Czech diplomat speaks on life and current affairs

Karel Schwarzenberg, the Czech Republic’s First Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs, delivered a lecture on Sept. 19 about his life and current affairs.

By making references to China, Libya, Russia, and Japan, Schwarzenberg quickly showed the audience that his political depth was beyond affairs of just the Czech Republic.

The Embassy of the Czech Republic, Honorary Consulate General of the Czech Republic, the European Studies Program and the Miami-Florida European Union Center of Excellence co-sponsored the lecture.

The former senator is esteemed as an advocate for human rights and shared his insight with around 30 students and faculty in attendance.

Schwarzenberg spoke candidly about the current wave of revolution taking place in the Middle East.

He believes much of today’s possibility for change stems from mobile innovation. The growing ways of communication worldwide have “produced another generation” he says.

“The world is changing; but we have to first change ourselves,” said Schwarzenberg.

In regards to democracy, he denoted various ways in which countries could be more diplomatic. One example, by having each economy open their markets to one another.

This shift in international relations would more than likely strengthen the dynamics between nations, and promote positive interaction, not necessarily dependency.

Schwarzenberg shared many of his opinions, and outlook for the future as well.

When speaking of China, he maintains the revolution which took place some 60 years ago has installed much change to their system, however, there are now substantial problems at hand. The lower class is still “helpless,” in the hand of the powerful.

“Within the next decade, China will become the most powerful economic power of the world,” Schwarzenberg said, despite the “obvious misfortune” of the poorer class.

He also denoted that in nearby India, they are also on the rise, and it’s something worth watching.

In sharp contrast, Schwarzenberg stated that Russia however, in terms of economy, has become stagnant.

When asked by a student about Cuba, and whether any resolve will come of Castro’s regime, Schwarzenberg smiled, saying “In his age; there will be some resolution.”

Schwarzenberg kindly responded to everyone and anyone with comments and questions throughout the room.

Grace Taylor, a grad student majoring in biochemistry and biology, enjoyed Karel Schwarzenberg’s lecture.

“I hope I’m not boring you, yet.”

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US military milestone: end to ban on gay service

ROBERT BURNS Associated Press

The U.S. military passed a historic mile-
stone Tuesday with the repeal of the ban on gays serving openly in uniform, ending a prohibition that President Barack Obama said had forced gay and lesbian service members to ‘lie about who they are.’

Defense Secretary Leon Panetta pledged not to allow other issues of equal opportu-
nity, such as allowing women to serve in combat roles, to be ignored or set aside. “I am committed to removing all of the barriers that would prevent Americans from serving their country and from rising to the highest level of responsibility that their talents and capabilities warrant,” Panetta told a Pentagon news conference. “These are men and women who put their lives on the line in the defense of this country, and that’s what should matter the most.”

Repeal of the 18-year-old legal provi-
sion — commonly known as ‘don’t ask, don’t tell’ — under which gays can serve as long as they don’t openly acknowl-
edge their sexual orientation — took effect Tuesday at 12:01 a.m. EDT.

As of today, no one needs to hide who they are to serve the country that they love.

Barack Obama, President United States

Later Tuesday, at a New York City Democratic fundraiser, the president said he had met backstage with some young Americans who had been discharged from the military because of the ‘don’t ask, don’t tell’ policy.

“Of today, that will never happen again,” Obama said. “Of today, no one needs to hide who they are to serve the country that they love.”

The head of Pentagon personnel poli-
cies issued a memo to the work force at a minute after midnight Tuesday. “All service members are to treat one another with dignity and respect regardless of sexual orientation,” the memo from Clif-
ford Stanley said.

Gay advocacy groups celebrated across the country. The revisions, such as eliminating refer-
ces to banned homosexual service, are in line with policy guidance that was issued by top Pentagon officials in January, after Obama signed the legislation that did away with the ‘don’t ask, don’t tell’ policy.

The lifting of the 18-year-old ban also halted all pending investigations, discharges and other administrative proceedings that were begun under the Clinton-era law. Existing standards of personal conduct, such as those pertaining to public displays of affection, will continue regardless of sexual orientation.

There also will be no immediate changes to eligibility standards for mili-
tary benefits.

All service members already are entitled to certain benefits and entitlements, such as designating a partner as one’s life insur-
ance beneficiary or as designated caregiver in the Wounded Warrior program.

Gay marriage is one of the thornier issues. An initial move by the Navy earlier this year to train chaplains about same-
sex civil unions in states where they are legal was halted after more than five dozen lawmakers objected. The Pentagon is reviewing the issue.

Service members who were discharged under the “don’t ask, don’t tell” law will be allowed to re-enlist, but their applica-
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Ismail Khaldi, Middle East and Arab Affairs advisor
Israel Foreign Ministry

A prominent Israeli diplomat and political advisor spoke before a group of about 65 students and faculty members in the Graham Center on Sept 20 on the subject of recent political developments in the Middle East.

But the representative who spoke on Sept. 20 is no typical Israeli envoy: Ismael Khaldi is an Israeli Arab, a Bedouin who spent the first eight years of his life living in a Bedouin tent in the Galilee.

