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## Office of Career Planning

### Job Placement Help Available

By EDMUND BIRNBRYER

"Now is the time for all good men to come to the aid of"..... THEMSELVES!

It does not come as a surprise that today's job market is tight and that competition is fierce for the better positions. It may be surprising that a part of the academic community realizes that a problem does exist. Furthermore, that segment is willing and able to do something for Seniors and advanced degree Candidates.

The Office of Career Planning and Placement is taking an active part in helping students find their particular "niche." The Office offers a full range of career planning services including testing, counseling, and placement.

The Office assists students in the following areas:

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No fee is charged and any senior or graduate student may register for this service.

Registration means only filling out the necessary credential papers which will be mailed to any prospective employer.

The Office, headed by Don Smading, also schedules on-campus interviewing. Details concerning this service can be obtained from Smading's office and will be published in future editions of ACTION.

Smading also offers a free copy of the College Placement Annual 1973 to those students who wish to gain more information on the positions customarily offered to college graduates by principal employers.

Published by the "College Placement Council, Inc.," this guide "represents the seven Regional Placement Associations of the United States and their Canadian affiliate. The ANNUAL enables college seniors, graduate students, and alumni to evaluate their interests and abilities in terms of the full range of available opportunities."

ACTION joins Mr. Smading and his staff in an invitation to stop by their office "either for discussion or for reading of information relating to your career interests."

"Your visit will prove worthwhile, especially when you've helped yourself to take a giant step forward toward a meaningful goal," said Smading.

## Beat the Rush..... Pre-Register

By HELEN MANNION

Pre-registration began February 1st and ends the 20th. The necessity for such a program is to enable the student to get the best possible schedule and to feed classroom capacity information to the instructor. The system was devised by the people of Registration and Records, housed in the second floor of Primera Casa.

To complete pre-registration a student must first make an appointment with his advisor for course counseling. The "Schedule of Courses" booklets are available around the campus with times, sections, days, and the names of the instructors for each course offered indicated. With the advisors aid a student chooses which section and class is suitable for him herself.

In case the chosen course is not available, the next preferred time block section offered is then computed. Time preference can be indicated on the pre-registration form, so if such conflict occurs adequate switching can be made. If the desired course is not offered in the time block indicated as convenient by the student, the course will not be switched and it will be necessary to make alterations during Change Day.

With the help of the computer, the Registrations and Records department determines the breakdown of courses according to one of the five time blocks and informs the instructor how many students are interested in a particular class so there are no seat problems when classes begin.

A new addition to the pre-registration plan is the Preemptive Work Time, enabling the student to inform the university of any work or household commitment which cannot be altered. This information "blocks-out" these certain hours, during which time, no courses will be scheduled during that particular period of time, even though the course may be offered. To request preemptive work time, a student should notify briefly, in writing such reason, and present it in person to Registration and Records (PC 216). The exception for this service is for Special or non-degree students as they pre-register at a different time. This specific time will be mailed to these students in February. This

addition to the system is just another way to save time and inconveniences for the university as a whole.

Bill Savely, the director of Registration and Records explains the switches in the pre-registration plan from the original used for the Fall session as, "A big step backwards. People didn't really understand the plan. It served the basic needs and desires of the student body, therefore, the new plan cuts student freedom." During the Fall registration it was the student who was asked when he desired the course and then it was the function of the professors and system to set up the most sensible scheduling. The student feedback was such that there was a preference to work a schedule around times. Savely believes this is due to previous conditioning received from institutions the FIU student body have attended. The pre-registration system is forced to change all the time.

All scheduling as in the part will be done through the mail.

### In Memoriam

#### Zalmon Newmark 1943-1972

By JO ANN NADELMAN

The flame flickered but did not entirely go out when Dr. Zalmon M. Newmark was called to his final reward last December. Newmark was an assistant professor in education department at FIU.

His education led to another field, however. He received his B.A. degree in Psychology at the University of Florida. Still at Gainesville, he received his Masters degree, an M.R.C., Master of Rehabilitation Counseling. On to Tampa and an internship at the MacDonald Training Center, followed then by a Doctorate Fellowship at Indiana University.

At FIU he gave to his students and attempted as a professor to help make a noticeable, positive, significant change in one student's life each quarter. These were his goals; he constantly sought excellence in himself and others, he attempted to help individuals achieve self-awareness which is necessary to achieve one's excellence.

So that Zalmon M. Newmark does not pass quickly as a memory, the Special Education Department, in cooperation with Mrs. Newmark, has set up a living memorial to him. It will be called the Zalmon M. Newmark Memorial Special Education Learning Resource Center.

The Learning Resource Center will be located in the new library building. Until that becomes a reality, it is being temporarily housed in the Special Education Department. Don Smith, Chairman of the Special Education Division, is in charge of collecting funds for this resource center, and any contributions should be sent to him. The Learning Resource Center is at this point very limited in facilities, however it is growing daily.

A further tribute to Dr. Newmark has been placed in a prominent spot on campus, in plain view for all to see. A Norfolk Pine has been planted by the Student Governance Committee, and a plaque is being produced to place near the tree. The dedication of this memorial will take place on February 19th, the birthdate of Dr. Zalmon M. Newmark.

Many more words can be written about Dr. Newmark, but the best words of all are his own—"Of all the experiences that I have had, those of growing to know and love other people have been the most memorable and delightful."

### Dow Donates Trees

....As part of its 75th year Anniversary celebration, Dow Chemical Company Latin America had donated 35 trees to FIU.

...President Charles Perry stated at the tree planting ceremonies January 9, "that Dow's contribution greatly enhances the distinctive landscaping we are trying to achieve at our Tamiami Campus and

subduing the impact of the large parking area."

...Upon presenting the trees, Dow Chemical President Dave W. Schornstein pointed out that "a major thrust of the company is aimed at the waste problem to help prevent pollution." He went on to say "Dow is looking to beautification, and its contributions to landscaping at FIU will be one of its pilot projects."



Photo by Jack Seiderman

Students, faculty and art lovers enjoy the exhibition of The First Quarter Sculpture Group sponsored by The Art Club held at FIU during the week of Jan. 22-26.

## Income Tax

# VITA Program Initiated

By ROBERT FOREMAN

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) is a nationwide program sponsored by the IRS to help, without charge, qualifying people with the preparation of their income tax returns. Qualifying people include low income, retired and non-English speaking people who cannot afford to pay the fees of tax preparation services.

The School of Business and Organizational Sciences; the School of Hotel, Food and Travel Service; and the FIU Accounting Association are working together in conjunction with the Internal Revenue Service to bring VITA to our community.

Outside of the main entrance of the Primera Casa is a plaque upon which states the goals of FIU. These goals are: (1) the education of students, (2) service to the community, and (3) the

spreading of greater international understanding. VITA seeks to fulfill all of these goals.

Three men are responsible for bringing VITA to FIU. Two of the men are members of the faculty: Charles Ilvento of the School of Hotel, Food and Travel Service, and Dr. Dhia Al Hashim of the School of Business and Organizational Sciences.

Mark Kaplan is the third man. He is secretary of the FIU Accounting Association, which is made up primarily of accounting majors.

All three men saw the need for this service in our community and together they have worked and planned to bring it here.

Many of the 100 volunteers are members of the Accounting Association. Through the effort and dedication of these three men in association with the IRS, VITA

is another service that our University will provide to our Community.

Training sessions were held January 2, 3 and 10 by the IRS to prepare the volunteers for their service to others.

During the last week of February the volunteers will begin their 6 week assistance program. During these six weeks, it is planned that volunteers will be stationed at various locations to provide community-wide service.

VITA will provide valuable educational experiences for its participants in it as well as an important and needed service to the community. It hopes to foster international understanding by offering its service to non-English speaking people.

