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Disaggregation means 1 out of 3

Olander interviewed by S & S

Fresh from a two-week vacation in his ancestral Italy, Executive Vice President Joseph Olander returned last week to face intensive questioning from various constituents of the presidential search and screen process.

The words of the week: amplification, disaggregation and initiative.

AMPLIFICATION:

Olander takes the view that most everything a university does is public relations. "Public relations has been a failure at FIU for the past six years."

For example, at an open forum two persons raised the concern that the Black Employees Association-Faculty (BEAF) suit, filed earlier this year, had been a "sell out." (That suit led to high level positions for several of the plaintiffs.) Olander defended the settlement as a move to

"garner your people resources" and not "political pandering."

If appointed, Olander would like to trade off the position of executive vice president to create a vice presidency for University Relations and Development. That department is presently headed by a dean.

DISAGGREGATION:

"I want excellence—but disaggregated excellence." By that Olander meant that he would have faculty choose one of three areas in which to excel—teaching, research, or service. Traditionally, professors have been required to make contributions in each area to get tenure. He wants claims for tenure to be legitimate, saying he would not want to recognize articles appearing in sub-standard publications.

He added that it would be up to the departments to take the

responsibility for meeting standards in these three areas. Olander was noncommittal on whether to call this a collectivist approach.

Regarding an episode earlier this year in which several Arts and Sciences professors not recommended for tenure by Dean James Mau were recommended by Vice President for Academic Affairs Robert Fisher, Olander stated, "Things should be handled at as low a level as possible—as long as there are clear priorities." He also commented, "The Council of Academic Deans has never acted as an effective management team." Olander said he would have weekly meetings with the council.

INITIATIVE:

"The first step must come from the president," Olander cited as an example the quest for four-year status. "The next

president must deal with the four-year issue in a meaningful way." Olander predicted that by 1983 "we should have (some) four-year programs, and more graduate programs." He also mentioned that disparaging Miami-Dade Community College—the faculty in particular—would not be a productive tactic for attaining four-year status.

OTHER TOPICS:

Olander said that he did not support discretionary raises (merit money), that raises should be distributed equally. The United Faculty of Florida strongly supports that view.

The administration, according to Olander, is not top heavy. He added that had a separate administration been created for the North Miami campus, such a situation would exist.

OPPOSITION:

Management Professor

Efraim Turban said, "Olander is a good politician, but I don't think he's going to make a good manager. What we need is a good manager now." Turban disagrees with Olander's handling of the BE F lawsuit because "the positions created were not filled on the basis of merit." He also said that Olander was "trying to please everyone."

SUPPORT:

An Arts and Sciences professor supported Olander's handling of the lawsuit saying, "the people promoted could work very effectively in involving the community in FIU and that they would grow into their positions." This, he believes, is in accordance with the tenets of affirmative action. The professor also commented favorably on Olander's stands on discretionary raises and tenure procedures.

Frozen jobs, cool rooms raise money

JEFF DALY
News Editor

To help offset a statewide revenue shortfall, Florida International University has been told by the Chancellor of the State University System to hold in reserve one percent (\$261,000) of its total operating budget for 1978-79. Certain economical measures will soon be in effect.

The administration hopes to realize a \$25,000 savings by reducing utility costs. This includes turning on air conditioners later in the morning, and off earlier in the evening.

The delay of planned renovations and reduction of maintenance expenditures should save an additional \$20,000.

As part of the cooperative effort, departments would relinquish \$50,000 of funds already allocated.

To help conserve the remaining \$166,000, vacant positions would be frozen and those vacated in the future left unfilled until after the fiscal year.

According to Vice President of Administrative Affairs Ron Arrowsmith, the university does not want to fire people "because they are continuing employees under contract and their services are needed."

Whatever measures are taken, they will not "impact on the teaching program because we do not want to affect programs which would support future enrollment," said Arrowsmith.

A faculty member, who preferred not to be identified, said, "Year in and year out the administration comes out with the same threat... it is just the same crock."

Arrowsmith responded, "Concerning winter and spring, our best estimate is that this is a real problem, not just a scare tactic."

FIU's budget problem is a facet of a greater problem facing the SUS under-enrollment. SUS enrollment figures are about four percent short of the projection.

During negotiations at that time, the legislature added \$1.175 million to the SUS

budget reasoning that the contract and grant overhead was underestimated for the SUS projections.

The BOR early revenue projections for the legislative budget are, in fact, \$2.5 million more than the SUS can actually produce. These combined figures mean a \$4.7 million incidental revenue shortfall for the SUS. (Incidental revenues are derived from student fees, library fines, and contract and grant overhead.)

