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WORLD'S LARGEST QUINOA



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The Frost Art Museum hosts the World's Largest Quinoa Salad Attempt to achieve a Guinness World Record Wednesday, Oct. 28.

University Welcomes FULBRIGHT Transfer Instructors

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Three international students from India, Russia and Brazil are teaching their native languages and taking classes at the University under a grant from the Fulbright Foreign Language Teaching Assistant Program.

Marcella Iole da Costa, Elmira Nazmieva and Amit Ranjan are spending the fall and spring semesters teaching Portuguese, Russian and Hindi, respectively, as part of the Department of Modern Languages under the Steven J. Green School of International and Public Affairs.

"In September of last year, I saw the program on the internet decided to apply," said Iole da Costa, a 27-year-old English

literature teacher from Sao Jose dos Campos, Brazil. "Since then, I've been able to teach my own class of Portuguese language and take part in the Brazilian Culture Club at FIU and help organize events and exhibitions."

The FLTA program allows educators to gain teaching skills by serving as teaching assistants in foreign language classes, according to their press release.

The participants work with professors from the department of modern languages; Nazmieva is working with Maria Krol, German and Russian instructor, while Iole da Costa works with Augusta Vono, professor of Portuguese.

The recipients may also serve as primary instructors, which is the case with Ranjan.

While Russian and Portuguese were already offered at the University, Hindi has been introduced this semester -- led by Ranjan.

"Back in New Delhi I was a teacher of English," said Ranjan, 32. "I am glad to be here representing my country and being able to bring the Hindi language to the University."

He is taking Spanish and creative writing courses at the University, can speak five languages and has been participating in conferences and workshops since August.

"It's an overwhelming experience," said Ranjan. "FIU is very multicultural and has a very international flavor to it. I am quite loving my time here."

SEE EDUCATORS, PAGE 2

University to host Board of Governors and Trustees Summit

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The University will be hosting the next meeting of the Board of Governors of the State University System and all of the trustees of the 12 Florida public colleges.

During the meetings, the governors and trustees, who collectively serve about 338,000 college students, will discuss and plan the future of academics in the state.

The governors have the primary responsibility for governance of the State University System, said University President Mark Rosenberg.

"In particular for financing our university education and the strategy of program and course development," Rosenberg said.

Among the topics for the meeting is online education. According to Brittany Davis, communications director for the SUS, the BOG will introduce its strategic plan, which will lay out goals for online education throughout the next 10 years.

"As far as we know, Florida is the first state in the country to have a plan for online education," Davis said to Student Media.

Davis said other schools around the country have their own plans for online education, but Florida so far is the only state whose colleges are working together to determine where online education will be by 2025 and how they will get there.

"Getting an entire system on the same page is a big accomplish that will help the system grow by leaps and bounds in this area," Davis said.

The University's plan

is to increase the number of classes taught online by 15 percent, from 25 to 40 classes, according to its strategic plan, "FIUBeyondPossible2020." Hybrid courses, which comprise of 8 percent of the types of courses offered, will make up 30 percent by 2020.

The BOG meets every other month and rotates which university will host them; The last meeting hosted at FIU was in November 2013.

In addition to the BOG meetings, Davis said the University will also host a trustee's summit, which will be a learning opportunity for the decision makers of the state's universities.

"It'll be more of an informal environment from the normal meetings," Davis said.

She said the theme of the summit is "excellence through innovation." Its emphasis is bold leadership and will feature "an all-star cast of speakers from around the country."

The featured speakers are Benno Schmidt, the chairman of the largest public university system in the world, the City University of New York; Dr. Ken Ford, founder and chief executive officer of the Institute for Human and Machine Cognition, a non-profit institute in Pensacola; and Albert Manero, a founder of Limbitless Solutions, a nonprofit that brings 3D printed bionic limbs to children at no cost to their families.

Alexis Calatayud, the president of the Student Government Council at the Modesto Maidique Campus, said it is important for students to be engaged with their higher education system and the people who run it.

"Our desires are aligned with what the BOG does, but may not always match their prescriptions as to the way to

do it," said Calatayud, the first SGC-MMC president to serve two terms in 15 years.

Calatayud, who was the lectures coordinator when the BOG last met at the University, also said students should be aware of the decisions that the governors and trustees make.

"If not, we're letting other people make decisions for us without any input," Calatayud said.

Rosenberg said he sees the University's hosting of the BOG meeting and the trustees as a "double honor."

"When they choose to come to FIU really, it's an honor," Rosenberg said. "They bring the 12 boards together -- What an incredible opportunity to tell our story."

Rosenberg, who the BOG reappointed through 2019 during their last meeting at the University, said the attention that will be on the University during those days is more than a plus, regardless of the extra work that will be needed.

"I'll take that every time because we're very proud of what we've accomplished in a short period of time," Rosenberg said. "We're very proud of our students. We want to show off the institution and show our students off to people."

