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Dr. Ruth talks sex at Tamiami

by Mina Socarras

Sunblazer Features Editor

Face it. It's better to be safe than sorry.

"Sexually active women should carry condoms," encouraged charismatic '80s sex guru Dr. Ruth Westheimer to a packed Tamiami Campus audience on Sept. 10. Birth control is needed at all times, even if it's the first time, she said.

Covering the spectrum of sexuality, Westheimer spoke frankly about masturbation, frigidity, premature ejaculation, homosexuality, social diseases and other topics considered taboo 20 years ago.

"We all come from Victorian puritanical ethics," she said. "A mother in the Victorian period would tell her daughter on her wedding night to 'lie back and think of England.' Times are changing and we cannot return to the past," said Westheimer.

Westheimer uses scientific data to find her information about sexuality. In a recent poll given to females, she found that:

- 30 percent of females can have orgasms through sexual intercourse
- 30 percent need clitoral stimulation
- 30 percent do not have orgasms
- 5 percent can have orgasms easily

Coming up...

Dance for the athletes

If you've had a wild desire to shake it up at an FIU athletic event, this opportunity is for you.

The athletic department is looking for people to be part of the Cheerleading Dance Squad for home basketball games and other athletic activities.

The meeting for interested bodies is at 4 p.m. Sept. 18 at the athletic building, W-4 on the west side of the Tamiami Campus. For further information, call 554-3159.

Watch those dates, or die

The last day to apply for fall term graduation is 3 p.m. Sept. 20. So if you forget, Aunt Esther and Uncle Herman will be sitting in the commencement audience looking for you. But of course, you'll be sitting at home like a jerk.

Another thing you procrastinators have to worry about is informing the university that you're leaving, if in fact you are. The last day to withdraw from FIU with a 25 percent refund is also 3 p.m. Sept. 20.

Successful success

A seminar on success is coming to FIU.

The first is "How to Successfully Market Job Skills in the Field of Engineering and Applied Sciences." That seminar is being offered 12:30-1:30 p.m. Sept. 18 in UH 243 on the Tamiami Campus.



Dr. Ruth Westheimer signs several autographs before her Sept. 10 lecture on the Tamiami Campus.

Photo by Lillian Cano

•5 percent are those women are sexually inactive because they have diseases such as alcoholism and depression.

"Sigmund Freud was a genius," said Westheimer. "But in his time, any woman who couldn't have an orgasm in sexual intercourse was considered im-

mature. That is why 60 percent of the women were labeled immature," she said.

Although a man's orgasm is more evident than a woman's, she said, men suffer from more orgasmic complications. For instance, "Some American men

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Poor acoustics in ACII

Ceilings make it hard to hear

by Sanda Kurtz

Sunblazer Staff Writer

The ceiling resembles a giant waffle with the lights appearing to be intermittent pools of butter.

Inside, the room is about 20 feet high and this does nothing to aid its main problem: acoustics.

Professors and students say there is a prominent verb problem and also an extremely loud air conditioner. A low, but steady hum exists as well, even when the air is turned off.

The teachers and students have complained about the less than adequate learning facilities in Academic II on the Bay Vista Campus. The students' main complaint is their inability to hear professors.

The man responsible for the building and maintenance of AC II is Dan D'Oliveira, the campus physical planning director.

He says he is aware of the problem with the ceilings' reverberation and he feels that this hindrance could "solve itself by the addition of more soft materials.

"We're now going on our third wave of repairs," said D'Oliveira. "The contractor left some sound attenuating materials out of the mechanical rooms; that's why there is a lot of background noise."

The completion of the last repairs on the building should come sometime around January, he said.

D'Oliveira said he is not in any way, insensitive to the poor acoustics. He has added acoustic drapes, soft ceilings (wherever possible), and sound panels to aid the students and appease the teachers.

The classrooms are the main source of complaints, but he has also heard a few grimaces about the labs

in the building as well. But "I'm most concerned about the classrooms," he said. "It is very difficult to achieve good acoustics in rough space such as a lab, but there is no excuse for the classrooms," he said.

