Senior League Baseball's West Palm Beach Tropics may make a home at FAU. See Story page 13

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Donors pitch in to save sports banquet

By MIKE MATUTE Sun News Editor

Worries over an athletic banquet that was to be cancelled have been calmed thanks to the donations of individuals from inside and outside the university, said Lois Williams, assistant director of Athletics.

The banquet will go on tomorrow evening as scheduled at the Park Place Suite Hotel here in Boca Raton.

Plans for the banquet were being

played down and a barbeque was going to take its place. Eventually, because of a shortage in funding, all plans were cancelled

Word of the cancellation spread quickly and a sports column in a local newspaper prompted a response from the university and the community.

Williams said that the department called on season ticket holders to ask each of them to underwrite a student so that he or she could attend the banquet. She said that she was overwhelmed by the

response from groups and individuals both inside and outside the university who pooled resources to fund the banquet.

Funding for the banquet usually comes from the FAU Foundation and ultimately the Owl Club, an athletic booster club.

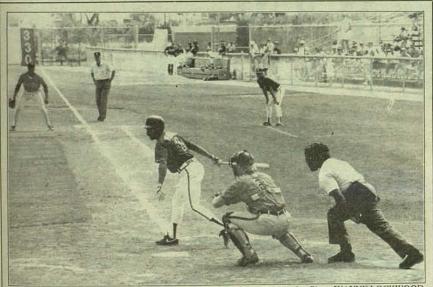
Williams said that the shortage was not a budget error. "Everyone knew it would be close," she said.

Funding for the banquet has dipped into reserves for the last two years Williams said. The Athletic Department and the hotel reached an agreement in which the hotel is charging its cost and gratuity. In return, FAU is providing the hotel an advertising billboard valued at \$1,500 on its baseball stadium fence.

"We thought it would be good for community relations," said Libby Nelson, the sales manager for the hotel.

Nelson, an FAU alumnus, said that the hotel has done business before with the

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Sun Photo/WAYNE LOCKWOOD

It's a hit

Atlanta Braves outfielder Oddibe McDowell takes his cuts during a Grapefruit League game against the Baltimore Orioles last week in West Palm Beach. The lockout-delayed regular season opened Monday.

USF student paper in trouble

By WAYNE LOCKWOOD
Assistant News Editor

The only on-campus daily newpaper left in Florida is in financial trouble.

After a short-lived funding scare from the USF student government, the Tampa university's daily newspaper, The Oracle, will still be operating with SG funding next year, but not for much longer than that.

In what was described as a "phase-out" program, the student government has been trying for the past five years to remove

The Oracle from the budget. Under the plan, this was to be the last year the paper would get student monies.

"(The Oracle) is still going to exist, the way it looks now, but as to what extent, I don't know," said Student Body President Brian Tannenbaum.

"We're into a philosophical discussion about SG supporting The Oracle," said Chuck Hewitt, dean of students. "SG has philosophically felt for years that the Oracle should get income from ad revenue," he said.

Jim Tomlin, Managing Editor

of The Oracle, feels that SG expects too much from them.

"They expect us to compete with the Tribune and the Times for ad revenue, but we're just in a different market," he said.

The Oracle staff appealed to SG for money after they got a memo that said they would be "zero funded" for 1990-91. What they will likely get is a \$60,000 advertising contract, and a \$12,000 direct allocation.

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Telescope finally finds a home

By ZEBADIAH JONES Sun Staff Writer

The new science and engineering building, which was dedicated two weeks ago in a fan-fare ceremony, will especially benefit the physics department, specifically the teaching of astronomy.

Stephen Breunn, professor of physics, stated that the new building's rooftop observatory was built to house a 10 inch telescope already possessed by the astronomy department.

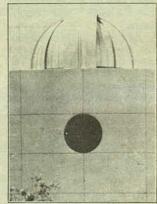
"The ten inch telescope's been around awhile, but has been hard to haul around because of its size," Bruenn said.

Questions arose about the location of the observatory atop the new building not being very good for optical observation, due to the weather and proximity to the beach.

When asked if the observatory was in a good location, Breunn replied, "No, not at all. For optical observation you need a dark sky, and we're situated in the middle of Boca. You want to be out of the way."

"You also have to look for a steady sky, where the atmosphere is not too turbulent. This is because you don't want to have too much scing," Breunn stated.

Scing is the term used to identify the atmosphere's tendency to cause a star to appear to be twinkling when closer to the horizon. This causes time elapsed photography to appear blurry, thus making the photos unusable,



Sun Photo/MIKE MATUTE

The empty observatory

Breunn said.

Several students observed at the building's dedication that the observatory's location on the east side of the building was situated in such a way that its view westward was blocked by an outcroped housing containing elevator and air conditioning equipment.

"You won't be able to see far west," Breunn confirmed, adding, "But then again, you don't want to look far through the atmosphere anyway. You want to wait until the object of study is higher in the sky, to get a clearer view."

The observatory, which is at present empty pending the installation of the telescope, will be used to teach students astronomy, providing the hands on training of astronomical equipment.

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College of Engineering and the Department of Continuing Education.

Two hundred and fifty four people are scheduled to attend tomorrow's event.

Newspaper phasing out

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For the current year, they will receive \$18,810 to cover costs, when the entire deal with SG is finally settled.

"The budget hasn't even been read once," said Tannenbaum, and it has to be read three times before the money can be allo-

SG feels that a paper supported by student fees and student government, cannot responsibly and accurately report the news.

