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University partners with Miami Children's Hospital for on-campus ambulatory clinic

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An inflamed appendix didn't seem like much of an issue to Alicia Bencosme, freshman political science major, when she was 14-years-old.

"Miami Children's Hospital was a five-minute drive from my house," said Bencosme. "I'd be there in no time, so I knew I would be fine."

With the proximity of a hospital being a crucial factor when faced with a medical emergency, living near a health center can be a blessing in times of need. Upholding a commitment to serving students, faculty and staff, the University has partnered with Miami Children's Hospital to construct a state-of-the-art Ambulatory Care Center to better serve the community.

The Ambulatory Care Center is expected to be completed by November 2014 and will be located north of Parking Garage 5 between Eighth Street.

According to Provost and Executive Vice President Douglas Wartzok, Miami-Dade County granted \$10 million to the University four years ago for the clinic.

"The idea was to make the Center available not just to students, faculty and staff, but also to the community," Wartzok said. "We felt that the strongest partnership would be with Miami Children's Hospital."

The Ambulatory Care Center will cover about 36,000-square-foot and will consist of two floors dedicated to providing patients with quality



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Pictured above is a model of the anticipated Ambulatory Care Center.

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Faculty Senate approves criminal justice Ph.D. program, first in the nation to offer it

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The Department of Criminal Justice has a new Ph.D. program in the works – an international crime and justice track with a degree encompassing international criminal justice issues, such as international drug trafficking, terrorism and transnational crime.

Harry Rhea, assistant professor in the Department of Criminal Justice, played a pivotal role in the drafting of this all new program.

"There are only Ph.D.'s in criminal justice, so the United States is lacking in the specific type of Ph.D. that we're going to offer," said Rhea.

This new graduate program was approved by the Faculty Senate and will be the first of its kind in the nation; its

launch is expected in either 2014 or 2015.

"I think that this degree puts you above the rest of people who just have a bachelor's degree," said Afia Amfo, a sophomore criminal justice major. "If you have a Ph.D., then you'll have more opportunities and get better job offers."

Currently, the highest international crime and justice degree that one can obtain in the nation is a master's degree. Many individuals have to travel overseas to obtain such a degree, like Rhea who received his doctorate in international criminal law at the National University of Ireland.

This fact, according to Rhea, explains why the University and the nation are in need of such a program.

"A lot of people look at FIU and they're like 'Oh that school is nothing,' and nobody cares about this school,"

Amfo said. "But we now have something that nobody else has and we [will] have an advantage over other schools."

Amfo said she is strongly considering pursuing this degree when the time arrives because of her deep interest in international affairs.

Students interested in obtaining this degree should expect the course content to cover topics such as national and homeland security, terrorism, comparative criminal justice systems, transnational crime, international criminal justice and human rights.

Nicole Hall, a junior criminal justice said although she is not 100 percent sure what she wants to do with her degree, she is interested in international crime and justice.

"I have a few things in mind, but international crime and justice sounds like a

very interesting and promising field," she said.

Hall predicts this program will create a large influx of students.

Individuals with master's degrees in areas such as political science, international relations, sociology, criminal justice and law will be most familiar with the concepts covered in this Ph.D. program.

According to Rhea, the degree will require approximately 80 credit hours, with about 36 of them coming from a master's degree.

"I feel like this program casts a positive light on the University and more people will be inclined to apply at FIU since we are the only one providing this particular program," said Hall. "We look way more appealing."

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Local female entrepreneurs share their success stories

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Felecia Hatcher is quick to tell her students to look past circumstances and get creative. The author of "How To Start a Business on a Ramen Noodle Budget" and founder of Feverish Ice Cream and Gourmet Pops is one of five panelists who will talk about entrepreneurship at the Eugenio Pino and Family Global Entrepreneurship Center's panel discussion, "Women Entrepreneurs: Secrets to Their Success."

The panel discussion, which will take place at the College of Business Complex on Nov.

"A lot of students, since they're going out into the market and they're not finding jobs, are very interested in entrepreneurship and creating a job for themselves."

Karyne Bury
Marketing and Events Manager
Eugenio Pino and Family Global Entrepreneurship Center

19, will focus on the individual success stories of various female entrepreneurs. These women started and grew local businesses in South Florida and will share

personal lessons they each learned throughout the process.

Hatcher participated in a female entrepreneurial panel discussion last spring, hosted by Career

Services, and was asked by Pino Center to return and join four other successful female entrepreneurs.

"Last time I came, I was in the middle of a negotiation with a big investor about a partnership," Hatcher said. "Students can expect me to talk about how that experience has affected me."

Karyne Bury, the Pino Center's marketing and events manager, said the center plans to be a part of the "renaissance of entrepreneurs going on here in Miami."

"A lot of students, since they're going out into the market and they're not finding jobs, are very interested in entrepreneurship and creating a job for themselves,"

Bury said.

Bury was approached by Elise Rodriguez, associate director of Career Management Services, to compile a list of women professionals in the community to speak to students and aspiring entrepreneurs.

Lourdes Balepogi, the founder and president of Chispa Marketing, said when she shares her stories, the women in the room will gasp. "When they hear the things that happened in my life, the things I missed out on and all the mistakes I made," said Bale-

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WORLD NEWS

Clinic in typhoon-hit city overrun with patients

A run-down, single-story building with filthy floors at Tacloban’s ruined airport has become the area’s main medical center for victims of last week’s powerful typhoon. It has little medicine, virtually no facilities and very few doctors. What it is not short of are patients. Hundreds of injured people, pregnant women, children and the elderly have poured into the squat, white building behind the control tower since Typhoon Haiyan ravaged the eastern Philippines on Friday, killing thousands. Doctors who have been dealing with cuts, fractures and pregnancy complications said Wednesday they soon expect to be treating more serious problems such as pneumonia, dehydration, diarrhea and infections.