Any students who wish to take part in this program may contact either Ilvento or Al Hashim.

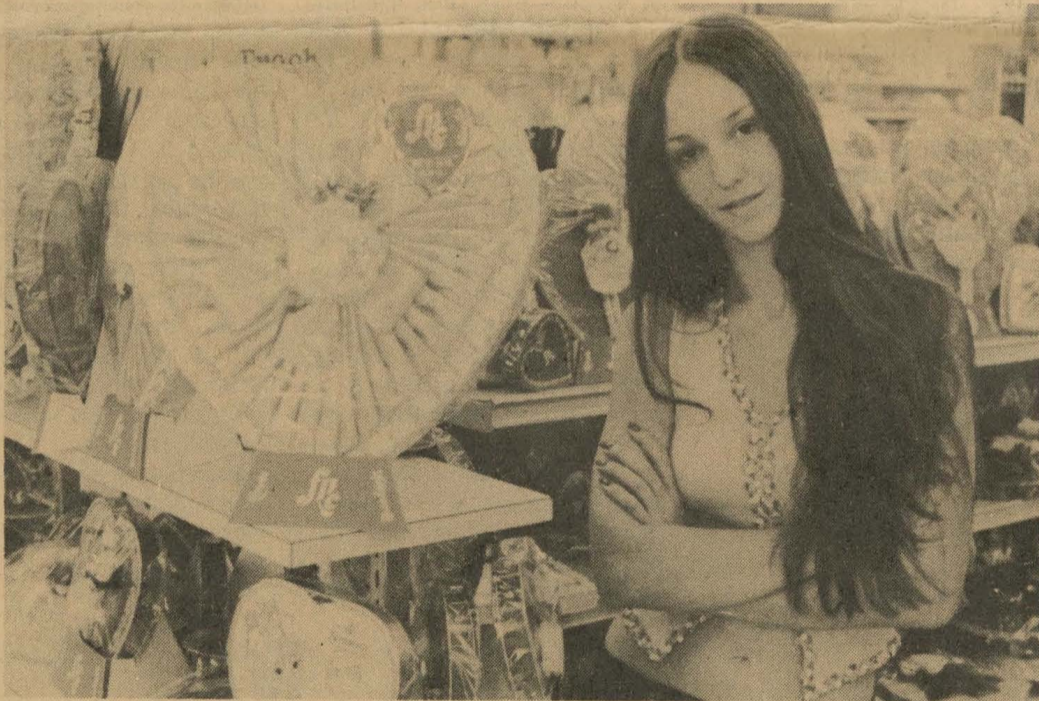
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## 'Out Student - Out Patient'

By PAULA HERSHENSON

If you are a full-time student, 10 dollars of each quarter's tuition fee you pay goes to support the Student Health Service. The primary function of the student health service located in Room 304, Primera Casa, is to provide emergency medical assistance for students, faculty, staff and guests. The clinic has a waiting room, treatment room, office and storage room.

Sitting around waiting for emergencies to happen is expensive, according to Robin Oakie, one of two registered nurses who keep the health services offices open from 8:00 am to 9:00 pm every school day. Oakie and Marjory Hanft provide a wide variety of services between emergency calls. The nurses are prepared to treat such minor conditions as colds, headaches, upset stomachs and minor skin rashes. People with serious medical problems will be referred to their family doctors or either of the two physicians on contract to FIU. The two contract doctors are available for emergency service and consultation. The services of the clinic are free. The doctors charge a regular fee but try to keep the cost down for students.

A variety of information is also available for the asking. There are pamphlets on venereal disease, birth control, and drugs—a student with a problem involving any of these should talk to one of the nurses. If she cannot help you, she knows someone who can.

On a busy day Nurse Oakie will treat about 25 people. The clinic has the facilities and manpower to help many more, and will, in time, do so. One of the reasons for the light patient load is that many people do not know about the clinic. However, as word gets around the number of visitors is increasing. In a one-hour period on Wednesday, usually a light day, Nurse Oakie saw a young man with a headache, a chemistry student with a burned hand, a visitor with a suspected kidney stone, a staff member who stopped by to say his cold was better and four people who just wanted to talk. "We have our steady customers who wouldn't miss a day," said Nurse Oakie.

The Student Health Service Clinic is basically an emergency facility and is not designed to provide complete health care. "You're an out-student, so you are an out-patient," Nurse Oakie said.

One service both nurses would like to see the clinic provide is some kind of personal counseling of a psychological nature. "One of the greatest problems of students on this campus," said Nurse Hanft, "is loneliness." We have nothing to offer except friendship, and there is a need for something more."

The nurses also administer the student insurance program. Each full-time student has a 24-hour-a-day accident policy at no cost to him. Complete sickness and major medical coverage is available to the single student for \$12.25 a year. Married students and those with children can provide coverage for their families at a reasonable cost. Students who haven't picked up their insurance identification cards should do so, and while you are there, take an opportunity to get acquainted with your student health service.

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# Bookstore Policy

By HELEN MANNION

Every quarter students come to the realization that monies allotted for books just do not seem to go far enough. These same people let the manager of the FIU Bookstore, Dick Lindsay, know just how they feel about the rising costs of academic publications.

Lindsay explains one reason for this plight as, "The nature of this school being of upper and graduate level standing lends itself to more expensive texts. Also, the return and buy-back rate is less, as students are more apt to keep books relating to their major area of study." The managements' policy is to always purchase the least expensive book available.

Another cause of the high rate of books is the profit ratio per sale needed to maintain and replenish the store; each text has a 20 percent mark-up of the manufacturers or publishers list price. As an arm of the free enterprise system, the bookstore is not a state owned department of the university. The Missouri Store Company from Columbia, Missouri, owns and operates the store. The traditional balance for this type economic system, competition, is nil thus far in the FIU Bookstore's short life. There are expectations that off-campus, private bookstores will emerge around the vicinity of FIU. This on-campus, privately owned type store is becoming a trend among American universities.

The only controls the University has regarding the Bookstore are the binding aspects of the contract between the two organizations and the bookstore committee, comprised of representatives from both functions. The committee has yet to meet since last Spring.

The used book policy is to buy a text back at half the original price only if it is to be used the following quarter. If the professor does not re-use the same text or edition of that book then only a portion of the manufacturers wholesale price is given in return.

At the request of a student, faculty member, or administrator any book in print will be obtained within three weeks, regardless of the number of volumes desired.

The Missouri Store Company rents the space used to house the Bookstore; the amount is based on a percentage of the annual

gross profit of the company. This is a similar situation used between the university and Servomation, Inc. which has the FIU food service contract. A new bookstore will be part of the proposed Student Services Building which will include custom designs to meet the future needs of the bookstore. There are already plans to expand the trade-book section of the store.

Lindsay and his assistant, Don Smith screen students every quarter who do not qualify for the College Work-Study program, but who do wish to work on campus. This session the store employs eight such students.

The bookstore has a check cashing accommodation open to all with a valid ID card. There is a ceiling amount of \$10.00 per check. The theory that the average person would not cash a bad check for ten dollars. If this plan proves to be successful after one year the amount per check might be increased. To date there has been \$700.00 of worthless checks cashed, as a result it is a full-time job to trace the people and the money.

A bookstore suggestion box is planned for the near future to help meet the wants and needs of the university community.

