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A PROGRESS REPORT ON RECREATION COMPLEX

The first phase of Florida International University's athletic and recreation complex is in its final days of construction. Due to be completed in the next two weeks are a baseball stadium, soccer field, six tennis courts, four handball courts, and renovation of several buildings for locker rooms, training room, equipment room, and activities. Total cost of the initial phase is more than \$600,000.

The tennis team will be able to utilize the tennis facilities for the majority of its spring schedule; however, the baseball and soccer teams will have to curtail their games and practice sessions on their new facilities until the grass has had sufficient time to knit.

The Marks Brothers Construction Company, holders of the contract for the majority of work in Phase I, has been working diligently over the past several months preparing a baseball field and soccer field which should rank with the finest in the country.

Florida International opted against a synthetic covering in favor of beautiful Bermuda grass, which it felt would be more appropriate for a facility in the Miami area. The dugouts are first class in every way, containing water coolers, telephones and bathrooms. The soccer field is large enough that two games can be played crossways while the championship field runs north-south.

Shortly, the Athletic Council will begin considering Phase II of the recreation and athletic facility. In the offing are multi-purpose fields, field house or teaching gymnasium, swimming pool, outdoor track, additional tennis courts and handball courts, and lighting of the present facilities.

UNIVERSITY TEAMS TO COMPETE IN COLOMBIA

Florida International University will send teams to compete in four sports in Bogota, Colombia, on February 2-9, in support of its goal of achieving greater international understanding.

Teams in wrestling, soccer, tennis and basketball have been invited by CUDOC, the Colombian University Sports Federation, for competition against local university teams in Bogota, Cali and Medellin. The wrestling competition will include a three-day tourney in Cali.

The trip will also open the door for further exchange programs involving coaches and teachers, and the development of training programs for Colombian physical education instructors. It is expected that Colombian teams will visit the Miami and South Florida area in 1975 for competition at the university level.

Expenses for the trip are being assumed in Colombia by CUDOC and transportation to Colombia by private donations. The trip was arranged by Mr. Simon Daro, a friend of Florida International University, who has worked or lived in Colombia for the past 45 years, and Dr. Paul Hartman, Chairman of the Division of Health and Physical Education, Recreation and Athletics.

1974 SUNBLAZER BASEBALL OUTLOOK

The 1974 outlook for Florida International University's baseball program is one of guarded optimism, according to Head Coach Tom Wonderling, who had a 34-22 record in 1973.

"We had a respectable season last year," Wonderling said, "and we are going to work towards improving on the 1973 results. Our biggest weakness was our overall pitching depth. We think have shored this up by recruiting six top-notch junior college hurlers. Also recruited were five other junior college prospects who will add strength and depth to our infield and outfield." Only three pitchers from last year's squad will return, he added.

"Another area where we should be improved is in our overall team speed. We have, overall, above average speed and should be able to do some things offensively that we weren't able to do a year ago. We have a tough schedule and a long season ahead of us, but the squad has put in a lot of hard work and we think we are ready for a real fine on our new baseball facility," Wonderling concluded.

Twelve lettermen return from last year's team: Sunblazer leading hitter, Danny Price; the squad's second best batsman and leading base stealer, Derek Crass; and Marty Jacobs, who led the team in seven categories, besides being the third leading hitter. The other nine are infielders Jim Knox, Mike Sanz, and Larry Hoskin; catchers Doug Cornett, Jerry Walsh and Carlos Perez; and pitchers Bill Fireline, Ralph Alvarez and Phil Hollar.

The 11 transfers are pitchers Terry Willis, Sam Lombardo, Gary Kelson, Jim Pacheco and Mike Snapp; infielders Nelson Rodriguez, Juan Diaz and Jesse Campbell.

The second-year Sunblazers will play a demanding 55-game schedule. including a grueling five-day road trip, playing Georgia Southern, Jacksonville University and Florida State. Other schools on the home schedule include the University of Massachusetts, University of Buffalo, Southern Illinois at Carbondale, University of Miami, University of Indiana, and Indiana State University.