This is not a new problem for the SUS. In order to complete the last fiscal year, the SUS dipped into summer quarter fee money for \$3.2 million. As a result, the SUS now faces a \$7.9 million incidental revenue shortfall which must be resolved this fiscal year.

The revenue generated by student fees during summer 1979 will be applied this fiscal year.

The SUS Council for Administrative and Financial Affairs will request that the state legislature view this problem separately and lower the income revenue estimate

for the 1979-81 budget so that the dipping practice will no longer be necessary.

Last May, the Chancellor of the SUS asked each university president to hold in reserve one-half of one percent of the university's total operating

budget.

FIU met this requirement, holding \$120,000 in reserve. In order to meet the remaining \$4.7 million revenue shortfall, each university in the SUS has been required to reserve the additional one percent.

Essentially, manely beautiful

SALLY GREER
Sentinel Writer

Psychology major, Frances Clayton, will represent Miami in the national "Look of Radiance" contest to be held in New York Nov. 29-Dec. 2, designed to choose a girl with the most appealing hair. The contest was sponsored by local radio station WMBM and L'Oreal.

Clayton decided to enter the competition after hearing about it from her husband.

"I've always entered all kinds of contests," Clayton said. "I won three silver dollars in a Smarties (candy) contest when I was 11."

Contestants were selected from photographs submitted



Frances Clayton

by mail. Clayton was chosen from five finalists.

In addition to the New York trip for the national contest, Clayton will meet with the president of Essence Magazine and representatives of L'Oreal.

If Clayton wins the national contest, her prize will be a trip to Paris.

Hoskins charges raises unconstitutional

MELANIE MILLER
Student Affairs Reporter

Rather than deciding to hear plaintiff Albert Hoskins' charge that SGA Senate pay raises are unconstitutional, as well as immoral, the international court instructed Hoskins to first go through the senate.

During the November 16 hearing, Hoskins, a former SGA associate and once a candidate for associate chair, stated that he did not first go through the Senate "because he thought the court a better source of unbiased opinion." He said, "the court has more power and finality than the senate."

Hoskins said he hoped the court would find the pay raises illegal and that the salaries would be reduced to the old levels. He specified the defendants as SGA members presently receiving new emoluments.

Corinne Caplano, also a plaintiff, implied that Hoskins had obviously brought the case to the court because the senate is named as the defendant.

SGA Budget Committee member Mark Hollfelder questioned that bias saying Hoskins had not exhausted alternate senate channels since he had not petitioned any new associates to write a resolution which would change the present pay scale.

In a later interview, senate scribe, Fabiola Garcia, also a plaintiff, charged that the present emoluments are too high. She said, "the old emoluments (\$300 a quarter for the presiding board) were more reasonable." Garcia added that a proposal which would cut the total senate salaries to \$5,000 is too drastic. Jim McDonald said that this reduction would be "like cutting down a tree rather than trimming the branches."

Garcia voted for the bill, entitled "Let's be Efficient," which raised senate salaries to the new levels. Garcia is, however, declining her new salary.

The following raises were implemented during the August 23 senate meeting by a vote of 21 to 2: Chairperson, \$3,100 annually; associate chair, comptroller, scribe and consularie, \$3,100 annually; cabinet members, \$300 per quarter; associates' salaries remain at \$250 quarterly.

Members who are also committee chairpersons forego their regular salary, but receive \$1,500 annually for their dual responsibilities. The Social and Cultural Committee chairperson receives \$2,500 annually.

Garcia said the senate meeting in which the pay increase bill was passed, was rushed. "After the vote was

taken and the assembly voted to adjourn, there was a move for reconsideration." She said had the issue been reconsidered, she would have voted against the new emoluments.

"Roberts Rules of Order" does not allow a move for reconsideration once the meeting has been formally adjourned.

Senate Chairperson Cyndi Burton, who was a sponsor of the bill, said the pay increases are justifiable. "We want to increase senate efficiency in order to get students involved,

they need to be paid. A person cannot live on the old emolument of \$300 quarterly."

Former Associate Rose Brown said, "If we want quality leaders, we have to pay them."

Research done by Hollfelder and confirmed by The Sentinel shows salaries of senate members in the nine-state universities of Florida: Before the pay increases, FIU's SGA chairperson was the lowest paid at \$1,200 annually. Other chair salaries range from as low as \$1,900 annually annually at the University of West Florida, to a high of 3,500 annually at

the University of North Florida. The SGA chairperson at Florida State University is paid \$3,000 at the University of Florida, the annual salary is \$2,200.

The report also shows that five of the state university student governments do not pay associates. FIU senate associates receive \$250 per quarter based on attendance.

Concerning the courts consensus on the senate salary issue Hoskins said he had "no comment" except that "he was going to buy a cheeseburger and meditate on the situation."

