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Florida International University
Poll finds most expect no change in Cuba

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Fidel Castro’s reappearance has been generating a global media buzz, indicating perhaps that the tough old days of the Cuban government are not yet gone. However, the recent release of political prisoners might hint otherwise. These events have lead many in the Cuban-American community to reconsider their opinions.

The latest Cuba/US Transition Poll by FIU’s Institute for Public Opinion Research, conducted in 2008, showed that 29% of interviewees think that a major political change in Cuba is likely to occur in two to five years. Since 2008, both Cuba and the US have seen new presidents and policies, which have brought mixed feelings among the coiled community. Yet, when comparing recent results with the 1993 version of the poll, conservatism seems to be fading.

“Most Cuban-Americans in the poll believe that change is unlikely to occur in the near future. Fidel’s reappearance suggests that they are correct,” said Eduardo Gamara, professor at the University’s Department of Politics and International Relations.

Since Raul Castro assumed the role of head of government in Cuba, his older brother Fidel has maintained an extremely low profile. However, since July, the former leader has appeared on the island’s government-run news.

Plagiarism cases at FIU hit lowest rate since 2003

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With plagiarism cases still appearing throughout FIU, professors have resorted to new technology and harsher discipline in order to decrease the issue.

The closing of the last academic year marked the lowest rate of plagiarism cases, 51 in total, at FIU since 2003. These rates come just two years after the University had the highest plagiarism outbreak with a total of 85 cases according to the office of the interim Vice Provost, Michael Ciccazzo.

“A percentage of students don’t know how to use outside sources, claiming they didn’t know how to cite,” stated former vice Provost Kenneth Johnson, new FIU associate professor of English.

Richard Olson, professor of Department of Politics and International Relations, states, “two things are going on regarding plagiarism: a lot of students try to work and take too many classes and by the end of the semester the pressure of deadlines tempts the student to plagiarize.

And two, a lot of technology has made it easier than it has ever been.”

Johnson suggests that another contributing factor may be the culture and access that has made it too easy to plagiarize. It is just too easy to “cut and paste,” Johnson states.

Other professors throughout the University such as Brian Peterson, Associate professor of history at FIU, suggest that students should already be aware of what plagiarism is through introductory English courses.

“By the time I see students, they’ve been told what plagiarism is, because they have received a free limited edition Panther Rage beach towel. I have a yellow bikini so I’m looking forward to snagging one of those FIU towels to add to my collection since I love my alma mater and am so excited to be back!” said Raynel Klinchen, a graduate student in higher education administration.

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72 migrants killed at ranch

According to Mexican government officials, 72 migrants were found dead at a ranch near the U.S. border. MSNBC.com has reported that the deaths may be linked to the Zetas drug cartel. Navy Vice Adm. Jose Luis Vergara says a wounded survivor reports that gunmen who identified themselves as Zetas kidnapped him and other migrants and took them to the ranch in San Fernando, a town south of Brownsville, Texas. Vergara said Wednesday that investigations believe that it is time for the modification, or even elimination, of the American embargo on Cuba.

"Support for lifting the embargo has grown over the years. After 51 years it is probably time to try something else," said Gamarra.

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Poll finds that 55% oppose embargo

The poll also indicated that 55% of the Cuban-Americans interviewed opposed the US embargo of Cuba, which was put into effect during the Kennedy administration. This contrasts with the March 1993 version of the poll, in which 85% favored tightening the trade embargo against the island.

"Last year, travel restrictions were reduced to allow Cuban-Americans to visit their relatives living in the island. A section of Congress and administration officials have reported the possibility of expanding traveling privileges to include American academia.

"The travel policies to Cuba were too strict during the Bush administration, and even though they have loosened up, I would like to go on any popular commercial flight website and be able to book a flight to Cuba," said Marielys Dominguez, a FIU sophomore and 1999 migrant.

According to the 2008 Poll, 66% of those interviewed did not favor the travel restrictions of the time. While in 1993, 60% opposed unrestricted travel for Cuban-Americans to visit family members in the island.

