The Anti-Defamation League lists the Students for Justice in Palestine, including FIU’s chapter, as one of the largest anti-Israel organizations in America. SJF members are upset over the inclusion, and leaders of SJF across the nation are looking to raise awareness about their view on the Israeli government’s violation of human rights.

“We locate ourselves in a legacy of social justice movements working for a free and just world,” said Mnar Muhareb, president of SJF.

The organizations on ADL’s list are selected according to the popularity generated to each group, the opinions in which they arrange events and the relationships developed with similar organizations. Abraham H. Foxman, ADL’s national director, said that there are hundreds of groups that are involved and organize various anti-Israel activities.

“These groups are not promoting peace. They are spreading propaganda to assault Israel’s legitimacy,” said Foxman.

“We want Americans to know whom these groups are and what it is they really stand for, which is to delegitimize the Jewish state.”

He went on to say that these groups use various campaigns to “de Normalize” Israel through the use of subjective messages that fail to take into account the intricacy between the Israeli-Palestinian conflicts.

A statement made by the ADL states that members of SJF routinely organize events that present a biased view of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. On campuses all over the country, groups supporting Palestinian freedom have responded to these claims.

“We are united in our belief in justice, freedom and human rights for the Palestinian people,” said Muhareb. “We will continue to fight for our people and bring attention to the injustices that they face.”

Organizations encourage students to vote

According to Eisenhauer, the unemployment rate is fairly stabilized, but “the number of jobs that have been created over the last couple of months is really small in comparison to the problem of over a million people in this state [being] unemployed.”

In order to stimulate the economy and assist jobless citizens, Eisenhauer suggests that unemployment compensation should not be cut from people still struggling to find work.

“Unemployment compensation is one of the best stimulants, or stimuli, for the economy because with unemployment, you’re taking that money – you’re putting it directly into the pocket of somebody who’s immediately going to go out and spend it and buy something with it,” said Eisenhauer. “As opposed to something like tax cuts which, especially ones for the upper income, [are] not clear [on] how that trickles down into the economy.”

Some additional statistics from the report give details that one in five children under 18 years of age in Florida are living in poverty. Totaling 30.8 percent, this makes up the highest poverty rate of any age group in the state.

“That is one of the worrisome problems, because children in poverty are obviously not going to have the same opportunities as other children,” said Eisenhauer. Living in poverty decreases the chances that children have of getting an adequate education.

Of the 50 states, Florida had the largest increase in the percentage of people living in extreme poverty between 2007 and 2009. Extreme poverty is defined as a household with an annual income of $11,000 or less. There were 6.5 percent of Floridians living in extreme poverty compared to the national rate of 6.3 percent.

According to the report, more women than men living in poverty in Florida, with 16 percent of women compared to 13.8 percent of men, have had a higher unemployment rate during the recession.

African Americans have had the largest increase in poverty since 2007, followed by Hispanics. The proportion of impoverished African Americans increased 3.9 percent, or more than double than the 10.5 percent of whites living in poverty.

The report outlined key statistics found by the American Community Survey and the Current Population Survey between 2007 and 2009. Both the American Community Survey and the Current Population Survey are carried out by the U.S. Census Bureau.
CORRECTIONS

In the issue dated Oct. 25, 2010, the Verbatim section contained a quote incorrectly attributed to Governor McDonnell. It was former Chairman of the Virginia Beach Republican Party, David Bartholomew.

The Beacon will gladly change any errors. Call our UP office at 305-348-2709 or BBC at 305-919-4722.

Summit attendance creates conflict

SJP, page 1
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equals to Jewish Israelis.”

According to members of SJP, several Student Government leaders were sponsored by the American Israeli Public Affairs Committee to attend a summit being held in South Florida on Oct. 24 and 25.

“We requested them not to go to the summit because Israel commits human rights violations against Pales-
tinians every year. We seek justice, not revenge,” SJP said in a written statement to Student Media.

An official statement was also released by Student Governing Council at Modesto Maidique Campus President Helena Ramirez, who said that they do not promote the views of AIPAC or any other organization unrelated to the activities of FIU.

According to SJP leaders, however, this was a false statement because AIPAC sponsored SGA’s trip, making it a clear conflict of interest as a political lobby was sponsoring students to conferences as well as trips to Israel.

On that same statement released by SGC-MMC, Ramirez mentioned the request for the Facebook event page titled “FIU-SGA Say No to AIPAC” to be removed.