Different wells from which to draw

Senate members could receive part of their salaries in the form of work study, scholarships or financial aid. As with other financial aid candidates, the members could qualify on the basis of their own or their parent's incomes.

Financial Aid Director John Newman said senate members could receive college work study if someone "like the SGA" could match 20 of the 80% of funds allocated by the Federal Government for financial aid.

He said the person desiring financial aid would have to

document their needs and could not receive aid by virtue of election alone.

Newman also said that scholarship programs could be set up for senate members, but would have to be established through private sources donating money for that purpose.

He further reported that a person's total resources and current resources are considered when deciding whether or not they will receive financial aid. "If, for instance, the SGA chairperson is receiving \$3,900 annually, this would

have a serious impact on how much aid they could receive.

For example, the \$3,900 a year SGA Chairperson Cyndi Burton is presently being paid could cost the SGA only \$1,695 (\$551 to match work-study funds plus \$1,144 to make up the \$3,900 total.)

Burton said that Newman told her after her election that she would not be able to have work-study funds applied to her SGA work.

Newman was out-of-town at deadline.

Tuition

Delinquent Accounts : from bills to lawsuits

Martin Svensson
Academic Affairs Reporter

Did you ever wonder what befalls those who do not pay their tuition and other costs at Florida International University? While you won't hear a knock in the night, other procedures will go into effect.

"This quarter we haven't had the usual problems with fee collections," said FIU Controller Tom Breslin. "With our straightening out the drop-add dates in accordance with the date you're supposed to pay your bill, there has been less confusion."

Breslin added that traditionally the fee payment

problems have come from non-degree seeking students.

Should there be a fee collection problem, the first step comes from FIU's North Miami Campus collection office.

To begin the process of fee collecting, a bill will be sent. Failure of a degree-seeking student to pay the bill will often lead to the holding of the transcript, diploma, or the curtailment of re-registration.

Once a financial aid student signs the fee card, he or she is totally liable to pay the bill. This makes for legal leverage should a suit be instituted.

Failure by a student to pay the bill can lead to other methods of fee collection. FIU's collection agency through a "soft core" approach goes into action. If the university collection agency is unsuccessful, a private collection agency is brought in.

All the private agencies must be approved by the Board of Regents with a national reputation for ethical behavior. This has been done to prevent unscrupulous collection methods. This is considered a "hard core" approach.

As a last step, a lawsuit can

be instituted by the collection agency for the amount owed. At the moment a few of these suits are pending.

Currently an additional step is being considered where the State Attorney's office would

be called in for those with large amounts due. Breslin views this a drastic, last measure for those who have skipped the state.

As of this quarter, accounts receivable stand at \$2.6 million.

Friend speaks out before re-election

The Sentinel asked both candidates in the re-election for SGA associate chairperson, to be held Nov. 27-28, to submit their views on several issues. Remi Ajac did not produce his opinions despite his two promises to do so.

The following are Paula Friend's viewpoints on several topics selected by The Sentinel:

Four-year status

Philosophically, I would like to see FIU become a four-year university. My fear is that there will not be enough funding to go around; that present programs may suffer, rather than be strengthened.

Housing

I have always been in favor of on-campus housing. It would

not only ease the financial burden of the instate student, and improve campus life, but it would also serve to attract more out-of-state and international students, helping FIU to grow.

Emoluments

The bill, as it stands, requires modifications, including tighter control. However, people should be paid for their competency, and I feel competent individuals are the ones who will provide impetus to student government. Most students have to work someplace to help themselves live. Tapping our huge resource of students, we can find those competent individuals willing to work in student government for the

benefit of all the students, instead of having them expend their energies, and time, outside the university.

Committees' role

Committees have to be active and senate members are the ones who make those committees work. Considering proposals in committees helps iron out many of the problems instead of doing what should be preparatory work, on the Senate floor. Proposals brought to the Senate floor would then be more comprehensive, more accurate, and hopefully more innovative. This type of process would be more efficient. The 50% plus one of the Senate quorum would still enable a proposal to come to the floor.

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It's not academic . . .

The politics of economic non-growth

"It's not academic. . ." is a space reserved for the exposition of issues. We welcome thoughtful opinion and elucidation. Articles represent the views of their respective authors and do not necessarily represent the views of the members of the Sentinel staff.

The first series deals with an issue of broad scope. Many factors have caused the world economy to approach a zero-growth. The past five years have seen the real per capital income in America fall three percent. Bangladesh has been declared an 'International Basket Case'. Oil sheiks lose a million dollars in Las Vegas without batting an eyelash.

The "taxpayers' revolt" may be the first of a series of domestic reactions to the slow-down in the world economy.