"Cubans that have immigrated to the US since 1980s tend to be more open in regards to the embargo and travel restrictions. Every year, there are less of those that came in the 1960s, which were more conservative, and with 20,000 Cubans coming in each year, the trend has been changing," said Hugh Gladwin, Director of the Institute for Public Opinion Research at the School of Journalism and Mass Communications.

As suggested by the polls, the public opinion changed drastically from 1993 to 2008. Yet, the recent happenings in Havana could have some effects on people's views regarding the future of the island nation and its relationship with the US, and the rest of the democratic world.

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WASHINGTON

WORLD

550 million eggs recalled

Eggs from the two Iowa farms at the heart of a salmonella scare could possibly be made into shopping markets across the country. According to MSNBC.com, the producers responsible for a recall of some 550 million potentially tainted eggs have found another outlet for the inventory that just keeps coming. They will turn them into liquid eggs used in every cooking method, cakes to egg substitutes and pet food.

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More and more professors have begun to use turnitin.com. It has become much more than a plagiarism tool. It allows for communication between faculty members," said Dr. William K. Beesting, honors fellow and assistant dean of Undergraduate Studies.

"Turnitin.com provides professors with the numerical percentage of plagiarism that an entry contains. According to Peterson, the final product the professor receives is almost always clean of plagiarism, all in an effort to "stamp out plagiarism," according to Peterson.

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Turnitin.com provides online plagiarism detection services for students, teachers, and lecturers. It allows for checking of essays, articles, and other written work. The tool compares the text with a large database of academic and non-academic sources to identify instances of plagiarism.

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PRODUCTION MANAGER/COPY CHIEF

The minimum sanction for students who are caught plagiarizing: informal and formal.

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Contact Information

To report plagiarism, you can contact the school or university. Most colleges and universities have policies in place to deal with academic misconduct. It is important to understand the procedures and consequences for plagiarism and academic misconduct at your institution.
While No. 15 FIU men's volleyball gets ready to face then-No. 22 Florida State at 7 p.m., the Golden Panthers look for first win of season at home.

"I'm excited to get on the road and have our team tested during actual competition. Things can change pretty quickly during the season like it did last year," Tomic said. "You never really know what is going to happen."
Times, Martinez impress coach staff as season nears

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After full training camp ended and the first week of regular season practices has been completed, FIU head coach Mario Cristobal has taken notice of the possibilities of different lineups that can use to line up alongside T.Y. Hilton.

Senior receiver Ariel Martinez and sophomore Wayne Times have impressed Cristobal the most at their position during camp. But he is not ready to give that second receiver role out just yet.

“You can consider them almost co-starters,” said Cristobal when using three, four or five wide receiver formations. “You can feel good about starting either one of those guys.”

Times had 19 receptions for 234 yards and reached the end zone only once last season, while Martinez had two catches for 76 yards, both coming against Georgia State. “The scheme will be the same for both,” Cristobal said. “The information that is now public basically confirms everything that we have been working on as a team.”

Martinez impressing coaches has been noticed already. “You can consider him as one of the most productive receivers on the team,” said the coach.

Cyprien at his best

Cristobal has like what he has seen from the secondary, especially from safety Jonathan Cyprien.

“Cyprien has been playing the best football he has been playing since he has been here,” said Cristobal.

If healthy, this could be the first full season that Cyprien will start alongside Ash Parker at safety. As a freshman, Cyprien wasn’t able to team up with Parker last season at safety because Parker suffered a second season-ending injury of his collegiate career.

Whether Cyprien plays strong or free safety is not a concern. In fact, with Geoff Collins’ new schemes, playing both sides at safety may be expected from the two safeties.

“The scheme will be much better...we can talk to each other and just switch up so that the quarterback won’t recognize [us],” said Cyprien.

Despite having one interception and one fumble recovery last season, Cyprien wants to eventually prove that he is the best defensive player in the Sun Belt conference.

LAPORTE HEALING

Tight end Dudley LaPorte participated in seven on seven drills despite wearing an orange practice jersey. Cristobal expects him to be at, “full-go” by the end of the week.

Jonathan Faucher, another tight end, also wore the orange jersey. He is expected and did not participate in full contact drills. He is expected back by next practice. “Keeping him in an orange jersey away from contact, just to make sure that ankle is stable,” said Cristobal.