BASEBALL SCHEDULE

1974

<u>DATE</u>	<u>OPPONENT</u>	<u>TIME</u>
Wed. Feb. 6	At Miami-Dade C.C. Central...Flamingo Pk.	8:00 P.M.
Fri. Feb. 8	At Miami-Dade C.C.- North	3:00
Thr. Feb. 14	At Miami-Dade C.C. South	3:00
Fri. Feb. 15	At Broward J.C.	3:00
Sat. Feb. 23	St. Leo College... At Dade North	2:00
Sun. Feb. 24	St. Leo College... At Dade North	2:00
Tue. Feb. 26	AT University of Miami	7:30
Thr. Feb. 28	At Miami-Dade C.C. North	3:00
Sat. Mar. 2	St. Joseph's College (Pa.)	2:00
Sat. Mar. 9	St. Joseph's College (Pa.)	2:00
Sun. Mar. 10	Indiana University (2)	1:30
Thr. Mar. 14	Buffalo University	3:00
Fri. Mar. 15	Buffalo University	3:00
Sat. Mar. 16	Indiana University	2:00
Sun. Mar. 17	New Haven University	2:00
Mon. Mar. 18	Florida State University	3:00
Tue. Mar. 19	Hartwick College (N.Y.)	11:00 A.M.
Tue. Mar. 19	Indiana State University	3:00 P.M.
Wed. Mar. 20	East Stroudsburg State College (Pa.)	3:00
Thr. Mar. 21	Indiana State University	3:00
Fri. Mar. 22	Southern Illinois University (2)	1:30
Sat. Mar. 23	Southern Illinois University	2:00
Sun. Mar. 24	Wesleyan University	2:00

Tue. Mar. 26	Pace College (N.Y.)	3:00
Wed. Mar. 27	Pace College (N.Y.)	3:00
Thr. Mar. 28	University of Massachusetts	3:00
Fri. Mar. 29	University of Massachusetts	3:00
Sat. Mar. 30	University of Massachusetts	2:00
Sun. Mar. 31	Wesleyan University (Conn.)	2:00
Mon. Apr. 1	Colby College (Maine)	11:00 A.M.
Mon. Apr. 1	Wesleayn University	3:00 P.M.
Wed. Apr. 3	At University of Miami	7:30
Thr. Apr. 7	John Jay College	2:00
Tue. Apr. 9	Miami-Dade C.C. North	3:00
Thr. Apr. 11	At Georgia Southern College	7:30
Fri. Apr. 12	At Georgia Southern College	3:00
Sat. Apr. 13	At Jacksonville University	2:00
Sun. Apr. 14	At Jacksonville University	2:00
Mon. Apr. 17	At Florida State University (2)	1:30
Wed. Apr. 17	Miami-Dade C.C. South	3:00
Fri. Apr. 19	Miami-Dade C.C. South	3:00
Sat. Apr. 20	At University of Tampa	2:00
Sun. Apr. 21	At University of Tampa	2:00
Mon. Apr. 22	Broward J.C.	3:00
Tue. Apr. 23	University of Miami	3:00
Wed. Apr. 24	At Miami-Dade C.C. South	3:00
Fri. Apr. 26	At Miami-Dade C.C. North	3:00
Sat. Apr. 27	At Biscayne College	2:00
Mon. Apr. 29	Miami-Dade C.C. South,	3:00
Tue. Apr. 30	Biscayne College	3:00
Tue. May 7	University of Miami	3:00