After record Opium year, Afghans plant new crop

The seeds flew from his hands into the soil. Wrapped in a woolen shawl against the cold, Khan Bacha sowed his fields with the only crop he says brings him enough money to pay his bills and feed his family: Poppies. Afghanistan’s farmers are rushing to replant their fields with the base ingredient of opium after the country reaped its biggest poppy harvest ever last May. That harvest produced a staggering 5,500 metric tons (6,000 tons) of opium, 49 percent higher than the previous year and more than the combined output of the rest of the world, according to a report issued Wednesday by the United Nations’ drug control agency.

Syrian civil war prompts Polio vaccination effort

Health officials are rushing to vaccinate millions of children from Egypt to Turkey, fearing a polio outbreak in Syria could spread as tens of thousands of refugees flee the civil war. The officials want to reach all children under 5 years old in seven vulnerable places: Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, the Palestinian West Bank and Gaza Strip, Turkey and Syria, about 22 million in all. The \$30 million campaign by the U.N. and Arab health officials seeks to inoculate even those who already may have been vaccinated against the highly contagious virus that can paralyze or kill. “There is no choice: everybody has to be vaccinated. It’s not a matter of ‘I want to,’ (or) ‘I don’t want to.’ No. With polio there is no cure, you have nothing but prevention,” said Soha Boustani of the U.N.’s children’s agency, UNICEF.

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Cuban author uncovers link between Miami Architecture and Cuba

MARISSA PRICE
Contributing Writer

Miami is a made up of a number of different cultures. The food, the languages that are spoken and the customs that are carried out all have been brought over from different parts of the world. One place that has had an impact here is Cuba.

“There’s a very strong connection between Miami and Cuba. Miami has been reshaped by the influences of Cuban immigrants. Even the names of the streets somehow remind you of Havana,” said Jorge Duany, director of the Cuban Research Institute.

The Cuban Research Institute with the School of Architecture and the Arts will host Concepcion Otero, an associate professor at the University of

Havana, in a lecture about her new book, “El Vedado: History of a Havana Neighborhood”.

El Vedado was the first planned community in Cuba and is now a large neighborhood in Little Havana where a lot of major cultural events take place, according to Duany.

There were a lot of new ideas developed in the building of El Vedado and in the end there was “a little bit of everything,” said Alicia Juarrero, professor emerita of philosophy at Prince George’s Community College in Maryland.

In her book, Otero shows how the city of El Vedado came to be. According to the book, the building of El Vedado began in the 19th century and overtime became the center of the city; claiming a title Havana used to hold.

According to Duany, the book idea came from her

doctoral dissertation.

After many years of waiting, Otero teamed with Juarrero and made the book a reality.

Juarrero said the compilation of the book was a “labor of love.”

Duany said Otero not only writes of the history of Havana, but also places a heavy focus on the “very interesting, very different architectural styles.”

According to Juarrero, the book was first written in Spanish, but was recently translated to English in order to reach a larger audience.

“Many people who are from Miami [and] are of Cuban decent used to live in El Vedado,” Duany said. “It was a very important middle class, upper middle class, neighborhood.”

In creating El Vedado, architects broke away from the

“cookie cutter development.” Builders sited the area so the streets channeled nice breezes, keeping the buildings from overheating.

In partnering with the School of Architecture and the Arts, Duany said the Cuban Research Institute not only wants to educate people, but also wants to connect students and faculty from different disciplines.

Concepcion’s book presentation will be followed by a panel discussion about El Vedado.

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EVENT INFO

When: Nov 18, 1 p.m.
Where: Green Library, room 220

Future campus ambulatory care center on pulse of convenience

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care, according to Fernando Valverde, chief executive officer of the University Health Care Network.

According to Valverde, the first floor will cater to both men’s and women’s health, including sections dedicated to diagnostic imaging forms of cardiology testing, mammograms, ultrasound and echocardiograms.

The second floor will serve as an extension of Miami Children’s Hospital’s current operations for the next 20 years as part of a lease agreement. The Care Center will also have three procedure rooms where outpatient procedures pertaining to pain management will be conducted.

Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine students will do rounds in the Care Center with physicians.

“We hope to eventually make the Care Center available for students to complete their residency requirements,”

“People will have a greater ability to have access to specialty care on-campus, as opposed to going to another provider in the community.”
Douglas Wartzok
Provost and Executive Vice President
FIU

said Valverde.

The Care Center will be the first pediatric ambulatory surgery center in Miami-Dade County.

“Right now, all pediatric ambulatory surgeries are done inside Miami Children’s Hospital, so if people need to have surgery on an outpatient basis, then they can have it done here at the University,” Valverde said.

Students were relieved that

the Center will be constructed on-campus.

“It’s comforting to know that we’ll have an Ambulatory Care Center,” said Amir Esposito, junior psychology major. “If someone in the area needs to have an emergency surgery, then the Center’s location will be very convenient.”

Students, faculty, staff and community members wishing to access the services provided by the Care Center will need

to have medical insurance.

“Students still have the University Health Services for primary care, and when they need specialty care, right now we refer students to the Faculty [Group] Practice in PG5,” said Wartzok. “The health fee paid by students covers only primary care. For specialty care, students will need to have some form of insurance.”

However, those who don’t receive insurance will still have the option of paying out-of-pocket for treatment.

“The biggest change that will be noticed immediately will be the opportunity for a lot more referral-based specialty care,” said Wartzok. “People will have a greater ability to have access to specialty care on-campus, as opposed to going to another provider in the community.”

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Local ladies share start-up stories

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pogi. “I don’t regret any of it because I believe that it has gotten me to where I am today.”

The panel of women will also include Misha Kuryla-Gomez, the founder of Misha’s Cupcakes; Johanna Salazar, a “media disruptor and social entrepreneur,” and Monique Hamaty-Simmonds, chief marketing officer of Tortuga Rum Cakes.