Sophomore linebacker Lanez “Pooch Bear” Mars, who injured his ankle, may not be recovering as fast as previously expected. “We were hoping for it to heal a little quicker,” said Cristobal.

Cristobal said Mars’ status for the season opener against FIU is unclear.

Wayne Times (right) is working to take a more prominent role alongside T.Y. Hilton (left).

FLORIDA MARLINS

Financial documents show Marlins made large profits

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The Florida Marlins made big profits with baseball’s smallest player payroll in 2008-09, and team president David Samson says the income was needed to ensure being able to borrow money for a new ballpark.

Team financial statements acquired by Deadspin.com show the Marlins netted $49 million during the two seasons, with operating income of $37.8 million in 2008 and $11.1 million in 2009. Samson didn’t dispute the figures during a conference call Monday.

“It was critical for us as a team to make sure we had enough money to put into the ballpark,” he said.

The Marlins had the lowest player payroll in the major leagues both seasons: $22 million in 2008 and $37 million in 2009.

Last winter they reached an agreement with the players’ union to increase payroll had been so small as to violate baseball’s smallest player payroll was a crime.

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Samson said the leaking of the documents was a crime.

“It will be followed up intensely by Major League Baseball and its member clubs,” he said.

The Miami Marlins’ financial statements became public one day after The Associated Press reported that the cellar-dwelling Pittsburgh Pirates made nearly $29.4 million in 2007 and 2008, according to team documents.
MEDIEVAL TOOLS IN TORTURE MUSEUM EXHIBIT

A human skeleton in a heavy iron cage, a wax model of a naked man cuffed upside down by the wrists and ankles screamed as he is skinned by a bunched figure, his face in panic. All this awaits patrons at the Museum of Torture in the Ages.”

Housed by the Freedom Tower, an adjunct of Miami Dade College’s downtown Wolfson Campus, the exhibit is free to MDC students and open every day from 12 p.m. to 6 p.m. The exhibition rooms are set up in dark colors: black panels, red accents.

It’s a cold three-section display of machines, chairs, instruments, and imprisonment tortures ranging from the popular stocks to iron maidens and breast-ripping tongs, and ending in a wax recreation of the Spanish Inquisition.

In the first room, a wax woman sits unclothed atop a pointed wooden pyramid with heavy bags hanging from her feet and her hands, which are tied behind her back. Next to her is a wind apparatus that fuels the burning of the soles of men’s feet while they are tied to wooden planks. Around them, behind glass panes, are black and rusty metal cutters and pincers used to cut off tongues and limbs.

Deeper into that main room, a rotting corpse hangs inside a body-tight cage modeled to restriction movement. Next to him is a hooded reaper looming over an axe; he is the executioner.

These things are centuries old. They have shed human blood from the time of the Renaissance and even a little before. They’ve survived in private collections mostly around Italy and carry with them a silent mourning of the souls they slowly, brutally and most painfully ripped from hundreds of thousands of people. The cold iron, now without use, is the same in all the instruments from the pincers to the torture chairs and body saws: rough, porous and unyielding.

By far, the most gruesome section is the small side room with the chastity belts and chains with spikes used by religious men voluntarily for penance.

An interrogation chair covered in small even thorns and a heavy iron maiden stand at each end of the room, ominous, chilling. The instruments of sexual torture held in a corner of the room seem almost unbelievable, especially for the time at which they were used. The one shaped like a pear was introduced into a prisoner’s orifices, be it the mouth, vagina or anus, and then opened into four blades, deep within the subject’s tissue.

The descriptions of each torture station state that, amazingly, some of these methods are still in use today. What’s more, some of the torture methods on display have in fact been used by U.S. authorities in recent years. Amnesty International, a co-producer of the “Instruments of Torture,” has scheduled events and lectures alongside MDC throughout the exhibit’s run. From April 2, when it first opened to the public, to Aug. 29, AI is sticking to its mission of working to stop these barbaric acts from happening in today’s world, and in the future.

As a human rights organization, their take on the torture museum is one of prevention through remembrance. They’ve compiled a showcase of pain, terror and perturbing, spine-crushing medieval practices to demonstrate to the student body the importance of commitment that the advancement of school spirit is to celebrate the level of athleticism present at the University.