Khaldi’s lecture, titled “Israel Today and the Arab Spring,” dealt with the recent uprisings in the Middle East as well as the current Palestinian attempt to gain U.N. recognition of Palestinian statehood.

Khaldi, who served in Israeli Defense Forces before being appointed Deputy Consul in the Israeli Consulate in San Francisco in 2006 and later becoming the Middle East and Arab Affairs Advisor to the government of Foreign Minister Avigder Lieberman, said he considers both Israelis and Arabs his brothers.

“Israel” wants to see an Arab Spring, he said. “I don’t think it’s happening. It’s going to take a long time... And who’s going to win? Will it be the liberal power? Or the radical power?”

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Assistant Life! Editor

For Tehran, it was a chance to court some goodwill after sending a message of defiance with hard-line alarm over Iran.

“All long after Khaldi took his advising position, the Arab world began to change dramatically, as protests erupted across the region.”

For Khalidi, the message was very clear: “People in those countries want to live exactly like yourselves—in open societies, in democracy... and like ourselves—the people in Israel—the only democracy in the Middle East.”

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EDITORIAL

Cristobal would support cross-town rivalry with UM

Cristobal said that a possible matchup with UM sometime along the road would be something he is in favor of. “I think any time cross-town universities can play or in-state universities can play, with a great example being this weekend with UCF, you have a chance to really pack the stadium and fill the stands with alumni and with family,” said Cristobal. “It makes for a great event.”

Right now, what the team is focused on is their next opponent, the Louisiana Ragin’ Cajuns. This will be their second conference game this year.

Louisiana comes in with a record of 2-1, having lost to number nine, Oklahoma State, in their first game and beating Kent State and Nicholls State in the next two.

They have accumulated 30 points per game in their first three games, the most in the Sun Belt. The scoring has come in a variety of ways.

Out of the 11 touchdowns that they have scored, four have been interception returns, one has been a blocked field goal return, five have been rushing touchdowns and only one has been a touchdown pass.

CAJUN GROUND GAME

The ground game is made up of freshmen Qyenda Griffin and Alonzo Harris. Griffin has compiled 116 yards on 43 carries and two touchdowns, while Harris has 106 yards on just 18 carries.

“He’s only a freshman, so a tribute to him and his coaches for getting him prepared to play,” said Cristobal on Griffin’s performance.

FIU has the top defense overall in the Sun Belt, allowing only 14 points per game. The Panthers also have the top rushing defense that has given up only 99 yards per game against elite rushers such as Lance Dunbar of North Texas and Jeff Godfrey of UCF.

“I didn’t know we lead in the Sun Belt; that’s nice to hear, but our goal is always bigger than just leading the conference. We want to be the leading nation,” said defensive end Toreuk Williams.

TURNOVER BATTLE

Louisiana is a team that has a great ability of causing turnovers and making points out of them. They have five interceptions and five forced fumbles.

FIU, on the other hand, has turned the ball over just once on offense and another time on special teams.

Wesley Carroll, who has thrown no interceptions after three games, knows how great of a defense Louisiana has, specifically corner Dwight Bentley, who leads the Sun Belt with three interceptions.

“He was very active last year. We know exactly how good of a player he is and he’s gotten even better,” said Carroll. “Whatever we do isn’t going to change based on a player being on the field.”

T.Y. Hilton, who has become his main target with 17 catches along with Wayne Times who has 15, participated in about 100% of the offensive plays this week and Cristobal claims that he is ahead of schedule.

One way to know for sure is to come to the game on Sept. 24 at 6 p.m.

SPORTS

VOLLEYBALL

Bjelica establishing herself as a key offensive player

EDUARDO ALMAUGER

Staff Writer

When you walk into volleyball practice, several things are going to catch your eye. The first will be an ocean of about 75 volleyball players strung all around the arena. The second will probably be 6-foot setter Renee Ford, the tallest player on the team. The last thing, however, you are bound to hear first rather than see.

Small explosions followed by volleyball balls cutting through the air at violent speeds will demand your attention almost immediately. Jovana Bjelica, junior outside hitter for the Panthers, is the one responsible for these vicious, round missiles. The speed at which the ball leaves her hand is almost abnormal.

There is one thing, however, that has more velocity than her spiked balls: her reputation. Bjelica is quickly becoming one of the most dangerous players in the conference and a vital component in propelling her team toward a Sun Belt Championship.

Head Coach Danjela Tomic wants Bjelica to take charge much like a certain FIU great did just a few years ago.

“She’s our go-to player. I told her that we need her to step up and be Yari this year,” said Tomic. “That’s the mentality I want her to have.”

Tomic speaks of none other than 4-time All-American Yaritza Rosado. Rosado’s stint with the Panthers from 2006 to 2009 led her to be FIU’s all-time kills per set leader with a 5.38 mark. She is having her jersey number retired in the Panthers’ Sept. 30 home game against Western Kentucky.

Despite her remarkable early season success, Bjelica knows there is always something she can improve to better her team.

