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Playing games and having fun isn’t necessarily thought of as a way to get ideas on future careers, but that is what the “I Have a Dream” Foundation does for young children from Overtown.

The “I Have a Dream” Foundation is a national organization dedicated to encouraging children from low-income communities to pursue higher education by providing them with a long-term program composed of mentoring, extra-curricular activities and ultimately a full-paid tuition to a public university or other institution.

Eugene Lang created the foundation in 1985. It now has nearly 200 local-based chapters in 27 states and has served over 15,000 students, or “dreamers,” as they are fondly called. More recently, in 2004, thanks to Mark and Margie Backbinder’s sponsorship, “I Have a Dream-Overtown” was born.

The first grade class at Phyllis Wheatley Elementary School was selected to be the first group of South Florida dreamers.

Dharm Persaud, a University graduate student, said he became a mentor for the dreamers two years ago to help provide them an opportunity to make a better chance for success.

“I’m maybe one of five Americans in the whole biomedical department. This definitely demonstrates that our American colleagues are facing the same difficulties, and it’s worthwhile since the youth in America are our future and they lack opportunities to progress and succeed in a global market,” Persaud said.

For the past two summers Persaud, who is studying biomedical engineering, has engaged in activities with the dreamers that encourage them to pursue careers in the science field.

The foundation has the dreamers conducting activities to get them thinking about different possible career opportunities — something that’s attainable. Not like being a rockstar or a professional athlete because the chances for that are very slim,” Persaud said.

One example of the activities the dreamers have been involved in this summer is a bridge building assignment in which the children used Popsicle sticks to build a small-scale bridge.

Eighth grade student Christian Cruz enjoyed the activity and got some career inspiration out of it.

“Building the bridges is a lot of fun. I would like to be an engineer when I’m older and make a real bridge some day,” Cruz said.

The goal of the mentoring portion of the program is not only to reinforce what the children learn in the classroom by applying it to real-life situations, but also to simply be there for the children by offering them a listening ear and experienced counsel.

“Reminding the group of expectations, goals and consequences is a constant theme in class and it’s something that really makes you keep going,” said Eric Lewis, the project coordinator for the foundation’s Overtown chapter.

Persaud counsels the dreamers with real-world advice.

“I’m there to tell them what they can expect as they further in their academic careers, as well as to just talk to them and motivate them to persevere. Basically, there is someone to be real with them,” he said.

The dreamers have formed a strong bond with their mentors, but they have formed with each other is an even greater one.

“The dreamers, we’re like a family. We’re all going through the same things, and even though we fight sometimes, we all love each other so much and always help each other,” said dreamer, La-Kayla Lynn.

This family within the group has helped the children move forward and succeed so far with the program.

When you start wanting to give up, you remember your friends are all in this with you, and that really makes you keep going,” said dreamer Jasmine Smith.

Consisting of higher level coursework, frequent mentoring and consistent educational screenings, the long-term goal is “I Have a Dream” Foundation practices with the children, faces obstacles outside of the program’s control.

“We’re encouraging the children to stay in school, while on the other hand, they may be told that they should just get a job and go out. But this is why it’s so important for them to stay focused and understand what opportunities are available to them as they move through their academic career,” said Persaud.

At the end of July, 2011 of the group’s 54 dreamers from Phyllis Wheatley are ready on track with successfully completing the program, with some even exceeding its expectations.

Established by the relationships of our dreamers have maintained their expected requirements, nine being accepted into High School Magnet programs across the [school] district,” said Lewis.

The success of this group may lead to further development of the program and student recruitment.

“These kids are the pilot study for other groups of children who may get sponsored,” Persaud said. “Everything is riding on their success.”
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“I was really frustrated by guys who really have worked at it hard and had tremendous success throughout the course of the week, but we came out in the second half and just played a much cleaner football game.”

Troy scored the first and only touchdown of the first half on a 14-yard run from running back D.J. Taylor with 5:24 left in the first quarter. The Trojans could only answer back with a 38-yard field goal from Griffin, even after making it within 40 yards on the endzone four times.

Towards the end of the half, quarterback Wesley Carroll threw off his back foot and right into the hands of defensive back Dmitriy Miles for his third consecutive game with an interception. However, Troy could not convert off the turnover and both teams headed to the locker room with the score 7-3 in favor of the Trojans.

At the start of the second half, the Panthers got things going on offense. On the first drive, Carroll found wide receiver Wayne Times open deep down the field, who took it 76 yards to the house to give the Panthers the lead for the first time in the game.