Some of the problems with the insulation of the mechanical rooms, which are adjacent to the majority of classrooms, stem from the lack of funds.

Some students say they are also displeased with the somewhat bizarre choice of lighting for ACII rooms. The pale yellow lights leave some students feeling that they are "in a daze."

More than likely it will take a lot of time, effort and money to get these classrooms up to par, said D'Oliveira.

Burger King will arrive at FIU next semester

by Jeffrey L. Kleinman

Sunblazer Editor

Tamiami students will soon be "having it their way" when an experimental Burger King restaurant begins operating in the spring.

But fast food on campus doesn't have the director of FIU's food service too concerned about Whoppers cutting into profits.

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Burgers

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"I don't see too much of a problem," said Nancy Erdvig, director of Servomation, the company operating the cafeteria, the Rathskellar and Gracie's Grill.

Burger King has agreed to base a modified recreational vehicle on the Tamiami Campus for 180 days, said Jacqueline Albaum, an FIU administrative assistant.

The mobile restaurant will serve the normal Burger King menu, except the salad bar, and will arrive in time for the spring semester, said Steve Finn, vice president and general manager of the Burger King mobile division.

"We think that there is a potentially large college market for this unit," said Finn.

Despite the competition, Erdvig said she has few worries. "We don't think it will affect us too much. We're strapped in what we can offer (for facilities catering to dorm students). You can only crank so many people through at lunch time."

Erdvig said she also didn't think the campus hamburger grill would be adversely affected by Whoppers, fries and shakes. "Their burgers are different from ours. Fast-food ones always are."



The Tamiami location will be the first stop in South Florida for the mobile Burger Kings, said Finn.

Albaum wouldn't say what Burger King's rent will be, but Finn said it would be less than the 10 percent of sales that Servomation pays.

Servomation had to agree to allow Burger King on campus since it has an exclusive right to university food sales, said Albaum.

FIU enrollment up once again

by Iris Markowitz

Sunblazer Staff Writer

In keeping with enrollment tradition, FIU has increased its student body population for the 10th straight year.

Over 16,000 students have enrolled this fall, surpassing last year's total by 200 students.

The increase is due to the expansion of FIU's academic programs, said Sid Welsh, FIU director of planning and analysis.

This year's figure didn't come as a surprise to Welsh, despite reports that FIU would serve 17,000

students. "We are very close to our enrollment targets," said Welsh.

In its 14-year existence, FIU has transformed from a two-year commuter school with an initial enrollment of 5,667, to a four-year university with 16,025 students.

FIU has had increased enrollment every year, with the exception of the 1975-76 term. The largest increase occurred from 1972 to 1973 when 3,140 additional students enrolled.

According to the FIU 1984-85 fact book, projected enrollment for this year was 16,584. The projection for 1994 is 22,283.

News Briefs

SGA members resign

Seven Student Government Association members -- including the vice president -- have resigned since this semester for a variety of reasons.

Senators Melinda Pitzer, Mary Martinez, Jorge Arrizurieta, Juliette Forde, Terriel Grimsley, Kevin Kollar and Vice President C.J. Czaia all submitted letters of resigned within the last two weeks.

Publisher named trustee

Felix Stark, publisher of the Sun Reporter newspaper, was recently named as a trustee to the FIU Foundation, Inc. The Foundation is a non-profit organization governed by a board of trustees whose responsibilities include soliciting private support for the university.

Stark -- no relation to Sunblazer Managing Editor Robert Stark -- donated \$22,000 worth of typesetting and printing to the fledging FIU paper when it began publishing Jan. 16, 1984. The paper has since bought its own typesetting equipment and is now a regular Sun Reporter customer for weekly printing.

Station given name

The university radio station planned to go on the air next year has been tentatively given the call letters "WFIU." The call letters must be approved by the Federal Communications Commission.

The station will be housed in UH 320 and will be broadcast to the UH and DM buildings as well as the dorms and the gymnasium. The station will transmit through telephone lines to the Bay Vista Student Center, ACI and the dorms.

The station will offer music, international news from the Associated press, school news and local weather.

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Oct. 4 - 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

Bay Vista Campus

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Editor's Forum

by Jeffrey L. Kleinman



FIU vs. FIU?