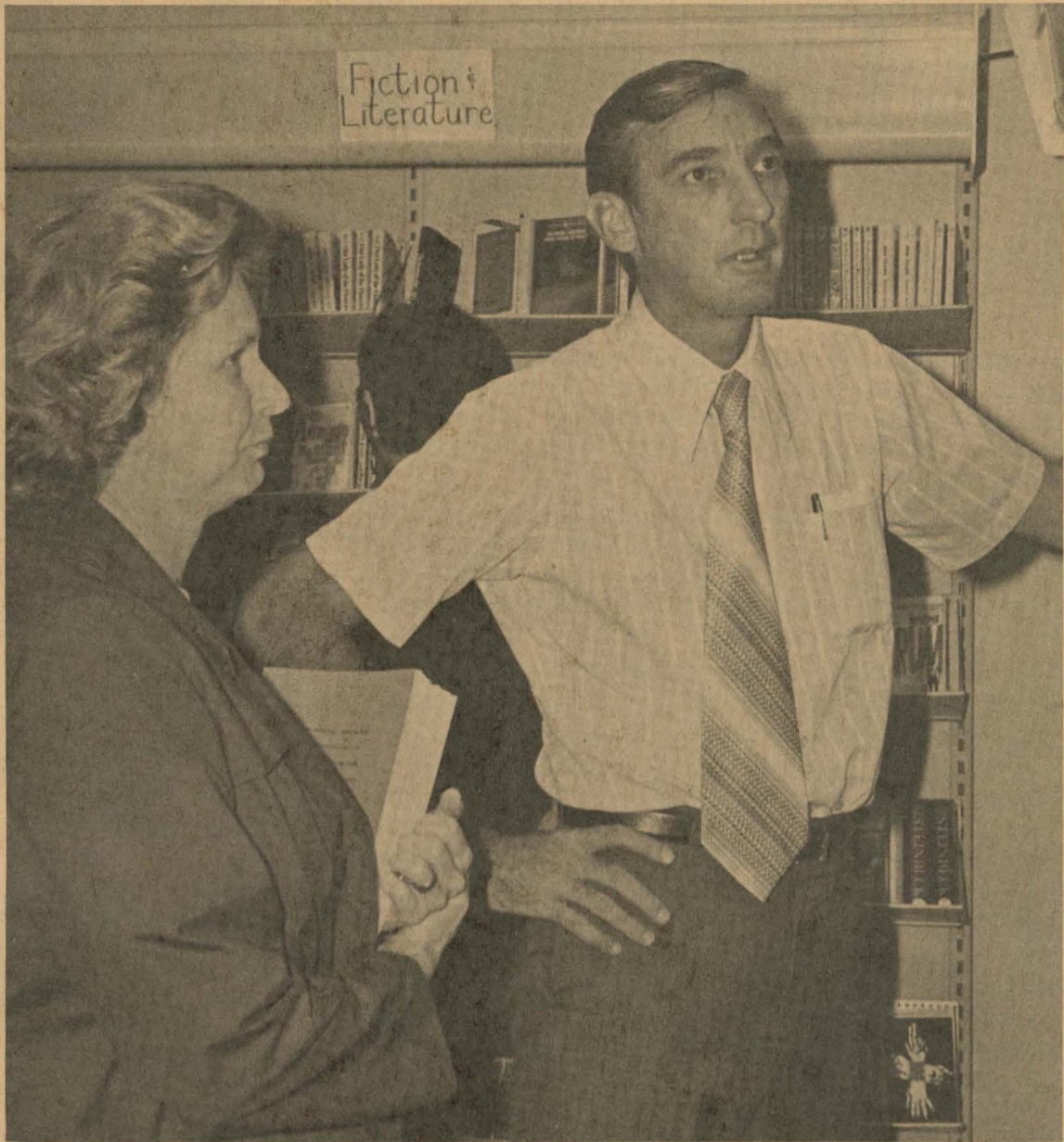


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Dick Lindsay, manager of the FIU book store answers a student's question.

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# EDITORIALS

## Letters to the Editor

### Pre-Registration

Today marks the mid-point of Spring Quarter Pre-Registration. FIU's system allows for students to register for classes at their convenience without the accompanying long lines associated with many other universities.

Ron Butler, Director of Registration, noted with sadness, the failure of FIU's unique system of registering by timeblocks rather than classes. He is optimistic, however, that the newly devised plan of registering with section preferences can work.

He pointed out that under this system no student is unfairly discriminated against by having last day appointments with all classes closed out.

ACTION welcomes this and asks for all students to help make pre-registration a success by taking the time to see your counselor and registering. Butler has promised to try and add additional sections to classes that would otherwise be closed out due to seating problems.

He explained, however, that he has no way of knowing just how many students wish to take a class if they don't pre-register. If the demand doesn't warrant another class, Butler said that he will personally contact the individual professor and try to persuade him to take additional students in class.

Pre-registration is for us. Without the cooperation of everyone, it simply can not work. Let's make it viable.

### Love is.....

In our last edition we commented on some of the problems we have encountered with Student Services. Unfortunately, however, we did not qualify our comments as well as they should have been.

You may call this a retraction, apology, or simply deserved thanks, but we want to take this opportunity to note our appreciation to the secretarial staff of Student Services whose help to ACTION has been endless.

In particular, we wish to express our gratitude to Audrey Heimbald, Linda King, Emma Olson, and Geri Sperling. Without these four ladies the publication of ACTION would be severely hampered.

### Sad Scene

What type of environment are we living in when crime runs rampant at all levels—including at our University.

The Campus Safety Department has had more than its share of crime on campus. Seven IBM Selectric Typewriters have been stolen and \$700. worth of bad checks have been cashed at the bookstore. The CSD is hesitant to leave the doors open to the fifth floor lounge due to the mysterious disappearance of many items.

Just what type of people go to Florida International University?

Get your heads together. We must do something to stop this crime on our campus. We don't know the answer, do you?

Ken Megill was fired from the University of Florida teaching staff because of his ability to confront the ruling authority figures of the school, with a mirror image of what many of today's youth call sick, unauthorized, and power-tripping behavior.

Because Ken Megill did not fit into Society's anti-youth and anti-life mold, generally as defined in A.S. Neill's *Summerhill*, the university had him fired.

Ken Megill had no problems with any of the university administration until he became highly critical of America's God Moloch, and the Vietnam war ritual, by marching with several students in an anti-war demonstration.

Once University of Florida President Stephen O'Connell decided he had an apostate in Megill, subsequent events acquired the full flavor of an old-fashioned Salem witch trial.

O'Connell began to keep a secret dossier on Megill, keeping a record of Megill's heresies both inside and outside Moloch's classroom.

According to Megill, "meetings" were scheduled between himself and O'Connell. O'Connell would play the role of Grand Inquisitor by asking Megill such questions as, "Do you teach your students to have an obligation for obeying the law?" "Do you teach Marxism?" To these articles on faith, Megill replied, "Why, yes, the 'Philosophy of Marx,' was the title of the course."

Eventually Ken Megill was silenced ex-cathedra, in spite of his approval by the powerless deans, and by the Presidentially appointed Personnel Board, who had unfortunately approved the heretic three times previously.

The way O'Connell fired Megill was to change the rules around, in violation of the authority given to him as President, using classical castrati-style rationalizations.

Megill believes that many of the University Presidents in as well as members of the Board of Regents, use their office to change the rules to get rid of and to hire anyone they please—an age-old papal power trip.

Tenure is automatic after three years at the University of Florida. However, in Megill's case O'Connell changed the rules to say he was not eligible for tenure until after four years. Then when Megill was up for a promotion, O'Connell said he could not have a promotion until he had tenure.

At each meeting, the Board of Regents voted to delay making a decision until the next meeting. After close to a month had gone by, Megill finally moved O'Connell to speak by threatening to file suit.

O'Connell agreed to have an on-campus hearing with a Board of Regents appointed examiner, (Bishop) Michael Schwartz.

The hearing ended costing "Tens of thousands of dollars," according to Megill. Four thousand was spent just for the transcript. All these thousands came from the taxpayer's collection plate.

Megill was fired. The outcome of the hearing was known long-beforehand. O'Connell had succeeded in censoring Megill.