"We want a fair newspaper that reports the news accurately. Some feel that by SG funding, it causes coersion to run certain stories," said Andrew Spiles, SG attorney general.

"I feel that The Oracle has been very fair to me. They just don't cover enough. They just don't have the means, or maybe not the desire," said Tannenbaum.

As a result of the phase-out, the newspaper has had to cut down on its work force. The total number of workers at The Oracle has declined from 65 just a few years ago, to just above 40 today.

Tannenbaum noted that The Oracle may be dropping its Friday edition in response to the budget crunch. The Oracle's Editor-in-Chief, Robert Mortellaro, could not be reached for a response at press time.

Apparently, there is no indication that the paper will be going independent, like three other Florida papers, The Indpendent Alligator, at UF, The Flambeau, at FSU, and The Independent Atlantic Sun, at FAU.

"It's been talked about," said Tomlin. "I think that there are people here who would like that, but the majority of the editorial staff is against it at this time.

Tannenbaum says that there is no way that The Oracle is going the independent route in the near future.

"That will not happen," he said. They're not ready to go that way; they just don't have what it takes to go independent right

The Oracle, voted "Best Col-lege Daily in the Southeast" in 1988, and an Associated Collegiate Press Hall of Fame member, is the only on-campus daily newpaper left in the State 'Jniversity System.

Bizarre News of the World

Truth is indeed stranger than fiction By Wayne Lockwood

is the mother of Jack the Ripper is accused of plotting to kill a man with a hatchet in a cultish ritual that she believed would bring the British serial killer back from the grave.

The axed man said that he was lured to an apartment, and was attacked by the 26-year old hatchet-wielding woman hiding in the shower, who tried to cleave his forehead. The single hit be-

A woman who claims that she tween his eyes needed 50 stitches to close.

More gruesome, police said that the woman had planned to dismember the body as part of the ritual.

In Augusta Ga., an impatient customer waiting in line at the Krystal fast-food restaurant's drive-through shot and killed the man ahead of him to make the line move more swiftly.

The deceased, Dale Peeler,

order when a man in the car be- the kid's clothing in its talons, hind him started to blow his and disappeared into the wilderhorn. When Peeler got out of his car to see what the problem was, of the parents," the report said. the man fired two shots, hitting him squarely in the chest.

old child while its family picnick- search of the area failed to find ed near the Iranian city of the youngster or the eagle's nest Isfahan, said the Islamic Republic News Agency on Satur-

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NEWS

Professor Ludwig Arnold, director of the Institute of Dynamical Systems at Germany's Bremen University, has been named the 1990 Charles E. Schmidt Distinguished Visiting Professor in Engineering at FAU. Professor Arnold will be on the Boca Raton campus Wednesday, Mar. 28 through Friday, Apr. 6.

Yearbook Committee meets every Monday in the Student Government office at 5:30 p.m. Those interested in working on yearbook can fill out an application there.

Free income tax service is available on Wednesdays and Thursdays in the UC lobby from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m thru April 12.

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A Lesbian rap group will meet April 10, and 24 at 8 p.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 2601 St. Andrews Blvd., in Boca Raton. For more information write P.O. Box 485, Deerfield Bch., Fl. 33443.

SG Banquet honors FAU student Leaderslast Saturday night in the FAU cafeteria. over 300 people turned out for the event which honored active clubs, outstanding student leaders, and exceptional administrators.

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Student Body election results are in- and the winners are:

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Vice President- Tracy McCarthy.

President- runoff between Roger DelPapa and Jeff Stone April 17 and 18.

FAU Student wins Student Social Worker of the year award- for Palm Beach County. Senior Diana Moore was given the award by the Gulfstream unit of the National Association of Social Workers.

Self development workshops held in

Broward- seminars include-Wednesday, April 11- "Building Self esteem" at the Commercial campus in room 128.

Thursday, April 12- "Stress management" at the Commercial campus in room 128.

All seminars are free and held from 5:30 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.

GLOBE BEAT

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International--Pepsico on Monday signed a \$3 billion deal with the Soviet Union. The deal, which is the largest between an American corporation and the soviet Union, exchanges Soviet ships and vodka for Pepsi-Cola.

Enhanced profits will enable Pepsico to double the number of soft drink plants in the Soviet Union and open two Pizza Huts in Moscow.

Vietnam--Seventeen years have passed since the nation was divided over the controversial conflict in Vietnam. Now the Vietnamese government is suggesting that the US Navy return to Camranh Bay if relations between the two countries continue to improve.

State--Former US Senator Lawton Chiles confirmed Monday that he is seriously considering running for governor in this 1990 election year. If he runs, he will be competing against State Senator George Stuart, US Congressman Bill Nelson, and former Federal judge Alcee Hastings for the Democratic nomination this September. The winner of the Democratic primary will run against incumbent governor Bob Martinez.

By LAURIE SEGAL

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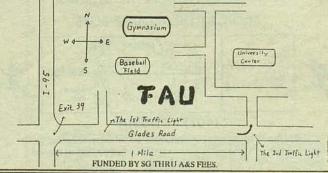
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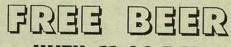
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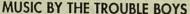
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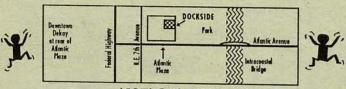
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Nine out of 10 college students plagiarize papers

(CPS)--As many as nine out of 10 students have plagiarized a paper sometime during their college careers, a university study found.