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Garcia’s main aim during this event is to motivate students in attendance to have as much school spirit as her and her committee through leading by example.

“I want my fellow FIU Golden Panthers to get excited not only about the new school year beginning, but also get pumped in anticipation of the football season. My excitement over this event stems from my un-ending school spirit,” said Garcia.

While the success of this event has been facilitated by Panther Rage for the past five years, this year they look forward to an all-time attendance high compared to last year’s pool party. In part due to a collaboration with Athletics, they recognized that, as a part of SGC-MMC, Panther Rage would have a marketing strategy designed to engage the student body as both organizations eager to increase attendance at athletic events.

“There are a few factors that ensure increased success this year, including increased visibility through SGC-MMC, the increase of students living on campus during the fall 2010 semester, the level of commitment that the members of the Committee have displayed in planning the event, the marketing strategy employed, and most importantly, the increased participation of the Department of Athletics,” said Panther Rage Coordinator Daniel Fernandez.

Recently, Panther Rage transitioned from a governing council to a committee within SGC-MMC. They now have an increased access to resources for the planning and execution of their spirited events in order to make their goal of the development and advancement of school spirit to be realized.

“I can honestly say that while the journey has been difficult, it has been rewarding. I have seen Panther Rage become not only more efficient in the planning and execution of events, but a more solid, focused organization with pointed objectives,” said Fernandez.

Panther Rage Marketing Coordinator Oliver Diaz-Neda stresses that while football is often the sport with the most attention, the purpose of this event is to celebrate the level of athleticism present at the University.

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WEALTH OF WELCOME

Comedian Arvin Mitchell performs in GL 100 on Aug. 24 as part of Week of Welcome events.
British actor Elba discusses new film role and heritage

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Ever since his breakout role as Stringer Bell on The Wire, British actor Idris Elba has played a variety of characters from Beyoncé Knowles’ husband in Obsessed to Oscar-winner Denzel Washington’s drug-dealing rival in American Gangster.

In Takers, Elba stars alongside Paul Walker, Chris Brown and Hayden Christensen as the leader of a notorious group of criminals that execute perfectly planned bank heists that keep police baffled and the criminals out of jail.

When the group attempts another robbery with extremely high stakes, the tension as the leader of a notorious group descends. “I was in town for the film’s press tour and The Beacon sat down with the actor.”

Elba first got involved with Takers when he was given a first look at script given to him by producer Will Packer, in which Elba really liked the script. Elba and Packer have collaborated on many films together like This Christmas and Obsessed. Elba first collaborated with producer Will Packer in 2005 with his role in The Gospel.

“It was very fortunate to get the role of Reverend Frank in The Gospel, which could have gone to any number of actors,” Elba says. “He gave me a shot.” Elba says that he likes to collaborate with Packer because he is a force to reckon with and that he likes to challenge himself and the filmmakers he works with.

Elba has been using a standard American accent and has worked in American-produced films such as The Lovers and The Reaping. Even though he says it did not make a difference to him as an actor to use his native British accent in Takers, he says that it is nice to represent his culture in an American film.

“It was my choice to use my accent or not,” Elba says. “It was originally written as an American and it was a choice that made the film have a more international feel.”

Aside from with the cast members who play his motley crew of criminals, Elba was able to work with British Oscar-nominated actress Marianne Jean-Baptiste, who plays his sister Naomi.

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Wyclef Jean needs more to be a leader

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Wyclef Jean is arguably Haiti’s most vocal supporter. However, to truly support the country, he shouldn’t have pinned his hopes on the ballot for the Nov. 28 elections.

Jean, who was born in Haiti but left at age nine with his parents to Brooklyn, NY, announced on Aug. 5 that he will run for president of Haiti and started his electoral campaign on Aug. 12. His application for candidacy has since been blocked due to his failure to meet residency requirements.

In an interview with The Guardian Jean said that his manifesto will focus on policy pillars: education, job creation, agriculture and security.

I feel these pillars are important, but without any specifics from the Grammy-winning hip hop star, it’s hard to say why he would have been any more successful with Haiti’s top job than any of the other candidates.