The Sentinel is grateful and honored to have FIU professors to expound topics related to economic non-growth.



For them or us?

Howard Kaminsky

Professor

The late Lyndon Johnson is supposed to have said that "there are three billion of them and only two-hundred million of us; they want what we've got and we're not going to give it to them." The figures are already outdated--that's part of our problem--but the wisdom remains as a concise statement of what is probably the view of the great majority of the American people. Most Americans, of course, feel a bit guilty about even thinking such thoughts since they are hardly ever given public expression. The liberal-humanitarian ideology pushed in just about all the media, in almost all public statements of political leaders, and in the classrooms of our public schools, is that all men are brothers and that we in this country should suffer with the world's billions, alleviate their misery, and try to help them become prosperous. Not too long ago, it was thought that this admittedly attractive program was feasible, so that a combination of decolonization, material aid, and capital investment would turn the "underdeveloped" countries into little Americas. It is now realized that this is not happening, the gulf between rich and poor nations is getting bigger, and we come to see what should have been obvious

from the first, that the highly developed scientific-technological civilization of the West presupposes a certain type of human material formed by a thousand years of Western history and therefore not readily reproducible elsewhere.

The exception of Japan, whose history has curious parallels to ours, exists as a wholesome reminder that our superiority is indeed cultural and not a matter of race.

The world's "problems" are essentially those elucidated a century and a half ago by Thomas Malthus: population has outrun food supply, and the results are, or will be, famine, plague, war; today we must add that quite apart from food, our highly developed civilization requires so much consumption of raw materials per capita that it cannot possibly be enjoyed by more than a minority of the world's population. The liberal-humanitarian answer is that we must impoverish ourselves for the sake of others--advice usually concealed in ecological phrases like "redefine our priorities" and "rethink our lifestyle." The Communist answer comes down to the same thing, enforced impoverishment, partly because that is how the system works, partly because no political

system can create natural resources that are not there. But a long time ago Edmund Burke argued against the French Revolution with its illusory "rights of man" by observing that man, as such, did not exist otherwise than as an animal, that there were no rights of men other than those secured by particular political societies, and that he therefore thought not in terms of the rights of man but of the rights of Englishmen. That is more or less the sense of the Lyndon Johnson text quoted above, with political rights transposed to the grosser modern key of material goods. It proposes a choice that the American people will sooner or later have to make, whether to submit to the economic entropy of the world system or use our national power to impose a solution favorable to us.

History does not give answers to such questions since its analogues are never exact, but it can illuminate the issues and lay out the implications of one or another choice. For example, in the last centuries of the Roman Empire-- 200-500 A.D.--the world system from Roman Britain all the way to Roman Palestine and beyond was running down; the elaborate structures of political, social, and cultural integration could no longer be supported by a dwindling population and a low level of productivity; the barbarians on the frontiers could no longer be kept out by the weakened armies. The solution adopted by the highly developed eastern part of the empire was to let the west go; it, in fact, went, conquered by the Germanic barbarians, and sank into centuries of stagnation. While this barbarized West turned out to be the basis of our own civilization, which reached Roman levels by the 12th century and then went on to reach higher levels than humanity had ever before known, its fate for a long time was not attractive. The East, on the other hand, kept its high civilization for a thousand years after it had made the choice to seek its own advantages at the expense of the West. Its example need not be disregarded today.

Another analogy closer to home is provided by the stagnation of the European economy during much of the 14th and 15th centuries. The choices here were different, not least because there was nothing to let go. The ruling class, a warrior nobility whose values were those of adventure, combat, chivalry, and romanticized lust, chose to keep their incomes and lifestyles by any and all means available: intensified repression of the peasantry where possible, investment in new economic enterprises (leading eventually to capitalism and modern industry), constant internal warfare as a means of redistributing wealth, and--most momentous of all--the search for new worlds to conquer, new wealth to appropriate. They had the good luck to discover America and the self-confident ruthlessness

to conquer and subjugate both the new world and much of the non-European old one. It was the civilization based on this imperialism that eventually developed into what we have today. Now it is our turn to make choices. Whether a mass democracy oriented to individual enjoyment rather than public heroism can, in fact, make the right choices to secure the national interest is another matter; the answer is probably no. Here history gives way to its futurist extension, science fiction, which offers two main models. One is a relapse into barbarism as in the case of the early-medieval West, with a new aristocracy, a new version of the Church, and eventually a new set of empires. The other is the global integration of human energies and material resources in order to expand to the stars. Neither is either liberal or humanitarian.

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Exit Exams to measure 'functional literacy'

JEFF DALY

Data from the Grade Tabulation Report compiled by Florida International University's Institutional Research office suggests grade inflation. Concerned about the problem, the administration is considering the use of "exit exams" to measure minimum competencies.