“My goal is to be the leader for this season and to be an example to everyone else,” said Bjelica.

To the average fan, watching Bjelica play and bosh over opposing players with her ferocious spikes will leave him/herself convinced that she is at the top of her game. And in all honesty, it is hard to argue against that point of view.

In only 11 games, Bjelica has etched out a total of 300 kills from her spikes, good for an average of 3.64 per game and 13th overall in the Sun Belt.

This is not her best. She can prove much more and Bjelica is quick to point out.

“I know that she can do a lot,” said Lakovic. “This is her best. She can prove much more and she’s going to get there.”

As deft as she is with a ball on her fingers, Bjelica is even better at refusing to rest on her laurels. Even with a tournament MVP, an SBC pre-season honor nomination and a player of the week award, she thinks she has not even scratched the surface of her potential.

If that is the case, the rest of the Sun Belt Conference better find some shelter soon because those round missiles she launches are going to tear through anything standing in her way of winning a championship for her team.
**FANTASY CRUZ**

*Injuries taking a toll on fantasy owners and players alike*

With injuries rattling the minds of fantasy owners all over, the fantasy football gurus know a solid bench can make or break a team from week to week. Running back Michael Vick is a worry for his owners now that his hamstring is acting up and he’s missing practice time. “Jay cutler is more of a playmaker,” “Mark Sanchez beat him to head-to-head,” and “He’s a choke artist.” I will take that choke artist any day of the week. His toughness is unquestionable.

With a collapsed lung, Romo threw for over 300 yards and two touchdowns in his win over the 49ers. Romo said he may play despite his collapsed lung. If you have a steady backup, toss him in the starting spot. A repeat performance like the one he had last week is going to be tough with his injury against the Skins. The Rams are cursed so far this season at the running back position. Steven Jackson is not doing the primetime run he does in the Dick’s Sporting Goods commercial. He pulled a hamstring week one.

Monday night Carmell “Cadillac” Williams pulled a hammy as well. During the first and second week of the NFL, the number one and two running backs on the roster go down for St. Louis. Hopefully, Jerious Norwood does not get hurt in week three. Good luck, St. Louis. At least you have Sam Bradford.

**THE TRASH BIN**

Dallas Clark Indianapolis Colts No Peyton, no bacon for Dallas Clark this season. Between the first two weeks, he has had a total of about 70 yards and one touchdown. The way Kerry Collins is dropping back and playing football, Dallas Clark might contemplate just being a blocker for the remainder of the season.

**INTRAMURAL ROUNDSUP**

**Phi Mu defeats Sigma Kappa with a lone safety**

During the intramural sorority flag football games, Phi Mu matched up with Sigma Kappa. Behind a noisy crowd, Phi Mu took advantage of the miscues and penalties that plagued Sigma Kappa throughout the whole night, defeating them 2-0 on Sept. 19.

Phi Mu’s chances to score early were stung, as Sigma Kappa’s defense played well. But eventually, Phi Mu broke through and put points on the scoreboard when a safety was recorded.

Sigma Kappa, who is still looking for their first win, played competitive, but Phi Mu played smarter. Phi Mu’s game plan was to try and contain the speed of Sigma Kappa with their defense, and it succeeded. “That’s better than what we were hoping for,” said Valentina Usquiano. “We all did a great job, we tried our best on the field. We had fun doing it”.

This win leaves Phi Mu at an even .500 record of 1-1.

**ALPHAOMICRON 12, BOSS 12**

The landscape was set Monday night, when Alpha Omicron Pi’s sorority flag football team squared off against Boss. Alpha Omicron Pi’s defense was very resilient, forcing huge turnovers late in the game, including a late interception return that made the final score end in a 12-12 tie.

Field position turned out to play a big role in the game. Returns from both sides were important factors, since each team struggled to constantly move the football against each other’s defense.

Kimberly Jeacoma, who was the defensive starlet for Alpha Omicron Pi, helped secure the tie after a late interception during the game’s closing minutes. Even though Alpha Omicron Pi did not lose and is now third place in the standings with a 1-0-1 record, and we can see Jeacoma’s competitive streak, which helped propel the defense during the game. “It feels just as bad as losing, honestly, because it’s not a win. So I’m not happy about it,” Jeacoma said. “Honestly, I’m a winner and if you’re not first, you’re last.”

With tenacity such as this, it may be a while before we see a loss come from Alpha Omicron Pi, as they play the winless Sigma Kappa next game.

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Trash him.

Marshawn Lynch (Seattle Seahawks)- He did it for Madden last season by showing determination. This season his Madden rating is at 50 at best. He has only 44 yards this season with no touchdowns.

The Seahawks have no quarterback and their receivers are down through injury. First, the Super Sonics were moved out of town because they stunk. The Seahawks are on their way towards the same fate. Poor Seattle.

Marion Barber (Chicago Bears)- There is not much to say here at all. Barber is hurt and Forte is a stud, even with the worst offensive line in the league. Cut Barber, not his hair. Basura.

