of the full faculty council.

"We want to make sure that this happens out in the open," Hogner said. "If faculty votes to keep a course, by all rights it should be staffed properly. We've got to settle the issue once and for all."

# FIU is granted state plan funds

## by Melissa Kroll

### **Sunblazer News Editor**

The first step for improving FIU's future was taken by the state's Board of Regents when it adopted the Comprehensive Plan for Southeast Florida. The next step hinged on the Legislature's approval.

Last week, the Florida Legislature accepted the plan to develop new programs and improve existing ones at FIU and Florida Atlantic University in Boca Raton. The action has "given FIU and FAU a good first step toward fulfilling their ultimate potentials," said Robert Winter, executive director of FIU planning and analysis.

Both universities received less money than they originally asked for, but FIU officials said they are pleased with the \$4.8 million that will be split between the two schools.

"It's good news," said Winter. "Five years ago we were an upper level university. Now we're becoming a whole university.

"We have on-campus housing; we have underclassman; and this plan is giving us the funds we need to keep pace with these changes."

Although FIU and FAU administrators are still working out details while digesting the bill, many programs at FIU have already been allocated funds.

The architectural master's program has received \$600,000. Environmental, civil and electrical engineering have received \$750,000. And, the Exceptional Education Degree Program has recived \$72,500.

# **C** ampus rime

May 18: A stolen Toyota station wagon was found in the remote parking area on the Bay Vista Campus. FIU Officer Joe Fisher discovered the vehicle while on routine patrol. FIU police verified that the car was stolen and belonged to Archez Pierre. Police say there were no keys in the ignition and the doors were not locked.

May 20: Claudia Rojas was walking to the PC parking lot on the Tamiami Campus when she was confronted by a man making sexually suggestive remarks. Rojas led FIU police to the PC bus stop where she identified Jose Antonio Fernandez of 5784 S.W. 20 St. as the suspect. Rojas said Fernandez first whistled at her and then said, "Hi baby, come with me." When questioned by FIU police, Fernandez denied making any remarks to Rojas. FIU police said Fernandez is not an FIU student and was warned not to return to the campus.

## to open in fall

## by Natalie Butto

## Sunblazer Staff Writer

Faculty and staff will soon have a new hideaway when a faculty lounge opens in the fall on the Bay Vista Campus. Although several areas for personnel relaxation are already in existence, they are small and not well-equipped, some faculty members say.

The new lounge will include 14 tables, 44 chairs, a dish washer, a bar and a microwave oven. It will be located in the Academic II building, room 330.

In order to gain full access of the lounge, annual membership is required, costing for \$50. There will also be a small service charge for private parties and use of the lounge after normal operating hours.

Rental to outsiders will be available on a limited basis. Members will be allowed to bring in guests, including students.

Robert Amann, a professor in the business school, said, "I would like to bring some students in the lounge after class to relax." presentation to the faculty of the school's impact on the community.

Ironically, although the administration says that one of the reasons for the move is to allow for growth, many feel that enrollment would likely decline with such a move.

Provost Altman called a faculty member's estimate of a 25 to 50 percent decline "a hysterical reaction," but declined to comment on the potential impact a move might have. But last month, Dean Charles Nickerson told the faculty that, on the basis of preliminary data, a decrease of approximately 5 percent might be expected.

"If the end of this process is that there is a small business school serving a small clientele, the business school will feel that a bad decision was made," Hogner said.

"The encouraging thing is that it's out in the open," he added. "The secret plans are becoming public, and if it's a good decision its being in the open and will convince people that it's a good decision. And if it's a bad decision its being out in the open will convince people it's a bad decision." May 21: When Fernando E. Franca returned to the VH parking lot on the Tamiami Campus, he discovered his father's 1974 Datsun had been vandalized. Missing from the car was a Blaupunkt AM/FM tape deck and an Audio Vox equalizer. Police say the dashboard was badly damaged and the right rear tire was flat. There were no signs of forced entry and the car was locked when Franca discovered the theft.

May 23: For two consecutive weekends, vandals have terrorized FIU bathrooms, according to police reports. The unknown toilet terrorists took paper from all the restrooms in the AT building on the Tamiami Campus, wadded them up, and tried to clog the toilets. Both men's and women's restrooms were attacked. Editor's

by Jeffrey L. Kleinman,

Forum

While office workers just talk about Miami's record breaking heat, construction workers, park

supervisors and mail carriers sweat their way through the day. "It's been rough. A dog wouldn't have a chance

out here," said Victor Lewis, a worker with the state Department of Transportation who was helping two partners repair sidewalks in Miami Beach as the mercury climbed. "I just go home, turn on the air conditioning and fall asleep," said Lewis,22. "That's all I can do. I don't have any energy left."

