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For consumer complaints

Here's where students can go

FERNANDO FERNANDEZ
Contributor

You just purchased two pounds of ground beef, but somehow it doesn't feel like two pounds.

You pulled into your friendly neighborhood gas station and told Harry to "fill 'er up," yet two hours and four miles later you're stuck in rush hour traffic on I-95 and you're completely out of gas.

You finally did it. You put a down payment on that beautiful, sleek red sports car you've been dreaming about for years. However, when you got home you realized that the contract you signed quotes the interest as 27 percent and not the 7 percent you thought it was.

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

According to Jackie Wilson of the Dade County Consumer Protection Agency, there is a lot that you can do.

Miss Wilson explained that the Agency is charged with the responsibility of investigating consumer complaints dealing with such things as weights and measures, contracts, retail services, insurance, real estate matters and more.

In explaining the DCCPA procedures for handling consumer complaints, Wilson stated that there were several essential elements. First, the nature of the consumer's problem is determined. Second, a determination is made by the agency representative whether or not this complaint falls within their

investigative jurisdiction.

IF SO, the third step is to forward the necessary complaint forms to the consumer. He then furnishes information pertinent to the alleged offense and vital to the agency in its investigation. Along with the forms, the consumer must furnish proof of purchase and any guarantee or warranty papers given to him by the seller. The agency then initiates an investigation, and takes whatever action is necessary to correct the situation.

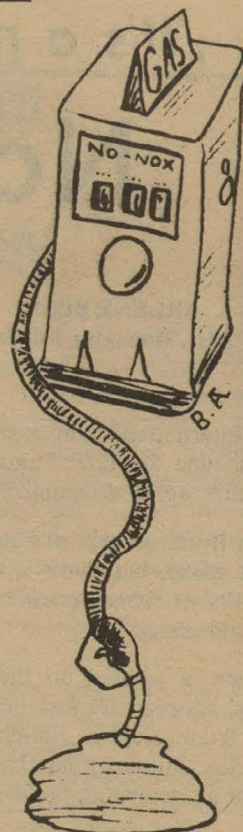
Wilson added that if the alleged offense does not fall within her agency's jurisdiction, every effort is made to refer the consumer to the agency which would best handle their specific problem.

"Our investigative personnel receive regular training at the Dade County Police Academy. We receive regular accreditation in police training, and although many people don't realize it, we are a law enforcement agency," Wilson stated.

The agency has the power to restrain individuals suspected of cheating the public in such incidents as discrepancies in weights of vegetables, meats, etc. This is a very important aspect in the agency's role, considering the prices of food today.

THE DCCPA has three branches in the Dade County area. They are located at: 1399 NW 17 Avenue, 547-7111; 2740 NW 49 Street, 638-6035; 10710 SW 211 Street, 232-1810.

So before you give up and figure you have just been taken, remember, you do have alternatives as a consumer.



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Watching eyes



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WHY OF COURSE, THE WISE OLD OWL
WOULD CHOOSE THE CAMPUS OF
WISDOM (FIU) TO WATCH OVER!

Selection postponed on FIU President

"The conference date for the Board of Regents Presidential Selection Committee to choose FIU's president will be postponed a few days," Regent Marshall Harris said.

"Chairperson Marshall Criser and Regent Jack McGriff would like to meet the two remaining nominees, Dr. Stanley R. Ross and Dr. Charles F. Bonser, in order to make a fair decision," Harris said. The meeting is not required.

Criser and McGriff were unable to meet the nominees when they were interviewed by other committee members. They are attempting to arrange interviews.

Harris feels that after Criser and McGriff attempt to interview the nominees, the Selection Committee will meet within two weeks.

Contingency fund controversy blocks SGA budget vote

LYNNE E. KAVA
News Editor

A confrontation between SGA Chairperson Jose Eiriz and Senator Alan Sakowitz resulted in SGA's Activities and Service budget being blocked on July 7.

The controversial subject was a proposed amendment to establish a \$600 contingency fund.

The fund would be used in cases of emergency, in maximum \$50 per week allotments. Total funds could not exceed \$150 per quarter. Approval from three of the five members of the presiding board would be necessary.

THE EXISTING contingency fund has the same requirements as the proposed fund, except there was no limit to the total amount requested included in the existing plan.

SGA Comptroller George Brackett said, "The current contingency fund was never used."

Sakowitz said he stated at the SGA meeting, "We don't need the contingency fund and three people should not have control of it. I propose the \$600 be put in the program fund. First the budget committee and then the senate must approve the use of program funds."

Sakowitz said he and 12 senators voted against the contingency fund; six voted for it.

AFTER THE vote, George Brackett, voting against the

amendment, made a motion to reconsider the issue.

Sakowitz cited a violation in Eiriz's acceptance of the motion to reconsider, using "Robert's Rules of Order."