"It's a very intense engagement because everybody is converging on our FIU for a couple of days and all eyes in the state for educators are on FIU, but I love that because I think we do pretty well in those circumstances," he said.

The Board of Governors meeting will take place Wednesday, Nov. 4 to Thursday, Nov. 5.

Additional reporting by Camila Fernandez.

Board of Governors and Trustees Summit Schedule

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 4

8:30 A.M. - 9:30 A.M. - FACILITIES COMMITTEE

9:45 A.M. - 11:45 A.M. - INNOVATION AND ONLINE COMMITTEE

12:30 P.M. - 1:15 P.M. - PLENARY SESSION WITH DR. KEN FORD

1:30 P.M. - 2:30 P.M. - BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE

2:30 P.M. - 2:30 P.M. - SELECT COMMITTEE ON FLORIDA POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY

3:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M. - ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

4:15 P.M. - 5:15 P.M. - PLENARY SESSION WITH MR. BENNO SCHMIDT

THURSDAY, NOV. 5

8:30 A.M. - 9:30 A.M. - PLENARY SESSION WITH MR. ALBERTO MARENO

9:45 A.M. - 11:15 A.M. - STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE

11:15 A.M. - 12:15 P.M. - MEMBERS JOIN INTERACTIVE SESSION WITH BOG LEADERSHIP

1:15 P.M. - 3:00 P.M. - BOARD OF GOVERNORS - REGULAR MEETING

3:00 P.M. - 3:30 P.M. - BOARD OF GOVERNORS FOUNDATION, INC. MEETING

NATION & WORLD BRIEFS

China ends one-child policy, but it may be too late

China’s Communist Party on Thursday officially ended its policy that limited most families to a single child, an acknowledgment that the 1970s population-control measure was outdated, was holding back economic growth and had distorted China’s demographics in ways that could hurt the party’s long-term hold on power. Some experts were surprised by the suddenness of the decision, even though the problems caused by the one-child policy have been apparent for many years. With so many families limited to a single child, China’s labor force is shrinking and working people without siblings are struggling to care for their aging parents.

Nintendo finally pulls the trigger on first mobile game

Nintendo is finally making the move into smartphone gaming, figuring it’s better late than never. The Japanese electronics maker — one of the world’s biggest video game companies but a virtual nonentity in the rapidly growing mobile games industry — unveiled its first title for smartphones Thursday in Tokyo. “Miitomo,” which is set to be released in the spring of next year, is a game that allows players to create avatars to interact with one another socially.

14 million viewers for Republican presidential debate a record for CNBC

The Republican presidential primary debate continued its run as the season’s hottest TV ratings hit, delivering an average of 14 million viewers for CNBC on Wednesday, Oct. 28. The audience was the lowest of the three GOP candidate showdowns so far, but still delivered the highest number ever in the 26-year history of NBCUniversal’s business and finance news cable channel, which typically averages about 343,000 viewers in prime time.

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Career Services offers free resume critiques

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Job recruiters use only six seconds to review an individual’s resume, according to a study by TheLadders, an online job search service.

The study used eye-tracking technology to measure exactly what a recruiter looks for in a resume. It also recorded how long recruiters looked at each part of a resume.

According to Ere Media, one mistake on a resume can prevent an applicant from getting a follow-up interview, as 43 percent of recruiters will disqualify a candidate because of spelling errors.

The University’s Career Services offices offer free professional development training to help students prepare for work or internship applications. Services include how to write a resume and how to prepare for professional dining.

“The most common mistake that students make is including an objective that is not directed to any specific job position in their resumes,” said Reinier Hernandez, a Career Services graduate assistant at the Modesto A. Maidique Campus.

An objective statement

is normally at the top of a resume, and it tells the hiring company why the job applicant is seeking employment.

According to Hernandez, students shouldn’t include personal information like gender, marital status, political and religious beliefs as part of their resumes. He said personal pronouns, such as I and you, should also be avoided, but most importantly, applicants should not include a photograph of themselves on their resumes.

He also said that students should know how to distinguish between a summary of qualifications and their career objective in a resume.

“The main difference is that a summary of qualifications should be in bullet points, while the objective should be in full sentences,” Hernandez said.

A summary of qualifications and objectives are normally located at the top of a resume, according to Hernandez. However, both are optional to use because they’re directed to a specific job position.

Cinthia Ortiz, a freshman chemistry major, said she often visits Career Services to get her resume critiqued.

“It [is] very helpful, and when I left, I was more satisfied with my resume,” said Ortiz.

Most employers understand that college students may not have a lot of experience, and students shouldn’t be embarrassed by that, Hernandez said.

“If a student comes to get his [or her] resume critiqued, he or she will definitely see their resumes in a better light after revision,” he said.