In the same article, Jean said he had already “assembled a team of political advisers.”

Most politicians also have advisers. However, there’s a perceived difference between the senator-turned-president hiring advisers, and a singer-turned-president doing the same.

I think Jean’s advisers would have done more planning and created more initiatives than the advisers of a more experienced candidate.

Although Jean lacks political experience, he was quick to point out his connections to power. “When you think of the connections and alliances I’ve assembled around the world, I feel I can help move this country forward,” he said.

Connections and alliances alone do not make a leader. They may have worked for him in his charity work, but he will need more to stabilize Haiti and move it forward.

Jean used his connections successfully with his charity foundation, Yéle Haiti. According to The Washington Post they managed to raise over $1.6 million days after the 7.0 magnitude earthquake hit Port-au-Prince. The post also said Yéle generated much donor interest that its site crashed.

However, in an analysis of its tax returns, the foundation was criticized for how the money was being spent. Its administrative fees were higher than similar charities. Furthermore, payments from the charity were made to businesses owned by Jean and another one of the foundation’s board members according to The Washington Post.

I’m not incriminating Jean, but this situation raises doubts as to his ability to put the right people in place to help him.

Although the people in Haiti probably won’t give two cents or gourdes, about Yéle’s tax situation, future donors will keep that in mind when considering whether to donate to Haiti.

The New York Daily News said in an editorial that Jean can’t do worse than “the despot, thieves and incompetents who have been decades of misrule account for so much of Haiti’s plight.”

A person who isn’t worse has the possibility of maintaining the status quo, which, unfortunately, is the poorest country in the western hemisphere plagued with poverty, illiteracy, and class divide.

This cynicism is not what Haiti needs. Haiti needs someone with the know-how to rebuild it with a clearly laid path forward, not a popularity contest.

Editorial Policy

Editorials are the official voice of the editorial board, which is composed of student editors in chief, management, and the editors of each of the five sections. The Beacon welcomes any letters regarding an opinion published, and encourages you to comment on our content.
The Student Government Council at Biscayne Bay Campus has several available seats for students to serve on the executive branch.

"SGC-BBC is aggressively seeking to fill at least half of the [vacant seats] before the beginning of the fall semester," said Octelle Higgins, SGC-BBC press secretary, who serves as the direct liaison between the student body, SGC-BBC and media outlets.

Besides functioning as the liaison between the student body and the University administration, the Council develops and researches programs to enhance the health, education, safety and welfare of the student body at BBC and the Broward Pines Center.

The president of the Council is responsible for overseeing members of the Cabinet, while the standing committee chairs report to vice president. However, due to a lack of student involvement, the executive branch at BBC only consists of a president, vice president, and chief-of-staff, according to Higgs.

"There is a lack of interest, and lack of knowledge that the positions are available," said Higgs.

Council members are often chosen from a pool of SGC-BBC interns who have successfully completed their shadowing assignments. "I personally plan on hiring representatives to fill the vacant seats on the board. The more individuals we have working to reach our goals the easier it will be to accomplish them," said Christin "Cici" Battle, SGC-BBC President.

Battle urges students who are interested in becoming apart of the Student Government Association to inquire about open positions. Undergraduate applicants must have at least a 3.0 GPA; graduate students must have a minimum of a 2.5. All applicants must take at least 50 percent of their classes on BBC.

Once applications are approved, applicants begin the campaigning process. As of July 21, following the SGC-BBC general meeting, the position of comptroller and six seats under the Executive Office of the President remain vacant. The Comptroller is responsible for SGC-BBC’s finances, supervises income and expenditures, keeping track of all ingoing and outgoing money. Comptroller pretty much serves as chief accountant for SGC-BBC.

Battle hopes to hire a comptroller who is reliable and dedicated.

Katherine Bernardoni [left] presents her case to be Chief-of-Staff to the Student Government Council at Biscayne Bay Campus during their general meeting on Aug. 25.

Battle and her council are aggressively working to increase school spirit by taking measures to award students wearing University apparel. In addition, They also have plans to create a lounge area where students can occupy their free time on campus.