Miami University of Ohio Professor Jerold Hale and two colleagues surveyed 234 students, and found that 91.2 percent of the students admitted to having committed at least one of four academically dishonest practices in connection with written assignments.

department of communication at FAU, said that plagiarizing has not been a problem. She said that very few incidents have occurred and suspects that in most cases, the professors handle it with the student on a private

Of those, 74.2 percent failed to cite a reference for paraphrased or quoted material, 44.2 percent passed off another student's work for their own,

Dorothy Guinn, chair of the 40.8 percent failed to note a word-for-word quote as a direct quotation, and 39.9 percent used misleading references to hide plagiarism.

The results echo a survey released by Harvard University's Institute for Educational Management in early March that found about 30 percent of the nation's college students have cheated on term papers or

In addition 43 percent of

negie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching that today's undergraduates are more willing than their predecessors to cheat to get good grades.

The root of the problem, Miami's Hale says, is the intense pressure placed upon students to achieve academically.

But not all students say that justifies cheating.

"If the overall goal is to succeed in college, you'd think students wouldn't cheat," said Paige Foster, a student at the University of Kentucky. "Our student handbook is pretty clear about what is plagiarism.'

Pressure to get good grades is no excuse to cheat," added Bonnie Wiese of Keene State College in New Hampshire.

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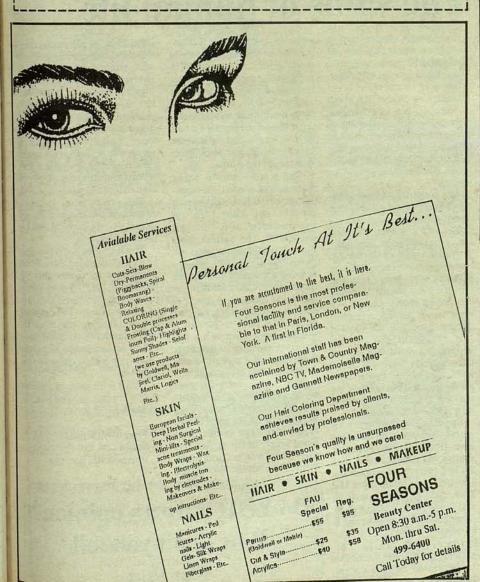
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Police Beat

4/7/90- Help me, I've fallen!- An elderly woman was scaling the stairs of the Griswald Theater, but she missed a step, and tumbled to the ground. When the police arrived, she said that she did not even tear her stockings, and did not want medical aid. The staircase leading from lot 25 to the theatre was inspected and found to be in good condition after the fall. She did not have a medicalert broadcaster on her.

4/7/90- Whodunnit- At five in the morning, a police officer noticed that posts and the chain had been knocked down on Brevard Court next to lot 22. An anonymous person reported to the officer that he heard a loud noise earlier and saw a blue Mazda park in lot 22 right after the loud noise pierced the dark. The vehicle had damage to the left headlight, cement dust on the fender, and a big blue chip of paint from the cement post on top of the trunk. Also, a piece of the headlight was found near the flattened post. Consequently, police suspect that this car was involved in the crash.

4/9/90-Cafeteria chest pains- A worker in the cafeteria, while cleaning a grill, started to have chest pains. The pain lasted about ten minutes, and then lessened in severity. Paramedics arrived and painstakenly examined the person, but could not find any major problems. After some discussion, the subject agreed to transportation to Boca Community Hospital.

4/9/90- People trapped in library elevator- In the latest in a long line of elevator captivation, two people were released from a library elevator after being trapped between floors. Once again, East Coast Elevator Company was notified by maintenence.

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Our View

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Registration

Last summer, FAU decided to follow in the footsteps of other Florida Universities such as FSU and Uof F by starting the phone registration system. Many of us have heard horror stories or perhaps even experienced the frustration of having this "modern convenience" fail in it's first attempt at FAU but if at first you don't succeed... The Administration tried again in the fall of 1989 and this time it worked. The concept was a success and many students gladly relinquished the hassle of standing in line only to be informed that their classes were closed. People truly appreciate convenience in their lives. The easier that tedious tasks such as registration can be made, the better! Although phone registration at FAU was definitely a first step in the right direction, there is still a tremendous amount of room for improvement.

First of all, at other statewide schools, students are given a time slot of more than 5 minutes that they may register for classes. The current system at FAU requires a person to call at an exact given time in order to register. This way makes registration almost as inconvenient as it was before. Seeing as many, if not most, of the people attending FAU also hold down a job, it is unreasonable for the administration to expect its busy students to be able to drop everything and make that call.

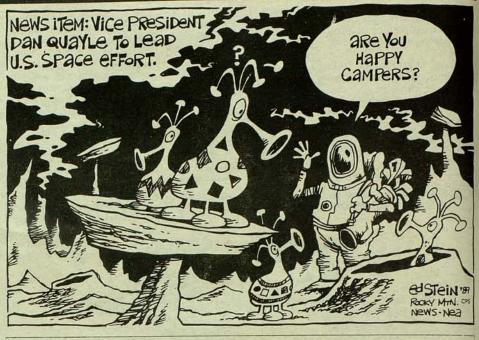
Another related problem is with the current advisement system. As if it weren't hard enough to get classes between the limited registration time slots and classes being closed, there is also the ongoing problem with misinformed advisors. It is unreasonable to expect the faculty to be able to both teach and advise the roughly 12,000 students currently taking classes here. This is especially true seeing as the time most students seek advisement is toward the end of the semester, right around final exams and semester grades.

There is no way that a human being with so much responsibility can accurately advise the students on which courses they need to take in order to graduate on time. To begin with, it seems as though many of the faculty seem to be unclear themselves on graduation requirements and with so many students to take care of, they often don't get the time to ask questions until it's too late.

