University professor helped control Ebola outbreak in West Africa

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Aileen Marty, professor in the college of medicine, returned to Miami this month after helping with the recent Ebola outbreak in Nigeria, as part of the World Health Organization’s Global Outbreak Alert and Response Network.

Marty spent 31 days in West Africa battling dozens of cases concerning Ebola, an infectious and generally fatal disease marked by fever and severe internal bleeding that spreads through contact with bodily fluids of infected people.

Marty and her team set up screening systems for all passengers going to and leaving the country. Their task became challenging when individuals tried to beat the system Marty set up. “As they would come up with evasive maneuvers, we would come up with ways to keep those from functioning and still be able to assure that we had no one leaving or entering with Ebola,” she said. “I know this virus. I know how deadly and scary it is.”

Within the first few days, Marty became the WHO’s team leader for points of entry. She was put in charge of figuring out how to avoid immigration and emigration of people through different points of entry — land ports, seaports and airports.

“I went because I didn’t want to see Ebola in the United States,” she said. “I don’t want to see it anywhere else and I wanted to help all those individuals. I wanted to work to extinguish the outbreak.”

Even though a recent case in Dallas proved to be fatal for Thomas Eric Duncan, a man traveling from Liberia, Marty remains confident that Ebola will not become an epidemic in the United States.

“It was a mistake,” she said. “A patient shows up from a country which has an outbreak that’s out of control and gets sent home before he has to come into the hospital. I can’t imagine that ever happening again.”

Duncan contracted the virus from helping a woman who underwent a miscarriage. He helped her get home and, according to Marty, he was in close contact with the kinds of bodily fluids that contained the virus. The woman died a couple hours after Duncan left her home and became ill after arriving in Dallas.

The virus’ incubation period varies from two to 21 days — meaning that people may start showing symptoms throughout that time. Marty said that Duncan was not showing symptoms when he went through the mandatory exit screening in Liberia, but rather, after he arrived in the U.S.

“There is virtually zero chance that we’re going to see an epidemic or an outbreak.”

SGC-MMC Senate passes resolution favoring expansion

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The Student Government Council at Modesto A. Maidique Campus Senate voted in favor of a resolution supporting University expansion during the general meeting on Oct. 20.

As stated in the original document, the resolution was “in support of relocating the Miami-Dade County Fair and Exposition so that FIU may more completely fulfill its academic mission of the University and serve the students and the community of Miami-Dade.”

After bypassing a second reading of the resolution, the senate approved it unanimously.

“We want to continue to show support and solidarity with both the students of the University and also with the larger FIU community about moving the fairgrounds and finding a suitable space for relocation,” said Charles Perretti, graduate senator and Senate speaker.

“We make this a public issue, we put the resolution out there, and then we can bring it to the members of the administration, to the community and show that there’s solidarity and there’s a strong belief among the students in this goal.”

Moving along the agenda, the senators discussed confirmations for vacant Senate- and Cabinet-level positions.

Four students stepped up to fill an open seat for College of Arts and Sciences senator.

The candidates were Giovanna Gonzalez, a junior psychology major; Chantae Brown, a sophomore psychology major; Chantae Giovanna Gonzalez, a junior Arts and Sciences senator, agreed with Alcala.

“The only thing I see different between [Brown and Boyer] is I think Chantae, if I’m not mistaken, said she was a sophomore, so she has a lot more time to develop and has a future here in student government, whereas Helen said she was a senior, so this would probably be her first and last position. Since [Brown and Boyer] are neck and neck, I think that’s something we should consider when voting.”

When the votes were cast, Brown was selected as the new Arts and Sciences senator.

The Cabinet will also be welcoming a new member.

Robi the dog clears campus bomb threat

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Two weeks ago, FIU police received a call about a message in a bathroom stall inside the Charles Perry building, also known as Primera Casa. The message mentioned the building would blow up on Oct. 19.

As a precaution, police alerted Miami-Dade County Police and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives to assist in checking out the threat and ensuring the safety of the University community, according to a University-wide e-mail signed by President Mark B. Rosenberg.

In the end, it was the help of FUPD’s bomb sniffing dog, Robi, that allowed police to search and clear the building, according to the email.

“When we get a threat that isn’t verifiable or that can’t be corroborated, like most police departments, we wouldn’t respond to that,” said police chief Alexander Casas. “But because we have dogs on campus, we had the resources to take the extra precaution.”

PC’s is the first building ever built in the University and it houses the offices of the University administration, including the president, provost and board of trustees, as well as the office of admissions, enrollment and financial aid.

