Texas has been joined by other states—Florida, North Carolina, Mississippi, Kansas, Idaho and South Carolina, Georgia, and 18 other states. Republicans said Obama's executive order amounts to the president legislating by employing empty executive orders dating from 2014 amount to the president's unilateral attempt to gain time for the House of Representatives to produce more. The university has already begun to take the case to the Supreme Court. The House has to prevent deportation of more than 5 million unauthorized immigrants. Republicans said Obama's executive order is an attempt to prevent deportation of 5.2 million unauthorized immigrants who are in the United States illegally. The state of Texas has joined by Florida, South Carolina, Georgia, Mississippi, Kansas, Idaho and other states.

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At least 30 killed in Brussels terrorist attacks

A series of terrorist attacks in the Belgian capital left at least 30 people dead and 230 injured on Tuesday, with the Islamic State extremist group claiming responsibility for the explosions at a subway station and Brussels’ international airport.

The attack comes just six days before the first round of the presidential election, in which President Barack Obama is expected to make a campaign stop.

Belgium is part of the U.S.-led coalition that has carried out airstrikes against the Islamic State.

Lawmakers address Cuba-US relations

Next month would uphold the lower courts’ ruling and overturn Obama’s executive orders protecting millions of parents in the U.S. illegally and their children from deportation.

The most divisive issue in the presidential campaign, with Republican front-runner Donald Trump vowing to build a wall along the U.S.-Mexico border.

Trump endorsed by woman in Congress

Less than a week after Donald Trump carried nearly every county in her district during the Republican presidential primary, U.S. Rep. Renee Ellmers, R-N.C., met with the candidate Monday and endorsed him.

Ellmers is the first woman in Congress to endorse Trump for president.

Ellmers and other Republican lawmakers had lunch with Trump for more than an hour on Monday afternoon in Washington. After the meeting, she said she was moved by Trump’s performance in last week’s North Carolina Republican primary. Monday’s meeting came as Trump seeks to win over party leaders who have so far not endorsed anyone in the presidential race but who have said they would support the eventual Republican GOP nominee.

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OPINION

Social media’s role in our smoking youth

IN TRUTH

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Some in society seem to be intoxicated with winning, being in first place, getting that gold medal or showing that they did something trivial the best that day. This fear of losing is something that humans have fought with since cavemen started flinging.

The loss of a family member can elicit the same reaction that gold medalists feel when they lose to a rival. The death of a loved one is something that humans have fought with since we started living.

Losing is not a good feeling; it’s something that’s a healthy way of getting prepared to deal with losses in actual life that will not influence their own decisions.

In January of 2011, FIU became a tobacco and smoke free campus where under the regulation, smoking and use of tobacco products, including electronic cigarettes, are prohibited in all areas of FIU’s campuses. This came with the university’s commitment to providing students with a safe and healthy environment.

However, some individuals do not respect the regulation and smoking can still be found in some of the quieter, more secluded spots around campus.

Panthers should be concerned about their health as well as the health of others, especially for smokers who might be causing others harm through second-hand smoking.

Rather than allowing social media to influence students the wrong way, students can instead adopt a healthier lifestyle that reflects on their use of technology. Support groups and positive, encouraging messages can go a long way. Better yet, they can be a tool to encourage smokers to kick their habit.

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Our phobia of failure breeds a society of sore losers

IN TRUTH

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In a study published by the Journal of Adolescent Health, a survey of 1,563 tenth grade students in Los Angeles over a six-month period starting October 2010 revealed that 34 percent of respondents had at least one friend who talked about smoking on public media, while 20 percent reported that their friends posted photos of them drinking online.

In short, the study revealed that those who were more exposed to photos of friends smoking and drinking were more likely to engage in those activities themselves.

In addition, teens who had few friends who smoked or drank were more likely to be influenced by other pictures of people drinking or smoking on social media to engage in such activities. This suggests that the pictures, rather than actual interaction, was the primary influence.

Popular media also forms a large pervasive environment of young people’s social environment as it frequently includes references to tobacco.

Even if the intention may not be to promote smoking or any kind of deliberate message, many young people feel that what they see is a realistic reflection of the consequences when they start.

To smoke or not to smoke is a lifelong decision that young adults are not mature enough to make and most do not consider the consequences when they start.

Social media helps in creating an emotional bond that causes people to feel as though consuming something is part of their identity.

According to data from the U.S. surgeon general, a vast majority of smokers start before they are 18, an age group that is heavily targeted by tobacco companies.

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Media has been well recognized as a key factor in shaping young people’s social and psychological development. Technology and social media has allowed imagery of smoking to enter the personal scope of the consumer.