According to Megill, university presidents around the country are using similar tactics wherever heretics profess their anti-establishment views.

Right now, these usurpers possess nearly all the power. They control all our institutions, including our schools and universities.

Teachers and others are expected "To keep peace and keep up the productivity," according to Megill. This has been the way of the world: Hitler burned books, and the establishment put Dalton Trumbo in jail during the McCarthy Era for writing his anti-war novel, *Johnny Got His Gun*.

Marshall McLuhan says, "There is no inevitability as long as there is a willingness to change." Obviously, Ken Megill agrees with McLuhan. Presently, Megill is working throughout the state of Florida as a member of the American Federation of Teachers (AFT), trying to get faculty members to work for their right to bargain collectively with school administrators and the Florida Board of Regents.

At the University of Florida attempts have been made to forbid faculty groups from meeting on campus (maybe they should try catacombs?). Megill says that in several other Florida universities, entire departments are switched around every few months, to put desirables in, and to get undesirables out.

By Michael Ray

Editor:

While I am pleased to see an independent, spontaneously initiated newspaper on campus, I suggest a broader spectrum of interest and information is needed in your pages.

The inherent freedom ACTION has in its setup also bears the responsibility to discuss issues and events relevant to our students other than mere school activities and events.

Politics, sociology, opinion, etc. should be incorporated into ACTION, discussed not only on a campus or local level; but national and international as well (as the name of the school indicates).

After all, revolutions in the third world and internal problems of race, economics, drugs, etc. affect us as students almost as much as a bomb threat in Primera Casa.

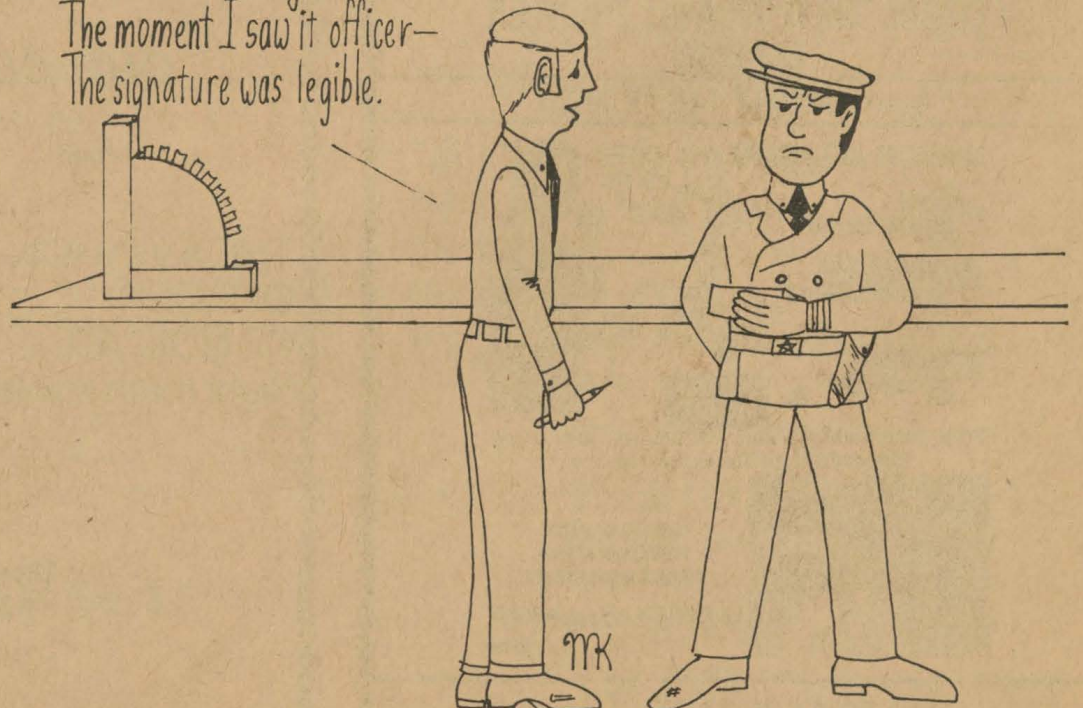
If I can be of assistance to you, please contact me.

Larry H. Mans, Student

*We agree that ACTION'S limited scope is indeed a problem, one which we are striving to solve. As ACTION grows we plan to expand the areas that will be covered. The true solution, however, is found in your letter—not only do we welcome your assistance but also that of each and every student on the FIU campus.*

ACTION welcomes your comments, criticisms, and suggestions. All letters must be typed, triple-spaced and submitted at least ten days prior to publication. Your name and phone number must accompany all letters, however it will be withheld upon request.

*I knew it was forged  
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## Lyndon wbs

It is wildly ironic that just days before the end of the Vietnamese War, we witnessed the end of the man who—more than any other—embodied that war. Historians will argue for years about all aspects of the Vietnamese tragedy; certainly a major issue will be determining whose fault was the greatest for the width and depth and breadth of our involvement in the fiasco: Eisenhower, Kennedy, Johnson or Nixon.

But there will likely be little argument about who was most effected by the war and only a bit more about who had more effect upon it. When all other aspects of his astonishing career are peeled away, it will probably be Vietnam that will be deemed Lyndon B. Johnson's chief concern in the years of his presidency—and, as such, it will very likely be seen as his ultimate failure, his most damning flaw.

How sad a case then was Lyndon Johnson, Probably no president in our history has ever had a single period in his tenure to compare with LBJ's first two years in office. Great achievements in civil rights, health care, and all the myriad "Great Society" programs and reforms sprang from the garden that he tended (albeit, a good deal of the "planting" had been done by John Kennedy).

Still, even then he was already embarking on his course in Vietnam—and by the time he was readying himself for reelection in 1968—the Vietnam venture had gone utterly awry both in that land and in this. Thus, Senators Eugene McCarthy and Robert F. Kennedy successively entered the presidential race and, ultimately, rather than face possible defeat, LBJ stepped down.

Again, the motives for his "... Shall not seek ... (nor accept ..." speech may be debated for years. His own book, *The Vantage Point* certainly denies this reporter's above thesis.

Certainly, though, it is true that Lyndon Johnson—whose most cherished role seemed to be that of the great, reasoning, bringing-together-of-peoples mediator—left the presidency with his countrymen more horribly divided than at any time since the American Civil War. It is probably equally true that he left office the most despised—and villified—figure in recent history.

The obits read that President Johnson died of a heart attack; I wonder, more literally, if it wasn't of the "cancer" that was the War in Vietnam.

# Round Campus

with bob barry

Lots of good and exciting things are happening these days round campus...most generated by unselfish, tireless people who must fall into the always small group known as self starters. One group of twelve has been working weeks drawing up a constitution for the campus government...they've been at it all through quarter break while many other students were involved in less constructive tasks. If we all keep in mind we are part of the state university system and being such must have a student government before state funds can be released for many campus related activities...we might better appreciate the efforts made in our behalf by this small but dedicated group...to this very small part of the student body we say thanks.

The Student Social Workers' Association is another group of active people...led by Debbie Zeger the SSWA is collecting nickles, dimes and quarters for a donation to the non-profit ITARD Foundation which sponsors a camp for slow learners and retarded children. Debbie attended the last Foundation meeting and heard about a multi-handicapped little girl...we're betting our quarter on a summer at camp for someone who, besides her physical handicaps, has seventeen brothers and sisters to compete with.

Federation of Cuban Students held a dance the proceeds of which were handed over to the University Financial Aid Fund as the beginning of a scholarship...Francisco Bolanos and Elizabeth Ramos, president and vice president of the Federation presented the \$390.89 to Donald

Smading, Financial Aid Administrator.