Each panel member will have time to not only talk about their personal experience as successful women

leaders in their respective industry, but also to answer specific questions from students and entrepreneurs attending.

“All of their questions, from the smallest and littlest things, will be answered. And from a very diverse perspective,” Bury said. “Being that they’re all women, they’ve all had to deal with breaking through the glass ceiling of the corporate world. They each bring in that whole perspective.”

According to Bury, the center plans to host another panel discussion next spring geared toward entrepreneurs in the tech-

nology industry.

“The biggest inspiration is in sharing their individual stories,” Bury said.

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WOMEN ENTREPRENEURS: SECRETS TO THEIR SUCCESS

When: Nov 19, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Where: College of Business Complex, Room 232

Hazing is never a part of the culture

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Staff Writer

If I hear “hazing is a part of the culture” one more time, I’m going to scream. It’s not; it’s really not.

Hazing should never ever just “be” a part of an organization. Organizations, Greek or otherwise, don’t value their ability to haze the new members of their organization. At least most don’t. There are outliers.

But hazing becomes a part of the culture when power hungry narcissists with an emotional Napoleon complex decide that their organization is so important and amazing that initiates have to pass some egregious “test” to gain membership.

To those who do that, here’s a reality check: you’re not awesome. Your organization might be, but then they let you in and gave you some position of power and then allowed you to run that organization into

the ground.

Hazing ruins organizations.

No organization, sport, Greek, what-

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have-you, is worth putting your dignity and self-respect on the shelf. And it’s definitely not worth bodily harm or even death.

I can’t speak for fraternities; I’m not male nor am I in a co-ed fraternity, but I get sad and disgusted when I hear about sororities hazing their new members.

The point of joining a sorority is to find a sisterhood, a second family, your bridesmaids, to help others and to gain a new unconditional support system. Initiated women in sororities are supposed to show you that you’re special and amazing, just as you are.

The point of recruiting is to find women who share the values of your organization, to help them become an even more amazing version of themselves—but who are strong, beautiful women all on their own. So why would it be your mission to break them, to break their spirit, to hurt them physically or emotionally?

That just doesn’t make sense to me.

I can’t imagine wanting to be a part of something so much that I’d allow that to

happen to me. Again, I can’t speak for others, because thankfully, I was never put in that situation. I can honestly and proudly say that I’ve never felt anything less than loved and beautiful as my time as a sorority woman, as I should, because I am beautiful, strong and independent. It should never be anyone’s goal to make anyone feel any different. Eleanor Roosevelt articulated it better than I can: “No one can make you feel inferior without your consent.”

Until we stand up against hazing, we will always have people who say, “Hazing is just a part of the culture.”

But I’m standing up against it.

Hazing has no place in a chapter room or a locker room.

And if it has a place in yours, maybe you need to rethink how you’re doing things.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

RE: SCHOOL SECURITY

In reference to the article in the November 8th Beacon, it is honestly one of the scariest and most atrocious pieces I have ever seen on a newspaper—it’s no wonder no one takes the Beacon seriously.

The writer, Krysti Lopez, comes across as a complete socialist, and completely fails to consider the feasibility of any of the undertakings she recommends, since they would all be exorbitantly expensive.

She paints a picture of a school looking like something out of a police-state movie.

I mean, really? Metal detectors? We waste enough time parking! We don’t need more lines making us late to class. And this is applicable in all schools, not just FIU.

I conclude with a quote from one of our founding fathers, Benjamin Franklin: “Those who would give up essential liberty to purchase a little temporary safety deserve neither liberty nor safety.”

-Bryan Morera, senior,
political science major

NEVER GO VEGAN



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Vegan alternatives at Organic Fresh Market

LAUREN BANA
Staff Writer

Every Wednesday from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m., FIU hosts the Organic Fresh Market at the MMC campus.

They serve a vast array of fruits, vegetables, and both vegan and vegetarian treats. People will flock to the tables at the market in hopes of attaining some healthy organic fare, and simultaneously treating themselves to a delicious treat!

My experiences with the market have been incredibly inviting, and it has become an even more exciting event since I became a vegan.

I always anticipate discovering what new kinds of vegan foods they have prepared.

In my visits, I have purchased both vegan pumpkin bread and a delectable vegan cupcake.

Both treats were exquisite, and, in my

opinion, quite fairly priced.

Since I became a vegan, I have had a bit of a difficult time with eating in public places.

I will usually have to bring a packed lunch for myself, and a couple of snacks. The market has certainly made it much easier to enjoy fresh snacks on campus that haven’t been melting and sweating in my book bag for a few hours.

I have also had several vegetarian and non-vegetarian friends who have indulged in what the market has to offer, and they have all responded positively.

Not only has the farmer’s market been an extremely helpful tool for vegans and vegetarians, but it has also become a great way for non-vegetarians/vegans to dabble in a different dietary lifestyle.

The people running the market are representatives earning money for clubs like GlobeMed.

According to their website, “students

[partnered with GlobeMed] have raised over half a million dollars to support community-driven public health initiatives worldwide, improving the lives of people living in poverty.”

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health of FIU students and faculty, but it is also helping the world’s poverty with the money being earned.

GlobeMed representative and treasurer, Danielle Taylor, junior biology major, stated that the farmer’s market “gives you an opportunity to try healthier alternatives even if you are not a vegan or vegetarian.”

I truly believe that people need to incorporate more organic foods in their diets, excluding weight loss as a factor. It is important for us as human beings to make sure we are not ingesting dangerous pesticides and preservatives, and the fresh market is there for exactly that.

GlobeMed president, Camila Uzcategui, junior biophysics major, understands that “FIU does not have a lot of organic choices, and this market gives you that option to eat healthier.”