“We find it unfortunate that students and student organizations at the [MMC] have published state-
ments in regards to our relation-
ship with AIPAC without requesting formal consultation and discussion with their elected student leaders,” said Ramirez.

However, Maxine Hylton, director of the Graham Center said: “SJP members checked with me in regards to meeting a deadline for collection signatures for a cause, in which the student group was granted a table inside GC to do so.”

SJP leaders stated that they received support from more than 200 students to hold a protest against AIPAC.

A press conference was held on Oct. 21 where SGC-MMC Vice Presi-
dent Nick Autiello and Chief of Staff Alina Gonzalez addressed concerns students had regarding their scheduled attendance at the AIPAC Summit.

“They assured students present that they would be attending the summit as individuals seeking information as opposed to student body,” said Dean Williams, former SGC-MMC press secretary. “It was also clarified at the press conference on Oct. 21, as well as in the statement issued on Oct. 20, that student activity and service fees were not used to fund attendance at the summit.”

Eventually, four out of six members of SGA who had originally planned to attend the AIPAC summit decided not to.

Student Media reached out to Gonzalez and SGC-MMC Senate Speaker Pro Tempore Hector Mejica, neither of whom attended the summit, however, they were unavailable for comments. Ramirez and Autiello still went on to attend.

According to the statement released by SGC-MMC, while student leaders represent the views of the student body, each student is entitled to freely associate as he or she wishes individually.

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change in the government
“We need to make movements
within our campus, before we can start breaking ground outside. If we can do it here, then we can do it anywhere,” said Waters.

According to Valdez, students who feel overwhelmed by the jargon of ballots can research Miami-Dade voting guides that can make the trip to the booths much simpler.

“I don’t care who you vote for, just that you vote and that you are educating yourself and making sure that you’re voting for people who represent your values because we have to make sure that we are electing people who represent what we want,” said Cooper.

Guides can reduce ballot confusion

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Florida Atlantic continues to find ways to defeat FIU

Watching the Florida Atlantic Owls celebrating a Shula Bowl victory appears to be how things should be.

It seems like watching Howard Schnellenberger smiling and waving as he carries the trophy with his team surrounding him is simply how the football gods want it to be.

Maybe it’s destiny. Maybe it’s fate. Maybe it’s the football gods’ self-fulfilling prophecy.

But whatever it is, it happened yet again as the Golden Panthers once again make a trek down the Turnpike both dejected and wondering what it is exactly to break out of this curse. The never-ending, reoccurring nightmare appears to be how things are.

The Golden Panthers were able to move the ball down the field but failed to reach the Promised Land on several occasions, the final straw coming at the beginning of the fourth quarter when the offense drove down inside the five-yard line but failed to convert. Then the floodgates broke wide open as the game unraveled and unleashed a chain of events.

Three interceptions chucked by Wesley Carroll in the fourth quarter, questionable decisions with points on the line, fourth-down shortcomings and a failure to prevent the big play along the final straw to create one sent the Golden Panthers to their doom.

The team simply came undone in the final quarter of play, allowing the Owls to run away with the game and keep the Shula Bowl Trophy in Boca Raton for yet another pain-staking year.

AnOTHER MELTDOWN

The Golden Panthers were facing a deflated and aimless Florida Atlantic team that was on life support heading into this annual rivalry showdown after dropping five straight matches. It didn’t matter that this was a Golden Panthers team with bowl game aspirations, the momentum of a two-game winning streak in conference play and a chance to make its case as a Sun Belt Conference contender.

The team simply came undone in the final quarter, passing the ball from the wildcat formation to his tight end Jonathan Faucher.

“I’d run the same play. There’s no second-guessing. It’s football,” Cristobal said.

The wildcat formation went for 17 yards on six plays. Times scrambled three times for eleven yards, he handed it off to T.Y. Hilton on a sweep for another from Willie Floyd, one from Alfred Morris and a three-yard touchdown.

The defense allowed 187 yards rushing and two touchdowns on the ground, one from Alfred Morris and another from Willie Floyd, to put the game out of reach. Morris led the Owls, rushing for 108 yards while his backup Floyd gained 93 yards on the ground.

“The defense started to their eyes off of their keys. They started to get misaligned,” said Smith. “It’s definitely a learning experience for us. We got to learn that we have to finish.”

A crucial moment of the game came early in the fourth quarter where quarterback Wesley Carroll orchestrated a 14-play, 94-yard drive across the field that would have given the Golden Panthers the lead had they scored a touchdown.