“Hernandez helped me build up my resume in a better format that was more effective. Now I’m confident to send my resume to potential employers,” Ortiz said.

Trained students and graduate assistants are readily available to students at Career Services.

Students who are interested in learning more about resume and cover letter writing are encouraged to come to Career Services. In workshop sessions, students learn general rules on resume writing.

One-on-one sessions on resume critiques are available to students Mondays to Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The service works on a first-come, first-serve basis, and it is free to all students with a valid Panther ID.

International educators join the University

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This year, the Fulbright FLTA program has given over 400 educators the opportunity to exchange cultures throughout college campuses across the United States.

“It is just a new and necessary experience for an English teacher to bring back home and share with her students and colleagues in Russia,” said Nazmieva, English teacher at a university in Kazan, Russia.

During her time here, she plans on taking American Studies classes to explore the culture and take back as much language to her students as possible.

“It is a self-enrichment

experience to see a new culture and to share mine, and to learn how to better my teaching back home,” said Nazmieva, 35.

Fulbright’s goal of globalization is funded by an annual grant made by the U.S. Congress to the U.S. Department of State.

Fulbright also offers programs for U.S. students looking to study abroad and teach English in countries around the world.

“My dream is to go to Japan and teach English to the students there,” said Pamela Suguimitzu, a senior Japanese Language major.

Over the last summer, Suguimitzu spent five weeks in Kyoto, Japan taking classes and experiencing the country’s

culture as part of the University’s Japanese Language and Culture Program.

“I think these transfer programs help you become more open minded of other cultures and other perspectives,” she said. “They help tie relations between countries.”

The Fulbright program gave the educators the chance to bring the University a new language and cultural perspective.

“The three of us share a passion for culture,” said Ranjan. “I will be here until June and I know I am going to make good friends and hopefully influence others, too.”

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Campus police should be demilitarized

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All of the police cars on campus have an M16 in the trunk at all times. In case that wasn't enough, the FIU Police also have a Mine-Resistant Ambush Protected personnel carrier.

These facts were confirmed last semester by FIU Chief of Police Alex Casas in a meeting with concerned students. While you mull over these facts, consider the questions that this arouses. It's shocking and feels ill-advised, but how exactly did this happen?

This strange rush to armament is the result of the 1033 Program of the National Defense Authorization Act and administered by the Law Enforcement Support Office. In a story last fall, the Miami New Times detailed the effects that this little known federal

program was having on police departments in South Florida.

Surprisingly, among the list of small cities and municipalities gearing up their police departments was our very own university, the recipient of the aforementioned M16s and MRAP.

In addition to the University, the adjacent community of Sweetwater received its own high-powered cache which included a grenade launcher and four helicopters.

According to Matt Apuzo of the New York Times, this is all a part of a trend that goes back to the creation of the first military-transfer programs in the early 90s. This has been ramping up in recent years.

Pentagon data reported by the New York Times states that the Obama administration has transferred thousands of machine guns, nearly 200,000 ammunition magazines and hundreds of armored cars and

aircraft to local police forces. Meanwhile, Time reported crime to be at its lowest levels in decades.

As military intervention overseas escalated after 9/11, production of military equipment to be used in the theater of war also increased. Now as the wars wind down in scale, a glut of machine guns, night vision goggles, silencers, etc. has been wasting away in federal warehouses.

These require constant upkeep and maintenance at great expense. This is where the increased activity of the LESO program comes in, offloading these expensive weapons of war to local police departments as a measure to lower costs.

In a presentation given last semester at the College of Law, Radley Balko, author of Rise of the Warrior Cop: The Militarization of America's Police Forces, explained to a courtroom full of law students

what kind of effect arming civilian police forces in this way has on the psychology of the police.

In his presentation, Balko asserted that by arming police as though they were soldiers, the police begin to develop a soldier mindset which bleeds over into the work that they do in the civilian world.

This changes the way they view citizens and the way that they view their roles as police officers. Unfortunately, we saw the fruits of this militarized mindset in the police response to the uprisings in Ferguson, Miss. and Baltimore.

When a group of concerned students found out about this issue with the police at the University, they decided to write a letter and deliver it to the police department.

When their letter came and went without response, those same students re-delivered that letter. However, this time it

had support from 12 different student organizations and a delegation of 25 representatives from those groups.

They were immediately granted a meeting with Casas. During this meeting, the chief displayed a remarkable amount of intransigence about his precious weapons.

He made it very clear that he had no intention of getting rid of them. I know all of this because I was one of the students that met with him.

A militarized police force on campus poses not only a problem in regards to the health and safety of the student body, but also raises the question of what we as students want our institution to stand for.

Do we want a police force that is this impervious to student concerns? One that can just shirk off any criticism and tell you to not worry about it? That is perhaps the much larger problem.

One thing is certain, and it is that this situation is the result of a slow accumulation of factors.