With the aid of the farmer’s market, FIU students and faculty can experience healthier alternatives to the foods provided on campus.

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Issues for domestic workers shown to students

Movie events held at Labor Center highlighted stories of immigrant domestic workers and the problems they face

RHYS WILLIAMS

Staff Writer

That little grey building in between SIPA, the Law School and the Rec Center at the Modesto A. Maidique campus is not always as barren as it looks. Last week on Friday the documentary “Maid in America” was shown to students at an event that was simultaneously held by multiple organizations on campus at the Labor Center.

The Anayansi Prado film focused on the conditions and lives of three domestic immigrant workers — house cleaners and nannies among other types of employment — living in Los Angeles, Cal.

Prado, who was scheduled to make an appearance at the showing on campus, was unavailable due to the President of the United States being in Miami and traffic being changed to meet his needs.

In charge of the event, Cynthia Hernandez, who works at the Labor Center as a Senior Research Associate, Instructor and Director of Internship Programs, gave some basic information as to what the topic was focusing on.

“The Labor Center here is the only one in the state of Florida,” Hernandez said. “We are having this event to highlight what domestic workers do for us not only here in South Florida but also around the country and to understand their importance in our lives.”

She also spoke on the stereotype of domestic workers.

“When someone hears about domestic workers they think of secluded, low-paid women and that is currently exactly what they are,” Hernandez said. “They barely make the minimum wage and many of them do not even make the minimum wage. There is probably only a handful

who have any health benefits, sick leave and, until recently, they were excluded from the minimum wage law in the US.”

The groups — The FIU Center for Labor & Research Studies, The Florida Student Justice Alliance, Alpha Kappa Delta (the Sociology Honor Society), The Global Social Culture Club, Lambda Alpha (the Anthropology Honor Society) and the Miami Workers Center — who all co-hosted the event, also brought in a former domestic worker from Miami-Dade County.

That former domestic worker, Silvia Cubides, and her translator, Daniela Saczek, spoke about some problems that she had encountered working in the domestic field. Saczek is an alumni political science major who is currently doing the Labor Studies internship.

“I once had to fall down stairs so that I could leave early,” Cubides said. “It was a

terrifying experience.”

Cubides is a member of the Miami Worker Center and is an organizer within that organization.

“Without these important women, most of us would not be able to work and the economy would come to a standstill,” Hernandez added. “We would be unable to leave our homes and have no one to care for our children.”

Hernandez also explained one of the main transitions in domestic workership.

“This work was previously done by African-American slaves and most recently immigrant women have gone into the role of the domestic worker,” Hernandez said. “What we are seeing now is that they are standing up and fighting for better work conditions and they are starting to organize.”

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“Thor: The Dark World” integrates their world into ours

COLUMNIST



MARTELL HARDING

If you haven’t seen at least one of the many Marvel films out, then you must be living under a rock. Picking up directly where The Avengers left off, Thor and his now prisoner step

brother Loki fight together against a common foe traveling to Asgard, Earth and many other realms in this fun sequel.

With Loki being punished for his crimes in New York, Thor sets off to serve new duties with his trusty team of warriors, leaving Jane Foster (Natalie Portman) to adjust to life after having a god for a boyfriend. Her search for Thor leads to her discovery of Aether, awakening the powerful dark elf Malekith (Christopher Eccleston), whose efforts to control all nine realms was prevented ages ago in a legendary battle. He, of course, seeks revenge on all Asgardians.

Thor does much thrashing and bashing (as usual) and, although breaking cities has become a Marvel tradition, it’s obvious that the film relies on its intense action to make up for some of the less exciting moments. The introduction promises possible impending doom (even if I’m tired of seeing the bad guy lose power to only later rise up and seek revenge) but getting there without comedic filler and traditional plot points seems inevitable.

Jane’s intern Darcy (Kat Dennings), although typically funny and cute in a “dumb blonde” way, can sometimes overstay her welcome, only serving as a means to fill time in-between some of the ineffective emotional queues and heavy

action.

However, these minor quarrels are irrelevant to the films fun factor. Those looking for a date-movie treat will find satisfaction and excitement in this thrill filled comic book movie.

Before seeing the premiere I had the pleasure of sitting down with Jaimie Alexander, who plays Thor’s heroin partner Sif. During our very brief conversation she delighted me with some insight on her comic book background as well as some projects she’d like to do in the future.

Energetic and very lovely, Jaimie Alexander made her way to the interview roundtable after a quick photo shoot instantly sparking up a conversation about her warrior outfit. She explained how thankful she is for the gym.

When she’s ready for questions, I ask her if she was into comic books before being cast as Sif. “Yes definitely...not Thor” she laughs, “I was always into X-Men...” later stating that her favorite character from the series is Jubilee.

Curious about toned physique, we talked a little about her training to become the kick-ass Sif, which included weight lifting, Pilates, yoga, healthy eating and an insane trainer. “I actually ended up working with a girl... Chloe Bruce, who’s a World Champion Martial Artist from London,” she says.

As for those interested in her future projects, Jaimie did mention her interest in obtaining roles as Wonder Woman, and has spoken to J.J. Abrams about the upcoming Star Wars film. I guess we’ll have to wait and see.

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“Sleepy Hollow” heads above other new shows this season

COLUMNIST



JUAN BARQUIN

There’s a whisper in the wind coming through your bedroom window late at night. If you listen closely enough, it’s telling you to stop whatever you’re doing so it can recommend a new television series.

That’s a pretty weird thing for the wind, or a ghost or whatever it is, to tell you, but it happened anyway because life is full of all sorts of weird surprises. Speaking of those, there’s a little town known as Sleepy Hollow that’s full of much stranger things, and it’s plenty more fun to experience than reality.