What is the soution to this advisement / registration dilemma? The answer is a simple one. Florida Atlantic has got to hire more people as advisors. This will eliminate the problem of seniors reaching their last semester only to realize that they need an extra 3 credit hours that aren't being offered. It will also make registration go more smoothly with more people to handle the long lines and the phone calls.

Let's not stoop to the reputation level that registration in Gainsville has. Let's recognize the growth of

FAU and nip the problem in the bud.



Letters to the Editor

The value of human life

I read with interest Gregg Weiss's recent article entitled "Let's keep abortion legal in the U.S." While I accept his presentation as an honest effort to express his view on abortion, much of what Mr. Weiss gave us was little more than a recitation of pro-choice bumper sticker slogans. I found it curious that he chose to "hang his hat" on the most discredited of those

Mr. Weiss tells us twice that his "biggest concern is whether or not the government has the right to tell a woman what she can or cannot do with her body." The main thrust of this idea is that a human fetus is no different than any other body organ and that, if it is not wanted, a woman can have it removed much like whoe would an inconveniently inflamed appendix. The whole of this argument, or course, depends upon whether an unborn baby is truly part of a woman's body or just a temporary resident. Fortunately, we can look to contemporary medical science for the answer.

Spectacular advances in genetics and pre-natal medicine have given us three concrete reasons why a human fetus cannot be a part of a woman's body. The first reason involves the DNA code. Deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) is an essential component of all living matter and is a basic material in the chromosomes of the cell nucleus. Every cell in our bodies is "imprinted" with a unique DNA code. It identifies our body

tissue so distinctly that it is impossible to confuse any two of these "genetic fingerprints." In every case, a pregnant woman is carrying a fetus whose tissue has a different DNA code than her own. It is difficult to reasonably argue that an unborn baby is part of a woman's body when the baby's genetic code is different than that of the mother.

The second reason, while more intuitive, is no less scientific: genetic differences between mother and baby. In approximately 50% of all childbirths, the mother gives birth to a child whose sex is different from her own. Even easier to spot than the DNA code is the chromosome difference between males and females. Again, it is difficult to reasonably argue that an unborn baby is part of a woman's body when it is a different sex and all of its tissue has a chromosome structure different than that of the mother.

The third reason involves blood. Unlike any other "organ" in a woman's body, a human fetus manufactures its own blood supply very early in life. The blood supply of the mother also plays a vital role in the development of life, but the blood which

flows from the placenta through the umbilical cord primarily serves to nourish and remove waste. Evidence of the baby's autonomy from the mother in this respect can be seen in the large number of babies born with a blood type different than that of the mother. Here again, it is difficult to reasonably argue that an unborn baby is part of a woman's body when it has a different blood type than that of the mother.

This argument of a woman's rights over her own body is fallaciou. It only serves to obscure the real issue.

The real issue is "When does life begin?" or, as Mr. Weiss would have it, "When does life become viable?" The question to be asked is "What is the value of a human life?" The outcome of issues ranging from abortion and infanticide to euthanasia will be determined by the way in which our society answers that question.

What is the value of a human life?" Try that on your bumper sticker.

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Welcome to Brave New World

by gregg weiss

Old drivers on target

Everyday you hear their driving skills tests for motorists stories. The 87 year old woman 80 and over. The proposed bill who, while attempting to exit a parking space at a local eatery, failed to put the car in drive, slipped into reverse, and plowed right through the restaurant entrance.

Early this Feburary, an 80 year old woman was driving southbound on US-1 on Pompano when she misjudged an approaching car on her right. She crossed over the median head on into a car carrying a young woman in her 20's. The senior citizen escaped without a scratch. The young lady died on

Everyday old drivers with poor vision, poor judgement and poor reflexes run amuck on Florida's highways taking their lives, as well as those of other innocents, into their hands. I shudder in fear everytime I pass areas such as Century Village and King's Point. I cringe at the sight of a yellow TownCar.

The statistics are scary. Although the majority of accidents occur within the 18-25 age group, more accidents occur per mile driven by the over 65 crowd. State Representative Marion Lewis has recently introduced a bill aimed at creating mandatory

80 and over. The proposed bill would have people over 80 tested every two years. Although I support this bill, I would take it one step further by having all motorists over 65 tested every year. Those shown to have serious impairments should have their license revoked. This would greatly reduce the number of needless deaths and injuries caused by older drivers.

I have heard some arguements against this sort of testing. Older drivers feel that by giving up their licenses, they are giving up their freedom. Where does it state in the US Constitution that people have the freedom to kill and injure with their automobile?

There is enough mass transit to satisfy our grey haired friends just fine. Anyone who can afford a TownCar or a NewYorker can afford cab fare to the mall and restaurants just fine. We do have Metrorail for those long trips to jai-alai or bingo matinees. Did they ever hear of car-pooling? Don't old people have friends? For those who can't afford cab fare and the like, I propose subsidized transportation. I'd rather see the state spend money on that than to see it spent on

that than to see it spent on ambulance, police and reserve bills

from preventable accidents.

There seems to be a prevailing attitude among seniors that society owes them. They feel they are absolved from our local and state traffic laws. Why else do they make illegal U-turns, run red lights and make left turns from the extreme right lane? Either they are impared or they just don't give a damn. Regardless, they should not be driving.