“We thank FIU students, faculty and staff for being active participants in safety and working with police to resolve this matter,” said Rosenberg in his memorandum. “The PC building is safe and normal operations have resumed.”
Family Guy voice actor welcomed at University

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“Family Guy” Writer, Producer, Performer

A Motivational Lecture from Cleveland Brown/
Mike Henry No Here: A Motivational Lecture from a
Comedian

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We burst of laughter and applause, FIU students welcomed the voice of Cleveland Brown, a supporting character on the acclaimed FOX animated television sitcom, “Family Guy.” Brown, one of the few African-American characters on the show, is voiced by actor Mike Henry. He is also well-known for playing Brown in a Cleveland Show, a spin-off of “Family Guy.”

The philosophy behind “Family Guy” is funny,” said Henry after 14 seasons of the show. “I think it speaks for itself at this point.”

He shared behind-the-scenes clips of the writer’s room for “Family Guy” and rough cuts of popular episodes from the show.

“We have 25 writers and it’s all people who are very smart,” he said. “And very dedicated – they don’t like to be fed what the industry is feeding.”

As a student at Washington and Lee, the writer was always interested in comedy but he felt that he needed to take a career path more oriented to “business stuff.” He never thought he could make a career out of making people laugh. So instead, he opted to major in history.

He said that the University pushed its students to pursue more traditional careers that didn’t fully embrace his expressive nature as an actor.

“It was a very conservative school and I, at the time, rebelled against my artist parents by going to the most...”

University ranked among older schools for serving the public

Javier Zapata, a senior international relations major, was confirmed unanimously as the sustainability coordinator.

Confirmations for the senator-at-large position were rescinded for the general meeting in the coming week.

Other business was also covered.

Rheith Williamson, graduate senator, on behalf of the Graduate and Professional Student Committee, informed the Senate that he and his committee members were currently working on converting their funding request application to an online format.

The committee has also finalized the date for its Gradskellar, which will take place Thursday, October 30, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Chili’s Too in Graham Center.

Students interested in law will have an opportunity to mingle with judges. Daniel Horton, president of the Student Bar Association, informed those in attendance about a judicial panel in which students will be able to hear five prominent Florida judges speak about their experiences in the legal field.

The event will take place Oct. 25, in Rafael Daza-Balart Hall 1006 from 3:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Lunch will be provided.

An opportunity to have breakfast with some of the judges will also be provided at 10 a.m. Since spots for the breakfast are limited, interested students should email Horton at dhorton007@fiu.edu.

Rosenberg takes student questions during Biscayne Bay Campus visit

Additionally, the University spent the past year renovating the Panther Square, added a Panther statue and renovated the Panther Square, added a Panther statue and renovated the Mary Ann Wolfe Theater in January 2015.

Rosenberg said that the University will establish protocols to allow faculty input before making decisions like renting out the venue to Donald Trump and his pageant.

“We are not hosting the event,” Rosenberg said. “We are renting out the venue.”

To offset the offense to women, he said that the pageant coordinators will allow some air time on television to promote the “role of FIU women in science and leadership positions.”
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Jewish organization attempts to eliminate misconceptions about Israel

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A large mural stood in the grass surrounded by the Graham Center, OwuEhan and the Steve and Dorothy Green Library on March 24. The mural was colored and graffiti-styled. On the mural was the word “Shalom,” with the University’s Golden Panther jumping through the O.

Several people standing around the mural were eager to talk with anyone who stopped to take a closer look or paint on it. They were members of the University’s organization Shalom FIU, and they were advertising “Israel Peace Week.”

“We wanted to showcase Israel as a democratic, peace-seeking state, who is attempting to co-exist with its neighbors,” said Yael Rotterman, president of Shalom FIU.

The organization is part of the “Pro-Israel, Peace” movement at the University. They don’t consider themselves a Jewish organization; rather, they attempt to hold events that create awareness about Israel.

“I love learning about people and students in school who have no connection to Israel and still support it,” said Daia Perez, vice president of Shalom FIU.

According to the members of Shalom FIU, many of the students around campus hold a general misconception about the country of Israel and its beliefs, ideals and culture among other things. The organization’s goal is to educate fellow University students about Israel’s spectrum of components.

“Israel is also human rights, gay rights, freedom of speech and freedom of democracy,” Rotterman said.

Shalom FIU began about seven years ago. A Jewish student and a Christian student created the organization to celebrate Israel’s 60th independence anniversary, enforcing the idea that Jewish and non-Jewish individuals could cooperate as advocates for Israel and what the country stands for.

“It’s a student organization whose purpose is to teach the cultural, social and political [beliefs of Israel],” said Juan Giles, executive board assistant of Shalom FIU. Since 2007, Shalom FIU’s members have helped to show the growth every year in order for their events to reach more people and create a bigger impact.