Through social media, people feel like they are doing something of their own volition, but also motivate themselves, but also their opponents as well.

The word “trash” has the connotation of something unwanted and dirty. It doesn’t have to be though – a words function is not so black or white.

As long as these words are not coming from a place of malice, trash talk or banter should be encouraged.

More importantly, instead of feigning congratulations after a competition, what needs to be taught is how to not be a sore loser, or how to take defeat in stride.

In short, saying "loser" reflects on their use of technology. Support groups and positive, encouraging messages can go a long way. Better yet, they can be a tool to encourage smokers to kick their habit.

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EDITORIAL POLICY
A.R.T. Live showcases raw soul music

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During the break, one of FIU’s own, Lola Chel, a public relations senior, organized a talent showcase at Studio 504, March 13.

A.R.T. Live: Soul Night saw music artist, poets and included wine tasting and pairing presented by Chef Jordan Catering Co. The artist and poets presented hailed as far as from Central Florida and from all levels of experience. Included in the showcase: Southrn Most Poet, Ari Safari and Reginald.

Southrn Most Poet, a graduate from Full Sail University, an educational system primarily focused on degrees in the entertainment realm, takes pride in bouncing words off his tongue. “When I’m frustrated, I express how I feel through my words and a sick beat,” says Southrn Most Poet. As a young millennial and Dominican Republic native, Southrn Most Poet continues to define himself in the world. He exemplifies the soul behind the A.R.T. Live event, a multimedia art event whose purpose is geared towards supporting local artists as well as to inspire others in the community. Purposefully misspelled, the word ‘southern’ gives him a sense of uniqueness that transcends to the other featured artists at A.R.T. Live.

Along side Southrn Most Poet, was performative poet Ari Safari. “My name’s Ari Safari...real name is Arianna but people call me Ari Safari,” said the performative poet. Safari, is a Lesbian poet originally from California. As a woman of her word, she aims to empower woman to see themselves as personal superheroes. “The power of positive thinking makes us strong,” Safari says and this concept of pure positivity is felt throughout the A.R.T. Live space. Safari does not wish to stop here at performing and sees herself collaborating with script writers and producers in order to communicate her message of female empowerment. Also at Soul Night was saxophonist Reginald. Since the age of nine, Reginald views his talent as a way to relax others. “I want people to feel therapeutic vibrations while listening to my sound,” Reginald states.

“As a tri-county regular, Reginald’s first headlining gig at A.R.T. Live was beautiful, the warmth of the sound reciprocated off of the audience in the form of large smiles. A.R.T. Live showcased talent of all kinds that all connected in the deeper, raw sense of soul and how music can communicate globally in order to unite us all.

Here are four top ten list of songs getting the most spins in their respective genres. Be sure to tune in at 95.3 FM or online at fiusm.com/wrgp

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2. DIIIV // Out Of My Mind
3. Day Wave // Deadbeat Girl
4. Bleached // Keep On Keeping On
5. Mothers // It Hurts Until It Doesn’t
6. Violet Mae // In The Sun
7. Night Moves // Only To Live In Your Memories
8. Hinds // San Diego
9. Ra Ra Riot // I Need Your Light
10. Homeshake // Move This Body

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2. Neon Indian // Vega Intl Night School
3. Bus Driver // Thrums
4. Dam Funk // Invite The Light
5. Santigold // Who Be Lovin Me
6. The Jack Moves // The Jack Moves
7. Fan CP // Perla
8. Jackson Turner // The Foundation
9. Far Freddy’s Drop // Bays
10. Robert Glasper Experiment // Black Radio 2

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2. Junior Boys // You Say That
3. Buhu // LSD
4. Breakbot // The Sweetest Romance
5. Santigold // Banshee
6. Bones & Beeker // Heartbroken In Love
7. NZCA Lines // Two Hearts
8. Porches// Underwater
9. Snakeships // All My Friends
10. Neon Indian // Annie
VANS celebrates 50th Anniversary worldwide

**PIPELINE**

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Season kicks off at ‘Canes Invitational

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The other schools who were invited to compete included Boston University, Virginia Tech University, Bowdoin College, George Mason University, College of the Bahamas, Florida State University, Florida Atlantic University, Florida Memorial University, Johnson and Wales University, Palm Beach Atlantic University, and Florida Memorial University.

While Garrett Cave (1-2) would be a boring one, for FIU’s sports director, the upcoming meet Coach Felix said, even though a lot of us did well today, we expect their performances to get better and better throughout the season.