The rules state, "The motion for reconsideration is to prevent a temporary majority from taking advantage of an unrepresented attendance at a meeting, to vote an action that is opposed by a majority of a society or a convention's membership."

Eiriz said he explained at the meeting, "I consider two-thirds a close vote and the Chair must accept the motion for reconsideration because it is a senate house approved rule."

EIRIZ SAID, "SGA has 34 members, 19 were present, six are on a leave of absence and nine were not at the meeting. The nine absent members, voting in favor of the amendment, would change the ruling."

Section 2,D in the SGA's constitution states, "The Chairperson's duties are: to enforce any kind of rules that are not unconstitutional or illegal according to the guidelines of the Board of Regents Student Government Association Constitution By-Laws and any state laws enacted by the state legislative body."

"I did not make a decision, Sakowitz was appealing the house rule. To change a house rule the proper procedure is to amend it, or to enact new laws or rescind current laws," Eiriz said.

SAKOWITZ SAID he appealed Eiriz's decision not to act on the reconsideration motion. "He was using dilatory tactics," Sakowitz contends.

Eiriz said, "Any member may ask the Chair to make a ruling and then appeal that ruling, but according to the constitution, there was no ruling the Chair had to make. I called Sakowitz's appeal out of order."

SAKOWITZ SAID, "The meeting ended with myself and 12 senators block voting against further legislation. I have talked to many senators and believe the absent senators will not agree to the amendment. The two-thirds vote does not call for a minority ruling of reconsideration. I feel many people think the presiding board has too much power and there should be more policies made to control SGA's expenditures."

Brackett said he made a motion to have a policy committee formed but the motion was killed due to the rules of the house. "If the senators had wanted more policies they could have brought the issue to the floor again," Brackett explained.

"The total approved A&S budget is approximately \$139,000, but the line items (itemized allocation list of expected expenditures) is what must still be agreed upon. Until then SGA has approximately \$29,000 left from last year's operational budget," Brackett said.

Byrd: 'It's a miracle'

ARLENE ROSS
Asst. Managing Editor

North Miami Campus

"Florida International University at North Miami will be open June 21, 1977. Taking everything into account, I think we've accomplished a miracle."

Dr. Milton Byrd, provost of FIU at North Miami, smiled as he spoke, but there is no doubt that the opening of FIU's second campus is largely the result of Byrd's well laid plans.

The campus is located on the northern tip of Biscayne Bay, between 135 and 163rd Streets, on 106 acres. The Trade Center Building of the Inter-American Center Authority has been purchased and converted into an academic facility.

"OUR LONG-RANGE task is to develop a major state university campus. By 1990, North Miami should be able to accommodate 15,000 students," Byrd stated.

There is a definite need for this campus, and great support from the citizens residing in the area. More than one million people live within a 25-minute driving radius of the North Miami campus. Driving time to Florida Atlantic University or FIU's Tamiami Campus is prohibitive, even under the best of conditions.

In essence, a large segment of the population would not be served by the State University System of Florida if not for the North Miami Campus.

Not to worry. FIU at North Miami is progressing according to schedule, although operating funds are still needed. Budget difficulties that plague the entire State University System have left their mark on North Miami as well.

WORKING WITHIN budget guidelines, North Miami will open to accommodate approximately 2,000 students. The converted Trade Center Building will house the library, faculty and staff offices, student services and administration, one lecture hall (100 students), 12 classrooms (30-60 students each), and media and health centers.

Byrd hopes to be able to offer Pre-Opening Programs prior to the actual stated opening of the campus. Early January, 1977 should start North Miami with about 300 students, increasing to 500 before the June 21 target date. However, these plans have not yet been finalized. Lack of funding is, once again, the major problem.

FIU at North Miami will offer 22 academic programs, at undergraduate and graduate levels. Approximately 60 new faculty members will be

needed, along with the same amount of staff.

FIU's second campus concerns everyone involved with the University. The expansion of FIU is an exciting, healthy sign of life in the State University System of Florida.

Inquiries about Florida International University at North Miami may be addressed to Dr. Milton Byrd, provost. His offices are in the PC Building on the Tamiami Campus.

Financial Aid can help -- when rules are followed

PEARL SMITH
Staff Writer

Florida International University's financial aid office believes in the philosophy that all students are entitled to college educations regardless of their ability to contribute. However, some students disagree.

A spokesman from the financial aid office said that assistance may be in the form of a grant, loan, part-time employment or a combination of all three.

F.I.U. participates in the National Direct Student Loan Program, Florida Student Loan Program, Federal Nursing Loan and Scholarship Program, Law Enforcement Education Program, College Work-Study Program, Florida Student Assistance Grant Program, Supplemental Education Opportunity Grant Program, and Basic Educational Opportunity Grant Programs.