An analysis of grade trends in the state universities was made in December 1974, covering the years 1969-73. A follow-up analysis for the years 1974-76 was made in September 1977.

The 1974 report concluded that grade inflation was widespread in the State University System. The tabular data and graphs indicate that the three major institutions, University of Florida, Florida State University and the University of South Florida accomplished, in 1974-76, a

leveling off, or decline, in the grade inflation that occurred in 1969-73.

However, the follow-up study for 1974-76 indicates that grade inflation continues to diminish the academic effectiveness of most of the public universities in Florida.

At FIU, the combined percentage of A's and B's has risen from 51 percent in 1974 to 60.2 percent in 1976. During the past two years this percentage has further increased to 62.1 percent.

Research conducted by The Sentinel indicates that in the past year at FIU, the combined percentage of A's and B's has risen from 61.15 percent (Fall 1977) to 64.05 (Summer 1978). The percentage for the Summer 1978 quarter is greater than comparable data for the major Florida universities (UF, FSU, USF).

Further research by The

Sentinel suggests that FIU's total undergraduate GPA has risen .0875 during the 1977-1978 academic year.

The most widely circulated theory suggests that grade inflation represents an erosion of academic standards, though it is possible that the practice may be a counterreaction to more stringent grading habits developed in the 1950s and early 1960s.

Vice President for Academic Affairs Robert Fisher said that grade inflation is a nationwide phenomenon which began in the mid-1960s and appears to be leveling off.

The facts suggest a different case at FIU where grades continue to inflate.

"Some steps are being taken to eliminate that . . . there is a task force to look at exit competencies in reading and writing. They are trying to develop what they think are reasonable exit competencies, and we are going to have some participation in their development. The faculty senate has talked about the notion of administering an exit exam at FIU," Fisher said.

The Sentinel found student leaders are unaware of the exit exam proposal. Recently elected SGA Associate Meg Dowling said she thought it was a good idea. "Why not? My initial reaction is favorable, but I haven't given it much thought."

Mark Hollfelder was vehemently opposed and responded, "Exit exams before you get out of here. I think it is a horrible idea. If they don't have the faith in their faculty to train and prepare us, then a test like that certainly reflects it. It would appear that the administration doesn't feel that the faculty is doing what they are supposed to be doing."

Robin Lichter, graduate student in the School of Education, said, "I don't know if it is a good idea; after all, a student has to show a degree of competency to get into a university. They should apply an entrance exam which would weed out the poor students before they get here."

Energy conservation to cut cost

White people are busy spending money during the holiday season, Florida International University is busy saving money through energy conservation. Physical Plant Director, Donn Ashley, estimates that FIU could save \$15,000 or more with the luck of cool temperatures and sound energy conservation.

Energy conservation will be accomplished by closing the university from November 23-22, December 23-26 and December 30-January 1.

During these periods the central air conditioning plants at the Tamiami and North Miami campuses are placed in "minimum-off modes." Air conditioning will be continued in critical areas. These areas include the animal laboratories and areas with temperature- and humidity-sensitive instruments in OE building and

the Drinking Water Quality Center. Primera Casa and the Tower will also receive normal air conditioning.

Another method of curtailing electrical costs is limitation of campus activities during these periods.

The library will be closed during the four-day Thanksgiving holiday and will have limited hours during the Christmas holiday.

Staffing will be kept to a minimum, most parking lot lights except those in the DM area, will be off from December 15-31, and staff members have been encouraged to take annual leave.

"Our main problem in energy conservation is the OE building," said Ashley. "The building was designed so that in cold weather the lights are left on all night. The theory was that the lights alone could

heat the rooms."

The Florida Department of General Services, which is in charge of state-owned buildings, mandates that in "marginal winter areas" lights alone would be used for heating.

"The department (physical plant) still had to install portable heaters because of all the complaints that the rooms are 60 degrees," Ashley said.

Ashley finds the OE building is a sore spot in public relations. He said it becomes a double standard for him to push energy conservation while the OE lights are used continuously. He added that while it is a sore spot, he was pleased at the cooperation with his department's efforts.

Ashley commented, "while energy costs continue to rise nationwide, they rise more at FIU."