Baseball

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FIU started conference play off with a 10-11 record, which was lukewarm for a team coming off of a Conference USA Championship.

The short, five game road-trip began with a split series at Johnson and Wales University, Thomas University, Florida Memorial University, Florida Atlantic University, University, Florida Nova Southeastern University, ASA College, of the Bahamas, Bowdoin College, University, Virginia Tech University, and Florida State University.

That was on Wednesday.

By Friday, the Panthers were off to slow start in C-USA play

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The ball was in Andres Nunez’ (2-1) hand to start the weekend against the 49ers from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte.

As has been an unfortunate trend for the big right-hander, he got behind early, by allowing the 49ers to score two runs in the first inning.

Nunez managed to pull things together and pitch seven whole innings with only three hits and five strikeouts.

While the Panthers had one more hit that night than the 49ers, they came a run short in extra innings, when with runners on both 2nd and 3rd, Charlotte second baseman Brett Netzer hit a walk-off single in the bottom of the 10th to win 4-3.

Chris Moultrie (3-2) got the nod again Saturday against the 49ers. The bats were hot for the Charlotte team coming off of Friday night’s win, with 12 hits, but FIU’s bats were all but on fire.

The Panthers were able to get 16 hits and two home runs in the first three innings. One belonged to Nick Day, and the other to Zach Files, counting for two of their rotation to have a great fire.

The rubber match on Sunday would be a boring one, for FIU’s standards.

Notching one of their lowest hit-totals of the season, the Panthers left it up to the anchor of their rotation to have a great day.

While Garrett Cave (1-2) did have five strikeouts in this outing, he also allowed three earned runs. He didn’t help his cause one bit, as Charlotte left-hander Josh Maciejewski posted eight strikeouts off of the FIU batters, and didn’t allow more than two runs to cross home plate.

That would have been enough, but three more runs would eventually come across for the 49ers before all was said and done, and FIU would miss their shot at winning the first CUSA series of the year.

FIU has a chance to get back over, or at least get to .500 this weekend, March 25, when The Thundering Herd of Marshall University make the trip to Miami to take on the Panthers.

It’ll be interesting to see how much Head Coach Turtle Thomas changes around his line-up and/or pitching rotation before the series begins.

So far this season, Thomas likes to stick to his guns, but fans have to wait and see, once again, what he’ll do to try and win some games.
**SOCCER**

**PANTHER PROFILE**

**Naomi Ruele to compete in 2016 Olympics**

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The Rio de Janeiro 2016 Olympics will be welcoming a redshirt freshman from FIU: Naomi Ruele. Ruele will be able to glorify her hometown country of Botswana. Ruele clinched the spot after swimming a 26.07 on Sunday at National Championships from the Georgia Tech Aquatic Center.

Swimmers must compete a set distance inside the pool; which in different cases, it involves a specific style of swimming and must compete for the shortest possible time.

For those who don’t know about the growing star, Ruele has acceded number six through ten. Ruele earned five gold medals at the Botswana Nationals in December 2013. She qualified for the Youth Olympic Games in the 50 yard backstroke at the South African National Aquatics in 2013 and became the first ever to do so representing Botswana.

She is coming off a historic season here at FIU, eclipsing a mark in the record books. Ruele now holds the all-time fastest times in the 50 yard freestyle (22.23), 100 yard freestyle (49.30) and also second all-time in the 100 yard backstroke (53.09).

Most impressive about Ruele is that she is only opening the door to the next episode. Swimming is one of the most physically fit sports in the world. These athletes practice day in and day out to become these swimming machines. It takes everything in your body at full speed and technique to compete with highest of highest talent.

The Olympics is the grandest stage of them all, everyone from all over the world, times in to watch these amazing show their gifted talents. Even if you’re not a fan of the sport, everyone wants to know who will win that gold medal. Athlete’s dream to one day represent themselves and their country till it becomes a reality.

Not many can suppress the idea of becoming an Olympics because the toughest of the toughest competition will be center stage at this global event that begins August 5, 2016. That day will the day of journey for Ruele, a day to remember.

Ruele has the chance to finally represent herself in her first Olympic competition and FIU is proud to have such talent.

She will be traveling with her fellow countrymen with hopes to show the world why swimming is her life. This passion has driven her to the point that she is ready to deliver her name in the history books. We as FIU students and alumni from all over will be rooting for her.

May the best of luck be behind Naomi Ruele as she swims another chapter into her life.