It's not the same as Dade-North vs. Dade-South. Or Alabama vs. Alabama at Birmingham.

Unlike many other universities with multiple campuses, FIU essentially remains one school despite the 45-minute drive between campuses.

There can't be an FIU vs. FIU. In sports, in academics, in activities, in funding...in anything. FIU is served by one student government, one central administration, one sports department. You'll never see Tamiami vs. Bay Vista squaring off on the basketball court.

But the fact that FIU is made up of two campuses served under an umbrella doesn't register with many students and professors. They are out for blood when it comes to defending their particular campus, as if it was independent of the other one.

I hear Bay Vista Campus students grumble when they learn they must travel to Tamiami for a class, a lecture or an event. I hear Tamiami professors moan when they are asked to teach a course in North Miami, which is obviously half way around the world to them.

Cries for independence have been heard from people on BVC. One BVC employee looks forward to having a separate student government and separate sports teams. That's not the way to go.

The two campuses should live with each other and start opening their arms to another fledging campus in Broward County. If anyone has an identity crises, it's the folks up in Broward.

For you folks at Bay Vista, the North Campus is not God's gift to you. The main campus is down south. Tamiami Campus is FIU's nerve center. And it always will be. Don't refer to students who attend there as "them."

And for you folks at Tamiami, anything north of Sweetwater is not hell. North Miami is very nice. You should be thankful for the beauty on BVC, not resentful, jealous or ignorant to the fact that the campus even exists.

FIU can gain strength through unity. Take one look at Miami-Dade. The college is nothing but a splintered group of students who have no real feeling of what it's like to be part of a comprehensive institution.

FIU covers the gamut of Dade County. Now it's even entering Broward. From the south to the north ends of the county, FIU is making an impact on state education. Just think how it would be if both campuses didn't battle for supremacy.

Letters

To the Editor:

Regarding The Sunblazer article in the Sept. 10 issue, "Commission examines FIU hiring," I can't help but wonder about an individual's motives when he attempts to force mandatory minority quotas in hiring and promotion policy for the university.

Why can't individuals be content with a policy that rewards academic merit? To be hired or promoted simply because the university needs another token minority individual to meet its quota certainly belittles that appointment for the individual concerned. Yet a policy that would fail to hire or promote those individuals most qualified because they are not of the proper minority for the university, is just as bad.

Being a student at FIU, I can't help but be concerned about FIU's future. If FIU is to become a nationally recognized academic institution, then the university must attract the most qualified staff. Token minority hirings and promotions are not a means to achieve a respected academic institution.

As far as I'm concerned, if all the experts in the world were purple Eskimos from Antarctica, then I would hope the university would fill its job openings with purple Eskimos from Antarctica.

Michael Smyser
FIU student

Robotic humans

Deviation isn't 'abnormal'

by Wrong-Way Wooten

Sunblazer Contributor

Many people are programmed into believing that conformity is the way to go, so few of us actualize our potential as individuals.

Many of us strive long and hard to be "normal." If one were to carefully evaluate the concept, they would realize that their efforts are being wasted. If you were to observe people in their daily activities, you would see very little variation from person to person. As soon as we are clumped into a group and are treated as one, we are quick to spout off about our individuality and uniqueness.

At one time, I found the military concept very perplexing. How could so many people stand dressing the same way, eating the same food and following the same paths. Conditioning is the answer, plus it is required. In the military, it is essential that order is maintained for obvious reasons.

In civilian life, I have seen millions of soldiers marching the streets who have never given a thought to wearing the uniform and serving the country. Many people, when entering the military, are repulsed by the idea of conforming to the rules and regulations, and I don't see why, because they have been doing it all their lives.

In civilian life, I believe that people who conform are those who are searching to find themselves. By conforming, it gives them someplace to be. Idealistic, heh? If you follow others, it means that you do not have to rely on your own creativity. It's easier to duplicate than originate.

It is considered normal to follow, so originality is not encouraged and individuality is suppressed. So those who do not follow are therefore abnormal. Being original and exuding one's individuality makes us questionable.