Instead the Golden Panthers were stuff on four goal-line attempts with points on the line, fourth-down short-yardage failed Land on several occasions, the final straw coming at the beginning of the fourth quarter when the offense drove down inside the five-yard line but failed to convert.

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It didn’t matter that this was a Golden Panthers team with bowl game aspirations, the season, the Golden Panthers used Wayne Times to take the snaps.

On third down, Times kept the ball and was stopped for no gain. Without hesitation, the offense went for it on fourth and goal as Times elected to pass the ball from the wildcat formation to his tight end Jonathan Faucher.

“We felt good about it, it’s been real good for us in practice, it’s been good in games. It’s a good play. We need to score,” Cristobal said.

Despite not being able to execute that play in the goal line, Cristobal has no regrets with his play calling.

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Carroll struggles in loss; Hilton given Shula Bowl MVP

six yards and also threw two incomplete passes.

"That drive was very important. I kind of blame that on me on not finishing up and giving my knees up. We work on that every day and I blame that on me," Hilton said.

Hilton nearly got the Golden Panthers to reach the end zone line earlier in that drive with a 23-yard catch, but got tangled up at the seven yard line.

"I kind of exploded through and I saw a safety and a corner to beat and Greg (Ellingson) picked up the safety, so I tried to get there real fast and he hit my leg and I tripped," said Hilton.

Hilton, who normally takes the snaps in the wildcat formation, was comfortable with not getting the call at wildcat in the redzone on third and fourth down.

"Coach felt that Times could get in and I was 100 percent behind him and I felt good about it too," Hilton said.

Hilton lead all receivers with 124 yards receiving and was honored Shula Bowl IX team M.V.P.

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FIU has tough climb ahead

that resulted in a combined five turnovers by both teams, a messy end to an ugly game for the Golden Panthers

Now the road for FIU becomes much more treacherous, much more challenging, and much more demanding.

It is very likely that this game will be one that Mario Cristobal and his men look back on when the season comes to a close. There is a strong possibility that this could end up being the deal-breaker for the Golden Panthers, a mental setback that drains the team of life with five games remaining.

Will this be a season-altering defeat? A game that hinders the Golden Panthers beyond repair? Or will they overcome this defeat and make that run that so many believed they may have been capable of heading into this game?

There is no real answer yet. Whatever fate the Golden Panthers are destined for still rests in their own hands.

The real mystery is which Golden Panthers team will show up the rest of the season: the one that appeared to be improving by the week or the one that got manhandled by FAU.

BASKETBALL

Team hosts open preview

With the basketball team’s season beginning on Nov. 12 with at home vs. Florida Memorial, the team took the time to tease fans on the upcoming season with an open preview on Oct. 27.

Fans that went to the U.S. Century Bank Arena had the chance to check out the team in action as well as improvements done on the arena in the form of a new locker room and a place where the team can study film on plays.

Fans were also able to ask Head Coach Isiah Thomas questions in an open Q&A session on matters related to the team.

Thomas hopes the team goes farther than just winning the Sun Belt Conference.

“We have one goal, and that’s to advance in March. In March, they pick the 64 best teams. We want to be one of those teams,” said Thomas.

“So, we want to go to the dance. That’s all we want, to go to the dance. That’s the only goal we have. If we win the conference, that’s great, but at the end of the day, we want to be dancing in March.”

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Students look to avoid failing by staying dry

NATALIE LEVY
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After the failed test launch of their first pair of “boat shoes,” Frank Alonso and Brandon Martinez came back in full force to rebuild and retest before the November third deadline.

The Event: Prof Jaime Canaves’s Materials and Methods Walk on Water Assignment.

The Goal: Walk three-quarters of the way across the FIU Green Library Lake without falling with only the aid of special, student built shoes in the shortest amount of time.

The Grand Prize: $500 and ten extra points towards the next exam.

The Downside: If your shoes don’t cut it, you receive a failing grade (equivalent to a zero exam grade).

“We built the first shoes and um… They didn’t work. So we’re testing out the new ones now. We’ll probably have to make more revisions,” explained Martinez, a sophomore, and the one in charge of walking for the pair.

“The first ones weren’t long enough. They were buoyant, but too buoyant. I ended up jumping in and swimming for about half an hour.”

His partner, Frank Alonso, added, “They were lighter than they were supposed to be. He fell about 4 or 5 times. And the life jacket was too small.”

The Walk on Water race is an annual assignment aimed at getting students to focus on real world issues such as functionality, creativity, aesthetics, craftsmanship and economics.