Far from one of Tim Burton’s richest films of the same name that came before, FOX’s “Sleepy Hollow” is an entertaining new interpretation of Washington Irving’s short story “The Legend of Sleepy Hollow.” In this modern-day world, Ichabod Crane (Tom Mison) is a professor and soldier from the Revolutionary War era who finds himself resurrected in present day. Here, he attempts to stop his fated enemy, the Headless Horseman, riding his pale horse to signal the coming apocalypse.

“Sleepy Hollow” also features its own version of the buddy cop dynamic, with Nicole Beharie co-starring as Abbie Mills, a detective tasked with being one of the witnesses to the apocalypse mentioned in the Book of Revelation alongside Crane.

What really makes the show work is the decision to avoid focusing solely on one of the two characters, genuinely providing insight into both their personalities and backstories instead of just Crane’s. It’s rare to see a white man and black woman sharing the screen together without an ounce of favoritism and without the latter becoming a stereotype — and that’s something to be especially appreciated.

As a matter of fact, it’s arguably one of the

most diverse and well-rounded casts on network television, with other actors of color like Orlando Jones, John Cho and Lyndie Greenwood filling out supporting roles. Between this and “Brooklyn Nine-Nine,” FOX almost seems to be making amends for all the nonsense stereotyping on “Glee” and the outright racism of their worst new series “Dads,” so I’m not complaining.

The show isn’t without its flaws, like the ridiculous special effects, but those features almost make it a more endearing experience. Nothing about the show screams seriousness, regardless of its literally apocalyptic nature, and it embraces its loopier aspects — the chopping off of heads and use of Middle English especially — with a little camp and self-awareness.

“Sleepy Hollow” actually tends to mirror the well-loved series “Buffy the Vampire Slayer” in general vibe and style at times. Albeit it’s a lot more interested in properly blending the monster-of-the-week episode with the series arc, but the similarities between the two shows are hard to ignore. While the horror features of “Buffy” have dated plenty since the ‘90s, “Sleepy Hollow” has a pretty solid grasp on how to utilize atmosphere and even jump scares at times to complement the origins of its story.

And it’s really that mixture of witchcraft, wildness and wit that makes “Sleepy Hollow” such a pleasure to watch. It’s a show that knows exactly how to balance its mysterious side with all the delightful banter and dramatic momentum that Crane and Mills bring to the table.

If FOX, never known for giving niche shows a chance, is putting their money on this surprising little hit with a second season order, you should give it a go. too. You can catch up on every episode so far on FOX’s website or Hulu.

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Pitcher spending offseason outdoors

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An offseason in Miami may consist of beach days, clubbing... and fishing? That's how junior pitcher Ty Sullivan has been spending his offseason before reporting back to practice this year.

This isn't the first time that Sullivan has picked up a rod and reel, in fact his story begins back when he was just a kid when he was taught by a unlikely source.

"Well most people would say they where taught by there mom or dad, but the crazy thing is both my parents are from South Carolina. In fact my dad never got into fishing or hunting, I just don't think he had the patience for it," Sullivan said. "So it was me and three of my friends that really started to teach each other how to fish. We were like 10 or 12 years old and we would go out to the pond on our golf course and just teach each other."

Sullivan remembered just how difficult and frustrating it was when he first started back at the golf course.

"I remember we would tie like little square knots trying to catch fish and we would lose a fish every time and I would get so angry," Sullivan said. "My best friend Sal and his grandmother are really into fishing and a learned a lot from him. For like the last 10 years now its just been us teaching each other something new from watching TV or reading about it or learning on our own from experience."

Sullivan is also very careful not give away his secrets spots when asked about his favorite fishing locations.

"Oh come on now you know I got to be careful about that," Sullivan said. "However, I love Flamingo here its just unbelievable it was just absolutely beau-

tiful. The water is just like glass over the flats for miles and we just killed it with the fish. We caught so many Snooks and Redfish we did very well."

However, Florida isn't the only place that holds a special place in Sullivan's heart when it comes to fishing spots.

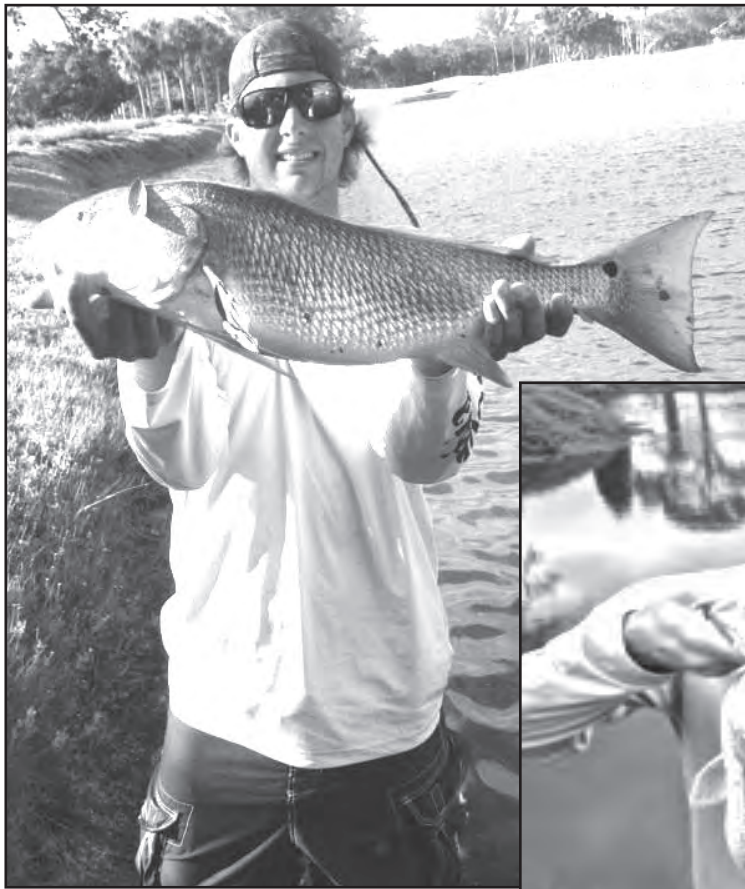
"Back home I got two spots I like to salt water fish there a couple of honey holes by Fort De Soto Beach up in Tampa. It's a place with just beautiful water that crystal clear and you can see fish from 150 feet away," Sullivan said. "I also love to bass fish as well and couple of other guys on the team are from the same area as me. So we would just go jumping from neighborhood to neighborhood in an afternoon and fish like in nine different ponds."