IN ORDER to qualify for aid, a student must be degree-seeking. A new application for aid must be submitted each year. Forms for aid are available in February for the following Summer Quarter and academic year. Students enrolling in the Summer and Fall are strongly urged by financial aid officers to apply between February 1 and May 1 in order to receive priority consideration. Students are urged to apply as soon as possible and do not have to wait until they have been accepted formally by the admissions office of the University.

Before a financial aid application can be evaluated, students are expected to complete a Parent's Confidential Statement (PCS) or a Student Financial Statement (SFS) which is mailed directly to the College Scholarship Service with a small fee. The PCS is filed by students who were claimed as dependents by their parent or legal guardian for income tax purposes, or students who reside with their parents.

Another application necessary is for the purpose of the financial aid office. This application must be mailed or taken to the financial aid office by the student.

If an undergraduate student is dependent and his or her family's gross income is less than \$15,000, or if he or she is an independent student and his or her gross income is less than \$15,000, the student is expected to apply for the Florida Student Assistance Grant Program or the Basic Economic Opportunity Grant (BEOG) Program.

The Florida Grant applications must be submitted by March 1, 1976.

AWARDS MAY be adjusted if the student's financial circumstances change. Applicants who fail to notify the financial aid office of assistance from other sources are subject to complete withdrawal of aid. The financial aid office would like to note that the opportunities for financial assistance are limited if a student is not a resident alien or a U.S. citizen.

Students have complained this quarter that the financial aid checks have been late. The lateness of the checks causes problems because students were unable to buy books. One student suggested that some arrangement should be made with the bookstore on the order of a book loan program. This has had tremendous success at Miami-Dade.

A report from the computer room said the check runs were behind schedule because the end of the fiscal year was July 1, and the computers were overloaded from other offices in the university.

It was also suggested that financial aid checks can be processed earlier if students don't wait until the last possible moment to file for aid. This will speed up the processing of the checks.

AFTER THE student returns a copy of the award letter as signed and accepted, the amount and type of aid to be received are recorded on computer input sheets and sent to the data center. At the data center the computer input sheets are keypunched and checks are requested.

The function of the cashier's office is to distribute checks and to log them for internal control. Most of the paper work in this office dealing with the financial aid checks is done by one person: Marsha Gaston.

Financial aid checks were to be run June 14, June 28, and July 12. The first actual check run was June 30.

Students are urged by the financial aid office to follow these steps:

- (1) Always get a complete financial aid packet
- (2) Read all instructions before completing any of the forms
- (3) Mail them before the priority date
- (4) Be sure to enclose the correct fee
- (5) Be sure to use the correct institutional code number (F.I.U. No. 5206)
- (6) Inform the financial aid office of address changes or changes in financial status.



Leonard Lang photo

FIU lights up

IT WAS A HAPPY SCENE ON THE EVE OF THE 4TH OF JULY AT THE PARTY SPONSORED BY SGA.

Career Service petitions for agent

The Career Service Employees Federation (CSEF) filed a petition with the Public Employees Relations Commission (PERC) to be the recognized collective bargaining agent for its university employees.

Representing 12,000 Career Service employees in Florida's university system, CSEF is affiliated with the American Federation of Teachers and the Florida Education Association United, AFL-CIO.

"**WE HAVE** collected over 4,000 signatures across the State from all of the universities. The feeling of university workers is disgust and disappointment in the working conditions, bad pay, skimpy raises and broken promises on the part of the Board of Regents and the state Legislature," CSEF State President Andy Banks said.

"If we continued our campaign for two more months, the 4,000 figure would double," estimated Banks.

"All educational workers are getting together to show the public administrators that they cannot pit groundskeepers against secretaries and both groups against faculty. Instead, we are joining together to fight to improve the quality of the educational system and the working conditions of those employed by the system," Banks said.

Foreign students need special form to register

Foreign students at Florida International University must obtain a permit to register from the foreign student advisor's office prior to registering for Fall Quarter.

Students must bring their I-94 cards and passports to UH 340. Office hours are 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Non-resident tuition waiver applications, available in UH 340, are due Aug. 9 for Fall Quarter. Vacation I-20 forms for students planning to leave for quarter break will be issued Aug. 12.

Jody Gluck is ready...

Assistant Superintendent occupies eminent role

MICHAEL DUKEWICH
Contributor

As presidential hopefuls Jimmy Carter, Ronald Reagan, and Jerry Brown prepare for the primaries en route to the presidential election in November, so does Jody Gluck. Jody Gluck? The name might not be a familiar one to the 630,000 registered voters in Dade County, but as Dade County's Assistant Superintendent of Elections, her role is just as eminent as the candidates'.