Some seniors feel that this testing is discriminatory. I guess senior specials at restaurants discriminate against those under 65. And what about senior discounts at movies and other events? Let's be consistent here folks! This world does not belong to the senior citizens. We all have to live here together. I don't bitch about having to pay higher restaurant prices, so don't bitch when you are asked to surrender your license due to your inability to safely operate a motor vehicle.

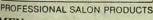
Support Bill #109. Write to Marion Lewis and tell her you appreciate her efforts. Incidently, Ms Lewis is 60 years old and the author of this bill. Don't accuse me of picking on the elderly. They need to be tested to insure the safety of all motorists.

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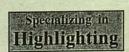
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Dear Editor,

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Wayne Lockwood's March 26th article highlights the major points of this issue. This problem is at least as important as the "cafeteria crisis". For this reason, a petition has been formulated to request the FDA to rescind this discriminatory regulation.

The only way to ensure a safe blood supply is to find a screening test to detect the HIV virus itself in donated blood. Without such a screening test, no blood could be guaranteed safe. The exclusion of blood donors of certain nationalities is not the solution to this problem either ethically or logically. Following that logic, none of us from south Florida should be allowed to donate because of the high number of AIDS cases here.

Please contact one of these people to sign or get a petition circulating: Peter Cottrell, ext. 3510, Dee Davis, ext. 3880, Mickey Getty, ext. 3971, Duschia Hawkins, 393-2961, or Mikki Minney, ext. 3959. Support this cause; sign and circulate this petition; help right a wrong.

> Sincerely. Dee Davis **Disabled Student Services**

Dear Editor:

Diseases have, historically, been public health issues. If government cannot insure the survival of it's constituency there will be none to govern. I don't understand the administion's priorities. Discrimination is not inherently bad. In fact, discrimination against a disease is to be applauded.

A basic tenent of a democratic society is the balance of the good of the majority with the rights of the individual. It would seem that the high-minded ideal, via some convoulted logic, has been refracted to the point where it is the right of the inflicted to infect the population. I cannot imagine that anyone, of any definable minority, being of good conscience, would demand his right to contaminate the nations blood supply.

There are no guarantees in life, except that it will end. One can only hope to have the ability to provide for oneself, the best odds possible. I for one have no interest in playing "Russian (blood) Roulette".

Yours in good health

Dan D. Brown

On Campus

Thursday, April 12

The Outcast will appear in the Rathskeller at 9 p.m. courtesy of Student Government Program Board. Also appearing is the Jacksonville based band Dear John. Students will be charged \$1, Guests \$4.

Friday, April 13

The first Discovery Party Cruise bus, for those signed up, will leave the FAU University Center at 8 p.m. It is already too late to sign up for this great activity, so those of you who are going, have fun, those who missed out, too bad, plan for the next one.

Monday, April 16.

Ray Bradbury will lecture in the Auditorium. The show starts at 8 p.m. Free to Students, \$3 for Faculty and Staff, \$5 for the Public.

Wednesday, April 18

Student Government Program Board will hold another Finals Week Breakfast in the newly renovated cafeteria at 11 p.m. Free to all.

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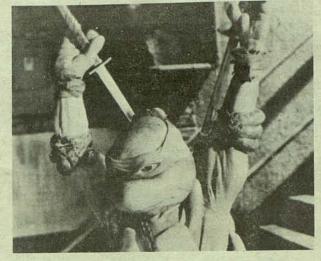
Turtles unneccessarily violent

By DAVE BERKEBILE Student Contributor

Teenage Mutant Ninja... Turtles? The name certainly isn't lacking in shock value. That shock value made Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles an unexpected explosive success as a comic book in 1984, quickly followed by a role-playing game, figurines, action figure toys, video games and cartoons. In light of this promotion and licensing bonanza, it was really inevitable that these pudgy green pubescent pinheads would hack and slash their way to the big

To discuss plot for a movie like this would be a waste of time. The costumes and visual effects are good but unspectacular. There are a few funny lines here and there, but overall the characterization and dialogue are enough to cause many a groan.

Unlike Batman and other movies for children of all ages, Ninja Turtles is strictly designed for a young audience. It could only be enjoyed by such because its plot and mentality are so incredibly juvenile. Ninja Turtles



is not so much a movie as a 90minute commercial aimed at the target market for toys and video games.

It's about four karate-trained turtles and their rat mentor living in the sewers of New York City. It's about where they come from and what happens when they meet people in the world above. But mostly it's about beating people up.

You might say that a brainless romp like Ninja Turtles has no point or message to give kids. In point of fact it does have a message, one that should be of great concern to present and future parents, teachers and counselors.

Here is a film with no intended depth, just 90 minutes of

people bashing heads with every. thing from karate to swords to baseball bats. If portrayed with the slightest bit of realism, said violence would be accompanied by blood and screaming and agony and death, reflecting the fragile vulnerability of human life present in any real situation of violence. In Ninja Turtles. some serious violence is going down but no one ever bleeds. dies or feels any mentionable degree of pain as a result of violence. The effect is brainless but the message is clear. Violence is fun.

As a movie, Ninja Turtles of fers virtually nothing to adult audiences, and -as a brick in the pyramid of war-toy promotionoffers something for children that is at best mindless and unproductive. Like so many films geared toward both children and adults, Ninja Turtles presents scenes with mature themes that, for children, probably confuse more than entertain. Looking at Batman -a movie, like Ninja Turtles, with special appeal to

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Safe Sex with Egg Roll

By ANDREW B. PETERSON Sun Entertainment Editor

Student Government Program Board, in conjunction with AIDS peer educators from Student Health Services, hosted a Safe Sex Party last Friday night in the University Center Rathskeller.