“The way [the organization] is going is amazing, especially considering that it was so small; but now it’s really grown and has amazing, especially considering that it was so small; but now it’s really grown and has a really big student body,” Perez said.

Shalom FIU counts on approximately 30 to 40 members who are extremely involved in the organization and immersed in some aspect of Israel, whether it be its culture, society or politics. Besides them, they have a large base of members who attend their diverse events.

According to the president, the organization has held a variety of events and activities, including speakers, Israel Peace Week, Shabbat on Friday nights and culture fairs.

Recently, Shalom FIU brought a British-Pakistani Muslim speaker who had a past of vehement hatred towards Israel, its citizens and its supporters. However, after having spent several years in Israel, he realized he couldn’t find a basis for his hatred.

“It was like I had a moment of clarity with my own thoughts to really process things,” Kasim Hafeez said, according to an article in the University’s newspaper. “Here I am, in the state of Israel, the world’s only Jewish state, and we’ve got Christians, Jews and people of all colors.”

When you say ‘Israel,’ people usually relate it to ‘Jewish,’ so it’s hard to relate it. “It’s so hard to relate it to when you’re not Jewish,” Perez said. “Once they understand that there’s more to it, about its technology innovations, for example, it becomes a lot more relevant.”

The organization has also brought an openly gay Israeli commander who shared his experience with Shalom FIU’s members and event attendees. On some Fridays, Shalom FIU members get together with members of other organizations for Shabbat and share the night with good company and Israeli food. Through culture fairs, the organization also attempts to bring Israeli food and music to the University’s student body to share their culture with non-Israeli Panthers.

The organization is open for all students to become members. To increase engagement, Shalom FIU partners with many organizations throughout campus. Recently, they partnered with a Brazilian organization for Capoeira — Brazilian martial arts — for their event on Krav Maga, an Israeli style of self-defense.

They intend hold a large variety of events to attract many religions. The members of this organization are passionate about the topics Shalom FIU emphasizes, and they are motivated to share them with everyone who has an interest in them as well.

For the University students who don’t have a particular concern for Israel and all that the country encompasses, Shalom FIU want to help spark their interest through these events.

“It’s interesting because there are things you can bring from Israel, help to a democracy, and there are a lot of similarities to the way we have here in America. A lot of things we use in everyday life, Israel has contributed to,” said Giles.

While the organization currently doesn’t hold general meetings very often, they do hold to execute board meetings weekly in order to plan out future events and activities. Nonetheless, the e-board keeps in contact with their members through OrgSync, Facebook and Instagram, constantly posting pictures and comments of past events as well as of future ones.

“Many people are just so misinformed about Israel and politics and conflicts, but Shalom has motivated me to become more involved in what is advocacy in the politics,” said Perez. “Once you understand Israel and that it’s representative of the western ideals in that region, it’s easier to understand why we have big support from the United States.”

University juniors make up FunkMan’s inferno

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Student Media sat down with three members of FunkMan, who are known for their ska-punk band from Pembroke Pines, Florida. These three members are all junior FIU students: Franz Leschhorn, whose major is International Business; Zak Gearhart, majoring in Communications; and Tony Perez, a major in Music Business. They have been making music since 2012 and released their first studio album “Hometown Rival” in January of this year.

Franz [the saxophonist] told me a while ago that you guys had a lot more members. What happened?

Tony: We were 13 members because…. yeah, college school.

Tony: We were all in school together. So we all were kinda just like, “Okay, let’s all be in a band together.” And we just added everyone that wanted to be in it.

Zak: Yeah, that was not a great experience.

How did it become six people?

Zak: We were at that position where we had people who were just, like, kind of there, sometimes, because they were going to college. We wanted to refine how we sounded and 13 people was way too much to organize practice.

Franz: Let’s put it this way. You have 13 kids and you’re trying to tell them what to do, but they’re all yelling at you at the same time. It’s a lot easier if you cut that number in half.

FMI has been around since 2012. How have you guys

From left to right: Tony Perez, who plays trumpet; Adam Sailsman, who sings and plays trombone; and Franz Leschhorn, who plays tenor sax.

changed since then, in terms of sound or ideas? Was it always ska?

Zak: It’s never been ska. We really aren’t a ska band. We have, like, two actual ska songs. It’s a hard thing to stick with. When we first got in a band, we were like, “Okay, let’s play ska music,” cause we all loved all those [ska] bands [Reel Big Fish, Streetlight Manifesto] and a half years ago, but —

Franz: Everything sounds the same.