Longer breaks and extra water seemed to be the only thing keeping Lewis and his co-workers going. Rollia Davis, the crew's supervisor, said the trio collectively have gulped down five gallons of water a day since the scorchers started.

But John Sawyer, an electrical foreman on Brickell Avenue's Lincoln Tower construction site, sought no sympathy. Sweat comes with the job, he said.

"If you're doing construction, the heat's just one of those things you have to cope with," Sawyer said. "If you want to keep your job, you keep going. There's a lot of unemployment in the construction industry right now. Those that line up in front of the trailers looking for work don't complain."

Sawyer said the 150 workers at the Lincoln tower sight are battling the heat by drinking more water, taking salt tablets and wrapping their heads with bandanas. The weather has increased the traffic by Carmen Leon's lunch truck, though she says she isn't making any more money than she normally would.

"Everybody's drinking. They drink more than they eat," said Leon, who has increased her liquid stock -- milk, iced tea and soda -- by about 30 percent since the heat wave started. She added that she make take the summer of because she can't stand the heat.

Mailman Arthur Shapiro says he feels the heat as he rides his South Miami Beach route on a bicycle. "I'm as unconfortable as hell," he said. "I feel like I'm swimming in my uniform.'

But while one might feel sorry for the mailman on foot or bicycle, Shapiro said he feels sorrier for his peers who must ride in oven-baked jeeps.

So, the next time you start talking about the heat from a cool office, think about Miami's outside workers. They're sweating while you're gabbing.

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THEN YOU PROBABLY BELIEVED THIS MAN WHEN HE STATED HE KNEW NOTHING ABOUT CERTAIN TAPES.



# Letters

## To the Editor:

I am writing this letter in response to an article drafted by a self-proclaimed political expert, who is a columnist for The Sunblazer, named David Miller. Never have I been as astounded by the marvels of modern ignorance as I have been while reading his writing.

That it stands as an eloquent reminder of the frailty of modern education is an understatement. So, in the interest of attracting his attention totally toward me, (something that most of his elementary school teachers probably never accomplished) I shall address myself totally toward him for the rest of the letter. Now, little Dave, let me teach you the lessons for today. First of all, you cannot impeach a president merely on the grounds that he did not choose the most appropriate symbol to please certain factions within this great nation of ours, as you demanded in your May 14 article entitled, "Reagan Supports Nazism?." To state that Reagan supports any form of socialism when he has pleaded time and time again for smaller government, is magnificently ludicrous, young Dave.

You developed your case based on scanty associations and wild inagination. Dave, you should know better than that, because you know that it could be very easy to do the same to you. For instance, I don't see you out on a limb over the blatant oppression of the Mesquite Indians or the Jewish intellectuals on the other side of the political pendulum. Yes Dave, I am implying that you might be a dreaded leftist, or worse a communist, based merely on silence com-

## ing from your manic-depressive typewriter.

If I continued to follow your probable course of reasoning, then I would have you arrested for treason since communism is seen as a direct threat to democracy. Dave, by then you'd be screaming for due process and civil rights so loudly that the space shuttles' sonic booms would be muffled in the wake of your uproar.

Now, looking at this in retrospect, doesn't it seem to you that your clamor for the impeachment of the Reagan based on unproven and truly irrelevant conclusions seem rather rash? I'm sure that you're giving it thought, which is good considering that you probably didn't give your previous position any.

Just remember little Dave, in this world we must be fair and try not to constrict the voice of democracy over minor technicalities.

Yes, President Reagan might have made a poor choice in travel arrangements. But by twisting the truth around and calling for unjust destruction of democratic due process, you are doing nothing except leaving yourself open to ridicule.

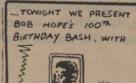
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## Correction

In the last issue of The Sunblazer, Helen Simmons was misidentified. Simmons has her own counseling practice in South Dade and works with FIU students. We apologize for the error.