Jason Campbell (Oakland Raiders)- Last week against a solid Bills secondary, Campbell threw for over 300 yards, a touchdown and ran into the end zone for a score as well. With Darren McFadden at his arsenal, the Raider’s pass attack will improve throughout the season.

The upside is not too high on Campbell overall, but for any owner who has injuries to the quarterback, he is a formidable backup for the next couple of weeks.

Ranger nation.

Daniel Thomas (Miami Dolphins)- Most owners dropped him after they saw Reggie Bush take the load of the carries in week one. Last week against Mario Williams and Houston, Thomas had an impressive 115 yards on the ground. Thomas proved himself to Coach Tony Sparano. Pick this man up immediately.

Eric Decker (Denver Broncos)- Wise words from the infamous Mark Jackson: “Mamma there goes that man!” Last week he had more yards than he had all last season.

He has 115 yards on five catches. Brandon Lloyd is coming back this week, but Kyle Orton will find a way to get the ball in this guy’s hands. Scoop him up. Ringer.

Braylon Edwards, buddy, you should have stayed with the Jets.

They say more money, more problems. Braylon had a single catch for 21 yards and now he is hurt. He is day-to-day for now. Like I stated before, Braylon’s season is done with. Drop this guy if you have him. He is worthless without a steady quarterback and does not even get targeted like a number one guy with Michael Crabtree on the team.

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THE SHOW GOES ON

Homecoming Week to feature Lupe, Wayans Brothers

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Life! Editor

Big stars will be making their way onto campus during Homecoming Week, including hip-hop artist Lupe Fiasco, who will be the main event at this year’s Homecoming concert.

While there are plenty of pre-Homecoming events to choose from, Homecoming Overall Director Mercy Lavado promised that there is plenty to please everyone from Sept. 25 until Oct. 1.

The Homecoming Concert, which kicks off the week on Sept. 25, will feature the talents of Fiasco, accompanied by Tine Tempah at 7 p.m. in the Football Stadium.

“After carefully examining who was currently on the top charts, we started thinking about the demographics of our students,” explained Lavado. “We felt Lupe Fiasco would best cater to the musical interests of the student body as a whole and also the Miami community.”

Tempah, who Lavado described as a rising star who is gaining fans in Europe, will also demonstrate his talents to create the feel-good concert the student body as a whole and the council ultimately decided this would be the most appealing,” added Lavado. “Of course, with any artist, there are difficulties to overcome between managements, contracts and more, but we got both for $90,000.”

Lavado believes this concert will also be an opportunity for incoming freshman to come and support the events.

“Our goal is to have an amazing kick-off event for Homecoming Week to encourage everyone to come out to the other events. We hope this leads to a larger attendance at our Homecoming Game [so students] support the team,” said Lavado. “This concert will create the hype and excitement for everyone to see how amazing this week is and since this is the first big event freshmen will encounter, we get to instill their FIU pride early on.”

On Monday, Sep. 26, the events continue with a Pep Rally at 12 p.m. at the Graham Center Lawns.

At night, the main event will be the Panther Prowl, held at 7 p.m. in the US Century Bank Arena, where the Wayans Brothers – Shawn and Marlon – will be featured. The cost of both brothers ranged from $35,000 to 45,000.

 “[The Wayans Brothers] appeal to the masses,” said Lavado. “They are known throughout a diverse population and their sense of humor can be appreciated by all. Aside from their movies, ‘Scary Movie’ and ‘White Chicks,’ their stand-up has gotten excellent reviews.”

The process was the same as with Fiasco, Tempah and the Wayans Brothers have shown their enthusiasm about coming to the University.

“They tweeted us about their excitement,” said Lavado. “They are the Homecoming Council usually has 3,800 tickets every year for Panther Prowl, but with the popularity of the Wayans Brothers, they have extended their tickets to 5,000. Despite having more tickets, Lavado advices to come early as tickets run out fast.

On Tuesday, Sep. 27, the week continues with the National Pan-Hellenic Council show at the US Century Bank Arena at 7:30 p.m.

The NPHC, also known as “The Divine Nine,” will perform a Step Show that has tradition-ally been held every year at the Biscayne Bay Campus. Due to

FIT FOR LIFE!

New law helps make healthier food choices in restaurants

Personally, eating out on a regular basis does not appeal to me because of the uncertainty that comes with consuming an excessive amount of calories and over-proportioned meal sizes.

However, a recent trip to Panera Bread answered my prayers when I looked up on the menu and saw the calories that will join my waistline for eating a sandwich and salad combo.

Over a year ago, President Obama signed a health care legislation that included a new requirement for major restaurant chains nationwide to post calorie information on their menus.

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are popping up across major food chains and food retailers across South Florida. Here is a look at the calorie count for my meal at Panera, as well as a few other low-calorie bites you can find around town.

Half a Panera Bread strawberry poppyseed and chicken salad with half a mozzarella and balsamic vinegar sandwich: 474 calories

Combine the protein power from sweet citrus-herb chicken and crunchy pecans with crisp romaine lettuce, fresh strawberries, mandarin oranges, blueberries, pineapple tidbits and a sugar-free poppy seed dressing to get a refreshing salad that tastes just like candy.