With all the happy things happening round our campus we regret to relate the following incident which took place in the second floor student lounge...we do so with the hope of brightening some peoples' viewpoint...three guys were playing pool before their eight AM class when another student entered the game room and approached a female math instructor and her friend who were sitting at one of the tables. The student was doing a video tape interview project with some classmates and when the instructor passed the taping session she gave the impression she might have an interest. After the student was coldly informed she was not, he left. The three pool players reported the following...math person to friend, "There goes one of the dummies from the Criminal Justice Program." Yes, matter of fact the students involved are in CRJ 302...also the pool players just happen to be members of the same class...along with being police officers from Hollywood who drove all the way to FIU after working the all night shift...we feel that no student at our university is a dummy, the students are all people and they are pursing dreams and goals to better themselves, their chosen profession and their world. We have inside information from the students in the CRJ program about an invitation to that certain math teacher to join the discussion groups...she may improve her opinion of the students...oh yes, one more thing to MS. N...our math teacher...Happy Valentine's Day....from the dummy....see you round campus!

## Vets Corner

In a recent meeting attended by the South Florida V.A. Representatives, the new Public Law, 92-540, was discussed in detail. Most Veterans are only familiar with one aspect of this law—the new rates for educational allowance which went into effect on October 24, 1972. But there are additional benefits included in the law.

Even Women's Lib has gotten into this act. The law provides that a married woman veteran can now claim her husband as a dependent and will receive the same allotment as a man would receive for a dependent wife.

Adopted children can also be claimed if you can furnish proof of their dependence (adoption papers can be used.)

For the wives husbands who are separated from their veteran husbands wives, it is now

possible to claim that portion of the check allotted to dependents. You can have your check mailed directly to you by writing the V.A. Office in St. Petersburg and explaining the situation.

Prior to October 24, 1972, all veterans were limited to a maximum of two changes of program. The new Public Law has changed this limitation in the following way: An additional program change may be approved when such changes are necessitated by circumstances beyond the control of the veteran or eligible person. The following, though not all inclusive, illustrate circumstances that will be considered an acceptable reason for requesting a change of program:

(1) The course is discontinued by the school and no other similar course leading to the same objective is available within normal commuting distance.

(2) The eligible person or veteran is required to relocate because of health reasons in an area where training for his last objective is not available within commuting distance, or

(3) Unexpected financial difficulties will prevent him from completing his last program because of the overall cost of the program needed to reach his objective.

A veteran or eligible person may apply for this additional change by filling out form 21E-1995 in the Registration & Records Office (Room 216). St. Petersburg will then send a letter to the applicant requesting evidence to determine if the change is necessitated by circumstances beyond his control. If the case is approved, it will be forwarded for counseling.

Watch for our next article when we will talk about "trouble with checks."

# Blood Money-

## A Pricking Experience

wbs

By wbs

The most grievous problem facing the average FIU student (and a fair-to-middling portion of the faculty and staff) is that most painful of all subjects: money. Many students work of course, but attending class full-time hardly leaves much time for making bread. For the staff and or faculty who do work full-time, but still come up short, the problem is even more critical.

What to do? Well, one way that quite a few FIU'ers have found to be workable is going the blood bank route. What you do, in essence, is trot down to the friendly, neighborhood "bb," do the needle number, and exit somewhere between \$10 and \$15 richer.

Needless to say, the process is a bit of pain, literally. But, unless you happen to be one of those unlucky folks who faint at the sight of the old corpuscles and get absolutely barfy if it happens to be your own, it really isn't too complicated a procedure.

You go into the blood bank and are asked to sign your name: this is primarily to determine your literacy, as dingbats are generally presumed to have somewhat inferior blood. You are then directed to a waiting room, usually a large hall, filled to overflowing with, to be perfectly candid, old drunks. There you sit for ten or 15 minutes, primarily so that you'll have enough time to work up a good sweat thinking about what you've gotten yourself into.

When your name is called, you march into the examination room where you are given the once-over, usually by an aging, defrocked doctor. After the usual questions—asked in an inaudible mumble, of course—to all of which you answer "no," you are ready for the pre-biggie biggie: when the nice man jabs your finger with the little needle. This sensation is roughly equivalent to the first bite by an enraged, 20 foot tiger shark, although, somewhat less lethal. Interestingly, it is almost always done while you have a thermometer in your mouth; this is done not to determine your temperature, but to see if you can keep from biting the thing in half when they stab you.

Then, you're ready for the big one. You are taken over to a table—which looks rather much

like the things they do autopsies on—and told to lie down and make yourself comfortable. Not entirely oddly, the last remark is invariably made by a little, gray-haired lady who looks like a cross between your mother and Ygor the shepherd. Suddenly, across the room whips a familiar looking figure dressed in white—surgical white—and an opera cape. Even the accent is familiar, "Good eeve-ning!" is always the greeting, even if you came in at 8 AM.

Before you can bolt from the table, the rubber strap is around your arm and the needle—which looks not unlike the harpoon that did in Moby Dick—is plunged into your arm. Happily, it only lasts for about 10 minutes, exclusive of the time it takes to revive you.

Then, for your 10 minutes work, you're given your little check for \$10 and haste-post-haste, you fly out the door, pausing only to find out where it can be cashed. You are invariably directed to the nearest liquor store, the reason for which seems unclear, unless you read the fourth paragraph above rather carefully.

After cashing the check, you reflect upon the experience, and determine to never do it again. Until the next time!

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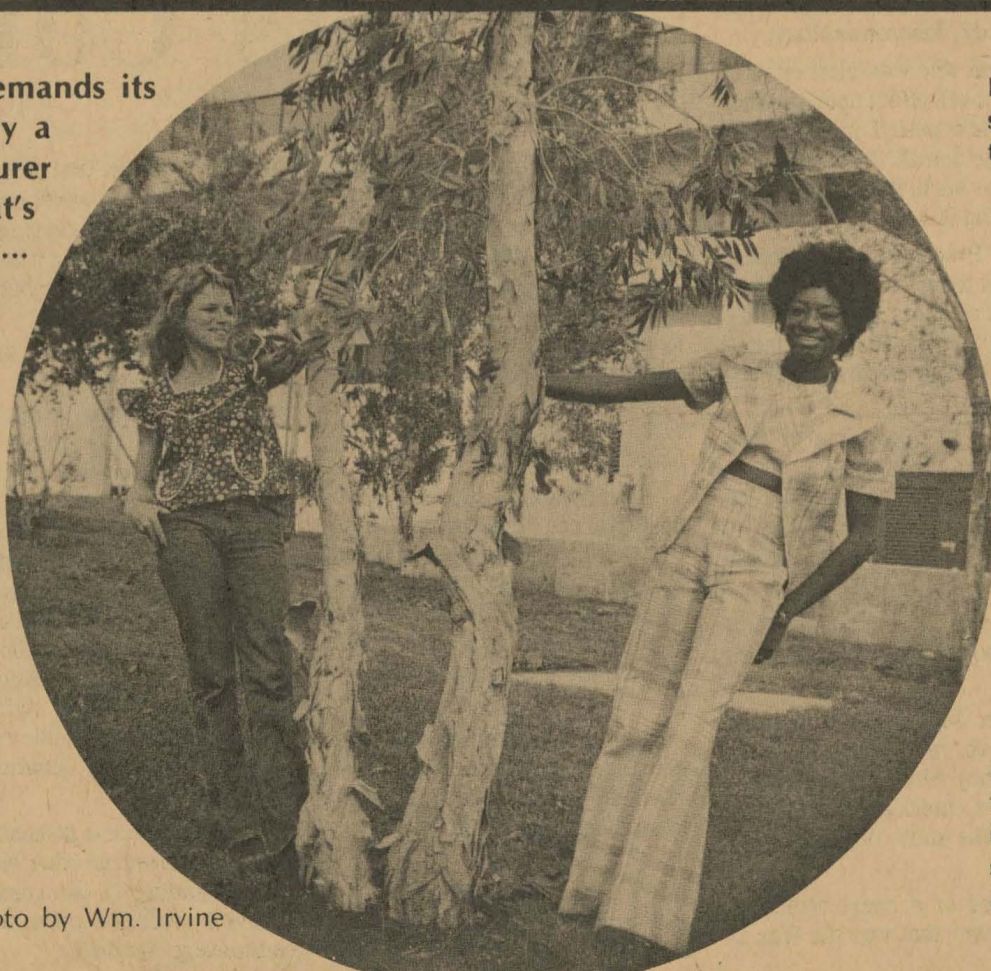
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From 1851 to Present

## Wealth of Information Available on Microfilm in Library Reference Section

Microforms (part of the Reference Department of the Library) can be found located at the south end of the reading room in the Library. There is a wealth of information and good reading contained in this small area. For example, over 450 periodicals on microfilm are stored in just about one and a half cabinets, (about 20 drawers in all) and in about 3x10 feet of space.