The possession showed more of the same. With the ball on the Troy 43-yard line and facing third and 21st, Carroll went away from the Troy defenders and threw to Jair Jordan before he crossed the line of scrimmage, who took it to the 21 to give FIU a 17-7 lead.

The Trojans struck back by going on a 13-0 run of their own, that was started by running back Shawn Southward carrying the ball in for a three-yard touchdown with 2:21 left in the quarter, but Michael Taylor missed the extra point that would prove vital in the game. Less than a minute later, the Trojans scored again off a Glenn Coleman fumble that Tony Davis returned 30 yards for the score to give Troy lead once again.

Down by three going into the last quarter, the FIU defense held strong and allowed no points while tying the game up at 20-20 with 3:31 on the clock, forcing the first overtime game since Nov. 6, 2010 against ULM.

In overtime, Troy received the ball first with the Panthers defense holding the Trojans to a 43-yard field goal that went wide left, leaving the door open for FIU to win the game with a field goal.

Taking no chances, Carroll went to the middle of the field and hit Rhodos six straight times to set up a 22-yard field goal from Griffin that sailed through the uprights for the win.

“That’s what we want. Get the defense out there first and the offense will come off of us. That’s pretty much it,” defensive lineman Tourek Williams said after the game.

The offensive line looks great for the first 50 yards of each drive. They can move the ball methodically down around the opponents’ 30 or even 20-yard line. Then, it is almost like they become a ship in a hurricane at sea: lost.

It is not an uncommon occurrence, according to Bjelica, for her to walk into the locker room and receive congratulations from her teammates without even knowing what they are for. As quickly as she finds out though, she puts the recognition aside just as fast.

“It’s nice that I got them,” said Bjelica. “But I don’t think about that while I’m playing.”

Bjelica has quickly risen to become the leader of the squad, according to her coach and teammates.

“Her leadership ability has improved so much,” said Tomic. “She handles herself on the court and how she handles her teammates has been great.”

TURKULA OUT FOR THE SEASON

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There is only one thing you need to do if you want your team to win a bowl game in the final year of the program. There is no need to go one step further, because you are already prepared to go.

On Oct. 24, after winning two straight games against Middle Tennessee State and University of Arkansas Little Rock, the mood on the team has undergone a massive transformation.

Players are enthusiastically practicing in the gym, there is laughter ringing between each practice serve, and most importantly, head coach Danijela Tomic is wearing a smile.


With a winning record conference record, the newly energized Panthers are now shifting their focus to the final leg of their five-game home stand.

Troy (14-9, 4-5 SBC) will visit the U.S. Century Bank Arena tonight, followed by South Alabama (7-14, 2-7 SBC) on Sunday. The team’s game plan will be the same as always: focus on their side of the net.

“It doesn’t matter if we’re playing MT, WKU or ASU. I want us to focus on us improving as a team,” said Tomic. “A lot of the things we are trying to correct do not depend on who you play. Communication, discipline, knowing where you are on defense, serving game.”

With almost exactly three weeks left for the Sun Belt Conference tournament to begin, the team can hear the clock ticking. Barring any complete collapse, FIU is a shoo-in for the tournament, which is being held on their home turf in the U.S. Century Bank Arena for the first time in a decade.

Bjelica shines

Though FIU will be striving for cohesiveness between players on the court to get them through the tournament, they will also be counting on junior outside hitter Jovana Bjelica.

Bjelica, who had her best weekend of the season, was once again showered in accolades for her explosive performance against ASU and UALR which saw her tally 51 kills and a .412 hitting percentage.

For the third time this season, she was named the SBC Player of the Week. She also garnered a Top Performers mention on CVU.com, her second of the season. She fell just short of being named the AVCA National Player of the week.

Often times, however, she is not even aware that she has been given these nominations. It is not an uncommon occurrence, according to Bjelica, for her to walk into the locker room and receive congratulations from her teammates without even knowing what they are for.

“Winning makes everything a lot easier,” said Bjelica.

TURKULA SUFFERS KNEE INJURY

Sophomore outside hitter Una Turkula underwent surgery on Oct. 25 to reconstruct her torn ACL and to repair two ligaments. She suffered both injuries, as well as a torn MCL, on Oct. 21 in the first set against ASU. She will miss the remainder of the season.

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The NFL is a league that demands equality in many aspects of football. Take Detroit and Buffalo for example. Both are rearguard teams that have been terrible for the last decade. Some teams that are on their way down, did not show an inkling of equality last week by getting completely blown out. The teams on the winning end of the bargain made some fantasy owners quite ecstatic.