Zak: We loved the more pop punk stuff. We’ve transitioned into this big pop punk-style, wild wind influences.

We’re more a pop-punk ska band than a ska-punk band.

Franz: There’s so much you can do with it.

Zak: We’re just trying to sell out and not play what we used to play, we just want to add more to our repertoire.

Do any of you have any solo work?

Zak: Jeremy, our bassist, does. He’s the only one that has anything solo.

Franz: He’s starting full band recordings.

Where was your first show?

Zak: First show we ever played was St. Patrick’s Day of 2012 at this place — RIP forever — called The Talent Farm. We have a new song that we wrote called “Save The Talent Farm.” The Talent Farm is what raised us as a band. Our first EP was recorded at The Talent Farm.

Who writes the lyrics? What is the process like?

Zak: Adam and Jeremy.

Tony: We just let them write whatever they write. Adam, at any given time, can be working on six songs. He’ll have a melody in his head and he’ll just start writing. A few months later, he’ll pop out a new song. He’ll give it to us or email it, we look it over on our own, we rehearse together and that’s when we talk about what doesn’t work.

Zak: We like to finish the product, and then tweak the product.

Tony: The other way we write songs is the rhythm section puts in their work — you know, the drums, guitar, bass — they work on whatever they’re doing, and then the horns kinda do their own thing. They worry about their own parts and we try to get our style and sound together in the horn section.

Zak: We divide it into these two groups and we all practice together.

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Movie is about ‘war and not much else’

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What I liked most about “Fury” was its pace, the acting
and the action. I like that it pulled
no punches as it thrust us into the
sights, sounds and realities of
war. It’s a great film anchored by
excellent performances, direc
tion and writing.

REEL TO REEL

Funkman’s Inferno is excited to have
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18. Now, they are off to play a show for
Skallkween at Anonymous Guitars on Oct.
25.

University students create ska-punk band

Tony: That’s kind of how marching band
in high school is. You have something, you
work on it in sections and then you put it
together. That’s pretty much how we do it.

What song is your favorite to perform?
Tony: For me, it’s one song we perform
almost every show. I go all out because the
crowd goes all class, not do assignments and to “just have an
awesome resume” prepared for when he graduates. This
included serving as class president for three consecutive
years.

He saw his peers go off to law, business
and medical graduate schools and it influenced him to start a career in
advertising.

He joined an advertising firm in Virginia as an account executive. However, he felt that advertising was a world
he couldn’t get himself to care about. His only interest
was in making people laugh.

Tony: I’m very big on jazz music. My
favorites would be Miles Davis, Freddie
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and soloing in the band.

Tony: My hometown rival is actually
we are rivalrying ourselves in our
country to not change, stay who we are,
be true to ourselves, keep on keepin’ on.

Zak: Everyone’s biggest enemy in their
own life is themselves.

Individually, who are your influences?
Frazn: I really like this jazz fusion band
called Snarky Puppy. They’re not our genre,
but we play the whole sound they have behind them and how they interact
within themselves as musicians is something
that I really look up to.

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Zak: I jump around. I listen to, like, 55
different genres of music. In my own genre,
the band that’s had the biggest influence
on me is this band called Less Than Jake.
They’re insane. They know what they’re
doing.

There’s a song on your album called
“Ryan Feller’s Day Off!” Who is Ryan
Feller?
Zak: He was that kind of guy you would
go see at shows, give him a hug and have a
great time with.

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Panthers look to silence the Thundering Herd

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After coming out victorious in their previous game against rival University of Central Florida, the men’s soccer team are packing their bags and are heading north to play against The Thundering Heard of Marshall University.

The Panthers finally picked up a victory after having lost their last two games by one-goal difference. While “coming up short” has been an unfortunate trend for the Panthers, the game against UCF has given fans a reason to believe otherwise. With the game against the Heard ahead of them, the Panthers have a chance to continue picking up momentum by winning this game.

However, walking out of Huntington, W. Va. will not be an easy task. Despite having had their fair share of struggles and inconsistencies throughout the season, the Heard have been able to surprise multiple opponents. With the same amount of wins as the Panthers, Marshall expects nothing but to come out striving for a win.

Consistently Inconsistent:

After a long season, the Thundering Heard is ranked seventh out of nine in the Conference USA standings. Teching systems Head Coach Bob Gray, who is entering his 20th season, Marshall will not back down from any challenge.

Consistently stated, though, the Heard have not been a model of consistency this season. In fact, just looking into their previous four games says enough, including one win, two losses and a tie in overtime.

Even though Marshall stepped it up against the top ranked team in the nation, University of North Carolina at Charlotte with a tie, they have still not been able to perform this admirably throughout the season. With only one senior on the roster, goalkeeper Danny Selfitz, the Heard have had a lack of veteran leadership on the field.