As the war on drugs escalated, as the use of SWAT teams became more en vogue, as 'tough on crime' policies sent ripples through our communities, a passive public watched on.

Each incremental step seemed like no big deal at the time, but as they built up we have found ourselves with a very big deal on our hands.

But just as the problem created itself incrementally, turning the tide will also have to be incremental.

This will have to start in our daily lives with the people closest to us. In this case, for us, it will have to begin with the small police department on our unassuming college campus.

FIU should stand in solidarity with Black Lives Matter

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Alicia Garza, Opal Tometi and Patrisse Cullors created the Black Lives Matter movement as a call to action after 17-year-old Trayvon Martin's murderer, George Zimmerman, was found not guilty.

Martin's brother, 22-year-old Jahvaris Martin, is a recent graduate of FIU with a Bachelors of Science in Information Technology.

Since the creation of this very important social justice movement, hundreds of black lives have been lost at the hand of overly aggressive police officers. These include Michael Brown of Ferguson, Miss.,

Sandra Bland of Waller County, Texas, Eric Garner of Staten Island, N.Y., Tamir Rice of Cleveland, and the subsequent death of Freddie Gray that sparked the deadly riots in Baltimore.

On the evening of June 17, a young white man named Dylann Roof, opened fire on individuals inside of the Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church during a bible study. This left nine people dead, including the church's pastor and South Carolina State Senator Clementa C. Pinckney.

The University has a population of nearly 50,000 students. With thirteen percent of these students being black, FIU has been silent on the topics mentioned. How much longer will our University's administration keep quiet on issues that affect at least 6,500 students?

As a black male, my experience at FIU hasn't been the best. For the last two and a half years, I have felt as if my needs aren't a priority. Sometimes it seems that students who are of Latin descent get precedence over students who aren't. The University keeping silent about Black Lives Matter and other social issues that affect the black community continue to perpetuate this belief.

President of the Black Student Union at FIU, Ernest "Tayon" Anderson, spoke on his council's behalf and said the community of FIU look to BSU to address the

fundamental issues that affect the black community. He insisted that the University be more proactive to address these issues first.

Recently, students took notice when a false image of the University's homepage made it's way across social media on a mobile application called "Yeti", which allows students to post their "campus stories". "FIU's police department trains dogs to hunt minorities, blacks and other untouchables," read the manipulated headline.

The University wasn't as vigilant as they should have been regarding this matter. "[BSU] had to bring this to the attention of Internal Affairs" said Anderson.

A disingenuous apology from FIU Media Relations was what students received in response to complaints from BSU regarding this incident.

"They said they didn't want to acknowledge the person who did [posted the manipulated photo]," said Anderson.

Not only do black students represent thirteen percent of the FIU population, but over 60 percent of on-campus residents are black. How are we as black students supposed to feel comfortable in a learning and/or living environment that hasn't acknowledged our lives, the newsworthy tragedies that have affected the community, and how this will continue to have an effect on our community in the future?

Yes, it can be weakly argued that FIU has supported Blacks Lives Matter. However, having one forum entitled "Black Lives Matter" in an umbrella series of "All Lives Matter" forums that was held at the Biscayne Bay Campus doesn't count.

This particular event was held by Jeffery McNamee, associate director of the Multicultural Program and Services, at BBC and didn't have representation from any black student organizations like BSU, African Student Organization.

Not only is Black Lives Matter a movement, but it is also a conversation piece. It suggests there is a specific problem in the black community that's not happening in other communities. This is not something to trivialized at a poorly facilitated forum or in any other way.

All Lives Matter is a term white people invented to counteract the movement of Black Lives Matter. If the University showed the community that Black Lives Matter, the University would stand in solidarity with its black students. However, that sounds too good to be true.

I'm not the face for the black community on campus, but I want to help uplift my community. I'm here for the improvement of my college campus and I'm here to say that black lives will always matter whether my university thinks so or not.



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New York City based jazz violinist Sarah Caswell performs at the Herbert and Nicole Wertheim Performing Arts Center Concert Hall with the FIU Faculty Jazz Ensemble Tuesday, Oct. 27.

First Annual Women Forum empowers

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With Hillary Clinton being close to obtaining the Democratic Party’s nomination for presidency, there has never been a better time for women across the nation to feel like their dreams can become a reality.

The first Annual Women Empowerment Forum, presented by the Caribbean Student Association, empowered female students to reach for their highest dreams and believe that they are possible.

“What do you think when you hear the word ‘woman’?” asked Melanie Timothy, secretary of CSA, as an opening question of the forum and almost in unison the audience said “Strong.”

CSA invited three women to participate in the forum as guest speakers. Yvette Harris, owner and founder of Harris Public relations, Tiayan Boykin-Dennison, co-owner of TyTy’s Kitchen, and Alexis Inniss, stylist and founder of The L Experience Foundation, gave students their knowledge as successful entrepreneurs and shared what it means to be a woman in power.