There are U.S. Government Documents including all the earliest American State Papers, Annals of Congress, and the Congressional Record. There are Congressional Hearings and monthly catalogs of published U.S. Government Documents and many other items.

For educators, education students, and all those interested in education, a complete collection of ERIC microfiche; over 200,000 documents in all, is available for your use. ERIC is an acronym for Educational Research Information Center. All of ERIC is indexed so that the subject area of your interest can be easily located. Some of our professors have their papers published in ERIC, so you may find yourself reading a paper of someone you know, or maybe even your own if you are a teacher. There are eight daily newspapers on microfilm, including the Wall Street Journal, and some of the newspaper collections are entire. For example, stored there is the New York Times back to its beginning in 1851, the Miami Herald from 1911 and the Miami Daily News back to 1904 when it was called the Miami Metropolis. For you history enthusiasts, it may be interesting to read history as it happened.

Interested in Women's Liberation? There are twenty-three reels of HERSTORY, a history—oops, pardon me—a history of women which includes articles on women from magazines, newspapers, newsletters and pamphlets; a fascinating and informative collection of works.

There are three types of microforms in our collection; 16mm and 35mm reels and 4x6 microfiche. The microfiche are individual cards of microfilm which contain 60, 84, or 98 pages on each card, depending on the reduction ratio when they were filmed. We have twenty-four machines with various size lenses capable of magnifying the different types of film for reading. These machines include three reader-printers which may be used to print a copy of anything on microfilm at a charge of 10 cents per print.

Microforms do not circulate, and just as periodicals or newspapers in hard copy, they must be read in the library.

The microform's room hours are the same as the library hours, and there are several people on duty to help you if necessary. Dorothy Rosenthal (who received her B.A. in English at FAU), is the library assistant in charge of the microforms room, and Carol Watts is in charge when Mrs. Rosenthal is not on duty. Employed are several work-study students who will be happy to assist you in any way when they are on duty. They are Carol Yngve, Debbie Sadowski, Craig McMahon, Gil Rosado and Mary Roberts. Go visit them, you'll be glad you did!

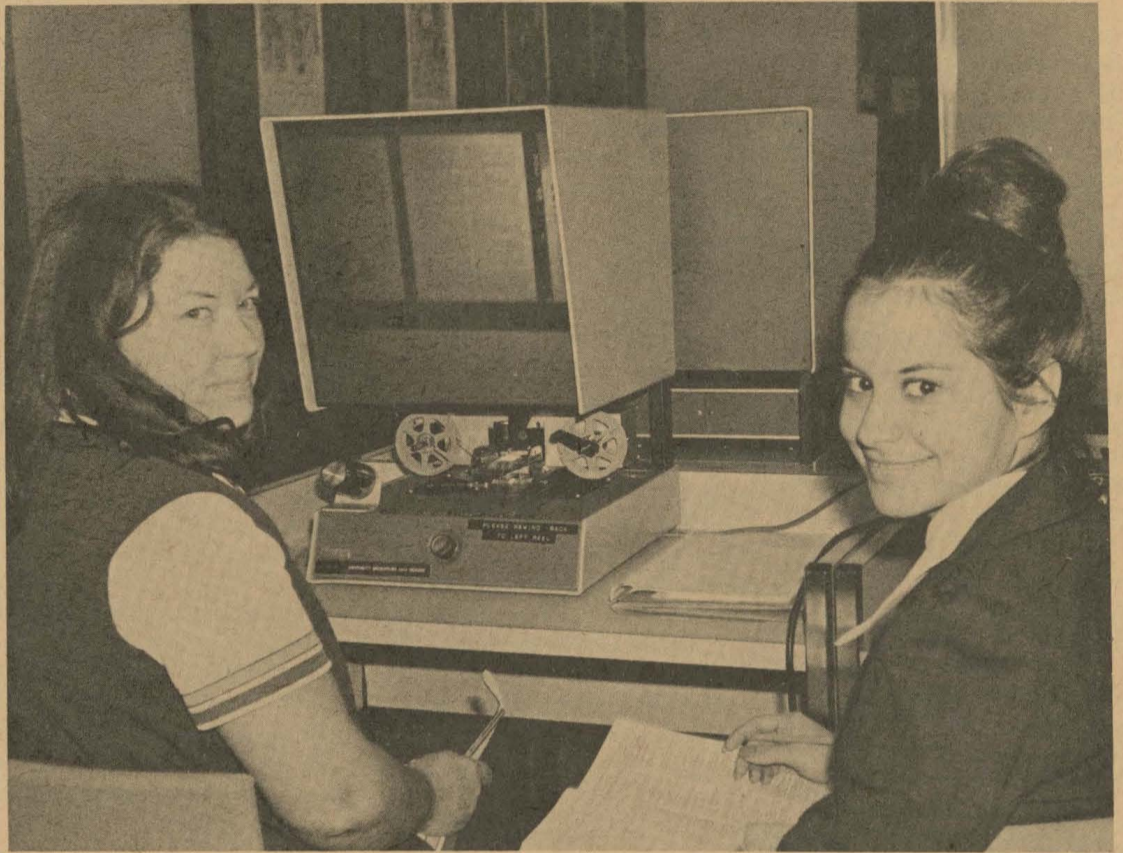


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L-R Students Shirley Smith and Mayra Parets use a microfilm Reader in the library.



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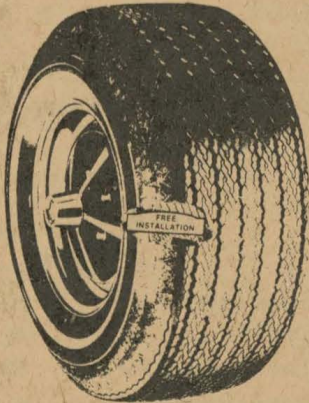
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# Roving Reporter Reports

By DENISE WINSTEN

More girls-guys, better food, and a warmer environment—that's what FIU students would like to see!

Question: "If you could change one thing at the University, what would you change?"

Tom Burkholder, Political Science-History Major:

"Lack of coordination and cooperation between departments. I would like my major to be both Political Science and History. Yet last term I found these departments fighting over me rather than helping me with my curriculum!"

Blanca Bello, Marketing Major:

"The elevator. It's too overcrowded, makes me late for my classes, and I'm afraid of the stairs. I hate the feeling of me breathing on everyone's neck and everyone breathing on mine. I must have set a school record today by going to every floor twice before."

Richie Capresecco, English Major:

"The air conditioning. It's too-cold. It was beautiful outside today and freezing inside. I had to go outside to get warm. If you are trying to write or listen to a lecture, you can't concentrate because you're so cold. Is this any way to run a University? I'm beginning to think they're trying to freeze us out."