1974 FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITYBASEBALL ROSTER

NAME	Date of BIRTH	Pos.	Ht.	WT.	B-T	Cl	Address F.I.U. and Phone
Alvarez, Ralph 372 West 46th St. Hialeah, Fla. 33012 (305) 823-4064	3/7/53	P	6'2"	170	R-R	Jr.	Same as listed
Campbell, Jesse 770 N.W. 47 Terr. Miami, Fla. (305) 754-7942	11/21/52	OF	5'10"	180	R-R	Jr.	Same as listed
Cornett, Doug Rt. #5 Hillcrest Richmond, Kentucky (606) 623-2236	6/15/52	C	6'4"	225	R-R	Sr.	900 NW 45 Ave. Apt. 83 Miami, Fla. (305) 446-2156
Crass, Derek 138 Kingswood Dr. Clarksville, Tenn. (615) 645-4450	2/8/52	OF	5'8"	160	R-R	Sr.	10843 SW 3rd St. Miami, Fla. 33144 (305) 223-3701
Diaz, Juan 6341 SW 24 St. Miami, Florida 33199 (305) 661-4764	8/17/52	OF	5'8"	155	L-L	Sr.	Same as listed
Fireline, Bill 1706 Brentwood Dr. Owensboro, Kentucky (502) 683-1822	8/12/52	P	6'2"	195	L-L	Sr.	900 NW 45 Ave. Apt 83 Miami, Fla. (305) 446-2156
Fuentes, Rick 261 N.W. 74 Ct. Miami, Fla. 33126 (305) 445-5267	6/1/52	Inf.	5'10"	160	R-R	Jr.	Same as listed
Hollar, Phil 2267 Chandler Ave. Ft. Myers, Fla. 33901 (813) 936-8265	8/3/52	P	5'10"		R-L	Sr.	2920 SW 115 Ave. Miami, Fla. (305) 223-0016
Hoskin, Larry 13 Brandwine In Suffield, Conn. (203) 688-5836	12/31/51	Inf.	6'2"	195	L-L	Sr.	11003 N. Kendall Miami, Fla. (305) 271-4995
Jacobs, Marty 3468 Pierce St. Hollywood, Fla. (305) 981-0961	5/7/53	Inf-OF	6'2"	180	R-R	Jr.	11003 N. Kendall Miami, Fla. (305) 271-4995

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Kelson, Gary 9781 East Bay Harbor Drive Miami Beach, Fla. 33154	3/20/53	P	6'1"	175	R-R	Jr.	Same as listed
Knox, James 492 Troutwood Dr. Pittsburgh, Penn. (412) 366-5331	10/11/52	Inf.	6'1"	170	R-R	Sr.	11003 N. Kendall Miami, Fla. (305) 271-4995
Lombardo, Sam 901 SW 29th Ave. Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. (305) 583-7752	8/14/50	P	5'11"	190	RL-R	Sr.	11003 N. Kendall Miami, Fla. (305) 271-4995
Martinez, Humberto 225 NW 72 Ave. Apt 12 Miami, Fla. 33126 (305) 264-0513	11/1/52	Inf.	6'0"	180	L-L	Jr.	Same as listed
Pacheco, Jim 401 N.W. 56 Ave. Miami, Fla. 33126	3/25/53	P	6'1"	190	R-R	Jr.	Same as listed
Perez, Carlos 8960 SW 16 St. Miami, Fla. 33165	8/2/52	C	5'10"	190	R-R	Sr.	Same as listed
Pascual, Carlos 2540 SW 92 Ct. Miami, Florida 33165 (305) 226-0345	7/4/53	Inf.	5'10"	160	R-R	Jr.	Same as listed
Price, Danny P.O. Box 33 Whitakers, N.C. 27891 (919) 437-4596	7/1/51	OF	5'11"	195	R-R	Sr.	3586 NW 41 St Lot. C. 307 Miami, Fla. (305) 635-8069
Rodriguez, Nelson 4013 N. Lincoln Tampa, Fla. 33607 (813) 877-6779	11/16/52	Inf.	5'11"	165	L-L	Jr.	2920 SW 115 Ave Miami, Fla. (305) 223-0016