Harrison shared how crucial it is to support other women and stand in sisterhood together. “It’s important to be able to nurture and help women who are coming up in my industry and my role. I am always thankful for those who encouraged me when I was opening my company.”

The guest speakers

shared the personal struggles they overcame in achieving their dreams, and what it means to be a woman in a male-dominated business world. They touched upon the double standards of male CEOs and women CEOs.

“I am not bossy. I try to stay away from that word. I am assertive and I know what I want and what is best for my business,” said Harrison.

21-year-old Alexis Inniss was the youngest of the guest speakers. She was diagnosed with Lupus at the tender age of 11.

When referring to her grandmother and mother in attendance at the event, Inniss said “they are the women who empower me.” She thanked them for being there for her when she wasn’t healthy enough to take care of her 3-year-old child.

“My biggest accomplishment is my foundation. It aims to bring awareness and let others like me know that you are not alone,” said Inniss. “I’m not stagnate. I always keep going.”

When giving advice to empower students, Boykin-Denison said “I put my faith in God and I put my faith in myself, everything is going well and in the right direction and it is all because I wasn’t afraid to follow what’s in my heart.”

When referring her now successful culinary business, she says “you can do whatever you want to do, go in the direction of your dreams.”

For more information on #EmpowerHER please contact Gilna Nelson, president of CSA, at gneles016@fiu.edu.



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Here are the top 10 albums getting the most spins this week on FIU Student Radio. Be sure to tune in at 95.3 FM and online at fiusm.com/wrgp.

1. Neon Indian- “Vega Intl. Night School”
2. Lena Fayre- “Is There Only One?”
3. Homeshake- “Midnight Snack”
4. Helvetia- “Dromomania”
5. Monokle- “Rings”
6. Ducktails- “St. Catherine”
7. Tamaryn- “Cranekiss”
8. Panda Bear- “Crosswords”
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‘Suffragette’ brings to life the fight for rights

STEVEN REA

The Philadelphia Inquirer
TNS

Is Carey Mulligan single-handedly reliving the story of the women’s movement in the U.K.? In “Far from the Madding Crowd,” released this spring, the actress was Bathsheba Everdene, Thomas Hardy’s headstrong Victorian. She inherits a farm, runs it with sweat and savvy, and goes in pursuit of the independent life — a daunting task given that men are in control, and three of them come courting.

Jump ahead about 40 years, and Mulligan is Maud Watts, a Londoner who toils long hours at a giant laundry, keeps her head down and accedes to the wishes of her piggish boss, even if it means submitting to his molestations — something he has been doing since she began working there, still practically a child.

But in “Suffragette,” written by Abi Morgan (“The Iron Lady,” “The Hour”) and directed by Sarah Gavron (“Brick Lane”), Maud has finally had enough. A fictional tale set amid the real world of early 20th century England, the film tracks Maud’s political awakening and radicalization. One day, she’s a low paid, hard-pressed working woman — a wife and mother, too (Ben Whishaw is her spouse, Adam Michael Dodd is George, their son). The next day, she’s addressing

Lloyd George in Parliament, falling in with a band of rock-throwing, mailbox-bombing activists, and getting carted to jail by club-wielding police.

“Suffragette is full of handsome period detail, the London streets teeming with horse-drawn carts, old trolleys, bicycles, and the earliest automobiles. The soot and grime of East London rowhouses lend a marked contrast to the stately manses on the posh side of town. Hats, coats, frocks, even the policemen’s uniforms — it’s a costume drama to be sure.

But the drama becomes very real, very fast, when windows are broken and buildings torched, when Maud — her job and her child taken from her — is arrested and sent to prison. Like the real-life suffragette Emily Wilding Davison (portrayed in the film by Natalie Press), Maud goes on a hunger strike and is eventually force-fed — a rubber tube shoved down her gullet.

Mulligan, who often looks as though she’s on the brink of tears, has plenty of reason to feel that way in “Suffragette. The men in power are disdainful and dismissive; the voting-rights campaign has been going on, unsuccessfully, for close to 50 years, and peaceful protestations have gotten women nowhere. Maud’s husband, by no means a lout or a brute, nonetheless can’t take his wife’s newfound

political zeal seriously. It’s easier to accept the patriarchal line: Women lack “the calmness of temperament and balance of mind” to exercise political judgment.

Helena Bonham Carter is a pharmacist who holds meetings of the Women’s Social and Political Union (WSPU) in her back room, and Romola Garai is a society wife determined to bring about change. Meryl Streep shows up with her best British accent (but not the one she used as the U.K.’s first female prime minister, Margaret Thatcher, in “The Iron Lady”), playing WSPU leader Emmeline Pankhurst, standing at a balcony to offer a “never give up the fight” speech. Brendan Gleeson has the more slippery role of a police inspector trying to persuade Maud to turn informant. He gives her his card and his most piercing, pragmatic, sympathetic look.