Along with any fishing trip their are going to be funny stories that go along with the classic "it was this big" story and "you should have seen it" tale. Sullivan is no stranger to having funny moments when out on his outdoors adventures.

"This semester we where going down to Flamingo and I was with some friends and we where fishing out on the flats it was getting late in the day so one of my friends decides to invent this game with a dip can," Sullivan said. "So he drops it in the water and instead of reaching over like a normal person he reaches for the push pole that almost looks like a triangle at the end. He would then take the push pole and try to scoop the dip can out of the water, throw it way up in the air and try to catch it."

However the game for Sullivan and his friends didn't just end there, it was at that time one of Sullivan's friends decides to add a new twist to the game.

"At one point the can fell into the water and drifted into he flat, so without telling us my friend



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starts up the engine and kicks it to full speed," Sullivan said. "Then we went in a circle for like 15 minutes trying to catch this dip can leaning outside of the boat. The best part about it was that there was like a line of eight or 10 guys kayaking that paddled over towards us just watching us drive in a circle."

Not everything has been fun and games for Sullivan, whenever you head out into the wilderness you run into the possibility of facing dangers.

"There was one time in Tampa when I was kayak fishing with one of my buddies from high school and we had been on the flats all day doing well when we ran into a bunch of bait fish," Sullivan said. "We where just cruising down when I see this scene out of Jaws appearing before my eyes. I see

this bull shark's dorsal fin come out of the water and come straight at me, and he's not moving slow, so I'm freaking out as this five or six foot bull shark comes up to my kayak. So I take the paddle and slap it against the water and that's when he turns around and swims off."

When it comes to "the big one" that every fisherman looks for, Sullivan feels that his monster catch happened when he wasn't even trying.

"Last winter we where fishing at pound in golf course by my neighborhood that has a legend. It was called the legend of big berthia, it's just a big bass that cruises around in the water, and I've heard stories

Panther pitcher Ty Sullivan enjoys his offseason by spending his time outdoors. One example is when he caught a red fish (left) and one of his most memorable catches, a 12 pound Bass (bottom).



about people pulling out 10 and 12 pound bass," Sullivan said. "It was me and my three friends and I ran out of worms so I was like ok I got nothing left so I pull out this 12 inch trigger worm and cast it out. Then this behemoth hooks up to it and after a long fight I finally able to bring it to the bank".

For Sullivan spending time outdoors is just another way of relaxing and preparing his body for the upcoming baseball season. While other Miami college kids head down to south beach and clubs like Mansion or Space, Sullivan is happy with a rod in his hands and friends by his side.

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Lights shining on Shade early in 2013 season

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TAYLOR SHADE

This season, sophomore guard Taylor Shade saw more minutes in one game than she did all of last season.

Shade played 35 minutes in 10 games last year, while this season Shade played 36 minutes in the season opener against Florida Gulf Coast. With more playing time come more expectations of Shade from Head Coach Cindy Russo.

"Coming into this year, coach [Russo] wanted me to be a major scorer to help Jerica [Coley] a lot because we knew coming into Conference USA they were going to do a lot of double and triple teaming of her,"

Shade said.

Before this season, Russo pushed Shade to prepare the sophomore to meet the expectations that Russo placed on her.

"[Russo] definitely pushed me from day one; she knows what I'm capable of, sometimes I may not see it but she pushes me to that limit and I'm pretty sure all of my teammates push me to that limit as well because they know what I can give," Shade said.

After a freshman season of limited playing time and scoring six points the entire season, Shade scored 18 points against Florida Gulf Coast on Nov. 8 and was one of few bright spots for FIU in the contest.

"I had no complaints about her against a team like that, I thought she played pretty good," Russo said.

The Boynton Beach native showed her ability to make the jump shot and

to create dribble penetration. Shade also brings energy on the defensive side of the ball, and even though Shade recorded only one steal against the Eagles; in her high school years Shade made her mark on the defensive side.

As a standout at Boynton Beach Community High School, Shade was a three-time MVP and led the Tigers to a district title in the 2011-2012 season. Shade averaged 3.0 steals a game, 18.0 points per game. Shade also has the school's only triple double in a game where she tallied 26 points, 12 assists and 10 steals. Shade was also a nominee for the 2012 McDonald's All-American Game.

Shade wanted to be close to home and to her family, which was a big reason she made the decision to come to FIU in addition to wanting to play for Russo.

"Major factor was Coach Russo's legacy, and since I'm from Palm Beach County it was a good thing for me to have my parents come down to watch me play," Shade said.

An FIU team that is playing with many players that lack experience on the collegiate level including Shade, the Panthers are hoping that Shade can become another player to step up and be able to create off the dribble, which is something that the Panthers need to help take some of the load off of senior All-American guard Jerica Coley. It might be even more critical to get production from Shade with the return of senior center Marita Davydova still uncertain.

"It could be huge, it was a nice find and I was really happy with her, and I think she is going to be real active," Russo said.

"That would be huge for another

person to step up and score some points, especially if Marita isn't playing, and Taylor [against FGCU] made a lot of the open shots that our guards are going to get based on how defenses are going to play us, that will be great" Coley said.

"That will make her [Coley's] game so much easier," Shade said.

Shade was asked of the possibility of her and Coley becoming a dynamic backcourt duo.