NAME	DATE OF BIRTH	POS.	HT.	WT.	B-T	CL.	F.I.U.ADDRESS AND PHONE
Sanz, Mike 3441 SW 18 St. Miami, Fla. 33125 (305) 634-8254	3/25/52	Inf.	5'10"	165	R-R	Jr.	Same as listed
Snapp, Mike 2316 Prairie Ave. Mattoon, Ill. 61938 (217) 234-6835	6/3/53	P	5'11"	165	L-L	Jr.	900 Nw 45 Ave. Apt. 73 Miami, Fla. (305) 446-2156
Walsh, Jerry 2295 Norton Rd. Columbus, Ohio 43119 (615) 279-6264	4/7/52	C	6'1"	190	R-R	Sr.	11003 N.Kendall Drive Apt. 104B Miami, Fla.
Willis, Terry Rt. #1 Box 430C Palmetto, Fla. 33561 (813) 722-1824	6/19/53	P	6'0"	165	R-R	Jr.	900 NW 45 Ave. Apt. 83 Miami, Fla. (305) 446-2156

1974 SUNBLAZER SOCCER OUTLOOK

Head Coach Greg Myers feels optimistic about his team's next season though he lost eight players who were graduating seniors. "But we have some really good boys coming back from last year's squad and a few others coming in as transfers," he said.

Among those returning are Steve Lee and Hossein Nikkar, who were elected to the 1973 All-South Soccer Team by the National Coaches Association.

Posting a record of 9-3-1 in its second year, the soccer squad lost only to three nationally-ranked opponents: Howard University, University of Baltimore and West Virginia University. The latter game, a 1-0 loss with only 26 seconds to go in overtime, was termed by Myers "our best game but also our most frustrating, because we were leading in cornerkicks and would have gone into the finals if we had held."

The coach noted that "we have altered our style of play as a result of meeting these big teams," and that should help when the Sunblazers face national champion St. Louis and Howard University this year.

Recruiting efforts are underway and are expected to be completed about May, Coach Myers said, and the team should be ready to start play in September.

1974 SUNBLAZER TENNIS OUTLOOK

The Florida International University Sunblazer tennis squad is tuning up its racquets for the 1974 season as they participate all this week in the City of Miami Invitational at Henderson Park, where Head Coach Bill Fleming expected to meet competitors from the local, state, national and international levels.

The netmen will then have a series of matches during a tour of three Colombian cities from February 2-9, as Florida International and the South American nation begin what will be a yearly exchange program.

The team will open the new season officially against Florida Southern University at Lakeland on February 13, hoping to improve the 19-20 record achieved in its maiden season last year.

"We should finish much better this year," noted Fleming, "because we have more strength which consequently gives us more depth, and our home matches will be here on campus, giving us another advantage," he concluded.

The first home match will be on March 5 against Belmont College, on six brand-new asphalt courts which are expected to be the first operational part of Florida International's multi-million dollar recreation complex.

ROSTER

<u>PLAYER</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>HOMETOWN</u>
Ken Deutsch	Junior	Queens, New York
Robert Helin	Senior	Miami, Florida
James Payne	Junior	Grand Rapids, Michigan
Mike Purtz	Junior	Hialeah, Florida
George Sardina	Junior	Key Biscayne, Florida
Chip Spiller	Junior	Marco Island, Florida
Rudy Vargas	Senior	San Jose, Costa Rica

TENNIS SCHEDULE

1974

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TEAM OR EVENT</u>	<u>TIME</u>
Jan. 21-27	City of Miami Invitational at Henderson Pk.	All day
Feb. 2-9	Tour of Bogota, Cali and Medellin	All day
Feb. 13	Florida Southern U. at Lakeland	1:30
Feb. 14	Eckerd College at St. Petersburg	2:00
Feb. 15	At Tampa University	3:00
Feb. 18	Edison J.C. at Ft. Myers	1:00
Feb. 20	Biscayne College at Opa-Locka	1:00
Feb. 22	At Dade North C.C.	2:30
Feb. 26	Florida Tech at Orlando	2:00
Feb. 27	Rollins College at Winter Park	2:00
Feb. 28	Florida Tech at Melbourne	2:00
March 5	Belmont College (Tennessee)	2:00
March 7	Belmont College (Tennessee)	2:00
March 8	U. of Miami at Miami	2:30
March 9	Edison J.C.	11:00 A.M.
March 11	Jefferson State J.C. (Alabama)	2:00
March 16	Tampa University	11:00 A.M.
March 18	Bowling Green St. U. (Ohio)	2:00
March 19	Clemson U. (S. Carolina)	2:00
March 21	U. of Delaware	2:00
March 22-23	U. of Florida Invitational at Gainesville	All day
March 24	U. of South Carolina at Gainesville	10:00
March 27	Princeton U. (New Jersey)	2:00
March 28	Princeton U. (New Jersey)	2:00
March 29	Wesleyan U.	2:00
March 30	Palm Beach J.C.	1:00
April 1	Brown U. (Rhode Island)	2:00
April 3	Brown U. (Rhode Island)	2:00
April 6	University of Miami	1:00
April 9	Dade North C.C.	2:00
April 11	At Dade South C.C.	2:00
April 12	Eckerd College	2:00
April 16	Palm Beach J.C.	2:00
April 19	Florida Tech (Orlando)	2:00
April 20	Florida Tech (Melbourne)	2:00
April 23	Dade South C.C.	2:00
April 24	Biscayne College	2:00
April 26	U. of South Florida	2:00