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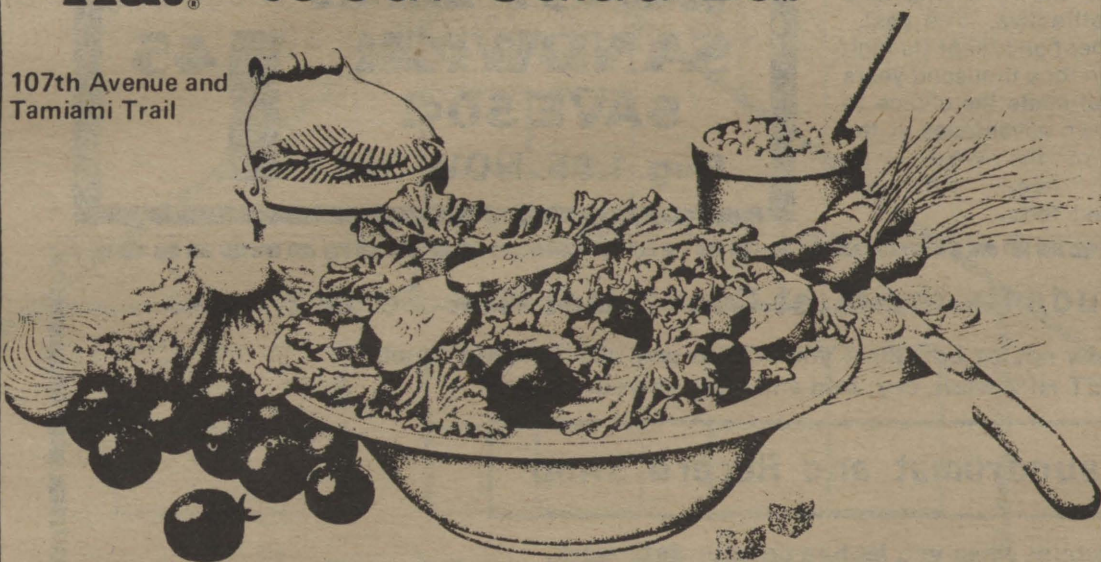
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If you miss any, you might benefit from a visit to one of the Retention Centers.

Mrs. G: forget about gadgets

I had the pleasure of meeting some of you lovely people when I spoke at a workshop on your North Campus. I hate to admit it, but I didn't even know you have another campus; one with equal potential for growth.

I am most impressed, having been used to seeing how buildings grow on parking lots. I was delighted with the warmth and friendship with which I was greeted. I suspect you all are as gracious and charming. I'm also happy about your questions--keep them coming. Just between us friends, students at my university have discovered where my column went when it disappeared into the clouds and are liberating copies of The Sentinel, a better cultural and news exchange between the two neighboring universities will help us all grow in understanding.

Q. It is true you write for a disco magazine?

A. Yes, and I'm about as familiar with the scene as I am with the Australian Bush. My one contact (and I do mean just that) was fortunately with a man I loved. My son is a musician, composer type but has a band to pay part of his growing educational expenses. (He also is a Scuba instructor). At any rate we went to one of his openings. Knowing I'm handicapped to the tune of one dance a night, Bob swung into a slow, easy tempo. My partner just said, "Move closer." Later, when I stopped laughing, I told him I had never moved around like that except during intercourse and what on earth had we been dancing? It was the grind. No wonder I could follow his lead. In any case, disco is great fun to watch,

Across Mrs. G's desk

by Marian Z. Grabowski

marvelous exercise and the dancers are just as interested in sex as anyone else, except maybe our prehistorical ancestors who were obsessed with it for pure survival.

Q. My significant other has a penis which curls up over his stomach when it's erect. We've tried everything in "those stores" to straighten it out. Please, nothing works. What can we do?

A. Forget the gadgets. Try the woman on top position, lean toward his head and guide the penis into your vagina just as it is becoming erect. The vagina is an organ of accommodation. Move slightly up and forward during the lovely rhythm of intercourse. We have all we need, if we include using common sense, to adapt to any size, shape or swirl of an erect penis. Toys may be fun, but are just a bit of spice in the sustained beauty of sexual adventure between two people in love. Now move a little.

Q. I just can't believe it's right for Negroes and whites to date. One of the very pretty girls in my night class has a, I guess you call them black, man who waits for her and they go off with their arms around each other. Don't they know it's wrong?

A. Honey, you reek of

magnolia blossoms and wide verandas. If you fear or fantasize hopefully that some big black beautiful man is going to get within a mile of you, forget it! He will treat you with disdainful pride. It's none of your business, but if you're going to live off the plantation you'd better loosen up that tight little organ you call a brain and begin to look at people as people, not as color blots in your unreality. I suppose there's hope for anyone, so my suggestion is that you actually talk to some blacks, if you can get close enough before they smell your bigotry, and discover for yourself that black is beautiful. So is white, red, yellow and all the mutated shades between. Now when you begin seeing purple people with pink spots, I'll worry. You are missing some great friends and building stone barriers against your chance to get an education and becoming mature. Why on earth did you go to a school called Florida International? I refuse to comment on your statement that it's wrong. My finest teaching and learning experience was at the College of the Bahamas in Nassau. I was a minority of one and it was terrific. One of the most wonderful men I've ever know (and I mean that in the Biblical sense) was pure-bred black. Perhaps you're just asking a prejudiced woman.