The local dance band Egg Roll were the entertainment for the evening, providing approximately 200 students who attended the party with synthsizer predominated music.

The real motive behind the evening was to encourage students to practice safe sex and educate students about the AIDS virus.

Aids peer educators held a skit which involved persons wearing full body condoms, and talked about how important it is to "cover your fella." A 40 minute question and answer session was held later, and proved to be very informative to the students in attendence, thus accomplishing the goal of the evening: to provide students with the information they need to survive in today's hazardous sexual environment.

> At Right: Biology student Brian Ying (At left inside body condom) participates in an educational skit coordinated and performed by AIDS peer educators to instruct students in safe sexual practices. An informative 40 minute question and answer session was also held last Friday night at the Safe Sex Party in the Rathskeller.



The Silos rejuvenate Sou

By SCOOTER LIVINGSTON Sun Features Editor

Back in the 70s, this area (Florida in general) was a hotbed of Rock and Roll. Bands were coming up like Lynyrd Skynyrd, Outlaws, Molly Hatchet, and Tom Petty, just to name a few. Unfortunately, it seemed to have dried up in the 80s, and for a while, Florida Rock of the 80s was defined by the rest of the country as the stuff produced by Miami Sound Machine and Expose.

Now, as we start the 90s, true rock, or

at least non-disco, from the Sunshine State is making a comeback. One example, The Silos.

Out of Gainesville, the home of Tom Petty (and unfortunately UF), their selftitled third effort (and first on a major label) The Silos is an LP that combines Rock and Folk with a raw garage sound that makes it a unique recording to have in your possession. In fact, The Silos was recorded "live" at the Florida Theatre in Gainesville to capture that "super-open" sound that the normal recording studio couldn't offer. But this is no "live" recordat all. What you get is an album that should put Florida back on the music

Led by Walter Salas-Humara (formerly of the Vulgar Boatmen) and Bob Rupe (ex-Bobs), The Silos' first two LPs, About Her Steps, and Cuba, got the band some recognition, particularly in Europe, and here in the States as a band to keep an eye

With The Silos, the eye has now been focused, and the vision is good, particularly when you give it a listen.

good mid-tempo rocker that immediately shows the raw garage sound that the band does so well. "Pictures Of Helen" is in an R.E.M.-ish mode, with touches of an accordion that add to the cut.

The Silos move into a folk vein with "Commodore Peter," a number about a sailor, a track that could rival any tunes of the ocean genre that Jimmy Buffett has ever done. Neo-psychedelia is next with "Maybe Everything," a ballad of sorts that has a throwback to those days with an organ, and supporting horns, a track that ends with a soft organ note at the end.

A "rave-up" track, "I'm Over You," done in the best Buddy Holly tradition, ends side one; it actually sounds like what would have happened if Holly met R.E.M. The description of "driving down US 441" adds that touch to the track, a song of escaping troubles, if only for a little while.

Side two starts off with "Take My Country Back," a Folk/Protest anthem that is right out of the 60s in feel and texture, but when you listen to it, you know that Salas-Humara is singing about today. "(We'll Go) Out Of Town" is ballad like with Band-like influences, and

features good piano from Jeff Margolis.
"Don't Talk That Way" is a nice mid-tempo rocker, then the pace changes again with "The Only Story I Tell," a duet sung by Salas-Humara and Amy Allison, whose vocals evoke remembrances of Stevie Nicks; it is a track that is about Working Class Love; a subject that hasn't really been touched since the Vogues' 1965 hit "Five O'Clock World."

Latin Folk then makes an appearance with "Porque No," a peppery track that features the distinct viola of Helen Kirklin, a sound that reminds one of Scarlet Rivera's work with Bob Dylan.

Kirklin's work continues on "Here's To You," a first-rate track that has a soft beginning, then gets harder as the song progresses. The song is meant as a tribute to a special someone, and it is a fitting track to end this superlative LP.

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children, Batman has a broader appeal to adults also—one has to wonder what goes through a child's mind when he sees Bruce Wayne getting some scrious nookie from Kim Basinger. The onscreen action is mindless but no doubt provokes some strange thoughts in the mind of a child, and one has to wonder why such action is necessary in a film intended to have such a large audience of children.

The same question of necessity is raised by all the sword waving and fist crunching in *Ninja Turtles*. There's a whole world of places to see, people to meet and things to learn about, but to watch Ninja Turtles it seems the most exciting thing in the world is not living but beating and destroying everything in life. If the producers of Ninja Turtles cared at all about their audience, a movie with so much violence would show some of the negative effects that result from violence.

Seeing a person get their head bashed in with a baseball bat should be at least as shocking as tha name Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles.



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FEATURES

FAU students are "getting high" in the skies

By IAN HOUSE Student Contributor

Look up in the sky! Is it a bird? Is it Superman?... No, it's a plane, and it is quite possibly being flown by a member of the FAU Flying Club!

The Flying Club was formed last semester with the aim of making flying affordable for students on low budgets and to promote interest in aviation at FAU, a school which is, after all, built on an airfield!

Special rates have been negotiated on plane rental, instruction, and supplies. The club subsidizes the cost of plane rentals with the help of funding from Student Government. These discounts and subsidies can save the student pilots over



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No previous flying experience is neces-sary to join the club. All that is needed to learn to fly is the ability to pass a physical examination; the dedication and the commitment to follow through with the training. The speed of training is individually tailored to to the student's ability, schedule, and budget.

In addition to flying, club members visited last year's Miami Air Show, with future trips to include a visit to the Miami Air Traffic Control Center.