The job of the Assistant Superintendent of Elections in cooperation with the other 82 budgeted positions in the Office serves the primary function of service to the community. "I believe that there are two basic responsibilities of this office," says Gluck. "Our first responsibility is to conduct voter registration in an orderly and timely manner. And the second is to hold state and county elections."

Located at 1400 Biscayne Boulevard, the Dade County Office of Elections is the 20th largest in terms of accommodating registered voters in the United States jurisdiction. In federal and state elections Dade County carries 18 to 20 percent of the vote for Florida. Accommodations for a county which carries that many registered voters makes the Office of Elections devotion to the public more of a challenge.

WITH DADE COUNTY being one of the fastest growing, the need to keep the public aware of their registration status is essential. Voter identification cards are a unique way of accomplishing this awareness. Every two years the registered voter receives a registration card which verifies the voter's address, and in addition tells the voter where their particular polling place is. With one third of the registered voters either moving in or out of Florida, the need for the card is obvious according to Gluck.

In addition to voter registration cards, the problem of satisfying more than half a million voters is solved by the addition of seven multiple districts in this year's election. "Since the general elections of 1972, this office has been responsible for addition of seven new precincts, and we reorganized some 35 more," Gluck said.

The job of establishing new districts is a tedious operation usually done in the odd numbered years, and takes at least six months to reprecinct. Ms. Gluck says, "The jobs of this office sometimes seem endless, but what we accomplish serves a purpose. That purpose is to serve the public."

The reiteration of "public service" serves as a

constant reminder to the employees of the purpose of their jobs.

"After the 1972 national elections it was established that this office was understaffed. For the first time we realized that elections in Dade County are big business," says Ms. Gluck. "When you figure that to accommodate the voter we have to staff at least 6,000 poll workers on election day alone, and the cost of paying these workers plus the staff exceeds \$200,000, well, this is no small operation." Voter accommodation goes further than the additional hired employees to serve the public's needs.

THE FIRST Primary, Second Primary and General Election coming up in the months of September and November require the addition of 149 more voting machines to serve the number of registered voters. By law, one machine is required for every 350 voters. Also required is the sample ballot that must be printed in one major newspaper one day prior to the election. The Dade County Office of Elections runs the sample ballot in all major Miami newspapers.

The public sees the culmination of the Election Office's work one day before the election and on election day, but the office actually starts preparing for an election eight months prior to election day. "Everything down to the training of poll workers is taken into account so everything will be ready on September 17th, for the First Primary," Gluck said.

That leaves three weeks to prepare for the Second Primary run-off September 28, to be followed by the General Elections November 2. The goal of the Elections Office for that first Tuesday in November is for a 75 percent to 80 percent turnout of registered voters.

The goal of the Dade County Office of Elections is simple: to serve the public. Achievement of this goal depends heavily on the registered voters of Dade County.

No matter how hard the employees work to serve the public, the results will only be determined by the registered voters who go to the polls.



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JODY GLUCK, DADE COUNTY'S ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF ELECTIONS

2 faculty members seek political office

PEARL SMITH
Staff Writer

Two Florida International University faculty members are candidates for political office in the September primary.

Dr. Marvin Dunn, a candidate for the state legislature is concerned with the lack of adequate funding for higher education.

Dunn is the director of FIU's Cultural and Human Interaction Center and a community psychology professor.

"IT HAS been difficult in the past for public employees to seek political office because of the difficult financial moss," Dunn said. Dunn will go off salary and spend \$3,000 of his own funds for this campaign. He has 150 volunteers to assist him.

Miguel Gonzalez-Pando, a candidate for a seat on the Dade County School Board, said the election is not his primary objective, but his will be a symbolic campaign.

"The issues concerning social and cultural isolation in the community will be raised, regardless of the outcome of the election," said Gonzalez.

Gonzalez is supervisor-facilitator for FIU's Human Interaction Center.

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A matter of time...

A CIRCUMSTANCE

The noblest of human virtues
are often meanly bent
to meet the mold of time.
It is a circumstance.

Verily, when politicians gather
to democratically select
a predetermined candidate,
It is a circumstance.

And when the party faithful
unfaithfully neglect
their sore responsibility,
It is a circumstance.

Thus, when a frightful nominee
shines golden in the light
and beckons toward defeat,
It is a circumstance.

The likelihood of such an act
of willful abdication
seems all too imminent.
It is a circumstance.

—J.E. Couch

(Author's Note: This poem was written after the 1964 primaries and before the GOP National Convention.)

Note: Both Goldwater in 1964 and McGovern in 1972 amassed unbeatable delegate strengths during national primaries and were selected as presidential candidates by their parties. Each was soundly beaten in the electoral college vote, with Goldwater getting 52 and McGovern 17 respectively.

Sign your letters

Voice your opinion by submitting your view to The International. No unsigned letters will be accepted.