If we now take a woman’s right to vote and to hold public office for granted, “Suffragette” reminds us that it wasn’t that long ago when things were different. Wives, mothers, factory workers, teachers, artists, even the (few) female scientists and doctors — a hundred years past, not a one could choose

PONCHO PAC-MAN



BLANCA MARTINEZ/THE BEACON

Yellow poncho-clad students crowd together to set a Guinness World Record for “largest human image of Pac-Man” at the Graham Center Lawns Wednesday, Oct. 28, an event hosted by The World’s Ahead Records Club in the Honors College.

the politicians who represented them in government, who wrote the laws.

And so the women took to the streets and defied those laws.

“We break windows,” that firebrand Maud Watts says. “We burn things. Because war is the only language that men listen to.”

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Midfielder Courtney Phillips at the game against the Florida Atlantic Owls at the FIU Soccer Stadium on Sunday, Oct. 25.

MEN'S SOCCER

Professional soccer is in Miami

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It may not be a David Beckham Major League Soccer venture, but for the first time in five years, Miami will have its own professional soccer team again. Florida International University and Miami FC announced on Wednesday, Oct. 28 that the new North American Soccer League club will use Ocean Bank Field at FIU Stadium for its home games starting in 2016.

Upon taking the podium, University President Mark B. Rosenberg announced that Miami FC co-owner Riccardo Silva has made a donation of \$450,000 to the University's athletics program. The University stands to make \$10,000 per game through a base rental fee and, according to the venue agreement, Miami FC must pay for operational costs, such as additional security, utilities and equipment. The University will also profit off a \$2 ticket fee on every Miami FC ticket distributed (outside of FIU's three suites and the first 500 tickets distributed by the club.) In addition to money, Athletic Director Pete Garcia announced on Wednesday that Miami FC provided the University with internships and job opportunities for its students.

Although the University retains the right to manage all lots as they please, Miami FC will receive all revenues from parking. Lots belonging to the University are required to be open at least two hours before each match.

According to the contract, Miami FC has the right to contract advertisers, but all sponsors and advertisers are subject to the University's approval. The contact also requires that Miami FC complies with NCAA rules and regulations. For example, University student athletes will not be allowed to attend Miami FC games without written consent from the University's Director of the Athletics Compliance office.

The venue agreement also makes clear distinction regarding what Miami FC's liberties are in scheduling. The club is free to schedule events outside of FIU's Stadium. In turn, the University makes it clear that Miami FC does not have exclusive rights to soccer matches at the stadium. In fact, the contact states that if a future Miami MLS team wishes to use FIU Stadium on a date of conflict with Miami FC and the three parties cannot come to an agreement in good faith, the University will give Miami MLS first priority. The University and Miami MLS will only be able to give such priority four times per calendar year, however, and one of the parties is required to pay a \$5,000 fee to Miami FC for each occurrence.

Commissioner Bill Peterson stated at the press conference that he is working on bringing Miami FC's NASL neighbors, the Fort Lauderdale Strikers, to FIU Stadium for the team's debut game. The Strikers themselves were formerly known as Miami FC from 2006-2010 before they were rebranded and moved to Broward County. Miami FC has yet to fill out a roster, although they have hired former Italian star, Alessandro Nesta, to coach the team.

FOOTBALL

Judy MacLeod is first female commissioner

T-TIME



GIANCARLO NAVAS

The culture of sports breeds misogyny akin to only itself. There is no other environment in the world quite like it. It's an environment where testosterone is king and estrogen is seen as a handicap.

If you aren't tough in sports, you get called anything from the "P" word to simply "you're playing like a girl." Sports has the kind of environment where women are seen as the prize, almost as much as the contract. Money, fame and women right? That's the goal.

Enter Judy MacLeod, the newest commissioner of Conference-USA and the first female to ever hold such a leadership position any of the Football Bowl Subdivision athletics conferences (FBS).

"I feel very fortunate and appreciative of the confidence our member schools have placed in me to lead and serve the great group of universities in Conference USA," MacLeod said. "We have a tremendous opportunity to make a difference in the lives of our student athletes and I look forward to facing the challenges and opportunities together with our members."

She's currently serving in the highest position of leadership possible within her conference, and that's huge, considering the state of America that we live in, where professional sporting leagues run anti-domestic violence ads while they have offenders on the payroll (looking at you Greg Hardy). Now, she's here and making history. And while there has been a shift in the perception of women in sports, it's a vast minority.

During the Patrick Kane rape allegation scandal, someone tweeted at Chicago sports anchor Julie DiCaro, "one of the Blackhawks players should beat you to death with

their hockey stick like the WHORE you are. CUNT," for having a sports opinion on an alleged rapist who happens to play for the Chicago Blackhawks. Just for the record, DiCaro is a rape victim herself.