Pair it up with calcium-rich mozzarella seasoned with black pepper, salt and fresh basil on a crunchy ciabatta roll for a meal that adheres to all of the food groups.

Note that the mozzarella and balsamic vinegar sandwich is not offered on the menu, so you will need to place a special request, which is what I did since I do not like the tomato part of the tomato mozza-rella panini.

McDonald’s honey mustard snack wrap (grilled) and fruit n’ yogurt parfait with granola: 410 calories

As you can probably already tell, I am a huge fan of chicken. At under 500 calo ries, you can enjoy sweet and tangy grilled chicken topped with fresh lettuce and bone-healthy cheese in a small wrap without the greasy mess of the fried, crispy version. Afterwards, indulge in a satisfyingly sweet low-fat vanilla yogurt layered with strawberries, beetled by an/ice cream delectable, it almost tastes like ice cream! Almost.

Starbucks vanilla almond biscotti and tall 2% milk cappuccino: 240 calories

Yes, it is possible. Contrary to popular belief, you can treat yourself to a delightful dessert without sabotaging your gym workout or healthy diet.

Satisfy your sweet tooth with the crunchy texture of this famous Italian cookie and wash it down with the drink that makes Starbucks so legendary. As a tip, regardless of whatever you choose to drink at Starbucks, think tall so you can keep your waistline small.

So the next time you dine out, don’t be surprised if prices are not the only numbers you see. Remember these tips for a waist-line-friendly dining experience.

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From Muppets to politics, fall’s anticipated new releases

REEL TO REEL

A DANGEROUS METHOD: NOV. 23

Set on the eve of World War I, “A Dangerous Method” takes a look at the relationship among psychiatrist Carl Jung (Michael Fassbender), his mentor Sigmund Freud (Viggo Mortensen) and a troubled young woman named Sabrina (Keira Knightley).

It is through his dealings with Sabrina that Jung uses groundbreaking methods in psychoanalysis that were devised by Freud. However, a patient (Vincent Cassell) sent by Freud ends up influencing Jung to engage in a sexual relationship with Sabrina.

“A Dangerous Method” director David Cronenberg’s first film since his Russian gangster masterpiece “Syriana,” which won him an Oscar nomination.

Two things to look forward to: Fassbender’s role as Jung, his first role that is based on a real person, and how Cronenberg further explores the combined themes of sexuality and psychology.

THE RUIN DIARY: OCT. 28

Paul Kemp (Johnny Depp) trades the hectic life of New York City for the rum-soaked party in Puerto Rico. Sanderson (Aaron Eckhart), a businessman involved in shady property development deals, is one of a growing number of American entrepreneurs who are determined to convert Puerto Rico into a capitalist paradise for the wealthy.

When Kemp is recruited by Sanderson to write favorably about his latest unsavory scheme, the journalist is presented with a choice: to use his words for the corrupt businessmen’s financial benefit, or use them to take down the greedy men.

After watching the trailer, “Rum Diary” looks like a fun film with potential to gain some awards, with Depp bringing a drunk comedic touch, reminiscent of his portrayal of Captain Jack Sparrow from the “Pirates” franchise.

THE IDES OF MARCH: OCT. 7

Three years after his last directorial effort in “Leatherheads,” George Clooney returns to the director’s chair with “The Ides of March.” Based on the play “Farragut North,” the film is about a campaign press secretary (Ryan Gosling) who finds himself involved in a political scandal that threatens his candidate’s (Clooney) shot at the presidency.

Clooney has started in politically charged movies such as “Syriana,” which won him an Oscar and “Michael Clayton,” which won him an Oscar nomination.

These honors prove that he excels in the roles he plays. Clooney also scored an Oscar nomination as best director for his last serious directorial film, “Good Night and Good Luck.” With his roles in “Crazy, Stupid, Love” and “Drive,” Ryan Gosling is quickly becoming the most wanted actor in Hollywood.

“The Ides of March” has a great ensemble to boot that includes actors Paul Giamatti and Phillip Seymour Hoffman as rival campaign managers and Marisa Tomei as a reporter.

THE MUPPETS: NOV. 23

The world’s biggest Muppet fan, Walter, is on vacation in Los Angeles when he and his friends, Gary (Jason Segel) and Mary (Amy Adams), from Smalltown, USA, discover oilman Tex Richman (Jack Black)’s plan to drill for the oil recently discovered beneath the Muppets Theater.

To save the theater, Walter, Mary and Gary assist Kermit in reuniting the Muppets. The plan is to stage The Greatest Muppet Telethon Ever and raise the $10 million needed to save the theater.

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With parodies of other movie franchises.

MARPOL MARCY MARLENE: OCT. 21

“Martha May Marcy Marlene” tells the story of Martha (Elisabeth Olsen), a young woman who is trying to live a normal life with her family after fleeing from a cult and its abusive leader (John Hawkes).

As she tries to move on with her life, she is still haunted by painful memories of her days in the cult. She also becomes paranoid and fearful that the cult would come looking for her.