Youth is king in the 23rd century but fear reigns in 'Logan's Run'

BILL ASHTON
Entertainment Editor

In the 23rd century, people live lives of luxury, right up until their thirtieth birthday. After the age of thirty, people don't live at all. You see, these people live under big domes, and the leaders don't want the population to get out of hand. The people are told that thirty-year-olds can try their luck in a big contraption called the Carousel; survivors get to experience the joys of middle age. The only problem is that no one has ever met a survivor.

If you can accept this far-fetched premise, you will probably enjoy Logan's Run. The film is colorful and expensive, confusing and exciting. It's also a lot of fun.

Logan (Michael York), is a "sandman," a government-employed bounty hunter. He puts people who don't want to play to sleep in the Carousel. Permanently. Logan is one of the few people with questions about the life-ends-at-thirty society. He meets Jessica (Jenny Agutter) who supplies an answer: let's get out of this dome.

LOGAN AND Jessica set out for Sanctuary, where domes and Carousels don't exist. On the way they meet a plastic surgeon (he uses lasers), a strange robot, and an old man who quotes T.S. Eliot. Peter Ustinov plays the old man, the first old person Logan and Jessica have ever seen. Ustinov steals the scene as he talks about cats, parents, and other strange things.

From there on, science fiction fans might find events pretty predictable. But who cares? The sets are futuristic, as is the music. The special effects look good, and so does Jenny Agutter. Logan's Run has got everything a science-fiction film should have. It's certainly no 2001. But it doesn't try to be. Logan's Run is just a nice, unpretentious, multi-million dollar film. Dazzling to the eye, dizzying to the mind, entertaining with a capital E.



Leonard Lang photo

Bicentennial party itchy but fun

FIU celebrated the Bicentennial with an on-campus party Saturday, July 3. The party was open to all, including non-students, and featured unlimited free frankfurters, apple pie, beer, and lemonade. "Altitude," a band composed of former FIU students, played from 7:30 p.m. till 1 a.m. The party was sponsored by the Student Government Association. George Brackett, SGA comptroller, and Jerome Silverberg, chairperson of the social and cultural committee were the coordinators of the event.

George Brackett estimated, "We fed about 600 people that night, with about 50 present at any one time. The peak turnout was at about 11 p.m., when the Spanish play being presented on campus was over."

The party had a low turnout because there was a problem with the mosquitoes at night. Also, no one came prepared with blankets, and there was nowhere to sit.

Outdoor parties are OK at other times of the year, but it would be much better to hold events indoors in the summer.

'Little Mary Sunshine'

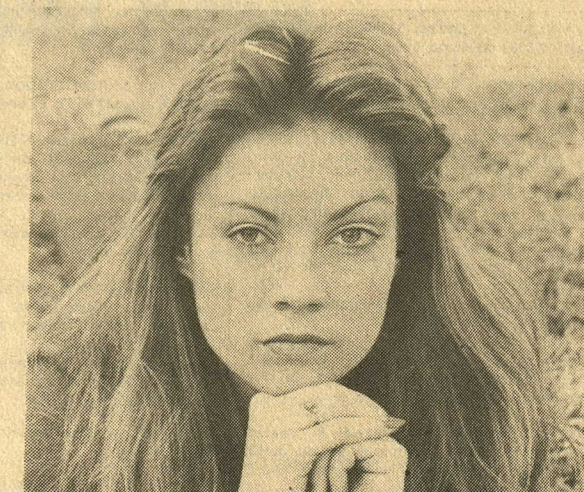
FIU student in new musical

Florida International University student Deborah Allen is featured in "Little Mary Sunshine", the musical play being presented in the Persian Room of the Marco Polo Hotel.

Allen played Maxine in the recent FIU production of "The Night of the Iguana". She was also featured in the University's "No Place To Be Somebody".

Steve Hansen, a graduate of FIU, is also in "Little Mary Sunshine." The play is a spoof of the old Nelson Eddy-Jeanette MacDonald musicals.

"Little Mary Sunshine", an Act V Production, is now playing nightly except Monday. It will run through August 1. The price for the show and dinner is \$12.50; the show alone costs \$7.50. Group rates and student discounts are available.



ALLEN

Beach Boys find perfect wave

BILL ASHTON
Entertainment Editor

Recent albums from longtime superstars Paul McCartney and the Rolling Stones have been disappointing, but there is one big group from the 1960's that is still together and making good music. The Beach Boys' new album, 15 Big Ones, is a gem.

Brian Wilson, the man who created the Beach Boys' "sound", is back with the group as producer, writer, arranger and vocalist. They haven't sounded this good since "Pet Sounds", a decade ago.

"15 Big Ones", the group's first studio album in three years, is half new versions of golden oldies and half original material. There isn't a song on the LP longer than 3 minutes and 34 seconds, but there is more put into each song than many groups put into a two-LP set. Guitars, bells, flutes, pianos, and moogs form layers and walls of sound that bounce around without a clunker in the bunch.