Chris Johnson went from "every coaches dream" to being drunk during game time on Jim Beam the way he is playing this season. A mere 18 yards to 10 carries makes owners want to drop this guy. As for the Texans dual-threat running back tandem, Arian Foster and Ben Tate did nothing but produce rushing for a combined 219 yards and two touchdowns. Matt McGloin had a Rogers-esque type of game throwing for 206 and finding the end zone twice in the Texans 41-7 win. In Kansas City’s 28-0 blowout over the Oakland Raiders, both Raider quarterbacks threw a measly six interceptions together to aid the Chief’s victory. Looks like Carson Palmer did not immediately pan out for the first round pick they traded to get him. The Chiefs’ defense had a field day returning two of the six interceptions to the house.

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Student views makeup as art

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Sophomore Kayla Carcone is an artist like any other; only her canvas is a face and her medium is makeup.

For two years, Carcone, who is studying graphic design with a minor in French, has been driving force behind her company, Kay G. Makeup. By word of mouth, she has obtained a diverse clientele. Carcone is capable of creating anything from a fantasy look for a photo shoot to a look for a formal event -- and everything in between.

She is constantly experimenting with makeup in her free time and practicing new looks she can use on her clients. She is inspired by people, the feel of places and art she encounters. Oftentimes, she creates simple Hollywood looks for models and clients, and has recreated more dramatic looks from movies, like those found in the film "Black Swan."

"If I try my best to come up with unique looks and concepts for my clients," Carcone said. Recently, she worked with Blast Em Photography to create a both edgy and soft look for a model. [The experience] gives me creative freedom to take their concept wherever I want to; that’s when I can truly show my talent," said Carcone. In spring 2011, the two clubs, Le Cercle Français and Pi Delta Phi, usually run out of steam, marking the end of a franchise. "Paranormal Activity 3," however, manages to do quite the opposite, as it further explores the origins of the demonic entity of this franchise and comes up with more scare that will cause your pulse to race a mile a minute. As a prequel to the previous films, this movie is set in 1988 where sisters Katie (Chloe Grace Moretz) and Kristi (Jessica Tyler Brown) first encounter the demon, which Kristi thinks is an invisible friend named Toby. Strange things start happening around the house, forcing the two sisters to call in help for formals.

"The only way to keep it in people’s minds is to have the members under the Council for Student Organizations, and because the clubs meet higher criteria as specified through CSO, they are given specific allocation of up to $2,000 for the semester. These funds are what allows Le Cercle Français and Pi Delta Phi to present semester-long activities like the film festivals to the University. Both clubs also plan on hosting a starring party, Le Petit Prince, at the University’s Astropad on Nov. 15, along with Voya geurs, a special art exhibit by two of Garcia’s alumni students, at the Frost Art Museum on Nov. 16.

As the advisor of both clubs, Garcia says that the 10 appointed officers, who dedicate a lot of time into planning and hosting all of the events, do the bulk of the work and are responsible for the outcome. "Teamwork is something that is rewarding, which is the result of working together throughout a semester," expressed Garcia. Garcia believes that these clubs are useful for many reasons, aside from the social outcomes and relationships built with people who have the same interests. They also provide lessons in everyday skills needed in and out of college, which are gained through experiences as officers and members of an organization.

As far as expanding the events within a semester, Garcia said she does not believe that more can be done because the members are already doing a lot. Garcia’s main aspiration for the clubs is to grow internally so that they may be able to host more events.

The two clubs keep the film festivals as a consistent part of their semester plan ning because of the subtle and unexpected effects it can have on its audience. "Films are like books; they are a form of art that can help you find and learn a lot about yourself," said Garcia.
Scaring up the latest fright with a new release, "Paranormal Activity 3" brings on the spooky action.

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which causes the girls’ stepfather Dennis (Christopher Nicolas Smith), a videographer, to set camera around the house despite the objection of his wife Julie (Lauren Bittner). Bizarre and strange occurrences begin to manifest within the house that are more than just things going bump in the night.

Directed by Henry Joost and Ariel Schulman ("Catfish"), they establish a tense mood in the beginning to maintain that mood throughout this film. The scary stuff is not just limited to the nighttime this time around as some of the scary moments in "Paranormal Activity 3" occur in broad daylight.

The editing plays an essential role in this film in order to help orchestrate the upcoming scary moments. Jump cuts are greatly used throughout the film, whether it is a stationary camera shot of a bedroom at night or the panning shots of a camera atop an oscillating fan, which help build an incredible amount of tension.