"I could say a dynamic duo but it's mostly just a team thing, everybody is going to score and everybody is going to contribute so we will just see how the season goes," Shade said.

If numbers like the ones Shade put up against Florida Gulf Coast continue, that possibility could turn into a reality.

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Matchup of single win teams as season winds down

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El Paso, Texas will have a pair of 1-8 teams facing off tomorrow when the Miners host the Panthers. The University of Texas at El Paso football program, led by Head Coach Sean Kugler, are 0-5 in Conference USA play this season, as well as being one of the most recent victims to Heisman winner Johnny “Football” Manziel in the 57-7 loss that the Miners took.

The Panthers will face the Miners for the first time ever but there are two coaches on the Panthers staff who have worked in the UTEP organization very recently.

Defensive line coach Andre Patterson and linebackers coach Tom Williams both worked on the sidelines for the Miners in the 2012 season. Both coaches were unavailable for comment on their former team.

The Miners will go into the game led by freshman quarterback Mack Leftwich, who will be making his second start at the collegiate level tomorrow. Leftwich had 14 completions on 20 attempts for 128 yards and a touchdown with only a single interception in the Miners’ 41-7 loss to the University of North Texas last week.

“We have enough film to work off of them and we have to go out and game plan on what we have seen and the tendencies that they have,” Head Coach Ron Turner said.

“It has not affected our preparation a bit,” graduate linebacker Markeith Russell said. “He seems like a great athlete, number 16 is the key on who we, as a defense, need to stop.”

For the Panthers, quarterback Jake Medlock will get the start after sitting behind E.J. Hilliard in losses to both East Carolina University and a 48-0 shutout by the Blue Raiders of Middle Tennessee State University last weekend.

“It was the first time ever that a coach had really benched me but it was a learning experience,” Medlock said. “It helped me mature, I was dealing with stuff and it helped me to get through it.”

“E.J. [Hilliard] had a chance and just made too many mistakes and didn’t play well enough so we have to make a change,” Turner said. “It is the same reason that he go the chance to go in there was with Jake. We are going to keep going and looking until we can find someone out there who can go out and execute the offense.”

Turner also went into speaking on how he addresses his quarterbacks when he alerts them of his decision.

“I tell both of them that this is where we are and it can change each week,” Turner said. “Neither of them are on a short leash or anything like that and every decision we make is based on performance. They need to go out there and show that they can do their job.”

The Panthers’ defense will face a running back who is in the top 50 in the nation for rushing yards and second in both total yards and average yards per game for freshmen in Aaron Jones. Jones averages just over 90 yards a game and has 811 yards on the season. Comparing that to FIU, the Panthers only have a total of 682 yards on the season between seven running backs - Lamarq Caldwell and Silas Spearman III are the leaders on the team - while the Miners have 1663 yards on the season between nine running backs.

UTEP is currently at the bottom of C-USA West Division and FIU is second to last in the East Division above only the Golden Eagles of Southern Mississippi University.

The game will take place at the Sun Bowl and will kick off at 8 p.m. eastern time.

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Jake Medlock (above) has been given another chance by the coaching staff to start for the Panthers at quarterback after a 48-0 loss to Middle Tennessee State University when E.J. Hilliard was the starter.

Men’s soccer ends season with 6-10-1 record

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The season reached its end and the FIU men’s soccer team (6-10-1) (2-6-1 in Conference-USA play), like they did last year, found themselves on the outside looking in of the C-USA tournament. FIU finished eighth in their conference and were four points shy of a clinching a tournament berth.

Coming off FIU’s best season since the 2005 campaign (8-8-2) the Panthers had lofty expectations, especially due to the successful offseason recruiting Head Coach Ken Arena had. This years recruiting class was listed by TopDrawerSoccer.com as one of five classes in the country with tremendous potential. The recruits include junior transfer from the University of South Florida Roberto Alterio. Alterio led the FIU offense in scoring this season with seven goals. The Panthers ranked 45th in the nation in total goals with 27.

On the defensive end, freshman defender Marvin Hezel proved to be an integral piece to this young Panther squad. Hezel played all 17 games and logged in the most minutes of any player on the team (1492). Hezel, a 6-foot-3 defender was also able to use his great size to help the FIU offense. Hezel was used often in corner kicks, his length allowed him to head in three goals on the season. The three goals place him in a tie for third on the team.

Hezel spoke on his scoring.

“It was hopefully the beginning,” Hezel said. “In Germany I scored headers so I really hope I could go on like this.”

The Panthers season was a frustrating and disappointing season. At no point in the season did FIU have a winning record; the Panthers floated around .500 until falling to tough competition at the end of the season.

FIU began the season on a scoring rampage. In FIU’s first nine games they scored a total of 18 goals. However, the Panthers would then begin an eight game stretch of C-USA play. During said stretch, FIU only was able to score nine goals and was shutout in five of their last six games.

The Panthers were the complete opposite on the defensive side of the ball. FIU began the first eight games of the season playing horrid defense. Through those eight games FIU was one of the worst defenses in the nation allowing 17 goals in nine games. Yet, when they entered the most grueling stretch of the season FIU was able to put it together on defense. During the remaining eight games FIU allowed 10 goals, including two shutouts. The offense and defense were rarely on the same page for FIU. Although there would be games where it would all click at the same time, such as in the games against Marshall were FIU won (4-0) and Kentucky (4-1). Unfortunately, those games were few and

far between. After the Marshall win, team co-captain junior forward Quentin Albrecht spoke on the season.

“We played well against many teams, I think we played well the whole season but finally we got lucky too,” Albrecht said.

It should be noted that this season could have very easily gone a much different way. Seven of FIU’s 10 losses came by one goal or less. In many games for FIU they would dominate the ball but simply could not get the ball to go in the goal. The Panthers outshot opponents in those seven losses (106-54). If a couple of balls go in then we would be looking at a completely different season.