"15 BIG ONES" starts side one with the hit single, as albums did in the early years of rock and roll. The single is "Rock and Roll Music" and this version of the Chuck Berry classic is the best argument for stereo since Carly Simon's "You're So Vain".

"It's OK" could be an outtake from "The Beach Boys Today". From the first line, "Fun is in, it's no sin" to the end, the song is a delightful celebration of summer. Only the Beach Boys

can make a summer song like this one.

My only criticism of the album is that there are too many updated oldies and not enough new songs. I like "Chapel of Love" as much as the next guy, but the original was better. This new version sounds like some group trying to sound like the Beach Boys.

"Talk to Me" is very nice, but the little bit of "Tallahassee Lassie" stuck in the middle of it sounds much better. "Palisades Park" can only be described as neat. "Blueberry Hill" is almost as good as Fats Domino's version, and that is quite a compliment. "A Casual Look" is pleasant, too.

THE LAST two songs on side two are the two best oldies on the disc. "In The Still Of The Night", always a classic song, is given new depth by complex instrumentation. "Just Once In My Life", written by Carole King, Gerry Goffin, and Phil Spector, couldn't have been better. I hadn't heard this song much before, but this version is sure to be played a lot.

Now for the new songs. "Susie Cincinnati" isn't really new. A

slightly different version appeared on the back of an obscure 1970 single. It is still a peppy song, in the vein of "Wouldn't It Be Nice". "Had to Phone Ya" sounds like the Beach Boys meet Steely Dan, good but strange. Turn the volume up at the fade.

Brian Wilson really put his heart into "Back Home". It's about going back to Ohio to seek out "all my friends I've always known". Sentimental, but not maudlin. "The TM Song", a commercial for Transcendental Meditation, starts out sounding like Cheech and Chong but, fortunately, ends up sounding like the Beach Boys. What the heck? I like it, and it is only a minute and a half. "That Same Song" is OK, despite some so-so lyrics.

My favorite on the album is "Everyone's In Love With You", the Beach Boys' best ballad since "Caroline, No". "Everyone's In Love With You, but you can't fall in love with anyone."

What else can I say? If you are sick of disco, boring ex-folkies, and hard rock, buy it. It's summer, and this record is just in time.

'Murder By Death' an easy way to go

ARLENE ROSS
Asst. Managing Editor

C'mon, you hardened moviegoers. Who can resist a villain named Lionel Twain?

Neil Simon's new comedy-mystery-thriller, MURDER BY DEATH, is a funny romp through all the murder mysteries you've ever read. An impossible crime must be solved, with characters not-so-loosely patterned after Sam Spade, Nick and Nora Charles, Charlie Chan, and more.

David Niven, Maggie Smith, Peter Sellers, Peter Falk, James Coco and Elsa Lanchester are the marvelous mystery minds put to good use. But how can they work with Truman Capote as the ingenious Twin, a blind butler (Alec Guinness), and a deaf and dumb cook (Nancy Walker)?

MIX WELL with a doorbell that screams, cotton candy cobwebs, and mechanical thunderstorms that start on cue. Add a handful of puns (so bad that they're good), mistaken and switched identities, and a twist of an ending.

The audience ends up with a pleasant few hours, made so by the Neil Simon touch. MURDER BY DEATH? Might not be such a bad way to go.

FIU theater presents 'The Lion In Winter'

The Florida International University Theater Department will present a student directed production of The Lion In Winter, by James Goldman. Performances will run Aug. 6, 7, 8 and Aug. 13, 14, 15 at 8:30 p.m. in the Old Theater, DM 150.

The Lion In Winter is a lively historical comedy about the domestic squabbles of English King Henry II's royal family. The action takes place at Chinon, France, on Christmas Day, 1183.

The Lion In Winter is being directed by an FIU student,

Michael Storch. The members of the cast are Connie Cramer as Eleanor, Tim Crowther as Henry II, William Galivan Jr. as John, Kevin William Meyer as Richard, Scott Shannon as Geoffrey, Melodee Spevack as Alais, and Archie Waugh as Philip.

For further information and reservations call 552-2895 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., week-days.

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Honor students schedule concert

FIU's music honor students will present a concert Tuesday, July 27. The performance will be in Athenaeum 100 from 12:30 to 1:30.

The honor students are now in Bogota, Columbia, as part of the Miami-Bogota Sister City program, and will return July 18.

The students are Susan Alonso, pianist; Trudy Frank, harpist; Jennifer Greene, clarinetist; and Michael Henley, pianist and organist.

Marie-Louise Leeds is the coordinator of the concert.