When deviating from the norm, it is only the degree of deviation that we need be concerned about. If you stay within certain boundaries, you will be accepted. So, being accepted is directly proportional to the degree to which one will deviate. Some people focus more on developing their uniqueness than on gaining the acceptance of people who are depressing by their own nature.

In the early part of your life, your mind is like the computer. You are fed information from many sources (family, friends and society). Intelligence is one's ability to take that information and be creative with it. If you just reproduce it, how different are you from that computer? So you have two alternatives: Be a human or a robot.

(Wrong-Way Wooten was profiled in last week's Sunblazer. Wooten promotes charity by traveling across country while riding a double bicycle backward. Wooten says he is qualified on determining what is normal from his travels and his psychoanalytical background. Wooten has been staying at the Bay Vista Campus for the past two weeks. When he leaves BVC, he will be traveling south.)

Letters policy

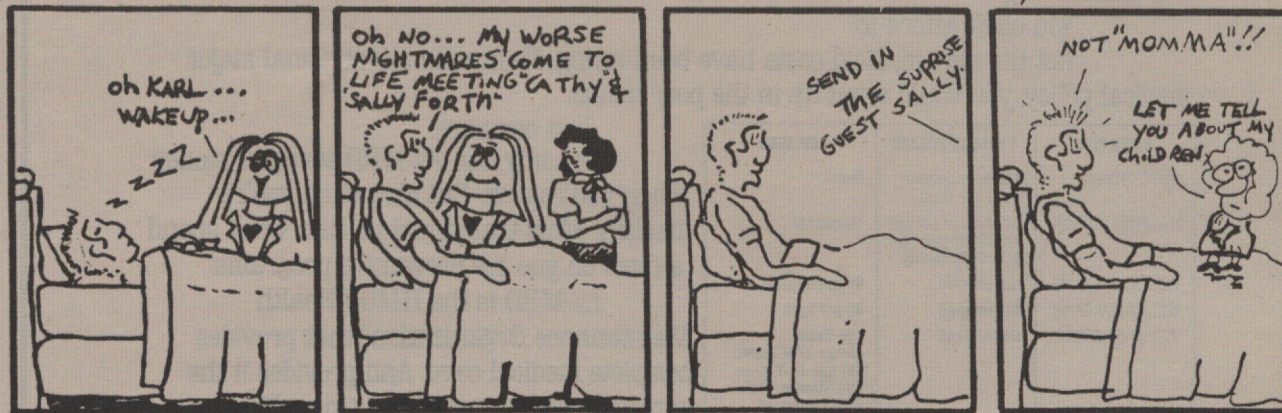
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Dr. Ruth

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suffer premature ejaculation," she said. But there are certain exercises that can cure that.

"Once a man reaches the 'point of no return,' not even a fire engine in his bedroom can stop him," she said. "But he's got to be able to spot it right before he reaches that point."

With her classic wit, Westheimer said some men complain that wearing a condom is like taking a shower while wearing a raincoat. "I'm not saying that wearing one is going to feel the same," she said, "but it is necessary to be protected, and now they make them in all different colors. You can even get them to match your pocketbook."

Westheimer said condoms are certainly more effective than coitus interruptus -- which means pulling out before ejaculation. Westheimer also didn't recommend the women's sponge for protection because it may cause toxic shock syndrome.

Westheimer also touched on other facets of sexuality. On homosexuals: "Because a person has a homosexual dream does not mean that the person is a homosexual," she said. Westheimer said she also believes that homosexuals should be respected. She said she shows no partiality to her clients regarding whether they are gay or not.

On masturbation: "Masturbating is normal, but if a (college) student spends four hours a day masturbating, then I'd like to see his transcript," she quipped.

During the lecture, she advised repeatedly that sex



Dr. Ruth Westheimer is greeted by several students before her lecture on Tamiami Campus. Over 800 students attended the lecture at the Athenaeum building.

Photo by Lillian Cano

is private. "If you want to masturbate, do it in your own room or in the bathroom with the door closed," she said.

"Masturbation does not lead to insanity nor should you punish a child harshly for masturbating," she continued.