**NFL**

**Pete’s Mock Draft: Spots 6-10 sees mostly offensive players receiving opportunity to play in NFL**

**Pete’s Picks**

With only six weeks away until the 2016 NFL Draft, its only best to countdown the days by making a first round mock draft. Before spring break, I gave the first five overall and projected with whom the team should pick. Now it’s time number six through ten.


Injuries played a huge role in the Raven’s losing season, including their quarterback Joe Flacco. Stanley could be a steal for the Ravens, and their young offensive line unit.

His main strength is run blocking and can put a pass rusher on their backs, then get to the next level to block the linebackers. If the Ravens pick Stanley, most likely they would start him at right tackle and develop him to be their left tackle in the future.

7. San Francisco 49ers (5-11) Jared Goff Quarterback University of California-Berkeley 6’4 205

Yes, Colin Kaepernick is still a 49ers roster. However, it is pretty clear that they are moving forward with the struggling QB. In comes Jared Goff from Cal.

For starters he doesn’t have to leave the Northern California region since Cal-Berkeley is not too far away. Goff is a day one starter, and could fit in any NFL system. Despite his 9 inch hands, which is the smallest hands in this year’s quarterback class, his deep ball throws and excellent football IQ makes up for his small hands.

Look for first year Head Coach Chip Kelly build this team around Goff if the Niners pick him.

8. Philadelphia Eagles (7-9) LaQuan Treadwell Wide Receiver Ole Miss 6’3 226

The number eight pick was originally for the Miami Dolphins, but during free agency, both teams settled on a trade in which the Eagles sent comebacker Byron Maxwell and middle linebacker Kiko Alonso to the Dolphins in exchange of switching five spots in the first round of the draft.

So now the Dolphins currently hold the number 13 pick. As for the Eagles, this is basically a rebuild mode after they went on a release spree to the overpaid players that didn’t produce. The Eagles need more weapons for Sam Bradford, who received a two-year extension earlier this month.

Treadwell has the whole package to be the Eagle’s deep threat. His great hands, dynamics skill set and size is everything the Eagles are looking for. He is worth trading up five spots.

9. Tampa Bay Buccaneers (6-10) Noah Spence Defensive End Eastern Kentucky University 6’2 251

The Bucs have no pass rushers whatsoever, and drafting a defensive end makes more sense for Tampa Bay. Drafting Spence this high might be a reach due to his time playing in a small school like Eastern Kentucky, or the baggage he carried back at Ohio State University, where he was dismissed.

Yet, his production on the field still remains. With 63 tackles, 22.5 tackles for loss and 15 quarterback hurries last season at EKU, not to mention one of the most talk about player by scouts after his showcase during the Senior Bowl, Spence could be one of the biggest steals this year.

10. New York Giants (6-10) Myles Jack Linebacker UCLA 6’1 225

Jack could arguably be the best all-around athlete in this year’s draft class, and something the Giants could use after resigning Jason Pierre-Paul and bringing Olivier Vernon from Miami during Free Agency to solve their pass rush problem.

Now the next need is linebacker help, that’s where Jack comes in. Back at UCLA, he was everywhere on the field as a linebacker and running back. Last season was a down year for the former Bruin due to his season-ending knee injury he sustained earlier last season.

Good news is that whoever picks him, he will be ready for training camp this year. The Giants were one of the worst defenses in the NFL. It’s not surprising that the main focus is bringing in defensive players. Jack can play anywhere in the linebacker position because of his speed and instincts.
Red Robin honored FIU’s Chaplin School of Hospitality & Tourism Management students Michelle Diaz and Yolanda Suarez on the Burger Bash stage at last month’s South Beach Food & Wine festival. Diaz and Suarez teamed up for Red Robin’s Golden Robin Contest and their original Loaded Baked Potato Burger recipe took the prize, beating out more than 300 submissions by other students to win a $10,000 scholarship. The prize winning burger has a chance to appear on Red Robin’s menu in the future.

“The festival brought us all together…we worked over 96 hours together,” Diaz told FIU Student Media as she reflected over the time spent at this year’s festival.

The Loaded Baked Potato Burger recipe came to life after Diaz and Suarez looked to see what Red Robin didn’t have on their menu. The duo also wanted to combine two favorite American bar classics.

This was the final year for Diaz and Suarez, both seniors who have plans to pursue careers in the hospitality and culinary industries. Suarez will enter in the food and beverage developmental program training at the Hilton New Orleans Riverside while Diaz will continue to grow in her kitchen manager role at Latin House.

Diaz and Suarez got to serve their winning burger to attendees of the event alongside Red Robin. The South Beach Food & Wine festival has raised more than $22 million for the Chaplin School of Hospitality & Tourism Management at FIU.