The best part about this movie is the anticipation of the scares and scanning the scene to see what is out of the norm within the frame. When the scares do occur, they are not just cheap "gotcha" moments (including an awesome scare that occurs early in the movie) -- they are truly real, intense scares.

Screenwriter Christopher B. Landon expands the mythology of the franchise by exploring the history and possible origins of the demon that has been haunting Katie and Kristi. The story in this movie is careful in not unveiling everything, which leaves room for next year’s possible fourth movie. As a prequel, there are direct connections to the first two films that include cameos from Katie Featherston and Sprague Grayden, who played the older Katie and Kristi in the previous films. However, moviegoers unfamiliar with the "Paranormal Activity" movies can still enjoy this film as a standalone scary movie.

Sometimes, the acting is not the most important and essential thing in "found footage" films like this one. Cengery and Brown, the child actors of "Paranormal Activity 3," are truly fantastic as the much younger versions of Katie and Kristi.

The haunting starts off innocent with sounds of footsteps and lights flickering on and off. As the movie progresses, the entity eventually becomes violent, especially inflicting pain on some of the adults and torturing the little girls using its supernatural powers.

"Paranormal Activity 3" relies on the formula that made the previous "Paranormal Activity" films successful, but it does lack the originality that made the first film so frightening.

Among the horror remakes and sequels to come out this year, "The Thing," "Paranormal Activity 3" shines above it all as not only the best installment of the series, but one of the best horror films to come out this year. Thanks to the filmmakers, they manage to keep this relatively new horror franchise as a breath of fresh air in the horror genre.

Best to Reel is a weekly movie review column. Look for it every Friday this fall.

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**PARANORMAL Activity 3 “breath of fresh air” in horror genre**
The frivolity of the Oct. 21 University-wide meeting, followed by the messiness of the Oct. 24 Student Government Council at Modesto Maidique Campus meeting, has made it clear that the root of the Student Government Association’s troubles has to do with procedural uncertainty — a fear of doing something wrong that is so crippling that the council ends up doing nearly nothing at all.

The first of the two bills discussed during Monday’s SGC-MMC meeting was Senate Resolution 1109, initiating a pilot project for Connor Mautner’s, SGC-MMC President Patrick O’Keefe’s executive assistant, $40 million solar garden initiative.

The pilot project will set up a solar garden on the roof of MMC’s Graham Center and at Biscayne Bay Campus’ Welico University Center.

Apart from some of the senators forgetting their initial enthusiasm for the project when it was proposed during last week’s meeting, the Senate’s decision was delayed by a 20-minute endeavor to correct the bill’s grammatical errors and linguistic shortcomings, a job generally reserved for the Rules, Legislation and Judicial Affairs Committee.

An insightful suggestion to refer the bill back to the Rules Committee for editing and partial rewriting sparked such dissent that it was called to a vote. On the matter of whether to continue correcting the errors during the meeting, or to send the bill back to be the committee appointed to do such things, the Senate voted to devote their meeting time to nitpicking over the grammar problems.

So, on they went, passing motions to erase a comma, change a word, move a period. Finally, at the 20-minute mark, Comptroller Cristina Lorenzo spoke up from the back row to reprimand the Senate for “wasting their meeting.” The sight of the Senate, so devoted to the recursive and increasingly contentious effort of re-writing a bill almost word-by-word offers some insight into the Senate’s issues with prioritization and organization.

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Furthermore, students from low income areas consistently score lower than their more affluent peers, which points to biases within the questions themselves. Also, lower scores in the reading and writing sections have been linked to students not having English as a first language, according to ABC News. By making the questions more complicated, the state is only serving to further hinder its students from advancement.

Currently, Florida is set to raise its standards, and become one of the five states to require a four-year degree to graduate. According to the Miami Herald, the scoring system of the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test will remain the same — a scale of one to five, with a three considered satisfactory. However, the road to get to a test score of five will require a higher level of performance than before, most likely due to more complex multiple choice questions and writing prompts.

Making the FCAT passage standards more difficult creates a very unique problem. According to a report on Tampa Bay Online, while the new scoring standards will improve the reading score passage rate of third grade students, it will make the scores of tenth graders drop like a stone from 72 to 56 percent. This inconsistency is, aside from passing, exacerbating an issue of critical of the FCAT, including myself, have had for some time.

It is no secret that every year, thousands of Florida students fail the FCAT. According to ABC News, one in four fourth graders will not go to the fifth grade and 13,000 high school seniors will not graduate due to failing the exam.