The movie premiered at this year’s Sundance Film Festival to raving reviews and good word-of-mouth, thanks to the performance of Olsen, who happens to be the younger sister of the Olsen twins.

Not only is this Sean Durkin’s first film, but he also won the directing award at Sundance.

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The Homecoming Council hopes the show will also generate a bigger interest outside of the NPHC community and keep non-NPHC students informed and interested in coming out and seeing the show.

The Homecoming Dance will begin at 8 p.m. at BCC’s WUC Ballrooms. Oct. 1 marks the start of “Game Day” with the Homecoming Parade and the Ryder Business Building Loop at 2 p.m. The Homecoming Game between FIU and Duke University begins at 6 p.m. in the FIU Football Stadium.

**SHERHS, page 2**

Nick is gay and promiscuous. He has difficulty maintaining relationships until he meets Shark – proving there is always a fish in the sea for everyone. But this shark is unlike any other that you may have seen on the Discovery Channel; he has a job at a museum, dates and walks among the rest undauntedly and is treated by humans as an equal.

“The play is simply about people and relationships,” Abad said. “The fact that Nick and a shark are dating doesn’t really make a difference to anyone.”

The production will be held in the Black Box Theatre, located in the Dr. Herbert and Nicole Wertheim Performing Arts Center, which offers a larger space than smaller productions typically held in DM 100. Stained glass windows and a long stage, adorned with painted floors of red and blue, offer a somewhat ocean-esque effect. However, the director and actors alike encourage the audience to use their imagination and draw their own conclusions.

This Friday, at 12:55 p.m., near the south entrance of the Graham Center, students from the theatre department will be participating in a flash mob to promote the play.

The production will run from Sept. 23 to Oct. 2 (Wednesday through Saturday at 8:00 p.m. and on Sunday at 2:00 p.m.) in the Dr. Herbert and Nicole Wertheim Performing Arts Center Black Box Theatre. General admission is $15, but FIU students pay only $10.

**Students and alumni welcomed to join the Career Fair Fall 2011**

Career Services is hosting their Career Fair Fall 2011 at the Modesto Maidique Campus, and BBC Computer Labs and online from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Students and alumni who attend are required to dress in professional attire to be admitted as well as your Panther ID and plenty of resumes for potential employers.

“We usually get about 1000 students every semester,” said Kenneth Setzer, the marketing and publications coordinator at Career Services. “As the years pass, however we have seen a rise in the professional development workshops that happen the week before the Career Fair. This year, the amount of employers coming has also risen.”

The workshops teach skills necessary for the job world such as interview and networking skills and resume writing and are hosted throughout the year.

The Career Fair will feature over 90 employers from government and military agencies to private and non-profit organizations that will be collecting resumes and some will interview potential employees during the fair.

“We hope they get jobs,” said Seltzer, “all students and alumni are invited.”

**Sharks open first production**

**FLUID THEATRE PRESENTS: SHIMMERING IN THE SHADOWS**

WHERE: Wertheim Performing Arts Center Recital Hall

**WIND AND PERCUSSION ARTS SERIES MASTERCLASS: MICHAEL FREEMAN**

WHERE: 4:30 p.m.

WHERE: Free and open to the public

WHERE: Herbert and Nicole Wertheim Performing Arts Center; Black Box Studio Theatre

**SMITHSONIAN MUSEUM DAY**

An annual event hosted by Smithsonian magazine in which participating museums across the country open their doors to everyone.

WHERE: Free

WHERE: Smithsonian Museum

**ORCHESTRAL MASTERWORKS SERIES: FIU SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA**

WHERE: 7:30-9:30 p.m.

WHERE: Free and open to the public

WHERE: Herbert and Nicole Wertheim Performing Arts Center; Concert Hall

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**KAYAK DAY ON THE BAY**

Space is available for the first 50 registered participants. FIU Students and Staff will need to present their Panther ID and complete a Participant Registration form in order to sign up.

WHERE: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

WHERE: Wikipedia Bay

**WRITE TO CALENDAR@FIUSM.COM TO HAVE YOUR EVENT FEATURED!**
Alleged prostitute humiliated by police

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Asst. Opinion Editor

The manner in which Christina Vavra was arrested by the Manatee County Sheriff Department is humiliating and incom-patible with Florida’s Law Enforcement Officer Ethical Standards of Conduct Prin-ciples 2 and 5.

Vavra was arrested for prostitution, specifically for a $20 blow-job. Thank God this dangerous criminal is off the streets; society can all sleep safer and sounder now.

In addition to reportedly throwing money at Vavra, Miami New Times reports that Vavra asked the undercover cop to show her his penis, knowing that they are obvi-ously not allowed to do so. The officer then pulled out a prosthetic penis and Vavra began oral sex.

It is worth mentioning the officer was driving his vehicle the entire time. Further-more, it is reported that the officer then had to slam on his brakes because of a possum in the road causing Vavra to hit her head on the dashboard.

According to Florida Law Enforcement Officer Ethical Standards of Conduct, Prin-ciple 2, “Police officers shall refrain from any conduct in an official capacity that detracts from the public’s faith in the integ-rity of the criminal justice system.”