"Back in the day BBC was the place to be, but now MMC is the major campus and we are striving to bring change to BBC so that there is life here as well," said Higgs.

Battle’s goals for BBC are also geared towards community engagement. She intends to use the resources of the community to make the campus better known.

On a broader scale, Battle is committed to empowering the both councils to work together as one, despite the strain. The councils intend to meet several times a semester to discuss issues that affect both campuses respectively.

A New Yorker’s tale: first night out in North Miami

I’m a born and raised New Yorker. And like most, if not all the students who attend this university, I’m on a budget.

Unlike Modesto Maidique Campus, the Biscayne Bay Campus is quite a different story. If you ask students what they think of BBC is, I’m sure you’ll get some-thing along the lines of, “It’s nice and calm” or “This campus has a really chill vibe.” But if you ask the students, they’d like to see more of, without a doubt they’d say they wish there was a social environment on BBC as vibrant as MMC’s.

Well this is for all my newly arrived students at BBC, even if it doesn’t seem like it; North Miami has a lot to offer especially for those of us on a tight budget. I’m a lover of the arts, all kind, music, dance, art, poetry and performance. So I figured I’d take my New York street swagger and put it to work to check out some of the local spots around town and let you all in on the off-campus activities you can all take part in.

Now, being that most of the events I’ve attended in the past have been in South Miami, I knew there had to be some good and of course some really bad places in North Miami. One of the best advantages of North Miami is that for the cost of a one night cover fee in South Miami, you can spend a weekend full of activities in good old North Miami.

So it’s the last Friday before fall semester in which classes will begin. Usually I’d be apt for the beach or shopping but on this lovely Friday morning, the rain decided to take part in my social life so I headed to the Farmer’s Market at Jackson North Medical Center on 160 NW 170th St, North Miami Beach, 15 minutes west of BBC.

Then we have the fact that the market is being held at a hospital. Having worked around Jackson North, it’s not in the best of neighborhoods.

So you’re sure to see some crazies running around while picking your apples and oranges. But, I’d have to say that for another rainy Friday afternoon, I’d be far better off to stay home and watch crazies on Maury or Springer at Jackson North.

After my failed attempt to enjoy a nice day out on the town, I knew that whatever I did tonight had to make up for my uneventful afternoon. To Billy’s Pub I went. Billy’s is undoubtedly my favorite place to have a good time thus far. Located at 732 NE 125th St North Miami, Billy’s is easy and quick to get to from BBC. This place is a definite Greenwich Village kind of place.

With beer pong, dart boards and football tables set up and ready, Billy’s is the perfect place for college students and young professionals to hang out without the high price tags of South Beach.

This smoky, feel good bar is just what the doctor ordered. Stay ‘til they kick you out because after the first few minutes, you won’t want to leave. This is definitely my best pick of the weekend. No high prices for a good time and friendly people all around. I recommend Billy’s to anyone who needs a fun night.

Next place I decided to check out was Churchill’s Pub located about fifteen minutes from campus on 5501 NE 2nd Ave, Miami. Doors open at 9 pm and the entrance fee is normally $5.00 unless they have special events.

At first glance, Churchill’s Pub looks like a whole in the wall from the outside and automatically reminded me of a pub off Bleeker Street in New York; needless to say, I can’t remember its name because it was one of those random, unforgettable, New York nights.

Now be advised this is not a hip-hop bar, but if you’re a fan of punk rock, this is definitely the place to be. With bands like Angry Pudding, Tongues of the Heartworm, DJ Skidmark and the 20 Anniversary Show of the Holy Terrors, Churchill’s was packed with energy and entertainment.

If it was inside listening to the bands play, playing pool or having a cold beer outside, without a doubt Churchill’s Pub was a Saturday night well spent.

With low priced drinks, food menu, diverse people this place is definitely one to consider on a Saturday night regardless of your taste in music.

Bleeker Meets Biscayne is a bi-weekly column published every other Friday. The columnist pays her own way and receives no special treatment.

SINGING THE BLUES

David Ulloa, freshman meteorology major, on stage singing during Campus Life & Orientation’s Kara-oke and Restaurant Sampling Fair on Aug. 25 in Panther Square.