What warrants this kind of reaction? Why do people look at women that way. We chose to ignore this and how a culture of masculinity and ego create this misogynistic culture. Stupid things like "this is a man's game" or a version of that is said ad nauseam.

Be more of a man than your opponent. That's the code many athletes live by. It's why fans love silly intangibles like "grit" and "toughness" because it all feeds into the mythology of the rule of masculinity. Anything else won't serve you in the world of athletics. Why would it?

This is what MacLeod is walking into. The cruel and sad truth. She is entering a world dominated by gross men who say and do gross things. After Cowboys defensive lineman, Greg Hardy, returned from suspension due to a domestic violence crime, which involved him throwing his then girlfriend onto a futon filled with loaded guns.

During his first public works, he chose to say how remorseful he felt for failing his teammates, instead of having remorse for what he did to what could be a traumatized woman or remorse for himself for committing a heinous crime. He's only remorseful for the other men he disappointed by not clobbering guys in the opponent's backfield.

All of this is occurring while the NFL sells America on Breast Cancer Awareness month. It's laughable. MacLeod now has to navigate this culture she doesn't fit into and do her job well. Or else, she'll probably get called the "C" word or the "B" word because that's what seems to be the answer.

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MEN'S SOCCER

Panthers lose to Gamecocks despite historical offense

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The University's men's soccer team (9-5-0, 3-3 in Conference USA) fell to the University of South Carolina's Gamecocks in a 0-2 shutout on Tuesday, Oct. 27. The Gamecocks gained the early advantage on a penalty kick and USC's Kevin Walker

scored the dagger in the 82nd to force the University into their first no-goal effort since their last loss against the Charlotte 49ers.

The University's historically high-scoring offense was kept off the board by a stout Gamecocks defense. The Panthers attempted 14 shots and landed six on goal, but couldn't get past USC goalkeeper, William Pyle. The Panthers also attempted

seven corner kicks.

Junior defender, Marvin Hezel, had a rough outing against South Carolina. In the 38th minute, he was called for a handball in the box. The Gamecock's Danny Deakin attempted the penalty kick, which junior goalkeeper, Arthur Clapot, initially saved, but the backspin off the block carried the ball into the Panthers net.

Hezel struggled again in the

82nd minute when Walker was able to create separation from the University's former C-USA Defensive Player of the Week after running step-for-step with him. Walker had enough space for a quality look and sent a strike past Clapot to put the Gamecocks up a decisive 2-0.

Despite taking 14 shots, the Panthers failed to create many quality looks. Their best chance came on a narrow miss from

junior Jamar Champion-Hinds in the 65th minute that soared just beyond the Gamecocks' left post.

The loss dropped the Panthers to 3-3 in C-USA. They remain in fifth place out of nine teams in the conference with the loss. Up next for the Panthers is a Halloween matchup in Miami against the University of New Mexico Lobos.

CLUB SPORTS

Sammy defeats Beta 25-0 using Mercy rule

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This was a one-sided affair from the very beginning. Beta Theta Pi received the ball first and were looking to make a statement. Unfortunately for them, they made the wrong statement. On the third play of the game, Beta tried to hit their stud receiver on the outside, but the ball ended up in the hands of Sigma Alpha Mu's cornerback, Andres Martinez, who undercut the out route beautifully and found his way untouched in the end zone. After a three and out, Sammy received the ball and marched down the field with ease to end up with their second touchdown of the game by way of quarterback,

Andrew Sanchez, who turned in the corner and sprinted into the end zone.

After five minutes, Sammy had a touchdown from both their defense and offense. Needless to say, Sammy came out firing. Being down 12-0 early in the game, the Beta team knew they had to make something happen and began working their way down the field.

Everything was working for Beta on the ensuing drive as they hit pass after pass for huge gains, and took the ball down to the 5 yard line. They could taste the points on the board. Unfortunately, what they were tasting was a little sour because Sammy's safety, Kyle Perez, came away with the interception of a prayer thrown into the middle of the

end zone.

With the clock winding down on the half, and everything going Sammy's

sideline to sideline before reaching the end zone. To put it in perspective, on paper, it was a 20 yard play and there

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Andres Martinez
Cornerback
Sigma Alpha Mu

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way so far in the first half, it was only fitting that they would continue the trend before halftime and that's exactly what they did. On a short pass, Martinez broke about 11 flag pulls and ran close to 60 yards from

are only seven players on the opposing team. In short, one of the most miraculous plays to happen on the University's Intramural Fields. Unable to score any of their extra points, Sammy went into halftime on an 18-0 lead.

The beginning of the second half was just as inactive as halftime with neither team being able to do anything on offense. But all of that changed as soon as Andrew Sanchez put the ball in Martinez's hands. Martinez must really care about the fans because if anyone missed that touchdown he scored before halftime, he gave them a replay. Once again, making everyone on the field miss his flags more than once, he found his way in the end zone and left everyone in attendance stunned.