Westheimer encouraged her audience to ask questions. One student said that no matter where she went, she always seemed to come across men who exposed themselves to her. "Whatever you do," said

Westheimer, "don't touch it. Sexual arousal of that kind is sick."

Someone also asked what happens when the woman wants oral sex but the man is unwilling to perform it. "If she's clean, he oughta try it, he might like it."

Westheimer said that mutual respect is the most important thing between any couple needing sex therapy. "One cannot do sex therapy with a couple who hate each other."

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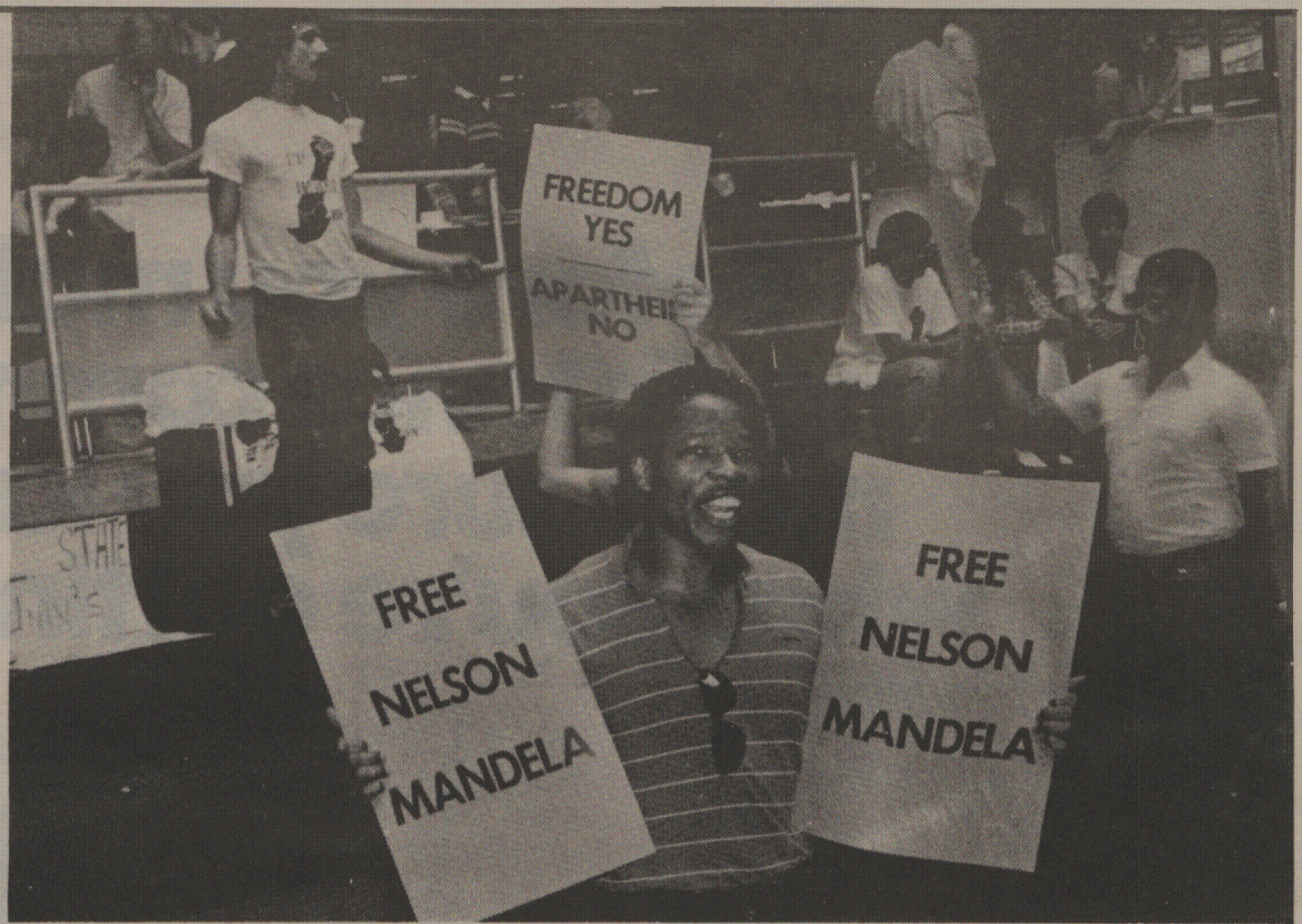
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Sports Forum



by Robert Stark

The sport of soccer has never been a favorite of mine. It appears to me as a slow, monotonous game that even gets the spectator tired from watching.