If having an alleged sex worker perform oral sex on your prosthetic penis while driving does not “detract from the public’s faith in the integrity of the criminal justice system,” then “integrity” is a concept that I do not understand.

Perhaps the Manatee Sheriff’s Office will enlighten us as to what constitutes “integrity” and how this specific officer upheld this pledge by driving his vehicle while an alleged prostitute was between his legs.

Principle 5 states, “Police officers shall treat all members of the public courteously and with respect.” Specifically, Principle 5, section 2 reads, “No police officer shall ridicule, mock, deride, taunt, belittle, will-fully embarrass, humiliate, or shame any person to do anything reasonably calcu-lated to incite a person to violence.”

The humiliating experience of going down on a prosthetic penis, having money thrown at you and hitting your head on the dashboard directly violates this, as it is absolutely humiliating and shameful.

In an interview with FIU Student Media, Keith Kameg, a spokesperson for the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, said “This is not our case and its recommended that you contact the arresting agency.”

David Bristow, The Manatee Sheriff Department’s public information officer, said, “You’re not from around here so you don’t know how many complaints we get about prostitutes. So we’re going to continue trying to keep the prostitutes off the streets.”

No, I am not “from around here.” Regardless, our culture cannot allow for gross humiliation of sex workers by a force who are supposed to uphold a higher integrity.

I do still have a comment for them: high-five guys, we are a safer society now that a sex worker was humiliated and arrested for an alleged $20 blow-job. Bravo.

VERBATIM

“It’s no longer an exaggeration to say that middle-class Americans are an endangered species.”

-Arianna Huffington, Co-founder of The Huffington Post

“Women represent 40% of the world’s labor force but hold just 1% of the world’s wealth.”

-Fareed Zakaria, Editor-at-Large of Time

“And I believe that good journalism, good television, can make our world a better place.”

-Christiane Amanpour, journalist

“Being president is like running a cemetery: you’ve got a lot of people under you and nobody’s listening.”

- Bill Clinton, former president

STUDENT GOVERNMENT COUNCIL COMMENTARY

ALEX SORONDO
Contributing Writer

Consider the plight of the hand-less man who cannot decide which pair of gloves he wants to buy. Severe though his predicament is, there is an underlying problem that is not getting any attention, a problem that is so obvious, he has actually forgotten about it- the fact that he has no hands.

Watching such a would bear a considerable resemblance to what it was like to sit through the Student Government Council at Modesto Maidique Campus meeting held on Sept. 19 when the election of-and, ultimately, the question of whether to even appoint – an SGA Lecture’s Coor-dinator became the meeting’s major point of contention.

Graduate Student Rachel Emas was the first to argue with admitted futility, since the position needed to be filled and could not be abol-ished, that small a price as it may seem to pay this new Lectures Coordinator her $1,000 salary for providing a service already well-covered by the Student Program-ming Council, the money could be put to far greater use.

Laura Farinas, the candidate in question, and SGC-MMC Presi-dent Patrick O’Keeffe, who instated the position after adminis-trative requests and complaints, posed the distinction between Student Government Associa-tion and SPC lectures as being the distinction between education and entertainment. While SPC books celebrities for lectures, SGA would bring engineers, architects, doctors and lawyers – professionals from whom students might ostensibly gain real insight.

The problem here is that Farinas, the sole candidate for the position, placed particular emphasis on attracting politicians to speak on campus. To me, it seemed that her perception of the job revolved around that exclusive initiative. The big problem with inviting politicians, as was quickly pointed out, is that they tend to bring their politics with them. Thus, to invite a politician might suggest an endorsement of his or her poli-tics, which then suggests Univer-sity affiliation with, or support of, that politician.

So, this is an issue: should we or should we not risk wasting $1,000 on hiring somebody who may or may not attract a number of professionals to come speak to University students?

Before we get into that, let me turn your attention to how one of the first things asked of the candi-date during the senators’ Q&A was how she plans to market these lectures to students, in which she pledged posters, flyers, classroom announcements and so forth. Also, let me mention that her convictions on this matter seemed to be a serious selling point, earning murmurs of approval from across the room.

Note also how one senator mentioned earlier in the meeting that the goal for this year’s “Meet Your Dean” event is to gain atten-dance into the double-digits, “Which was a bit difficult last time.” Listen to how just about every senator’s report is punctu-ated by mentioning their aspiration to “get students involved.” “Boost student involvement.” “Make students interested.”

Student interest and student involvement appears to be the source problem, the hands onto which we fasten the gloves of luxury: lectures, movies and concerts. However, if there are no hands to begin with, the gloves go nowhere. Who is to say how much money we have filtered into hopeful efforts toward boosting school spirit and student involvement?

As Senator Emas, the chief opponent of the Lecture Coor-dinator position, so discern-ingly suggested, “Maybe before appointing somebody to be a new lecture coordinator [for $1,000 a year], we should ask students if they even want lectures.” This is what we should have been doing all along, consulting students about what they want before taking expensive shots in the dark.