Bruce Martin, Physical Education Major:

"They have just snacks in the cafeteria. There is no way you can get a balanced meal. There are some people who are in school from 8 o'clock in the morning till 10:45 at night that rely on the food in the cafeteria to sustain them through the day. I would like to see a better variety of nutritional foods served."

Chuck Snodgrass, Accounting Major:

"I'd like to see more girls with a friendlier attitude in the Student Union."



Jeff Thal, student, School of Hotel-Restaurant Management, pours a wine sample during a class in Beverage Management.

Photo by Jack Seiderman

Kurt Fioto, Social Work Major:

"I have a class of 85 people and that's just too many. I feel you lose all rapport between student and teacher when there are so many in one classroom. It's so impersonal this way. There are so many questions to be answered by the teacher we seem never to get to the vital issues. I know my teacher feels the same way."

Dr. Joe Olander, Political Science Professor:

"Less personal and organizational competition which

exists among the academic units. I would like to see more cooperative behavior focusing on the intellectual and personal growth of students as well as faculty."

Bobbie Witz, Graduate School Of Business:

"Terrifically mod school. Very perceptive to new ideas. It cannot be expected to run efficiently the first term. But I am anticipating better organization this term and those terms following."

Professor Dan McCauley, School of Health and Social Services:

"Implementation of practical and realistic goals set forth by the University to make it a viable Institution in the community. The school needs more spirit. We need concerts, interesting lectures, social and athletic events. As it stands now, students just come to classes and leave. They miss out on one of the important elements of university life and learning—what we get from each other."

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## Student Groups Began to Organize Said Spence

By LESLIE ROSENBLATT

Florida International University's Office of Student Services has maintained a busy schedule since the opening of the University last Fall.

To date, more than forty clubs have started the process which leads to official recognition by the University. These organizations include professional, ethnic, political, cultural, service, and special interest clubs. There is also a move to start fraternities and sororities.

Plans are underway, by interested students and faculty members, to start a Student

Information Center. The Center's function will be to serve the students and faculty members with problems which they may have with the University or community. It will be operated by the students.

The philosophy of the Student Activities Department at FIU as stated by Mr. Terry L. Spence, Associate Dean of Student Service, is "to have a wide range of clubs for all levels of students and to try to tie these activities with the community so that more people will take part in them. activities."

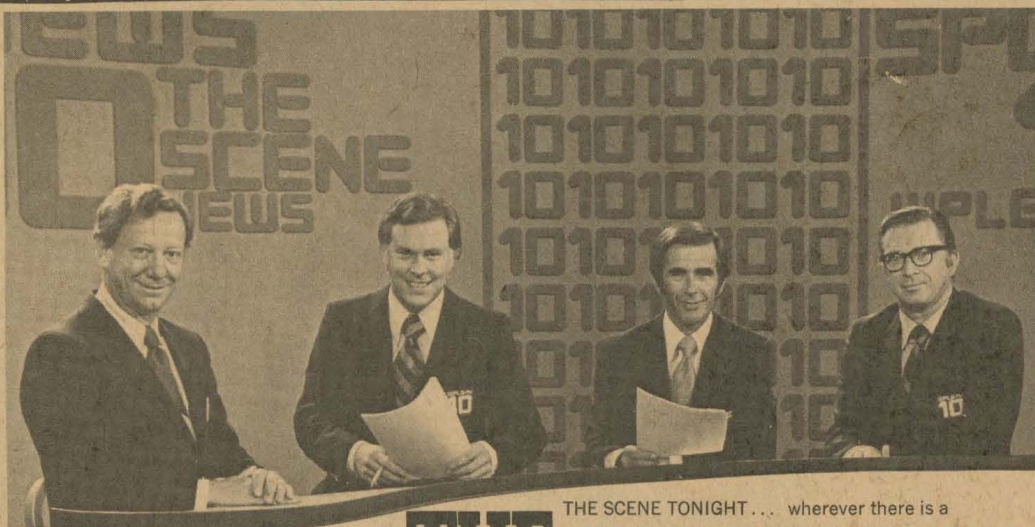
The tentative procedure for seeking official status at FIU involved three steps. The student must come to the Office of Student Service (rm. 220, PC)

and fill out a form stating the purpose of the organization. A constitution and proposed budget must be submitted. After the statement of purpose, constitution, and budget have been submitted, the Student Government Association will determine the final step which is the granting or rejection of official status, however, the SGA is yet to be formed. If the club is granted official recognition by the University they are entitled to use rooms for meetings, possible grants of student funds, and the club may use the State of Florida Central Buying House.

Currently, however, the Student Government Association is in the process of organizing so any club operating now is only under a tentative recognition and their status will not become permanent until after the Student Government is established and operating.

A manual on Student Activities is currently being planned. It will have a sample constitution, procedure for recognition, and other important information which should help students form a successful club. Publication of the manual is being held up until the Student Government Association studies the manual and makes its recommendations concerning organizations on campus.

Any student interested in forming a club on campus is encouraged to contact Terry L. Spence in Student Services.



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Donald Smading accepts a check in the sum of \$390.89 from the Federation of Cuban Students. Francisco Balanos and Elizabeth Ramos, President and Vice President of the Federation make the presentation which opened a scholarship fund for needy Cuban students.

## Lacrosse Comes to FIU

By PATRICK MCGARY

Lacrosse, the oldest American sport played at FIU.

A Lacrosse team consists of ten players: one goalkeeper, three defensemen, three midfielders, and three attack men. The game is played on a rectangular field 110 yards long and 60 yards wide. The goals are set out from the end lines 20 yards so that the play may carry on behind them as in hockey. A midline divides the fields into two equal halves. During the course of the game, each team must keep four players in its offensive half. Failure to do so results in a technical foul called "off-sides."

A player with the ball may run with it or pass it with the use of his stick, called a "crosse," but may never catch or throw the ball with his hands. The method of scoring is to "shoot" the ball into the opponent's goal, resulting in a point. The game consists of four 15-minute quarters and in the event of a tie game a 10-minute overtime period is played.

The game has been growing in popularity in the United States. When the Canadian semi-pro teams were coming down the East Coast for their exhibitions, a track team from Mr. Washington area in Baltimore witnesses a Lacrosse game on Long Island. They liked the game so much that they took it back to Baltimore, and that area has been the center of lacrosse ever since. At the present, the hotbed of lacrosse

appears to be shifting to Long Island where most high schools now have teams. Altogether about one hundred and sixty four colleges and two hundred and thirty-five high schools throughout the United States play the sport. Many colleges in the Midwest and West are now taking up the sport.

Lacrosse was introduced into the FIU Athletic Department by

Dr. Paul Hartman, Director of Athletics. Daily practice has started, and anyone interested in playing should call him at 223-2300 extension no. 2661.

Games have tentatively been scheduled to start sometime in late February. FIU will play host to such teams as University of Florida, University of Miami, Tampa Bay Lacrosse Club, Miami Lacrosse Club, and the Michigan Lacrosse team.

## Pre-Registration (Cont. from Page 1)

Change Day is to service those students who did not pre-register or whose schedule could not be met for any number of reasons. Change Day is based on a reward-priority system. If the pre-registered schedule does not work due to time conflict, etc.,

then a student may begin changing courses at 9 a.m., March 30. If the pre-registered schedule does work, but it is otherwise necessary to change a course, then this can be done at noon of Change Day. If one chooses not, or cannot, pre-

register the registration begins at 3 p.m. of the same day.

Currently students are given cause priority by class standing and credit hour ranking. In the future a priority will be given to individuals who desire courses in their major; this is not a first come first serve system.