With a tie for fifth place with University of New Mexico and University of South Carolina, Marshall only expects to put on a great performance for their home crowd. This game seems to be pivotal for a team who is searching for an identity. A win against FIU would push them into the top three in the C-USA standings, getting them one step closer to an automatic bid to the NCAA Tournament.

Time to Strike Back:

After finally winning a game, the Panthers may feel as if they have broken through. While the defense has struggled to find stability, Head Coach Scott Calabrese has not been shy to make some valiant substitutions.

Sophomore midfielder Patrick Lopez started the previous game and his efforts on the field were not unnoticed. His strong tackles and slides prevented many attacks from occurring on the pitch. Just like the previous game, it is important that the Panthers begin to cover the field and defense from atop.

Defense may be the key in winning many of these games. If the Panthers are to upset Marshall on the road, the team will have to stand strong defensively and give a valiant effort - winning all the 50/50 balls. Possession will be critical, and the Panthers must fight to keep the ball without giving a fast-paced Marshall team from attacking.

Although the Panthers sit alone at the bottom of the C-USA table, the win would propel the team with great momentum and would improve their overall record. With two home games ahead of them, coming back to Miami with two back-to-back victories under their belt would be impressive.

The Panthers are on the clock, and it is time to win. With the C-USA tournament less than three weeks away the team is trying to build something for what could be a great tournament for FIU.

Men’s rugby ranked No. 1 with undefeated season

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The Panthers have defeated yet another Florida Atlantic University team as men’s rugby shut down the Owls 42-7 on Saturday. Thanks to this match, FIU now ranks first in the state as they head into the final games of the Florida Cup with 19 points on the season.

FIU (3-4) had a total of 14 tries to earn the extra point awarded to the team that wins with more than four tries. Rookie standout Nick Daniel ladened FIU as he scored three tries.

Backs’ captain Mateo Velazquez is fitting in as quite an asset on his first year in charge; he scored the game’s other try on Saturday.

“Historically, FAU has always had the upper hand with us. They’ve beaten us most of the time. So it was awesome defeating them by so much,” Velazquez said.

Although this is Velazquez’s second year on the team, he had several years of experience as he played for the Miami Rugby Club during high school. His effort and techniques have allowed him to step up to lead an undefeated backs team.

“It’s a lot of responsibility but I learned a lot watching our last captain,” he said. “This season I want to lead the mental side of the back as well as make sure everyone keeps improving.”

Federico Torres-Garcia entered the try zone twice this past Saturday, Oct. 18. He is new to FIU yet his experience from playing rugby in Argentina has allowed him to teach his teammates certain strategies that won’t be found in other collegiate rugby’s.

“The difference of importance (of the game) between here and Argentina is enormous,” Torres-Garcia said. “It helps us as a team learn the game. We learn a lot of a strategy, it’s a good challenge to bring these guys up and I have earned so much respect from this organization in such a short period of time.”

David Webster also scored twice, Barrington McNeill, Kyle Gilbert, Kevin Fletel, Santiago Laplitzondo and Adrian White scored a try each.

“It feels great, we put a lot of work in getting to this point,” Gilbert said. “International is a big part of us, we have players who have played in other countries that help us as well.”

FIU leads into its All Florida tournament this weekend at Clermont, Florida. The Panthers take first on top contender Florida State. The Seminoles have proven to be a tough team to beat over the years and are ranked at third place.

FSU will put up a tough fight against FIU in order to stay atop in the Florida cup. However, FIU must attack with depth and speed against FSU in order to lock their number one spot.

On Sunday, Oct. 26, FIU will play against University of South Florida. The Bulls have been no-match to FIU over the years. Nevertheless the game will not be taken lightly and the Panthers will come out in full swing in order to gain the championship, which also includes some projected playing time from the B-side to gain more experience.

“We may not have the size but we have more technique. We know where and how to pass the ball, a greater understanding of the game. Technical aspect is what will separate us, not physical,” Torres-Garcia said.

Despite their competitive schedules, some of the teammates were chosen for the Florida Select Side; consisting of the 23 best players in the State. Gilbert, forward’s captain Christopher Arrieta, McNeill and Chris Dohneln travelled to Georgia to compete against Life University Premiere, a division one program of graduate and undergraduate students on scholarship for rugby.

“This trip gave us an opportunity to teach a few advanced techniques that other universities have not yet mastered or learned, such as improving our mauls,” Gilbert said, “leading my team to the highest level we can go.”
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SGC-BBC hosts dean meeting event

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