What do you think of Anita Bryant?

A. As little as possible.

Q. Do you really have a private practice?

A. Yes, I'm duly ASSET-certified and county licensed. During the school year, I keep the practice small, but I'll soon be ready to fill a couple of time slots. I have only a few personal eccentricities. I work best with people I like so I ask for a three-week trial period for their sake and mine; I insist on a physical first (just in case) and reserve the right to make referrals. I work closely with a gynecologist, an internist, an endocrinologist and a psychiatrist. There are so many quacks in Miami involved in unrealistic therapy, it sounds like a city of migrating ducks. If you feel you need some extra help (and we all do at times) ask your Health Clinic personnel for referrals or, if you prefer to keep it off campus, the Dade County AMA will give you three names of competent psychiatrists and/or psychologists. Don't be lured by charisma nor advertising. Stay away from group orgies, so-called "retreats" and beware of self-announced therapists

who practice hypnosis or primal scream therapy who have never even read a book about it--if they can read. All counselors work silently, so at best, it's hard to be sure. Give yourself the best chance for the best help.

If you'll write describing your problem, I will give you a list of people whom I know from positive feed-back are good in your particular area. I'm sorry I don't know the people on your campus, but I understand the Women's Center is excellent. Perhaps someone down the street there will send me a list of your counselors in mental health, particularly those who deal with sexual problems. I'd appreciate it.

Q. Do you believe in oral sex?

A. Only for people who enjoy it or, who, in a sustained loving, caring relationship want to try it. Most people, despite its illegality, love it. Of course, anything in Florida besides intercourse in the missionary position between a married heterosexual couple in their own bedrooms with the drapes drawn is a misdemeanor. That leaves most of us breaking the law.

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Lady Sunblazers place second in AIAW Regionals

The FIU Women's Volleyball team came back to defeat home town favorite Florida Southern College of Lakeland to place second in the AIAW Small College Southeast Regionals held last weekend.

The Lady Sunblazers motored by pool, play opponents Jacksonville State of Alabama and Barry College of

Georgia until they stalled against Fla. Southern.

After FIU walked over the Lady Moccasins 15-4 in the first game of the best-of-3 pool on Friday, Southern came back to win 15-12, 15-11. For the second consecutive week Florida Southern had out-defended the Blazers for come-from-behind victories.

The loss placed FIU second in its pool behind Southern and seeded the team third behind Florida Tech University and Southern for the single

elimination phase of the tournament.

The third place seed reprieved the Sunblazers, giving them one last shot at the No. 2 Mocs.

True to form, FIU pinned a 15-0 loss on Southern in the opening game in the best-of-5 semifinal match.

Florida Southern came back again, however, to take the second game 15-13. But rallying around the play of 5 foot 1 inch Ann Schwaller, who replaced injured Toni Runyard, FIU took charge with 15-12, 15-6 victories and were given a shot at the title.

"I'm really very proud of the team and the way the girls performed under the pressure," said Head Coach Linda Miskovic.

"Everyone played smart. It was a total team effort with everyone doing what she was supposed to do."

"We gave 100%, we concentrated more on defense and it worked."

In the finals, things didn't work as well. Florida Tech, who could be the best team in the country with its 45-0 record, rolled to a 15-5, 15-6, 15-3 regional championship.

Whether or not the AIAW Selection Committee gives FIU (25-18) a berth in the National Championships, Dec. 7-10, in Orlando, still must be decided. But Coach Miskovic remains confident of a call, come selection day, Dec. 1.

"I'm 99% confident of a bid the Nationals," felt Miskovic. "Several factors are in our favor include the strength of our regular season schedule, the fact that we've placed second in the region the second consecutive season and because the tournament is being played in Orlando."



FIU Volleyball captain Letha Brown and Head Coach, Linda Miskovic.

Brown leads spikers

When choosing a captain for the 1978 Lady Sunblazers Volleyball team, Coach Linda Miskovic searched mainly for the qualities of leadership and ability. Miskovic believed at the beginning of the season that she found these qualities in senior Letha Brown and from the season Brown has been having, Miskovic looks like a genius.

Brown is a 5-9, 138 pound dynamo from Catonsville C.C. in Baltimore, Md. She's a good all-around player and team leader whose specialty is hitting the quick plays and short sets. In 1978, Brown led

the team in total points (139), as well as games played, blocks, and spikes.