## English Dares to be Different

By DIANE TOLBERT

"We're going to be different," says Dr. Richard Dwyer, Chairman of FIU's English Department. Dr. Dwyer is definite about what the priorities of the English Department shall be. Unlike the University of Florida, where he spent the last five years, and other schools which similarly place heavy emphasis "on the prestigious Ph.D. program, FIU's English Department will devote its efforts to the creation of well rounded, effective BA and MA programs."

In an institution where the Ph.D. program has high priority, it tends to "determine what happens at the lower levels and is extremely costly per student. So, the English major program becomes merely a reflection of the Ph.D. program, with lots of course requirements with historical and research emphasis," said Dwyer.

In contrast to this scheme, the department of English gets into the basics of "what literature is all about." There are many thematic literature courses dealing with topics such as women, utopias, and revolutionary literature; as well as genre, poetry, creative and expository writing courses.

A film course is also offered, which presently has the largest enrollment of any class at FIU, to introduce students to the historical and creative elements of the movies, taught by blue-jeaned Dr. Lynn Berk, and Dr. Harry Antrim, Assistant Dean of Arts and Sciences. An evening film festival series is also in the planning stage.

Dr. Dwyer said that the department is a "service department," since over half of the enrollment in English courses is made up of non-majors. One such "service" course is Improving Communications, taught

by Dr. Donald Watson and Dr. Charles Elkins. This course was initially designed for a group of Cuban CPA candidates who needed to be more proficient in English in order to pass the required State certification exam, but could be "very valuable to any non-native student."

The department is "currently negotiating for the services of a Pulitzer Prize winning novelist, to teach an advanced creative writing course." This and an advanced expository writing course are aimed at hopeful-professional writers and journalists. According to Dr. Dwyer (in keeping with the general logic of Arts and Sciences) journalism proper should wait until the professional schools develop entire programs in this field.

Poetry readings are also scheduled to enrich the curriculum. Earlier this month, Barry Wallenstein, and two FIU poets, Neil Herman and Ralph Remis read their works to students. On February 23, through the generosity of Mr. Jordan Davidson, a FIU founder, Edmund Skellings ("The Electric Poet") will appear at 8:30 p.m. in the fifth floor lounge of Primera Casa to read a selection of his poetry, and all are welcome.



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Asst. Prof. Paul Butkovich examines a basidiomycetous fungus, mushroom to you, grows from the wall at Deuxieme Maison's second floor.

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3:30 pm - "Florida International Univ. Community Services." Dr. Glenn A. Goerke

5-6:00 pm - Official FIU Reception of Argentinian Students

Tuesday  
February 20  
10:30 am - "Urban Planning & Social Problems" - Dr. Nicholas Sileo

3:30 pm - US Corporate Role in Latin America, Dr. Dale Truett

Wednesday  
February 21  
8:00 pm - Panel Presentation by Black Community Leader, Dr. Edwin Sherley, Moderator (Chrmn, CRB)

Thursday  
February 22  
1:00 pm - Changing Roles of Women, Dr. Charlotte Tatro  
3:30 pm - Economic Development & Social Change in Latin America.

Friday  
February 23  
10:30 am - Political Games, Dr. Joseph Olander

3:30 - 6:00 pm - Panel Presentation by Argentinian Students on: "Political Violence & Instability in the Political System in Argentina.", Dr. Jose Aybar, Moderator

7:30 pm - Roundtable discussion with American Student Leaders (PC 223)

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# SPORTS SCENE

with

debbie goldstein

Judging from the eager reactions of the partisan soccer fans and baseball buffs around campus, the athletic teams at Florida International University will have no problem attracting crowds during the spring sporting events.

It seems as though, the five varsity teams of soccer, wrestling, tennis, baseball, and golf, all lacking nothing but an official mascot, have already left an impressionable preview of their first-year abilities in the record books.

Greg Myers' soccer squad booted in its initial goals on the Tamiami Park practice field in the early fall, to give FIU followers a sneak preview of an 8-4-1 season, which began with Roberto Sabbagh's single goal shutout over the University of Miami. Recently, Myers granted athletic scholarships for the upcoming season to forward Steve Lee and midfielder Trakoon Jirasudet, members of Miami-Dade JC South's production line of soccer stars.

The rewarding season came to a climax with the naming of three FIU players, forward Julio Alas, fullback Robert Walker, and goalkeeper Roger Kidder to the Gold Coast All-Star Soccer team.

With a stinging whack of rackets, the FIU netters warmed up against top area champions of all ages in mid-January, when they initiated the season at Continental and Henderson Parks in the Dade County Men's events and the City of Miami Hardcourt Championships. In doubles competition, the duo of Gus Salazar of Colombia and Rudy Vargas of Costa Rica gave FIU the winning edge with 6-1

and 6-2 sets on the Ransom School courts.

The new star on the golf course, who has emerged from an autumn of tournament play is Joe Cianflone of Pittsburgh, Pa., a strong contender in the recent Dixie Classic for top amateurs in the golfing ranks. The precision seeking group of FIU linksmen will see the highlight of the season against the nation's best in the collegiate golf circles in the University of Miami Invitational at the Biltmore course this March.

A 27-man baseball force run by head coach Tom Wenderling and his assistants, Frank Merchant and Bob Delgado, will play

a tedious 53-game schedule this season. Following several pre-season exhibition games, the young squad will meet Miami-Dade JC South on Saturday, February 10. The genuine test will be a demonstration of the ballhandling abilities of third baseman Mike Sanz and first baseman Larry Hoskin, while top pitching prospects now in the bullpen are former Miami-Dade JC North right-hander Frank Baumgartner and Austin Peay State prospect, lefty Bill Fireline.

Intramurals, too, have reached a peak under the supervision of Delgado, who has molded the basketball program into a winning one for the Blues squad. The team, thriving on points scored by Bill Martin, Dave Baron, Bill Nessen, and Ben Zilberberg have sparked a 6-2 record, to lead the overall standings. The Wrestlers (4-2), playing a new athletic role, have proven to be the toughest of the Blues' opponents, with top scorer Clint Riley leading the prestigious team to two defeats over the number one squad. The Sneaks (1-5) and the Tursairs (0-2), have not been as lucky in performing their stunts out on the courts, yet they are providing powerful league competition. Ping pong and volleyball are in the planning stages to provide further intramural activities for the spring.

## WEEKLY SPORTS CALENDAR

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| Feb. |   |
| 10   | TENNIS - South Florida - 9:00 (Away)          |
| T    | Tampa - 2:00 (Away)                           |
|      | BASEBALL - MDJC South - 1:00 (Away)           |
|      | WRESTLING - State Collegiate Tourney - (Away) |
| 13   | WRESTLING - Broward - 7:30 (Away)             |
| 14   | BASEBALL - Broward - 3:00 (Away)              |
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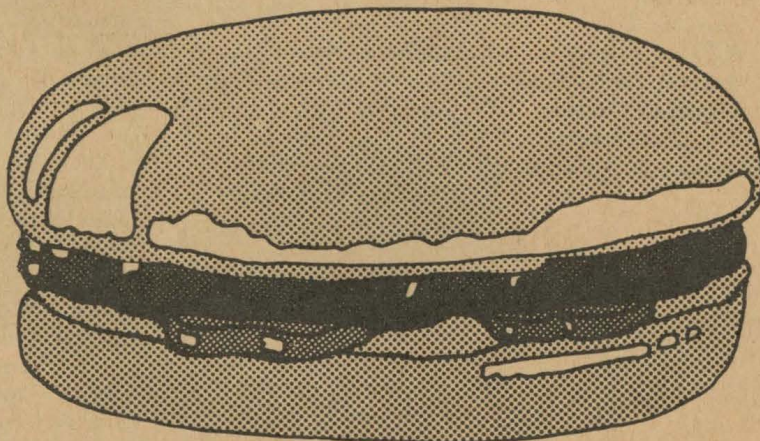


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