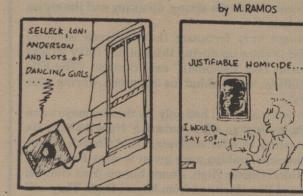
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features

# Kool and the Gang: A 'fresh' band

by Rodolfo Blanco

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**Sunblazer Staff Writer** 

Kool and the Gang has become the most successful R&B/pop band of the 1980s. With 10 Top 40 singles since the beginning of 1980, the group has had more Top 40 success this decade than The Police.

Kool and the Gang also has as many hits since 1980 as The Pointer Sisters and DeBarge combined.

With five gold albums in a row -- three of which are platinum -- Kool and the Gang has racked up a career total of 16 Top 40 hits, one of the highest totals ever accumulated by any rock, pop or country group.

Kool and the Gang are the quintessential party band. But the Gang, which performed at the Sunrise Musical Theater on June 1 and and are being considered for a Miami Beach Fourth of July concert, really want you to move more than just your feet.

The Gang's opening act featured Miamian Eugene Wilde, who recently conquered the black music charts with his debut album and the hit singles, "Gotta Get You Home Tonight" and "Rainbow." Then, Kool and the Gang erupted in style for the next 90 minutes.

The group started their concert on the smoke-filled, colorful stage with the song, "Tonight You'll See the Light."

Full of vibrant energy and with excellent dancing maneuvers, the Gang performed "Get Down On It," "If You Want It You Can Get It," "Too Hot," and their catchy "Ladies' Night." With great synchronization and a masterful Afro-jazz, calypso-reggae beat, Kool and the Gang then called on the audience to par-

## **Future FIU actors** perform at festival

## by Mina Socarras

### **Sunblazer Features Editor**

Student actors from Dade County high schools participated in FIU's first high school play production on May 25. Philip Church, of the FIU theater department, said he saw the drama festival as a way to unite FIU with the community.

Original works from student playwrights were performed by the student actors and directed by student directors for prizes.

Preliminary judging had been done a few weeks before the actual presenation, narrowing down the competitors to those from Miami High, Hialeah High and Coral Gables High.

Backstage crew work was very important to the judges. Set designers were timed between each production to see the efficiency of the work and how it collaborated with the acting, directing and the entire production.

"We are very fortunate that everyone involved decided to show up during this holiday (May 25 was Memorial Day weekend)," said Church. "The FIU Foundation was behind us so much during this festival."

Two years ago FIU had only six theater majors and

ticipate with "Hollywood Swinging," the infectious, good-time "Celebration" and then the more easypaced "Joanna."

Finally, the group showcased the festive, joyous "Reggae Dancing" and the two latest hits from their "Emergency" album. The jaunty "Misled" was acted out with robes and masls. The second, "Fresh," recently hit No. 1 on the black singles chart, and ended the first of the group's two shows.

Besides being considered a "party band," The Gang has moved to writing music designed to focus the attention of their listeners in a positive direction. It's no doubt that with messages such as working constructively toward long-term goals, cherishing close relationships and CELEBRATING, Kool and the Gang have become the biggest R&B/pop band of the

# **Inquring Photographer** by Andrew Itkoff

How do you feel about the raise in the Florida drinking age from 19 to 21?



"I feel it is ridiculous "It's a nice effort, but considering younger people are fighting in wars. Students who are young adults, who want drink to drink, will still be they are.' -Jon Krutchik, 19



"It doesn't make much of a difference to me because I'm not going to be in Florida next year anyway." -Debbie Gross, 18



"I don't think it's fair; I just hope it's effective." -Debbie Kane

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no scholarships to offer students. "Now we have six scholarships to offer students," said Church. Three of those scholarships were given to Alex Fernandez from Coral Gables High, Donna Simms from Hialeah High and Ron Hartman from Miami High. They will begin their theater training at FIU this fall.

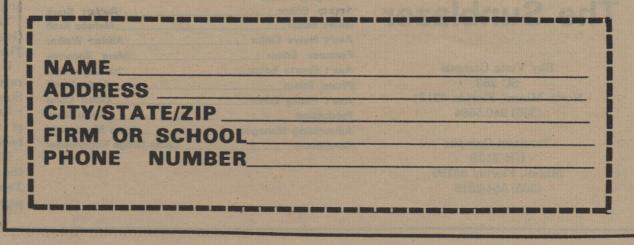
The winning play came from Miami High School, the best actor was Mathew Phillips from Coral Gables High and the best actress was Gracie Canales from Hialeah High.