Brown is a senior majoring in computer sciences and has set her sights on helping to direct FIU to a top 10 finish in the AIAW National Volleyball Championships should the call arrive.

"Letha has displayed the qualities of leadership both on and off the court this season," said Miskovic. "The squad has always looked up to her for her high work rate and her calmness under pressure. Letha is outstanding both on offense and on defense."

Coach Miskovic in second season

Coach Linda Miskovic is now in her second season at the helm of the FIU Women's Volleyball team and, at present, her number one priority is directing her Lady Sunblazers to a top 10 finish in the AIAW Small College National Volleyball Championships, Dec. 7-10, in Orlando.

"When you're trying to build a program like we're trying to do here at FIU, getting a team into the Nationals is an ultimate goal," thought the coach.

"It's a chance to be able to see the best teams in the

country and properly evaluate progress you've made in your own program and it's a great recruiting tool. More outstanding junior college volleyball prospects will take a better look at you if you've proved you're of national caliber."

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The 1978 FIU Sunblazer Soccer Team: Standing (l. to r.): Head Coach Bill Nuttall, Clyde Salmon, Gary Pollack, Ed Wania, Grady Leggett, Luis Cordova, Greg Preston, Al Njie, Julio Avilez, Chris Moore, Manager Mike Cuomo, Assistant Coach Leter Van Voorst Vader. Kneeling (l. to r.): Mark Gray, Dale Kardasz, Fernando Godoy, Jim Kerzner, Miguel Solozabal, Bucky Wothan, Luis Avilez, Selwyn King and Dave Lister.

Sun sets on Blazer records

The 1978 FIU Soccer season might have come to an end but the legend of team accomplishments will live on. The 11-6 Sunblazers will leave 15 new entries in the FIU record book which may take some time to duplicate.

"While our overall record this season wasn't as impressive as last (17-2-1), this season was a culmination of a considerable amount of hard work coupled with great team effort," said Head Coach Bill Nuttall.

Of the team's six losses, five were by only one goal while the Sunblazers outscored their

opponents by more than a 3 to 1 average.

After four years at the helm of the Sunblazers, Nuttall's career record now stands at 43-16-1 for a .725 percentage.

It was senior co-captain Gary Pollack, from Johannesburg, South Africa, who was the team's overall statistical leader, tying or setting six University records.

Pollack set game records for most assists (3 vs. Stetson on Oct. 14), most goals scored (4 vs. FIT/Melbourne on Oct. 15) and most total points (8 vs. FIT). He also now holds three

season records for most goals (16), most shots at goal (93) and most total points (43).

Team records broken during the course of the year include most overtime games (3), most overtime victories (2), and most overtime goals scored in a single game (4 vs. Eckerd

College on Oct. 1). Two defensive records tied were fewest goals allowed in one season (24, tying 1977) and most shutouts (6, tying 1977).

Three new career records were also established. Pollack now reigns as the university's

new goal scoring king with 24 in his two year career while senior Al Njie from MDCC North and Sweetwater, Florida, set career marks for most assists (23) and most total points (65, 21 goals and 23

assists).

"The 1978 season will go down in the books as a team effort," believed Nuttall. "While our record this year wasn't the best, our desire and hustle was No. 1."

Martial Arts

FIU Hosts Karate Tournament Kogan Places fourth

JEFF DALY

The tin gym was the site of an AAU Karate Tournament hosted by Florida International University on November 12. The tournament was open to all styles of karate and attracted 60 combatants from the South Florida area.

FIU senior Jack Kogan placed fourth out of 16 contestants in the brown belt division.

Kogan, president of the FIU Karate Club, said that the tournament was well managed and that no one was seriously injured. He hopes that the presence of an AAU tournament at the university will promote student interest in the karate club.

According to Kogan, the karate club has 60 members this year. Membership cost is \$10 per quarter, plus a \$10 admission fee to join the Kenkojuko Karate-do Association.

Club members are instructed by Mr. Sugimoto, a fourth-

degree black belt from Japan. Sugimoto is one of a handful of international referees that reside in the United States.

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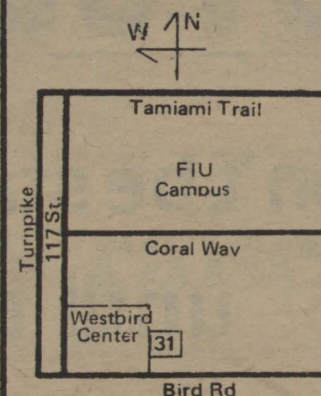
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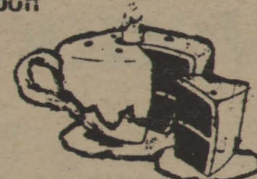
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