After a while of catering largely to explicit student demands, once senators and coordinators of varying rank have a solid idea of what students want, what kinds of events they will attend, then at that point they can take the initiative of coming up with the positions and services that need to be imple-mented and executed.

Until then, we should pinch the pennies desperately need, and start addressing the problem of guessing what students want and when they should get it. We must get to know the demographic: their tastes, sensibilities and their hours.

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Award winning LGBT to be screened at the Bay

JONATHAN SZYDLO
BBC Managing Editor

It’s been a hard fought battle for the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender community to gain an equal standing domestically. Don’t Ask, Don’t Tell has been repealed; New York recently passed legislation allowing gay marriage; but what about the fight internationally?

On Sept. 26, Multicultural Programs and Services is hosting a screening of Bob Christie’s documentary, “Beyond Gay: the Politics of Pride” as part of its LGBT Initiative from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m at Wolfe University Center 159.

The documentary takes place during the seven month period leading up to the 30th anniversary of the Vancouver Pride Society, as President Ken Coolen and friends venture around the world examining the “pride” movement, from countries that are notoriously homophobic to some that host some of the largest Pride parades in the world.

After its release in 2009, “Beyond Gay” went on to win Best Film at the 2010 Indianapolis LGBT Film Festival, and scored nominations for Best Musical Score in a Documentary Program or Series and Best Picture Editing in a Documentary Program or Series at the 2010 Leo Awards.

According to Camille Perkins, graduate assistant for the LGBT Initiative, the documentary screening is just a starting point for things to come.

“The screening is a prelude to a bigger project that we have going on in this office. It is part of our global initiative to show what it is like in other countries that have Pride celebrations,” said Perkins.

Playing along the lines of the University’s Worlds Ahead Strategic Plan, the LGBT Initiative is having students in attendance, who are interested in researching the LGBT climate of specific countries featured in the documentary, register to put together a research paper on the country of choice to be presented during International Education Week. The research projects are to be presented on Nov. 16 where the winner will receive a gift card to an as-yet-unspecified venue.

Registration for the country specific research project is open through Sept. 30. “I would like to see a large turnout for the documentary screening, not only as a means of spreading LGBT awareness, but also to get undergraduates and graduates involved in the research presentations for International Education Week so that we can get the message out there that LGBT issues are worldwide,” said Perkins.
SGC-BBC to sponsor homecoming event shuttles

Laura Gonzalez
Contributing Writer

As homecoming approaches, students have started lining up up at the Student Programming Council office to reserve tickets to the upcoming events. But, with the big name acts events taking place at the Modesto Maidique Campus, students aren’t really flocking to the Biscayne Bay Campus.

“The activities aren’t that great to drive all the way [to BBC],” mentioned Jessica Padilla, a senior journalism major. “This campus gets all the leftovers.”

This year’s main events feature Lupe Fiasco and the Wayans Brothers – both shows happening at MMC. There is also a stepshow hosted by the National Panhel- lenic Council, which showcases members of the Greek community.

Denise Halpin, Student Government Council president at Biscayne Bay Campus, is well aware of this issue and lamented on the recent change of venue for the NPHC Step Show.

“The step show was major to BBC. It turned out that the step show was such a good event that we outgrew ourselves,” said Halpin. “[The Homecoming Council] didn’t feel we had the capacity. It’s a shame that the one major BBC traditional event was lost [to MMC].”

Many students on campus said they weren’t aware that BBC is hosting a pep rally on Sept. 26, or the variety show on Sept. 28.

“I didn’t even know there was anything happening [at BBC],” said Emmanuel Francisco, senior journalism major. “I’ve only heard about MMC events and I don’t even take classes down there.”

Although this year’s homecoming events boast larger acts than previous years, the lack of BBC promotional mate- rial prior to Sept. 17 contributed to the overall degree of apathy at the bay.

“I thought it would be nice to meet people and make new connections,” said Desire.

Additional reporting by Jonathan Szydlo.

JONATHAN SZYDLO
BBC Managing Editor

With the majority of Home- coming events taking place at the Modesto Maidique Campus, the Student Government Council at Biscayne Bay Campus has decided to sponsor shuttles between BBC and MMC for the Sept. 25 Lupe Fiasco and Tine Tempah concert; Sept. 26 Wayne Brothers Comedy Show; and the Sept. 27 National Pan Hellenic Council Step Show. According to Denise Halpin, SGC-BBC president, assisting students with homecoming trans- portation is a necessary endeavor for the council to take.

“As student leaders, [we] have to take it upon [ourselves] to assist the students [we] represent in whatever way possible so that they can participate in these events,” said Halpin.

Pre-registration for respective shuttles is required and available at the BBC Campus Life Office located in Wolfe University Center 141.

LEFT: West Coast artist, Jenn Grinels, comes to share her musical talents with students at the Biscayne Bay Campus. Top Right: Jenn Grinels and Merideth Kayte Clark interact with student freshman Victoria Cruell, Hospitality major. The Student Programming Council brought Jenn Grinels as their first act for their Coffee House Event Series this semester.

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