The club meets every Wednesday at 5 p.m. in Ocean Engineering Room 170, and is open to beginners and experienced pilots, students, faculty, and alumni.. You can call 391-5453 for more information.

So if you think you have the "right stuff," then now is the time to find out! Ian House is the President of the FAU Flying Club.

The commercialism of Friday The 13th

By LINDA O'CONNOR Sun Staff Writer

Do you know what this Friday is? Besides being the last day before the weekend, and the day of the FAU party cruise, that is. Check your calendars carefully, because this Friday is Friday The 13th! And no, that doesn't mean that Jason Voorhees is going to berunning around with his hockey mask, or that Micki, Johnny, and Jack Marshak are going to be searching for possessed anti-

Those of you out there who are superstitious will probably run home and hide under their beds once they read this. But for

those of you who are brave, here's a list of superstitions in brief: opening an umbrella indoors, throwing salt over your shoulder after you've spilled the shaker, the number 13 (of course), a black cat crossing your path, and walking under an open

Alas, the modern day horror film has changed our definition of Friday The 13th completely. If someone mentions that date nowadays, people automatically think of the esteemed Mr. Jason Voorhees. Equipped with his hockey mask and trusty machete, he proceeds to make mincemeat out of unsuspecting camp counrevenge for his death by drowning back in the 50s. The Friday The 13th movies have been so commercialized now that you can not only find them on videocassette, but you can also find "Jason" hockey masks and machetes during Halloween, and Friday The 13th computer games from Nintendo! Guess ol' Jason didn't believe in superstition, only revenge.

But horror producers didn't stop there. A few years ago, they came up with the idea of the highly successful Friday The 13th TV series. This title automatically misled viewers in the beginning, who tuned in to see their favorite hockey-masked killer going at it. Instead, they saw a wonderfully creepy show involving three somewhat likeable characters searching for antiques that have been cursed by none other than the devil himself. In an attempt to keep the idea of Jason and the Friday The 13th movies out of people's

selors on this date, supposedly in minds, the producers of the show went so far as to remove a hockey mask from the lineup of cursed objects that are in the store. still, the show isn't too bad, and should be appreciated by horror fans who are looking for a good TV show with both good gore and a plot (finding both of them at the same time is exceedingly

difficult these days). So, like I say, Friday The 13th has become a commercialized venture into the life of Jason Voorhees. But give me a break, guys. It's a little hard to believe that a ten year old kid can live under a lake for 30 years. Besides, Friday The 13th will always make most people--especially the really superstitious types--VERY nervous. My advice? Don't open an umbrella indoors, knock over the salt shaker, or walk under a ladder. If a black cat crosses your path, it probably means that a guy in a hockey mask is going to come and chop you to death. In the event that really does happen, don't blame me. You have been warned.

Guess your time and win the race

By CRAIG DORFMAN Student Contributor

Runners Unite! The Second Annual 5K Prediction Run will occur in front of the FAU Gym this coming Saturday, April 14 at

The fact that it's a prediction run adds an interesting twistrunners of any skill are able to win prizes because the race isn't based on speed. It's based on how close each runner is to his or her own prediction of how long it would take them to run the course. 5K is approximately 3.1 miles. Predictions are filled out at registration and, due to the nature of the race, no watches or other liming devices are allowed on the course.

Students, faculty, and members of the community are invited to compete. Advance registration can be done at the Campus Recreation office in the Gym, Room 111 from 9 a.m.to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Same day registration can be done at the face site from 9 to 9:30 a.m. right before the race.

Registration fee is \$5 and the first 100 race registrants will eceive a colorful 5K Prediction Run T-shirt.

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For further information, contact Craig Dorfman at 393-2759 the Campus Recreation office at 367-3795.

Poets Corner

Why Does Man Need

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Teofil Milos

Bradbury to speak this Monday

By LINDA O'CONNOR Sun Staff Writer

Get ready, science fiction fans. One of the greatest science fiction writers of all time is coming to FAU. Yep, that's right folks, Ray Bradbury is coming, compliments of SGPB.

Mr. Bradbury will be lecturing upon the topic of "The Great Years Ahead." the lecture will take place this coming Monday night, April 16 at 8 p.m. in the University Center Auditorium.

Ray Bradbury is a novelist, futurist, and poet who has published over 400 short stories and 17 novels over the years. his books include Fahrenheit 451, The Martian Chronicles, The Golden Apples Of The Sun, and Long after Midnight. In addition, Mr. Bradbury has also earned world renown as one of the best fantasy writers, and has written for radio, TV, theatre, and film. One of his most notable achievements was his script for the Academy Award-nominated film Moby Dick.

You can purchase tickets at any TicketMaster outlet, or at the University Center Box Office. Tickets are \$5.50 per person, FAU faculty and staff with proper identification may purchase tickets for \$2.50, and FAU students with I.D. will be admitted free, all FAU students and staff must obtain ticket through the UC Box Office.

See ya there!

SUNDRY

GREEK CORNER

New ATO officers Tony, Glenn, Randy: Congratulations. Do a hell of a job. Hoops.

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Jen- Zone, zone, zone your Bu Doral Matt, you're awesome!! Thanks for

being such a pal, your radio pal

Michele and Tricia- I'm so psych

Michele and Tricia- I'm so psyche you guys are here. It's about time!! Ho you guys! -Lisa

Mr. Origina. I've finally come to it

Mr. Quinlan- I've finally come to the decision that you are too weird for m Love ya!!!!