Judges included were Ruth Foreman, Ruth Foreman Theater; Barry Corfelt, Coconut Grove Playhouse; Gail Smith, Shakespeare Festival at at Vizcaya; Iliana Oroza, Miami herald Arts Editor; Iris Acker, Channel 17; Roy Henderson, Burt Reynolds Dinner Theater; Ken Cutthoff and Alan Wayne, South of Broadway; and Ilse Earle, Equity Actors. "We have so much talent in this community," said Church. "We wanted an opportunity to showcase this talent and to be able to unite those who've already achieved goals in the profession and those who are just starting on their journey.

"Our responsibility as a university is to help lead the younger and the less initiated toward the horizon of greater educational opportunity."

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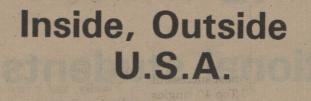


# features



Photos by Lillian Cano and Chae Kim







President Reagan's visit to Miami late last month was a study in contrast. While Reagan and Sen. Paula Hawkins partied inside, protestors and supporters rallied outside.



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# Tamiami dorms rising quickly

### by Mina Socarras

### **Sunblazer Features Editor**

It can be called a rare occasion when a construction project is ahead of schedule. But -- believe it or not--- the student dorms on the Tamiami Campus are anything but behind.

"We are six days ahead of schedule," said Conchita Brito, director of Tamiami housing. "Only an act of God or an earthquake could halt building."

Brito said she has received a flood of inquiries from prospective dorm dwellers. "There are over 1,000," she said. But Brito said despite the many inquiries, students may end up comparing the Tamiami dorms to the dorms on the Bay Vista Campus. The BVC dorms suffered through a period of construction delays and negative publicity.





"We want students to know that these dorms have passed the necessary safety standards," Brito said. The Tamiami dorms feature a "a townhouse approach," said Brito. There are 10 buildings in the complex, each two stories. The complex will eventually house 738 students. The rooms will be fully furnished and utilities will be included in the rent. "That's a break for the student,' said Brito.

Brito said she doesn't think the Tamiami dorms will have any problems with building inspections. The Bay Vista dorms were delayed because of fire code violations that did not meet the state code. One builder called the BVC complex a "slum."

"Worsham Brothers are very serious developers," said Brito. "They have done other campus buildings before."

Brito said she is planning an open house party at the end of June so students can get a first-hand look at their new home. "You don't really believe it's going to be ready," she said. "We will pay any money for that."

# features

# Wedding Day at the FIU fountain

# International students tie the knot



## by Jeffrey L. Kleinman

here were no bells. There were no flowers. There was no music.

**Sunblazer Editor** 

The only sounds came from the splashing water of the Tamiami Campus fountain. It was in front of the fountain that Patricia Salgueiro and Gunnar Kristjansson became husband and wife.

The two international students -- Salgueiro is from Puerto Rico and Kristjansson from Iceland -- fell in love at FIU and were convinced by secretary Beverly Weintraub to tie the knot on campus May 31.

Weintraub, a notary public, married the couple in front of 25 staff members and friends gathered around the circular fountain.

"What a better way to be married than at an international university," Weintraub told the couple before she had them repeat their vows.

Weintraub said her biggest fear about the ceremony was that Kristjansson would show up in his customary informal togs. "I hope he doesn't wear shorts," said Weintraub before the wedding. "That's how he usually dresses."

He didn't. Kristjansson, 26, arrived a few minutes



## Wedding couple started their love in The Rathskeller

by Mina Socarras

## **Sunblazer Features Editor**

Miami is miles away from home for Gunnar Kristjansson. Home to him is quite near the North Pole -- Iceland, to be exact. Patricia Salguiero on the other hand, is used to tropical weather. She's from Puerto Rico.

A match made in heaven? No, actually, it was a match made in the Rathskeller at the Tamiami Campus.

"This was decided yesterday," said Kristjansson after the wedding. "I almost forgot to tell (Patricia). Salgueiro, a nursing student who works at Mt. Sinai Hospital, was a bit sad, even among her happiness. "We are both sorry that our families could not attend," said Salguiero. "My mother is now in Venezuela and my father in Puerto Rico." Kristjansson and Salguiero are right now just a family of two.

before the 3 p.m. ceremony dressed in a brown suit and tie. Salgueiro, 20, wore an avocado, knee-length dress, white pump shoes and a sprig of Baby's Breath in her hair.