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University House forum

August 17 (Tuesday)—7:30 p.m. FIU Summer "Pops" Concert, Yoshihiro Obata, director.
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Task force reviews quality of grading

PHYLLIS FRIEDMAN
Staff Writer

Are you doing D work? Are you wondering whether to drop the course and take an NC, or hang on and take a D?

"D" is the worst grade you can obtain at FIU. This is because D's are averaged into your grade-point average and NC's and drops are not.

Above all, you should avoid getting D's. If you get below 2.0 in three subsequent quarters (cumulative and quarterly) you will be dismissed from the University. But, if you receive NC's in those quarters, you will still be a student in good standing. A student on probation that receives a C and D is dismissed, while if he had received a C and NC, he would not be dismissed. Twenty students were dismissed last quarter.

"This grading system rewards students that quit or fail a course and penalizes those that stick it out and try to master tough courses. Students that play

games with the grading system are not being dismissed," said Director of Registration and Records Bill Younkin.

However, NC students may be in trouble in the future. A committee is reviewing the grading system for the fall. They have proposed to institute the F grade and to move the drop grade deadline to the sixth week of the quarter.

This would result in a tougher grading system, as the academic standards for dismissal would remain the same. All the students who would have received a non-penalizing NC would now get an F. This would lower their grade-point average. The less able students will no longer take up space in the classrooms, making room for more qualified students.

The committee has also proposed that a student must reapply for admission after he has withdrawn from the University more than once.

Melody Sims and Lenny Lang are the student representatives on the committee to review the grading system.

Faculty research funds could reach \$6 million

LYNNE E. KAVA
News Editor

The potential for a good future for the Division of Sponsored Research and Training seems imminent.

"Approximately one million dollars has been awarded to the various teacher's research projects, and about five million dollars in proposals are currently waiting for approval by outside agencies," Dr. Ulysses V. Spiva, director of the division, said.

The Division of Sponsored Research and Training was established and began action during January 1976. Its purpose is to coordinate activities for the raising and using of funds received from involved agencies.

THE DIVISION continually keeps faculty informed on research opportunities and maintains a good rapport between FIU and participating agencies.

Dr. Spiva said, "I estimate twenty percent of the faculty were or have been involved with the division and I hope to increase that level in the future."

Funded projects included research on the quality of water in the Miami River conducted by

Dr. Dan Jackson, and the establishment of the Cultural Human Interaction Center at FIU by Dr. Marvin Dunn.

The center conducts human relation sessions with students at six public integrated high schools in the community and compiles the information.

Forum views resources

The FAU FIU Joint Center for Environmental and Urban Problems and the FIU School of Technology will co-sponsor a statewide Resource Recovery Conference at the Miami Marriott Hotel on July 22 and 23.

The conference will review the status of resource recovery in Florida, examine the institutional, economic, and technological "feasibility aspects" of recovery. It will provide a public forum of diverse interests to explore the opportunities and

potentials for the future of resource recovery in the state. The complete registration fee is \$25.00, which includes all conference material and two luncheons.

A special "Student Tuition" offer of \$5 per day is being extended to all full-time students who pre-register prior to July 22.

For further information and registration forms call the Joint Center, extension 2536, or the Dept. of Conferences, extension 2600.



PRADO MEETING CORNELIO REYES

International understanding fostered by foreign visit

LYNNE E. KAVA
News Editor

Greater international understanding, one of FIU's goals, was promoted by Pedro Prado during his Columbia visit as a member of an exchange program June 13-26.

SGA Senator Prado's objective during the trip was public relations for FIU.

Prado was invited to breakfast and lunch by Columbia's Minister of Government and Senator Dr. Cornelio Reyes. They discussed Prado's mission, the U.S. and Columbia's different social and cultural structures, and general politics.

"I TOLD Reyes that I will keep lines of communication open between FIU and Columbia," Prado said.

Prado volunteered to speak on a radio station during a walk-a-thon to raise money for Universidad Central Del Valle. He talked about the exchange program's goals, objectives and what FIU's students were learning from their visit. The radio station (RCN) reaches ap-

proximately five million people.

Prado also talked to the university's president, Dr. Nestor Granjales and explained the functions of FIU's student government and how it can help a school.

Granjales introduced Prado to the university's student leaders, to whom Prado gave copies of FIU's SGA constitution.

"THEY promised me they would use the constitution as a guideline and try to establish a student government," Prado said.

"We accomplished a great deal for FIU. Not only in public relations, but in many educational and cultural areas. I feel the exchange program has enhanced our school's international image," Prado said.

The exchange program was initiated by Dr. Paul Hartman.

Eleven students and eight faculty members participated, each having their own objectives.

Last year, Universidad Central Del Valle sent students to visit FIU.

Earn while you learn...

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation [FDIC] will be on campus August 5, 1976, to interview students for cooperative education positions.