Getting that extra point, Sammy now had a 25-0 lead over Beta. The dagger ended up happening on the very first play of Beta's drive when Steven Castano got Sammy's third interception of the night.

As soon as the clock hit two minutes, the Mercy rule was in effect and the game was over.

Speaking with Martinez after the game, his calm demeanor tells you everything you need to know. This was business and they did what they were supposed to do.

“We are here to contend for the championship,” Martinez said. “We're going to rely on our defense. We've only allowed one touchdown all year and planning on scoring on offense how we've been able to.”

That is the recipe for success that Martinez has set out for his team and getting three interceptions while putting up 25 points seems like a great way to exemplify that.



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SOC HALLOWEEN CLUB FAIR



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Kevin Metayur, a junior public administration major, represents Students Organizations Council at the SOC Halloween Club Fair Wednesday, Oct. 28 at Panther Square.

Aquatics Center provides swimming lessons for students

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A survey conducted by the American Red Cross found that one in five Americans don't know how to swim.

Of those who do know how to swim, only 56 percent know basic water safety skills, such as exiting the pool without the use of a ladder or treading water for at least a minute.

The Biscayne Bay Campus Aquatics Center has made it its mission to provide swimming lessons to students of all skill levels.

"We teach swimming as a life skill more than we teach it as an exercise outlet," said Barry Tucker, aquatics supervisor for BBC's Wellness Center. "A majority of the students we get request lessons because they need swimming as a life skill."

Tucker said that many of the students who come for lessons do so in order to pass swimming tests

that are required for firefighter school and the police academy. However, other students simply want to get over their fear of the water.

The instructors for the lessons are also students at the University, which is done to "create a sense of involvement."

Tucker relates it to a mentor relationship between student and teacher.

"Students feel comfortable because they are learning from another student," he said. "We're able to get people together in order to accomplish a common goal."

Sometimes, they get students who are scared of the water.

"What I do is try to make them feel comfortable so, once trust has been established, I can teach them how to swim," said Nicole Maré, a freshman studying social work and one of facility's swim instructors.

Instructors will modify their teaching style depending on the abilities of their student.

"There's one

student I have who's terrified of the water so our lessons focus on just getting comfortable in the water," Maré said. "And I have another student who knows how to swim but doesn't know how to do it well so we just concentrate on perfecting their technique."

Tucker said there is a desire for the University's pool to serve a greater purpose. He stressed the need for students to understand the significance of the Aquatics Center.

"Our pool is such a good resource, especially since there aren't many olympic-sized pools in North Miami," said Tucker. "For the students to have the opportunity to participate in a swimming club and further in aquatics has been a big part of the wellness initiative here."

Lessons are available Monday through Thursday and Saturday at \$150 per session.

To register for lessons, participants must go to active.fiusm.com.

Halloween Club Fair at BBC

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The Student Organizations Council is the governing body of all student organizations on campus. They coordinate general meetings, special events and club fairs for active organizations at BBC.

On Wednesday, Oct. 28, SOC hosted their annual Halloween Club Fair at Panther Square at the Biscayne Bay Campus in order to allow clubs to showcase what they have to offer to the current students at FIU.

The club fair is an opportunity for students to explore and visit various tables that may interest them in getting involved on campus. Many clubs participated in the fair including Diverse Dancers, Wine to Water FIU and the National Society of Minorities in Hospitality.

Among the clubs was

the FIU student chapter of the National Association of Hispanic Journalists.

"We organize workshops and events that focus on developing writing, interviewing and recording skills in both English and Spanish to serve our community," said Hellen Rivas, senior majoring in broadcast journalism and president of the National Association of Hispanic Journalists on campus.

Rivas mentioned that it was great to see students who are not journalism majors take interest in the club and do it as a hobby.

The attendees were able to enjoy music, Halloween decorated cupcakes, candy and drinks as part of the event. Along with the snacks, the event included a costume contest and special giveaways for the winners.

Michael Talalaevsky from the Comics Club won Best Costume as Mr. Bones.

Most Spirit went out to the Student Community Health Organization and Poseidon's Panthers won Best Table.

Kevins Metayer, junior majoring in Public Administration and President of SOC at BBC took pride in hosting the Halloween Club Fair this year. "My favorite part is seeing all the clubs come together and encourage students to get involved," said Metayer. "People take BBC for granted and events like these really help bring BBC to light and show that we are FIU."

Nightmare on SPC-BBC Street also departed for their annual Halloween Horror Nights trip to Orlando, which sold out for all FIU students.

There are future events planned out at BBC from a variety of clubs on campus. In November, SGA hosts Day on the Bay, FIU Comic-Con 2015 by the Comics Club and MPAS Thanksgiving Luncheon.

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