“The event has been going on for nearly two decades, concocted by architecture professor Jaime Canaves.”

“In previous years it was more strict, only a certain amount of particular materials could be used. This year the rules are a little more relaxed,” said Alonso.

“We do have a surprise as far as our shoes are going to look. Part of the creativity process for us involves a theme. I don’t want to give it away, but it has to do with homecoming week,” added Martinez.

Even though this is an annual event that has been taking place for the last two decades, assigned to students every year as part of Prof. Jaime Canaves’s Materials and Methods course, the shell shock never lessens. In addition to the grading schedule architecture students are faced with, including studio classes, they still have to find the time to add this very large project to the rest of their workload.

“It was daunting,” said Martinez.

“We’ve known about it since Design 1 [an introductory architecture course] but we didn’t know what to expect, nor did we know if it would work at all. It’s not something that takes 5 minutes. It’s something that takes a lot of time.”

“We didn’t know exactly how exactly we were going to go about building shoes. You need to build something that’s going to carry someone’s weight and they need to be small enough that you can walk with them on.”

“But there is always a light at the end of the tunnel; in this case it’s a five hundred dollar light.”

“It is great incentive. It would definitely pay for the materials we used and much more. When asked what else he would do with the money Martinez quipped, “Pay off my credit.”

So what else did the guys learn?

“It is very hard to walk on water, testing is key, and if you fail once you’re probably going to fail 3 more times, so just don’t fall.”

FASHION FINDS

Rachel Zoe leads fur’s return to the wardrobe

I love fur. Sure, PETA and other extremist animal lovers may come after me for saying that, but I do. I love it.

Sorry to all the bunnies out there.

For a while I was afraid of fur. It kind of creeped me out and when I was younger, it reminded me of those crazy older ladies in my neighborhood who would get decked out just to hit up the frozen foods aisle of Publix.

Fur used to be a common part of winter outfits, then it just disappeared into the fashion abyss and people didn’t treat it the same way. Groups like PETA scared celebrities away from wearing fur because they may get a nasty liquiddumped on them in public as part of a protest.

Once the celebrities, the only people who really can afford to wear fur all the time, stopped wearing it, it was pretty much done for fur. That was all until Rachel Zoe hit the scene.

If you ever watched the Rachel Zoe Project on Bravo, you’d see how the tiny stylist brought the classic staple back to modern fashion. Afraid of what extremists might do to her, she opts for faux fur. Designers are now incorporating fur into all their winter designs. It’s popped up on bomber jackets in the past, but this season’s trends are tying them into the military style.

Retailers like Forever 21, Urban Outfitters and Nordstrom have begun carrying faux fur pieces at an affordable price.

The other day I found a fur vest at Forever 21 for just under $40.

The quality is horrible so I’d dish out an extra $50 for the Urban Outfitters version. It looks more like the real thing and the styles aren’t so outrageous.

My favorite way to wear fur is for a night out. Get a fur shawl and throw it over a tiny black party dress and you’ll be the picture of glamour.

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Comedians take the stage for homecoming week

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Are you feeling down, overwhelmed, or stressed? You know what they say, laughter is the best medicine.

The event, held on Nov. 1, will take place at the U.S. Century Bank Arena, on the Modesto Maidique Campus. This year’s Panther Prowl is proud to put on. This year’s Panther Prowl Comedy Show will consist of a line up of three well-known comedians. These popular performers include D.L. Hughley, Kyle Dunnigan, and Iliza Shlesinger.

Last year’s comedy show featured Craig Robinson, best known as Darryl from the award-winning comedy, The Office. Last year’s comedy show was sold out, resulting in organizers making accommodations for 4200 people instead of last year’s 3500.

Alex Parayuelos, the overall director of the homecoming Counsel, hopes to see alumni and students participate, expecting a bigger turnout this year.

At Monday’s event, famous comedians will take the stage, first is the popular D.L. Hughley, best known as the star of ABC’s hit series, “The Hughleys” and BET’s series “S.O.B.” He has been featured in Spike Lee’s, “The Original Kings Of Comedy”, and was host of the 2008 BET Awards. Due to the recognition of his many numerous stand-ups, he took up television roles on “Studio 60 on the Sunset Strip”, and on NBC’s “Scrubs”, as Turk’s brother. He is a popular and well-known figure in the comic world.

Following up is Kyle Dunnigan. Infamous for his appearance on Reno 911! as Craig, or “The Truckee River Killer”. He has also been featured in Comedy Central Presents, Jimmy Kimmel Live, Conan O’Brien and The Late Late Show with Craig Ferguson. His corky musical talent is sometimes incorporated into his standup, and brings creativity to his act. This comedian is a rising artist, and, according to Parayuelos, a real crowd pleaser.