They are interested in students pursuing a course of study in business administration, management, finance, economics or accounting, with at least 6 hours in accounting.

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Baseball and Babe Ruth

Part of American History

JOHN EWALD
Sports Editor

"Games lubricate the body and the mind."

—Benjamin Franklin

Maybe tomorrow morning I'll wake up and discover that I don't really care who wins the American League East or that San Diego's Randy Jones has a chance to win 30 games this year. Maybe this Sunday I won't sit down and study the batting averages like I have during the baseball season for as long as I can remember. Maybe it's about time I became interested in something a little more sophisticated than a silly game with hits, runs and errors.

After all, a guy who refers to Abraham Lincoln as the "Babe Ruth of Presidents" must have things a little out of perspective, right? I mean how many 22-year-olds do you know who still buy baseball cards? Even when I was a little kid I came down with this awful early October flu every year so I could stay home from school and watch the World Series. I might have been born in 1954, but far more significant to me, that's the year Willie Mays made The Catch in the Polo Grounds.

Could it be that I'm not so crazy after all? Certainly wise old Ben Franklin knew what he was talking about. Games and the people who play them have had an important place in every society in history; of the ancient Roman monuments that still stand, the most impressive is the Colosseum. What greater monument for America to leave to future civilizations than Yankee Stadium?

A FRENCH philosopher once wrote, "Whoever wants to know the heart and mind of America had better learn baseball." Who could argue with that observation? Baseball is America's National Pastime. Over thirty million fans will attend major league games this year with countless others watching on television or listening to their radios. No two games are ever alike and the sport's timeless quality is something the others can't touch.

On July 4th, America's 200th birthday, millions looked up at our great flag with tremendous pride and thought of all the places it has appeared. I thought of every major league baseball game ever played, knowing that the stars and stripes flew over every inning. From Ty Cobb to Joe DiMaggio and Christy Mathewson to Catfish Hunter, every player in the game's illustrious history has saluted the flag during the national anthem before every game.

During World War II, President Roosevelt issued a plea to baseball to continue play and boost the nation's morale. When the Japanese were fighting our soldiers they didn't yell "To hell with your leader!", they yelled "To hell with Babe Ruth!" A president isn't a president unless he throws out the first ball to start the season. Why didn't Abe Lincoln, upon being informed that he was the Republican candidate for the presidency, ask for one more time at bat before going off to give his acceptance speech?

Let's face it. Even America's two biggest corporations, General Motors and Exxon, realize that baseball is king. On their Chevrolet commercials the TV screen sings forth for GM all that is good with America—"Baseball, hot-dogs, apple pie and Chevrolet!" Exxon tells us that "The spirit of achievement is the spirit of America" after showing a farmboy in his backyard listening to Dizzy Dean win a game on the radio, going through the motions himself as he strikes out the last batter. I always get goose bumps when I see that one.

LOOK AT the posters depicting America's first 200 years. More likely than not, somewhere between George Washington and the USA space-ship on the moon's surface, you'll notice a man wearing a blue cap with the initials—NY on the front. You'll think of his legend: the tiny number 3 on his massive back, his ferocious swing, his glorious records, his color. Who else symbolizes what America is more than Babe Ruth?

The fine American writer, Paul Gallico, tells a story about the Babe years after his final game visiting a water circus on Long Island. He tells of the crowd's reaction at the unexpected sight of the Sultan of Swat on the beach. He tells of the crowd of about 75,000 recognizing Ruth and catching fire like a blaze running over a dry meadow.

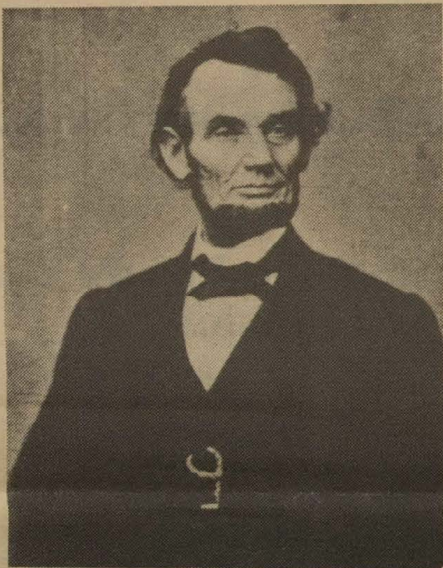
I can almost hear what Gallico heard. The thundering, booming roar of the people drowning out the pounding of the surf on the beach. I can see the water shaking and Ruth, a smile coming to his lips, waving back at the crowd. I can see the Babe crying just a little at the overwhelming response.

For now, one thing remains certain. I'll pull for my Tigers in the American League East and Randy Jones' 30 wins. Sunday I'll memorize the batting averages again. I'll consider Honest Abe lucky to be compared with the mighty Ruth. And I'll never stop buying those baseball cards.



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