I have always pointed out that failure of the FCAT is linked to failure to teach. Even with specialized classes and curriculums that tend to “teach to the test,” one too many students still fail it. Unless the actual standards of teaching improve, raising the passing standards will do nothing to improve the FCAT passage rate, and will do everything to make it even worse.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

This Friday, Oct. 28, a Golden Panther returns to her alma mater. This former FIU graduate will speak on the "Challenges to U.S. Foreign Policy" at the Law School. I’m talking about Congresswoman Ileana Ros-Lehtinen, Chair of House Committee on Foreign Affairs.

While I won’t be able to make it to the lecture, I can only imagine what will be discussed by the Congresswoman. Current affairs like Gaddafi’s death and an ever changing Arab World will be a hot topic to be discussed. Syria, Iran and North Korea, who according to the Congresswoman constitutes a list of “rogue states” may be discussed as well.

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SGC-BBC President’s impeachment motion voted down

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Over the course of two Student Government Council at Biscayne Bay Campus Senate meetings, one SGC-BBC General Meeting, the impeachment of SGC-BBC President Denise Halpin has been put onto the agenda and then brought to a vote, all by SGC-BBC graduate school senator and chair of the Rules, Legislation and Judiciary chair, Sagine Delly. At the Oct. 26 SGC-BBC General Meeting, Delly motioned to begin the impeachment of SGC-BBC President Denise Halpin, but Delly had her list of charges against the president.

After the council was finished with a special meeting’s agenda, Halpin opened to floor for discussion based on Delly’s allegations.

Delly, without hesitation, motioned for impeachment in order to begin the impeachment process. The motion was seconded by SGC-BBC Senate Speaker Paolo Haspel, only to be voted down by a vote of two in favor, five opposed, with one senator abstaining.

The reading of Delly’s charges and the motion to impeach Halpin came in the wake of the Oct. 24 SGC-BBC Senate meeting, which saw a quick change of attitudes towards opening the Senate floor to the discussion of SGC-BBC President Denise Halpin’s impeachment.

When the Senate reached the point in the agenda designated for said discussions during the Oct. 24 meeting, at which Halpin was not present for but was invited by the Senate to attend, Delly’s motion to remove the impeachment discussions from the agenda.

However, during the Oct. 17 SGC-BBC Senate meeting, Delly motioned to discuss the potential impeachment of Halpin which passed by a vote of five in favor, two opposed and four abstentions.

“I had a talk with Halpin and there’s no purpose for impeachment,” said Delly during the discussion for the motion to remove impeachment discussions from the Senate’s agenda.

On Oct. 24, Delly sent Student Media a document dated on Oct. 19 titled, “List of Concerns with President Halpin,” that was originally sent out to SGC-BBC.

The document alleges that Halpin merits impeachment based on incompetence, nonfeasance and of being in violation of the Student Government Association Constitution and Statutes. The document mentions that Halpin was allegedly in violation of seven statutes and one article of the SGA Constitution. These allegations have not been substantiated, however.

Two of the statutes Delly listed were not duties of the president but of the vice president and the chief of staff. Because they fell under the executive branch, Delly felt that Halpin had failed to be accountable for not fulfilling their responsibilities as outlined in the SGC-BBC Statutes.

LOWER DIVISION SENATOR APPOINTED

Christopher Morisio, freshman biology major, was appointed to the Lower Division Senator seat with four senators voting in favor, four voting against and one abstaining at the Oct. 24 Senate meeting.

CHIEF JUSTICE APPOINTED

Richard Arizmendi was unanimously appointed SGC-BBC chief justice at the SGC-BBC General Meeting on Oct. 26.

The Student Government Council at Biscayne Bay Campus will be having its fifth annual Day on the Bay Clean Up on Oct. 29th at 8:30 a.m. Students are encouraged to come clean up the bay area from the Hospitality Management Building to the D. Gonzales Kovens Conference Center.

Students can expect two food trucks for those who help out, a chance to win giveaways and pool activities to be available for their enjoyment.

SGC-BBC expects to have 50 to 70 people show up to help, and will be put into groups of five to collect the litter and will have a list to check off for everyone to mark off what trash they find to keep track of the litter they collect.

The first 80 to register will receive free swimming wear for the pool. Additional free swimming wear will be available for people who sign up to help.

"One thing we are considering is moving the color machine and using it purely for color only and birds in particular have been affected by the color machine," Trantenberg said. "And replacing the old black and white machine with a bigger, higher-end machine that can handle the amount of work we are going to restrict this. The amount of paper and ink has to come out of someone’s pocket.”

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