Nerdo: Nice head! Yeah right! W should get plastered again soon! -Pul buddy forever- luv, Geeknoid

Pat, Bren, Marti, Dern: We not more 'girls night out' but without the cheese... love you know who!

Petey: Sorry it's late, but happy b-da Hope U had a great night! I'm sure did!! Chris

Puffer: Why do men die before the women? Because they want to! Ain't the truth. Tattoo

Q: What goes hobble clunk hobble clunk hobble clunk? A: Nermal o crutches. Love, Cuddles.

Roger & Gary: Congrats! See, I d not forget U two! No more pain-- hav fun & B good! Ha!Ha! Chris

Squeeze it: Hey baby! Was it as goo for you as it was for me? (Your b-day, mean) Love ya! Flo

Squirrel: It's about time!!! Now ally gotta do is convince Puffer. Tattoo

The two most important girls to m I'm sorry! I love you two. Nicole Heather

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SPORTS

West Palm Beach Tropics to play ball at FAU?

By DAN DZURNAK Sun Sports Editor

The West Palm Beach Tropics finished on top of the Senior Professional Baseball Association's inaugural season last February, and are eager to make FAU and Boca Raton their permanent home.

The SPBA is a professional league comprised mostly of former major league players age 35 or older. It is a highly competitive league which features many

former greats such as the Tropics' Dave Kingman, Toby Harrah, Mickey Rivers, and Rollie Fingers who play for the competition, love of the game, and desire to do it one more time." While the Tropics were fortunate in landing an all-star lineup, other teams in the league can boast of their Mark Fidriches, Bill Madlocks, Al Olivers, or Bobby Bonds to name a few.

Also competing with these legends, and keeping them producing, are players such as the Tropics' Odell Jones and

Mark Wagner, who would like to use the league as a spring board back into the major leagues. Some players use the league after rehabilitation of an injury to demonstrate their worth to major league teams. Such is the case with Tropics pitcher Paul Mirabella who played under FAU coach Kevin Cooney at Montclair

The Tropics are managed by Dick Williams of the old Oakland A's dynasty. Earl Weaver of Baltimore fame and Gates Brown of Detroit are among the ranks of other team managers.

The league is comprised of eight teams in two divisions. The Tropics led their division the whole season and posted a league leading record. The Tropics actually lost the league championship on February fourth in a 12-4 loss to the other divisional champ St. Petersburg in a one

game play-off.

"It wasn't planned that way," said Tropics' co-owner Don Sider of Boca Raton. "It was suppposed to be a three or five game series. In that case, we would have won." Lack of facilities at the end of the season, apparently, was the root of the problem. And these conflicts with the city's contracts with the Montreal Expos and Atlanta Braves have initiated the search for a new site.

Although Sider commends the city of West Palm Beach for working out the kinks with him in order to accomodate his team last year, there remains a conflict with the Expo and Brave leases that begin February 1. Also, according to Rob Rabenecker of the Expos, those leases entitle them to use of the Stadium's facilities beginning November 1.

"All we're asking the city to do is honor the contracts that exists between them and us," says Rabenecker.

A move to either Miller Field in Delray Beach or FAU in Boca would allow them to complete their season without complications.

Boca Raton is Sider's overwelming first preference. He feels that, "It's just a great place for them, and it would be great for the area and the Tropics." And he feels that the community would support the team. Sider, who has been a Boca resident for 11 years and is president of his law firm there, says, "I'm comfortable with the community, I know a lot of people in Boca, and I believe in the people here."

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Besides serving on the city finnancial Advisory Board, Sider has been president of the Greater Boca Raton Estate Planning Council and the Boca-Delray chapter of Florida CPAs. He also teaches probate law at FAU.

Sider would also want the team and games to be easily accessable to the FAU students, and promises significantly reduced ticket prices for them. "It should be an added attraction to being an FAU student," he says.

FAU coach Cooney is very

FAU coach Cooney is very receptive to the idea. "I would love to have them, especially if they are willing to put money into improvements of the Stadium," he said. It would be great for the University, a great help for the players, and a real plus in recruiting.

Part of the Tropics' plan calls for spending up to \$150,000 the first year to expand the grandstand and add lockerrooms behind the present dugouts. Permanent concession facilities would be installed under the stands and a professional grounds crew would be hired (not that Cooney's Blue Wave crew aeren't fully capable). "The lights are great, and it's got so much potential," said Sider of the FAU Stadium.

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The Tropics would also bring national cable television to the Campus.

Sider is confident that the legal implication of such an endevour can be worked out, and is now awaiting a meeting with FAU Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Leonard Berry before a formal proposal can be made.

According to acting Athletic Director Lois Williams on Tuesday, that meeting is now in the process of being arranged.

"We would like to have a real good idea by June 1 if its a doable deal. If not, we would have to make a deal with West Palm Beach," said Sider. You know major league baseball better than the Sun staff right?

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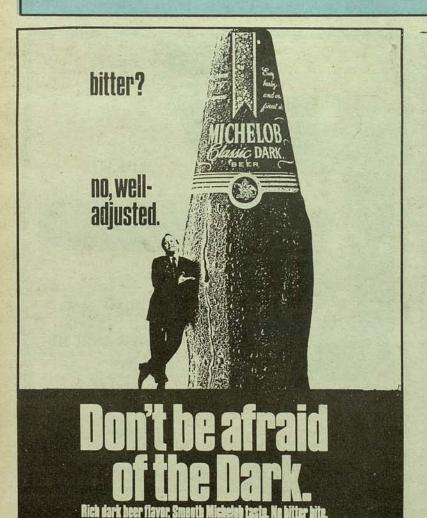
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