“We are much better than we were last year,” Arena said. “And we are much better than we were at the beginning of the year. We have lost some very close games and I would say at least half of the close games we have had the better of the play. This team is going to fight to the end this year were all confident and believe that any given game could be like the Marshall game. So we just got to stick to it, put our head down, and work hard.”

All in all the season is not what most hoped for, however, there were signs of encouragement for FIU’s future. With one more year under the belt of these young talented players, the Panthers should be a much-improved team next year.

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Senior midfielder Gonzolo Frenchilla (above) and the FIU men’s soccer team finished off the 2013 season with a losing record; however, Head Coach Ken Arena is happy with the progress that was made.

Zoo FIU to get batty in upcoming lecture

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Perhaps watching too many movies and television shows about vampires and bats has developed our panic reaction to these little creatures; for that reason, we have created a misperception about the lives of bats and the importance of these mammals in the social environment.

The School of Environment, Arts and Society will host The Secret Lives of Bats at Zoo Miami on Nov. 22—a lecture by Kirsten Bohn, research assistant professor at FIU. The event will cover bat vocalizations which they use to navigate and communicate.

Bohn said she wants to address the public’s misperception about bats, discuss the species’ vocalizations and the way they navigate and communicate, and raise awareness about the endangered species—specifically the endangered Florida Bonneted Bat that lives only in South Florida.

“In fact, the Florida Bonneted Bats are thought to be one of the rarest mammals in the United States and the largest known population is right here in Miami,” Bohn said.

Bohn’s research focuses on the social behavior and vocal communication of these creatures.

“They use sonar systems to navigate which are better than any radar humans have ever built,” Bohn said. “Bats have sophisticated vocalizations, including species that sing like birds and have

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Kirsten Bohn
Assistant Professor
School of Environment, Arts and Society

complex societies.”

Elaine Pritzker, SEAS coordinator, said the Zoo FIU series gives the community the opportunity to hear from both University researchers and zoo staff.

According to Pritzker, the collaboration in the organization of this event comes from the SEAS student interns helping with the planning and promotion.

“We hope to engage the community in a discussion about an often misunderstood species and the importance of preserving our native Florida Bonneted Bat population,” Pritzker said.

Israel Salazar, a graduate biology major, said he has been volunteering with Bohn for the past two years, exploring the existence of regional vocal dialects in Florida populations of the Mexican free-tailed bat.

“Anyone that is at all interested in nature and the animal world should attend these events,” said Salazar. “They provide exposure to a wide range of interesting topics, as well as keeping you updated on the discoveries being made in your own community.”

Salazar said bats could be a great mammalian model for the study on the evolution of vocal communication and may help us gain a better understanding of our own vocal system.

The presentation will be accompanied by live demonstration using sound equipment like ultrasonic microphones so that the audience can see and hear the magnificent way bats communicate and interact among each other.

“I’ve recorded songs all over Texas and in Mexico and have found that all songs are hierarchically structured with specific syllables used in phrases that are then combined to form songs,” Bohn said.

The event will also focus on bat species that are in danger of extinction, and hopes to raise awareness.

“I think it is crucial to spread the word about bats since the Florida Bonneted Bat was just listed by the United States as an Endangered Species last month,” Bohn said. “Bats are cool, bats are not dangerous, and bats need your help to prevent [their] extinction.”

BAY BEAUTY



JUAN ENDARA/THE BEACON

William Anderson, professor for the environmental department of marine science, spent Saturday morning with his son at SGA’s Day on the Bay event to clean up and maintain the beauty of the Biscayne Bay Campus.

According to the Bat Conservation International, the Florida Bonneted Bat is considered critically endangered. It is facing the risk of extinction because of continued loss and degradation of their roosting and foraging habitat due to human activities and climate change.

According to Bohn, bats are beneficial to the environment, eating up to 500 insects an hour; insects such as mosquitoes. “They’re great animals to have in your neighborhood.”

Salazar confirms that bats are very beneficial because they help control agricultural pests, as well as insect-transmitted diseases.

“Learning something new about the

natural world helps foster a deeper appreciation for it, and ultimately leads to better conservation efforts,” Salazar said. “It is crucial to gain more knowledge about the life histories and behaviors of bats so we can develop better conservation models.”

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Work not done, Obama climate adviser moves on

MATTHEW DALY
AP Writer

Heather Zichal admits her job is unfinished.

The architect of President Barack Obama’s climate-change plan, Zichal left the White House last week after five years as a top adviser on energy and climate change.

Her departure comes as the Environmental Protection Agency moves ahead with the linchpin of the president’s climate plan: emissions limits for new and existing power plants to curb greenhouse gases blamed for global warming.

“Do I walk out thinking that it would have been fun to do the rule for

existing coal (-fired power) plants? The short answer is yes,” Zichal said in an interview.

Zichal, 37, said she has not decided on her next job but said it will involve clean energy, a field she has spent the past five years promoting as the administration moves to boost renewable energy such as wind and solar power. Obama also has increased fuel-efficiency standards and moved to tighten limits on mercury and other toxic pollution from power plants. Zichal’s deputy, Dan Utech, replaced her.

Sen. John Barrasso, R-Wyo., said Zichal’s departure will have little effect on the Obama administration’s energy policies — or its tactics

to advance them. Barrasso and other Republicans have complained that the White House has been trying to avoid congressional scrutiny of its climate-change agenda by seeking to impose policies through executive order rather than legislation.

“Personnel changes don’t change the fact that this White House is clearly committed to continuing to wage a war on coal over the next three years,” Barrasso said.

In a statement, Obama called Zichal a trusted adviser and “a strong and steady voice for policies that reduce America’s dependence on foreign oil, protect public health and our environment, and combat the threat of global climate change.”