Iliza Shlesinger is best known as the title winner of Last Comic Standing, season six. She has also been featured on Comedy Central’s Live At Gotham, Showtime’s, Paidy Shore & Friends, The Soup, and Byron Allen’s Comics Unleashed.

Event organizers believe the comedy show is a great way to show school spirit, and support for Panther Prowl.

Stephanie Suarez, a chair on the Homecoming Council, agrees “the comedy show is an important event, leading up to the homecoming game.” It is a fun way to show pride and become more involved. Be sure to get your tickets, because it has been known to sell out.

All of these panther proud performers are available to see with a valid ticket. Tickets are free, and are required for admission. Doors open at 7 pm and the show starts at 8 pm. A total of one ticket per Panther ID is permitted and they can be picked up at Campus life located in GC 2240 starting October 12th from 10 am to 5 pm.
Politicians need to present solutions

Giovanni Gonzalez
Staff Writer

With the midterm elections drawing closer, it is currently a particularly important time to gather as much information about candidates and vote. As many as 96 seats are “in play” for deciding what party will take the House of Representatives, which is currently held by the Democrats. Many claim Congress did not get fair share in bringing about this recession, or at least didn’t do enough to stop it. This election may prove to be integral to moving the U.S. back on the track.

Republican David Rivera and Democrat Joe Garcia are running for the seat in South Florida, the 25th congressional district. They are accompanied by lesser known candidates Craig Porter of the Whig party, and Tea Party candidate Roly Arroyo. Yet, both the Demo- cratic and Republican candidates feel more interested in their batters and making each other look bad than in the issues facing their district.

In recent debates, Craig Porter seemed to be the only one trying to stay on task. The candidates really need to get serious talk about the issues rather than each other so voters can make an informed decision. They have to let the people know how they are going to make a difference by engaging in serious debates and presenting new ideas while showing they are qualified for the jobs ahead of them.

With Florida’s anticipated trend labeling economic plan involves cutting spending all around, renewing the Bush administration tax cuts, and further reducing the tax burden on small businesses.

Garcia’s plan on the other hand includes reducing tax cuts for the middle class only, investing in alternative energy and education, and making it easier for small businesses to acquire loans.

While Whig party candidate Porter has not officially released an economic plan, he aims to reduce regulations on small busi- nesses, start an Everglades restoration project, and cut government spending in all areas that aren’t military to reduce the national debt.

From Garcia and Rivera, the two most likely to be elected, we are really seeing nothing exceptionally different from the average claims of those running for any office.

Many have heard about the “trickle-down effect” used to justify the Bush era tax cuts, where wealthy Americans would theoretically spend the extra money they saved from the tax breaks. The huge overpending of the stimulus plan was another attempt to boost the economy. Neither of those plans had any analysis of each candidate. It is no wonder then that many of the campaigns are pushing the envelope on negative advertising.

Imagine a candidate being supported by a pharmaceu- tical company that is advo- cating an increase in drug benefits under Medicare. I am also concerned about the role of foreign companies and institutions in the elections. Under this new ruling, a candidate can receive unlim- ited advertising support from a foreign institution without the scrutiny of the public or media. Imagine that.

We need some form of civility to be returned to our elections. We need some curbs on what can be spent on political campaigns and we certainly need to know on whom it is being spent.

The Supreme Court was wrong in opening up this floodgate and it is now up to Congress to bring back the bounds.
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

DomRep on watch for cholera from Haiti

A deadly cholera outbreak in Haiti is worrying tourism officials in neighboring Dominican Republic and prompting frantic Wade resorts to boost up sanitation measures, officials said on Oct. 28.

HOSPITALITY AND TOURISM MANAGEMENT

New dean will start in Spring 2010

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After over a year of searching for a new dean, the School of Hospitality and Tourism Management finally found one this October.

Mike Hampton will start his term as dean at the start of spring semester in January. He served as dean of hospitality management at Lynn University in Boca Raton since 2005.

Hampton beat out several other candidates including hospitality’s Interim Dean Joan Remington, who was the University’s associate dean of the school of hospitality before Joseph West resigned from his tenure as dean in 2009.

No stranger to the education world, Hamp- ton’s degrees include a Bachelor of Science in Business Management from Florida State University, a Masters in Science in Hospi- tality Management from the University and an Educational Doctorate in adult education and human resources development also from the University.