Weintraub surprised the couple with a Publix wedding cake and four bottles of Asti Spumanti sparkling wine waiting in the intenational student office. Kristjansson, a hospitality management major, professionally uncorked the bottles and meticulously set out the plastic champagne glasses. "Come on, Gunnar," yelled one friend. "We're your friends, not your customers."

Kristjansson said his mother may have been the last to know about his wedding plans. "Today is my mother's birthday so I called her to let her know," he said. "She was very surprised."

Salgueiro said her mother will be in Miami in time for a church wedding at the end of the summer. The couple said they won't honeymoon until they finish with their summer courses.

Weintraub, who has performed three other marriages, felt this one was special. "We feel like they are our family," she said. "These kids belong to me."



And what about the honeymoon? Would it be the romantic Riviera, or maybe Acapulco. Maybe fervent Puerto Rico or the cool countryside of Iceland? "We won't have a honeymoon right now," the groom answered. "We have school on Monday," said the bride.

Now, wouldn't their teachers understand? Salgueiro shrugged, then answered, "No honeymoon until December." Added Kristjansson, who's currently a master's student on hospitality management: "Then, we'll have a long honeymoon." He then kissed her gently.

Barbara Cartland could have turned the scene into a romantic novel. The fountain, the cake, a toast to the bride and the groom...and then, who knows? Love conquers all.

# Sports Forum

## by Robert Stark

omething is wrong with the sportsworld lately.

Just turn on the tube and on a few cable stations you'll find some events which are called "professional" sports.

Professional wrestling is just the opposite of what the name implies.

First of all, the only reason it is called "professional" is because the idiots on the mat are getting paid for acting like the Three Stooges.

Second, the sport of wrestling is hardly ever used in the ring. When a guy dressed in warpaint and a mask jumps atop a post and throws himself, supposedly on his opponent, I don't seem to grasp any evidence of wrestling.

I don't know, maybe it's just me.

And the names they use are things you'd find in Saturday morning cartoons. There's "Junkyard Dog" who runs around with chains on his neck. I'm not sure but I think I remember him playing a part in "Scooby Doo." There's also the gracious "Missing Link" who hops around with smeared paint on his face and a Zulu-type haircut.

And there's even a Soviet wrestler who sings his country's national anthem before a match as American-crazed fans wave little American flags and yell obscenities at him. How patriotic. I don't know, maybe I lack a sense of patriotism. I didn't used to think so.

Those women wrestlers don't provide much more excitement either. Did you ever look at them? They have bodies that seem to be dated back to the cavemen days. Their acting is just as bad, if not worse than their male counterparts'

And that whole business with rock singer Cyndi Lauper and her favorite wrestler is so corny, it's pitiful. Next thing you know Madonna will have her very own woman wrestler. Hey, maybe there could even be doubles match with the two singers slugging it out in the ring.

'ow about those "professional" fans-those fans who remain loyal to their favorite idiot. Believe me, they believe what's actually going on out there. They somehow get an emotional high witnessing a beer-bellied, middle-aged man deliberately miss his opponent when desperately trying to "win" a match.

I don't know, maybe I'm just too much of a football fan.

And finally, if you get sick of this "sport", you can change the channel and find another "professional sport--Roller Derby. You know, that sport in which Amazon-type women shove each other on roller skates.

I don't know, maybe the television stations ould try mud wrestling instead



Soaking up the sun Four FIU sunbathers let it all hang out at the BVC pool during Miami's searing heat wave. Miami residents only been focusing on drinking iced tea, staying by the air conditioner or taking a dip in the pool.

## A special letter to FIU's New AD

### Dear David Rice,

Indeed, it is a pleasure to take this opportunity to welcome you to FIU. However, since I didn't have the chance to make it to your gala press conference last month when your were officially appointed the new position, I would appreciate it very much if you could answer just a few questions.

First, why does a guy leave an institution such as Fordham, where the school's athletic program, especially basketball, was starting to develop to the cream of the crop?

Why does a man credited by many of friends in the New York-New Jersey media area leave the basketball mecca of the world to come to a sports town like Miami? By the way, I hope you realize the Dolphins don't even sell out in this town unless they are in first place.

My peers in the local media tell me you said the weather was a big factor in you coming to South Florida, but Mr. Rice do you realize it is that very weather you will be competing against down here when trying to get students to go to athletic events?