1973-74 SUNBLAZER WRESTLING OUTLOOK

Reflecting to last year's record of 0-11, there has been a reversal of the team's attitude and will to win, according to Head Coach Sid Huitema. "Although the transfer students have yet to meet the challenge of the Florida schools," the coach believes, "the wrestling team has better balance."

The team's attitude is evidenced by its current 4-5 record, and by place winners in the Georgia Tech Tournament, the Sunshine Open and in the Killian Tournament.

The team is very young experience-wise, according to Huitema, with the bulk of its members being juniors. "They will have to put in a great deal of hard work to gain their wrestling goals," he notes.

The coach believes that "we have had some disappointments that have weakened our team by wrestlers leaving school ineligible and discharged for disciplinary reasons. At this point I feel that is has made us a closer-knit group but they have very definitely weakened us."

Looking to the future, several contacts have been made with some top-notch wrestlers. If these young men can be recruited, along with three or four of the current members, Huitema says, "we will be in the thick of things next year." The coach feels the team's trip to Colombia on the first week of February will be helpful in the quest for obtaining more blue-chip wrestlers.

ROSTER

<u>WRESTLER</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>HOMETOWN</u>
Doug Dyga	Junior	Muskegon, Michigan
Mark Hewitt	Junior	Catonsville, Maryland
Thomas Jackson	Junior	Miami, Florida
Reggie Johnson	Senior	Miami, Florida
Al Lewis	Junior	Miami, Florida
Gary Novak	Senior	Miami, Florida
Pat Palmer	Senior	Batavia, New York
Ira Paul	Junior	
Ed Puntervold	Junior	Opa-Locka
Mike Szabo	Junior	Mentor, Ohio
Julius Wiggins	Senior	Miami, Florida

SUNBLAZERS WRESTLING SCHEDULE

FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

1973-74

<u>DATE</u>	<u>OPPONENT</u>	<u>TIME</u>
Fri. Nov. 16	Miami-Dade South, HOME	3:00 p.m.
Fri.-Sat. Nov. 23-24	Southern Open Tournament Chattanooga, Tenn.	
Fri. Nov. 30	Brevard Community College, HOME	7:30 p.m.
Sat. Dec. 1	Broward Community College, AWAY	7:30 p.m.
Fri. Dec. 7	Miami-Dade North AWAY	6:00 p.m.
Fri.-Sat. Dec. 14-15	Georgia Tech. Tournament, Atlanta, Ga.	
Thu. Dec. 20	University of Minnesota, HOME	3:00 p.m.
Fri.-Sat. Dec. 28-29	Sunshine Tournament at Miami-Dade North	
Tue. Jan. 8	Miami-Dade North, HOME	3:00 p.m.
Fri. Jan. 11	Miami-Dade South, AWAY	3:00 p.m.
Sat. Jan. 12	Brevard at Miami-Dade North	
Tue. Jan. 15	Univ. of Nebraska, Omaha. HOME	3:00 p.m.
Fri. Jan. 25	Broward Community College, HOME	3:30 p.m.
Fri. Feb. 1	Florida Tech. Orlando, HOME	3:30 p.m.
Fri.-Sat. Feb. 8-9	Florida State Collegiate, Cocoa, Florida Championships	
Wed. Feb. 13	Brevard Community College, AWAY	3:00 p.m.
Tue. Feb. 19	University of Florida, HOME	4:00 p.m.
Fri. Feb. 22	South Florida, AWAY	3:00 p.m.
Sat. Feb. 23	University of Tampa, AWAY	7:30 p.m.
Date not set	National A.A.U., AWAY	