The only time I really got interested in the sport was when the now defunct Fort Lauderdale Strikers were in the playoffs. They were one of the best in the North American Soccer League. But when they lost, I got lost. It seems like I'm only interested in winning soccer teams.

Well, at FIU, I'm interested.

Coach Karl Kremser has done it all. He turned the program around the first year he coached. In 1980, his team finished with a record of 13-4-0, a big change from the year before (8-13). Since then his average winning percentage at FIU (for five years) has been a whopping .782. Oh, and I almost forgot, his teams have won two national championships.

This year Kremser's Krew is doing something almost unheard of in the NCAA. For some reason, Kremser thinks he's in Division I, when he's technically in Division II. The Sunblazers are taking the world on. Clemson, Indiana, SMU, American and UCLA are all top Division I teams. Yet, all of these teams will play the Sunblazers by the season's end.

What's so funny about it is that Kremser's Krew is not only competing strongly against these teams, but they are beating them too.

Recently, the team beat SMU, the 15th ranked team in Division I. And they did it without three regular starters.

More interestingly, Roy Wiggemansen, coach at the College of Boca Raton, has remarked in local papers that Kremser's Krew is "by far, the best college team I've seen."

So, at a time when sports heroes are scant, with football quarterbacks holding out and baseball players putting "stuff" up their noses, Kremser's Krew leaves something to smile about--in Division I as well as in Division II.

A recent trip to Dallas on Sept. 6 and 8 ended in a .500 record for the FIU soccer team (2-1).

On Friday, the Sunblazers lost to North Texas State University 2-1. But it was a good effort for a team that was playing without three players. In a span of about 13 minutes, three FIU players - Juan Gomez, Rodolfo Oliver and Robin Fraser - were ejected. FIU then had to play the remainder of the game shorthanded. North Texas' winning goal came on a disputed penalty kick.

Two days later, FIU took on the 15th ranked Mustangs of SMU. Playing without Gomez, Oliver and Fraser (because of collegiate rules), but with substitutes, the Sunblazers proved they had tremendous depth, defeating SMU 3-2. Munga Eketebi scored two goals and Keith Parkinson added one on a penalty kick for FIU.

Club dives in September

The FIU Scuba Club will continue its diving adventures in September.

One dive will be a tour of French Reef in John Pennekamp State park on Saturday, Sept. 21. The other dive will be a night dive of the Biscayne, a wreck off Miami Beach, on Thursday, Sept. 26.

For the 21st, the boat will leave American Divings dock at 7:30 a.m. and the cost of the trip is \$23.00. The dive is suitable for beginners.

For the 26th, the departure point will be from the Miami Beach Marina at 7 p.m. The cost is \$27.00.

Space for both dives is limited and equipment rentals are not included in the quoted prices.

For more information, or to register for the dives, call the recreational sports office at 940-5808. The Scuba Club is funded in part by the health fee and the activity fee.