Hampton was a faculty member of the University’s school of hospitality manage- ment for 12 years. He was an adjunct professor from 1984 through 1987 and full-time faculty member from 1993 to 2000.

Hampton has accolades and awards from numerous hospitality associations including: Educational Institute of the American Hotel & Lodging Association, North American Associ- ation of Food Equipment Manufacturers and Hospitality Sales & Marketing Association International.

Solid work experience is another of Hamp- ton’s assets. In 1986 he founded ISSA National, a global provider of training, educational and consulting services for the hospitality industry where he still serves as chief executive officer.

He worked in the hospitality industry for over 20 years. He began as a desk clerk for a Holiday Inn while working on his undergrad- uate degree from FSU.

“I started as a desk clerk and worked my way up to be a senior executive for Host Mark out of Colorado,” Hampton said in an inter- view with The Beacon.

“He has the potential to do your way up.”

At Lynn University where Hampton served as dean for five years, his accomplishments included developing the college’s strategic plan that included creating specializations. They created a master of business administration in sports management, for example.

His last semester as dean at Lynn will involve tying up loose ends for the school’s 2020 strategic plan which charged colleges to find ways to differentiate themselves.

“We are getting those things at least on a point where I can step away,” Hampton said.

Generations have come and gone, but Hampton will continue to serve students as dean until Hampton begins in January, did her part to keep up the hospitality program’s presence at Biscayne Bay Campus by setting up lectures events. South Florida Business Journal recognized him as a “Power Leader in Tourism and Hospitality’.

Remington was not available for comment but her assistant Dawn Minisall, program assist- ant at HTM, offered insight on Remington’s reaction to Hampton’s placement.

“She’s fine with it,” she said during a phone interview. “She really respects [Hampton].” Hampton’s action’s plan for his first semester as dean of HTM will mirror University Presi- dent Mark Rosenberg’s style of leadership.

He plans to hold sit-down meetings with everyone from key players to students to develop a “very clear direction.”

“I’m very proud of what we accomplished at Lynn in such a short time,” Hampton said.

“I was able to do a team effort. I believe everyone can contribute and have something valuable to say.”

However, he chose the University as the place to continue his career.

“FIU has more capacity to grow and do more dynamic things than Lynn. [This] Univer- sity’s school of hospitality management is very highly regarded worldwide and there’s huge potential for growth and expansion to promi- nence in the international arena.”

VENEZUELA

Business leaders briefly kidnapped

Venezuela’s government promised to investigate a violent attack on four representatives of the country’s largest business chamber, a group that has often been at odds with President Hugo Chavez.

U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS

Judge dismisses case against ATF agent

William Clark, a federal agent accused of killing Marcus Sukow, walked out of court a free man after a judge threw out the case on a technicality.

The New York Times article Bares chose, “Factory Defies Sweatshop Label, but Can It Thrive?” was published July 2010 and was written by Steven Greenhouse.

The article discussed one factory’s initiative to improve working conditions and fair labor after numerous appeals from university author- ities and staff.

“This is a great example of how the voices of college students can be heard if they choose to use them,” Bares said. “Students who feel passionately about global issues and issues of human rights can take action that can lead to positive change on a global scale.”

Located in the Dominican Republic, the Alta Gracia factory is owned by Knights Apparel, a privately held company in Spartanburg, S.C. The factory was a College Licensing Company, Knights Apparel is the leading supplier of college-logo apparel to American universities.

The factory is an experiment that Joseph Bozich, CEO of Knights Apparel, put together in response to demands from student activists to stop using poverty-wage in sweatshops. The Alta Gracia factory has pledged to pay a living wage to its workers.

Knights Apparel products will have a higher cost but they will be priced so the retailer or the consumer won’t spend too much in order to support these efforts.

By the end of the fall semester, Barnes & Noble plans to have Alta Gracia’s T-shirts and sweats at bookstores on 180 campuses and 350 by the Winter.

While Follett, the other giant college book- store has plans to sell the T-shirts on 85 campuses this fall.

This TTR is anticipated to motivate students bringing awareness to global issues and their commu- nity to create positive change, according to Barnes.

Students can get involved in organizations on or off campus to address issues they are passionate about.

“It takes passion, dedication, leadership, and energy but it is possible for anyone willing to accomplish these goals,” said Barnes.

Students, faculty and staff are invited join the TTR on Nov. 2 at 12:30 p.m. in the Wolfe University Center, room 159, where free lunch will be provided.