COACH:SIDNEY J. HUITEMA

MEN'S GOLF SCHEDULE

1974

<u>DATE</u>	<u>OPPONENT</u>
Jan. 29,30,31, Feb. 1	Dixie Amateur Classic Tournament County Club of Miami G.C.
Feb. 28, March 1,2,3,	Seminole Invitational Golf Tournament Florida State University University Course
Mar. 19, 20, 21	Fairways College Invitational Fairway G.C. Miami, Florida
Mar. 23, 24, 25	General Development Corporation Intercollegiate Golf Tournament Port Malabar G.C. Melbourne, Florida
Mar. 28, 29,30,31	University of Miami 18th Annual Golf Tournament Biltmore and LeJeune G.C.

Mr. Robert Shave, Golf Coach
Florida International University
Tamiami Trail
Miami, Florida 33144

F.I.U. GOLF TEAM

Joe Cianflone	Sr.	Pittsburgh, Pa.
Jamie Frith	Jr.	Pompano, Fla.
Stan Moore	Jr.	Miami, Fla.
Larry Von Stein	Sr.	Lehigh, Fla.
Scott Stewart	Sr.	Miami, Fla.
Dick Grout	Jr.	Miami, Fla.
Cliff Stratton	Sr.	Amsterdan, N.Y.
Dave Walker	Sr.	Miami, Fla.
Tom Wells	Sr.	Miami, Fla.
Rick Chapman	Sr.	Miami, Fla.
Chris Eichstedt	Jr.	Miami Lakes, Fla.
Ron Lavine	Jr.	Miami, Fla.

WOMEN'S SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

1973-74

<u>DATE</u>	<u>OPPONENT</u>	<u>TIME</u>
Sat. Mar. 23	Invitational Tournament at North Regional Fields, Opalocka.	
Mon. Mar. 25	Broward Comm. College. (There)	4:00
Wed. Mar. 27	Miami-Dade C.C. - North at Tamiami Park.	3:00
Mon. Apr. 1	Barry College at North Regional Fields.	4:30
Fri. & Sat. Apr. 5,6	Invitational Tournament at Miami-Dade C.C. - South Campus	
Tue. Apr. 9	Miami-Dade C.C. - North. (There)	3:30
Tue. Apr. 16	Broward Comm. College at Tamiami Park.	3:30
Fri. & Sat. Apr. 19,20	Sr. College Invitational Tournament at St. Petersburg.	
Thu. Apr. 25	Barry College at Tamiami Park.	3:30
Fri. & Sat. May 3,4	Florida State Tournament for Senior Colleges at Jacksonville	3:30

Additional games will be scheduled with the University of Miami and Miami-Dade Community College, South Campus, at a later date.

1974 WOMEN'S GOLF SCHEDULE

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TEAM OR EVENT</u>	<u>TIME</u>
Feb. (TBA)	At Florida Atlantic University	
Feb. 21	U. of Miami at Lejeune G.C.	
Feb. 25-26	Rollins Invitational at Winter Park	
March 8	Palmetto W.G.A. at Palmetto C.C.	
March 18-19	U. of Miami Invitational	
March (TBA)	At Homestead A.F.B.	
March (TBA)	Florida Atlantic U. at Hollywood Lakes G.C.	
April 16-17	State Collegiate Golf Tournament at Winter Park	
May 3-4	U. of Georgia Invitational at Athens, Georgia	
June 17-22	National Intercollegiate Golf Championship at San Diego, Cal.	