Another thing, on the day of your press conference, one local daily newspaper -- The Miami News--didn't provide any coverage in its next day edition. The Miami Herald had you on page four of its sports section, the day after your conference. And two of six local television stations put only 10 to 20 seconds of tape on the air about your new job.

You are probably asking: What does this all mean? I think you can see the university has a serious problem with getting local media attention, don't you agree? How do you plan to change this?

I have a few other questions, but I hold those for when I get the opportunity to meet you.

Anyway, from talking to people who've dealt with you in the New York media, it sounds like FIU made an excellent choice. But from the way I see it, you came down here partially because of the fine weather; however it looks to me like you've got so much work to do that you may never get to know the difference between the New York and Miami weather.

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Here is my weekly Thumbs Up--Thumbs Down Awards:

The big Thumbs Down goes to the British soccer fans. I recognized their stupidness long time ago. It's really nothing new. But I strongly feel, unlike all those famous psychologists, that incidents like the one in Belgium couldn't happen here. I know it's hard to believe, but American fans (even wrestling fans) are a bit more civilized.

A Thumbs Up to FIU for making one of the biggest moves in the school's history. We now have an athletic director, David Rice, who fulfills the requirements for the "big step" to Division I.

Another Thumbs Down goes easily to University of Florida President Marshall Criser. He claims that he will not accept the Southeastern Conference's decision in not giving the football title to the Gators because of their NCAA violations. Come on Criser, your cheatin' Gators deserve the SEC title as much as the United States Football League deserves respect.

The FIU men's softball league at the Tamiami Campus has just finished its fourth week of play. Here are the standings:

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The teams play at 5 p.m. at the west side of the Tamiami Campus.

## **Sports Briefs...**

Two FIU baseball players were drafted last week in the Major League baseball draft. Junior left-handed pitcher Mark Lee was picked by the Detroit Tigers in the 15th round. Senior second baseman Alex Ojea was also picked in the 24th round by the St. Louis Cardinals.

To most of the FIU coaches' surprise, junior outfielder Ken Adderley was not drafted. It was rumored that he was going to be picked in the second, third or fifth round.

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There is a strong possibility that The Sunblazers could be in Seminole territory next year.

The FIU coaches are negotiating a home-and-home series with Florida State University. The Sunblazers would play two games in Tallahassee and two games in Miami in 1986.

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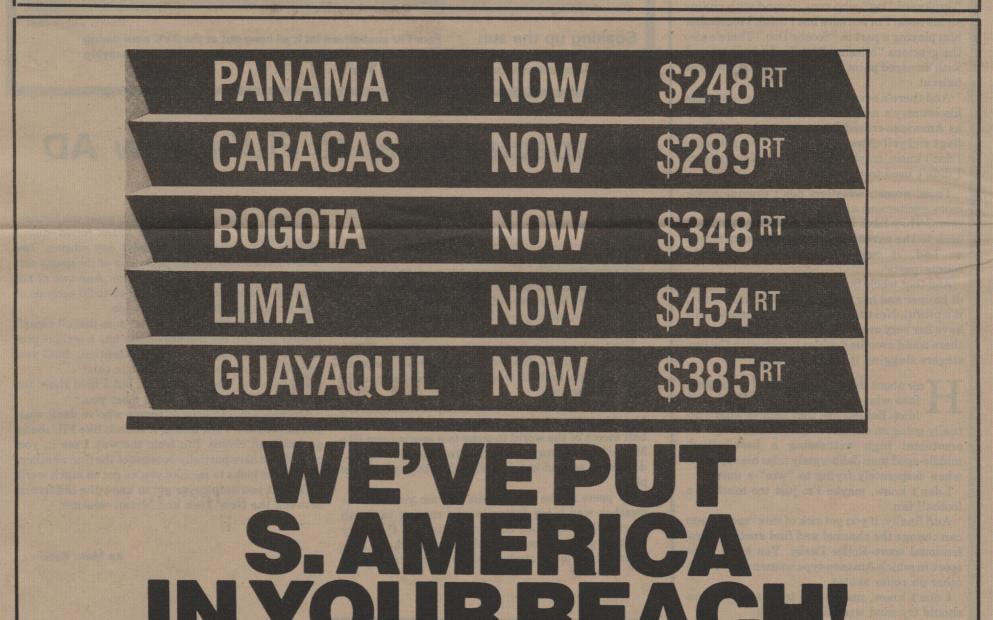
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