Soccer club begins recruiting for league play

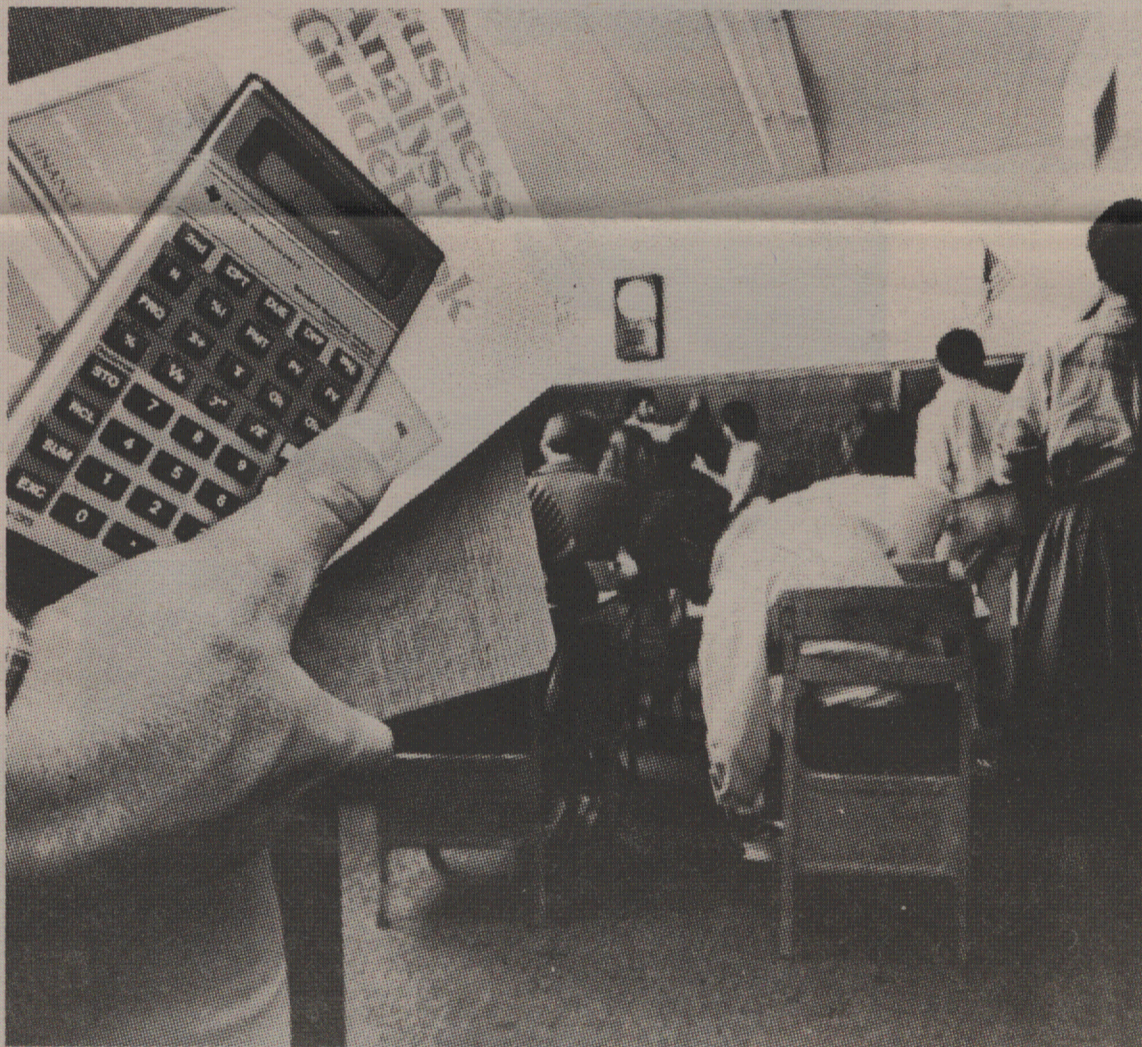
The FIU soccer club, also known as Deportivo Cuenca Club, will be starting up another season in the Liga Ecuatoriana Florida (LEF) in December.

Last year, the team finished third out of 14 teams while playing 14 games. The team is coached by Oswaldo Ponce.

Anyone interested in joining the team should contact Hernan Ponce after 8 p.m. at 945-9715. Sponsors are also needed.



DEPORTIVO CUENCA CLUB Front row, l-r; Tony Ponce, John Ponce, Walter Ramirez, Derik Stover, Mario Ponce and Pablo Orellana. Second row, l-r; Cesar Gonzales, Hernan Ponce, Luis Pena, Manuel Valcarcel, Jorge Abreu, Carlos Ponce, Steve Martin, Paulo Zuniga, Gustavo Ponce and Oswaldo Ponce. Not pictured, Donovan Lewis, Alphonso Sira and Carlos Diaz



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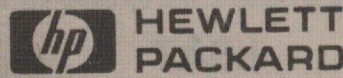
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